



## Information file

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**Pictures and Press Releases of the Murdering of 38 Kurdish civilians in the Sirnak  
Province at the border with Iraq in southeast Turkey by Turkish airforces**

**To the USA Government Authorities:**

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## **To the USA Government Authorities**

### **DO NOT BE A PART TO THE KURDISH MASSACRE IN TURKEY!**

Defenceless civilian people have been massacred late on 28.12.2011 at the border that divides Kurdistan between Iraq and Turkey by Turkish combat aircrafts (F16). 35 Kurdish villagers aged between 12-28 have lost their lives during the bombardment that took place at the countryside outside of Roboski village in Uludere district of Sirnak.

This massacre took place as a result of the authorisation of the army by the Turkish government to ***‘shoot every living thing that is moving in the field’***. ***The intelligence has been conveyed by the unmanned drones provided by the USA.*** A few months ago 7 Kurdish villagers including a 1 year old child belonging to same family inside a moving car have been massacred during a bombardment by Turkish F-16s within the borders of the area of Federal Kurdistan in Iraq. Moreover, tens of Kurdish guerrillas and civilians have lost their lives, many more wounded and villagers had to desert their dwellings in fear due to the bombardments that continue systematically and in which chemical weapons are also used.

Besides, around 4 thousand Kurdish civilians including Kurdish MPs, mayors, representatives and members of partys and civil society organizations, lawyers, human rights advocates, journalists, intellectuals and artisans. Also, it has not been possible to establish contact with Mr Abdullah Ocalan, who has been kidnapped and handed over to Turkey through a plot that took place in 1999 with the participation of the leadership of US.

It is absolutely clear that this last assault has taken place in an extremely well-organized, planned and coordinated manner within the systematic chain of command for the purpose of the total annihilation of the cultural, political, economic, social and physical existence of Kurdish nation. It is because *Haci ENCU* (aged 19), who was wounded during the bombardment, has stated to the representatives of *IHD (Human Rights Organization)* and *Mazlum-Der* that firstly the soldiers stopped them, gathered all the other villagers together, and the fighter aircrafts arrived after the soldiers left. He also stated that the bombs released by the aircrafts reeked of a bitter smell that burned and made it difficult to breath. Moreover, the Turkish General Staff stated with pride in relation to the incident that the bombardment took place upon their instructions. The AKP government and the Turkish media led by the government have owned up to the massacre of Kurds in a manner that introduced the incident as just and legitimate.

Dear Representatives,

It is clear that the source of the cruelty and terror against Kurdish people is the partial, denialist, despotic and dictatorial characteristics and structure of the Turkish Government. However, especially today and due to many direct and indirect reasons, the Kurdish question is an international question both in respects of its history and current nature. Therefore, many states and international powers, which are effective and have a say in the politics of the world in one way or another are party to the question as well as to the solution. This reality is mostly valid for the United States of America (USA), which is currently under your leadership, due to her multi-lateral relationships with the Turkish state.

However, the policies and practices that have been intensified during the term of former President *Mr. BUSH*, and continued during your Government have caused great tragedies for the Kurdish people as is evident in the last incident. With this policy, you are not only encouraging and providing the Turkish state with legitimization in the implementation of denial to the extent of genocide, as well as assimilation and annihilation, but also clearly providing them with technical and intelligence support as has been confessed by your prominent officials. Especially the unmanned drones and F-16 type fighter aircrafts used during the incident that cost 35 Kurdish villagers their lives is a striking evidence. Also accoring to the information conveyed to the public there are preparations underway to give new and technologically more developed guided missiles. We would like to remind you that if this is true you are about to make an historical mistake.

It is because it is not hard to understand the targeting of Kurdish people, due to the democratic characteristics of their national-social struggle for liberation, by despotic Turkish, Iranian, and Syrian regimes. However, there can be no logic or conscientious reason in the regime of USA, which claims to spread freedom and democracy to the whole world and especially to the Middle East, being associate to the animosity towards and massacre of Kurdish people who have become an inspiration for the Middle East with their liberationist and democratic structure. Otherwise, we are obliged to ask whether the borders of your discourse of *‘democracy and human rights’* is where your interests start or finish?

Kurdish people had no overt or covert claim to or have never acted against the national existence, political and economic interests of the USA. It is because animosity toward the USA and its society is not in the interest of Kurds. At the same time, we know that animosity toward Kurds and participating in their massacre through intelligence and military techniques as well as by providing political, diplomatic and economic support are not in the interest of the USA and its society. In fact, it has been proven in this last incident that those who harm the interests of the USA are Turkey and other states that keep our country under the regime of colonialism.

