



10 Medics Killed in May 2015

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First: Executive Summary

SNHR's high standards for documentation are based on collecting direct testimonies from survivors or victims' families in addition to analyzing and verifying photos, video footages, and some medical records. However, we can't claim that we've documented all the incidents in light of the ban and pursuit by the Syrian regime and other armed groups.

To read more about the methodology of SNHR in documenting victims, please visit the following [URL](#)

The consistent bombing and targeting of medical facilities and medical teams since 2011 by the different conflict parties indicates a systematic policy that only aims to kill more victims and deepens the suffering of the injured civilians and rebels.

SNHR documented in the month of May the killing of 10 medics as follows:

A. Government forces killed eight medics as follows:

One doctor

One Pharmacist

Two nurses including a woman

One female SARC volunteer

Two paramedics

One medical staff member

B. Daesh: killed one female doctor

C. Armed opposition factions: killed one SARC volunteer





Second: Details

A. Government forces

Israa Yasser Al-Habash, SARC volunteer – Douma division, from Damascus suburbs – Douma city, 19-year-old, killed on Wednesday 6 May 2015 by government forces that targeted SARC center in Douma with two mortar shells.



Israa Yasser Al-Habash

Warda Jamil Al-Aqraa', female nurse, from Idlib – Kafrnboul city, 36-year-old, killed on Thursday 7 May 2015 by a barrel bomb dropped by government forces helicopters on Hzarien hospital in Idlib.

Khaled Al-Hamoud Al-Hniedi, from Der Ezzor – Al-Bolail village, killed on Friday 8 May 2015 by a missile fired by government forces warplanes.

Ismail Haj Ahmad, doctor, from Aleppo – Az-Zarba town, killed on Tuesday 12 May 2015 by a barrel bomb dropped on Aleppo – Jesr Al-Haj area by government forces helicopters.

Walid Meghlaj, pharmasict, from Idlib – Kafr Iwyed town, killed on Saturday 16 May 2015 by government forces warplanes that targeted the town with a missile.

Khaled Abu-Zaid, from Damascus suburbs – Ar-Rhieba city, died on Wednesday 20 May 2015 of wounds sustained during government forces artillery that targeted Tareaq Al-Mal'ab on the previous day.



Khaled Abu-Zaid

Allam Mohammad Dieb, paramedic, from Hama, worker at the medical point of Qastoun village in Hama, killed on Saturday 23 May 2015 by a missile fired by government forces warplanes against Qastoun village.





[Abdurrahman Hazza' An-Nayef](#), anesthesia technician, from Hama – Kafr Nabouda town, killed on Sunday 24 May 2015 by government forces helicopters that dropped a barrel bomb on Kafr Zyta field-hospital in Hama.

B. Daesh

Maysaa' Mohammad Ad-Da'as, from Homs – Tadmour city, killed on Monday 18 May 2015 by a landmine that was planted by Daesh on the international road. The landmine exploded when Maysaa's family's car passed over it as they were heading to Homs city from Tadmour city.

C. Armed opposition factions

[Hussein Tamer Saad](#), volunteer at SARC, from Damascus suburbs – Ad-Dmier city, leader of the medical team at SARC organization – Ad-Dmier division, he died on Friday 22 May 2015 of wounds sustained when an armed opposition fighter shot at an ambulance on Friday 15 May 2015.



Hussein Tamer Saad

Third: Conclusions and recommendations

The Syrian government has blatantly violated both the International Humanitarian Law and the norms of the Humanitarian law; particularly Article 3 of Geneva Conventions and the international humanitarian law and committed crimes that can be openly classified as war crimes when it targeted medics as well as crimes against humanity through these numerous acts of killing.

The employment of weapons in indiscriminate bombing is an explicit violation of the international humanitarian law. All the armed opposition factions should immediately stop these practices.

The Security Council

The Security Council should uphold its legal and moral responsibilities in respect to what happening in Syria instead of only watching the daily bloodbath only becoming bigger.





Russia and China should stop protecting the Syrian regime after it was proven that it has perpetrated war crime and crimes against humanity. Also, the International Community should take further steps to protect the lives of the Syrian people if Russia and China didn't change their positions.

Medical organizations around the world

There is a severe shortage in the medical teams in Syria because of the ceaseless killing of Syrian doctors which should be properly addressed. Also, these organization can send volunteers to safe areas where wounded are sent for treatment. We have recorded many cases where wounded died due to lack of medical capabilities.

Fourth: Acknowledgment

Our thanks go to victims' families and friends and to the local activists who contributed majorly to this report. Also, our most heartfelt condolences go out for the victims' families.

