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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

- **Border controls: Triton - between expectations and reality.** (21/04/2015).
<http://europarltv.europa.eu/en/player.aspx?pid=384e9268-ce6b-43b3-975a-a47a00c660ad>
- **Schulz: “Lack of European migration policy is turning Mediterranean into a graveyard”.** (23/04/2015).
<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/news-room/content/20150423STO45411/html/Schulz-%E2%80%9CLack-of-European-migration-policy-turning-Mediterranean-into-graveyard%E2%80%9D>

AMNISTÍA INTERNACIONAL

- **Czech Republic: Must try harder - Ethnic discrimination of Romani children in Czech schools.** (22/04/2015). Index number: EUR 71/1353/2015. Romani children in the Czech Republic have for decades suffered systemic discrimination in primary education. Many are placed in so-called practical schools designated for pupils with mild mental disabilities. Those in mainstream schools are often segregated in Roma-only schools and classes or otherwise treated differently. Reports of racial bullying and ostracization by non-Roma pupils, and even open prejudice by some teachers, are frequent. Amnesty International calls on the Czech government to make an unequivocal commitment and start a reform that would address ethnic prejudice and discrimination head-on.
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/EUR7113532015ENGLISH.PDF>
- **United States of America: Digging for transparency: How U.S. companies are only scratching the surface of conflict minerals reporting.** (22/04/2015). Index number: AMR 51/1499/2015. This research analyses one hundred reports filed by companies with the US Securities & Exchange Commission under

Section 1502 of the US Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act. This law, among other things, requires companies to undertake due diligence to check if certain minerals in their products are funding armed groups or fuelling human rights abuses in the Democratic Republic of Congo and neighbouring countries. The report identifies what, in the assessment of Amnesty International and Global Witness, are the minimum requirements of the law and evaluates whether the companies have met those requirements.
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/AMR5114992015ENGLISH.PDF>

- **La vergüenza de Europa, a pique: Omisión de socorro a refugiados y migrantes en el mar.** (21/04/2015). Index number: EUR 03/1434/2015. Miles de personas que huyen del conflicto, la persecución y la violencia tratan de alcanzar la seguridad en Europa. Otras escapan de la pobreza. Muchas viajan por mar. Pese al riesgo que entraña la travesía del Mediterráneo –que en 2014 se cobró 3.500 vidas–, y pese a las malas condiciones meteorológicas, en los primeros tres meses de 2015 se alcanzaron cifras récord de personas refugiadas y migrantes que intentaban llegar a Europa por mar: a Italia llegaron más de 21.000.
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/EUR0314342015SPANISH.PDF> (español)
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/EUR0314342015ENGLISH.PDF> (inglés)
- **USA: Crimes and impunity: Full Senate Committee report on CIA secret detentions must be released, and accountability for crimes under International law ensured.** (20/04/2015). Index number: AMR 51/1432/2015. This Amnesty International report responds to a document issued by the US Senate Select Committee on Intelligence on 9 December 2014. That 500-page document is itself the summary of the Committee’s report, some 13 times longer, about the programme of secret detention operated by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) from 2002 to 2009 under presidential authority granted six days after the crime against humanity committed in the USA on 11 September 2001 (9/11). The full report remains classified Top Secret.
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/AMR5114322015ENGLISH.PDF>
- **Recomendaciones a los Estados examinados en el 22º periodo de sesiones del Examen Periódico Universal, del 4 al 15 de mayo de 2015.** (16/04/2015). Index number: IOR 40/1440/2015. Este documento contiene las recomendaciones de Amnistía Internacional a los catorce Estados examinados.
<https://www.amnesty.org/download/Documents/IOR4014402015ENGLISH.pdf>

HUMAN RIGHTS WATCH

- **EU: Mixed Messages on Boat Migration: Augmented Search and Rescue, but Focus Still on Preventing Departure.** (23/04/2015). (Brussels) – The commitment by European Union heads of state to triple the capacity of Frontex operations in the Mediterranean is an important step towards preventing migrant

deaths at sea, Human Rights Watch said today. But the EU, at its extraordinary summit meeting on April 23, 2015, remained vague about whether Frontex ships will be deployed off the Libyan coast where migrant boats are sinking.

