

Security Council Open Debates on the Protection of Civilians -- Reports and Excerpts from the Sixteen Open Debates

Semi-annual open debates of the Security Council on the protection of civilians around the world and the Security Council's response to these crises have become a regular follow-up to the Protection of Civilians in Armed Conflict resolutions. Some governments hope that these regular briefings, high-lighting situations where civilians are in danger around the world and giving Member States the opportunity to make statements on the Security Council's role in protecting civilians, will be a new mechanism to spur better and earlier responses to these crises. A few governments have noted [Security Council Resolution 1612](#) on Children in Armed Conflict as a possible model.

- I. [First Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 28 June 2006](#)
- II. [Second Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 4 December 2006](#)
- III. [Third Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 22 June 2007](#)
- IV. [Fourth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 20 November 2007](#)
- V. [Fifth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 27 May 2008](#)
- VI. [Sixth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 14 January 2009](#)
- VII. [Seventh Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 26 June 2009](#)
- VIII. [Eighth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 11 November 2009](#)
- IX. [Ninth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 7 July 2010](#)
- X. [Tenth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 22 November 2010](#)
- XI. [Eleventh Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 10 May 2011](#)
- XII. [Twelfth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 9 November 2011](#)
- XIII. [Thirteenth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 25 June 2012](#)
- XIV. [Fourteenth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 4 February 2013](#)
- XV. [Fifteenth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 19 August 2013](#)
- XVI. [Sixteenth Open Debate on the Protection of Civilians: 12 February 2014](#)

