



In Its 9th Day: 23 Breaches in the Ceasefire Agreement The Killing of 64 individuals and not less than 312 breaches since the ceasefire started

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I. Introduction:

SNHR sent documented reports regarding all the breaches and violations of Kofi Anan's 6 point plan in April, May and June 2012 to his office. This plan proved its fruitlessness since the Syrian regime continued to commit different kinds of massacres and crimes that amount to war crimes and crimes against humanity; as we previously documented.

We hope that the ceasefire will pave the way to a political change towards democracy. The previous 6 points plan was under the auspices of the UN, while this ceasefire is sponsored by Russian and the USA only. As it is known, Russia cannot take that part since it is a loyal ally to the Syrian regime and one of its supporters. Hence, we questioned this ceasefire and its outcomes. The Syrian regime has violated and breached several UNSC resolutions and it was not held accountable. What if Russia follows the same footsteps? And will it be held accountable?

Fadel Abdul Ghani, head of SNHR, says:

“The international community, represented by the UNSC, knows exactly what it should do to end this circle of violence, however, it resorts to unproductive solutions. We need a political transition that would transform the ruling to a democratic one. We have previously said that after Geneva 1, the bloodshed is not going to end and state administrations will be doomed to failure. ISIL and Iranian militias are filling the space the corrupted Syrian government left. We are with any agreement or resolution that would end the cycle of violence and massacres in Syria.”





Concerning the statement itself, the Syrian regime and its Russian accomplice can strike regions under the control of armed opposition in northern of Syria under the pretext of the presence Al Nusra front, even if it is extremely limited, without breaching the ceasefire. After some experience with the oppressive Syrian regime, it will welcome any breach in the ceasefire agreement and wishes that its Russian ally would end the presence of its opponents. It appears to us that the Russians would not want to get more involved in the Syrian swamp and this ceasefire would just buy them some time to rethink their options. SNHR team documented these breaches as it is the bare minimum of what we were able to document according to our methodology. We interviewed eyewitnesses and verified the footages and images we received. This report documents all the breaches that were committed by all conflict parties since the ceasefire started.

Those strikes happened in regions under the control of armed opposition and in regions that are controlled by joint forces of Al Nusra front and the armed opposition groups. The report also does not include any military operations in regions under ISIL's control. Also it is worth noting that there are some regions that are still under siege like northern Homs suburbs and no progress was recorded regarding the release of detainees, including women and children, by any of the conflict parties.

II- Executive Summary

This report depicts the breaches in the ceasefire agreement in its 9th day, 6 March 2016, as it reached 23 breaches which include military attacks and arrests. Some breaches happened during the past days but we include it in this report after we were able to verify it.

1. Military Attacks:

SNHR documented 9 breaches that were committed by government forces. Details:

Damascus suburbs: 4

Lattakia: 2

Daraa: 2

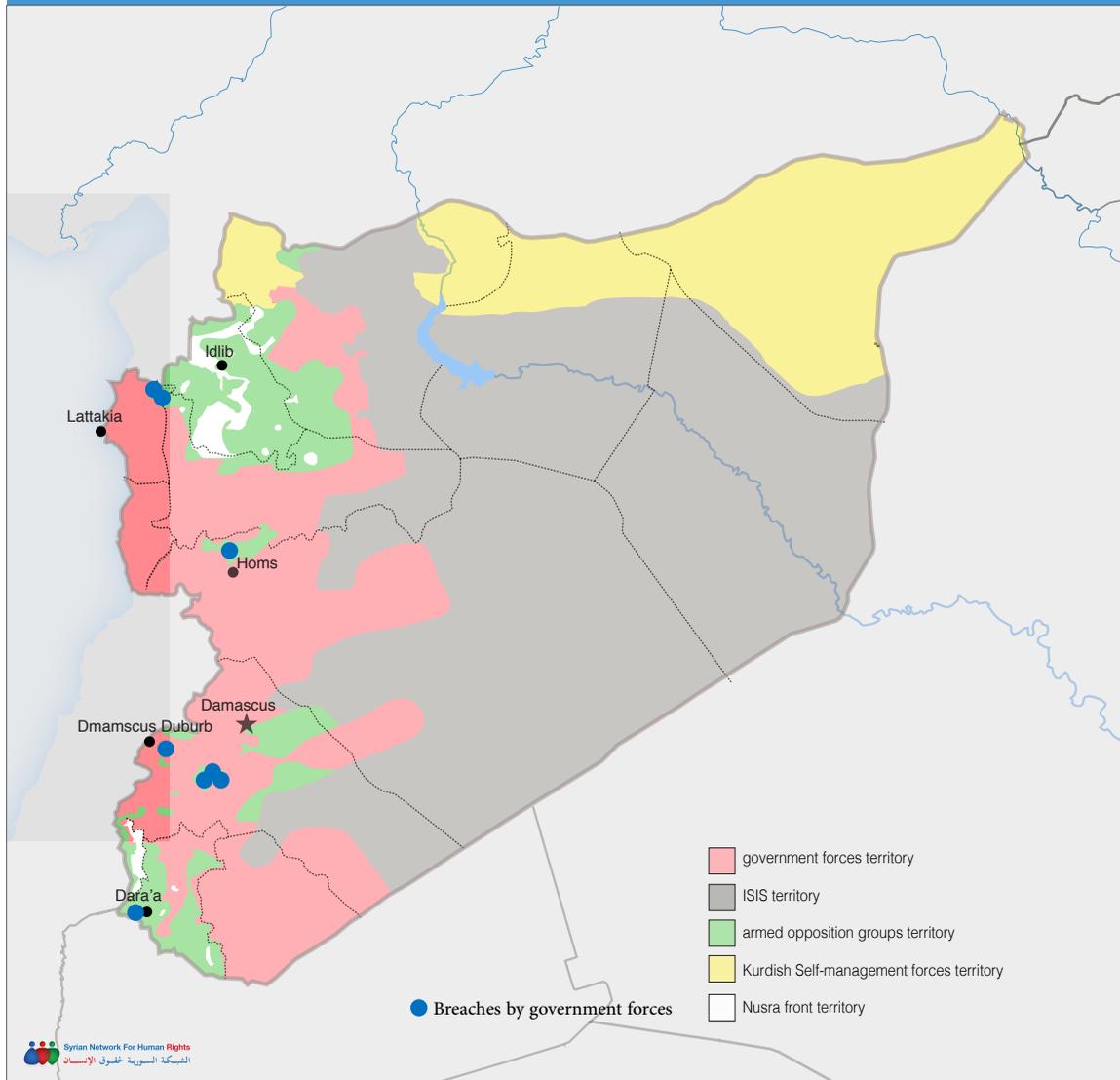
Homs: 1

These attacks killed 2 armed opposition members at the hands of armed opposition.





Breaches by combat in 6 March 2016 the 9th day of the truce distributed as follow





2. Arrests:

SNHR documented the arrest of 14 individuals which constitutes a breach in the ceasefire agreement. Details:

Government Forces arrested 10 individuals including a child. Details:

Damascus: 2

Hama: 2

Damascus suburbs: 2

Lattakia: 2

Deir Al Zour: 2

- Kurdish Self Management Forces arrested 4 individuals. Details:

Al Hassaka: 1

Aleppo: 3

III- Details:

1. Military Attacks:

A. Government forces:

- Damascus suburbs:

- Zabadani city:

Government and Hezbollah affiliated militia bombed a house in the western neighborhood in Al Zabadani city that is under the control of those militias.

- **Khan Al Sheeh town:**

We recorded three breaches in the town that is under the joint control of armed opposition groups and Al Nusra front.

1st and 2nd breaches: at 9 p.m. government forces in a military facility in the region targeted Al Husaineya region in Khan Al Sheeh town with machine guns and artillery missiles.

3rd breach: at 4 p.m. government artillery in Talat Al Kabouseya region launched a missile on the vicinity of Khan Al Sheeh camp next to Al Reda Street.





- **Lattakia:**

Killiz town: we recorded two breaches by government forces that are under the control of armed opposition. The town is free of any ISIL or Al Nusra front presence.

1st breach: at 6 a.m. government artillery forces launched several artillery missiles that targeted a front for the armed opposition.

2nd breach: five minutes later, government forces used its machine guns and targeted an armed opposition front in Killiz town in the Turkmen Mountain. Armed opposition members responded to the gun shout sources which killed an armed opposition member.

- **Daraa:**

- **Al Yadouda town:**

Government forces used its machine guns against an armed opposition front in Al Yadouda town in Daraa that is under the control of armed opposition. The town is free of any ISIL or Al Nusra front presence.

- **The road between Kafr Nasej and Al Mal town:**

At 3:45 p.m. government artillery launched its artillery missiles on the road between Al Nasej and Al Mal towns. The town under the control of armed opposition and free of any ISIL or Al Nusra front presence.

- **Homs:**

- **Al Daar Al Kabeera:**

At 12 p.m. government snipers targeted an armed opposition member which killed him. The town under the control of armed opposition and free of any ISIL or Al Nusra front presence.

Recommendations:

- We ask the joint American and Russian committee to investigate these incidents, announce its results to the Syrian people and prevent it from happening again.

- We demand the international community to correlate the ceasefire with political efforts that would pave the way towards a transitional stage that would result in a democratic regime, which will end the suffering of the Syrian people.

If breaches are still being committed, then this fragile ceasefire may fail at any moment. Since USA is a major advocate for this agreement, then it should persuade the Russian government to cease its airstrikes and pressure its ally the Syrian government to do so.

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