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670 Shia Prisoners Killed in Mosul

The United Nations states they have evidence that ISIS has killed 670 Shia inmates from a Mosul prison. According to The Guardian, ISIS fighters sorted inmates based on their faith, asking Sunnis to recite prayer and identify their backgrounds. They then took the Shia prisoners to some desert like area, placed them in four rows, and shot them as they kneeled. Some survived by playing dead and reported the story to the UN.

This massacre that took place in June 2014 was strongly condemned by Navi Pillay, the UN high commissioner for human rights. Earlier ISIS forced women to engage in sexual relationship with fighters as they destroyed Shia properties and killed thier residences.

Welcome Fall Interns

SRW would like to congratulate and welcome two selected interns for Fall 2014. **Valerie Teachout** and **Seyma Akyol** are joining us to help protect Shia rights by advocacy and research. Valerie is student at University of South Florida, majoring in International Studies and Religious Studies. Seyma has BA in Human Rights and Justice and MA in Ethic, Peace and Global Affaires from American University. SRW wish Valerie and Seyma all the best and look forward to having productive semester in Washington DC.

Kuwaiti Government Must Explain its Involvement in Funding Terror

Shafi Al-Ajmi's lawyer claims he has documents that prove his client's actions were done under knowledge and approval from the Kuwaiti government. As SRW reported last week, the U.S. Department of the Treasury imposed sanctions on Al-Ajmi under Executive Order (E.O.) 13224 as of August 6th, 2014.

Treasury.gov stated "Al-Ajmi operates regular social media campaigns seeking donations for Syrian fighters and is one of the most active Kuwaiti fundraisers for ANF. In July 2014, he publicly admitted that he collected money under the auspices of charity and delivered the funds in person to ANF. Al-Ajmi also acknowledged purchasing and smuggling arms on behalf of ANF". Al-Ajmi is responsible for the slaughter of many Shia families in Syria by founding and encouraging Anti-Shiism. Defenddemocracy.org also reported "The latter al-Ajmi has implied that he supports slaughtering captured Shi'ite fighters, women, and children in Syria and had his preacher's license suspended in August for radical invective on Syria and Egypt"

Muhammad bin Nasir, the lawyer of Shafi Al-Ajmi claimed his client operated under the full knowledge of the government. His claim came after the arrest of his clients by the Kuwaiti authorities. If bin Nasir publicized his claim, the Kuwaiti must explain thier support for terrorist groups through Al-Ajmi and other like him.

As SRW has always emphasized, clerics in Islamic Nations are employees of their governments and the local authorities must be held responsible when such employees call for slaughter of minorities or engage in founding terrorist groups.

The case of Al-Ajmi is yet another example and must be taken seriously.

All clerics who call for hatred are representatives of their governments and therefore Kuwait is responsible for the same crime as Al-Ajmi and must be punished in international human rights court.