

## Lettre ouverte à la communauté internationale

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### **Objet : Appel à mettre fin à l'impunité concernant l'exécution extrajudiciaire de Nagihan Akarsel et tous les féminicides**

Il y a un an, le 4 octobre 2022, la journaliste kurde, universitaire et défenseuse des droits des femmes Nagihan Akarsel a été assassinée alors qu'elle quittait son domicile dans le quartier de Bakhtiary, du centre-ville de Sulaymaniyah, dans le sud du Kurdistan irakien. Depuis lors, nous poursuivons notre deuil et notre quête de justice. Jusqu'à présent, aucune mesure juridique ou politique n'a été prise, que ce soit pour rendre justice à Nagihan Akarsel ou pour empêcher d'autres assassinats politiques. C'est pourquoi nous appelons la communauté internationale ainsi que les défenseuses des droits humains, les journalistes, les artistes et les organisations de femmes de toutes les régions du Kurdistan et du monde entier, à prendre des mesures urgentes.

Un jour après l'assassinat de Nagihan Akarsel, la police de Sulaymaniyah a annoncé publiquement qu'elle avait arrêté les auteurs du crime. Ils étaient en fuite vers Erbil et ont rapidement été interceptés grâce à une enquête approfondie menée avec la coopération des forces de sécurité d'Erbil et de Koye.<sup>1</sup> Selon les informations diffusées dans les médias, l'assassin de Nagihan Akarsel a été identifié comme étant Ismail Peker, originaire de la région turque de Mamak et envoyé depuis Ankara. Il aurait été engagé par l'Organisation nationale des renseignements de Turquie (MIT) pour commettre l'assassinat, un fait qui a été renforcé par une déclaration à la presse d'Ali Rıza Güney,<sup>2</sup> l'ambassadeur turc en Irak. Et pourtant, à ce jour, aucune procédure juridique n'a été engagée pour clarifier le contexte politique de cet assassinat. Ni le gouvernement régional du Kurdistan, ni les autorités irakiennes n'ont déployé d'efforts pour faire la lumière sur cette exécution extrajudiciaire et pour condamner l'auteur du crime et ses commanditaires.

Nagihan Akarsel a été prise pour cible alors qu'elle se rendait à la bibliothèque, aux archives et au centre de recherche des femmes kurdes à Sulaymaniyah, une institution officiellement enregistrée qu'elle a créée en collaboration avec d'autres femmes. C'est le cœur courageux et la clairvoyance de Nagihan Akarsel qui ont fait d'elle une cible. Elle était consciente des origines de l'oppression qui prive continuellement de liberté les femmes et le peuple kurde. Journaliste et universitaire, elle était membre fondatrice de l'agence de presse féminine JINHA et du journal *Jineolojî* au Kurdistan du Nord et en Turquie. Elle avait également initié de nombreux projets de recherche de l'académie de Jineolojî. Par ce travail, elle a consacré sa vie à la quête de vérité, brisant le silence face à l'oppression, à l'occupation et aux injustices. Elle contribuait à unir les femmes et les personnes de tous les milieux sociaux afin d'atteindre une vie commune plus digne et plus libre. C'est la raison pour laquelle Nagihan Akarsel était considérée comme gênante par l'État turc et qu'elle en est devenue la cible. Par son caractère, elle incarnait les trois termes du slogan kurde "Jin, Jijan, Azadi" (Femme, Vie, Liberté). Ce slogan a été repris et diffusé par les femmes du Kurdistan oriental et d'Iran en rébellion contre l'assassinat de Jina Emini par les forces de l'État iranien, crime réalisé 18 jours seulement avant l'assassinat de Nagihan Akarsel par des agents des services secrets de l'État turc.

L'assassinat de Nagihan Akarsel s'ajoute aux exécutions extrajudiciaires systématiques de femmes kurdes commises par les forces de l'État au cours des quatre dernières décennies. En particulier depuis le début du gouvernement AKP-Erdogan, ces exécutions visant les militantes du Mouvement pour la libération des femmes kurdes tant à l'intérieur qu'à l'extérieur des frontières de la Turquie se sont multipliés. En novembre 2020, le Mouvement des femmes kurdes en Europe (TJK-E) a lancé la campagne *100 raisons* - à savoir 100 cas d'exécutions extrajudiciaires de femmes - afin de poursuivre Erdogan et le gouvernement AKP pour leur

<sup>1</sup> <https://medyanews.net/nagihan-akarsel-murder-suspects-arrested-in-iraqi-kurdistan/>

<sup>2</sup> <https://medyanews.net/identity-of-nagihan-akarsels-assassin-revealed/>

politique féminicide<sup>3</sup>. Cette pétition regroupe 235 727 signatures soutenant la demande d'inculpation d'Erdogan, conformément au droit international.

