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### Commentary

Restorative justice is a transformative framework that has gained prominence in recent years as a holistic approach to addressing harm, promoting accountability, and fostering reconciliation. Transitional justice is a broader term that encompasses a range of mechanisms, including truth commissions, criminal prosecutions, reparations, and institutional reform. There are some similarities between transitional justice and restorative justice. Both approaches emphasize the importance of truth-telling, accountability, and victim participation. They also both seek to promote healing and reconciliation. However, there are also some important differences between the two approaches. Transitional justice is typically more focused on the macro-level, addressing the needs of society as a whole. Restorative justice is typically more focused on the micro-level, addressing the needs of individuals and communities.

Archives play an important role in these processes, as many restorative justice initiatives address historical injustices documented in archives, offering a platform for acknowledging past wrongs and promoting reconciliation between marginalized communities and broader society. Addressing historical harm requires navigating power imbalances, cultural sensitivity in how different cultures approach justice and reconciliation, and legal and institutional systems that allowed the injustices to happen in the first place.

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This is particularly important in the context of colonialism and slavery, where archival records can be used to shed light on past injustices and to help survivors find healing. Too often, archives are seen as relics of another time, with little to no connection to our current experience. However, as the article “Inside Barbados’ Historic Push for Slavery Reparations” shows, history is not just a long-distant past, but has direct and ongoing effects on our lives: “People and places are closely connected. Time-yellowed records in the Barbados National Archives and the museum link specific but long-dead people to the living.” In “Colombia: unburying of a political smear against transitional justice”, we learn about how “In front of the families of their victims, eight former military officials publicly acknowledged their responsibility in a dozen murders...In addition to bringing closure to the victims’ families, these confessions could also put an end to one of the crudest disinformation campaigns directed against Colombia’s [transitional justice](#) - born out of the 2016 peace agreement.”

Reparations within the context of restorative justice aim to acknowledge past wrongs, provide restitution to those who have been harmed, and work towards healing and reconciliation. By providing compensation or support to individuals or communities that have been historically marginalized or disadvantaged, reparations and alternative justice mechanisms address the structural inequalities that contribute to ongoing injustices.

Archives serve as critical resources for documenting historical injustices, acknowledging truths, substantiating claims, amplifying marginalized voices, and facilitating public education and accountability. The archivist’s role in reparations, restorative and transitional justice is essential for creating a foundation of evidence-based understanding, fostering healing, and promoting equitable and just outcomes.

## SAHR News

- The section’s executive board met virtually for its regular meeting on July 6<sup>th</sup>.
- At the DCDC23 conference - jointly organised by the British Library, the UK National Archives and JISC (held at the University of Durham, 11-13 July 2023) - a panel on 'Archives and Collections at Risk' (a principal theme of the conference) included a presentation by David Sutton on the Safe Havens For Archives at Risk Initiative.

## Editor’s Note

With the new team of collectors and editor, there are also some differences in content and structure of the newsletter:

- For the English version of the newsletter, the description of the news items is given in their original language (currently mainly Spanish, French, and English).
- The news items are listed two times, in different structures: First by section (Events, International News, National News) and then region/country. A second time by heading (i.e. topic/subject).
- The individual news items are then structured as follows: **Title**. [Abstract.] Type of resource [Author(s)], Date of publication, [Publisher,] Link. [Topic]

## News by Section

### Events

Chile: **Exhibición - Ninguna Calle Llevará tu Nombre - Hasta 2023-08-13.** El Museo de la Memoria y los Derechos Humanos y taller Marca les invitan a la inauguración de “Ninguna calle llevará tu nombre”, sobre afiches de la resistencia en Concepción. [webpage] [Museo de la Memoria y los Derechos Humanos], 2023-07, Museo de la Memoria y los Derechos Humanos, [mmdh.cl](http://mmdh.cl). [Human Rights]

France: **Exposition - Prisonniers en terre d'exil. L'Île Sainte-Marguerite au temps de la conquête de l'Algérie, 1841-1884 - Jusqu'au 29 octobre 2023.** Au plus fort de la conquête de l'Algérie par la France, plusieurs milliers d'hommes, de femmes et d'enfants, originaires de diverses régions du Maghreb, furent exilés sans procès, ni jugement à l'île Sainte-Marguerite. Emprisonnés au Fort Royal, 274 d'entre eux succombèrent. Ils reposent aujourd'hui dans le cimetière musulman de l'Île Sainte-Marguerite. Découvrez leur histoire. [webpage] [Musée du Masque de fer et du Fort Royal], 2023-07-04, Cannes, [www.cannes.com](http://www.cannes.com). [Migration]

Paraguay: **Congreso - XIV Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur – UNA 2023 - San Lorenzo, Paraguay 2023-11-07 al 10.** XIV Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur, tiene como tema central “Los nuevos desafíos de los Archivos y Archivistas en la sociedad de pos pandemia” [webpage] [XIV Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur], 2023-07-01, XIV Congreso de Archivología del Mercosur – UNA 2023, [cam2023.una.py](http://cam2023.una.py). [Pandemic]

Poland: **Exhibition - Strength in Numbers: The Polish Solidarity Movement - Until 2024-08.** After decades of state oppression and denial of workplace rights, 16,000 workers at the Lenin Shipyard in Gdańsk, Poland, went on strike in 1980. Their protest erupted when labour activist Anna Walentynowicz was fired from her shipyard job. The mass strike action inspired the Solidarity movement that united 10 million workers and led to momentous political change. Strength in Numbers demonstrates the power of collective action during one of the largest labour uprisings in modern times. [webpage] [Canadian Museum of Human Rights], 2023-07, Canadian Museum of Human Rights, [humanrights.ca](http://humanrights.ca). [Labor Rights]

United States of America: **Conference - Why Isn't Remembering Enough to Repair? - On line 2023-08-23.** Upcoming events at Zócalo Public Square 2023-08-23: The Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel did not believe in collective guilt. Instead, he asked for repair, and for holding the post-World War II generation of Germans responsible “not for the past, but for the way it remembers the past. And for what it does with the memory of the past.” Other societies and communities have taken up Wiesel's call—at the national level, South Africa's Truth and Reconciliation Commission and Argentina's efforts to prosecute Dirty War military leaders, and at the local level, movements like the Greensboro Truth and Reconciliation Commission in North Carolina and land back efforts in the Pacific Northwest. What comes after we remember, from apology and forgiveness to reparations and justice? [blog post] [Zócalo Public Square], 2023-07, Zócalo Public Square, [www.zocalopublicsquare.org](http://www.zocalopublicsquare.org). [Reconciliation]

Worldwide: **Conference Call for Papers - Fantastic Futures Annual International Conference - AI for Libraries, Archives, and Museums - 2023-11-15 to 17.** The ai4lam community is organizing its annual international conference, Fantastic Futures 2023, to be held at the Internet Archive Canada, Vancouver, Canada, on November 15-17 2023. We are bringing together a diverse audience of professionals from libraries, archives, museums (LAMs), heritage organizations, as well as industry,

advocacy, and policy groups, interested in the application of artificial intelligence (AI) to the work of libraries, memory organizations, scholarship, arts and culture, and information preservation and access. [webpage] [ai4lam community], 2023-07-13, [ff2023.archive.org](https://ff2023.archive.org), [ff2023.archive.org](https://ff2023.archive.org). [Technology]

Worldwide: **Conference Call for Papers - Center Is Co-Convening 2024 Conference on Archives in/of Transit - 2024-06-28 and 29.** The USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research is one of the conveners for the conference "Archives in/of Transit: Historical Perspectives from the 1930s to the Present", which will take place at the University of Southern California from June 28 to June 29, 2024. [webpage] [USC Dornsife Center for Advanced Genocide Research], 2023-07-07, USC Shoah Foundation, [sfi.usc.edu](https://sfi.usc.edu). [Migration]

Worldwide: **Exhibition - Climate Justice - Until 2024-06.** The exhibit "Climate Justice" highlights the connections between human rights and climate change, foregrounding youth activism and voices. [webpage] [Canadian Museum of Human Rights], 2023-07, Canadian Museum of Human Rights, [humanrights.ca](https://humanrights.ca). [Climate Change]

## International News

Africa: **Corporate human rights abuses can be curbed across Africa with buy-in from governments to honour the UN treaty.** On 28 and 29 June, community members, popular formations and civil society organisations from across the African continent gathered in Johannesburg to participate in the African Regional Indaba on the UN Binding Treaty on Transnational Corporations and Human Rights. [newspaper article] [Dera, Boaventura Monjane and Anesu], 2023-07-02, Daily Maverick, [www.dailymaverick.co.za](https://www.dailymaverick.co.za). [Business]

Africa: **In West and Central Africa, authorities must fight corruption and uphold the human rights of those who expose it.** West and Central African states must stop persecuting human rights defenders who expose corruption, bribery and abuse of office, and instead take concrete and effective measures to protect and support them, Amnesty International said today, in observing African Anti-Corruption Day. Today marks the 20th anniversary of the African Union Convention on Preventing and Combating Corruption. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-11, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](https://www.amnesty.org). [Corruption]

Americas: **Migración: los engañosos videos de traficantes de personas que se promocionan en redes sociales como si fueran agencias de viajes para cruzar hacia EE.UU.** Las organizaciones de tráfico de migrantes están usando plataformas como TikTok y Youtube para promocionar sus servicios. [newspaper article] [Debusmann, Bernd], 2023-07-11, BBC News Mundo, [www.bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com). [Human Trafficking]

Europe: **Parliament to vote on groundbreaking EU 'compensation right' against pollution.** Environment and health groups are pushing for more robust measures to protect EU citizens' fundamental right to health and clean air, in a joint letter sent to MEPs on Thursday. [newspaper article] [Elissaiou, Annita], 2023-07-09, [www.euractiv.com](https://www.euractiv.com), [www.euractiv.com](https://www.euractiv.com). [Environment]

