



HUMAN RIGHTS DEVELOPMENTS IN A WEEK

11 March - 17 March 2024



Human Rights are inherent to all human beings, regardless of the nationality, place of residence, sex, national or ethnic origin, color, religion, language or any other status without discrimination. These rights are all universal, inalienable, interrelated, interdependent and indivisible.

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LEBANON

Monday
11 March
2024

Engineers in Tripoli hold a protest in front of the Bank of Lebanon

On Monday 11, 2024, Annahar reported that the Engineers Syndicate in Tripoli announced in a statement that it organized a "protest stand in front of the branch of the Bank of Lebanon in Beirut, against the failure of the acting Governor of the Bank of Lebanon, Wassim Mansouri, to respond to the demand to release part of the engineers' funds held in some bank branches." Engineer Rabie Abboud read a statement on behalf of the protesters, in which he confirmed that "the President of the Bar Association, Bahaa Harb, sent a letter to Mansouri to help release the engineers' funds held in the banks, but the Syndicate has not received any response from the Governor so far." He pointed out that "the engineer is unable to pay the cost of health insurance and ordinary daily expenses," noting that "most engineers have stopped their work due to the difficult economic conditions that the country is going through." He called on the Governor of the Bank of Lebanon, Wassim Mansouri, to "release part of the Syndicate's funds, apply the laws in force, achieve justice for depositors, cancel the circulars that cause depositors to lose money, and find ways to compensate depositors for the cancellation of bank commissions, differences in circulars, and pay the legal interest for the seizure of funds."

Airstrike targets a house in Naqoura

On Monday 11, 2024, the National News Agency correspondent in Tyre reported that an Israeli aircraft raided the town of Naqoura, targeting a house.

Lebanese army rescues 20 migrants from sinking boat

On March 11, 2024, the Lebanese Army Command - Directorate of Orientation issued a statement: "On 3/11/2024, upon receiving information about a **boat** capsizing off the coast of Tripoli while being used to smuggle people, a patrol from the Lebanese Navy managed to rescue 20 Syrians, including women, who were on board. The army worked to **assist** them with the help of elements of the Lebanese Red Cross and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), and towed the boat to shore."

Airstrike targets warehouse in Baalbek

On March 11, 2024, the National News Agency reported that an Israeli airstrike targeted a warehouse west of Baalbek, between the towns of Shmustar and Taraya.

Tuesday
12 March
2024

Airstrike on the "Dhour El Airoun" building: Two killed and 10 wounded

On March 12, 2024, the National News Agency reported that the toll of the Israeli airstrike that destroyed a three-story building in the "Dhour El Airoun" on the Riyaq-Baalbeck international road, has risen to 10 wounded, who were transferred to "Riyaq General Hospital" for treatment, in addition to the deaths of two Lebanese individuals.

The Bar Association of Beirut condemned the assault on Melhem Khalaf and other lawyers

On March 12, 2024, the Bar Association of Beirut held an extraordinary [session](#) headed by the President of the Bar, Fadi Masri, following the attack that took place this afternoon in front of one of the entrances of the Palace of Justice in Beirut by security forces on a number of lawyers, led by the former President of the Bar, MP Melhem Khalaf, during a peaceful sit-in. The Bar Association Council released a statement [condemning](#) the attack on its colleagues, which included the former President of the Bar who is known for his commitment to respecting the constitution and applying the laws. The Council insisted on conducting the necessary investigations and taking the utmost measures and disciplinary procedures against the perpetrators and imposing the severest penalties on them. The President of the Bar, Fadi Masri, informed the Bar Council of a phone call he made to the Acting Public Prosecutor, Judge Jamal Hajjar, in which he informed him of the Bar's position and asked him to take the necessary measures to prosecute the aggressors. The Council decided to take civil action against perpetrators of the attack.

Wednesday
13 March
2024

Two killed and two wounded in the airstrike on the Tyre-Al-Hosh road

On March 13, 2024, the National News Agency reported that a Palestinian individual was killed inside a car that was targeted by an Israeli drone on the Tyre - Al-Hosh road. Another individual of Syrian nationality was also killed while riding a motorcycle that happened to be passing by at the time of the attack. Two others were wounded.

