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GENEVA: Global efforts to fight HIV are stalling as Eastern Europe and other regions have seen increasing numbers of infections since 2010, the United Nations said on Tuesday. While annual infections among children have fallen sharply, there was no decrease among adults over the past five years, the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS said. In Eastern Europe and Central Asia, new cases jumped 57% between 2010 and 2015. There was a 9% increase in the Caribbean and 4% in the Middle East and North Africa. – dpa