<http://www.hrw.org/news/2015/04/23/eu-mixed-messages-boat-migration>

- **“Whoever Raises their Head Suffers the Most”: Workers’ Rights in Bangladesh’s Garment Factories.** (22/04/2015). This 78-page report is based on interviews with more than 160 workers from 44 factories, most of them making garments for retail companies in North America, Europe, and Australia. Workers report violations including physical assault, verbal abuse – sometimes of a sexual nature – forced overtime, denial of paid maternity leave, and failure to pay wages and bonuses on time or in full. Despite recent labor law reforms, many workers who try to form unions to address such abuses face threats, intimidation, dismissal, and sometimes physical assault at the hands of factory management or hired third parties.
http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/bangladesh0415_web.pdf

ECRE

- **EU targets traffickers but fails refugees.** (24/04/2015). ECRE is deeply concerned to see that the European Council’s response to the refugee crisis in the Mediterranean is once more predominantly aimed at preventing migrants and refugees from reaching Europe and externalising restrictive border control policies to countries of transit and origin.
<http://ecre.org/component/content/article/70-weekly-bulletin-articles/1039-eu-targets-traffickers-but-fails-refugees.html>
- **ECRE’S Ten-point plan to prevent deaths at sea.** (23/04/2015). ECRE calls on the EU Heads of State gathering in Brussels today to show leadership and political courage and commit to measures that prioritise saving lives and ensure access to protection for refugees.
<http://ecre.org/component/content/article/70-weekly-bulletin-articles/1034-ecres-ten-point-plan-to-prevent-deaths-at-sea.html>

EUROPEAN COUNCIL COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

- **Special meeting of the European Council, 23 April 2015 – statement.** (23/04/2015).
<http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2015/04/23-special-euco-statement/>

IRIN

- **Forced separation: life inside Myanmar's Rohingya and Buddhist camps.** (23/04/2015). After violence exploded in Myanmar's western state of Rakhine in 2012 between Muslims and the Buddhist majority, some 140,000 Rohingya now live in segregated camps. About 10,000 Buddhists also remain displaced by the conflict that still simmers three years on.

<http://www.irinnews.org/report/101392/forced-separation-life-inside-myanmar-s-rohingya-and-buddhist-camps>

- **Migrant smugglers profit from Libya's chaos.** (23/04/2015). Most of the 1,750 migrants to have drowned in the Mediterranean this year were sub-Saharan Africans who boarded smugglers' boats in Libya. We will never know all their individual stories, but it is possible to retrace their steps through the deserts of Sudan, Chad and Niger to Libya's porous southern borders, and north to its coastal cities and the beaches where the boats were launched.
<http://www.irinnews.org/report/101396/migrant-smugglers-profit-from-libya-s-chaos>
- **Will latest migrant tragedy shame EU into action?** (22/04/2015). On Saturday morning, The Sun, Britain's popular right-leaning tabloid, ran a piece by one of its more provocative columnists with the headline: "Rescue boats? I'd use gunships to stop migrants." The column went on to refer to migrants as "a plague of feral humans" who had turned British towns into "festering sores."
<http://www.irinnews.org/report/101387/will-latest-migrant-tragedy-shame-eu-into-action>
- **The Med: One final danger in a migrant's odyssey.** (20/04/2015). Every time a migrant boat capsizes on its way to Europe, a death toll is estimated by aid agencies and reproduced in media reports. But what about that other number? What about all those who die before ever setting foot on a boat? That number may be far higher.
<http://www.irinnews.org/report/101383/the-med-one-final-danger-in-a-migrant-s-odyssey>

IDMC

- **Adopting and implementing Somaliland's draft policy framework on internal displacement.** (23/04/2015). IDMC gathered national institutions, humanitarian agencies, CSOs and IDP representatives to discuss the steps required for the draft policy to be adopted and implemented in Somaliland.
<http://www.internal-displacement.org/assets/Uploads/201504-af-adopting-implementing-somaliland-draft-policy-framework-workshop-report-en.pdf>

AIDA

- **Switzerland tests pilot accelerated procedure and reforms rules on 'dublin' detention.** (17/04/2015). A new AIDA report on Switzerland, the 17th AIDA country, written by the Swiss Refugee Council, examines "Testphase", a Swiss accelerated procedure introduced in January 2014, which will be pilot tested in the federal reception centre of Zurich until 2016. Under this pilot accelerated procedure, asylum seekers are randomly selected and transferred to the Zurich test centre, an open reception centre, with a view to completing all stages of the first instance asylum procedure in the same place and within a short period of time. An important aspect of this pilot project is that every asylum seeker is assigned a free legal representative, a novelty for the Swiss asylum system. A

draft federal law, to be discussed in Parliament, envisages the establishment of an accelerated procedure modelled after “Testphase” for all of Switzerland.
http://www.asylumineurope.org/sites/default/files/report-download/aida_switzerland_april2015.pdf

ACCEM

- **La Plataforma del Tercer Sector lamenta la tragedia en el Mediterráneo.** (23/04/2015).
<http://www.accem.es/es/la-plataforma-del-tercer-sector-lamenta-la-tragedia-en-el-mediterraneo-a1536>

FIDH

- **Azerbaijan: Repression Escalates in Run-up to European Games.** (21/04/2015). Repression of Azeri civil society, NGOs and journalists has escalated significantly as the date of the Baku European Games approaches, says the Observatory for the Protection of Human Rights Defenders in a report published today. The report documents the repression of eight emblematic human rights defenders who have been arbitrarily detained, and details the series of legislative amendments recently adopted to silence independent voices.
https://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/report_azerbaijan_english_final.pdf

