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| <p>NAME OF THE INSTITUTION / MONITORING PERIOD</p> | <p>01.10.2023-01.11.2023</p> |
| <p>International Labour Organization (ILO)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared that 160 million kids are in child labour instead of school and more than 1 in 5 young adults are missing out on education and job training. It was also highlighted that every child deserves a classroom, not a workplace. Source: https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1709191974379454706 (Access Date: 27.10.2023) - On 05.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, the new Global Framework on Chemicals was celebrated. It was stated that the Framework has concrete targets and guidelines that will reduce environmental & health risks from chemicals and waste and build safer workplaces. Source: https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1709932433922285918 (Access Date: 27.10.2023) - On 10.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, the message of ILO’s Director-General Gilbert F. Hounbo was shared that states “A safe and healthy working environment is critical to protecting and we need to build a culture that prevents risks to mental health at work, promotes the well-being of all workers, and supports those with mental health conditions.” |

Source:

<https://twitter.com/GilbertFHoungbo/status/1711668317574799603> (Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 11.10.2023, on the website of ILO, the International Conference of Labour Statisticians, the global standard-setting body for labour market statistics, is meeting at the ILO to review new trends and requirements in data gathering and usage, and methods for measuring key indicators related to advancing social justice.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_897943/lang--en/index.htm
(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 12.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was stated that universal social protection was needed for prevention, preparedness and response to the next pandemic, within the framework of ILO, WHO, P4H and SPARKS Network Workshop, which took place in Geneva, 4–5 October 2023.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/secsoc/press-and-media-centre/news/WCMS_898190/lang--en/index.htm
(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 12.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that in 2022, global real wages fell by 0.9%, hitting poorer households the hardest and was highlighted that the need for action is urgent.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1712362509796032624>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 12.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, the article of ILO's Director-General Gilbert F. Houngbo "Health: A Political Choice – From Fragmentation to Integration" was shared by stating that health is a basic human right, it is essential for the achievement of decent work and policymakers need to make it a political priority by taking a social justice approach to investments in health and care.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1712366663213965746>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 16.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that 453 million individuals are eager to work but face closed doors and decent jobs for all can be the key to unlocking a more equal world of work.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1713876249620185132>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 17.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that 214 million workers live on less than \$1.90/day and it was reminded that to end poverty, action is urgent through creating decent work and ensuring a better future for everyone.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1714174409152348386>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 18.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that in 2023, women hold only 28% of management positions and at that pace, another century will pass before achieving gender parity at the managerial level.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1714702888985882967>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that 21.5% job gap in low-income countries isn't just a statistic, it's a call to action.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1715291991079113136>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- 23.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was shared that the 21st International Conference of Labour Statisticians (ICLS), which meets every five years since 1923 to discuss key labour-related issues and adopt international standards on labour statistics, closed last week after expert statisticians from around the world unanimously adopted a new resolution improving the measurement of the informal economy. The new standards are expected to improve the coverage, usefulness, and comparability of informality statistics and shed light on working conditions in the informal economy, which employs two billion people, or about 60 percent of the world's employed population.

Source:

<https://ilostat.ilo.org/new-standards-increased-visibility-improving-measurement-of-the-informal-economy/>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 24.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that over 4 billion people globally have no social protection and that social protection for all isn't an option; it's a fundamental right.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1716711316809753058>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 25.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was stated that the recent "Business resilience in retrospect: Lessons from the Covid-19 Pandemic" report underscores the key role that adaptability and strategic planning play in safeguarding jobs and fortifying economic expansion.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/actemp/news/WCMS_900135/lang--en/index.htm

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 26.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ILO, it was shared with #ThisWayToSocialJustice tag that by embracing the Paris Agreement, we could see 25 million more green jobs by 2030 and that a brighter future depends on transitioning to eco-friendly economies.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ilo/status/1717435962030977314>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 26.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was announced that the ILO's Governing Body will hold its 349th Session in Geneva between 30 October and 11 November. Members will discuss a broad range of world-of-work subjects, as well as examining the situations in a number of countries, as part of the Organization's supervisory procedures.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_900305/lang--en/index.htm

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 26.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was stated that there is a compelling social investment and gender equality case for transforming childcare policies so that they universally and effectively cover children from birth until the start of mandatory primary education, according to a new ILO research. It was also added that providing continuous childcare to parents from the birth of their child to the start of compulsory primary education – to close the so-called childcare policy gap – could bring a return on investment (ROI) of more than US\$3.7 for every dollar invested, according to a new brief from the International Labour Organization.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/newsroom/news/WCMS_900186/lang--en/index.htm

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- 27.10.2023, on the website of ILO, it was shared that the ILO's Statistical Standards and Methods Unit (SSMU) developed and tested a series of practical, light time-use measurement tools to quantify the value of unpaid domestic and care work (UDCW). It

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| | <p>was also stated that “every day, more than 16 billion hours are devoted to unpaid domestic and care work around the world, as global populations age, these figures are set to rise, with a disproportionate impact on women, and therefore, quantifying UDCW is critical to understanding labour under-utilisation, employment trends, and gender-based inequalities.”</p> <p>Source: https://ilostat.ilo.org/topics/unpaid-work/measuring-unpaid-domestic-and-care-work/ (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <p>- 29.10.2023, on the website of ILO, ILO Director-General Gilbert F. Hounbo’s statement for International Day of Care and Support was published. It was stated that on the first International Day of Care and Support, the International Labour Organization calls for heavy investments in the care economy, and policies that guarantee maternity protection, parental leave, early childhood education and care, and long-term care services, reminding that without care workers, there would be few services for pre-school children, older people, or those with disabilities.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ilo.org/global/about-the-ilo/how-the-ilo-works/ilo-director-general/statements-and-speeches/WCMS_899698/lang-en/index.htm (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for</p> | <p>- On 04.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, a statement by Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, was shared, stating, “For solutions, look to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.”</p> |

