

Alleged Human Rights Abuses, Constitutional Violations & Breaches of the Rule of Law in relation to the Coup d' etat of 5th December 2006 [Update 26.01.07]

Fiji Const. = 1997 Fiji Constitution

UDHR – Universal Declaration of Human Rights

ICCPR – International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

ICESCR – International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Date	Event	Source of information (Newspaper, Radio, Television, personal testimony)	Human Rights, Constitutional provisions, Rule of Law Violated	Sources of Law	Comments/ Action result any
30/11/06	Police Commissioner, Andrew Hughes was said to have resigned after his family received death threats. Hughes left Fiji 30 Nov.	Newspaper item in Daily Post 01/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence Right to liberty & security of the person Right to privacy	UDHR Art 3 & 12 ICCPR art 9 Fiji Const. ss 23 & 37	Commissioner Hughes denied resigning but admitting moving his family to Australia fearing for their & his safe formally tendered in resignation on the 6 th December, the day after military coup
1/12/06	Reported by Opposition leader that the multi-million dollar Momi Resort project has been shut down at a loss	Daily Post 2/12/06			

	\$10 million for Fiji.				
04/12/07	Imrana Jalal a staff member at the Pacific Regional Rights Resources Team (UNDP) and a human rights actor received a threat through a call to her mobile with the caller threatening her to be careful about what she says and that he is going rape her. This was in response to an opinion piece of Ms. Jalal's in the Fiji Times which discussing that coups are never justifiable & for there never to be an exception to the rule of law printed in the Fiji Times on Nov 30.	Police statement by Imrana Jalal attached. Annex A.	Right to privacy Freedom of opinion and expression Right to security of the person Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person	Fiji Const. s 37 UDHR s 19, Fiji Const. s 30 UDHR Art.12 & 19 ICCPR art 19	Imrana has since filed an official complaint with the Police. A colleague of Ms Jalal, Mr. Tito Isala also filed a statement with the police stating that minutes prior to the threatening phone call to Ms Jalal, he had been contacted by a military lawyer, Davina Chan to give Jalal's number which he did
4/12/07	Angie Heffernan of the Pacific Centre for Public Integrity (PCPI) was visited by 2 military lawyers (Amani Bale and Ana Rokomokoti) between 1:30 – 2 p.m. and told her to stop opposition to the military, in particular highlighting the paid advertisements by PCPI, Transparency International (TI) and the Fiji Women's Rights Movement (FWRM)	Email from A. Heffernan attached – Annex B	Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person Right to privacy	UDHR Art 19, ICCPR Art 19, Fiji Const. s.30 UDHR Art 13 Fiji Const s37	Angie has continued to speak against the military and its intimidation & assaults on critics. Since then, Angie has been publicly warned by the RFMF's Land Force Commander Col Pita Driti (reported on Sun 27/12/06)
05/12/06	PM Qarase was placed under house arrest. 40 armed soldiers with M16s cut off the road leading to Qarase's residence	Newspaper item in Daily Post 06/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy,	UDHR Art 9, 12, 13, 21 Fiji Const. ss	On the afternoon of the 5 th Dec, Commodore Bainimarama announces that he has taken Government and dismissed PM & Cabinet after "stepping

			family, home and freedom from arbitrary attacks on honour and reputation Right to choose leader in free & fair elections Freedom of movement	23, 34 & 37 ICCPR arts 9, 12	into the President's shoes". At the same time, Bainimar announces the sacking of Government officials including CEOs of some Ministries & Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner & Assistant Commissioner of Police respectively
5/12/06	Commander Frank Bainimarama announces that he has assumed Executive Authority as self appointed President effectively dismissing the president and vice president and dismissed Prime Minister Qarase and his Cabinet. Bainimarama states that he is doing this within the Constitution and under the doctrine of necessity. He states human rights will not be suspended but warns that any person working against the military should be careful	Reported on all media (local, regional & international)	Violation of democratic principles Breaches of the rule of law Breaches of the Constitution	UDHR art 21 Fiji Const arts 85 -109	
05/12/06	Fiji Times newspaper and Fiji One television suspend printing and news broadcasts due to military interference. The military attempted to impose censorship on reporting and both publications refused to print as a result. The Military	Fiji Times Article Dec 7 Newspaper item in Daily Post 06/12/06	Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy,	UDHR Art 19, 12, 9 ICCPR art 19 UDHR Art 12, Fiji Const. ss30	The military later stated that was a misunderstanding & would allow for a free press cautioned the media & the to be careful in their comm

	subsequently stated on 7/12/06 that they would not interfere in the media any further, but also stated that they request all individuals and NGOs to be careful of what they say.		family, home and freedom from arbitrary attacks on honour and reputation	& 37	
06/12/06	Occupancy rates drop at hotels as a result of the coup down to less than 20% resulting in the lay off of seasonal and casual employees	Fiji times 06/12/06 and Fiji Times 10/12/06	Right to adequate standard of living Right to work and protection against unemployment Right to just and favorable conditions of work	UDHR Art 25, ICESCR Art 11 UDHR Art 23 ICESCR Art 7	Tourism Action Group con by Military Council to try t tourists to come to Fiji
06/12/06	Commodore Bainimarama appoints interim caretaker Prime Minister, Dr. Jona Senilagakali	Fiji Daily Post 7/12/06	Right to take part in the government through freely chosen representatives	Fiji Constitution art 59(2) UDHR Art 21	The Military appointed PM advises self-appointed Pres Commodore Bainimarama dissolve Parliament which latter does.
06/12/06	Britain suspends military assistance to Fiji; may result in job losses	Fiji Daily Post 7/12/06			
06/12/06	VP Ratu Joni Madraiwiwi was removed from office and forced out of his official residence by the military	Newspaper item in Fiji Times 07/12/06 Verified by personal interview	Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person Illegal dismissal	UDHR Art 12 Fiji Constitution art 25 Fiji Constitution art 93(2)	Ratu Joni later tendered his resignation to the Great Co of Chiefs (the body that appointed him) the week af his illegal removal
06/12/06	Acting Police Commissioner Moses Driver and Acting Deputy	News paper item in Fiji	Right to liberty	UDHR Art. 3, 9 Fiji Const. s.23	Acting Commissioner Driv ACP Bulamainaivalu were

	Commissioner Kevueli Bulamainavalu were taken to the Army camp “under duress” by a truck full of army soldiers. ACP Driver and ADC Kevueli were then told they had been removed	Times 07/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention	ICCPR art 9	dismissed for not supporting military take over
06/12/06	Unionist and former MP Kenneth Zinck was taken into the Army camp for questioning after comments he made while drinking at the Union Club. He made these comments whilst drinking with friends and a relative of Bainimarama’s was sitting close by. He was taken up to the camp after 9 pm and was made to run around a sports field while four soldiers ran behind him with guns point to his back. “Then they made me stand under the spotlight while they stood behind – it so that couldn’t see their faces and warned me not to speak out against eh commander again and for me to watch out”	Fiji Times article 9/12/06 (www.fijivillage.com 8 th Jan 2007)	Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment Freedom of opinion and expression	UDHR Art. 9 Fiji Const s 23 & 25 UDHR Art 19, Fiji Const. s30 ICCPR 19	Mr. Zinck was subsequently again detained on 4 th Jan 2007 in Nadi by soldiers for comments against the Commander. He allegedly assaulted. (www.fijivillage.com)
07/12/06	Concerns raised by individuals about the potential collapse of the sugar industry should the EU impose sanctions.	Fiji Daily Post 7/12/06			
07/12/06	A State of Emergency was declared by the Fiji military chief after a	Fiji Post 7/12/06	State of Emergency Declaration unlawful	Fiji Const. art 187	Only the lawfully appointed president acting on the advice

	bloodless coup at 1800 hours on 5/12/06. In an Extraordinary Fiji Gazette published by authority of the Fiji Military Government the commander said, "I have with much reluctance assumed executive authority of the country and henceforth declared a state of emergency"				cabinet can declare the state of emergency
07/12/06	<p>Military force Senate Closure. Six senior civil servants lost their jobs in the military's bid to take control of major institutions inc. the police and civil service. The six include PSC Chairman, Stuart Hugget; acting Police Commissioner Moses Driver; deputy Assistant Police Commissioner, Kevueli Bulamainaivalu; Supervisor of Elections, Semesa Karavaki; and Solicitor-General, Nainendra Nand.</p> <p>Statement from Stuart Hugget was that "Frank kicked his legs out from under him and beat him around the head telling him, "Don't fuck with the military"</p>	<p>News item in Fiji Times 08/12/06</p> <p>Fiji Times 7/12/08</p>	<p>Right to work</p> <p>Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person</p>	<p>UDHR Art. 12, 23</p> <p>ICCPR art 9</p>	
07/12/06	Military dismisses official positions; Public Service Commission CEO Anare Jale, Chief Executive of the PM's Office Jioji Kotobalavu,	Fiji Times 15/12/06	Right to work and protection against unemployment	UDHR Art 23 ICESCR Art 6	Self appointed President has appointed replacement CEO

	Solicitor General Nainendra Nand, PSC Chair Stuart Hugget and Supervisor of Elections Semesa Karavaki Acting Police Commissioner – Moses Driver and ADC Kevueli Bulamainaivalu dismissed by Military.		Appointment & Dismissal of CEOs by Public Service Commission Judicial Services Commission appoints and dismisses Solicitor General	Fiji Constitution Art. 146, Constitution Art. 131	
07/12/06	Mary Chapman, Secretary to Parliament, was removed from her position	News item in Fiji Times 08/12/06	Right to work and protection against unemployment Appointment & Dismissal of Secretary to Parliament by Public Service Commission	UDHR Art 23 Fiji Cons art 147	
8/12/06	Commonwealth Secretary General Don McKinnon announced the suspension after an emergency meeting of the Commonwealth's Ministerial Action Group. "Fiji's military regime should forthwith be suspended from the Councils of the Commonwealth pending the restoration of democracy and the rule of law in that country," he said in a statement. The group "unequivocally	BBC Online 08/12/06			

