



## “Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict” Selected Online Resources

### Protection of civilians in armed conflict: Reports of the Secretary-General

- S/2019/373 (7 May 2019): <https://undocs.org/S/2019/373>
- S/2018/462 (14 May 2018): <http://undocs.org/S/2018/462>
- S/2017/414 (10 May 2017): <http://undocs.org/S/2017/414>
- S/2016/447 (13 May 2016): <http://undocs.org/S/2016/447>
- S/2015/453 (18 June 2015): <http://undocs.org/S/2015/453>
- S/2013/689 (22 November 2013): <http://undocs.org/S/2013/689>
- S/2012/376 (22 May 2012): <http://undocs.org/S/2012/376>
- S/2010/579 (11 November 2010): <http://undocs.org/S/2010/579>
- S/2009/277 (29 May 2009): <http://undocs.org/S/2009/277>
- S/2007/643 (28 October 2007): <http://undocs.org/S/2007/643>
- S/2005/740 (28 November 2005): <http://undocs.org/S/2005/740>
- S/2004/431 (28 May 2004): <http://undocs.org/S/2004/431>
- S/2002/1300 (26 November 2002): <http://undocs.org/S/2002/1300>
- S/2001/331 (30 March 2001): <http://undocs.org/S/2001/331>
- S/1999/957 (8 September 1999): <http://undocs.org/S/1999/957>

### Security Council Meetings: “Protection of civilians in armed conflict”

(links to meeting records, presidential statements, resolutions, and press releases)

- **2019:** 20, 11 June, 23 May  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2019>
  - S/2019/588 (24 July 2019): Letter dated 19 July 2019 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/588>  
Transmits summary of events held by Member States on the sidelines of the Security Council open debate on the topic “Protection of civilians in armed conflict” on 21, 22 and 24 May 2019.
  - S/2019/586 (23 July 2019): Letter dated 5 July 2019 from the Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/586>  
Transmits summary of the Security Council open debate on the topic “Protection of civilians in armed conflict”, held 23 May 2019.
  - S/RES/2475 (2019): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2475\(2019\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2475(2019)  
on protection of persons with disabilities in armed conflict
  - S/RES/2474 (2019): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2474\(2019\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2474(2019)  
on persons missing as a result of armed conflict
  - S/2019/458 (3 June 2019): <https://undocs.org/S/2019/458>  
Transmits concept note for the Security Council briefing on the subject “Missing persons in armed conflict” on 11 June 2019.
  - S/2019/385 (14 May 2019): <https://undocs.org/S/2019/385>  
Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on the theme “Protection of civilians in armed conflict” on 23 May 2019.