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Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2023/10/solutions-look-universal-declaration-human-rights> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 05.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that the Human Rights Council started an interactive dialogue on the oral update of the High Commissioner on the various drivers, root causes and human rights impacts of religious hatred constituting incitement to discrimination, hostility or violence and the Council also concluded the general debate on follow-up to and implementation of the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2023/10/council-concludes-general-debate-vienna-declaration-and-programme-action>
(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 06.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Mama Fatima Singhateh, UN Special Rapporteur on the sale and exploitation of children, state that the post pandemic recovery resulted to a significant rise in travel and tourism, and this exposed children to risks, particularly within the largely unregulated voluntourism sector and called for robust child protection structures to stem unregulated and unskilled voluntourism, in her report to the General Assembly.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-calls-robust-child-protection-structures-stem-unregulated-and>
(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 06.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, a press release was shared stating, “2023 Nobel Peace Prize recognises struggle of women against systems of discrimination, segregation and exclusion in Iran”.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/2023-nobel-peace-prize-recognises-struggle-women-against-systems>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 07.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, a comment by Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights on situation in Israel and Gaza.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2023/10/comment-un-human-rights-chief-unfolding-situation-israel-and-gaza>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 09.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that OHCHR and WHO jointly launched “Mental health, human rights and legislation: Guidance and practice”.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/launching-mental-health-guidelines>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 09.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women opened its eighty-sixth session.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2023/10/committee-elimination-discrimination-against-women-opens-eighty-sixth-session-geneva> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 10.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that the UN Special Rapporteur on extra-judicial, summary or arbitrary executions, Morris Tidball-Binz, and the UN Special Rapporteur on Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, Alice Jill Edwards, reiterated their call for the complete abolition of the death penalty, ahead of the 21st World Day Against the Death Penalty.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-experts-call-universal-abolition-death-penalty>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 10.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that at General Assembly, High Commissioner of Human Rights Türk urged support for human rights and international law.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/general-assembly-turk-urges-support-human-rights-and-international> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 11.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the UN Human Rights Office launched a toolkit to help Parliaments better integrate human rights into their work, “Parliaments and Human

Rights: A self-assessment toolkit”. The toolkit is designed to empower Parliamentarians as champions of human rights for their constituents.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/ipu-and-un-human-rights-office-launch-toolkit-encourage-parliaments-champion> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 11.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that High Commissioner of Human Rights Türk launched transitional justice guidelines.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2023/10/turk-launches-transitional-justice-guidelines> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 13.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that while presenting her report to the General Assembly, Irene Khan, Special Rapporteur on freedom of opinion and expression, highlighted the distinct and dangerous nature of gendered disinformation and called for more effective responses from States and social media companies, adding gendered disinformation is a coordinated strategy to silence women voices and drive them out of public life and online spaces.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/no-trade-between-womens-right-safety-and-their-right-speak-says-un-expert> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 13.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Alice Jill Edwards, the UN Special Rapporteur on torture, called on States to step up efforts to prevent torture by developing a global agreement to regulate the trade in torture-capable weapons, tools and equipment widely used by law enforcement and other public authorities, in her report to the General Assembly. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-urges-end-torture-tools-trade-amid-global-spike-torture (Access Date: 30.10.2023) - On 13.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that the Human Rights Council concluded its fifty-fourth session, after adopting 36 resolutions, and one President's statement. In general comments and in general concluding remarks, the Council heard from a number of delegations that spoke on national positions on adopted resolutions, as well as on the recent situation in Israel and the Gaza Strip. Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2023/10/human-rights-council-concludes-fifty-fourth-session (Access Date: 30.10.2023) - On 13.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that a UN expert demanded that Israel immediately rescind its order for 1.1 million Palestinians to leave northern Gaza within 24 hours, condemning the evacuation order as a crime against humanity and a blatant violation of international humanitarian law. Source: |
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<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/israel-must-rescind-evacuation-order-northern-gaza-and-comply-international> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 16.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that in a report to the General Assembly, the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to privacy, Ana Brian Nougères said the omnipresence of AI in all activities and decision-making about people demand that the issue be examined, and measures taken to ensure that the use of AI is ethical, responsible and human rights-compliant.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/privacy-key-processing-personal-data-ai-un-expert>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 19.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, a statement by Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights at Vienna Conference on Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings was shared. Türk shared that according to the latest global estimates, there are 49.6 million people being forced to work or marry on any given day – 25 per cent more than in 2016 and he stressed that global scope of human trafficking calls for coordinated and flexible strategies.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/global-scope-human-trafficking-calls-coordinated-and-flexible> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 19.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that UN expert Pedro Arrojo-Agudo, the UN Special Rapporteur

on the human rights to safe drinking water and sanitation, stressed that transboundary waters are critical to achieving peace and security, particularly in the face of climate change, in his report to the 78th UN General Assembly.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/transboundary-waters-management-vital-peace-and-security-un-expert>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 19.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was stated that UN experts decry bombing of hospitals and schools in Gaza as crimes against humanity, calling for prevention of genocide.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/gaza-un-experts-decry-bombing-hospitals-and-schools-crimes-against-humanity> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was announced that the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on Ukraine found continued war crimes and human rights violations gravely impacting civilians, according to its report submitted to the UN General Assembly.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-commission-inquiry-ukraine-finds-continued-war-crimes-and-human-rights> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Balakrishnan Rajagopal, the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to adequate housing, stressed that thousands of people are

evicted every day simply because they cannot pay their housing costs, contributing to rising homelessness and urged action to end global affordable housing crisis in his report to the General Assembly.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-urges-action-end-global-affordable-housing-crisis>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, a Video Statement shared at Human Rights 75 Regional Dialogue for Europe and Central Asia by Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, was published. Türk stressed that solving environmental crisis is key to all human rights.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/solving-environmental-crisis-key-all-human-rights-turk-says> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that the UN Special Rapporteur on the Independence of Judges and Lawyers, called for legal empowerment to democratise justice for all in her first report to the General Assembly.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-calls-legal-empowerment-democratise-justice-all>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Morris Tidball-Binz, the Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial,

