

The Chechen Archive is open to all those wishing to work together within the framework of our goals and mission.

The Chechen Archive works for peace and justice, preserving historical testimony for the Chechen people.



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**Chechen Archive**  
For peace, justice and  
against oblivion in the  
Chechen Republic



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## The Chechen Archive documents the war in the Chechen Republic since 1994.

The organisation «Chechen Archive» was founded by Chechen NGO «Echo of War» and Swiss organisations «Society for Threatened Peoples», «Peace Women across the Globe» and «Reporters sans frontières» in 2005 in Bern, Switzerland. The Chechen Archive collects, preserves and systematically analyses documents and materials in various formats (video, photo, text) so as to create a digital database of this information. The Chechen Archive is a non-profit organisation with the following goals:

1. To archive materials documenting military actions, violations of human rights and historical events in the Chechen Republic since 1994.
2. To facilitate access to these materials for legal organisations, the press, specialists and interested persons for research or other use (books, films, articles, reports, exhibitions and so forth).
3. To provide the Chechen people with these materials in order to deal with the past and preserve testimony of historical events in the Chechen Republic.

# CHECHEN ARCHIVE



## Programme

The Chechen Archive collects photo and video materials about the war in the Chechen Republic from various sources. For authors who provide their materials to the archive for processing and analysis, the organisation renders the following services:

- The Chechen Archive makes a contract with the author, processes and digitises original video materials on long-lasting carriers where necessary. The author retains all rights to the original materials and the copies created from them.
- Authors who give their materials to the archive in accordance with the aforementioned goals may also be invited to Switzerland to become acquainted with the project and staff working at the Chechen Archive.
- The digital database may be used free of charge for legal purposes. In the case of commercial interest from using the materials (by the press, other specialists or interested persons), the Chechen Archive refers the potential user directly to the author.
- Additional work using the archive involves detailed research into several infamous events, for example the military operation in Samashki or the bombing of Grozny market, to be used for public redress. The Chechen Archive also plans to collect information about the 1944 deportation within this framework.
- The Chechen Archive is financed by international and Russian foundations.