

Co-Chairs Senator Chris Coons (D-DE) and Senator Thom Tillis (R-NC) invite you to join

Coups & Human Rights

A discussion of the implications of coups on the state of human rights in Africa.

Wednesday, November 15

4:00 – 5:30 PM ET SR-385 (Russell Senate Office Building)

Since 2020, military seizures of power have left five countries in the Sahel and West Africa under military rule—Burkina Faso, Chad, Guinea, Mali, Niger—as well as Sudan and Gabon. The rise of military overtakes poses a threat to democratic stability and human rights as violent conflict, lack of transparency, and political instability rise without clear and reliable civilian leadership.

In light of recent events in Africa, the Senate Human Rights Caucus will host a discussion on the slate of recent coups in the Sahel and West Africa and the impacts military overtakes have on human rights in the region and beyond.

Panelists:

Dr. Daniel Eizenga, Research Fellow, Africa Center for Strategic Studies
Ms. Sarah Harrison, Senior Analyst, U.S. Program, International Crisis Group
Ms. Carine Kaneza Nantulya, Deputy Director, Africa Division, Human Rights Watch
Ms. Oge Onubogu, Director, Africa Program, The Wilson Center

Moderated by Ms. Alexis Arieff, African Affairs Analyst, Congressional Research Service

Featuring remarks by **Senator Coons** and **Senator Tillis**

To RSVP for the event, please contact Kelly Kim and Margaret Flynn Sapia at Kelly Kim@coons.senate.gov and Margaret FlynnSapia@coons.senate.gov.