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1. Global Development on Children and Human's rights

[News] World Humanitarian Day: urgent action needed to get crisis-hit children in school

One in four of the world's school-age children - nearly 500 million - live in countries affected by humanitarian crises such as conflicts, natural disasters and disease outbreaks. About 75 million of them are either missing out on their education, receiving poor quality schooling or at risk of dropping out of school altogether.

[Full Article](#) (A word at School)

[News] Poorest African children 'being left behind' says nutrition and development scorecard

Every child deserves the best start in life. Growing up with a healthy body and mind - backed by care and learning through play and at pre-primary school - are vital if they are to fulfil their potential. But in many of the poorest parts of the world, huge numbers of girls and boys are being "left behind" because of factors like stunted growth and inadequate childcare in their early years.

[Full Article](#) (A word at School)

[Nouvelles] 7 faits sur l'allaitement et son rôle dans la lutte contre la malnutrition chez les enfants

La semaine mondiale de l'allaitement a eu lieu du 1er au 7 Août 2016 et a coïncidé avec le lancement d'un projet financé par le Programme alimentaire mondial et la Banque allemande de développement sous le slogan "1000 jours d'une vie" et mis en œuvre à travers des transferts de fonds, l'éducation et la sensibilisation aux femmes enceintes et les femmes qui allaitent dans les communautés vulnérables.

[Article complet](#) (Programme alimentaire mondial)

[News] Ban announces new initiatives to enhance UN's work with and for world's youth

12 August 2016 – Bolstering the commitment of the United Nations to work with and for the world's youth, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon today announced several key initiatives towards that end, including the formation of an expert group on 'youth, peace and security,' and naming a new envoy on youth employment.

[Full Article](#) (UN News Centre)

[News] On International Day, UN says youth can lead global drive for a more sustainable future

12 August 2016 – The world's young people – who make up the largest generation of youth in history – can lead a global drive to break the patterns of the past and set the world on course to a more sustainable future, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said youth, with their creativity and idealism are the key to delivering the goals of the new UN sustainability agenda.

[Full Article](#) (UN News Centre)

[News] ‘If you want to protect your image, protect children,’ Ban tells debate on war-affected children

2 August 2016 – With children continuing to be tortured, maimed, imprisoned, starved, sexually abused and killed in armed conflict, United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon today called on all countries to back their words with concrete actions to end such violations. “In places such as Iraq, Nigeria, Somalia, South Sudan, Syria and Yemen, children suffer through a living hell,” the UN chief said as he opened the Security Council’s debate on children and armed conflict.

[Full Article](#) (UN News Centre)

[News] Young People’s ‘Fresh Ideas’ Can Forge Solutions to Global Challenges, Secretary-General Tells International Leaders Assembly

Following is UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon’s message, delivered by Edmond Mulet, Chef de Cabinet, to the ninth International Young Leaders Assembly, in New York today: I am pleased to welcome all participants to the ninth International Young Leaders Assembly at the United Nations Headquarters. I thank the Permanent Mission of Paraguay for bringing more than 1,000 young leaders to the United Nations. Last September, world leaders adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development — our global plan for people, the planet and prosperity.

[Full Article](#) (United Nations)

[Nouvelles] La détention des enfants réfugiés est en baisse dans 12 pays étudiés, selon le HCR

18 août 2016 – Selon deux rapports publiés jeudi par le Haut-Commissariat des Nations Unies pour les réfugiés (HCR), 12 pays, participant à une stratégie pour mettre fin à la détention de demandeurs d'asile et de réfugiés, ont réalisé des progrès importants visant à cesser la détention des enfants ces deux dernières années.

[Article complet](#) (Centre d'actualité de l'ONU)

[Nouvelles] Journée des peuples autochtones : l'ONU appelle à répondre à leurs besoins en matière d'éducation

9 août 2016 – A l'occasion de la Journée internationale des peuples autochtones célébrée chaque année le 9 août, le Secrétaire général de l'ONU, Ban Ki-moon, a invité les gouvernements à remédier aux problèmes d'accès à une éducation de qualité des autochtones conformément au Programme de développement durable à l'horizon 2030.

