

No less than 114 Incidents of Attack on Vital Civilian Facilities in March 2017

Including 86 at the Hands of
the Syrian-Russian Alliance

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I. Executive Summary

Through daily documentation and monitoring at SNHR, we recorded no less than 114 incidents of attack on vital civilian facilities in March 2017 which are distributed by the perpetrator party as follows:

- A. Syrian regime forces (Army, security, local militias, Shiite foreign militias): 47
- B. Russian forces: 39
- C. Extremist Islamic groups
 - ISIS (Self-proclaimed the Islamic State): 3
- D. Armed opposition factions: 2
- E. Self-management forces (Primarily consisting of the Democratic Union Party – a branch for the Kurdistan Workers' Party): 2
- F. International coalition forces: 20
- G. Other parties: 1



Most notable facilities that were targeted in March 2017

41 infrastructures, 29 vital educational facilities, 17 places of worship, 16 vital medical facilities, eight communal facilities, one international humanitarian insignia, two refugee camps.

It is worth noting that for the first time, the international coalition forces were responsible for 20 incidents of attack on vital civilian facilities in one month since the start of the international coalition's intervention on September 23, 2014, which was in parallel with an unprecedented rise in the toll of civilians killed by the same forces in March as well, after the international coalition escalated their bombardment operations in ISIS-held areas.

For more information on the methodology adopted by SNHR for classifying vital civilian facilities, see the following [URL](#)



Attacks on these facilities are distributed by the perpetrator party as follows:

| Distribution of Attacked Vital Civilian Facilities by the Perpetrator Party in March 2017 | | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------|----------|---------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| The Perpetrator Party | Syrian Regime Forces | Russian Forces | ISIS | Armed Opposition Factions | Self-Management Forces | International Coalition Forces | Other Parties |
| The Targeted Area | | | | | | | |
| Places of Worship | | | | | | | |
| Mosques | 10 | 6 | | | | 1 | |
| Vital Educational Facilities | | | | | | | |
| Schools | 13 | 7 | 2 | 2 | | 2 | |
| Universities | | 1 | | | | | |
| Kindergartens | 2 | | | | | | |
| Vital Medical Facilities | | | | | | | |
| Medical Facilities | 7 | 6 | | | | | |
| Ambulances | 3 | | | | | | |
| Communal Facilities | | | | | | | |
| Markets | 4 | 3 | | | | 1 | |
| International Humanitarian Insignia | | | | | | | |
| Red Crescent | | 1 | | | | | |
| Infrastructures | | | | | | | |
| Power Stations | | 2 | | | 1 | | |
| Civil Defense Center | 2 | | | | | | |
| Water Systems | 2 | 2 | 1 | | 1 | 6 | |
| Official Headquarters | 2 | 7 | | | | 1 | 1 |
| Transportation Systems | | 1 | | | | 6 | |
| Bakeries | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | |
| Industrial Facilities | | 1 | | | | | |
| Refugee Camps | | | | | | | |
| Refugee Camps | | 1 | | | | 1 | |
| Total: | 47 | 39 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 20 | 1 |



The bombardment and what it entails of systematic killing and destruction by the ruling regime seems to aim mainly to undermine the establishment of any alternative governing system. Also, it leads to residents displacing from opposition-held areas to the regime-held areas which are relatively safer.

If the Security Council is unable to bind the conflict parties to implement Resolution 2139, adopted on March 22, 2016, which states: “Demands that all parties immediately cease all attacks against civilians, as well as the indiscriminate employment of weapons in populated areas, including shelling and aerial bombardment, such as the use of barrel bombs”, it should at least apply pressure mainly on Syrian regime forces to cease attacks against vital facilities such as schools, hospitals, markets, bakeries, and places of worship. This report sheds light on the attacks against vital civilian facilities by the main parties. This operation is primarily carried out through our researches who are scattered across Syrian governorates with the cooperation and coordination of the local residents and activists. It should be noted that this is the bare minimum in light of the many practical obstructions we encounter during documentations. SNHR can confirm, through its investigations, that there were no military centers in the centers mentioned in the report before or during the attacks. The Syrian regime, and other perpetrators, are going to have to justify their actions before the United Nations and the Security Council.

II. Details

The report sheds light on incidents of attack against vital civilian facilities except for the details of the attacks on vital medical facilities, civil defense centers, and international humanitarian insignia which were put in a past monthly report: [“16 Medical and Civil Defense Personnel Killed - 19 Incidents of Attack on Vital Medical and Civil Defense Facilities in March 2017”](#)

A. Syrian regime forces (Army, security, local militias, Shiite foreign militias)

Places of worship

- Mosques

Saturday, March 4, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles near al Ra'is Mosque, known as “Al Umari Mosque” in al Wa'er neighborhood in western Homs city. The mosque building was moderately damaged. The neighborhood is under the control of armed opposition factions.



