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OBSERVATIONS OF THE WEEK

19, 30 JUNE 6 JULY

The following tendencies were observed during the week of June 30 –July 6:

- The hate speech was again addressed to the LGBT groups (Elizbar Javelidze, *Public Assembly*) and to the *National Movement Party* (Robert Sturua, stage-director);
- Xenophobic statements were made against Chinese, Turks, Arabs, Indians and Iranians by the respondents (Temur Shashiashvili, *Burdjanadze United Opposition*; Zurab Jorbenadze, Lawyer) and also by the journalists (*Asaval-dasavali*, *Obieqtivi*);
- The constitutional decision according to which, the moratorium on land alienation to the foreigners was deemed anti-constitutional, remained topical and was covered in widely xenophobic context. Xenophobic sentiments were expressed by the representatives of the ruling coalition (Gogi Topadze – *Georgian Dream*), and other parties (Vaja Otarashvili, *Alliance of Patriots*; Elizbar Javelidze, *Public Assembly*) by clergyman (Ilia II, Patriarch of Georgia, Elizbar Diakonidze, daecon) by former public defender (Nana Devdariani) and by the media (Newspapers: *Asaval-Dasavali*, *Alia*, media-union *Obieqtivi*). The main target of the criticism was *Transparency International*, being an author of an appeal in Constitu-

tional Court. The main emphasis was made unjustifiably on the Austrian origin of the former employee of the organization;

- Online portal *Sakinformi* assigned unjustified ethnic identities to politicians (Saakiani, Avakiani);
- Anti-Western sentiment was on the rise during this week that was attributed to: the negative connotation of the Association Agreement, anti American sentiments, current developments in Ukrain, messages about sexual orientation of certain individuals and frequent dissemination of misleading information. Online-portal *Sakinformi* has been increasingly active in this regard, nevertheless other media sources have used the similar negative narrative (Newspapers: *Asaval-Dasavali*, *Alia*, *Kviris Qronika*; Media union *Obiektivi*, Internet-portal *Ge-world.ge*, *Reportiori*);
- LGBT persons were named as “sick” by the representatives of ruling coalition (Davit Patsatsia);
- Gender discrimination and gender stereotyping was carried through by the media (Newspaper *Asaval-Dasavali*, news agency *Pirveli*)



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HATE SPEECH

KVIRIS QRONIKA, June 30 – July 6

ELIZBAR JAVELIDZE, Public Council: I will never ever tolerate the establishment of LGBT society in Georgia! I disgust those people, I will deal with them physically and spiritually wherever I encounter with them!"

PIRVELI, July 5

ROBERT STURUA, stage-director:

"Conscience has not bothered them[UNM] at all...nor the children of an immoral family, who are not yet debauched... corrupt

Europe who has disgraced the name of a Georgian cannot protect the wild tribe generation and those hangman...it has started!"
http://pia.ge/show_internet_dajest_news.php?id=4781&lang=geo

OBIEQTKVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 4

TV VIEWER, phoning-in: "...They (*National Movement*) is the group of maniacs and sadists, any kind of measures against them is acceptable."
http://www.myvideo.ge/?video_id=2370020



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XENOPHOBIA

KVIRIS QRKONIKA, June 30 – July 6

TEMUR SHASHIASH-VILI, Burjanadze United

Opposition: "I can recall how the members of Soviet Politburo were standing in queues to obtain the furniture of Kutaisi for their families, but now we are the slaves of Chinese people."

GGEOWORLD.GE, July 3

ZURAB JORBENADZE, lawyer: "...If NATO and EU starts to provide military aid to Georgia, entire nation will perish in this unfair war. Afterwards our land will be occupied by Chinese, Turks, Arabs, Iranians and by the Associated Europeans and Americans."

<http://geworld.net/View.php?ArtId=6020&lang=ge>

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

DITO CHUBINISHVILI,

Journalist: "Certainly, when whole Georgia is in the hands of Chinese, Indians, Arabs, Iranians and Turks, Globalization cannot be anyhow a friend or a protector to a country with lost territories and deprived of any rights!..."

