

# REPORTING SEXUAL VIOLENCE

By state bodies or conflict actors and affecting IDPs and refugees

June 2020

## Africa

### *Democratic Republic of the Congo*

**08 June 2020:** In Bushenge village, Rutshuru territory, North Kivu province, FDLR-FOCA rebels reportedly killed one of their members who was attempting to rape a woman. **Source:** [Kivu Security Tracker](#)

**13 June 2020:** Near Badengaido town, Mambasa territory, Ituri province, an FARDC soldier abducted and robbed 13 civilians, and raped two women. The soldier was arrested by his FARDC superiors two days later. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup> and [Election-Net](#)

**23 June 2020:** In the villages of Kasiki and Mukeberwa, Lubero territory, North Kivu, a Mai-Mai FPP commander known as Kabido reportedly raped two women. **Source:** [Kivu Security Tracker](#)

### *Mali*

**05 June 2020:** In Sondogo village, Douentza cercle, Mopti region, unidentified militants abducted and gang-raped a 14-year-old girl in a forest, before abandoning her outside the village. **Source:** [Twitter](#)

**09 June 2020:** In Hore-Wendou village, Mopti region, suspected militants on motorcycles physically assaulted a woman for not being fully covered, before gang-raping her. **Source:** [Twitter](#)

### *Rwanda*

**Around 12 June 2020:** In Rugarama village, Bugesera district, Eastern province, two soldiers attacked and injured civilians and raped an unspecified number of women. The soldiers were arrested later. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

### *South Sudan*

**Around 06 - 07 June 2020:** In Laso Payam locality, Yei River county, Central Equatoria state, three South Sudan People's Defence Forces (SSPDF) soldiers' gang-raped a 14-year-old girl. One soldier was arrested a few days later. **Source:** [Radio Miraya](#)

### *Sudan*

**12 June 2020:** In Tairo village, Central Darfur state, a woman and four of her daughters were raped during fighting between two factions of the Sudan Liberation Army. **Source:** [UNAMID](#)

**Around 22 June 2020:** In El Fashir city, North Darfur state, reports indicate that an increasing number of militiamen and armed security forces have been raping displaced women and girls as they leave their camp for work. **Source:** [Dabanga Sudan](#)

This monthly document summarises publicly reported cases of sexual violence by law enforcement bodies, conflict related sexual violence, and sexual violence that targets IDPs / refugees or vulnerable beneficiaries.

These reports bear testimony to the brave survivors who speak about sexual violence. They are in no way representative of the extent or nature of sexual violence in general.

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## Europe

### Ukraine

**01 June 2020:** In Horlivka, Donetsk.oblast, a Donetsk People's Republic rebel forces member raped and killed a woman. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

## The Americas

### Puerto Rico

**22 June 2020:** In Pueblo Rico municipality, Risaralda department, seven soldiers raped a 12-year-old Embera Indigenous girl from the Santa Cecilia village. The soldiers were arrested. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

## Notes

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<sup>1</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 09 July 2020.

## About our data

We monitor local, national and international news outlets and online databases for threats facing people living and working in dangerous environments. Each month we release the latest available information on sexual violence and abuse by state bodies or conflict actors as well as reports of abuse affecting IDPs and refugees. **These reports bear testimony to the brave survivors who speak about sexual violence.** Most events of sexual violence are never reported. This compilation is neither complete nor representative. It brings together dispersed accounts about survivors from around the world who broke the silence.

### Inclusion criteria:

- If the perpetrator is a member of a state or private security force or is an actor in a conflict between groups. Such conflicts include state-based armed conflicts, non-state conflicts, ethnic or religious conflicts, and drug wars.
- If the survivor is a member of a social group affected by conflict recognizable by the fact that they sought protection in an IDP or refugee system.
- If the survivor is an aid worker, or health worker or an educator working in a conflict-affected country or supporting IDPs or refugees. [MORE](#)

## Further resources

### [REPORT](#)

**Report Abuse** is a safe and secure online reporting platform for survivors of sexual violence and abuse in the aid workplace to report their experience.

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In our **10-minute DisasterReady! mobile** guide, learn how to take action, report an incident, and get support when sexual violence and abuse happens to you or a colleague in the aid workplace

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Hear **Megan Nobert** – Founder and Former Director of Report the Abuse – share her advice on how NGOs should respond if a member of staff reports an incident of sexual violence.

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