Therefore, we would like the USA administration, which you are leading, to become aware of this reality as soon as possible and abolish the existing policies that are being carried out against the Kurdish people especially in Turkey. And we now say enough is enough. Do not be a party to the massacre of Kurds. Do not sacrifice the national existence and rights of Kurdish people for narrow political and economic interests.

Besides, why don't you appreciate the intentions and endeavors of Kurdish people to solve the question through dialogue, peaceful and political means as proven by the unilateral ceasefires and, many other practical steps? Our expectation of you is to use your regional and international role and influence as the President of the USA to re-start the dialogues, and ensure the national existence, rights and status of Kurdish people to be secured at international level through a permanent solution.

***Confederation of Kurdish Association in Europe (KON-KURD).***

***Federation of Kurdish Associations in Germany (YEK-KOM); Federation of Kurdish Associations in France (FEYKA-KURDISTAN); Federation of Kurdish Associations in England (FED-BIR); Federation of Kurdish Associations in Austria (FEY-KOM); Federation of Kurdish Assocations in Switzerland (FEKAR-KURDISTAN)); Federation of Kurdish Associations in Belgium (FEK-BEL); Federation of Kurdish Associations in the Netherlands (FED-KOM); Kurdish Council of Sweden (KURDISTKA RADET); Federation of Kurdish Associations in Denmark (FEY-KURD); Federation of Kurdish Associations in hte Balkan States (FEK-BAL).***





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Derneği



İnsan, haklarıyla insandır.

## Human Rights Delegation: The incident is an extrajudicial execution and mass massacre.

ŞIRNAK – IHD (Human Rights Association) and MAZLUMDER (The Association of Human Rights and Solidarity For Oppressed People) delegations, who prepared a preliminary monitoring report by on-site examining the incident of the massacre of villagers bombed by war crafts in Ortasu (Roboski) village allied to Uludere town in Sirnak, declared that the incident is a total extrajudicial execution and mass massacre. In the report, Hacı Encü, who survived from bombing, recorded that they were blocked by the soldiers and bombed by the war crafts. ....



**The witness of the incident: We were blocked by the soldiers and the war crafts bombed us**

The following statements of Hacı Encü who has 19 years, survived from the incident and interviewed in the hospital were included in the report:

“We, a group consist of 40-50 people, crossed to the Iraq side of the border

with the same number of mules to bring fuel and food product at 16.00 pm on 28.12.2011. We didn’t particularly inform the military guard post, however they already knew that we were going and returning. Our aim was to bring sugar and fuel. We even heard the voice of Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) but we went on moving because we were always going and returning. In the evening, at 19.00 pm, we departed after we burdened the mules. Around 21.00 pm, we approached to the border. We arrived to the plateau of our villages, the plateau just on the border. In there, they threw at first aircraft flare and then they started to artillery-howitzer shooting. We left our burden in the other side of the border. Right after, the war crafts came and bombardment started. We were two groups, and, there was about 300-400 meters distance between us and the group behind. Just after the first artillery shooting, the war craft came. Because the soldiers were blocked our plateau, there were no way to go. Therefore, the groups had to come together. At the end, we became two big groups. At the first bombardment, the group that consist of approximately 20 people was killed. Right after, we started to back away. The ones who stayed amidst of the rocks were being bombed. The group which I was also with was 6 people; 3 of us managed to survive. We had daily civil clothes and nobody was carrying a gun. The incident lasted around 1 hour. We, one-two people soaked into a small creek with 3 mules. After waiting for one hour in there, we sheltered ourselves under a rock. We didn’t heard anything from our friends. Around 23.00-23.30 pm, we understand that the villagers came when we saw lights and heard voices. While the villagers started to scream, the soldiers withdrawn from the plateau. It is a long time that we do this job. Two of them were married, the others were highschool and primary school students. Till now, nobody called me to give a statement. I saw no soldiers after the incident.”



**“The soldiers were aware of this situation”**

The determinations of the delegations were ranked in the report as follows:

“ It is determined that;

-All the killed and wounded people in the incident were civilians,

-In the course of incident, the group wasn’t warned to STOP and there were no warning, the security forces were fired in no way, the soldiers didn’t fire

individually, the aircrafts made bombardment and this caused people to die,

-Civilians were well-known by the security forces who stay in the incident scene, and, security forces were aware of this go-return for border trade.



