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Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11-14.04.2022, information about the 12th Session of the Open-Ended Working Group on Aging was provided on the GANHRI Web Site. Source: https://ganhri.org/12th-oewga/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 05.04.2022, On the GANHRI website, the Guatemalan Congress has initiated the selection and appointment process for the next Human Rights Ombudsman for the period 2022-2027. GANHRI Chairperson Maryam Al Attiyah sent letters to the relevant authorities, reminding the international standards in force to ensure the independence and effectiveness of national human rights institutions. Source: https://ganhri.org/ganhri-recalls-applicable-international-standards-as-guatemala-moves-to-select-its-next-human-rights-ombudsperson/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 06.04.2022, at GANHRI's 49th Meeting of the Human Rights Council, the Global Compact for Migration, which advocated a human rights-based approach to immigration policies and the vital role of local actors in its implementation, ongoing events in Ukraine, Environmental justice and the need for interaction with relevant communities, states and UN bodies. The titles of Climate Change and the right to a healthy environment were discussed. Source: https://ganhri.org/overview-of-ganhris-engagement-at-the-hrc49/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 10.04.2022, national human rights institutions around the world have released the Global Plan of Action, as part of the Global Plan of Action released today by GANHRI so that human rights defenders and civil space have access to practical tools and support to empower their efforts to protect and promote. Source:

	<p>https://ganhri.org/global-action-plan-on-hrds-and-civic-space/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
<p>European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2022, ENNHRI the Working Group on Business and Human Rights has published a statement in response to the proposed EU Directive on Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence (CSDD). Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/the-eu-directive-on-corporate-sustainability-due-diligence-an-opportunity-or-a-potential-tick-box-exercise/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 11.04.2022, ENNHRI guides NHRIs on how they can work with human rights defenders and protect their rights. It has also published its new guide with a database of inspiring examples of NHRIs that encourage, protect and support advocates and civil society. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/human-rights-defenders-resource/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 14.04.2022, ENNHRI has published the “Rule of Law in the EU” report, which was prepared with the contributions of EU member states NHRIs. The relevant report has been submitted to the European Commission. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/rule-of-law-eu-2022/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022)
<p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the website of the Institution on 04.04.2022, in the planning, discussion with the law on the enlargement of the protected Areas project in the planning to be discussed in the EU, the enlargement of the protected areas, the framing of the discussion by design and how it was designed was published. This report is described in terms of socio-economic inadequacy, situation, health in reality and technique. Source:

	<p>https://equineteurope.org/publications/expanding-the-list-of-protected-grounds-within-anti-discrimination-law-in-the-eu-an-equinet-report/ (Access Date: 26.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On its Twitter account on 04.04.2022, The Institution stated that a survey was organized for 500 citizens with disabilities and the relevant results were announced. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1510968319628783618?ext=HHwWhMC95czrhPgpAAAA (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On its Twitter account on 08.04.2022, The Institution announced that a workshop will be held on 14.04.2022 called Equality Organizations Contributing to National Equality Strategies focusing on the Rome strategic framework. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1510968319628783618?ext=HHwWhMC95czrhPgpAAAA (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On its Twitter account on 13.04.2022, The Institution announced that a conference on Equality Organizations Supporting the Equality Plan will be held on 19 May. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1510968319628783618?ext=HHwWhMC95czrhPgpAAAA (Access Date: 26.04.2022)
European Commission against Racism and Intolerance (ECRI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 6 April, ECRI held a debate on the consequences of the Russian Federation's aggression against Ukraine and adopted a statement on the matter. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/european-commission-against-racism-and-intolerance/-/ecri-holds-its-88th-plenary-meeting (Access Date: 24.04.2022)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 6 April, ECRI reviewed its preliminary draft reports on Bulgaria, France and Greece and adopted its reports on Denmark, Estonia and Monaco, as regard its country monitoring work (sixth cycle). <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/european-commission-against-racism-and-intolerance/-/ecri-holds-its-88th-plenary-meeting (Access Date: 24.04.2022)</p>
Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article shared on the website of the institution on April 1, 2022 it was reported that the Presidential decision, which would dismantle the Brazilian torture prevention mechanism, was annulled by the Brazilian Supreme Court. Under the controversial decree, the Brazilian government drastically reduced the financial and secretarial support to the torture prevention mechanism and it was decided that would no longer be paid and would have to work on a voluntary basis. The Supreme Court found these matters contrary to the Brazilian Constitution and OPCAT regulations. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-torture-prevention-body-applauds-brazil-supreme-courts-decision (Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article published on the website of the institution on April 6, 2022 it was stated that the SPT delegation visited Tunisia from 27 March to 2 April 2022 and according to the findings made during the visit, there were improvements compared to the previous visit of the SPT in 2016, but problems such as police violence and overcrowding prisons continued. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/tunisia-progress-made-concerns-remain-says-un-torture-prevention-body (Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article dated 14 April 2022 shared on the website of the institution, it was stated that a visit to Argentina was planned between 20-30 April 2022 in order to examine

