

MANIFESTO TO THE ATTENTION OF ARMENIANS FROM WESTERN ARMENIA

The Armenian National Council requests Armenians, everywhere in the world, expatriates and descendants of the Genocide survivors, to fill out and sign this manifesto to the attention of the High Commission for Human Rights of the United Nations, in order to claim officially our most elementary and fundamental rights to existence and self-determination, and to send it within the shortest possible time to the address mentioned below (*) ;

The whole file, supported by your signed declaration, will be transmitted in the following terms :

In accordance with Article 1 and Article 55 of the Charter of the United Nations,

In accordance with the sentence of the Permanent People's Tribunal,

In accordance with the united will of the Armenian nation from Western Armenia expatriated for 90 years,

Considering that the exercise of the right to self-determination must be the core of a reconciliation process and that the creative energies of the international community must be combined in order to establish Western Armenia in a peaceful area,

As stated in Article 5 of the Universal Declaration of the Peoples' Rights adopted in Algiers on July 4th 1976 :

EACH PEOPLE HAS AN IMPRESCRIPTIBLE AND INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION. IT DETERMINES ITS STATUS IN COMPLETE FREEDOM WITHOUT ANY EXTERNAL FOREIGN INTERFERENCE.

After the right to exist (Article 1) there is no more fundamental right than the right to self-determination.

In fact, this is only through the exercise of such right that all other peoples'rights can be exercised, the right to the respect of the national and cultural identity (article 2), the right to the peaceful possession of its territory (article 31), the right to free itself from any colonial or foreign domination (article 6), the exclusive right on the natural resources and wealths (article 8), the right to choose its own social and economic system (article 11).

We, Armenians from Western Armenia, are systematically deprived of our fundamental rights and of all other rights, further to the Treaty of Lausanne (1923), because of the denial of our existence and the deprivation of our right to self-determination.

In order to stop definitively any racial discrimination against Armenians from Western Armenia, to be protected and to protect by the international laws our identity, our history, our language, our culture and the future of our children ;

The National Council of Armenians from Western Armenia requests, Madam High Commissioner of the United Nations, to allow the Armenians from Western Armenia having undergone a genocide recognized by the Permanent People's Tribunal (1984), to have access to all these fundamental and elementary rights, to the imprescriptible and inalienable right to self-determination, through a formal recognition by the General Assembly of the United Nations.

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(Read and approved)

Date et signature :

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