Le Comité des Nations unies pour l'élimination de la discrimination à l'égard des femmes et le rapporteur spécial sur la violence à l'égard des femmes et des filles ont réitéré leur inquiétude quant au nombre élevé de civils majoritairement kurdes - dont de nombreuses femmes - qui auraient été tués par les forces de sécurité turques sous couvert d'"opérations de lutte contre le terrorisme". Dans le même temps, il a été demandé à l'État turc d'enquêter, de poursuivre et de punir comme il se doit les auteurs de ces actes et de "mettre en place un mécanisme d'enquête indépendant et impartial à cette fin, avec l'aide de la communauté internationale"<sup>4</sup>. Aucune de ces recommandations n'a été mise en œuvre.

Au contraire, force est de constater que la situation n'a fait qu'empirer depuis lors. Sans conséquence judiciaire à craindre face à ces violations du droit international, les auteurs n'en sont que plus aise et les assassinats politiques de femmes kurdes augmentent de façon spectaculaire en tout impunité depuis 2022. Il s'agit le plus souvent de frappes de drones dirigées vers le territoire kurde en Irak et au nord et à l'est de la Syrie. Entre janvier et juin 2023, 53 personnes ont été tuées par des attaques de drones ciblées de l'armée turque contre des citoyens de l'Administration autonome du nord et de l'est de la Syrie, comptant notamment des femmes politiques et des leaders communautaires<sup>5</sup>. Le 23 août 2023, un drone armé turc a pris pour cible un véhicule de la chaîne de télévision féminine JIN TV sur la route Qamishli-Amoudé. L'employé de la chaîne, Necmeddin Feysel, a été tué et la journaliste Dalila Akid a été gravement blessée. Par ailleurs, des preuves évidentes montrent que l'État turc a commandité les exécutions de membres éminents du Mouvement des femmes kurdes à Paris en 2013 et 2022. Des crimes qui, eux aussi, restent impunis. Au Kurdistan oriental et en Iran, des dizaines de femmes ont été torturées et assassinées par les forces de l'État iranien lors des soulèvements qui ont suivi le meurtre de Jina Emini. Personne n'a été poursuivi<sup>6</sup>.

Ces nombreux cas ne montrent que trop clairement le processus d'exécutions extrajudiciaires systématique commis par les forces de l'État à l'encontre des femmes kurdes défenseuses des droits humains. Ainsi, nous avons la conviction qu'il est fondamental de confronter les auteurs de ces crimes ainsi que leurs commanditaires au moyen de l'appareil judiciaire et de rendre justice à toutes les victimes de ces assassinats. Mettre fin à l'impunité des crimes politiques, c'est prévenir de futurs crimes contre l'humanité.

C'est pourquoi nous appelons les Nations Unies et toutes les institutions concernées à prendre des mesures urgentes et efficaces en ce sens. En demandant justice pour Nagihan Akarsel, nous demandons justice pour toutes les femmes victimes d'exécutions extrajudiciaires et d'autres formes de féminicides. En proclamant *Ni una menos* ! (Pas une de moins !), nous demandons à la communauté internationale de prendre urgemment les mesures nécessaires pour défendre la vie et les droits des femmes.

Ces mesures doivent inclure :

- La poursuite et la condamnation des responsables de l'assassinat de Nagihan Akarsel et de toutes les autres exécutions extrajudiciaires.
- La fermeture de l'espace aérien irakien et syrien à l'armée de l'air turque, y compris aux drones armés et non armés.
- Exhorter la Turquie à cesser ses attaques illégales, sa politique d'occupation, sa guerre et ses assassinats systématiques des défenseuses des droits des femmes et des personnes vivant dans n'importe quelle partie du Kurdistan, en particulier en ce qui concerne les territoires de l'Irak et du nord et de l'est de la Syrie.
- La poursuite - conformément au droit international - des crimes de guerre et des crimes contre l'humanité - y compris les génocides et les féminicides - commis par Erdogan et par le gouvernement AKP.
- Garantir la justice pour Jina Emini et pour toutes les autres femmes en Iran qui ont été assassinées, torturées ou emprisonnées parce qu'elles luttait pour leurs droits et leurs libertés.

<sup>3</sup> [https://100-reasons.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/100reasons\\_to\\_prosecute\\_the\\_dictator\\_Dossier\\_final.pdf](https://100-reasons.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/11/100reasons_to_prosecute_the_dictator_Dossier_final.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> cf. CEDAW/C/TUR/CO/7 (2016), CEDAW/C/TUR/CO/8 (2022), A/HRC/53/36/Add.1.

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.syriahr.com/en/301595/>

<https://womendefendrojava.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/Turkeys-drone-war-against-the-women-led0Ademocratic-system-in-North-and-East-Syria.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> <https://hengaw.net/content/upload/1/root/statistical-report.pdf>

En tant que signataires de cette lettre ouverte, nous vous demandons de faire vôtres nos exigences et de prendre des mesures immédiates pour obtenir justice et empêcher d'autres assassinats.

Nous vous prions d'agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'expression de nos sentiments distingués,

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