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SNHR joined a number of events that took place on the sidelines of the 33rd session of the Human Rights Council which was part of the advocacy efforts and to highlight the suffering and violations the Syrian people have been suffering for six years. The following are the most notable events:

First: A seminar at the Geneva Press Club: “Iranian policies and the consequences to the human rights in the Middle East & Europe” on Friday 23 September which was held by SAM for right and liberties. The speakers were: Mr. Paulo Casaca, former member of the European Parliament, on Iraq, Mr. Fadel Abdul Ghani, chairman of SNHR, on Syria, Ms Tawakkol Karman on Yemen and Mr. Tariq Shindeb on Lebanon. This URL contains the complete session.





Second: a seminar at the Human Rights Council held by the Human Rights Information and Training Center on enforced-disappearance in a number of countries around the world, where chairman of SNHR shed light on enforced-disappearance practices in Syria saying that Syria is the worst country in the world in that respect as the number of forcibly-disappeared persons has exceeded 74,000 persons; 69% of them are forcibly-disappeared by the Syrian regime. To listen to the speech, please click on the [URL](#).



Third: A seminar at the Human Rights Council held by the Human Rights Information and Training Center on the status of human rights in the Arab region where chairman of SNHR outlined a six years' toll of civilian victims, use of internationally prohibited weapons such as cluster munition and chemical weapons, and systematic displacement practices. To listen to SNHR chairman's input, please click on the [URL](#).





Additionally, chairman of SNHR conducted a number of special meetings with the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and Mr. Houria Es-Slami, Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, where these meetings discussed the most significant issues pertaining to the Syrian tragedy and enhancing the ongoing communication for five years in order to achieve better outcomes.

