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Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 10 December 2021 it was shared that: “We have hope because, despite this, the vision of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights endures. As national human rights institutions, you have also been a source of hope this year: through your work to investigate, monitor and report on human rights violations, to advise governments, to advocate for justice, and to stand against the voices of prejudice. Source: https://ganhri.org/2021-human-rights-day/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)- The International Migration Review Forum (IMRF) was created by the Global Compact for Migration (GCM). It is a Member State forum, with the participation of stakeholders to discuss implementation of the GCM and guide the work of the United Nations on migration. Source: https://ganhri.org/imrf-2022/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)- On 16 December 2021, GANHRI expressed serious concern that the staff and leadership of the Georgian Public Defender, as well as experts cooperating with them, have faced verbal attacks and threats by prominent politicians due to the institution’s recent human rights work. The European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI), the European Network of Equality Bodies (Equinet), the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), and the International Ombudsman Institute (IOI) reiterate our support to the Georgian Public Defender (Ombudsman) in its work to promote and protect human rights and equality in Georgia. Source: https://ganhri.org/statement-in-support-of-the-georgian-public-defender/



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	<p>(Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A resolution adopted by the United Nations General Assembly today has called on all relevant United Nations bodies and processes to further enhance the participation of national human rights institutions (NHRIs). <p>Source: https://ganhri.org/2021-nhri-resolution/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Carlos Ernesto Camargo Assis, Ombudsman of Colombia, was elected to the role of Chairperson by GANHRI members through an online voting procedure that concluded on Friday 17th. <p>Source: https://ganhri.org/ega-2021-elections/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- It was shared that the Twelfth Session of the Working Group will be held from 11 to 14 April 2022 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. The Chair of the Open-ended Working Group for the purpose of strengthening the protection of the human rights of older persons, invites Members of the Working Group, “A” status National Human Rights Institutions, non-governmental organizations with ECOSOC Status and previously accredited organizations to the Working Group, as well as United Nations Funds, Programmes, Specialized Agencies and other UN Entities, to provide input to the Twelfth Session of the Working Group. <p>Source: https://ganhri.org/12th-owega/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p>
Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- In the post made on the OHCHR Twitter account on 1.12.2021, it was stated that Philippe Rio, who was selected as the World's Best Mayor by the City Mayors Foundation, is fighting against inequality by promoting human rights. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/146599954139681</p>



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- UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet shared a post on her Twitter account on 2.12.2021 on the occasion of the Day for the Abolition of Slavery. In her post, the High Commissioner appreciated all those who are fighting to end slavery and care for survivors, noting that COVID-19 is pushing more and more people into poverty, while making more and more people vulnerable to modern slavery.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/mbachelet/status/1466398746615373838>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on OHCHR Twitter account on 2.12.2021 to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the UN Voluntary Trust Fund for Contemporary Forms of Slavery, it was stated that the UN Slavery Fund has helped those who have been freed from slavery for 30 years on their way to recovery.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/1466424091351597062>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 2.12.2021, International Day for the Abolition of Slavery, the statement of the United Nations (UN) experts was shared on the OHCHR website. The statement stated that the effects of current global challenges such as the COVID-19 pandemic, economic crisis, climate change and armed conflict are pushing an increased number of people into contemporary forms of slavery and the situation of women and children is of particular concern.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27880&LangID=E>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- The UN Forum on Minority Issues was held in Geneva on 2-3 December 2021. Within the scope of the Forum, the issue of conflict prevention through the protection of the human rights of minorities was discussed.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27880&LangID=E>



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	<p>spx?NewsID=27881&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 3.12.2021, International Day of Person with disabilities, the OHCHR Youtube account shared the efforts of former ice hockey player Eric Grassien, who became disabled because of an accident, to improve the accessibility of public transportation vehicles in Geneva. Source: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i4pkc7bgPRE (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 3.12.2021, Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination closed its one hundred and fifth session after adopting concluding its observations on Chile, Denmark, Singapore, Switzerland and Thailand. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27907&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 3.12.2021, the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination published its findings on Chile, Denmark, Singapore, Switzerland and Thailand. The findings contain positive aspects of each country's implementation of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination, as well as the Committee's main concerns and recommendations. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27904&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 3.12.2021, the Committee against Torture closed its seventy-second session after accepting its concluding observations on Bolivia, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Nigeria, Serbia and Sweden. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27898&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 3.12.2021, the UN Committee against Torture published its findings on Bolivia, Kyrgyzstan, Lithuania, Nigeria, Serbia and
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Sweden. The findings contain positive aspects of each country's implementation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, as well as the Committee's main concerns and recommendations.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27897&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 4.12.2021, UN human rights experts issued an urgent call for greater transparency and rigorous follow up to the outcomes of COP26 in a statement marking the 35th anniversary of the Declaration on the Right to Development.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27896&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on the OHCHR Twitter account on 4.12.2021, a call was made to participate in the Human Rights Day Campaign with the expression “All Human, All Equal. On #HumanRightsDay, take a stand for a fairer, better & greener world.” Within the scope of the campaign, it is requested to add a photo with the “I Stand Up For Equality” filter to <https://share.ohchr.org/?r=pst> and to share the photo on social media using the hashtags #StandUp4HumanRights and #HumanRightsDay.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/1467146783377829889> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post shared on OHCHR Twitter account on 6.12.2021, it was stated that UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet will answer questions at the question and answer event that will be held on Human Rights Day and will be broadcast live on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram. It was requested to participate in the event using the hashtag #AskBachelet.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/146683789056700068> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)



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- An intersessional seminar on access to medicines and vaccines in the context of the right of everyone to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health was organized by OHCHR on 8.12.22021 to gain a deeper understanding of the human rights issues arising from COVID-19, including vaccine inequality.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/ESCR/Pages/Access-to-medicines-and-vaccines.aspx> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 8.12.22021, the UN Special Rapporteur's statements regarding unilateral sanctions were shared on the OHCHR website. In the statement, it was emphasized that unilateral sanctions harm everyone, especially women, children and other vulnerable groups.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27931&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 9.12.2021, Twitter Spaces conversation about gender equality was held on OHCHR Twitter account with the participation of UN Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights Nada al-Nashif.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/1468937271441244161> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 9.12.2021, the UN experts' Human Rights Day statement was shared on the OHCHR website. The statement called for inclusion and equality, noting that the COVID-19 pandemic has increased exclusion and inequality, pushing many people further back and increasing the risks of being actually left behind.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27940&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 10.12.2021, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet made a statement on Human Rights Day.



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The High Commissioner invited everyone to join efforts to increase equality for all, everywhere, in order to recover from the COVID-19 crisis in a better, fairer and greener way and to rebuild more resilient and sustainable societies.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27934&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 10.12.2021, UN and regional human rights experts issued a joint statement calling to strengthen international efforts to support and protect civil society actors who are increasingly targeted in oppressive and life-threatening environments.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27950&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 17.12.2021, UN human rights experts issued a statement on the occasion of the International Migrants Day. The statement urged States to take alternative measures and end the detention of immigrants, stating that millions of immigrants, including women and children, continue to be detained because of their immigrant status.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27990&LangID=E> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on the OHCHR website on 17.12.2021, it was stated that the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution establishing the UN Torture Fund on the same day 40 years ago, and since then, the Fund has provided direct assistance to over 1.2 million survivors of torture.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/1471842909267939328> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post shared on the OHCHR Twitter account on 18.12.2021 on the occasion of Migrants Day, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet's call to



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	<p>stand up for the rights of migrants and everyone at risk of being left behind was shared.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/UNHumanRights/status/1471864018147106817 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 23.12.2021, the statements of the UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967 were shared on the OHCHR website. The Special Rapporteur stated that, five years after the UN Security Council Resolution 2334, international accountability is more important than ever to end the Israeli occupation. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=28010&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 23.12.2021, UN human rights experts called on the international community to take urgent steps to pave the way for humanitarian aid to prevent a possible humanitarian disaster in Afghanistan this winter. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=28011&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p>
United Nations Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- As latest new, which was shared by SPT on November 30 about torture prevention body visits for 2022, it was stated that SPT will visit Argentina, Ecuador, Lebanon, Turkey and Tunisia in 2022. It will also hold high-level talks with the Brazilian authorities on the country's torture preventive mechanism. According to the announcement; the upcoming visits were decided during the Subcommittee's latest confidential session held in Geneva in November and more visits for 2022 will be announced in due course. During the session, the SPT also met with the Association for the Prevention of Torture on its recently adopted Mendez Principles. The SPT welcomed the adoption of these principles, noting that they provide guidance for police and others on obtaining accurate and reliable information in full respect of the human rights of the person being interviewed, including through the implementation of



