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Amnesty International reports & statements:

- **12 February: Turkmenistan:** Politically motivated harassment, detentions and imprisonments continue unabated in Turkmenistan despite the government's promises to uphold human rights. http://www.amnesty.org/en/for-media/press-releases/turkmenistan-continuing-failure-fulfil-promises-20090212
- **10 February: Papua New Guinea:** The government of Papua New Guinea must act now to end a rash of more than 50 killings related to allegations of sorcery. http://www.amnesty.org/en/for-media/press-releases/papua-new-guinea-authorities-must-act-now-prevent-more-witch-hunts-20090
- 10 February: Sri Lanka: More civilians are being killed in north-east Sri Lanka, as the fighting continues between government forces and the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE). http://www.amnesty.org/en/news-and-updates/news/more-civilians-killed-sri-lanka-fighting-20090210

6 February: Italy: Over 1,600 migrants currently held on the Italian island of Lampedusa are at risk of being forcibly returned to their home countries according to an official statement by the Italian Minister of the Interior.

http://www.amnesty.org/en/news-and-updates/news/hundreds-migrants-risk-if-returned-italian-island-20090206

- **4 February: Tunisia:** Amnesty International calls for the immediate and unconditional release of trade union leaders and all those imprisoned for peacefully exercising their rights to freedom of expression and assembly, as their convictions were upheld by the Gafsa appeal court. http://www.amnesty.org/en/for-media/press-releases/tunisia-appeal-court-entrenches-injustice-upholding-unfair-convictions-2
- **3 February: Sudan:** Amnesty International called on the joint United Nations/African Union peacekeeping force, UNAMID, not to desert civilians sheltering in the town of Muhajeriya in southern Darfur.

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2 February: Myanmar: Hundreds of Myanmar's Rohingya people are missing at sea and many more are at risk of drowning after Thai authorities forcibly expelled large groups of Rohingyas seeking refuge.

http://www.amnesty.org/en/features-news-and-updates

30 January: Mexico: A law to protect women in Mexico has had no impact in the two years since its inception, leaving the safety of many Mexican women at risk. http://www.amnesty.org/en/news-and-updates/news/protection-law-fails-mexican-women-20090130

Children:

Central African Republic: Grave violations against children are being perpetrated by all parties to the various conflicts in the Central African Republic, including rape and armed recruitment into the fighting forces. *UN News Centre* (10 February): http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29845&Cr=car&Cr1=children

Democratic Republic Of Congo: An estimated 1,500 child soldiers could be freed in North Kivu Province of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) if armed groups in the area honour a pledge to let the children go, sources said. *IRIN* (9 February): http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82821

Eritrea: UNICEF, working with the Eritrean Ministry of Education, has given children in Jengerjiba, a small village located 110 kilometres from the capital Asmara, a chance at an education. *UNICEF* (30 January): http://www.unicef.org/infobycountry/eritrea 47651.html

Indonesia: The International Labor Organization found that about 690,000 children under 18 were employed as domestic help, where they were often forced to work up to 18 hours a day for, in some cases, as little as six US cents an hour, with no day off and no vacation time. In the worst cases, the children were physically, psychologically or sexually abused. *The International Herald Tribune* (11 February): http://www.iht.com/articles/2009/02/11/asia/indo.php

International: The United Nations telecom agency and the European Commission have teamed up to protect children, among the most active and most vulnerable users of the Internet from online

dangers, including cyber-bullying and paedophilia. *UN News Centre* (10 February): <a href="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr1="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr2="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr2="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr2="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr2="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29835&Cr=telecom&Cr2="http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?News/story.asp?

