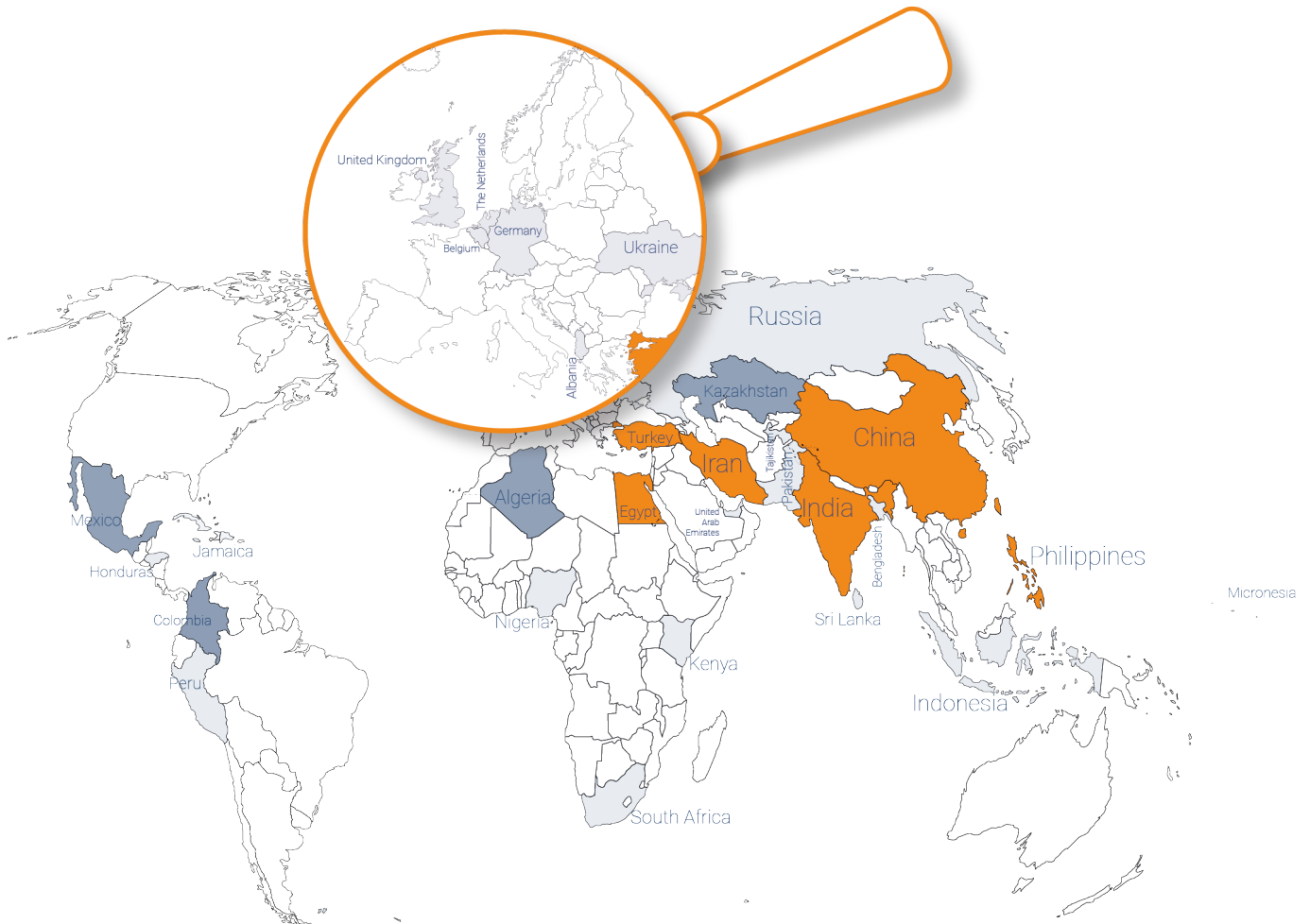


In **2019** the CCBE sent
78 letters in support of endangered lawyers
 in **31** countries around the world



