

Demographic change by the Turkish state in North-East Syria

Introduction

First of all, we need to know the meaning of "Demographic Change". It is the transformation from one situation to another, that takes place in organization or construction, therefore, it is one of the social sciences, which deals with the issues, problems and changes of human society. As well, it concerns the issues of population and growth factors, in addition to their qualitative and quantitative balance. Its concepts are influenced by the economic, social and political transformations experienced by modern human societies. It also includes the measurement of certain characteristics of the population, such as, the number of the population and their distribution by type of work, industry and settlement, as well as, by political, religious and national affiliation.

In the past period of time in Syria, specifically from 1965 to 1976, (Sunni Arab) groups were settled in the northern region along the Syrian-Turkish border with length 275 kilometers, and 15 kilometers a maximum depth, as part of the policy of the Syrian Baath Party government.

In the 1970s, Kurdish peasant areas in the northern Syria were subjected to demographic change, as well, their agricultural lands were plundered by the Syrian regime, in order to give them to (Sunni Arab) citizens. The aim of that was to remove the Kurds from the Turkish-Syrian border and form an Arab human "belt" there. There was a study called for (the establishment of collective farms for Arabs) inhabited in the northern areas by the Syrian state, and that these farms trained and armed militarily, such as Jewish colonies on the border completely.

For the Turkish regime, headed by Regep Tayyip Erdogan, started its plans after the the crisis in Syria broken out by embracing the terrorist organizations (Daesh - Jabhat al-Nusra and the so-called Free Army). The Turkish regime, under the orders of "Erdogan" provided these organizations with shelters and money. It also trained them on weapons and provided them with passports to cross the Syrian border, to fight the Syrian people in the most heinous ways prohibited internationally. The scheme began as drawn by "Regep Tayyip Erdogan" in the areas of (al-Bab - Jarablus - Izaz). The result with gradually, they did the following:

- Occupation part of North-West of Syria.
- Killing and slaughtering civilians, children, women and elders in the most horrible ways.
- Theft and looting of private properties and rape the civilians.
- Providing the armed terrorist factions mentioned above with Turkish identities.

- Settling the families of the pro-Turkish terrorist factions in North-West of Syria.

Recently, in 19-1-2018, Regep Tayyip Erdogan continued his occupation policy by seizing more land, and invaded Afrin in that geographical spot in the far North-West of Syria. As usual, Afrin did not escape the oppression of terrorism and its hostile actions against the Syrian components. (Kurds, Arabs, Turkmen and Christians). "Erdogan" regime with its terrorist jihadist factions occupied the city after a fierce confrontation by the YPG and YPJ for more than two consecutive months. They did in "Afrin" city the same policy and the same demographic change in Region. The kidnappings, for example, forced some abductees who paid a ransom to leave Afrin and go to Manbej city or east of the Euphrates, that caused the displaced from Ghouta, Homs and Daraa to stay in Afrin region, as a Turkish plan aimed to permanently resettling them, which contributed to changing the national demographics of Afrin in favor of Arabs and Turkmen, not Kurds.

As for the areas in the North-East of the Euphrates, which were administered by the Democratic Self-Administration, where they embrace all the components of the Syrian people living in that region with peace, security and coexistence Those areas were also in the plans of "Erdogan" who aimed to kill the Syrian people, especially the Kurds, for changing the demographic of the areas on the border. He has always threatened and declared his invasion of the eastern Euphrates region and pursued his oppressive policy as before.

In 9 - October - 2019, the Turkish regime and the terrorist factions loyal to them began to invade all areas east of the Euphrates, starting from the city of Malikiyah (Derik) along the border to reach west of (Kobani) city. The Turkish occupation army bombed the houses and villages of unarmed civilians with heavy aircraft and artillery, in the same time of their terrorist jihadist factions cross the roads in front of civilian cars from Hasaka to Kobani city. The head of the Future Party "Hevrin Khalaf" has executed in 12-10-2019. This video shows execution of "Hefren" by terrorist armed factions:

