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SPECIAL RAPPOREUR ON TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OF PUNISHMENT

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WORK SUMMARY

COUNTRIES VISITED

ADDRESSES SOGIESC ISSUES:

- **Maldives** – (November 2019) Report, para. 42
- **Comoros** – (June 2019) Report, paras. 99-101, 120
- **Ukraine** – (May-June 2018) Report, para. 74
- **Argentina** – (April 2018) Report, para. 16, 60, 89c
- **Mexico** – (February 2017) Report, para. 71.
- **Mauritania** – (December 2016) Report, para. 33.
- **Brazil** – (August 2015) Report, paras. 32-36, 80, 142, 148c, 148e-f.
- **The Gambia** – (November 2013) Report, paras. 93, 107g.

DOES NOT ADDRESS SOGIESC ISSUES:

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| • Turkey (December 2017) | • Georgia (March 2015) | • Tajikistan, follow-up (February 2014) |
| • Serbia & Kosovo (November 2017) | • Ghana (February 2015) | • Kyrgyzstan (May 2012) |
| • Sri Lanka (December 2016) | • Tunisia, follow-up (June 2014) | • Morocco (February 2012) |

ANNUAL THEMATIC REPORTS

Accountability for torture and other cruel, inhuman, degrading treatment or punishment
July 2021 (76th Session General Assembly (GA))

Brief references to SO.
Paras. 44, 62, 71.

Effectiveness of States' responses and follow-up to communications and visit requests transmitted by the Special Rapporteur on Torture
January 2021 (46th Session Human Rights Council (HRC))

No SOGIESC references.

Biopsychosocial factors conducive to torture and ill-treatment
July 2020 (75th Session GA)

Brief references to SO.
Paras. 12 and 66.

Conceptual, definitional and interpretative questions arising in relation to the notion of "psychological torture" under human rights law.
March 2020 (43rd Session HRC)

Brief reference to SOGI.
Paras. 37, 58.

Relevance of the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment to the context of domestic violence
July 2019 (74th Session GA)

Good reference to SOGIESC, SO.
(Honour crimes, "Forced "conversion therapy", "reparative therapy").
Paras. 21, 42, 48-50, 67, 93.

Torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment
February 2019 (40th Session HRC)

Brief reference to LGBTI, and SO.
Paras. 42, 73g.

Seventieth anniversary of the UDHR: reaffirming and strengthening the prohibition of torture and

Brief reference to LGBTI and SOGIESC.
Para. 59, 64, 70, 76d.

<p>other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment July 2018 (73rd Session GA)</p>	
<p>Migration-related torture and ill-treatment March 2018 (37th Session HRC)</p>	<p>Brief reference to LGBTI (in the context of prolonged arbitrary detention of migrants). Para. 27, 32.</p>
<p>Extra-custodial use of force and the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment July 2017 (72nd Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p>Overview of the activities of the mandate during reporting cycle March 2017 (34th session HRC)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p>Coercive methods during interviews of suspects, victims, witnesses and other persons in various investigative contexts August 2016 (71st Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>
<p>Applicability of the prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment in international law to the unique experiences of women, and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex persons March 2016 (31st Session HRC)</p>	<p>Strong reference to LGBTI, sexual minorities, “gender non-conforming individuals”, “sex and socially constructed gender roles”, LGBT, SOGI, transgender, “gender markers”, SC, intersex, lesbians. (Gender perspective on torture, gender-specific and gender-based violence, discrimination and torture targeting LGBTI; criminalization of LGBT, homophobic and transphobic hate crimes, abuses, family violence and stigmatization / torture and ill-treatment of LGBT in <u>detention</u>: SOGI-based sexual, physical and psychological violence in prison, humiliating and invasive body searches, detained LGBT migrants and non-refoulement principle, fear of reprisals and complaints mechanisms / torture and ill-treatment in <u>health-care settings</u>: denied medical treatment, transgender’s access to appropriate health care, medical abuse of intersex children / <u>rape and sexual violence</u>: context of armed conflict, homophobic and transphobic violence, specific risks for lesbians and trans women / honour-based violence; LGBTI access to justice / recommendations to States). Paras. 5, 7-10, 13-15, 32-39, 42, 48-51, 57, 59, 60, 67-70, 73.</p>
<p>Children deprived of liberty March 2015 (28th Session HRC)</p>	<p>Brief reference to LGBTI (LGBTI children at heightened risk of ill-treatment or torture in detention) Paras. 48, 86g.</p>
<p>Existing standards and guidelines on legal and medical investigations into allegations of torture and other ill-treatment September 2014 (69th Session GA)</p>	<p>No SOGIESC references.</p>

Exclusionary rule in judicial proceedings
March 2014 (25th Session HRC)

No SOGIESC references.

Procedural standards and safeguards from the perspective of the prohibition of torture or other ill-treatment that should be applied, at minimum, to all cases of deprivation of liberty
August 2013 (68th Session GA)

Brief references to LGBTI (prisoners' safety and prison violence towards LGBTI, protection and special needs of vulnerable groups deprived of their liberty).
Paras. 47, 67.

Abusive practices commonly reported in health-care settings
March 2013 (22th Session HRC)

Strong reference to LGBTI, SOGI, transgender, SC. (Yogyakarta Principles 17 and 18 on safeguarding informed consent, ensure qualitative health-care and access to medical treatment / homophobic ill-treatment by health professionals; irreversible sex assignment, involuntary sterilization, involuntary genital normalizing surgery performed on intersex children without their informed consent or that of their parents; sterilization surgeries as a prerequisite for transgender persons to enjoy legal recognition / recommendation that States repeal any law allowing intrusive and irreversible treatments such as forced genital-normalizing surgery, involuntary sterilization, unethical experimentation, medical display, "reparative therapies" or "conversion therapies" without the free and informed consent of the person concerned).
Paras. 38, 76-79, 88.

New developments and State practice are taken into consideration
August 2012 (67th Session GA)

No SOGIESC references.

Further discussion of the standards that apply to the establishment and conduct of commissions of inquiry
March 2012 (19th Session HRC)

Brief reference to LGBTI (gender perspective and vulnerable groups).
Para. 62.

The issue of solitary confinement
July 2011 (66th Session GA)

Brief references to LGBT (solitary confinement as "protective custody" for LGBT).
Paras. 42, 69.

Need for a victim-centered approach to the work of the Special Rapporteur's mandate
March 2011 (16th Session HRC)

No reference to SOGIESC

COMMUNICATIONS

COUNTRY/DATE	EXPERTS	SITUATION
Tunisia 21 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOGI Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders Torture 	Information received regarding alleged acts of harassment, physical assault, threats and intimidation perpetrated by two state agents against Mr. Badr Baabou, director of the Association Damj, Tunisian Association for Justice and Equality (hereinafter "Association Damj"), because of his activity as a defender of the human rights of LGBT persons.
Uganda 15 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOGI Arbitrary detention Health Torture Violence against women Women and girls 	Information received concerning the arbitrary arrest and detention of 29 persons in Uganda (16 in Kyengera and 13 in Nansana), followed by violations of their right to health and freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment.
Sri Lanka 15 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extrajudicial executions Terrorism Torture 	Information received concerning the case of Mr. Arumahandige Janith Madushanka, a national of Sri Lanka who fears for his life and safety, while currently being held in custody.
Ghana 9 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SOGI Arbitrary detention Education Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Human rights defenders Torture Violence against women Women and girls 	Information received concerning the tabling of a bill entitled "Promotion of Proper Human Sexual Rights and Ghanaian Family Values Bill, 2021" before the Parliament of Ghana. According to information at our disposal, the first reading of the bill took place on 2 August. The consideration of the bill is expected to resume in October, after Parliamentary recess and public engagement.
Algeria 4 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Torture Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association 	Information received concerning allegations of sexual assault, torture and ill-treatment of Ayoub Chahetou, Nabil Bousekkine, Sami Dernouni and a minor, who were arrested following their alleged participation in peaceful demonstrations organized by the Hirak movement
Nicaragua 19 May 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Human rights defenders Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health SOGI Torture 	Information received on the alleged arbitrary detention and sentencing of Ms. Celia Cruz and Mr. John Christopher Cerna Zúñiga, as well as the alleged acts of mistreatment, torture, threats and intimidation suffered by these defenders in prison.