7-11 letters sent

China Iran
 Egypt Philippines
 India Turkey

2-4 letters sent

Algeria
 Colombia
 Kazakhstan
 Mexico

1 letter sent

21 other countries



34% Murder | Attempt murder



35% Arrest | Detention | Prison



27% Threats | Assault | Harassment | Travel Ban



4% Disbarment

List of letters in support of endangered lawyers in 2019


COUNTRY	Lawyers concerned	Letter sent the:	Link to the letter	Types of HR violation and summary of the case	Update/response
ALBANIA	Ravik Gurra	27/09/2019	Click here	<p>Murder : Ravik Gurra, was shot several times in the head while dining out in a café in the Albanian city of Elbasan back in March 2019. This horribly brutal murder follows a string of criminal cases in which Ravik Gurra worked as the defence lawyer.</p>	
ALGERIA	Salah Dabouz	28/05/2019	Click here	<p>Judicial harassment: Salah Dabouz, a human rights lawyer and former president of the Algerian League for the Defence of Human Rights (LADDH), has been facing judicial harassment since the beginning of April due to charges brought against him and restrictions on his activities as a lawyer, for exercising his freedom of speech.</p>	
ALGERIA	Salah Dabouz	27/09/2019	Click here	<p>Attempted murder: Salah Dabouz was attacked and stabbed by two masked men in an attempted killing on 9 September 2019 in the city of Ghardaïa. Having received several death threats, Salah Dabouz had submitted a complaint to the Prosecutor's Office of Ghardaïa on 27 June 2019 but no investigation was carried out.</p>	
ALGERIA	Wassila Boughari	27/09/2019	Click here	<p>Attempted murder: Wassila Boughari, who is the national secretary of the Rally for Culture and Democracy, was attacked in her office situated in the city of Chlef on the 3rd of September by an assailant wielding a butcher's knife. She sustained some injuries requiring stitches.</p>	


BELGIUM	Botagoz Jardemalie	07/11/2019	Click here	Harcèlement et intimidation: La police belge a procédé le 1er Octobre 2019 à une perquisition sans mandat de l'appartement de Mme Jardemalie, non présente à ce moment-là. Plusieurs documents et appareils électroniques ont été saisis lors de cette perquisition, contenant des données confidentielles visées par le secret professionnel en lien avec ses activités d'avocate pour la défense des droits humains.	WRITTEN DECLARATION PACE
BENGLADESH	Sultana Kamal	28/05/2019	Click here	Death threats: On 4 May 2019, after receiving threats to her life, human rights lawyer Sultana Kamal filed a complaint and requested protection from state authorities. Her name was mentioned in a list of "targets" identified by the group alongside suggestions of possible ways to kill them.	
CHINA	Chen Wuquan	14/02/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 15 January 2019, Chen Wuquan was sentenced to five years in prison for "picking quarrels and stirring up trouble. He has been detained since February 2018 after having protested against a reclamation project that damaged the offshore environment and affected their livelihoods.	
CHINA	Hu Linzheng and Zeng Wu	14/02/2019	Click here	Suspension of licence: On 2 November 2018, the Hunan Changsha Ministry of Justice issued administrative penalty decisions against these two defence lawyers, claiming that both of them "denied the nationally recognised nature of a cult organisation". Their law licences have been suspended for six months.	
CHINA	Wang Quanzhang	14/02/2019	Click here	Continued detention: On 28 January 2019, Wang Quanzhang was sentenced to four years and six months in prison under charges of "subversion of state power" after being detained incommunicado since August 2015.	

