

# Aid in Danger

## Bi-Monthly News Brief

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**01 January-07 September 2021 Aid Worker KKA is now available for download on our [website](#) or on [HDX](#).** Insecurity Insight continuously updates data on aid workers killed, kidnapped or arrested (KKA). Updated data includes new and historic reports identified in open-sources and verified security incidents submitted by Aid in Danger partner agencies. We are currently updating our KKA data for Ethiopia which will be released in the coming weeks.

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## Safety, security and access incidents

Incidents of threats and violence affecting aid workers and aid delivery.

### Africa

#### *Central African Republic*

**09 September 2021:** In Ouham-Pendé prefecture, a Danish Refugee Council aid worker was killed when the humanitarian convoy vehicle they were travelling in struck an explosive device. Three other aid workers were slightly injured and were evacuated for medical treatment. **Source:** [BBC](#) and [Humangle](#)

**08 September 2021:** The United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in the Central African Republic (MINUSCA) announced a temporary suspension of their de-mining operations in Nana-Mambéré and Ouham-Pendé prefectures following allegations they were working with and helping armed groups. **Source:** [Radio Ndeke Luka](#)

#### *Ethiopia*

**As reported on 11 September:** MSF suspended all activities in the Amhara, Gambella and Somali regions, as well as in the west and northwest of Tigray region, to comply with a three-month suspension order from the Ethiopian Agency for Civil Society Organizations (ACSO) on 30 July. A team of nearly 1,000 Ethiopian staff are on standby at home, while nearly all international staff have left the country. **Source:** [MSF](#)

#### *Mali*

**09 09 September 2021:** In Diallassagou commune, Bankass circle, Mopti region, an INGO aid worker was abducted by armed perpetrators from their car parked in front of the health centre. **Source:** [Agence Malienne de Presse](#)

**17 September 2021:** Near Tile village, Bandiagara circle, Mopti region, a Malian male LINGO aid worker was fatally shot by suspected Katiba Macina militants. The attack was part of two simultaneously launched in Songho and Kori Kori. **Sources:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>, [Koro Kibaru](#) and [Le Pays Dogon](#)

## South Sudan

**14 September 2021:** The World Food Programme (WFP) announced it will suspend food assistance to IDP camps in Wau, Juba and Bor South because of funding shortages. The suspension will last three months, effective October 2021. **Source:** [Radio Miraya](#)

**17 September 2021:** In the Yari area, Mugo Payam, Yei county, Central Equatoria state, a WFP convoy was attacked while travelling from Yei to Morobo. The driver of one of the trucks, a South Sudanese citizen, was killed when the gunmen opened fire on the convoy. The Morobo County commissioner has accused the National Salvation Front (NAS) rebels of carrying out the attack.

**Sources:** [Eye Radio](#), [Radio Tamazuji](#) and [UNOCHA](#)

**17 September 2021:** Humanitarian organisations, including World Vision and the WFP, are slowly returning to Tambura Western Equatoria state after a brief suspension due to weeks of insecurity and conflict. **Source:** [Radio Miraya](#)

**As reported on 20 September 2021: Update:** In Lafon County, Eastern Equatoria State, two men were arrested by police officials for allegedly ambushing and looting a WFP humanitarian convoy in the area on 23 August. **Source:** [Radio Tamazuji](#)

## Asia

### Afghanistan

**As reported on 15 September 2021:** In Kabul, the Taliban has started mass house-to-house and door-to-door search operations in districts 4, 6, 8, 10, 13 and 18, targeting former government officials and foreign collaborators, namely interpreters, diplomatic staff, humanitarian workers and holders of the US Special Immigration Visa. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

### Myanmar

**08 September 2021:** In Hlegu township, Yangon state, two NGO ambulances were confiscated and four aid workers arrested by State Administration Council (SAC) forces during a raid on the organisations' office. **Source:** [Myanmar Now](#)

**09 September 2021:** In Bawlake township, Bawlake district, Kayah state, a male aid worker was arrested and detained by SAC forces for at least two days. Just before or at the time of his arrest, he was transporting civilian victims who were hit by artillery fire. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

**10 September 2021:** In Hlegu township, Yangon, approximately 50 SAC forces raided the offices of the LNNGO Lu Nge Metta Association for alleged links to the People's Defense Force (PDF). **Source:** [Myanmar Now](#)

**10 September 2021:** In Hlegu township, Yangon, two Lu Nge Metta Association volunteers were arrested at home by SAC forces following a raid on their office. **Source:** [Myanmar Now](#)

**As reported on 13 September 2021:** In Maw-Shae-Gone village, Thayet Chaung township, Dawei district, SAC forces arrested four aid workers while searching door-to-door for PDF sympathizers. **Source:** [HRFoM](#)

**15 September 2021:** Near Hu Kut village, Kyaukme township, Kyaukme district, Shan state, two aid workers were shot at by armed perpetrators while returning from helping a person wounded by a landmine. The chairman of a social organisation was also injured in the attack. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

## Middle East and North Africa

### Lebanon

**19 September 2021:** Near Nahr el-Bared refugee camp, protestors broke into the UNRWA construction site office, causing damage to the premises and to seven vehicles. This incident came in the aftermath of a series of thefts at the site over the last few weeks. **Source:** [UNRWA](#)

**19 September 2021:** In Ein El Hilweh camp, fighting between Fatah and Jund al-Sham armed factions erupted, and fighters entered four UNRWA schools. **Source:** [UNRWA](#)

### **Occupied Palestinian Territories**

**14 September 2021:** In Ramallah city, West Bank, a demonstration took place outside the ICRC offices in support of Palestinian prisoners held in Israeli prisoners. **Source:** [New Age](#)

### **Syrian Arab Republic**

**09 September 2021:** Near Homs city, district and governorate, an explosive device planted on the roadside was detonated during the reconnaissance of a humanitarian convoy's route by Russian military police, killing one soldier. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

### **Yemen**

**11 September 2021:** At Al Mukha seaport, Al Mukha district, Taizz governorate, Houthi rebels fired a ballistic missile and explosive-laden drones at a seaport used to bring aid into Yemen, destroying vital infrastructure and an aid storage unit. **Sources:** [CIMP](#), [The New Arab I](#) and [The New Arab II](#)

**16 September 2021:** In Tur al Bahah district, Lahi governorate, armed perpetrators stopped an INGO vehicle, forced its passengers to step out and seized the vehicle. **Source:** [ACLED](#)<sup>1</sup>

## **The Americas**

### **Haiti**

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<sup>1</sup> Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 21 September 2021.