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Safety, security and access incidents

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

Africa

Ethiopia

As reported on 10 August 2021: In Tigray region, UNHCR was able to reach the Mai Aini and Adi Harush Camps for Eritrean refugees, to which access had been restricted since 13 July. However, passage to other refugee camps remained blocked. **Source:** [UN News](#)

Asia

Afghanistan

09 August 2021: At Khoja Lakan village, Paghman district, Kabul province, the director of an NGO all-girls school was abducted from his residence by Taliban militants. He was held for two days and tortured due to his work with the organisation. He was released on August 11. As a result, women's and girl's programmes have been suspended indefinitely. **Source:** [AWS¹](#)

As reported on 14 August 2021: In Herat city and province, humanitarian organisations began evacuating their staff from Afghanistan after the Taliban seized control of Herat and Ghazni city. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

17 August 2021: As the Taliban seized power in Afghanistan, several European countries, including Germany, Finland and Sweden, announced the suspension of their humanitarian and development assistance to the country. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

Bangladesh

As reported on 17 August 2021: The Bangladeshi Government is set to finalise national guidance on monitoring funding for NGOs from foreign sources, paving the way for the implementation of a 2016 law which demands government approval for all NGO projects implemented in-country. **Source:** [New Age](#)

Middle East and North Africa

Syrian Arab Republic

30 July 2021: In Daraa governorate, following the closure of the Saraya crossing point to all traffic, water and electricity supplies for the UNRWA Camp for Palestinian refugees have been completely cut off, leaving food and medicine supplies depleted. **Source:** [The New Arab](#)

The Americas

Haiti

20 August 2021: In Les Cayes commune, Sud department, earthquake survivors looted a humanitarian convoy loaded with aid supplies, as the hunt for basic necessities, such as clean water and food, has now become a daily struggle for many. **Source:** [New Age I](#) and [New Age II](#)

Nicaragua

As reported on 17 August 2021: Nicaraguan authorities cancelled the operating permits for six NGOs based in Denmark, Spain, Sweden and the USA — including Oxfam, the National Democratic Institute and the International Republican Institute — following the imposition of sanctions by the EU on eight government officials linked to the arrest of prominent political opponents. **Source:** [Al Jazeera](#)

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¹ The [Aid Worker Security Database](#) (AWSDB) does not include the names of individual victims or the agencies affected by an incident. This is done in consideration of the victims and their families who may not wish to have the names published in this format and to afford equal respect to the many victims for whom this information is not available. Accessed 26 August 2021.