- **2018:** 21 September, 24, 22 May  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2018>
  - S/PRST/2018/18: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 8359th meeting, 21 Sept. 2018, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:  
<http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2018/18>  
Transmits updated Aide Memoire for the consideration of issues pertaining to the protection of civilians in armed conflict.
  - S/2018/684 (10 July 2018): Letter dated 29 June 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General:  
<http://undocs.org/S/2018/684>  
Transmits presidential summary of the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of civilians in armed conflict", held on 22 May 2018.
  - S/RES/2417 (2018): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2417\(2018\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2417(2018))  
on conflict-induced food insecurity
  - S/2018/444 (10 May 2018): Letter dated 9 May 2018 from the Permanent Representative of Poland to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General:  
<http://undocs.org/S/2018/444>  
Transmits concept note for the Security Council Ministerial open debate on the subject "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 22 May 2018.
- **2017:** 25 May  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017>
  - Secretary-General says 'No one is winning today's wars, everybody is losing', as Security Council debates Protection of civilians in armed conflict (SG/SM/18537-SC/12842-HR/5362, 25 May 2017): <http://www.un.org/press/en/2017/sqsm18537.doc.htm>
  - S/2017/365 (28 April 2017): Letter dated 26 April 2017 from the Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General:  
<http://undocs.org/S/2017/365>  
Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on the topic "Protection of civilians and medical care in armed conflict", to be held on 25 May 2017.
- **2016:** 28 September, 10 June, 3 May, 19 January  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2016>
  - S/2016/722 (18 August 2016): Letter dated 18 August 2016 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/722>  
Transmits recommendations pursuant to para. 13 of Security Council resolution 2286 (2016) on measures to protect medical care in armed conflicts.
  - S/2016/503: <http://undocs.org/S/2016/503>  
Transmits concept note prepared for the High-level open debate on protecting civilians in the context of peacekeeping operations, held 10 June 2016.
  - S/RES/2286 (2016): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2286\(2016\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2286(2016))  
on protection of the wounded and sick, medical personnel and humanitarian personnel in armed conflict
  - S/2016/22 (8 January 2016): <http://undocs.org/S/2016/22>  
Transmits concept note prepared by Uruguay for the Security Council open debate on the protection of civilians in armed conflict, held on 18 January 2016.
- **2015:** 25 November, 27 May, 30 January  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2015>
  - S/PRST/2015/23: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 7568th meeting, 25 Nov. 2015, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:  
<http://www.un.org/press/en/2015/sc12138.doc.htm>
  - S/RES/2222 (2015): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2222\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2222(2015))  
on protection of journalists and associated media personnel in armed conflict
  - S/2015/307 (1 May 2015): <http://undocs.org/S/2015/307>  
Transmits note prepared by Lithuania for the Security Council open debate on the protection of journalists in conflict situations, held on 27 May 2015.
  - S/2015/32 (19 January 2015): <http://undocs.org/S/2015/32>  
Transmits concept note prepared by Chile for the Security Council open debate on the protection of civilians in armed conflict: protection challenges and needs faced by women and girls in armed conflict and post-conflict settings (30 January 2015).
- **2014:** 29 August, 19 August, 12 February  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2014>

- S/RES/2175 (2014): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2175\(2014\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2175(2014))  
on protection of humanitarian personnel and UN and associated personnel in armed conflict
- S/2014/571 (6 August 2014): <http://undocs.org/S/2014/571>  
Transmits concept note prepared by the United Kingdom for Security Council open briefing on World Humanitarian Day, 19 Aug. 2014, focusing on the protection of humanitarian workers, under the agenda item on the protection of civilians in armed conflict.
- S/PRST/2014/3: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 7109th meeting, 12 Feb. 2014, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:  
<http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2014/3>
- S/2014/74 (3 February 2014): <http://undocs.org/S/2014/74>  
Transmits concept note prepared by Lithuania for the Security Council open debate on the subject "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 12 February 2014.
- **2013:** 19 August, 17 July, 12 February  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2013>
  - S/2013/447 (1 August 2013): <http://undocs.org/S/2013/447>  
Transmits concept note prepared by Argentina for the Security Council open debate on the subject "Protection of civilians in armed conflict" on 19 August 2013.
  - S/2013/393 (3 July 2013): <http://undocs.org/S/2013/393>  
Transmits concept paper entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict: protection of journalists" prepared by the United States for the open debate of the Security Council on 17 July 2013.
  - S/PRST/2013/2: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 6917th meeting, 12 Feb. 2013, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:  
<http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2013/2>
  - S/2013/75 (5 February 2013): <http://undocs.org/S/2013/75>  
Transmits concept note prepared by the Republic of Korea for the Security Council open debate on the protection of civilians in armed conflict on 12 February 2013.
- **2012:** 25 June  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2012>
- **2011:** 9 November, 10 May  
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- **2010:** 22 November, 7 July  
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  - S/PRST/2010/25: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 6427th meeting, 22 Nov. 2010, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Protection of civilians in armed conflict"]:  
<http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2010/25>  
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- **2009:** 11 November, 26 June, 14 January  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2009>
  - S/2009/567 (3 November 2009): <http://undocs.org/S/2009/567>  
Transmits concept paper for the Security Council open debate on the theme "Protection of civilians in armed conflict", to be held on 11 Nov. 2009 under the Austrian Presidency of the Security Council.
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- A/72/865-S/2018/465 (16 May 2018): <http://undocs.org/A/72/865>
- A/72/361-S/2017/821 (24 Aug. 2017): <http://undocs.org/A/72/361>
- A/70/836/Add.1-S/2016/360/Add.1 (24 June 2016): <http://undocs.org/A/70/836/Add.1>
- A/70/836-S/2016/360 (20 April 2016): <http://undocs.org/A/70/836>
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- A/68/878-S/2014/339 (15 May 2014): <http://undocs.org/A/68/878>
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- A/66/782-S/2012/261 (26 April 2012): <http://undocs.org/A/66/782>
- A/65/820-S/2011/250 (23 April 2011): <http://undocs.org/A/65/820>
- A/64/742-S/2010/181 (13 April 2010): <http://undocs.org/A/64/742>
- A/63/785/Corr.1-S/2009/158/Corr.1 (13 August 2009): <http://undocs.org/A/63/785/Corr.1>
- A/63/785-S/2009/158 (26 March 2009): <http://undocs.org/A/63/785>
- A/62/609-S/2007/757 (21 December 2007): <http://undocs.org/A/62/609>
- A/61/529/Corr.1-S/2006/826/Corr.1 (5 December 2006): <http://undocs.org/A/61/529/Corr.1>
- A/61/529-S/2006/826 (26 October 2006): <http://undocs.org/A/61/529>
- A/59/695-S/2005/72 (9 February 2005): <http://undocs.org/A/59/695>
- A/58/546/Corr.2-S/2003/1053/Corr.2 (19 April 2004): <http://undocs.org/A/58/546/Corr.2>
- A/58/546/Corr.1-S/2003/1053/Corr.1 (20 February 2004): <http://undocs.org/A/58/546/Corr.1>
- A/58/546-S/2003/1053 (10 November 2003): <http://undocs.org/A/58/546>
- S/2002/1299 (26 November 2002): <http://undocs.org/S/2002/1299>
- A/56/342-S/2001/852 (7 September 2001): <http://undocs.org/A/56/342>
- A/55/163-S/2000/712 (19 July 2000): <http://undocs.org/A/55/163>