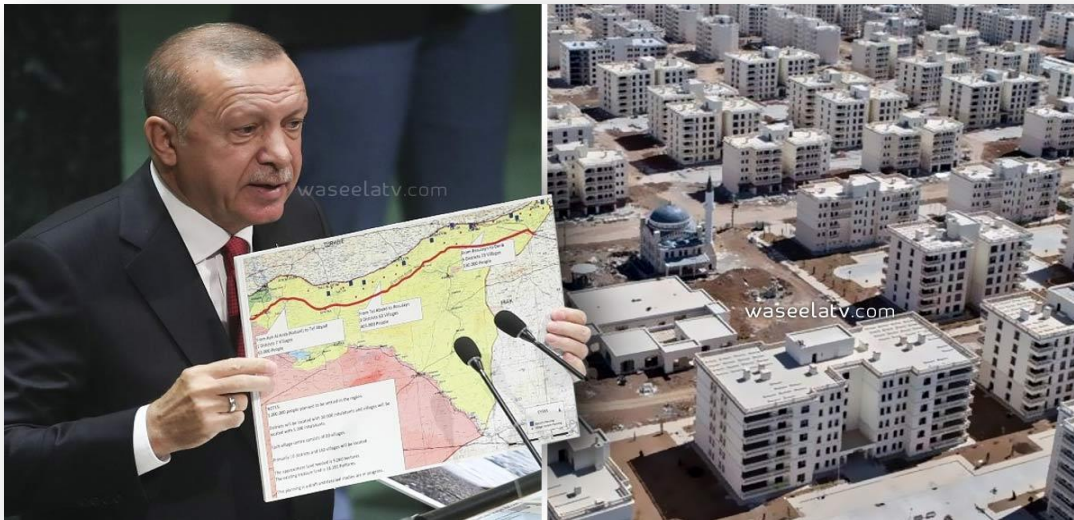
<https://youtu.be/IUGviS5WxuQ>

It is worth mentioning, that the regions in northern Syria enable the components and the political leadership there to overcome the consequences of violence, chaos and conflict on the ground. With a short period of time, they formulated a social contract based on the philosophy of coexistence, starting from the smallest unit of society (family) to the largest one which is the administrative and political system formed.

Some people wonder how this societal project succeeded, and how the Kurds, Arabs, Syrians and other components were able to impose their will on all attempts to fight and clash in light of the ongoing conflict. During the past years, there were no stability and security in many areas in

North-East Syria because of the terrorist attacks, but its people, with the support of all components, have been able to liberate and restore life with a spirit of coexistence and brotherhood among all its inhabitants, and to establish an administrative system (Democratic Self-Administration) from the heart of this inclusive culture of the North-East Syria.

Erdogan's plan to build 200,000 homes and resettle refugees in North-East Syria



Default Model of "Safe Zone", Source (Syria Noor)

The Turkish newspaper (Daily Sabah) has revealed that Erdogan plans to change the demographic of the region, saying that two million Syrians will be resettled in 200,000 homes to be built in the so-called "Safe Zone" in North-East Syria, at a cost of up to 27 billion euros. According to the source, the Turkish occupation plan to change the demographic of the region is as follows:

- Construction of 140 villages with a capacity of up to 5,000 people each.
- Establishment of 10 central towns with a population of 30,000 each.
- Each village will have houses of 100 square meters each.
- Each village will have 1000 houses, two mosques, two schools, a youth center and a gym.

Seemingly, in the latest trick designed to encourage refugees who are not from this region to believe that the Turkish government will provide them with better housing than most Turks, and therefore "Erdogan" put forward the idea of implementing its occupation program for the purpose of demographic change in northern Syria as its previous policy. In calling it a "safe zone," Turkey

says its security concerns give it the right to cut off part of Syria, just as Hitler, German Nazi leader, did; as much as possible seizes the territories of other countries to impose his hegemony over the region.

The president of the AKP and the ruler of Turkey, with his occupation authority he has been exercising for years, talks about "Safe Zone". Now, the refugee housing program, according to his statements, is the largest demographic change of its kind in history. This plan primarily means that Turkey cut itself a piece of land from another country "Syria", as it did before that seen by the eyes of the whole world. Till now, it still continues in its expansionist policy.

Most of the refugees currently residing in Turkey are from areas such as (Aleppo, Jarablus, Idlib). Turkey does not want them to return to areas close to their former villages and towns, but rather resettle them in North-East Syria, to continue the policy of Turkmenisation towards the components of the Syrian people.

This Turkish project, described as "settlements", is a possibility that Turkey may seek to imitate Israel's policies in al-Golan and Difa al-Garbia, with the exception of expanding it with more ambition and speed.

Turkey, like Israel, believes that part of Syria should be seized in order to create a "Safe Zone" as Israel views the Golan, but unlike Israel, Turkey hopes to move between one and two million people to that area in Syria quickly without any International ramifications, and get international support for the implementation the project, as "Erdogan" says.

The US rapprochement, which coordinated with Turkey and the Syrian Democratic Forces to conduct joint patrols between the (US and Turkish army), and the fact that Turkey envisions a safe zone housing one million residents in the region, will be forced the United States and its partners on the ground to evacuate, in order to make room for the new Ottoman regime.

Demographic change with returning the families of terrorist factions and daesh to the region



Through the "Turkish invasion" with its pro - terrorist factions, which began on Wednesday, 09-10-2019 in North-East Syria, it is noticed that Turkey interested in the areas liberated by the Syrian Democratic Forces "QSD" from the extremist organization "daesh".

