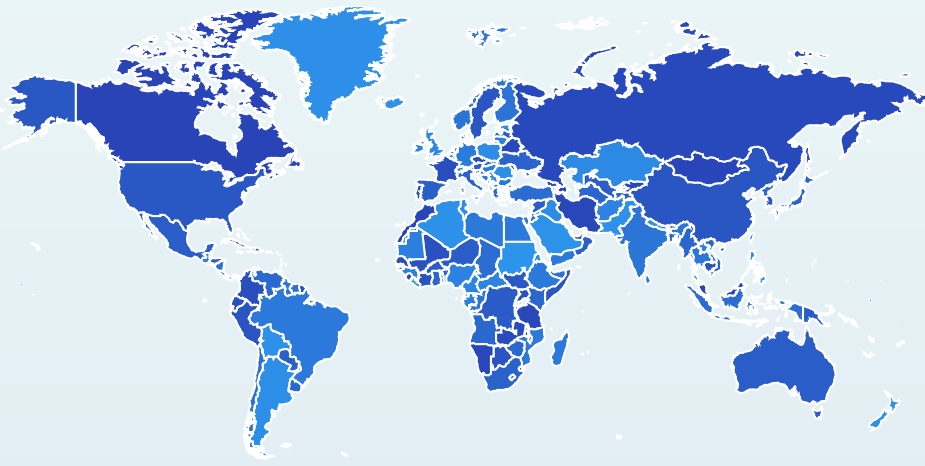
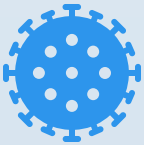


# DRM calls for an end to police violence against people with disabilities



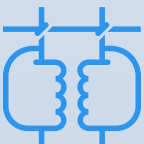
**DRM stands for Disability Rights Monitor. We are a team of disability rights groups from around the world.**



**DRM made a survey to check if countries are protecting people with disabilities during the COVID-19 crisis.**



**DRM is worried because the survey shows a rise in police violence against people with disabilities.**



**People from around the world said that people with disabilities were punished for breaking the lockdown rules.**



**In some countries, the police have abused, tortured, and murdered people with disabilities.**



**People with disabilities have to leave their homes to get food and medicine.**

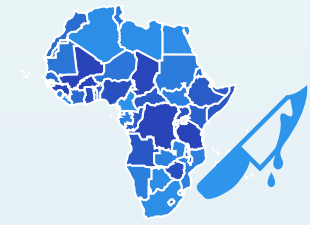


**Information about curfew rules was not accessible for people with disabilities.**



A man with a disability was shot and killed by police in the Philippines.

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Police in Kenya killed a man with a disability for not wearing a face mask.

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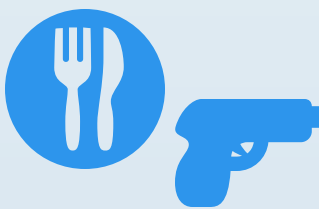
A deaf-blind man was shot by the Ugandan police.

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In Palestine, an autistic man was killed by Israeli soldiers.

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Family members of people with disabilities are also in danger when they go outside to get food or medicine.

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In Nigeria, the mother of a child with disabilities was punished by the police.

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In South Africa, parents of young children have been fined or arrested.

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In Europe, people with disabilities said that they were afraid of the police.

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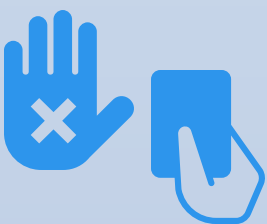
People with disabilities in Italy, France, Russia, and the UK were afraid to leave their homes.

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In Serbia, a man with autism was beaten by the police.

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In France, police fined a woman for waving at her husband through the window of an institution.

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People with disabilities have also been killed by police in the USA.



**DRM is calling on countries to take these steps to end police violence against people with disabilities.**

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**Police who have abused or murdered people with disabilities should be brought to justice.**

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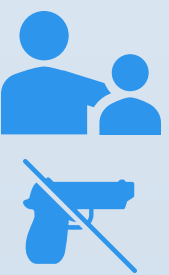
**Countries should listen to people with disabilities and their organisations in order to end abuse.**

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**The police and local government should listen to people with disabilities and their organisations.**

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**Governments should fund teams to support people with disabilities in crisis.**

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**Governments should protect people with disabilities when they go outside during the curfew.**

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**The police should think about the needs of persons with disabilities.**

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**The police should be trained to support people with disabilities.**

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