

Question 7: Were persons perceived as being associated with the adverse party after the end of hostilities in 2008 discriminated against and/or deprived of the enjoyment of some human rights? What measures were taken against such practice?

In the case of Georgia, there has not been a single example of ethnically motivated violence or other discriminatory acts against ethnic Ossetians or Russians residing in the territory of Georgia. To note there are approximately 38,000 ethnic Ossetians residing in Georgia outside the Tskhinvali region/South Ossetia. The State Minister on Reintegration of Georgia regularly visited regions populated by ethnic Ossetians to monitor the situation, including Lagodekhi, Sagarejo, Telavi, Bazaleti, Kvemo Shavshvebi, Tsitelubani, Borjomi and etc.

The OSCE prepared a Report on The Situation of Ossetians in Georgia Outside the Former Autonomous District of South Ossetia in February 2009 – after the war with Russia in August 2008. The Reports reads:

“Contrary to initial concerns shared by human rights and humanitarian actors, the August 2008 war did not lead to a change of the situation of ethnic Ossetians in Georgian controlled territory or to their long-term displacement in any significant numbers. The population of ethnically mixed villages in the adjacent areas to the administrative boundary line of the former Autonomous District of South Ossetia has not raised any concerns over discrimination. On the contrary, firsthand reports testify to mutual support among neighbours of different ethnic background during wartime. Ethnic Ossetians to whom UNHCR had talked in collective centres had not raised concerns over discrimination either. The Representative of the UN-Secretary General on the Human Rights of IDPs, who visited Georgia in October 2008, met with persons of Ossetian ethnic origin among IDPs, usually from mixed marriages, and could not identify concerns related to their ethnic origin. Inhabitants of the areas adjacent to the former Autonomous District of South Ossetia had insisted that there were no inter-ethnic problems between Georgians and Ossetians, because they often lived in mixed marriages.”¹

As regards the treatment of ethnic Georgians after the hostilities, the violence and targeting still continues. The list of incidents is provided bellow:

August

- On 13 August, armed proxy militants under Russian control assaulted the representatives of “Cartu Bank” in the town of Gori and took away their Ford Expedition vehicle.
- On 13 August, at about 13:00 five Russian-speaking soldiers assaulted Kakhaber Nadiradze (b. in 1979, resident of Chiatura) in the town of Gori, taking away his Jeep Pajero vehicle and other belongings.
- On 13 August, seven armed proxy militants under Russian control assaulted Ivane Elizbarashvili (b. in 1974, resident of village Teleti, Gardabani district) near village Karaleti and took away his Opel-Vectra vehicle.
- On 13 August, several armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed Teimuraz Turazashvili (b. in 1956, resident of Tbilisi), abducting his Volkswagen Golf vehicle.

¹ OSCE, Report on The Situation of Ossetian in Georgia Outside the Former Autonomous District of South Ossetia; pp. 4-5.

- On August 13, two individuals assaulted Ervand Chegelidze (b. in 1952, resident of Gori), abducted his Opel-Vectra vehicle No: AMA-845.
- On August 13, near village Shavshvebi, armed individuals in military uniforms assaulted Malkhaz Natriashvili, (b. in 1964, v. Kveshi resident), abducting his Opel-Astra vehicle No: BOI 785.
- On 13 August, two Russian-speaking soldiers stopped a minibus in Gori, robbed its driver Merab Dzotsenidze (b. in 1961, resident of Tbilisi) of 3500 GEL and took away his Mercedes Benz minibus.
- On August 13, armed criminals attacked Temur Iakobashvili, (b. in 1952, resident of v. Kvemo Khvedureti) near village Doglaura on a central highway. Iakobashvili was driving his Opel-Vectra No: ILO-503. Temur Iakobashvili has been injured and then robbed.
- On August 13, in village Breti area, six unidentified armed Ossetian criminals hijacked a jeep "Grand-Cherokee" (MHM-970), property of a Georgian company "Rus-Energo."
- On August 13, "UAZ" type vehicle No: PSP-452 belonging to Ltd "Gori Emergency Service 03", was stolen from the Gori Military Hospital area.
- On August 14, the house of Mediko Sukhitashvili, resident of village Karaleti, was burned.
- On 15 August, six Russian-speaking soldiers assaulted Nikoloz Khmiadashvili (b. in 1961, resident of Gori) in village Rekha, Gori district and took away his Vaz-21011 vehicle.
- On 16 August, armed proxy militants under Russian control stopped Vazha Kopadze (b. 1959, resident of village Dvani, Kareli district) in village Breti, Kareli district and took away his Vaz-2103 vehicle.
- On 16 August, armed Russian speaking soldiers robbed Temur Saakashvili (b. in 1958, resident of Tbilisi) near village Mejvriskhevi, Gori district, taking away his Vaz-2103 vehicle.
- On August 16, a flat was robbed in Gori on Tsereteli St. no. 2, which belonged to Sonia Bitadze (b. in 1969, resident of Gori).
- On August 18, cornfields in village Dzevera, belonged to Nona Bukhradze (b. in 1969, resident of Ninoshvili st 102) were burnt down.
- On August 18, armed proxy militants under Russian control assaulted Nugzar Gamebeli, (b. in 1956, resident of v. Kelktseula, Gori district), abducting his Opel-Astra vehicle No: HYH-682.
- On August 20, a shop was robbed at Shindisi highway no.7, which belonged to Amiran Khakhutashvili (b. in 1962).
- On 24 August, Russian soldiers stopped a Nissan car in Poti, which belonged to the Caucasus bureau of Associated Press, kidnapping journalists Davit Pipinashvili (citizen of Georgia) and Raul Galego (citizen of Spain). After negotiations between Russian officers and Georgian police, they were released.
- On August 24, armed proxy militants under Russian control and Russians robbed a shop in Gori, Vologda district.
- On August 24, Nanuli Makrakhidze (registered at Muskhelishvili st. 54, Gori) was killed by the bomb explosion near the military base in Gori, Tsmindatskali area.
- On August 24, a Russian-Ossetian group stole a car "Golf -3" (JIM-105), that belonged to Jimsher Kachidze (b. in 1979, v. Kvibisi resident) in village Rekhi, from Badri Karelashvili's household.
- On August 24, in village Koshka, Abe Gobozov, resident of v. Khelchua shot and injured 2 residents of village Koshka Guram Javakhi, (b. in 1938) and Arkadi Tatiuri (b. in 1961).
- On August 25, near the railway station in Khashuri, the body of Zviad Turmanidze (b. in 1981, the resident of v. Kvenatkotsa, Kareli region) has been found. The body had traces of several heavy injuries.

