

# DATA WITNESSING

Decoding Amnesty International's Urgent Actions Archive

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How many people suffering human rights abuse were campaigned for in the below Urgent Action? ⓘ

1

2+



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**URGENT  
ACTION**

**Burundi - 14 March 2001**

PUBLIC AI Index: AFR 16/014/2001

14 March 2001

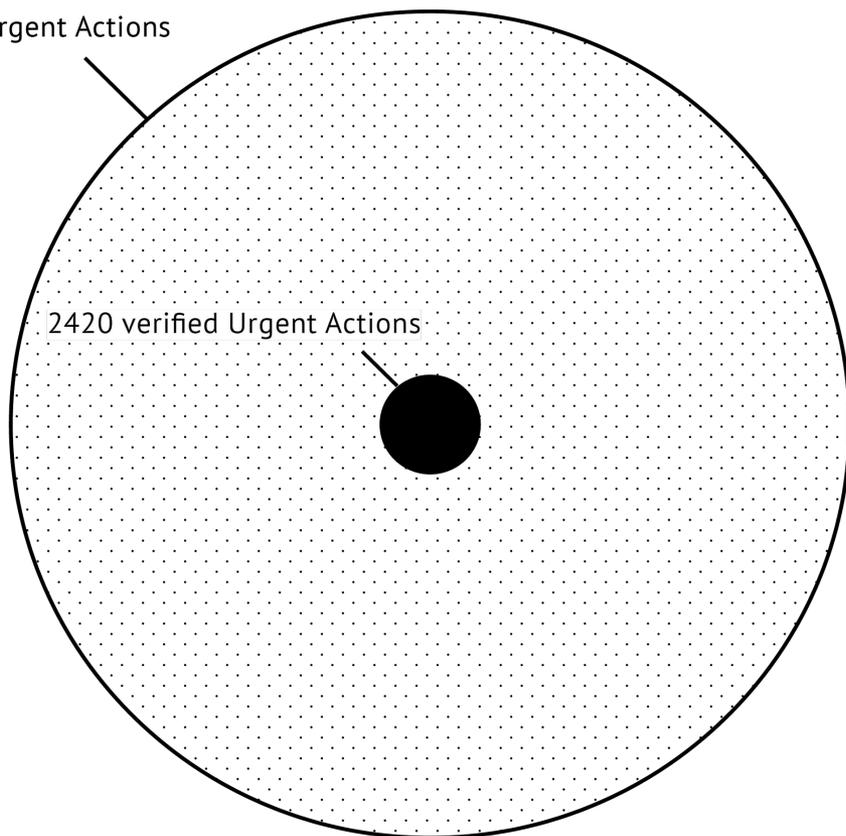
Further information on UA 56/01 (AFR 16/012/2001, 13 March 2001) - Fear of torture and ill-treatment

BURUNDI Paul Nsanzurwimo, civil servant

Paul Nsanzurwimo was released unconditionally on 14 March 2001. He was not tortured or ill-treated.

He had been detained for five days in a gendarmerie special detention centre, the Brigade spéciale de recherche (BSR) in the capital, Bujumbura, where he was at risk of torture