	<p>whether the recommendations given by the SPT during the visit to Argentina in 2002 were implemented.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-torture-prevention-body-visit-argentina (Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p>
<p>European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article shared on the institution's website on April 5, 2022 it was reported that a delegation from the CPT made a periodic visit to Poland between March 21 and April 1, 2022. It was stated that the main objective of the visit was to review the measures taken by the Polish authorities in response to the recommendations made by the Committee after previous visits. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-visits-pola-2 (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the article shared on the institution's website on 11 April 2022, it was reported that a delegation from the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) visited Italy between 28 March - 8 April 2022. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-carries-out-12-day-visit-to-italy (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the article published on the website of the institution on 14 April 2022, the report on the visit of the CPT to Romania between 10 and 21 May 2021 was published together with the responses of the Romanian authorities. In the report, it was stated that the problems in the prison system continue. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-publishes-report-on-romania-highlighting-that-the-challenges-facing-the-prison-system-remain-extensi-1 Click to view the full report: https://rm.coe.int/1680a62e4b (Access Date: 27.04.2022)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article shared on the institution's website on April 21, 2022 it was stated that the President of the CPT presented the activity report for 2021 during an exchange of views with the Ministers' Deputies of the Council of Europe on 20 April 2022. In the report, attention was drawn to the overcrowding of prisons and it was stated that this problem would be solved by determining a maximum number for the number of prisoners in each penal institution and increasing the implementation of alternative measures to imprisonment. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/anti-torture-committee-calls-for-setting-a-limit-to-the-number-of-inmates-in-every-prison-and-promoting-non-custodial-measures Click to view the full report: https://rm.coe.int/1680a63c72 (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the article shared on the website of the institution on April 26, 2022, a report was published on the visit to Albania between 23-26 November 2021. It was noted that the report was about the visit to examine the situation of forensic psychiatric patients and to review progress made in implementing the CPT's longstanding recommendation to transfer all such patients to an appropriate forensic psychiatric facility. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-publishes-its-report-on-albania Click to view the full report: https://rm.coe.int/1680a64e5b (Access Date: 27.04.2022)
Association for the prevention of torture (APT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 7 April APT declare a report on how social upheaval in Chile led to stronger safeguards in detention. Source: https://www.apr.ch/en/blog/firstperson-how-social-upheaval-chile-led-stronger-safeguards-detention (Access Date: 24.04.2022) - On 8 April, APT shared an interview about insights and experiences from national preventive mechanisms as they

	<p>respond to issues of risk for women deprived of liberty as part of their Global Campaign on Women and Prison.</p> <p>Source: https://www.apt.ch/en/news_on_prevention/brazil-implementing-alternatives-invasive-body-searches (Access Date: 24.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13 April, APT declared that they will continue their advocacy for endorsement of the Méndez Principles for Effective Interviewing as a key instrument to prevent torture during investigations by the United Nations in the coming months. Source: https://www.apt.ch/en/news_on_prevention/mendez-principles-growing-support-during-human-rights-council-49th-session (Access Date: 24.04.2022) - On 13 April, the APT has proposed a series of recommendations to prevent torture and ill-treatment of older persons in places of detention, who can face additional vulnerabilities when deprived of liberty. Source: https://www.apt.ch/en/news_on_prevention/promoting-rights-and-dignity-older-persons-deprived-liberty (Access Date: 24.04.2022)
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a press release shared on the OHCHR website on April 1, 2022, UN experts called on the Government of Saudi Arabia to uphold its obligations not to extradite two Chinese nationals belonging to the Uyghur minority, saying they risked serious violations of their human rights if they are returned to China. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/saudi-arabia-un-experts-say-uyghurs-must-not-be-extradited-china-urge-proper (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 1 April, CEDAW made a press release on Human Rights Council discusses the Human Rights situation in the Democratic Peoples's Republic of Korea, Myanmar and Iran Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2012/03/human-rights-council-discusses-human-rights-situation-democratic-peoples> (Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- In the statement made by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, on April 4, 2022, it was stated that the images of civilians lying dead on the streets and in improvised graves in the town of Bucha in Ukraine are appalling and reports emerging from this and other areas raise serious and disturbing questions about possible war crimes as well as grave breaches of international humanitarian law and serious violations of international human rights law.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2022/04/comment-un-high-commissioner-human-rights-michelle-bachelet-bodies>

(Access Date: 28.04.2022)

- On 1 April, UN human rights experts expressed profound concerns for the physical, mental, educational and overall medical welfare of children arbitrarily held in detention centres in northeast Syria, as well as those children who appear to be missing and unaccounted for.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/syria-un-experts-profoundly-concerned-missing-and-injured-children-after>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 1 April, it is announced that The UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances will visit Cyprus from 5 to 12 April 2022 at the invitation of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus. The experts will examine matters related to the Working Group's mandate focusing in particular on: the right of victims to truth, justice and reparation in the context of enforced disappearances; the efforts towards the preservation of memory; and measures aimed at preventing enforced disappearances.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-experts-enforced-disappearances-visit-cyprus>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 1 April, UN human rights experts called on the Government of Saudi Arabia to uphold its obligations not to extradite two Chinese nationals belonging to the Uyghur minority, saying they risked serious violations of their human rights if they are returned to China.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/saudi-arabia-un-experts-say-uyghurs-must-not-be-extradited-china-urge-proper>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 4 April, a writing on Sexual violence victims in Ituri's conflict find a place for healing and justice is published.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/stories/2022/04/sexual-violence-victims-ituris-conflict-find-place-healing-and-justice>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 5 April, The UN Independent Expert on the situation of human rights in Somalia has urged the central government to improve health care services, end child marriage and ensure protection of journalists.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/somalia-un-expert-warns-health-care-standards-dangerously-low>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 6 April, a statement made by UN torture prevention body which is stated that Tunisia made progress but concerns remain.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/tunisia-progress-made-concerns-remain-says-un-torture-prevention-body>

(Access Date: 27.04.2022)

- On 7 April it is announced that The UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) will hold its

