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## Witness: Beaten by her Husband, Let Down by Everyone



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“Andi,” beaten and bruised, managed to escape her Budapest apartment with her five children when her husband dashed out for more methamphetamine.

He had beaten her several times a day for three days in early October, she told us, the attacks ending with him slumping into his chair, ranting nonsense – something Andi blamed on the drugs. He tore out her hair and beat her across the back, legs, and arms with a heavy computer cable. He bashed her knees with a hammer and a large perfume bottle. He grabbed her with needle-nosed pliers, puncturing her skin.

After Andi fled, she found her way to a shelter for women and children. “I’ve had enough!” she would tell people. “I don’t want to go back again!” A housewife, she planned on finding a job.

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## [Dispatches: After the M23 – Congo's Next Challenges](#)

By Ida Sawyer

The M23 admitted defeat today, bringing an apparent end to the Rwandan-backed armed group's devastating attacks on civilians in the Democratic Republic of Congo. That's a big step forward, but the work to account for the crimes committed by all sides in this complicated conflict has only begun.

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## [Dispatches: In Egypt, Selective Justice is No Justice](#)

By Tamara Alrifai

I looked across the Cairo courtroom on Monday, awaiting the entrance of Muslim Brotherhood leader Mohamed Morsy, Egypt's first democratically elected president, who was about to stand trial. The morning would be an exercise of selective justice.

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## [US Should Investigate Killings in Afghanistan](#)

An [article](#) published by Rolling Stone magazine contains new information that US personnel were implicated in the killings of 18 men in Afghanistan in late 2012 and early 2013. While it is clear that crimes occurred, US authorities should establish what exactly happened and who is responsible.

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## [Timber Agreement Between EU and Indonesia is Flawed](#)

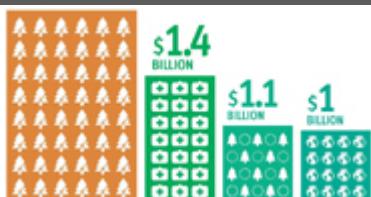
The EU-Indonesia timber trade agreement should help combat illegal logging, but there is still a long road ahead before either side can claim to trade only in legal timber. Indonesia's certification process needs to be reformed to ensure that timber isn't taken from community lands without consent and adequate compensation.

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