

KHIDER DISTRICT MASSACRE

BY SCOTT CHAPMAN AND RUSS PRITCHARD

DATE OF MASSACRE: 30 AUG 2021

Afghanistan
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Daikundi Province
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Khider District
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Spargag Village
↓
Date of Massacre: 30 Aug
2021



SUMMARY OF EVENTS

- **Date of Massacre:** 30 Aug 2021
- **Context:** 35 men were in negotiations with Taliban via local clergy elders.
- **Who was Killed:** Mostly Directorate of Nat. Security Officers, under command of Colonel Mohammad Azim Sedaqat (██████████).
- **Terms:** Agreement confirmed to surrender weapons and vehicles to Taliban in exchange for immunity.
- **Taliban Players:** Included Mohammad Ali Sedaqat (Commander in Province), Mulla Aminullah (Governor of Daykundi Province), Mawlavi Shir Mohammad, Mawlavi, Saad Mohammed, and Jamhor
- **Events:** Surrendered weapons and vehicles as agreed. Hands tied upon surrender. Once unarmed and bound, Taliban began executions. Prisoners fled resulting in Taliban firing small arms and RPGs indiscriminately into Spargag village.
- **Number of confirmed dead:** 13 total ; 2 civilians and 11 Nat. Security Officers.

INFORMATION CHAIN OF CUSTODY

Khider Massacre

- Date: 31 Aug 2021
- 3 of 13 dead were ██████'s family members: Karimi, Amiri, Zari
- Karimi's son in hiding ██████
- ██████ from Khider District



Mohammad Azim

- Eyewitness
- Was detained by TB and ready to be executed
- Escaped.
- Ran to safety and told Assad of massacre via phone call.
- Date of call: August 30, 2021
- ██████
- Led National Security for NDS in Daykundi Province



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- Russ Pritchard given ██████'s WhatsApp number from Subject Matter Expert: GS 13 CENTCOM SME
- Russ Pritchard contacted ██████-via WhatsApp at 9:36am EST on September 23, 2021.
- Told story of massacre during 9/23-9/24. Saved on Zip file.

INITIAL SOURCE:

[REDACTED]

FAMILY OF [REDACTED] IN HIDING IN [REDACTED]



EMAIL FROM [REDACTED]

24 SEP 2021

1. [REDACTED]
 2. Before the Taliban everything was normal, we lived our life normally in Kabul city. I was working as English Teacher and recently started working as a skills trainer, besides this it was to complete my master's degree but unfortunately Afghanistan fell to the Taliban and everything changed overnight, we lost everything.
 3. I was working in U.S Department of State founded project as Research Consultant & Interview Facilitator. During my time I interviewed the selected participants about, peace, security, government services and international aid and moreover, I have surveyed 500 people in Kabul city about insecurity reasons, challenges of foreign visitors and government services.
 4. When evacuation process stated I took my document and went to the Airport, three times I have tried but the Taliban and 01 National Force didn't allow me to reach foreign troops, show my document. Because I am from Hazara ethnic minority that's why they didn't allow me to the Airport. Systematic discrimination against Hazara people is not new it has a long story more than a century. Taliban and ISIS-PK consider Hazara people their sworn enemy and target them directly.
 5. Owning well- founded fear of prosecution, [REDACTED] colonel Mohammad Azim Sedaqat who used to work as Ant- Terrorism Manger at National security in Daykundi province alongside 11 other national security officers went to a remote area, the Taliban contacted him to hand over all weaponries and vehicles he accepted provided they insure their amenity, after agreement they were to come in appointed location but against the agreement on Monday, 30 August, Taliban surrounded them and massacred 13 national security officers and a civilian in Daykundi province of Afghanistan. My uncle along with some of his men could flee and now living covertly in unknown place. After the painful tragedy the Taliban has included our name on under prosecution list, so we all left our homes and living in hiding. Following are the details:
 - 1. Mosa Ameri, Educational and Training Officer National Police in Khader District
 - 2. Esmatullah Zari, Deputy of City Management security
 - 3. Reza Karimi, Officer in National security
 - 4. Abdul Hamid Fahimi, Officer in National security
 - 5. Ghulam Mohammad Bae, Officer of national security
 - 6. Habib Nejati, National security officer
 - 7. Dawran Rejaee, National security officer
 - 8. Nor Ali Ebrahimi, Deputy of anti-Terrorism in National security
 - 9. Aman, National security officer
 - 10. Khodad Jawaheri, Commander
 - 11. Masuma, civilian
 - 12. Fayaz, civilian
 - 13. Mohammad Reza Joya, National security officer
- There of them were my closed relative.
1. Because of [REDACTED] the Taliban is looking for all of us to prosecute and by this pressures on [REDACTED] to give up. If the Taliban reach us surely kill us.
 2. We are 10 people living in a small room in a very bad situation. Because there is not job, no security and no financial rescuers, every member of my family are suffering of fear and depression. Just my nephew is 2 years old others are above 18.