Europe: **EU sanctions Russians over Ukraine war disinformation.** "We are targeting those carrying out information manipulation and interference as part of a broader hybrid campaign by Russia against the EU and the member states," EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell said [newspaper article] [Staff Writer], 2023-07-29, 0, [www.zawya.com](https://www.zawya.com). [Ukraine War]

Europe: **Un informe pide que no prescriban los casos de abusos sexuales.** Muchos países europeos no hacen justicia a los supervivientes de abusos sexuales a menores, según un informe publicado el jueves. [newspaper article] [Gwin Jones, Mared], 2023-07-20, euronews, [es.euronews.com](https://es.euronews.com). [Child Abuse]

South-Eastern Asia: **Les Pays-Bas restituent des centaines de biens culturels à l'Indonésie et au Sri Lanka.** Le gouvernement néerlandais a décidé jeudi de suivre les recommandations d'une commission nommée l'an dernier proposant la restitution de 478 objets de l'époque coloniale à l'Indonésie et au Sri Lanka. [newspaper article] [France 24], 2023-07-07, France 24, [www.france24.com](https://www.france24.com). [Restitution]

Western Africa: **Les objets africains pillés pendant la colonisation: voyage aller et retour.** Alors que le retour du patrimoine africain sur le continent s'impose progressivement à l'Europe, l'autrice franco-finlandaise Taina Tervonen est partie entre la France et le Sénégal, sur les traces d'un fascinant trésor. [audio recording] [Tervonen, Taina], 2023-07-09, 0, [www.rfi.fr](https://www.rfi.fr). [Restitution]

Western Asia: **Fighting to free the women and children enslaved by IS.** Yazidi groups are still looking for thousands of women and children who were enslaved. [newspaper article] [Whright, Rachel], 2023-07-06, BBC News, [www.bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com). [Human Trafficking]

Western Europe: **Mystery of Holocaust escape girls solved after 84 years.** For more than 80 years the identities of three girls captured in an iconic photograph were unknown. [newspaper article] [Lonsdale, Jo; Downs, Jane], 2023-07-02, BBC News, [www.bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com). [Genocide]

Worldwide: **Recognising Human Rights Defenders as Remarkable Agents of Positive Change.** In recent years, the global landscape for human rights defenders (HRDs) has become more difficult and complex, with both new and heightened challenges. With hundreds of defenders killed every year, the scale and magnitude of threats faced by HRDs is unprecedented. [newspaper article] [Moore, Olive], 2023-07-05, Inter Press Service, [www.ipsnews.net](https://www.ipsnews.net). [Human Rights Defenders]

Worldwide: **Debunking migration myths: the real reasons people move, and why most migration happens in the global south – podcast.** Why your understanding of who migrates (and why) might be wrong. [audio recording] [Anapol, Avery; Mariwany, Mend], 2023-07-09, 0, [theconversation.com](https://theconversation.com). [Migration]

Worldwide: **S'inspirer des savoirs autochtones pour préserver la planète.** Les savoirs écologiques traditionnels (SET) n'ont plus à prouver leur efficacité concernant par exemple la gestion des ressources naturelles ou la diplomatie climatique. [newspaper article] [Ziker, John], 2023-07-06, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](https://theconversation.com). [Indigenous Matters]

Worldwide: **Countries toughen up borders against migration, ducking UN advice on human rights.** The UN's top expert on the human rights of migrants warned that countries are increasingly adopting anti-immigration practices that heighten deadly risks for migrants, just days after catastrophic sinkings in the Mediterranean. [newspaper article] [Galindo, Gabriela], 2023-07-02, Geneva Solutions, [genevasolutions.news](https://genevasolutions.news). [Migration]

Worldwide: **A Bibliometric Analysis of Research at the Nexus of Climate Change, Human Mobility, and Human Rights.** The Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI) has developed this bibliometric analysis of existing literature at the nexus of work on climate change, human mobility, and human rights. [newspaper article] [Patrama, Yuda], 2023-07-18,

Raoul Wallenberg Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law (RWI), [rwi.or.id](http://rwi.or.id). [Climate Change]

Worldwide: **Scourge of racism haunts Black women and girls seeking healthcare | UN News.** Women and girls of African descent face a “systemic and historical pattern” of racial abuse in the health sector in countries across the world, leaving them at increased risk of death during childbirth, the UN’s sexual and reproductive health agency said on Wednesday. | [newspaper article] [UNFPA], 2023-07-12, UN News, [news.un.org](http://news.un.org). [Racism]

Worldwide: **Justifying Extraterritorial Human Rights Obligations and Climate Change as a Counterexample.** Extraterritorial human rights obligations are contentious. In the UK, for example, the ECtHR’s findings that armed forces deployed abroad have human rights obligations have met with criticism. Extraterritoriality is also routinely named as one of the most difficult aspects of the next generation of potentially groundbreaking human rights litigation: climate cases. [blog post] [Raible, Lea], 2023-07-12, Blog of the European Journal of International Law: Talk!, [www.ejiltalk.org](http://www.ejiltalk.org). [Climate Change]

Worldwide: **Interpreting Contentious Memory.** Interpreting Contentious Memory - Countermemories and Social Conflicts over the Past; This book illustrates how scholars use different interpretive lenses to study profound conflicts rooted in the past. Addressing issues of racism, genocide, war, nationalism, colonialism and more, it highlights how our interpretations of contentious memories are indispensable to our understandings of contemporary conflicts and identities. [book], 2023-07-13, 0, [bristoluniversitypress.co.uk](http://bristoluniversitypress.co.uk). [Racism]

Worldwide: **Rethinking Heritage in Precarious Times Coloniality, Climate Change, and Covid-19.** Rethinking Heritage in Precarious Times sets a fresh agenda for Heritage Studies by reflecting upon the unprecedented nature of the contemporary moment. In doing so, the volume also calls into question established ideas, ways of working, and understandings of the future. Presenting contributions by leading figures in the field of Heritage Studies, Indigenous scholars, and scholars from across the global north and global south, the volume engages with the most pressing issues of today: coloniality, the climate emergency, the Covid-19 pandemic, structural racism, growing social and economic inequality, and the ongoing struggle for dignity and restitution. [book], 2023-07, 0, [www.routledge.com](http://www.routledge.com). [Climate Change]

Worldwide: **Noam Chomsky Teaches a MasterClass on Critical Thinking & Media Literacy | Open Culture.** Noam Chomsky in a new interview on economist Tyler Cowen's podcast Conversations with Tyler. 'That’s what we’re facing. We know answers, at least possible answers to all of the problems that face us. Open Culture, [openculture.com](http://openculture.com) [audio recording] [Cowen, Tyler], 2023-07-21, 0, [www.openculture.com](http://www.openculture.com). [Disinformation]

Worldwide: **122 million more people pushed into hunger since 2019 due to multiple crises, reveals UN report.** Over 122 million more people are facing hunger in the world since 2019 due to the pandemic and repeated weather shocks and conflicts, including the war in Ukraine, according to the latest State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World (SOFI) report published today jointly by five United Nations specialized agencies. [newspaper article] [World Health Organization], 2023-07-12, World Health Organization, [www.who.int](http://www.who.int). [Human Rights]

Worldwide: **Opinion | Leave No One Behind: We Need a Rights-Based Approach to Climate Displacement.** Migration needs to be approached as a form of reparation by countries and businesses that have historically contributed most to the problem we face today. [newspaper article]



[Baldi, Stefano; John, Anju Anna], 2023-07-18, Common Dreams, [www.commondreams.org](http://www.commondreams.org). [Climate Change]

## National News

Australia: **'Why didn't we know?' is no excuse. Non-Indigenous Australians must listen to the difficult historical truths told by First Nations people.** Non-Indigenous Australians need to actively seek the truth about past violence and injustice against Indigenous Australians. [newspaper article] [Payne, Anne Maree; Norman, Heidi], 2023-07-03, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [Indigenous Matters]

Australia: **En Australie, un référendum pour donner une « voix » aux autochtones au Parlement.** L'Australie va voter, lors d'un référendum d'ici fin 2023. Les citoyens décideront si, oui ou non, ils autorisent la modification de la Constitution pour y reconnaître les autochtones et la création d'un organe représentatif, d'une « Voix » au Parlement. [newspaper article] [Roussel, Léo], 2023-07-02, Le Soir, [www.lesoir.be](http://www.lesoir.be). [Indigenous Matters]

Australia: **How to have informed and respectful conversations about Indigenous issues like the Voice.** As the Voice referendum approaches, it is becoming more important to facilitate constructive and sensitive discussions. New research shows how to approach this. [newspaper article] [Hill, Braden; Gringart, Eyal; Macdonald, Maryanne; Somerville, Robert Stanly; Booth, Sarah], 2023-07-03, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [Indigenous Matters]

Australia: **Repatriation of Indigenous Cultural Heritage: Experiences of Return in Central Australia.** Repatriation of Indigenous Cultural Heritage examines how returned materials - objects, photographs, audio and manuscripts - are being received and reintegrated into the ongoing social and cultural lives of Aboriginal Australians. Combining a critical examination of the making of these collections with an assessment of their contemporary significance, the book exposes the opportunities and challenges involved in returning cultural heritage for the purposes of maintaining, preserving or reviving [book] [Gibson, Jason], 2023-06, 0, [www.routledge.com](http://www.routledge.com). [Indigenous Matters]

Bangladesh: **Bangladesh: La ejecución de dos hombres revela cruel desprecio por el derecho a la vida.** Amnistía Internacional pide al gobierno de Bangladesh la abolición de la pena de muerte en el país. [newspaper article] [Amnistía Internacional], 2023-07-28, Amnistía Internacional, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Human Rights]

