

Dadrian's book on the *German Responsibility on the Armenian Genocide* is one of the most researched and documented books I have seen about Armenian genocide. The author has done a superb job of disclosing one of the major crimes in the 20th century, not only against the Armenian people, but against humanity. The purpose of the book was to expose the German officials and the role they played in the Armenian genocide at the turn of the century. It is ironic that after a century, Turkey has denied the occurrence of this crime against the Armenian nation despite overwhelming evidence. Political expediency has taken precedence to this crime which preceded the Jewish holocaust. Dadrian has written his *opus*, and this alone, makes him the pre-eminent scholar who made us all aware of such an enormous crime in the 20th century. This book should be read by all Germans, and should be on all reading lists dealing with Germany and genocide studies. It is not only an indictment of Nazi Germany, but it serves to remind us of the moral responsibility of any civilized nation and the world. For, as the author argues, the full disclosure and knowledge of this heinous crime could have perhaps prevented the Jewish holocaust of World War II.

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"Oil on fire", Text books, Ethnic stereotypes and violence in South-Eastern Europe., Hanovre, december 1996, Verlag Hahnsche Buchhandlung

Cet ouvrage collectif qui comprend une dizaine de contributions rédigées en allemand ou en anglais s'attache à l'étude de la violence en Europe du sud-ouest. On doit citer en particulier l'article d'Irène Lagani, spécialiste des Balkans, auteur d'une étude sur la "La présentation des guerres dans les livres d'histoire".