

4.3.6. Qualification of the harm as ‘threat to (a civilian’s) life or person’

COMMON ANALYSIS

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Some of the commonly reported types of harm to civilian’s life or person in Sudan include (mass) killings, injuries, sexual violence used as a weapon of war, abductions, retaliatory violence by the armed forces, forced displacements as well as many indirect cases of death resulting from war-exacerbated factors – such as lack of emergency care, essential food, medicine and vaccination programmes deaths from accidents, etc. Death by inflicted starvation, explosions of remnants of war, and the use of civilians as ‘human shields’ was also reported in Sudan. A real risk of such serious harm would qualify as a threat to a (civilian’s) life or person in accordance with the provision of Article 15(c) QD/QR.