REPORTING SEXUAL VIOLENCE

By state bodies or conflict actors and affecting IDPs and refugees

July 2020

Africa

Burundi

09 July 2020: In Bujumbura city, Bujumbura Mairie province, an unidentified armed group abducted and raped a female lawyer. **Source: ACLED**¹

07 July 2020: In Gakoni city, Giteranyi commune, Muyinga province, communal or provincial government administrators attacked and raped a 14-year-old girl. **Source:** ACLED¹

Democratic Republic of the Congo

02 July 2020: In Karagba and Kakwa villages, Aru terrirory, Ituri province, five women were sexually assaulted by South Sudanesde military forces. More than 50 houses were burned. **Source:** ACLED¹

06 July 2020: In Walikale territory, North Kivu province, Nyatura Domi three women were raped, and two men killed in an attack on Matenge village by Collective of Movements for Change (CMC) militants who also stole livestock and other goods. **Source:** Kivu Security

16 July 2020: In Biakato city, Mambasa territory, Ituri province, two FARDC soldiers raped a 15-year-old girl after breaking into her home. Both suspects were reportedly arrested. **Source:** ACLED¹

16 July 2020: In Gombaniro village, Uvira territory, South Kivu province, unidentified armed men kidnapped and raped two women in their field. **Source: Kivu Security**

18 July 2020: In Ukareba village, Djugu territory, Ituri province, Coalition of Congolese Democrats (CODECO) militiamen raped seven women during an attack on the village. **Source:** ACLED¹

South Sudan

11 July 2020: In Amethdual village, Cueibet county, Lakes state, seven South Sudan People's Defence Forces (SSPDF) soldiers raped two women and a 10-year-old girl. Two perpetrators were reportedly arrested. **Source:** ACLED¹

19 July 2020: In Unity state, sexual violence including rape is occurring more and more frequently inside Yida Refugee camp. **Source:** Dabanga Sudan

Sudan

01 July 2020: In Nyala city, South Darfur state, a woman was raped by three men in army uniforms, suspected to be Sudanese Armed Forces. **Source:** ACLED¹

17 July 2020: In Kutum locality, North Darfur state, two female IDPs were raped by militiamen north-east of Kassab IDP Camp. **Source:** ACLED¹

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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Asia

Myanmar

02 July 2020: In Rathedaung township, Rakhine state, an ethnic Rakhine woman was raped by three uniformed Myanmar soldiers. The military denied the allegations. **Source:** Radio Free Asia

Middle East and North Africa

Iraq

Around 13 July 2020: In the Tahrir neighbourhood, Mosul city, Ninewa governorate, two Popular Mobilization Forces (PMF) members assigned to a female parliament member's protection detail abducted and raped a girl. **Source:** ACLED¹

Yemen

21 July 2020: In Hays district, Al Hudaydah, a National Resistance fighter raped a 7-year-old girl. **Source:** ACLED¹

The Americas

Colombia

20 July 2020: In Pueblo Rico town, Risaralda province, a 13-year-old indigenous girl was gang-raped by seven Colombian soldiers, who pleaded guilty to the crime several days later. **Source:** Colombia Reports

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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 survivour 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 survivour is an aid worker, or health worker or an educator working in a conflict-affected country or supporting IDPs or refugees. MORE

Insecurity Insight monitors 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.

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¹ Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) database attribution policy. Accessed 05 August 2020.