	<p>upcoming session from 11 to 29 April, during which it will review Cameroon, Luxembourg, Estonia and Kazakhstan.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-review-cameroon-luxembourg (Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a post on the OHCHR website on the occasion of the International Roma Day, 8 April, the UN's Special Rapporteur on minority issues, Fernand de Varennes, urged all States and institutions to fully involve Roma in their efforts to protect civilians during conflicts. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/international-roma-day-8-april-2022-un-expert-urges-better-protection-roma (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 12th Session of the Open Ended Working Group on Aging was held on April 11, 2022. Michelle Bachelet, who gave a speech at the session, stated that concrete and decisive steps should be taken to develop proposals for an international legal document to promote and protect the rights and dignity of the elderly, and the active and meaningful participation of civil society, National Human Rights Institutions and all other stakeholders should be ensured in this whole process. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2022/04/12th-session-open-ended-working-group-ageing (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 7 April, UN expert urges better protection of Roma minority during conflicts. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/international-roma-day-8-april-2022-un-expert-urges-better-protection-roma (Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11 April, Report of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights on Promoting reconciliation, accountability and human rights in Sri Lanka is published. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/reports/ahrc499-promoting-reconciliation-accountability-and-human-rights-sri-lanka-report (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - On 11 April, concerns about restrictions on Brazilians' rights to full and active social and political participation, and the appalling levels of violence directed against human rights defenders, women journalists, indigenous peoples and traditional communities in particular of African-descent are expressed. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/brazil-un-expert-decries-erosion-democracy-urges-safe-space-civil-society (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - On 12 April, a statement on right to healthy environment is made. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2022/04/right-healthy-environment (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - On 12 April, UN Committee on Enforced Disappearances published findings on Greece and Niger. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-committee-enforced-disappearances-publishes-findings-greece-and-niger (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - On 14 April it is announced that The UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) is set to visit Argentina from 20 to 30 April 2022 Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-torture-prevention-body-visit-argentina
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	<p>(Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14 April, UN Committee warned about 2.7 million people with disabilities at risk in Ukraine. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/ukraine-27-million-people-disabilities-risk-un-committee-warns (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - In the post made on the OHCHR website on the occasion of April 17, International Day of Peasants' Struggles, Michael Fakhri, UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, called for stronger recognition of the important contribution of peasants to global and local food security and their indispensable role in fighting hunger. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/international-day-peasants-struggles-17-april-2022-un-expert-applauds-vital (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - In the statement made by the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on April 14, 2022, it was stated that the continued military attacks against Ukraine are putting the lives of an estimated 2.7 million people with disabilities at risk and Committee deplored the Russian Federation's aggression despite repeated calls for a ceasefire and cessation of hostilities. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/ukraine-27-million-people-disabilities-risk-un-committee-warns (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - In a statement made by the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, on April 22, 2022, it was stated that the Russian invasion has plunged Ukraine into a human rights and humanitarian crisis that has devastated the lives of civilians throughout the country and beyond and all parties are called for to respect international human rights law and international humanitarian law, in particular the rules governing the conduct of hostilities. Source:
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	<p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/bachelet-urges-respect-international-humanitarian-law-amid-growing-evidence (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the statement made by Ravina Shamdasani, Spokesperson of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights on April 22, 2022, it is stated that Israeli security forces injure around 180 Palestinians, including at least 27 children during tensions in the Al Aqsa Mosque compound. The witnessed conduct of Israeli security forces in particular on 15 April, captured in numerous videos, raises serious concerns that the use of force was widespread, unnecessary and indiscriminate. The UN Secretary-General's call for calm was reiterated and urged investigations where people have been killed or injured. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-briefing-notes/2022/04/israel-opt (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 25 April, Singapore urged to halt two executions. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2022/04/singapore-urged-halt-two-imminent-executions (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 25 April, Committee Against Torture met with Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/committee-against-torture-meets-subcommittee-prevention-torture (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 25 April, a statement made on human rights and democracy in the digital age Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2022/04/human-rights-and-democracy-digital-age (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 26 April it is announced that UN human rights expert will visit to Angola from 28 April to 10 May 2022 on leprosy. Source:
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	<p>https://www.ohchr.org/en/media-advisories/2022/04/un-human-rights-expert-leprosy-visit-angola (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a statement made by UN Experts on April 27, 2022, it is stated that Palestinians in East Jerusalem have been subject to discriminatory zoning and planning regimes that restrict access to housing, safe drinking water and sanitation, and other essential services, including healthcare and educational facilities. It has been emphasized that Israel's housing policies amount to racial segregation and discrimination against the Palestinian people, and a violation of their human rights. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/israels-housing-policies-occupied-palestinian-territory-amount-racial (Access Date: 28.04.2022)
Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2022, the comments of the observation mission on the parliamentary elections in Hungary were shared on the website of the Office. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/515135 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 04.04.2022, the observation mission's comments on Serbian elections were shared on the website of the Office. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/515171 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 08.04.2022, explanations regarding the equal treatment and protection of Roma were shared on the website of the Office. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/515340 (Access Date: 26.04.2022)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.04.2022, the final report of the Georgian local elections 2021: ODIHR election observation mission was published on the website of the Office. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/georgia/515358 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - Uzbekistan presidential elections 2021: ODIHR election observation mission final report was published on the website of the Office on 08.04.2022. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/uzbekistan/516438 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 05.04.2022, information was given about the “ODIHR Expert Panel on Freedom of Religion or Belief” on the Twitter account of the Office. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/151350744787603464 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 09.04.2022, criticisms regarding the loss of life in Kramatorsk, Ukraine were shared on the Office's Twitter account. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1512808717011587073 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 13.04.2022, on the Twitter account of the Office, information was provided about the "Report on Violations of International Humanitarian and Human Rights Law, War Crimes and Crimes Against Humanity Committed in Ukraine since February 24, 2022" of the expert mission of the OSCE Moscow Mechanism. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1514203051560738822 (Access Date: 26.04.2022)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Information on “Democracy and Human Rights in OSCE: ODIHR Annual Report 2021” was posted on the Office's Twitter account on 15.04.2022. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - A memorial message regarding the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising, which took place 79 years ago, was shared on the Office's Twitter account on 19.04.2022. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1516421448205807628 (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - Information on the "Function of Democratic Institutions in Times of Crisis: Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting II", planned to be held on May 16-17, was posted on the Office's Twitter account on 20.04.2022. Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1516783933257654276 (Access Date: 26.04.2022)
Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 07.04.2022, it was stated by CERD that Cameroon, Estonia, Luxembourg and Kazakhstan would be evaluated between 11.04 and 29.04.2022, and it was stated that the Committee, which received country reports from non-governmental organizations and national human rights institutions, would conduct a discussion on the 4 countries in question. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/un-committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-review-cameroon-luxembourg (Access Date: 25.04.2022) - On 11.04.2022, it was stated that the 106th session was opened by CERD and the activities against discrimination of

