

PROSECUTIONS

The U.S. Department of Justice prosecutes perpetrators of TNR.

-  "40 Officers of China's National Police Charged in Transnational Repression Schemes Targeting U.S. Residents"
April 17, 2023
-  "Justice Department Announces Charges and New Arrest in Connection with Assassination Plot Directed from Iran"
January 27, 2023
-  "U.S. Citizen and Four Chinese Intelligence Officers Charged with Spying on Prominent Dissidents, Human Rights Leaders and Pro-Democracy Activists"
May 18, 2022

In the News

-  "Beijing accused of using spying, threats and blackmail against Tibetan exiles"
February 10, 2024
-  "Members of Russian anti-war rock band face deportation from Thailand"
January 30, 2024
-  "Russia's Indigenous activists are increasingly facing transnational repression in exile"
January 24, 2024
-  "Beyond Alleged Assassination Plots, India's Modi is Silencing US Critics Digitally Too"
January 16, 2024
-  "Turkey uses journalists to silence critics in exile"
June 8, 2023

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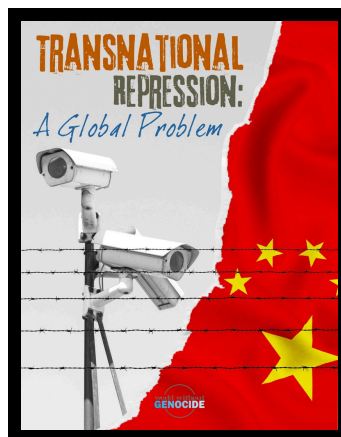
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We work to protect innocent people around the world; prevent genocide by combating racism and prejudice; advocate for the prosecution of perpetrators; and remember those whose lives and cultures have been destroyed by violence.



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World Without Genocide conducted a study on TNR against people living in the US.



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TRANSNATIONAL REPRESSION: A Global Crime



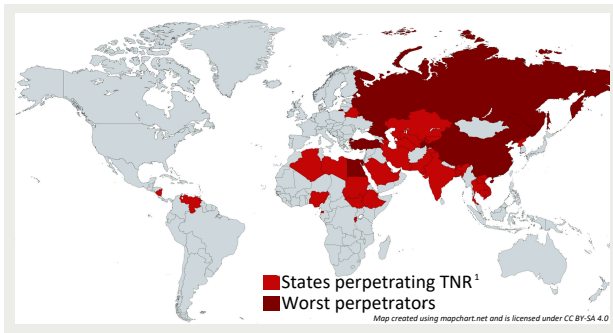
What is transnational repression?

Authoritarian governments use transnational repression (TNR) to silence dissent by their own citizens around the world. These governments may also target naturalized or U.S.-born citizens with family overseas or other foreign connections.

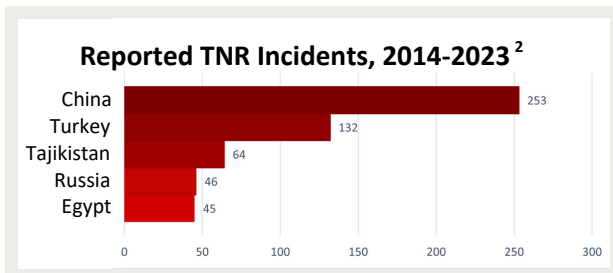
TNR violates U.S. laws and weakens democracy.

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WHO PERPETRATES TNR?



Between 2014 and 2023, the organization Freedom House recorded 854 incidents of transnational repression perpetrated by 38 governments. The majority of states perpetrating TNR have authoritarian governments.

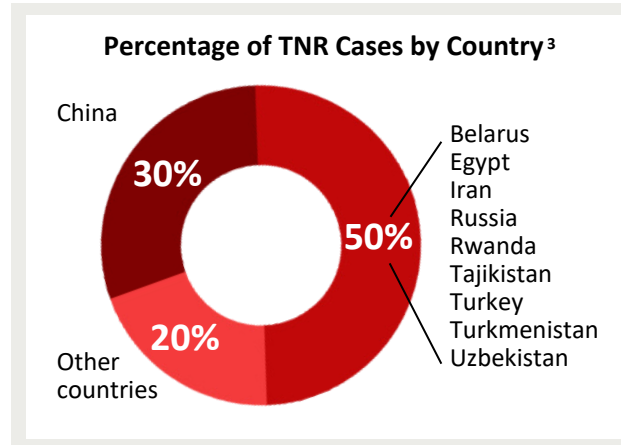


TNR: Repression Tactics

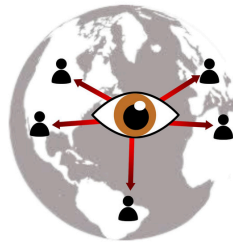
CHINA: Chinese individuals living abroad are subjected to violence and surveillance. They receive repeated 'ghost' calls telling them to "think of their family." Uyghurs, Tibetans, people from Hong Kong, and others living in the US and elsewhere greatly fear for their own and their families' safety.

TURKEY: The Turkish government pressures foreign governments to threaten alleged political opponents living overseas in unfair trials. Authorities perpetrate kidnapping and rendition to interrogate their targets.

RUSSIA: Russian agents silence critics, Russian dissidents, activists, and political opponents living abroad by kidnapping; violence; poison and other lethal means; appropriation of financial assets, and misuse of Interpol Red Notices to extradite targets for politically motivated reprisals.



INDIA: The Indian government attempts to silence religious minorities living abroad by extrajudicial killings and online harassment campaigns. Indian authorities intimidate and harass foreign lawyers, journalists, and minority supporters living abroad.



BELARUS: The government of Belarus, with aid from Russia, forcibly detains and repatriates pro-democracy activists living abroad.

TAJIKISTAN: Authorities extradite opposition and religious leaders abroad using Interpol Red Notices to imprison them on false charges without due process.

Transnational repression is a global threat to democracy and universal human rights.

A Federal Crime

Everyone in the US, including in a U.S. territory, and regardless of citizenship status, is protected against TNR. TNR is a federal crime investigated by the FBI.



TNR LEGISLATION

Transnational repression must be a priority on a whole-of-government level. Congress must strengthen laws to prevent and punish TNR.

H.R.3654 | S.831 is pending in Congress. It would require the President to impose property- and visa-blocking sanctions on individuals and entities that engage in transnational repression.

**REPORT TNR.
IT IS A FELONY.**

1. Document the incident.
2. Report it to your local police department.
3. Report it to the FBI online at tips.fbi.gov or call 800-225-5324.

¹ Yana Gorokhovskaia and Isabel Linzer, 'Defending Democracy in Exile: Policy Responses to Transnational Repression' (Washington, DC: Freedom House, June 2022).

² Yana Gorokhovskaia, Nate Schenkkan, Grady Vaughan, 'Still Not Safe: Transnational Repression in 2022,' (Washington, DC: Freedom House, April 2023).

³ Michael J. Abramowitz, 'Transnational Repression: A Global Threat to Rights and Security,' written testimony, Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing, December 2023.