

“Genocide means any of the acts committed with intent to destroy in whole or part, national, ethnical, racial or religious group.”
- UN Genocide Convention.



Genocide against Bosniaks, during the Aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina (1992-1995) is the legally established case of genocide by international courts. However, the media and textbooks often still misinterpret the international armed conflict, the aggression, as a civil war and the crime of genocide as an “ethnic cleansing”. Among the American-Bosnian community’s achievements are the passed U.S. House Resolution 134 (in 2005), the U.S. Senate Resolution 199 (in 2005), the Illinois House Resolution HR0712 (in 2010), the Michigan House Resolution No. 311 (in 2010), the Michigan Senate Resolution (2011) and the Missouri Resolution (in 2005) , commemorating July 11 as the Remembrance of the Genocide of Srebrenica.

Our aspirations are moral and humanitarian in nature and we only differentiate between justice and injustice. We stand in solidarity for all genocide victims and assert that in order to prevent further genocides in the world, it is crucial that we take upon ourselves the responsibility to raise awareness by furthering understanding as well as condemning the atrocities inflicted on the Bosnian people in the 20th century.

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About BAGI...

The Institute works closely with the Institute for Research of Crimes against Humanity and International Law University of Sarajevo. Some of the Bosnian American Genocide Institute and Education Center's planned activities include:

a. organizing scientific and educational projects in relation to the study of genocide, and other forms of crimes against humanity and international law;

b. organizing conferences and lectures on topics relating to the study of genocide and other forms of crimes against humanity and international law;

c. promoting multiculturalism through outreach programs that promote the elimination of prejudice and discrimination among the culturally, ethnically and religiously diverse neighborhoods of Chicago.

...Our Mission

BAGI is a not-for profit charitable and educational organization that is dedicated to scientific research pertaining to the genocide of Bosniaks/ Bosnian Muslims and to educate others about the holocaust, genocide and other forms of crimes against humanity and international law.

Our mission is reconciliation by teaching universal lessons that combat hatred, prejudice and indifference.

Exhibition

"Traveling Memorials"

Children killed during the siege of Sarajevo and Srebrenica



Crimes Against Children During the Siege of Sarajevo, Institute for Research of Crimes against Humanity and International Law, 2010.—867 St. Illustration

The siege of Sarajevo is the longest siege in modern history, having lasted 1479 days. During the siege many victims of these crimes were children, a part of society that is protected by international humanitarian law. They were targeted while going about regular daily activities: walking to school, playing in the playground, sleeping, getting water, standing in line for food, etc.

In Srebrenica, children were killed during the siege of Srebrenica and also in a mass execution of more than 8000 unarmed boys and men, which has been recognized as genocide by international courts. This event has been dubbed the “single worst crime committed since World War II.”

Prior to the 1992-1995 aggression against Bosnia and Herzegovina, the country was an example of harmonious coexistence between different religions, ethnicities, and cultures. The aggression and genocide against Bosniaks were purposeful acts of destruction of not just one group of people, but also of the idea of multiculturalism.

The process of reconstruction of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the common life of all its constituent people must begin from the truth and justice. Education is the first step in the process of reconciliation and the hope in preventing the cycle of intolerance and crimes against humanity.



Srebrenica-Potočari Memorial and Cemetery for the Victims of the 1995 Genocide.

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