<p>China 28 April 2021</p>	<p>Human rights defenders Arbitrary detention Disappearances Freedom of opinion and expression Health Independence of judges and lawyers Torture Women and girls</p>	<p>Information received concerning the arbitrary detention of seventeen human rights defenders sentenced or under investigation or trial for the alleged commission of crimes against the State, that carry prison sentences of 10 years or more. Such crimes would have been perpetrated in connection to activities aimed to the promotion and defence of human rights and in the exercise of their public freedoms.</p>
<p>Pakistan 31 March 2021</p>	<p>Terrorism Arbitrary detention Disappearances Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Human rights defenders Minority issues Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the alleged arbitrary arrests, torture, and in some cases inappropriate access to medical care while in detention, as well as prosecution of several human rights defenders and persons associated to them.</p>
<p>Belarus 26 March 2021</p>	<p>Torture Arbitrary detention Belarus Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association SOGI</p>	<p>Information received concerning arbitrary arrests, detention and the excessive use of force and ill-treatment against protesters and the repression on journalists and media personnel.</p>
<p>Peru 23 March 2021</p>	<p>Migrants International solidarity Torture</p>	<p>Information received in relation to alleged hot returns or "pushbacks" of migrants, in some cases violently, at Peru's borders, in the context of the increasing use of armed and military personnel in migration management at Peru's borders with Ecuador and Brazil; which has put migrants at risk, with serious implications for their ability to access safe asylum.</p>
<p>Russian Federation 17 February 2021</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Disappearances Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning alleged arbitrary arrest and detention of Salekh Magamadov (20 years old) and Ismail Isayev (17 years old), as well as their subsequent transfer to the Chechen Republic.</p>

<p>Saudi Arabia 21 January 2021</p>	<p>SOGI Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the alleged imminent deportation from Saudi Arabia to Yemen of a Yemeni blogger and human rights defender.</p>
<p>Poland 20 January 2021</p>	<p>SOGI Cultural rights Education Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Human rights defenders Freedom of religion Torture Violence against women Women and girls</p>	<p>Information received concerning (i) the increased use of hate speech and violence against lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse (“LGBT”) persons, including the creation of so-called “LGBT Free” zones by municipalities, (ii) restrictions on and attacks against Pride marches, (iii) a proposed bill to criminalize sexuality education, and (iv) restrictions on Polish schools’ initiative “Rainbow Friday”; (v) possible withdrawal from the Istanbul Convention, and (vi) the Polish Episcopal Conference’s calling for the creation of “conversion therapy” clinics.</p>
<p>Other actors 20 January 2021</p>	<p>SOGI Health Freedom of religion Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the Polish Episcopal Conference’s calling for the creation of “clinics,” which purportedly would offer services for people who want to regain what is perceived as their sexual health and “natural sexual orientation”.</p>
<p>Other actors 20 January 2021</p>	<p>SOGI Health Freedom of religion Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the Polish Episcopal Conference’s calling for the creation of “clinics,” which purportedly would offer services for people who want to regain what is perceived as their sexual health and “natural sexual orientation”.</p>
<p>China 4 December 2020</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Disappearances Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Independence of judges and lawyers Torture</p>	<p>Information concerning the detention, arrest and charging of human rights defender and lawyer Qin Yongpei and the alleged arbitrary detention and enforced disappearance of human rights defender and lawyer Chang Weiping in “residential surveillance at a designated location”.</p>
<p>Egypt 25 November 2020</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Disappearances Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Human rights defenders Terrorism Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the arrest and filing of official charges for terrorism and national security related crimes against human rights defenders Gasser Abdel Rakez, Karim Ennarah and Mohamed Basheer in apparent retaliation for a human rights meeting they held with representatives of the diplomatic community, under the auspices of their NGO, the Egyptian Initiative for Personal</p>