- On August 25, armed proxy militants under Russian control in military uniforms injured George Kasradze, (b. in 1941, v. Ergneti resident).
- On August 25, Nodar Kareli (b. in 1953, v. Tkviavi resident), stepped on a bomb that exploded. He was taken to the hospital, where he was provided with corresponding treatment.
- On 25 August, Russian soldiers insulted and beat up Georgian police officer Ramaz Jvania (b. in 1979) in Poti. Currently, Jvania is undergoing medical treatment.
- On August 26, an unidentified dead body of a male was found in village Shindisi, Gori district;
- On August 26, Zaza Tsereteli, (b. in 1985, v. Ergneti resident) declared that he was injured by armed proxy militants under Russian control near the public school 3, Amilakhvari st.
- On August 26, armed proxy militants under Russian control released Tamaz Sirbiladze's children, who were kidnapped during the war. The children were tortured and beaten. Tamaz Sirbiladze is the resident of village Variani, Gori district.
- On August 28, armed proxy militants under Russian control stole cattle, which belonged to Mikheil Ginturi (b. in 1939, v. Mejvriskhevi resident).
- On 30 August, armed proxy militants kidnapped four Georgian beekeepers from a beekeeping farm in the Dzirula valley. Their whereabouts are still unknown.
- On 30 August, armed proxy militants under Russian control stopped Nugzar Gamgebeli (b. 1956, resident of village Kelktseuli, Gori district) in village Shindisi, Gori district and took away his Opel-Astra vehicle.

September

- On 1 September, four armed proxy militants under Russian control attacked the house of the Kvinikadze family in the village Abanos Koda, Kareli district, killing Nora Kvinikadze (b. 1936), injuring her son Giorgi Kvinikadze (b. 1962) and her grandson Raul Kvinikadze (b. 1988).
- On 1 September, unidentified individuals injured Nodar Berkenashvili (b. in 1953, v. Shindisi resident).
- On 1 September, a cow that belonged to Zurab Makasarashvili (b. in 1943, resident of v. Marana) was stolen.
- On 2 September, two Russian soldiers and four armed proxy militants under Russian control, driving an armored vehicle, approached the Georgian police checkpoint in the village Akhalubani, Gori district. They threatened the Georgian police officer: Badri Gogidze, Emzar Ghonghadze, Kakhaber Metreveli, Mamuka Maisuradze, Shalva Nebieridze, Ivane Datashvili, Ioseb Melanashvili and Levan Gigauri and took away their rifles and Makarov pistols. They also abducted their Toyota police vehicle and Ford vehicle of passer-by Ilia Mighrajanashvili (b. 1984, resident of village Akhalubani).
- On September, 3, unidentified individuals stole cattle belonging to Iakob Begeluri, resident of village Disevi, Gori district.
- On 8 September, Russian soldiers and armed proxy militants under Russian control detained two Polish TV journalists Dariush Bokhatkevich and Martin Vesolovski, as well as their driver Levan Guliashvili near village Karaleti, taking away their cameras and car. On 9 September, they were released.
- On September 8, Nodar Tatulashvili, born in 1960, v. Plavismani resident was wounded with a knife in the breast area. The accident took place in Plavismani.
- On September 9, Zhora Finavriti (b. in 1938, the resident of v. Brostleti), was injured after a bomb exploded in his orchard in v. Brostleti, Gori district.

- On 10 September at about 10:15, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire from the Russian checkpoint at Karaleti, wounding one Georgian police officer Kakha Tsotniashvili, who later died at the hospital.
- On September 10, Zaza Pavliashvili, (b. in 1970, v. Dzevera resident) was injured in his village.
- On September 10, Vasil Javakhishvili, (b. in 1938, v. Ksuisi resident) was injured by Ossetians in his village.
- On September 11, armed proxy militants under Russian control brutally beat up Mikhael Tukhareli (b. in 1940, in v. Disevi, Gori district). Later armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed him and burned his house down.
- On September 11, a "Ford" (private vehicle) was stolen in Gori, parked at Stalin Street.
- On 12 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control burned nine houses of ethnic Georgians in the village Eredvi, Little Liakhvi Valley.
- On 12 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control beat up Vasil Javakhishvili, an ethnic Georgian living in the village Ksuisi, Tskinali district.
- On 13 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped 6 residents of villages Disevi and Koshka of Gori district, poured gasoline on them and threatened to burn them alive if they did not abandon their villages.
- On 13 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire towards the village Ganmukhuri, Zugdidi district, killing one Georgian police officer Besik Khulordava.
- On 15 September, at 13:45, seven armed proxy militants under Russian control stopped a Georgian minibus near village Mereti, Gori district, beat up the driver and his companion, vandalized the vehicle and threatened to “burn the bus together with its passengers” if seen again in this area.
- On 15 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control looted and then burned down the houses of Vladimer Bolashvili in village Ditsi, Gori district and Jimsher Lomsadze in village Zemo Nikozi, Gori district.
- On 16 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire towards residents of the village Brotsleti, Gori district who were working in their orchards and had to flee back to their houses. Fortunately, no one was hurt.
- On September 16, Emir Mindiashvili, (b. in 1958, v. Ditsi resident) has been injured by armed proxy militants in his village.
- On 16 September, at 13:30 six armed proxy militants under Russian control entered the village of Ditsi, Gori district, robbed the house of Jimsher Markozashvili, shot in the air to frighten the local residents and severely beat up one of them - Emir Mindiashvili (aged 51).
- On 16 September, at 15:00 armed proxy militants under Russian control devastated the farm owned by Otar Koniashvili in the village of Kveshi, Gori district, stealing its livestock.
- On 17 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed the farm owned by Gocha Giunashvili in the village of Kveshi, Gori district, assaulting its guard and stealing its livestock.
- On September 18, two cows were stolen by armed proxy militants under Russian control that belonged to Suliko Gigauri, (b. in 1931, resident of v. Kitsnisi).
- On 18 September, at 12:00-14:00, five armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed the houses of Tamaz Kopadze and Gocha Korashvili in the village of Dvani, Kareli district and then put these and several other houses on fire.
- On September 19, near the village of Megvrekisi, two armed proxy militants under Russian control hijacked Opel No: BOI-598 belonging to Bondo Chubinidze, (b. in 1971, resident of Gori, Gorgasali st. 14) The Ossetian criminals stole his and his passenger David Chubinidze's (b. in 1970, resident of Gori, Sukhishvili st. 63) cell phones September 20,