Email summary on next slide

██████████ E-MAIL 24 SEP 2021

Summary from previous slide

- Currently living with 10 family members.
- One member already had father killed by Taliban.
- ██████████ worked for a DoS funded project in Kabul.
- Was also an English teacher.
- When Kabul fell, tried multiple times to get to airport but Taliban blocked him due to ethnicity (Hazara).
- Tells story of massacre on 30 Aug 20201 – lists names of deceased.
- He explains his family are high value targets (HVT) due to his family's ethnicity and connection to his family's connection to the Anti-Terrorism dept. at the National Security at Daykundi.

Employment Verification via U.S. State Dept.

family members currently hiding. Divided into 2 groups

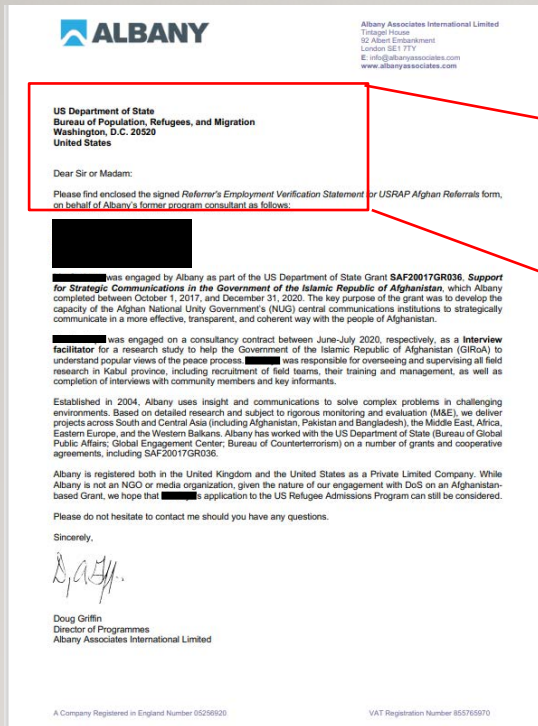




Image sent from [REDACTED] Received from his cousins. Also appeared on internet and Facebook posts. His relatives clearly identifiable.

Main TB Players during Khider Massacre

Mullah Aminullah

- Governor of Daykundi Province
- Taliban



Mohammad Ali Sedaqat

- General in command of Daykundi Province
- Taliban



MASUMA - DECEASED



- Civilian killed when Taliban fired at escaping Nat. Security Officers
- Spargat Village resident
- Accounts state killed by an RPG
- Reported to be in her teens
- Hazara

