

Annual Report 2025

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Our 2025 Highlights

- ❑ **Overall partnerships and collaborations:** Mnemonic worked with a total of 48 partners across 10 countries to support 250+ human rights defenders and practitioners.
- ❑ **Overall open source investigations and information sharing:** Across our Archives, our teams published 18 open source investigations and submitted 85 dossiers of open source information relevant to human rights violations and international crimes in Syria, Yemen, Ukraine, Sudan, Iran and Palestine to various external stakeholders, including academia, media, accountability mechanisms, official investigators, legal representatives and public authorities.
- ❑ **Overall media mentions:** Our work was cited by numerous prominent media outlets, with 70 articles featuring our achievements. For more, please see [Mnemonic Press](#), [Syrian Archive Press](#), [Ukrainian Archive Press](#), [Yemeni Archive Press](#) and [Sudanese Archive Press](#).
- ❑ **Technical development:** Mnemonic strengthened its technical infrastructure and launched a new version of Diwan, designed in accordance with digital forensics standards, to support the immutability, integrity, authenticity and reliability of collecting and preserving digital records. We also expanded the Elfehrest Actors Mapping platform with map and timeline views that visualise actors and their relationships within chains of command. Elfehrest is now used by investigators and researchers across multiple countries.

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- On 25 November, Syrian Archive, the Syrian Center for Media and Freedom of Expression, and Action For Sama (AFS) supported the filing of a criminal complaint in Denmark by seven survivors and family members of victims of airstrikes in Syria, calling on the authorities to assess the possible complicity of the Danish shipping company Dan-Bunkering in war crimes and crimes against humanity. The complaint alleges the company's complicity on the basis of jet fuel supplied to Russian forces conducting unlawful airstrikes against civilians in Syria. Read more about the complaint, including detailed investigation reports, on ["Fuelling the Conflict,"](#) a dedicated webpage.
- Syrian Archive attended the hearing on immunities protections for former Syrian president Bashar al-Assad in relation to the [use of chemical weapons](#) in August 2013, which was held in July at the highest court in France. Syrian Archive joined the proceedings as a civil party alongside the Syrian Centre for Media and Freedom of Expression (SCM), the Open Society Justice Initiative, Civil Rights Defenders, Physicians for Human Rights and individual victims.
- Yemeni Archive submitted two formal communications to UN Special Procedures, and took part in two joint meetings with the UN Special Rapporteurs on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions and counter-terrorism.
- Marking ten years since the start of Russia's military involvement in Syria, on 30 September, Syrian Archive and Ukrainian Archive jointly hosted a Mnemonic webinar "Justice Beyond Borders: From Syria to Ukraine, Holding Russia to Account," bringing together human rights defenders from both countries to share practice and explore collective action against impunity.

- Sudanese Archive published an eight-part series of open source investigations "The Burning of Displaced Persons' Shelter Centers in El Geneina," documenting attacks on sites in West Darfur where displaced civilians were sheltering. The series reconstructs the events using publicly available information. The findings were complemented by legal analysis from Northwestern Pritzker Law's human rights clinic.
- Iranian Archive supported a criminal complaint filed in Argentina, under universal jurisdiction, by survivors of Iran's state violence and the Iran Human Rights Documentation Center, with the Atlantic Council's Strategic Litigation Project directly supporting the filing. The complaint is based on extensive documentation of abuses during Iran's crackdown on the "Woman, Life, Freedom" protests.
- Mnemonic has been granted consultative status with the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), enabling us to engage with key intergovernmental bodies and amplify the voices of communities affected by war and state repression at the highest international levels, strengthening our push for accountability.