summary or arbitrary executions, said that gender-based killings constitute an extreme and widespread manifestation of existing forms of gender-based violence in his report to the General Assembly, and stated that States must eradicate femicide globally.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/states-must-eradicate-femicide-globally-un-expert>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, called for accountability for business-related human rights harms at 9th session of the Open-Ended Intergovernmental Working Group on transnational corporations and other business enterprises with respect to human rights.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/turk-calls-accountability-business-related-human-rights-harms> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Fionnuala Ní Aoláin, the UN Special Rapporteur the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, based on the findings of her recent global study on the impact of counter-terrorism on civil society, stated that while countering terrorism, civil society actors were the consistent targets of abusive counter-terrorism practices and relentless human rights violations premised on security rhetoric with no meaningful national or international accountability and oversight in place.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/human-rights-violations-while-counteracting-terrorism-are-systematic-across>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, Obiora C. Okafor, the Independent Expert on human rights and international solidarity, in his report to the General Assembly, presented an overview of the issues he covered and the activities he carried out during his term as an independent expert including the revised draft Declaration on the right to international solidarity which he presented to the Human Rights Council in June 2023, and called for declaration on the right to international solidarity.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-calls-declaration-right-international-solidarity> (Access Date:

30.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Attiya Waris, UN Independent Expert on foreign debt, in a report to the UN General Assembly stated that when the COVID-19 pandemic spread across the world, the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals was already behind schedule and the pandemic then crippled these efforts, warning of debt crisis.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/un-expert-warns-debt-crisis-world-emerges-covid-19-pandemic>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 26.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Tlaleng Mofokeng, the UN Special Rapporteur on the right to health stated with regard to her report to the General Assembly

that tackling inequities in food, nutrition and related clinical and health outcomes, requires a rights-based approach to food and nutrition, grounded in substantive equality and centred on historically marginalised individuals and communities.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/tackling-inequities-food-nutrition-and-health-outcomes-requires-rights-based> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 26.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that Nazila Ghanea, UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief, highlighted in her report to the General Assembly that various authorities and other actors on whom effective enjoyment of freedom of religion or belief depends, starting from the perspective of the rights-holder. She also stated that there is an urgent need for States to recognise and counter discrimination and hatred based on religion or belief at all levels, including parliamentarians, civil servants, law enforcement, and others.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/states-must-address-prejudice-and-discrimination-based-religion-or-belief> (Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 27.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk urged European Union institutions currently finalizing a major new piece of legislation on corporate human rights due diligence to ensure it is aligned with internationally-accepted UN standards on business and human rights.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/turk-urges-alignment-between-eu-un-rules-business-and-human-rights>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 27.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, it was shared that the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD) urged Israel and other State parties to develop and implement an immediate and complete ceasefire, to end hate speech and provide all necessary financial and humanitarian aid to Palestinians in the occupied Gaza.

- **Source:**

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2023/05/turk-there-should-be-un-human-rights-office-everywhere>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 27.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, the UN Commission of Inquiry's call was shared following a five-day mission to New York, where it presented its latest report to the 78th Session of the UN General Assembly on 24 October, that indicates grave violence in Israel and Gaza has outraged the conscience of humanity.

Source:

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/grave-violence-israel-and-gaza-has-outraged-conscience-humanity-un>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 28.10.2023, on the official website of OHCHR, the statement of Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, stressing that previous night's bombardment and ground operations in Gaza by Israeli forces were reportedly the most

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| | <p>intensive yet, taking this terrible crisis to a new level of violence and pain, was shared. He also stated that continued violence is not the answer.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2023/10/gaza-continued-violence-not-answer (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.10.2023, on the Sub-Committee's website it was announced that the UN Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture (SPT) conducted its first visit to Georgia from October 8 to 14, 2023, to evaluate the treatment of individuals deprived of their liberty and the measures taken to protect them from torture and ill-treatment. UN experts noted that Georgia has made significant progress in combating torture and improving detention conditions, but extra measures are necessary to lower prison population, expand staff force, strengthen rehabilitation programs, and bring the prison system up to 21st-century standards. <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/georgia-prison-system-needs-modernisation-says-un-torture-prevention-body (Access Date: 22.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.10.2023, on the Sub-Committee's website it was announced that the UN Subcommittee for the Prevention of Torture (SPT) conducted its second visit to Guatemala from October 8 to 19, 2023, to evaluate the treatment of individuals deprived of their liberty and the measures taken to protect them |

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| | <p>from torture and ill-treatment. Despite political turmoil, UN experts emphasized the need to strengthen torture prevention measures.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2023/10/guatemala-despite-political-turmoil-torture-prevention-measures-must-be (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, it was announced that UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell made a four-day visit to India to highlight life-saving progress in health and development for millions of vulnerable children, and to call on global leaders to prioritize investment in children to deliver on the world's Sustainable Development Goals. <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-executive-director-catherine-russell-visits-india-spotlight-progress-global (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, it was stated that weather-related disasters caused 43.1 million internal displacements of children in 44 countries over a six-year period – or approximately 20,000 child displacements a day - according to a new analysis called “Children displaced in a changing climate” released by UNICEF. <p>Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/weather-related-disasters-led-431-million-displacements-children-over-six-years (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> |

- On 11.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, it was announced that UNICEF signed an agreement with Serum Life Sciences for 2024 – 2028 to secure supply of the world’s second malaria vaccine, R21/Matrix-M, in order to meet the high demand for doses of new vaccines against malaria – a disease which still kills one child under every five minute.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-signs-deal-deliver-new-malaria-vaccine-breakthrough-child-survival>

(Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 12.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, it was announced that, following two 6.3-magnitude quakes, UNICEF launched a funding appeal for an initial US\$ 20 million with the aim to implement the 3-month Earthquake Response Plan targeting 200,000 people, including 96,000 children in the most affected districts in western Afghanistan.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/unicef-launches-us-20-million-appeal-support-96000-children-affected-recent>

(Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 13.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, it was stated that UNICEF called for an immediate humanitarian pause and safe access to scale and sustain lifesaving services for children in Gaza.

Source:

<https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/time-running-out-children-gazaunicef> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, the statement on “the deaths and injuries of children at Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza Strip” by UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell was shared. In the statement, UNICEF reiterated its urgent plea for an immediate cessation of hostilities, ensuring the protection of children from harm and facilitating the safe and timely access of humanitarian aid to children in need. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/statement-unicef-executive-director-catherine-russell-deaths-and-injuries-children (Access Date: 25.10.2023) - On 21.10.2023, on the website of UNICEF, a joint statement by UNDP, UNFPA, UNICEF, WFP and WHO on humanitarian supplies crossing into Gaza was published. In it, the Organizations stated that, a first, but limited, shipment of life-saving humanitarian supplies from the United Nations and the Egyptian Red Crescent entered Gaza on 20 trucks, passing through the Rafah Crossing, and called for; safe and sustained access to water, food, health, the protection of all civilians and civilian infrastructure in Gaza, including healthcare facilities, the protection of humanitarian workers in Gaza who are risking their lives for the service of others, and the utmost respect of international humanitarian law by all parties. Source: https://www.unicef.org/press-releases/joint-statement-undp-unfpa-unicef-wfp-and-who-humanitarian-supplies-crossing-gaza-0 (Access Date: 25.10.2023) |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 08.10.2023, on the website of the UNDP it was announced that a statement by UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner regarding |

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| <p>UN Development Programme (UNDP)</p> | <p>the earthquakes in Afghanistan shared. The statement conveyed condolences for the loss of life and widespread damage caused by the earthquake.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/speeches/statement-undp-administrator-earthquakes-afghanistan (Access Date: 22.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 08.10.2023, on the website of UNDP it was announced that a statement by UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner regarding the situation in the occupied Palestinian territories shared. The statement expressed condolences to the families affected by the events and indicated that UNDP is ready to provide support to the affected communities in the field.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/speeches/statement-undp-administrator-situation-israel-and-gaza-occupied-palestinian-territory (Access Date: 22.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 17.10.2023, on the website of UNDP it was announced that on the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, the introduction of UNDP's new article titled "Sustainable Development Goals 1 Hidden: Leaving Poverty to History" was shared. The article highlighted the progress made over decades in lifting over a billion people out of poverty but noted that COVID-19 and geopolitical shocks have posed significant challenges. It emphasized that there is still time to strongly pursue the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals agenda.</p> <p>Source: https://www.undp.org/speeches/international-day-eradication-poverty-17-october-2023</p> |
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https://stories.undp.org/sdg-1-confidential?_gl=1*c591ob*_ga*MTIyMDU0MTAzMy4xNjk4MjIxMTQ0*_ga_3W7LPK0WP1*MTY5ODIzMjYwNC4zLjEuMTY5ODIzMzY1OC42MC4wLjA

(Access Date: 22.10.2023)

- On 19.10.2023, on the website of UNDP it was announced that UNDP Administrator Achim Steiner's statement regarding the situation in the occupied Palestinian territories was shared. In the statement, it was stated that they joined the UN Secretary-General's two calls for urgent humanitarian action regarding the restriction of humanitarian aid entry to Gaza and the unconditional release of hostages. It has been stated that repeated cycles of violence in Gaza, physical destruction and demographic pressures during successive hostilities, have led to loss of life and affected social and economic development in every aspect.

Source:

<https://www.undp.org/speeches/undp-administrator-achim-steiner-statement-israel/occupied-palestinian-territory>

(Access Date: 22.10.2023)

- On 21.10.2023, on the website of the UNDP it was announced that a joint statement by UNDP, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the World Food Program (WFP) and the World Health Organization (WHO) regarding the passage of humanitarian aid materials to Gaza was shared. In the statement, it was stated that a limited portion of the humanitarian aid supplies provided by the United Nations and the Egyptian Red Crescent could enter Gaza. It called for unrestricted access to humanitarian aid throughout Gaza and called for a humanitarian ceasefire.

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| | <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.undp.org/press-releases/joint-statement-undp-unfpa-unicef-wfp-and-who-humanitarian-supplies</p> <p>(Access Date: 22.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.10.2023, on the Twitter account of GANHRI, it was shared that an event was organised by GANHRI Working Group on Older Persons. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://twitter.com/Ganhri1/status/1710289504626508240</p> <p>(Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 17.10.2023, on the official website of GANHRI, a statement was shared, stressing that the Alliance was deeply alarmed by the violence and mounting civilian death tolls, called for respect of international law, international protection of civilians, and extended its solidarity to Independent Commission on Human Rights of Palestine (ICHRP) colleagues in these challenging times. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://ganhri.org/ganhri-calls-for-respect-of-international-law-international-protection-of-civilians/</p> <p>(Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 18.10.2023, on the Twitter account of GANHRI, it was announced that the 14th International Conference of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) exploring the roles of NHRIs in addressing & preventing torture and other ill-treatment would take place from 6-8 November 2023. <p>Source:</p> |

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| | <p>https://twitter.com/Ganhri1/status/1714619763555549581 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.10.2023, on the website of the Committee it was announced that a report related to an ad hoc visit to Romania by the Committee between September 19 and September 30, 2022, along with the response from Romanian authorities published. The report emphasized the urgent need for action to ensure appropriate living conditions and suitable treatment for all individuals in psychiatric institutions. Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-romania (Access Date: 22.10.2023) - On 09.10.2023, on the website of the Committee it was stated that the Committee conducted its sixth periodic visit to Malta from September 26 to October 5, 2023, to examine the treatment and safeguards for detained individuals. During the visit, the CPT delegation reviewed the measures taken by Maltese authorities to implement the recommendations made by the Committee after previous visits in 2015 and 2020. Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-visits-malta (Access Date: 22.10.2023) - On 17.10.2023, on the website of the Committee it was stated that the Committee conducted a periodic visit to North Macedonia from October 2 to October 12, 2023, to examine the treatment and |

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| | <p>safeguards for detained individuals. During the visit, the CPT delegation visited six police institutions, six prisons, two psychiatric hospitals, and a center for disabled persons.</p> <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-carries-out-periodic-visit-to-north-macedonia (Access Date: 22.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.10.2023, on the website of the Committee, it was stated that high-level meetings were held in Greece on prison reform on 23-24 October 2023. According to the news, the Committee delegation held discussions with the Greek Minister and Deputy Minister of Citizen Protection and senior officials responsible for prison matters in Athens. <p>Source: https://www.coe.int/tr/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-holds-high-level-talks-in-greece-on-prison-reform (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would take part in a contingency plan exercise, which aims to further develop readiness for the event of large-scale arrivals of refugees and migrants at Finnish borders, organized by the Finnish Border Guard in Helsinki and Southeast Finland. <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2023/fra-takes-part-finnish-border-contingency-plan-exercise (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 06.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that The Vice Chair of FRA's Management Board, Rick Lawson, would |

speak on behalf of the FRA Director at the 10-years Anniversary event of the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2023/advancing-human-rights-democracy-and-rule-law-europe> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 10.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would deliver an online session on equality data collection as part of the Council of Europe's InSchool project training programme. This session would examine national practices in collecting data on Roma or equality, and cover the guiding principles for collecting equality data on racial or ethnic origin developed by the European Commission for Member States.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2023/training-collecting-national-equality-data> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 11.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA published the June 2023 update on NGO ships involved in search and rescue (SAR) operations in the Mediterranean. This update showed that out of 21 NGO search and rescue boats and planes in the region, only 13 are operational. It also included the constraints on NGO rescue capacity in the Mediterranean, and the various legal and administrative actions NGOs face when trying to save lives at sea.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/migrant-search-and-rescue-capacity-mediterranean-sea> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">- On 12.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that practical tools to support guardians represent unaccompanied migrant children have been published. The two new booklets (“Introduction to international protection” and “The asylum procedure”) from the European Union Agency for Asylum (EUAA) and the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) aim to equip guardians with the knowledge and support they need when interacting with EU asylum and reception authorities. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/key-support-guardians-protecting-unaccompanied-migrant-children (Access Date: 24.10.2023) - On 12.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA held a webinar with CEPOL for law enforcement officers and prosecutors when in contact with children who are suspected or accused of crime. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/capacity-building-safeguards-children-criminal-proceedings (Access Date: 24.10.2023) - On 12.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA took part in the 11th meeting of the EU High Level group on combating hate speech and hate crime, which was jointly organized by the Spanish Presidency of the Council of the EU in Madrid. Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/eu-high-level-group-combating-hate-speech-and-hate-crime (Access Date: 24.10.2023) |
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- On 20.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA presented its upcoming trainers manual for labour inspectors, that covers safeguards for non-EU workers contained in EU law, at the Labour Migration Platform in Brussels.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/fra-presents-its-upcoming-trainers-manual-labour-inspectors> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 22.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would take part in the next Advisory Board meeting in Brussels of the EU Children's Participation Platform.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2023/finalising-new-eu-childrens-participation-platform-work-programme>

(Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 23.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would speak on best practices for ensuring electoral rights for people with disabilities during the European Commission's high-level event on elections in Brussels.

Source:

<https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2023/high-level-event-explores-ensuring-electoral-rights> (Access Date: 24.10.2023)

- On 25.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA published its second 'Being Black in the EU' report, which highlighted experiences of people of African descent in the EU. The report showed that experiences of racial discrimination

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| | <p>increased in the EU countries since 2016, reaching as high as 77%.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/black-people-eu-face-ever-more-racism (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 25.10.2023, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA took part in the Other side of the law: Enforcement of antidiscrimination legislation Equinet conference in Brussels and presented results, lessons learnt and recommendations from its Opinion on ‘Equality in the EU 20 years on from the initial implementation of the Equality Directives’.</p> <p>Source: https://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2023/equinet-conference-address-antidiscrimination-laws (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)</p> | <p>- On 06.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, it was announced that ENNHRI’s 10th anniversary conference, “Advancing human rights, democracy and rule of law at a critical time in Europe: the role of NHRIs and ENNHRI” would take place on 10 October 2023 in Brussels.</p> <p>Source: https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1710268410439848141 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 09.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, it was announced that ENNHRI Chair Sirpa Rautio opened the General Assembly and greeted a full house of European NHRI representatives, introduced new heads of institutions & the ENNHRI board.</p> <p>Source:</p> |

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1711359371525894586>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 09.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, it was shared that before ENNHRI's 10th anniversary conference, NHRI leaders, climate activists & Forst Michel (UN Special Rapporteur on Environmental Defenders) discussed challenges environmental defenders face, ways to strengthen their protection & NHRIs' role in doing so.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1711697183320191137>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 17.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, on the occasion of International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, the guide of ENNHRI that outlines 7 principles for NHRIs to advance a human rights-based approach to poverty reduction & measurement, was shared.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1714310313405788472>

(Access Date: 30.10.2023)

- On 19.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, it was stated that NHRIs play a crucial role in protecting and promoting the rights of their fellow human rights defenders, as well as expanding civic space, and an online resource by ENNHRI, "Defending Human Rights Defenders" was shared.

Source:

<https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1714932255712243852>

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.10.2023, on the Twitter account of ENNHRI, it was shared that ENNHRI participated in Regional Dialogue on the right to a healthy environment. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/ennhri/status/1715323116581278199 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 03.10.2023, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, it was announced that a Conference titled “the Other Side of The Law: Enforcement of Antidiscrimination Legislation” would take place in Brussels on 12 October 2023. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1709215721295610172 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 05.10.2023, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, it was stated that EQUINET welcomed the conclusion of the third AI Act trilogues but urged the rights of those affected by AI to be prioritized, and shared its recommendations for the next trilogues. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1709947518425973193 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.10.2023, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, it was shared that EQUINET organized its Annual General Meeting with the participation of all of its members. <p>Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1712025937355673941 (Access Date: 30.10.2023)</p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 11.10.2023, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, it was announced that Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights, which is the Ukrainian Equality Body, joined the Network at the Annual General Meeting. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1712100080101023965 (Access Date: 30.10.2023) - On 27.10.2023, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, it was shared that EQUINET participated in the ECRI 2023 Seminar, advocating for strong Equality Bodies. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/1717926332451938451 (Access Date: 30.10.2023) |
| <p>The Council of Europe Directorate of Human Rights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.10.2023, on the Twitter account of the Council of Europe Directorate of Human Rights, a joint statement by Council of Europe and the European Union regarding “European and World Day against the Death Penalty” was shared. Source: https://twitter.com/CoEHumanRights/status/1711637694294434222 (Access Date: 24.10.2023) - On 10.10.2023, on the Twitter account of the Council of Europe Directorate of Human Rights, on the occasion of European and World Day against the Death Penalty, main actions of the Council of Europe since the Reykjavik Summit (th Council of Europe Summit held last May) was shared. Source: |