- Although we didn't see on site, the same way is always being used for the border trade, known by everyone including security forces; the way that was used wasn't a pathway and had mine on the way,
- Contrary to official statements, the incident scene is far away from the region called as Sînat- Haftanin; one of the groups that was attacked was on the Turkey side of the border and the other group was on the Iraq –Turkey border,
- None of the official institution had an initiative to get the corpses after the incident and the soldiers were totally withdrawn from the incident scene; the corpses were taken by the villagers and brought to Gulyazi village with their own means.
- The conditions of the hospital are not appropriate for the autopsy, the corpses were randomly waited in the rooms, the corpses were wrapped with the blankets by their families, the staff of the hospital was inadequate, even we could say scarcely any and the corpses were carried by the villagers to the autopsy and ambulances,
- The evidences after autopsy will not be taken in due form because of current conditions, therefore, obfuscation of the evidences is highly possible,
- The corpses which seen by our delegation in the hospital were burned, their innards were in out, scalp of most were shattered and their physical integrity was shattered,
- In the incident, a high explosive and caustic ammunition was used.”

“It is an extrajudicial execution and mass massacre”

In the report it was recorded that a more detailed report should be prepared about the incident, it was stated “Our delegation has concluded that the incident is an extrajudicial execution and mass massacre in terms of killed people’ number. In this sense, it is concluded that civil society organizations should show awareness to make examining; Human Rights Committee of United Nations should urgently send a delegation; Turkish media should approach to this massacre in the framework of press ethics keeping out from ‘the statements of official institutions’ and show awareness to reflect the reality to the public.



TO THE PRESS & PUBLIC OPINION

Another massacre was added to the massacre history of Turkey last night. F-16 war planes which took flight from Diyarbakir military airbase carried out air attacks in the surrounding area of Sirnak province, Uludere towns’, Ortasu (Roboski) village and killed 35 civilians, most of whom are between the ages of 15-20.

This is evidently a civilian massacre. It is similar to the massacre carried out by General Mustafa Muglali in the Ozalp town of Van in 1933 when 33 villagers were executed by shooting. Unfortunately history has repeated itself once more after 68 years and this mentality of massacre has revealed its face in Sirnak, Uludere. 35 youths and children, the oldest of whom is 20 years old have been killed in cold blood. Now the perpetrators are trying to find excuses for this massacre. The statement released by the Chief of Staff is wholly aimed at covering up this atrocious event.....

We condemn this massacre vehemently. We will convey our democratic response and be with our people on the streets to not let the perpetrators of this massacre go free. We will expose and damn this mentality of massacre wherever we go. We wish mercy on those who have lost their lives and send our condolences to their families and all our people.

Now it is time to stand up, unite and be in solidarity with each other. We also call on our people, democratic public opinion and everybody who is in support of democracy, peace and the fraternity of peoples to organise a democratic reaction against this heinous crime.

Selahattin DEMİRTAŞ and Gültan KIŞANAK  
BDP Co-Presidnets



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Kurdistan National Congress  
Congrès National du Kurdistan



Massacre by Turkish state continues!

Turkish war planes bomb Kurdish village and massacre 40 children and youth in Sirnak, South East Turkey.

Turkish war planes bombed *Roboski village*, a Kurdish village in the South East province of Sirnak, Turkey, killing at least 40 civilians, many of them children and youth, late last night. 24 of those killed belonged to the same family. A villager who escaped the air attack wounded said that the bombs thrown sucked the air away and left them breathless, spread an acidic smell and burnt them. Other villagers who hid under a large rock to escape, were crushed by the rock said the villager. Another villager said that Turkish soldiers had apprehended them only moments before the attack and then had moved away. The bodies of 35 civilians have been found while the corpses of others are still to be discovered because of the obliteration caused by the bombing.



Who is going to say “STOP” to the Turkish state and AKP government bombing their civilian citizens? This state and government only days ago massacred Kurdish guerrillas using chemical weapons and irreparably damaged the nature of Kurdistan, however not a single international body has criticized them. Now the same state and government, taking confidence from this silence have massacred civilians. If this is not an attempt at genocide then what is it? As the Kurdistan National Congress (KNK) we are calling on international public opinion, democratic NGOs, and other democratic international organizations to condemn the actions of the Turkish state.