Vepkhia Gegelashvili, born in 1973, v. Khvedureti resident was injured by unidentified individuals.

- On September 21, George Melnikov, born in 1986, v. Variani resident was injured by a bomb left by Russian occupants in his own garden. The bomb exploded and he received major injuries.
- On 21 September, at about 19:00, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire towards the village of Khurcha, Zugdidi district, killing one Georgian police officer Ramaz Kitia and wounding three more.
- On 21 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control burned four houses owned by ethnic Georgians in the village of Muguti, Znauri district.
- On 22 September, two Georgian police officers were wounded as the result of a mine explosion in the village of Khurcha, Zugdidi district. Currently, they are undergoing medical treatment. The mine was apparently left there by armed proxy militants under Russian control, who withdrew from the village earlier.
- On 22 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped 15 year old Irakli Dzhalongia from the village of Zemo Barghebi, Gali district and are demanding a ransom of 50 000 USD from his family.
- On 22 September, Georgian police officers saw a Russian reconnaissance plane above the villages of Khurvaleti and Tsitelubani, Gori district, which was taking photos of the Baku-Supsa oil pipeline. The UAV was shot down.
- On 24 September, armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped four ethnic Georgians Papuna Karaia (b. in 1980), Bezhan Ubiria (b. in 1980), Gogita Kvirivia (b. in 1983) and Badri Akhalaia (b. in 1978) from the village of Otobaia, Gali district. They were released on the next day only after their families paid a ransom demanded by the kidnappers.
- On 25 September, at about 17:15, fifteen armed proxy militants under Russian control driving a UAZ type truck assaulted the workers of road building company "Ashtrom" at a sand quarry near the village of Orchosani, Akhagori district, taking away their belongings and the company's "Ford-Transit" minibus.
- On September 25, in the village of Kitruli, armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed Zurab Dotiashvili, resident of v. Kirbala, and stole 46 cows.
- On September 26 at night, armed proxy militants under Russian control entered the village of Vanati (Jojiaant settlement) and burned the remained houses.
- On September 27, 3 armed proxy militants under Russian control dressed in military uniforms, driving a "Niva" entered the village of Zemo Nikozi. They were forcing local population to accept Ossetian passports, otherwise they would be forced to leave the territory and their houses were promised to be burned.
- On September 29, armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed the houses of Sandro Iluridze and Vazha Gelashvili in Akhagori.

October

- On 2 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control entered the village of Kere, they were menacing local population using machine guns and burned one house.
- On 3 October, in the town of Gori, nearby the military base, two teenagers, Vaja Elbakidze and George Maisuradze were injured by a mine explosion.
- On 3 October, at 10 o'clock in the morning, Russian militaries were disseminating proclamations in the Georgian villages of Chuburkhinji, Pichori and Otobaia of Gali district.
- On 3 October, Russian militaries occupied the premises of the village of Lukhori school, started digging trenches and mining the adjacent territories. The study process has been ceased in this school.

- On 4 October, in the villages of Megvrekisi and Ergneti, an Ossetian gang headed by so called “Tklipliani” (other details are not known) were looting and searching houses. They were using a Mitsubishi Pajero and “UAZ” cars with no number plates.
- On 5 October, at 3:30, one police officer was injured after fire was opened from the direction of the Russian checkpoint in the village of Variani.
- On 6 October, Russian militaries were demanding alcohol from the Gegerdava family in the village of Sida of Gali district. They insulted the members of this family and shot Mindia Gegerdava to death.
- On 6 October, at 00:50, in the village of Pakhulani of Tsalenjikha district, 2 mortar shells (82 mm) were dropped near the highway, fired from the territory of Abkhazia. At 07:10, 2 shells of the same caliber were dropped in the centre of the village of Pakhulani, 200m east from river Ilori.
- On 6 October, at 8:20, in the adjacent area of Enguri dumb, a Russian army “Ural” type heavy truck, drove to the direction of the village of Jvari, when the EUMM monitors heard the noise caused by an explosion.
- On 6 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control stopped 9 EUMM monitors, who were conducting their mission in 2 vehicles and 2 Belgian journalists. Their personal belongings, money, equipment and mobile phones were stolen.
- On 9 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control beat Omar Kasradze, the resident of v. Ergneti, who was taken to the Gori hospital.
- On 9 October, in the village of Mosabruni of the Akhagori district, the servicemen of the *de facto* Ossetian Ministry of Defense separate mountain battalion (Bala Betsauti is the commander) opened fire and robbed the house of a local resident.
- On 10 October, the residents of the village of Satikhari of Tskhinvali region once again robbed the school in village Ksuisi, the expensive heating equipment donated by the UN has been stolen.
- On 11 October, 3 Russian fighters violated Georgian airspace. For half an hour, they were flying over the territories of Gori, Tskhinvali and Akhagori.
- On 12 October, at 10:49, in the village of Zemo Nikozi, 2 mines with time mechanisms exploded at a 15 min interval.
- On 12 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control looted the house of Aleksishvili family in the village of Boli of Akhagori district.
- On 13 October, Russian planes violated Georgian airspace twice: at 09:57, 2 planes crossed air border near Staphanstsminda, at 10:29, 3 military planes entered Georgian airspace and flew over the territories of Oni, Sachkhere, Java, Tskhinvali and Kazbegi.
- On 14 October, near the village of Dadianeti armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped a 12-year-old boy and were requesting ransom.
- On 15 October, in the village of Sakasheti a local resident was killed after the explosion of a mine left over by the Russian occupants, another civilian Genadi Kiknadze received serious injuries.
- On 15 October, at 12:30 a Russian Military helicopter entered from the direction of Gromi valley, flew over the village of Mejvriskhevi and left towards Akhagori.
- On 15 October, in the villages of Kekhvi, Kurta, and Achabeti Ossetian looters divided the properties and lands of Georgians and are harvesting their crops.
- On 16 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped a herdsman and his cattle from the village of Zemo Nikozi.
- On 16 October, proxy militants stole cattle from the village of Korinta, Akhagori district.

