

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL UNITED KINGDOM SECTION

GLOSSARY

ADPP	Anti-Death Penalty Project – activist led project campaigning against the Death Penalty	EHRC	Equality & Human Rights Commission
AFN	Amnesty Feminist Network	ESCR	Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
AGM	Annual General Meeting	EU	European Union
AI	Amnesty International	FCDO	Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
AIUK	Amnesty International United Kingdom. Sometimes used as shorthand for Amnesty International UK Section – one of more than 60 national sections and structures in the international movement. More formally it is the collective term for Amnesty International UK Section and the Amnesty International UK Charitable Trust.	FGM	Female Genital Mutilation
AJP	Asylum Justice Project – activist led project campaigning on the rights of asylum seekers in the UK	FARSC	Finance, Audit and Risk Sub-Committee (of AIUK Board)
AM	(Welsh) Assembly Member	GA	Global Assembly – the highest decision-making body in the international Amnesty movement, consisting of representatives from all of the national Sections, plus representatives of the international membership and the International Board.
AOA	Articles of Association – the governing document of a company. AIUK Section's Articles of Association are its constitution	HRA	Human Rights Act
BPM	Building a Powerful Movement – Sub-Committee – the Board subcommittee that addresses issues relating to the health of AIUK's activist base	HRD	Human Rights Defender
CISC	Campaigns and Impacts Sub-Committee (of AIUK Board)	HRE	Human Rights Education
CC	Country Co-ordinator – volunteer activists who specialise in campaigning on specific countries or regions	HRV	Human Rights Violation
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (or the Committee established to examine implementation of the Convention)	IAR	Individual At Risk
CHRN	Children's Human Rights Network	IB	International Board – elected by the Global Assembly, it provides strategic leadership of Amnesty's global movement and the International Secretariat. Previously known as IEC.
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child	ICC	International Criminal Court
CP or CPR	Civil and Political Rights	ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
CSR	Corporate Social Responsibility	ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights	IGO	Intergovernmental Organization (eg United Nations, Council of Europe)
EGM	Extraordinary General Meeting	ILO	International Labour Organisation
		INGO	See NGO
		IS	International Secretariat – the global headquarters of Amnesty International, which leads on research and movement coordination, headed by the Secretary-General.
		ITUC	International Trade Union Confederation
		JCC	Joint Consultative Committee
		JUA	Junior Urgent Action

LGBTIA	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Asexual. LGBTQ+ may also be used interchangeably, meaning lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer. The plus (+) is inclusive of all other expressions of gender identity and sexual orientation. At AIUK, the LGBTI Activist Network is also known as the Rainbow Network.	Write for Rights	An annual international campaign co-ordinated by Amnesty's International Secretariat in solidarity with selected individuals at risk.
Lumen	A package of proposals developed under the International Board's authority for reforming Amnesty's global governance	YC	Youth Collective (previously the Youth Advisory Group)
MEP	Member of the European Parliament	YUA	Youth Urgent Action
MLA	Members of the (Northern Ireland) Legislative Assembly		
MSP	Member of Scottish Parliament; also sometimes used to refer to Military, Security and Police		
NSC	Nominations Sub-Committee (of the Board)		
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization – those operating at an international level are sometimes called International NGOs or INGOs		
OHCHR	Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights		
OSCE	Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe		
PCISC	People, Culture, Inclusion and Safeguarding Sub-Committee of the AIUK Board		
POC	Prisoner of Conscience		
RMSO	Regional Media Support Officer – volunteer activist who supports local groups in their region with local media		
SMT	Senior Management Team, the executive leadership body of AIUK staff		
SG	Secretary General (chief executive of the International Secretariat)		
SOC	Standing Orders Committee (administer the AGM rules)		
StAN	Student Action Network		
TUNC	Trade Union Network Committee		
UA	Urgent Action		
UDHR	Universal Declaration of Human Rights		
UN or UNO	United Nations (Organisation)		
VAWG	Violence Against Women and Girls		
WAN	Women's Action Network		