Thursday, March 9, 2017, around 08:00, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes (Su-24) fired a missile near al Arba'in Mosque in the middle of Kafr Nobbol city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The mosque building and its furniture was slightly damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Sunday, March 19, 2017, Syrian regime helicopters dropped a barrel bomb near Abu Obayda ben al Jarrah Mosque in Kafr Zita city in the northern suburbs of Hama governorate. The barrel bomb fell on a dirt land that is located about 10 meters away from the mosque building, as we didn't record any damages to the mosque. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Tuesday, March 21, 2017, Syrian regime forces rocket launchers fired a number of rockets at [Khaled ben al Walid](#) Mosque in al Umqiya village in [Sahl al Ghab](#) in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate, which created a hole in the mosque roof and moderately damaged its furniture. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Thursday, March 23, 2017, the artillery of the Syrian regime forces and the pro-regime militias that are stationing in al Tal Castle fired a number of shells that fell near the Northern Mosque in [Madaya town](#) in northwestern Damascus suburbs governorate. The shells fell about 7 meters away from the mosque, as we didn't record any damages to the mosque building. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Friday, March 24, 2017, the artillery of the Syrian regime forces and the pro-regime militias that are stationing in al Tal Castle fired a number of shells that fell near the [Northern Mosque](#) in Madaya town in northwestern Damascus suburbs governorate. The mosque building and its cladding materials were moderately damaged. It should be noted that the same artillery fired a number of shells that fell near the mosque on the previous day. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Saturday, March 25, 2017, the fixed-wing warplanes of the Syrian-Russian alliance (Investigation are ongoing to accurately determine the perpetrator party) fired a number of missiles at the [Grand Mosque](#) in Helfaya city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The mosque building was heavily destroyed, and its cladding materials and furniture were heavily damaged. As a result, the mosque was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.





The destruction in the aftermath of a bombing by the fixed-wing warplanes of the Syrian-Russian alliance on the Grand Mosque in Helfaya city in Hama March 25, 2017

Saturday, March 25, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at [al Rawda Mosque](#) which is located in the middle of al Rawda Street in Hamouriya town in [Eastern Ghouta](#) in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the mosque building and its cladding materials were heavily destroyed. As a result, the mosque was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The destruction in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes on al Rawda Mosque in Hamouriya town, Damascus suburbs – March 25, 2017



Saturday, March 25, 2017, the fixed-wing warplanes of the Syrian-Russian alliance (Investigation are ongoing to accurately determine the perpetrator party) fired a number of missiles at [Ahmad al Refa'ie Mosque](#), known as Abu Urwa Mosque, [in Helfaya city](#) in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The mosque building was partially destroyed, and its furniture and cladding materials were heavily damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Friday, March 31, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces [warplanes fired](#) a number of missiles at Mahmoud Mosque in Kafr Naha village in the western suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The mosque building and its cladding materials were slightly damaged. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Vital educational facilities

- Schools

Thursday, March 2, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a missile near [Kanadi Mosque](#) in al Wa'er neighborhood in western Homs city. The school fence was partially destroyed, and its building and furniture were heavily damaged. The neighborhood is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Saturday noon, March 4, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery stationing in al Adnaniya village fired a number of shells at [Qnetrat Elementary School](#) in Qnetrat village in the southern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The bombing created a hole in the schoolyard, and its building and cladding materials were slightly damaged. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Tuesday, March 7, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at [Otaya Elementary School](#) in Otaya town in [Eastern Ghouta](#) in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate. The school fence and building were [heavily destroyed](#), and its furniture and [cladding materials](#) were heavily damaged. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.





The destruction in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes on Oyata Elementary School in Oyata town, Damascus suburbs – March 7, 2017

Wednesday, March 8, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles near Douma [al Muhdatha School](#) in Douma city in Eastern Ghouta in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate. The school building and fence were moderately damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Thursday, March 9, 2017, around 08:00, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes (Su-24) fired a missile at the Martyr [Fadl al Khatib School](#) in the middle of [Kafr Nobbol city](#) in the southern suburbs of [Idlib governorate](#). The school building was [heavily destroyed](#), and its furniture was [moderately damaged](#). As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Thursday, March 9, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at Abdul al Jabbar al Rahbi School in al Mayadin city in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. The school building was heavily damaged. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Friday, March 17, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery fired a number of shells that fell near a school in al Harra city in the northwestern suburbs of Daraa governorate. The school fence was moderately damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.



Friday, March 24, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at [Ibn al Haytham Intermediate School](#) in Helfaya city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The school fence was heavily destroyed, and its building and yard were moderately damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Friday, March 24, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes (MiG-23) fired a number of missiles at the Martyr Majed Houjak School in Aqrab town in the southern suburbs of Hama governorate. The school building was partially destroyed, and its cladding materials and furniture were moderately damaged. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Monday noon, March 27, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery stationing in al Adnaniya village fired a number of shells that fell near [Qnetrat School](#) in Qnetrat village in the southern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The schoolyard and classrooms were moderately damaged. It should be noted that the school was [moderately damaged](#) on Saturday, March 4, 2017, after a bombing by the same artillery. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, Syrian regime helicopters dropped a number of barrel bombs Hamida al Taher Intermediate School for girls in Helfaya city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The schoolyard and the school building were heavily damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

- Kindergartens

Friday, March 3, 2017, Syrian regime forces fired a “Pheel” rocket at the kindergarten in [Daraa al Balad](#) area in the middle of Daraa city. The kindergarten building, and its furniture and cladding materials were heavily damaged. The kindergarten is located within the parts of Daraa al Balad area that are under the control of armed opposition factions.





The damages that resulted from a “Pheel” rocket fired by Syrian regime forces at a kindergarten in Daraa al Balad area in Daraa city – March 3, 2017

Tuesday, March 21, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery fired a number of shells at an educational complex that contains [Nab' al Hanan Kindergarten](#), Jisreen Intermediate School for girls, and [Redwan Zahed Kaboush](#) Elementary School in [Jisreen town](#) in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate. The shell fell on the kindergarten building, where the kindergarten fence and its cladding materials were [heavily damaged](#). In addition, the cladding materials on the other two school buildings were slightly damaged. The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Communal facilities

- Markets

Saturday, March 4, 2017, the fixed-wing warplanes of the Syrian-Russian alliance (Investigation are ongoing to accurately determine the perpetrator party) fired a number of missiles at a livestock market in Eqerbat town in the eastern suburbs of Hama governorate, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the market facilities were heavily damaged. The town is under the control of ISIS.

