

Kurds Participated in Both WWI Genocide and the Simele Massacre

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Individuals who work with foreign officials to issue resolutions that do not tell the whole truth about tragedies that befell upon the Assyrians, such as Simele massacres or the Assyrian genocide must understand that they are morally liable to tell the whole truth about that history and not tell half of the truth. Those who hide the truth when it comes to the perpetrators of WWI Assyrian genocide or 1933 Simele massacre must face the wrath of the Assyrian people.

Just because the leaders of the Assyrian churches or certain political groups are on friendly terms with the Kurdish authorities in northern Iraq does not mean that the members of those church congregations have the authority to corrupt the Assyrian history or are entitled to issue a non-guilty verdict against the Kurds who were the principle perpetrators of the Assyrian genocide and who participated in certain capacities in the Simele massacre. History tells us that many Kurdish tribes participated in the looting of the Assyrian villages in northern Iraq during the Simele massacre. In fact, many of those Kurdish tribes are still illegally occupying those Assyrian lands and homes. Furthermore, Kurdish General Bekir Sidqi was the leader of the Iraqi army that committed that massacre.

Individual Assyrians neither have the right nor the permission from the people to corrupt the Assyrian history or tell half the truth to the world. Assyrians must not allow the Kurds get away with murder in both WWI Assyrian genocide and Simele massacre just because few leaders of the Assyrian churches or political groups are friendly with the Kurdish leaders or because the Kurdish authorities built few churches. The memory of our martyrs must be honored by telling their stories faithfully and accurately.

