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## Estonia-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Friendship Group commemorates victims of Khojaly massacre

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The Estonia-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Friendship Group of the Riigikogu (Parliament of Estonia) expresses its deep condolences to the people of Azerbaijan on the 32nd anniversary of the Khojaly (Xocalı) massacre.

"We share the pain of the Azerbaijani people about the Khojaly genocide, during which more than 600 innocent civilians, including many children, women and the elderly, were killed," the members of the Parliamentary Friendship Group said in a Joint Statement.

"We strongly condemn the crimes against humanity committed against Azerbaijani civilians during the occupation of Khojaly, on the night of 25–26 February 1992. The perpetrators of this mass murder must be brought to justice," they said.

"We acknowledge that all countries of the region have the right to sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as inviolability of internationally recognised borders. We express our support to the Republic of Azerbaijan in the establishment of lasting peace on its territory, in integration and reconstruction," the members of the Parliamentary Friendship Group added.

The Estonia-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Friendship Group is chaired by **Riina Solman**. The Deputy Chair is **Maria Jufereva-Skuratovski**, and members of the Parliamentary Friendship Group are **Jaak Aab, Vadim Belobrovstev, Züleyxa Izmailova, Aleksei Jevgrafov, Ester Karuse, Toomas Kivimägi, Aivar Kokk, Anastassia Kovalnko-Kõlvart, Lauri Laats, Andres Metsoja, Heljo Pikhof, Juku-Kalle Raid, Jüri Ratas, Urmas Reinsalu, Aivar Sõerd** and **Hendrik Johannes Terras**. Parliamentary friendship groups help the Members of the Riigikogu communicate with other national parliaments, carry out Estonia's foreign policy, and promote our country around the world.

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