

Our
accomplishments
since 2010

1,120,000

**THE NEDC
ARCHIVES**

include over 1,120,000 files including videos, texts and photos transferred to the Center from domestic and international partner organizations.

35,000

**THE NEDC
DIGITAL DATABASE**

counts over 35,000 analyzed documents with reference to victims, witnesses, geography and time grids.

5,700

Over 5,700 incidents were analyzed by our international group of over 50 analysts and experts in international criminal law and the history of the North Caucasus.

The Documentation Center is named after the well-known Chechen human rights defender **Natalia Estemirova**, who was abducted and killed on 15 July 2009.

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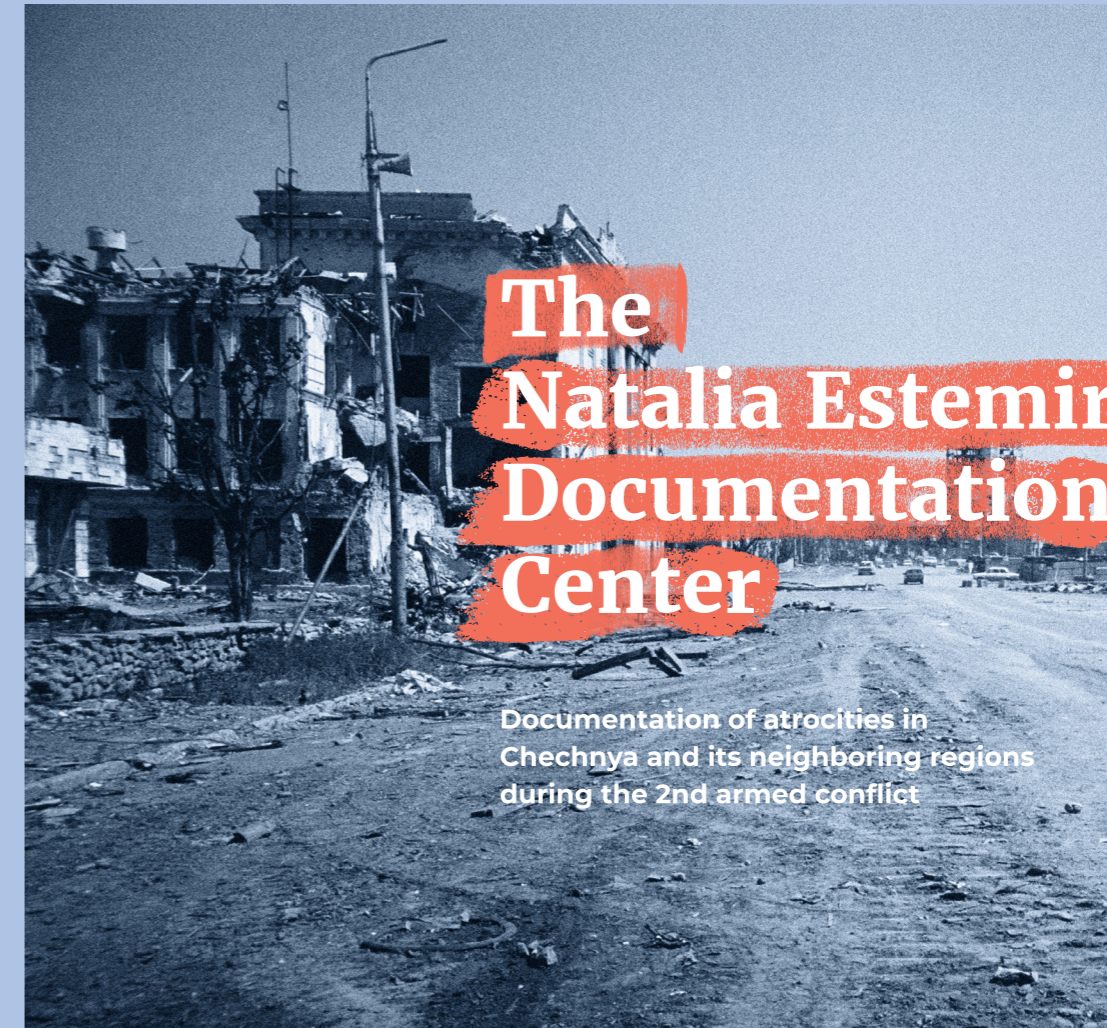
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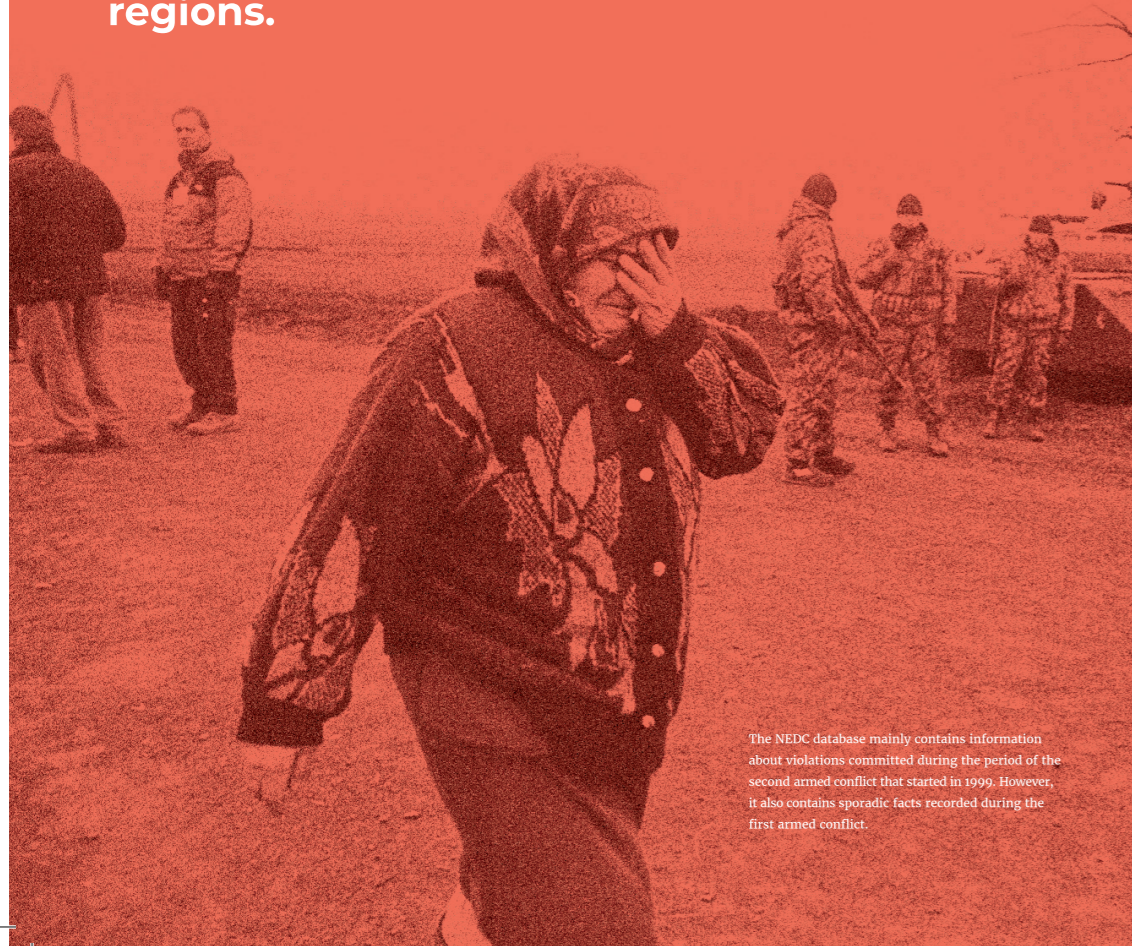
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The Natalia Estemirova Documentation Center was established in 2010 by the Norwegian Helsinki Committee (NHC) in cooperation with Russian and international human rights organizations to ensure documentation of grave abuses in Chechnya and its neighboring regions.