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legal and procedural safeguards in the first hours of police custody. In other work during its weeklong session, the Subcommittee met with the UN Committee against Torture to strengthen cooperation and plan for joint actions against torture. In addition, the SPT decided to add Ghana, which ratified the Optional Protocol in 2016, to the list of States that are significantly overdue in establishing a National Preventive Mechanism (NPM). Other States parties that are also substantially overdue in complying with this obligation are: Belize, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Burkina Faso, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Liberia, Mongolia, Nauru, Nigeria, the Philippines and South Sudan. Under the Optional protocol to the Convention against Torture, States are obliged to establish NPMs within one year of ratification. The Subcommittee also decided that it will engage in a more direct and informal way with National Preventive Mechanisms after its country visits. From the date of the announcement, the SPT will not request that its reports for the NPMs are made public.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27879&LangID=E>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- As latest new, which was shared by SPT on December 2 about Ecuador's obligation to ensure security inside prisons, it was stated that two UN anti-torture bodies expressed alarm at the ongoing violence in Ecuador's prison system. They urged the authorities to take necessary measures to prevent the recurrence of deadly clashes and to ensure that those responsible are held accountable.
- According to the statement; independent experts from the Committee against Torture (CAT) and the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) were appalled by the continuing massive violence in Ecuador's prisons, with hundreds of deaths recorded in recent months, some of which were caused by extreme brutality. Around 300 people have been killed inside Ecuador's prisons so far this year as a result of a series of violent riots between rival gangs. In two recent incidents, about 200 detainees lost their lives in fierce clashes in Litoral



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	<p>Penitentiary, Ecuador's biggest prison (Center for the Deprivation of Liberty Guayas No. 1) in the country's largest city of Guayaquil. The CAT reviewed Ecuador in 2016 and had expressed concerns over the frequent episodes of inter-prisoner violence in the country and made recommendations to the State party. To support the work of the national preventive mechanism of Ecuador and to provide recommendations to the State authorities, the SPT declared that it is planning to visit the country in the coming months. The Subcommittee last visited Ecuador in 2014.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/EN/NewsEvents/Pages/DisplayNews.aspx?NewsID=27890&LangID=E (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p>
OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 01.12.2021, the final reports on Italy's 2018 parliamentary elections were presented on the Office's website as part of the visit to Rome from November to December 1, 2021. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/italy/506329 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On the website of the Office on 10.12.2021, international human rights day was celebrated on 10 December by emphasizing the universality of human rights. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/507746 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- Information on the final report on the 2021 parliamentary elections in Cyprus was provided on the website of the Office on 16.12.2021. Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/cyprus/508415 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On the website of the Office on 17.12.2021, on the eve of the International Migrants Day, statements about the right to



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	<p>employment, education, housing and even international protection were included.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/508472 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 22.12.2021, information about Moldova's final report on 11 July elections was provided on the Office's website.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/508976 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 22.12.2021, information about Moldova's final report on 11 July elections was provided on the Office's website.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/508976 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 03.12.2021, on the twitter account of the Office, information was given about the ODIHR, the panel aimed at increasing the political participation of the #Disabled in the #OSCE region on the International Day of Persons with Disabilities.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1466762270504017921 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 06.12.2021, on the twitter account of the Office, information was given about a conversation with OSCE and UNHCR on countering intolerance and discrimination against immigrants and refugees and using social media to create positive perceptions on this issue.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/14678789898184687624 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 07.12.2021, a video was shared on the Office's twitter account, before the Human Rights Day, about the ODIHR's joint guide on effective human rights communication.</p>
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	<p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1468241560986955788 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 08.12.2021, on the twitter account of the Office, information was given about the event on border management and human rights: collection and sharing of information and new technologies in the context of combating terrorism and freedom of movement, which took place on 16 December.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1468559764661669897 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 10.12.2021, the Office's twitter account provided information on Understanding Anti-Muslim Hate Crimes - Addressing the Security Needs of Muslim Communities: Launching the Practical Guide of ODIHR in Greece.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1469263439713419274 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 16.12.2021, the Office's twitter account provided information on Gender Equality in the Parliament: A Guide for the OSCE Region Parliaments.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1471435856737185796 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 17.12.2021, a congratulatory message for Latvia's participation in the OPCAT, the Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture, was shared on the Office's twitter account.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odihr/status/1471850668419866626 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On the twitter account of the Office on 29.12.2021, it was stated that the national legislation should allow NGOs to work instead of hindering their activities and undermining the right</p>
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	<p>to freedom of association, and the decision of the Russian Supreme Court to close Memorial International, the leading Human Rights organization, was criticized.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/osce_odhr/status/1475834627101233152 (Access Date: 29.12.2021)</p>
European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 03.12.2021, ENNHRI's CRPD Working Group exchanged views on national practices and challenges that illustrate how children with disabilities from the early stages of COVID-19 are lagging behind in the education systems of many countries. The theme of Human Rights Day 2021 is “Leadership and participation of people with disabilities towards an inclusive, accessible and sustainable post-COVID-19 world” and “Continuous digitization of education must go hand in hand with the needs of students with disabilities: this process must not increase but break down barriers. NHRIs should monitor the protection of the right to education of persons with disabilities and advise the responsible national authorities on implementing necessary changes in legislation, policy and practice.” Statements by Ekaterine Skhiladze, Deputy Public Defender of Georgia and Head of ENNHRI's CRPD Working Group. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/inclusive-education-persons-with-disabilities/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021)- On 03.12.2021, on the ENNHRI website, the new Strategic Plan was adopted at the 2021 ENNHRI General Assembly attended by over 55 members, the new ENNHRI Chairman, Board members, Finance Committee Chair and Finance Committee members, as well as GANHRI governance positions and for various GANHRI functions. representatives announced that their elections were held. Source: https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/ennhri-members-elect-new-governance-positions-at-final-general-assembly-of-2021/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021)



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- On 10.12.2021 ENNHRI, on International Human Rights Day 2021, ENNHRI highlighted the important role NHRIs can play in putting human rights and Agenda 2030 at the center of these plans and efforts to “rebuild better, fairer and greener”, It has published the “Checklist for the Human Rights-Based Approach to the Socio-Economic Responses of Countries against COVID-19”.

Source:

<https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/a-human-rights-based-approach-to-recovery-the-role-of-nhris/>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 13.12.2021 ENNHRI, in the last session of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions Accreditation Subcommittee, evaluated their compliance with the UN Paris Principles, congratulated Serbian NHRI on its re-accreditation with A status. In March 2022, five more ENNHRI members – Northern Ireland, Austria, Germany, Luxembourg and Hungary announced that the compliance of NHRIs with the UN Paris Principles would be evaluated.

Source:

<https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/open-letter-nihrc-support/>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 14.12.2021, ENNHRI published its new report outlining the gaps in human rights accountability at European borders.

Source:

<https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/report-human-rights-accountability-at-borders/> (Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 14.12.2021, ENNHRI published an open letter to support the Ukrainian NHRI on the latest developments in Ukraine.

Source:

<https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/support-to-ukrainian-nhri/>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 16.12.2021, ENNHRI issued a joint statement in support of the Georgian NHRI, which is constantly facing verbal threats and attacks from prominent politicians for its recent work.

Source:



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<https://ennhri.org/news-and-blog/ennhri-and-partners-release-joint-statement-in-support-of-the-georgian-nhri/>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 01.12.2021, ENNHRI shared the guide for relations to be established with the National Human Rights, Equality Institutions and European Committee of Social Rights, which they prepared together with @equineteurope on their Twitter account.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1465962618624122883>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 02.12.2021, ENNHRI's Twitter account #ThursdayAdvices encouraged border agencies (eg @Frontex, @EASO) to establish partnerships with national human rights institutions.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1466352646353268737>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 08.12.2021, ENNHRI and the Georgian Ombudsman jointly held a webinar on NGOs and organizations for the disabled: how to participate in the work of the #UN #CRPD Committee.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1467797920082763777>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)

- On 10.12.2021, ENNHRI announced on its Twitter account that it has discussed the role that national human rights institutions can play in the fight against hate crimes, as the representative of Secretary General @DebbieKohner in the Human Rights Rapporteur Group of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1464149426717474817>

(Access Date: 29.12.2021)