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| | <p>https://twitter.com/CoEHumanRights/status/1711662300656980389 (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.10.2023, on the Twitter account of the Council of Europe Directorate of Human Rights, it was announced that the project (implemented by the Council of Europe) “Foster Transparency of Judicial Decisions and Enhancing the National Implementation of the ECHR” held its annual conference in Oslo with over 60 participants to review project progress and discuss the risks and benefits of open data in justice. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://twitter.com/CoEHumanRights/status/1715302885322355096 (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.10.2023, on the Twitter account of the Council of Europe Directorate of Human Rights, it was announced that The Department for the Execution of ECHR judgments met the prosecutorial self-governance and disciplinary bodies of Ukraine to discuss the main issues under examination by the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://twitter.com/CoEHumanRights/status/1716833658898927964 (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 09.10.2023, on the website of the ODIHR, it was stated in the news that as part of its ongoing effort to support OSCE states in upholding their commitments to the rule of law, the OSCE ODIHR presented newly developed recommendations to ensure judicial independence and accountability across the region on 9 October 2023, during the Warsaw Human Dimension |

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| | <p>Conference.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/554551 (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 16.10.2023, on the website of the ODIHR it was stated in the news that Poland’s parliamentary elections were characterized by record high voter participation with a wide choice of political options and candidates able to campaign freely, but the campaign was tarnished by notable overlap between the ruling party’s messages and government information campaigns.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/poland/555072 (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 19.10.2023, on the official website of the ODIHR it was announced that Election experts from the ODIHR presented the final report on Hungary’s 2022 parliamentary elections and referendum in Budapest on 17 and 18 October 2023. It was emphasized in the news that discussions centred on the revision of the legal framework, ensuring equitable campaign conditions, preventing misuse of state resources and public officials from taking part in the campaign.</p> <p>Source: https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/hungary/555618 (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Australian Human Rights Commission</p> | <p>- On 13.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that the President of the Australian Human Rights Commission is calling for respect for human rights to be front of mind for all Australians as the situation in the Middle East continues to</p> |

worsen. According to the news Commission President and Acting Race Discrimination Commissioner Emeritus Professor Rosalind Croucher AM said: “The devastating conflict in Israel and Gaza and its horrific civilian fallout is impacting people across Australia. Many communities are being directly affected, with loved ones among the dead, missing, and injured.

Source:

<https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/commission-president-calls-human-rights-australia-be-upheld-wake-middle> (Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 20.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner June Oscar AO, and National Children's Commissioner Anne Hollonds have issued a joint statement following the death of a First Nations teenager who had been held in a youth detention unit at the Casuarina adult prison in Perth. According to the news Commissioner Oscar said that "The evidence is clear, the recommendations for prevention have been made over and over again. Placing children in detention robs them of their childhood and deprives them from accessing the support they need."

Source:

<https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/commissioners-distressed-death-boy-after-being-detained-perth-prison> (Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 25.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that Australia's National Children's Commissioner Anne Hollonds is urging governments and service providers to implement a new national toolkit to help improve laws and policy

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| | <p>decisions and monitor their impacts on children. It was announced in the news that the Child Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) tool, developed by the Australian Human Rights Commission with support from UNICEF Australia, will help governments and service providers to assess how children's rights and wellbeing are affected by any law, policy or program.</p> <p>Source: https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/national-childrens-commissioner-urges-governments-monitor-child-rights (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan (Ombudsman)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.10.2023, on the website of the Ombudsman, it was stated that, based on the adoption of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) by the UN General Assembly on 20 November 1989, 20 October - 20 November was declared as Child Rights Month throughout the country in order to effectively protect and develop children's rights. <p>Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/4246/the-appeal-regarding-the-declaring-child-rights-month-by-the-commissioner-for-human-rights-ombudsman-of-the-republic-of-azerbaijan (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.10.2023, on the website of the Ombudsman it was stated that a meeting was held with the members of the Advisory Committee of the Council of Europe Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities. During the meeting, the focus was on the protection and guarantee of the rights of Armenian-origin citizens living in Karabakh, and information was provided on avenues for complaint to the Ombudsman's office, along with discussions on mutual cooperation opportunities. |

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| | <p>Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/4259/the-ombudsman-office-hosted-a-meeting-with-the-members-of-the-coe-advisory-committee-on-the-framework-convention-for-the-protection-of-national-minorities (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 26.10.2023, on the website of the Ombudsman it was stated that the Commissioner for Human Rights of the Republic of Azerbaijan, Sabina Aliyeva, received the Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights, Dunja Mijatović. During the meeting, Commissioner Aliyeva provided information on the human rights situation after the Karabakh War and discussed opportunities for cooperation.</p> <p>Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/4258/the-ombudsman-received-the-coe-commissioner-for-human-rights (Access Date: 26.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 27.10.2023, on the website of the Ombudsman, it was stated that a two-day training was organized jointly with the State Migration Service and UNICEF on "Protection of children's rights in the context of migration: international standards and current practices".</p> <p>Source: https://ombudsman.az/en/view/news/4262/a-training-on-child-rights-protection-in-the-context-of-migration-international-standards-and-existing-practices-was-held (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
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- On 02.10.2023, on the website of the EHRC, it was announced in the news that claims relating to how employers treat employees who are experiencing menopause symptoms will be heard at an Employment Tribunal in Leicester, with support from the EHRC. It was stated in the news that an Employment Tribunal decided that Ms. Rooney was disabled at all material times covered by her claims and ruled that Ms. Rooney's disability was by virtue of her symptoms of menopause combined with symptoms of stress and anxiety. It was emphasized in the news that, the case involves the first Employment Appeal Tribunal decision that menopause symptoms can amount to a disability for the purposes of the Equality Act, setting a legal precedent.