[Article complet](#) (Centre d'actualité de l'ONU)

[Report] Capacity statement: Early childhood care and development in emergencies

Early childhood care and development (ECCD) in emergencies is a key cross-sectoral area of work for Plan International. This publication explains our ECCD in emergencies work - from preparedness to response, recovery and resilience building in conflict and natural hazard situations. Plan International supports girls and boys from conception to 8 years and their parents/caregivers through education and early learning, child protection, health and nutrition support.

[Full Article](#) (Plan International)

[Nouvelles] Deux tiers des jeunes de plus de dix-huit pays affirment avoir été victimes de harcèlement

À l'occasion de la Journée mondiale de la jeunesse, un nouveau sondage met en relief la prépondérance du harcèlement et ses effets dévastateurs chez les jeunes. NEW YORK, 12 août 2016 - Plus de neuf jeunes sur dix considèrent que le harcèlement est un problème omniprésent dans leurs communautés et les deux tiers affirment avoir été directement victimes de harcèlement, révèle un nouveau sondage mené par l'UNICEF et ses partenaires.

[Article complet](#) (UNICEF)

[Nouvelles] Prêts à tout pour fuir la violence des gangs et la pauvreté

NEW YORK, 23 août 2016 – Chaque mois, des milliers d'enfants d'Amérique centrale courent le risque d'être victimes d'enlèvement, de trafic, de viol ou de meurtre en tentant de se rendre aux États-Unis pour se mettre à l'abri de la brutalité des gangs et de la pauvreté extrême. Aucun ralentissement de cette tendance ne semble par ailleurs se profiler, comme l'explique l'UNICEF dans un rapport publié ce jour.

[Article complet](#) (UNICEF)

[News] African Union Commission Commemorates International Youth Day

Addis Ababa, 8 August 2016: On the 12th of August 2016, the African Union Commission will join the world in celebrating International Youth Day (IYD). Since the year 2000, August 12th has provided key stakeholders with the opportunity to focus on the views, initiatives and challenges that affect young people across the globe.

[Full Article](#) (African Union)

[News] Young African thinkers from all over the continent come together to celebrate International Youth Day at the African Union Headquarters

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia 12th August 2016: The African Union Commission hosted the International Youth Day celebrations under the theme, “Youth Leading Sustainability towards the Realization of Agenda 2063.” The celebrations were organized by the Human Resource Science and Technology’s Youth Division in collaboration with Beza International. The celebrations were preceded by a two day Young African Thinkers Convention which brought together young people from all the five regions of Africa, including the Diaspora.

[Full Article](#) (African Union)

[News] RPT-In Iraq, Nigeria and now Turkey, child bombers strike

Aug 22 The boy looked scared and younger than 16 when Iraqi police grabbed him on the street in the northern city of Kirkuk. Pulling off his shirt, they found a two-kilogram bomb strapped to his skinny frame. That was last Sunday. Less than a day earlier, Turkey was less fortunate: a teenage bomber detonated his suicide vest among dancing guests at a Turkish wedding party, officials say, killing 51 people, nearly half of them children themselves.

[Full Article](#) (Reuters)

[News] Food advertisements may work on children’s brains

(Reuters Health) - Children make quicker decisions to eat “tasty” food and reward centers in their brains light up after watching food commercials on television compared to nonfood commercials, a small study finds.

[Full Article](#) (Reuters)

[News] Many children's heart health not up to standards

(Reuters Health) - Babies are generally born with healthy hearts that should be cared for during childhood to ensure good health later in life, according to the American Heart Association. Yet many U.S. children don't meet seven basic standards of good heart health, the AHA says in a statement in the journal *Circulation*.

[Full Article](#) (Reuters)

[News] Child hunger here to stay unless world 'dramatically changes course': charity

ROME (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - Major progress has been made in curbing the number of children going to bed hungry, but a deadly combination of discrimination and poverty means some groups are being left behind, an international children's charity said on Thursday. In September last year the United Nations adopted global development goals to end hunger and poverty by 2030.

[Full Article](#) (Reuters)

[News] 244,000 hungry children

After his father, a welder from Bama, died in a camp for internally displaced people in Nigeria's northeastern city of Maiduguri, 17-year-old Dauda began to cater for the two wives and eight other children who had survived him. Aided by the little money donated by one of the locals bringing food to the Dalori camp, home to 18,000 people rendered homeless by the Boko Haram insurgency, he now sells caps to provide two square meals a day for his family.

