Tens of forgotten massacres that have not been documented and no one reached it on the Syrian lands.

Al Shaikh Meskein massacre in Daraa governorate as an example. Date of incident: 7/7/2012.

Al Shaikh Meskein is one of the most prominent cities in Horan, it is an important point of connection between many Syrian governorates in the southern area (Damascus, Sowayda, and Al Qunaitera) as it is located at the center of Horan plain and Daraa governorate (as it is affiliated to Daraa administratively). It is also on the road between Nawa, Izra', Ibta', Da'el, and Al Sanamayin. It is about 22 km from the city center of Daraa governorate, and it is about 80 km from Damascus. Its population is about 40 thousands.

The regime army besieged the city for two months, and on Saturday 7/7/2012 the army tanks broke into the city:

The number of army tanks that stormed the city is about: 80 tanks In addition to:

20 civil cars and many buses affiliated to transportation ministry that is loaded with army and Shabiha elements.

The Syrian army elements had closed all passages to the city and banned the movement through it. Then, shelled the city with mortars and BMB. As a result, many houses in the city were damaged and it resulted in many injuries. Abu Bakr Al Sedeiq mosque was targeted with several missiles which destroyed the mosque completely. Then, the army forces spread across the neighborhoods of city and began an inspection campaigns and stormed the houses of unarmed civilians. The raids operations witnessed several cases of thefts of money and jewels and sabotaging civil properties. Furthermore, motorcycles were burned in addition to many cars and houses.







The shops were burned on the main round as the smoke was visible all over the city. The massacre's victims' dead bodies were distributed to four mass graves which contain 22 victims who were found in less than 10 days. The documented testimonies of people of the city assured that many cars got out of the city loaded with 18 corpses and headed to military security branch in Daraa.

A group of forces went to Hamdi Hamdan primary school as they knew that the school contains a refuge and a makeshift hospital, they besieged the school and fired more than 30 artillery shells indiscriminately. As a result, many parts of the school were damaged and it was stormed after one hour of siege and bombardment. Then, they drooped several local made shells inside the refuge. The forces killed the whole staff of the injured people and the doctor that were inside the school.

We were able to document the final number of the massacre's victims which reached 25 martyrs who were documented with names, pictures and videos of most of them: 1- Ragi Al Nabhan Al Masalemeh/ Daraa/ Daraa camp/ died due to army bullets.

2- Yazan Mohammad Jaber Ghabsheh/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

3- Zohair Naji Awad/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

4- Nizar Al Abaied/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

5- Zohair Al Awad/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

6- Ahmad Abd Al Nabi/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ indiscriminate bombardment.

7- Rabi'e Al Mokhtara/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

8- Khaled Al Aniseh/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

9- Ahmad Al Jofi / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

10- Nour Al Dein Al Tarman/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

11- Mohammad Abdo Al Bejeh / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

12- Yazan Al Ghabsheh / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

13- Mohammad Salah/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.







14- Mohammad Khaled Al Jaber/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

15- <u>Mohammad Abdo Sulaiman</u> / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

16- <u>Ali Ziyad Al Fa'ori</u> / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

17- Mohammad Salah Al Khaswani/ Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died at the hand of army forces.

Eight unidentified martyrs / Daraa/ Al Shaikh Meskein/ died due to indiscriminate bombardment.

The damages due to the indiscriminate bombardment during the raid:

- 1- Abu Bakr mosque.
- 2- Abu Anwar Abdo Al Rashed's house.
- 3- Abu Shadi Al Matar's house.
- 4- Jamal Al Matar's house and houses behind it.
- 5- Damaging fuel station and stealing its contents.
- 6- Damaging shops on the main round and sabotaging them.
- 7- Isma'eil Al Ghazawi's house, damaging the upper storey.
- 8- Basam Zain Al Ghazawi's house, the upper storey.
- 9- Damaging shop on the main road (Daraa- Damascus) and sabotaging them.

The detainees who were detained in the military campaign:

1- Naser Al Hariri, former member of parliament

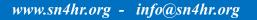
- 2- Abdullah Yousef Khalaf( Abu Al Romoz)
- 3-Samer Mohammad Al Hamdan, a policeman.
- 4-Mazen Ata Allah, a policeman.
- 5-Rasmi Al Alawiyeh
- 6-Ayman Al Safadi
- 7-Frzat Salem Al Awad
- 8-Mohammaad Jaber called Al Hoot
- 9-Naser Al Khnfeis
- 10-The son of Abu Ghazi Al Masri
- 11-Ghazi Al Khnfeis Al Masri
- 12-The son of Faroq Al Nawateir
- 13-Fadi Mohammad Mez'eil Al Dayri
- 14-Ahmad Mohammad Mez'eil Al Dayri
- 15-Fadi Yousef Al Ahamd, called Abu Al Dehn







16-Khaldoun Al Mo'awis 17-Mohannad Na'eim Al Salama 18-Wesam Abu Halawa 19-Husam Zakariya Al Khalaf 20-Mahmoud Jaber Awad Abu Talal 21-Husain Al Husain Abu Jehad Al Araab and his brother Abu Ra'ed 22-Bassam Mostafa Al Ya'qoob(Al Jamara) 23-Mostafa Bassam Al Ya'qoob(Al Jamara) 24-Abdo Al Ya'Qoob (Al Jamara) a civilian police. 25-Samer Abu Salem, civilian police. 26-Husam Abu Salem, a civilian police. 27-Ziyad Mahmoud Al Abdullah Al Dairi, Al Reya 28-Fares Ali Al Fa'ori 29-Alaa Ali Al Dairi Al Najdi, a civilian police 30-Fadi Yaseen Al Dairi Al Fa'ori 31-Manaf Yousef Al Fa"ori 32-Nabeil Al Jabr, Al Dabaqi 33-Ameir Abdul Rahman Al Homsi 34-Ali Ahmad Al Homsi 35-Basel Abu Sowaylem 36-Shoja' Yasein Al Masri 37-Basheer Mohammad Hejazi 38-Waleid Dayef Allah Al Damen, a civilian police 39-Ali Mamdoeh Al Husain Al Bakr 40-Andan Mamdoeh Al Bakr 41-Basel Ahmad Abdo Al Aqaileh 42-Mohammad Ahmad Abdi Al Agaileh 43-Mohammad Nawaf Al Tamki 44-Abdul Majeid Fahd Wahdan







## **Attachments:**

First: videos of victims:

Daraa- Shaikh Mskein city- massacre's victims

Mass graves:



Pictures of grave:



## Second:

Videos of bombardment and destruction:

Daraa- Shaikh Maskein- the bombardment aftermaths and the destruction of the houses



We in SNHR, as a human rights organization concerned with defending human rights, blatantly condemns this massacre which amount to crime against humanity and all massacre that committed against Syrian people. We also hold the head of the Syrian regime and the Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces Bashar Al Assad responsible for the massacre. We hold Russian, Chines, Iranian and Hezbollah brigades responsible for all the crimes of killing as they support the regime with money and weapon.

We demand the Security Council and the United Nations to act quickly to protect civilians in Syria, and they must bear their legal and moral responsibilities and accelerate steps to refer the perpetrator of these massacre to the International Criminal Court.





