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France

Three Kurdish militants assassinated in the centre of Paris

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Sakine Cansiz, Fidan Dogan (Rojbin) and Leyla Soleymez were executed yesterday [Wednesday 9] afternoon at the CIK, the Kurdistan Information Centre.

This horrible assassination takes place at a time when the Turkish government has begun direct talks with [imprisoned PKK leader] Abdullah Ocalan, having visited him in the prison of Imrali for the first time since his kidnapping and sentencing in 1999. The Turkish prime minister, Erdogan, wants to bring about the disarming of the PKK guerrillas before the next elections. The timing of this massacre does not then seem coincidental.

The NPA strongly condemns these murders and presents its condolences to the family, friends and comrades of the three assassinated activists. It asks the French government to cease its repressive collaboration with the Turkish authorities (such as the imprisonment of Kurdish activists on French soil. Adem Uzun is still held in Paris). It demands that everything is done to find the assassins as quickly as possible.

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