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## **Weekly Media Report of developments in the Council of Europe 15 – 19 June 2015**

### **HUMAN RIGHTS**

#### **[Council of Europe Is Against Hungarian Anti-Immigrant Fence on Border with Serbia](#)**

18/06 Independent

Hungary has said it will build an anti-immigrant fence on its border with Serbia, drawing an immediate reprimand from its neighbor Serbia.

#### **[Serbian PM 'shocked' at Hungary's plan for migrant fence](#)**

18/06 BBC

Aleksandar Vucic said the four-metre (13ft) fence was "not the solution" to migrants entering Hungary from Serbia. Hungarian authorities announced the plan on Wednesday, saying the wall would run the length of the 175km (109-mile) border between the countries.

#### **[European Court confirms violation of Azerbaijani refugees' rights under Armenian occupation](#)**

17/06 Azernews

The European Court of Human Rights has reaffirmed Armenia's responsibility in the occupation of Azerbaijani territories. The ECHR Grand Chamber announced its judgment (Merits) on the case of Chiragov and others v. Armenia (Application no. 13216/05) on June 16, the Azerbaijani foreign ministry said.

#### **[Seizure of Russian assets in Belgium unrelated to ECHR decision - Council of Europe](#)**

18/06 RAPSİ

The Council of Europe (COE) has denied a Russian media report about the alleged connection between Belgian authorities' decision to seize Russian assets and the European Court of Human Rights' ruling on Yukos, RIA Novosti reported on Thursday.

#### **[Estonian News Site Can Be Held Liable for Defamatory Comments, Court Rules](#)**

17/06 The New York Times

One of Europe's top courts has ruled that an Estonian news organization can be held liable for defamatory comments posted on its website. The decision signals the first time that the



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European Court of Human Rights has intervened in a case related to the role that publishers have over user-generated content disseminated through their online news websites.

### [La lutte contre la cybercriminalité se perd dans les nuages](#)

17/06 Reuters

La lutte contre la cybercriminalité, face aux défis de l'informatique "en nuage" et de la recherche des preuves dans le cyberspace, impose de combler les lacunes de la coopération internationale, estiment des experts réunis depuis mercredi au Conseil de l'Europe.

## DEMOCRACY

### [CoE sends 24 observers to monitor elections](#)

17/06 Albeu

On local elections of June 21st the Council of Europe will send 24 observers to our country. The mission is headed by the Vice President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the CoE, Stewart Dickson and will stay in Albania from June 18 to 22nd.

### [Kosovo and war crimes -Where the past isn't even past](#)

20/06 The Economist

16 years after NATO's air campaign ended Serbian rule in Kosovo, the law may at last be catching up with high-ranking Kosovar politicians who allegedly committed crimes at the time. After long delay and years of witness intimidation, a special court may soon be formed to try some ten men, including a few said to be Kosovo's organised-crime bosses.

## PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY (PACE)

### [Un organisme du conseil de l'Europe demande au Maroc de dépénaliser l'homosexualité](#)

Telquel 18/06

Dans un projet de résolution, l'assemblée parlementaire du conseil de l'Europe exhorte le Maroc à faire un ensemble de réformes relatives aux droits humains, dont la dépénalisation de l'homosexualité.