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European Committee for the Prevention of Torture (CPT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) has published the report on its ad hoc visit to Croatia from 10 to 14 August 2020. The report is made public pursuant to Rule 39. In a report on Croatia published today, the CPT urges the Croatian authorities to take determined action to stop migrants being ill-treated by police officers and to ensure that cases of alleged ill-treatment are investigated effectively. The report highlights that, for the first time since the CPT started visiting Croatia in 1998, there were manifest difficulties of cooperation. The CPT's delegation was provided with incomplete information about places where migrants may be deprived of their liberty and it was obstructed by police officers in accessing documentation necessary for the delegation to carry out the Committee's mandate. In conclusion, nonetheless the CPT wishes to pursue a constructive dialogue and meaningful cooperation with the Croatian authorities, grounded on a mature acknowledgment, including at the highest political levels, of the gravity of the practice of ill-treatment of migrants by Croatian police officers and a commitment for such ill-treatment to cease. Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-publishes-report-on-its-2020-ad-hoc-visit-to-croatia (Access Date: 03.12.2021)- The European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) carried out an ad hoc visit to Greece from 22 November to 1 December 2021 to examine the treatment of persons in prison. The main objective of the visit was to examine the treatment of prisoners and to review the progress made by the authorities in implementing the Committee's recommendations made over the past 10 years, in particularly regarding overcrowding and poor conditions of detention, inter-prisoner violence, severe understaffing, and health care provision. The delegation also looked into the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic in prisons.
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	<p>At the end of the visit, the delegation presented its preliminary observations to the Greek authorities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-carries-out-visit-to-prisons-in-greece (Access Date: 06.12.2021)</p> <p>- A delegation of the Council of Europe's Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) carried out a periodic visit to Austria from 23 November to 3 December 2021. This was the CPT's seventh periodic visit to the country.</p> <p>The delegation examined the treatment and conditions of detention of persons held in several prisons. It also assessed the situation of persons subjected to the court-imposed measure of involuntary forensic placement (Massnahmenvollzug) and of involuntary patients in a civil psychiatric hospital. Furthermore, the delegation examined the treatment and safeguards afforded to persons held in police custody and in detention pending deportation. Particular attention was paid during the visit to the measures taken by the relevant authorities to implement various recommendations made by the Committee after its previous visits to Austria.</p> <p>In the context of the visit, the delegation also consulted several non-governmental organisations active in areas of concern to the CPT. At the end of the visit, the delegation presented its preliminary observations to the Austrian authorities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-visits-austria (Access Date: 08.12.2021)</p> <p>- A delegation of the Council of Europe's Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) carried out a periodic visit to Lithuania from 10 to 20 December 2021. It was the Committee's eighth visit to the country.</p> <p>The main objective of the visit was to examine the treatment and conditions of detention of persons held in police and prison establishments as well as of foreign nationals detained under</p>
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	<p>aliens legislation. The delegation also reviewed the legal safeguards offered to involuntary psychiatric patients. Particular attention was paid during the visit to the measures taken by the Lithuanian authorities in response to the recommendations made by the Committee after previous visits.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-visits-lithuan-2 (Access Date: 21.12.2021)</p>
Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- A report has been published that the Southeast Asian National Human Rights Institution Forum (SEANF) has adopted new guidelines on the prevention of torture. During the annual conference of the Southeast Asian National Human Rights Institution Forum on 1.12.2021, the following 6 regional Human Rights Institutions will be informed with the guide study prepared together with the Association for the Prevention of Torture: Indonesia, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Thailand and Timor Leste. Source: https://www.apr.ch/en/news_on_prevention/regional-nhri-body-adopts-torture-prevention-guidelines (Access Date: 15.12.2021)- Five months after the launch of the project #SafeInCustody, news broke that the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT) and partner organizations from Malaysia, the Philippines and Thailand came together online to share the results of their groundwork on risky police practices in the three countries. Source: https://www.apr.ch/en/news_on_prevention/safeincustody-project-partners-share-insights-research-risky-police-practices (Access Date: 14.12.2021)- Although not long in implementation, the Méndez Principles are increasingly recognized as the primary source of guidance during investigations, particularly in the early hours of police custody, to ensure greater respect for human rights, and that the



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	<p>principles are progressively incorporated into law and practice, and countries. An article was published with wishes for respecting human rights and serving as a compass to guide their obligations to prevent torture.</p> <p>Source: https://www.apt.ch/en/news_on_prevention/strengthening-human-rights-protection-first-hours-police-custody-potential (Access Date: 09.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Content has been published regarding the high risk of discrimination and ill-treatment for persons with disabilities who are deprived of their liberty. Source: https://twitter.com/apt_geneva/status/1466739344572661761?s=20 (Access Date: 03.12.2021)- A content has been published on how body search should be done in accordance with human dignity. Source: https://twitter.com/apt_geneva/status/1466437564613730307?s=20 (Access Date: 02.12.2021)- An introductory animation about Mendez Principles has been shared. Source: https://twitter.com/apt_geneva/status/1461274024806387717?s=20 (Access Date: 21.12.2021)
Human Rights Ombudsman of Guatemala	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 02.12.2021, Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) Jutiapa staff conducted an on-site investigation to determine that respect for the right to peaceful assembly was preserved in the actions taken by the drivers serving in the Jutiapa department of Quezada municipality to express their disagreements regarding the bus terminal and to demand a space for dialogue with the municipal authorities. Source:



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	<p>https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-observa-manifestacion-pacifica-de-pilotos-de-microbuses.html (Access Date: 05.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 02.12.2021, the Labor Advocate of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) paid a visit and review to the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare (Mintrab) regarding the care policy and worker protection for workers with HIV.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-verifica-politica-de-atencion-a-personas-trabajadoras-con-vih.html (Access Date: 05.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 06.12.2021, the representative of the Huehuetenango Deputy of the Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) opened a case against two children whose human rights were violated by being brutally whipped by an adult, according to a video posted on social networks. In this context, the Ombudsman will follow the actions of the Ministry of Public Affairs and the National Attorney General's Office (PGN) regarding the process.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-abre-expediente-y-da-seguimiento-a-actuaciones-de-autoridades-por-violencia-contr-dos-ninos.html (Access Date: 12.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 06.12.2021, Procumóvil Police Center officials, in coordination with the trainer from the Poptún Assistant Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH), trained officers of the municipality of San Pedro Cadenas and the National Civil Police (PNC) on immigration rights and international protection. PHD officials exchanged information with the municipality in question to ensure future coordination in favor of the local population and transit migrants.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-capacita-a-agentes-de-la-pnc-en-san-pedro-cadenas.html (Access Date: 12.12.2021)</p>
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- On 08.12.2021, representatives of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) Workers' Advocacy Department attended a meeting called by the Republican Congress Minor and Family Commission Member, Edgar Batres, where the violations of workers' rights were discussed.

Source:

<https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-participa-en-reunion-acerca-de-vulneraciones-a-derechos-laborales.html>

(Access Date: 12.12.2021)

- On 09.12.2021, the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) delegate from Huehuetenango followed the proceedings conducted by the Public Prosecutor's Office (MP) and the Pluri-personal Court of First Instance of Santa Eulalia in the case of two children who were assaulted by their mother.

Source:

<https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-da-seguimiento-a-diligencias-realizadas-en-caso-de-ninos-victimas-de-agresion-por-su-progenitora.html>

(Access Date: 12.12.2021)

- On 13.12.2021, the Zacapa Deputy Delegate of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) observed a demonstration by the Zacapa Regional Hospital Workers' Union representatives in the premises of the hospital in question due to the possible closure of the Covid-19 Hospital in Estanzuela municipality. The dispute arose over the inequality in salaries that would occur if the hospital in question were to close.

Source:

<https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-verifica-manifestacion-de-trabajadores-de-salud-quienes-solicitan-equiparacion-de-salarios.html>

(Access Date: 19.12.2021)

- On 13.12.2021, Petén Procumóvil officials from the Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) examined the migration route to the El Ceibo border post, which is the jurisdiction of the municipality of La Libertad. During the investigation, the authorities were deported from Mexico by the immigration