Wednesday, March 15, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery fired a number of shells at the urban market in Douma city in Eastern Ghouta in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate. The market facilities were slightly damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.



Sunday, March 19, 2017, Syrian regime forces artillery fired a shell at the urban market in [Irbeen city](#) in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate, which resulted in casualties. Additionally, a number of shops were [heavily destroyed](#). The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Saturday, March 25, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at “[al Rawda Street](#)” market in Hamouriya town in [eastern Ghouta](#) in eastern Damascus suburbs governorate, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, a number of shops and some of the buildings in the vicinity of the market were [heavily destroyed](#). The town is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The damages that resulted from a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes in “Al Rawda Street” market in Hamouriya town, Damascus suburbs – March 25, 2017

Infrastructures

- [Water systems](#)

Thursday, March 23, 2017, around 16:00, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a “C8” missile at the high main [water tank](#) in northern al Taman'a town in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The tank building was punctured and it was moderately damaged. The town is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Saturday, March 25, 2017, the fixed-wing warplanes of the Syrian-Russian alliance (Investigation are ongoing to accurately determine the perpetrator party) fired a number of missiles near the high main water tank in [Helfaya city](#) in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The tank building and its equipment were heavily damaged. As a result, the tank was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

- Official headquarters (institutions and ministries)

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the phone center in Helfaya city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The center building was heavily destroyed. As a result, the center was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the cultural center -The headquarter for the civil administration- in Helfaya city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The center building was heavily destroyed. As a result, it was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

- Bakeries

Friday, March 24, 2017, around 10:30, Syrian regime helicopters dropped a number of gas cylinders on Ba'janou Bakery in the western neighborhood of [Jesr al Shoughour](#) city in the western suburbs of Idlib governorate. The bakery building was heavily destroyed, and its equipment were heavily damaged. As a result, the bakery was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, fixed-wing Syrian regime forces warplanes fired a number of missiles near the automatic bakery [in Helfaya](#) city in the northwestern suburbs of Hama governorate. The bakery building and its equipment were [moderately damaged](#). The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.



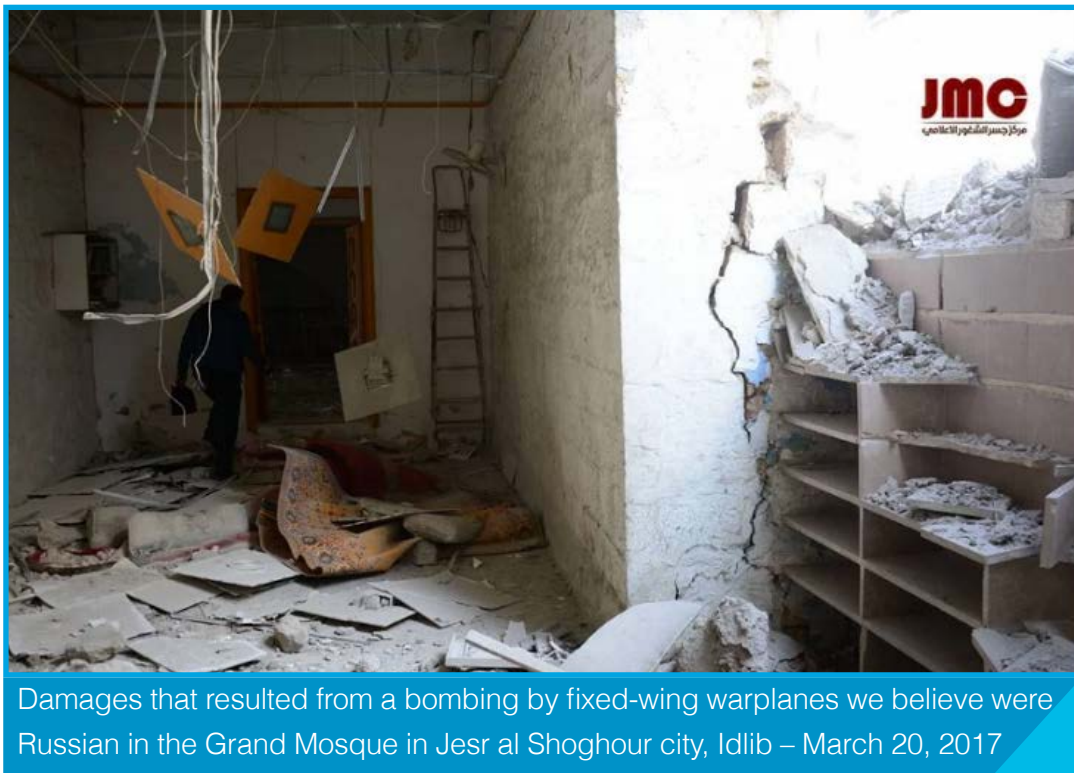
B. Russian forces

Places of worship

- Mosques

Monday morning, March 20, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles near the [Grand Mosque](#) in Ma'arat al Atareb village in the western suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The mosque furniture was moderately damaged. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.

