

Press release

The US Ambassador to the UNSC in Her Speech Cited SNHR Statistics Confirming the Syrian Regime's Arbitrary Detention of at Least 128,000 Persons

The U.S. Mission Headquarters in New York Displays SNHR's Portraits of Some Forcibly Disappeared Activists to Focus Attention on Their Issue

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The Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR), founded in June 2011, is a non-governmental, independent group that is considered a primary source for the OHCHR on all death toll-related analyses in Syria.

New York, December 20, 2019: H.E. Ambassador Kelly Craft, the Permanent Representative of the United States to the Security Council, delivered a speech at the latest briefing on the situation in Syria held at the United Nations Headquarters. On the issue of detainees in particular, the Ambassador briefed the permanent members of the Security Council, saying: **“At this moment, we are displaying photographs in the lobby of our Mission dedicated by the Syrian Network for Human Rights to several of the approximately 128,000 Syrians who have been unlawfully detained and, in many cases, tortured and killed by the Assad regime.”**

To see Ambassador Craft’s full speech, please visit [the following link](#).

Photographs showing portraits of forcibly disappeared persons in the lobby of the US Permanent Mission to the UN Security Council in New York:



The Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR) has produced 100 personal portraits of prominent male and female activists who still under enforced disappearance by various parties to the conflict, displaying 35 of these paintings at the high-level side event held on the sidelines of the previous General Assembly meeting in September 2019, with a touring exhibition of these paintings coming up shortly in European countries, and we will continue to remind the world of the issue of Syria's forcibly disappeared persons and of the suffering that they and their families have been exposed to in every possible way.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the US Permanent Mission to the Security Council for this initiative and to H.E. Ambassador Kelly Craft and the US Department of State's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, who made great efforts to make this endeavour a success, and we hope that we will be able to expand this activity and to transfer the exhibition to the missions of other countries who wish to advocate on behalf of the forcibly disappeared in Syria and to stand in solidarity, at least morally, alongside the hundreds of thousands of families of forcibly disappeared people.





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