

YEPP Resolution: Removing and selling human organs on the transplantation black market

Recognizing that:

- Report of the Swiss member of the Parliamentary assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE) Dick Marty, to the Assembly contains allegations of serious war crimes and crimes against humanity according to international humanitarian law committed during and immediately after NATO bombing of Serbia in 1999.
- According to the former Prosecutor at the International Criminal Tribunal for Former Yugoslavia (ICTY), these acts have been committed by members of the "Kosovo Liberation Army" (KLA) militia against Serbian nationals who had remained in Kosovo at the end of the armed conflict and been taken prisoner.
- According to the information gathered by Dick Marty, presented in the report, and to the criminal investigations now under way, numerous concrete and convergent indications confirm that some Serbians and some Albanians from Kosovo and Metohia were held prisoner in "Yellow house" (Northern Albania) and at the other secret places of detention under KLA control and were subjected to inhuman and degrading treatment, before ultimately disappearing.
- Alleged killing of people in order to harvest their organs and sell them on the transplantation black market is in serious contradiction to the concept of human dignity, humane treatment of prisoners of war and basic values and principles recognized by all the member organizations of YEPP.
- There cannot be full reconciliation in the Western Balkans without full investigation of all the cases involving allegations of war crimes and crimes against humanity according to international humanitarian law.

Youth of the European People's Party calls on:

- Member organizations to reaffirm their resolve to continue promotion of protection of universal human dignity.
- If the interested parties to refrain from political abuse of the case.
- UN, UNMIK and all other relevant international organizations to start and support a serious and independent investigation in order to find out the whole truth about the allegations, sometimes concrete and specific, of the existence of secret detention centres where inhuman treatment was purportedly inflicted on prisoners from Kosovo (under resolution 1244 UNSC), of Serbian and Albanian origin, during and immediately after the conflict.

- The interested parties to fully support the UN investigation which must also be extended to verification of the equally specific allegations about organ trafficking said to have taken place during the same period.
- The EPP to support full investigation of the alleged crimes.

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