

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

KASIM KURD, *et al.*,
Plaintiffs,

v.

REPUBLIC OF TURKEY, *at al.*,
Defendant.

Civil Action No. 18-1117 (CKK)

MEMORANDUM OPINION & ORDER
(October 6, 2025)

On February 14, 2025, this matter was referred to Magistrate Judge Matthew J. Sharbaugh for Report and Recommendation regarding Plaintiffs' [241] Motion for Default Judgment. Pending before the Court is Magistrate Judge Sharbaugh's [347] Report and Recommendation. In his Report and Recommendation, Magistrate Judge Sharbaugh recommends that the Court GRANT Plaintiffs' [241] Motion for Default Judgment. Specifically, Magistrate Judge Sharbaugh recommends that

the Court should conclude that it properly exercises jurisdiction over Plaintiffs' claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1605(a)(5) and grant judgment on liability as to Plaintiffs' claims for: (1) civil assault by all Plaintiffs; (2) civil battery by all Plaintiffs *except* C.A. and Kurd; (3) false imprisonment by Borazan; (4) IIED by all Plaintiffs *except* Arthur, Jane Doe I, and Özgen; and (5) violation of the DCBRCA—on the basis of actual or perceived Kurdish national origin—by all Plaintiffs.

Rep. and Rec., ECF No. 347 at 33–34.


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The Court has not received any objections to Magistrate Judge Sharbaugh's Report and Recommendation. Furthermore, the Court has independently reviewed the Report and Recommendation and concurs with its conclusions. Accordingly, it is this 6th day of October, 2025,

ORDERED that the [347] Report and Recommendation is hereby **ADOPTED**.

FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to the Plaintiffs' request, *see* Notice of Pls.'s Non-Opposition, ECF No. 348, the Court shall refer this matter to Magistrate Judge Sharbaugh to conduct damages proceedings by separate order.

SO ORDERED.


COLLEEN KOLLAR-KOTELLY
United States District Judge