[Full Article](#) (Irinnews)

[Nouvelles] Tourisme humanitaire : la vraie fausse pitié

Profiter de ses vacances pour aider les populations locales, l'idée est plutôt louable. Mais l'amateurisme et le cynisme de ce secteur en vogue inquiètent les ONG sérieuses.

[Article complet](#) (Libération)

[News] Protecting the Rights of the LGBTQ Child

The second article of the Convention on the Rights of the Child ensures children the right not to be discriminated against – in any way. This includes the right to not be discriminated against for one's sexual orientation or gender preference. Children identifying as LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, questioning), growing up in households with LGBTQ parents, or even perceived to be, are subject to many forms of discrimination in most countries around the world.

[Full Article](#) (Humanium)

[Nouvelles] L'UNICEF appelle à épargner les civils après la mort de 10 écoliers

Dix écoliers ont été tués dans une zone rebelle du Yémen par des frappes de la coalition militaire dirigée par l'Arabie saoudite, qui est régulièrement accusée de commettre des « bavures » contre des civils dans le pays en guerre. Le Fonds des Nations unies pour l'enfance (UNICEF) a exhorté dimanche les belligérants à épargner les civils au Yémen, où les violences ont repris de plus belle en début de semaine après l'échec des négociations de paix entre pouvoir et rebelles.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

[Nouvelles] Une « nouvelle génération » de crises humanitaires

Le Fonds des Nations unies pour l'enfance demande une somme record de 3,1 milliards. Le monde fait face à une « nouvelle génération » de crises humanitaires, celles provoquées par les conflits armés projetant des millions d'enfants en situation d'urgence. En 2015, l'UNICEF évalue à 62 millions le nombre d'enfants dont la santé sera menacée par l'instabilité politique, notamment dans les territoires tombés sous le contrôle des groupes armés terroristes État islamique (EI) et Boko Haram.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

2. Conferences, Courses and Events

Training – Developing Skills and Livelihood Training Programmes for Older Children in Child Labour

This course will provide practical guidance on how to design and implement skills and livelihood training for out-of-school adolescents with a focus on older out-of-school children in child labour, or children at risk of child labour.

Location: Turin Center, Italia

Date: November 21st to November 25th, 2016

Registration deadline: October 3rd, 2016

[For more information](#) (International Training Centre of the ILO)

Training - WASH and Nutrition

Nutrition is a key aspect in our day to day life. Sanitation related diseases affect the nutrition status of both children and adults which may consequently lead to many deaths and yet these conditions can be managed nutritionally. This course is designed to equip the participants with knowledge on how to manage WASH related diseases nutritionally.

Location : Nairobi - Kenya

Date: 31st October au 11th November 2016

Registration deadline: 24 October 2016

[For more information](#) (Network for Water and Sanitation)

Training – Analysing Disrupted Health Systems in Countries in crisis (ADHS) Ethiopia, NFP Scholarship

This 10 days residential training programme for health professionals is focused on the analysis of health systems of countries affected by, or recovering from, protracted crises. It is organised jointly with the Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Save the Children and the World Health Organisation (WHO).

Location: Ethiopia

Date: November 22nd to December 09th 2016

Registration deadline: September 28th 2016

[For more information](#) (World Health Organization)

Training – Hygiene & Sanitation Promotion Training using PHAST, CLTS and CHAST approaches

Hygiene & Sanitation promotion plays a key role in changing collective and individual behaviours together with fostering ownership and sustainable use of water and sanitation facilities. It is upon this premise that **IDEAL Public Health and Development Consultancy (IPHDC)** has planned to conduct a **PHAST, CLTS and CHAST training of trainers**. This training is intended to help sector practitioners to accelerate their progress towards achieving the newly adapted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) especially Goal 6.

Location: Nairobi, Kenya

Date: September 12th to September 23rd 2016

Registration deadline: September 07th 2016

[For more information](#) (IDEAL Public Health and Development Consultancy)

Workshop - From evidence to advocacy - child rights based tools for protecting kids from alcohol marketing

This one-day workshop aims to provide tools for sound and innovative advocacy to promoting children's well-being, for example through regulating alcohol marketing. Harmful use of alcohol, especially fueled by the wide availability of alcohol, its easy affordability and omnipresent marketing, puts a burden on children and adolescents. Exposure to alcohol marketing increases the likelihood that children will start using alcohol, and that they will consume more, if they are already using alcohol. The earlier children start using alcohol, the higher is the risk for developing alcohol problems later in life.