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	<p>authorities in the early morning of 13 December. He interviewed immigrants who reported that they had been picked up and left at the entrance of the El Ceibo border post.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-monitoreo-ruta-migratoria-en-direccion-a-puesto-fronterizo-el-ceibo.html (Access Date: 19.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 14.12.2021 the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) Jordán Rodas participated in the forum on “Youth and Human Rights”. The event was organized by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) within the framework of the Human Rights Day commemoration activities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-participa-en-el-foro-hablemos-de-igualdad.html (Access Date: 19.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 15.12.2021 the staff of the Vice-President of San Marcos of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) observed the prosecution carried out by the National Civil Police (PNC) agents and the Magistrates of the municipality of Tajumulco regarding the rescue of two young children for alleged ill-treatment in the village of Tuucush. The judge decided that the two children would be handed over to their grandparents for their protection and shelter.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-observa-diligencia-de-rescate-de-dos-personas-menores-de-edad.html (Access Date: 19.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 16.12.2021, Escuintla Auxiliary from the Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) held a meeting to follow up on the problem of children and adolescents spending the night begging at the toll booths of the highway, which is under the jurisdiction of the Marnhos company, which is the jurisdiction of the municipality of Palín. Representatives of the Prosecutor General's Office (PGN), the Secretariat for Combating Sexual</p>
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	<p>Violence, Exploitation and Human Trafficking (MEGEP) and the concessionaire company attended the meeting held at the office of the Marhnos company.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-da-seguimiento-a-tema-de-mendicidad-de-ninez-y-adolescencia-en-garitas-de-peaje.html (Access Date: 19.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 20.11.2021 the Deputy Escuintla of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) went to the scene to examine a citizen's complaint regarding ill-treatment of a person with Down syndrome, which was spread on social networks. The interview with the person with Down syndrome was accompanied by the delegation of the Disability Commission of the Escuintla Department.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-acompana-a-delegada-de-codedis-en-verificacion-de-denuncia-en-contrade-una-persona-con-sindrome-de-down.html (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 21.12.2021, the Human Rights Ombudsman Office (PDH) and United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) staff provided training to the members of the El Ceibo Women's Committee on international protection, sexual and gender-based violence, in order to strengthen women's knowledge.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-y-acnur-capacitan-a-integrantes-del-comite-de-mujeres-el-ceibo.html (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 22.12.2021, Health and Sexual Diversity advocates of the Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) paid a visit to San Juan de Dios General Hospital, based on complaints about the lack of care for admitted patients.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-verifica-denuncias-por-falta-de-atencion-en-hospital-general-san-juan-de-dios.html (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 23.12.2021, the Office of the Human Rights Ombudsman (PDH) held a meeting with the delegates of the Public Transport Users Ombudsman Institution to follow up the recommendations regarding the situation and accessibility of the disabled people at the stops, and the improvement of the service.</p> <p>Source: https://www.pdh.org.gt/comunicacion/noticias/pdh-da-seguimiento-a-recomendaciones-por-accesibilidad-para-personas-con-discapacidad-en-paradas-de-buses.html (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p>
National Council for Human Rights of Egypt	<p>- On the International Anti-Corruption Day, the National Council for Human Rights (NCHR) lauds the efforts of the state in the adoption of a range of efficient regulatory measures contributing to preventing corruption and boosting values of transparency and integrity, starting by the Constitution which stipulated the state's commitment to address corruption.</p> <p>Source: https://www.nchr.eg/en/news-details/882 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <p>- In the post shared on the official website of the institution on 10.12.2021, the Commission celebrated the World Human Rights Day, It has also been stated that it plays a key role in the preparation process of International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and many other conventions protecting people from discrimination and ensuring people's rights.</p> <p>Source: https://www.nchr.eg/en/news-details/884 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p>



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National Commission for Human Rights Rwanda	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The Commission, together with its partners, held a Press Conference on 30 November 2021 as the start of the human rights week. It has publicized the planned activities from 1 December to 10 December. These; A one-day workshop on anti-corruption in all provinces jointly with the Office of the Ombudsperson for members of the Provincial Security Council and the members of the Districts Advisory Board, a workshop on Principles of Human Rights for Youth Volunteers in Kigali, the National Council of Persons with Disabilities to commemorate the International Day of Persons with Disabilities Join the (NCPD) and Rwanda and the International Community, a Human Rights awareness campaign through different media platforms, a live show on Rwandan Television and Radio Rwanda, join the Ministry of Unity and Civic Engagement to commemorate the international day of the fight against genocide and to commemorate the 73rd Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Source: http://www.cndp.org.rw/index.php?id=187&tx_news_pi1%5Bnews%5D=173&tx_news_pi1%5Bday%5D=6&tx_news_pi1%5Bmonth%5D=12&tx_news_pi1%5Byear%5D=2021&cash=81d3977ef8421ecd39451f1e4aebde6b (Access Date: 29.12.2021)- The Commission organized a meeting under the theme of the United Nations "EQUALITY: Reducing Inequalities, Promoting Human Rights" on 10 December World Human Rights Day. Source: http://www.cndp.org.rw/index.php?id=187&tx_news_pi1%5Bnews%5D=174&tx_news_pi1%5Bday%5D=11&tx_news_pi1%5Bmonth%5D=12&tx_news_pi1%5Byear%5D=2021&Hash=68c4bf2e5e9b391b2ea715a3eccfe04c (Access Date: 29.12.2021)- Between 14-16 December 2021, Commissioners and staff received training on Human Rights Monitoring and Reporting at a 3-day workshop held in Musanze. The training was organized by the United Nations in Rwanda to strengthen the
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	<p>capacities of Commissioners and Staff to monitor and report on human rights.</p> <p>Source: http://www.cndp.org.rw/index.php?id=187&tx_news_pi1%5Bnews%5D=175&tx_news_pi1%5Bday%5D=20&tx_news_pi1%5Bmonth%5D=12&tx_news_pi1%5Byear%5D=2021&cHash=779f661d60bc48949057d88ac45dbc54 (Access Date: 29.12.2021)</p>
Ombudsperson's Office of Namibia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the post shared on the Facebook account of the Institution on 06 December 2021, it was stated that human rights are fundamental rights and freedoms that every human being is entitled to, despite their socio-economic standing, race, religion or gender. Source: https://tr-tr.facebook.com/people/Office-of-the-Ombudsman-Namibia/100064767724362/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021) - In the post shared on the Facebook account of the Institution on 06 December 2021, it was stated that the Institution gear up to commemorate Day of the Namibian women and International Human Rights Day on 10 December and the question is addressed to the followers that is about what are the insufficient areas with regard to human rights in Namibia. Source: https://tr-tr.facebook.com/people/Office-of-the-Ombudsman-Namibia/100064767724362/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021)
National Human Rights Commission of the Democratic Republic of Congo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The National Commission for Human Rights (CNDH) held a press conference on Wednesday, December 22, at the conference hall of Boboto College in Kinshasa. At the meeting, the National Coalition of the International Criminal Court (CN-CPI / RDC), through a memorandum, stated that in the process of renewing members of the National Human Commission, the head of the National Assembly must strictly adhere to legality. Source: http://www.cndhrdc.cd/g?post=359 (Access Date: 29.12.2021)



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Canadian Human Rights Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 03.12.2021, the Canadian Human Rights Commission shared a post that would raise awareness about the commitment to inclusion and equality within the scope of International Day of Persons with Disabilities. Source: https://www.chrc-ccdp.gc.ca/en/resources/build-back-better-we-must-build-back-barrier-free (Access Date: 29.12.2021)- On the website of the Canadian Human Rights Commission on 10.12.2021, they stated that the Ontario Law Commission, the Ontario Human Rights Commission and the Canadian Human Rights Commission are working together on human rights and the use of artificial intelligence, and that they will also work on algorithmic intelligence discrimination in the coming years. Source: https://www.chrc-ccdp.gc.ca/en/resources/law-commission-ontario-ontario-human-rights-commission-and-canadian-human-rights (Access Date: 29.12.2021)
Defensor del Pueblo of Ecuador	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 02.12.2021, a seminar was organized by the Ecuadorian Ombudsman on the protection of the rights of users and consumers within the framework of the COVID-19 health emergency. Source: https://twitter.com/DEFENSORIAEC/status/1466456105790410757 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 02.12.2021, an online conference entitled "Contexts of Paralysis in Latin America" and "Transitional Justice, Its Role in Memory and Comprehensive Repair" was held by the Ecuadorian Ombudsman as part of "16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence". Source: https://twitter.com/DEFENSORIAEC/status/1466508845824585736 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 04.12.2021, "Conversation on Experiences Regarding the Guarantee, Guardianship and Restoration of the Rights of the



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	<p>People with Disabilities" was held by the Ecuadorian Ombudsman.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/DEFENSORIAEC/status/1466884263077466114 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 07.12.2021, the "Youth Declaration for the Implementation of Human Rights" workshop was organized by the Ecuadorian Ombudsman. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/DEFENSORIAEC/status/1468396114097360897 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p>
Procurador Derechos Humanos El Salvador	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 01.12.2021, a program on "Combating Violence Against Women" was organized on Women's Day. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1465787885119025157 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 01.12.2021, within the framework of the project "Strengthening Peace, Transitional Justice, Combating Corruption and Promoting Transparency", participation in the Political Rights Workshop was ensured. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1465826345041211393 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 01.12.2021, within the scope of the World Day for Combating and Intervention Against HIV, the event was carried out in coordination with the organizations forming the Human Rights and HIV Thematic Roundtable Meeting. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1466122487935254539 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 04.12.2021 training was provided to civil servants to assist foreign immigrants in sensitive conditions.



