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3313 citizens were killed, an average of 138 people a day, 6 people an hour, 377 children were killed, an average of 13 children a day, and 176 tortured to death, an average of 6 people a day.

SNHR statement for death toll in April 2013:

The Syrian government's Armed Forces through the daily shelling, rids, massacres and torturing detainees to death, in addition to causalities of armed rebels through clashes killed 3313 citizen included 176 people tortured to death Among the 3313 citizens: 2330 civilians, 983 Armed rebel

And Among the 2330 civilians SNHR documented:

- 1- 337 children victims with an average of 13 children a day, and the proportion of the children killed to the death toll is 16%, which is a very high rate and strict evidence that the Syrian Government's Armed Forces targeting the civilians.
- 2- 226 female victims, where the proportion of the women victims is 9%, which is also a very high rate and strict evidence that the Syrian Government's Armed Forces targeting the civilians.
- 3- 176 tortured to death, an average of 6 people a day tortured to death in official or unofficial detention centers.

SNHR would like to indicate that this what we could document by our deployed members in all of the Syrian provinces classified by names date and place, photo or video.

We couldn't document many cases of massacres and killing for many reasons including procedures repeatedly and systematically made by Syrian Government's Armed Forces like communications disconnect and blockade areas for many days ,that's make the actual number more than that , not to mention that the Syrian government has prevented any of the human right organization to perform their duty on its territory

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Total numbers of victims dispersed all across provinces of Syria as follows:

Damascus and countryside: 1141, Aleppo: 633, Homs: 427, Daraa: 316, Idlib: 269, Hama: 225 Deir Alzour: 159, Hasaka: 56, Ragqa: 41, Qunaitra: 31, Lattakia: 10, Tartous: 3, Swidaa: 2

Legal conclusions:

1- SNHR assured that Syrian Government's Armed Groups and Shabiha violated Previsions of Human Rights International Law which protect the right of life, in addition to dozens of cases considered as a war crimes (murder cases).

Undoubted Evidence of hundreds of eyewitness stories, that more than 90% of expanded and individual attacks directed against civilians and that's all contrary to the Syrian Government's claims that they are fighting Al-Qaeda and terrorists

2- SNHR also indicates that the documented events are also crimes against humanity, where the condition of widespread and systematic direct attack against civilian population group in most cases of murder has been achieved.

Condemnation and Responsibilities:

responsibility of states for internationally wrongful acts, similarly Customary IHL provides that states that the state is responsible for all acts committed by a members of its military and security forces, thus the states is responsible of wrongful acts committed by its military and security forces including crimes against humanity.

SNHR holds the Syrian President Commander in Chief of the Syrian army, Bashar al-Assad, responsible for all acts of homicide, torture and massacres perpetrated in Syria as he holds the primary responsibility for giving the orders for these acts. SNHR considers all Syrian regime members and heads of the security and military bodies directly complicity in those acts. By the same token, SNHR considers the Iranian government and Hezbullah as direct partners in the acts of homicide who shall legally and judicially liable for those acts along with all those funding and supporting the Syrian regime which is systematically committing massacres on a daily basis. SNHR holds all the above mentioned parties responsible for all consequences and potential reactions from the Syrian people in general and the families of the victims in particular.

Recommendations:

Human right council

- 1- Call upon security council and relevant organizations to take upon their responsibility towards what's happening Syrian children from momentary nonstop killing even for one hour.
- 2- Exert pressure on the Syrian government to stop random and deliberate shelling on civilians
- 3- Hold the allies and supporter of the Syrian government: Russia, Iran, China, moral and physical responsibility towards killing in Syria.
- 4- Serious attention of the disastrous situation and give it high priority, and try to take care of victims' children and families.

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Security Council:

- 1- Decision to refer all the criminals and the involved to ICC.
- 2- Warn the Syrian Government of the repercussions of using brutal methods and systematic killing and send clear messages about.

Arab League:

- 1- Demand Human Right Council and United Nations to give this serious issue the right attention and follow up.
- 2- Political and diplomatic pressure on the Syrian Government Troops' main allies Russia, Iran and China to prevent them from continuous providing cover and international and political protection for all the crimes committed against the Syrian people and hold them moral and physical responsibility for all the excesses of the Syrian Government Troops.



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