Barbados: **Inside Barbados' Historic Push for Slavery Reparations.** How a tiny island became a global leader in the effort to demand meaningful recompense. [newspaper article] [Ross, Janell], 2023-07-06, Time, [time.com](http://time.com). [Human Trafficking]

Belgium: **Belgium's AfricaMuseum has a dark colonial past – it's making slow progress in confronting this history.** The restitution of looted objects from former colonies in Africa is an essential component of post-colonial reparation. [newspaper article] [Bobineau, Julien], 2023-07-04, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [Decolonization]

Bosnia and Herzegovina: **Mothers of Srebrenica: 'Sadly, the killing continues in the world' | UN News.** The pointe shoes were a testament to unfulfilled hopes. They belonged to a young ballet dancer from Bosnia and Herzegovina whose life was forever changed by the brutal conflict that broke out in the heart of Europe at the end of the 20th century and were on display at UN Headquarters in New York to educate visitors about the horrors of war and genocide. [newspaper article] [UN News], 2023-07-11, UN News, [news.un.org](http://news.un.org). [War Crimes]

**Brazil: As comissões da verdade e os arquivos da ditadura militar brasileira.** Esta obra explora o contexto histórico-legal das comissões da verdade no Brasil e no mundo e reconstrói as estratégias e ações das comissões brasileiras para o acesso aos arquivos da ditadura militar (1964-1985). A partir da análise da emergência do reconhecimento dos arquivos para as investigações sobre violações dos direitos humanos e a efetivação do direito à informação, à verdade e à memória, o livro discute o fenômeno da criação de comissões da verdade em todo o território nacional brasileiro e as relações das comissões com os arquivos. Nesse sentido, evidenciam-se a insuficiência das políticas de gestão documental e um quadro de negação, ocultamento e destruição dos arquivos do período da ditadura militar. Todavia, identifica-se que, apesar dos problemas e limitações, as comissões da verdade conseguiram criar estratégias e implementar ações para superar essas dificuldades, dentre elas, parcerias com as universidades, especialmente com os cursos de Arquivologia. Como lacuna na atuação das comissões da verdade no Brasil, o livro constata que foram poucas as ações educativas realizadas fora dos círculos acadêmicos e voltadas a uma parcela mais ampla da população brasileira. [book] [Tenaglia, Mônica], 1905-07-15, 0, [books.scielo.org](https://books.scielo.org). [Reconciliation]

**Brazil: Femicide in Brazil: Inter-American Condemnation.** "Due to the governments' lack of urgency and failure to implement change, international legal institutions have been brought in to help condemn and combat femicide in Latin America." [newspaper article] [Reale, Nicolette], 2023-07-03, Harvard International Review, [hir.harvard.edu](https://hir.harvard.edu). [Women's Rights]

**Brazil: Bolsonaro barred from political office for eight years.** Four judges of Brazil's Supreme Electoral Tribunal have voted to bar former President Jair Bolsonaro from holding political office for eight years. A majority of the court's seven magistrates ruled that Bolsonaro had violated Brazil's election laws when, less than three months before last year's vote, he summoned diplomats to the presidential palace and made baseless claims that the nation's voting systems were likely to be rigged. [newspaper article] [Timerman, Jordana], 2023-06-30, Latin America Daily Briefing, [latinamericadailybriefing.substack.com](https://latinamericadailybriefing.substack.com). [Corruption]

**Brazil: Brazil: descendants of Africans who escaped slavery gain census recognition.** Groundbreaking data counts 1.3m quilombola, historically excluded population whose communities were founded by fugitive enslaved people [newspaper article] [Malleret, Constance], 2023-07-27, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](https://www.theguardian.com). [Human Trafficking]

**Burundi: Burundi Government Walks Out on UN Review.** This week, Burundian authorities once again displayed their contempt for human rights by walking out of the country's review before the UN Human Rights Committee in Geneva. [newspaper article] [De Montjoye, Clementine], 2023-07-05, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](https://www.hrw.org). [Civil Rights]

**Cambodia: Cambodia: Election takes place under cloud of human rights crisis.** The human rights situation in Cambodia has severely deteriorated since the last national election in 2018, Amnesty International's interim Deputy Regional Director for Research Montse Ferrer said today, ahead of Sunday polls expected to be dominated by the ruling Cambodian People's Party after the sole viable opposition group was blocked from participating. "Authorities in Cambodia have spent the past five years picking apart what's left of the rights to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and association. There is a growing crackdown on human rights in Cambodia. Many people feel that they are being forced to participate in this election despite their party of choice not being on the ballot. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-21, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](https://www.amnesty.org). [Elections]



Cameroun: **Death of a radio host: the web of corruption, lies and revenge behind the killing of Martinez Zogo.** A dossier of bank slips detailing suspect payments of millions of dollars handed to the journalist brought the downfall of a political upstart in Cameroon. But it also led to Zogo's murder. His colleagues went to investigate why. [newspaper article] [ZAM magazine], 2023-07-07, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [Freedom of the Press]

Canada: **Human rights tribunal approves \$23B revised First Nations child-welfare compensation deal | CBC News.** The Canadian Human Rights Tribunal approved a [\\$23.4-billion](https://www.cbc.ca) revised agreement to compensate victims of the underfunded First Nations child-welfare system on Wednesday. [newspaper article] [Major, Darren], 2023-07-26, CBC News, [www.cbc.ca](http://www.cbc.ca). [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Some advocates want residential school abuse records re-examined, archived as debate on their future continues.** Under Supreme Court ruling, transcripts will be destroyed by 2027 unless survivors want them archived [newspaper article] [Canadian Press], 2023-07-24, Radio-Canada.ca, [ici.radio-canada.ca](http://ici.radio-canada.ca). [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Canada forcibly sterilized Indigenous women after other countries stopped.** A Senate report found that the genocidal practice is continuing today, including a case as recently as 2019. [newspaper article] [Cheng, Maria], 2023-07-13, ICT News, [ictnews.org](http://ictnews.org). [Indigenous Matters]

Chile: **La nueva política migratoria de Chile no incluye una regularización masiva de migrantes.** Solo aquellos sin antecedentes penales, que estén insertos en la economía formal o tengan vínculos familiares en el país sudamericano, podrán optar a residencia. [newspaper article] [Fuente, Antonieta de la], 2023-07-11, El País, [elpais.com](http://elpais.com). [Migration]

Chile: **“Una heroína anónima que permitió resguardar la memoria”: INDH realiza homenaje a Amira Arratia.** Arratia es la jefa del Departamento de Documentación de TVN y 50 años atrás se embarcó en la misión de preservar los archivos audiovisuales de lo ocurrido durante el gobierno de la Unidad Popular y también de la represión durante la dictadura. [newspaper article] [Carvalho, Joana], 2023-07-10, Diario Universidad de Chile, [radio.uchile.cl](http://radio.uchile.cl). [Destruction of documents]

China: **Hong Kong: Warrants Aim at Activists Abroad.** Hong Kong authorities have issued baseless arrest warrants and HK\$1 million (US\$128,000) bounties on eight exiled democracy activists and former legislators that expand China's political intimidation campaign beyond its borders. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-04, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Human Rights]

Colombia: **IACHR Welcomes Full Compliance with the Friendly Settlement Agreement in Case 12,756—El Aracatazzo Bar Massacre, Colombia.** The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) has decided to declare full compliance with Friendly Settlement Report 10/15, concerning Case 12,756—El Aracatazzo Bar Massacre, Colombia—and will stop monitoring it. This case concerns the international responsibility of the Colombian State for the deaths of 18 people on August 12, 1995, at the bar El Aracatazzo, in the municipality of Chigorodó, in Antioquia. The killings were allegedly perpetrated by members of paramilitary groups, in connivance with law enforcement officers at a checkpoint operated by the National Army's Infantry Battalion 46. These law enforcement officers allegedly failed to take protection measures to support civilians, despite having heard shots. They also allegedly failed to conduct a diligent criminal investigation and a disciplinary review of the people involved. The case went unpunished for more than 10 years. [newspaper article]

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Colombia: **Colombia: unburying of a political smear against transitional justice.** The resounding confessions of soldiers before the Special Jurisdiction for Peace (JEP) disproved a vast campaign of disinformation to discredit the transitional justice process in Colombia. [newspaper article] [Liévano, Andrés Bermúdez], 2023-07-18, JusticeInfo.net, [www.justiceinfo.net](http://www.justiceinfo.net). [Reconciliation]

Colombia: **Colombia: desentierro de una calumnia política contra la justicia transicional.** Las sonadas confesiones de militares ante la Jurisdicción Especial para la Paz (JEP) desmintieron una vasta campaña de desinformación para desacreditar el proceso de justicia transicional en Colombia. [newspaper article] [Liévano, Andrés Bermúdez], 2023-07-18, JusticeInfo.net, [www.justiceinfo.net](http://www.justiceinfo.net). [Reconciliation]

Congo, Democratic Republic of the: **DR Congo: Deadly Militia Raid on Ituri's Displaced.** Militia fighters killed at least 46 civilians, half of them children, and pillaged and burned a displaced people's camp on June 12, 2023, in the Democratic Republic of Congo's eastern Ituri province. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-24, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Internally Displaced Persons]

Congo, Democratic Republic of the: **RDC: la Céli refuse un nouvel audit du fichier électoral demandé par une partie de l'opposition.** Il n'y aura pas de nouvel audit du fichier électoral en République Démocratique du Congo. Ainsi en a finalement décidé la Céli, la Commission électorale nationale indépendante qui souhaite que les élections générales aient lieu en décembre comme prévu. L'opposition, elle, ne décolère pas. [newspaper article] [Bottin, Aline; Wane, Fatimata; Ballong, Stéphane], 2023-07-11, France 24, [www.france24.com](http://www.france24.com). [Elections]