CHINA	Li Yuhan	29/04/2019	Click here	<p>Continued detention: Li Yuhan's trial on charges of "picking quarrels and stirring up trouble", which was scheduled to take place on April 9, has been postponed after more than 18 months of pre-trial detention. As a result, serious concerns are expressed about her very poor health in detention.</p>	
CHINA	Jiahong Chen	28/05/2019	Click here	<p>Arrest and detention: On 29 April 2019, Jiahong Chen was arrested by police in the southwestern region of Guangxi. He is currently being detained at Guangxi's Yulin Detention Center under the charges of "incitement to subvert state power" after publicly criticising the current restrictions on the legal profession in China.</p>	
CHINA	Cheng Hai	28/05/2019	Click here	<p>Travel ban: On 23 April 2019, Chinese security forces prevented Cheng Hai from boarding his flight to Taiwan at the Hefei Xinqiao International Airport in the eastern province of Anhui.</p>	
CHINA	Yu Wensheng	28/05/2019	Click here	<p>Secret trial (continued detention): On 9 May 2019, lawyer Yu Wensheng's trial was held in secret before the Xuzhou Intermediate People's Court of Jiangsu. No information about his trial was published and his two defence lawyers were not notified, giving them no chance to defend their client.</p>	
CHINA	Jiang Tianyong	03/09/2019	Click here	<p>Harassment Jiang Tianyong remains under heavy surveillance, despite having been released from prison in February 2019. Due to this constant surveillance upon him, he has been unable to access appropriate medical treatment.</p>	
CHINA	Li Jinxing	03/09/2019	Click here	<p>Disbarment On 6 August 2019, the Shandong Provincial Department of Justice decided that Lawyer Li Jinxing's posts on the social media platform Weibo were against the Lawyers Law and the Administrative Measures for the Practice of Law by Lawyers. On that basis, the Department decided to revoke Lawyer Li's license to practise.</p>	



CHINA	Tang Jingling	27/09/2019	Click here	Disappearance: Human rights lawyer Tang Jingling has gone missing, only months after he was released from five years in prison. Tang Jingling is a Guangzhou-based lawyer whose licence to practise law has been revoked as a result of his work in defence of human rights.	
CHINA	Cheng Yuan, Liu Dazhi and Wuge Jianxiong	27/09/2019	Click here	Arrest: The three lawyers, all members of the public interest NGO Changsha Funen, were arrested on the 22 July 2019 by the State Security Office in Changsha under the charges of "subversion of state power" which can lead to a life sentence.	
COLOMBIA	Paula Rocero	28/05/2019	Click here	Murder: On 20 May 2019, lawyer Paula Rocero was shot several times by motorcyclists while she was driving back home in Samaniego, in the department of Nariño. She died shortly after arriving at hospital.	
COLOMBIA	Germán Romero Sánchez	25/11/2019	Click here	Death threats Lawyer Romero Sánchez, member of the HR organization dh. Colombia and representing victims of extrajudicial executions, received death threats by phone call on 3 October 2019. He has also suffered acts of surveillance during the last few months (laptop stolen).	
EGYPT	Mohamed Ramadan	14/02/2019	Click here	Arrest: On 10 December 2018, Mohamed Ramadan was arrested by plain clothes security officers. He has been detained in solitary confinement without sanitary facilities.	
EGYPT	Mohamed Ramadan	03/09/2019	Click here	Detention: On 24 July 2019, Mohamed Ramadan's detention was renewed with no possibility of appeal. The next detention renewal hearing is scheduled for 4 September 2019. Since his arrest, family visits have been banned and Mohamed Ramadan's requests to visit his sick mother or to attend her funeral have been refused.	