	<p>condemned" the military take-over, calling it "a serious violation of the Commonwealth's fundamental principles".</p> <p>The move means Fiji's military leaders are barred from all inter-governmental Commonwealth meetings. Existing technical assistance will continue, but there will be no new initiatives.</p>				
08/12/06	Fiji Business Council reports work slowdown resulting in loss of jobs	Fiji Times 08/12/06	Right to adequate standard of living Right to work and protection against unemployment	UDHR Art.25, ICESCR Art 11 UDHR Art 23	
09/12/06	<p>Army takes in writers of letters to the editor and unionists for questioning. They gave the writers of the letters to the editors a verbal warning. Another writer to the open column was detained for one day</p>	<p>Fiji Times 9/12/06</p> <p>Fiji Times 15/12/06</p>	<p>Freedom of opinion and expression</p> <p>Right to liberty & Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention</p>	<p>UDHR Art. 9, 12,19,</p> <p>Fiji Const art 23, 27, 30, 37</p>	
09/12/06	Pacific Connex office raided; telecommunications company which is a joint venture between the NLTB and Ballu Khan. Office was raided and documents seized.	Fiji Times 9/12/06	<p>Right to privacy</p> <p>Unreasonable search & seizure of property</p> <p>Freedom from arbitrary interference with privacy, family & home.</p>	<p>Fiji Const arts 26, 37</p> <p>UDHR art 12</p> <p>ICCPR art 17</p>	
09/12/06	Senior party executives of the SDL	Fiji Times	Liberty & security of the	Fiji Const. s 23,	

	party, plus business person Imraz Iqbal and ousted State Minister Ted Young were taken to the Army Camp for questioning. Warnings were given to Imraz Iqbal. No other statements issued. Directors of PCPI and FWRM also received threatening phone calls from the military to suspend their anti-military activities and statements.	11/12/06	person & Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Freedom of opinion and expression Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person	27, 30 UDHR Art 9, 12,19 ICCPR art 17, 19	
10/12/06	Pacific Connex owner Ballu Khan's guards and former members of the CRW unit were taken in for questioning by the military.	News item in Fiji Times 10/12/06 Daily Post 10/12/06	Liberty & security of person Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention	UDHR Art 3, 9 Fiji Const. s 23, 27 ICCPR art 9	
10/12/06	Democracy shrine set up by a pro-democracy youth group called the "Young People's Concerned Network" at a private residence owned by business woman Laisa Digitaki demolished during a power blackout on Sunday night December 10 th . Men in civilian clothes removed banners and damaged part of the property which belongs to Digitaki.	News item in Fiji Times 11/12/06 Daily Post 11/12.06	Freedom from arbitrary interference with home and correspondence Freedom of opinion and expression	UDHR Art 12 UDHR Art 19 Fiji Const. s. 30 ICCPR art 17, 19	
10/12/06	Delegates from Ba Province denied access to visit Ratu Iloilo at the Presidents residence	News item in Fiji Times 10/12/06 and	Freedom of movement	UDHR Art 13, Fiji Const. s34	

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11/12/06	Attorney General and Minister for Justice Qoriniasi Bale taken to Military camp for “discussions”	Fiji Times 12/1/206	(A) Right to personal liberty/security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest/detention (C) Rights of arrested/detained person (D) Right to privacy/ Right against arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence	(A) Constitution of Fiji – Art. 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 & 10 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 27 ICCPR – Art 10 (D) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17	
11/12/06	Fiji loses bid for hosting the world netball championships and stands to lose \$6 million in revenue as a result.	News item in Fiji Times 11/12/06 Daily Post 10/12/06			
11/12/06	Military has confirmed taking people to its camp in Nabua but has not commented on complaints made	News item Fiji Times 12/12/06	(A) Right of detained person (B) Right to be free from arbitrary arrest & detention (C) Right to liberty & security of person (D) Right to privacy/free from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home	(A) CF – Art 27 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9	

			or correspondence	(D) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17	
11/12/06	<p>In an unprecedented move, Fiji has been suspended from the Pacific Islands Chiefs of Police (PICP) following an urgent ballot by members, including New Zealand.</p> <p>Chairman Hazime Telei from Palau said the PICP members have agreed to suspend Fiji police from participating in the activities of the PICP, pending the restoration of the rule of law.</p> <p>Palau said the members expressed strong concern at the intimidation shown against the Police Commissioner Andrew Hughes and also the unlawful detention of the Acting Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner.</p> <p>Telei speaking to NZ Herald said it is important to recognise that the suspension was against the breakdown in democracy and the attack on the rule of law in Fiji.</p>	Fiji Village On Line 11/12/06	Fiji not represented on PICP		

	PICP executive director, Superintendent Cam Ronald said the suspension would see Fiji police excluded from attending meetings and participating in the management of the PICP and its decision making process.				
12/01/06	Principle Legal Officer and CEO to the PM Qarase contracts terminated.	Fiji TV News 11/12/06	Illegal termination. Others rights affected as well., e.g. right to earnings [benefits] from employment, etc.		
12/12/06	Military has warned Deposed PM Qarase to remain on his home island in Vanuabalau stating that Mr. Qarase's presence in Suva would not be accepted	News item Fiji Times 12/12/06	(A) Freedom of Movement (B) Right to personal liberty & security of person	(A) CF – Art 34 UDHR – Art 13 ICCPR – Art 12 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9	Qarase remains to on his is to this day. Domestic Airli Air Fiji has refused to allow to travel in their airplane.
12/12/06	Pro-Democracy activist and member of the Young People's Concerned Network, Pita Waqavonovono was harassed for about • an hour at a soldiers checkpoint at the Bailey Bridge in Suva while traveling to work in a taxi; they ransacked his possessions and sent the taxi away. Another taxi driver came to his aid and assisted him.	Fiji Times 13/12/06	(A) Right to liberty & security of person (B) Right to be free of torture, cruel or inhuman treatment (C) Right to privacy/ right to be free from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence (D) Right against discrimination due to personal opinions and	(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7 (C) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17 (D) CF – Art 38(2)(B)	Pita was taken in by Soldie 25 th Dec 2006 with other p democracy activists and w subjected to assaults & humiliation by 20-30 soldi

			beliefs		
12/12/06	Military dismisses officials; National Reconciliation Ministry CEO Apisalome Tudreu, Deposed PM Qarase's Principal Secretary Sakeasi Ditoka and Principle Legal Officer in the PM's office Ilaitia Tamata, Finance Ministry CEO Paula Uluinaceva & PSC CEO Anare Jale also sacked.	Fiji Times 15/12/06 Daily Post 12/12/06	(A) Right to fair labour practice/natural justice (B) Right to employment Appointment & Dismissal of CEOs by Public Service Commission	(A) CF – Art 33(3) (B) UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6 Fiji Constitution art 147	
12/12/06	Young people's Concerned Network restored the democracy shrine in Lami. One member of the group had his house attacked by a group of youths on Saturday 9, 06. Reactions from the military were immediate; making threatening phone calls to network members. Military distanced itself from the attack on the member.	News item Fiji Times 12/12/06	(A) Right to liberty & security of the person (B) Right to freedom of expression (C) Right against discrimination due to personal opinions or beliefs (D) Right to privacy/ free from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence	(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 30 UDHR – Art 19 ICCPR – Art 19 (C) CF – Art 38(2)(b) (D) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17	
12/12/06	Hotels cut working hours; two hotels have reduced its working hours in an attempt to recover costs due to the crisis; resulting in job losses	Fiji Daily Post 12/12/06	(A) Right to employment (B) Right to adequate standards of living	(A) UDHR- Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6 (B) UDHR –	

				Art 25 ICESCR – Art 11	
12/12/06	Fiji Women ‘s Crisis Centre call for a stop to the threats made to human rights defenders. Called the FHRC to investigate these threats as they did in 2000.	Fiji Post 12/12/06 Fiji Times 27/12/06 Fiji Post 28/12/06	(A) Right of human right defenders to be protected by State	(A) UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders specifically Art. 2(1)	Fiji Human Rights Commi (FHRC) states that rights a limited & NGOs should be careful about what they say FHRC Director Shaista Shameem has been non-committal about investigat the military’s human rights abuses & in one case, has questioned the motive of activists who were tortured the military (Fiji Times 27/12/06)
12/12/06	FHRC states that it will investigate allegations of human rights violations.	FHRC press release 12/12/06	N/A		To date, no reports have be published by the FHRC on investigations
12/12/06	Fiji Daily Post newspaper general manager Mesake Koroi’s residence was raided by the military. Nothing was taken. Koroi was not present.	Fiji Daily Post 13/12/06	(A)Right to personal liberty & security of the person (B) Freedom from unreasonable searches & seizures (C) Right to privacy/ to be free from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence (D) Right to freedom of	(A)CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 26 (C) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17 (D) CF – Art 30 UDHR – Art 19	Other senior staff members been questioned & harasse

			expression (E) Right against discrimination due to personal beliefs & opinions	ICCPR – Art 19 (E) CF – Art 38(2)(b)	
13/12/06	Former State Minister for Public Utilities Reform Samisoni Tikoinasau was taken to the barracks from his Lami home at 10 am accompanied by army personnel for questioning which he said was “very intimidating”	News item Fiji Times 13/12/06	(A) Right to liberty & security of the person (B) Rights of detained person (C) Right to privacy/ free from arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence (D) Right to be free from arbitrary detention/arrest	(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 27 ICCPR – Art 9 & 10 (C) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17 (D) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9	
13/12/06	Staff of political parties working in Parliament were given one month notice to vacate their office	News item Fiji Times 13/12/06	(A) Right to fair labour practices/ natural justice (B) Right to employment	(A) CF – Art 33(3) (B) UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6	
13/12/06	Terminations of Employment;	News item	(A) Right to fair labour	(A) CF – Art	Frank Bainimarama has

