

Municipality Kaçanik/Kaçanik

Hetem (Mustafë) Zeqiri

(born 1947, Albanian from Han i Elezit/ Đeneral Janković, Kaçanik/Kaçanik municipality)

Hetem lived alone in his house in Han i Elezit/Đeneral Janković. He suffered from epilepsy and lived on a disability pension. On 22 March 1998, Hetem went to his brother Avdullah, who lived in the *Dushakaja/Dușakaja* neighbourhood in **Kaçanik/Kaçanik**. He stayed the night there, and on the following day, **23 March 1998**, set off for home. That was the last time Avdullah saw him alive. Hetem's disappearance is not recorded on the ICRC lists. Hetem's family has been searching for him ever since he disappeared.

Sources: statement of A.Z, HLC-19804.

Bajrush (Bedri) Tafli

(born 18/05/1958, Albanian from Kaçanik/ Kačanik, driver, one child)

On **2 May 1998**, Bajrush took part in a protest march against the Serb authorities in **Kaçanik/Kaçanik**. When the protest ended, Bajrush set off for his home. In the vicinity of the department store, he met Mahmut Dardhishta, the President of the local branch of the SPS in Kaçanik/Kaçanik. A quarrel broke out for political reasons, and after some pushing and shoving, Mahmut took out a pistol and shot at Bajrush. Bajrush was seriously wounded. He was transferred initially to the city ambulance and from there to the hospital in Prishtinë/Priština, but on the way to Prishtinë/Priština Bajrush succumbed to his injuries. His family buried him on 3 May 1998 in the cemetery in Kaçanik/Kaçanik.

Sources: statement of N.T, HLC-20926; ICTY, IT-02-54 (S. Milošević), EX.312.52, HLC-30993; KMDLNI, *Buletini*, no.7, april-june 1998, 114, HLC-23816; KMC AFRY, *Persons died.*, HLC-10832.

Agim (Qerkin) Bajrami

(born 12/02/1964, Albanian from Stagovë/Stagovo, Kaçanik/Kaçanik municipality, member of KLA)

Xheladin (Miftar) Kurtaj

(born 20/04/1976, Albanian from Gabricë/Gabrica, Kaçanik/Kaçanik municipality, actor, member of KLA)

Besnik (Liman) Begunca

(born 21/07/1972, Albanian from Kaçanik/Kaçanik, Kaçanik/Kaçanik municipality, member of KLA)

Agim had been politically engaged against the Serbian regime from high school. He participated in the 1981 demonstrations. During his mandatory military term with the Yugoslav People's Army (JNA) in 1988, he was sentenced to five years in prison for his political activities. He was released in 1991 and left for Switzerland shortly afterwards. In March 1998, he joined the KLA. Xheladin was an actor, a graduate of Drama School. He joined the KLA in May 1998. Besnik joined the KLA on 4 August 1998. In the early morning of **10 August 1998**, at around 05:00h, Agim, Besnik and Xheladin were inside Xheladin's house in **Gabricë/Gabrica** when Serb police came and surrounded it. In the gun-battle that broke out Agim, Xheladin and Besnik died and one policeman was wounded. Agim, Xheladin and Besnik were buried in the cemetery in Gabricë/Gabrica.