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Year original	Year follow-up	Circular	Country	Names
2007		47	Iraq	Five historians assassinated

#### *Announcement*

Among the more than 250 college professors who have been killed since 30 April 2003 in Iraq are the following historians:

\*\*Khalid M. al-Janabi, PhD. in Islamic history, faculty member at the College of Art, Babylon University. Date of assassination unknown.

\*\*Essam Sharif Mohammed (also spelled Hissam Sharif), Ph.D in History, assistant professor at the College of Art, Baghdad University. Date of assassination: 25 October 2003.

\*\*Mahfoudh al-Qazzaz, PhD. in Islamic history; faculty member at the College of Art, Mosul University. Killed by a death squad in front of his family at his home in Mosul on 20 December 2004.

\*\*Jamhour Karim Kammas Al Zargani, PhD. in History; department head at the College of Education at Al- Basrah University. Abducted for two days, tortured, and killed. His family found the dead body with broken arms and legs in a nearby street in Basra on 19 August 2005.

\*\*Kemal Nassir, professor of history, lecturer in Mustansiriya and Kufa. Date of assassination: 1 October 2006.

\*\*In addition, Abd-Asalam Ali Hussein, PhD. in Islamic History, was arrested on 22 May 2005.

The Council for Assisting Refugee Academics (CARA), London, is one of several human-rights organizations launching a petition campaign for these scholars. To sign, please visit CARA's homepage at <http://www.academic-refugees.org>.

P.S.: For other news about Iraqi history and archives, see the NCH Annual Reports of 1998 and of 2000 up to 2006, all soon available on <http://www.concernedhistorians.org>.