INTERNATIONAL CRISIS GROUP

- **The Chaos in Darfur.** (22/04/2015). The two-year-old flare-up of violence in Darfur continues, adding 100,000 people this year to more than 2.5 million who have lost their homes since war began in 2003. Sudanese, regional and international peace processes have stalled. They should restart with parallel initiatives that take into better account all of Darfur’s communities and armed groups.
<http://www.crisisgroup.org/~media/Files/africa/horn-of-africa/sudan/b110-the-chaos-in-darfur.pdf>
- **Elections in Burundi: Moment of Truth.** (17/04/2015). The ever-decreasing likelihood of a free and fair presidential election is in growing conflict with a popular desire for change in Burundi. To safeguard the Arusha principles agreed in 2000 to end Burundi’s civil war, the opposition and President Nkurunziza in particular must return to the path of democracy and dialogue.
<http://www.crisisgroup.org/~media/Files/africa/central-africa/burundi/224-les-elections-au-burundi-l-epreuve-de-verite-ou-l-epreuve-de-force.pdf>

FRA

- **FRA reiterates call for rights-based EU migration policy following latest deaths in Mediterranean.** (20/04/2015). As up to 950 people are feared dead in the latest tragedy in the Mediterranean Sea, FRA reiterates its call for a holistic, fundamental rights-oriented EU migration policy in order to save lives and

combat the smugglers that seek to make financial gain out of the desperate situation of people in need of protection.

<http://fra.europa.eu/en/news/2015/fra-reiterates-call-rights-based-eu-migration-policy-following-latest-deaths-mediterranean>

FRONTEX

- **FRAN Quarterly: Quarter 4 . October–December 2014.** (17/04/2015). In the fourth quarter of 2014 indicators of irregular migration and asylum exchanged under the Frontex Risk Analysis Network (FRAN) changed only slightly compared the third quarter of 2014. Winter months tend to be marked by substantially lower migration pressure at the external borders, but in Q4 2014 detections of illegal border-crossings and illegal stay dropped less significantly and did not fall to the levels of previous winter seasons. In effect, these two indicators proved the highest out of all fourth quarters since FRAN data collection began in 2007. Compared to the same period in 2013, detections at the external borders increased by more than 160%.
http://frontex.europa.eu/assets/Publications/Risk_Analysis/FRAN_Q4_2014.pdf

ORGANIZACIÓN INTERNACIONAL PARA LAS MIGRACIONES

- **Declaración conjunta sobre las travesías por el Mediterráneo.** (24/04/2015).
<http://www.iom.int/cms/es/sites/iom/home/news-and-views/press-briefing-notes/pbn-2015b/pbn-listing/joint-statement-on-mediterranean.html>
- **Los sobrevivientes de la tragedia del Mediterráneo llegan a Sicilia.** (21/04/2015).
<http://www.iom.int/cms/es/sites/iom/home/news-and-views/press-briefing-notes/pbn-2015b/pbn-listing/survivors-of-mediterranean-trage.html>
- **Las muertes de migrantes se multiplican tras la peor tragedia de que se tiene memoria en el Mediterráneo.** (19/04/2015).
<http://www.iom.int/cms/es/sites/iom/home/news-and-views/press-briefing-notes/pbn-2015/pbn-listing/migrant-deaths-soar-as-mediterra.html>
- **Las muertes de migrantes en el Mediterráneo siguen aumentando.** (17/04/2015).
<http://www.iom.int/cms/es/sites/iom/home/news-and-views/press-briefing-notes/pbn-2015/pbn-listing/migrant-deaths-soar-in-mediterra.html>

UNHCR

- **European leaders strongly urged to put human life, rights and dignity first in Mediterranean decision.** (23/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/5538dd589.html>
- **Joint statement on Mediterranean crossings.** (23/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/5538d9079.html>

- **UNHCR concerned about the challenges facing thousands of Iraqis fleeing Ramadi.** (22/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/553644e69.html>
- **UNHCR welcomes EU Mediterranean plans, but says more needs to be done.** (21/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/553623109.html>
- **Mediterranean boat capsizing: deadliest incident on record.** (21/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/553652699.html>
- **UNHCR calls for urgent action as hundreds feared lost in Mediterranean boat sinking.** (20/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/5534dd539.html>
- **Burns victims rushed for treatment in Lampedusa after high seas ordeal.** (17/04/2015).
<http://www.unhcr.org/5531044e9.html>
- **Informe del Secretario General sobre la situación relativa al Sáhara Occidental.** (10/04/2015).
<http://www.un.org/es/comun/docs/?symbol=S/2014/258>

EURONEWS

- **Claves sobre el asilo en la UE.** (20/04/2015).
<http://es.euronews.com/2015/04/20/claves-sobre-el-asilo-en-la-ue/>