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Commentary

How do history and culture organizations stay current while showcasing the past?

The news that several institutions are facing scrutiny over the provenance and acquisition history of artifacts in their collections, and that others are turning over records to various justice initiatives, highlights the crucial role of archives in the pursuit of righting past wrongs.

These histories, often of groups subject to discrimination and marginalization, are being relocated to address the wrongs of the past. This goes to the very heart of why archives are so important to the pursuit of human rights for all. We rely on archives and artifacts, both national and personal, to create links between past and present, to understand the people who went before us, and to bring much needed justice following human rights abuses.

French Guinean descendants of the Paris human zoo victims have asked for remains of their ancestors to be returned to their homeland. The French government is looking into how they can facilitate the restitution of foreign human remains held in French public collections.

In the US, the Mütter Museum, which houses medical oddities and started in the 1850s as an effort to educate doctors and medical students, is conducting a review of all artifacts. Executive director Kate

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Quinn asks “what is the role of a museum in the world today? Why are we here, why do we exist, and who are we here to serve?”.

In Canada, the National Archives is working to identify, digitize and transfer six million pages of federal Indian day school records. These records tell the story of schools created to force Indigenous children to assimilate into mainstream Canadian culture.

The stories of the Paris human zoo victims, the Mütter Museum, and the Canadian Indian day school records are all examples of how archives and artifacts can be used to address the wrongs of the past. These actions can be a powerful act of recognition and respect, and a way towards ensuring that archives and artifacts are shared, displayed and interpreted in a way that helps us to understand the legacy of our actions.

SAHR News

- The ICA through SAHR did submit comments on the report on **Promoting Environmental Democracy: Procedural elements of the human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment, which will be considered at the meeting of the United Nations Human Rights Council, October 2023**: <https://www.ica.org/en/promoting-environmental-democracy-comments-submitted-by-the-sahr-towards-the-un-human-rights-council>
- Next “First Tuesday Talk” on October 3rd, by Mario Polanco, on “Los archivos de las víctimas: el Grupo de Apoyo Mutuo de Guatemala” (“Archives of the victims: the Mutual Support Group of Guatemala”). You can register here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYoce6srz8tGNZ1eSGMbXobVhP6bfHDPweh>

Editor’s Note

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News by Section

Events

Togo: **Conference Call for Proposals - Colonisation allemande et traitement mémoriel : entre regards croisés, approches récentes et perspectives interdisciplinaires (Lomé, Togo)**. En ce XXI^e siècle, l'héritage colonial allemand est encore très présent dans l'imaginaire collectif de populations anciennement colonisées principalement. Il est visible à la fois dans la littérature coloniale, les musées, les monuments (y compris les monuments d'honneur ou les mémoriaux) et la photographie coloniale. Ce constat oblige à se pencher sur la question coloniale et d'en souligner la pérennité à travers d'éventuels discours et récits cachés ou occultés dans les représentations et les expositions sur le colonialisme. Il s'inscrit également dans un contexte de résurgence de la mémoire coloniale en Allemagne depuis 2004 qui font intervenir différentes disciplines avec des éléments et des approches plus récents de la question. [webpage] [Équipe de recherche Fabula], 2023-09-30, www.fabula.org. [Colonialism]

United States of America: **Conference - Does Confronting Our History Build a Better Future? - On Line 2023-10-27**. Upcoming Events - How Should Societies Remember Their Sins? | Friday, October 27, 2023 | Los Angeles In-Person | Streaming Online | Attempts to confront difficult history appear to be dividing the United States and entangling communities in cultural and legal conflict. But historians, social justice activists, and many others argue that grappling with the sins of the past, and the way they reverberate into the present, is a necessary foundation for reimagining the future. What are the best and most creative ways societies are using history to make a better tomorrow? [blog post] [Zócalo Public Square], 2023-08-23, Zócalo Public Square, www.zocalopublicsquare.org. [Human Rights]

United States of America: **Training - "Ready-Or Not" Cultural Heritage Disaster Preparedness Project Info Sessions**. The "Ready-Or Not" project funded by the California State Library offers free, on-site emergency preparedness consultations. Consultants address specific organizational concerns and provide tailored assessments to help collections staff meet their preparedness goals. The first training sessions have been recorded and are freely available on-line. The upcoming sessions will also be made available on-line. [webpage] [Marchese, Ryan], 2023-08-25, Society of American Archivists, connect.archivists.org. [Climate Change]