14/12/06	<p>Fijian Affairs Board Chief Executive Officer, Adi Litia Qionibaravi received official notice of her dismissal from office.</p> <p>The military also dismissed the following persons from posts; Airports Fiji Limited board chairman Viliame Leqa and member Adish Naidu</p> <p>AFL CEO Ratu Sakiusa Tuisolia, Post Fiji Limited Board Members Imrana Jalal, Malcolm Harrison and Lute Powel, Ports Corporation and Ports Terminal Limited board members Aca Lord, Jonetani Galuinadi and Lallun Khan. Civil Aviation Authority of Fiji board members Isimeli Bainamara, Kenneth Zinck and Ofa Swann; Air Terminal Services executive chairman and CEO Isimeli Bainimarama, Fiji Electricity Authority Board Chairman Joe Mar</p>	<p>Fiji Times 14/12/06 And 15 / 12 / 06</p> <p>Daily Post 13/12/06 re; Tuisolia</p> <p>Fiji Daily Post 15/12/06</p>	<p>practices</p> <p>(B) Right to employment</p> <p>(C) Right to an adequate standard of living</p> <p>(D) Right against discrimination due to personal opinions or beliefs</p>	<p>33(3)</p> <p>(B) UDHR – Art 23</p> <p>ICESCR – Art 11</p> <p>(C) UDHR – Art 25</p> <p>ICESCR – Art 11</p> <p>(D) CF – Art 38(2)(b)</p>	<p>appointed several replacen on Statutory Bodies/Board</p>
14/12/06	<p>The Military yesterday ordered the immediate deportation to Australia of Daily Post Editor in Chief, Robert Wolfgramm. Soldiers were seen seizing his passport outside the paper’s Suva office. Wolfgramm who is originally from Fiji is now an Australian citizen. He and his family</p>	<p>Article in Fiji Times 15/1206</p> <p>Fiji Post 14/12/06</p>	<p>(A)Right to fair labour practices</p> <p>(B) Right against expulsion from a country without due process</p> <p>(C)Right to privacy/ Right against arbitrary interference with privacy,</p>	<p>(A) CF – Art 33(3)</p> <p>(B) ICCPR – Art 13</p> <p>(C) CF – Art 37</p> <p>UDHR – Art 12</p> <p>ICCPR – Art 17</p>	

	were forced to leave. Daily Post staffs including Wolfgramm were taken up to QEB and warned by the military to “tone down” the content of images and anti-military sentiment it had been publishing.		family, home or correspondence (D) Right to freedom of expression (E) Right against discrimination due to personal opinions or beliefs	(D) CF – Art 30 UDHR – Art 19 ICCPR – Art 19 (E) CF – Art 38(2)(b)	
14/12/06	Army personnel threatened a Daily Post reporter, Jyoti Pratibha and her family – soldiers’ actions described as “harsh and rude”. The soldier was trying to locate the reporter’s boss, the General Manager of the Daily Post Mesake Koroï	Article in Fiji Times 15/12/06 17/12/06 Daily Post 14/12/06 Fiji Daily Post 14/12/06	(A)Right to privacy/ Right against arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence (B) Right to security of the person (C) Right to freedom of expression (D) Right against discrimination due to personal opinions or beliefs	(A) CF – Art 37 UDHR – Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 30 UDHR – Art 19 ICCPR – Art 19 (D) CF – Art 38(2)(b)	
14/12/06	Police statements made by Imrana Jalal and Isala Isala printed in the Fiji Post	14/12/06 Daily Post 14/12/06 Fiji Daily Post Personal testimony	(A)Right to privacy/ Right against arbitrary interference with privacy, family, home or correspondence	(A) CF – Art 37 UDHR- Art 12 ICCPR – Art 17	Soldiers turned at Ms Jalal house on 24 th Dec 2006 loc for her & were told that sh in Australia
15/12/06	FHRC has confirmed that they have received complaints from the public against the military; Kenneth Zinck	News item in Fiji times 15/12/06	N/A		FHRC Commissioner Shar Ali has stated that people a afraid to complain to the F

	case plus two senior members of the Soqosoqo Duvavata ni Lewenivanua Party				fearing that its independence has been compromised
16/12/06	Protest March applications rejected. Commissioner Central Police Inoke Devo confirmed rejecting 5 applications for marches through the capital by various organizations for peaceful demonstrations. Police referred the applications to the military which rejected them.	Daily Post 16/12/06	(A) Right to freedom of peaceful assembly and association (B) Right to freedom of expression (C) Right against discrimination due to personal beliefs & opinions	(A) CF – Art 31 & 32 UDHR – Art 20 ICCPR – Art 21 & 22 (B) CF – Art 30 UDHR – Art 19 ICCPR – Art 19 (C) CF – Art 3(2)(b)	
16/12/06	Military appoints a new Ombudsman who will be the Chair of the FHRC – Rodney Acraman No comment from the FHRC NGOs express concern	Article in Fiji Times 17/12/06	Appointment of Ombudsman by the Constitutional Offices Commission & Human Rights Commissioners appointed by President on the advice of Prime Minister & Leader of Opposition	Fiji Constitution art 163 & 42	Human Rights Commission: Shamima Ali has called for Acraman's resignation on the basis that his appointment is unconstitutional. NGOs have called for Acraman not to accept the position.
17/12/06	The ICJ (International Commission of Jurists) calls on the Fiji military to immediately restore the rule of law and respect human rights.		N/A		
18/12/06	Pacific Island Forum Secretariat, a regional intergovernmental organisation Metuisela Usa was	Article in Fiji Times 18/12/06	(A) Right to personal liberty and security of the person	(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9	It appears from the large number of civilians taken in by the military who are not connected to the military.

	taken in by military accused by a local street kid of vandalizing a car in the neighborhood. About 20 soldiers came to his residence then forced him into a van and “along the way to QEB they beat me with their fists and the butt of their rifles – mostly hitting my head” Then locked up for 3 hours.		<p>(B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention</p> <p>(C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment</p> <p>(B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>(B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9</p> <p>(C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	politically or to the human community that opportunistic accusations are being made members of the public against others. Although this is not substantiated and is only anecdotal evidence, a significant number of opportunistic accusations are being made Indo Fijians against indigenous Fijians.
19/12/06	Fiji Employers Federation circulated the following unemployment figures; Full time workers laid off 180, Part time workers laid off 618, casual workers laid off 618, workers on reduced hours 1053	Article in Fiji Times 18/12/06 Daily Post 19/12/06	<p>(A)Right to employment</p> <p>(B) Right to an adequate standard of living</p>	<p>(A) UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6</p> <p>(B) UDHR – Art 25 ICESCR – Art 11</p>	
19/12/06	Capital projects for Ministries on hold due to the absence of a Finance Minister. Includes Women’s Action Plan grants which provide assistance to women’s groups. In addition, the family relief assistance which assists 26,000 people may be affected	Article in Fiji Times 19/12/06	<p>(A)Right to an adequate standard of living</p> <p>(B) Right of women to full development and advancement</p>	<p>(A) UDHR – Art 25 ICESCR – Art 11</p> <p>(B) CEDAW Art 3</p>	
19/12/06	Military dismissals; Nine political assistants, civil servants will be taken off of the government payroll	Fiji Times 19/12/06	<p>(A)Right to fair labour practices</p> <p>(B) Right to work</p> <p>(C) Right to an adequate standard of living</p>	<p>(A) CF – Art 33(3) (B) UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art</p>	

				6 (C) UDHR – Art 25 ICESCR – Art 11	
20/12/06	Fiji to lose \$400 million in foreign exchange as a result of the military takeover; estimate from the Fiji Islands Hotel and Tourism Association chief executive. Now necessary to give a 40% reduction on rates for visitors to Fiji	Fiji Times 20/12/06	(A) Right to an adequate standard of living (B) Right to work	(A)UDHR – Art 25 ICESCR – Art 11 (B) UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6	
21/12/06	International Conman, Peter Foster was removed by military personnel from his house arrest at JJ's on the Park Hotel in Suva. Suva Magistrates Court subsequently order that Foster be moved back to JJ's to remain under house arrest. The military took Foster to Foster's home in Denarau Is, Nadi. Subsequently, Foster has revealed that he was working undercover for the military to expose corruption amongst the SDL party (previous government). No clear evidence has emerged.	Fiji Times 28/01/06	Relevant due to the military's interference in the courts and court processes Judicial Independence	Fiji Constitution Art. 118	
22/12/06	Police arrested a group of pro-democracy protestors yesterday at the FMF dome where the Great	23/12/06 Fiji Times 22/12/06Artic	Freedom of personal liberty	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Arts. 23, 27 , 30 & 31	

	Council of Chiefs meeting was being held. The group was taken by the police for not having a permit to gather in a public place. Five were released on bail the next day.	le Daily Post 23/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person	<i>UDHR</i> Arts. 3, 12, 19 & 20. ICCPR 9, 17 & 19	
23/12/06	State CEOs have been ordered to seek approval from the military Commander prior to making any public statements regarding the Interim Government to the press	23/12/06 Fiji Times Article Daily Post 23/12/06	Freedom of expression	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 19 ICCPR art 19	
23/12/06	RFMF Military Commander issued warnings on Fijian radio to people and non-government activists who he believes are inciting civil unrest. Individuals named included Virisila Buadromo of the FWRM, Imrana Jalal of RRRT/UNDP, Imraz Iqbal, businessman and Laisa Digitaki of the Young Person's Concerned Network	23/12/06 Fiji Times Article Daily Post 23/12/06 Daily Post 23/12/06	Freedom of Speech Freedom of personal liberty Freedom from arbitrary interference	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Arts. 30 and 23. <i>UDHR</i> Arts. 3, 12, 19 ICCPR art 19	
23/12/06	International conman awaiting charges under house arrest in Fiji, Peter Foster was taken into military custody yesterday	Fiji Times article 26/12/06 Daily Post 23/27/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person Interference with Judicial Independence	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 27 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 9 Fiji Const 118	It has been reported that Pe Foster is working for the m & helping them in their "cl up" campaign.
23/12/06	Sugar Cane Growers Council Chief Executive Jagannath Sami was taken	Fiji Times article	Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person	<i>Fiji Const</i> Arts. 23, 27 &	He was later terminated fro position (see 28/12/06) as C

	to the military camp and was instructed not to make further comments criticizing the military.	26/12/06 Daily Post 2724/12/06	Freedom of personal liberty	30 <i>UDHR</i> Arts. 3, 12, 19 <i>ICCPR</i> 9, 17, 19	Executive by self-appointed President Bainimarama
23/12/07	Four youths told of how soldiers beat them up and forced them to drink waste water from a drain and kiss each other gunpoint. The youths, of Naimalavau Village in Tailevu alleged that they were picked up while walking home after going out dancing on a Saturday night before Christmas. At QEB they were forced to crawl through the drain while they were kicked and punched. Youth were too frightened to report incident.	8/01/07 Fiji Sun newspaper on line	(A) Right to personal liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice	(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7	
24/12/06	Local media organization has been issued a directive against airing comments and reactions from deposed PM Qarase. The directive was rejected by Fiji TV.	Fiji Times Daily Post 2912/06	Freedom of expression	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 19 <i>ICCPR</i> art 19	It appears that media organizations are operating relatively freely & openly
25/12/06	Pop signer Laisa Vulakoro writes a letter to the editor criticizing the coup Vulakoro was then visited at her	Fiji Times 27/12/06 article in Fiji Sun, 27/12/06	Freedom of expression Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person Rights to personal liberty	<i>Fiji Const</i> Art. 23, 30, 25 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3,	Purportedly Vulakoro's haircut by the military officers. is currently abroad.