20.078 digitized Urgent Actions



2420 verified Urgent Actions

## CROWDSOURCING DATA

NAME

GENDER

OUTCOME

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS

## METADATA

DATA-RANGE \_ 07th-30th JUNE 2016

DATE

COUNTRY

HUMAN RIGHTS TAGS

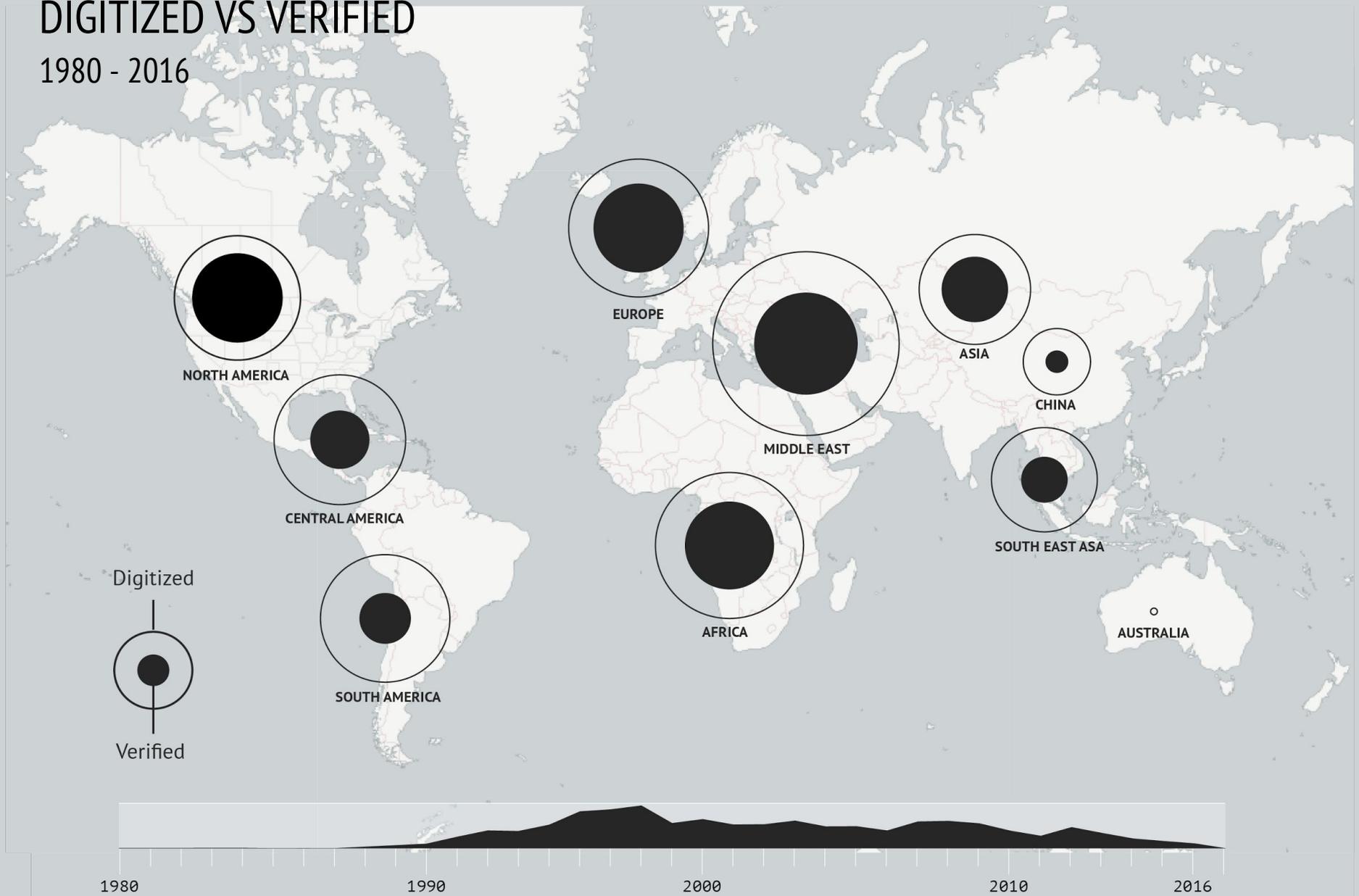
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# URGENT ACTIONS

