



## Afrin Under Occupation (282):

**A minor killed, a young man and an elderly woman martyred, an elderly woman died of coercion, a minor stabbed with a knife, expansion of the "Basma" settlement village, arrests, clashes, and tree cutting**

*Arabic to English Translation\**

After the exposure of widespread violations and crimes committed in Afrin, and the publication of international human rights and media reports about them, and the increasing tension and condemnation following the murder of the Kurdish young man in Jenderes, Turkey sought to mitigate the impact of the recent event and to portray a positive image of its occupation of the region. Turkey instructed its intelligence agencies to allow all militias not to prevent celebrating the Norouz holiday this year, and messages were circulated promoting "freedom to light fires and celebrations" to the elders and clients through WhatsApp rooms. Despite the Kurds' eagerness to celebrate their holiday, they were not in their usual joy and happiness, and wide sectors of them did not participate in lighting fires and celebrations sponsored by some militias due to the continued injustices against them, the atmosphere of tension, lack of security, and lack of trust in the authorities of the occupation. There were no celebratory manifestations within the city of Afrin, and the seven local councils were distant from the measures taken and did not congratulate the Kurds on their holiday as they cared about "Revolution Day" and congratulated on the arrival of Ramadan.

**Here are the facts about the prevailing conditions:**

**= Killing a minor young man:**

On Wednesday afternoon, March 13, 2024, after being lured to the "Haj Ibrahim" farm on the Tel Salour road south of the city of Jenderes, which was seized by the family of the perpetrator and inhabited since 2018, the accused "Yamen Ahmed Ibrahim" from the Sinjar district - Idlib, slaughtered the Kurdish young man "**Ahmed Khalid Ma'mo/Madeh family /16/ years old**" with ten knife stabs, and threw his body into a water well within the farm; and the "Military Police in Jenderes" militias announced the arrest of the killer.



According to the victim's relatives, his father had fired the killer "Yamen" from his automated bakery about a month ago, and there was no quarrel or hostility between them; moreover, the circumstances of the crime reveal its deliberate commission, premeditation, and planning, and it is likely that more than one person was involved in it.



The killer is an adult and close to the "Nour al-Din al-Zenki" militias, and it is likely that he worked in its ranks as a soldier, and this status was denied to him so that he would not be tried before the military court, where he was transferred to the central prison of "Marateh", and his parents and siblings were hidden in an unknown destination.

The people of Jenderes, Afrin, and the Kurds of Syria in general, both inside and outside, received the news of the killing of the young man "Ahmed" with great sadness and severe condemnation, and thousands of them participated in his funeral and in protest demonstrations in several European cities; and the "Military Police" militias dispersed the protesters after extracting the body of the victim from the well by firing shots in the air and using smoke bombs.

#### = Martyrdom of an Elderly Woman:

On March 9, 2024, the Syrian army and its allies shelled the village of "Kabashin" - Mount Leelon, controlled by the "Sham Legion" militias, shells fell on one of its houses and a small passenger bus, resulting in the martyrdom of the Kurdish elderly woman "Areefa Jemo Haidar, /70/ years old," and the injury of others "Haidar Abdo Haidar, /80/ years old, Jumaa Abdo Haidar son of Haidar, /30/ years old, Areefa daughter of Jumaa Haidar, /9/ years old" with varying injuries.



#### = Martyrdom of a Young Man:

On March 17, 2024, as a result of the Turkish army and its militias shelling the surroundings of the city of Tel Rifaat - north of Aleppo, densely populated with forcibly displaced Afrin residents, the young man "Ali Abdul Rahman Muhammad, /18/ years old" from the village of "Gamrouk" – Mobato/Ma'batli, was martyred, and the citizen "Mohammed Sabri Khalid, /44/ years old" from the village of "Qoubeh/Hammshalik" - Raju, was injured.



