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**Part Two: War Crimes Committed by the Turkish-
Backed “National Army” In Manbij**

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The Monitoring and Information Center (MIC) has obtained more copies of photos and videotapes showing some of the violations, war crimes, and crimes against humanity committed by the Turkish-backed “National Army,” which has attacked Menbij area on the western banks of the Euphrates River since November 27, 2024. MIC has documented some of these crimes as follows:

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The first crime: Two videotapes showed 4 armed members of the “National Army” carrying their weapons and carrying out a field execution of 4 individuals, likely from the Menbij Military Council forces or local militants who tried to repel the “National Army” attack on Menbij. The first videotape showed one of them not dying, and one of the “National

Army” militants brandishing his weapon to shoot the wounded man, while the second videotape showed an order from one of the group’s leaders .

to shoot and execute them, the "National Army" elements launched direct fire on them while they were in the trunk of a Kia car.

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The second crime: A tape showed 3 civilians detained by the Turkish-backed “National Army” - who appeared in a previous clip being beaten and tortured - where they were insulted and humiliated by armed members of the “National Army” who forced them to bark and imitate animal sounds, and he chose them by putting his shoe at them to do what he forced them to do so, and then he said to one of them, “For the sake of the youth of Deir Ezzor, and you are a dog, right?”

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These people who were tortured, one of whom was the head of a commune in one of the neighborhoods in the city of Menbij, appeared yesterday in a videotape showing gunmen from the "National Army" detaining 6 individuals in the city of Menbij, one of whom was an elderly man, where two gunmen tied the feet of one of the detainees with a rifle

belt (Kalashnikov AK-47), and whipped him with a hose, while slapping and kicking him from time to time, and then the process was repeated with another detainee, while the leader of the group from the "National Army" was demanding that the detainee be tortured and assaulted by saying "This shabiha - whip me, this old pig - whip, don't be merciful", while their fate is still unknown until now, and it is not known whether they are alive or were liquidated by the factions of the "National Army".

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The third crime: A tape showed 5 gunmen raiding a room where 3 people were present, and surveillance cameras recorded them being beaten and insulted, and armed and masked members of the "National Army" stealing two mobile phones and then trying to destroy the cameras to prevent them from recording the theft and looting they carried out. Civilian sources confirmed to the Monitoring and Information Center that this theft is part of the looting, seizure and theft operations that included all the homes of civilians and displaced people from the city, at a time when Menbij witnessed huge demonstrations by the city's residents in response to the looting and theft campaigns by the "National Army" supported by Turkey, which are accompanied by attacks on private property owners.

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The fourth crime: A tape showed 7 armed men from the Maghawir Jarablus faction affiliated with the "National Army" storming a house in the village of Al-Nawajah on the outskirts of the city of Menbij, where they attacked the sanctity of one of the houses and searched the house. Local sources from Menbij confirmed that they looted and stole the contents of the house, and then the group leader asked them to remove the license plates of two cars, one of which was a silver Mercedes 220, and the other was a black Kia Mohave. They got into it and looted it, and then surveillance cameras showed them heading to other houses in the village in order to loot them, amidst the shock and fear of the property owners who were unable to show any reaction.

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