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Party to turn over their documents, constituting perhaps another 10 cubic meters. Finally, Massoud Barzani agreed to turn over the documents in the possession of his Kurdish Democratic Party, but after the party had a chance to review the documents and duplicate the most important ones. The KDP documents, according to Barzani, are larger than any other set.

The captured Iraqi secret police documents are an archival record of the destruction of the Kurdish land and the killing of the Kurdish people. They are of practical value to any prosecutor and of historical value to the Kurdish people. They are also critical to policy makers in evaluating the consequences of continuing or not continuing protection of the Kurdish people in northern Iraq.

Araz Talabani standing in front of bags of Iraqi secret policy documents in Mawat, near the Iran-Iraq border.

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southern Iraq, herded to open trenches, machine gunned, and buried with bulldozers.

The killings of the al-anfal campaign were not confined to the prohibited zone. Villages were razed throughout Kurdistan, and men in particular were picked up at work and never heard from again.

Kurdish mother holding pictures of her sons who perished in "an-anfal," the Iraqi genocide campaign.

The captured documents provide a bureaucratic register of these killings. One ledger book, with a cheerful flower-patterned cover, begins: "Four days ago, 24 men, 32 women, and 54 children gave themselves up to a military unit." A list of names, grouped by family, follows.

A tattered yellow file, which I had pulled at random from the Shaqlawa files, begins with the interrogation of four shepherds found in the prohibited zone. The questions were similar. The interrogation of Sulayman Ali Tayh, a 16-year-old boy, went as follows:

1. Q: How were you captured?

A: I was grazing my sheep in the destroyed village of Khadi-Khanna, and I was arrested by the military.

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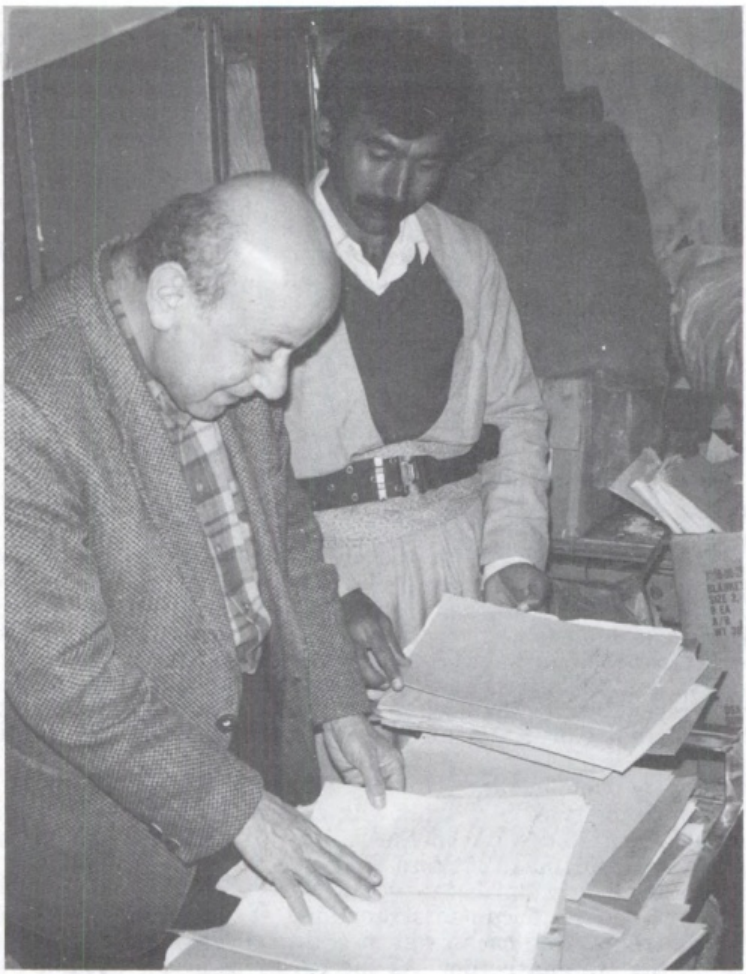

Kamal Fuad examining Iraqi secret police leaders in Shaqlawa.

Another videotape shows the execution of five men. The camera shows up-close the facial expressions of the men as they are unloaded from a truck, tied to the stake, and then blindfolded. After the execution, each of the Iraqi officials attending the execution is shown unloading his revolver into the slumping corpses. When the video shows the bodies being picked up after the executions, some are so bullet-ridden that they cannot be lifted intact onto the truck.

