## <u>Iraq-Iran War (1980-1988) part 2 or Iraqi casualties during Iraq-Iran War:</u>

I have mentioned in my previous article some negative social and psychological effects Iraq-Iran war left on Iraqi's personality and behavior, but I didn't mention human and materialist loses war caused during its happening because there are no official accurate statistics have been announced publicly about those loses even if such numerical statistics were found, so it still secret and unannounced publicly because Saddam was hide these loses whether were human or materialist from Iraqi people and global community because these loses were very huge and Saddam was not give any number for Iraqi casualties at any battle Iraqi army performed against Iran during days of that war although Iraqi casualties were very tremendous during these battles and that unofficial approximate assessments were guess these loses with hundreds of thousands of casualties among killed and wounded where no day was pass without we hear that 2 killed or more have been mourned in small neighborhood of Baghdad neighborhoods or others Iraqi provinces' small neighborhoods that is in hundreds. An impact of that war has been very big for Iraqi people where that war didn't leave one Iraqi house without it leaves in a killed, missing, war prisoner or disabled veteran even that high percentage of Iraqi houses within one small family got 3 or more casualties among a killed, prisoner or handicapped. There was no a match to that war for Iraq's wars Iraqis got during their modern history regarding of human and materialist loses Iraqi people got during that war. Saddam involved all Iraq's youth in that war by forcing and terror them and considered any Iraqi defaults from it is a traitor and deserves execution. Saddam has enlisted Iraqis from 18-60 years ages to participate in the war even who have university or scientific degrees and high professional specialties, so Saddam didn't except them from participation in that war where each Iraqi was complete his university study for any specialty he had to join army to be sent to fight fronts and anyone defaults joining the army at the time, he was executed without trail. Saddam created execution factions and deployed them in back lines of fight fronts with Iran to take over execution process directly for any Iraqi soldier tries to escape the forward lines backwards and any Iraqi family was try hiding their sons or father of family in order for not to go to holocaust of that war out of concern for their safety, so execution factions was sent to that house to execute defaulter son or father in front of his family with cold blood and it was banned to be held him a funeral by his family. Saddam employed all Iraq's human and materialist abilities for that war he didn't stop at extent of burning oil exports moneys of Iraq to financing his war, but he forced each Iraqi family for donation for that war coercively. In addition to that, Saddam has turn Iraq totally into big prison for Iraqis where he banned Iraqi youth to travel out of country for any reason in order for not to escape that war. The fear and terror factor Saddam implanted in Iraqis hearts was vital reason to make all Iraqis men with different ages from 18-60 years to participating in that war. Saddam didn't except anyone from participation of the war except his family members and close families to his regime such as top officials families.

Saddam didn't stop for that extent regarding forcing Iraqis to involving them in holocaust of his war, but was execute any person utter with one word with his friend privately criticizing Saddam's policy leading to breaking out that war where Saddam taught Iraqis for that purpose to espy and telltale each other so when someone was come to secret police to report his friend or relative who criticized Saddam before him, so secret police takes telltale person's talk seriously, even if he was lying and arrests his friend or relative he told tale hence Saddam made each Iraqi fear to

criticize him before his friend or brother privately. Even top officials and military commanders not to be excepted from punishment if anyone of them tried to criticize Saddam and his policy for the war with his friend for that purpose Saddam deployed a lot of spies among those top officials and commanders those spies were hired by Saddam's intelligence to work as drivers, employees or servants for those officials or commanders without those officials and commanders were knowing that their servants or employees are actually work as spies to report any bad talk or criticism they utter against Saddam or his policy. In the process of that there is a story happened for one of top military commanders who was occupy Division commander position in army, this commander was talk to officer friend to him privately when they were in fight front criticizing Saddam's policy for the war once one of that commander's soldiers, who was work as a servant for that commander, heard his commander's talk, he communicated his commander's talk about Saddam to secret police of Saddam due to that. Saddam sent some men of his secret police to house of that commander taking advantage his absence period in fight front to rape his wife and then Saddam called that commander to show him a videotape of rape process of his wife by secret police threatening him that videotape would be handed out to market if he refused to espy his fellow commanders and report any criticism or bad talk they utter about Saddam and his policy.

Saddam was urge Iraqis in his most speeches to give up their welfare regarding their clothing and living for contribution in that war. He was always invite Iraqis to struggle their living requirements and live themselves under hard exceptional conditions for financing the war although Iraqi oil exports were so enough to make all Iraqis live in very high welfare, but Saddam was burn all these tremendous moneys for buying weapons to feeding his crazy war against Iran and he wasn't give Iraqi people than very small portion of oil exports moneys.

Finally I would like say that Saddam through his war didn't destroy Iraq economy and exhaust his men only, but destroyed Iraqis morals and their behaviors and turn them from civilized nation into barbarian and uncivilized nation its strong eats its weak.

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