El Salvador: **Nayib Bukele busca perpetuarse en el poder.** El mandatario salvadoreño oficializa este domingo su candidatura a la reelección, a pesar de que la Constitución se lo prohíbe y en medio de críticas por su modelo autoritario. "No soy un dictador", se ha defendido. [newspaper article] [Maldonado, Carlos S.], 2023-07-09, El País, [elpais.com](http://elpais.com). [Elections]

Finland: **Racism in Finland: Government minister embroiled in shocking new row.** Minister for Economic Affairs Wille Rydman only took up his role recently, after his predecessor quit for his own racist views and links to neo-Nazi groups. [newspaper article] [Dougall, David Mac], 2023-07-29, euronews, [www.euronews.com](http://www.euronews.com). [Racism]

France: **France : les racines de la colère.** France : les racines de la colère. Du malaise des banlieues au "racisme systémique" de la police, de l'origine des violences urbaines à leurs conséquences politiques, les envoyés spéciaux des grands médias étrangers ont multiplié les analyses, témoignages et reportages pour tenter de comprendre les origines de cette colère française. Dans notre dossier cette semaine, nous vous en proposons une sélection représentative. C'est un autre regard, plus distancié, sur ce qui se passe en France, et c'est un regard nécessaire. [newspaper article] [Carrard, Claire], 2023-07-05, Courrier international, [www.courrierinternational.com](http://www.courrierinternational.com). [Police Violence]

France: **La science ouverte.** Ce nouveau numéro de la revue Culture & Recherche est dédié à la science ouverte. Il présente les productions de la recherche culturelle des acteurs et partenaires institutionnels du ministère de la Culture dans un contexte national, européen et international. Parmi les modes de « faire de la recherche » aujourd'hui, « les pratiques scientifiques plus ouvertes, transparentes, collaboratives et inclusives, associées à des connaissances scientifiques plus

accessibles et vérifiables et soumises à l'examen et à la critique, améliorent l'efficacité, la qualité, la reproductibilité et l'impact de l'entreprise scientifique » (Recommandation de l'UNESCO sur une science ouverte, 2021). Trois écosystèmes sont sollicités : les données ouvertes (Open Data), le libre accès (Open Access) et des outils-logiciels libres et gratuits (Open Source). Chercheurs, ingénieurs, informaticiens, bibliothécaires et documentalistes, usagers et société civile se mobilisent pour expérimenter et mettre en œuvre ce régime de productions des savoirs partagés, afin de répondre, notamment, à des enjeux à fort impact sociétal. [newspaper article] [Graindorge, Catherine (ed); Guigueno, Brigitte], 2023-07, Culture & Recherche, [www.culture.gouv.fr](http://www.culture.gouv.fr). [Technology]

France: **14 Juillet 1953 : six Algériens et un Français tombent sous les balles de la police.** Amar Tabjadi, Abdallah Bacha, Larbi Daoui, Abdelkader Dranis, Mohammed Isidore Illoul, Medjen Tahar, Maurice Lurot... Six Français musulmans d'Algérie (FMA) et un Français, militant de la CGT. Ces noms vous sont probablement inconnus. Et pourtant. Tous sont morts sous les balles de la police à Paris, le 14 juillet 1953. À l'époque, les revendications indépendantistes fleurissent au sein de l'Empire colonial français. Si les regards sont focalisés sur l'Indochine où la guerre fait rage depuis 1946, les nationalistes algériens du Mouvement pour le triomphe des libertés démocratiques (MTLD) commencent à faire entendre leur voix. Leur seule présence au traditionnel défilé populaire célébrant "les valeurs de la République" suffit à transformer la fête en bain de sang. [newspaper article] [Hamza, Assiya], 2023-07-12, France 24, [www.france24.com](http://www.france24.com). [Police Violence]

France: **Ysens de France (Gendarmerie nationale) : "Toutes nos actions d'intelligence artificielle doivent être justifiées".** La gendarmerie nationale développe de plus en plus de projets basés sur l'intelligence artificielle. Chargée de mission en la matière au sein de l'institution, Ysens de France dresse un état des lieux. [newspaper article] [Aurélien Defer; De France, Ysens], 2023-07-28, L'usine Digitale, [www.usine-digitale.fr](http://www.usine-digitale.fr). [Technology]

Ghana: **"Pensé que nos llevaban para matarnos": los niños que fueron separados de su familia injustamente como resultado del trabajo de una ONG estadounidense.** El trabajo de la ONG International Justice Mission en Ghana fue puesto en cuestión por una investigación de BBC Africa Eye que reveló irregularidades en la forma en la que separan a algunos niños de sus familias. [newspaper article] [Francavilla, Chiara; Afreh-Nuamah, Kwakye; Boateng, Kyenkyenhene], 2023-07-11, BBC News Mundo, [www.bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com). [Human Trafficking]

Guatemala: **Guatemala: Respect Election Results.** Guatemalan authorities should respect the results of elections held on June 25, 2023, Human Rights Watch and the Washington Office on Latin America (WOLA) said today. Concerned governments, including from Latin America, should urge the government and other authorities to ensure democratic values and respect the will of Guatemalans expressed at the polls. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-07, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Elections]

Holy See (permanent observer to the UN): **Scholars uncover censored Hebrew texts in Vatican collection - The Jerusalem Post.** A group of over 20 Christian and Jewish clergy and scholars from around the world had come together for a once-in-a-lifetime experience – a captivating journey through time, delving into the treasures of the Vatican's Hebrew manuscript collection. [newspaper article] [Klein, Zvika], 2023-07-25, The Jerusalem Post, [www.jpost.com](http://www.jpost.com). [Censorship]

India: **'Resistance is possible': Ravish Kumar, the broadcaster risking his life to tell the truth about India today.** The journalist's fearless reporting on India under Narendra Modi cost him his job and freedom. Now broadcasting to millions on YouTube, he is the subject of a new documentary

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India: **Modi Supporters' Hate Speech Belies Claims of Indian Democracy During US Visit.** Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to the United States included yoga at the United Nations, an address to the U.S. Congress that promised strides in the bilateral partnership, and a lavish state dinner at the White House with 400 guests. President Joe Biden spoke of the "unlimited potential" of ties between India and the United States. [newspaper article] [Ganguly, Meenakshi], 2023-07-05, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Government]

India: **Ré-écrire l'histoire : comment le pouvoir en Inde cherche à diffuser une vision exclusivement hindoue de son passé.** Le projet politique des ultra-nationalistes du BJP, au pouvoir en Inde depuis maintenant neuf ans, passe par une réécriture de l'histoire visant à imposer un récit centré sur l'hindouisme. [newspaper article] [Viguié, Anne], 2023-07-12, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [Disinformation]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Iran. La communauté internationale doit se tenir au côté des femmes et des filles qui souffrent de l'intensification de l'oppression.** Les autorités en Iran intensifient considérablement la répression des femmes et des filles iraniennes qui défient la législation imposant le port du voile. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-26, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Women's Rights]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Irán: La comunidad internacional debe apoyar a las mujeres y las niñas, víctimas de una opresión cada vez más intensa.** "Las autoridades iraníes están redoblando sus sofocantes métodos policiales y oprimiendo severamente a las mujeres y las niñas que se atreven a desafiar las degradantes leyes sobre la obligatoriedad del uso del velo", ha declarado hoy Amnistía Internacional. En un detallado análisis publicado hoy, la organización denuncia la intensificación de la represión de las autoridades [...] [newspaper article] [Amnistía Internacional], 2023-07-26, Amnistía Internacional, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Women's Rights]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Iran: International community must stand with women and girls suffering intensifying oppression.** The Iranian authorities are doubling down on their oppressive methods of policing and severely oppressing Iranian women and girls for defying degrading compulsory veiling laws, Amnesty International said today. In a detailed analysis published today, the organization exposes the authorities' intensified nationwide crackdown on women and girls who choose not to wear headscarves in public. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-26, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Women's Rights]

Iraq: **The EU and WFP provide cash assistance to internally displaced and crisis affected Iraqis missing civil documentation - Iraq | ReliefWeb.** The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) in Iraq welcomed a generous €5 million contribution from the European Union (EU) to provide cash assistance to internally displaced and crisis-affected Iraqis missing one or more essential civil documents until they are integrated within the national social safety net. [newspaper article] [World Food Programme], 2023-07-24, World Food Programme, [reliefweb.int](http://reliefweb.int). [Internally Displaced Persons]

Israël: **Opinion: Israel's Government Has Declared a War on Women.** As it is poised to pass another bill that will roll back women's rights, Israel's far-right government should not underestimate the power of the rage and courage of women who refuse to see their rights usurped in

the name of a conservative, religious and messianic agenda. [newspaper article] [Gouri, Hamutal], 2023-07-23, Haaretz, [www.haaretz.com](http://www.haaretz.com). [Women's Rights]

Italy: **The 10 second rule: Why are Italians groping themselves in protest?** Italian social media users are expressing outrage after judges said groping had to last 10 seconds to be considered sexual assault. [newspaper article] [Mouriquand, David], 2023-07-13, euronews, [www.euronews.com](http://www.euronews.com). [Sexual Violence]

Jamaica: **Kenneth Myrie and the 'missing file'**. IT WAS a matter that felt like life or death. Kenneth Myrie's health was declining rapidly and he wanted a copy of his medical records dating back to 2004 to determine what type of medical procedure was carried out on him at the Kingston Public. [newspaper article] [Edmond Campbell], 2023-07-12, Jamaica Gleaner, [jamaica-gleaner.com](http://jamaica-gleaner.com). [Medical Records]

Kenya: **Meet the 'headstrong historian' bringing Africa's past to life – for Africans.** A visit to Nairobi's archives led to a 'eureka moment' for Kenyan Chao Tayiana. She set out to retell colonial narratives – using digital technology to bring lost and suppressed stories to light. [newspaper article] [Kimeu, Caroline], 2023-07-03, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [Decolonization]

