

Anazzah Tribal Confederation ratifies the International Covenant on the Rights of Indigenous Nations

WHEREAS we, the representatives of the Confederated Tribes of Anazzah of Iraq, declare:

1. The Anazzah are an Arab tribe in the Arabian Peninsula, Upper Mesopotamia and the Levant, with nearly 25 million members across the Arab diaspora. We originated in northern Arabia, with the royal families of Saudi Arabia (Saud), Bahrain (al-Khalifa), and Kuwait (al-Sabah) all tracing their ancestry to the Anazzah tribe.
2. The Anazzah Tribe's ancestral provenance includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Iraq, Syria, Jordan, Turkey, Egypt, Libya, Palestine, Lebanon, and the United Arab Emirates watersheds, in addition to adjoining seaways and waterways.
3. The establishment and maintenance of Tribal ancestral homelands is considered by Anazzah to be one essential foundation upon which the preservation of Tribal culture and sovereignty is established.
4. Negotiations with the federal government and signed by the Tribes in 2019 obligated the Anazzah to forfeit their ancestral lands.
5. The Anazzah Tribal Confederation, through ratifying of the International Covenant on the Rights of Indigenous Nations, calls for recognition pursuant to the Tribes' restoration.
6. The Federal Government of Iraq has paid no compensation to the Tribes for the loss of their land and resources, and has imprisoned Anazzah Tribal members for protesting.
7. Although diminished by starvation, disease and hardships endured during their forced removal from their homeland, Tribal members who had been removed eventually rejoined Tribal members who remained in their ancestral territories.
8. The Rabī'a branches Taghlib, Banu Bakr and Shammar have all agreed to ratify the International Covenant on the Rights of Indigenous Nations continuously from the establishment of the Anazzah Tribal Confederation.
9. By ratifying the International Covenant on the Rights of Indigenous Nations, the Anazzah Tribal Confederation asserts its jurisdiction over its Tribes and throughout the Tribes' ancestral lands.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that

- A. The Anazzah Tribal Confederation does hereby formally ratify the International Covenant on the Rights of Indigenous Nations.
- B. The Anazzah Tribal Confederation calls for the restoration of certain identified Tribal lands that interfere with no other Tribe's land claims and that are within the ancestral territories of the Anazzah Tribal Confederation.
- C. This resolution shall be the policy of the Anazzah Tribal Confederation until it is withdrawn or modified by subsequent resolution.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted by Anazzah tribes on October 12th, 2021 of the Common Era.

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