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(links to meeting records, presidential statements, resolutions, and press releases)

- **Working Group on Children and Armed Conflict:**  
<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/subsidiary/wgcaac>
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  - 'We must all do more' to protect children in armed conflict: UN chief (UN News Centre, 12 February 2020): <https://news.un.org/en/story/2020/02/1057251>
  - S/PRST/2020/3 Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 8721nd meeting, 12 Febr., in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Children and armed conflict"]:  
<https://undocs.org/en/S/PRST/2020/3>
  - S/2020/97 (5 February 2020): Letter dated 5 February 2020 from the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General:  
<https://undocs.org/en/S/2020/97>  
Transmits concept note for the Security Council briefing on the topic "Children and armed conflict: integrating child protection into peace processes", held on 12 February 2020.
- **2019:** 2 August  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2019>
- **2018:** 9 July  
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  - S/RES/2427 (2018): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2427\(2018\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2427(2018))
- **2017:** 31 October  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2017>
  - S/PRST/2017/21: Statement / by the President of the Security Council [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 8082nd meeting, 31 Oct. 2017, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Children and armed conflict"]:  
<http://undocs.org/S/PRST/2017/21>
- **2016:** 2 August  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2016>
  - S/2016/662 (29 July 2016): Letter dated 29 July 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General:  
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Transmits concept note for the Security Council open debate on children and armed conflict, prepared by Malaysia.

- **2015:** 18 June, 25 March  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2015>
  - S/RES/2225 (2015): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2225\(2015\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2225(2015))
  - S/2015/402 (2 June 2015): <http://undocs.org/S/2015/402>  
Transmits concept note for the open debate on children and armed conflict, prepared by Malaysia.
  - S/2015/168 (6 March 2015): <http://undocs.org/S/2015/168>  
Transmits concept note for the open debate on child victims of non-State armed groups, prepared by France.
- **2014:** 7 March  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2014>
  - S/RES/2143 (2014): [http://undocs.org/S/RES/2143\(2014\)](http://undocs.org/S/RES/2143(2014))
  - S/2014/144 (3 March 2014): <http://undocs.org/S/2014/144>  
Transmits concept note for the open debate, prepared by Luxembourg.
- **2013:** 17 June  
<http://research.un.org/en/docs/sc/quick/meetings/2013>
  - S/PRST/2013/8: Statement / by the President of the Security Council: [made on behalf of the Security Council, at the 6980th meeting, 17 June 2013, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Children and armed conflict"]:  
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- **Further information:** "Repertoire of the Practice of the Security Council"  
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## Selected UN Publications & further UN documents