The Iraqi secret police do not seem to have routinely videotaped their killings (or if they did, very few such tapes now survive). The videotapes seem to have been used to terrorize local populations and to show superiors in Baghdad the fire work being done in the

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محضر تحقيق

افادة المشتبه به سليمان علي تايه ٩٧٧ شغله راعي غنم يسكن قرية
بير عربان - ناحية قوش تبه المختار / حجي توفيق

س كيف تم القاء القبض عليك وأين ؟
ج كنت ارعى الغنم في قرية قاضي ضانة الممدة فتم القاء القبض علي من قبل
العسكريين .

س ما علاقتك بالاشخاص بهاء الدين علي وسوار وجيدور شاد عبد الله ؟
ج لا علاقة لي بهم وانا نسكن في نفس القرية .

س هل يتواجد مخربون في منطقتكم وهم ؟
ج لا يوجد اي مخرب ولا اعرف احد منهم .

س هل تعلم بان التواجد في المناطق المحذورة امنياً يحاسب عليه القانون ؟
ج نعلم بانها ممنوعة ولكننا ليس لدينا اي غاية سوى رعي الغنم .

القائم بالاستنطاق

سليمان علي تايه

Copy of the interrogation of a 16-year-old shepherd.

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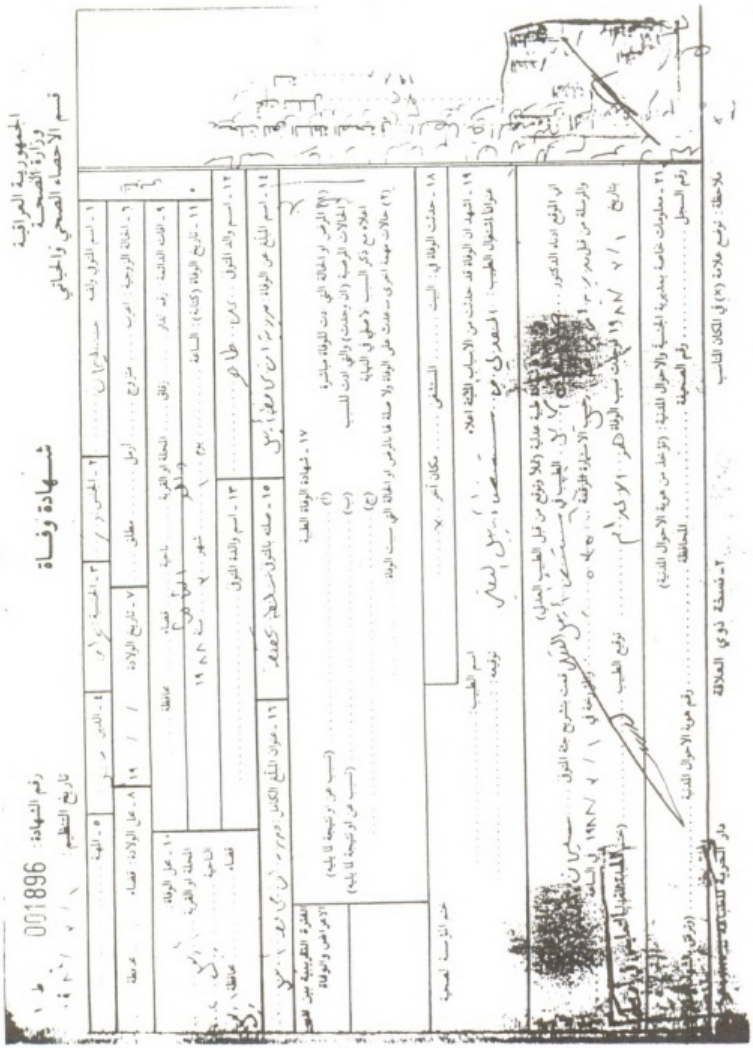

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(ب) الحالات المرضية (ان وجدت) والتي ادت للسبب (تسبب عن او نتيجة لما يليه)
(ج) اعلاه مع ذكر السبب الاصلي في النهاية
(٢) حالات مهمة اخرى ساعدت على الوفاة ولا صلة لها بالمرض او الحالة التي سببت الوفاة
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١٨ - حدثت الوفاة في: البيت ... المستشفى ... مكان آخر ...
١٩ - اشهد ان الوفاة قد حدثت من الاسباب المثبتة اعلاه
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Death certificate for the shepherd.

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