Monday, March 20, 2017, around 12:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at the Grand Mosque which is a part of al Mballat market in in the middle of Jesr al Shoghour in the western suburbs of Idlib governorate. The mosque fence was partially destroyed, and its furniture was moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Wednesday, March 22, 2017, around 18:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile near the Western Mosque in the western neighborhood of Ariha city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The mosque building was partially destroyed, and its furniture was moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Tuesday noon, March 28, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles near Abu Bakr al Siddeeq Mosque in Maskana town in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The mosque building and its cladding materials were moderately damaged. The town is under the control of ISIS.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile loaded with cluster submunitions at Omar ben Abdul Aziz Mosque in the middle of al Der al Sharqi village in the eastern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The submunitions fell on the mosque roof, as no damages to the mosque were recorded. The village is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at al Rahman Mosque in Jabal al Arba'ien in southern Ariha city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The mosque building was partially destroyed, and the bombing created a number of holes in the mosque dome. Also, the furniture was heavily damaged. As a result, the mosque was rendered out of commission. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Damages that resulted from a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian in al Rahman Mosque in Ariha city, Idlib – March 29, 2017



Vital educational facilities

- Schools

Thursday afternoon, March 9, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at [Darat Ezza al Sharqiya School](#) in Darat Ezza city in the [western](#) suburbs of [Aleppo governorate](#), which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the school building and its fence were heavily destroyed, and the furniture and cladding materials were heavily damaged. The city is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The destruction in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian in Darat Ezza al Sharqiya School in Darat Ezza city, Aleppo – March 9, 2017

Friday noon, March 10, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the high school in Wadha village, which follows Maskana town in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The school building was heavily destroyed. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of ISIS.

Monday, March 20, 2017, around 12:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at [Abdul Rahman al Nasser School](#) which is a part of al Mballat market in the middle of Jesr al Shogohur city in the western suburbs of Idlib governorate. The school building was partially destroyed, and its furniture was moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Monday morning, March 20, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles in [al Jadida School](#) in al Jadida village in the southern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. One of the school buildings was destroyed almost completely, and was rendered out of commission. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.



One of al Jadida School's buildings destroyed almost completely after a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian in al Jadida village, Aleppo – March 20, 2017

Wednesday, March 22, 2017, around 17:20, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the industrial school in northern [Kafr Nabbol](#) city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The school building was partially destroyed and a fire broke out inside. Additionally, the furniture was moderately damaged. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Friday, March 24, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles in the vicinity of Abu Alaa al Ma'ari School in al Badou neighborhood in the middle of al Raqqa city, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the school building was heavily damaged. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. Al Raqqa city is under the control of ISIS.

Friday, March 24, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at Thee Qar School in Maskana town in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The school building was partially destroyed, and its furniture was moderately damaged. The town is under the control of ISIS.



- Universities

Saturday, March 25, 2017, around 10:20, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired [three missiles](#) at the education college building in western [Idlib city](#). The main gate and the frontal façade were [partially destroyed](#), and the furniture was [moderately damaged](#). The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



The destruction of the main gate of the education college after a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian, Idlib city – March 25, 2017

Communal facilities

- Markets

Monday, March 20, 2017, around 12:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at al Mballat market in the middle of [Jesr al Shoghour](#) city in the western suburbs of Idlib governorate, which resulted in casualties. Additionally, a number of shops were partially destroyed, and the market facilities were moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Wednesday, March 22, 2017, around 18:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at al Hal market in the middle of Ariha city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. A number of shops were partially destroyed, and the market facilities were moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

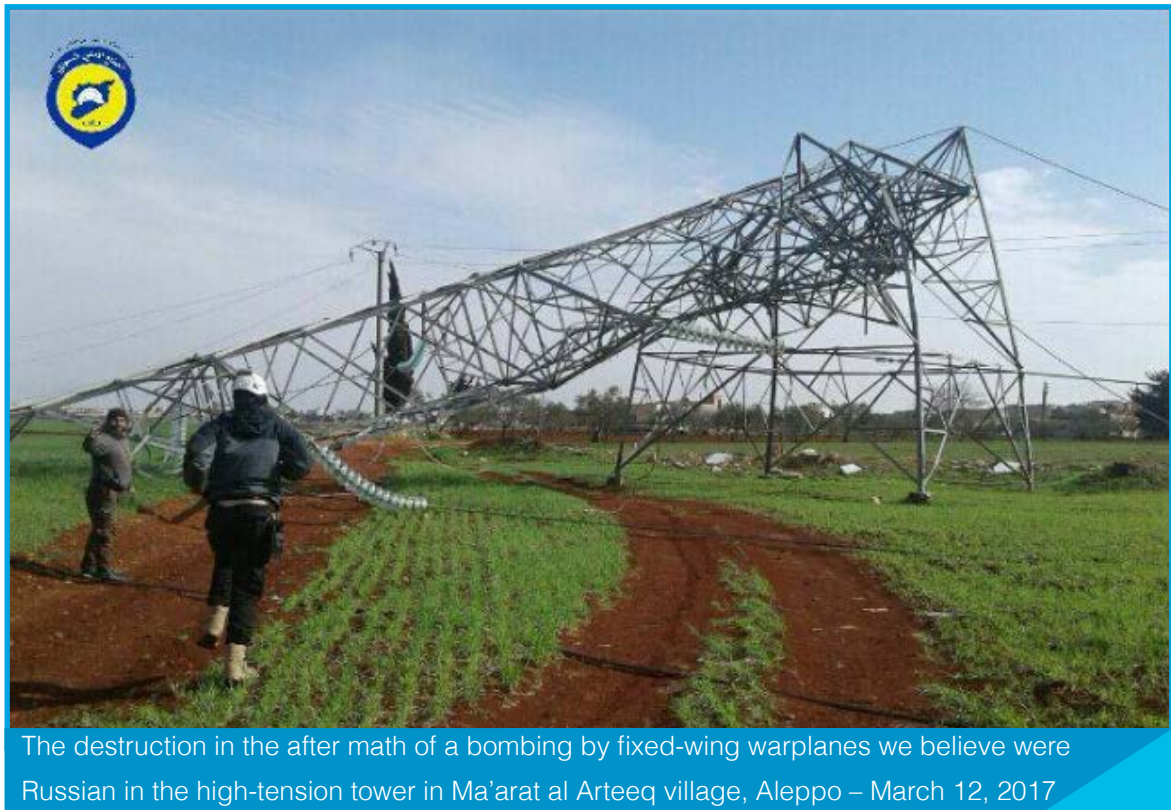


Wednesday, March 29, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile loaded with cluster submunitions near the urban market “Bazar” in the middle of al Der al Sharqi village in the eastern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The market facilities were slightly damaged. The village is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Infrastructures

- Power stations and energy sources

Sunday dawn, March 12, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the [high-tension tower](#) in the western parts of Ma'arat al Arteeq village in the northern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The tower was heavily destroyed. As a result, the tower was rendered out of commission. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.