Syrian national succumbs to injuries sustained in Israeli airstrike

On March 13, 2024, The National News Agency reported that Syrian national Mustafa Muhammad Hanif Alou, born in 1996, who was injured in the Israeli air strike on the city of Tyre which took place on March 13, 2024, has passed away.

World Bank: Lebanon Country Climate and Development Report

On March 13, 2024, the World Bank issued a report stating that investments in key service sectors like energy, water, transport and solid waste are urgently needed in the short-term to mitigate the impact of climate change on Lebanon's development path. The Lebanon Country Climate and Development Report (CCDR) maps out mounting climate risks to Lebanon and their potential impact on the country's growth and development path. Building on quantitative modeling-based analytics, existing research and country diagnostics, and stakeholder consultations, the CCDR examines four sectors – Energy, Water, Transport and Solid Waste – as key pillars of a climate-responsive recovery.

Israeli tank strike killed 'clearly identifiable' Reuters reporter - UN report

On March 13, 2024, Reuters reported that according to a U.N. [investigation](#) an Israeli tank killed Reuters reporter Issam Abdallah in Lebanon last year by firing two 120 mm rounds at a group of "clearly identifiable journalists" in violation of international law. The investigation by the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), said its personnel did not record any exchange of fire across the border between Israel and Lebanon for more than 40 minutes before the Israeli Merkava tank opened fire. Israel Defense Forces (IDF) spokesperson Nir Dinar said Hezbollah had attacked the IDF near the Israeli community of Hanita on Oct. 13. It responded with artillery and tank fire to remove the threat and subsequently received a report that journalists had been injured.

Thursday
14 March 2024

Airstrike on the outskirts of southern Naqoura targets a house inside the town

On March 14, 2024, the National News Agency reported that Israeli warplanes carried out an airstrike on the outskirts of southern Naqoura, firing two missiles. The airstrike also targeted a house inside the town of Naqoura.

Friday
15 March 2024

Raid on a house in the outskirts of Alma El Chaeb

On March 15, 2024 the National News Agency reported that Israeli aircraft raided the outskirts of Alma al-Shaab, targeting a three-storey house, which was completely destroyed.

The Israeli raid on Kafr Kila targeted a house

On March 15, 2024 the National News Agency reported that the Israeli raid launched on the town of Kafr Kila targeted a house.

Saturday and Sunday
16 and 17 March 2024

Airstrike on a house in Tayr Harfa

On March 16, 2024 the National News Agency reported that Israeli warplanes raided an empty house in the town of [Tayr](#) Harfa, with no casualties recorded.

A raid on a house in Aitaroun led to its destruction

On March 17, 2024 the National News Agency reported that Israeli warplanes carried out an air attack, targeting a house in the town of Aitaroun, launching two air-to-surface missiles in its direction, which led to its destruction. The destroyed house was subjected to a raid on March 16, 2024, which caused it to burn.

REPORTING A VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO CLDH

If you wish to report an incident that may potentially constitute a violation of human rights, kindly send an email to the following address: [**violations@cldh-lebanon.org**](mailto:violations@cldh-lebanon.org)

You can also report an incident anonymously through our [**website**](#).

When making a report, please ensure to include the following information:

- **WHERE:** City/village, governorate, additional details (e.g. what prison)
- **WHAT:** Nature of the violation
- **HOW:** A narrative description of what happened
- **WHEN:** Date of the episode (at least the year, if day and month are unknown)
- **TO WHOM:** Information regarding the victim (name, nationality, gender, date of birth, city of origin, phone number). Only share this information with the consent of the person.
- **WHO** is the person reporting (name, phone number) and how were they identified (e.g., victim him/herself, family member, eyewitness, journalist, humanitarian worker...)

The information referred will remain completely private. It will be fact-checked and registered into CLDH's internal system. No action will be undertaken without the explicit and written consent of the reporter.



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