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Commentary

Some highlights from July:

- Special teams, comprising the Krishna district police and the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board (APPCB), are [investigating the destruction of records](#) belonging to the APPCB. Officials suspect that the records were burnt to "destroy the evidence on the irregularities."
- The Kerala High Court observed that the [destruction of documents](#) by the Public Service Commission (PSC) in response to an order by the State Information Commission (SIC) was improper.
- Charles Walker, a professor of history at UC Davis, was awarded a \$100,000 grant to digitize archives from three major human rights organizations in Peru, partnering with co-investigator Ruth Borja Santa Cruz to [preserve documents that chart a history of human rights in the country](#).
- "I think archiving memory, archiving our stories, [archiving our current collective history in the making is immensely important to resist both erasure and theft of narrative](#) as well as perversion of narrative all of which are happening at the same time" - susan abulhawa

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- The Inter-American Court of Human Rights set a new legal precedent for access to human rights information when it ordered the government of Bolivia to [open historical military archives](#) concerning a case of assassination and forced disappearance.

SAHR News

- SAHR has responded to a request for information from OHCHR, which had been **mandated to establish a Knowledge Hub** at headquarters under Human Rights Council resolution [54/22](#) on “**Promoting and protecting economic, social and cultural rights within the context of addressing inequalities**”. The survey closed on 31 July 2024.
- Members of the SAHR, on behalf of the ICA, have drafted the “**Guidance on Access to Childhood Records: Access rights of adults to documents relating to their own childhood experience of adoption or being in care**”, a document now [finalized and available online through ICA’s website](#).

Events

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Academia and Education

[CFP: “With Attention: Archives, Archivists, and Societies”](#). What place for archives in an attention economy? How to encourage attention to archives, what curiosities to encourage and from whom? How does attention renegotiate the missions of archivists? Which archivists for which attentions? [Cheryl Oestreicher], 2024-07-16, Publishing in the Archives Profession, [Worldwide]

Children's Rights

[“Your Child Does Not Exist Here”](#). The 107-page report, “‘Your Child Does Not Exist Here’: Human Rights Abuses Against Children Under El Salvador’s ‘State of Emergency,’” documents arbitrary detention, torture, and other forms of ill-treatment against children under President Nayib Bukele’s “war on gangs.” Detained children have often faced overcrowding, lack of adequate food and health care, and have been denied access to their lawyers and family members. In some cases, children have been held, in the first days after arrest, alongside adults. Many have been convicted on overly broad charges and in unfair trials that deny due process. [Human Rights Watch], 2024-07-16, Human Rights Watch, [El Salvador]

Climate Change

[As climate change threatens island nations, some turn to digitizing their history](#). As hurricanes grow stronger and more common due to climate change, they raise new threats for island nations — not just to infrastructure, but also to artifacts and documents that help define cultures. Now, two island nations in the Atlantic and the Pacific are taking steps to preserve their threatened histories for future generations. [Ali Rogin], 2024-07-07, PBS News, [Worldwide]

[Ireland’s datacentres overtake electricity use of all urban homes combined](#). Statistics raise concerns that rise in demand for data processing driven by AI could derail climate targets. [Ambrose, Jillian], 2024-07-23, The Guardian, [Ireland]

Colonialism

[Belgium museum wrestles with colonial past, with 40,000 objects tainted with violence](#).

Brussels’ AfricaMuseum, founded to glorify a brutal project, faces demands for restitution of exquisite treasures stolen from Belgian Congo [Rankin, Jennifer], 2024-07-13, The Observer, [Belgium]

[Chinese artefacts in repatriation row were ‘given willingly’ to British Museum](#). Amid calls to return antiquities, historian finds documents that reveal many were not result of imperial plunder. [Alberge, Dalya], 2024-07-20, The Observer, [China/United Kingdom]

[Linguistic Colonialism: Moroccan Education and its Dark Past](#). In February 2024, the Minister of Education in Morocco unveiled plans to gradually introduce the teaching of the Berber (Amazigh) language in primary schools, marking a significant shift in educational policy. The decision responds to longstanding demands from linguistic activists, underscoring the growing momentum behind efforts to preserve the language and culture of Morocco’s indigenous communities. [Vikram, Kolli], 2024-07-10, Harvard International Review, [Morocco]