Monday, March 27, 2017, around 03:00, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile loaded with cluster submunitions near Saraqeb Power Station in southern Saraqeb city in the eastern suburbs of Idlib governorate. No damages were recorded in the station. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



- Water systems

Friday noon, March 10, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the high water tank in [Wadha village](#), which follows Maskana town, in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The tank was destroyed almost completely. As a result, the tank was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of ISIS.

Thursday afternoon, March 16, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles near the high water tank in al Sheikh Ali village in the western suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The tank building was destroyed partially. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The destruction in the high water tank in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian, al Sheikh Ali village, Aleppo – March 16, 2017

- Official headquarters

Wednesday, March 22, 2017, around 18:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at [Ariha Post Center](#) in the middle of Ariha city in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The center building was partially destroyed. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Wednesday, March 22, 2017, around 18:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at the government complex in the middle of [Ariha city](#) in the southern suburbs of [Idlib governorate](#). The complex fence was partially destroyed, and the building was moderately damaged. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Thursday, March 23, 2017, around 20:00, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at Idlib [Electricity Company](#) in the middle of [Idlib city](#). The company building was [heavily destroyed](#), and the company's warehouse was burned and rendered out of commission. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



The destruction in Idlib Electricity Company in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian, March 23, 2017

Thursday, March 23, 2017, around 20:00, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at [a cable warehouse](#) belonging to the Communication Institution in the middle of [Idlib city](#). The warehouse building was [heavily destroyed](#), and its contents were ruined. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Friday, March 24, 2017, around 22:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the security forces building, which is affiliated to Jaish al Fateh “formerly the Political Security building” in the middle of Idlib city. The missiles fell on the women’s prison which is a part of the building, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the prison building was heavily destroyed. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.



Friday, March 24, 2017, around 22:30, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile at the schoolbook warehouse which is affiliated to the Education Directorate in the middle of Idlib city. The warehouse building was heavily destroyed, and its contents were ruined. The city is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

Wednesday, March 29, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a missile loaded with submunitions at the Town Council building which is across al Khalifa Omar ben Abdul Aziz shrine in the middle of al Der al Sharqi village in the eastern suburbs of Idlib governorate. The building was slightly damaged. The village is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

- Transportation systems

Thursday morning, March 23, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the railroad bridge in Rasm al Faleh, which follows Maskana village, in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The bridge was partially destroyed and was rendered out of commission. The village is under the control of ISIS.

- Bakeries

Wednesday noon, March 15, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at the automatic bakery in Maskana town in the eastern suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The bakery building was partially destroyed. As a result, the bakery was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of ISIS.

- Industrial facilities

Wednesday afternoon, March 29, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian fired a number of missiles at Ibn al Haitham Factory for Pharmaceutical Industries in al Mansoura village in the western suburbs of Aleppo governorate. The factory building was partially destroyed, and its equipment were moderately damaged. As a result, the factory was temporarily rendered out of commission. The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The destruction in the railroad bridge in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian in Rasm al Faleh village, Aleppo – March 23, 2017



- Refugee camps

Sunday morning, March 26, 2017, fixed-wing warplanes we believe were Russian used incendiary weapons on the outskirts of Um al Sier IDPs camp which is located between Termalla and Ma'aret Harma village in the southern suburbs of Idlib governorate. No damages were recorded in the tents. The camp is under the joint control of armed opposition factions and Fateh al Sham Front.

C. Extremist Islamic groups

- ISIS (Self-proclaimed the Islamic State)

Vital educational facilities

- Schools

Saturday, March 25, 2017, ISIS bombed the fence of al Hawi High School in al Hawi neighborhood in Abu Hamam which belongs to al Sh'ietat tribe in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate using explosive devices. The school building and its fence were heavily destroyed. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The area is under the control of ISIS.

Saturday, March 25, 2017, ISIS bombed the fence of [al Hawi Elementary School](#) in al Hawi neighborhood in [Abu Hamam](#) which belongs to al Sh'ietat tribe in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate using explosive devices. The school building was partially destroyed, and the fence was destroyed almost completely. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The area is under the control of ISIS.

Infrastructures

- Water systems

Monday, March 6, 2017, ISIS bombed the high water tank in al Ahwas village in the eastern suburbs of al Raqqa governorate using explosive devices. The tank was destroyed almost completely, and was rendered out of commission, which resulted in a water outage in some parts of the village. Al Ahwas village is under the control of ISIS.



D. Armed opposition factions

Vital educational facilities

- Schools

Monday afternoon, March 6, 2017, a number of locally-made rocket shells fell on Ahmad Shawqi Aqli School in al Hamdaniya neighborhood in western Aleppo city. The shells were fired by an artillery stationing in al Rashideen neighborhood, which is under the control of armed opposition factions. The school fence was moderately damaged. Al Hamdaniya neighborhood is under the control of Syrian regime forces.