Ivory Coast: Approximately 30,000 students in secondary school and university abandoned their studies each of the past two years because of pregnancy, according to local non-profit Jeunes Sans Vices (youths without vices). *IRIN* (6 December):

http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82806

UK: A package of measures to boost child health and learning, including a cash boost for children with disabilities, has been unveiled by ministers. *BBC News* (12 February): http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/7884050.stm

Zimbabwe: About 94 percent of Zimbabwe's rural schools failed to open this year, the UN Children's Fund said. *IRIN* (10 February): http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82850

Death Penalty:

China: China rejected calls from Western and some Latin American countries to end the death penalty and to agree to enforce a wide range of human rights including allowing independent labour unions. *Reuters* (11 February):

http://www.reuters.com/article/worldNews/idUSTRE51A4RU20090211

Indonesia: Indonesia still uses the death penalty for major crimes, a legal expert said during a human rights discussion. *The Jakarta Globe* (5 February): http://www.thejakartaglobe.com/home/article/8636.html

USA: The New Mexico's House of Representatives will be debating and possibly voting on a bill to abolish the death penalty (HB285). This is but one of a stream of bills to repeal or limit the death penalty under consideration across the country. *Opposing Views* (11 February): http://www.opposingviews.com/articles/news-numerous-states-debate-abolishing-death-penalty

Food Security:

Africa: Solutions to chronic food shortages in the Horn of Africa jeopardizing the lives of almost 20 million people in the region lie in long-term economic strategies as well as providing immediate emergency assistance, stressed a senior United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) official. *UN News Centre* (11 February):

http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29869&Cr=horn+of+africa&Cr1=food

Health Services:

Brazil: The Brazilian ambassador to the WTO condemned the EU for seizing a shipment of generic drugs that was bound for his country, claiming that the move "sets a dangerous precedent" for public health. *ICTSD* (4 February): http://ictsd.net/i/news/bridgesweekly/39772/

International: An expansion of private healthcare in developing countries is "extremely unlikely" to enhance the health of poor people, Oxfam says in a new report. *IRIN* (11 February): http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82878

Health Workers:

Scotland: Hospital staff are facing a ban on smoking at any time while they are in uniform – or even wearing an NHS badge, under a crackdown proposed by officials at one of Scotland's largest health boards. *The Scotsman* (3 February): http://news.scotsman.com/latestnews/Workers-face-smoking-ban-.4938955.jp

HIV/AIDS:

Africa: HIV infection rates in Africa have slowed since the start of the decade, but statistics still make very grim reading on the worst affected continent – of the global total of 2.1 million deaths due to AIDS in 2007, 1.6 million were in sub-Saharan Africa. *Reuters* (11 February): http://blogs.reuters.com/africanews/2009/02/11/crisis-raises-aids-funding-worries/

International: The new head of the United Nations Aids agency has called for global spending on HIV/AIDS programmes to be nearly doubled, but acknowledged that securing 25 billion dollars in the current economic climate would "not be easy. *Health 24* (11 February): http://www.health24.com/news/HIV_AIDS/1-920,49579.asp

International: After years of disappointment, AIDS researchers have announced results from a trial in which a vaginal microbicide appeared to offer promise in preventing HIV infection in women. *IRIN Plus News* (10 February): http://www.plusnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82836

Kenya: The new Kenyan National HIV/AIDS Strategic Plan should address rights abuses that make children vulnerable to HIV infection and impede access to care. *Human Rights Watch* (5 February): http://www.hrw.org/en/news/2009/02/05/kenya-address-children-s-rights-aids-strategy

Pacific Islands: UNAIDS at recent three-day conference urged police and law enforcement in Asia and the Pacific region to become more involved in efforts to curb the spread of HIV. *Medical News Today* (10 February): http://www.medicalnewstoday.com/articles/138454.php

Rwanda: Rwanda is in the process of adopting male circumcision as a part of its national HIV prevention strategy. *IRIN Plus News* (11February): http://www.plusnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82873

South Africa: As part of an ongoing battle to secure antiretroviral (ARV) treatment for South Africa's HIV-positive inmates, the AIDS lobby group, Treatment Action Campaign (TAC), has gained access to a controversial report that may shed light on whether or not treatment delays are still costing lives in South African prisons. *IRIN Plus News* (2 February): http://www.plusnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82701