#### = Elderly Man's Death Due to Coercion:

After the "Sultan Murad Division" militias informed the elderly man "**Aref Omar Muhammad**, /65/ years old" from the village of "Ashuneh" - Bulbul, of withdrawing his hand from a "grape vineyard" belonging to his forcibly displaced brother, although he had been managing it for six years and paying taxes, he suffered a heart attack and died on March 2, 2024.



#### = Stabbing of a Young Man:

On the evening of Friday, March 15, 2024, a group of youth from the newcomers stabbed the Kurdish minor young man "**Rudi Muhammad Jeqal**, /16/ years old" from the city of Jenderes with a knife in his leg, in the Villas Street - Afrin city, the neighborhood where the "Ahrar al-Sharqiya" militias are active, where the wounded was rushed to a hospital for treatment.



#### = Expansion of the "Basma" Settlement Village:

On March 10, 2024, the "**White Hands Association**" announced the opening of /80/ new residential apartments within the exemplary "**Basma**" settlement village project, where the association announced on September 9, 2023, that it has completed the construction of /30 housing units = 360 apartments/ since the start of building the "Basma" village, and work is still ongoing, funded by the "**Dignified Living Association - Palestine 48**" which has an account with the "Hapoalim" Israeli bank for collecting donations.



### = Arbitrary Arrests:

#### The occupation authorities arrested:

- About a month ago, the citizen "**Abdullah Al-Faraj son of Rashid**, /55/ years old" and his children "**Ahmed, Rashid, Abdul Rahman, Abdo** - a sixth-grade child" from the Arab component/village of "Tel Taweel" - northwest of Afrin city, by the Turkish intelligence and the militias of "the Military Police in Afrin", on charges of relations with the former autonomous-administration, and they are still under arbitrary detention; the militias also seized "a car, a tractor, a cultivator, and two motorcycles" belonging to the family.

- On March 20, 2024, the citizen "**Shahin Safar Sido**, /45/ years old" from the village of "Kousa/Kousanli", was arrested under the pretext of a quarrel between his children and the children of one of the newcomers at the village's school, and due to his failure to hand over the olive oil tax to the person in charge of the village from the "Sham Legion" militias, he was taken to the Bulbul sub-district center.

### = Chaos and Lawlessness:

On the evening of March 22, 2024, clashes occurred between two armed groups from the "Sultan Suleiman Shah Brigade - the Amshat" militias, due to a dispute over the distribution of houses in the "Al-Amal/Hope 2" settlement housing project/Mount Terendeh, the site of the northern entrance to the "Goubaleh" farm belonging to the village of "Jilberah" - Roubarya, resulting in the killing of one member and the injury of three others.

### = Other Violations:

On March 14, 2024, newcomers from the town of "Anjara" - western rural Aleppo, cut down /8/ walnut trees aged over /25/ years, belonging to the citizen "Najib Nuri" - the village of "Gawruko" - Jenderes, controlled by the "Hamzat Division" militias, in order to exploit and trade.

The series of knife stabbing crimes against young Kurdish people within less than a month reveals the level of hatred and black resentment spread among the Turkish occupation forces and their Syrian militias and their social incubator, aiming to shock the Kurds on racial grounds, in order to displace its children and humiliate them.

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## Images:

- The martyr, the young Kurdish minor "Ahmed Khalid Ma'mo/Madah Family", Jenderes, March 13, 2024.
- The killer "Yamen Ahmed Ibrahim".
- Bombing of the village of "Kabashin" - Mount Leelon, the martyr, the elderly Kurdish woman "Areefa Jemo Haidar", and the injured "Haidar Abdo Haidar, Areefa Jumaa Haidar".
- The martyr, the young Kurdish man "Ali Abdul Rahman Muhammad", Tel Rifaat, March 17, 2024.
- The injured "Mohammed Sabri Khalid", Tel Rifaat, March 17, 2024.
- The deceased elderly "Aref Omar Muhammad".
- The minor injured "Rudi Muhammad Jeqal", March 15, 2024.
- Expansion of the exemplary settlement village "Basma", "opening of /80/ residential apartments", March 10, 2024.

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