Crimes Against Humanity

[Landmark Verdict in Stadium Mass Killings Trial](#). A Guinean court on July 31 convicted Guinea's former president Moussa Dadis Camara and seven others in a landmark trial for rapes and killings of protesters in 2009. This is the first time crimes against humanity have been prosecuted in Guinea. [Human Rights Watch], 2024-07-31, [Guinea]

[Le parlement proscrit les poursuites pour crimes contre l'humanité commis avant 2002](#). Le parlement péruvien a adopté jeudi un projet de loi qui prescrit les poursuites pour crimes contre l'humanité commis avant 2002, ce qui pourrait profiter à l'ex-président Alberto Fujimori et à des centaines d'anciens soldats accusés d'exactions. [Agence France-Presse], 2024-07-04, La Presse, [Peru]

[Lula rétablit une commission sur les crimes de la dictature](#). Le président brésilien Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva a ordonné jeudi le rétablissement d'une commission d'enquête sur les crimes politiques commis durant la dictature militaire (1964-1985). [Agence France-Presse], 2024-07-04, La Presse, [Brazil]

[Srebrenica genocide: Mothers send warning to future generations, urging 'never again'](#). The UN on Thursday observed the first International Day of Reflection and Commemoration of the 1995 Genocide in Srebrenica, honouring the memory of 8,000 Bosnian Muslims brutally killed by the Bosnian Serb army. | [], 2024-07-11, [Bosnia and Herzegovina]

Destruction of documents

[HC asks PSC not to destroy documents while application under RTI is pending](#). In response to an order by the State Information Commission (SIC) directing the Public Service Commission (PSC) to disclose information on a competitive examination, the PSC revealed that it had destroyed the document in question. The Kerala High Court observed that the destruction of the document was improper. [The Hindu Bureau], 2024-07-25, The Hindu, [India]

[Police, APPCB form teams to probe into destruction of government files](#). Special teams, comprising the Krishna district police and the Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board (APPCB), are investigating the destruction of records belonging to the APPCB. Officials suspect that the records were burnt to "destroy the evidence on the irregularities". [Srinivas, Rajulapudi], 2024-07-14, The Hindu, [India]

Disability Rights

[CFP: THE MOVING IMAGE - "Accessibility in moving image archives"](#). This special issue of The Moving Image is situated around the theme of archival accessibility to coincide with the 35th anniversary of the signing of the ADA. Even 35 years later, representation of people with disabilities in moving image archives is low both in the literature and in employment. The goal of this special issue is to reflect on the relationship between disability and moving image archives. [Cheryl Oestreicher], 2024-07-29, Publishing in the Archives Profession, [Worldwide]

Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

[Scandale de Ratodero au Pakistan : des milliers d'enfants positifs au VIH traités comme des parias - Focus.](#) En 2019, au Pakistan, la localité de Ratodero est sous le feu des projecteurs lorsqu'un médecin révèle que des milliers d'enfants ont été contaminés par le VIH. Le scandale de Ratodero est la plus grande épidémie de VIH jamais enregistrée chez des mineurs en Asie. Désormais, ces enfants sont discriminés et traités comme des parias. [Ghezali, Sonia; Wahlah, Shahzaib], 2024-07-09, [Pakistan]

[Sri Lanka apologises to Muslims for forced Covid cremations against WHO advice.](#) Sri Lanka's government formally apologised to the island's Muslim minority for forcing cremations on Covid victims, disregarding World Health Organization assurances that burials in line with Islamic rites were safe. Sri Lanka's entire Muslim community – around 10 per cent of the 22 million population – was still traumatised, representatives said. [Agence France-Presse], 2024-07-24, South China Morning Post, [Sri Lanka]

Forced Medical Procedures (Re

[Victoire majeure des victimes de stérilisations forcées après une décision de la Cour suprême.](#) La Cour suprême japonaise a jugé mercredi inconstitutionnelle la loi aujourd'hui caduque ayant conduit à la stérilisation forcée de milliers de personnes dans l'archipel nippon, une victoire majeure pour les victimes. [Osaki, Tomohiro; Agence France-Presse], 2024-07-03, La Presse, [Japan]

