

the cemetery in Koričani [Kragujevac].

**Sources:** statement of S.V, HLC-25822; ICTY, IT-05-87 (Milutinović et al.), EX.6D00614, HLC-35527; SMIP, *Teroristički...*, III, 939; SV SRJ, *Junaci otadžbine*, 18; KMC AFRY, *Persons died...*, HLC-10832.

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### Osman (Metë) Paqarizi

(born 12/05/1930, Albanian from Dragobil/ Dragobilje, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, construction worker, seven children)

### Fehmi (Miftar) Paqarizi

(born 25/02/1950, Albanian from Dragobil/ Dragobilje, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, farmer, five children)

The families of Osman and his nephew Fehmi fled **Dragobil/ Dragobilje** at the end of summer 1998 and went to nearby Guriq/ Gorić. On 15 September 1998, they returned to their village. On the morning of **20 September 1998**, Fehmi and Osman put their cows out to graze in a wood. The cows returned to the village after dark by themselves, without Osman and Fehmi. Their families waited for them until the next morning, when Fehmi's father Miftar went to the police station in Malishevë/Mališevo to report them missing. The Serb police gave him permission to go to the wood [the Serb authorities had previously restricted movement in a part of the wood] to look for his brother and son. Miftar and his brother Baejtullah went to the wood and found the bodies of Fehmi and Osman in that part of the wood to which access had been restricted by the police. Fehmi had multiple shots in the chest and Osman had a wound near the mouth. The police took their bodies to the hospital in Prishtinë/Priština, from where they were recovered by their families two days later. As the police did not allow them to be buried in Dragobil/ Dragobilje, the families buried Osman and Fehmi later that day in the cemetery of the neighbouring village of Marali/ Maralija.

**Sources:** statement of S.P, HLC-34643; statement of V.P, HLC-12287; SMIP, *Teroristički...*, III, 490; KMC AFRY, *Persons died...*, HLC-10832; photography, HLC-35338.

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### Lulëzim (Avdyl) Gashi

(born 3/01/1981, Albanian from Vërmicë/Vrtnica, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality)

Lulëzim lived with his parents and brothers in their family house in Vërmicë/ Vrtnica. At three o'clock in the morning on **23 September 1998**, Lulëzim and his brother Bekim left on a horse-cart for nearby **Llazicë/Lozica** to get some groceries. On their way back from Llazicë/Lozica, near the Primary School, they crossed paths with Serb policemen, who opened fire at them without any forewarning. Lulëzim was hit in the back and stomach, whereas Bekim managed to flee to safety. The next morning, a village resident, Ilir Hasani, found Lulëzim's body on the village road and took it by car to the house of the Gashis. Lulëzim was buried by his family later that day in the cemetery in Vërmicë/Vrtnica.

**Sources:** statement of K.G, HLC-34646; *Serb Police Shoots Dead Albanian Teenager in Malisheva*, newsletter, KIC, 24.09.1998, HLC-29570.

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### Kajtaz (Sylë) Maloku

(born 1926, Albanian from Pllaqicë/Pločica, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, six children)

### Dervish (Cene) Maloku

(born 2/09/1936, Albanian from Pllaqicë/Pločica, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, worker, four children)

### Deli (Bali) Gashi

(born 11/01/1937, Albanian from Pllaqicë/Pločica, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, construction worker, three children)

### Sejdi (Bali) Gashi

(born 1/04/1940, Albanian from Pllaqicë/Pločica, Malishevë/Mališevo municipality, construction worker, seven children)

In July 1998, when Serb forces launched their first attack on Pllaqicë/Pločica, some local residents fled the village, while others remained in their homes. However, the heavy shelling by combined police and military forces that started on **25 September 1998**, at around 11:00h, forced the local residents and refugees who had fled the nearby villages and found shelter in Pllaqicë/Pločica to flee en masse to the wood above the village. The KLA soldiers remai-