

Anfal and Halabja Conference – A Case for Genocide

Conference Resolution

We, the participants of the Anfal and Halabja conference held on 18th March 2007 in London

- Declare our support towards international recognition of human rights, prevention of genocide worldwide and elimination of weapons of mass destruction.

We recommend the establishment of an extended (global) forum to focus specifically on the crimes committed against the Kurdish Nation. Members of this forum (group) should include academics, human rights lawyers, experts in international law, and non – governmental organisations (NGOs). The aim of this forum would be to bring together the work and efforts of the existing groups, organisations and individuals with similar objectives for more effective and efficient outcomes. The objectives of this forum would be:

- To collect evidence and valid documents and witness testimony related to the crime of genocide committed against the Kurds.
- To promote research into the long term physical and psychological effects of disappearance and killing on the exposed population.
- To support the survivors of Anfal and other atrocities committed against the Kurds in liaison with Kurdistan Regional Government through raising funds, providing input and advice on medical and health issues, and reconstruction of their towns and villages.
- To demand from the International Community through the United Nations adequate compensation for the victims and survivors of these atrocities.
- To cooperate with other relevant global and regional organisations in the search for effective measures against genocide.

We propose to the following to the Kurdistan Regional Government:

- To give utmost attention and priority to matters related to victims and survivors of Anfal and Halabja, particularly the reconstruction of their homes and the health needs of this vulnerable population

- to hold an International Conference involving leading academics, international advocates of human rights, and NGOs and other relevant individuals and organisations as a first step towards establishing this forum.

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