Safety, security and access incidents
Incidents of threats and violence in refugee and IDP settings

Africa

Sudan
14 August 2019: In El Fasher city, North Darfur state, three herders reportedly raped two girls from the Zamzam IDP Camp. Source: Dabanga Sudan

20 August 2019: Near Abu Delek, Kalimendo province, North Darfur state, a group of farmers from Zamzam IDP camp were fired upon by unidentified gunmen after they refused instructions by police and the chief of the area to return to the camp. Source: ACLED

20 August 2019: Between Turmo and Tur IDP camp, Wadi Salih province, Central Darfur state, armed pastoralists attacked displaced farmers, injuring two, one of whom died at a hospital in Nietiti the following day. Source: ACLED

21 August 2019: Near Teiga IDP camp, Mershing town, South Darfur state, three suspected armed pastoralists attacked three schoolgirls who were farming. Two escaped, while the third was repeatedly raped. Sources: Dabanga Sudan and NPR

Tanzania
27 August 2019: The Tanzanian Government announced that it had reached an agreement with Burundi to repatriate all Burundians sheltering in Tanzania by 01 October. Whilst the Burundian Government claims that the country is safe for returnees, UNHCR warns that conditions are not yet conducive to promote returns. Source: Business Insider

Asia

Bangladesh
19 August 2019 (DOA): In Cox’s Bazar district, Chittagong division, plans for a second attempt at repatriating Rohingya refugees to Myanmar have spread panic in three refugee camps hosting 1.2 million people. Source: Los Angeles Times

24 August 2019: In Cox’s Bazar district, Chittagong division, Bangladeshi police reportedly shot and killed two Rohingya refugees of the Jadimura Refugee Camp amid a manhunt, after an official of the ruling Awami League party was killed, allegedly by armed refugees. Source: The Guardian
25 August 2019: In Kutupalong, Ukhia, Cox's Bazar province, a Rohingya youth was killed in a knife attack allegedly by another Rohingya at Kutupalong Refugee Camp. Source: ACLED

25 August 2019: In Cox's Bazar district, Chittagong division, almost 200,000 Rohingya refugees participated in a peaceful gathering at the Kutupalong Refugee Camp, calling upon Myanmar to grant them citizenship, freedom of movement, and the return of their homes before they agree to return. Source: Al Jazeera

Europe

Greece
25 August 2019: In Marmaro, Lesbos, North Aegean, at around midnight, an Afghan teenager at the Moria Refugee Camp reportedly attacked three of his compatriots with a knife, killing one and injuring the other two. Sources: Ekathimerini, Telegraph and The National Herald

23 August 2019 (DOA): Greek authorities announced the resumption of deportations of migrants from Greece to Turkey in an effort to address an increase in arrivals over the last months that have worsened overcrowding at refugee camps on Greek islands. Source: Washington Times

International Waters
01 – 10 August 2019: In the Central Mediterranean Sea, Italian and Maltese authorities prevented the rescue ship Open Arms with 121 migrants on board from entering territorial waters and reaching a safe port. The Maltese Government offered to assist 39 migrants who were taken aboard the Open Arms at the same time that an Armed Forces of Malta patrol boat was at sea and heading towards the migrants to take them on board. However, Open Arms turned down the offer, claiming that Malta should assist all migrants on board. Sources: AP and TVM

12 – 23 August 2019: In the Central Mediterranean Sea, Italian and Maltese authorities prevented the rescue ship Ocean Viking with 356 rescued migrants on board from entering territorial waters and reaching a safe port. The migrants were eventually allowed to disembark in Malta, pending their relocation to other European Union nations. Sources: AP, Houston Chronicle and The Seattle Times

27 August 2019: In the Central Mediterranean Sea, now ex-former Interior Minister of Italy prevented the rescue ship Lifeline with approximately 100 migrants on board from entering Italian territorial waters. Source: Star Tribune

Italy
15 August 2019: Near Lampedusa island, Agrigento province, an Italian administrative court overruled a ban by now ex-Interior Minister that had prevented the rescue ship Open Arms with 147 migrants aboard from entering Italian territorial waters. In response, the minister issued a fresh decree to ban the rescue ship from disembarking the passengers, despite the fact that six European Union nations had agreed to relocate the migrants. The Defence Minister refused to countersign it. Sources: France 24, Local 12, Reuters and The New York Times

27 August 2019 (DOA): The Italian Civil Aviation Authority grounded the aircrafts Moonbird and Colibri, operated by the NGOs Sea-Watch and Pilotes Volontaires to search for migrant boats in need of rescue in the Central Mediterranean Sea and to monitor possible human rights violations, claiming that the light aircrafts are approved for recreational and not professional use. Source: Star Tribune

Macedonia
22 August 2019 (DOA): Near Gevgelija town and municipality, Macedonian police detained 45 migrants
in a van close to its border with Serbia, pending their deportation to Greece. The driver was arrested on suspicion of people smuggling. **Source:** Houston Chronicle

**Slovenia**

**22 August 2019:** Slovenian authorities started erecting additional 40km of barbed-wire fence on its southern border with Croatia to prevent migrants from crossing into Slovenia. **Source:** Houston Chronicle

**Turkey**

**21 August 2019 (DOA):** Turkish authorities have detained hundreds of Syrian refugees and reportedly forcibly deported them to Syria. **Source:** Haaretz

**Middle East and North Africa**

**Lebanon**

**02 August 2019:** In Sidon district and governorate, unidentified gunmen exchanged fire in the Ain al-Hilweh Refugee Camp, after the son of a former official of Fatah was shot dead for protesting against new labour laws forcing Palestinians to get work permits to be able to work in Lebanon. **Source:** The New Arab

08 – 09 August 2019: In Akkar governorate, members of the Lebanese Armed Forces raided at least 35 settlements of Syrian refugees and destroyed a number of tents, claiming that the structures were not compliant with a recent order from the Higher Defence Council that all non-temporary structures be dismantled or face demolition. **Source:** Arab News

**Syrian Arab Republic**

**08 August 2019:** In Darkosh sub-district, Idlib governorate, Turkish Gendarmerie shot and killed an IDP from Deir-ez-Zor whilst he was attempting to cross the borders into Turkey. **Source:** ACLED

16 August 2019: In Hass village, Idlib governorate, Russian warplanes reportedly fired missiles on al Rahma IDP Camp, killing 14 civilians, including six children, and three women, one of whom was pregnant. **Source:** SNHR

18 August 2019: In Azaz city, northern Aleppo governorate, the body of an IDP from Homs was found on al Jadidah road. **Source:** Syria HR

27 August 2019: In Rasm al Akhdar village, Aleppo governorate, an unnamed IDP camp was reportedly raided by Syrian Democratic Forces. 16 civilians were reportedly arrested and taken to an undisclosed location. **Source:** SNHR

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