- On 16 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control detained two local Georgians while they were cutting woods near the village of Akhmaji, Akhagori district. The armed proxy militants stole their two "ZIL-131" vehicles and electric saws
- On 16 October, at the adjacent territory of the village of Zemo Khviti of Gori district four armed proxy militants under Russian control attacked inhabitants of the village – Giorgi Lazarashvili (b. in 1943), Giorgi Gogishvili (b. in 1957,) and Jumber Ergemlidze; they hijacked Lazarashvili's vehicle "Mitsubishi-Montero" (OOO-010) and stole 56 cows; Later, Lazarashvili, Gogishvili and Ergemlidze were released.
- On 16 October, armed proxy militant forces under Russian control entered the villages of Zardiaantkari and Gugutiaantkari of Gori district and burned the remaining houses.
- On 17 October, at night armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire from automatic rifles at the village of Nikozi, Gori district.
- On 18 October, in the morning, a Russian UAV was flying over the village of Nikozi, Gori district. Later it left in the direction of Tskhinvali.
- On 18 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control shut down a water pipeline from Patara Liakhvi gorge towards Gori district. As a result, 17 villages of the Gori district were left without water.
- On 18 October at about 03:30 p.m., armed proxy militants under Russian control exploded the bridge of the village of Adzvi, Gori district.
- On 18 October, the armed proxy militants under Russian control closed and took away an electric transformer from the village of Zemo Okona, Znauri district, aiming to force the Georgian population out of the village.
- On 19 October, at 07.00 the fire, including from mortars, was opened from the Abkhazian side towards the village of Khurcha. One house of a local resident was significantly damaged.
- On 19 October, at 5.30 a.m., armed proxy militants under Russian control exploded the bridge connecting the village of Tagiloni of Gali district with the village of Shamgona, Zugdidi district.
- On 21 October, a Georgian police car was blown up by a remote controlled mine in the village of Avlevi of the Kareli region, as a result one policeman Giorgi Pertenava was wounded.
- On 21 October, 40 armored vehicles and several hundreds of Russian soldiers entered the territory of Akhagori district from Tskhinvali.
- On 21 October, Russian occupants did not allow the pupils from the village of Saberio, Gali district to go to school in Tsalenjikha. About 60 children were left without access to schools.
- On 21 October, a remote controlled bomb exploded in a mess of the village of Chegali. The building where the mess is located is used by Russian occupants. This mess has been frequently visited by Georgian workers and presumably, the explosion targeted them. A cook working at this mess was injured.
- On 23 October armed proxy militant under Russian control forces detained Beka Kalandadze (b. in 1979) and Lasha Tsintsadze (b. in 1989), the residents of the village of Muguti, Znauri region. They were released later.
- On 24 October, in the village Khurvaleti, Gori district armed proxy militants under Russian control attacked a delegation from the Georgian Ministry of Education, which visited the local school. The armed proxy militants tried to seize their vehicle and personal belongings, but the locals helped the delegation.
- On 24 October, at 10:00 a.m., armed proxy militants under Russian control exploded the railway bridge connecting the villages of Shamgona and Tagiloni.

- On October 25, at 1:15 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. mortar shells were launched from Abkhazian territories to the village of Mujava, they damaged the house of Otar Sabulua.
- On 25 October, when the governor of Tsalenjikha region Gia Mebonia was inspecting the house which was attacked the night before, a mine exploded, killing him and wounding the owner of the house Otar Sabulua and policeman Zviad Lagvilava. Otar Sabulua also died of injuries.
- On 25 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control appropriated two buses, belonging to Georgian drivers. These buses were donated to Akhagori for local purposes by the Georgian President.
- On 26 October, in the village of Artsevi of Tskhinvali region the representatives of the proxy militants under Russian control detained members of the EU Monitoring Mission and later released them.
- On 26 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control expelled Givi Mamamtavrichvili together with his four family members and Anastasia Gigauri together with her two family members from their houses in the village of Ikoti of Akhagori district for not knowing Ossetian language.
- On 27 October, the body of 19-year-old Alike Khuntsaria was found in the well in the village of Gudava of Gali district. According to the testimonies of the witnesses, Khuntsaria was stopped by Russians at the checkpoint and verbally abused for carrying Georgian ID. Later he was found murdered.
- On 27 October, Russian occupants demanded from local population to clean the territory of local graveyard, where they plan to place military installation.
- On 28 October, Russian occupants and armed proxy militants under Russian control mined all the shores of the river Enguri, which are used by local Georgians for crossing and accessing Georgian controlled territories.
- On 28 October, armed proxy militants kidnapped 6 inhabitants of the village of Zerti from forest near village Kirbali of Gori district;
- On 29 October, the security guard of school no.1 of settlement Akhagori, Tamaz Varduashvili found a bombshell in the schoolyard, which exploded in his hands. The injured man was taken to Tbilisi Ghudushauri Hospital.
- On 29 October, in the village of Ghumurishi of Gali region, 28-year-old Linda Shakaia exploded on a mine, which was left there by the Russian occupants. As a result of the explosion, Shakaia lost upper limbs.
- On 30 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire at a Georgian police checkpoint in the village of Ergneti from Tskhinvali, the fire continued for 20 minutes.
- On 31 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control exploded the bridge near Gori connecting two villages Kveshi and Zemo Artsevi.
- On 31 October, armed proxy militants arrested the journalists of Georgian Public Channel, who were preparing the broadcast regarding the explosion of the bridge near Artsevi. Later the journalists were released.
- On 31 October, in village of Largvisi armed proxy militants under Russian control appropriated several sheep belonging to shepherd Nugzar Shermadini, who resisted. Armed proxy militants under Russian control killed his remaining sheep using machine gunfire.
- On 31 October, armed proxy militants under Russian control established a curfew restricting the movement of civilians and transport after 22:00. They check passports of local residents. 8 persons have been arrested for violating this regime.