	<p>home by the military on 26/12/06 and warned not to make further statements against the military. Vulakoro refused to stop speaking freely.</p> <p>Vulakoro was taken to military camp on 28/12/06 and held for 3 hours</p>	<p>Daily Post 29/12/06</p>	<p>Freedom of conscience</p>	<p>12, 19</p> <p>ICCPR art 19</p>	
25/12/06	<p>Six pro-democracy activists were taken into QEB at around midnight on Sunday (Christmas Eve) after actively voicing their concerns over the military takeover. Taken in were Virisila Buadromo of FWRM, her partner Arshad Daud, businessman, Laisa Digitaki of the Concerned Young Person’s Network, businessman Imraz Iqbal, youth activists Pita Waqavonuvonu and Jackie Koroï. At the camp, the six activists suffered humiliating and degrading treatment including physical, verbal and emotional abuse. Before and during interrogation, they were beaten, punched, kicked, and made to crawl on all fours. One youth activist was repeatedly asked who the President was and upon answering “Ratu Iloilo” was repetitively kicked by military officers. The majority of the bruises</p>	<p>Eyewitness account of 6 being marched out of QEB –early morning 25/12/06 Personal. Comm. 25/12/06 News item in Fiji Times 26/12/06</p> <p>News item in Fiji Sun 27/12/06 “Torture Victim tells of loaded gun at her head”.</p>	<p>Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment Right to freedom of opinion and expression – freedom to hold opinions without interference Freedom of speech Freedom of thought and conscience Freedom of movement Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Right to non-discrimination on the grounds of opinion Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 25, 26, 27, 30, 35, 38(2)</p> <p><i>UDHR</i> Art. 3, 5, 9, 12, 19</p> <p>ICCPR Arts 2, 7, 9, 10, 17, 19</p>	<p>By 26/12/06 one youth acti had filed a police report an underwent a medical examination at the SPH.</p> <p>03/01/07: Fiji Times and Pacnews – Bainimarama sa will not apologise for the treatment of the pro-democ activists beaten by the milit</p> <p>Also, earlier (Fiji Times 26/12/06) The Commander warned th any military officer found t have authorized or sanction such deplorable human righ violations would face the fi brunt of the law.</p> <p>One of the activists who ha left Suva has been repeated</p>

	that the activists received were from the chest area and below. After 1am they were forced to walk in the rain from the military camp to the democracy shrine at Lami via Reservoir Road. LD appeared on Fiji One News on Tuesday evening, going through her Lami property which was completely ransacked by the military and “Merry X-Mas and Happy New Year” spray-painted by the military officers on the outside walls of the house. LD was also seen on television with visible injuries to her face and wearing a neck-brace. The activists were warned by the military that if they spoke out again they would be taken up to the military camp again and would suffer worse treatment and that their families would also suffer ill-treatment.	Personal communication 9/1/07			harassed by the military & directed to return to the army barracks. He has refused to do so.
25/12/06	The military has also since issued a directive to immigration not to allow the 6 pro democracy activists out of the country.	Fiji Sun 27/12/06	Freedom of Movement	<i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12	Immigration turned away L Digitaki from the airport when she attempted travel to Sydney with her 2 children. Her 2 children were allowed to travel (see Fiji Sun 30 Dec 06)
25/12/06	There were others up at the camp – what they were doing to us they were doing to others. We saw some young	Eyewitness report from Virisila	Right to liberty Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 25 & 27	In a statement (Fijilive 27/12/06) the British High Commissioner in Suva said it was concerned

	Fijian boys stripped down to their underwear and made to crawl through the drains	Buadromo during her interrogation at QEB	Right to freedom of opinion and expression – freedom to hold opinions without interference Freedom of speech Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity	<i>UDHR</i> Arts. 3, 5, 9, 10 & 12 <i>ICCPR</i> 7, 9,10 & 17	the arbitrary detention and inhumane treatment of Non Government Organizations others who have spoken out against the December 5 coup
27/12/06	NGO Pacific Centre for Public Integrity was warned by the military “We are telling her to shut up or be careful with she says when making public statements” in response to a PCPI press release which condemned the actions of the military in their treatment of human rights activists. Army spokesperson, Major Leweni stated that “I would like Angie to know that what was done to her six comrades could have been worse”	Fiji Sun article, 27/12/06	Right to freedom of opinion and expression – freedom to hold opinions without interference Freedom of speech	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30, 35 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 19. <i>ICCPR</i> art 19	The warnings from the military have not deterred the Director PCPI. There are concerns however about her physical safety
27/12/06	Military spokesperson Major Leweni said that the military has issued numerous warnings of an emergency decree in place and everyone should abide by it “It is therefore, absolutely necessary that non government organizations and political commentators exercise caution when making public statements” Commodore Bainimarama also stated	Fiji Times 27/12/06 Fiji Times 28/12/06 Fiji Times 03/01/07	Right to freedom of opinion and expression – freedom to hold opinions without interference Freedom of speech	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30. <i>UDHR</i> Art. 19 <i>ICCPR</i> art 19	

	on radio that “such people were treated as threats and they will be dealt with accordingly”				
27/12/06 See also update 11/01/07.	Suva businessman Keni Dakuidreketui was taken to the barracks on 24 / 12/06 for questioning after witnessing an assault by soldiers on another individual. He stated that he was questioned and released. .	Fiji Time article 27/12/06	Freedom arbitrary arrest and detention Right to personal liberty	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 27 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3, 9 ICCPR art 9, 17	
27/12/06	Secretary to the Council of Chiefs Adi Litia Qionibaravi was taken to the military barracks and locked in a cell for 10 hours at the military barracks. It was reported that she was questioned by the military commander Voreqe Bainimarama. Her daughter appealed to the military on TV One to release her mother. Adi Litia reunited with her family on Thursday 27/12/06. She has since suspended making public statements. According to the Fiji Times it is believed that Adi Litia was taken in by the military because she remained defiant and made statements against the military in what she claimed was her capacity as CEO for the Fijian Affairs Board. She had been sacked by Bainimarama and replaced with the commodore’s older brother Ratu	TV One 27/12/06 Fiji Times Dec 31 st , 2006 Daily Post 30/12/06 and 3127/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Right to personal liberty Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 27, 30, 35 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3, 5, 9, 19 ICCPR arts 9, 10, 17 & 19	

	Meli who is the CEO of Ministry of Fijian Affairs				
27/12/06	FHRC issues warning to people to be careful when expressing their views about the situation as their rights are limited by law. Commission Director Dr. Shaista Shameem said “under the present circumstances people must know what right they must be cautious of”. Opposition leader Mick Beddoes writes in Fiji Times (27/12/06) for Director of FHRC, Dr. Shasita Shameem to clarify what she meant when she said “people should be careful what they say about the military”.	Fiji Times 27/12/06	Freedom of Expression	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30 <i>UDHR</i> Art.19 ICCPR art 19	President of the Fiji Law Society has questioned Dr. Shaista Shameem’s interpretation of Bill of Rights Commissioner Shamima A disassociates herself from Director Shameem’s comments Prominent lawyers Richard Naidu and Jon Apted disagree with Shameem’s comments
28/12/06	Laisa Vulakoro taken to military camp at about 1am and detained for 3 hours. She was reportedly taken up again later in the day and soldiers cut her hair (this not confirmed yet).	Legend FM News on 28/12/06	Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention Right to Personal liberty	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 25, 27, 30 <i>UDHR</i> Art.5, 9, 12, 19 ICCPR 9, 10, 17 & 19	LV left for Australia on 28/12/06
28/12/06	Sugar Cane Growers Association CEO, Jagannath Sami was terminated 27/12/06 along with its chairman and eight board members.	Fiji Times 28/12/06	Freedom of expression Right to work Freedom from arbitrary interference with his privacy, nor to attacks	<i>Fiji Const</i> arts 30 <i>UDHR</i> Arts. 9, 12, 19.	

			upon his honour and reputation	<i>ICESCR</i> Art. 6 ICCPR art 10 & 19	
28/12/06	Military puts on hold any further meetings of the Great Council of Chiefs and that “as long as the State of Emergency is in place the GCC will not be allowed to sit unless military gives it clearance to do so”	Fiji Times 28/12/06	Freedom of Assembly Freedom of Association	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30, 31 & 32 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 19 & 20 ICCPR art 19 & 21	
2830/12/06	Article in Fiji Daily Post stating that “it is believed people have become more hesitant to comment on the country’s current situation”. Another article, “Fear Grips Freedom Speakers”. The head of the Military reminds the public of the Emergency Decree and has issued fresh warnings to NGOs and individuals against speaking out against the military campaign.	Daily Post 28/12/06	Freedom from arbitrary detention Freedom of opinion and expression Right to personal liberty	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, 27, 30 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3, 9, 19 ICCPR Art 9 & 19	
30/12/06	A man was beaten to death at the Royal Suva Yacht Club after attending the wedding party of Commodore Bainimarama’s daughter to Samuel Whippy.	Fiji Times 01/01/07, 06/01/07 & 09/01/07	Right to life	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 22 <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3	No charges have been made

	<p>Whippy's uncle (John Whippy) was said to have been assaulted at about 2am on 30/12/06. A post-mortem examination report showed the deceased suffered brain hemorrhaging.</p> <p>Commodore Bainimarama's brother in law Francis Kean, the key suspect has been interrogated by police and released over the fatal assault.</p> <p>A letter to the editor (Fiji Times 06/01/07) by a member of the public condemned the delay in police investigation and provided the case should not be a difficult one as there were eye witnesses.</p>			ICCPR art 6	
30/12/07	<p>NGOs call for resignation of FHRC Director Shaista Shameem. Resulted from her advice to the public to censor what they said against the military because their rights were limited</p>	<p>Fiji Times 30/12/06</p> <p>Personal testimony from Commissioner Ali</p>	Freedom of expression	<p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30</p> <p><i>UDHR</i> Art. 19</p> <p>ICCPR art 19</p>	Human Rights Commissioner Shamima Ali has said that she will demand Dr. Shameem's resignation & if this fails, she will dismiss Shameem.
31/12/07	<p>SDL national director Peceli Kinuwai was reportedly contacted by the military at 4pm to head to the military camp at Nabua. Peceli asked if he be picked up instead from Kalabu Police Post and spent 8 hours in detention at the military camp in</p>	<p>Fiji Times paper & online 02/01/06</p> <p>Fiji TV One Online 3/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom of opinion and expression</p> <p>Freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention</p> <p>Right to personal liberty</p> <p>Right of detained to be treated with humanity &</p>	<p>Fiji Const. Art. 23, 25, 26, 27, 30, 37</p> <p>UDHR Art 3, 5, 9, 12, 18, 19</p>	

