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✓ An introduction of Balochistan Human Rights Group (BHRG)

Balochistan Human Rights Group (BHRG) is independent and non-profit human rights None Govenmental Organization (NGO), that works on providing information to fill the gaps cause by the lack of independent media in Balochistan through investigation, effective communication and gathering reliable documents.

BHRG provides relevant, verified and up-to date information regarding the human rights situation in Western Balochistan.

✓ Protest Against Missile Strikes in Zahedan: 17 Lives Lost in Balochistan Border Attacks

On January 19, 2024, following the Balochistan Rain Missile launched by the Revolutionary Guards and the Pakistani army into Balochistan, Baloch citizens in Zahedan protested against the Islamic Republic of Iran and Pakistan, chanting slogans against these governments.

Protesters chanted slogans such as "Death to Khamenei," "Death to Pakistan," "No to the genocide of Baloch people," and "The IRGC is our ISIS." They condemned the Balochistan missile strikes on both sides of the border.

It is worth noting that as a result of the missile attacks by the Revolutionary Guards and the Pakistani army on various points on both sides of the Balochistan border, at least seventeen Baloch citizens, including children and women, were killed.

√ Fuel Carriers (Sokhtbar)

Since the beginning of the new year, at least 33 Baloch fuel carriers, have been killed or injured.

In the Islamic Republic of Iran, unlike many other countries where military forces have specific duties, there is a lack of specialized military departments. Any military force can intervene in any matter, and individuals from these forces are not subject to trial for offenses such as direct firing of live ammunition at civilians (fuel carriers) which contradicts the constitutional law of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Moreover, a significant number of these military personnel engage in extortion, often resorting to shooting individuals, leading to incidents such as vehicle fires or bullet wounds, without facing legal consequences.

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✓ Executions

In January, at least five Baloch prisoners have been executed in various cities across Iran

- Masuod Rigi, 24 years old
- Hossein Gorgij, 23 years old from Zahedan
- Two undocumented brothers, Aref Es'hagh Zahi and Asef Es'hagh Zahi.

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✓ Illegal arrests of Baloch citizens

In the month of January at least 16 Baloch citizens have been detained by security forces and taken to undisclosed locations. Among them is a Baloch artist named Wasim Baloch, and three individuals who are associated with the Security of Makki Mosque. Four of the detainees were participants in the protests against Pakistan's missile attack on Balochistan. Their whereabouts remain unknown.

✓ Demolishing homes of Baloch citizens

On January 21, 2024 the demolition of six residential homes in Ahmadabad and Ramin Chabahar was ordered and executed by the Housing Foundation, law enforcement, and the deputy prosecutor. Additionally, on January 29, a house in Zahedan, 8 km away, was destroyed by housing and urban development forces without a court order. These citizens who engaged in livestock farming and agriculture for years, now face displacement as the Housing and Urban Development Organization is planning to designate their lands as national property.

✓ Assassination of Baloch Sunni imam (Molavi)

A Baloch Sunni Molavi in Zahedan was assassinated on January 24, 2024, by unidentified armed individuals, according to the BHRG. The victim, identified as Molavi Mohammad Bakhsh Rasouli Zadeh, also known as "Abdulqadir Zarozehi," lost his life in the attack.

✓ Fatal Confrontation and Losses in Bampour

On Monday, January 8th, as a result of an armed raid and confrontation between military forces and residents of a home in the village of Beheshtabad, Bam-Pour County, one individual named "Akram Zein-al-Dini (Naroui)" was killed, and four individuals, including three women, were injured.

The identity of the deceased citizen is mentioned as approximately 37 years old, son of Dost Mohammad (Kangi). The injured individuals are identified as Razieh Naroui, 18 year old, daughter of Lal Bakhsh, Amina Zein-al-Dini (Naroui), 32 year old, daughter of Khodadad, Khairgol Zein-al-Dini (Naroui), 78 year old, and Abubakr Zein-al-Dini, son of Mehrab. and, Two Baloch citizens, Khair Mohammad Naroui from the Chah Hashem valley and Tajourehi son of Salar, who lost their lives on January 12 in Hasanabad, Dalgan County.

√ Iranian Border Mine Explosion Claims Five Lives

On January 29, 2024, five individuals lost their lives or sustained injuries due to a mine explosion at the border in Saravan. The explosion, attributed to the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), resulted in the death of three people, including an eleven-year-old boy named Taha Reisi. Two others were injured and transported to medical facilities. It is worth noting that on August 13, 2019, the IRGC's mine placement in the Kalagan region led to the death and injury of two Baloch citizens, including one identified as Elhaddad Reisi, son of Shirmohammad.

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