



Shelling... Raiding... Massacre Systematic Policy of the Syrian Government (Yalda Town Massacre in Rif Dimashq)

Documentation and statement of condemnation of Yalda town massacre in Rif Dimashq that mounts to a crime against humanity:

Yalda town is located in Rif Dimashq in Ghouta, south of the town is the town of Hajeira and east of it Babeila, north of it Al Zahera as for the west it's Al Yarouk Camp, with a population of over 150,000.

On Sunday August 5, 2012, great numbers of government forces (army, security forces, local and foreign Shiites militias) surrounded the town of Yalda with tanks and armed vehicle, and started random shelling on the town for seven days straight, in which many were wounded as also many others were killed in addition to the destruction of many residential buildings, the next step was the raid over the town backed by T82 tanks from 3 ways on Sunday August 12, 2012 the raid continued for two days Sunday and Monday August 13, 2012.

The raids and execution operations comes through as a systematic policy of the Syrian government and regime to spread terror and fear in a certain town so they won't protest anymore, and then move to another town and commit the same crimes against humanity.

One of the residents informed us that on Tuesday four young men who escaped from town tried to get back to recover the bodies of the victims specifically in front of Imam Al Shafei'e Mosque but they found a government forces vehicle that opened fire on them killing one of them as they escaped with a driver who was later killed after government forces pursuit of him and capturing him.

The massacre victims were 67 civilians from the town and some of the Free Syrian Army soldiers we couldn't document due to the difficulty of identifying them. SNHR managed to document 44 names through communicating with their families,





relatives, and friends, and some activists, there was 23 body that we were unable to document and we have videos of their bodies and none of whom we contacted through the last few weeks managed to identify them as the bodies were completely burned and some of the bodies turned to pieces some of them were Palestinians from Al Masri family that live in Yalda.

- 1-Omar Al Buqa'ei
- 2-Hasan Al Asheq
- 3-Ali Al Masri
- 4-Adnan Al Buqa'ei
- 5-Mustapha Younes
- 6-Osama Abu Omar
- 7-Ibrahim Tayara
- 8-Saleh Muslim Tayara
- 9-Mahmoud Saad (Abu Haitham)
- 10-Nour Qasem Suliman
- 11-Ahmad Al Esh
- 12-Mohammad Al Esh
- 13-Wael Marawi (Abu Radwan)
- 14-Moran Ahmad Al Orabi
- 15-Mohammad Ahmad Saleh
- 16-Nidal Ammar Bakour
- 17-Mohammad Ahmad Karman
- 18-Mohammad Habash
- 19-Ahmoud Musa - Executed by government forces
- 20-Musa Musa - Executed by government forces
- 21-Eisa Musa - Executed by government forces
- 22-Mamdouh Musa- Executed by government forces
- 23-Hamdi Musa - Executed by government forces
- 24-Salem Musa - Executed by government forces
- 25-Adnan Musa - Executed by government forces
- 26-Jamal Sbainati - Executed by government forces
- 27-Yasser Mustapha Naji - Executed by government forces
- 28-Tayara (retarded person) - Executed by government forces
- 29-Ahmad Al Majdalawi - Executed by government forces
- 30-Abdul Karim Younes
- 31-Ibrahim A Seidi- Executed by government forces
- 32-Abdul Salam Sbainati (Abu Adnan) - Executed by government forces