***Karayılan: the village of Roboski was deliberately targeted***

**01 January 2012 - ANF** - Roboski is a crime committed as part of a coordinated plan - Murat Karayılan, of the Presidency council of the KCK (Kurdish Communities Union) has spoken to ANF about the Roboski massacre by the Turkish army which left 35 civilians dead on 28 December.

“In my opinion - said Karayılan - the village of Roboski was deliberately targeted in this clearly planned attack. This event is above the 33 bullet event in which 33 Kurdish citizens were slaughtered in Özalp district of Van 68 years ago. This is a crime committed as part of a coordinated plan. Survivors say that all groups had been stopped by soldiers and brought together in the area before the bombardment”.

According to Karayılan “Those who ordered this slaughter should say why they dropped bombs people despite knowing that they were to target civilians. Perpetrators should be revealed and punished. The Kurdish people in this process should not end their dignified resistance on streets which will also determine the future of our people. The attack of the enemy has made us suffer a new sorrow”.

**Turkish murder of Kurdish civilians sparks protests around the world 31 Dec 2011 - News by The Kurdistan Tribune:**

Turkey’s air raids on Wednesday evening, murdering 38 Kurdish civilians in the Sirnak Province using British and US made weapons, once again angered Kurds around the world. Human rights and political activists have called for mass demonstrations in front of Turkish embassies in every major city. On Thursday afternoon the first protests began in Istanbul, Kalar and Xaneqin, followed by London where a large Kurdish community is based. Today (Friday), as the victims were buried , most shops and public places across North Kurdistan were closed in protest. After Friday prayers, angry Kurds poured into the streets to protest against the Turkish state terror. An elderly lady among them declared: “Enough is enough, stop slaughtering our children, Erdogan.”Sulaymani

**ENOUGH IS ENOUGH !!!**

KURDS ARE MURDERED AGAIN, 35 KURDISH VILLAGERS BARBAROUSLY ARE KILLED - DO NOT BE QUIET AGAINST THAT MASSACRE in SIRNEX

Kurds are murdered again, 35 kurdish villagers are been killed by Turkish airpalin attack in South Kurdistan. We call upon everyone to join us in protest against this aggresion by Turkish military.

**NOBEL PRICE OWNER IMRE KERTESZ (GERMANY / HUNGARY)**

"I condemn totally this bloody Massacre against Kurdish Civilians.

There must be a democratic political solution for Kurdish people right now”.Budapest, 30 - 12-2011

Turkish military ends the year with more bloodshed and atrocity Posted: 29 Dec 2011 Kurdistan Tribune - Last night a Turkish state aeroplane attacked the village of Uludere in Sirnak Province on the Iraqi border and killed 35 villagers who were involved in smuggling. According to reports the smugglers were spotted by unmanned drones and wrongly identified as PKK fighters. “We have 30 corpses, all of them are burned. The state knew that these people were smuggling in the region. This kind of incident is unacceptable. They were hit from the air”, said Fehmi Yaman, the mayor of Uludere.



**The statement made by Dr. Bahoz Erdal,**

a member of HPG Commander Council, in relation to the Roborski massacreThe statements made by the Chief of Staff in relation to the massacres carried out by the army of the Turkish Republic in Sirnak Uludere by the warplanes do not reflect the truth.The distance between the alleged location of the attacks Sinaht area in Haftanin and the place of massacres is at least 30 km. The location of the incident is the Serê Sas region which is near the border village of Afroke, Roboskî. In a region where civilian people continuously pass with hundreds of mules let alone having guerrilla camps or bases, our guerrillas will not even have any movement in such an area at all. It has been alleged that at the location of the massacre we have camps or bases. Not only we do not have any camps or bases at the region mentioned, also we have not had any movement or any attempts to take any action there. This massacre is not an accident or an unwilling act. It is an organized and planned massacre. The governor of Sirnak and its Division Commander as well as all the military and administrative authorities have knowledge of the border trade along the border line. This border trade takes place under the surveillance of the many military posts that exist throughout the miles of border line. It is therefore not possible that these civilian people have not been recognised. In addition, drones were present in the area where the massacre was carried out on the 28 December from 17 hours to 21.30 hours, when the massacre took place. Nearly everyday these people move around in the same area unarmed and with their mules. It is a total lie that these civilians were not noticed or were thought to be guerrillas.



