



Afrin Under Occupation (277):

"Human Rights Office" for Al-Amshat and Al-Hamzat, The Extermination of Horsh Al-Mahmoudiya, Arbitrary Arrests, Motorcycle Explosion, "Al-Hamzat" confiscates pruning firewood

*Arabic to English Translation**

In a new attempt to cover up the widespread violations and crimes committed against the Afrin region and its people, on February 3, 2024, the militias of the "Joint Force - Ortak Kuvvet of the Sultan Suleiman Shah/Al-Amshat/Muhammad Al-Jassim and Al-Hamzat/Saif Abu Bakr" divisions, punished by America, opened an office in the city of Afrin under the name of the "Joint Force Human Rights Office" headed by lawyer Muhammad Salama, in order to "follow up on the issues of the people and restore rights", as they claim, at a time when none of the oppressed dares to complain or reject these objections Or talking about it publicly because of the power and methods of pressure, coercion and punishment practiced against them by various militias under the guidance and supervision of Turkish intelligence, such as the "Joint Rights Restoration Committee in Afrin", which was formed from among the militia leaders and stopped on 8, November, 2022 without resolving fundamental issues during the two years of its work and hundreds of complaints remained in its drawers, shortly after the expulsion of the "Levant Front" militias from Afrin, which had the upper hand in that committee.



The following are facts about the prevailing situation:

= Mahmoudia Horsh/forest:

Since 2018, the camps have been spread within the Mahmoudiya forest, northwest of the city of Afrin, part of which (the land of Madame Sola) was planted in the early sixties of the last century, and therefore

the forest (estimated at 35 hectares, different coniferous trees) was subjected to wide cutting by its residents and militia gunmen, until it was exterminated within six years ago, under the eyes of the occupation authorities and Turkish intelligence; and it was an outlet for inhabitants of the city and had a public park in it.



= Arbitrary arrests:

The occupation authorities arrested:

- About six months ago, "**Riad Ramadan Suleiman**/Heyomi family", a resident of the village of "Heyomo" - Bulbul, is in his fourth decade, without being able to know the charges against him, as he is forcibly disappeared and without contact with the outside.
- About three months ago, the citizen "**Asaad Muhammad Haj Musa** /30/ years old" from the village of "Qada" - Rajo, by the Azaz police militia, while he was returning from the destination of displacement Aleppo to his area, and he is still under arbitrary Detention.
- On 2, December, 2023, the citizen "**Abdel Hanan Muhammad Youssef** /52/ years old", from the village of "Hozro / Khudriya" - Bulbul, by the militias of the "Military Police in Bulbul", on charges of having a relationship with the former Autonomous Administration, shortly after his return from the destination of displacement Aleppo to his village; and he was released in Raju district after about ten days of detention and fined two thousand US dollars.
- On 23, January, 2024, the citizen "**Zainab Muhammad Klusho** /57/ years old" from the town of "Mobato/Maabatli", by the Turkish intelligence and the militias of the "Civil Police in Maabatli", on charges of having a relationship with the former Autonomous Administration, after she returned with her husband from the destination of displacement Aleppo to her town about five months ago and settled her status with the militias of the "Sultan Suleiman Shah Division" and paid a financial royalty, and she is still under arbitrary detention.
- On 31, January, 2024, the two sisters, "**Narin** /30/ years old and **Nazlia** /27/ years old, the daughters of **Muhammad Hamo**" with special needs and from the people of the village of "Kurzeleh" - Shirwa, by the militias of the "Sultan Suleiman Shah Division", on charges of relationship with the former Autonomous Administration, were taken to the police station in Afrin, to be released in the middle of last week.
- On 1, February, 2024, the citizens "**Sherzad Fathi Mohammed** /45/ years old and his wife **Rosalyn Kamal Murad** /35/ years old" from the village of "Amoro" - Mobato/Maabtali, by the Azaz police militias, while they were returning from the destination of displacement Aleppo to their area, and they are still under arbitrary detention.
- On 4, February, 2024, the citizen "**Hassan Sheikho Bakr** /60/ years old" from the village of "golyo/Kulian Tahtani" and "**Muhammad Ismat Jamil** /52/ years old" from the village of "golyo/Kulian Fawqani", by the

Turkish intelligence and the militias of the "Military Police in Rajo", on charges of relationship with the former Autonomous Administration, and released them after two days with fines.

= Chaos and Outlaw:

On Tuesday evening, 6, February, 2024, a motorcycle was detonated with an explosive device near the Nowruz roundabout in the city of Afrin, injuring four people, including a child, and causing material damage to some cars and shops near the place of the explosion.



= Other violations:

In the village of "Moroteh", west of Afrin, the militias of "the Hamzat Division" prevent the owners of olive groves from collecting and transporting firewood and the remains of pruning their trees, and even confiscate them for their benefit.

The huge scale of violations and various crimes committed in Afrin cannot be denied, nor are they obscured by lies and formalities, but they are exposed, and the responsibility for them is borne by the Turkish occupation government and those who cooperate with it, the Syrian-Brotherhood Coalition, its interim government and its militias.

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Photos:

- Opening of the "human rights office" of the militias of the "Joint Force of the Sultan Suleiman Shah and Hamzat Divisions".
- "Joint Rights Restoration Committee in Afrin", 3/12/2021.
- Horsh al-Mahmoudiya, northwest of Afrin, before and after the cut.
- Motorcycle explosion, near Nowruz roundabout, downtown Afrin, 6/2/2024.

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