	<p>Cameroon, Estonia, Luxembourg and Kazakhstan would be reviewed in this session.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/committee-elimination-racial-discrimination-opens-its-one-hundred-and-sixth (Access Date: 25.04.2022)</p>
Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.04.2022, a statement was issued by the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), stating that the disabled people in Ukraine, who are assumed to be around 2.7 million, are at risk, and that is regrettable that Russia did not end the war, by not complying with repeated calls. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2022/04/ukraine-27-million-people-disabilities-risk-un-committee-warns (Access Date: 18.07.2021)</p>
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.04.2022, the UNHCR announced on its website that it doubled its assistance in Ukraine and the region, where more than 4.3 million refugees left the country and 7.1 million people were internally displaced within six weeks, and that it had designated contact persons for each country separately. <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/briefing/2022/4/624fee7e4/unhcr-redoubles-its-aid-inside-ukraine-region.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2022, UNHCR Deputy High Commissioner for Protection made statements on the risks of trafficking and exploitation of refugees from Ukraine <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2022/4/6255a6964/statement-risks-trafficking-exploitation-facing-refugees-ukraine-attributed.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.04.2022, the UN World Food Program (WFP) requested US\$226.5 million to provide full supplies to refugees in East Africa for the period April-September 2022, raising costs, escalating conflicts and rising climate disasters,

	<p>announced that a hopeless future is in question for millions of refugees.</p> <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2022/4/625690591c/spirling-costs-surging-conflict-soaring-climate-disasters-create-desperate.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.04.2022, UNHCR objected to the UK's publicly discussed plans to deport and send asylum seekers to Rwanda, regretting the approval of the British government's proposals for a new asylum approach that undermines established international refugee protection law and practices. <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2022/4/62585e814/un-refugee-agency-opposes-uk-plan-export-asylum.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.04.2022, UNHCR, IOM jointly underlined the need for continued support to Lebanon following the tragedy of the shipwreck on the Lebanese coast. <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/press/2022/4/626543974/unhcr-iom-shipwreck-tragedy-lebanese-coast-underscores-need-continuing.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNHCR shared that after the conflict in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; thousands of people fled to Uganda and assisted approximately 10,000 refugees in the Kisoro region in the southwest of the country. <p>Source: https://www.unhcr.org/news/briefing/2022/4/6246a9704/thousands-flee-uganda-following-clashes-dr-congo.html (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
<p>United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2022, with the support of Japan, UNDP announced a program to promote responsible management by strengthening human rights standards in 17 countries. Its purpose is to help develop policies to combat business-related human rights violations. Türkiye is also included in the project. <p>Source:</p>

<https://www.undp.org/press-releases/undp-promotes-responsible-business-strengthening-human-rights-standards-across-17> (Access Date: 22.04.2022)

- On 11.04.2022, the UNDP launched a new programme to address the socio-economic impact of the war on Ukraine. Strong focus on resilience and recovery of the programme is intended to help respond to the various dimensions of the crisis and to protect Ukraine's hard-earned development gains. UNDP programme is informed by early socio-economic assessments and is built on three pillars: Support government-led crisis response and public service delivery, Utilizing Ukraine's human capital, economic capacities and natural resources to meet urgent humanitarian needs and strengthen resilience, social and economic recovery; and Strengthen institutions and civil society to maintain social fabric, support human rights and ensure the inclusion, protection and empowerment of all people.

Source:

<https://www.undp.org/press-releases/undp-launches-new-programme-address-socio-economic-impact-ukraine-caused-war> (Access Date: 22.04.2022)

- On 12.04.2022, UNDP and AFCIA partners announced that they were granting grants to local innovators to accelerate local climate action. At this year's Gobeshona Global Conference, UNDP and Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator (AFCIA) partners announced climate action grants of \$2.2 million for 22 local innovators in 19 countries.

Source:

<https://www.undp.org/press-releases/undp-and-afcia-partners-announce-grants-local-innovators-accelerate-local-climate> (Access Date: 22.04.2022)

- On 20.04.2022, with the Digital X struggle, a call is made for applications that are open to scaling technology on a global scale. Digital X is a Partnerships Program for Scale that helps innovative technology for a good scale on a global scale. The initiative combines UNDP and governments with proven, scalable solutions to meet urgent digital needs.