Location: Stoke-on-Trent, United Kingdom

Date: September 14th to September 16th 2016

Registration deadline: September 14th 2016

[For more information](#) (IOGT International)

Conference - Changing Global Perceptions: Child Protection & Bodily Integrity

Genital Autonomy exists as a charity to promote, preserve and protect the health and well-being of male, female and intersex children by protecting them from unnecessary genital surgery or modification; and to promote the human rights of children in relation to genital surgery or modification as set out in the UN Convention on the Rights Of the Child throughout the world.

Location: Bratislava, Slovakia

Date: September 2nd 2016

Registration deadline: September 2nd 2016

[For more information](#) (Genital Autonomy)

Conference - International Alternative Care Conference

How we respond to children without, or at risk of losing, parental care affects millions of children globally, for a wide variety of reasons. Getting it wrong can result in long-term – even permanent – damage for a child when alternative care is provided unnecessarily or in an unsuitable setting. Getting it right prevents unwarranted family separation and ensures that a child requiring alternative care is looked after in ways that protect his/her human rights and meet his/her individual needs.

Location: Geneva, Switzerland

Date: October 3rd to October 5th 2016

Registration deadline: September 19th 2016

[For more information](#) (International Institute for the Rights of the Child (IDE) - Centre for Children's Rights Studies at the University of Geneva (CIDE))

Conference - Family separation: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Children Separated From Their Families Across International Borders

ISS-USA's 6th Annual Conference, 'The Ties That Bind: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Children Separated From Their Families Across International Borders', will focus on the legal and human rights of children separated from their biological families across international borders. From long-standing methods including international adoption and international parental abduction, to emerging issues like international surrogacy and the movement of unaccompanied minors, the impact of denying children access to their biological families will be examined within the context of an increasingly global world. More importantly, the conference will concentrate on how legal, judicial and social service stakeholders can provide appropriate resources and share best practices to protect the safety, permanency and well-being of children.

Location: Baltimore, USA

Date: October 13th 2016

Registration deadline: September 19th 2016

[For more information](#) (The ties that binds - University of Maryland School of Social Work)

Conference - 2nd National Child Wellbeing Conference: Access to Justice for Vulnerable Children

Access to justice is a fundamental principle in securing, promoting, and protecting the rights and wellbeing of children. The President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society works to create safe spaces in which people can come together in an atmosphere of dialogue, participation and inclusion. The Foundation is interested in learning what it is that gives people wellbeing, in order for this to be shared and further promoted and is convinced that access to justice is a cross-cutting component of wellbeing. This conference will explore access to justice from the child's perspective, giving particular attention to children who are vulnerable. The conference is open to NGOs, academics, and practitioners.

Location: Valletta, Malta

Date: October 21st to 22nd October 2016

[For more information](#) (The President's Foundation for the Wellbeing of Society)

Right to work: Eliminating child labour and promoting decent work in agriculture

This course provides theory and practice concerning strategies, policies and programmes to combat child labour in agriculture. Special attention is paid to older children (15 - 17 years).

Location: Turin, Italy

Date: November 14th to November 18th 2016

Registration deadline: September 26th 2016

[For more information](#) (ITCIL)

3. Children and Armed Conflicts

Afghanistan - Afghanistan : Recours croissant aux écoles à des fins militaires

16 août 2016 - Les forces de sécurité afghanes utilisent de plus en plus d'écoles comme bases de leurs opérations militaires dans les zones contrôlées par les talibans, mettant en danger des milliers d'enfants et les privant d'éducation, a conclu Human Rights Watch dans un rapport rendu public aujourd'hui. Le gouvernement afghan devrait prendre des mesures immédiates en vue de réduire l'utilisation d'établissements scolaires à des fins militaires.