TURKOPHOBIA

OBIEKTIVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 1

SOSO ZAALISHVILI, Journalist: "Have you noticed on Rustaveli Street, it is visibly written Hallal, Hallal. This is an economic expansion..."

Anna, our population is farther more educated than the Turkish population. 70% of them are illiterate; otherwise they would not have elected Erdoğan."

<http://www.obieqtivi.net/tv1.php?id=17605>

XENOPHOBIA LINKED TO THE LAND ALIENATION TO THE FOREIGNERS

KVIRIS PALITRA, June 30 – July 6

GOGI TOPADZE, *Georgian Dream*:

“Some of the foreigners have really taken over, Indians, Iranians and others. It will be a tragedy if we fail to keep those lands for our descendants.”

KVIRIS KRONIKA, June 30 – July 6

ELIZBAR JAVELIDZE, *Public Assembly*:

“...This issue about land alienation to the foreigners is, yet another toll paid by us, a sacrifice. This mean Gigauri started all that! She trades with the fate of the motherland. What a rotten person! She must be bitten up and then hang on the cottonwood! The Constitutional Court ruled, it was an initiative of this young puppy of the Soros – Papuashvili. He decided to cancel the moratorium on land alienation to the foreigners. This is a devastation of a Georgian peasant! When rich foreigners arrive, Georgians become their slaves and they have to work for just pennies.”

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

ELIZBAR JAVELIDZE, *Public Assembly*:

“Adoption of Anti-Discrimination Law was aimed at our moral devastation, but selling Georgian land to the foreigners is aimed at our physical termination!... When a foreign landlord takes over our land, will he demolish and sweep us away?!”

GEWORLD.GE, July 2

VAJA OTARASHVILI, *Patriots' Alliance*:

“This is an occupation of a Georgian land, there is no second thought about it... You can visit the website of Ministry of Economy, you will see that 130 000 hectares of land is for sale...Georgian man is practically left without any land...”

KETI KHOMERIKI: One day we wake up and we will find out that our neighbors are Iraqis and Turks...

VAJA OTARASHVILI: Yes, it is genocide of a Georgian nation...It is so unfortunate that we see an invasion of faithless people in the country of such an Orthodox culture. Who knows, one day those people may become the members of the parliament, they may open the television companies, they may start printing newspapers and even build the settlements.”

<http://geworld.ge/View.php?ArtId=6009>

INTERPRESNEWS, June 30

ILIA II, *Patriarch of Georgia*: “We are living through difficult times; we may lose the vital value of a Georgian nation. We may lose it completely, because others can afford it. They have enough money to buy it all. Foreign people, foreign countries may buy it and Georgian will be left with nothing.”

<http://www.interpresnews.ge/ge/sazogadoeba/288074-ilia-meore-mitsa-tsytaros-tsylebi-mdinareebi-sabadoebi-ar-undagaskhvisdes.html?ar=A>



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INTERPRESNEWS, July 2

ILIA II, Patriarch of Georgia: "...This is the loss of our most valuable treasure, loss of our land. And our citizens are becoming just the servants. This should not happen, the local population is granted with all the right to use local wealth. We should not allow that Georgian man had no access to local entrepreneurial resources."

<http://www.interpressnews.ge/ge/sazogadoeba/288418-uckho-qveynis-moqalaqebze-mitsis-gaskhvisebis-procesze-sapatriarqo-ilia-meoris-ganckhadebas-avrcelebs.html?ar=A>

Alia, July 2

ELIZBAR DIAKONIDZE, deacon: "... Why necessarily a foreigner should buy a Georgian land? Is it acceptable for the Constitutional Court?... People! The owner of the land of Gurjaanian is an Indian?! And we still want to enter European Union?"

ALIA, July 1

NANA DEVDARIANI, former public defender: "Today the lands are no more occupied by weapons...When foreigners buy the land they take away the most productive parts, they take it abroad and sell it... This means to be at war, we are losing the country."

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

GIORGI GIGAURI, Journalist: "This Mathias Huter [Former employee of Transparency International Georgia] is an Aus-

trian citizen working here, he was used as a shield, just like a the fig leaf, by the *Liberasts* to commit all the dark deeds!...Those *Liberasts* are lobbying to sell the lands to the foreigners and they are using this Austrian for it... for those *Liberasts* and *Nats-inclined* bastards Georgia is not a motherland, but just a temporary residence!"