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	<p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1455992531867607040 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 09.12.2021 the meeting titled "Women's Human Rights from the Intersectional Perspective" was attended.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1468697969226657799 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 10.12.2021 The "National Award Ceremony for the Promotion and Defense of Human Rights" was held on the 73rd anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.</p> <p>Source : https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1469326103970029579 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 13.12.2021, "Good Practices to Eliminate Violence Against Women" Forum was organized.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1470495638089572364 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 18.12.2021, The Early Warning System, which will contribute to the protection of human rights, carried out by the El Salvador Human Rights Advocacy, was introduced. It has been stated that this system will also receive support from Non-Governmental Organizations.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHElSalvador/status/1471950164940234752 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 18.12.2021, in cooperation with Huizúcar Municipality, children's rights education was given to children as part of the Christmas activities.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://twitter.com/PDDHEISalvador/status/1471966956794302472 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 23.12.2021 participation was made in the television program in which the General Law on Water Resources was discussed. Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHEISalvador/status/1473508686966542338 (Access Date: 23.12.2021)- On 24.12.2021, message about the Christmas holiday celebrations was shared. Source: https://twitter.com/PDDHEISalvador/status/1474394460054192129 (Access Date: 24.12.2021)
Ireland Human Rights and Equality Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On the official website of the Commission dated 03.12.2021, the results of a national survey which was conducted on the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities were shared. Accordingly, in Ireland, nine out of ten (89%) people agree that employers should do more to accommodate workers with disabilities, while one in five (21%) say they have directly witnessed or directly experienced discrimination related to their disability. Every year on 3 December, the world celebrates this day, which aims to improve the understanding of disability rights and focus on the dignity and equal participation of people with disabilities. The theme of this year's international day is “Inclusion and leadership of people with disabilities in an inclusive, accessible and sustainable post-COVID-19 world.” The survey acknowledges that nine out of ten (87%) people in Ireland face barriers to their full participation in Irish society. In 2020, this figure is 86%. Two-fifths (41%) of Irish society feel that people with disabilities are not treated fairly, consistent with 2020 (42%). The Commission is the designated independent monitor of Ireland's obligations under the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD).



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	<p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/9-in-10-say-employers-should-do-more-to-accommodate-disabled-workers/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 10.12.2021 the Commission published the “New Employer's Guide to Recruiting Asylum Seekers”. The new guidance was published on World Human Rights Day and supported by the Irish Employers Group and the Trade Union Representation Agency. It provides clear and accessible information on the employment of international protection applicants – asylum seekers.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/human-rights-and-equality-commission-ibec-and-ictu-publish-new-employers-guide-for-hiring-asylum-seekers/ (Access Date: 29.12.2021)</p> <p>- On the official website of the Commission dated 17.12.2021, it was shared that the Commission was involved in the case before the Supreme Court, as amicus curiae ("friend of the court"), a traveler's family had not fulfilled its legal obligations to properly and proportionately assess their rights before leaving their home. (<i>Bernard McDonagh and Helen McDonagh v Clare County Council case</i>)</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/documents/bernard-mcdonagh-and-helen-mcdonagh-v-clare-county-council/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 18.12.2021, a press release was made on the official Twitter account of the Commission, stating that asylum seekers can now apply for a driver's license.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/IHREC (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- In the post dated 22.12.2021, an important decision of the Commission was shared about a case in which the amicus curiae (friend of the court) was given. The appeals court ruled in an important case concerning the rights of the accused and the procedural guarantees necessary for a fair trial. The case</p>
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	<p>includes an appeal following the acquittal by the Special Criminal Court of two persons accused of IRA membership.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/court-of-appeal-rules-in-criminal-appeal-in-case-relating-to-rights-of-accused-persons/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p>
National Commission for Human Rights Greece	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 03.12.2021, the Chairperson of the Institution attended the online event organized by the National Confederation of the People with Disabilities. Source: https://www.nchr.gr/ta-nea-mas.html?start=10 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 06.12.2021, in partnership with UNESCO, a program on the human rights of refugees and migrants in the European Union was organized in a school. Source: https://www.nchr.gr/ta-nea-mas.html?start=10 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 10.12.2021, the message of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Michelle Bachelet, 10 December World Human Rights Day, was shared. Source: https://nchr.gr/ta-nea-mas.html (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 16.12.2021, a press release was made about Lazaros Petromelidis's complaint, which was examined at the UN Human Rights Commission Source: https://nchr.gr/ta-nea-mas.html (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 22.12.2021, a new year message was issued on behalf of the Chairperson of the Institution. Source: https://nchr.gr/ta-nea-mas.html (Access Date: 28.12.2021)



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Office of the Ombudsperson Croatia	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 9.12.2021, an information letter was shared on the Institution's website on the occasion of the International Anti-Corruption Day. In this article, the definition of corruption is made and the importance of the subject is mentioned. It has been stated that the Republic of Croatia ratified the United Nations Convention on Anti-Corruption on 31 October 2003. Regarding the subject, the importance of reporting irregularities in order to fight corruption was emphasized. Source: https://www.ombudsman.hr/hr/medunarodni-dan-borbe-protiv-korupcije-2021 (Access Date: 28.12.2021) - International Human Rights Day was celebrated with the article on the website of the Institution on 10.12.2021, The first article of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights has been explained. It has been stated that the pandemic has increased the inequalities we encounter in the context of human rights. It has been stated that this day aims to raise awareness and that the state has responsibilities in terms of protecting existing rights. Source: https://www.ombudsman.hr/hr/medunarodni-dan-ljudskih-prava-2021-jednakost-u-fokusu/ (Access Date: 28.12.2021) - On 18.12.2021, due to the International Migrants Day, an article was shared on the Institution's website, expressing that immigrants face many problems in the world, and dedicated to the meaning and importance of the day. It is among the allegations that immigrants in Croatia are deported collectively and cannot access protection, and that they are subjected to violence and humiliating treatment. It has been emphasized that the Republic of Croatia is obliged to protect the borders and that it should do this in accordance with the legal regulations. Source: https://www.ombudsman.hr/hr/medunarodni-dan-migranata-2021/ (Access Date: 28.12.2021)
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People's Advocate Albania	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- In the news on the official page of the Institution dated 02.12.2021, it was shared that a series of training seminars which focused on Sustainable Development Goals were organized in order to increase the quality of the Institution's personnel. Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-725/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021) - In the news on the official page of the Institution dated 02.12.2021, it was shared that Ombudsman Erinda Ballanca's participation in the regional meeting of national human rights institutions upon the invitation of Kosovo People's Lawyer Naim Qelaj. The meeting was attended by the representatives of Kosovo and Albania, as well as North Macedonia and Albania Commissioner for Protection Against Discrimination, Robert Gajda. At the meeting, the independence of NHRIs and their relations with the parliament were discussed. Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-724/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021) - In the post dated 03.12.2021, it was announced that the Ombudsman Erinda Ballanca was re-elected as a member of ENNHRI's board of directors. The final General Assembly of the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) for 2021 took place on 3 December 2021, and representatives from ENNHRI members across Europe were elected to the governing structure. ENNHRI members have elected the new ENNHRI President, Board members, Chairman of the Finance Committee and members of the Finance Committee, as well as management positions and GANHRI representatives for the various GANHRI functions. The mandate as a member of these structures will begin in March 2022 and will last for three years. Source:
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<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-727/>
(Access Date: 26.12.2021)

- On 03.12.2021, a message was shared for the Day of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. In this message, it was emphasized that Albania has adopted the Sustainable Development Goals and that NHRIs have a duty to eradicate poverty, realize human dignity and eliminate inequality.

Source:

<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-726/>
(Access Date: 26.12.2021)

- On 06.12.2021, representatives of NHRI of Armenia visited Albanian NHRI. Through this exchange visit, the representative delegation of the counterpart institution of Armenia planned to accompany monitoring visits in prisons, mental health protection centers, etc. within the scope of NPM.

Source:

<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-728/>
(Access Date: 26.12.2021).

- In the post dated 06.12.2021, a greeting message was shared for the National Youth Day. In the message content, “Young people, as supporters of development and change, are the truest barometer of a people's orientation, so their voices should be heard with caution and kindness.” statements are included.

Source:

<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-732/>
(Access Date: 26.12.2021)

- On 09.12.2021, Ombudsman Erinda Ballanca attended the regional NHRI roundtable meeting held within the OSCE on the eve of World Human Rights Day. In the meeting, good practice examples, experience sharing between institutions and opportunities for developing regional cooperation were discussed. Among the participants are the representatives of



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	<p>Kosovo, North Macedonia, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro.</p> <p>Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-733/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021)</p> <p>- A greeting message was shared on the occasion of December 10, World Human Rights Day. The message emphasized raising human rights standards and underlined that the struggle for human rights continues.</p> <p>Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-734/ (Access Date: 26.12.2021).</p> <p>- Ombudsman Erinda Ballanca participated in the consultation meeting which was organized by an NGO called “Social Justice” with the support of the Open Society Foundation, on the approval of the minimum subsistence level.</p> <p>Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-735/ (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 14.12.2021, the Ombudsman's Commissioner for Protection from Discrimination provided an online training focused on the protection of children's rights to regional managers.</p> <p>Source: https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-736/ (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 14-15 December 2021, a two-day training was provided to the personnel within the institution on the implementation and monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals 2030 agenda.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-737/>
(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post dated 16.12.2021, the news was shared that Ombudsman Erinda Ballanca participated in the roundtable discussions on the protection of press freedom and journalists. In the recent years, the increasing number of threats and attacks against journalists and other media professionals highlights the urgent need for better security and protection for journalists, in line with European standards. The event brought together prominent journalists, parliamentarians, senior representatives of the judiciary, law enforcement, equality bodies and civil society. The Ombudsman, who attaches special importance to the rights of journalists and cooperates closely with the media within the framework of the "Alliance Against Hate Speech" took her place at the round table meeting. In her speech to the participants, Erinda Ballanca talked about the importance of institutions respecting the information mission of journalists and stopping the culture of intimidation or attack against journalists. On the other hand, she emphasized that the media community should understand the importance of its mission and protect it from abuse.