[Article complet](#) (Human Rights Watch)

Australie – Australie : Négligence et violations consternantes à l'égard des réfugiés à Nauru

3 août 2016 – Environ 1 200 hommes, femmes et enfants qui ont cherché à se réfugier en Australie et ont été transférés de force à Nauru, État insulaire du Pacifique, subissent de graves atteintes aux droits humains, des traitements inhumains et des actes de négligence, ont déclaré Human Rights Watch et Amnesty International. L'incapacité du gouvernement australien à remédier à ces graves atteintes semble relever d'une politique délibérée visant à dissuader de nouveaux demandeurs d'asile d'arriver par bateau dans le pays.

[Article complet](#) (Human Rights Watch)

Burundi - Reintegrating child soldiers in Burundi

August 11th, 2016 - Jean-Pierre* is almost indistinguishable in the blur of schoolchildren. Only as he approaches, among a group of boys, clasping a book to his chest, does his unusually immaculate uniform come into focus.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Cisjordanie - Cisjordanie : de nombreuses communautés menacées de transfert forcé, selon le Coordonnateur humanitaire

22 août 2016 - Le Coordonnateur des Nations Unies pour l'aide humanitaire et les activités de développement dans les Territoires palestiniens occupés, Robert Piper, a averti lundi que de nombreuses communautés palestiniennes en Cisjordanie occupée sont confrontées à un risque accru de transfert forcé. Dans un communiqué de presse publié à l'issue d'une visite dans la communauté palestinienne d'Abu Nuwar dans le gouvernorat de Jérusalem, M. Piper a déclaré que les autorités israéliennes ont déplacé la semaine dernière 64 Palestiniens, dont 24 enfants, après avoir démoli 29 structures sur huit sites.

[Article complet](#) (ONU)

Germany - Germany: Child refugees receive therapy to fight trauma

August 17th, 2016 - An institute in Saarbruecken is providing intensive, short-term practical therapy sessions for young asylum seekers.

Saarbruecken, Germany - Like most who have fled conflict, Ali's path to asylum in Germany from Afghanistan has not been easy. The 17-year-old orphan slept in public toilets for two years and has been working for a living since the age of five. The trauma of war and the long journey to asylum still haunts the teenager. Evidence of his childhood ordeal is on display in the form of paintings on the walls of his room.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Greece - Children at risk in crowded camps as number of refugees arriving in Greece more than doubles

August 17th, 2016 - The average number of refugees and migrants arriving daily in Greece is at its highest since May, causing serious congestion in the camps on the islands and putting children at risk, Save the Children said today. Arrivals to the islands during the first 14 days of August increased by 144 per cent compared to the first 14 days of July*. The island of Chios has seen one of the largest spikes in arrivals with the daily average jumping from eight in July to 42 in August.

[Full Article](#) (Save the Children)

Iraq - In Iraq, UNICEF Ambassador Ewan McGregor urges help for children 'ripped from their homes'

August 2nd, 2016 – Just back from crisis-riven northern Iraq, where he visited refugee camps for Iraqi and Syrian families and children, actor Ewan McGregor, an Ambassador for the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) has called for more action to save children suffering the devastating effects of brutal conflicts and crises. “Many of the children I've met in Iraq have been forced to flee their homes, risking their lives on dangerous journeys and have been exposed to unimaginable horrors,” said the UNICEF Ambassador in a press release issued today by the agency.

[Full Article](#) (UN News)

Iraq - Child labour a growing problem in war-torn Iraq

August 22nd, 2016 - More than 575,000 Iraqi children are estimated to be at work instead of school, double the number from 1990. "I have friends," eight-year-old Abdul Karim says from his soft-drink stand inside Iraq's Ameriat al-Fallujah camp, "but I can't play with them because I have to work to support my family." He is just one of more than half a million Iraqi children being forced to leave school and work as their country remains embroiled in crisis, according to UNICEF, the United Nations children's agency.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Israel - Israel imprisonment of Palestinian children decried

August 3rd, 2016 - Human rights groups have condemned Israel's approval of a new law allowing the imprisonment of children as young as 12 for "terrorist offences", and which is expected to apply mostly to Palestinian children in occupied East Jerusalem. The "Youth Bill" allows authorities to imprison minors convicted of serious crimes such as murder, attempted murder or manslaughter, even if he or she is under the age of 14, the Israeli government said in a statement on Wednesday.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Italie - Migrants : les corps de deux enfants syriens repêchés en Méditerranée