South Africa: South Africa's health minister on Tuesday promised a dramatic increase in treatment for AIDS victims to overcome the legacy of a decade of governmental denial of the epidemic. *The Associated Press* (10 February):

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USA: Even though African-Americans make up only about 13 percent of the United States' population, they account for almost half of the people who contract HIV and are diagnosed with AIDS. Around this year's Black AIDS Day on February 7, activists are trying to educate the public about the disease. *CNN* (10 February):

http://edition.cnn.com/2009/LIVING/02/09/Marvelyn.Brown/index.html?section=cnn_latest

West Africa: The French first lady Carla Bruni Sarkozy is in Burkina Faso on her first trip as a goodwill ambassador for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria. *The Associated*

Press (10 February): http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5hPVDrUICSUE6UMz-911P3IVzYfGg

Malaria, TB and Other Diseases:

Kenya: At least 33 cases of visceral leishmaniasis, a parasitic disease also known as Kala-azar or black fever, have been reported in the past four weeks in the drought-affected north-eastern district of Isiolo. *IRIN* (9 February): http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82825

Zimbabwe: In December, the World Health Organization's worst case scenario for Zimbabwe's cholera outbreak was that 60 000 people might become infected before end of March. But already nearly 70 000 cases of cholera have been reported. *The Zimbabwe Times* (9 February): http://www.thezimbabwetimes.com/?p=11322

Mental health:

UK: Tens of thousands of elderly and vulnerable people must undergo detailed assessments of their mental health within weeks to check if they are being kept in hospital or nursing homes unlawfully, under new human rights laws. *The Telegraph* (1 February): http://www.telegraph.co.uk/health/healthnews/4422232/Care-home-residents-ordered-to-have-mental-health-check.html

UK: The abolition of large asylums was supposed to bring an end to the mass institutionalisation of people with mental health problems, but a new report warns today that thousands of people who should have benefited from reforms such as care in the community are instead left languishing in prisons without access to appropriate treatment. *The Guardian* (4 February): http://www.guardian.co.uk/society/2009/feb/04/prisons-mental-health

Prisons:

Iran: The sentencing of four Tehran bloggers by Iran's Judiciary Court to prison terms, fines and flogging, despite the head of the judiciary's admission that they had been coerced into confessing, violates their right to a fair trial. *Human Right Watch* (11 February): http://www.hrw.org/en/news/2009/02/10/iran-four-journalists-sentenced-prison-floggings

Rwanda: Human Rights Watch is urging the government of Rwanda to end its practice of isolating prisoners convicted in Rwanda by holding them in solitary confinement for a minimum of 20 years. *Voice of America* (11 February): http://www.voanews.com/english/Africa/2009-02-11-voa5.cfm

UK: Healthcare in prisons in England is still not good enough despite a shake-up of the system in recent years, two leading watchdogs say. *BBC News* (12 February): http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/7884041.stm

Zimbabwe: The Zimbabwe Association of Doctors for Human Rights (ZADHR) unreservedly condemns the continued denial of access to adequate medical treatment of persons detained at Chikurubi Maximum Prison following their alleged abduction and subsequent torture. *NEHANDA radio* (10 February): http://www.nehandaradio.com/zimbabwe/health/zadhr/medical100209.html

Refugees and Migrants:

Africa: Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi called for more European aid to Africa to curb the numbers of migrants trying to reach Europe by sea. *Reuters* (12 February): http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE51B01R20090212

Chad: Chad has been facing serious humanitarian issues over the last years. Figures from the United Nations show that Chad hosts over 55,000 refugees from the Central African Republic, over 280,000 refugees from the Sudan's Darfur region and 170,000 Internally Displaced Persons. *Africa News* (3 February):

http://www.africanews.com/site/Chad UN human rights expert visits/list messages/22977