Source:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/equality-watchdog-supports-important-tribunal-hearing-alleged-menopause-discrimination>

(Access Date: 27.10.2023)

- On 06.10.2023, on the website of the EHRC, it was announced that the Commission called for "urgent reform" in response to government's Disability Action Plan consultation. It was emphasized in the news that, substantial reforms are urgently needed to address issues including problems with the welfare system, and inadequate public services, leaving them at a higher risk of poverty, abuse and poor health.

Source:

<https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/equality-watchdog-calls-urgent-reform-response-governments-disability-action-plan-2>

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 26.10.2023, on the website of the EHRC, it was announced that the Commission welcomed the Worker Protection Bill (Amendment of Equality Act 2010) Bill receiving Royal Assent. It was emphasized in the news that the Bill is an important part of protecting employees in the workplace and places a proactive duty on employers to take all reasonable steps to prevent sexual harassment in the workplace. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-work/news/equality-watchdog-welcomes-worker-protection-bill-receiving-royal-assent (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>The Danish Institute for Human Rights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.10.2023, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that Peter Vedel Kessing, who is a senior researcher at the Institute, has been elected as a member of the UN Committee on Torture for the period 2024-2028. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/peter-vedel-kessing-valgt-fns-torturkomite (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 24.10.2023, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that according to a new report by the Institute, women who have been married risk losing their residence permit if they leave their husband because of violence, and the burden of proof is too heavy for the victims. Therefore the Institute recommended that the Ministry of Immigration and Integration ensures that the proof requirements is relaxed so that the woman's explanation is taken into account, unless there is reason to believe that the explanation is unreliable. <p>Source:</p> |

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| | <p>https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/udlaendingeloven-stiller-hoeje-krav-ofre-partnervold (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>German Institute for Human Rights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 10.10.2023, on the website of the Institute it was stated that the German Children's Fund and the German Institute for Human Rights released the animated explanatory film for children “Your Rights in Court”. According to the news the film is aimed at all children who are directly affected by legal proceedings. Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/kinderrechte-im-justizsystem-erklaerfilm-informiert-ueber-rechte-vor-gericht (Access Date: 27.10.2023) - On 17.10.2023, on the website of the Institute it was announced that the Institute recommended implementing uniform standards for cooperation between authorities and civil society so that those affected by human trafficking can be effectively supported. According to the news Naile Tanış, head of the Institute’s Human Trafficking Reporting Unit said that “We need common standards for cooperation between authorities and civil society so that those affected by human trafficking can be quickly identified and have access to justice, protection and support” Source: https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/nationaler-verweismechanismus-gemeinsame-standards-fuer-die-zusammenarbeit-von-behoerden-und-zivilgesellschaft-notwendig (Access Date: 27.10.2023) |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.10.2023, on the website of the Institute it was announced that the Institute recommended that the legislature strengthen residency protection for those affected by domestic violence in the upcoming changes to migration law and thus ensure the full implementation of the Istanbul Convention. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.institut-fuer-menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/aufenthaltstitel-fuer-betroffene-haeuslicher-gewalt-in-das-aufenthalts-gesetz-aufnehmen-istanbul-konvention-vollstaendig-umsetzen (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Georgian Ombudsman</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was stated that the Council of Ethnic Minorities of the Tolerance Center of the Public Defender of Georgia presented a monitoring report on the implementation of the 2021-2022 Action Plan of the 2021-2030 State Strategy for Civic Equality and Integration. The event was supported by the USAID Unity Through Diversity program, which is being implemented by the United Nations Association of Georgia. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/samokalakotanastorobisa-da-integratsiis-sakhelmtsifo-strategiis-2021-2022-tslebis-samokmedo-gegmis-shesrulebis-monitoringis-angarishis-prezentatsia (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was stated that with the support of UN Women, a joint working meeting was held between representatives of the Public Defender's Office of Georgia, the Prosecutor's Office of Georgia and the Supreme |

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| | <p>Court of Georgia. The theme of the meeting was the monitoring of the cases of femicide and producing the relevant statistics.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/samushao-shekhvedra-femitsidis-shemtkhvevebis-monitoringisa-da-aghritskhvis-shesakheb (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 11.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was announced that Public Defender of Georgia Levan Ioseliani participated in and spoke at the session of the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva, where a presentation of the report of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights relating to the Human Rights Council Resolution (52/40) on Cooperation with Georgia was held.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsveli-gaeros-adamianis-uflebata-sabchos-sesiaze-mokhsenebit-gamovida (Access Date: 24.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 17.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was announced that the Public Defender of Georgia presented a special report titled “Practical Analysis of Classification of Cases under General and Special Articles of Ill-Treatment” at an event attended by representatives of the Parliament of Georgia, Prosecutor General’s Office, Special Investigation Service, international and non-governmental sector. The report identified legislative gaps and shortcomings in practice, including the issues of the use of plea bargain, amnesties and pardons in relation to the proportionality and enforcement of punishments for ill-treatment; it also offers recommendations for the elimination of the problems identified.</p> |
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<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/spetsialuri-angarishi-arasatanado-mopqrobis-zogadi-da-spetsialuri-mukhlebit-kvalifikatsiis-praktikuli-analizis-shesakheb>

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- On 18.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was announced that the Public Defender's Office of Georgia applied to the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR) in writing and asked to prepare a legal opinion on the amendments planned to be made to the Law of Georgia on Assemblies and Demonstrations.