	<p>Source: https://www.undp.org/news/call-applications-open-scale-tech-globally-undps-digital-x-challenge (Access Date: 22.04.2022)</p>
<p>United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the article published on the website of the institution on 7 April 2022, it was stated that there were disruptions in imports due to the war in Ukraine, and this situation caused the prices of basic products such as wheat, edible oils and fuel to increase. It was emphasized that if this situation continues, children in the Middle East and North Africa, which are already struggling with high prices and conflicts, will face an increasing risk of malnutrition and hunger. Source: https://www.unicef.org/mena/press-releases/war-ukraine-continues-millions-children-middle-east-and-north-africa-increased-risk (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the statement shared on the website of the institution on 7 April 2022, it was said that the detention of children is not a solution to the rising gang violence in El Salvador. In this context, it has been stated that the amendments made in the laws of the country to cause more prison sentences for children are also contrary to the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Source: https://www.unicef.org/lac/en/press-releases/imprisoning-children-is-not-the-solution-to-gang-violence-in-el-salvador (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the statement dated 8 April 2022 published on the institution's website, it was stated that the attack on Kramatorsk Train Station, which is one of the main escape routes for civilians fleeing the war, was alarming and feared that many children might have died. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/statement-unicef-ukraine-representative-murat-sahin-attack-kramatorsk-train-station

	<p>(Access Date: 27.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The article published on the agency's website on April 11, 2022 includes the statements made by UNICEF Director of Emergency Programs, Manuel Fontaine, at the Security Council briefing on the humanitarian situation in Ukraine. The explanations are summarized as follows: During the war in Ukraine, many children do not have access to adequate food and water, many of them are displaced and live in shelters and cannot continue their education. Every day the war continues, children will continue to suffer. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/every-day-war-continues-children-will-continue-suffer (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the article published on the website of the institution on April 12, 2022 it was stated that there was a drought in Somalia at the beginning of the year and the effects of this still continue. It has been declared that drought causes many loss of life and livelihoods, and millions of people, including children, will face famine if the increasing need for resources is not met. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/losing-children-starvation-would-be-loss-humanity (Access Date: 27.04.2022) - In the article shared on the website of the institution on 20 April 2022, it was stated that the Lebanon's health system came to the point of collapse due to the economic crisis, and in parallel, children could not even access basic health services and their vaccinations could not be done properly, besides, they were malnourished. Thus they are at risk. Source: https://www.unicef.org/lebanon/press-releases/lebanons-crisis-threatening-childrens-health-unicef (Access Date: 27.04.2022)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The article shared on the institution's website on 26 April 2022 includes the video statements made by UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell at the High Level Roundtable on the Horn of Africa drought. Briefly, the explanations are; Due to the drought in the Horn of Africa, animals and crops died, people were unable to access basic food and water, and children were more affected by this situation. It was also emphasized that the situation will deteriorate very quickly if action is not taken immediately. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-executive-director-catherine-russells-video-remarks-high-level-roundtable (Access Date: 27.04.2022)
Procuraduría de Derechos Humanos of Guatemala (Americas)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On April 1, 2022 a post was made on the website of the the Ombudsman that the Ombudsman for Migrants, of the Ombudsman (PDH), attended the Preparatory Intersectoral Meeting on Migratory Matters, convened by the Guatemalan Migration Institute. The meeting discussed the coordination proposal to address the increase in migratory flows. Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-asiste-a-reunion-intersectorial-preparatoria-en-materia-migratoria.html (Access Date: 28.04.2021) - On April 19, 2022, a post was made on the website of the the Ombudsman that the official of the Procumóvil, of the Ombudsman (PDH), carried out a monitoring in the facilities of the Mixed Official Rural School, village of Frontera Río Dulce, about the conditions of infrastructure and prevention actions for prevent COVID-19 infections. For the post, in this regard, the attention, reception and registration process of foreign boys and girls were verified, and the school inclusion of foreign children and adolescents was recommended, to guarantee the right to education. Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-realiza-monitoreo-acerca-de-inclusion-escolar-de-ninez-y-adolescencia-extranjera.html (Access Date: 28.04.2021)

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On April 27, 2022, a post was made on the website of the the Ombudsman that Ombudsman for Victims of Trafficking, of the Ombudsman (PDH), participated in the Inter-American Forum on the fight against human trafficking in Bogotá, Colombia. For the news, the event was promoted by Lawyers Without Borders (ASF) Canada and the Colombian Ombudsman. <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-participa-en-foro-interamericano-acerca-de-la-lucha-contra-la-trata-de-personas.html (Access Date: 28.04.2021)</p>
Independent Commission for Human Rights of Palestine (Asia Pacific)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Announced the launch of a fair and comprehensive health insurance campaign on 07.04.2022. "It is intended that the Palestinian government provide comprehensive health insurance for all individuals as a first step towards achieving comprehensive health care". <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/media-center/6197.html (Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p>
Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain (Europe)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the post on the official website of the Commission on 01.04.2022, "The Accreditation Subcommittee (SCA), which evaluates the national rights institutions, has ended the rejection of the EHRC's international accreditation request by the campaigners, as well as the EHRC, in the view of human people's disgrace with the SCA, the safety of EHRC campaigns" to 'negotiate on the journey' by presenting a new strategy for living to stand on some of the most important and human rights days facing today. <p>Source: https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/ehrc-urges-fresh-start-critics-after-sca-rejects-requests-review-its-status (Access Date: 25.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a post on the organization's official website on 19.04.2022, the Equality and Human Rights Commission requested the Work and Pensions Department to improve its treatment of

