



HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL - 43rd SESSION

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Item 2: Oral Update by the High Commissioner for Human Rights on the Country Situations Across the World

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Sudan: OHCHR commends the government for cooperation. Remains concerned by situation in Darfur.

Cameroon: Human rights violations in northern part of the country. Gov agreed coop with OHCHR.

Sahel (Burkina Faso, Mali, Niger): Extremists groups attacks killed more than 400 persons in 2019. Plans to open new office in Niger.

Nigeria: Increasing violations by Boko Haram, including killings, kidnappings, sexual violence.

Guinea: Dozens of deaths in repression followed the demonstrations.

Burundi: Concerned by repression of civil and political rights in the context of upcoming elections.

Syria: Nearly 1 million displaced persons in Northern Syria. 100+ civilians killed by airstrikes.

Iraq: Live ammunitions used against civilians in the context of protests against the government.

OPT: New settlements are illegal under international law. Increasing repression of civic space.

Egypt: Increasing use of death penalty is a serious issue. Severe restrictions on freedom & media.

Saudi Arabia: OHCHR demands progress in freedom of expression & assembly and women's rights

Bolivia: OHCHR supports the UN efforts to respond to the political crisis.

Brazil: Increased killings of indigenous leaders and human rights defenders are concerning.

USA: Pushbacks on environmental policies. Concerned by restrictions on US immigration policy.

Kashmir: Excessive use of force in the region is not addressed. OHCHR appeals to end violence.

India: Identity policy is concerning. OHCHR worried by attacks on other religious groups.

Pakistan: Religious minorities are facing great danger. Death penalty still used to punish blasphemy.

Cambodia: Concerned by acts of intimidation aiming human rights organizations & civil society.

Mongolia: OHCHR commends the human rights defenders law initiative.

Thailand: OHCHR welcomes national plan on Business and Human Rights, first of the kind in Asia.

Bangladesh: Number of extra-judicial killings is of great concern. To foster judiciary independence.

Turkey: Human rights activists and journalists continue to be persecuted. Restrictions on freedoms.

Nepal: Crucial moment in political transition. OHCHR urges for dialogue to be prioritized.

China: OHCHR welcomes the invitation for a visit of High-Commissioner, including in Xinjiang.

European Union: Commends adoption of Green Deal. Concerned by restrictions faced by migrants.

Kazakhstan: New upcoming law on peaceful assemblies, encouraging changes in policies.

Poland: OHCHR concerned by recent changes in legislation on justice, and repression of judges.

Russia: OHCHR condemns the application "foreign agent" law to oppress the civil society.

ISIL Foreign fighters: OHCHR urge countries to repatriate foreign fighters with ties to ISIL.

COVID-19: Deep respect to medical teams tackling the virus. Discriminations are to be prevented.

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