

# PROTEST AGAINST TURKEY'S ATTACK ON KESSAB

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Al-Qaida acted as Ankara's gun—an extension of the Turkish government's racist ideology and policy. The Kessab attack was not the first Turkish attempt to dislodge Armenians from northern Syria. In the past year there have been verified reports of attacks on Aleppo Armenian neighborhoods which were directed by Turkish officers disguised as Al-Qaida or some other terrorist organization member.

It's no secret that Al-Qaida and etc. are trained and armed just across the border in Turkey. They are also provided with communication equipment and intelligence data by the Turkish intelligence. When they are injured, Al-Qaida return to Turkey for medical care. Furthermore, practically all the North African, "European" and "North American" Jihadists who travel to Syria do so through Turkey.

In the past few years Ankara has literally gotten away with murder in its intrusion and interference in the domestic affairs of more than half-a-dozen countries in the region. It has even brazenly promised the return of Ottomanism to the disbelieving Arabs. Parading as a moderate Islamic government with western values, Ankara has become the number one terrorist entity in the Middle

East. Considering the long list of recent domestic scandals, corruption, and terrorism in Turkey, the only question is whether Turkey is importing or exporting these criminal acts and conspiracies.

The Turkey-guided terrorist invasion of Kessab should not stand. Armenians should raise their voices and tell Ankara--in a loud voice--that we will make sure the world condemns Turkey's murderous designs specifically on Kessab Armenians and on the Armenian nation in general. One of the most effective and peaceful ways of doing so is by putting diplomatic pressure on Erdogan and his despicable gang. Write to your political representatives and demand that respective governments condemn Turkey's recent outrage. Alternately, sign the below petitions initiated by Toronto-area federal Member of Parliament Jim Karygiannis and ANCC, and participate in the protest march scheduled for Thursday, April 3, 2014.



### **Petition in support of Syrian Armenian community of Kessab**

Dear Friend,

Canadian MP Jim Karygiannis has issued a letter to Canadian Prime Minister about the persecution of Christian Armenians and Alawites in the Syrian region of Kessab, and he has initiated a petition. To read the text and sign the petition click [here](#).

Please distribute to your email list, and ask your friends, relatives and neighbors to sign.

Thank you.



Urge Prime Minister Harper to **Stop Turkey's Support for the Destruction of Kessab, Syria**. Join the Armenian National Committee of Canada (ANCC) and Armenian Youth Federation of Canada (AYF Canada) in voicing your solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Kessab, Syria.

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