Thursday afternoon, March 23, 2017, a number of locally-made rocket shells fell on Abdul Fattah Baath School in al Hamdaniya neighborhood in western Aleppo city. The shells were fired from an artillery stationing in al Rashideen neighborhood, which is under the control of armed opposition factions. The shelling resulted in casualties. Additionally, the school-yard was moderately damaged. al Hamdaniya neighborhood is under the control of Syrian regime forces.

E. Self-Management forces (Primarily consisting of the Democratic Union Party – a branch for the Kurdistan Workers’ Party)

Infrastructures

- Power stations

Friday, March 24, 2017, the Kurdish-majority Syrian Democratic Forces artillery that is stationing in northern al Tabaqa city fired a number of shells that fell near the power station in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The power station was moderately damaged. As a result, the station was rendered out of commission, which resulted in a power outage in al Tabaqa city. The city is under the control of ISIS.

- Water systems

Friday, March 24, 2017, the Kurdish-majority Syrian Democratic Forces artillery that is stationing in northern al Tabaqa city fired a number of shells near the drinking-water purification station in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The station was heavily damaged. As a result, the station was rendered out of commission, which resulted in a drinking-water shortage in the city. Al Tabaqa city is under the control of ISIS.



F. International coalition forces

Places of worship

- Mosques

Thursday evening, March 16, 2017, fixed-wing international [coalition forces](#) warplanes fired a number of missiles at [Omar ben al Khattab Mosque](#) in al Jina village in the western suburbs of [Aleppo governorate](#), which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the mosque building and its furniture were [heavily destroyed](#). As a result, [the mosque](#) was rendered [out of commission](#). The village is under the control of armed opposition factions.



The destruction in Omar ben al Khattab Mosque in the aftermath of the international coalition forces warplanes' bombing, al Jina village, Aleppo – March 16, 2017

Vital educational facilities

- Schools

Tuesday, March 21, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at [Maysaloun School](#) in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate, which resulted in casualties. The school building was destroyed almost completely. As a result, the school was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.



The destruction in Maysaloun School in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes in al Tabaqa city, al Raqqa – March 21, 2017



Monday, March 27, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at Mu'awayea ben Abe Sufyan School in the middle of al Raqqa city. The school building was partially destroyed. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Communal facilities

- Markets

Wednesday, March 22, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at a market in the 2nd neighborhood of al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, about 20 shops were heavily destroyed. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Infrastructures

- Official headquarters

Saturday, March 18, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the Town Building in al Mansoura town in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The building was heavily destroyed. As a result, the building was rendered out of commission. The town is under the control of ISIS.

- Water systems

Wednesday, March 8, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the high water tank in al Ghassaniya village in the eastern suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The tank was destroyed almost completely, and was rendered out of commission, which led to a drinking-water shortage in parts of the village. Al Ghassaniya village is under the control of ISIS.



The destruction in the water tank in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes in al Ghassaniya village, al Raqqa – March 8, 2017



Friday, March 10, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the [high water tank](#) in Hamra Naser village in the eastern suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The tank was destroyed completely, and was rendered out of commission, which led to a drinking-water shortage in parts of the village. Hamra Naser village is under the control of ISIS.

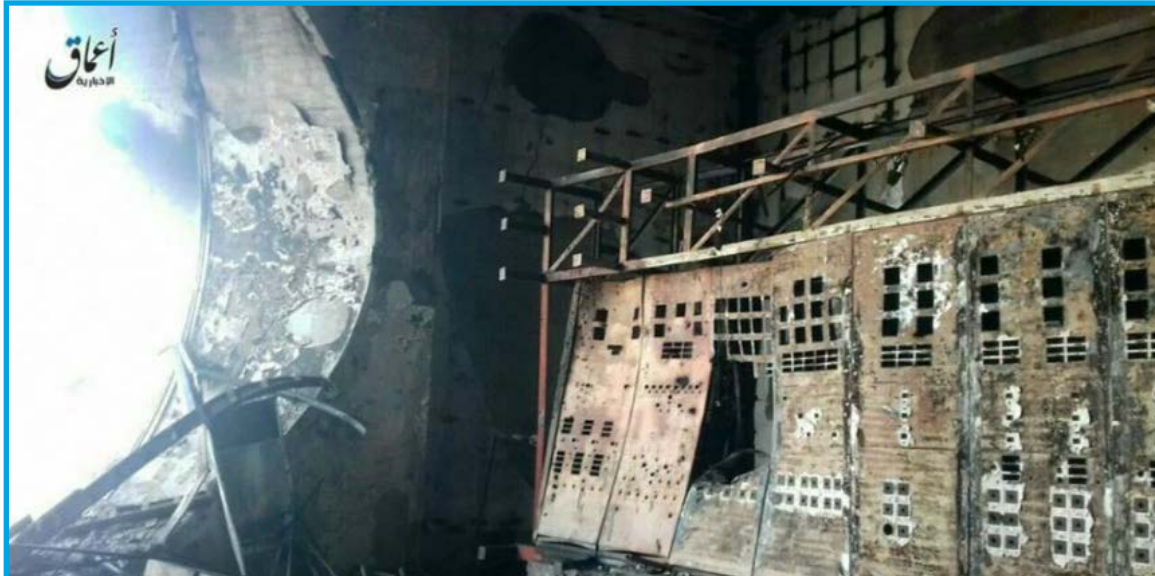
Monday, March 13, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the high water tank in [Khes ljeil village](#) in the eastern suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The tank was destroyed completely, and was rendered out of commission, which led to drinking-water shortage in parts of the village. Khes ljeil village is under the control of ISIS.

Sunday, March 19, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the high water tank in [Hamrat Bouteiyea](#) in the eastern suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The tank was destroyed completely, and was rendered out of commission, which led to a drinking-water shortage in parts of the village. Hamrat Boutiya village is under the control of ISIS.