19 août 2016 - Rome — La Croix-Rouge italienne et l'ONG maltaise MOAS ont annoncé vendredi avoir récupéré en mer les cadavres de cinq migrants, dont ceux de deux fillettes syriennes, après un naufrage au large des côtes libyennes. Les corps des deux petites filles, âgées l'une de huit mois et l'autre de cinq ans, ainsi que de deux femmes et d'un homme ont été repêchés à 22 milles marins des côtes libyennes par l'ONG Migrant Offshore Aid Station (MOAS) et un bateau de pêche présent dans cette zone, d'après le communiqué diffusé.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

Jordanie - Renforcer l'accès des enfants réfugiés syriens à l'éducation

16 août 2016 – La Jordanie devrait s'attaquer aux politiques limitant l'accès des enfants réfugiés syriens à l'éducation pour atteindre l'objectif ambitieux d'un plus grand nombre d'enfants inscrits à l'école pour l'année scolaire 2016/2017, a déclaré Human Rights Watch dans un rapport publié aujourd'hui. Plus d'un tiers des enfants syriens en âge d'aller à l'école enregistrés auprès de l'agence des Nations Unies pour les réfugiés en Jordanie – soit plus de 80 000 sur 226 000 enfants– n'étaient pas scolarisés au cours de la dernière année scolaire.

[Article complet](#) (Human Rights Watch)

Monde - Les enfants, pris dans les feux de la guerre

20 août 2016 - Beyrouth - Les enfants syriens, dont le petit Omrane blessé dans un raid à Alep, apparaissent comme les victimes symboles des horreurs d'une guerre qui ravage leur pays depuis plus de cinq ans. Les images d'un enfant blessé mercredi dans un bombardement à Alep ont suscité une grande émotion à travers le monde. Elles montrent ce petit garçon de 4 ans, Omrane, assis dans une ambulance, le visage recouvert de poussière et de sang, étourdi par le souffle de l'explosion causée par un raid sur Alep, dans le nord de la Syrie.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

Nigeria - Attaque de Boko Haram au Nigeria: 10 morts, 13 enlèvements

21 août 2016 - Le groupe islamiste nigérian Boko Haram a tué dix personnes et kidnappé 13 autres samedi dans un village proche de Chibok, localité où plus de 200 lycéennes avaient été enlevées en 2014 par ces jihadistes, ont rapporté dimanche des villageois. Selon ces résidents interrogés par l'AFP, les combattants de Boko Haram sont arrivés dans le village de Kubrivu à la tombée de la nuit samedi, et ont ouvert le feu sur les villageois qui dormaient, pillant et brûlant les maisons, avant de s'enfuir en kidnappant 13 femmes et enfants.

[Article complet](#) (La Presse)

Nigeria - Boko Haram diffuse une nouvelle vidéo des «filles de Chibok»

14 août 2016 - Boko Haram a diffusé une vidéo de jeunes filles présentées comme des étudiantes enlevées par le groupe jihadiste nigérian en avril 2014 à Chibok, dans le nord-est du Nigeria, et a réclamé la libération de combattants emprisonnés.

[Article complet](#) (La Presse)

Nigeria - UN: 475,000 children at risk in Lake Chad area

August 25th, 2016 - Nearly half a million children around Lake Chad face "severe acute malnutrition" due to drought and a seven-year violent campaign by the armed group Boko Haram in northeastern Nigeria, UNICEF has warned. Of the 475,000 deemed at risk, 49,000 in Nigeria's Borno state, Boko Haram's heartland, will die this year if they do not receive treatment, the UN children's agency said on Thursday.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Soudan du Sud - Des centaines d'enfants recrutés par les groupes armés au Soudan du Sud, et les violations contre les femmes et les enfants augmentent

19 août 2016 - Depuis le début de l'année, plus de 650 enfants ont été recrutés par les groupes armés au Soudan du Sud, selon l'UNICEF. Inquiet qu'un regain du conflit puisse mettre des dizaines de milliers d'enfants en grand danger, l'UNICEF appelle à une cessation immédiate du recrutement et à la libération inconditionnelle de tous les enfants par les groupes armés.