## DIGITIZED VS VERIFIED

1980 - 2016



1980

1990

2000

2010

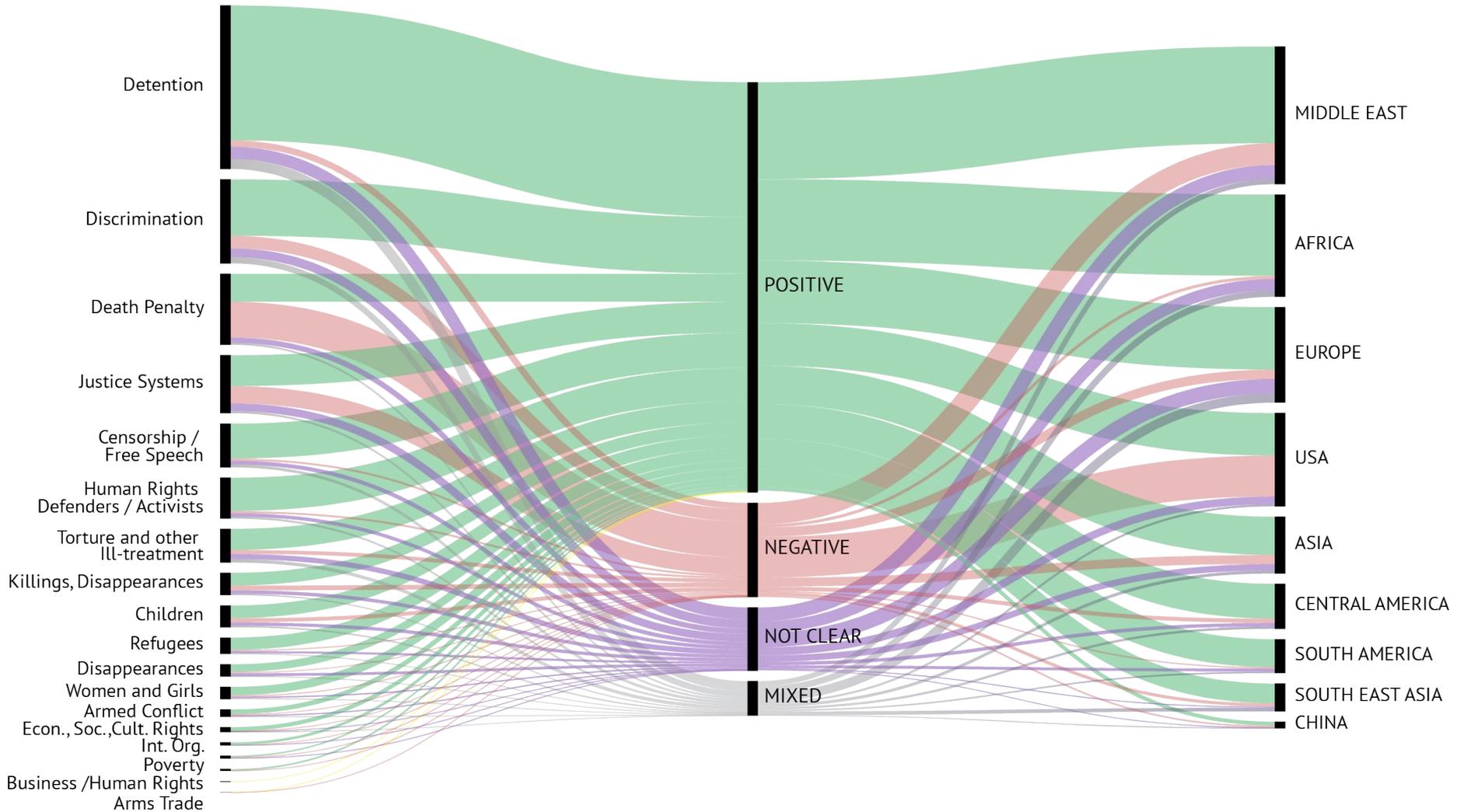
2016

## **Research Question**

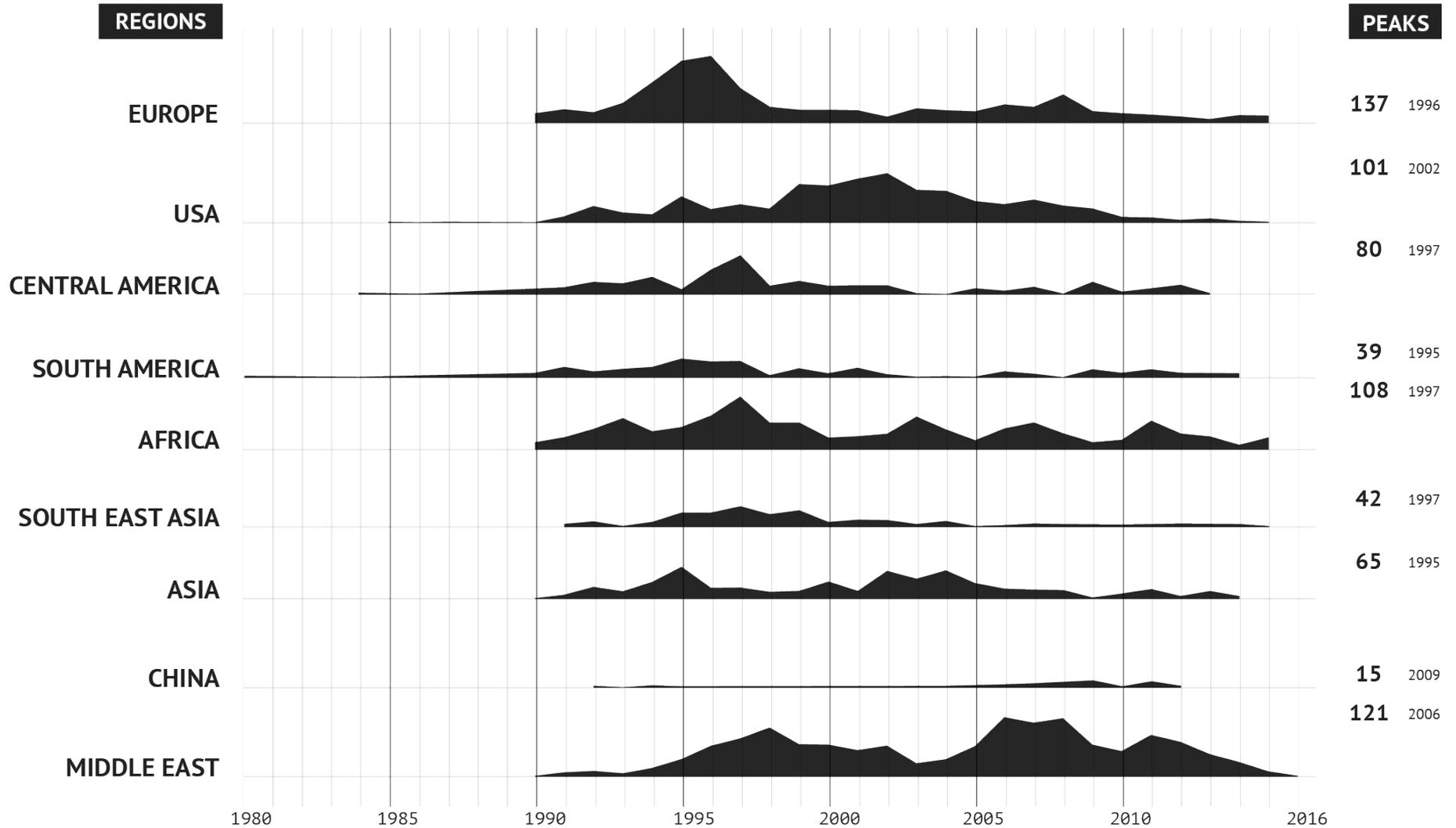
**What does the Urgent Actions database tell us about Amnesty's focus?**

