

Aid in Danger

Bi-Monthly News Brief

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Our Aid Worker KKA data now covers up to 28 February 2022. It is available 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.

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Safety, security and access incidents

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

Africa

Democratic Republic of the Congo

As reported on 22 March 2022: In Ituri province, MSF announced the closure of all projects in some parts of the region due to the ongoing failure of the warring parties to reach a truce and restore security in the area. **Sources:** [Actualité](#) and [HumAngle](#)

Nigeria

10 March 2022: In Monguno town, Borno state, at least seven armed ISWAP fighters broke into the compound of an aid organisation and abducted a humanitarian worker as well as two guards. **Sources:** [HumAngle](#)

16 March 2022: In Gubio LGA, Borno state, ISWAP fighters stole food items and fuel from a humanitarian truck during an attack on the area. **Sources:** [Sahara Reporters](#) and [Zagazola](#)

South Sudan-Sudan, Abyei Special Administrative Area

As reported on 09 March 2022: In Agok town and Juljok locality, Abyei special administrative area, intercommunal violence forced more than 750 national and international aid workers to relocate to Abyei town and other locations in South Sudan. As a result, humanitarian activities in affected areas were suspended until the security situation improved, while humanitarian flights were suspended pending rehabilitation of the damaged Agok airstrip. At the request of NGO and UN focal points,



United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (UNISFA) began providing security for the compounds as well as a WFP warehouse in Agok town and Myom Ngok locality. **Source:** [OCHA](#)

South Sudan

15 March 2022: In Hiyala district, Torit city, an off-duty South Sudanese aid worker was reportedly shot and killed by unidentified perpetrator(s). **Source:** [AWSD](#)¹

19 March 2022: In an unspecified location, a truck contracted by an NGO to transport materials to Lankien was ambushed by gunmen. An international aid worker was fatally shot in the process. **Source:** [AWSD](#)¹

Sudan

05 March 2022: In Jabal Moon area, West Darfur state, three Sudanese male human rights defenders of the Darfur Human Rights Monitors network aged 27, 28 and 35 were shot in the head and chest by armed militias while they were carrying out a human rights assessment in the region. Two of them were killed on the spot, while the 27-year-old succumbed to his wounds on 06 March. **Source:** [Front Line Defenders](#)

14 March 2022: In Khartoum, security forces reportedly drove vans bearing the logo of MSF reportedly to deceive protesters in order to arrest them. **Sources:** [Twitter I](#) and [Twitter II](#)

14 March 2022: MSF announced that it has distanced itself from a Sudanese NGO of the same name which issued a public statement denouncing the arrest of a Health Ministry doctor in Jebel Marra, South Darfur state, whilst misusing or using MSF trademarks without the INGO's permission. **Sources:** [MSF](#) and [Radio Tamazuj](#)

Europe

Ukraine

As reported on 09 March 2022: In an unspecified location, Russian forces killed a female USAID implementing partner. **Source:** [Twitter](#)

11-14 March 2022: Outside Mariupol city and raion, Donetsk oblast, a humanitarian convoy loaded with food, water and clothing was unable to reach the city due to an ongoing siege imposed by Russian forces. **Source:** [The Kyiv Independent](#)

As reported on 22 March 2022: In Mariupol city and raion, Donetsk oblast, Russian forces seized 15 rescue workers and drivers from a humanitarian convoy trying to get food and other supplies into the area. **Source:** [NBC](#)

As reported on 22 March 2022: In Mariupol city and raion, Donetsk oblast, incoming humanitarian aid and outgoing evacuation convoys have struggled to penetrate the boundaries of an ongoing siege on the city imposed by Russian forces. **Sources:** [The New Arab](#)

Middle East North Africa

Islamic Republic of Iran

16 March 2022: Update: Iranian authorities released a British-Iranian female aid worker of the Thomson Reuters Foundation and a businessman of dual nationality. She had been detained since 03 April 2016. The pair arrived in Oxfordshire county on 17 March. **Source:** [Reuters](#)

¹ The [Aid Worker Security Database](#) (AWSD) 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 10 March 2022.

This Bi-Monthly News Brief comprises threats and incidents of violence affecting the delivery of humanitarian assistance. It is part of the Aid in Danger project, by Insecurity Insight. It is prepared from information available in local, national and international news outlets and online databases. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all events that affected the provision of aid delivery and have not been independently verified. All

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