EGYPT	Mahienour El-Massry	27/09/2019	Click here	<p>Arrest:</p> <p>Mahienour el-Massry, a human rights lawyer known for her activism in favour of judicial independence and prisoners' rights, was arrested after she attended judicial investigations as the lawyer for several protesters who were arrested during demonstrations that took place in the streets of Cairo.</p>	
EGYPT	Ibrahim Metwaly Hegazy	27/09/2019	Click here	<p>Continued detention:</p> <p>The Criminal Court of Cairo rejected an appeal from human rights defender Ibrahim Metwally Hegazy, and renewed his detention for an additional 45 days. He is currently being held in Aqrab Prison, where he has reported poor detention conditions, lack of adequate food, and lack of adequate medical testing.</p>	
EGYPT	Mohammed El-Baqer	21/10/2019	Click here	<p>Arrest and Detention:</p> <p>Mohammed el-Baker, who is the director of the Adalah Center for Rights and Freedoms was taken into custody on 29 September 2019 on the charge of disseminating false news and taking part in activities of an outlawed group. He was then transferred on 1 October 2019 to a maximum-security prison</p>	
EGYPT	Gamal Eid and Amr Imam	07/11/2019	Click here	<p>Assault and detention:</p> <p>Eid sustained several injuries on 10 October 2019 when he was beaten by an unknown attacker who stole his cell phone, tried to steal his backpack and fired a shot in the air. Imam was taken into custody by police officers and was charged with 'collaborating with a terrorist organisation having knowledge of its goals' Imam is now detained at Tora Al-Mazraa.</p>	
EGYPT	Mohammed El-Baqer, Ibrahim Metwally Hegazy, Mahienour el-Massry and Mohamed Ramadan	25/11/2019	Click here	<p>Detention of lawyers</p> <p>Lawyer el-Baker has now been in detention for 50 days. We understand that Mohamed El Baqer's detention conditions are extremely poor as he is denied access to clean water, personal hygiene items and shower facilities.</p> <p>Human rights lawyer Metwally Hegazy has been in detention since September 2017. He is currently being held in Aqrab Prison, where he has reported poor detention conditions, lack of adequate food, and lack of adequate medical testing for his anaemia.</p> <p>Human rights lawyer Mahienour el-Massry's detention was renewed for an additional 15 days on 20 October 2019 and that her current place of detention remains unknown.</p>	





				Lawyer Mohamed Ramadan's detention was renewed for another 45 days following a decision on 16 October 2019. Since his arrest on 10 December 2018, family visits have been banned and the public prosecutor has refused all of Mohamed Ramadan's requests to visit his sick mother or to attend her funeral.	
GERMANY	Seda Basay Yildiz	30/09/2019	Click here	Death threats: Seda Basay Yildiz - who is currently working to hold the German neo-Nazi group (NSU), responsible for a string of murders - has received several death threats and most recently a fax containing a very direct threat to her life just three days after the murder of German politician Walter Lubcke in June 2019.	 Response from Germany - Seda Basay
HONDURAS	Gilma Maribel Manueles Bautista	28/05/2019	Click here	Murder: On 17 May 2019, lawyer Gilma Maribel Manueles Bautista and her partner, José Manuel Rodríguez Alvarado, were shot dead on their motorcycle in the village of La Chorrera.	
INDIA	Gunaratne Sadavarte and Jayashri Patil	14/02/2019	Click here	Assault and threats: On 10 December 2018, lawyer Gunaratne Sadavarte was assaulted outside the Bombay High Court. Gunaratne Sadavarte and Jayashri Patil have been threatened repeatedly, allegedly by members of the Maratha community. They have been provided with police protection	
INDIA	Jagnarayan Yadav	25/03/2019	Click here	Murder: On 28 February 2019, lawyer Jagnarayan Yadav was shot dead inside a court campus close to Basti district by two young people who came to talk with him. The police is currently examining the facts of the case.	
INDIA	Suresh Kumar	25/03/2019	Click here	Murder: On 11 February 2019, lawyer Suresh Kumar was murdered in not far away from his house at Sholavaram.	Acknowledgement of receipt from the Ministry of HOME affairs of India: Actions