Worldwide: **Conference Call for Proposals - ARL IDEAL 2024—Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in Libraries & Archives Conference - 2024-07-15 to 17, in Toronto, Canada**. The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) is now accepting proposals for the 2024 Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in Libraries & Archives (IDEAL) Conference, to be held July 15–17, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The conference theme is Sustainable Resistance and Restoration in Global Communities. Proposals should consider how the content of the session connects to the larger landscape of diversity, equity, inclusion, accessibility, and justice (DEIA/J) and how the session reasonably engages adult learners. [blog post] [Keig, Alisha], 2023-08-03, Association of Research Libraries (ARL), www.arl.org. [Human Rights]

International News

Europe: **Distortion of the Roma genocide and anti-Roma discrimination today**. To mark Roma Genocide Remembrance Day on 2 August, the IHRA shares this article by Anna Míšková, Chair of the IHRA Committee on the Genocide of the Roma. [newspaper article] [Míšková, Anna; International

Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)], 2023-08-02, IHRA, www.holocaustremembrance.com. [World War II]

Northern America: **Documents linked to Quaker-run boarding schools to be digitized.** A coalition advocating for Native people traumatized by an oppressive system of boarding schools for Native youths plans to digitize 20,000 archival pages related to schools in that system that were operated by the Quakers. [newspaper article] [Heno, Luis Andres], 2023-08-24, ICT Indian Country Today, ictnews.org. [Indigenous Matters]

Northern America: **Remotely Useful: Practical Lessons for Northern Community Archiving.** Remotely Useful pioneers a first-of-its-kind guide, bridging the gap between the archival field and the day-to-day concerns of preserving cultural and community records in the North—encompassing the upper latitudes of Canada and the United States. These Arctic and Subarctic regions are on the front lines of the climate crisis, making the urgent documentation and preservation of their histories, traditions, and ecological knowledge vital before they are lost or altered forever. [report] [Mills, Morgen; Turner, Mark David], 2023-08, www.clir.org. [Indigenous Matters]

Southern Africa: **Civil Society Space in Southern Africa Shrinking as Repression Rises.** Freedom of expression is under threat as governments in Southern Africa have enacted laws restricting civil society organizations. [newspaper article] [Bagana, Bufani], 2023-07-31, Inter Press Service, www.ipsnews.net. [Freedom of Association]

Worldwide: **'First of its kind': Scottish museum to return 'stolen' totem to native home.** A CEREMONY has been held to prepare a “stolen” 37ft memorial totem pole for its return to Canada from Scotland in what is said to be the first transfer of its kind from a UK institution. [newspaper article] [Elliards, Xander], 2023-08-28, The National, www.thenational.scot. [Repatriation]

Worldwide: **Aaju Peter dans Twice Colonized | Combat et guérison.** Est-il possible de changer le monde tout en pansant ses blessures ? C'est ce que tente de découvrir la militante inuite Aaju Peter dans le documentaire Twice Colonized. [newspaper article] [Gignac, Martin], 2023-08-08, La Presse, www.lapresse.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Worldwide: **Building a digital army: UN peacekeepers fight deadly disinformation.** With smartphones, editing apps, and innovative approaches, some UN peacekeeping operations across the world are building a “digital army” aimed at combating mis- and disinformation on social media networks and beyond. [newspaper article] [UN News], 2023-08-19, UN News, news.un.org. [Disinformation]

Worldwide: **Countries must safeguard children's rights from climate change and environmental damage - UN committee.** UN Committee on the Rights of the Child has concluded that countries must urgently implement measures to address the damage and threat to children's rights from climate change and environmental degradation. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-08-29, Amnesty International, www.amnesty.org. [Climate Change]

Worldwide: **Decolonial Archival Futures.** Providing examples of successful approaches to unsettling Western archival paradigms from Canada, the United States, New Zealand, and Australia, this book showcases vital community archival work that will illuminate decolonial archival practices for archivists, curators, heritage practitioners, and others responsible for the stewardship of materials by and about Indigenous communities. [book] [McCracken, Krista; Hogan-Stacey, Skylee-Storm], 1905-07-15, www.alastore.ala.org. [Indigenous Matters]