# WORLD REGIONS

## VIOLATIONS AND OUTCOMES



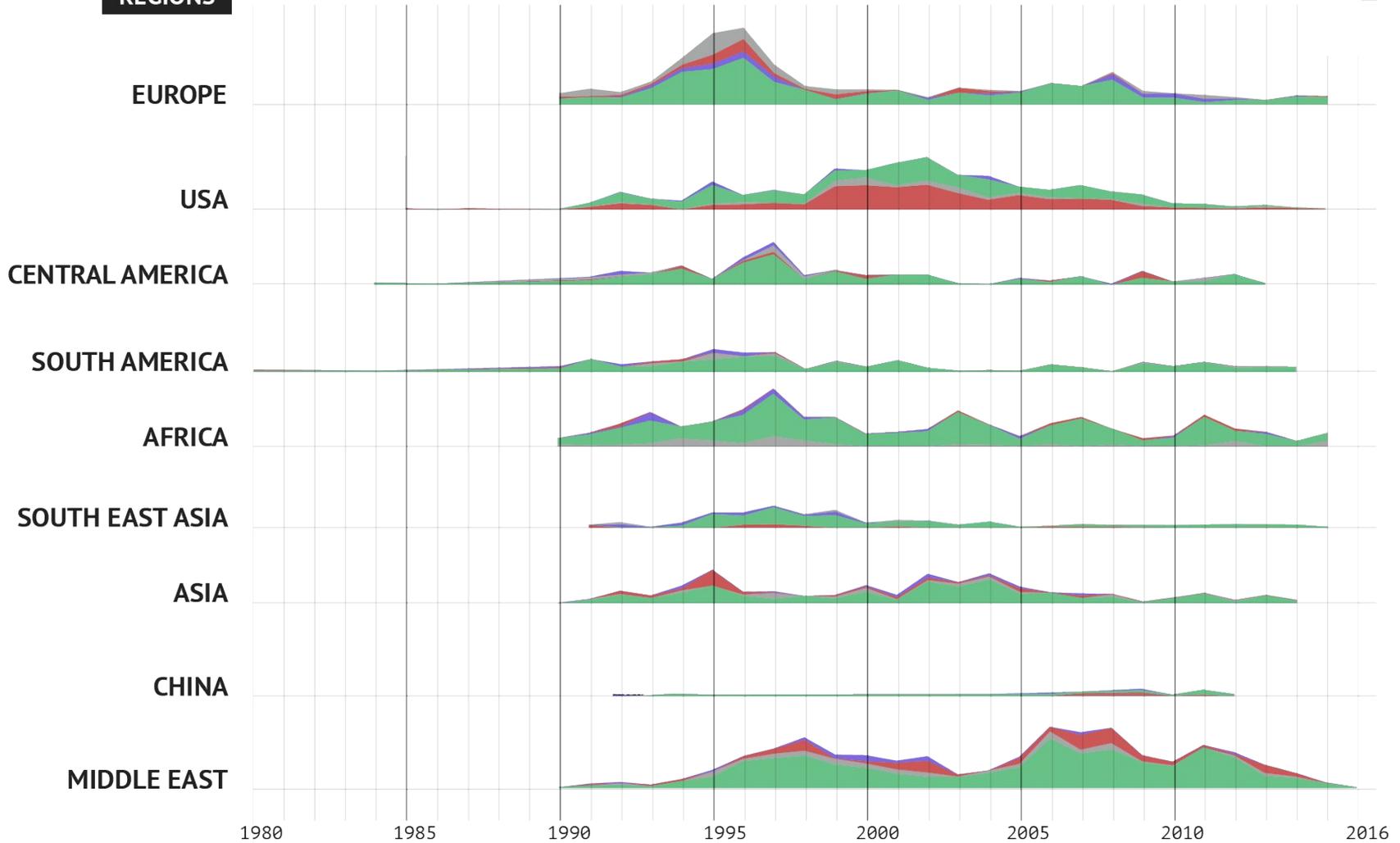
# WORLD REGIONS TIMELINE



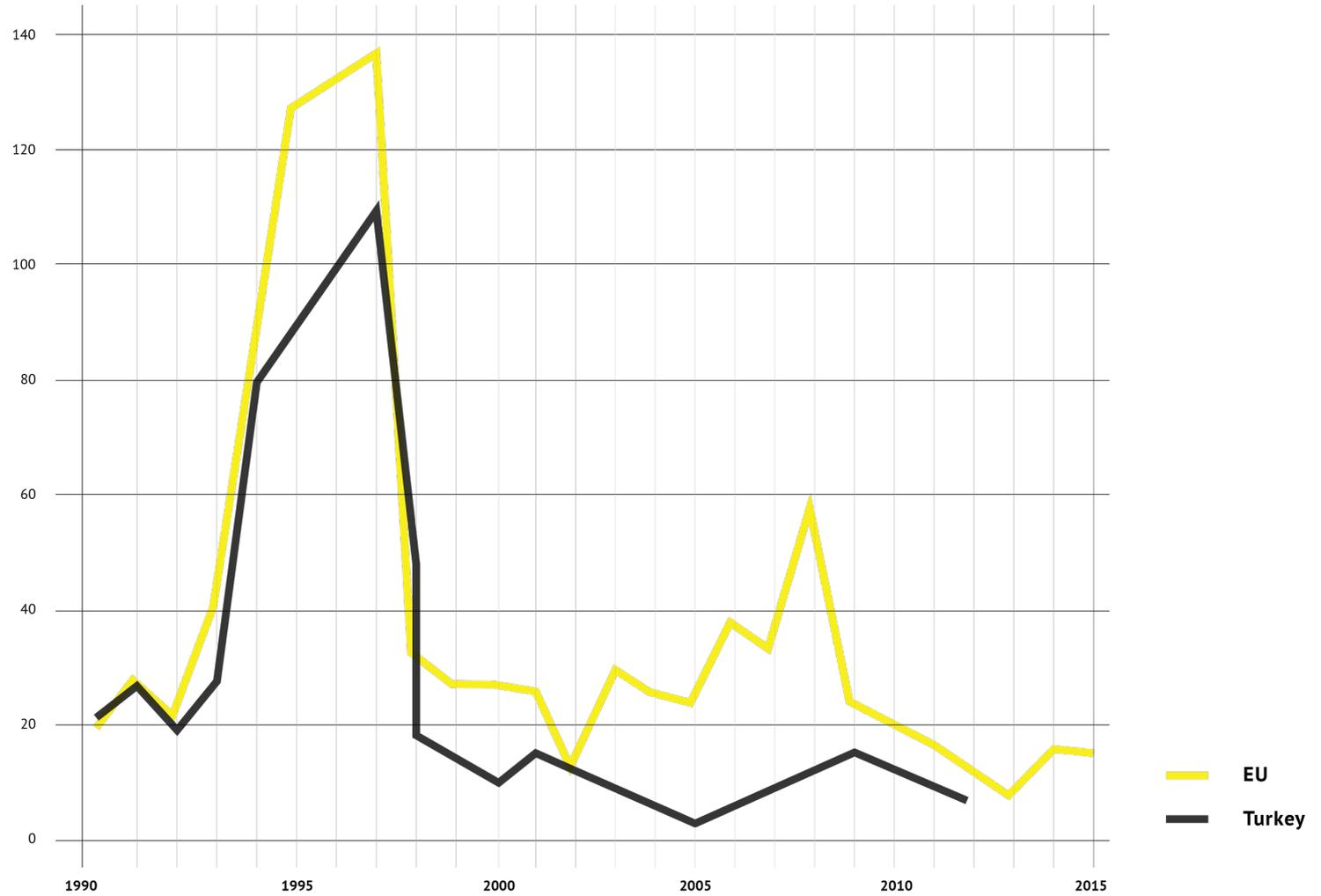
# WORLD REGIONS TIMELINE OUTCOMES

- NEGATIVE
- POSITIVE
- NOT CLEAR
- MIXED