Saturday, March 25, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the building of the Euphrates Dam Administration in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The building was destroyed almost completely. As a result, it was rendered out of commission. It should be noted that this facility was bombed multiple times before that day, but, as of this writing, we haven't been able to investigate the details of the previous incidents. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Saturday, March 25, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the building of the [Euphrates Dam facility](#) in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of [al Raqqa governorate](#). The main control room in the facility was heavily damaged, and the machines inside the room were burned and rendered out of commission. Also, all the dam equipment (gates, pumps, and control panels) were rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.





The machine inside the main control room burning after a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes on Euphrates Dam facility in al Tabaqa city, al Raqqa – March 25, 2017

- Transportation systems

Monday, March 6, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missile at the railroad bridge in al Ramadi village, known as [al Baq'an village](#), which follows al Bokamal city in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. The bridge was partially destroyed, and rendered out of commission. It should be noted that the same warplanes targeted the bridge on January 1, 2016, which rendered the bridge out of commission at that time, before ISIS rehabilitated the bridge later. Al Ramadi village is under the control of ISIS.



The destruction in the railroad bridge in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes in al Ramadi village Deir Ez-Zour – March 6, 2017



Wednesday, March 8, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the water crossing (al Bolail – al Sabha) in [al Bolail village](#) in the eastern suburbs of [Deir Ez-Zour](#) governorate. All boats and ferries were [destroyed completely](#) in the crossing, and it was rendered out of commission. It should be noted that the crossing is a facility used by the civilians to transport between the villages and towns on both banks of Euphrates River in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. Al Bolail village is under the control of ISIS.



The boats and ferries destroyed after a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes in the crossing (al Bolail – al Sabha), al Bolail village, Deir Ez-Zour – March 8, 2017

Tuesday, March 14, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at a bridge that is being constructed on Euphrates River “A sand bridge based on the system of water crossings” in al Mayadin city in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour, which is under the control of ISIS. The bridge was heavily damaged. It should be noted that the bridge is not operative yet, as ISIS has been constructing the bridge for months after the international coalition forces warplanes bombed and destroyed al Mayadin Bridge, rendering it out of commission.

Thursday, March 16, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles in al Ashara Bridge in al Ahsara city in the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. The bridge collapsed from the middle, and was rendered out of commission. It should be noted that the bridge connects the villages of the eastern suburbs of Deri Ez-Zour (called Shamiya) and the villages of the eastern suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour (called Jazira). The bridge was bombed before by the same warplanes on September 28, 2016, and was rendered out of commission at the time, before ISIS reconstructed the bridge in last February. Al Ashara city is under the control of ISIS.





The destruction in al Ashara Bridge after a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes, al Ashara city, Deir Ez-Zour, March 16, 2017

Sunday, March 19, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at Wadi al Salmani Bridge, known as [al Qetar Bridge](#), which is located on the outskirts of al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The bridge was partially destroyed, and rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the water crossing in [Hawayej Thyab village](#) in the western suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. All the boats and ferries in the crossing were [destroyed completely](#), and the crossing was rendered [out of commission](#). It should be noted that the crossing is facility used by civilians to transport between the villages and towns on both banks of Euphrates Shield in the western suburbs of Deir Ez-Zour governorate. Hawayaej Thyab village is under the control of ISIS.





The boats and ferries destroyed in the water crossing after a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes in Hawayej Thyab village – Deir Ez-Zour March 28, 2017

- Bakeries

Sunday, March 19, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired missiles at the automatic bakery in [al Mahaje' neighborhood](#) in the middle of al Raqqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate. The bakery was destroyed almost completely, and was burned as well. As a result, the bakery was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.

Wednesday, March 22, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at the reserve bakery in the 2nd neighborhood in al Tabaqa city in the western suburbs of al Raqqa governorate, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the bakery building was heavily destroyed. As a result, the city was rendered out of commission. The city is under the control of ISIS.

- Refugee camps

Tuesday, March 21, 2017, fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes fired a number of missiles at an IDPs shelter (who are mostly from the suburbs of Homs and the suburbs of Aleppo) that is located in the southern parts of [al Mansoura county](#) in the western suburbs of [al Raqqa governorate](#), which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the shelter was destroyed almost completely, and was rendered out of commission. It should be noted that the shelter is a former school building that was being used for sheltering IDPs. The county is under the control of ISIS.





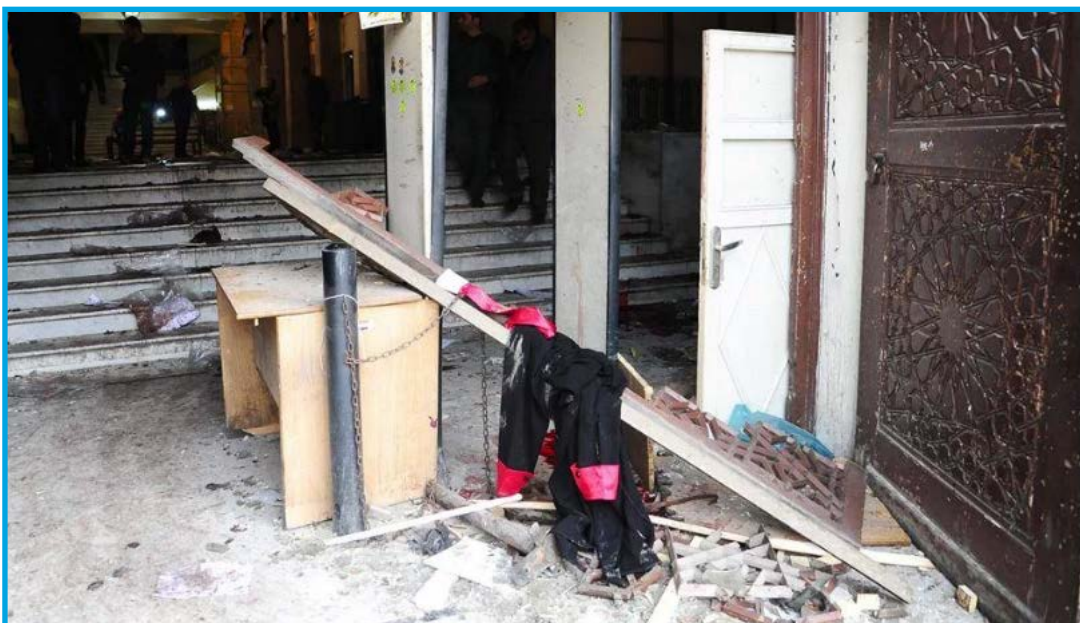
The destruction in the shelter in the aftermath of a bombing by fixed-wing international coalition forces warplanes, al Mansoura county, al Raqqa – March 21, 2017