	Nabua. He was released at 3 a.m. in the morning (of 01/01/07). He was quoted in the Fiji times to not have been subject to harassment or torture and given food which he did not touch. According to the Times, Peceli has been cautioned 5 times for speaking on behalf of the SDL Party. Peceli was detained by the military in response to a his 'thanking the majority that is, some silent 500,000 who gave us [SDL] the mandate to run the Government for their prayers and continued support for the party' on National TV (TV One).		respect for human dignity	ICCPR arts 5, 7, 9, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19	
02/01/07	Sugar Cane Growers Council CEO in Lautoka Jagannath Sami was reported to be ordered out of his office by military personnel and his staff was threatened that they would be taken in to the military camp if they fail to report to the military if Mr. Sami turns up at the office. This move was made because Bainimarama claims he had sacked MR Sami along with 7 other government-appointed councilors the previous week.	TV One News 02/01/07 Fiji Times 03/01/07	Right to work and Right to personal liberty Freedom from arbitrary interference upon honour and reputation Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment	Fiji Const s.23, 25 UDHR Art 5,12,23 ICESCR art 6	Mr. Sami wrote a media re about the incident.
03/01/07	Media statements by Police claim that there have been reduction in crime rates as a result of increased	Police statements in Fiji Times			

	military presence. UN Security crime reports show otherwise with approximately 17 reported crimes from 22 nd – the 29 th Dec 2007	03.01.07 UN security report.			
03/01/07	Reports of “daily” round ups of persons taken to QEB by the military in response to public complaints about crime ranging youth being drunk and disorderly, spitting at shopkeepers, loitering, letter writers criticizing the military, a mentally disturbed man who did not pay his internet fees at a suburb near the Suva CBD. Most of the younger soldiers are reported to be assaulting arrested and detained persons without any reason.	Anecdotal reporting Personal testimony of Soldier S No media reports of these events and no statements from FHRC as to the number of these sorts of incidences which may be occurring.	Freedom from unreasonable searches & seizure Personal Liberty Right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty Freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman & degrading treatment Right to privacy Freedom from arbitrary arrest/ interference Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity	Fiji Constitution art 23, 25, 26, 27, 30, 37 UDHR Art 3, 5, 9,12, 18, 19 ICCPR arts 5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18, 19	
03/03/07	Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki and Chief Magistrate Naomi Lomaiviti were sent on leave (with full pay) by the army. Bainimarama announced that this was because it was ‘necessary to facilitate a full, proper and unrestricted inquiry into the judiciary and the judicial system as a whole.’ It was reported that the military had asked that Justice	TV One News 3/01/07 Fiji Times 4/01/07 (No. 04) www.fijilive.com 4/01/07	Right to not be subject to arbitrary interference and attacks on honour and reputation Independence of the Judiciary	Fiji Constitution art 118, 132 UDHR Art 12, ICCPR 17	The two judicial officers have been forced to go on compulsory leave. It is not clear who signed their leave letters.

	Connors and Justice Gates handle management of High Court Files and Magistrate .and Magistrate Ajmal Khan to handle magistrate files accordingly.				
03 – 05/01/07	A pastor and two youths from Nakaulevu Village, Nakelo taken into QEB – “arrested” by the military and assaulted. No reports issued	Fiji Times 7/01/07	Freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman & degrading treatment Right to privacy Freedom from arbitrary arrest/ interference Liberty Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity	Fiji Constitution art 23, 25, 26, 27, 37 UDHR Art 3, 5, 9,12, 18, ICCPR arts 5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 18	
4/01/07	Fiji Human Rights Commission Director releases a 32 page paper on legal, Constitutional and human rights issues in regards to the coup. The Report basically supports the military takeover and justifies the actions by the RFMF. In addition it attacks the position of NGOs vis-, - vis the takeover and also questions the role of observers during the 2006 elections. Furthermore, it states that the military had overthrown an undemocratic government & the General Elections of 2001 & 2006 were both illegal	Fiji Times 5/01/07 Daily Post 5/01/07	Democratic right to take part in government Freedom of Association	UDHR art 20, 21 ICCPR art 22	The only constitutionally appointed Commissioner le (the others have resigned), Shamima Ali has disassoci herself from the report & h said that the report represer Shameem’s personal opinic (reported on the 6 th Jan in a newspapers). The report by Dr Shameem been criticized widely by v organizations including the Law Society, prominent lav civil society organizations
4/01/07	Statement from the Fiji Women’s	Statement by	Right to liberty & security	Fiji Constitution	

	Crisis Centre re; increased numbers of cases reported to the Crisis Centre of violence against women by the military and those turned away from the FHRC	Shamima Ali	of the person Freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment Equality before the law & freedom from discrimination Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity	ss 38(2) UDHR arts 3, 5, 7, 9, 12 ICCPR arts 7, 9, 10, 17,	
4/01/07	Bainimarama announces that he is handing over executive authority of the country to Ratu Josefa Iloilo.	Fijilive 4/01/07 Fiji Times online 4/01/07	Removal of Democracy, Rule of Law and the Bill of Rights	UDHR art 21 ICCPR 25(a)	
04/01/06	Military has sent the Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki and the Chief Magistrate Naomi Lomaiviti on paid leave in order to “facilitate a full proper and unrestricted inquiry into the judiciary and the judicial system as a whole”. The Chief Justice later stated that he was given the choice of whether to go on full paid leave or be dismissed.	04/01/07 Fiji Times 04/01/07 Daily Post 07/01/07 Fiji Times	Independence of the Judiciary Appointment of Judges	Fiji Constitution Art 118, 132	
5/12/06	Ratu Josefa Iloilo swears in Frank Bainimarama as the interim Prime Minister of Fiji	Fiji village, Fiji times on line, PacNews 5/12/06	Prime Minister to be chosen from Members of Parliament Right to choose our government	Fiji Const art 98 UDHR art 21 ICCPR 25(b)	
5/12/06	A man held in military custody was	PacNews	Right to Life	Fiji Constitution	

<p>See up date 11/01/06</p>	<p>confirmed dead this morning. Nimilote Verebasaga of Nakaulevu Village in Nakelo had visible injuries. He was arrested at 5:41 am on January 5th, he was taken from his home to QEB, and no reason for the arrest was given. At 11:30 am his body was taken to CWM hospital. Relatives who identified the body said it was bruised and blood was still oozing from his head. No one at the CWM hospital was willing to go on record to discuss the death. RFMF stated that the man had injuries prior to him being taken to camp. Former Opposition leader, plus the man's family call for full investigations</p>	<p>5/01/07 6/01/07 Daily Post 7/01/07 Daily Post 7/01.07 Fiji Times 6/01/07 Fiji Times</p>	<p>Freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman & degrading treatment Rights of arrested & detained persons Right of detained to be treated with humanity & respect for human dignity</p>	<p>arts 22, 25, 27 UDHR arts 3, 5 ICCPR arts 6, 7, 10</p>	
<p>06/01/07</p>	<p>Fiji RFMF takes over Vatukoula Gold Mine complex to guard it. The Army has removed documents and computers which they state are needed for their investigations. The RFMF stated that their security at the complex was necessary in order to ensure the safety of mine explosives.</p>	<p>Fiji Times 08/01/07 Fiji TV broadcast 07/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom from unreasonable search & seizure Freedom from arbitrary interference Right not to be arbitrarily deprived of property</p>	<p>Fiji Const art 26, 40 UDHR art 12, 17 ICCPR art 17,</p>	
<p>7/01/07</p>	<p>US suspends all assistance to the Fiji Government</p>	<p>Fiji Times 7/01/07</p>			
<p>07/01/07</p>	<p>British Army Officer assault by military being investigated by the British High Commission in Suva. The officer and a friend, a local</p>	<p>Fiji Times 8/01/07</p>	<p>Right to liberty & security of the person Freedom from torture, cruel, inhuman &</p>	<p>Fiji Constitution art 23, 25, 26, 27, 37</p>	

	<p>police officer were taken to QEB yesterday for questioning after a taxi driver accused them of making fun of the military. Their taxi driver reported their comments to a military check-point and the two were taken up for questioning. The British soldier has been medically declared unfit for duty travel. He was to return to the UK to continue his work on Wednesday the 10/01/06</p>		<p>degrading treatment Freedom from arbitrary interference Right to privacy Freedom from unreasonable search & seizure</p>	<p>UDHR Art 3, 5, 9,12, 18, ICCPR arts 5, 7, 9, 10, 17</p>	
07/01/07	<p>Former MP Mere Samisoni was taken into QEB by the military for questioning. The military spokesperson has reiterated that NGOs and political commentators should exercise caution when making public statements”</p>	<p>Fiji Times 8/01/06</p>	<p>Freedom from arbitrary interference Freedom from cruel, inhuman & degrading punishment Freedom of Expression/conscience Freedom from unreasonable search & seizure Right to privacy</p>	<p>Fiji Const art 23, 25, 27, 30, 35, 37 UDHR 3, 5, 9, 12 & 19 ICCPR arts 5, 7, 9, 10, 17, 19</p>	
09/01/07	<p>On Monday Jan 8th, six soldiers visited Mick Beddoes home in Nadi & warned him against making comments on the country’s situation. They told him that they were acting under the orders of Col Pita Driti</p>	<p>Fiji Times Online 9th Jan 2007 Fiji Sun Online 10th Jan 2007</p>	<p>Freedom from arbitrary interference Freedom of Expression</p>	<p>Fiji Const 30 UDHR art 12 & 19 ICCPR arts 17 & 19</p>	

10/01/07	<p>1000 jobs lost since military take-over. The Fiji Employers Federation survey on employment disruptions revealed more than 1000 jobs lost in a period of not more than 2 months. The Federation recorded that 1098 employees lost their jobs which accounted for full time employees, part time and casual laborers. 90 Employers responded to the survey representing 66,108 employees.</p>	<p>Fiji Sun Online 10/01/07</p>			
11/01/07	<p>A man today claimed in court that he admitted to two incidents of violent robbery and unlawful use of a motor vehicle after being beaten by police and threatened to be taken to the military camp.</p> <p>Penioni Nakaulevu pleaded not guilty to assaulting and robbing a man of \$80 cash, a mobile phone and a watch in Lami before making his getaway in the victim's vehicle on 24th November last year.</p> <p>He also faces charges for allegedly assaulting another man in Samabula on 3rd December last year before stealing his clothes, sandals, a DVD</p>	<p>Fijivillage.com (3.59 p.m.)</p>	<p>Liberty & security of person</p> <p>Right of detained person</p>	<p>UDHR Art 3, 9 Fiji Const. s 23, 27</p> <p>Const. Art. 27</p>	