FAYAZ - DECEASED



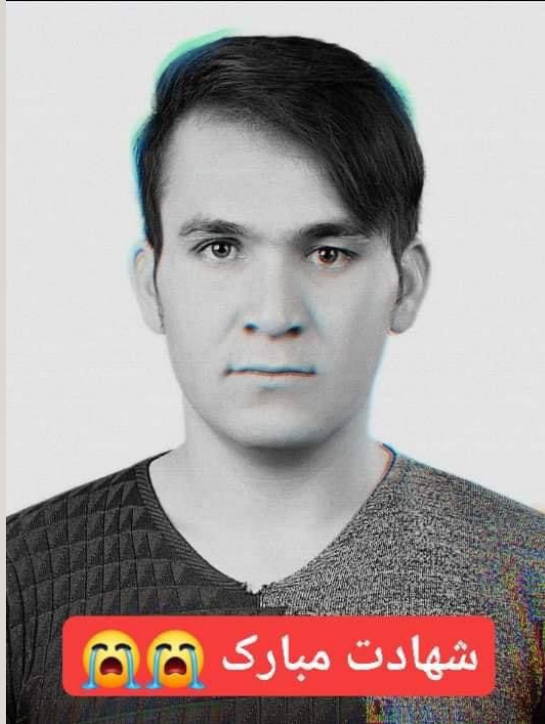
- Civilian killed when Taliban fired into crowd at fleeing National Directorate of Security Officers
- Hazara

DAWRAN REJAYEE - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Just completed secondary school
- Single, approximately 20 years old
- [REDACTED] knows his father
- Hazara

AMAN - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- From Naw Mesh District
- Hazara

ABDUL HAMID FAHIMI - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Graduated from Balkh University in Mazar-e-Sharif
- Engineer
- Single
- Born 1372 (Islamic calendar): 1994 (27 y/o)
- [REDACTED] brother-in-law.
- Hazara

ESMATULLAH ZARI - DECEASED



- Deputy of City Management Security, Daykundi
- [REDACTED] at Lesa Zokur Khider (School in Khider District)
- Studied law and political science at Naser Khusraw University
- Married to [REDACTED]
- Four children
- Hazara

GHULAM MOHAMMAD BAYEE - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Completed Secondary School in Khider District
- Married
- Four children
- Hazara

HABIBULLAH NEJATI - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Completed Secondary School in Khider District
- Married
- Two children
- [REDACTED] knows his father
- Hazara

KHODAD KAWAHERI - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Married
- Four children
- Hazara

MOHAMMED REZA JOYA - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer

MUSA AMIRI - DECEASED



- Educational and Training Officer National Police in Khider District
- Passed military courses at Afghanistan Ministry of Interior Affairs
- Married, wife is pregnant
- Four sons, three daughters
- [REDACTED] (his father's nephew)
- His son, Reza Amiri, age 22, is in hiding [REDACTED]
- Hazara

NOOR ALI EBRAHIMI - DECEASED



- Deputy of Anti-Terrorism, National Directorate of Security
- Married
- One son

REZA KARIMI - DECEASED



- National Directorate of Security Officer
- Completed secondary school at Lesa Zokur Khider
- [REDACTED] and married to his cousin
- Four children
- Hazara

Graves

- Esmutullah Zari (slide 14)
- Abdul Hamid Fahimi (slide 13)
- States date of death and place of martyrdom
- Buried in Sar Qul Khider