Source:

<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-738/>
(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 20.12.2021, the Institution held its annual conference on "The Rights of Future Generations and Climate Change" with the support of the United Nations Office in Albania.

Source:

<https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/this-article-is-available-only-in-albanian-739/>
(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post dated 24.12.2021, the Ombudsman's greeting message was shared for the Christmas holiday and New Year.

Source:



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	<p>https://www.avokatipopullit.gov.al/sq/articles-layout-1/media/news/the-people-s-advocate-seasons-greetings-740/ (Access Date: 28.12.2021).</p>
Australian Human Rights Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Australia Human Rights Commission Commissioner for Disability Discrimination Dr. Ben Gauntlett shared a video message on the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, 3 December 2021. This speech was announced on the AHRCs Youtube page and its official website. Subtitles and a sign language translator have been added to facilitate access to the video. Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/videos/international-day-persons-disabilities-3-december-2021 (Access Date: 04.12.2021)- In the post dated 07.12.2021, a new guideline was prepared and shared with the public by the AHRC for managing the fight against modern slavery for those working in the energy sector such as mining, oil and gas resources, electricity generation. According to the Global Slavery Index, more than 40 million people worldwide live in conditions of modern slavery, and about 15,000 exist in Australia. Modern slavery refers to a series of human rights violations that are also crimes in Australia. These include human trafficking, slavery, forced marriage, forced labor, debt bondage, the worst forms of child labor, deceptive recruitment for labor or service. The latest guidance is available on resources and energy sector organizations and their suppliers to report under the Modern Slavery Act. The AHRC also has other guidelines on modern slavery focusing on the financial services and healthcare sector. The guide can be Access from the relevant link. Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/combating-modern-slavery-resources-and-energy-sectors (Access Date: 11.12.2021)- In the post dated 10.12.2021, a new discussion paper was published by the AHRC outlining 38 recommendations for



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	<p>reforming Australia's federal discrimination law system. As a part of the Commission's main project, “Free and Equal: An Australia on human rights, the Discrimination Law Position Paper”, a discussion paper is the result of an extensive consultation process conducted in 2020 and 2021. The document's 38 recommendations address every aspect of the Australian federal discrimination law system within four reform pillars. President of the AHRC, Professor Rosalind Croucher AM, says that discrimination laws are insufficient, they do not meet the needs of the 21st century, and they need reform. Building a preventive culture, modernizing the regulatory framework, increasing access to justice and improving the practical functioning of laws are the four pillars of reform recommendations.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/case-modernise-australias-federal-discrimination-law (Access Date: 15.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 10 December 2021, World Human Rights Day, 2021 Human Rights Award winners have been announced.</p> <p>Winners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">— 2021 Human Rights Medal: Professor Larissa Behrendt AO— 2021 Young People’s Medal: Chanel Contos— 2021 Young People’s Medal Community Human Rights Champion: PlateitForward <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/2021-human-rights-award-winners-announced (Access Date: 15.12.2021)</p>
The Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights (Ombudsman)	<p>- On 9 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that the National Human Rights Prize of 2021 was awarded to Lyudmila Huseynova, a public ombudsman for children's rights in the ORDO, who is in illegal captivity in the temporarily occupied territory of Donetsk region.</p> <p>Source:</p>



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<https://old.ombudsman.gov.ua/ua/pr/upovnovazhenij-nacz%D1%96onalno%D1%97-pravozaxisno%D1%97-prem%D1%96%D1%97-2021-roku-udosto%D1%94no-lyudmilu-gusejnovu/> (Access Date: 14.12.2021)

- On 9 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that the Commissioner took part in the round table "Main trends in the realization of human and civil rights and freedoms in 2021".

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/news_details.php
(Access Date: 14.12.2021)

- On 14 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI) supports the Ukrainian National Human Rights Institution because of recent developments in Ukraine raise concerns about the powers of the Commissioner for Human Rights. In this regard, ENNHRI expressed its support for the institution and sent letters to the relevant authorities. Through these letters, ENNHRI recalls the current global and regional standards that call for independence and efficiency of the NHRI.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/news_details_2.php
(Access Date: 14.12.2021)

- On 15 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that a regular meeting of the Coordinating Council for the Rights of the Child and the Family was held. A regular meeting of the Coordinating Council for the Observance of the Rights of the Child and the Family chaired by the representative of the Commissioner for the Observance of the Rights of the Child and the Family Aksana Filipishina took place. According to the news, during the online meeting, members of the Coordinating Council discussed topical issues of inclusive education in 2021 and respect for children's rights to protection from all forms of violence and the representative of the Commissioner informed the members of the Coordination Council about the results of the Commissioner's



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monitoring during 2021 on strategic areas for the observance of children's rights. During this year, 278 monitoring visits were carried out in the areas of respect for children's rights in the context of administrative and territorial reform, including their right to education, and of protection of children from all forms of violence and respect for children's rights in the context of COVID-19.

Source:

<https://old.ombudsman.gov.ua/ua/pr/chergove-koordinacz%D1%96jno%D1%97-radi-z-pitan-dotrimannya-prav-ditini-ta-s%D1%96m%D1%97/>

(Access Date: 16.12.2021)

- On 16 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that the Commissioner held a working meeting on the results of the implementation of the National Preventive Mechanism in 2021. In 2021, 25% of all places of detention (3753) were covered, which is the highest figure since the introduction of the national preventive mechanism in Ukraine. "For 11 months of 2021, 958 monitoring visits of the national preventive mechanism to places of detention of all types were conducted, which is 18% more than for the whole of 2020," said Lyudmila Denisova. She informed the audience about the constant growth of citizens' appeals to the Secretariat of the Commissioner. The Commissioner also noted that most of the complaints from detainees about inadequate conditions of detention and violations of the right to health care and medical assistance.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/news_details_9.php

(Access Date: 16.12.2021)

- On 17 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that the Commissioner welcomes the adoption by the UN General Assembly of an updated resolution on the human rights situation in the temporarily occupied Crimea.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/news_details_8.php

(Access Date: 17.12.2021)



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 22 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that this year, the COVID-19 pandemic and quarantine restrictions have created new challenges for the realization of social rights and that as of December 1, 2021, 10,596 citizens applied to the Commissioner for violations of their social rights, which is 38% more than in the same period of 2020. Source: https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/en/news_details/tendenciya-shchodo-realizatsiyi-socialnih-prav-lyudini-i-gromadyanina-u-2021-roci (Access Date: 28.12.2021) - On 24 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that in 11 months, 7,613 people appealed to the Commissioner regarding violations of their procedural rights. In 11 months, 7,613 people applied to the Commissioner regarding violations of their procedural rights, (2020 - 6,604, an increase of 13%). Source: https://www.ombudsman.gov.ua/en/news_details/do-upovnovazhenogo-za-11-misyaciv-zvernulysya-7-613-osib-shchodo-porushennya-yihnih-procesualnih-prav (Access Date: 28.12.2021)
National Human Rights Commission of Korea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the official website of the Institution on 08.12.2021, It was stated that the Korean National Human Rights Commission participated in the accreditation review chaired by the GANHRI Accreditation Subcommittee (SCA), and the “A” status was renewed as a result of the accreditation review. Source: https://www.humanrights.go.kr/site/program/board/basicboard/view?boardtypeid=7003&boardid=7607480&menuid=002002001 (Access Date: 27.12.2021) - On 10.12.2021, in the news on the official website of the Institution it was stated that the Institution hosted the North Korean Human Rights International Symposium (2021). It was stated that at the symposium held on 29 and 30 November



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2021, the ways to define guidelines for improving the National Action Plan for the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights (NAP) and to promote human rights for North Korean asylum seekers were discussed.

