

## **Rwanda**

### **Standard procedure**

119. The Working Group transmitted a case to the Government concerning Mr. Olivier Maniriho, allegedly last seen on 9 February 2014 in Kigali, Nyarugenge District.

### **Urgent appeal**

120. On 2 October 2014, the Working Group transmitted, jointly with another special procedures mechanism, an urgent appeal to the Government concerning allegations that, since mid-July 2014, as many as 40 bodies had been seen floating on lake Rweru and in the Kagera River flowing from Rwanda. A similar urgent appeal was sent to the Government of Burundi.

### **Information from the Government**

121. On 16 October 2014, the Government responded to an urgent appeal sent on 2 October 2014. In its reply, the Government stated that it was not aware of the information contained in the letter and that it had read it in the media. The Government stated that it had requested the Government of Burundi for cooperation and collaboration in the investigation.

## **Saudi Arabia**

### **Information from sources**

122. A source provided information on one outstanding case.

### **Clarification**

123. On the basis of information provided by the source, the Working Group decided to clarify one case.

## **Spain**

### **Information from sources**

124. A source provided information on one outstanding case.

### **Other letters**

125. On 7 January 2015, the Working Group transmitted, jointly with another special procedures mechanism, a letter concerning allegations of the possible closure, due to lack of funding, of a laboratory in Ponferrada the services of which are used in the exhumation of the remains of victims found in mass graves left by the civil war.

## **Sri Lanka**

### **Standard procedure**

126. The Working Group transmitted 10 cases to the Government, concerning:

(a) Mr. Madushka Haris De Silva, allegedly last seen on 2 September 2013 in Anuradhapura North Central Province; the police is allegedly responsible for his disappearance;

(b) Mr. Jeyachandran Shivasubramaniam, allegedly last seen on 19 May 2009, when he reportedly handed himself over to the Sri Lankan Army in Vadduvagal, Northern Province;

(c) Mr. Nimalan Jeyakumar, allegedly last seen on 2 February 2009 in Wallipunam, Mullaitivu District, Northern Province; the Sri Lankan Army is reportedly responsible for his disappearance;

(d) Ms. Jeromy Kashipillai, allegedly last seen on 10 April 2009 in Wann, Northern Province, when she reportedly handed herself over to the Sri Lankan Army;

(e) Ms. Nalini Mahalingam, allegedly last seen on 7 December 2008 in Udaiyarkattu village, Northern Province; the Sri Lankan Army is allegedly responsible for her disappearance;

(f) Mr. Sasikumar Mannikkam, reportedly last seen on 17 May 2009 in Mullaitivu District, Northern Province, then under the control of the Sri Lankan Army;

(g) Ms. Nishanthini Mohanadhaskandhi, allegedly last seen on 30 October 2008 in Maamunai, Northern Province; the Sri Lankan army is allegedly responsible for her disappearance;

(h) Mr. Shivakumar Murugesu, allegedly last seen on 15 March 2009 in the army-controlled area of Maththalan;

(i) Mr. Sachithanantham Nadarsa, allegedly last seen on 18 May 2009 in Sivan Nagar, Mullaitivu District, Northern Province; the Sri Lankan Army is allegedly responsible for his disappearance; (j) Mr. Balachandran Subramaniam, allegedly last seen on 17 April 2009 in Mullaitivu District, Northern Province; the Sri Lankan Army is allegedly responsible for her disappearance.

#### **Prompt intervention letter**

127. On 12 December 2014, the Working Group transmitted, jointly with another special procedures mechanism, a prompt intervention letter concerning the alleged kidnapping, intimidation and harassment of Ms. Rankothge Mauri Inoka Kumari Jayasena since November 2013, following her actions and enquiries to determine the fate and whereabouts of her disappeared husband.

128. On 14 January 2015, the Working Group transmitted, jointly with another special procedures mechanism, a prompt intervention letter concerning the alleged threats against and intimidation and harassment of Mr. Brito Fernando and Mr. Prasanga Fernando since October 2014 in reprisal for their work on enforced disappearances, truth and justice with the Families of the Disappeared, a Sri Lankan non-governmental organization.

#### **Information from the Government**

129. On 11 September and 7 November 2014, the Government transmitted communications regarding 217 outstanding cases.

#### **Information from sources**

130. A source provided information on two outstanding cases.

#### **Clarification**

131. On the basis of information provided by the Government, the Working Group decided to clarify one outstanding case following the expiration of the period prescribed by the six-month rule (see A/HRC/WGEID/103/1, para. 156).

### **Observation**

132. The Working Group welcomes the reference made by the Government to the visit and looks forward to a country visit in the coming months.

## **Sudan**

### **Urgent appeal**

133. On 9 December 2014, the Working Group transmitted, jointly with five other special procedures mechanisms, an urgent appeal to the Government concerning the alleged arrest and incommunicado detention, on 6 December 2014, of a human rights defender and political activist, Dr. Amin Mekki Medani, President of the Confederation of Civil Society Organizations in the Sudan, and of Mr. Farouk Abu Eissa, the chairman of the National Consensus Forces.

### **Information from the Government**

134. On 6 June 2014, the Government transmitted a reply to a joint urgent appeal sent on 26 May 2014 concerning the alleged arrest and incommunicado detention of Mr. Mohamed Salah Mohamed Abdelrahman, intimidation of his family and attack on a member of his family. The Government stated that the information provided was not sufficient to identify the victim.

## **Syrian Arab Republic**

### **Standard procedure**

135. The Working Group transmitted 13 cases to the Government, concerning:

(a) Mr. Ahmed Shaar, allegedly arrested on 22 August 2013 by officers in military uniforms of Shabiha Hilal Al Assad, a pro-government militia, in Latakia;

(b) Mr. Abdul Rahman Al Hamraoui, allegedly arrested on 20 December 2012 by military security forces in Homs;

(c) Mr. Deibo Al Khalif, allegedly arrested by political security forces on 8 December 2012 in Aleppo;

(d) Mr. Alla Sharkeyia and Mr. Sabaie Sharkeyia, allegedly arrested by political security forces on 7 July 2013 in Homs;

(e) Mr. Saad Balowaat, allegedly arrested by an Air Force Intelligence patrol on 22 June 2011 in Hama;

(f) Mr. Jamil Al Najjar, allegedly last seen on 11 December 2012 in a State forces car in Damascus;

(g) Mr. Khaled Awda, allegedly arrested by military security forces on 12 September 2012 in Homs;

(h) Mr. Khaled Roumo, allegedly arrested by members of the Syrian intelligence service on 27 July 2013 in Homs;

(i) Mr. Mouhamad Omar Ayoubi, allegedly arrested by members of the security forces and the political intelligence service on 3 November 2012 in Damascus;

(j) Ms. Qamar A'wad, allegedly last seen on 2 November 2012 at the Air Force Intelligence branch in Mezzeh, Damascus;