ALIA, JULY 1

LEVAN JAVAKHISHVILI, journalist:

"This is the country with a small land, if they continue like this, there will not be any space left for the Georgians. The country is full of foreigners already...After canceling the moratorium Arabs, Indians and others will flee to Georgia."

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

GIORGI GIGAURI, journalist: "...Our *Liberasts* ignored the guidance of our Patriarch again and canceled the moratorium on selling the land to the foreigners, it happened two days before signing the Association agreement!"

OBIEKTIVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 2

BONDO MDZINARASHVILI, anchor: "If anyone has one or two hectares, he will not sell it to any foreigner. He may sell it to the neighbor or a relative, but never to an African."

<http://obiektivi.net/tv1.php?id=17620>



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ATI-WESTERN SENTIMENTS

ASAVAL-DASAVALI,
June 30 - July 6

ELIZBAR JAVELIDZE,
Public Assembly: “Certainly my lord! Our parliament is welcoming the Europeanization and is ready for it, it is ready for legalizing the ped-erasts!..

Certainly! This *Transparency, Young Lawyers Association,* and so called *Fear Elections* - those are the most anti-Georgian powers and are the agents, fattened by the European and American grants!”

As far as I am aware of this agreement [Association], one of the large articles is dedicated to establishment of LGBT institution in Georgia. This is why they adopted the Anti-Discrimination law...

Russian aggression will intensify from now on... I don't even accuse Russia in this!”

KVIRIS QRONIKA, June 30 – July 6

TEMUR SHASHASH-VILI, *Burjanadze – United Opposition:* As a matter of fact the leader of the *Republicans*, Mr. Usupashvili and his wife were working it Soros Foundation, later in *Young Lawyers Association.*” Many of us may not remember it, but they are pure

Sorosians... do you see how skillfully they oppose the Bible, they take out only the happiness from it and do not care about their country. ...there is no theory that allows the fact that one can live happily in an unhappy country: only an offspring of Soros can think of this...

political actors are changing, but the system is the same, it is Soros like system. Elections cannot change it.”

ALIA, JULY 2

ELIZBAR DIAKONIDZE,
deacon: “So, do we want to enter the European Union? It is a first time I see how the nation is celebrating the rape! They have nothing to celebrate, the just signed for the devastation of the country and this is why I am leaving this country. I am not going to live in the country of immoral people.”

PIRVELI, July 2

ELIZBAR DIAKONIDZE,
deacon: “They and their followers are the hybrids of Carl Bildt, he probably wants to have family members like that. He can have them in his own country, where there are Europeans and as they think they are well established. I don't care for food if they spit in my soul! This signature paved the way to the devastation of

our country. It will disturb our comfort and peacefulness soon, I mean spiritual peacefulness - the Orthodoxy”

http://pia.ge/show_internet_dajest_news.php?id=4613&lang=geo

REPORTIORI, July 5
GIORGI GABEDAVA, *released under the status of a political prisoner:*

“As concerned to your statement [Karl Bildt] you are the shameless diplomat! Who can ever be more dangerous than you and your followers are? You make the kindergarten kids have sexual life! you advertise the immorality, this is how you want to package your own immorality! Russia may be an occupant, but, what does it have to do with the Orthodoxy? It killed the people of an Orthodox government! it has occupied the lands of an Orthodox country – I mean Abkhazia and Samachablo! but you are an immoral and disrespectful men, but not a diplomat!”

<http://www.reportiori.ge/?menuid=3&id=32214>

REPORTIORI, 5 July
GIORGI POPKHADZE,
journalist: “Apparently this Dimitrov, the shame of European Union, has announced that he is concerned about the case of Ugulava. You, the somewhat humanoid, wasn't the case of Girgylani alarming for you?...all right then... just zip it, and don't say a word...”

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ATI-WESTERN SENTIMENTS

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GEWORLD.GE, July 1

NANA DEVDARIANI, former public defender: “I am not interested in your culture’ this is what [Jo] Biden stated to the guests, he added that those governments that are not supporting the LGBT rights will have to pay the price.

