

The Syrian Regime Has Killed 9427 people between UN Security Council Resolutions 2139 and 2165

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We were pleased with UN Security Council Resolution 2139, issued on 22 February, 2014, as it stated to: “immediately cease all attacks against civilians” and explicitly expressed “its intent to take further steps in the case of non-compliance with this resolution”. But quickly we felt disappointed again in the UN Security Council after the horrific violations committed by the Syrian regime even after the resolution was adopted. The UN Security Council is still unable to take any further steps to deliver food aids at least which was expected as the Resolution was issued in accordance with the sixth chapter of the UN Charter.

As a national Syrian independent Human Rights organization that documents the violations in Syria, the disregard on the Syrian regime part for the UN Security Council Resolutions, even Resolution 2118, issued on 27 September, 2013 in accordance with the seventh chapter of the UN Charter to disarm the Syrian regime’s chemical weapons was no surprise. We’ve documented more than 28 violation of this Resolution by the Syrian regime through using poison gases without any respond on the UN Security Council part.

The UN Security Council issued a new Resolution, Resolution 2165 on 14 July, that states to “ensure that assistance, including medical and surgical supplies, reached people in need throughout Syria through the most direct routes.” We hope that the Security Council takes this resolution more seriously than before.

In this context, we’ve documented in the period of time between 22 February, 2014 and 27 September, 2014 the killing of no less than 9427 people including 1138 children and 965 women on the hands of government forces; most of whom were killed by the barbaric shelling of barrel bombs, rockets, and artillery. Furthermore, torture-to-death cases are still surfacing as we documenting in the same period of time 924 victims who died under torture.

Also, SNHR team has documented in the same period of time that 58 people have starved to death in light of the Syrian regime's siege and obstructing the process of disturbing aids to people in need or delivering them to people who don't need it as Mr. Gary Quinlan, Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations and Security Council, stated that 90% of the supplies goes to those who don't deserve and to the Syrian regime loyal areas, which are in good conditions. UN has not made, until this moment, any public and transparent inquiries to know how did that happen and how is the Syrian regime funding the people base that are supporting its affiliated militias using money that should have been used as aids to the besieged areas in which people are dying due to the food and medication shortages.

UN Security Council should find solutions to put a decisive end to this problem. Moreover, The Security Council is the responsible of protecting civilians from a savage regime that has lost its sovereignty and legitimacy after committing all these crimes against humanity and war crimes which have been documented by the UN's Independent International Commission of Inquiry, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and tens of humanitarian organizations around the world.