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<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-osceodih-s-shekrebebis-da-manifestatsiebis-shesakheb-sakartvelos-kanonshi-dagegmili-tsvlilebebis-taobaze-samartlebrivi-shefasebis-tsarmodgena-stkhova>

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- On 20.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was announced that the Public Defender of Georgia presented the 2022 Report on the Situation of Human Rights and Freedoms in Georgia at the Parliament's plenary session. During the presentation, the Public Defender briefly reviewed the main findings and trends reflected document, and noted that the situation of human rights did not improve significantly in 2022. After the Public Defender's speech, a discussion was held on the issues related to the report.

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<https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-sakartvelo-parlamentis-adamianis-uflebata-datsvis-komitetze-sakartveloshi-adamianis-uflebata-da-tavisuflebata->

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| | <p>datsvis-mdgomareobis-shesakheb-2022-tslis-angarishi-tsaradgina (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 20.10.2023, on the website of Ombudsman, it was announced that the Public Defender of Georgia Levan Ioseliani met with the parents of children with autism spectrum disorders, who have been left without necessary rehabilitation services after the termination of therapeutic services by the Child Development Institute operating under Ilia State University. At the meeting, Levan Ioseliani presented the parents with information regarding the case, listened to their problems, expressed his support and readiness to take appropriate steps to resolve the issue. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelis-shekhvedra-autizmis-spektris-mkone-bavshvebis-mshoblebtan (Access Date: 25.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>The Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was announced that the Commission reiterated that the State continues to fail in its provision of culturally appropriate accommodation to the Traveller community and welcomes the opportunity to submit observations on the Planning and Development Bill 2022. <p>Source:</p> <p>https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-warns-new-bill-may-have-significant-consequences-for-the-traveller-community/ (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 04.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that the Department of Justice published the Criminal Justice |

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| | <p>(Sexual Offences and Human Trafficking) Bill 2023. It was emphasized in the news that this proposed Bill marks an important and significant step in ensuring a victim-centred National Referral Mechanism in law.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/ihrec-publish-submission-on-criminal-law-sexual-offences-and-human-trafficking-bill-2023/ (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 11.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that the Chief Commissioners of the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission, the Equality Commission for Northern Ireland and the IHREC met with EU officials, and elected representatives, in Brussels at an event supported by the Northern Ireland Executive Office. According to the news, the Commissions shared experiences of their work to date as part of Article 2 of the Windsor Framework following UK withdrawal from the EU and the importance of maintaining equivalence on the island of Ireland regarding human rights and equality standards.</p> <p>Source: https://www.ihrec.ie/three-commissions-meet-eu-officials-on-equality-and-human-rights-post-brexit/ (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>Norwegian National Human Rights Institution</p> | <p>- On 27.10.2023, on the website of the Institution it was announced that a table prepared by the Norwegian National Human Rights Institution and the Norwegian Responsible Business Contact Point, containing examples of how companies can be involved in human rights violations, was published. The table covers 32 different human rights, drawing from the International Covenant</p> |

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| | <p>on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and certain core conventions of the International Labour Organization (ILO).</p> <p>Source: https://www.nhri.no/2023/naeringslivets-menneskerettighetsansvar-eksempeltabell/ (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>The National Human Rights Center of the Republic of Uzbekistan</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 02.10.2023, on the official website of the Center, a statement that stresses the human rights of women was shared on the occasion of the International Day of Non-Violence. Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11486 (Access Date: 31.10.2023) - On 05.10.2023, on the official website of the Center, a statement was shared on the occasion of World Teachers' Day. Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11508 (Access Date: 31.10.2023) - On 14.10.2023, according to the news on the official website of the Center, on October 13 of this year, a meeting by the Parliamentary Commission on compliance with the international obligations of the Republic of Uzbekistan in the field of human rights was held in the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis. Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11542 (Access Date: 31.10.2023) |

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| | <p>- On 26.10.2023, according to the news on the official website of the Center, a national forum of non-governmental non-profit organizations was organized in the capital of Uzbekistan on the topic “Cooperation of non-governmental non-profit organizations and state bodies in ensuring human rights and interests”.</p> <p>Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11638 (Access Date: 31.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 27.10.2023, according to the news on the official website of the Center, on October 23, an international forum on “Youth rights: opportunities and protection mechanisms” was held in Tashkent. The Conference was held as part of the program of events dedicated to the 75th anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the 30th anniversary of the Vienna World Conference on Human Rights, and a video message from UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk was also shared in the Forum.</p> <p>Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11648 (Access Date: 31.10.2023)</p> <p>- On 31.10.2023, according to the news on the official website of the Center, October 31, 2023, is the 27th anniversary of the establishment of the National Center for Human Rights of the Republic of Uzbekistan.</p> <p>Source: http://www.nhrc.uz/oz/news/m11662 (Access Date: 31.10.2023)</p> |
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| <p>The Canadian Human Rights Commission (CDN)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On the 26.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was stated that the Commission applauded Federal Court ruling in a years-long legal process that began as a human rights complaint on behalf of First Nations children and their families. According to the news, this ruling means that the Federal Court joins the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal in approving an unprecedented settlement of \$23.4 billion dollars for First Nations children, youth and families harmed by Canada’s chronic and discriminatory underfunding of child and family and other services. <p>Source: https://www.chrc-ccdp.gc.ca/en/resources/historic-milestone-landmark-human-rights-case (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
| <p>French National Consultative Commission On Human Rights</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 19.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was announced that a statement regarding the rescue of migrants in the Mediterranean was published. The statement was highlighted that the Mediterranean is the deadliest migration route in the world, with more than 28,000 deaths known since 2014, and calls on public authorities to take necessary measures in the search and assistance of victims, aiming to put an end to this dishonorable situation. <p>Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/sauvetage-des-migrants-en-mediterranee-la-cncdh-adopte-une-declaration (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 25.10.2023, on the website of the Commission it was announced that a conference for November 29, 2023, which will address discrimination against children scheduled. The announcement acknowledges that children are often subject to |

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| | <p>discrimination simply because they are children and states that the conference will focus on discussions about combating such discrimination.</p> <p>Source: https://www.cncdh.fr/actualite/colloque-comment-lutter-contre-linfantisme (Access Date: 27.10.2023)</p> |
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