

KEY MESSAGES

Amnesty wants the Human Rights Act to be protected, we do not want to go backwards – this would be the biggest reduction in rights in British history

This could lead to the unravelling of rights progress around the world

In Britain we enjoy rights that people are still fighting for around the world.

It took ordinary people a very long time to win those rights and we shouldn't let politicians take them away at the stroke of a pen.

What message will it send to people fighting for their rights around the world if we abandon our commitment to our hard-won human rights here?

The British government is saying to dictators the world over 'Pick and choose your human rights and who you think deserves them'.

FACTS AND FIGURES

The Human Rights Act makes just 16 freedoms and protections legal entitlements – things like the right to a fair trial or to be free from torture

In the European Court of Human Rights just 1.8% of the Court's pending cases involve the UK.

60% of the court's cases involve Ukraine, Italy, Russia and Turkey

98% of cases brought against the UK were struck out immediately. The court found against the UK in just 13 cases (0.7%)

Lest we forget, this same Court also reprimanded the UK government when it wanted to indefinitely retain the DNA of innocent people, when it placed restrictions on the freedom of the press and when it decided that it was happy to indefinitely detain terror suspects without charge or trial.

STORIES

Mr and Mrs Driscoll had lived together for over 65 years. They challenged their separation in a care home and were reunited.

A mother fleeing domestic violence was able to challenge her separation from her children

Many of the cases which are trotted out again and again to argue against human rights are simply untrue. Human Rights were not used to give pornography to prisoners, to provide fried chicken to a man in a siege or to prevent police from displaying images of suspected criminals.