		Rights (EIPR). We also bring to the attention of your Excellency's Government information regarding the continued pre-trial detention of another EIPR staff, Patrick Zaki as well as the ongoing criminalization, travel ban and freeze of assets of Hossam Bahgat founder and former Executive Director of the same organization.
Colombia 20 November 2020	Women and girls Arbitrary detention Migrants SOGI Torture Violence against women	Information received regarding the situation of four trans women from Venezuela who were allegedly arbitrarily detained and beaten by police officers in the municipality of Maicao, Colombia.
Somalia 1 September 2020	Somalia Health Freedom of religion Sale of children Slavery Torture Trafficking in persons Violence against women Women and girls	Information received concerning the draft bill on "Sexual Intercourse Related Crimes".
Saudi Arabia 1 July 2020	SOGI Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Torture	Information received concerning the alleged arbitrary arrest and detention of a Yemeni blogger and human rights activist.

<p>United States of America 8 June 2020</p>	<p>African descent Arbitrary detention Disability Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Hazardous substances Health Housing Independent of judges and lawyers Mercenaries Minority issues Older persons Poverty Racism SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning several recent killings of people of African descent in apparently State-endorsed operations in the United States.</p>
<p>United States of America 13 May 2020</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions African descent Health Minority issues Racism SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the situation in prisons and other detention facilities/establishments in the United States of America in light of COVID-19 exposure-related risks.</p>
<p>Uganda 23 April 2020</p>	<p>SOGI Arbitrary detention Health Torture Violence against women Women and girls</p>	<p>Information received concerning the alleged arbitrary arrest of 23 people and detention of 19 of them, including gay, bisexual, and trans women in Kyengera, Uganda.</p>
<p>Egypt 31 March 2020</p>	<p>Human rights defenders Arbitrary detention Disappearances Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Health Terrorism Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the continued arbitrary detention of journalists Mr. Mohamed Al-Yammani and Mr. Mohamed Badr whose charges have not been communicated by authorities, and the detention, torture and ongoing judicial harassment of human rights defender Mr. Patrick George Zaki.</p>
<p>Zambia 12 March 2020</p>	<p>SOGI Arbitrary detention Independence of judges and lawyers Privacy Torture</p>	<p>Information received concerning the conviction and sentencing of Mr. Japhet Chataba and Mr. Steven Sambo to 15 years' imprisonment for allegedly engaging in consensual same-sex relations, in violation of their right to privacy and non-discrimination, and their right to health and freedom from torture and cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment or punishment.</p>

<p>Tunisia 20 December 2019</p>	<p>SOGI Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Freedom of religion Terrorism Torture</p>	<p>Information received regarding the harassment and threats against Mr. Mounir Baatour, including death threats, disseminated on social media in relation to his legitimate activities as a human rights defender.</p>
<p>Egypt 17 December 2019</p>	<p>SOGI Arbitrary detention Human rights defenders Privacy Torture Women and girls</p>	<p>Information received concerning the alleged arbitrary arrest and detention of Eman Al-Helw, woman human rights defender and Hossam Ahmad, trans-man.</p>
<p>Argentina 22 November 2019</p>	<p>Independence of judges and lawyers Health Human rights defenders SOGI Torture</p>	<p>Information received regarding the alleged reprisals and harassment suffered by the lawyer Mario Luis Coriolano, for the exercise of his functions as Ombudsman of Cassation, as well as for the alleged physical and psychological ill-treatment and lack of medical attention with very serious consequences for his health suffered by Mónica Mego Velayresse, who is detained in a penitentiary establishment in the Province of Buenos Aires.</p>
<p>Brunei Darussalam 1 April 2019</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions Freedom of religion SOGI Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Information received concerning the criminalisation of adultery and consensual same sex relations and the imposition of cruel, inhuman and degrading punishments for such acts, including stoning, whipping and amputation.</p>
<p>Egypt 20 March 2019</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders SOGI Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Information received concerning the alleged arbitrary arrest and detention of transgender woman and LGBTIQ human rights defender, Ms. Malak Al-Kashif.</p>
<p>Russian Federation 11 February 2019</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression SOGI Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>Information received in connection with allegations of new acts of persecution against people who are or are perceived to be gay, bisexual or lesbian in Chechnya</p>
<p>United States of America 20 November 2018</p>	<p>Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture</p>	<p>Information received regarding threats from US authorities against the migrants travelling in caravans towards the United States.</p>

	Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	
Mexico 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Honduras 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Guatemala 20 November 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Housing Human rights defenders Migrants Torture Trafficking in persons Women in law and in practice	Information received regarding the situation of migrants in a caravan heading to the United States.
Malaysia 16 November 2018	SOGI Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice	Information received concerning the criminalization of consensual sexual relations between adults and the application of punishments for such acts that are contrary to the absolute prohibition of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.
United States of America 12 October 2018	Arbitrary detention Business Disability Food Health Mercenaries Migrants Racism Freedom of religion Slavery Torture	Information received concerning the increased use of immigration detention and the human rights violations committed at the Stewart Immigration Detention Center and the Irwin County Immigration Detention Center, which are privately run by for-profit prison companies “CoreCivic Inc.” and “LaSalle Southwest Corrections”, respectively.

Kenya 21 September 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Migrants SOGI Torture Water	Allegations of acts of violence, harassment and discrimination against LGBT refugees living in Kenya, their arbitrary arrests, detention and ill-treatment, together with alleged lack of access to food and other basic necessities in Kakuma camp, and lack of appropriate access to HIV/AIDS-related prevention and care.
Other actors 21 September 2018	Arbitrary detention Health Migrants SOGI Torture Water	Allegations of acts of violence, harassment and discrimination against LGBT refugees living in Kenya, their arbitrary arrests, detention and ill-treatment, together with alleged lack of access to food and other basic necessities in Kakuma camp, and lack of appropriate access to HIV/AIDS-related prevention and care.
Other actors 18 September 2018	Health Torture Women in law and in practice	Concerns of discrimination against intersex persons related to the Eligibility regulations for the female classification (athletes with differences of sex development) recently published by the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF).
Honduras 9 March 2018	Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression SOGI Torture Violence against women	Recent killing, in Puerto Cortés, of a trans woman, Jennifer Cristal Lopez, and a gay man, Jorge Antonio Rodas Garcia.
Indonesia 12 February 2018	Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Internally displaced persons SOGI Torture	Alleged arbitrary arrests, detention and ill-treatment of twelve waria, or transgender women, in Aceh province.
Other actors 1 February 2018	Health Torture	Concerns related to a policy regarding intersex people considered for adoption by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).
Other actors 1 February 2018	Health Torture	Concerns related to a policy regarding intersex people considered for adoption by the American Medical Association (AMA) Council on Ethical and Judicial Affairs (CEJA).
Azerbaijan 9 October 2017	Arbitrary detention Health SOGI Torture	Alleged unlawful arrests and detention, torture and ill-treatment of 83 persons perceived to be gay, transgender persons or persons involved in sex work.
Russian Federation 31 August 2017	Arbitrary detention Human rights defenders Migrants SOGI Torture	Alleged imminent deportation of Uzbek journalist and gay rights activist, Khudoberdi Turgunaliyevich Nurmatov (also known as Ali Feruz), from Russia to Uzbekistan.