Turkish army planes and artillery launched a large-scale attack on the SDF's control areas in North-East Syria, where there are thousands of daesh members and leaders in prisons, in addition to tens of thousands of their families in camps in those areas.

Since the beginning of the Turkish invasion, in order from the President of the State, "Erdogan," it is noticed that the Turkish occupation army specifically targeting towns and cities in different areas, which was controlled by "daesh" terrorist organization before, which means that those areas have moved from "daesh terrorism" to aggression and invasion of Turkey.

According to the information, the targets of the Turkish regime are specifically on Ras al-Ein city (Sri Kaneyh), Tal Abyad (Kre Spey), Qamishlo and Kobani, as well as, the villages on the entire border strip in North-East Syria, which is more than 450 kilometers.

Reports indicate, that these areas targeted by the Turkish occupation in which the Syrian Democratic Forces with the YPG and YPJ, consisting of all the components of the region, made a great sacrifice (11 thousand of martyrs), in order to liberate those areas from the hands of the terrorist organization "daesh", in cooperation with International Coalition and the United States of America.

After all the success achieved by the (Syrian Democratic Forces), in the elimination of the terrorist organization "daesh" and imprisoned a large number of them, they face and resist the planes and guns of the Turkish state today (the second country in terms of military force in "NATO"). This raises fears that the terrorist "daesh" will re-emerge.

Mustafa Bali, a spokesman of the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), warned earlier: "There is more work to be done for preventing daesh from returning, and to maintain the achievements in this field". During the Turkish attack on the area, some daesh members have taken advantage of these military operations to carry out terrorist operations or escape from prisons, as in the following video, at the moment of the Turkish occupation bombing of Jerkin prison in Qamishlo city, in "Himo" village, in 11.10.2019:

<https://www.facebook.com/594011770651150/posts/2667980593254247/>

Also, in Ein Issa, where some of daesh families fled the camp, after they set fire in the camp, according to the following video:

<https://www.facebook.com/alyaumch/videos/2435726643364147/>

As well, in this video prepared by Al Arabiya, the ideas and plans of the members of daesh are shown in the following video:

<https://www.facebook.com/588565647885123/posts/3140446792696983/>

The Turkish President, Erdogan, in front of the world and in the presence of many international media, continues his occupation policy with carelessness about US or European sanctions or statements. The director of the Syrian Observatory, Sami Abdul Rahman, said that 69 civilians were martyred in Turkish artillery and field executions carried out by Turkish forces and their loyalist factions. There are 120 wounded civilians. The humanitarian situation is disastrous. The number of displaced people increased to more than 250 thousand. The US forces have not only abandoned (Syrian Democratic Forces), but also civilians who were sheltering. The situation of the displaced is very bad, and some of them do not even find milk ...).

People of Ras al-Ein city displaced as a result of shelling their city, north-east of Al-Hasakah,



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In the framework of its systematic work to clear the North-East Syria from its population to change its demography, the Turkish occupation army directly targeted on Sunday, 13-10-2019 a convoy of civilians from North-East Syria, who had gone to Ras al-Ein city (Sari Kaneyh), to express their rejection of the invasion. Tens of civilians were killed and wounded, including video after the convoy was targeted:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=33&v=Yq98TUFFJNM

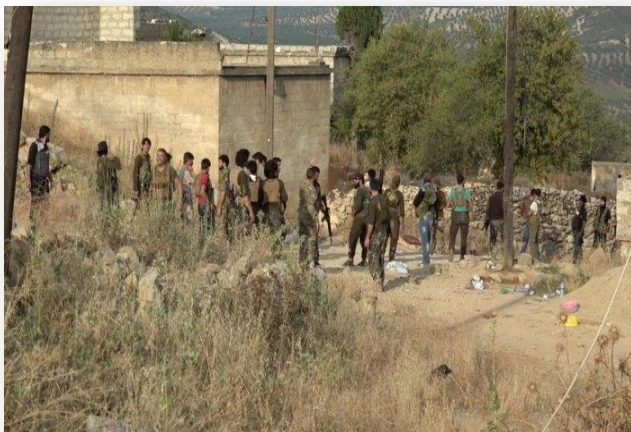
<https://business.facebook.com/syriahro/videos/886313548436637/>

It is worth mentioning that the convoy was accompanied by several journalists from the media and by the protection of members of the (internal security forces "Asayish"), where they were targeted directly and brutally reflects what the Turkish regime really plans and reveals its intentions the real thing that is the extermination of the Kurdish people, to continue the project of change the demography of the areas.



People of Sari Kaneyh (Ras al-Ein) have been displaced from their homes

The Syrian Democratic Forces has warned that the war with Turkey would force it to redistribute the fighters on the front lines to defend their land and honor. In addition, it will divert its attention from the battles against daesh, and also pointed out the possibility of the escape of approximately 11,000 daesh members who are in the prisons of (SDF) in case of any disturbance.



