
26 YEARS PASS SINCE ARMENIA SHOT DOWN MILITARY HELICOPTER WITH AZERBAIJANI POLITICAL ELITE ON BOARD

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Twenty-six years have passed since Armenia shot down an Azerbaijani MI-8 military helicopter near the Garakend village of Azerbaijan's Khojavand district on November 20, 1991.

A total of 22 people - State Secretary Tofiq İsmayilov, Deputy Prime Minister Zulfu Hacıyev, State Advisor, former Interior Minister Mahammad Asadov, Prosecutor General İsmat Gayibov, parliamentarians Vagif Jafarov and Vali Mammadov, Department Chief of the Presidents Office Osman Mirzayev, First Deputy Minister of International Affairs of Kazakhstan S. Serikov, employee of Azerbaijan State TV and Radio Ali Mustafayev and others were killed as a result of the tragedy.

Below are the names of the victims killed in the Mi-8 helicopter crash that took place on November 20, 1991:

- Tofiq İsmayilov Kazim oğlu Secretary of State, Azerbaijan
- İsmat Gayibov İsmayil oğlu Public Prosecutor General, Azerbaijan
- Mahammad Asadov Nabi oğlu State Advisor, Azerbaijan
- Zulfu Hacıyev Saleh oğlu Deputy Prime Minister, Azerbaijan
- Vagif Jafarov Jafar oğlu Member of Parliament, Azerbaijan
- Vali Mammadov Huseyn oğlu Member of Parliament, Azerbaijan
- Osman Mirzayev Mirza Huseyn oğlu Head of Presidential Administration, Azerbaijan
- Gurban Namazaliyev Huseyn oğlu Deputy Prime Minister of --Amelioration and Water Management, Azerbaijan
- Igor Aleksandrovich Plavski Public Prosecutor of Nagorno-Karabakh Autonomous Oblast (NKAO), Azerbaijan
- Vladimir Vladimirovich Kovalyov Head of Ministry of Internal Affairs of NKAO, Azerbaijan

- Sergey Semyonovich Ivanov Head of department of National Security Ministry, NKAO, Azerbaijan
- Nikolay Vladimirovich Jinkin Commandant for Emergency Situations of NKAO, Azerbaijan
- Sanlal Dasumovich Serikov Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs, Kazakhstan
- Mikhail Dmitriyevich Lukashov MVD, Major General, Russia
- Oleg Nikolayevich Kocherev MVD, Lieutenant Colonel, Russia
- Rafiq Mammadov Mammad oglu Aide to Secretary of State, Azerbaijan
- Ali Mustafayev Mustafa oglu Journalist, Azerbaijani State TV[9]
- Arif Huseynzadeh Ismail oglu Lights technician, Azerbaijani State TV
- Fakhraddin Shahbazov Ibrahim oglu Cameraman, Azerbaijani State TV
- Vyacheslav Vladimirovich Kotov Commander of helicopter crew
- Gennadiy Vladimirovich Domov Member of the helicopter crew
- Dmitry Borisovich Yarovenko Member of the helicopter crew

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