G. Other parties

Infrastructures

- Official headquarters

Wednesday, March 15, 2017, a suicidal bomber blew himself using an explosive belt he was wearing in the lobby of the [Justice Palace](#) in [al Naser Street](#) in eastern Damascus city, which resulted in a massacre. Additionally, the Justice Palace building and its contents were [heavily damaged](#). As of this writing, we haven't been able to identify the group behind the bombing. Al Naser Street is under the control of Syrian regime forces.



Damages that resulted from a suicidal bombing in al Naser Street in Damascus city – March 15, 2017



III. Conclusions and Recommendations

Conclusions

According to the international humanitarian law, indiscriminate, deliberate, or disproportionate attacks are considered as unlawful attacks. Syrian regime forces' attacks against schools, hospitals, mosques, and bakeries is an utter disregard for the most basic standards of the international humanitarian law and the Security Council Resolution.

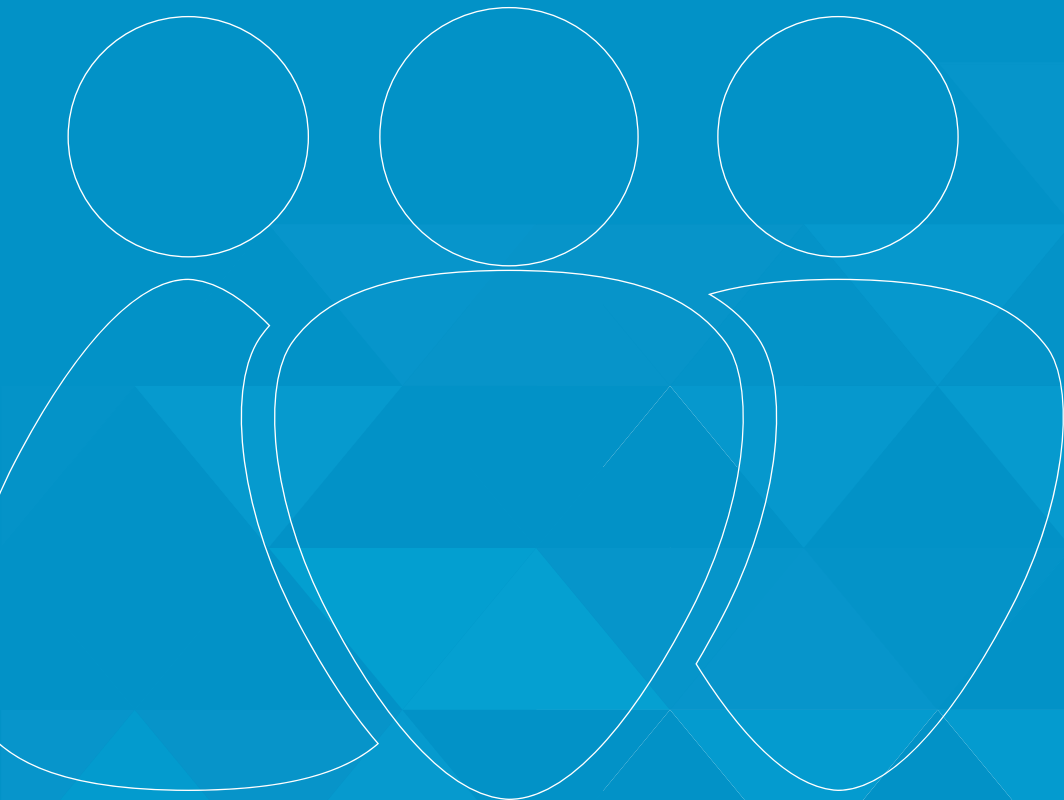
Additionally, Russian forces, armed opposition factions, ISIS, Kurdish Self-Management forces, international coalition forces, and other parties (Includes groups that we weren't able to identify and the Turkish, Lebanese, and Jordanian forces) have attacked some of these facilities. The indiscriminate random shelling is a violation of the international humanitarian law and amounts to a war crime.

Recommendations

The Security Council

- 1- Bind all parties, especially Syrian regime forces considering that they are the main perpetrator of most of these violations, to implement Resolution 2139 and, at least, condemn the targeting of vital civilian facilities that are indispensable for the lives of civilians.
- 2- A comprehensive arms embargo must be imposed on the Syrian government as it has been involved in gross violations of international laws and Security Council Resolutions.
- 3- Deem the states that supply Syrian regime forces and groups that have been involved in crimes against civilians with weapons partners in these crimes in addition to all supplies and distributors.





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