



## ► What are human rights?

Human rights represent a fundamental area of international law which developed following the atrocities committed during World War I and II. Amongst the first instruments is the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) - championed by Eleanor Roosevelt – marking the first time that a statement existed that human rights do not simply belong to the national level but exist on the international plane as well. Subsequently, human rights were defined internationally as we know them today – rights inherent to all human beings, regardless of the nationality, place of residence, sex, national/ethnic origin, colour, religion, language or any other status without discrimination. These rights are all universal, inalienable, interrelated, interdependent and indivisible. They are subject to national implementation and international protection. Therefore, it remains the responsibility of states to act in certain ways or to refrain from certain acts, in order to promote and protect human rights and fundamental freedoms of individuals or groups.



### LOCAL

**Monday**  
6 September 2021

**Lebanon** – [UNICEF warns of severe water crisis](#) As shortages of all kinds plague Lebanon, water is now becoming top of the list. Tanks are drying up as water providers are unable to pump water and maintain sanitation systems

**Tuesday**  
7 September 2021

**Lebanon** – [Dollar bills and connections pay off in Lebanon](#) As Lebanon's economic crisis causes shortages of basic goods including fuel and medicines, a privileged few are finding ways to beat the queues by wielding personal connections or banknotes.

**European Union** – [MEPs blame Lebanon's political system for the economic crisis](#) A group of European Parliament members called on Lebanon's authorities to take immediate action to solve the worsening economic crisis

**Wednesday**  
8 September 2021

**Lebanon** – [RAMCO warns that waste crisis looms](#) RAMCO had to slash operations by half due to delayed payments and the worsening fuel crisis causing mounting piles of trash and a rotting miasma to linger in Beirut.

**Thursday**  
9 September 2021

**Lebanon – [Lebanon says will not deport six detained Syrians](#)** After being arrested for entering Lebanon illegally last month, Lebanese authorities said Lebanon will not deport the six detained Syrians to their homeland.

**Lebanon – [Lebanon launches cash subsidy cards for 500.000 families](#)** Minister of social affairs announced the launch of cash cards for over 500,000 families, a planned step to further curb a \$6 billion subsidy program that has heavily depleted foreign reserves.

**Friday**  
10 September 2021

**Lebanon – [Lebanon forms a government after 13-month wait](#)** New government announced ending 13 months of political deadlock.

**Lebanon / UN – [UN Chief says that the announcement of a new government in Lebanon is a very important step](#)** The appointment of a new government in Lebanon is a very important step for the crisis-hit country says UN Chief Antonio Guterres, wishing Mikati the best success.



## REGIONAL Middle East

**Monday**  
6 September 2021

**Occupied Palestine** – [Six Palestinians escape from high-security escape](#) Six Palestinians broke out of a high security level Israeli prison through a hole in the floor of a cell. Palestinians celebrated in the streets.

**Saudi Arabia** – [Saudi man executed over terrorism charges](#) A Saudi man was executed in Dammam on charges of terrorism, weapons smuggling and belonging to a terrorist cell

**Tunisia** – [A man wounded during 2011's uprising burns self alive](#) A 26 years old young man burns himself alive after the government failed to provide him any compensation

**Tuesday**  
7 September 2021

**Occupied Palestine** – [Israel strikes Gaza after incendiary balloon attacks](#) Israel launched airstrikes against Gaza after incendiary balloons launched from the blockaded Palestinian enclave had started fires.

**Syria / Amnesty International** – [Amnesty International says Syrian refugees tortured on return](#) Amnesty says that Syrian refugees who returned home were subjected to torture, detention and disappearance by security forces, urging governments to protect them from deportation and forcible return

**Iraq** – [European Union and United Nations for credible polls in Iraq](#) The United Nations and European Union say they will be deploying observers to monitor Iraq's parliamentary election next month hoping that voting will not be tainted by fraud and abstention

**Wednesday**  
8 September 2021

**Yemen** – [78 killed as fighting intensifies for Yemen stronghold](#) Yemeni rebels and pro-government troops have been killed as fighting intensifies for the northern city of Marib.