Worldwide: **Des Autochtones à la reconquête de hauts lieux touristiques | Radio-Canada.ca.** À travers le monde, des peuples autochtones luttent pour se réapproprier des territoires ancestraux dont ils ont été chassés ou sur lesquels ils ont été dépossédés de leurs droits. Certains de ces lieux sont très touristiques, ce qui rend leurs batailles – et parfois leurs victoires – encore plus symboliques. Petit tour d’horizon de lieux emblématiques au cœur du mouvement Land Back. [newspaper article] [Zone International- ICI.Radio-Canada.ca], 2023-08-10, Radio-Canada, ici.radio-canada.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Worldwide: **Family of former British PM apologises for links to slavery.** The apology by family of William Gladstone comes as many descendants of African slaves have sought reparations. [newspaper article] [News Agencies], 2023-08-27, Al Jazeera, www.aljazeera.com. [Reconciliation]

Worldwide: **Guidance Note on Data Responsibility and Accountability to Affected People in Humanitarian Action.** Data responsibility is the safe, ethical, and effective management of personal and non-personal data for operational response and is therefore central to the humanitarian system’s Accountability to Affected People (AAP). [blog post] [The Centre for Humanitarian Data], 2023-08-14, The Centre for Humanitarian Data, centre.humdata.org. [Technology]

Worldwide: **Guidelines for Identifying Relevant Documentation for Holocaust Research, Education and Remembrance.** For decades, a significant amount of the documentation bearing on the Holocaust and its historical context has been scattered, endangered and in many cases made inaccessible. [newspaper article] [International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance (IHRA)], 2022-03-09, IHRA, www.holocaustremembrance.com. [World War II]

Worldwide: **Harnessing the potential of human-in- the-loop artificial intelligence for risk anticipation and violence prevention.** Conflicts evolve at such a rapid pace that the amount of data produced by conflict or crisis situations is simply overwhelming. Because of the sheer amount of data and the pace at which they are being produced, human beings are unable to track crisis evolutions and manage effective decision-making processes. [report] [United Nations Development Programme], 2023-08-18, reliefweb.int. [Technology]

Worldwide: **Internet shutdowns: here’s how governments do it.** Senegal’s government has shut down internet access in response to protests about the sentencing of opposition leader Ousmane Sonko. This is a tactic governments are increasingly used during times of political contention, such as elections or social upheaval. [newspaper article] [Garbe, Lisa], 2023-08-08, The Conversation, theconversation.com. [Freedom of Expression]

Worldwide: **Neurotech: should our brains have rights? - Geneva Solutions.** As technology unlocks the doors to our minds, scientists urge for human rights protection. Imagine being able to watch your long-lost childhood memories on a screen or suppress a traumatic experience. [newspaper article] [Langrand, Michelle], 2023-08-11, Geneva Solutions, genevasolutions.news. [Technology]

Worldwide: **Re-imagining democracy for the 21st century, possibly without the trappings of the 18th century.** The modern representative democracy was the best form of government mid-18th-century technology could invent. The 21st century is a different place scientifically, technically and socially. [newspaper article] [Schneier, Bruce], 2023-08-07, The Conversation, theconversation.com. [Civil Rights]

Worldwide: **Scientists lament Southern Ocean ‘data desert’, just as climate crisis brings frightening changes.** Loss of sea ice and rising temperatures in the ocean around Antarctica have a

huge effect on the Earth's climate, but the ability to track them is lagging [newspaper article] [Readfearn, Graham], 2023-08-18, The Guardian, www.theguardian.com. [Environment]

Worldwide: **Stolen Nisga'a memorial pole about to start journey home from Scottish museum | CBC News.** A memorial totem pole belonging to members of the Nisga'a Nation in northwestern British Columbia is about to begin its journey home from the National Museum of Scotland in Edinburgh, where it has been on display for nearly a century. [newspaper article] [Owen, Brenna], 2023-08-27, CBC, www.cbc.ca. [Restitution]