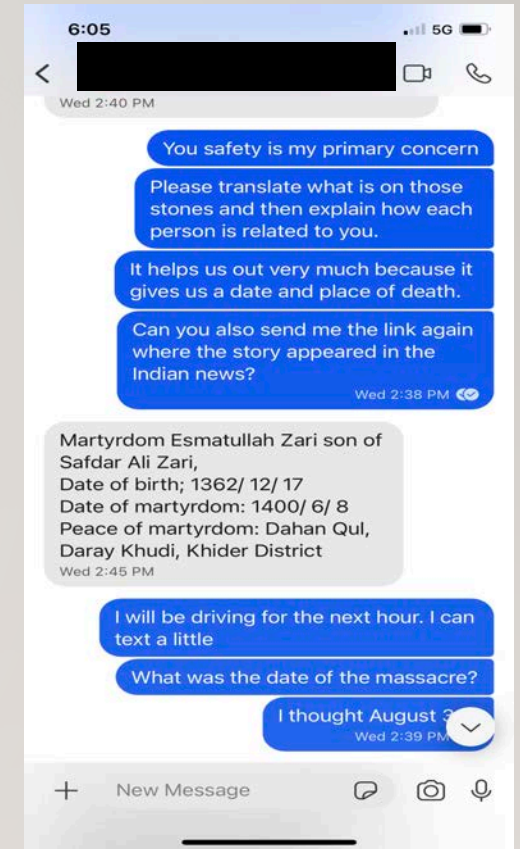
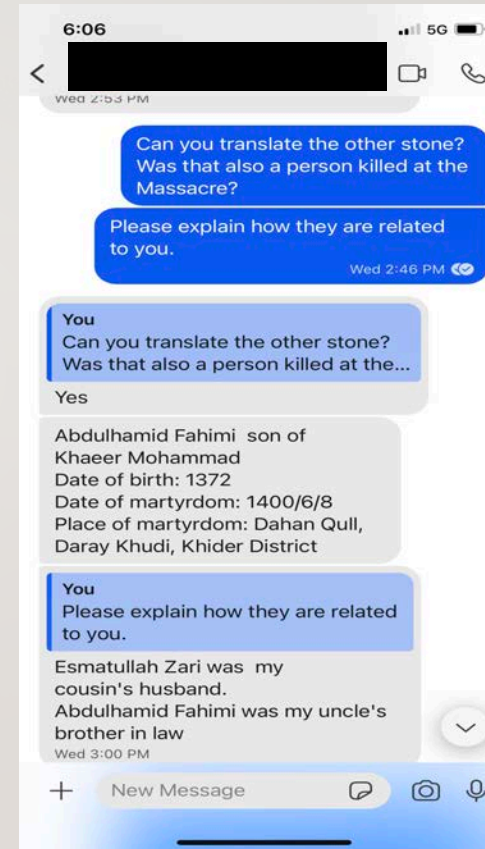
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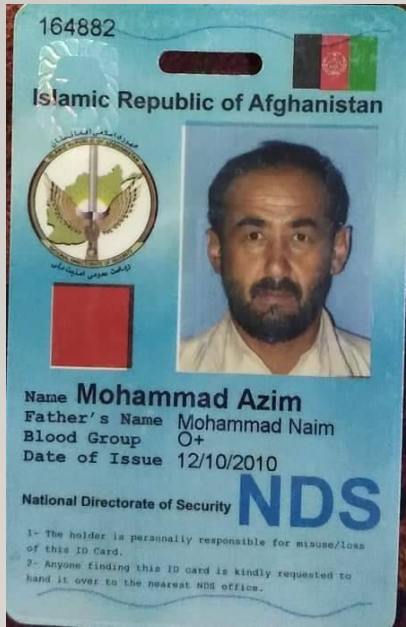
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Confirmation from [REDACTED] (initial source)

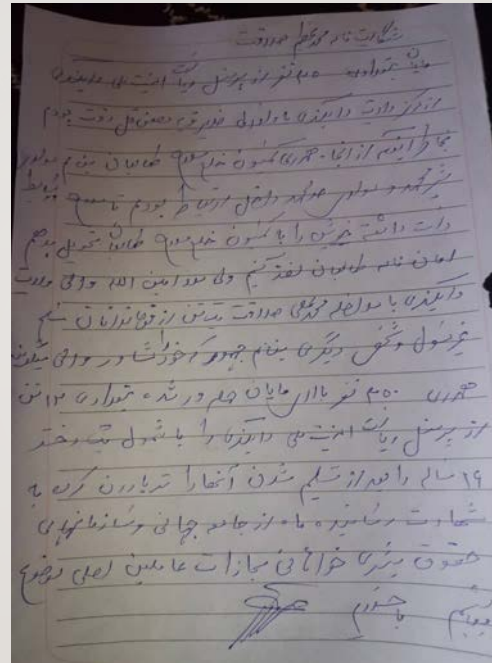


Mohammad Azim Sedaqat



- [REDACTED]
- Survivor of Massacre
- Currently in Hiding with Wife and Three Children in [REDACTED]

