

# Oversight Board Selects a Case Regarding a Graphic Video Depicting a Civilian Victim of Violence in Sudan

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Today, the [Oversight Board selected a case](#) referred by Meta regarding a graphic video posted on a user's Facebook profile page which shows a victim of violence following a military coup in Sudan in October 2021.

Upon initial review, Meta took down this content for violating our policy on [Violent and Graphic Content](#), as laid out in the Facebook Community Standards. However, upon further review, we determined we removed this content in error and applied the newsworthiness allowance to reinstate the post with a [warning screen](#) added.

Meta referred this case to the board because we found it [significant and difficult](#) as it creates tension between [our values of safety and voice](#).

Meta does not allow posting “videos of people or dead bodies in non-medical settings if they depict dismemberment,” however we must balance the risk of harm associated with sharing such graphic content with the public interest value of documenting human rights violations. Additionally, our newsworthiness allowance allows violating content on our platforms if keeping it visible is in the public interest.

We will implement the board's decision once it has finished deliberating, and we will update this post accordingly. Please see the [board's website](#) for the decision when they issue it.