Source:

<https://www.humanrights.go.kr/site/program/board/basicboard/view?boardtypeid=7003&boardid=7607494&menuid=002002001> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On 15.12.2021, it was stated on the official website of the Institution that an event was held at the Commission's headquarters on 10 December, celebrating the 73rd Human Rights Day, and 10 people were given human rights awards. The event, which was held live on the official youtube account of the commission, can be accessed at www.youtube.com/NHRCkr.

Source:

<https://www.humanrights.go.kr/site/program/board/basicboard/view?boardtypeid=7003&boardid=7607502&menuid=002002001> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- On the official website of the Institution on 21.12.2021, it was stated that the decision on the Situation of Human Rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea was approved by the UN General Assembly. It was stated that various human rights issues such as torture and inhuman treatment, sexual abuse against women, illegal and arbitrary detention, extrajudicial and arbitrary executions, death penalty for political and religious reasons, forced labor were mentioned in the decision. In addition, it was stated in the Decision that the regime could not control the damage it caused to its people due to natural disasters such as drought and floods, the food and health crises exacerbated by the closing of the border gates, violating the economic, social and cultural rights of the people, and the so-called "songbun" system that divides them according to their political and religious views.

Source:

<https://www.humanrights.go.kr/site/program/board/basicboard/view?boardtypeid=7003&boardid=7607523&menuid=002002001> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)



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National Human Rights Committee of Qatar	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 29.11.2022, on the official website of the Institution, It has been stated that the National Human Rights Committee organized a conference on the occasion of the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People in cooperation with the Independent Human Rights Commission (ICHR) in the State of Palestine. It was stated that the conference aimed to shed light on the systematic violations of the human rights of Palestinians by the occupation authorities in the occupied Palestinian territories and to identify the steps and mechanisms to counter them in the future in order to embody, enable and strengthen international solidarity. Source: https://nhrc-qa.org/en/arab-network-for-national-human-rights-institutions-organizes-conference-on-the-occasion-of-international-day-of-solidarity-with-the-palestinian-people/ (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- The news on the official website of the Institution on 16.12.2021 included the statement made by the President of the Institution, Maryam bint Abdullah Al Attiyah, on the occasion of the national day. In the speech, attention was drawn to the equality of citizens in terms of public rights and duties, and the importance of workers' rights along with the concepts of freedom, justice, rights and freedoms. Source: https://nhrc-qa.org/en/national-day-chairperson-of-the-national-human-rights-committee-national-day-is-an-opportunity-to-promote-values-of-loyalty-and-affiliation/ (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- In the news on the official website of the Institution on 21.12.2021, it was stated that Mohammed Faiq 2 session was held in Cairo on the establishment and roles of the human rights system and national human rights institutions, and the session will continue until 23 December 2021. It was stated in the news



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	<p>that the session was an encouraging basic course and an entry point for trainees to learn about the field of human rights and to develop their skills, skills and behaviors.</p> <p>Source: https://nhrc-qa.org/en/arab-network-organizes-session-on-human-rights-system/ (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p>
<p>Institute of Human Rights Ombudsmen of Bosnia and Herzegovina</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 01.12.2021, information was given about the "Disability does not determine me" campaign financed by the European Union on the Institution's website. Source: https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2103&lang=EN (Access Date: 27.12.2021) - On the website of the Institution on 03.12.2021, within the scope of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, all relevant stakeholders are invited to unconditionally implement the international standards approved by Bosnia and Herzegovina and to implement the recommendations of the UN Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Source: https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2106&lang=EN (Access Date: 27.12.2021) - On 06.12.2021, information about the Bosnia and Herzegovina Hate Speech Special Report was provided on the Institution's website, with the initiative of the Council of Europe. Source: https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2109&lang=EN (Access Date: 27.12.2021) - On 08.12.2021, information about the participation of Ombudsman representatives in the "Transformation" game within the scope of supporting the struggle of victims of domestic violence was given on the website of the Institution. Source:



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	<p>https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2111&lang=EN (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On the website of the Institution on 09.12.2021, on the occasion of 10 December International Human Rights Day, attention was drawn to the numerous difficulties in the exercise of citizens' rights, mostly related to the specific economic and political environment, as well as the coronavirus pandemic. Source: https://www.ombudsmen.gov.ba/Novost.aspx?newsid=2115&lang=EN (Access Date: 27.12.2021)
Danish Institute for Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- The consultation response of the Institute regarding the Danish Ministry of Health's report on the use of the Epidemic Act was shared on the Danish Human Rights Institute Twitter account on 1.12.2021. In the consultation response, it was stated that the issue of how the imposed restrictions affect the citizens should also be addressed in the Report. Source: https://twitter.com/menneskeret/status/1466002203508940804 (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- In the post shared on the website of the Danish Institute of Human Rights on 7.12.2021, the decision of the European Court of Human Rights Grand Chamber named Savran v. Denmark was discussed. The decision is that the deportation of a young person diagnosed with paranoid schizophrenia to Turkey violates Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights. Source: https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/storkammer-aendrer-dom-danmark-frikendes-kraenkelse-doemmes (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- In the post shared on the Twitter account of the Danish Human Rights Institute on 10.12.2021 on the occasion of Human Rights Day, it was stated that too many young people are



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exposed to sexism and discrimination in Denmark and that there is a need for a youth movement.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/Nikolajnie/status/1466065425385598983>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on the website of the Danish Human Rights Institute on 15.12.2021, it was stated that the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination reviewed Denmark on 23 and 24 November 2021, and the recommendations given by the Committee were discussed.

Source:

<https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/fn-rejser-kritik-danmarks-indsats-diskrimination> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on the website of the Danish Institute of Human Rights on 16.12.2021, it was stated that less than 20 percent of the board positions in Denmark's largest companies were filled by women, and it was pointed out that the requirements should be tightened with the new draft law aimed at accelerating development.

Source:

<https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/flere-krav-oege-andelen-kvinder-danske-bestyrelser> (Access Date: 27.12.2021)

- In the post made on the website of the Danish Human Rights Institute on 22.12.2021, informing that the government will implement an EU directive through a new bill that will make certain technological products and services such as smartphones, apps, e-commerce sites and ticket machines accessible to people with disabilities, it is stated that its an important step, but the government is not going far enough.

Source:

<https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/institut-menneskerettigheder-boer-vaere-samlet-sted-klager-tilgaengelighed-mennesker>

(Access Date: 27.12.2021)



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German Institute for Human Rights	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- In the post shared on the official website of the Institution on 09.12.2021, it is stated that it will be discussed in a special event jointly organized by the German Human Rights Institute (DIMR) and the Federal Government Commissioner for Disability Issues on International Human Rights Day to find the answer to the question of how the protection of Integration aid against violence in shelter facilities can be improved Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/selbstbestimmt-leben-und-inklusion-in-die-gemeinschaft (Access Date: 28.12.2021) - Statements of Beate Rudolf, Director of the German Human Rights Institution were shared on the official website of the Institution on 09.12.2021. She said “Human rights are binding rules for politics. But it also limits the state's room for maneuver. In particular, human rights require the freedom and participation of persons who are discriminated against or who are particularly vulnerable because of poverty or as refugees.” Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenrechtsbericht-2021-die-pandemie-hat-eine-grosse-menschenrechtliche-dimension (Access Date: 28.12.2021) - In order to address the question of how protection against violence can be improved in accommodation centers where assistance for integration is provided, an online expertise event was held jointly by the German Institute for Human Rights (DIMR), considering that the 10 December International Human Rights Day is a suitable opportunity to discuss this issue, and the Federal Government Commissioner for the Problems of Persons with Disabilities, Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/nachlese-fachveranstaltung-zum-thema-gewaltschutz-in-wohneinrichtungen (Access Date: 24.12.2021)
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- In the post shared on the official website of the institution on December 21, 2021, it was stated that the United Nations Open Working Group on Aging (OEWG-A) came together for the 11th session, which took place in a hybrid format, between 29 March-1 April 2021, and at the meeting, “Covid-19 and effects on the rights of the elderly”, “The right of access to work and the labor market” and “Access to the law” were discussed. Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenrechtsschutz-fuer-aeltere-menschen-bleibt-lueckenhaft (Access Date: 24.12.2021)
Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 01.12.2021, the importance of accessing high-quality social care services for the elderly and disabled was emphasized. The examination report prepared by the Health and Social Care Department on the subject has been shared. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1466081782281949186 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 03.12.2021, it was announced that a guide was prepared for employers regarding the hybrid working model. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1466769846016913409 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 05.12.2021, it was announced that a fund was created to help fight racial discrimination and support victims' access to justice. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1467488942874365957 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 06.12.2021, the toolkit created for the action plan for the gender pay gap was shared. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1467848901667528711 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)



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- A video was shared on 08.12.2021 as part of the International Human Rights Day.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1468567118425862152>

(Access Date: 28.12.2021)

- A guide prepared by an institution on artificial intelligence and prohibition of discrimination was shared on 08.12.2021.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1468616800179040268>