November

- On 1 November, Georgian police arrested Jacob Tekhov, resident of the village of Disevi, for carrying a hand grenade F-1.
- On 1 November, Russian occupants exploded 3 bridges in Gali, near the villages of Khurcha and Nabakevi. The movement of the local population is restricted, as well as all the connecting routes to Georgian controlled territories is mined.
- On 1 November, the resident of Akhagori Nodar Basharuli was abused in his own shop by Ossetians. They also opened fire at his shop, stole alcoholic drinks and food from the shop. Basharuli was forced to move to Georgian controlled territory and ask the Georgian authorities for assistance.
- On 2 November, 6 Georgians were kidnapped from the forest near the village of Kirbali, Gori district. On 11 November, they were released.
- On 4 November, the 43-year-old Koba Dahkoshvili was kidnapped from the village of Kvemo Khviti, who has escaped the next morning.
- On 5 November, fire was opened from Tskhinvali towards Georgian checkpoints near the village of Zemo Nikozi.
- On 5 November Alik Gigolaev, the resident of the village of Zemo Artsevi was killed by unknown persons near village Korkula.
- On 5 November, Russians robbed the house of Nino Tsinamdzgvrishvili, the resident of v. Kanchaveti, Akhagori district.
- On 5 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed the house of Givi Tatunishvili in village Kanchaveti, Akhagori district. The owner has been beaten up and his cattle stolen.
- On 6 November, the house of Mstkheta-Mtianeti Governor Tsezar Chocheli was robbed in Akhagori by the head of the armed proxy militia under Russian control (police) Iliia Khubulov. He stole wooden construction material using the truck belonging to Anzor Bestaev (nicknamed "Khiva").
- On 6 November, 23.00, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire from the village of Disevi towards Georgian village Koshka. The fire did not cease for about an hour.
- On 6 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control arrested Zurab Kobaladze in the village of Avnevi, Znauri district. The person is mentally unhealthy. Kobaladze was placed in isolated cell in Tskhinvali KGB building.
- On 6 November, 3 anti-tank mines were found on a footpath connecting the Gali district village of Tagiloni to the village of Shamgona in Zugdidi district.
- Georgian population of Gali is leaving their homes. From the 40 remained families of village Nabakievi, 10 have left within few days in the beginning of November.
- On 7 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control started seizing IDs, passports and other documents from Georgian population in Gali district.
- On 7 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control demanded 500 GEL for the release of a 70-year-old Dzadzamia, who was arrested with allegation of illegally crossing so-called Abkhazian border.
- On 7 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control Giga Dgebuadze and Zuri Jobava, who were visiting their relatives in the village of Otobaia of the Gali district. They were seized of their Georgian passports and taken to Gali police.
- On 8 November, a group of 50 armed proxy militants under Russian control opened a checkpoint in the village of Perevi, Sachkhere district.
- On 8 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control started to collect food for Russian occupants from Georgian population of the villages of Chuburkhinji and Saberio. The extortion was conducted by the head of local administration Anzor Kirtadze and representatives of Russian Ministry of Defense. Local population is unable to resist