**Syria** – [Deadly strikes on northwest Syria clinic](#) Regime shelling on a medical center in northwestern Syria kills a woman.

**Syria** – [Regime forces enter Daraa under truce](#) Syrian regime forces enter part of a southern city retaken from holdout rebels under a ceasefire deal brokered by Russia.

**Thursday**  
9 September 2021

**Jordan** – [Ex-royal court chief loses appeal against verdict](#) Jordan's highest appeal court upheld a guilty verdict against a former confidant of King Abdullah and a minor royal who were sentenced 15 years in jail on charges of attempting to destabilize the monarchy.

**Syria** – [Shelling in eastern Ukraine wounds troops and civilians](#) Shelling from rebel-held areas in the east had wounded at least six troops and disrupted railway services.

**Friday**  
10 September 2021

**Occupied Palestine – [Israel arrests relatives of Palestinians jail breakers](#)** As Israeli troops kept up a massive manhunt in the occupied West Bank, relatives of six escaped Palestinian prisoners were arrested.

**Occupied Palestine – [Israeli police catch two of six Palestinians jail escapees](#)** Two Palestinians who were among six who broke out of a maximum-security Israeli jail were caught.

**Saturday and  
Sunday**  
11 and 12  
September 2021

**Occupied Palestine – [Israel captures four of six Palestinians jail breakers](#)** Israeli forces captured two more of the six Palestinians militants who escaped from a maximum-security jail.

**Turkey – [Turkish troops killed in cross-border operation](#)** Turkish soldiers were killed in cross-border operations in Syria and Iraq bringing the total military casualties to four.

**Afghanistan – [Unaccompanied children evacuated from Afghanistan](#)** About 200 uprooted young Afghans arrived in Doha from Kabul and are being hosted at a reception center where they grapple with the trauma of their ordeal.





## INTERNATIONAL

**Monday**  
6 September 2021

**Congo** – [Militants armed with machetes kill 30 villagers in East Congo](#) Militants armed with clubs, machetes and sticks kill at least 30 villagers in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. The killers are suspected members of the Islamist-inspired Allied Democratic Forces (ADF)

**Tuesday**  
7 September 2021

**Guinea** – [Guinea Junta consolidates takeover with military governors](#) Soldiers who seized power in Guinea over the weekend have consolidated their takeover with the installation of army officers at the top of Guinea's eight regions and various administrative districts.

**Afghanistan** – [Taliban fire in air to scatter protesters in Kabul](#) As hundreds of protesters gathered to protest against the Taliban takeover, Taliban gunmen fired in the air to scatter them in Kabul

**United Nations** – [UN ramps up Afghan aid appeal as catastrophe looms](#) The United Nations appealed for almost \$200 million in extra funding for life-saving aid in Afghanistan after the Taliban's takeover sparked a host of new issues

**Wednesday**  
8 September  
2021

**Afghanistan** – [New Taliban government begins work as protests grow](#) New Taliban government began work with established hardliners in all key posts and no women.

**France** – [Paris attacks suspect says he's an "Islamic State Soldier"](#) Paris 2015 attacks describes himself as an "Islamic State soldier"

**Thursday**  
9 September  
2021

**Afghanistan** – [Afghan journalists beaten after covering protests](#) Two Afghan journalists were beaten in a police custody after covering a protest by women in Kabul where detained by the Taliban.

**Ukraine** – [Shelling in eastern Ukraine wounds troops and civilians](#) Shelling from rebel-held areas in the east had wounded at least six troops and disrupted railway services.

**Friday**  
10 September  
2021

**Russia** – [Russia, Belarus start joint military drills](#) Russia and Belarus kickstarted massive joint military drills on the EU's border, closely monitored by NATO as tensions between Belarus and its western neighbors rise.

**Africa** – [African Union suspends Guinea after coup](#) African Union decides to suspend the Republic of Guinea from all AU activities and decision-making bodies.

**Saturday and  
Sunday**  
11, 12 September  
2021

**Afghanistan – [Afghan women rally in support of the Taliban](#)** Women wearing full face veils sat in rows at a Kabul university lecture theatre pledging commitment to the Taliban's hardline policies on gender segregation.