	<p>those seeking disability benefits, in response to serious concerns about the inability to meet the needs of its clients with mental health disorders and learning difficulties. It was stated that the disability campaigns were given, that the concerns about the deaths of the vulnerable work and pension customers in the Work and Pensions Department increased with the Commission, and that the seriousness of the issue was addressed, and that future breakthroughs were necessary, that legally binding agreements with the Work and Pensions Department were essential to meet the needs of people with mental health disorders and learning difficulties has been done.</p> <p>Source: https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/ehrc-taking-action-improve-treatment-disabled-benefit-claimants (Access Date: 25.04.2022)</p>
Qatar NHRC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2022, In the framework of the “We Work Together, We Have a Right, You Have a Duty” campaign, Qatar National Human Rights Committee has organized two virtual conferences for employers, managers and department heads working in companies and factories located in Ras Laffan Industrial City, Mesaieed Industrial City and Dukhan District. shared that they organized trainings in order to let employers and workers know their rights and to raise awareness in terms of legal developments in the country. <p>Source: https://nhrc-qa.org/en/nhrc-organizes-two-lectures-to-educate-employers-in-three-industrial-cities/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
Morocco CNDH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hosted a delegation of the African Commission for the ratification of the African Convention on Human and Peoples' Rights from 11.04.2022 to 15.04.2022. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 13.04.2022, President Amina Bouayach met with those from the forum of young journalists about their report on cultural diversity. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 21.04.2022) - On 19.04.2022, attended a meeting at the faculty of law in al-Aqga in order for the society to adapt to the transformations in human rights and to fight against discrimination and violence. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 21.04.2022)
Canadian Human Rights Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.04.2022, the Canadian Human Rights Commission shared in a statement that the 2021 Annual Report was submitted to the Parliament. Source: https://www.chrc-ccdp.gc.ca/en/resources/stronger-together-a-call-collective-action-chrc-2021-annual-report (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 13.04.2022, the Canadian Human Rights Commission expressed its deep concern at the numerous reports of sexual repression and violence in federal prisons, that people being victims of sexual assault while in government care and custody are related to the failure of Canadian Correctional Services and correctional staff to do enough to address the problem. Source: https://www.chrc-ccdp.gc.ca/en/resources/urgent-action-needed-stop-sexual-coercion-and-violence-federal-prisons (Access Date: 28.04.2022) - On 12.04.2022, on its Twitter account, the Canadian Human Rights Commission invited a young person who has been significantly affected by the climate and environmental crisis to contribute to the United Nations survey, which establishes guidelines for governments.

	<p>Source: https://twitter.com/CdnHumanRights/status/1513855565973401602 (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
Australian Human Rights Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In a post on the institution's website on April 5, 2022 it was stated that the Commission welcomed the reappointment of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, June Oscar. In the article shared on the institution's website on 6 April 2022, it was stated that a report was prepared by the Australian Human Rights Commission, which reveals how important it is to take their opinions when making decisions and deciding government policies, about the services to be provided on issues affecting children and their families. In the report, the three issues that children, young people and their families want to feel most secure are listed as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ help with housing ➤ mental health services ➤ help with basic needs, like food, clothing, transport and school supplies <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/reappointment-aboriginal-and-torres-strait-islander-social-justice-commissioner Click to view the full report: https://humanrights.gov.au/safeandwell (Access Date: 26.04.2022)</p> - An article titled "Statement on International Accreditation of the Australian Human Rights Commission" was published on the website of the institution on 7 April 2022. In the article, it was reported that as a result of the examination carried out by GAHNRI every 5 years to check whether the human rights institutions continue their activities in accordance with the Paris Principles, the Institution was not accredited again in the A status and its accreditation was deferred. It was stated that the key concern of the Committee that led to the deferral was the selection and appointment process for Commissioners. Moreover, it was stated that the latest report of 29 March 2022 reflects feedback from the Committee over a 10-year period about Australia's appointment processes,

	<p>with three appointments in this timeframe that did not meet the accreditation requirements.</p> <p>Finally, it was explained that has approximately 15 months to address this matter before a final decision on the Commission's status is taken by the Committee in October 2023 and also it was stated that The Committee has indicated the Commission is at risk of being downgraded to a B-status NHRI if this issue is not sufficiently addressed within this timeframe.</p> <p>Source : https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/statement-international-accreditation-australian-human-rights-commission Click for GANHRI's statement on accreditation: https://humanrights.gov.au/sites/default/files/nhri_australia_no_cover_4.pdf (Access Date: 26.04.2022)</p>
National Human Rights Commission of Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.04.2022, President Doohwan Song visited the Naomi Centre for Immigrants and Refugees (located in the Jeju City, Jeju Special Autonomous Province) and met with immigrants and refugees and staff at the Centre and listened to their voices. <p>Source: https://www.humanrights.go.kr/ (Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p>
Finnish Human Rights Centre	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.04.2022, Chairperson Sirpa Rautio attended a seminar on the Fight Against Anti-Semitism in Finland and Europe. "Unfortunately, the work against anti-Semitism is still valid in Europe," he said in his opening remarks. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/FIN_NHRI E.T. 21.04.2022 (Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 12.04.2022, published a report on the human rights situation in Finland for the UN Universal Periodic Review. The Centre made a number of recommendations to strengthen the implementation of human rights. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/FIN_NHRI</p>

