

Sri Lanka: UK Tamils Rally Against Jaffna University Students Killing - TGTE

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Transnational Government of Tamil Eelam (TGTE)'s Ministry of Youth Affairs staged a rally on Tuesday, outside the Sri Lankan Embassy in London to protest the assassination of two Jaffna University Tamil students.

Women, children and men joined this rally, shouting stop the killings of Tamils, Tamils need Justice, Tamils need protection from the UN, etc. This rally coincided with the "Day of Mourning" observed by Tamils in Sri Lanka, which brought Tamil areas to a standstill.

These two Tamil students were killed at a police check point close to the University. These students were returning after studies.

Massive protests erupted in the North and East of the country against these killings. Tamil areas came to a standstill when Tamils observed mourning on Tuesday.

Thousands attended the funerals and still there is tension in Tamil areas.

ABOUT TRANSNATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL EELAM (TGTE):



strong Tamils (from the island of Sri Lanka) living in several countries around the world. TGTE was formed after the mass killing of Tamils by the Sri Lankan Government in 2009.

TGTE twice held internationally supervised elections among Tamils around the world to elect 132 Members of Parliament. It has a bicameral legislature and a Cabinet. It held one of its Parliamentary sittings in the British Parliament.

TGTE is leading a campaign to realize Tamils' political aspirations through peaceful, democratic and diplomatic means. The Constitution of the TGTE mandates that it should realize its political objective only through peaceful means.

The Prime Minister of TGTE is Mr. Visuvanathan Rudrakumaran, a New York based lawyer.

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BACKGROUND:

Tamils in the island of Sri Lanka faced repeated mass killings in 1958, 1965, 1977, 1981 and 1983 and the mass killings in 2009 prompted UN Secretary General Ban Ki-moon to appoint a Panel of Experts to report on the scale of the killings.

According to UN internal review report on Sri Lanka, over 70,000 Tamils were killed in five months in early 2009 and Tamil women were raped by the Sri Lankan Security forces. There are over 90,000 Tamil war widows and thousands of Tamils disappeared due the conflict.

According to this UN report, the killings and other abuses that took place amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity. Independent experts believe that there are elements of these abuses that constitute an act of genocide.

Members of the Sri Lankan security forces are almost exclusively from the Sinhalese community and the victims are all from the Tamil community.

A Buddhist Monk shot and killed a Sri Lankan Prime Minister 1959 for having talks with Tamil political leaders.

Tamils overwhelmingly voted in a Parliamentary election in 1977 to establish an independent and sovereign country called Tamil Eelam. This Parliamentary election was conducted by the Sri Lankan Government.

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