

ACTIONS IN THE MANDATE AREA

2007, Nov	<u>Petition</u> : Lithuania: massive limitation of democratic rights in Vilnius (EUR53/003/2007)
2008, Jan	<u>Petition</u> : Morocco / West Sahara: Criminalizing of Homosexuals in Ksar el Kebir (MDE 29/001/2008)
2008, Mar	<u>Urgent Action Switzerland</u> : Fear of forcible return: Anatole Zali, 18, from Cameroon (UA 63/08, EUR 43/001/2008). Successful, the case is taken to appeal. Not a LGBT, but general asylum problem in the focus. Cooperation with Amnesty asylum staff as well as with the Red Cross and other organizations.
Mar'08	Support of Amnesty Group in Lichtenstein for an asylum case.
2008, May	<u>Petition</u> : Latvia and Lithuania: Lack of respect, protection and fulfillment of the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people (EUR 53/001/2008)
2008, May	<u>Info</u> : Turkey: Court Dissolves LGBT-Organization Lambda Istanbul (29. Mai 2008)
May'08	<u>International Solidarity</u> : Participation at Riga Pride (May 31st 2008).
2008, June	<u>Petition/UA</u> : Cameroon: Release of last Remaining Prisoner of Conscience, Baeg Lazare, demanded.
2008, June	<u>Petition</u> : Chicago (USA): Continued Police Violence against LGBT (Alexander Ruppert).
2008, June	<u>Petition</u> : Egypt: Four letters against HIV-based arrests and trials, mistreat by medical doctors etc.

Internal, external, cooperation:

2007, Nov	<u>Participation</u> : Berlin: Federal Meeting of German speaking LGBT-Groups (MERSI: Human Rights and Sexual Identity), as well as meeting with GLADT (Turkish LGBT-Group in Berlin).
2008, Feb	<u>Interview</u> : Alan David : The Power of a Signature (Die Macht einer Unterschrift) in the Zurich gayAgenda
2008, Feb	<u>printed matters</u> : new postcard (Feb) and new folder (April) for Queeramnesty by Claudia Becker
2008, April	<u>General Assembly of Amnesty International, Swiss Section</u> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of Hans Markus Herren as Board Member. • LGBT-motion (resolution) unanimously voted (Yogyakarta principles, more and goal-oriented activities in the LGBT-field) • Invitation of human rights defender Slava Bortnik from Byelorussia as speaker.

2008, April	<u>Participation</u> : ILGA Follow-up conference about international solidarity, Amsterdam (by CoC for ILGA).
April'08	German version of ILGA – World map in LGBTI-rights
2008 April	<u>Presentation</u> of Queeramnesty for LGBT-Youth group in St. Gallen and for Network (Gay Managers) in Zurich.
2008, Mai 17th	<u>IDAHO, Key Actions: International Day against Homophobia</u> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • STOPP-Homophobia-placard in busses and trams of Zurich Transit during 3 weeks (covering IDAHO and CSD) • Extra public folder about homophobia (by Fredi, Alan) • Two stands in Zurich • Well done media work: broad press-cover and radio interviews by Ivo Braunschweiger • 4-page paper about the (human) rights situation of LGBT in Switzerland by the amnesty lawyers group.
2008 May & June	<u>National and international pride marches</u> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSD in Zürich (stand)/ Pride in Riga (Latvia), both Mai 31st • national Pride in Biel/Bienne with HDH; Stella Jegher of the Section secretariat giving a key speech.
2008, July	<u>Participation</u> : Zürich: <i>Without glance and glamour</i> . Red-light-district-walk with posters against forced prostitution and women trafficking (Amnesty women group).
July'08	<u>Participation</u> : Aerial Art: Justice, Freedom, Equality, Dignity
2008 Aug	<u>Article</u> : about Yogyakarta-Principles & Queeramnesty by Ueli Peyer in BOA – the Swiss Women-Lesbian-Agenda, Zürich.

Upcoming, focus:

Educational workshop on Yogyakarta Principles for Amnesty Switzerland (and guest from national, political LGBT-Groups)
participation in Asylum/Migration Network of Amnesty
Presentation of the group to the Amnesty 4-country-network „Lake of Constance / Alpine Rhine“ (D, A, FL, CH), in August 2008.
Focus: In the coming months, the AI LGBT-Groups in Switzerland will try to better integrate LGBT thematic into the work of the Swiss Section. Apart from the educational workshop for AI-employees, this will include better cooperation and a better presence of LGBT related questions within the Section.

- Queeramnesty group in Switzerland since 1997.
- We have 360 members and donators, hereof 15 activists.