	<p>player and a Nokia mobile phone.</p> <p>It was alleged that he was mistreated by officers and forced to make certain admissions in his statement after being threatened to be taken up to the military camp.</p> <p>The case has been adjourned till the 19th of next month for hearing.</p>				
<p>Updated (9.33am) 10/01/07</p>	<p>FORMER boxer Sunia Cama was taken to the military barracks on Tuesday morning for reasons he considers "not serious". He was dropped off at home after four hours.</p>	<p>Fiji times on line 11/12/07</p>	<p>Freedom from arbitrary interference</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3,</p>	
<p>10/01/07</p>	<p>Overseas travel ban by the Military has been issued to immigration not to allow Imrana Jalal out of the country.</p>	<p>Telephone call 11/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom of Movement</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12</p>	
<p>11 /01/07 <i>See also</i> <i>27/12/06</i></p>	<p>A person illegally detained stated that 2 mini vans and 2 trucks of soldiers turned up to take him to the camp the day that he was taken in. It traumatized his whole family and that his older son is still traumatized by the incident.</p>	<p>Personal Testimony 11/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom from arbitrary interference</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, <i>UDHR</i> Art. 3,</p>	

11/01/07	<p>On the evening of 23 December 2006, 7 indigenous Fijian taxi drivers who are older men were drinking under a tree to celebrate Xmas (not sure whether at taxi base or not) They were taken in by soldiers to Colo i Suva, made to crawl on the ground and then stripped naked and made to hold each other's penises in a circle. They were released several hours later. They were told that they would be further consequences if this was reported. This information is unsubstantiated.</p> <p>A written personal statement from one of the taxi drivers would need to be retrieved on the basis that his identity and his confidence will be protected.</p> <p>It was mentioned (third party source) that the officer in charge at the scene of the incident is Lt. Siwatibau Rabuka</p>	Third person testimony unsubstantiated 11/01/07	<p>Freedom from arbitrary interference</p> <p>Freedom from cruel, inhuman & degrading punishment</p> <p>Freedom of personal liberty</p>	<p>Art, 25 ICCP Art. 7 UDHR Art. 5</p> <p><i>UDHR</i> Arts. 3, 12, 19 ICCPR 9, 17, 19</p>	
11/01/07	DISTINCTIVE dress and the use and manufacture of flags could be banned if interim Prime Minister Commodore Voreqe Bainimarama	Fiji Times On Line 11/01/07	Freedom of expression	Art. 30	

	<p>feels it is against public interest.</p> <p>Gazetted by the military government on December 5 and published on December 29, it said Commodore Bainimarama could prohibit the manufacture, sale and display of items including banners, badges, emblems devices, pictures, photographs uniform and distinctive dress.</p>				
11/01/07	<p>Mr McKinnon has asked for restrotration of constitutional rule and democractic government.</p> <p>“The overthrow was a serious violation of the Commonwealth’s fundamental principles. So, too, was the suspension of Parliament. Until constitutional democracy is restored, the people of Fiji continue to be denied their full and fundamental human rights, and the Commonwealth’s principles continue to be violated.”</p>	<p>PACNEWS online</p> <p>11/01/07</p>			
Updated 12/01/07 (8.40 a.m.)	<p>In a police statement, a family member claims that Nimilote Verebasaga was wearing jeans when he was taken by a group of soldiers but when they went to see his body at</p>	<p>Fijivillage.com</p> <p>12/01/07</p>	<p>Delay in investigation.</p>		<p>See also 5/12/06</p>

	<p>the Suva Mortuary, his clothes were changed. The family members are also demanding an explanation from the military as to how Verebasaga died.</p> <p>When questioned by Village News as to how long it will take police to investigate the death, Superintendent Baleinuku replied that no timeframe has been set.</p>				
12/01/07	<p>Meanwhile, the Suva Yacht club murder file is still with the Director of Public Prosecutions.</p> <p>Divisional Crime Officer Southern Superintendent Ponsami Chetty confirms that they are yet to receive the DPP's advice before proceeding with the investigations.</p>	Village News online	Delay in investigations		See also 30/12/06
12/01/06	<p>Mohammed Atiq claims being beaten up by armed soldiers 11 Jan 2007 17:50:07 A New Zealand citizen, who's in the country to resolve his land issues, tonight claims, he was beaten up by armed soldiers.</p>	<p>Fiji TV News on 11/01/07 [also see Fiji TV ONLINE]</p>	<p>(A) Right to personal liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested &</p>	<p>(A) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	

	<p>Mohammed Atiq of Auckland, claims he was punched, kicked and dragged by his feet by soldiers in full combat gear, and that his life was also threatened.</p> <p>Atiq says the incident happened after he harvested cane on the land on Sunday morning.</p> <p>The 60 year old claims, he was also dragged by his feet along the ground, resulting in this state of his back. He also showed us injuries to his arms, chest, and feet.</p> <p>He now has difficulty breathing and walking.</p> <p>He also claims his life was threatened.</p> <p>Police and Army spokesperson have said the incident will be investigated pending also medical reports.</p> <p>Atiq meanwhile wants action.</p>		detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice		
13/01/07	The Fiji Human Rights Commission has confirmed it has received 13 reports of possible breaches of	Fiji Times On line 13/01/07	(A)Right to personal liberty and security of the person	(A)CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9	

	<p>human rights since the military takeover of December 5.</p> <p>The commission yesterday said there were only five formal complaints but they were investigating them all.</p> <p>This comes as reports continue to surface about alleged breaches of human rights by the military.</p> <p>It is alleged the military assaulted two British Army soldiers last week because they enlisted in a foreign military.</p> <p>Military spokesman, Major Neumi Leweni said it was irresponsible for the media to report on "unsubstantiated claims" of abuse inflicted by soldiers.</p> <p>He advised those with complaints to personally lodge them at the army headquarters at Queen Elizabeth Barracks.</p>		<p>(B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>(B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	
13/01/07	In another case a man who was taken along with two others from a settlement in Nadera, Nasinu, to the Army Training Centre at Nasinu on	Fiji Times On line 13/01/07	<p>(A)Right to personal liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary</p>	<p>(A)CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23</p>	

	<p>New Year's Eve claims he was innocent and he was harassed along with the two others because of unsubstantiated sketchy reports that they were creating a nuisance.</p> <p>The mother of one of the men yesterday said the incident was unfortunate and she wanted to know why the military took her son in. Her son was allegedly beaten and had his hair shaved before being reportedly thrown in a muddy bog in the Nasinu camp. "It is a very bad thing and very embarrassing in the way they came here and took them," said Salote Bui, of Verevere Settlement, in Nadera.</p>		<p>arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	
13/01/07	<p>In the latest incident to come to light, a number of women were part of a group taken to the Army Training Group headquarters in Nasinu on New Year's Day, ordered to strip to their undergarments by female military officers and then made to run around the drill square. The group of women and teenagers included a number of men, one of whom was thrown into a drain for running slower than other members of the detained group during a forced</p>	<p>Fiji Times Online 13/01/07</p>	<p>(A)Right to personal liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>(A)CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	

	<p>drill exercise.</p> <p>A group member who feared being named said the money raised at a function they were arrested from was also taken by the soldiers.</p> <p>A group member said they believed they were victimised because they hailed from ousted PM Laisenia Qarase's village on Vanuabalavu.</p> <p>In other attacks by soldiers, former Minister of Labour Kenneth Zinck was arrested by six soldiers from West Motor Inn in Nadi. He was picked up by soldiers for comments he made against the President in which he supported the work of military.</p> <p>He said six soldiers took him to the Namaka Police Station, made him run around the CAAFI ground beside the station, punched him several times and made him spend the night at the police cell. This was his second arrest.</p> <p>Interim Minister for Labour and Tourism Bernadette Rounds-Ganilau</p>				
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	said she did not condone such acts and would issue a statement after she was better				
13/01/07	<p>POLICE have still not been able to interview the soldiers who picked Nimilote.</p> <p>This is despite army spokesman Major Neumi Leweni this week saying the military would help police with any requests.</p>	<p>Fiji Times On line 13/01/07</p>			See 05/12/07
14/01/07	<p>A GROUP of unemployed youths and residents of the Suva suburb of Raiwai are in the dark on why the military has ordered them to stay away from the Raiwai Youth Hall.</p> <p>It is believed the military ordered committee members and youths away from the hall on Tuesday morning after receiving reports that the hall was being used as a drug-peddling spot and for planning criminal activities.</p> <p>Hall committee members said they were on the verge of establishing a car-wash business at the facility to help the unemployed in the area turn away from crime. There were also</p>	<p>Fiji Times On line 13/01/07</p>	Freedom of Movement		

	<p>reports that the military seized an outboard engine and personal items belonging to the Hall's caretaker.</p> <p>The outboard engine is with the Raiwaqa Police Station while the other items have not been returned, according to the caretaker, who did not want to be named.</p> <p>The caretaker, along with about five others, were taken to the Queen Elizabeth Barracks, photographed and warned to stay away from the area.</p> <p>Those who have organised fundraising activities to help pay for the Hall's upkeep said the army's response worked against their moves to change things in the neighbourhood.</p> <p>"This centre is not owned by government but is run by the members of the hall committee and charitable people in the community," said Hall committee president, Ropate Dobui.</p>				
14/01/07	A NAUSORI taxi proprietor claims	Fiji Times On	(A)Right to personal	(A)CF – Art 23	

	<p>he was beaten up and subjected to a humiliating two-hour ordeal by soldiers last week.</p> <p>Sushil Maharaj Singh, 40, said he was picked up by seven soldiers early on January 5 and beaten at an army camp at Lelean Memorial School because of negative reports they had received about him.</p>	<p>line 13/01/07</p>	<p>liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	
15/01/07	<p>FIJI'S military has denied torturing two British Army soldiers, saying that the level of punishment handed out to them was in line with army standards.</p> <p>The two soldiers, who are in Fiji on leave, said they were taken to Queen Elizabeth Barracks and bashed.</p>	<p>Fiji Times 15/01/07</p>	<p>(A)Right to personal liberty and security of the person (B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention (C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment (B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>(A)CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 3 ICCPR – Art 9 (B) CF – Art 23 UDHR – Art 9 ICCPR – Art 9 (C) CF – Art 25 UDHR – Art 5 ICCPR – Art 7</p>	<p>See also 13/01/07</p>
15/01/07	<p>THE army will stop investigating complaints against members of the public unless they involve national security issues.</p> <p>This was revealed today by interim prime minister Voreqe Bainimarama</p>				