Lebanon: **Les archives nationales bientôt accessibles au public.** Grâce à un financement français et à l'expertise de l'Institut national de l'audiovisuel (INA), un programme de préservation et de valorisation des archives des médias publics libanais permettra bientôt au public d'accéder à des décennies d'informations historiques. [newspaper article] [Sfeir, Edward], 2023-07-08, Ici Beyrouth, [icibeyrouth.com](http://icibeyrouth.com). [Transparency]

Mali: **Mali: Mounting Islamist Armed Group Killings, Rape.** Islamist armed groups have carried out widespread killings, rapes, and lootings of villages in northeast Mali since January 2023. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-13, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Human Rights]

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Mexico: **Mexican security forces were complicit in kidnapping of 43 student teachers, report reveals.** Report finds army, navy, police and intelligence agencies knew, minute by minute, where the student teachers were [newspaper article] [Reuters], 2023-07-25, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [Forced Disappearance]

Mexico: **Violencia en México: Encuentran el cuerpo de Luis Martín Sánchez, el sexto periodista asesinado en México en lo que va de año.** La Fiscalía confirmó que fue asesinado y que el ataque en su contra estaba relacionado con su profesión. [newspaper article] [BBC News Mundo], 2023-07-09, BBC News Mundo, [www.bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com). [Freedom of the Press]

Netherlands: **Le roi des Pays-Bas présente ses excuses officielles pour l'esclavage.** Le roi des Pays-Bas Willem-Alexander a présenté samedi ses excuses officielles pour l'implication de son pays et de sa dynastie dans l'esclavage, se déclarant « personnellement et extrêmement » touché. [newspaper article] [Agence France-Presse], 2023-07-01, La Presse, [www.lapresse.ca](http://www.lapresse.ca). [Human Trafficking]

Netherlands: **Netherlands: 'Historic victory' as law amended to recognize that sex without consent is rape.** Responding to the news that the Netherlands' House of Representatives has voted to



amend the Sexual Offences Act by introducing a consent-based definition of rape, Dagmar Oudshoorn, Director of Amnesty International Netherlands, said: “By amending our outdated law and recognizing that sex without consent is rape, the Netherlands has taken an important step towards combatting [...] [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-04, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Sexual Violence]

New Zealand: **Catherine Murupaenga-Ikenn: A radar for injustice.** “When I see environmental destruction, ecological destruction, I’m compelled to do something. When I see human rights violations, I just feel aroha for people because, what’s that saying? “There but for the grace of God go I.” [newspaper article] [Husband, Dale], 2023-07-08, E-Tangata, [e-tangata.co.nz](http://e-tangata.co.nz). [Indigenous Matters]

New Zealand: **Putting Pākehā in the shoes of a colonised people.** “I wanted to write something that puts Pākehā in the shoes of a colonised people. I want them to imagine a world in which their principles and values are routinely laughed at.” [newspaper article] [Tihema, Baker], 2023-07-22, E-Tangata, [e-tangata.co.nz](http://e-tangata.co.nz). [Indigenous Matters]

New Zealand: **Our land died so others could live.** “New Zealand’s history of colonialism with Banaba should be part of the current education curriculum. Students should understand how Banaba had to die for New Zealand’s grazing agriculture to live.” [newspaper article] [Hele, Christopher-Ikimotu], 2023-07-22, E-Tangata, [e-tangata.co.nz](http://e-tangata.co.nz). [Colonialism]

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Nicaragua: **Prisoners Expelled from Nicaragua Land in US Limbo.** The 222 political prisoners banished by the regime of Daniel Ortega last Thursday are celebrating their freedom after years or months of lockdown and torture, but many doubt their future and stifle their opinions out of fear for their family in Nicaragua. Half of them have no family in the U.S. and are wondering how to rebuild a life far from their country and loved ones. [newspaper article] [Sanz, José Luis], 2023-05-12, El Faro 25, [elfaro.net](http://elfaro.net). [Citizenship]

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Nigeria: **Nigeria. Les autorités doivent agir immédiatement pour sauver des vies face au risque d’inondations meurtrières.** Les autorités nigérianes doivent sans attendre prendre des mesures concrètes pour se préparer aux crues et en atténuer les conséquences potentielles. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-24, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Human Rights]

Poland: **Warsaw Ghetto's defiant Jewish doctors secretly documented the medical effects of Nazi starvation policies in a book rediscovered on a library shelf.** The story behind the research can be as compelling as the results. Recording the effects of starvation, a group of Jewish doctors demonstrated their dedication to science – and their own humanity. [newspaper article] [Rosenberg, Irwin; Fitzpatrick, Merry], 2022-07-19, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [World War II]



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Senegal: **Senegal: behind the protests is a fight for democratic freedoms.** President Macky Sall's previous ambiguity on a third-term bid, perception of a weaponised justice system and arbitrary detention of opposition are the drivers of political violence in Senegal. [newspaper article] [Ndiaye, Bamba; Riedl, Rachel Beatty], 2023-07-03, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [Elections]

Spain: **El juez archiva el caso Pegasus por la "absoluta" falta de cooperación jurídica de Israel.** El juez de la Audiencia Nacional José Luis Calama ha archivado la investigación por el supuesto espionaje con el programa informático Pegasus del móvil del presidente del Gobierno español, Pedro Sánchez, detectado hasta en cinco ocasiones, así como el de tres ministros ante la «absoluta» falta de cooperación jurídica de Israel. [newspaper article] [EFE-Madrid; EUROEFE EURACTIV], 2023-07-10, EuroEFE, [euroefe.euractiv.es](http://euroefe.euractiv.es). [Spying]

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Sudan: **Sudan: Neighbouring countries must provide safe passage to those fleeing conflict.** Between 9 May and 16 June, Amnesty International interviewed 29 civilians faced with the difficult choice of whether to return to the conflict they fled, or remain stranded at the border, where they may wait for an indefinite period without basic supplies to maintain their health, privacy, and dignity. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-05, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Refugees]

Sudan: **Survivors Speak Out on Sexual Violence in West Darfur.** Nusra and Khadija share the bond of being cousins and of living in the same small town in West Darfur. Now they share a darker bond: both survivors of sexual violence in the conflict in Sudan. [newspaper article] [Bader, Laetitia], 2023-07-28, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Sexual Violence]

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Syrian Arab Republic: **Estado Islámico | "Esclava a la venta 12 años, no es virgen, muy hermosa": el infierno de las niñas y mujeres vendidas por el grupo radical.** Durante los años de ocupación de las fuerzas de EI en Irak y Siria, las minorías yazidíes fueron vendidas como fuerza esclava.

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Tunisia: **Tunisia: Crisis as Black Africans Expelled to Libya Border.** Tunisian security forces have collectively expelled several hundred Black African migrants and asylum seekers, including children and pregnant women, to a remote, militarized buffer zone at the Tunisia-Libya border. The group includes people with both regular and irregular legal status in Tunisia, expelled without due process. Many reported violence by authorities during arrest or expulsion. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-06, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [Migration]

Tunisia: **Tunisia: Human rights at risk two years after President Saied's power grab.** In the second year since Tunisian President Kais Saied's power grab, Tunisian authorities have taken further steps towards repression by jailing dozens of political opponents and state critics, violated the independence of the judiciary, dismantled institutional human rights safeguards, and incited discrimination against migrants, Amnesty International said today. "Decree by decree, blow by blow, President Saied and his government have dramatically undermined respect for human rights in Tunisia since his power grab in July 2021. In doing so, he has stripped away basic freedoms that Tunisians fought hard to earn and fostered a climate of repression and impunity. The Tunisian authorities must immediately reverse this treacherous trajectory and uphold their international human rights obligations," said Heba Morayef, Amnesty International's Regional Director for the Middle East and North Africa. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-23, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [Human Rights]

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Ukraine: **Centre to prosecute alleged war crimes in Ukraine opens in The Hague.** After months of lobbying from Kyiv, the International Centre for the Prosecution of the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine (ICPA) has opened in The Hague, Netherlands. #EuropeNews [newspaper article] [Euro News], 2023-07-03, euronews, [www.euronews.com](http://www.euronews.com). [Ukraine War]

Ukraine: **Twitter Blue accounts fuel Ukraine War misinformation.** False and misleading posts about the Ukraine conflict continue to go viral on major social media platforms, as Russia's invasion of the country extends beyond 500 days. Some of the most widely shared examples can be found on Twitter, posted by subscribers with a blue tick, who pay for their content to be promoted to other users. [newspaper article] [Sardarizadeh, Shayan], 2023-07-08, BBC News, [www.bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com). [Disinformation]

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United States of America: **Barack Obama's Defense of Librarians Amid 'Profoundly Misguided' Book Bans and Attacks.** "You're on the front lines – fighting every day to make the widest possible range of viewpoints, opinions, and ideas available to everyone," Obama tells librarians in a letter. "Your dedication and professional expertise allow us to freely read and consider information and ideas, and decide for ourselves which ones we agree with." [newspaper article] [Obama, Barack], 2023-07-23, FlaglerLive, [flaglerlive.com](http://flaglerlive.com). [Censorship]

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### Business

Africa: **Corporate human rights abuses can be curbed across Africa with buy-in from governments to honour the UN treaty.** On 28 and 29 June, community members, popular formations and civil society organisations from across the African continent gathered in Johannesburg to participate in the African Regional Indaba on the UN Binding Treaty on Transnational Corporations and Human Rights. [newspaper article] [Dera, Boaventura Monjane and Anesu], 2023-07-02, Daily Maverick, [www.dailymaverick.co.za](http://www.dailymaverick.co.za). [International News]