Ethiopia: A camp to accommodate thousands of Somalis fleeing violence in their country is to be set up in south-eastern Ethiopia, the UN Refugee Agency said. *IRIN* (11 February): http://www.irinnews.org/Report.aspx?ReportId=82860

Pakistan: Fierce fighting in Pakistan's border area with Afghanistan could soon drive more than 600,000 people from their homes, the United Nations refugee agency said. *Reuters* (10 February): http://uk.reuters.com/article/homepageCrisis/idUKLA773475. CH .2420

Sri Lanka: Tamil Tigers rebels shot at civilians trying to flee fighting in Sri Lanka's northern war zone, wounded witnesses said after escaping to the Red Cross. *Reuters* (12 February): http://af.reuters.com/article/worldNews/idAFTRE51B23E20090212

UK: Asylum seeker would become seventh gay Iraqi to be returned from the UK to a country where homosexuality is punishable by death. *The Guardian* (3 February): http://www.guardian.co.uk/uk/2009/feb/03/gay-iraqi-asylum-seeker

Sexual and Reproductive Rights:

Chile: A woman diagnosed with HIV filed a complaint against Chile before the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights, an international human rights body, charging that the government failed to protect her from being forcibly sterilized at a state hospital immediately after she gave birth. *Centre for Reproductive Rights* (3 February): http://reproductiverights.org/en/press-room/forcibly-sterilized-woman-files-international-case-against-chile

Sierra Leone: Four women journalists were abducted and stripped naked in Sierra Leone by members of a secret society that practices female genital cutting, one of the reporters and a press freedom watchdog said. *Reuters* (12 February): http://af.reuters.com/article/topNews/idAFJOE51B06P20090212

Sudan: The National Council for Child Welfare considered the incorporation of article (13) of the child law by the Council of Ministers regarding female genital mutilation into the criminal punishment law as not meaning the end of the road. *Sudan Vision Daily News* (11 February): http://www.sudanvisiondaily.com/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=43450

West Africa: Laws against female genital mutilation are driving the practice underground and across borders, says UNIFEM. *IPS* (6 February): http://www.ipsnews.net/africa/nota.asp?idnews=45696

Torture:

Israel/OPT: The Palestinian Centre for Human Rights has called for an investigation into the death of a Palestinian man tortured by Security Services in Khan Yunis. *Palestinian Centre for Human Rights* (8 February): http://www.pchrgaza.org/files/PressR/English/2008/23-2009.html

Mexico: Seven members of drug cartel hit squad Los Zeta have been arrested in connection with the torture and murder of three people including a retired general in Cancun, law enforcement officials said. *The Associated Press* (12 February):

http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5g9VZb70rodrBioHCgBpNL4TBSDVg

UK: The foreign minister David Miliband has been asked to join Jacqui Smith in appearing before parliament's human rights committee amid growing concern that the government may have breached international law by colluding in the alleged torture of British citizens in Pakistan. *The Guardian* (11 February): http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2009/feb/11/miliband-smith-torture

UK: David Miliband has disputed claims by two judges that the US threatened to stop sharing intelligence with the UK over an alleged torture case. *BBC News* (5 February): http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/uk politics/7870896.stm

Violence against Women:

Democratic Republic of Congo: Over the past decade, hundreds of thousands women and girls have been brutally raped in the DRC, primarily by rebel groups vying over control of land and mineral resources. *IPS* (12 February): http://www.ipsnews.net/africa/nota.asp?idnews=45751

Pakistan: Celebrating the first ever National Women's Day on February 12 the Society for Advancement of Community, Health, Education and Training launched two posters with the Fight Against Dowry planners here Wednesday at Sachet Gallery. *The News International* (12 February): http://www.thenews.com.pk/daily_detail.asp?id=162224