- UN documents on "UN Action against Sexual Violence in Conflict":  
<https://un4.me/2HdivOp>
- Practical guidance for mediators to protect children in situations of armed conflict (February 2020): <https://un4.me/38qdZXM>
- E/CN.6/2020/7 (16 December 2019): Release of women and children taken hostage, including those subsequently imprisoned, in armed conflicts: report of the Secretary-General: <http://undocs.org/E/CN.6/2020/7>
- Building a Culture of Protection: 20 years of Security Council Engagement on the Protection of Civilians (OCHA Policy and Studies Series, May 2019):  
<https://un4.me/2RINGoL>
- S/2019/100 (31 January 2019): Letter dated 31 January 2019 from the representatives of Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Switzerland, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Uruguay to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council: <http://undocs.org/S/2019/100>  
Transmits joint letter by members of the Group of Friends on the Protection of Civilians in armed conflict on marking the 20th anniversary of Security Council resolutions related to the protection of civilians in armed conflict in 2019.
- OCHA On Message: Protection (May 2017): <https://un4.me/38Jg415>
- A/70/709 (2 February 2016): One humanity: shared responsibility: report of the Secretary-General for the World Humanitarian Summit: <http://undocs.org/A/70/709>,  
<http://sgreport.worldhumanitariansummit.org/>
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- Aide Memoire for the consideration of issues pertaining to the protection of civilians in armed conflict – 6<sup>th</sup> edition (OCHA Policy and Studies Series, 2016):  
[https://www.unocha.org/sites/unocha/files/Aide%20Memoire%202016%20II\\_0.pdf](https://www.unocha.org/sites/unocha/files/Aide%20Memoire%202016%20II_0.pdf)



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- Enhancing Protection Capacity: Policy Guide to the Responsibility to Protect and the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflicts (UNU, 2012): [http://i.unu.edu/media/unu.edu/publication/31142/R2P\\_POC\\_Policy\\_Guide.pdf](http://i.unu.edu/media/unu.edu/publication/31142/R2P_POC_Policy_Guide.pdf)
- International Legal Protection of Human Rights in Armed Conflict (OHCHR, 2011): [http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/HR\\_in\\_armed\\_conflict.pdf](http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Publications/HR_in_armed_conflict.pdf)
- Children and conflict (Disarmament forum, three, 2011): <http://www.unidir.org/files/publications/pdfs/children-and-conflict-en-315.pdf>
- Protecting Civilians in the Context of UN Peacekeeping Operations: Successes, Setbacks and Remaining Challenges / Victoria Holt and Glyn Taylor with Max Kelly (Independent study jointly commissioned by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, November 2009): <http://un4.me/1nl0Rvy>
- A New Partnership Agenda: Charting a New Horizon for UN Peacekeeping (Department of Peacekeeping Operations and Department of Field Support, July 2009): [https://peacekeeping.un.org/sites/default/files/newhorizon\\_0.pdf](https://peacekeeping.un.org/sites/default/files/newhorizon_0.pdf)
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## Further Information

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  - Child Rights, Conflict, and International Criminal Justice / Diane Marie Amann: [https://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Amann\\_HR.html](https://legal.un.org/avl/ls/Amann_HR.html)
- United Nations Peacekeeping - Protection of Civilians: <https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/protecting-civilians>
- Report of the Panel on United Nations Peace Operations ("Brahimi Report"): <https://peacekeeping.un.org/en/reforming-peacekeeping>
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- United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (UNOCHA) - Themes - Protection: <http://www.unocha.org/themes/protection>
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  - ACT TO PROTECT children affected by armed conflict: <https://childrenandarmedconflict.un.org/act-to-protect-children-affected-by-armed-conflict/>
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- Security Council Report – Children and Armed Conflict <http://www.securitycouncilreport.org/children-and-armed-conflict/>