Written statement of massacre by Mohammad Azim Sedaqat



We 35 personnel of Daykundy National Security, left the province and went to Khider District, Dahan-e-e Qul village, and from there we contacted to Mawlavi Shir Mohammad and Mawlavi Saad Mohammad the Taliban Disarmament commission in charges to hand over our weaponry and vehicles and in rerun receive immunity letter of the Taliban, but Mulla Aminullah the governor of Daykundy with interference of Mohammad Ali Sedaqat an irresponsible armed commander and Jamhor the governor's advisor alongside 350 others attacked on us and 11 national security personnel and two civilians (a man and a girl) were killed though they turned over. I want from international community and human rights organizations retribution of the main factors of this tragedy.

Respectfully,

Mohammad Azim Sedaqat

Translation by [REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL STATEMENT BY MOHAMMAD AZIM SEDAQAT, NDS



- my [REDACTED] said: for 10 days we were in contact with the Taliban to negotiate, we came to an agreement to hand over 35 weapons and 7 vehicles provided that gives us immunity letter. The governor said i will send the Red Unit (it is like special force and so dangerous) to receive the weaponry and vehicles. then I said, don't send the Red Unit because makes worry people, but Mohammad Ali Sedaqat changed governor's mind. we were going to visit another colleague, suddenly the Taliban arrived back of us with 20 cars and 350 fighters, the Taliban first shotted a RPJ which killed a girl, then continued firing, I ordered the troops to escape and separated, one group (11 who were killed) escaped among houses, then gave up escaping and hand over their guns and killed them all

- Received 9/26 from [REDACTED]

ADDITIONAL NEWS SOURCES

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SOUTH ASIA

Afghanistan: Hazaras in danger of extinction

Published 2 weeks ago on September 15, 2021
By Sanchita Bhattacharya



As reported on August 30, 2021, Taliban shot dead 14 people belonging to the Hazara community in Khadir District of Afghanistan's Daykundi Province. Among those killed are 12 soldiers, who reportedly surrendered, and two civilians.

Earlier in between July 4-5, Taliban tortured and killed nine men of the Hazara community and looted their homes in Mundarakht village of Malistan District in Ghazni province. Reportedly, six Hazara men ~~Privacy & Cookies Policy~~ of them

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Taliban kills 14 people of Hazara minority in Afghanistan's Daykundi province: Reports

Taliban has killed at least 14 people belonging to the Hazara community in Khadir district of Afghanistan's Daykundi province, local media reports said. Among those killed are 12 soldiers, who reportedly surrendered, and two civilians. One of them is said to be a kid.

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Image Source : AP

Footnote: Both outlets incorrectly reported the number of dead. 13 total dead.

ADDITIONAL NEWS SOURCES

(continued)



- AFGHAN VOICE AGENCY
- WWW.AVAPRESS.com
- Killing of 14 people including young girl by the Taliban in Daykundi
- Photo is Khider District Building

Footnote: AVA Press also incorrectly reported the number of dead. 13 total dead.

ADDITIONAL NEWS SOURCES: Social Media (Facebook)



Elaat Roz (Daily Kabul Newspaper)

Local sources in Khadir district of Daikundi province say 14 people, including two civilians, have been killed by Taliban insurgents in the district. A resident of the scene, who spoke on condition of anonymity, told the daily Al-Ittihad-e-Rooz that the Taliban had arrested and then shot and killed 12 members of a large number of honest individuals, former government soldiers who had tried to surrender to the group. Two civilians, including a girl, were also killed by the Taliban during the clashes, according to the resident. He added that "General Sedaghat Pashturq" commanded Taliban forces during the clashes. He is one of the local Taliban commanders.

