

Aid in Danger

Bi-Monthly News Brief

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The 01 January - 19 April 2022 data on incidents of where aid workers were killed, kidnaped or arrested (KKA) is now available for download on [HDX](#) and our [website](#). During this period, at least 20 aid workers have been killed, 67 kidnaped and 25 arrested.

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Safety, security and access incidents

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

Africa

Central African Republic

21 April 2022: On the Batangafo-Ouandago axis, Ouham prefecture, three INGO aid workers were injured when their vehicle was ambushed and robbed. **Source:** [AWSO](#)¹

Democratic Republic of the Congo



Social Media Monitoring: Downing of a UN Helicopter

On 29 March 2022, a PUMA helicopter operated by the United Nations' MONUSCO peace-keeping mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) crashed during a reconnaissance operation in Tshanzu area, located in the northeastern province of North Kivu. Bordering Uganda and Rwanda, the Tshanzu area had in recent days been the site of clashes between resurgent M23 rebels and the Congolese armed forces (FARDC).

This [report](#) discusses sentiments towards the UN peace-keeping operation as expressed in social media posts with IP addresses in the DRC.

Ethiopia

As reported on 06 April 2022: In Tigray region, according to a report by the Human Rights Watch, ethnic Amhara and Walqayte authorities have imposed discriminatory rules that deny Tigrayans basic services and access to humanitarian aid since the outbreak of the conflict in November 2020. **Source:** [Devex](#)

Mali



Social Media Monitoring: The Moura Massacre

Between 27 and 31 March 2022, the Malian armed forces and Wagner Group soldiers allegedly committed a massacre of civilians in the village of Moura in Mopti region during a military operation against Islamist rebels in the area. According to reports, hundreds of civilians were executed and a number of women were victims of sexual violence. Most victims were from the pastoralists Peuhl and Fulani ethnic groups who had lived in fear following a quasi-control of Islamist fighters linked to Al-Qaeda in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM). This [report](#) analyses how the event is being commented about by social media users with an IP address in Mali.

Nigeria

27 April 2022: In Kaduna state, gunmen ambushed several vehicles along the Abuja-Kaduna Road, kidnapping a male humanitarian worker and medical doctor. **Source:** [Spye TV](#)

Sudan

24 April 2022: In Geneina city, West Darfur state, unidentified perpetrators entered the MSF-supported El Geneina Teaching Hospital and fired shots inside the building, including the ER. Three people, including two medical workers, were killed. Hospital workers, including MSF staff, were evacuated. The pharmacy of the hospital was looted. **Sources:** [AP](#), [BBC](#), [Radio Dabanga I](#), [Radio Dabanga II](#), [Radio Dabanga III](#), [UN News and WHO](#)

As reported on 02 May 2022: In and around Kereneik town, West Darfur state, during an attack by armed Arab tribesmen against the Massalit ethnic group, several humanitarian volunteers and personnel were killed, including four volunteers of a LNGO providing shelter and non-food items, and a State Ministry of Health medical assistant of the Galala Clinic. Several humanitarian facilities, including the hospital, a nutrition centre, water sources, and the guesthouse of an INGO were looted. **Sources:** [OCHA](#) and [The New Humanitarian](#)

Europe

Ukraine

25 April 2022: In Zaporizhzhia city and Oblast, two British aid volunteers working with UK-based non-profit Presidium Network, were detained at a checkpoint by Russian soldiers. The volunteers were reportedly trying to rescue a Ukrainian family from a village south of the city and were reported to be working independently. **Sources:** [BBC News](#), [Echo](#) and [The Guardian](#)

30 April 2022: In Dobropillia city, Pokrovsk raion, Donetsk oblast, the office of the Ukrainian Red Cross was bombed, alongside five residential buildings. **Source:** [Ukrainian Red Cross](#)

As reported on 01 May 2022: As a result of the Russian invasion, half of the wheat needed by WFP worldwide has been stuck in Ukraine. **Source:** [CBS](#)

01 May 2022: In Lviv city, raion and oblast, the UNHCR Special Envoy and her team were forced to evacuate under heavy aid raid sirens. **Source:** [The News](#)

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 04 May 2022.

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