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INDIA	Indira Jaising and Anand Grover	28/05/2019	Click here	Judicial harassment: On 8 May 2019, a Supreme Court bench issued a notice based on a request filed on 6 May asking the Indian government to initiate criminal proceedings against Lawyers Collective, Ms. Jaising, and Mr. Grover for the alleged misuse of foreign funding under the 2010 Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA).	
INDIA	Indira Jaising and Anand Grover	03/09/2019	Click here	Judicial harassment: On 11 July 2019, the office of Lawyers Collective and the residence of lawyers Indira Jaising and Anand Grover were raided by the Central Bureau of Investigation. Such a raid constituted an excessive response could be seen as a way to tarnish the credibility of Indira Jaising, Anand Grover, and Lawyers Collective.	
INDIA	Darvesh Yadav, Sushil Kumar Patel, Kuldeep Kaur and Nutan Yadav	03/09/2019	Click here	Murder: Over three months, 4 lawyers have been murdered in brutal circumstances : Darvesh Yadav who had been just elected first woman president of UP Bar Council , district court lawyer Sushil Kumar Patel, Supreme Court lawyer Kuldeep Kaur and Nutan Yadav.	
INDIA	Mian Abdul Qayoom, Nazir Ahmed Ronga and Abdul Salam Rather	21/10/2019	Click here	Arrest and detention: Mian Abdul Qayoom and Nazir Ahmed Ronga, respectively the current and former president of the High Court Bar Association of Jammu and Kashmir, were arrested alongside the president of the bar association of Baramulla District, Abdul Salam Rather. They are now being held in prisons in the state of Uttar Pradesh.	
INDIA	Mukesh Sharma and Gulzar Ahmad	07/11/2019	Click here	Murder of lawyers Lawyer Mukesh Sharma, member of Meerut bar association, was shot dead by unidentified assailants close to his residence in Kamalpur village on 18 October 2019. Ahmad was returning to his village in Shamli on 24 October 2019 when two unidentified men on motorcycle opened fire at him near Adarsh Mandi area of the district. Gulzar died on the spot.	

INDONESIA	Golfrid Siregar	07/11/2019	Click here	Death of lawyer: Environmental lawyer Siregar was found unconscious with severe injuries on 3 October 2019 in the city of Medan. He died on 6 October. While the police declared he died in a traffic accident, many circumstances surrounding this case suggest that his death could be related to more than just a traffic accident.	
IRAN	Masoud Shamsnejad	14/02/2019	Click here	Arrest: On 9 January 2019, Masoud Shamsnejad was blindfolded, handcuffed and transferred to the intelligence's detention centre in Urmia's Daneshkadeh Street. He was allegedly subjected to torture. His wife and children have also been threatened.	
IRAN	Mohammad Najafi	14/02/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 22 January 2019, Mohammad Najafi was sentenced to two years in prison based on comments he had posted on Instagram, for which he has already been found guilty and sentenced. The lawyer now faces a total of 19 years behind bars.	
IRAN	Mostafa Tork Hamedani	14/02/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 15 January 2019, human rights lawyer Mostafa Tork Hamedani was sentenced to six months imprisonment after having taken on politically sensitive cases.	
IRAN	Nasrin Sotoudeh	13/03/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: Nasrin Sotoudeh was sentenced to 33 years in prison and 148 lashes under the alleged charges of spreading information against the State, insulting Iran's supreme leader and spying.	
IRAN	Amir Salar Davoodi	29/04/2019	Click here	Indictment/ Judicial harrasment: On 16 April 2019, Branch 2 of the Prosecutor's Office in Tehran's Evin prison issued an indictment against Amir Salar Davoodi under Article 508 and Article 498 of the Islamic Penal Code on	

				charges of “cooperating with hostile governments” and “establishing a group to overthrow the system”.	
IRAN	Amirsalar Davoudi	03/09/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 5 June 2019, the human rights lawyer Amirsalar Davoudi was sentenced to 30 years in prison and to 111 lashes for “collaborating with an enemy state through interviews,” “propaganda against the state” and “forming a group to overthrow the state.”	
IRAQ	Ali Jaseb Hattab	25/11/2019	Click here	Disappearance The current whereabouts of lawyer Jaseb Hattab, a human rights lawyer and a member of the Advocates for the Protesters Rights Commission, remain unknown after armed men abducted him in Ammarah on 8 October 2019. He had recently received several death threats from unknown militant groups, and reported them to the police, but none of these threats were investigated.	
JAMAICA	Sashakay Fairclough	27/09/2019	Click here	Murder: Sashakay Fairclough, who was an attorney at Murray and Tucker law firm and passionate about human rights and justice, was travelling in a vehicle alongside her mother when the two women were approached by gunmen who opened fire at them in the town of Ocho Rios on 13 September 2019.	
KAZAKHSTAN	General	14/02/2019	Click here	Situation of lawyers: Government interference with the independence of the legal profession has been increasing. This includes intimidation and harassment of the leadership of the National Bar Association and individual lawyers in Kazakhstan.	
KAZAKHSTAN	Sergey Sizintsev	25/03/2019	Click here	Disbarment proceedings: Disbarment proceedings have been initiated against lawyer Sergey Sizintsev by the Kazakh Ministry of Justice on the grounds that while serving as Director of the National Bar Association between 2016 & 2018, he continued to operate his private legal practice.	Update and response from the Ministry of Justice of Kazakhstan  NV 197 Sergey Sizintsev.pdf  Sergey Sizintsev 30 Juin 2019.pdf
KENYA	Kinyua Meeme	25/03/2019	Click here	Murder:	

