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After the Taliban took Kabul and confiscated political power in the country, their leadership announced a so-called general amnesty in a decree and assured the Afghan people that there would be no revengeful practices. However, it is clear that its fighters and commanders did not respect their leader's orders and launched many revenge attacks.

Hundreds of republican soldiers have been brutally killed by the Taliban, and hundreds more have been victims of violent and inhuman encounters.

Recently, one of the young soldiers of the previous government's army, Satar Sirat, who left military affairs at the republic, was brutally murdered by the Taliban forces.

The Taliban took this young soldier, who belonged to a poor family, out of the car on the road to a field, where they, in the most gruesome way, burnt his body first with hot spears and, after many tortures, cut his throat and his body. They cut him from the waist down and threw him on the plain.

The video of this young man's body, circulating on social media, shows that the Taliban knows no mercy for former soldiers.

The AIHRC strongly condemns these barbaric and inhuman acts and demands that the de facto Taliban regime respect the principles and norms of human rights and humanitarian law towards innocent people, civilians, and prisoners, and warns that the perpetrators of these heinous acts will one day be held accountable for their inhuman acts.

The AIHRC calls on all institutions working in the field of human rights and international humanitarian law to increase pressure on the Taliban to respect the human rights values and principles of the four Geneva Conventions and protect the human rights of civilians and prisoners of war among the defenseless people of Afghanistan.

The leadership of Afghanistan's Independent Human Rights Commission

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