## End the new violence in Sinjar and empower the indigenous peoples

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Unfortunately clashes broke out at March 2nd between the KDP Peshmerga and the Yazidi YBŞ forces in Sinjar. We as Chaldean-Syriac-Assyrian people suffered the same fate as the Yazidi's due to ISIS and we urge therefore the US and EU as well as the Government of Iraq and the KRG political parties to step in and prevent further escalation. No attack against the Yazidi people should happen and these attacks need to stop immediately.

We as Chaldean-Syriac-Assyrian people urge all parties to focus at the defeat of ISIS and to find a political solution for existing differences.

We refer to the European Parliament resolution of October 26th, 2016 that strongly advocates that Sinjar, Tal Afar and Nineveh Plain should receive a special status and should be governed by the people from the areas itself in accordance with the constitution of Iraq.

We have been able to cooperate with the Peshmerga and the Yazidi's and we are prepared to continue to support a solution along the line of the above mentioned European Parliament resolution.

This situation shows that the indigenous peoples who have been attacked by ISIS are in urgent need of empowerment and the full say over their governance and security.