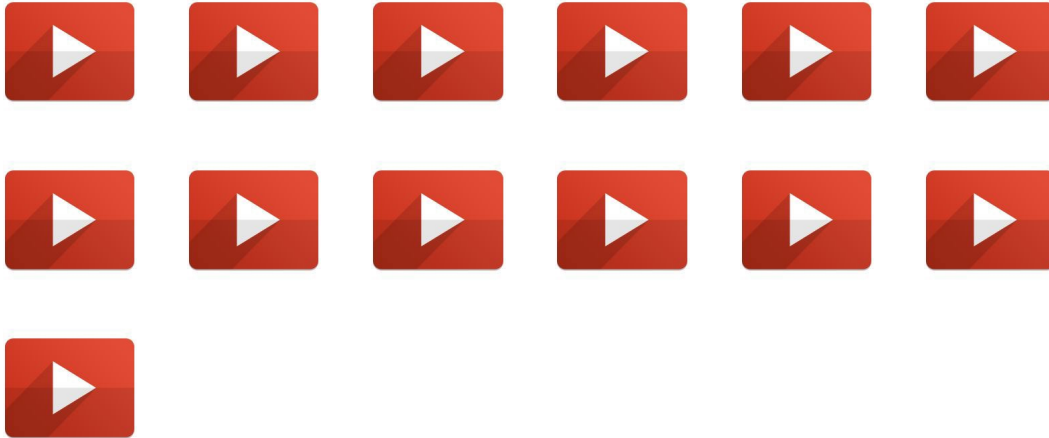




33-Mohammad Al Buqa'ei (Abu Ali) - Executed by government forces

34-Mohammad Fawaz Ismael- Executed by government forces

Videos that document 23 victims, SNHR was unable to identify their names, and as of this writing, were unable to have a field visit due to the military blockade on the area and the difficulty of reaching it.



Attachments:

First: Victims and wounded

Victim Yasser Mustafa Najib



Mustafa Younes wounded by a sniper near Saif Mosque



Osama Omar targeted by sniper





Image and video of Mohammad Habash after he was shot by a sniper



Saleh Msalam Tayara



Jawdat al Jundi executed at his home



Mahmoud Saad (Abo Haytham) his body recovered from under the rubble



Khalil Sbainati (Abo al Fouz)



Adnan al Buqa'ei filed executed





Laying some of the field executed victims in graves and the assault on it



Mohammad Ammar Munir al Masri

Defected First Assistant Mohammad Ahmad Karman

Khaled Khadrawi

Mr. Ibrahim al Saidi, Palestinian-Syrian from al Maghareba neighborhood in al Yarmouk Camp, field executed

Mustafa Naji died as he was pulling a body of a victim

Abdul Salam Sbainati

Wael Me'rawi (Abo Radwan)

Ahmad al Esh, 16 years old, and Mohammad al Esh, 36 years old, executed in their home

unidentified victims

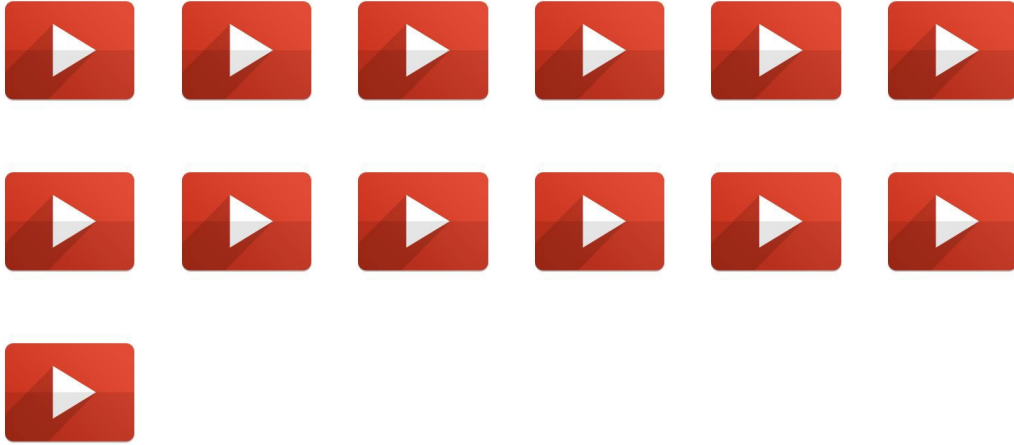


Bodies of groups





Second: shelling and destruction from the military campaign on the town:



Here at SNHR as a human rights organization that concerned with defending human rights we firmly condemn this horrific massacre that is a crime against humanity with all the massacres that the Syrian people have suffered around the clock as well and we hold the Syrian government along with the Army Commanding Chief Bashar Al Assad fully and completely responsible for the massacre and its consequences and reactions, also Iran, Russia and Hezbollah are also held responsible for the ongoing killing and supplying the Syrian government with weapons and money, as we also ask the Security Council and United Nations to work in full speed to do what can be done to protect the civilians in Syria, and to shoulder its morale and legal responsibility and speed up the steps against all involved in these massacres to the International Criminal Court.