Worldwide: **The Routledge Handbook of Privacy and Social Media.** This volume provides the basis for contemporary privacy and social media research and informs global as well as local initiatives to address issues related to social media privacy through research, policymaking, and education. [book] [Trepte, Sabine; Masur, Philipp], 2023-08, www.routledge.com. [Privacy]

Worldwide: **The world has a big appetite for AI – but we really need to know the ingredients.** Much 'artificial intelligence' harvests original creative work by humans. Regulators must demand transparency about training data [newspaper article] [Naughton, John], 2023-08-19, The Observer, www.theguardian.com. [Technology]

Worldwide: **USAID Releases Historic LGBTQ-Inclusive Development Policy.** The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) announced its first-ever LGBTQI+ inclusive development policy, which will guide the agency's inclusion of LGBTQ+ rights support in its programming. [newspaper article] [Cooper, Alex], 2023-08-02, Advocate, www.advocate.com. [LGBTQ+]

National News

Algeria: **Little space for dissent as Algeria sends researcher, journalist to jail.** Canadian-Algerian researcher among those sentenced for 'publishing sensitive information'. [newspaper article] [Simon Speakman Cordall], 2023-08-29, Al Jazeera, www.aljazeera.com. [Freedom of the Press]

Australia: **'There's no such thing as a neutral algorithm': the existential AI exhibition confronting Sydney.** Artist Rafael Lozano-Hemmer's Atmospheric Memory allows visitors to interact with generative tech – and become part of the show in unexpected ways [newspaper article] [Gorman, Alyx], 2023-08-13, The Guardian, www.theguardian.com. [Technology]

Australia: **Australia to head to polls in October as PM confirms Voice referendum date.** Prime Minister Anthony Albanese has confirmed the date of the upcoming Voice to parliament referendum, announcing the vote will be held on October 14. Australians will head to the referendum polls for the first time in 24 years on the second Saturday in October to decide whether to enshrine an Indigenous Voice in Australia's constitution. [newspaper article] [Morse, Callan; Cross, Jarred], 2023-08-30, National Indigenous Times, nit.com.au. [Democracy]

Australia: **Indigenous Australian Art: Traditions from a Fascinating, Ancient Past.** Indigenous Australians did and do not have a formal written language. Without writing, the only way to maintain history is through visual production, pictures take the place of words. [magazine article] [Laurentis, Camilla de], 2023-08-09, DailyArt Magazine, www.dailyartmagazine.com. [Indigenous Matters]

Australia: **Indigenous Voice to Parliament vote set in Australia.** Prime Minister Anthony Albanese announced the referendum date, triggering just over six weeks of intensifying campaigning by both

sides of the argument [newspaper article] [The Associated Press], 2023-08-30, ICT News, [ictnews.org](https://www.ictnews.org). [Democracy]

Australia: **The Censors Down Under: The ACMA Gambit on Misinformation and Disinformation.** Can or should countries legislate disinformation? Australia just might try. [newspaper article] [Kampmark, Binoy], 2023-08-12, International Policy Digest, [intpolicydigest.org](https://www.intpolicydigest.org). [Disinformation]

Belarus: **'All Of It Must Be Recorded': Still No Justice Three Years After Crackdown On Belarus Protests.** On the third anniversary of a disputed presidential vote in Belarus, opposition activists demanded justice for protesters jailed and beaten in a brutal crackdown. [video recording] [Tizard, Will], 2023-08-10, www.rferl.org. [Civil Rights]

Belarus: **Belarus detains national archivists.** RFE/RL's Belarus service reports that today Belarus's secret police, called the KGB, detained at least seven employees of the National Archives of Belarus, including the deputy director of science and multiple department heads. No reason have been given. [newspaper article] [Green, Lincoln], 2023-08-16, Daily Kos, www.dailykos.com. [Ukraine War]

Belarus: **How human rights defenders are being silenced.** Since 2020, human rights defenders have been one of the most actively persecuted social groups in Belarus. This massive crackdown has made it impossible for activists to engage in human rights work without risking their dignity, freedom and even their lives. All human rights organisations, independent media and trade unions have been closed down, and their activities were deemed extremist and constituting criminal offences. [newspaper article] [International Federation for Human Rights], 2023-08-08, International Federation for Human Rights, www.fidh.org. [Human Rights Defenders]

