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Dear International Federation of Iraqi Refugees (IFIR),

17 February massacre

The DCLG PCS branch sends you its support in your campaign against the violence of the Kurdish Democratic Party (KDP) against the demonstration in Sulaimaniya on 17 February and the continuing occupation of KDP militia in cities across Kurdistan.

The 17 February demonstration was part of a wave of protests against corrupt and undemocratic regimes across the whole region. By their violent response the Kurdish authorities have put themselves in the same category as Mubarak, Ben Ali, and Qaddafi.

We support your statement calling for the Kurdish Regional Government: to:

- * put on trial the militia responsible for the murder of the people killed on the 17 February;
- * For an end to the occupation of all Kurdish cities by the KDP militia;
- * For the immediate release of all the people who have been arrested in connection with 17 February protest.

Yours in solidarity,

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