Freedom of Expression

[Europe: Sweeping pattern of systematic attacks and restrictions undermine peaceful protest.](#) Across Europe, the right of peaceful assembly is coming under severe attack as states increasingly stigmatize, criminalise and crack down on peaceful protesters, imposing unjustified and punitive restrictions and resorting to ever more repressive means to stifle dissent, said Amnesty International in a new report. [Amnesty International], 2024-07-08, Amnesty International, [Europe]

Genocide

[En Namibie, le génocide méconnu des Nama et des Herero.](#) Les troupes coloniales allemandes entre 1904 et 1908 massacrèrent 60 000 Herero et 10 000 Nama. Ce massacre est considéré par les historiens comme le premier génocide du XXème siècle. Afrique, mémoires d'un continent propose de revenir sur ce crime oublié de l'histoire coloniale africaine. [RFI], 2024-07-05, [Namibia]

[Germany admits to genocide for the first time in 120 years.](#) The German government has for the first time in 120 years admitted that the 1904-1908 massacre that killed more than 60 000 Nama and Herero people should be classified as a genocide. [Petersen, Shelleygan], 2024-07-03, The Namibian, [Namibia]

Government

[Stories from the UN Archive: Meet the first Black President of South Africa.](#) On the heels of this year's Nelson Mandela International Day, marked annually on 18 July, we are taking you back in time to an epic moment at the United Nations in the 1990s when the anti-apartheid hero and icon made a

historic debut in the UN General Assembly Hall as the first democratically elected President of South Africa. | [UN News], 2024-07-20, [South Africa]

Human Rights

[La droite extrême : si, la France l'a déjà essayée.](#) L'extrême droite a déjà, à plusieurs reprises, exercé le pouvoir en France, à la faveur de crises aiguës, conjuguant effondrement national, crise institutionnelle et divisions sociales et politiques. Naturellement, la droite extrême a pris, depuis deux siècles, des visages, des formes et des incarnations variées en fonction des contextes sociaux intérieurs et de la situation internationale. [Allorant, Pierre; Badier, Walter], 2024-07-04, The Conversation, [France]

[Pictures and the Past. Media, Memory, and the Specter of Fascism in Postmodern Art.](#) A fresh take on the group of artists known as the Pictures Generation, reinterpreting their work as haunted by the history of fascism, the threat of its return, and the effects of its recurring representation in postwar American culture. [Bigman, Alexander], 2024-07, [United States of America]

Human Rights Defenders and Activists

[Further video and photographic analysis confirm police unlawfully used lethal and less-lethal weapons against protesters.](#) Amnesty International urges the Government of Bangladesh and its agencies to respect the right to protest and end this violent crackdown. [Amnesty International], 2024-07-25, Amnesty International, [Bangladesh]

Indigenous Matters

['Growing tension' inside the public service over Indigenous self-identification.](#) The top official at Indigenous Services Canada addressed the issue of Indigenous identity in the public service by urging greater honesty in self-identification, signalling what one elder calls “a growing tension” around the issue inside government. [Forester, Brett], 2024-07-08, CBC News, [Canada]

[Canada to formally apologize to 9 Dakota, Lakota Nations for historic designation as refugees.](#) The federal government is set to formally apologize to Dakota and Lakota Nations in Manitoba and Saskatchewan on Monday for historically recognizing them as refugees, a label that one chief says turned them into “second-class First Nation citizens.” [CBC News], 2024-07-14, CBC News, [Canada]

[From Yosemite to Bears Ears. Erasing Native Americans From U.S. National Parks.](#) The foundational myth of America’s National Parks is one of heroic preservation of “pristine wilderness” — but places like Yosemite were already home to thriving communities that cherished the environment around them. [Oatman-Stanford, Hunter], 2024-07-03, Pocket, [United States of America]

[Investigation finds at least 973 Native American children died in abusive U.S. boarding schools.](#) Marked and unmarked graves were found at 65 of the more than 400 U.S. boarding schools that were established to forcibly assimilate Native American children into white society. [Brown, Matthew], 2024-07-30, The Globe and Mail, [United States of America]