- On 8 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control arrested 8 Georgians and accused them of illegal crossing of border, carrying arms and narcotics. Border is closed and all the passes are controlled. Only the members of International Organizations and personnel working on Enguri plant are allowed to enter Abkhazian controlled territories.
- On 10 November, at 07.15, in the village of Dvani, Kareli district 2 policemen Imeda Kakhniashvili and Tamaz Khachapuridze died of a mine explosion while patrolling; the mine was put there by proxy militants. The group of police officers arrived to the site for assistance, but this group also exploded on a remote controlled bomb. 3 police officers were wounded: Giorgi Shubitidze, Giorgi Mdinardze and Enis Jonidava.
- On 11 November, the bus connecting the village of Zemo Bargebi to Zugdidi has been stopped by armed proxy militants under Russian control. Later the drivers were called to proxy regime police and asked to pay permanent taxes for traveling to Zugdidi
- On 11 November, several residents of Gali district were arrested for illegally crossing Enguri river (bridge is exploded) near village Tagiloni. They were forced to pay 10-15 thousand rubles and those who were unable to pay were taken to Gali police.
- On 12 November, the Russian occupants (Chechen and Armenian soldiers) beat up 3 Georgian youngsters in Gali district, who were taken to hospital.
- On 13 November, the proxy regime police officers of Tkvarcheli district started to seize Georgian IDs and mobile phones from Georgian population. They arrested 2 members of Tsokolia family, who were taken to Tkvarcheli police.
- On 14 November, the mine explosion killed cattle in the village of Mujava, Tsalenjikha district.
- On 15 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control fire towards Georgian police patrolling near the village of Kalagali (close to Pakhulani). One Policeman Zurab Jejelava died of injuries. Fire was reopened when EU monitors arrived to the site.
- On 16 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control arrested Khashuri residents Tristan Gugutishvili and Vasil Simonishvili near the village of Kirkula, Tskhinvali district. They were released the next morning.
- On 16 November, a Russian UAV was found near the village of Kere, Gori district.
- On 17 November, another Russian UAV was found in the village of Plavi, Gori district; population called police and the group of deminers arrived at the site. After their arrival the remote controlled mine attached to the UAV exploded and killed 2 deminers Giorgi Skhvitaridze and Marat Nozadze. 8 more police officers were wounded as well as a 10-year-old kid who stood close to the site.
- On 18 November, in the village of Ksuisi of Tskhinvali district armed proxy militants under Russian control killed Ramaz Shoshitaishvili.
- On 20 November, at 06.45 a.m., two Russian armored vehicles entered the village of Ganmukhuri from Otobaia, followed by armed militants. They opened fire at the Georgian police checkpoint in Ganmukhuri from machine guns, mortars, grenade launchers and armored vehicles. The fire lasted for about 15 minutes. The fire damaged the house of local resident Gogeli Pertaia. The occupants mined the road from Ganmukhuri to Otobaia. The second incident occurred at 10:30 when Russians opened intensive fire from mortars to Georgian checkpoint in Ganmukhuri. Fire lasted 5 minutes. EUMM monitors pictured 2 combat helicopters flying over Ganmukhuri on a lower altitude when they visited the site of the accident.
- On 21 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control exploded the radio transmission tower and station in the village of Chorchana of Khashuri district. This station and tower were previously used for Baku-Supsa pipeline operation.

- On 23 November, at around 6:15 p.m., the Russian occupational forces stationed near the village of Odzisi, Akhgori district opened fire as the motorcade of the President of Georgia Mikheil Saakashvili and the President of Poland Lech Kaczynski was passing by.
- On 25 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control entered the village of Pakhulani; they tried to count the number of existing population.
- On 26 November, 2 Georgians were abducted from the village of Dirbi adjacent territories: Koba Khatashvili (b. in 1980) and Omar Mazmishvili (b. 1983). They were released after 1 week of detention.
- On 27 November, the resident of Gali Irina Mebonia was kidnapped. On December 3rd, her dead body was found near the village of Nabakevi.
- On 30 November, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fired at Georgian positions in the village of Plavismani.

December

- On 2 December, fire was opened towards the Georgian village of Gugutiantkari, Gori district.
- On 5 December, at 8:15 a.m. armed proxy militants under Russian control fired from the village of Khelchua to Georgian police station in village Mereti. Separatists missed the target and damaged the premises of a neighboring house of a local resident.
- On 10 December, at 06:00 a.m., a remote controlled explosive device exploded on Pkhveni Bridge, near the village of Nikozi, Gori district, while the officers of Shida Kartli Patrol Police were patrolling of this area. There are no casualties as a result of explosion although the patrol police car was damaged.
- On 10 December, at 17:00 p.m. fire was opened towards the armored vehicle of the OSCE mission patrol. Fire came from the territory controlled by armed proxy militants under Russian control, not far from the village of Khviti, Gori district. The incident did not cause any casualties or injuries, although the vehicle was damaged.
- On 12 December, early in the morning, Russian military troops left the territory of the village of Perevi for 8 hours. In order to ensure security and order, Georgian police started taking positions in the village. Backed by one APC and a platoon, Russian military troops returned to Perevi approximately at 17:00 pm and regained the positions, which they left in the morning.
- On 13 December, at 09:00 am, Russian occupants, started reinforcing their positions in Perevi, they deployed around 300 airborne from 6 combat helicopters and moved mountain battalion to the village. Russian occupants, under the threat of opening fire to the units of Georgian Police deployed in the village, demanded from them to pull back from the village. Aiming to ease the rising tension, Georgian policemen had to withdraw from Perevi. EU monitors and observers from OSCE mission to Georgia, together with several EU ambassadors also witnessed the fact of re-entering Perevi village by Russian occupants.
- On 17 December, at 21:00, Georgian police checkpoint in the village of Khurvaleti, Gori region, came under fire from automatic weapons from Russian occupied territory. As a result, one police officer Shalva Simonishvili was heavily wounded and placed in Gori hospital.
- On 23 December, early in the morning, the family of Otar Gogokhia exploded on a mine (they were coming to Zugdidi in a horse carriage) near the village of Chuburkhinji. 4 persons were injured, two of them were brought to Zugdidi hospital, the other two were not allowed to go to Zugdidi by Russian soldiers. All the access roads, passes, bridges and other points are mined by Russians and armed proxy militants under Russian control, which threatens

their lives and health in case of approaching so called borderline between Abkhazia and Georgia.

- On 24 December, the heavy automatic fire was noticed on Ossetian side near the village of Koshka. In the evening, they shot several times at Georgian police positions, causing no damage or injuries.
- On 27 December, at 23.30, Georgian police checkpoint situated in the village of Koshki, Gori district came under fire from the direction of Russian occupied territories. As a result the employee of Shida Kartli regional police of the Ministry of internal Affairs, Lavrenti Panchulidze was wounded;
- On 30 December, at 21:00, the fire from automatic weapons was opened at a Georgian checkpoint in the village of Koshki. Nobody was injured.