### Censorship

Holy See (permanent observer to the UN): **Scholars uncover censored Hebrew texts in Vatican collection - The Jerusalem Post.** A group of over 20 Christian and Jewish clergy and scholars from around the world had come together for a once-in-a-lifetime experience – a captivating journey through time, delving into the treasures of the Vatican's Hebrew manuscript collection. [newspaper article] [Klein, Zvika], 2023-07-25, The Jerusalem Post, [www.jpost.com](http://www.jpost.com). [National News]

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Nicaragua: **Prisoners Expelled from Nicaragua Land in US Limbo.** The 222 political prisoners banished by the regime of Daniel Ortega last Thursday are celebrating their freedom after years or months of lockdown and torture, but many doubt their future and stifle their opinions out of fear for their family in Nicaragua. Half of them have no family in the U.S. and are wondering how to rebuild a life far from their country and loved ones. [newspaper article] [Sanz, José Luis], 2023-05-12, El Faro 25, [elfaro.net](http://elfaro.net). [National News]

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Worldwide: **Justifying Extraterritorial Human Rights Obligations and Climate Change as a Counterexample.** Extraterritorial human rights obligations are contentious. In the UK, for example, the ECtHR’s findings that armed forces deployed abroad have human rights obligations have met with criticism. Extraterritoriality is also routinely named as one of the most difficult aspects of the next generation of potentially groundbreaking human rights litigation: climate cases. [blog post] [Raible, Lea], 2023-07-12, Blog of the European Journal of International Law: Talk!, [www.ejiltalk.org](http://www.ejiltalk.org). [International News]

Worldwide: **Rethinking Heritage in Precarious Times Coloniality, Climate Change, and Covid-19.** Rethinking Heritage in Precarious Times sets a fresh agenda for Heritage Studies by reflecting upon the unprecedented nature of the contemporary moment. In doing so, the volume also calls into question established ideas, ways of working, and understandings of the future. Presenting contributions by leading figures in the field of Heritage Studies, Indigenous scholars, and scholars from across the global north and global south, the volume engages with the most pressing issues of today: coloniality, the climate emergency, the Covid-19 pandemic, structural racism, growing social and economic inequality, and the ongoing struggle for dignity and restitution. [book], 2023-07, 0, [www.routledge.com](http://www.routledge.com). [International News]

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Brazil: **Bolsonaro barred from political office for eight years.** Four judges of Brazil's Supreme Electoral Tribunal have voted to bar former President Jair Bolsonaro from holding political office for eight years. A majority of the court's seven magistrates ruled that Bolsonaro had violated Brazil's election laws when, less than three months before last year's vote, he summoned diplomats to the presidential palace and made baseless claims that the nation's voting systems were likely to be rigged. [newspaper article] [Timerman, Jordana], 2023-06-30, Latin America Daily Briefing, [latinamericadailybriefing.substack.com](http://latinamericadailybriefing.substack.com). [National News]

## Decolonization

Kenya: **Meet the 'headstrong historian' bringing Africa's past to life – for Africans.** A visit to Nairobi's archives led to a 'eureka moment' for Kenyan Chao Tayiana. She set out to retell colonial narratives – using digital technology to bring lost and suppressed stories to light. [newspaper article] [Kimeu, Caroline], 2023-07-03, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [National News]

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India: **Ré-écrire l'histoire : comment le pouvoir en Inde cherche à diffuser une vision exclusivement hindoue de son passé.** Le projet politique des ultra-nationalistes du BJP, au pouvoir

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Ukraine: **Twitter Blue accounts fuel Ukraine War misinformation.** False and misleading posts about the Ukraine conflict continue to go viral on major social media platforms, as Russia's invasion of the country extends beyond 500 days. Some of the most widely shared examples can be found on Twitter, posted by subscribers with a blue tick, who pay for their content to be promoted to other users. [newspaper article] [Sardarizadeh, Shayan], 2023-07-08, BBC News, [www.bbc.com](https://www.bbc.com). [National News]

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Worldwide: **Noam Chomsky Teaches a MasterClass on Critical Thinking & Media Literacy | Open Culture.** Noam Chomsky in a new interview on economist Tyler Cowen's podcast Conversations with Tyler. 'That's what we're facing. We know answers, at least possible answers to all of the problems that face us. Open Culture, [openculture.com](https://openculture.com) [audio recording] [Cowen, Tyler], 2023-07-21, 0, [www.openculture.com](https://www.openculture.com). [International News]

## Elections

Cambodia: **Cambodia: Election takes place under cloud of human rights crisis.** The human rights situation in Cambodia has severely deteriorated since the last national election in 2018, Amnesty International's interim Deputy Regional Director for Research Montse Ferrer said today, ahead of Sunday polls expected to be dominated by the ruling Cambodian People's Party after the sole viable opposition group was blocked from participating. "Authorities in Cambodia have spent the past five years picking apart what's left of the rights to freedom of expression, peaceful assembly and association. There is a growing crackdown on human rights in Cambodia. Many people feel that they are being forced to participate in this election despite their party of choice not being on the ballot. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-21, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](https://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

Congo, Democratic Republic of the: **RDC: la Céli refuse un nouvel audit du fichier électoral demandé par une partie de l'opposition.** Il n'y aura pas de nouvel audit du fichier électoral en République Démocratique du Congo. Ainsi en a finalement décidé la Céli, la Commission électorale nationale indépendante qui souhaite que les élections générales aient lieu en décembre comme prévu. L'opposition, elle, ne décolère pas. [newspaper article] [Bottin, Aline; Wane, Fatimata; Ballong, Stéphane], 2023-07-11, France 24, [www.france24.com](https://www.france24.com). [National News]

El Salvador: **Nayib Bukele busca perpetuarse en el poder.** El mandatario salvadoreño oficializa este domingo su candidatura a la reelección, a pesar de que la Constitución se lo prohíbe y en medio de críticas por su modelo autoritario. "No soy un dictador", se ha defendido. [newspaper article] [Maldonado, Carlos S.], 2023-07-09, El País, [elpais.com](https://elpais.com). [National News]

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Mexico: **Mexican security forces were complicit in kidnapping of 43 student teachers, report reveals.** Report finds army, navy, police and intelligence agencies knew, minute by minute, where the student teachers were [newspaper article] [Reuters], 2023-07-25, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [National News]

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## Freedom of the Press

Cameroun: **Death of a radio host: the web of corruption, lies and revenge behind the killing of Martinez Zogo.** A dossier of bank slips detailing suspect payments of millions of dollars handed to the journalist brought the downfall of a political upstart in Cameroon. But it also led to Zogo's murder. His colleagues went to investigate why. [newspaper article] [ZAM magazine], 2023-07-07, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](http://www.theguardian.com). [National News]

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Russian Federation: **Russia: Investigate vicious attack on Elena Milashina and Aleksandr Nemov in Chechnya.** The vicious beating of Elena Milashina and Aleksandr Nemov by masked assailants in Chechnya this morning was an abhorrent act of violence that must not go unpunished [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-04, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](https://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

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## Genocide

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## Government

India: **Modi Supporters' Hate Speech Belies Claims of Indian Democracy During US Visit.** Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to the United States included yoga at the United Nations, an address to the U.S. Congress that promised strides in the bilateral partnership, and a lavish state dinner at the White House with 400 guests. President Joe Biden spoke of the "unlimited potential" of ties between India and the United States. [newspaper article] [Ganguly, Meenakshi], 2023-07-05, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](https://www.hrw.org). [National News]

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United States of America: **Native American leaders visit site of archeological dig to find remains of boarding school students.** Archeologists resumed digging Tuesday at the remote site of a former Native American boarding school in central Nebraska, searching for the remains of children who died there decades ago. The search for a hidden cemetery near the former Genoa Indian Industrial School in Nebraska gained renewed interest after the discovery of hundreds of children’s remains at other Native American boarding school sites across the U.S. and Canada since 2021, said Dave Williams, the state’s archeologist whose team is digging at the site. [newspaper article] [Ahmed, Trisha; Neibergall, Chsrtilie], 2023-07-12, Two Row Times, [tworowtimes.com](https://www.tworowtimes.com). [National News]

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## **Internally Displaced Persons**

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Iraq: **The EU and WFP provide cash assistance to internally displaced and crisis affected Iraqis missing civil documentation - Iraq | ReliefWeb.** The United Nations World Food Programme (WFP) in Iraq welcomed a generous €5 million contribution from the European Union (EU) to provide cash assistance to internally displaced and crisis-affected Iraqis missing one or more essential civil documents until they are integrated within the national social safety net. [newspaper article] [World Food Programme], 2023-07-24, World Food Programme, [reliefweb.int](https://reliefweb.int). [National News]

## **Labor Rights**

Poland: **Exhibition - Strength in Numbers: The Polish Solidarity Movement - Until 2024-08.** After decades of state oppression and denial of workplace rights, 16,000 workers at the Lenin Shipyard in Gdańsk, Poland, went on strike in 1980. Their protest erupted when labour activist Anna Walentynowicz was fired from her shipyard job. The mass strike action inspired the Solidarity movement that united 10 million workers and led to momentous political change. Strength in Numbers demonstrates the power of collective action during one of the largest labour uprisings in modern times. [webpage] [Canadian Museum of Human Rights], 2023-07, Canadian Museum of Human Rights, [humanrights.ca](https://humanrights.ca). [Events]

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United States of America: **Tuskegee Syphilis Study: The US Government's Infamous 40-Year Experiment on African Americans.** For 40 years, from 1932 to 1972, the United States government conducted a controversial and unethical experiment known as the Tuskegee Syphilis Study. This study targeted a vulnerable population - African American men - and exploited their trust, resulting in tragic consequences. [newspaper article] [Talk Africana], 2023-07-08, TalkAfricana, [talkafricana.com](http://talkafricana.com). [National News]