[New Zealand landmark report finds 200,000 suffered abuse in care.](#) Some 200,000 children, young people and vulnerable adults suffered abuse while in state and faith-based care in New Zealand

over the last 70 years, a landmark investigation has found. It means almost one in three children in care from 1950 to 2019 suffered some form of abuse, including being subject to rape, electric shocks and forced labour, according to the Abuse in Care Royal Commission of Inquiry. The publication of the commission's final report follows a six-year investigation into the experiences of nearly 3,000 people. [Armstrong, Katheryn; Ginto], 2024-07-24, BBC News, [New Zealand]

[Residential school denialism is an attack on the truth](#). Although there is now a wide body of public information about residential schools, many people continue to have limited knowledge about them. That provides fertile ground for misinformation. [Fraser, Crystal Gail], 2024-07-03, The Conversation, [Canada]

Internally Displaced Persons

[Tanzania's mass eviction of Maasai sparks outrage - DW - 07/31/2024](#). To force the Maasai to relocate, the Tanzanian government has cut essential services. Reports of violence and neglect are mounting, drawing criticism and causing the World Bank and EU to withdraw their support. [DW], 2024-07-31, DW, [Tanzania]

Israel-Gaza Crisis

[The Israeli army's use of Palestinian civilians as human shields has been documented on a large scale](#). Video footage released by Al Jazeera TV shows the Israeli army using detained Palestinian civilians as human shields and compelling them to enter dangerous combat zones—evidence of a systematic tactic of the army. There are numerous documented instances of civilians being used as human shields by Israeli forces, which is considered a war crime. [Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor], 2024-07-01, Euro-Med Human Rights Monitor, [Palestine (Permanent Observer to the UN)]

[World Court Finds Israel Responsible for Apartheid](#). The International Court of Justice (ICJ) issued an advisory opinion on July 19, 2024, with significant consequences for human rights protections in Palestine under Israel's 57-year occupation. The opinion stems from a December 2022 request by the United Nations General Assembly to the court to consider the legal consequences of Israel's policies and practices in the Occupied Palestinian Territory. [Human Rights Watch], 2024-07-19, [Palestine (Permanent Observer to the UN)]

LGBTQ+ Rights

[Call for Book Proposals: Palgrave Studies in Queer Literary, Visual and Material Cultures](#). Palgrave Studies in Queer Literary, Visual and Material Cultures tests, contests and expands the boundaries of queer studies in global and transnational contexts and across historical periods. We welcome titles that bring “queer” cultures and sexualities into conversation with related areas of enquiry, especially critical race theory, trans studies, disability studies, feminist theory, eco-criticism, post-colonial theory, and Marxist theory. [Cheryl Oestreicher], 2024-07-03, Publishing in the Archives Profession, [Worldwide]

LGBTQ+ Tights

[Almost forgotten: the fate of lesbian women in Austria - Arolsen Archives](#). Until 1971, homosexuality was strictly forbidden in Austria. For almost 120 years, not only men but also women

were charged and convicted of “unnatural same-sex fornication”. During the Nazi era and shortly afterwards, their numbers were particularly high, as research in recent years has shown. [Arolsen Archives], 2024-06-19, Arolsen Archives, [Austria]

Medical Records

[Deepening the data on refugees’ health needs: WHO in Poland pioneers a methodology with far-reaching potential.](#) Statistics Poland and WHO have teamed up to explore ways to tackle data limitations in the context of the Ukrainian refugee crisis. In 2022 they conducted the first study to cover a representative sample of Ukrainian refugees in Poland, using mixed methods to unveil not just the numbers but also the human narratives behind the refugee crisis. [World Health Organization], 2024-07-03, World Health Organization News, [Poland]

Police Violence

[NYPD Restores Thousands of Missing Records but Removes Case Numbers From Its Discipline Database.](#) The department restored more than 2,000 missing discipline records to its public database of uniformed officers, weeks after ProPublica revealed data reliability issues. But it also removed case numbers, making future oversight more difficult. [Hernandez, Sergio], 2024-07-03, ProPublica, [United States of America]