	<p>(Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.04.2022, joined the UN Open-ended working group on aging. “A few inspirational discussions but also disappointment when the rights of the elderly do not advance internationally”. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/FIN_NHRI (Access Date: 21.04.2022)</p>
Norwegian National Human Rights Institution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On April 5, 2022, the report entitled Children's Right to Protection from Violence, Abuse and Neglect was published by the Norwegian National Human Rights Institution. The purpose of the report is to provide an updated and common overview of the human rights framework for the authorities' duty to protect children from violence, abuse and neglect, and to put this human rights responsibility on the agenda. <p>Source: https://www.nhri.no/2022/barns-rett-til-beskyttelse-mot-vold-overgrep-og-omsorgssvikt/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 7 April 2022, the recommendations of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe to Norway on the implementation of The Charter for Regional or Minority Languages were shared on the website of the Norwegian National Human Rights Institution. <p>Source: https://www.nhri.no/2022/anbefalinger-om-minoritetsprak-i-norge/ (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>
People's Advocate Albania	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the website of the Institution on 18.04.2022, information was given about the 2021 annual report, which details the activities of the Agency, contains a series of data, figures and statistics proving the number of complaints handled at the Agency, the typology of these complaints and the recommendations sent by the Ombudsman. <p>Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/home/news/this-article-is-only-in-albanian-language-771/ (Access Date: 26.04.2022)</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.04.2022, on the website of the Institution, it was informed that the President of the Institution, Erinda Ballanca, participated in the presentation of the findings of the "Violence Against Women in Politics" research. The said study was carried out in Albania in partnership with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/home/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-768/ (Access Date: 26.04.2022) - On 05.04.2022, data regarding the applications were shared on the Institution's website, including the applications that were considered as advice and guidance regarding the legal remedies to be followed by the requested organizations. Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/home/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-767/ (Access Date: 26.04.2022)
Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 2022, a post was made on the Institution's website that the enemy is covering residential buildings and civilian infrastructure with shelling from weapons prohibited by international humanitarian law. Source: https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/en/news_details/ukreng-upovnovazhenij-vorog-prodovzhuye-vikoristovuvati-proti-mirnogo-naseleennya-zaboronenu-zbroju (Access Date: 27.04.2021) - On 2022, a post was made on the Institution's website that the Russian invaders did not give food and water to the Ukrainian soldiers captured. According to the news, nothing is known about the health of these people until now. In doing so, it is stated that the occupying country is in gross violation of the Geneva Convention's terms of Treatment of Prisoners of War, in particular Article 26 of the Convention, which guarantees adequate nutrition for prisoners of war. Source: https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/en/news_details/upovnova-zhenij-u-poloni-ukrayinskih-branciv-moryat-golodom-i-ne-dayut-vodi

	(Access Date: 27.04.2021)
The Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Ombudsman)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On April 14, 2021, a post was made on the Ombudsman's website that the Ombudsman in collaboration with the Child-Youth Development Center under the Ministry of Education organized a training on the theme “Education for all”. For the post, the purpose of this training was to increase the professional capacities of the staff of the Institution and raise their awareness of the UN global movement under the theme “Education for All”, as well as to prepare trainers specialized in child rights protection. Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/3089/the-ombudsman-institution-of-azerbaijan-in-collaboration-with-the-child-youth-development-center-under-the-ministry-of-education-organized-a-training-on-the-theme-education-for-all (Access Date: 27.04.2021) - On April 19, 2021, a post was made on the Ombudsman's website that the mine problem in the liberated areas of Azerbaijan, along with delaying the return of the internally displaced persons to their native lands, resulted in a high number of human casualties and caused life disabilities. For the post, after the Second Karabakh War ceased, as a result of the mine explosions around 200 Azerbaijanis, died and got injured. Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/3102/media-statement-of-the-ombudsman-on-another-mine-threat (Access Date: 27.04.2021) - On April 8, 2021, a post was made on the Ombudsman's website that the issues related to the repatriation and protection of the rights of citizens of Azerbaijan held in captivity by the armed groups of the Syrian Arab Republic are under the focus of the Ombudsman of Azerbaijan, Ms. Sabina Aliyeva. For the news, the women and children detained in Syria are being repatriated as a result of the measures undertaken by the Azerbaijani Government. Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/3077/ombudsman-sabina-aliyeva-met-with-citizens-repatriated-from-the-syrian-arab-republic

	(Access Date: 27.04.2021)
Uzbekistan Human Rights Center	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On April 5, 2022, a post was made on the Center's website that Akmal Saidov, Director of the National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan, met with a delegation led by Nadine Maenza, Chairman of the US Commission on International Religious Freedom. Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m7219 (Access Date: 27.04.2021) - On April 8, 2022, a post was made on the Center's website that D. Muratov, Deputy Director of the National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan, met with M. Turner, Director of the human rights organization "Freedom Now". Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m7258 (Access Date: 27.04.2021) - On April 20, 2022, posts were made on the website of the Center that summarize the steps taken so far for the development of human rights in Uzbekistan and the activities of the Center in 2021 Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m7344 http://nhrc.uz/en/news/m7312 (Access Date: 27.04.2021)
Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 1 April, Public Defender made a statement on protection of rights of Ukrainian children. Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakartvelos-sakhalkho-damtsvelis-gantskhadeba-sakartveloshi-mqofi-ukraineli-bavshvebis-uflebebis-datsvis-shesakheb (Access Date: 24.04.2022) - On 4 April, the Public Defender of Georgia declare to the public the 2021 report on the situation of human rights and