(Access Date: 28.12.2021)

- On 10.12.2021, on the occasion of International Human Rights Day, a video about important human rights cases in Britain was shared.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1469302975407472641>

(Access Date: 28.12.2021)

- On 11.12.2021, it has been reported that the data in the Human Rights Tracker, which was created by the Institution and which evaluates human rights developments in Britain, has been updated.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1469623344370696196>

(Access Date: 28.12.2021)

- On 12.12.2021, the access of children with disabilities to education was emphasized and a case related to the subject was shared with a video.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1470061072442961920>

(Access Date: 28.12.2021)

- On 14.12.2021, the Director of the Institution, Baroness Kishwer Falkner, shared his assessment of the UK Equality Act.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1470788245743194113>



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	<p>(Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 16.12.2021, upon the rejection of some changes requested by a disabled person for a safe and secure life in his home, it was announced that he filed a lawsuit with the financial and legal support of the Institution and won the case. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1471465026074648585 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 20.12.2021, it was shared about what a hate crime is and how to file a complaint. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1473262376015302664 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 21.12.2021, it was reported that the rule of working from home was re-enacted in England, and the recommendations prepared for the employers to make a fair decision on the subject were shared. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1473304418296774656 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- On 22.12.2021, a video about the history of the Equality Law in force in Britain was shared. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1473685111677898759 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)- The story of a person who was exposed to racial discrimination on 28.12.2021 was shared. Source: https://twitter.com/EHRC/status/1475784101395406850 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)
Palestinian Independent	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 13.12.2021, Jericho/ Independent Human Rights Commission "Complaints Board" held a special workshop titled The Role of the Palestinian Ministry of Health in



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Commission for Human Rights	<p>Combating Gender-Based Violence with the participation of a group of male and female workers. Jericho and Jordan Valley Governorate Health Director Dr. Tariq Al-Hawas explained the ministry's role in detecting cases of gender-based violence and its work to refer these cases to medical centers.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/media-center/5700.html (Access Date: 24.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The commission has celebrated the renewal of its accreditation in category "A" from the Global Human Rights Alliance on 18.12.2021. Minister of Justice Al-Shalaldeh emphasized that the accreditation obtained by the institution is a pride and achievement for Palestine, and on one hand, he emphasized Palestine's commitment to all international agreements on human rights that Palestine has joined. <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/media-center/5719.html (Access Date: 24.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A workshop on promoting best practices was held on 22.12.2021. At the opening of the workshop, which targeted the directors of a number of correctional and rehabilitation centers in the Gaza Strip to deal with prisoners from a human rights perspective, the institution's advocacy coordinator, Mustafa Ibrahim, stated that the institution's relationship with the reform centers is based on respecting the rights of prisoners and providing elements to enhance the performance of law enforcement. <p>Source: https://www.ichr.ps/media-center/5749.html (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A press release was issued, calling on the international community to assume its legal and moral responsibilities for the continuation and escalation of the attacks with stones and sticks, which took place in many Palestinian villages on 27.12.2021 and resulted in the injury of at least 250 Palestinians. <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>https://www.ichr.ps/category-1/5767.html (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p>
Kingdom of Morocco National Human Rights Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- An international symposium on artificial intelligence and human rights was held on 03.12.2021, hosted by the capital Rabat. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 06.12.2021 a study was organized in Casablanca-Settat in partnership with Choaib Doukkali University and Al Jadida Bar Association within the framework of safety in the public sphere, reporting and access to effective solutions for survivors. The focus of the work is to protect women and girls. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- A program called "Expressions of Truth" was organized on the occasion of Human Rights Day on 09.12.2021. Various activities such as concerts and poetry recitals were held within the program. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- On 14.12.2021, President Amina Bouayach attended a workshop titled "Towards the ratification of OPCAT by Libya" on CNDH's good practices/experiences in terms of preventing torture. Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 27.12.2021)- Meetings with non-governmental organizations were held on Wednesday, December 22, 2021 and Thursday, December 23, 2021. At these meetings, issues related to the working area and interests of the associations that intersect with the functions of the institution were discussed and the participating associations were informed about the developments regarding the activities related to memory preservation and new dynamism programs



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	<p>initiated by the institution and the annual campaign launched to combat violence against women to accelerate the activation of relevant recommendations</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/CNDHMaroc (Access Date: 27.12.2021)</p>
National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 3 December 2021, in Russian language, an article named “Ensuring the Protection of the Rights of People with Disabilities” was shared on the website of the Institution. In the article, general statistics and information about people with disabilities are given and also developments on the protection of the rights of people with disabilities in Uzbekistan and some other countries such as the UK, Germany, Italy, Holland, Sweden and Finland. Source: http://nhrc.uz/ru/articles/Obespecheniezashitipravlyudeysogranichennimivozmjnostyami (Access Date: 16.12.2021)- On 7 December 2021, it was shared on the website of the Institution that a book named "National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan: 1996-2021" which dedicated to the 25th anniversary of the National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan was published. Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/inson-huquqlari-boyicha-milliy-markazning-25-yilligiga-bagishlangan-kitob-nashrdan-chiqdi (Access Date: 16.12.2021)- On 13 December 2021, it was shared on the website of the Institution that on December 10-11, 2021, an international conference on “Human Rights Education: International Experience and National Action” was organized in Tashkent at the initiative of the Institution. The conference was organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights in Central Asia in cooperation with the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan. It is expressed that the text of these reports will be published in the form of articles in the



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	<p>newly opened section "International Conference: Expert Opinion" on the official website of the Institution.</p> <p>Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/xalqaro-konferensiya-ekspertlar-fikri (Access Date: 16.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 14 December 2021, it was shared on the website of the Institution that an international conference on "Modern Constitutionalism: National and Foreign Experience", to improve the practice of law, including the Constitution, based on the requirements of the times, the intensity and consistency of reforms and the needs of the people, was held in Tashkent. With the support of the EU Delegation to Uzbekistan, the conference was co-organized by the National Center for Human Rights (NHRC), the Center for Sustainable Development and the Institute of State and Law. In the conference, the issues of creating a solid legal basis were discussed.</p> <p>Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/sovremennoe-zakonodatelstvo-dolzno-sootvetstvovat-dinamichnosti-reform (Access Date: 16.12.2021)</p> <p>- On 17 December 2021, it was shared on the website of the Institution that a roundtable discussion was realized on "Women, Peace and Security Agenda and its Interrelationship with Human Rights and Sustainable Development" (WPS) in Tashkent, on December 16-17, 2021. This online and offline event was organized in cooperation with the Commission on Gender Equality of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Coordinator of the OSCE Projects in the country. During the roundtable, best international practices and national actions on the implementation of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security and monitoring of the National Action Plan for its implementation were presented. In particular, it was stressed that the National Action Plan is extremely important for Uzbekistan to determine in which areas to focus, change the situation, pursue effective policies and achieve the desired results.</p> <p>Source:</p>
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	<p>http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m6432 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On December 25, it was shared on the website of the Institution that a public hearing was realized on the draft National Action Plan for the Implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and that the event was organized in cooperation with the Association of People with Disabilities of Uzbekistan. <p>Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m6487 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On December 29, 2021, the news was shared on the website of the Institution about that the compensation procedure for victims of torture is being improved. In the news, it is expressed that at a regular session of the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis on December 28, the Law "On Amendments to the Civil Code of the Republic of Uzbekistan to Improve the Procedure for Compensation for Victims of Torture", after a heated discussion, was adopted. <p>Source: http://nhrc.uz/uz/news/m6500 (Access Date: 29.12.2021)</p>
Defensoria del Pubelo de la Nación de Argentina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.12.2021 on a trip to raise people with the Volunteer Review of the GANHRI umbrella Agenda 2030. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/Ganhri1/status/1468594179857170439 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.12.2021, Argentine National Human Rights Institution was visited by the UN South American Human Rights Representative. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/DPNArgentina/status/1456278747737247744 (Access Date: 28.12.2021)</p>



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Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Ombudsman)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 9 December 2021, on the Institution's Twitter account, it was shared that “From November 10, 2020 to the present, 7 servicemen and 29 civilians were killed, 109 servicemen and 44 civilians were injured in #landmine explosions in the liberated territories of #Azerbaijan” Source: https://twitter.com/az_ombudsman/status/1468905665083187200?s=20 (Access Date: 16.12.2021)- On 10 December 2021, on the Institution's website, a news was shared stating that Electronic Book of Convention on the Rights of the Child translated into Sign Language, dedicated to the December 10 - Human Rights Day under the motto "We are strong and happy with our rights", was presented to the public. Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/2914/electronic-book-of-convention-on-the-rights-of-the-child-translated-into-sign-language-was-presented-to-the-general-public (Access Date: 16.12.2021)
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