				On 12 March 2019, lawyer Jeremiah Kinyua Meeme was gunned down among four other people by police at the Lexo Petrol Station on Thika Superhighway.	
MEXICO	Marco Gloria Ruvalcaba	21/10/2019	Click here	Murder: Marco Gloria, a criminal lawyer and former member of the Public Defender's Office, was shot on 3 October 2019 in the parking lot of a mall in the city of Ciudad Juarez. His assailants are still at large.	
MEXICO	Arnulfo Cerón Soriano	07/11/2019	Click here	Disappearance/Death: Lawyer and human rights defender Soriano disappeared on 11 October 2019 in the state of Guerrero. His vehicle was found abandoned the next day. Since then, his family and colleagues have reportedly received phone calls threatening them.	Update : On 20 November 2019, the body of human rights defender Arnulfo Cerón Soriano was found buried under several tons of soil in the "El Aguaje" colony in Tlapa, Guerrero.
MICRONESIA	Rachelle Bergeron	07/11/2019	Click here	Murder: Human rights lawyer Bergeron was returning home from her daily jog on 14 October on the Pacific island of Yap when she was shot in the chest and leg. Bergeron, who was working on the island as the acting attorney general, was raced to the nearest hospital but was unfortunately pronounced dead on arrival.	
NETHERLANDS	Derk Wiersum	27/09/2019	Click here	Murder: Derk Wiersum was acting as a defense lawyer for a witness identified as Nabil B. in a huge case against Ridouan Taghi and Said Razzouki, who have international arrest warrants against them for murder and drug trafficking. He was outside his Amsterdam apartment on 18 September 2019.	Acknowledgement of receipt of the letter received by email
NIGERIA	Promise Frank Igwe	29/04/2019	Click here	Murder: On 12 April 2019, lawyer Promise Frank Igwe was shot dead by an unidentified assailant at a bar in Ozuoba Community. An investigation has been launched into his murder.	
PAKISTAN	Syed Azam Kundi and Niazmeen Shah	14/02/2019	Click here	Murder: On 24 December 2018, lawyer Syed Azam Kundi, Secretary-General of the Tank District Bar Association, was found dead after two unidentified assailants shot him multiple times.	

				On 7 January 2019, lawyer Niazmeen Shah was shot dead by several armed assailants who opened fire on him.	
PERU	Miluska Luzquiños	03/09/2019	Click here	Harassment: On 8 June 2019, Miluska Luzquiños' home was broken into and important digital and physical materials used in the work of RedLacTrans(human right organisation working for the defence of LGBTQ+ people in Latin America) were stolen.	
PHILIPPINES	Erfe del Castillo	14/02/2019	Click here	Attempted murder: On Friday 21 December 2018, Erfe del Castillo and her driver were shot at as they drove along the Bacolod-Silay Airport access road in Barangay Matab-ang. Erfe del Castillo suffered serious injuries to her arms and head after she was hit by shards of glass.	Letter from the Presidential Complaint Center of the Philippines (available here) Update received from the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines in Brussels:  MIS-51-2019 philippines.pdf
PHILIPPINES	Rex Jasper Lopez	25/03/2019	Click here	Murder: On 13 March 2019, lawyer Rex Jasper Lopez was shot dead by unidentified assailants outside a shopping mall in Tagum City. He had previously handled cases for arrested drug suspects.	Letter of acknowledgement of receipt from The Presidential complaint center:  Rex jasper lopos.pdf Update received from the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines in Brussels:  MIS-51-2019 philippines.pdf
PHILIPPINES	Charmaine Pelayo Mejia	29/04/2019	Click here	Murder: On 26 March 2019, lawyer Charmaine Pelayo Mejia was shot dead by unidentified assailants in Las Piñas City.	Update received from the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines in Brussels:  MIS-51-2019 philippines.pdf