Local media in Daikundi also confirmed the killing of 14 people, including two civilians, in Khadir district. Siddiqullah Abed, the Taliban's police chief for Daikundi, denied in a statement to Nasim Radio that former government soldiers and civilians had been killed.

ADDITIONAL NEWS SOURCES: Social Media (Facebook) Mukhtar Wayfayee

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Mukhtar's Post

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۴. عبدالحمید فهیمی افسر امنیت ملی محل تولد خدیر سفلی ولایت دایکندی

۵. غلام محمد بای سرباز امنیت ملی محل تولد خدیر سفلی ولایت دایکندی

۶. حبیب نجاتی سر باز امنیت ملی محل تولد خدیر علیاه ولایت دایکندی

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Mukhtar's Post

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The reputation of 14 former national security officers and soldiers who were on Monday, 8 Virgo, after surrendering to T. This group was killed in a heinous way in the village of Asper Gag, Khdir district of Daikundi province.

1. Musa Amiri Amiri, the education and education of the security commander of Khadir district, the birth place of Khadir Sofla, Daik
2. Esmatollah Zare, Deputy Urban Management, National Security, the birthplace of Khadir Sofla,
3. Reza Karimi, National Security Officer, the birthplace of Khadir-e Sofla
4. Abdul Hamid Fahimi National Security Officer, the birthplace of Khadir Sofla, Daik
5. Ghulam Mohammad Bai, the soldier of National Security, the birthplace of Khadir
6. Habib Najati, the head of national security, the birthplace of Khadir Aliyah, Daikund
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<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2019/8/28/taliban-kills-14-pro-government-fighters-in-afghanistan>

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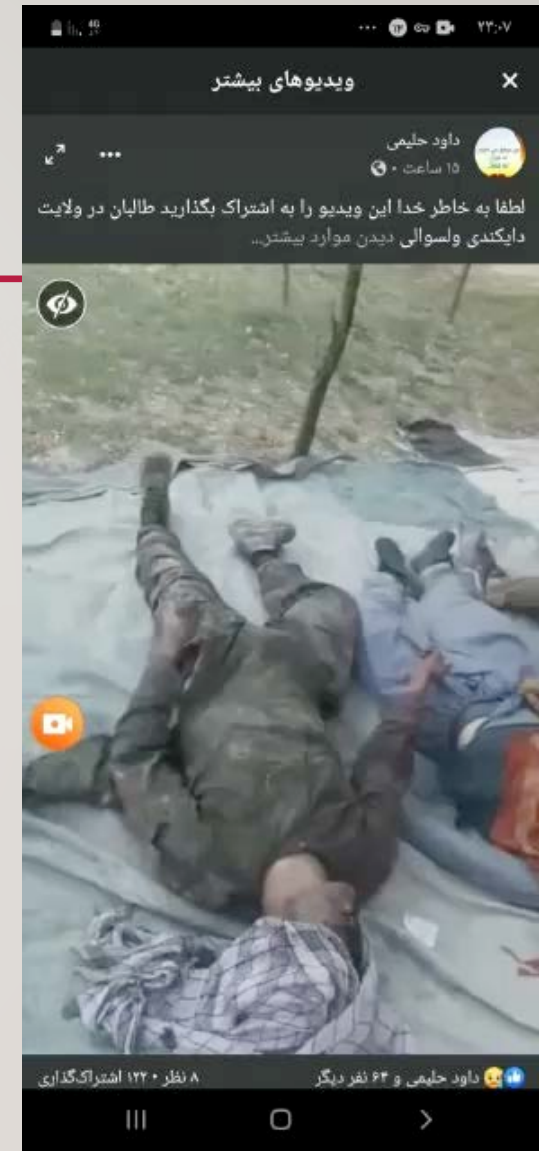
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Here is a four-minute video taken at Spargag Village in Khider District:



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