

POTENTIAL MECHANISMS TO INVESTIGATE ATTACKS ON HEALTHCARE

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UN Human Rights Council

Commissions of Inquiry (HRC-Cols)

- Independent International FFM on Myanmar (2017)
- Col on Burundi (2016)
- **Commission on Human rights in South Sudan (2016)**
- OHCHR mission to Burundi to investigate violations and abuses of human rights (2015)
- **OHCHR Assessment mission to improve human rights, accountability and reconciliation for South Sudan (2015)**
- **OHCHR-FFM to investigate atrocities committed by the terrorist group Boko Haram (2015)**
- **OHCHR Investigation mission to Libya (2015)**
- **OHCHR Investigation mission to Iraq (2014)**
- **OHCHR investigation on Sri-Lanka (2014)**
- **The UN Independent Col on the 2014 Gaza Conflict (2014)**
- Col to investigate all alleged violations of human rights in Eritrea (2014)
- Col on Human Rights in the DPRK (2013)
- **OHCHR-FFM to the CAR (2013)**
- **OHCHR-FFM on the situation of human rights in Mali (2013)**
- Independent international FFM to investigate the implications of the Israeli settlements on the civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights of the Palestinian people throughout the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem (2012)
- **Independent international Col on Syrian Arab Republic (2011)**
- **OHCHR-FFM to the Syrian Arab Republic (2011)**
- International Independent Col on the Situation of Human Rights in Côte d'Ivoire (2011)

- **International Col on Libya (2011)**
- Committee of independent experts to monitor and assess any domestic, legal or other proceedings undertaken by both the Government of Israel and the Palestinian side (2010)
- **International FFM to investigate violations of international law, including international humanitarian and human rights law, resulting from the Israeli attacks on the flotilla of ships carrying humanitarian assistance to Gaza (2010)**
- **UN FFM on the Gaza conflict (2009)**
- OHCHR Mission on situation of human rights in Honduras (2009)
- **High-level Mission on the situation of human rights in Darfur (2006)**
- **High-level fact-finding mission to Beit Hanoun (2006)**
- **Col on Lebanon (2006)**

Special Procedures (HRC-SPs)

There are currently 43 thematic mandate holders and 14 country mandate holders.

UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

Fact-finding missions (OHCHR-FFMs)

- OHCHR mission to Bangladesh (Myanmar) (2017)
- OHCHR Nepal Conflict Mapping (2009)
- OHCHR-FFM to Kenya (2008)
- OHCHR Afghanistan Conflict Mapping (2006)
- OHCHR mission to Western Sahara and refugee camps in Tindouf (Morocco) (2006)
- OHCHR mission to Kyrgyzstan (2005)
- OHCHR FFM to Togo (2005)
- OHCHR Commission of Inquiry on event in Abidjan (2004)
- **OHCHR FFM to Darfur (2004)**

- OHCHR inquiry into alleged massacre in the Chocó region of Colombia (2002)
- OHCHR Fact-finding mission to Côte d'Ivoire
- OHCHR Exploratory mission to Afghanistan (1998)

UN Secretary-General

Boards of inquiry (UNSG-Bols)

- Bol on Attack on UN Syrian Arab Red Cross relief convoy (2016)
- Independent Special Investigation to investigate violence in Juba (2016)
- Special Investigation and UNHQ Bol on the circumstances of the clashes that occurred in Malakal (2016)
- Bol to investigate damage to UN facilities during Operation Protective Edge (2015)
- **Bol Operation Cast Lead (2009)**

Commissions of inquiry (UNSG-Cols)

- **International Col on Guinea (2009)**
- **Mapping exercise of the most serious violations of human rights and IHL committed within the territory of the DRC between March 1993 and June 2003 (2008)**
- Independent special Col for Timor-Leste (2006)
- Col on the events connected with the march planned for 25 March 2004 in Abidjan (2004)
- Col for Togo (2000)
- International Col for Cote d'Ivoire (2000)
- **UN Investigative team charged with investigating serious violations of human rights and international humanitarian law in the Democratic Republic of the Congo committed since March (1997)**
- FFM to investigate human rights violations in Abkhazia, Republic of Georgia (1993)

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Investigative Mechanism for Alleged Use of Chemical and Biological Weapons (UNSG-MICBW)

- Investigation into the Alleged use of Chemical Weapons in Syria (2013)
- Investigation into the Alleged use of Chemical Weapons in Mozambique (1992)
- Investigation into the Alleged use of Chemical Weapons in Azerbaijan (1992)
- Investigation into the Alleged use of Chemical Weapons in Iraq/Iran (1984-1988)
- **Investigation into the Alleged use of Chemical Weapons in Thailand/Pakistan (1981-1982)**

UN General Assembly

Commissions of Inquiry (UNGA-Cols)

- OHCHR Investigative team for Afghanistan (1999)
- **Group of Experts for Cambodia (1998)**
- **Col on the reported massacres in Mozambique (1973)**
- UN FFM to South Viet-Nam (1963)

Other

- International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of those Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 (2016)

UN Security Council

Commissions of Inquiry (UNSC-Cols)

- **International Col to investigate events in the Central African Republic (2013)**
- **International Col on Darfur (2004)**
- International Col to investigate all human rights violations committed in Côte d'Ivoire (2004)
- International Col for Burundi (1995)

UNSC-Cols continued

- **Commission of experts to examine and analyze the continuing reports indicating that systematic, widespread and flagrant violations of international humanitarian law, including acts of genocide, have been committed in Rwanda (1994)**
- Preparatory FFM to Burundi (1993)
- Panel of Inquiry on Liberia (1993)
- **Commission of experts to investigate situation in the former Yugoslavia (1992)**
- **Security Council Commission concerning Israeli settlements in Arab territories occupied since 1967 (1979)**

Panel of Experts supporting Sanctions Committees (UNSC-PoEs) looking into IHL/IHRL violations

- **PoE on the Sudan Sanctions Committee**
- PoE on the DPRK Sanctions Committee
- PoE on the Libya Sanctions Committee
- **PoE on the Central African Republic Sanctions Committee**
- **PoE on the Yemen Sanctions Committee**
- **PoE on the South Sudan Sanctions Committee**

Monitoring and Reporting Mechanism on Children and Armed Conflict (MRM-CAAC)

The MRM-CAAC is currently active in:

- Afghanistan
- **Central African Republic**
- Democratic Republic of Congo
- Iraq
- Israel and the State of Palestine
- Lebanon
- Libya
- Mali
- Myanmar
- Somalia
- **South Sudan**

- Sudan
- **Syrian Arab Republic**
- **Yemen**

International Humanitarian Fact Finding Commission

- **Independent Forensic Investigation in Eastern Ukraine (Luhansk province) (2017)**

Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

Fact-finding missions (FFM)

- OPCW FFM in Syria
 - Reported Incident in Khan Shaykhun, 4 April 2017
 - FFM Regarding the Incident of 2 August 2016
 - FFM Regarding the Incidents Described in Communications from the Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and Expatriates and Head of the National Authority of the Syrian Arab Republic (March 2016)
 - **FFM Regarding Alleged Incidents in Marea, Syrian Arab Republic, August 2015**
 - **FFM Regarding Alleged Incidents in the Idlib Governorate of the Syrian Arab Republic Between 16 March and 20 May 2015**
 - **FFM regarding alleged incited occurring between 3 to 31 May 2014**

Joint Investigative Mechanism

- Joint Investigative Mechanism of the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) to identify the use of chemical weapons in Syria (2015)