Bolivia, Plurinational State of: **Cultural appropriation and the erasure of cultural diversity.** Cultural appropriation is a sensitive topic, prone to endless misinterpretations, because it touches the heart of who we are: a mixture of cultures difficult to unravel. Questioning "the cultural" in Bolivia provokes resistance, due to its strong intimate and identity component and, above all, because we do not know the histories of the cultures that surround us. [newspaper article] [Pita Vaca, Irene Mairemí; Collazos Gottret, Isabel], 2023-08-12, Global Voices, globalvoices.org. [Racism]

Brazil: **La millonaria red de sobornos de la tercera constructora brasileña.** La firma Camargo Correa creó un esquema financiero en paraísos fiscales con tentáculos en ocho países para canalizar el pago de comisiones ilegales a directivos de la petrolera Petrobras. Así lo confirman documentos a los que ha tenido acceso EL PAÍS y que afloran nuevos detalles sobre el funcionamiento de este esquema corrupto, sus tretas de ocultación y la maraña de testaferros, sociedades ficticias y cuentas cifradas para mover el dinero sucio. [newspaper article] [Irujo, José María; Gil, Joaquín], 2023-08-03, El País, elpais.com. [Corruption]

Bulgaria: **New Communism Museum Invites Visitors To 'Travel Back' To Cold-War Bulgaria.** Faded Communist Party signs, chipped kitchenware, and political speeches on a dusty record player are on display at Evgeni Mladenov's newly opened communism museum in the Bulgarian mountain village of Banite. The time capsule brings visitors back to the 1980s and immerses them in the Cold War past. [video recording] [Tizard, Will], 2023-08-19, www.rferl.org. [Human Rights]

Burkina Faso: **Promoting a people-centred aid system: Impact's commitment to producing community-driven evidence for humanitarian decision making.** In recent years, there has been growing momentum around putting people and communities at the centre of humanitarian action,

packaged under a series of Accountability to Affected People (AAP) principles and commitments. [webpage] [Impact Initiatives], 2023-08-18, Relief Web, reliefweb.int. [Humanitarian Aid]

Cambodia: **Problematic laws and restrictions on information are threatening digital rights.** As internet use and digital technologies flourished in Cambodia, more people are relying on social media to access news and information and to exercise their rights to free expression. [newspaper article] [EngageMedia], 2023-08-21, Global Voices, globalvoices.org. [Freedom of Expression]

Canada: **'Stupid and dangerous': Meta's news ban fuels anger amid Canada wildfires.** Experts say impasse over contentious Canadian law should make media outlets rethink reliance on social media platforms. [newspaper article] [Harb, Ali], 2023-08-29, Al Jazeera, www.aljazeera.com. [Technology]

Canada: **93 possible unmarked graves discovered at former Beauval residential school.** English River First Nation in Saskatchewan announced Tuesday it has discovered nearly 100 potential unmarked graves at the site of a former residential school. [newspaper article] [Paradis, Danielle], 2023-08-29, APTN, www.aptnnews.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Enfants autochtones disparus ou morts: Début des exhumations sur la Côte-Nord.** L'exhumation des dépouilles de deux enfants autochtones s'amorce dans la communauté innue de Pessamit sur la Côte-Nord. L'opération délicate, qui s'inscrit dans la foulée d'une nouvelle loi québécoise, vise à élucider la disparition et la mort des poupons. [newspaper article] [Lévesque, Fanny], 2023-08-29, La Presse, www.lapresse.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Even in a democracy like Canada, journalists often face efforts to keep information from the public.** Media spend time and money fighting lack of access, publication bans, secret trials. [newspaper article] [Fenlon, Brodie], 2023-08-10, CBC News, www.cbc.ca. [Transparency]

Canada: **How indigenous conservation protects Canada's environment.** In Canada, centring conservation with the country's indigenous peoples is allowing its original stewards to reconnect to their land and culture – and proving remarkably effective. [newspaper article] [Walker, Kira], 2023-08-09, BBC News, www.bbc.com. [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Meet Bonnie Lysyk, the author of the bombshell report on Ontario's Greenbelt and developer influence.** The outgoing Ontario auditor general sat down with The Narwhal for an exit interview about her decade of environmental oversight, what her critics say behind closed doors and the possibility of another Greenbelt report [newspaper article] [McIntosh, Emma; Syed, Fatima], 2023-08-21, The Narwhal, thenarwhal.ca. [Transparency]