...The issue of sexual minorities is extremely politicized and we have to end it. It is enough to express your concern about this (it does not matter, if it is about Georgia or Ukraine) and you are directly classified as a pro-Russian!”

<http://geworld.ge/View.php?ArtId=6007>

NANA DEVDARIANI, former public defender: “Do you really think that decision makers of European Union are so insane, that they will liberalize the visa procedures in this situation?!..

The core countries of European Union can hardly acknowledge the acceptance of new members that joined the Union in recent years...

Georgia will have to export all the quality meat products abroad, but the low quality and junk meat will be imported here.”

OBIEKTIVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 1

SOSO ZAALISHVILI, journalist: “It is horrific, what America did during last eight years.

The problem lies in their government administration, which is a misfortune for America, first of all, and for the rest of the world...

“I do hope that before we are ready to enter EU and NATO those organizations will stop their existence.”

<http://www.obieqtivi.net/tv1.php?id=17605>

SAKINFORMI, July 1

sakinformi: “ Zbishesk Brzezinski suggests Mishik Saakian to terminate Kiev, Kharkov and together with millions of citizens, considering the experience of Chechnia.”

http://sakinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19486:2014-07-01-10-09-55&catid=109:amo&Itemid=538#ixzz36m4ZqzCt

KVIRIS KRONIKA, June 30 – July 2

GIORGI JIQIASHVILI, journalist: “Those values [Western] are incompatible not only with Georgian mentality, even in ancient European countries, those values were accepted only after several confrontations and civil turmoil.

Georgia as a country aspiring to be the part of European Union, eventually will face the similar challenges (Legalization of gay marriage). And it is not too far away, the problem will knock our doors before we know it.”

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ATI-WESTERN SENTIMENTS

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ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

JABA KHUBUA, journalist: "...Maybe it is a sign from the nature that we are on the unnatural track?! [Referring to the recent earthquake] it is a sing, that there is no place for Georgia here, with the sin of Sodom and Gomorrah around. Because of confronting this sin, Tamar Iveri – the famous and gorgeous Georgian singer almost lost his fabulous career. On the other hand, the bearded woman - Conchita who used to be men before was named as the winner is treated like a star! Are we on the right track?!"

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

DITO CHUBINISHVILI, Journalist: "It is a terrible fact – the majority of high-school graduates wrote abnormal essay on their University entrance exams. They knew they would fail with their national-patriotic ideas, since the Ministry of Education is full of people who adopted the "Law of pederasts", Jehovah followers and with the puppies of Soros. Not to mention the fact that, it's been a long time since Georgia is a servant colony to two dominant governments."

SAKINFORMI, July 2

"Despite wearing its eye-glasses, America is so blinded with so much blood, that it "could not notice" that 110 000 Ukrainians fled as to Russia as refugees and 54 000 people were obliged to leave their homes... USA practically accused UN for working with the instructions from Kremlin. This stupid Yankees could not even realize that, with this move they have labeled the Ukrainians as Russians."

http://saqinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19498:2014-07-02-08-04-37&catid=100:sazogadoeba&Itemid=396#ixzz36mCd57cx

SAKINFORMI, June 30

"Just for the record: recently President of America Barak Obama assigned a recognized gay as an ambassador to Vietnam..."

Georgian Society is curious- when will the EU associated Ministry of Foreign Affairs will publish the list of its homosexual, lesbian and pederast employees? Wasn't it one of the instructions of the thick folder that they brought back from Brussels on June 27th?"

http://saqinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19458:-6-&catid=109:arno&Itemid=538#axzz37Xdc5ExD

GEWORLD.GE, July 3

ZURAB JORBENADZE, lawyer: "I finally understood, that our country does not belong to us anymore, it is ruled with an instructions of a foreign country, namely America. Now we are not Europeans, we are dysfunctional slaves, who have no business in their own country."

<http://geworld.net/View.php?ArtId=6020&lang=ge>

OBIEKTIVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 1

TV Viewer: "The biggest misfortune was brought by America in this moment, it is a misfortune for the whole world."