Russian Federation 13 April 2017	Arbitrary detention Extrajudicial executions Freedom of opinion and expression SOGI Torture	Alleged unlawful detentions, torture and extrajudicial killings of men perceived to be gay or bisexual in Chechnya in the past weeks.
Uganda 29 August 2016	Arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom of assembly and association Human rights defenders Torture	Police raids during the “Uganda Pride” in August 2016, the arrest of several human rights defenders and activists, and the assault of many participants.
Turkmenistan 10 June 2016	Health Torture	Concerns that the new “Law on combatting the spread of diseases caused by HIV” will negatively impact the right to health of men who have sex with men.
Japan 23 May 2016	Health Torture	Alleged abusive restrictions and discriminatory effects of certain provision contained in Law No. 111 of 2003 regulating legal gender recognition in Japan.
Indonesia 19 April 2016	Freedom of opinion and expression Health Human rights defenders Torture	Alleged harassment, arbitrary detention and risk of torture suffered by LGBT people from Aceh province, due to enforcement of Islamic criminal by-laws; and anti-LGBT public positions and policies adopted by some national government agencies in Indonesia.
Tunisia 2 November 2015	Arbitrary detention Health Independence of judges and lawyers Torture	Alleged physical abuse, degrading medical exam, irregular judicial proceedings, and sentencing of a 22 years old man solely based on his perceived sexual orientation.
Zambia 9 April 2015	Independence of judges and lawyers Torture	Alleged arbitrary arrest and prosecution of two men on the sole basis of their sexual orientation, as well as alleged unfair trial.
Egypt 8 January 2015	Arbitrary detention Health Independence of judges and lawyers Torture	Alleged arbitrary arrest, detention, torture and public stigmatization of 26 men who were tried on charges related to their alleged sexual orientation.
Brunei Darussalam 25 September 2014	Arbitrary detention Independence of judges and lawyers Torture Violence against women	The 2013 Shariah Penal Code Order: mandatory death penalty for some non-violent acts, including same-sex relations.
Egypt 17 April 2014	Arbitrary detention Independence of judges and lawyers Torture Violence against women	Alleged arrest, detention, conviction and sentencing of four individuals on the sole basis of their sexual orientation and/or gender identity, and alleged physical and sexual harm inflicted on them.
Nigeria 28 March 2014	Extrajudicial executions Torture	Alleged attacks on grounds of actual or perceived sexual orientation, and police inaction with regards to these attacks.

<p>Iran 28 June 2013</p>	<p>Extrajudicial executions Freedom of religion Iran Torture Violence against women Women in law and in practice</p>	<p>The revised Islamic Penal Code: death penalty for some non-violent acts, including “for sodomy for the non-Muslim party in same-sex relations.”</p>
<p>Netherlands 13 March 2012</p>	<p>Torture</p>	<p>Alleged risks of torture and ill-treatment for a 24-year old gay asylum seeker if deported back to Uganda.</p>
<p>United States of America 19 August 2011</p>	<p>Migrants Health Torture Violence against women</p>	<p>Alleged torture and ill-treatment in immigration facilities of 16 gay and transgender individuals between May 2009 and July 2011, and reportedly lack of protection from persecution and respect for the principle of non-refoulement.</p>
<p>Honduras 5 July 2011</p>	<p>Human rights defenders Torture</p>	<p>Alleged threat with firearm against LGBT activist, Alex David Sánchez Álvarez.</p>
<p>United Kingdom 23 February 2011</p>	<p>Torture</p>	<p>Alleged risk of torture for a 27-year old gay asylum seeker if deported back to Burundi.</p>
<p>Mexico 14 February 2011</p>	<p>Freedom of opinion and expression Health Human rights defenders Torture</p>	<p>Alleged detention of LGBT rights activist José Ricardo Maldonado Arroyo, director of ‘Red de Personas Afectadas for VIH’.</p>
<p>South Africa 14 January 2011</p>	<p>Freedom of opinion and expression Human rights defenders Torture Violence against women</p>	<p>Alleged “corrective” rape and torture of a lesbian woman.</p>