

[PROVISIONAL TRANSLATION FROM PERSIAN]

[Translator's notes appear in square brackets.]

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[The excerpt below is from the section of the article that pertains to the Baha'i Faith]

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The Story of the Murder of Soleiman Berjis

Adyannet – Channels affiliated with the Baha'i sect's organizations, quoting the website of the Archives of Baha'i Persecution in Iran¹, described the assassination of Dr. Soleiman Berjis as evidence of the oppression of the Baha'is in Iran. But where does the story of the murder of this Baha'i really come from?!

Undoubtedly, from the era of the Pahlavi regime, we can mention the most extensive period of Baha'ism's influence and plunder in Iran, to the point where, in the words of Hossein Fardoust, "One can write a book on whether it was the Baha'i Ayadi who ruled over Iran or Mohammad-Reza Pahlavi ... It was during the governorship of Ayadi that the Baha'is held important jobs, and there was no unemployed Baha'i in Iran."

Hence, with the spread of the Baha'i sect's influence in the government and the open dissemination of this heretical sect, popular protests arose in various parts of Iran. In this regard, Ayatollah Borujerdi received numerous letters indicating the spread of Baha'i activity throughout Iran. Such popular complaints and letters prompted Ayatollah Borujerdi to take the fight against Baha'ism seriously.

The confrontation of the clergy with Baha'ism's influence in Iran, led by Ayatollah Borujerdi, caused the Baha'is to take bloody actions in various cities. For example, in one of the villages of Yazd, the Baha'is killed several Muslims. Or in Abarghou, several Baha'is attacked the house of an elderly Shia woman who had cursed the Baha'i sect leaders one night, and brutally murdered six people. Such actions provoked popular indignation against Baha'ism, and the people of Kashan, in a retaliatory act, assassinated Dr. Berjis (a converted Baha'i Jew who was well known for disrespecting the Quran, insulting the honour of the people, and promoting Baha'ism).

But without a doubt, the Baha'i sect's organization, by denying the crimes of its followers and incompletely mentioning historical events, is trying to cover up its countless betrayals in the Pahlavi era, and to prove its oppression in order to gain the public's sympathy for itself at the same time stimulate its growth and expansion.

¹ <https://iranbahaipersecution.bic.org/archive>