<http://www.obiektivi.net/tv1.php?id=17605>

KVIRIS KRONIKA, June 30 – July 6

NATELA, Immigrant: "Don't think that Europe is good, I am here and I can see it, very few people get rich and the rest is drained away."



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ANTI-WESTERN SENTIMENTS

SAKINFORMI, June 30

“Pederast Sean Patrick Maloney – a democrat congressmen got officially married to his partner pederast men! The democrat members of the Georgian parliament are invited to the wedding...”

The main motivation of the gay congressional representatives was the Anti-Discrimination Law that was adopted by Georgia - the Number 1 strategic partner of America – to exclusively protect the rights of LGBT members.

http://sakinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19455:2014-06-30-09-33-04&catid=100:sazoqadoeba&Itemid=396#ixzz36lnoEEq9

ASSIGNED UNJUSTIFIED ETHNIC IDENTITIES

Online-portal *Sakinformi*, refers to former president of Georgia Mikheil Saakashvili and the Ukrainian minister of Internal Affairs with fabricated Arminian surnames - “Saakian” and “Avakian”.

http://sakinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19486:2014-07-01-10-09-55&catid=109:amo&Itemid=538#ixzz36m4ZqzCt
http://sakinform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19481:terrorism-----&catid=102:samartali&Itemid=473#ixzz36m4NAk3t

GENDER DISCRIMINATION

ASAVAL-DASAVALI,
June 30 - July 6

DITO CHUBINIDZE, Journalist: “When a mother of two children leaves them at home and rushed to the night clubs without a husband, can she be a good mother after all? It is no doubt that this kind of women require a punch.

Let me state one more time that you are not capable of protecting woman’s or man’s right – you are the resemblance of genderless ‘Conchitas’!”

PIRVELI, July 5

“The photos of the weak-sex representatives wearing a Police uniform were published on internet.”

http://pia.ge/show_news.php?id=18629&lang=geo

DISCRIMINATION ON SEXUAL GROUNDS

OBIKTIVI, NIGHT STUDIO, July 1

DAVID PATSATSIA, Georgian Dream: “The law says not to deprive a person because he/she is ill. This is how I understand it. This is an illness, which is genetic or caused by certain conditions.”
<http://www.obieqtivi.net/tv1.php?id=17604>

GEWORLD.GE, July 2

VAJA OTARASHVILI, Alliance of Patriots: “ You obviously remember the harsh statements by the Patriarch about the Anti-Discrimination law. Did anyone consider it? They dishonestly adopted the law of pederasts and lesbians with 112 votes.”
<http://geworld.ge/View.php?ArtId=6009>

SAKINFORMI, June 30

The Catholic cardinal of Dominican republic Nicolás de Jesús López Rodríguez condemned the gay ambassador of USA and suggested him to go and boast with his homosexuality somewhere else! The cardinal once again criticized the gay Ambassador and named him a ‘pederast’ because of his video, where the ambassador was with his husband.”

http://saginform.ge/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=19457:-----6-----&catid=100:sazogadoeba&Itemid=396#ixzz36lm4N5lu

ASAVAL-DASAVALI, June 30 - July 6

DITO CHUBINIDZE, Journalist: “Mrs. Shoren Shaverdashvili - editor of *Liberalli* magazine and Ninia Kakabadze have been protecting those genderless, bearded *Conchittas* since I remember. I think recently she has joined the ‘The Union of the Godless’ ... This Shaverdashvili is unable to take a breath for a moment -I thought she would, especially after the adoption of the ‘Pederasts law’ ...”

SUPERSTITION AND STEREOTYPES

KVIRIS QKONIKA, June 30 – July 6

KONSTANTINE GIORGADZE, priest: “Let me suggest paying attention to the sewer drain covers, you will see the inscription of Orthodox crosses on them and it was done deliberately. 100 000 saints died because they did not step on the cross, but now we are made to step on the cross.”

ALIA, July 1

LEVAN JAVAKHISHVILI, journalist: “Patriarchy is still quite categorical about the electronic ID cards. As far as they are concerned it contains the sign of a devil. Patriarch asked the government several times to give the freedom of choice to people, in case someone does not want the electronic ID cards he/she should have a right to take a regular ID card.”