	<p>freedoms in Georgia which is presented to the Parliament of Georgia on 31 May.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-sakartveloshi-adamianis-uflebata-datsvis-mdgomareobis-shesakheb-tsluri-angarishi-tsarmoadgina (Access Date: 24.04.2022)</p> <p>- On 7 April, it is declared to the public that 19 information meetings which is held by Representatives of the Public Defender on issues of persons with disabilities in 17 municipalities of Georgia in February-March 2022. Participants talked about problems relating to the realization of the rights of persons with disabilities at the central and local levels and discussed solutions.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sainformatsio-shekhvedrebi-shezhguduli-shesadzleblobis-mkone-pirta-sakitkhebeze (Access Date: 24.04.2022)</p> <p>- Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender of Georgia, held meetings with Şeref Malkoç, Chief Ombudsman of Türkiye, and Turkish Ombudsmen in the Turkish capital Ankara on April 8, 2022; The Public Defender also met with Hakan Çavuşoğlu, Chair of the Human Rights Inquiry Committee of the Grand National Assembly (Parliament) of Türkiye, and Fatma Aksal, Head of the Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men. Within the framework of the bilateral working visit, a memorandum of understanding was signed between the Turkish Ombudsman Institution and the Georgian Public Defender's Office. The memorandum aims to deepen business relations between the two institutions and ensure effective protection of the rights of Georgian and Turkish citizens. Prospects for future cooperation, activities of the institutions, priorities and other human rights issues were also discussed at the meetings held at the Ombudsman Institution.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelis-ofitsialuri-viziti-turketis-respublikashi (Access Date: 24.04.2022)</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10 April during her working visit to Ankara, Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender of Georgia, met with Muharrem Kılıç, Chairman of the Human Rights and Equality Institution of Türkiye, as well as the staff of the institution. The parties signed a memorandum of understanding to enhance cooperation between the Turkish Human Rights and Equality Institution and the Georgian Public Defender's Office and to share information on each other's best practices. Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsveli-turketis-adamianis-uflebata-da-tanastsorobis-institutis-tavmjdomares-shekhvda (Access Date: 24.04.2022) - On 10 April, the Public Defender of Georgia nominated Lasha Tugushi as a candidate for the position of a member of the Public Broadcaster's Board of Trustees. Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-sazogadoebrivi-mautsgeblis-meurveobis-kandidatad-lasha-tughushi-tsaradgina (Access Date: 24.04.2022) - On April 18, the Public Defender of Georgia presented a special report assessing the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic on children's rights and the measures taken by the State. The report was prepared with the support of the UNICEF Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia (UNICEF ECARO), the UNICEF Georgia Office and the European Network of Ombudspersons for Children (ENOC). Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/spetsialuri-angarishis-kovid-19-is-pandemiis-bavshvta-uflebebeze-zemokmedebis-shefaseba-sakartveloshi (Access Date: 24.04.2022)
Human Rights Ombudsman of Bosnia and Herzegovina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 14.04.2022, the Annual Report on the Results of the 2021 Activities of the Human Rights Ombudsman Institution of Bosnia and Herzegovina was published on the website of the Institution. Source:

	<p>https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2215&lang=EN (Access Date: 26.04.2022)</p>
Danish Institute for Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the post on the website of the Danish Institute of Human Rights on April 1, 2022, it is stated that the Danish Government will limit the use of cells in prisons with a new draft law, but will still allow periods of up to four weeks. The Institute stated that solitary confinement for more than 15 days is contrary to UN human rights recommendations and therefore the government should ban long-term solitary confinement altogether. Source: https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/15-dage-boer-vaere-oeuvre-graense-straftcelle (Access Date: 22.04.2022) - On 12 April 2022, on the website of the Danish Institute of Human Rights, the European Court of Human Rights' Lings v. Denmark decision dated 12 April 2022 was published. In the case, the ECtHR decided that the suspended sentence of Danish doctor Svend Lings for helping and guiding people with certain methods of suicide did not violate the right to freedom of expression. Source: https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/dansk-laege-fik-ikke-kraenket-ytringsfrihed (Access Date: 28.04.2022) <p>In the post on the website of the Danish Institute of Human Rights on April 27, 2022, it is stated that with a new draft law, better conditions will be provided for the IDPs from Ukraine, but the draft law does not cover refugees from other countries, therefore it constitutes discrimination. It was emphasized that the conditions provided for displaced Ukrainians should also apply to refugees from other countries. Source: https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/bedre-vilkaar-fordrevne-ukrainere-boer-ogsaa-gaelde-flygtninge-andre-lande (Access Date: 28.04.2022)</p>

**German Institute
for Human Rights**

- In the post of the institution on 01.04.2022, The UN Child Rights Institute's statement on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (UN-KRK) was independently assigned to the task-KRK.

Source:<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/kinder-und-jugendrechte-im-blick> (Access Date: 26.04.2022)

- In the post shared on the website of the Agency on 07.04.2022, it was stated that the Agency supported the statement of the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) about the EU Commission's directive proposal regarding the EU supply chain law.

Source:
<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/ennhri-statement-zum-vorschlag-der-eu-kommission-fuer-ein-eu-lieferkettengesetz>
(Access Date: 26.04.2022)

- In the post shared on the institution's website on 14.04.2022, the German Human Rights Institute organized the first episode of the "Anti-Gypsy in the Context of Judiciary and Police" virtual event series as part of the "strengthening of racism, anti-Semitism and far-right extremism" project has been reported.

Source:<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/deutsche-tradition-und-gegenwart-des-antiziganismus-bei-polizei-und-justiz>
(Access Date: 26.04.2022)

- In the post made on the website of the institution on 14.04.2022, it was stated that the Berlin state government wanted to present a content to secure mobility for the disabled until the end of 2023.

Source:<https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/mobilitaet-von-menschen-mit-behinderungen-in-berlin-verbessern> (Access Date: 26.04.2022)

**Bulgarian
Commission for
Protection Against
Discrimination**

- On April 18, 2022, a post was made on the Institution's website that CPD held a meeting with students from the German Language High School "Goethe" in Burgas. The meeting is for educational purposes within the project "Small change for Europe and for European youth". The team of students is developing a research paper on "Empowerment of women in the Bulgarian political process, 1989-2022" within the Student Institute of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. The study aims to examine the issue of women's empowerment in the system of political governance in Bulgaria as MPs, ministers and deputy ministers, mayors, deputy mayors and representatives of municipal councils, members of the leadership of political parties and national commissions.

Source:

<https://www.kzd-nondiscrimination.com/layout/index.php/component/content/article/2/1894-2022> (Access Date: 27.04.2021)

- In April, 2022, a post was made on the Institution's website that the Chairperson of the CPD presented an honorary plaque to the prominent constitutionalist and public figure Dr. Borislav Tsekov who developed and submitted the law on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the adoption of the Law on Religions. According to the news, the operation of the law developed and presented by Borislav Tsekov has significantly contributed to the freedom of religion and the guarantee of the right to religion for all Bulgarian citizens, and has also decisively helped the Bulgarian Orthodox Church to overcome a decade of division.

Source:

<https://www.kzd-nondiscrimination.com/layout/index.php/component/content/article/2/1895-2022> (Access Date: 27.04.2021)

