“Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict”
Selected Online Resources

**Protection of Civilians Week: 24 May – 28 May 2021**

Protection of civilians in armed conflict: Reports of the Secretary-General


Security Council Meetings: “Protection of civilians in armed conflict”
(links to meeting records, presidential statements, resolutions, and press releases)

- **2022:** 25 January

- **2021:** 16 July, 25 May, 27 April
  [https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc](https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc)
Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of humanitarian space", to be held on 16 July 2021.


Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of objects indispensable to the survival of the civilian population", to be held on 27 Apr. 2021.


2020: 27 April
[https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc](https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc)


Transmits copy of the briefings by the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization, the Executive Director of the World Food Programme and the Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council and of the statements delivered by the representatives of Belgium, China, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Indonesia, Niger, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, Tunisia, United Kingdom, United States and Viet Nam, in connection with the videoconference convened on 21 Apr. 2020.


Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of objects indispensable to the survival of the civilian population", to be held on 27 Apr. 2021.

2020: 17 September, 27 May, 29, 21 April
[https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc](https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc)


Transmits concept note and guidelines for the Security Council open high-level video teleconference on the topic "Protection of civilians in armed conflict", to be held on 27 May 2020.


Transmits copy of the briefings by the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization, the Executive Director of the World Food Programme and the Secretary General of the Norwegian Refugee Council and of the statements delivered by the representatives of Belgium, China, Dominican Republic, Estonia, France, Germany, Indonesia, Niger, Russian Federation, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, South Africa, Tunisia, United Kingdom, United States and Viet Nam, in connection with the videoconference convened on 21 Apr. 2020.

2019: 20, 11 June, 23 May


Transmits summary of events held by Member States on the sidelines of the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 21, 22 and 24 May 2019.


### 2018
    Transmits updated Aide Memoire for the consideration of issues pertaining to the protection of civilians in armed conflict.


  on conflict-induced food insecurity.


### 2017


### 2016
    Transmits recommendations pursuant to para. 13 of Security Council resolution 2286 (2016) on measures to protect medical care in armed conflicts.
    Transmits concept note prepared for the High-level open debate on protecting civilians in the context of peacekeeping operations, held 10 June 2016.
    on protection of the wounded and sick, medical personnel and humanitarian personnel in armed conflict

### 2015
    on protection of journalists and associated media personnel in armed conflict

**2014:** 29 August, 19 August, 12 February
  on protection of humanitarian personnel and UN and associated personnel in armed conflict
  Transmits concept note prepared by the United Kingdom for Security Council open debate on the subject "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 12 February 2014.

**2013:** 19 August, 17 July, 12 February
  Transmits concept note prepared by Argentina for the Security Council open debate on the subject "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 19 August 2013.
  Transmits concept note prepared by the United States for the open debate of the Security Council on 17 July 2013.
- S/PRST/2013/2: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 6917th meeting, 12 Feb. 2013, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:
  [http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2013/2](http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2013/2)

**2012:** 25 June

**2011:** 9 November, 10 May

**2010:** 22 November, 7 July
  Annex: "Protection of civilians in armed conflict: Aide Memoire"

**2009:** 11 November, 26 June, 14 January
  Transmits concept note prepared for the Security Council open debate on the theme "Protection of civilians in armed conflict", to be held on 11 Nov. 2009 under the Austrian Presidency of the Security Council.

**Further Information:** "Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council"
[https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/thematic-items#P](https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/thematic-items#P)
- Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict Dashboard:
  [https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/research-tools/protection-civilians-armed-conflict](https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/research-tools/protection-civilians-armed-conflict)
Children and armed conflict: Reports of the Secretary-General


Security Council Meetings: “Children and armed conflict”
(links to meeting records, presidential statements, resolutions, and press releases)

- Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict:
  https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/subsidiary/wgcaac

  **2021:** 29 October, 28 June
  https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc
  http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2021
    on children and armed conflict
    Transmits concept note for the Security Council high-level open debate on the topic "Children and armed conflict", to be held on 28 June 2021.

  **2020:** 10 September, 24 June, 12 February
  https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/meetings-2020-vtc
  - 'We must all do more’ to protect children in armed conflict: UN chief (UN News Centre, 12 February 2020): https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/02/1057251


- **2019:** 2 August

- **2018:** 9 July
  http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2018

- **2017:** 31 October
  http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017

- **2016:** 2 August
  Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on children and armed conflict, prepared by Malaysia.

- **2015:** 18 June, 25 March
  Transmits concept note for the open debate on children and armed conflict, prepared by Malaysia.
  Transmits concept note for the open debate on child victims of non-State armed groups, prepared by France.

- **2014:** 7 March
  Transmits concept note for the open debate, prepared by Luxembourg.

- **2013:** 17 June

- **Further Information:** “Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council”
  https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/repertoire/thematic-items#C
Selected UN Publications & further UN documents

- UN documents on "UN Action against Sexual Violence in Conflict": [https://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/digital-library/reports/]
- S/2019/100 (31 January 2019): Letter dated 31 January 2019 from the representatives of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: [http://undocs.org/S/2019/100]
- A/68/787 (7 March 2014): Evaluation of the implementation and results of protection of civilians mandates in United Nations peacekeeping operations: Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services; "Peacekeeping missions with protection of civilians mandates focus on prevention and mitigation activities and force is almost never used to protect civilians under attack": [http://undocs.org/A/68/787]
- A New Partnership Agenda: Charting a New Horizon for UN Peacekeeping (Department of Peacekeeping Operations and Department of Field Support, July 2009): [https://peacekeeping.un.org/sites/default/files/newhorizon_0.pdf]
- Reports on the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict in Afghanistan (UNAMA): [https://unama.unmissions.org/protection-of-civilians-reports]
- Reports on the Protection of Civilians in the Non International Armed Conflict in Iraq (UNAMI / OHCHR): [http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Countries/MENARegion/Pages/UNAMIHRReports.aspx]

Further Information

- Audiovisual Library of International Law
  - Lecture Series - Law of Armed Conflict: [https://legal.un.org/avl/ls/lectures.html]
  - Child Rights, Conflict, and International Criminal Justice / Diane Marie Amann: [https://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Amann_HR.html]

- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) - Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict: http://www.refworld.org/civilians.html
- United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) - Themes - Protection: http://www.unocha.org/themes/protection
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict: http://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/
- Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict: http://www.un.org/sexualviolenceinconflict/
- United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF)
  - Child recruitment by armed forces or armed groups: http://www.unicef.org/protection/57929_58007.html
- UNRIC Library Backgrounder – “Responsibility to Protect” (“RtoP” or “R2P”): https://unric.org/en/unric-library-backgrounder-r2p

Non-UN Sources
- International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) - Protecting civilians: https://www.icrc.org/en/war-and-law/protected-persons/civilians