Canada: **National archives to digitize, transfer 6 million pages of Indian day school records, official says | CBC News.** Canada's national archives is working to identify, digitize and transfer six million pages of federal Indian day school records to the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR), the department head says. [newspaper article] [Forester, Brett], 2023-08-04, CBC News, www.cbc.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Ontario's information watchdog is considering 'potential next steps' on alleged deleted Greenbelt emails.** An audit found political staffers in the Ontario government allegedly deleted records and used personal emails during interactions with development lobbyists [newspaper article] [McIntosh, Emma], 2023-08-23, The Narwhal, thenarwhal.ca. [Transparency]

Canada: **Pierre Elliott Trudeau had a secret unit to spy on Quebec separatists.** According to an article that has just been published in English in an academic journal, Prime Minister Trudeau's office

created an espionage unit in the 1970s to monitor Quebec sovereignists. The firm had also asked the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to pass on information to it – a request the defunct RCMP security service reportedly resisted. [newspaper article] [Serebrin, Jacob], 2023-08-31, DayFR Euro, euro.dayfr.com. [Spying]

Canada: **PQ to table legislation seeking expenses of No campaign during 1995 referendum.** The result of the referendum was so close that supporters have often accused the No side of having bent the rules on campaign financing. [newspaper article] [Denoncourt, Jean-Philippe; Canadian Press], 2023-08-09, Montreal Gazette, montrealgazette.com. [Civil Rights]

Canada: **Santé : Il faut des données sur l'identité autochtone, plaident des médecins canadiens.** Combattre les iniquités et le racisme systémique dans le réseau de la santé au Canada – dont sont particulièrement victimes les personnes autochtones – passe par une meilleure collecte de données sur l'identité ethnique dans l'ensemble du pays, fait valoir un groupe de médecins. [newspaper article] [Zone Santé- ICI.Radio-Canada.ca], 2023-08-17, Radio-Canada, ici.radio-canada.ca. [Indigenous Matters]

Canada: **Secret Canada: We broke the printer twice.** Updates on the latest additions to the Secret Canada database, plus a behind-the-scenes look at the process of filing 400 FOI requests [newspaper article] [Carduso, Tom], 2023-08-08, The Globe and Mail, www.theglobeandmail.com. [Privacy]

Chile: **Archivos Puga.** El primer civil de la dictadura. Los archivos secretos de Álvaro Puga es un proyecto periodístico multimedia que revela, a través del análisis de documentos inéditos, una faceta desconocida del régimen, sus pugnas internas, sus mecanismos de poder y control. A 50 años del golpe de Estado presentamos una investigación exclusiva liderada por Juan Cristóbal Peña. [webpage] [Peña, Juan Cristóbal], 2023-08-01, Revista Anfibia, www.revistaanfibia.cl. [Transparency]

Chile: **Decades After Dictatorship, Chile Mounts Search for Hundreds Who Vanished.** President Gabriel Boric is announcing a new national search plan ahead of the 50th anniversary of the coup that toppled the government and led to the disappearance and killing of thousands. [newspaper article] [Bonnefoy, Pascale], 2023-08-30, The New York Times, www.nytimes.com. [Internally Displaced Persons]

Chile: **Familiares y agrupaciones de DDHH entregan carta interpelando al Poder Judicial su rol durante 50 años desde el golpe de Estado.** Las y los familiares y organizaciones por los derechos humanos, Londres 38, espacio de memorias; la Agrupación de Familiares de Detenidos Desaparecidos (AFDD); y la Agrupación de Familiares de Ejecutados Políticos (AFEP); entregaron pasadas las once de la mañana de este viernes 4 de agosto, una carta dirigida al Pleno de la Corte Suprema, con el objetivo de interpelar al Poder Judicial en su rol durante estos 50 años, manifestar su preocupación por el estado de las causas por violaciones a los DD.HH. y expresar sus expectativas y demandas ante el Plan Nacional de Búsqueda. [newspaper article] [Le Monde Diplomatique], 2023-08-10, Le Monde diplomatique, www.lemondediplomatique.cl. [Human Rights Defenders]

