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Safety, security and access incidents

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

Africa

Burkina Faso

14 July 2022: Between Barsalogho and Kaya villages, Sanmatenga province, Centre-Nord region, suspected Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal Muslimeen (JNIM) militants seized an INGO vehicle. **Source: ACLED**¹

Cameroon

15 July 2022: In Kumna city, Meme department, and Mamfe city, Manyu department, Southwest region, MSF announced that it will terminate its projects from 01 August. The closure follows the suspension of MSF activities in Southwest region for the past three months. **Sources:** <u>HumAngle</u> and MSF

Democratic Republic of the Congo

23 July 2022: In Njiapanda-Nanguredjipa area, Lubero territory, North Kivu province, unidentified perpetrators broke into the office of the Women's Associations for the Rights of Women and the Child (SAFDF) and stole funds as well as a phone. **Source:** Radio Moto

Ethiopia

16 July 2022: In East Wellega zone, a NGO national aid worker was kidnapped by an unknown armed group while travelling. His whereabouts is currently unknown. **Source:** AWSD²

Mali

07 July 2022: In Kidal town, an INGO national aid worker was shot and injured after his civilian vehicle was caught in an armed attack as it left the city. **Source:** AWSD²

Somalia

14 July 2022: In Buurdhuubo town, Gedo region, two government soldiers attacked a LNGO facility where registration for beneficiaries was ongoing, wanting to access the Biometric Registration as beneficiaries. They claimed that their clan did not get equal representation on the beneficiary registration like other clans. **Source:** ACLED¹

South Sudan

Around 04 July 2022: In Nyerere village, Budi county, Eastern Equatoria state, unidentified perpetrators shot at and robbed a humanitarian vehicle along the Camp 15-Chukudum Road.

Source: Radio Tamazuj



- **05 July 2022:** In Minga Payam locality, Mundri East county, Western Equatoria state, gunmen abducted two under-18 aid workers of the LNGO Active Your Agency. Both were released on 25 July. **Sources:** Radio Tamazuj I and Radio Tamazuj II
- **14 July 2022:** 240 kms Northeast of Yambio, Mundri, East county, two male NGO national aid workers were kidnapped by an unknown armed group while carrying out a humanitarian assessment. Their whereabouts is currently unknown. **Source:** AWSD²
- **14 July 2022:** In Pibor, an INGO national aid worker was reportedly shot and injured by his girlfriend. **Source:** AWSD²
- **17 July 2022:** In Ikotos county, an NGO national aid worker was injured and two people in the community were killed when prison forces responded to the murder of one of its members.**Source: AWSD**²

Sudan

16 July 2022: In Ed Damazine and Ar Rusayris towns, Blue Nile state, a curfew imposed by the regional government amid continuing violence has restricted all UN movements in the areas. Humanitarian activities were paused until further instructions from the authorities. **Source: OCHA**

Asia

Bangladesh

17 July 2022: At Faridpur Hatuvanga Road, Fenchuganj upazila, Sylhet District, a male NGO national aid worker was stabbed to death in his office by a male colleague. **Source:** AWSD²

Myanmar

- **15 July 2022:** In Northern Rakhine state, the Myanmar military has reportedly posed travel restrictions which require NGOs to seek an approval by the minister of security and border affairs. This has resulted in delays and cancellation of humanitarian activities. **Sources: BBC Burmese and Myanmar Pressphoto Agency**
- **19 July 2022:** In Myauk Lu Kan village, Pan Taing Chon village tract, Pakokku township and district, Magway region, robbers stole an ambulance and other valuables from an LNGO. **Sources:** Standard Times Daily and Voice of Myanmar
- **21 July 2022:** In Twantay town and township, Yangon district, Yangon region, the Myanmar military kidnapped four volunteers from the LNGO We Love Yangon (Twantay). **Sources:** ACLED¹ and Facebook
- **24 July 2022:** In Budalin town and township, Monywa district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military confiscated an ambulance owned by an LNGO. **Source:** Mizzima

Europe

Ukraine

10 July 2022: Update: In Donetsk oblast, a 45-year-old British independent aid worker — who was seized by Russian separatists at a checkpoint near Zaporizhzhya city on 25 April, and charged with mercenary activities — died in detention reportedly due to chronic diseases and psychological stress. **Sources: Sky, The New Arab I, The New Arab II and Times of Malta**

The Americas

Haiti

16 July 2022: Update: Police extradited to the United States a 400 Mawozo gang member and accomplice in the abduction of American missionaries. **Source:** Radio RFM 104.9



Acceptance as a Security Risk Management Strategy

Acceptance is one of the pillars of aid security risk management (SRM).

An acceptance strategy ensures access to populations in need while ensuring duty of care for staff and the protection of assets. A good acceptance strategy builds on effective relationships to cultivate and maintain consent from beneficiaries, local communities, local authorities and community leaders.

This report provides a list of practical steps that can be taken to develop acceptance based security risk mitigation measures in Haiti. It draws on NGO experiences in developing an acceptance-based security risk approach in Haiti and elsewhere. Available in **English** and **French**.

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¹ Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) database attribution policy. Accessed 27 July 2022.

² 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 xxx 2022.