[Article complet](#) (UNICEF)

Soudan du Sud - Des milliers d'enfants en danger

19 août 2016- Depuis décembre 2013, des dizaines de milliers d'enfants sud-soudanais sont victimes des conflits politiques qui touchent leur pays. Les violents combats et les déplacements de réfugiés qui fuient la guerre civile empêchent les enfants d'aller à l'école, d'être soignés et d'être en sécurité. Plan International est présent dans ce pays déchiré pour aider les enfants et leur famille à faire face à la crise humanitaire spectaculaire qu'ils traversent.

[Article complet](#) (PLAN International)

Syria - 'Surrender or starve' strategy signals deeper agony ahead for civilians in Aleppo, UN panel warns

August 16th, 2016 – The situation of civilians in Aleppo is “critical and demands immediate attention and response,” a United Nations-mandated human rights panel warned today, expressing grave for the safety of the war-ravaged city’s people, including some 100,000 children, and urging countries with influence to pressure the parties to the conflict in Syria to return to political negotiations.

[Full Article](#) (UN News)

Syria - Civilians evacuated as Syrian Kurds bombed in Hasakah

August 20th, 2016 - Dozens killed, thousands evacuated after second day of Syrian government air raids on Kurdish-controlled areas of city. Syrian government jets have continued to pound Kurdish-controlled parts of the northeastern city of Hasakah for a second day, killing at least 22 residents and forcing thousands to flee. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights (SOHR), which reports daily on the war using a network of activists, said on Friday that at least 22 civilians, including nine children, had been killed in the past two days.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Syria - Syria war: 'More than 180 civilians killed' in two days

August 14th, 2016 - Hundreds of civilians have been killed in both Syrian government and rebel attacks across the war-torn country in recent days, according to local activist groups. More than 180 civilians have been killed across Syria since Friday, including 22 children and 23 women, the Local Coordination Committees, a grassroots network of activists, said on Sunday.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Syria - Education under fire: Schools in Aleppo damaged in renewed fighting

August 22nd, 2016 - The life of a child in Aleppo has become even more dangerous in recent weeks, as intense attacks and fighting escalate across the city. At a time when children are at even greater risk of bombardments and fighting in the Syrian Arab Republic, education has become another casualty. Schools in Aleppo have come under attack, with many occupied by fighters and left destroyed or damaged.

[Full Article](#) (ReliefWeb)

Syria - Life among barrel bombs for Aleppo's children

August 1st, 2016 - The psychological trauma of being trapped in a war zone will last long after the conflict ends, doctors say. Eight months ago, Hala's mother was killed in front of her when a shell struck the family's home in rebel-held eastern Aleppo. "Whenever I remember this moment, my tears just fall by themselves," Hala, 14, told Al Jazeera.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Syria - Syria's civil war: 'Chlorine gas dropped on Idlib town'

August 3rd, 2016 - Dozens of mostly women and children brought to hospital after chlorine gas bombs hit town of Saraqeb, activists say. Helicopters dropped containers of toxic gas overnight on a town in Syria's Idlib province, a rescue service operating in rebel-held territory said on Tuesday. Raed Saleh, head of the Syrian Civil Defense group, told Al Jazeera that 33 civilians, including 18 women and 10 children, were brought to a local hospital after the attack in the town of Saraqeb.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Syria - Syrian child 'treated with mud' for severe burn wounds

August 28th, 2016 - Upsetting images have been released of a badly burned child in a rebel-held area of Syria being treated with mud for wounds allegedly sustained by a weapon similar to napalm. The footage, released by the Homs Media Centre on Sunday, purports to show the aftermath of several air strikes on Saturday night on the besieged al-Waer neighbourhood of Homs, the country's third largest city.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

Syrie - L'image qui réveille les regards sur la Syrie

19 août 2016 - Malgré son visage et son petit corps rouges de sang et de contusion, la photo d'Omran, 5 ans, rescapé d'un bombardement à Alep, peut être soutenue du regard. À la différence des dizaines d'autres enfants ensanglantés, dépecés, estropiés que l'on peut voir tous les jours sur les réseaux sociaux, celui-ci, légèrement blessé, a les yeux ouverts. Il a eu la chance d'être dégagé entier de sous les décombres de sa maison après un raid aérien sur le quartier de Qaterji, à l'est d'Alep. La vidéo qui montre le sauvetage du garçon par des secouristes syriens a fait le tour du monde. Et cette photo tient du symbole d'une ville-martyre.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

Syrie - Évacuée de la ville assiégée de Madaya, une fillette de 10 ans va pouvoir être opérée

14 août 2016 - Grièvement blessée par un tireur embusqué à un poste de contrôle tenu par les forces gouvernementales syriennes à Madaya, une petite fille syrienne âgée de 10 ans a pu être évacuée la nuit dernière à la suite de pressions exercées au niveau international, a confirmé Amnesty internationale.