Chile: **Fifty Years On, the “Chicago Boys” Remain Difficult to Discuss.** A new book tries to address the thorny, still evolving legacy of Chile’s radical free-market reformers. [magazine article] [Winter, Brian], 2023-07-25, Americas Quarterly, www.americasquarterly.org. [Democracy]

Chile: **Files reveal Nixon role in plot to block Allende from Chilean presidency.** Days before Salvador Allende’s confirmation as Chile’s president in 1970, US President Richard Nixon met with a rightwing Chilean media mogul to discuss blocking the socialist leader’s path to the presidency, newly

declassified documents have revealed. [newspaper article] [Bartlett, John], 2023-08-08, The Guardian, www.theguardian.com. [Government]

Chile: **Gobierno de EE.UU. desclasifica los informes diarios del Presidente referentes a Chile, de los días 8 y 11 de septiembre de 1973.** Traducción extraoficial de la declaración dada a conocer por la Oficina del Portavoz del Departamento de Estado. [webpage] [U.S. Embassy in Chile], 2023-08-25, U.S. Embassy in Chile, cl.usembassy.gov. [Transparency]

Chile: **Todos los archivos son archivos de derechos humanos.** A propósito del anuncio de un Archivo Nacional de la Memoria en Chile. [newspaper article] [Bravo, Paulina; Cea, Karen; Manzi, Javiera; Rojas, Valentina], 2023-08-01, Le Monde diplomatique, www.lemondediplomatique.cl. [Human Rights]

China: **Combat Anti-Black Racism on Social Media.** The Chinese government should acknowledge and condemn anti-Black racism prevalent on the Chinese internet and adopt measures to promote tolerance and fight prejudice. [newspaper article] [Human Rights Watch], 2023-08-16, Human Rights Watch, www.hrw.org. [Racism]

China: **UN experts demand information on nine imprisoned human rights defenders.** UN-appointed independent rights experts have called on the Chinese Government to provide information about nine Tibetan human rights defenders serving prisoner sentences of up to 11 years. [newspaper article] [UN News], 2023-08-10, UN News, news.un.org. [Human Rights Defenders]

China: **Where did 20,000 Jews hide from the Holocaust? In Shanghai.** In the late 1930s, as the Nazis stepped up their persecution of German and Austrian Jews, many countries in the West severely limited the number of visas they granted to refugees. But there was one place refugees could go without even obtaining a visa: Shanghai. An exhibit in New York explores a little-known chapter of World War II. [newspaper article] [Schuerman, Matthew], 2023-08-06, NPR, www.npr.org. [World War II]

Congo, Democratic Republic of the: **'Dependent on the forest': The fight for indigenous peoples' rights in the Congo Basin.** The tropical forests of the Congo Basin are home to nearly 1 million indigenous people. After thousands of years of survival, deforestation is perhaps their biggest challenge yet. [newspaper article] [Gabel, Barbara], 2023-08-08, France 24, www.france24.com. [Indigenous Matters]

Congo, Democratic Republic of the: **Missing Maps: How geodata is helping humanitarian aid efforts.** With the Missing Maps initiative, MSF teams are leveraging spatial data to better evaluate the extent of displacement in the hard-to-reach camps around Goma, DR Congo. [webpage] [MSF], 2023-08-09, Relief Web, reliefweb.int. [Humanitarian Aid]

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Togo: **Conference Call for Proposals - Colonisation allemande et traitement mémoriel : entre regards croisés, approches récentes et perspectives interdisciplinaires (Lomé, Togo)**. En ce XXI^e siècle, l'héritage colonial allemand est encore très présent dans l'imaginaire collectif de populations anciennement colonisées principalement. Il est visible à la fois dans la littérature coloniale, les musées, les monuments (y compris les monuments d'honneur ou les mémoriaux) et la photographie coloniale. Ce constat oblige à se pencher sur la question coloniale et d'en souligner la pérennité à travers d'éventuels discours et récits cachés ou occultés dans les représentations et les expositions sur le colonialisme. Il s'inscrit également dans un contexte de résurgence de la mémoire coloniale en Allemagne depuis 2004 qui font intervenir différentes disciplines avec des éléments et des approches plus récents de la question. [webpage] [Équipe de recherche Fabula], 2023-09-30, fabula.org, www.fabula.org. [Events]