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France: **Exposition - Prisonniers en terre d'exil. L'Île Sainte-Marguerite au temps de la conquête de l'Algérie, 1841-1884 - Jusqu'au 29 octobre 2023.** Au plus fort de la conquête de l'Algérie par la France, plusieurs milliers d'hommes, de femmes et d'enfants, originaires de diverses régions du Maghreb, furent exilés sans procès, ni jugement à l'île Sainte-Marguerite. Emprisonnés au Fort Royal, 274 d'entre eux succombèrent. Ils reposent aujourd'hui dans le cimetière musulman de l'Île Sainte-Marguerite. Découvrez leur histoire. [webpage] [Musée du Masque de fer et du Fort Royal], 2023-07-04, Cannes, [www.cannes.com](http://www.cannes.com). [Events]

Tunisia: **Tunisia: Crisis as Black Africans Expelled to Libya Border.** Tunisian security forces have collectively expelled several hundred Black African migrants and asylum seekers, including children and pregnant women, to a remote, militarized buffer zone at the Tunisia-Libya border. The group includes people with both regular and irregular legal status in Tunisia, expelled without due process. Many reported violence by authorities during arrest or expulsion. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-06, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [National News]

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## Police Violence

France: **France : les racines de la colère.** France : les racines de la colère. Du malaise des banlieues au “racisme systémique” de la police, de l’origine des violences urbaines à leurs conséquences politiques, les envoyés spéciaux des grands médias étrangers ont multiplié les analyses, témoignages et reportages pour tenter de comprendre les origines de cette colère française. Dans notre dossier cette semaine, nous vous en proposons une sélection représentative. C’est un autre regard, plus distancié, sur ce qui se passe en France, et c’est un regard nécessaire. [newspaper article] [Carrard, Claire], 2023-07-05, Courrier international, [www.courrierinternational.com](https://www.courrierinternational.com). [National News]

France: **14 Juillet 1953 : six Algériens et un Français tombent sous les balles de la police.** Amar Tabjadi, Abdallah Bacha, Larbi Daoui, Abdelkader Dranis, Mohammed Isidore Illoul, Medjen Tahar, Maurice Lurot... Six Français musulmans d’Algérie (FMA) et un Français, militant de la CGT. Ces noms vous sont probablement inconnus. Et pourtant. Tous sont morts sous les balles de la police à Paris, le 14 juillet 1953. À l’époque, les revendications indépendantistes fleurissent au sein de l’Empire colonial français. Si les regards sont focalisés sur l’Indochine où la guerre fait rage depuis 1946, les nationalistes algériens du Mouvement pour le triomphe des libertés démocratiques (MTLD) commencent à faire entendre leur voix. Leur seule présence au traditionnel défilé populaire célébrant “les valeurs de la République” suffit à transformer la fête en bain de sang. [newspaper article] [Hamza, Assiya], 2023-07-12, France 24, [www.france24.com](https://www.france24.com). [National News]

## Racism

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Worldwide: **Scourge of racism haunts Black women and girls seeking healthcare | UN News.** Women and girls of African descent face a “systemic and historical pattern” of racial abuse in the health sector in countries across the world, leaving them at increased risk of death during childbirth, the UN’s sexual and reproductive health agency said on Wednesday. | [newspaper article] [UNFPA], 2023-07-12, UN News, [news.un.org](https://news.un.org). [International News]



Worldwide: **Interpreting Contentious Memory.** Interpreting Contentious Memory - Countermemories and Social Conflicts over the Past; This book illustrates how scholars use different interpretive lenses to study profound conflicts rooted in the past. Addressing issues of racism, genocide, war, nationalism, colonialism and more, it highlights how our interpretations of contentious memories are indispensable to our understandings of contemporary conflicts and identities. [book], 2023-07-13, 0, [bristoluniversitypress.co.uk](http://bristoluniversitypress.co.uk). [International News]

## Reconciliation

Brazil: **As comissões da verdade e os arquivos da ditadura militar brasileira.** Esta obra explora o contexto histórico-legal das comissões da verdade no Brasil e no mundo e reconstrói as estratégias e ações das comissões brasileiras para o acesso aos arquivos da ditadura militar (1964-1985). A partir da análise da emergência do reconhecimento dos arquivos para as investigações sobre violações dos direitos humanos e a efetivação do direito à informação, à verdade e à memória, o livro discute o fenômeno da criação de comissões da verdade em todo o território nacional brasileiro e as relações das comissões com os arquivos. Nesse sentido, evidenciam-se a insuficiência das políticas de gestão documental e um quadro de negação, ocultamento e destruição dos arquivos do período da ditadura militar. Todavia, identifica-se que, apesar dos problemas e limitações, as comissões da verdade conseguiram criar estratégias e implementar ações para superar essas dificuldades, dentre elas, parcerias com as universidades, especialmente com os cursos de Arquivologia. Como lacuna na atuação das comissões da verdade no Brasil, o livro constata que foram poucas as ações educativas realizadas fora dos círculos acadêmicos e voltadas a uma parcela mais ampla da população brasileira. [book] [Tenaglia, Mônica], 1905-07-15, 0, [books.scielo.org](http://books.scielo.org). [National News]

Colombia: **Colombia: unburying of a political smear against transitional justice.** The resounding confessions of soldiers before the Special Jurisdiction for Peace (JEP) disproved a vast campaign of disinformation to discredit the transitional justice process in Colombia. [newspaper article] [Liévano, Andrés Bermúdez], 2023-07-18, JusticeInfo.net, [www.justiceinfo.net](http://www.justiceinfo.net). [National News]

United States of America: **Conference - Why Isn't Remembering Enough to Repair? - On line 2023-08-23.** Upcoming events at Zócalo Public Square 2023-08-23: The Holocaust survivor Elie Wiesel did not believe in collective guilt. Instead, he asked for repair, and for holding the post-World War II generation of Germans responsible “not for the past, but for the way it remembers the past. And for what it does with the memory of the past.” Other societies and communities have taken up Wiesel’s call—at the national level, South Africa’s Truth and Reconciliation Commission and Argentina’s efforts to prosecute Dirty War military leaders, and at the local level, movements like the Greensboro Truth and Reconciliation Commission in North Carolina and land back efforts in the Pacific Northwest. What comes after we remember, from apology and forgiveness to reparations and justice? [blog post] [Zócalo Public Square], 2023-07, Zócalo Public Square, [www.zocalopublicsquare.org](http://www.zocalopublicsquare.org). [Events]

United States of America: **What does restorative justice look like?.** Maryland lawmakers prioritized the alternative disciplinary practice four years ago, but the rollout has been complicated. [newspaper article] [Adams, Caralee], 2023-07-15, The Hechinger Report, [hechingerreport.org](http://hechingerreport.org). [National News]

## Refugees

Sudan: **Egypt: Civilians Fleeing Sudan Conflict Turned Away.** The Egyptian government’s decision in June 2023 to require all Sudanese to obtain visas to enter Egypt has reduced access to safety for

women, children, and older people fleeing the ongoing conflict in Sudan. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-07-13, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [National News]

**Sudan: Sudan: Neighbouring countries must provide safe passage to those fleeing conflict.**

Between 9 May and 16 June, Amnesty International interviewed 29 civilians faced with the difficult choice of whether to return to the conflict they fled, or remain stranded at the border, where they may wait for an indefinite period without basic supplies to maintain their health, privacy, and dignity. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-05, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

## Restitution

South-Eastern Asia: **Les Pays-Bas restituent des centaines de biens culturels à l'Indonésie et au Sri Lanka.** Le gouvernement néerlandais a décidé jeudi de suivre les recommandations d'une commission nommée l'an dernier proposant la restitution de 478 objets de l'époque coloniale à l'Indonésie et au Sri Lanka. [newspaper article] [France 24], 2023-07-07, France 24, [www.france24.com](http://www.france24.com). [International News]

Western Africa: **Les objets africains pillés pendant la colonisation: voyage aller et retour.** Alors que le retour du patrimoine africain sur le continent s'impose progressivement à l'Europe, l'autrice franco-finlandaise Taina Tervonen est partie entre la France et le Sénégal, sur les traces d'un fascinant trésor. [audio recording] [Tervonen, Taina], 2023-07-09, 0, [www.rfi.fr](http://www.rfi.fr). [International News]

## Sexual Violence

Italy: **The 10 second rule: Why are Italians groping themselves in protest?** Italian social media users are expressing outrage after judges said groping had to last 10 seconds to be considered sexual assault. [newspaper article] [Mouriquand, David], 2023-07-13, euronews, [www.euronews.com](http://www.euronews.com). [National News]

Netherlands: **Netherlands: 'Historic victory' as law amended to recognize that sex without consent is rape.** Responding to the news that the Netherlands' House of Representatives has voted to amend the Sexual Offences Act by introducing a consent-based definition of rape, Dagmar Oudshoorn, Director of Amnesty International Netherlands, said: "By amending our outdated law and recognizing that sex without consent is rape, the Netherlands has taken an important step towards combatting [...] [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-04, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

Sudan: **Sudan: Sexual violence against women spikes.** Dozens of women and girls have been raped and sexually assaulted by fighters in Sudan as the conflict approaches its third month. [newspaper article] [Hairsine, Kate], 2023-07-06, [dw.com](http://dw.com), [www.dw.com](http://www.dw.com). [National News]

Sudan: **Survivors Speak Out on Sexual Violence in West Darfur.** Nusra and Khadija share the bond of being cousins and of living in the same small town in West Darfur. Now they share a darker bond: both survivors of sexual violence in the conflict in Sudan. [newspaper article] [Bader, Laetitia], 2023-07-28, Human Rights Watch, [www.hrw.org](http://www.hrw.org). [National News]

