

The convention of Dukagjini of 1602

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Abstract

In November 1601, in Dukagjin village, the Assembly of Dukagjin was gathered until 15-th of February. 2656 delegates, secular and religious, from 14 Albanian regions (Highland of Shkodra, Zadrima, Dukagjini, Kosova, Lezha, Kurbini, Mat, Dibra, Petrela, Durres, Elbasan, Shpat and Myzeqe) took part. The assembly was run by Nikolle Bardhi, Gjin Gjergji and Nikolle Mekjashi. It was decided to start fighting for liberation from Ottoman invaders. Decisions taken by Assembly were signed by 56 leaders, 4 delegates for each region. Main objective of this manuscript is the historical analysis of Dukagjini Convention of 1602.

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