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Brazil: **La millonaria red de sobornos de la tercera constructora brasileña**. La firma Camargo Correa creó un esquema financiero en paraísos fiscales con tentáculos en ocho países para canalizar el pago de comisiones ilegales a directivos de la petrolera Petrobras. Así lo confirman documentos a los que ha tenido acceso EL PAÍS y que afloran nuevos detalles sobre el funcionamiento de este esquema corrupto, sus tretas de ocultación y la maraña de testaferros, sociedades ficticias y cuentas cifradas para mover el dinero sucio. [newspaper article] [Irujo, José María; Gil, Joaquín], 2023-08-03, El País, elpais.com. [National News]

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El Salvador: **Rechazan extensión de prisión a ambientalistas en El Salvador.** El tribunal salvadoreño postergó la audiencia preliminar hasta febrero del año siguiente a petición de la Fiscalía. “Dicha prórroga es innecesaria, porque hasta ahora la Fiscalía no ha presentado pruebas reales contra nuestros compañeros y difícilmente las tendrá alargando injustificadamente el proceso. Su única

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Lebanon: **Comedian Arrested for Critical Jokes.** Lebanese authorities' arrest and investigation of prominent comedian Nour Hajjar, solely in retaliation for his jokes, represents a new escalation in Lebanon's crackdown on public criticism, the Coalition to Defend Freedom of Expression in Lebanon of which Amnesty International is a member, said today. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-08-31, Amnesty International, www.amnesty.org. [National News]

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Human Rights

Bulgaria: **New Communism Museum Invites Visitors To 'Travel Back' To Cold-War Bulgaria.** Faded Communist Party signs, chipped kitchenware, and political speeches on a dusty record player are on display at Evgeni Mladenov's newly opened communism museum in the Bulgarian mountain village of Banite. The time capsule brings visitors back to the 1980s and immerses them in the Cold War past. [video recording] [Tizard, Will], 2023-08-19, www.rferl.org. [National News]

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Nigeria: **'Our history is rotting away': the newspaper archivists preserving Nigeria's past.** Coups, civil wars, dictators, democracy ... all the headlines that tell the country's story since independence in 1960 are to be saved for posterity by an ambitious archive project [newspaper article] [Adetayo, Ope], 2023-08-10, The Guardian, www.theguardian.com. [National News]

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Worldwide: Conference Call for Proposals - ARL IDEAL 2024—Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in Libraries & Archives Conference - 2024-07-15 to 17, in Toronto, Canada. The Association of Research Libraries (ARL) is now accepting proposals for the 2024 Inclusion, Diversity, Equity, and Accessibility in Libraries & Archives (IDEAL) Conference, to be held July 15–17, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The conference theme is Sustainable Resistance and Restoration in Global Communities. Proposals should consider how the content of the session connects to the larger landscape of diversity, equity, inclusion, accessibility, and justice (DEIA/J) and how the session reasonably engages adult learners. [blog post] [Keig, Alisha], 2023-08-03, Association of Research Libraries (ARL), www.arl.org. [Events]

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Haiti: Journal d'Haïti et des Amériques - Haïti pleure Liliane Pierre-Paul, icône de la liberté d'expression. La célèbre journaliste est décédée hier (31 juillet 2023) à l'âge de 70 ans et il n'est pas un média qui ne lui rende hommage aujourd'hui. Liliane Pierre-Paul avait consacré sa vie au journalisme, dénonçant sans cesse la corruption et les dérives de certains dirigeants. [audio recording] [Pierre-Paul, Liliane; Ponge, Mickael], 2023-08-01, www.rfi.fr. [National News]

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Ukraine: **Russian court upholds 13-year sentence against Ukrainian human rights defender Maksym Butkevych.** An appeal hearing at a Moscow court on Tuesday (22 August) which has upheld the 13-year sentence imposed on Maksym Butkevych, a Ukrainian human rights defender, is a grave miscarriage of justice Amnesty International said today. [newspaper article] [Amnesty International], 2023-08-22, Amnesty International, www.amnesty.org. [National News]

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Internally Displaced Persons

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