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### Amnesty International Report 2008: Facts and Figures

#### ARTICLE 1

**1948 Promise:**

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights

**2008 Reality:**

In the first half of 2007 nearly **250** women were killed by violent husbands or family members in Egypt, and on average **2** women were raped there every hour.

#### ARTICLE 3

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person

**2008 Reality:**

**1,252** people were known to have been executed by their state in 2007 in **24** countries; **104** countries however voted for a global moratorium on the death penalty.

#### ARTICLE 5

**1948 Promise:**

No one shall be subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment

**2008 Reality:**

Amnesty International documented cases of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment in more than **81** countries in 2007.

#### ARTICLE 7

**1948 Promise:**

All are equal before the law and are entitled without any discrimination to equal protection of the law

**2008 Reality:**

Amnesty International's report highlights at least **23** countries with laws discriminating against women, at least **15** with laws discriminating against migrants and at least **14** with laws discriminating against minorities.

#### ARTICLE 9

**1948 Promise:**

Noone shall be subjected to arbitrary arrest, detention or exile

**2008 Reality:**

At the end of 2007, there were more than **600** people detained without charge, trial or judicial review of their detentions at the US airbase in Bagram, Afghanistan, and **25,000** held by the Multinational Force in Iraq.

**ARTICLE 10**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone charged with a crime is entitled equally to a fair and public hearing by an independent and impartial tribunal

**2008 Reality:**

**54** countries were recorded in the Amnesty International Report 2008 as conducting unfair trials.

**ARTICLE 11**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to be presumed innocent until proved guilty according to law

**2008 Reality:**

Amnesty International figures show that around **800** people have been held at Guantanamo Bay since the detention facility opened in January 2002, some **270** are still being held there in 2008 without charge or due legal process.

**ARTICLE 13**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to freedom of movement and residence within the borders of each state

**2008 Reality:**

In 2007, there were more than **550** Israeli military checkpoints and blockades restricting or preventing the movement of Palestinians between towns and villages in the West Bank.

**ARTICLE 18**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion

**2008 Reality:**

Amnesty International has documented **45** countries as detaining Prisoners of Conscience.

**ARTICLE 19**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression, and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers

**2008 Reality:**

**77** countries were restricting freedom of expression and the press according to the Amnesty International Report 2008.

**ARTICLE 20**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association

**2008 Reality:**

Thousands of people are believed to have been arrested during the crackdown on protests in Myanmar in 2007, Amnesty International estimates that around **700** remain in detention.

**ARTICLE 23**

**1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to work, to free choice of employment, to fair and equal pay, and to form and join trade unions

**2008 Reality:**

At least **39** trade unionists were killed in Colombia in 2007, **22** have died in the first 4 months of this year.

## **ARTICLE 25**

### **1948 Promise:**

Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for their health and well-being, especially mothers and children

### **2008 Reality:**

14% of Malawi's population was living with HIV/AIDS in 2007, only 3% of them had access to free anti-retroviral drugs, 1 million children were orphaned there by HIV/AIDS related deaths.

(All figures from Amnesty International Report 2008)

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