## REGIONS

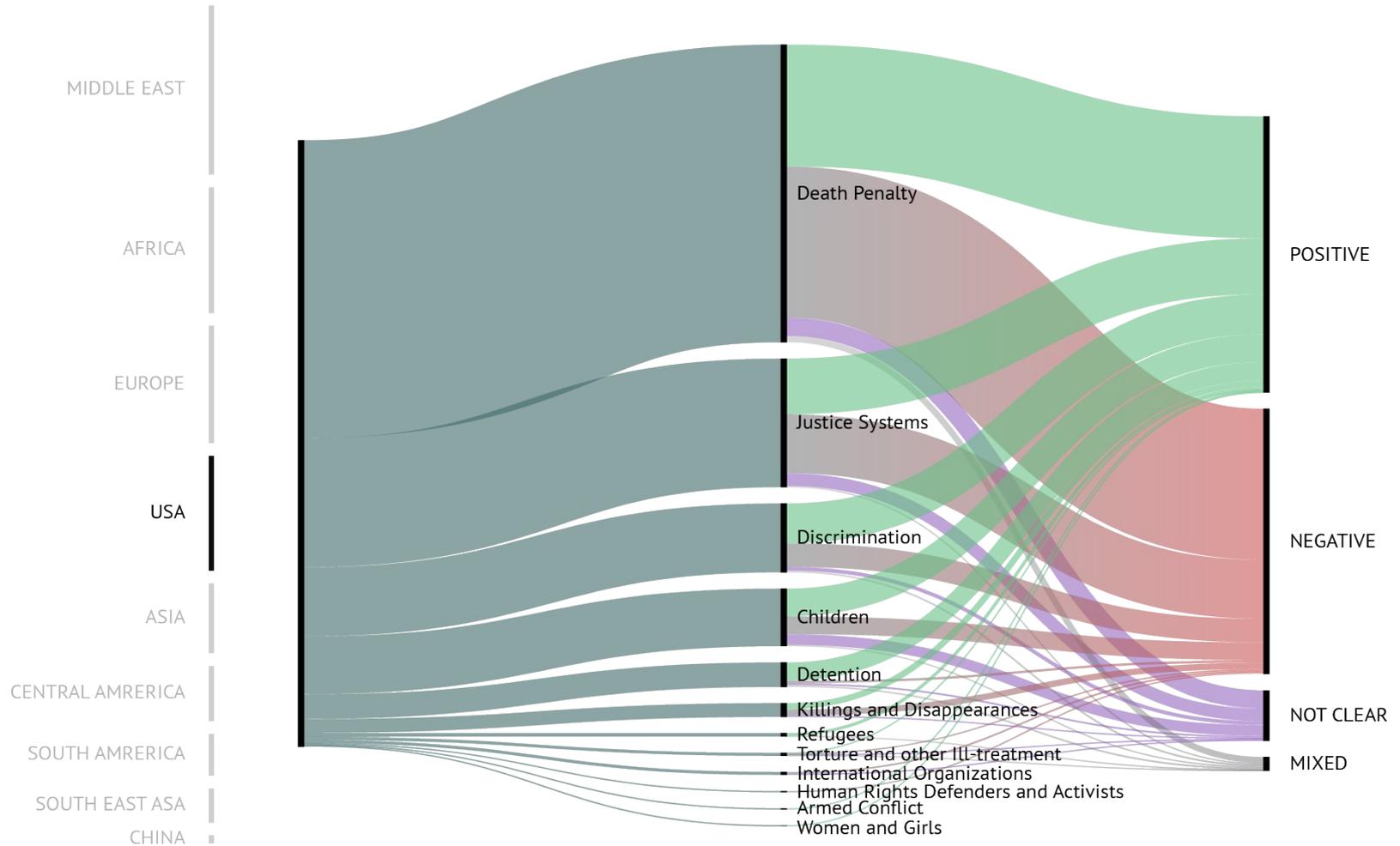


# EU/TURKEY TIMELINE



# USA FOCUS

## VIOLATIONS AND OUTCOMES



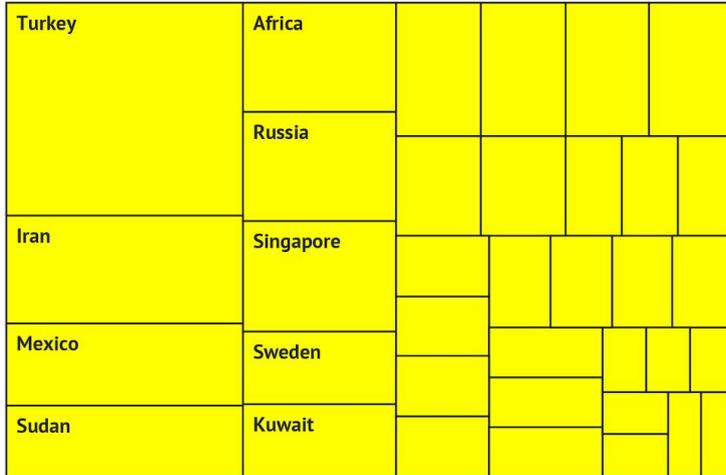
# WORLD REGIONS CATEGORIES



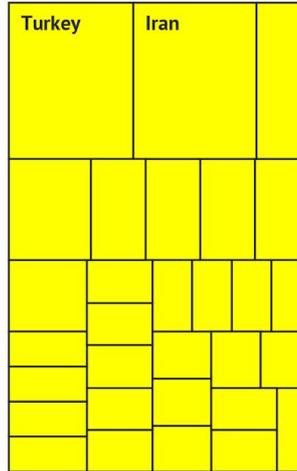
- CENSORSHIP AND FREE SPEECH
- CHILDREN
- DEATH PENALTY
- DETENTION
- DISCRIMINATION
- HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND ACTIVISTS
- JUSTICE SYSTEMS
- KILLINGS AND DISAPPEARANCES
- REFUGEES
- TORTURE AND OTHER ILL-TREATMENT
- OTHERS