	and interim attorney-general Aiyaz Saiyad Khaiyum. They said complaints against members of the public should be made to the police, who would investigate.				
15/01/07	<p>OUSTED Prime Minister Laisenia Qarase says he deplors the sacking of chief executive officers of statutory bodies and other Government-owned entities by the Interim Government.</p> <p>In a statement, he said that while appointment of boards and their removal rests with the Government, the appointment and removal of chief executive officers were subject to proceedings involving the relevant boards.</p>	Fiji Times On Line 18/01/07	Unlawful dismissal		
16/01/07	<p>THE military yesterday defended its treatment of a person taken to Queen Elizabeth Barracks last week, saying they were treated as they deserved.</p> <p>This was in response to reports that a woman was taken to the camp and forced to strip to her underwear and then run around the exercise yard.</p> <p>Senior military liaison officers said</p>	Fiji Times 16/01/07	<p>(A) Right to personal liberty and security of the person</p> <p>(B) Right against arbitrary arrest or detention</p> <p>(C) Right to be free from cruel, inhuman or degrading punishment</p> <p>(B) Right of arrested & detained persons/ Right to due process/natural justice</p>	<p>(A) CF – Art 23</p> <p>UDHR – Art 3</p> <p>ICCPR – Art 9</p> <p>(B) CF – Art 23</p> <p>UDHR – Art 9</p> <p>ICCPR – Art 9</p> <p>(C) CF – Art 25</p> <p>UDHR – Art 5</p> <p>ICCPR – Art 7</p>	

	two women had been drinking heavily and smoking marijuana at Makoi and acting in a disorderly manner and disturbing the peace.				
18/01/07	<p>SUGAR Cane Growers Council CEO Jagannath Sami is in Lautoka Hospital under military guard.</p> <p>Mr Sami turned up for work today after the High Court yesterday ordered his reinstatement from a suspension ordered by interim Prime Minister Voreqe Bainimarama. Soldiers were waiting at his office and tried to stop him entering but he made it through with a police escort.</p> <p>Shortly after Mr Sami was seen talking with military officers in his office.</p> <p>He left, escorted by the military.</p> <p>It is not known at this stage what happened between them leaving the office and him being taken to the hospital, where he is believed to be on a drip.</p>	Fiji Times On Line 18/01/07	Right to employment		This is the first violation of court order and represents legally a very serious stage deterioration of the rule of law.
19/01/07	CHIEF Justice Daniel Fatiaki was	19/01/07	Liberty & security of the	Fiji Const. s 23,	

	<p>yesterday escorted away from his office after returning to work.</p> <p>Justice Fatiaki had been sent on paid leave along with Chief Magistrate Naomi Matanitobua by the military on January 3.</p>		<p>person</p> <p>Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person</p> <p>Freedom of movement</p>	<p>27, UDHR Art 12,19</p> <p>ICCPR art 17,</p>	
19/01/07	<p>The Law Society maintains they still recognise Justice Daniel Fatiaki as the Chief Justice.</p> <p>Society President Davenesh Sharma says the manner in which Justice Fatiaki has been removed from office is illegal and deplorable.</p> <p>The Fiji Law Society today says they won't tolerate and accept anything illegal, adding they still recognise Justice Daniel Fatiaki as Chief Justice.</p>	Fiji TV 19/01/07			<p>See above 19/01/07.</p>
19/01/07	<p>NON-Government organisations will be invited to the next interim Cabinet meeting to be briefed on the reasons behind the military takeover of December 5 and the steps being taken to move the country forward.</p> <p>Interim Prime Minister Voreqe</p>	Fiji Times 19/01/07			

	<p>Bainimarama also issued an assurance that the interim Government is committed to upholding and respecting human rights, as protected in the Constitution.</p> <p>"This reassurance complements Government's serious efforts in dealing with complaints that have been lodged against alleged military interrogation tactics," he said in a statement.</p>				
19/01/07	<p>SUGAR Cane Growers Council chief executive Jagannath Sami returned to work yesterday only to be escorted by soldiers to the Lautoka police station.</p> <p>After an hour at the station, Mr Sami was rushed to hospital.</p> <p>It is believed he suffered from chest pains but it is not known what triggered the condition.</p> <p>Hospital general manager Doctor Eloni Tora said Mr Sami was admitted at the coronary care unit for observation.</p>	<p>Fiji Times 19/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment</p>		<p>See 18/01/07</p>

	<p>He refused to comment further, citing doctor-patient confidentiality. Police sources at the station and military denied claims that Mr Sami was assaulted.</p>				
19/01/07	<p>The Public Service Commission has today terminated the contracts of all the state Chief Executive Officers.</p> <p>Interim Minister for Public Service Poseci Bune hand delivered the termination letters to each C-E-O saying their positions will be advertised - but as Permanent Secretaries.</p> <p>Only yesterday Poseci Bune announced they would do-away with the CEO's and replaces their titles with Permanent Secretaries</p> <p>The Interim Minister arrived almost an hour later, he went inside to deliver the dreaded news.</p> <p>The meeting lasted less than 20 minutes; the interim minister appeared and confirmed the interim government isn't obliged to recruit the current pool of 23 CEO's again.</p>	Fiji TV 19/01/07	<p>Freedom from cruel and degrading treatment</p> <p>Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person</p> <p>Illegal dismissal</p>	<p>UDHR Art 12</p> <p>Fiji Constitution art 25</p> <p>Fiji Constitution art 93(2)</p>	

	<p>Only 16 will be hired that too as Permanent secretaries. Some of the CEO's already accepted the idea while others preferred not to talk about it.</p> <p>And Ratuvuki confirmed he won't be re-applying.</p> <p>Earlier in the day the Fiji Public Service Association which represents some of the CEO's said they hadn't received any formal notification of the terminations.</p> <p>Bune hasn't revealed when the posts will advertised.</p> <p>Deputy CEO's are now in-charge of running their respective ministries.</p>				
20/01/07	<p>MILITARY commander Commodore Voreqe Bainimarama and his men have been granted full and unconditional immunity by the President, Ratu Josefa Iloilo.</p> <p>A gazette released by interim Attorney-General Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum yesterday supports the actions of Commodore Bainimarama</p>	Fiji Times 20/01/07	Unconditional Immunity		

	<p>and the military on December 5.</p> <p>"And whereas the commander of the Republic of the Fiji Military Forces reluctantly intervened by the declaration of a state of emergency on December 5, 2006 and other acts subsequently including as holding the office of acting President of the Republic of Fiji between December 5 and January 4, 2007, to return the governance of the nation to an honest path," Ratu Josefa said</p>				
21/01/07	<p>NAVY Commander Francis Kean appeared in court yesterday charged with the murder of a salesman on New Year's Eve.</p> <p>Kean, the brother-in-law of interim Prime Minister and army commander Commodore Voreqe Bainimarama, was denied bail by the Magistrates court.</p> <p>He remanded Kean until February 2.</p> <p>Kean, 40, is alleged to have assaulted John Whippy to death after a fight at the wedding reception of Commodore Bainimarama's daughter who is also Kean's niece.</p>	<p>Fiji Times 21/01/07</p>	<p>Assault Mansalughter</p>		<p>See also 30/12/06</p>

22/01/07	<p>FOUR CEOs sacked by the interim administration last week have been bought back to act as consultants in their ministries.</p> <p>Interim Public Service Commission Minister Poseci Bune said the four, Parmesh Chand, Emi Rabukawaqa, Aisake Taito and Meli Bainimarama, would be paid based on the salary of a permanent secretary.</p>	Fiji Times 22/01/07	Right to employment		
22/01/07	<p>THE army has warned that people it considers are using human rights as "a tool to incite the public" will be dealt with under the State of Emergency that exists at the moment.</p> <p>Military spokesman, Major Neumi Leweni, said the military had promised that human rights would be protected, as guaranteed under the Constitution and will provide information through the Ministry of Justice on complaints raised by members of the public through the Human Rights Commission.</p> <p>"Should there be the need to report a genuine breach of human rights, then it should be channelled to the Human Rights Commission and not the</p>	Fiji Times 22/01/07	Freedom of Expression	<i>Fiji Const. Art. 27,</i> UDHR Art. 5 ICCPR Arts. 10	

	<p>media," he said.</p> <p>"Last, but not least, those individuals who have been blowing this matter out of proportion, should be mindful of the fact that the State of Emergency is in force and they will be dealt with accordingly."</p>				
22/01/07	<p>SUSPENDED Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki says he will take legal action against his suspension from office.</p> <p>Justice Fatiaki was sent on leave by interim Prime Minister Voreqe Bainimarama early this month. He returned to work last week but was later escorted from his office by police.</p> <p>Commodore Bainimarama said Justice Fatiaki and other judicial officers would face an inquiry into their roles in the coup of 2000, specifically if they gave advice to George Speight on the abrogation of the Constitution.</p> <p>Justice Fatiaki has denied giving advice to Speight.</p> <p>The judge today declined when he</p>	<p>Fiji Times 22/01/07</p>	<p>Illegal dismissal</p>		

	would lodge his legal challenge, who is would be against, or who his lawyers would be, only saying all that would be revealed in good time.				
22/01/07	Suspended Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki is banned from the leaving the country. This follows a directive from the interim Prime Minister's office.	Fiji TV News 22/01/07	Freedom of Movement	<i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12	
22/01/07	Fiji's interim Government may rule for five years before general elections are held. The Official Secretary in the President's House Rupeni Nacewa said this was "merely a timeframe" the interim Government has given itself.	Fiji Live 22/01/07	Right to free elections	ICCPR Art. 25	
23/01/07	FOUR former State chief executive officers have been appointed as advisors to assist ministries whose services are high in demand. Interim Minister responsible for the Public Service Commission Poseci Bune said Emi Rabukawaqa would be advisor to the Ministry of Education, Parmesh Chand is advisor to the Prime Minister's Office, Ratu Meli Bainimarama to the Fijian	Fiji Times 23/01/07	Illegal dismissal		

	<p>Affairs Ministry and Aisake Taito to the Ministry of Finance.</p> <p>Mr Bune said the four started work yesterday and would be paid salaries at permanent secretary level.</p>				
23/01/07	<p>Suspended Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki will take legal action on his removal from office.</p> <p>Justice Fatiaki yesterday said his lawyers were handling the matter and he expected papers to be filed with the courts this week.</p> <p>It's understood he has not received a copy of his suspension letter from the Office of the President, Ratu Josefa Iloilo, yet.</p> <p>No official comments could be obtained from the President's Office to confirm this yesterday.</p>	<p>Fiji Times 23/01/07</p>	<p>Illegal dismissal</p>		<p>See also 22/01/07</p>
23/01/07	<p>THE move by the Fiji Law Society to suspend the practicing certificates of military lawyers was completely unwarranted, says army spokesman Major Neumi Leweni.</p> <p>He said the RFMF did not abrogate the Constitution and that the advice</p>	<p>Fiji Times 23/01/07</p>			