Picture of the terrorist members of the "Mu'tasim Brigade"

In a new scene of demographic change being carried out by the Turkish state, the Syrian

Observatory for Human Rights has known that the Al-Mu'tasim Brigade involved in the so-called "spring of peace" operation, committed a series of violations in Sari Kaneyh city (Ras al-Ein). Members of the terrorist group of al-Mu'tasim Brigade seize the houses of citizens and written statements were



seen on the doors of the houses (reserved), as evidence for the rest of the factions, so as not to fall into the problems of sharing the spoils, such as the "Shamia Front", which made the homes with no citizens and stole their property in Cri Spey (Tal Abyad). There were houses belonging to families of the Armenian and Christian, which were written on the houses (reserved for the Shamia Front), including houses in Shallal neighborhood in the center of Cri Spey (Tal Abyad) for "Abu Anty", and in the Armenian neighborhood for "Alexan", "Pankin" and others. The Syrian Observatory published on November 2 this year an audio recording obtained by a member of the pro-Turkish factions about the looting of the homes of citizens in the areas that had been subjected to it, Says: " We are talking about an army that calls itself (patriotic), but is far from patriotism. It was called Free Army, and it is also far from freedom. We are talking about a battle, and therefore the defense minister should have spoken with the Turkish ally to clarify some points, including the prisoners of the battle that should be prisoners of the Free Army, and the ally is not allowed to interfere. In this case, it is kind of mercenaries, who fights for money and a mercenary who fights for theft of his family and call it spoils).

https://youtu.be/NCDzsdxs_Kc

Conclusion

Forced Displacement is also defined by the International law as the unlawful eviction of a group of individuals and residents from the land, that makes it consider as the war crime, genocide and crime against humanity. All of that are carried out by the Turkish occupation army in cooperation with terrorist factions loyal to it.

According to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court, deportation or forced displacement of the population, when committed as part of a widespread or systematic attack directed against any civilian population, constitutes a crime against humanity. Article 49 of the Fourth Geneva Convention of 1949 prohibits the forced or mass transfer of persons, or their exile from their areas of residence to other lands, unless this is in their interest in order to avoid the risk of armed conflict.

The Turkish occupation army went along with the terrorist factions loyal to it, in order to withdraw from the security mechanism drawn up by the agreement and was implemented by the (Syrian Democratic Forces) between (Tal Abyad and Ras al-Ein).

Turkish aggressive intentions and attempts to occupy new areas since the announcement of combat operations in North-Eastern Syria with the aim of displacing its indigenous inhabitants from the region and housing its mercenary families from various Syrian provinces, seeking to change demography and control the fate of refugees in returning (Ottoman project). And (Milli Charter), in addition to the continuing extortion through the Syrian tragedy.

As we mentioned before, the Turkish occupation has launched attacks on a number of safe villages, shelling border cities using artillery and warplanes, and inciting the sleeping cells he planted since the uprising of "daesh" in the region, causing a lot of destruction with tens of civilian martyrs and hundreds Wounded, as well, the displacement of hundreds of thousands of the citizens from their cities and villages as a result of indiscriminate Turkish shelling of populated neighborhoods and villages, taking advantage of international emergency conditions and the failure of the international community.

Therefore, everyone must stand firmly against all the demographic change operations carried out by the Turkish regime, especially those that have affected the areas of (Afrin - Bab - Jarablus and Izaz), and now in the areas of North-East Syria, especially (Tal Abyad and Ras Al-Ein). The international community and international organizations should take serious action on these moves and the invasion by the Turkish state, which began with the occupation of Syrian territory, changing its demographic structure, and its excesses that have affected the properties of the Syrian people, as happened and still happens in the Syrian Afrin city.

After the Turkish state occupied the areas between the cities of Sari Kaneyh (Ras al-Ein) to Cri Spey (Tal Abyad) in North-East Syria, and after forcibly displaced more than 300,000 civilians from their cities, villages and towns, in addition, destroying houses, hospitals and infrastructure, the Turkish state is trying today to bring residents of non-mentioned areas resettle there, in coordination with the United Nations, to achieve purely political objectives, and thus this action will be aimed to changing the identity of the region by all means and demographic change under the pretext of the return of refugees, allegedly "Regep Tayyip Erdogan."

In the end, the silence of the United Nations on these practices encourages the Turkish state to continue its aggression and racist projects, and this will neither serve the future of Syria nor the role of the United Nations in achieving peace and security, where there is still hope from international institutions, especially the United Nations to condemn this aggression and pressure on Turkey to withdraw from the territories it has occupied and to stop these immoral and illegal abuses which are totally incompatible with all international charters and covenants.

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