# FEMALE VIOLATIONS

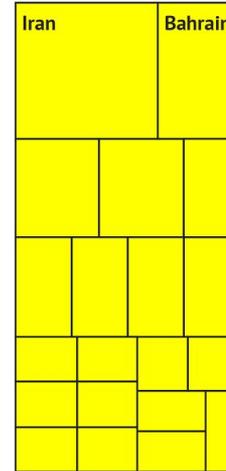
## DISCRIMINATION



## WOMEN AND GIRLS



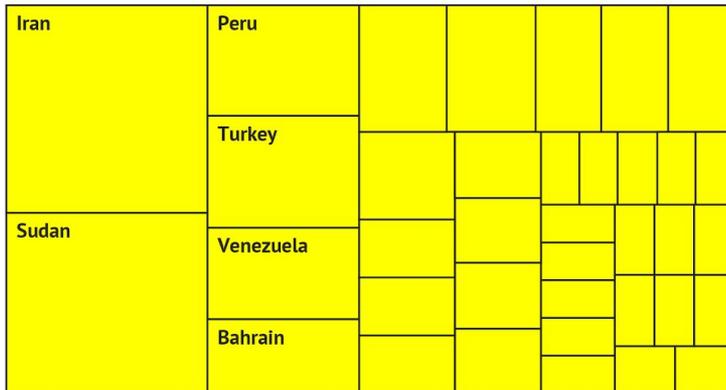
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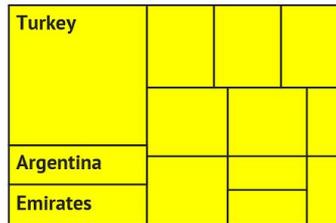
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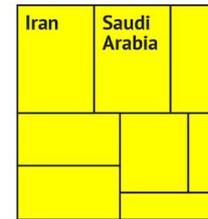
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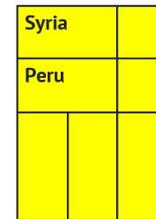
## TORTURE AND OTHER III-TREATMENT



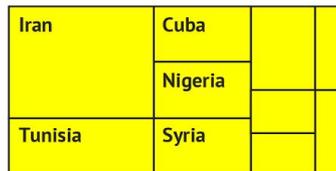
## JUSTICE SYSTEMS



## CHILDREN



## CENSORSHIP AND FREE SPEECH



## KILLINGS AND DISAPPEARANCES



## REFUGEES



## ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS

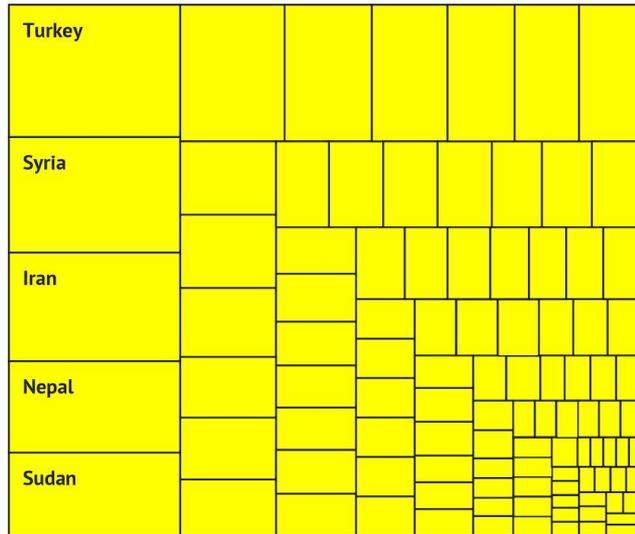


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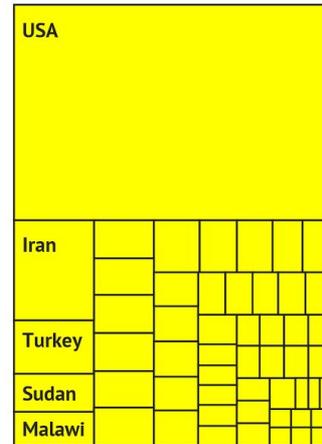


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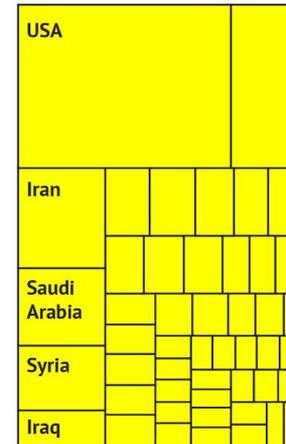
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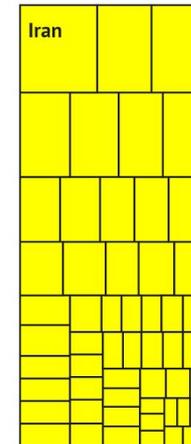
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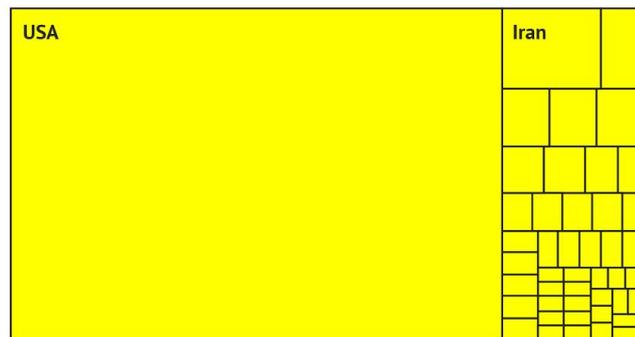
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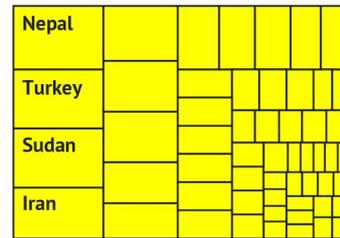
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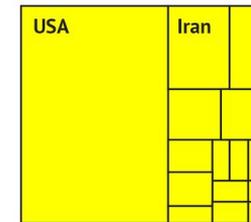
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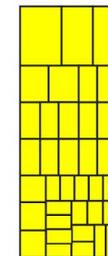
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CHILDREN