January, 2009

- On 4 January, at 08:00 am Georgian police checkpoint situated in the village of Ganmukhuri, Zugdidi district came under intensive fire from Russian controlled territory, mainly from village Pichori, Gali district. Machine-guns as well as mortars were used. As a result of firing, no one was injured.
- On 4 January, the family of Demur Kiria was robbed by the residents of the village of Tagiloni, Gali district. Demur Kiria was kidnapped and found murdered on 5 January.
- On 8 January, at 05.00 a.m. Russians and armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire from automatic weapons and grenade launchers towards the Georgian village of Orsantia. They fired more than 15 shells. The unexploded shells were found in the yard of Kvaraia family. The incident did not cause any injuries or casualties.
- On 11 January, at 22:00 p.m. Ossetians and Russians opened fire at the police station in the village of Zemo Nikozi. Automatic weapons as well as grenade launchers were used. The incident lasted for 20 minutes. Nobody was injured.
- On 13 January, at 23:00 p.m. Russians and armed proxy militants under Russian control attacked Georgian police checkpoint in Rukhi, from the direction of Chuburkhinji. Attack lasted for 20 minutes and was launched using automatic weapons. The incident did not cause any injuries or casualties.
- On 14 January, at 14:20, Georgian police check point in the village of Koshka was attacked from the territory controlled by armed proxy militants under Russian control in close proximity of village Disevi. Attack was launched from grenade launchers and automatic weapons. Incident did not cause any injuries or casualties.
- On 16 January, approximately at 10:00 am as a result of firing from the Russian occupied territory, the employee of Shida Kartli Regional Police Main Division of MIA, Mamuka Kakhniashvili (Born in 1982) was killed on the territory of Georgian police checkpoint situated in the village of Knolevi. According to the investigation, the bullet was fired from a sniper rifle with a silencer.
- On 18 January, at 05:00 am the Georgian Police checkpoint situated in the village of Koki Zugdidi district came under fire from the Russian occupied territory. The firing was conducted with machine-guns as well as mortars, as a result of which, the employee of Second Division of Special Tasks Main Division of MIA was wounded and consequently transferred to the hospital.
- On January 19, at 17:00 pm a pickup police vehicle came under fire from the Russian occupied territory while patrolling near the Georgian police checkpoint situated in the village of Dvani, Kareli district. The intensive shelling from Russian occupied territory was conducted with machine guns and lasted for 20 minutes. As a result of firing, several

employees of the Ministry of Internal Affairs were shot and wounded, namely: Levan Gogilashvili, and Mamuka Janiashvili who were transferred to Gori military hospital.

- On 23 January, early in the morning the resident of Gali Tengiz Akubardia tried to drive to Zugdidi from Gali in order to take his baby son to a doctor. He was requested to pay 300\$ by armed proxy militants under Russian control in order to let him drive through the checkpoint. He could not pay the amount and drove his car to his wife waiting for him on the other side of Enguri bridge. Armed proxy militants under Russian control then opened fire that caused injuries of one passenger in Akubardia's car.
- On 24 January, in the afternoon, the fire was opened at the OSCE patrol monitoring the situation near Akhmaji. The incident did not cause any injures or casualties.
- On 25 January, close to afternoon 2 Russian Mi-24s entered Georgian controlled airspace from Ergneti and flew over Georgian police checkpoints in villages Knolevi, Gogeti, Dvani, Nikozi, Ditsi, Khurvaleti and from Lamiskana and Akhmaji left for Akhagori.
- On 27 January, the 14-year-old Ioseb Khorkheli was injured in a result of a hand grenade explosion in the yard of school of the village of Kirbali. The boy got serious injuries and was hospitalized.
- On 27 January, at about 14 p.m. fire was opened at Odzisi police checkpoint near the so-called administrative border with Akhagori district. The incident took place when EUMM and OSCE were conducting patrolling near the site.
- On 28 January, at 23:00 fire from automatic weapons was opened to Georgian police checkpoint on Enguri bridge, near the village of Rukhi. Incident did not cause any injures or casualties.
- On 29 January, late at night, Russian soldiers were demanding food from Mebonia family in the village of Nabakevi, Gali district. The member of the family, Koba Mebonia resisted and was killed at the gate of his house. The body was taken by the soldiers in order to hide evidences.
- On 31 January, at 11 a.m. EUMM monitors together with Lithuanian journalists were visiting the village of Shamgona in order to prepare a story about the explosion of the bridge in village Tagiloni, on the other side of Enguri River. Russians and armed proxy militants under Russian control shot several times from automatic rifles in the air, in order to disrupt the recordings. The incident did not cause any injures or casualties.

February

- On 2 February, at 15.00 Georgian police checkpoint was attacked from automatic rifles in the village of Knolevi from so-called South Ossetia. Incident did not cause any injures or casualties.
- On 7 February, at 7:00 a.m. armed proxy militants under Russian control operating from the Georgian territory under Russian occupation assaulted a car moving on the main East-West highway and abducted Malkhaz Beuklishvili, an official from the Georgian Football Federation Mr. Beuklishvili was driven towards territory currently under Russian occupation in the stolen vehicle. The gunmen allied demand ransom in exchange of the hostage. Beuklishvili was released on February 8, in the evening.
- On 7 February, in the evening, Russian militaries and armed proxy militants under Russian control wounded Zura Bobokhua near the village of Khurcha, who was trying to reach Georgia, controlled territories from village Nabakevi. He was taken to Zugididi hospital for treatment.
- On 9 February, at about 23:30, Georgian police station in the village of Mereti was attacked from the Ossetian side. Automatic rifles were used during the attack. The incident did not cause any injures or casualties.

