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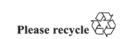
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# What happened to Yazidis by terrorists of Islamic state (ISIS)?

#### Introduction

In August 3, 2014 Islamic state in Iraq and the Syrian Arab Republic which known (ISIS) attacked Sinjar city and all the villages that belong to Sinjar driving modern trucks, military vehicles, armed with advanced weapons. At the beginning, the people with the armed forces who was protecting the town resisted ISIS invading for more than three hours, but unfortunately, inequality between them due to ISIS advanced weapons led to control over whole Sinjar city and its village by ISIS with supporting from Arabic neighbor's people in area to Yazidis in Sinjar City.

Outcry of children and women were over load. Massacres taking place in Sinjar and its village, shooting everywhere and against whom resist them or even does not, to those who escaped from them or who resisted against them. With this tragic view ISIS, control over all Sinjar and the same thing in Nineveh plain.

Below are some statistics showing the tragedy extent:

In the same day, 1293 unarmed people were killed and more than 6417 were captured, including (3548) females and (2869) males. Women were sold in the markets of enslaves in Mosul, Tal Afar, Al-Rigga and Deir Al-Zour. Displaced 360,000 people to the Kurdistan region, some of them fled to Turkey and Syria. ISIS also blew up (68) religious temples, and Arab resident neighboring Sinjar city spoiled Yazidi villages under look of Arabic sheikh and supportive and protection of ISIS. From (6417) captures of both gender and under support of special office of prime minister of KRG they could disengage (3271) capture (1148) from them are female (336) male and (935) female children and (952) male children, and still in capture about (3146) from them about (1465) female and (1681) are male.

In addition, according to our resources there are about (1600) kids that ISIS took them to special training camp for suicide attacks and mission. While the number of orphans that were resulted from ISIS invasion reached (2745) child. Also, the number of mass graves that discovered until now are (68) and estimated victims number in each one of it about (35) victim, in addition to that there are hundreds of wounded people, disabled and thousands of psychological people because of the crime they have suffered from it. The infrastructure of the Sinjar area was also destroyed and most of the houses were taken apart. As well as all other content of houses are spoiled by Arab neighbors.

#### Migration

As an inevitable result of this, continuing crimes against Yezidis about (90,000) have emigrated aboard seeking asylum in European countries. There are still thousands of Yazidis on the border in Turkey, Greece and elsewhere who want to be refugee in one of the European countries, suffering from difficult living.

### Kojo village massacre

In August 3, 2014. ISIS beleaguer Kojo village in Sinjar and they asked families to stay at home and they promise them to protect them and leave them live in peace in their homes. Than ISIS send some of his fighters to (Ahmed Jasoo) who was Koch sheikh, and they asked them to convert to Islam. The people in Koch refused that, while ISIS give them time until August 15, to do that but they refused again to convert to Islam. In the early morning of August 15, 2014 period of time that afford them ended, ISIS entered to Koch and they took all people of city to school yard in middle of Koch, then the families' belongings were took from them which include gold, jewelry, money and mobile phones and their car was stolen while they were watching them. Were they took the men to out of Koch village and

more than 400 men were executed, according to eyewitnesses who survived from that massacre. Which were carried out in stages in nearby valleys on both sides of the village, and hours later, women and children were moved to various locations in order to disperse them and break up their families so that they would continue to be in a state of fear and terror.

The number of families who was in Koch village was (300) at the time of ISIS invading and the number of individuals of Koch according to statistics (1738) person, from them there was (1200) physically present in the village during the ISIS attack.

In August 15, 2014, and according to statistics the number of individual who killed in the massacres in Koch was (459) for both gender" men (388), old women (71)". While enslaved girls and women reached (727) girls and women, and the number of orphan's child reach to (42) orphan child. Number of families from Koch that no one survived from them (63) family. While families that just one person survived from them were (47) and families with 2 person survived reached to (17), while families that survived with all its members were (25) family, also there are (146) families which one member from them killed or captured.

Also (17) person survived from massacre. In same time (544) was not present at village when ISIS attacked the city.

#### Name of survived from this massacre:

- Alias Qaim Saleh (city physician)
- 2. Khalaf khudid
- 3. Khuder Hasan Ahmed
- 4. Keji Amo
- 5. Ali Abba
- 6. Safwan Abbas
- 7. Khaled Murad
- 8. Said Murad
- 9. Saad Murad
- 10. Rafid Said
- 11. Jamil Shafan
- 12. Salim Khader
- 13. Qasim Afdo
- 14. Nafed Hadi
- 15. Fares Shehab
- 16. Nawaf Murad
- 17. Idris Bashar

#### Yazidis displaced situation

As we mentioned before that (400.000) person displaced to Kurdistan region from Sinjar city, Bashiqa and Bahzani and they are resettlement in camps, incomplete building and even in village street inside and outside of Kurdistan. Due to the excessive pressure of enormous number of displaced people on the Kurdistan region and lack of cooperation between central government in Baghdad which refused to help and Kurdistan region led to lack in aiding these displaced persons, which led to many problems and lack services, the most prominent of these problems, which found in the camps and cause additional suffering to the displaced people is: Emersion of a lot of disease especially dermatology disease

between children, due to the negligence and non-lifting and destruction of waste and tailings in camp's. Most of roads that leading to camps are unpaved, also most of roads inside the camps are unpaved which cause feeling of uncomfortably and unsafety, in addition to the accumulation of dust and dirt on the food of the families and shops inside camps. Electricity is cut off for many hours in most camps, water supply are contaminated and unsuitable for drinking, and there are many cases of poisoning and diarrhea among children, and many people suffering from lack of food. Schools in camps are not enough for student, lack of teaching staff, in the time that school schedule three times in day, and financial situation of families in camps are very poor because of the high unemployment rate. There are many insects in camps due to the lack of water and showers especially lice and Scabies which cause many diseases among children. In addition, there are little medical staff in camps and lack in some especially for emergency and health center in camps lack to medication and physician. In some camps number of restroom are not enough and a lot of people share it which lead in sometimes to problems in addition some family consist of 9 members or 8 and they have one tent which enough only for sitting, also some are so bad for live. Registered suicides cases until March 2017 reached (28) case due to the psychological pressure and living situations.

## **Summary**

Now and as we mentioned before for many times, Yazidis people are in very bad situation, hundred thousands of them live in camps, thousands of them need rehabilitation to normal social life, thousands of them who survivors from ISIS need to rehabilitation and daily life needs, hundreds of children without support and orphans, hundreds of elderly people need the simplest living need, thousands of sick people and disable person need to medication in displaced camps, dozens of people waiting for surgical operation and they do not have money for physician check, in addition to the thousands of girls and women who still in capture by ISIS specially children who are trained for terrorist operations. So we hope from international community and humanitarian organizations to help as in solve those things that we mentioned it above, please.

Centre Zagros pour les Droits de l'Homme Ezidis Foundation NGO(s) without consultative status, also share the views expressed in this statement.