

administrative laws, and terrorism laws, in six countries. TrialWatch has covered a trial of individuals being prosecuted under anti-LGBTQ laws in sub-Saharan Africa and proceedings involving a journalist detained under India's National Security Act for criticizing the government on social media. TrialWatch monitors are also monitoring the trial of a lawyer in Eurasia, who is being prosecuted in connection with his work on behalf of human rights defenders and the trial of a journalist in Nigeria, who is being prosecuted for writing about internal government documents and refusing to reveal his source. Fairness reports are being produced to assess each of these trials, and many more trials will be monitored on an ongoing basis around the world.

CFJ has partnered with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) to develop an online training course for monitors. This course was developed by CFJ and approved by OHCHR.

"OHCHR is delighted to be partnering with the Clooney Foundation for Justice in TrialWatch, which will help deliver justice to some of the world's most vulnerable people. TrialWatch will help in ensuring that international fair trial standards are upheld and the voice of victims is heard. This is human rights advocacy in its purest form," said United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet. "I am pleased that my Office has been able to help ensure that its online tools and materials adequately reflect international human rights norms and standards."

CFJ has collaborated with Microsoft to develop a state-of-the-art application for TrialWatch monitors that captures and distills the information needed to make an assessment of the fairness of a trial and allows a monitor to capture multiple types of data in one place (e.g., a monitor's notes; answers to a uniform set of questions; documents; photo, audio, and video, etc.). The App also enables local language inputs, and uses Microsoft cloud, AI Cognitive Services technologies to transcribe and translate content into English, enabling legal experts to more quickly make their recommendations for action.

"This new technology will promote fairness in trials by making the world a witness to what happens inside courtrooms," said Brad Smith, President of Microsoft. "The TrialWatch app we developed with the Clooney Foundation for Justice will help human rights advocates monitor trials and share this data instantly with experts around the world. This is a critical step in upholding justice where it often matters the most – when a defendant's freedom hinges on having a fair trial."

CFJ has partnered with <u>Columbia Law School</u> to establish a clinical program in international fair trial rights, and a system for deploying law students to monitor and assist with the assessment of trials.

"The rule of law is the bedrock of just societies; it compels governments to safeguard human rights, and to act in an accountable and transparent manner," said Gillian Lester, Columbia Law School Dean and the Lucy G. Moses Professor of Law. "Our partnership with the Clooney Foundation for Justice will train law students as trial observers and deepen our international