[Article complet](#) (Amnesty International)

Ukraine - The school on the frontline of the war in Ukraine

August 14th, 2016 - Donetsk, eastern Ukraine - It is Wednesday, May 4, 2016, and five grade 11 boys run gleefully on to the football field next to the school. In their right hand, they each carry a gun, in their left, a hand grenade. It is the last period and the older pupils have a class in defense, patriotism and discipline. The guns they are using today are made of wood, but later they will practice with the real thing. At School No 58, the war is no game of pretend.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)

World - RPT-In Iraq, Nigeria and now Turkey, child bombers strike

August 23rd, 2016 - The boy looked scared and younger than 16 when Iraqi police grabbed him on the street in the northern city of Kirkuk. Pulling off his shirt, they found a two-kilogram bomb strapped to his skinny frame. That was last Sunday. Less than a day earlier, Turkey was less fortunate: a teenage bomber detonated his suicide vest among dancing guests at a Turkish wedding party, officials say, killing 51 people, nearly half of them children themselves.

[Full Article](#) (Reuters)

World - Children and Armed Conflict Monthly Update

August 2016 - This month's update highlights children and armed conflict concerns and provides recommendations for the protection of children in the situations of South Sudan, Sudan (Darfur), and Yemen. The update also provides information regarding the status of the Working Group's consideration of the Secretary-General's report on the Central African Republic.

[Full Article](#) (Watchlist on children and armed conflicts)

Yemen - L'UNICEF appelle à épargner les civils après la mort de 10 écoliers

15 août 2016 - Sanaa — Dix écoliers ont été tués dans une zone rebelle du Yémen par des frappes de la coalition militaire dirigée par l'Arabie saoudite, qui est régulièrement accusée de commettre des « bavures » contre des civils dans le pays en guerre.

[Article complet](#) (Le Devoir)

Yemen - Children paying 'heaviest price' of Yemen conflict, UNICEF warns amid reports of escalating violence

August 9th, 2016 – Four children were reportedly killed and three were injured on 7 August in the Nihm District, east of the Yemeni capital, Sana'a, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) said in a statement today.

“Children are paying the heaviest price of the conflict in Yemen,” said Julien Harneis, UNICEF representative in Yemen, who added that UNICEF deplored such acts and urged all parties to exercise maximum caution and avoid civilian infrastructure.

[Full Article](#) (UN News)

Yemen - Saudi Arabia and its allies must face responsibility for the killing and maiming of children in Yemen

August 1st, 2016 - Six aid agencies today expressed their disappointment that the Saudi-led Coalition has not been put back on the UN's list of parties responsible for grave violations against children in Yemen. The agencies – Action Contre La Faim, CARE, Intersos, Norwegian Refugee Council, Oxfam and Save the Children – called for tangible progress in protecting children caught up in the conflict in Yemen to have been demonstrated when the UN Security Council meets for its annual debate on Children and Armed Conflict on 2 August. According to UN verified data nearly 2,000 children were killed or injured in Yemen during 2015, with the UN attributing 60 per cent of these casualties to Coalition air strikes. The UN also documented attacks on more than 100 schools and hospitals – nearly half of which it attributes to the Coalition.

[Full Article](#) (Save the Children)

Yemen - More than 300,000 children going hungry in Yemen: UN

August 3rd, 2016 - More than 370,000 children are at risk of starvation in Yemen, the United Nations has said, 15 months into a devastating war. According to new UN figures, more than 14 million people, about half of the population, are going hungry and are in urgent need of food and medical aid. Some 500,000 children under the age of five are suffering from malnutrition, with two thirds of them so sick they could die if they don't receive immediate assistance, the UN said.

[Full Article](#) (Al Jazeera)