PHILIPPINES	Edilberto Golla Jr.	28/05/2019	Click here	Murder: On 17 May 2019, lawyer Edilberto Golla Jr. was shot dead in Rizal by a motorcycle-riding gunman while he was leaving his residence.	
PHILIPPINES	Val Crisostomo	28/05/2019	Click here	Murder: On 17 May 2019, lawyer Val Crisostomo was shot dead outside the justice hall in Barngay Bonuan Guest following a court hearing. He was working on the cases filed against the agents of the National Bureau of Investigation who raided Peryahan ng Bayan in Pangasinan.	
PHILIPPINES	Situation of lawyers	03/09/2019	Click here	Situation of lawyers: Human rights lawyers are being criminalised and tagged as “communists” or “terrorists” on the basis of their clients or their clients’ causes. This practice of “red-tagging” lawyers is linked to their work in defending people who are accused of terrorist or drugs related crimes or in politically sensitive cases.	Update received from the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines in Brussels:  MIS-59-2019 Letter addressed to Mr. Jo:
PHILIPPINES	Inocencio De La Cerna Jr	27/09/2019	Click here	Attempted murder: Inocencio De La Cerna Jr’s vehicle was ambushed and shot at by two men on a motorcycle in the city of Cebu on 2 September 2019. The lawyer sustained a gunshot wound to the right arm.	
PHILIPPINES	Irineo Michael Cabugoy	27/09/2019	Click here	Murder: Irineo Michael Cabugoy was having lunch at a fast-food chain in Rizal when a lone gunman came up to him and shot him in the head around noon on 5 September 2019. He died on his way to the Hospital.	
PHILIPPINES	Criselda Heredia, Erfe del Castillo, Jesus Acpal	21/10/2019	Click here	Situation of lawyers(Death threats, attempted murder, murder): Criselda Heredia’s vehicle was ambushed and shot at in the city of Capiz. Heredia, who is a human rights lawyer and an anti-mining activist, had been receiving death threats prior to this event. Erfe del Castillo has received several death treats through text messages, most notably mentioning her car’s plate numbers.	Update received from the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines in Brussels:  MIS-77-2019 Updates on the case

				Jesus Acpal was shot dead by two unknown assailants.	
RUSSIA	Semyon Simonov	21/10/2019	Click here	Judicial harassment: Police conducted a search in the house of Simonov in Sochi and notably seized several documents and digital devices of the Southern Human Rights Centre. Simonov and his spouse were interrogated on the next day, as well as Simonov's mother and another member of the Southern Human Rights Centre. A criminal case was then initiated under Art. 327 of the Criminal Code.	
SOUTH AFRICA	Mluleki Msomi	27/09/2019	Click here	Murder: Mluleki Msomi was walking to his car after a dinner with colleagues in the city of Pietermaritzburg on 13 September 2019 when he was shot in the head by two men. Several suspects have been arrested and that cases of murder and hijacking have been opened against them.	
SRI LANKA	Kumaravadiwel Guruparan	25/11/2019	Click here	Harassment Human rights lawyer Guruparan was informed he will no longer be permitted to practice as a lawyer in Sri Lankan courts, following a decision at the instigation of the Sri Lankan military questioning the basis on which he was permitted to practice as a lawyer. He was involved in several cases against the Sri Lankan military.	
TAJIKISTAN	Saidbek Nuritdinov	27/09/2019	Click here	Intimidation of lawyer Saidbek Nuritdinov: Saidbek Nuritdinov (Chairperson of the Union of the Lawyers of the Republic of Tajikistan) has suffered acts of intimidation by the Anti-Corruption Agency of Dushanbe which sent requests to obtain information about civil and criminal cases in which Saidbek Nuritdinov had participated as a lawyer.	
TURKEY	Hanifi Barış	26/03/2019	Click here	Judicial harassment: On 12 February 2019, Hanifi Barış was given a suspended sentence of 1 year and 8 months in prison on the charge of "terrorist propaganda", provided that no further convictions are handed down against him during the next five years.	
TURKEY	18 lawyers from the Contemporary	26/03/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: Between 18 and 20, March 2019, 18 lawyers from the Contemporary Lawyers' Association (ÇHD) and People's Law	