Racism

[Sri Lanka: Authorities Target Religious Minorities.](#) Sri Lankan authorities are conducting a campaign to deny Hindus and other religious minorities access to places of worship and other property and redesignate locations as Buddhist sites. [Human Rights Watch], 2024-07-28, Human Rights Watch, [Sri Lanka]

[The Tulsa race massacre affected the ‘economic freedom’ of generations.](#) The reality of the court’s decision is that there isn’t a number to quantify Black pain for survivors and their lineage [Evans, Marissa], 2024-07-10, The Guardian, [United States of America]

Refugees

[How Sudan's diaspora use WhatsApp voice notes as a collective war archive.](#) Sudanese families are using WhatsApp voice notes to record their experiences of conflict, coordinate evacuation efforts and keep in touch with family around the world. The collective archive represented by the voice notes offers an opportunity to share Sudanese narratives about conflict, personal histories and culture with the rest of the world. [AlHadidi, Janine], 2024-07-02, The New Arab, [Sudan]

Sexual Violence

[L’archidiocèse de Saint-Jean devra payer 104 millions \\$ aux 300 victimes d’abus sexuels.](#) L’archidiocèse de Saint-Jean à Terre-Neuve devra payer 104 millions \$ aux 292 victimes d’abus sexuels dont la majorité l’a été à l’orphelinat Mount Cashel. [Zone Justice et faits divers- ICI.Radio-Canada.ca], 2024-07-05, Radio-Canada, [Canada]

Spying

[British Library wanted to buy archive of double agent Kim Philby from his widow](#). National Archives files show officials were troubled by idea of institution enriching widow of Cambridge Five agent [Grierson, Jamie], 2024-07-22, The Guardian, [United Kingdom]

Technology

[Brazil Prevents Meta from Using People to Power Its AI](#). Brazil's National Data Protection Authority issued a preliminary ban on Meta's use of personal data of users based in Brazil to train its artificial intelligence (AI) systems. [Hye Jung Han], 2024-07-03, Human Rights Watch, [Brazil]

[Meet Mercy and Anita – the African workers driving the AI revolution, for just over a dollar an hour](#). Social media content and AI training data are processed in outsource centres in the global south, where long hours, low pay and exposure to disturbing material are the norm [James Muldoon; Mark Graham Callum Cant], 2024-07-06, The Observer, [Africa]

Ukraine War

[‘One goal is to destroy Ukrainian identity’: the haunting images of Russia’s prisoners of war](#).

Since Russia invaded Ukraine in 2014, its forces have detained and tortured thousands of fighters and civilians. Here, the photojournalist Zoya Shu recounts five years of documenting their stories [Harding, Luke], 2024-07-25, The Guardian, [Russian Federation/Ukraine]

Unfair Trials

[Sandra Hemme freed after 43 years in prison for murder she didn’t commit](#). Sandra Hemme was 20 years old when she was found guilty of stabbing to death library worker Patricia Jeschke from St Joseph, Missouri, in November 1980. She was given a life sentence. There was no evidence that linked her to the crime other than a confession she gave under heavy sedation in a psychiatric hospital, a review into her case found. Now 64, she is believed to have served the longest known wrongful conviction of a woman in US history according to her representatives. [McArthur, Tom], 2024-07-20, BBC News, [United States of America]

Women's Rights

[Gender apartheid: oppression of women should be made a crime against humanity – feminist academic explains why](#).

A group of women activists is lobbying the committee to consider including in the treaty a new definition aimed at protecting women against all forms of oppression. They are advocating for a definition of this discrimination as “gender apartheid”. The idea is that it would track the definition of racial apartheid by replacing the word “race” with “gender”. [Andrews, Penelope], 2024-07-15, The Conversation, [Worldwide]

World War II

[Call for Artists, Writers, and Academics: “Creative Responses to Holocaust Materialities” – A special issue of Holocaust Studies: A Journal of Culture and History](#).

In this special issue, we aim to further examine the ‘material turn’ of Holocaust studies through the lens of creative practices, which remains an understudied area of this movement. Our scope includes contemporaneous and

non-contemporaneous artistic, cultural, and literary works, established by those with and without a direct connection to this history. [Cheryl Oestreicher], 2024-07-30, Publishing in the Archives Profession, [Worldwide]

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