## Spying

Spain: **El juez archiva el caso Pegasus por la "absoluta" falta de cooperación jurídica de Israel.** El juez de la Audiencia Nacional José Luis Calama ha archivado la investigación por el supuesto

espionaje con el programa informático Pegasus del móvil del presidente del Gobierno español, Pedro Sánchez, detectado hasta en cinco ocasiones, así como el de tres ministros ante la «absoluta» falta de cooperación jurídica de Israel. [newspaper article] [EFE-Madrid; EUROEFE EURACTIV], 2023-07-10, EuroEFE, [euroefe.euractiv.es](https://euroefe.euractiv.es). [National News]

Ukraine: **The American Barbarossa Plan for Ukraine.1957.** Exactly 66 years ago, in August 1957, the CIA released its secret report “Resistance Factors and Special Forces Areas. Ukraine.” This voluminous 200-page “work,” which resembled a doctoral dissertation, was prepared for the US intelligence community by staff members of Georgetown University. Despite its academic content, the CIA report is a detailed manual for the occupation of the Ukrainian territory by the Special Forces. [blog post] [Lurye, Oleg], 2023-07-12, The Times of Israel, [blogs.timesofisrael.com](https://blogs.timesofisrael.com). [National News]

United States of America: **City of Spies: DC Is the World Capital of Espionage.** From spy attractions around town to intelligence recruitment at local colleges, the city is a hot bed for spy activity. [newspaper article] [Beaujon, Andrew; Hruby, Patrick; Mullins, Luke; McNamara, Sylvie], 2023-07-13, Washingtonian, [www.washingtonian.com](https://www.washingtonian.com). [National News]

## Technology

France: **La science ouverte.** Ce nouveau numéro de la revue Culture & Recherche est dédié à la science ouverte. Il présente les productions de la recherche culturelle des acteurs et partenaires institutionnels du ministère de la Culture dans un contexte national, européen et international. Parmi les modes de « faire de la recherche » aujourd’hui, « les pratiques scientifiques plus ouvertes, transparentes, collaboratives et inclusives, associées à des connaissances scientifiques plus accessibles et vérifiables et soumises à l’examen et à la critique, améliorent l’efficacité, la qualité, la reproductibilité et l’impact de l’entreprise scientifique » (Recommandation de l’UNESCO sur une science ouverte, 2021). Trois écosystèmes sont sollicités : les données ouvertes (Open Data), le libre accès (Open Access) et des outils-logiciels libres et gratuits (Open Source). Chercheurs, ingénieurs, informaticiens, bibliothécaires et documentalistes, usagers et société civile se mobilisent pour expérimenter et mettre en œuvre ce régime de productions des savoirs partagés, afin de répondre, notamment, à des enjeux à fort impact sociétal. [newspaper article] [Graindorge, Catherine (ed); Guigueno, Brigitte], 2023-07, Culture & Recherche, [www.culture.gouv.fr](https://www.culture.gouv.fr). [National News]

France: **Ysens de France (Gendarmerie nationale) : "Toutes nos actions d'intelligence artificielle doivent être justifiées".** La gendarmerie nationale développe de plus en plus de projets basés sur l'intelligence artificielle. Chargée de mission en la matière au sein de l'institution, Ysens de France dresse un état des lieux. [newspaper article] [Aurélien Defer; De France, Ysens], 2023-07-28, L'usine Digitale, [www.usine-digitale.fr](https://www.usine-digitale.fr). [National News]

United States of America: **Travail. Les emplois féminins sont les plus menacés par l'IA.** Plusieurs études conduites aux États-Unis montrent que les femmes sont plus susceptibles que les hommes de perdre leur emploi du fait de l’automatisation des tâches. [newspaper article] [Courrier international], 2023-07-28, Courrier international, [www.courrierinternational.com](https://www.courrierinternational.com). [National News]

Worldwide: **Conference Call for Papers - Fantastic Futures Annual International Conference - AI for Libraries, Archives, and Museums - 2023-11-15 to 17.** The ai4lam community is organizing its annual international conference, Fantastic Futures 2023, to be held at the Internet Archive Canada, Vancouver, Canada, on November 15-17 2023. We are bringing together a diverse audience of professionals from libraries, archives, museums (LAMs), heritage organizations, as well as industry, advocacy, and policy groups, interested in the application of artificial intelligence (AI) to the work of

libraries, memory organizations, scholarship, arts and culture, and information preservation and access. [webpage] [ai4lam community], 2023-07-13, [ff2023.archive.org](https://ff2023.archive.org), [ff2023.archive.org](https://ff2023.archive.org). [Events]

## Transparency

Lebanon: **Les archives nationales bientôt accessibles au public.** Grâce à un financement français et à l'expertise de l'Institut national de l'audiovisuel (INA), un programme de préservation et de valorisation des archives des médias publics libanais permettra bientôt au public d'accéder à des décennies d'informations historiques. [newspaper article] [Sfeir, Edward], 2023-07-08, Ici Beyrouth, [icibeyrouth.com](https://icibeyrouth.com). [National News]

United Kingdom: **Uni blocked questions over controversial royal archive.** Press officers were told to "ignore" enquiries about the Mountbatten diaries, saying: "Let the answerphone get it". [newspaper article] [Williams, Martin], 2023-07-11, openDemocracy, [www.opendemocracy.net](https://www.opendemocracy.net). [National News]

## Ukraine War

Europe: **EU sanctions Russians over Ukraine war disinformation.** "We are targeting those carrying out information manipulation and interference as part of a broader hybrid campaign by Russia against the EU and the member states," EU foreign policy chief Josep Borrell said [newspaper article] [Staff Writer], 2023-07-29, 0, [www.zawya.com](https://www.zawya.com). [International News]

Ukraine: **Victoria Amelina: Ukraine and the meaning of home.** Before she was killed by a Russian missile strike, the acclaimed novelist and war crimes researcher wrote about growing up in Moscow's shadow, and how she came to understand what being Ukrainian really meant [newspaper article] [Amelina, Victoria], 2023-07-06, The Guardian, [www.theguardian.com](https://www.theguardian.com). [National News]

Ukraine: **Centre to prosecute alleged war crimes in Ukraine opens in The Hague.** After months of lobbying from Kyiv, the International Centre for the Prosecution of the Crime of Aggression against Ukraine (ICPA) has opened in The Hague, Netherlands. #EuropeNews [newspaper article] [Euro News], 2023-07-03, euronews, [www.euronews.com](https://www.euronews.com). [National News]

Ukraine: **The novelist who became a war crimes investigator – and uncovered a secret diary.** Victoria Amelina was an award-winning novelist. But after Russian forces invaded Ukraine, she began investigating war crimes [audio recording] [Moore, Hannah; Higgins, Charlotte; Glasser, Tom; Khaleeli, Homa], 2023-07-31, 0, [www.theguardian.com](https://www.theguardian.com). [National News]

## War Crimes

Bosnia and Herzegovina: **Mothers of Srebrenica: 'Sadly, the killing continues in the world' | UN News.** The pointe shoes were a testament to unfulfilled hopes. They belonged to a young ballet dancer from Bosnia and Herzegovina whose life was forever changed by the brutal conflict that broke out in the heart of Europe at the end of the 20th century and were on display at UN Headquarters in New York to educate visitors about the horrors of war and genocide. [newspaper article] [UN News], 2023-07-11, UN News, [news.un.org](https://news.un.org). [National News]

## Women's Rights

Brazil: **Femicide in Brazil: Inter-American Condemnation.** "Due to the governments' lack of urgency and failure to implement change, international legal institutions have been brought in to help

condemn and combat femicide in Latin America." [newspaper article] [Reale, Nicolette], 2023-07-03, Harvard International Review, [hir.harvard.edu](http://hir.harvard.edu). [National News]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Iran. La communauté internationale doit se tenir au côté des femmes et des filles qui souffrent de l'intensification de l'oppression.** Les autorités en Iran intensifient considérablement la répression des femmes et des filles iraniennes qui défient la législation imposant le port du voile. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-26, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Irán: La comunidad internacional debe apoyar a las mujeres y las niñas, víctimas de una opresión cada vez más intensa.** "Las autoridades iraníes están redoblando sus sofocantes métodos policiales y oprimiendo severamente a las mujeres y las niñas que se atreven a desafiar las degradantes leyes sobre la obligatoriedad del uso del velo", ha declarado hoy Amnistía Internacional. En un detallado análisis publicado hoy, la organización denuncia la intensificación de la represión de las autoridades [...] [newspaper article] [Amnistía Internacional], 2023-07-26, Amnistía Internacional, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

Iran, Islamic Republic of: **Iran: International community must stand with women and girls suffering intensifying oppression.** The Iranian authorities are doubling down on their oppressive methods of policing and severely oppressing Iranian women and girls for defying degrading compulsory veiling laws, Amnesty International said today. In a detailed analysis published today, the organization exposes the authorities' intensified nationwide crackdown on women and girls who choose not to wear headscarves in public. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-07-26, Amnesty International, [www.amnesty.org](http://www.amnesty.org). [National News]

Israël: **Opinion: Israel's Government Has Declared a War on Women.** As it is poised to pass another bill that will roll back women's rights, Israel's far-right government should not underestimate the power of the rage and courage of women who refuse to see their rights usurped in the name of a conservative, religious and messianic agenda. [newspaper article] [Gouri, Hamutal], 2023-07-23, Haaretz, [www.haaretz.com](http://www.haaretz.com). [National News]

## World War II

Poland: **Warsaw Ghetto's defiant Jewish doctors secretly documented the medical effects of Nazi starvation policies in a book rediscovered on a library shelf.** The story behind the research can be as compelling as the results. Recording the effects of starvation, a group of Jewish doctors demonstrated their dedication to science – and their own humanity. [newspaper article] [Rosenberg, Irwin; Fitzpatrick, Merry], 2022-07-19, The Conversation, [theconversation.com](http://theconversation.com). [National News]