REFUGEES



WOMEN AND GIRLS



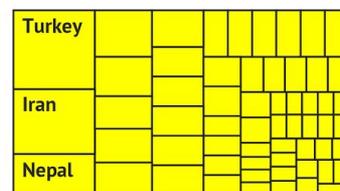
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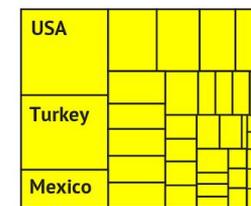
BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS



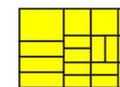
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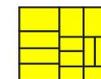
KILLINGS AND DISAPPEARANCES



ARMED CONFLICT



INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS



ARMS TRADE



POVERTY



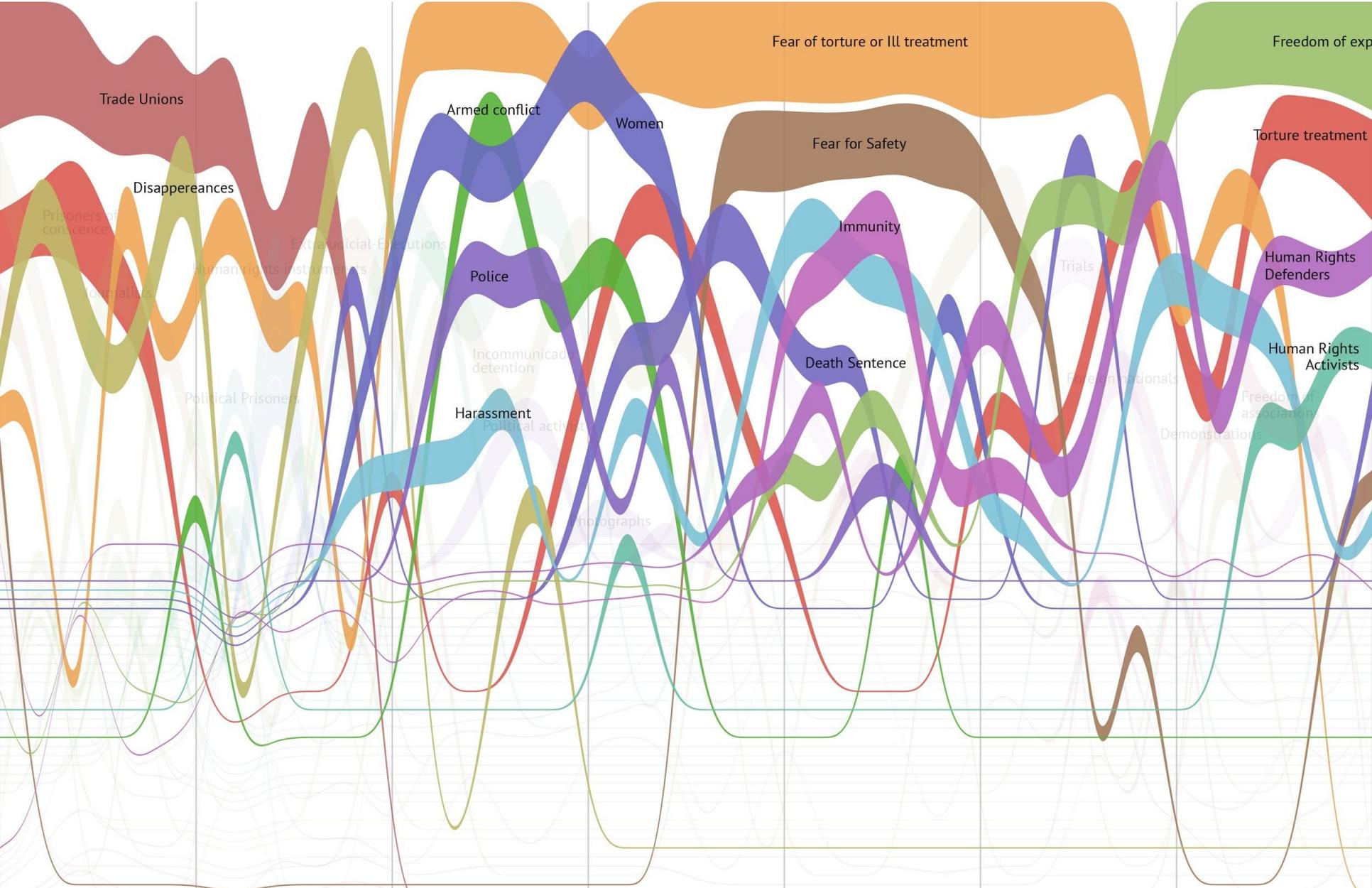
## **Research Question**

**What kinds of worlds  
are articulated through  
Amnesty's classificatory  
practices?**





# TAGS EVOLUTION



## **Research Question**

**What makes an Urgent  
Action successful?**



# **Profile of a successful Urgent Action**

**67.5 % of total has a positive outcome**

**Individual (Female)**

**Detention**

**African continent (Sudan)**