UK: The government today unveiled a £3.5m funding package for domestic violence charities. *The Guardian* (9 February): http://www.guardian.co.uk/society/2009/feb/10/domestic-violence-charity-funding

USA: The United Nations Children's Fund is kicking off a five-city tour of the United States aimed at highlighting the horrors faced by thousands of Congolese rape victims, while calling for an end to impunity for the perpetrators of the worst kinds of sexual violence. *UN News Centre* (11 February): http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29866&Cr=democratic&Cr1=congo

Women's Rights:

Egypt: Egypt's parliament is expected to pass new sexual harassment legislation this year after two high-profile court cases and two studies in 2008 shined a spotlight on the problem. *Women's Enews* (4 February): http://www.womensenews.org/article.cfm/dyn/aid/3910

International: Governments must give women a key role in making decisions aimed at resolving the current global economic crisis, which is likely have a serious impact on the full realization of gender equality, a United Nations committee warned today. *UN News Centre* (6 February): http://www.un.org/apps/news/story.asp?NewsID=29800&Cr=women&Cr1=economy

Rwanda: Rwanda has appointed three officials to a new government body charged with putting gender equality at the forefront of Government planning and ensuring that necessary data is readily available to inform policy decisions, the United Nations Development Fund for Women

(UNIFEM) said. *UN News Centre* (11 January): http://www.un.org/apps/news/storv.asp?NewsID=29724&Cr=rwanda&Cr1=

Conferences/Seminars/Courses:

Health Equity: Our Global Responsibility

16th Annual Canadian Conference on International Health Sunday 25 October to Wednesday 28 October 2009 in Ottawa, Ontario, Canada. For more information please visit: http://www.csih.org/en/ccih/index.asp

Crime Scene and Evidence Documentation Course

The International Forensic Program at Physicians for Human Rights is offering their *Crime Scene and Evidence Documentation Course* in Tallahassee, Florida from April 20-24, 2009. It is designed for human rights field investigators and is also appropriate for medical professionals, employees of human rights NGOs, journalists, and anyone who might need to document human rights violations or utilize and evaluate forensic services. This course offers an understanding of the essentials of digital forensic photography, note taking, sketching and chain of custody. Alumni will be able to document evidence of human rights violations in a manner which will be admissible in court at a later date and maximize the information shared with other experts.

More information on this training course, including application information, is available at http://physiciansforhumanrights.org/forensic/crime-scene-course.html. The International Forensic Program can be reached by email at forensic@phrusa.org or by calling 617-301-4226.

Forensic Laboratory and Medical Examiner Office Operations Course

The International Forensic Program at Physicians for Human Rights is offering their *Forensic Laboratory and Medical Examiner Officer Operations Course* in Fort Worth, Texas from October 18-30, 2009. The objective of this course is to develop a working knowledge of available forensic services and reporting, and an understanding of the necessary quality control measures in producing court usable evidence. Alumni of this course will gain an understanding of commonly available forensic laboratory services and the forensic standards required in order to assess the collection, analysis, and reporting of evidence.

More information on this training course, including application information, is available at http://physiciansforhumanrights.org/forensic/forensic-lab-and-med-exam.html. The International Forensic Program can be reached by email at forensic@phrusa.org or by calling 617-301-4226.

International Program for Development Evaluation Training

Building Skills to Evaluate Development Interventions

8 June – 3 July 2009 in Ottawa, Canada. The Independent Evaluation Group (IEG) at the World Bank, in partnership with the Faculty of Public Affairs and Management at Carleton University For more information visit their website at: http://www.ipdet.org/page.aspx?pageId=programInfo

"Understanding VIOLENCE": Recent advances in biology, sociology, and modeling Conference 11-13 February 2009 in Lausanne, Switzerland. You can find the most up-to-date program at the following link: http://latsis2009.epfl.ch/index.php?page=program For more general information please visit: http://latsis2009.epfl.ch/index.php?page=overview

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