Turkey must investigate civilian killings / Press release

Amnesty International calls on the Turkish authorities to investigate immediately the death of at least 35 civilians in a military airstrike near the Iraqi border in south-eastern Turkey on the night of 28 December 2011. No military targets were reported to have been hit in the attack



Thousands mourn Turkey air strike victims



Friday 30 December 2011

Thousands of mourners gathered in southeast Turkey for the funerals of 35 Kurdish civilians who were killed in a botched raid by Turkish military jets that mistook the group for Kurdish rebels based in Iraq.



Kurds Protest Airstrike Killing Dozens in Turkey

8 hours ago ... **Kurds** took to the streets a day after the Turkish authorities admitted that airstrikes in northern Iraq intended to kill **Kurdish** militants had instead ...December 31, 2011 - By SEBNEM ARSU - World / Europe



Turkish military airstrikes that mistakenly killed 35 villagers on Iraqi border spark clashes in restive Kurdish regions



Turkey says deadly air strike was an 'unfortunate accident'

Turkish official confirms 35 people killed in Iraqi border air raids were civilians working as smugglers, not Kurdish rebels



Nach tödlichem Luftangriff

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PKK ruft Kurden zum Aufstand gegen die Türkei auf

Bei einem Luftangriff der Türkei waren Mittwoch 35 Zivilisten getötet worden, die PKK nennt den Vorfall ein "organisiertes und geplantes Massaker" und fordert Aktionen.



Tote bei Angriff in der Türkei, Schmuggler als Opfer

Bei einem Angriff der türkischen Luftwaffe im Osten des Landes sind zahlreiche Kurden getötet worden. Offenbar handelt es sich bei den Opfern um Schmuggler. Die türkische Armee hielt sie fälschlicherweise für einen Trupp kurdischer Rebellen.

Jan Keetman, Istanbul



35 Tote bei Luftangriff im Südosten der Türkei

Donnerstag, 29. Dezember 2011, 13:25 Uhr

Diyarbakir (Reuters) - Im vorwiegend kurdischen Südosten der Türkei sind bei einem Luftangriff des Militärs mindestens 35 Menschen getötet worden.

**These 36 Young Girls and Boys are Kurdish Guerillas, struggling for a free country on Kurdistan mountains were barbarously killed by Turkish warplanes with CHEMICAL WEAPONS (22 – 24 October 2011)**



The Names of the kurdish Fighters:

Mizbah Kızılar, born 1976, Ali Hasan Pervizi, born 1981, Cevdet Örtaş, born 1993, Saniye Mustafa, born 1993, Sultaneli Julide, born 1987, Behice Bedro, born 1983, Giyasettin Kaval, born 1982, Şilan Ergün, born 1990, Minnan İsmail Akkaş, İkrām Kara, born 1989, Çetin Modanlar, born 1985, Geylani Reşidi, born 1991, İpek Çiçek, born 1989, Suna Özdemir, born 1989, Gülistan Koç, born 1981, Ebru Muhikancı, born 1989, Ayşe Amra, born 1984, Derviş Özkan, born 1985, Leyla Halimi, born 1987, Emine Altun, born 1987, Oktay Çelik, born. 1986, Ahmet Mirza, born 1993, Aziz Balıkçı, born 1994, Sezar Arslan, born 1992, Gulale Yusufi, born 1986, Cemil Erol, born 1992, Reşat Aslan, born 1989, Enver Akçay, born 1981, Mahmut Bor, born 1979, Abdurrahman Enüştekin, born 1989, Ümit Ramazani, born. 1989, Sevcan Algünerhan, born 1978, Bereket Aşan, born 1991, Aynur Kırbaş, born 1999, Belkız Yeşilyurt, born 1983



If it is not a GENOCIDE, what is it?





**This Kurdish family does not exist anymore. 7 people, three babies, an adult boy and daughter with their parents, were conciously targetted by Turkish warplanes in their car driving to their village in Kortek, Pisder on 21 August 2011.**



**Turkish war aircrafts and troops have the right to kill civil people by making cross-border military operations with the permission USA gave them.**

**HERE IS THE HUMANITARIEN TRAGEDY OF 21.CENTURY, MADE BY TURKISH STATE! MODERN DICTATORSHIP OF TURKEY HAS ALREADY STARTED TO MAKE GENOCIDE! WHO WILL SAY STOP TO TURKEY’S FASCISM?**



**What is this boy loading on his mule?**



**He is loading the CORPS OF HIS BROTHERS to the mule, killed by Turkish warplanes at midnight on the foot of Roboski village.**