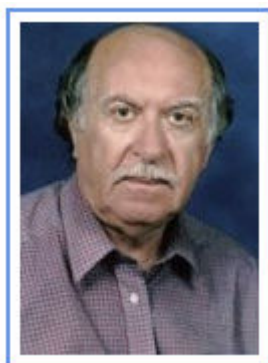


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To: His Excellency Mr. B. Obama , President Of United States Of America , White House , Washington DC , USA .

Dear President Obama ,

As a writer and human rights activist without frontier - of Kurdish origin -, I listened to your comprehensive , eloquent and rhetoric speech diligently from BBC TV, delivered at Cairo University , Egypt , on Thursday June 4, 2009 , which was cheered by frequent ardent applauses of a comparatively welcoming and enormous audience .

In the your elaborated speech , while talking about Muslims' communities from Morocco to Indonesia and heterogeneous ethnic and religious minorities relations and fates , including Jews etc ; unfortunately you forgot or ignored the Kurds and Kurdistan region issue, which is approximately four times greater than Israel plus Palestine , together ! .

Because your important mission was principally considered as an serious step , towards improvement of universal democracy , religious peaceful coexistence, and human rights promotion etc ; you were eagerly expected by common sense , to address the Kurdish issue and Kurds as well , which they were persistently massacred , jailed, tortured,



discriminated and displaced in the course of their long history, like Jewish people ?

Furthermore , while you were talking about Iraq , you accentuated on " **United Iraq** " , while as you are aware , after the collapse of Saddam , this country is officially declared as " **Federal Iraq** " , which consists of two greater ethnic nations , i .e. Arabs and Kurds , along with several smaller religious and ethnic minorities of Muslim and non Muslim groups .

I like to remind your Excellency , that at the time of coalition forces invasion of Iraq , led by USA , which resulted in collapse of Saddam's despotic regime , Kurds were the most close , sincere , cordial and active allies of coalition forces , especially USA and played a vital significant role, in eradication of Saddam's despotic regime . So , they expect US government , not to underestimate Kurds in his calculations and not to consider them as a counter balance , in Middle Eastern sensitive political scale .

In conclusion , I reiterate and remind "**Iraq is officially a Federal State** " . From other hand , in general , your Excellency shall include nearly 50 million peace-loving Kurds , at your democratization and peaceful coexistence agenda plan , which are deprived from their own independent government and almost most of their legitimate rights .

I await your encouraging answer on this subject and am sure , without solving the Kurdish issue democratically and peacefully , Middle East region will remains in continuous turmoil .

Best Regards ,
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