	<p>given to the army by its lawyers was not improper.</p> <p>Major Leweni said the actions of the Law Society were unfair when compared with what had happened in the past.</p>				
23/01/07	<p>Military checkpoints around the country will be removed this morning as children get ready to start the new school year today.</p> <p>Military spokesperson, Major Neumi Leweni said there won't be any more checkpoints in the day after they carried out a security assessment over the past week.</p> <p>However Major Leweni said soldiers will be visible in the streets and checkpoints will only be set up at night.</p>	<p>Fijivillage On Line 23/01/07</p>	Freedom of Movement	<p><i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3)</p> <p>UDHR art 13</p> <p>ICCPR art 12</p>	
23/01/07	<p>The Director of Fiji Human Rights Commission believes people in Fiji have been offended by the New Zealand government's decision not to allow an interim government official into New Zealand last week.</p>	<p>Fijivillage On Line 23/01/07</p>	Freedom of Movement	<p><i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3)</p> <p>UDHR art 13</p> <p>ICCPR art 12</p>	<p>But see also, 24/01/07.</p>
23/01/07	<p>Fiji Time human Resource Manager tortured at army camp and family made to watch.</p>	<p>Unconfirmed reports.</p>	Liberty & security of the person	<p>Fiji Const. s 23, 27, UDHR Art</p>	<p>We still need to verify this.</p>

			Freedom from arbitrary interference on the person Freedom of movement	12,19 ICCPR art 17,	
24/01/07	Rodney Acramen writes to Ms Shamima Ali, Commissioner for FHRC warning her that all official statements from the Commission will be made by the Director's office as per policy direction of the Commission.	Official Letter dated 19/01/07	Freedom of Expression	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 27, UDHR Art. 5 ICCPR Arts. 10	
24/01/07	Prominent lawyer, Richard Naidu was taken to the Queen Elizabeth Barracks last night (23/01/07). Soldiers surrounded Naidu's home just after 9 o'clock last night and took him to the military camp. Village News has received confirmation that Naidu was blind folded and dropped off in Wailoku to find his way home at Duncan Road. Land Force Commander, Colonel Pita Driti has confirmed to Village News that Naidu was taken to QEB last night and cautioned.	Fiji Village Online 24/01/07	Freedom of Exprsession Right to personal liberty and security of the person	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 27, UDHR Art. 5 ICCPR Arts. 10 <i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, UDHR Art. 3 ICCPR Arts. 9	Meanwhile Interim Attorney General, Aiyaz Sayed Khaiyum comment later today that Mr. Naidu had insulted the President by calling him the "military's president"

	Colonel Driti only said that Naidu had made some comments which could bring instability and incite people. He said due to the State of Emergency, Naidu was cautioned to ensure that he does not make inciteful remarks.				
24/01/07	Col. Driti said businesswoman Laisa Digitaki was supposed to have been brought in with Mr. Richard Naidu but could not confirm whether she was at the camp last night. Efforts to get a comment from Naidu and Digitaki proved futile.	Fiji Times On Line 24/01/07	Freedom of Exrsession Right to personal liberty and security of the person	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 27, UDHR Art. 5 ICCPR Arts. 10 <i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, UDHR Art. 3 ICCPR Arts. 9	See also above.
24/01/07	Fiji's military has strongly denied that it helped international conman Peter Foster escape to Vanuatu. Foster told reporters in Vanuatu that members of the Fiji military took him to the Australian-crewed vessel Retriever 1, despite the fraud charges against him. Fiji military Land Force Commander Colonel Pita Driti said there was no way the military could have helped	Fiji Villiage On line 24/01/07			

	<p>him.</p> <p>"He escaped from our custody. We didn't help him at all," Col. Driti said.</p> <p>"He's a conman, he must have used his conniving tactics to get out of here."</p> <p>Appearing in a Vanuatu court yesterday, Foster told reporters that members of the Fiji Military Forces delivered him onto the vessel Retriever 1.</p>				
24/01/07	<p>The New Zealand Foreign Affairs Minister said his government will not impose any trade bans on Fiji because it feels for the people of Fiji.</p> <p>Winston Peters said the threat of trade bans is coming from Frank Bainimarama and not from New Zealand and he told NiuFM News that New Zealand is only worried about the people in Fiji and not dictators like Bainimarama</p>	Fiji Villiage On line 24/01/07	Trade Sanctions		
24/01/07	<p>THE Interim Attorney-General, Aiyaz Sayed Khaiyum, has been asked by the President, Ratu Josefa Iliolo, to start appointing the members of a tribunal to investigate</p>	Fiji Times On Line 24/01/07	Right to fair trial/investigation		In a letter to the Attorney-General yesterday, the Office of the President reminded

	<p>the ousted Chief Justice Daniel Fatiaki as soon as possible.</p> <p>Mr Khaiyum has been asked to appoint an independent counsel to assist the tribunal if necessary.</p>				<p>Mr Khaiyum that all members of the tribunal must be persons who held high judicial positions.</p>
24/01/07	<p>Double standard</p> <p>Radio New Zealand reported Dr Shaista Shameem as saying that the travel ban slapped on Parmesh Chand of the Prime Minister's office is a breach of human rights.</p> <p>What about the case of Laisenia Qarase who has been banned since the military takeover last year from traveling out of Vanuabalavu?</p> <p>Can we also ask the same question on Justice Daniel Fatiaki's case? Whatever that is, we must let the people of Fiji know that the rule is still the same for everyone.</p>	<p>Fiji Times Letter to the Editor from Member of Public 24/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom of Movement</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3)</p> <p>UDHR art 13</p> <p>ICCPR art 12</p>	<p>See also 23/01/07.</p>
24/01/07	<p>Court officials around the country are bracing themselves for what they are saying will be a clean-up of the Judiciary.</p> <p>Senior court officials will be the first to be targeted.</p>	<p>Fiji TV On Line 23/01/07</p>	<p>Right to fair labour practices</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const</i> art 33(3)</p>	

	<p>It's one of the targets of the clean up campaign.</p> <p>The Chief Justice is now on suspension and the Chief Magistrate is on leave.</p> <p>The military commander had announced their intention was to investigate alleged discrepancies in the Judicial Department.</p>				
24/01/07	<p>The Pacific Centre for Public Integrity has now closed its office for one week due security reasons.</p> <p>PCPI Director Angie Heffernan said because of recent alleged threats to the office from the military, the board has decided to close down for one week to protect its workers.</p>	<p>Fiji Village On line 24/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom of Expression</p> <p>Right to personal liberty and security of the person</p>	<p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 27, UDHR Art. 5 ICCPR Arts. 10</p> <p><i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, UDHR Art. 3 ICCPR Arts. 9</p>	<p>She has also confirms that the chairman of the board will now be making all statements on behalf of the PCPI.</p>
24/01/07	<p>The co-ordinator of the Fiji Women's Crisis Centre Shamima Ali had negotiated with the military to have prominent lawyer Richard Naidu released last night.</p> <p>Shameema Ali called senior military officers and members of the interim</p>	<p>Fiji Village On Line 24/01/07</p>			<p>See above 24/01/07.</p>

	government to ensure that Naidu was not harmed and that he was released from military custody as soon as possible.				
25/01/07	Public Enterprise and Public Sector Reforms Minister Poseci Bune stands by his plan to reduce the retirement age of all of Fiji's civil servants from 60 to 55, saying this will save the Interim Government \$70million.	Fiji Times 25/01/07	Right to employment	UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6	
25/01/07	Around one thousand civil servants could be forced into retirement if the interim administration decides to impose the Compulsory Retirement Age regulation. The Public Service Commission will discuss the matter tomorrow - but already unions are up in arms over the proposal.	Fiji TV 24/01/07 (yesterday)	Right to employment	UDHR – Art 23 ICESCR – Art 6	
25/01/07	Australia and New Zealand will not impose any trade sanctions on Fiji, it was confirmed yesterday.	Fiji Times 25/01/07	Trade Sanctions		See also 24/01/07
25/01/07	The military should charge people they believe to be inciting instability instead of taking them to the military headquarters. This was the advice of Interim Attorney-General Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, who announced less than	Fiji Times 25/01/07	Right to personal liberty and security of the person	<i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 23, UDHR Art. 3 ICCPR Arts. 9	

	two weeks ago that those deemed to be inciting instability would be taken to the camp.				
25/01/07	Major Leweni maintains that the RFMF still has the powers to take people to the military camps. Also he confirmed yesterday afternoon that the RFMF was looking for Pacific Concerns for Public Integrity Director, Angie Heffernan as they are unhappy with some of her statements. Heffernan could not be reached for comments	Fiji Village On line 25/01/07			
26/01/07	Pacific Centre for Public Integrity director Angie Heffernan is hiding with her family from the military. She becomes the second individual who has retreated in fear after speaking out against the military.	Fiji Times 26/01/07	Freedom of Movement Liberty & security of person Freedom of expression	<i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12 UDHR Art. 3, 9 <i>Fiji Const</i> Art. 23 <i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30	

				UDHR Art. 19 ICCPR Art. 19	
26/01/07	Reports also follow that businesswoman, Laisa Digitaki has reportedly gone into hiding as well	Fiji Times 26/01/07	Freedom of Movement Liberty & security of person Freedom of expression	<i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12 UDHR Art. 3, 9 <i>Fiji Const</i> Art. 23 <i>Fiji Const.</i> Art. 30 UDHR Art. 19 ICCPR Art. 19	
26/01/07	The former SDL Director Jale Baba is in military custody since yesterday. Army Spokesperson, Major Neumi Leweni said Baba has been questioned about some comments he made recently against the military. Leweni said Baba is still in Military custody and expected to be released later this afternoon.	Fijivillage Online 26/01/07	Freedom of Movement Liberty & security of person Freedom of expression	<i>Fiji Const</i> art 34(3) UDHR art 13 ICCPR art 12 UDHR Art. 3, 9 <i>Fiji Const</i> Art. 23 <i>Fiji Const.</i> Art.	

				30 UDHR Art. 19 ICCPR Art. 19	
26/01/07	<p>Fiji National Provident Fund Chief Executive Officer, Olot Rokovunisei and his deputy Foana Nemani have been sent on leave as of yesterday as the interim administration continues its clean up campaign.</p> <p>Interim Prime Minister, Commodore Frank Bainimarama yesterday requested the Interim Finance Minister, Mahendra Chaudhry to take immediate steps to get a thorough review of the FNPF's operations.</p>	<p>Fijivillage Online 26/01/07</p> <p>Fiji TV Online 26/01/07</p>	<p>Freedom of expression Right to work Freedom from arbitrary interference with his privacy, nor to attacks upon his honour and reputation</p>	<p>Fiji Const arts 30</p> <p><i>UDHR</i> Arts. 9, 12, 19.</p> <p><i>ICESCR</i> Art. 6</p> <p>ICCPR art 10 & 19</p>	