

New York Times Feature on Turkey's Occupation of Kurdish Afrin is Journalistic Ethnic Cleansing

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The *New York Times* recently published an article on Turkish-ruled Afrin, a formerly Kurdish area of Syria that the Kurds have fled, and now is populated by Syrian Arabs who had been living as refugees in Turkey, and then were moved into Afrin by the Turkish military. That article has been widely criticized, mainly because it fails to report the views of any of the indigenous Kurds, and relies on what Turkish officials and their Arab collaborators wanted the *Times* reporters to hear.

The article also failed in other ways. “NYT accused of whitewashing Turkey’s Afrin occupation,” by Seth J. Frantzman, [Jihad Watch](#).