The NEDC database mainly contains information about violations committed during the period of the second armed conflict that started in 1999. However, it also contains sporadic facts recorded during the first armed conflict.

Since the early 1990s, the North Caucasus region has experienced serious conflicts between Federal Russian forces and loyal local authorities on the one side and groups of separatists or irregular fighters on the other.

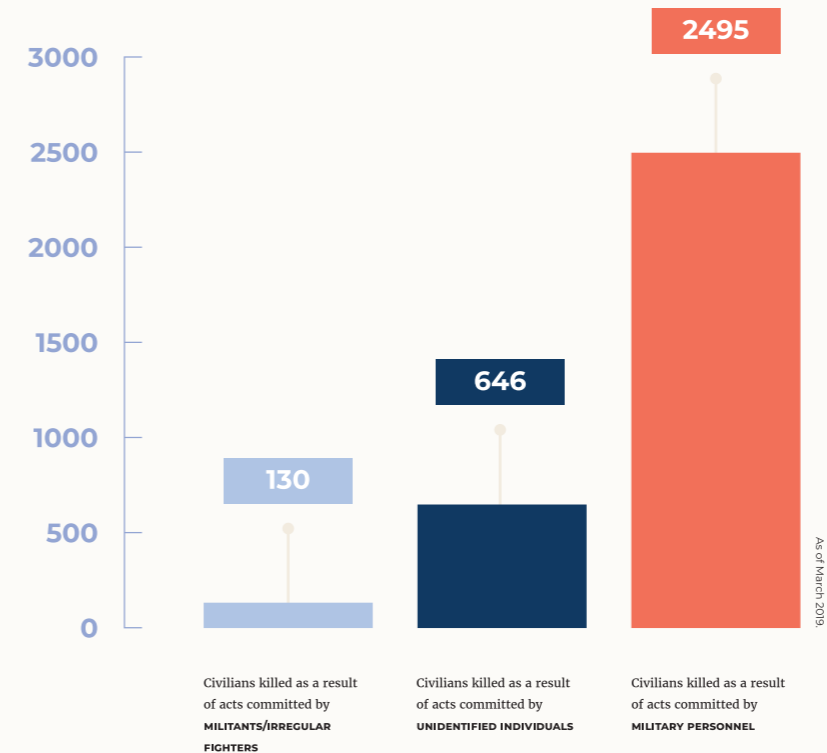
The NEDC seeks to collect and make available the documentation on widespread and systematic violations of human rights and the commission of international crimes during the armed conflict in this region.

The NEDC's activities are guided by standards of international human rights, humanitarian and criminal law. The fundamental principle of its work is the vision that lasting peace in the North Caucasus is impossible without justice, the establishment of truth and the preservation of a factual history of the armed conflicts of the 1990s and 2000s.

The Center promotes the analysis of facts, particularly the collection and processing of statistical data on killed and missing persons – or victims of other serious violations of human rights – and the overall understanding of conflicts and their consequences for the entire region and population.



DEATH OF CIVILIANS



The Center's methodology includes the digital preservation of documentation:

digitalizing, collecting and securing all relevant material, including establishing special arrangement for safekeeping of original documents.