	Lawyers' Association (ÇHD) and People's Law Office (HHB)			Office (HHB) were handed down prison sentences ranging from just over 3 years to just under 19 years for "membership of a terrorist organization" under Article 314-2 of the Turkish penal code.	
TURKEY	21 Turkish lawyers	30/04/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 29 March 2019, 21 lawyers were sentenced to prison terms ranging from more than six years to eight years. The defendants were found guilty of "belonging to a terrorist organisation" under Article 314-2 of the Turkish Penal Code. These lawyers were arrested on 3 and 26 August 2016.	
TURKEY	Eren Keskin	03/09/2019	Click here	Prison Sentence: Eren Keskin was sentenced to 3 years and 9 months in prison, by the Istanbul 14th Heavy Penal Court, for "propagandising for a terrorist organisation" under Article 7(2) of the Anti-Terror Law. These charges are related to the articles published in Özgür Gündem where she was the co-editor-in-chief.	
TURKEY	Orhan Ongoç, Hüseyin Yılmaz, Selman Bitiş, Mustafa Öngün	03/09/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: On 28 April 2019, 4 lawyers (Orchan Ongoç, Hüseyin Yılmaz, Selman Bitiş, Mustafa Öngün) were sentenced to prison terms ranging from more than one year to over six years on the basis of "belonging to a terrorist organisation" under Article 314-2 of the Turkish Penal Code.	
TURKEY	Veysel Ok	27/09/2019	Click here	Prison sentence: Veysel Ok was given, on 12 September 2019, a 5-months suspended sentence by the Istanbul 2nd Penal Court for criticizing the Turkish Judiciary for its lack of impartiality and independence in a newspaper article in 2015.	
TURKEY	18 different lawyers	07/11/2019	Click here	Upholding of the 159 years prison term given to 18 lawyers: In its verdict dated 8 October 2019, the Istanbul Regional Appeal Court has now upheld the Istanbul 37th Heavy Penal Court's judgment which condemned the 18 lawyers from the Contemporary Lawyers' Association (ÇHD) and the People's Law Office (HHB) to a 159-year prison term in total (see above letter).	

UKRAINE	Emil Kurbedinov	14/02/2019	Click here	<p>Harassment:</p> <p>On 10 January 2019, Crimean human rights lawyer Emil Kurbedinov received a letter from the Crimean Directorate of the Ministry of Justice of the Russian Federation notifying him that he would be excluded from the Crimean Bar Association by 1 March 2019.</p>	Decision of the Crimean Bar Association of 22/02/2019 not to exclude Emil Kurbedinov from its membership. Consult our letter of 14/02/2019 written in support of this human rights lawyer.
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	Mohammed Al-Roken	03/09/2019	Click here	<p>Detention:</p> <p>Mohammed Al-Roken has been detained since 2012, following his conviction, without any possibility appeal, to a 10-year sentence for allegedly attempting to overthrow the government. He was also banned from practicing law.</p>	
UNITED KINGDOM	Jolyon Maugham	21/10/2019	Click here	<p>Death Threats:</p> <p>Maugham, who is involved in the legal fight against Boris Johnson's prorogation of parliament, has received several death threats serious enough that Maugham was notably advised to buy a stab vest, while local police have been told to frequently drive past his house to ensure his security.</p>	