



## The Documentation of the Explosion of Souq Wadi Barada Village in Damascus Suburbs

The report methodology relies on the investigation carried out by SNHR's team in Damascus suburbs in cooperation with families and activists. The report includes two eyewitnesses' accounts of village residents in addition to news and pictures that have been received by SNHR through cooperative activists from the city whose names were changed according to their desires.

Souq Wadi Barada village is located on the outskirts of Al Dimas valley in Wadi Barada area on the northern side of the prophet Habel Mountain and on the right bank of Barada River. It is 14 km west of the capital Damascus. It includes 50000 population of the IDPs from different Syrian areas.

On Friday 25 October 2013 about 1:00 pm, after the noon prayer, when the worshippers were leaving the mosque, a car bomb detonated in front of the door of Osama bin Zaid mosque. It was followed by another explosion after three minutes. As a result, a great number of people were killed.

The two cars had entered through Masakin Al Dimas road which contains many checkpoints affiliated to government forces.

The location on the map:





The testimony of the eyewitness, Amer Al Qalamoni, who talked to SNHR and he is still alive.

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“The explosion occurred due to two cars bomb which exploded at the door of Osama Bin Zaid mosque in Souq Wadi Barada village, while the worshipers were going out of the mosque after Al Jom’a prayer which is the busiest time. As a result, many martyrs have fallen and more than 200 were injured. The two cars had entered through Rimas road which is full of checkpoints affiliated to the regime where it is impossible to bread to enter without these checkpoints’ knowledge and permission. Souq Barada village includes great number of IDPs”.

The eyewitness Kamal Al Faijani talked to SNHR and he is still alive.

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“After Al Jom’a prayer, the worshiper were getting out of Osama bin Zaid mosque and gathered at the door of the mosque in the yard that is located in front of the mosque. a car bomb was exploded which was at the door of the mosque. After three minutes another car bomb was exploded which also at the door of the mosque. As a result, all cars, in the vicinity of the mosque yard, exploded and were completely burned. The number of cars was about 40 cars. Some of people immediately died, some other died on their way to hospitals and other died in hospitals. The death cases are still ongoing due to this explosion. The statistic of martyrs is 225 till now, 90 martyrs amongst were identified and the rest were shreds and are deformed greatly due to the fire severity that followed the explosion. The injures passed 500 cases including 300 serious injures which could result in death. We collected the shreds from Barada River and from the trees. The Republican Guards snipers and anti-aviation targeted the ambulances. The makeshifts hospitals were crowded with the martyrs and the injured persons. The shortage of doctors and medical supplies was main cause of the most death cases on that day. Furthermore, the medical situation is tragic in Wadi Barada till this moment. The hospitals were crowded in Wadi Baraa, Al Qalamoon, and Al Zabadani. About 120 individuals were rushed to Damascus city. The security forces had arrested an individuals from Al Mowasa hospital who is seriously injured. The elements affiliated to government forces, also, took three injured persons and executed them”.





SNHR's team were able to document the death of 46 civilians including eight children. While the activist talked about a hundred of martyrs who couldn't be identified as their bodies were burned and turned into shreds.

We also documented 420 injured persons including children.

The names of massacre martyrs:

- 1- Bakr Bakri/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 2- Mahmoud Bakri / Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 3- Ahmad Shalash/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 4- Anas Shalash/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 5- Waleed Shalash/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 6- Mo'ayad Shalash/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 7- Ahmad Mahdi/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 8- Diea Taghleab/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 9- Ahmad Al Shami/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 10- Ibraheim Ahmad Al Shami/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 11- Jamal Aisheh / Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 12- Mohammad Aisheh / Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 13- Mazen Aisheh / Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 14- Yaser Abbas/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 15- Mahyar Abbas/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 16- Ahmad Tlas Abbas/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 17- Ahmad Darwish/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 18- Mrs. Hayat Younis/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 19- Othman Khasara/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 20- Amjad Al Homsy/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 21- Mahmoud Ramadan/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 22- Mohammad Abdul Mon'em Sen Ali/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 23- Unidentified martyr from Sen Ali Family/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 24- The child Haitham Mahmoud Sen Ali, 15-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 25- The child Mahmoud Sen Ali, 13-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 26- The child Mohammad Al Arji, seven-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 27- Abdullah Al Tawtaw/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 28- The child Hisham No'man Al Yawtaw, seven-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 29- Ahmad No'man Al Tawtaw/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.





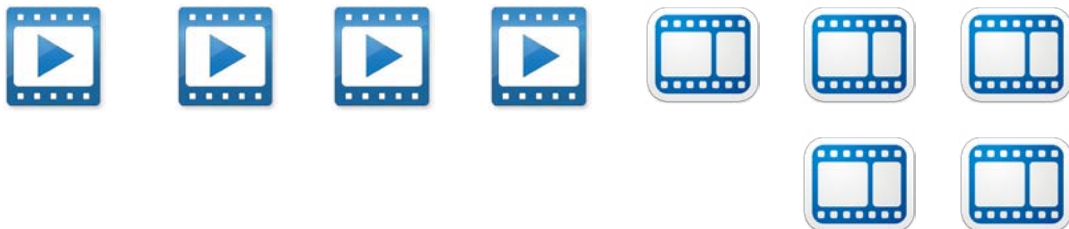
- 30- The child Qaies Khaled Al Tawtaw , 13-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 31- Bashar Al Tawtaw/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 32- Mahyar Rateb Shehab/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada/pharmacist.
- 33- Mohammad Qasim Idreis/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 34- Unidintefid person from Idreis family/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada/ called Abu Ghiyath.
- 35- Unidintefid person from Idreis family / Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada./ the son of Abu Ghiyath Idreis.
- 36- The child Mohammad Na'eim Ramadan, 10-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 37- The child Yanal Abdul Ghany ,eight-year-old/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 38- Nabeil Abdul Ghany/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 39- Abdul Adeim Abdul Ghany/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 40- Ibraheim Ayroet/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 41- Osama Bin Zaid/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada.
- 42- Unidentified person/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada/called Abu Zeyad.
- 43- Unidentified person/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada. / called Abu Bashar
- 44- Unidentified person/ Damascus suburbs- Wadi Barada/ called aAbu Ra'ed
- 45- Mazhar Omar/ Damascus Suburbs- Wadi Barada/ a medicine student.
- 46- The child Abdul Malik Al Shamsini/ Homs-Baba Amr.

#### **Attachments:**

Videos depict the explosion martyrs:



Videos depict the injured due to the explosion:





Videos and pictures depict the destruction aftermaths due to the explosion:



Pictures depicts the mosque after the explosion:

