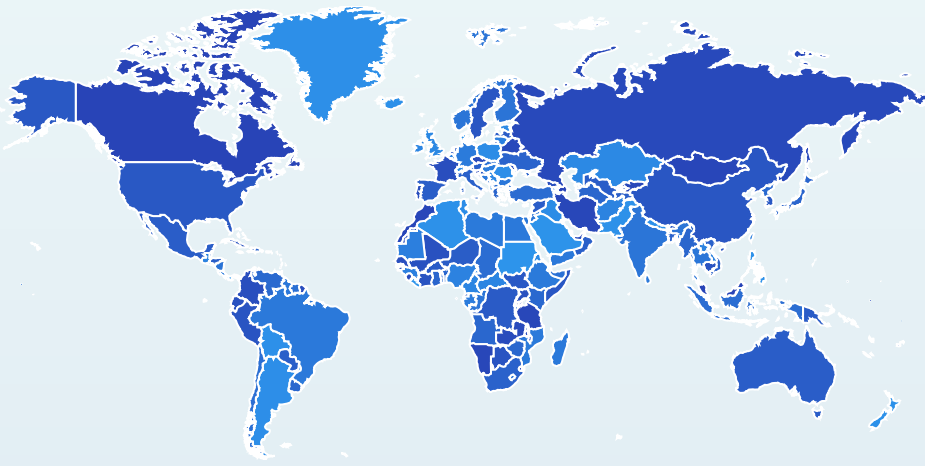
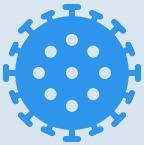


DRM calls for an end to police violence against people with disabilities



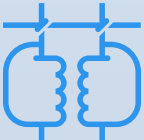
DRM stands for Disability Rights Monitor. We are a team of disability rights groups from around the world.



DRM made a survey to check if countries are protecting people with disabilities during the COVID-19 crisis.



DRM is worried because the survey shows a rise in police violence against people with disabilities.



People from around the world said that people with disabilities were punished for breaking the lockdown rules.



In some countries, the police have abused, tortured, and murdered people with disabilities.



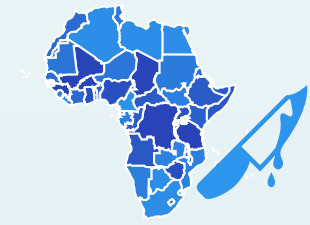
People with disabilities have to leave their homes to get food and medicine.



Information about curfew rules was not accessible for people with disabilities.



A man with a disability was shot and killed by police in the Philippines.



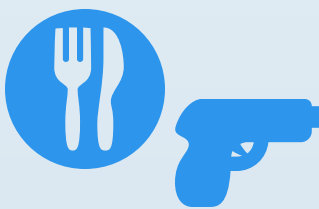
Police in Kenya killed a man with a disability for not wearing a face mask.



A deaf-blind man was shot by the Ugandan police.



In Palestine, an autistic man was killed by Israeli soldiers.



Family members of people with disabilities are also in danger when they go outside to get food or medicine.



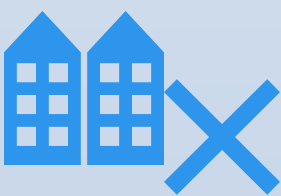
In Nigeria, the mother of a child with disabilities was punished by the police.



In South Africa, parents of young children have been fined or arrested.



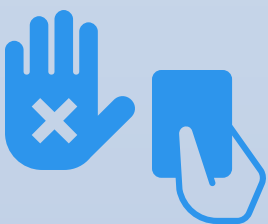
In Europe, people with disabilities said that they were afraid of the police.



People with disabilities in Italy, France, Russia, and the UK were afraid to leave their homes.



In Serbia, a man with autism was beaten by the police.



In France, police fined a woman for waving at her husband through the window of an institution.



People with disabilities have also been killed by police in the USA.



DRM is calling on countries to take these steps to end police violence against people with disabilities.



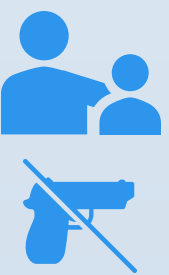
Police who have abused or murdered people with disabilities should be brought to justice.



Countries should listen to people with disabilities and their organisations in order to end abuse.



The police and local government should listen to people with disabilities and their organisations.



Governments should fund teams to support people with disabilities in crisis.



Governments should protect people with disabilities when they go outside during the curfew.



The police should think about the needs of persons with disabilities.



The police should be trained to support people with disabilities.

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