- On 10 February, at around 10:30 a.m. armed proxy militants under Russian control kidnapped two monitoring officers of the OSCE mission in Georgia near the village of Adzvi, Gori district. The monitoring officers were held on the Russian occupied territory, in the town of Tskinali. Later they were released.
- On 10 February, at around 15:00, Georgian journalists from TV channels Imedi and 1st channel were detained by armed proxy militants under Russian control and released within half an hour.
- On 11 February, at about 12:20 p.m. Russian occupying forces deployed about 50 personnel and 1 APC near the village of Kvemo Nikozi, on Georgia controlled territories and blocked Georgian police checkpoint. They started building up fortifications.
- On 12 February, at 20:00, fire from automatic rifles was opened at Georgian the village of Koda from territories controlled by Russia and armed proxy militants under Russian control. Several houses were damaged. The incident did not cause any injures or casualties.
- On 13 February, in the evening, 3 cleaner ladies exploded in Osiauri military base of a fuse. aAll of them received severe injuries and one lady has died of injuries in Gori military hospital.
- On 22 February, at 16:30, Georgian police station in the village of Knolevi has been attacked from the South Ossetian side by automatic weapons. Only the police station was damaged. The did not leave anyone injured.
- On 26 February, about 50 residents of Gali district were forced to leave their houses and move to Ganmukhuri. The reason of the escape was the coercion and intimidation by Russian militaries and armed proxy militants under Russian control, who were demanding to hand over Irakli Bokuchava, resident of Gali who was injured on 25th of February and escaped to Zugdidi. By 16.00, Russians and armed proxy militants under Russian control brought about 30 APCs to Orsantia and Nabakevi, showing off the force and shooting in the air. They aimed to force Georgian side to handover Irakli Bokuchava.
- On 26 February, at about 22:30, fire from automatic weapons was opened from the side controlled by Russia and armed proxy militants under Russian control towards the Georgian villages of Mereti and Gugutiantkari. The houses of civilians were damaged as well as one vehicle. The incident did not cause any injuries of casualties.
- On 27 February 2009, at about 16:30 pm, armed proxy militants under Russian control attacked a car moving from village Koda in the direction of the village of Tchvrinisi, both in Kareli district (near the so-called administrative border) abducted its passengers: David Kapanadze, Irakli Kapanadze, Demur Tchigladze and David Sadzaglishvili and drove them towards the Russian occupied territory. Later, Irakli Kapanadze and David Sadzaglishvili were released. In exchange for the other two hostages David Kapanadze and Demur Tchigladze, which are since then held in the Tskhinvali prison, the Ossetian *de facto* authorities were at first demanding ransom in the amount of 6000 EU and later the release of South Ossetian criminals from Georgian prison: either Marek Dudaev (serving his sentence for multiple homicide) or Giorgi Zaseev (serving his sentence for participation in the terrorist attack on police station in Gori on February 1, 2005).

March

- On 4 March, at 11:00 and 14:00 2 Russian helicopters Mi24 violated the cease-fire line over the villages of Ganmukhuri and Khurcha. They took pictures of Georgian police checkpoints and flew back to Abkhazian controlled territory.
- On 4 March 2009, the so-called State Security Committee (KGB) of South Ossetia detained two persons: Tamar Charaeva (born in 1950, a teacher in Akhlagori school no.3) and Givi Chigoev (born in 1954, the chairman of the local district council). For several weeks, they

were held in a temporary detention cell in Tskhivali. The separatist authorities charged them with “state treason” only because these persons have participated in the alternative South Ossetian presidential elections held on 12 November 2006.

- On 5 March, at 10:45 a.m. 2 Russian helicopters Mi24 violated Georgian the cease fire line over the villages of Ganmukhuri and Khurcha. They took pictures of Georgian police checkpoints and fled back to Abkhazian controlled territories.
- On March 5, at 17:00 Russian soldiers dropped plastic objects in a water collector near the village of Odzisi, which supplies drinking water to several villages. This objects blocked water supplies, after the expertise stated that these objects were polyethylene granules and could cause no harm to villagers, water supply was renewed.
- On March 6, at 1:00 a.m. 7 armed proxy militants under Russian control assaulted the herdsman in the village of Kvemo Atotsi and stole cattle, 12 cows. The incident did not cause any casualties.
- On March 8, in the morning there was a heavy explosion in Akhagori. It was caused by technical reasons in a warehouse of “Grad” launching devices and shells. The incident caused injuries of several Russian soldiers.
- On 13 March, at about 23:30, the fire was opened at Georgian policemen near the police station in the village of Dvani. Fortunately, all of the police officers survived with no injuries.
- On 13 March, armed proxy militants under Russian control looted and burned the houses of ethnic Georgians in the village of Tsirkoli, Akhagori district, namely the houses of Psuturi and Miladze families.
- On 26 March, at about 14:00, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire at the villagers working in the fields close to village Ditsi. The incident did not cause any injuries or casualties.
- On 27 March, at about 16:45, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire from automatic guns towards the village of Mereti and then redirected fire at the Georgian police building. The incident did not cause any injuries or casualties.
- On 27 March, armed proxy militants under Russian control detained US citizen Christopher Chivers, the correspondent of New York Times newspaper in Georgia, , and later released him.
- On 29 March, at 08:30, in the Georgian village of Dvani a Georgian police pick-up that was conducting a routine patrol, was hit by a remote controlled explosive device. As a result of the explosion four employees of the Special Tasks Main Division of the MIA were seriously injured, namely: Otar Mkhitariani, Davit Peikrishvili, Avtandil Megrelishvili, Levan Taniashvili and Badri Jioshvili, who later died in the hospital. In order to assist the injured, two officers of Shida Kartli police, Vano Datashvili and Zurab Durglishvili, immediately arrived at the place of incident and also received severe injuries due to the activation of another remote controlled explosive device. Consequently, the injured police officers were transferred to Gori military hospital.

April

- On 6 April, in the village of Tkviavi, a 14 year old teenager Giorgi Mariamidze found an unexploded shell in the local church yard. The shell exploded in his hands and the boy received serious injuries.
- On 12 April, in the village of Adzvi, Akhagori district, three members of the armed proxy militants under Russian control robbed a local school, taking away 7 computers, and assaulted the guard Jambul Khomasuridze.

- On 21 April, armed proxy militants under Russian control detained two OSCE monitoring officers for “border violation” and later released them.
- On 22 April, in the morning hours, a mine exploded on a crop field near the village of Knolevi, Kareli district. No one was injured.
- On 22 April, at 20:30, armed proxy militants under Russian control opened fire at the Georgian police checkpoint near the village of Plavi, Gori district. No one was injured.