



The Death of 136 victims under torture in March 2015

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Report Methodology

Since 2011 and up till now the Syrian regime doesn't recognize any detention operations, but accuses al-Qaeda and terrorist groups such as ISIS, as he does not recognize cases of torture and death under torture, as SNHR get information either from former detainees or parents, and most of parents gain access to information about their detained relatives by paying a bribe to government officials.

We, in SNHR point out the parents story that we receive, and always remind that the Syrian authorities do not in many of those cases, return the bodies to the parents, while the parents are often afraid of going to receive the bodies of their relatives from the military hospitals, or even personal belongings; for fear of arrest.

Based on all that, SNHR faces real difficulties in the documentation process because of the ban and tracking any of its members, and in these circumstances it is difficult to confirm the death with certainty, and the entire process is subject to the processes of documentation and continued verification, as such cases remain open, with taking into account the testimony of the family, but the above most be noted.

Please review to SNHR [methodology](#) in documenting the victims through the following link:

Executive Summary:

SNHR documented no less than 136 deaths under torture cases inside government and non-government detention





centers in March 2015 as follows:

Government forces: 134

Extremist groups:

ISIS: 1

An-Nusra Front: 1

While the death under torture cases is still going since 2011, and this is clear evidence on the systematical and excessive violent force against the detainees

Daraa province recorded the highest statistics of death under torture victims as they've reached 35 victims, as the rest of the victims from each province comes as follows:

Hama 25, Rural Damascus 23, Homs 15, Idlib 15, Damascus 8, Aleppo 4, Deir Az-Zour 54, Hasakah 3, Raqqa 2, Lattakia 1.

As for the most notable death under torture cases it is:

2 college students, a teacher, an engineer, a nurse, a reporter, a child, 2 women, and 4 family members cases.

Most Notable Death under Torture Incidents:

College Students:

Abd AL-Qader Al-Hamad, a student at the Faculty of Education from Mrkadeh town in Hasakah was arrested by government forces from his work place on Wednesday December 25, 2014 his family informed us on March 10, 2015 they confirmed his death under torture in a government detention center in a previous date



Abd AL-Qader Al-Hamad

[Agaid Abdullah](#) a college student in the Faculty of Arts at the University of Damascus, from Kiswa, Rural Damascus, was arrested by government forces in 2012. On Monday, March 30, 2015 his family confirmed his death under torture in a detention center in Damascus, without his body handed over.

Engineers:

[Hussein Al-Sheikh](#), a mechanic engineer, from Mnbej, Aleppo arrested by govern-





ment forces earlier and his family confirmed his death under torture on Saturday March 7, 2015 in a detention center.

Teachers:

Ihsan Halaq, a teacher from Sraqb, Idlib age 61, executed by government forces with gun shots on March 28, 2015 before retreating from a security branch in Idlib.

Nurses:

Islam Ammar Abu Rashed, a Palestinian female nurse from Yarmouk Camp in Damascus, age 25, arrested by government forces in 2013 at a checkpoint in Damascus, her family confirmed her death under torture on Tuesday March 14, 2015 in Palestine security branch in Damascus.

Reporters:

J.B (reservation on the name for security reasons), a media activist, from Hama, was arrested by government forces about 5 months ago, his family confirmed his death under torture on Saturday, March 28, 2015 in one of the security branches in Damascus.

Children:

[Mohammed Saleh Musa](#), a child, from Yarmouk Camp in Damascus, a Palestinian age 16, was arrested by government forces on October 5, 2013, his family confirmed his death under torture on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 in a security branch in Damascus.

Women:

Bisan Abdul Ghany, from Tadamun neighborhood in Damascus, a Palestinian female, age 22, arrested by government forces in early 2012, we informed her family on Wednesday, 15 / March / 2015 they made sure the news of her death due to torture at the Palestine Branch Damascus.

Huda Jaber Al Hamdan, from Kodsaya, Rural Damascus, a Palestinian, age 19, arrested by government forces on one of the city of Damascus checkpoints her family confirmed her death under torture on Wednesday, March 15, 2015 in one of the security branches.





Family members' cases:

Abdulla Khalid Al-Abdullah and his brothers, Abdul-Karim, Ahmed, Mohammed, and Basil, from Omqeiya village of Hama, were detained by government forces in Baniyas, about two years ago, their family confirmed on Thursday March 5, 2015 their death under torture inside a security branch in Damascus.

Yousef Mahmoud Al-Abdullah and his brother Mohammed from Omqeiya village of Hama, were detained by government forces in Baniyas, about two years ago, their family confirmed on Thursday, March 5, 2015 the news of their deaths under torture inside a security branch in Damascus.

Haris Mohsen Rmaid and his son Mohammed, from Hosseinieh Camp in Damascus, detained by government forces several months ago, their family confirmed on Saturday March 28, 2015 their deaths under torture by a security branch, and gave the family their personal ID cards.

Khalid Abdullah Al-Hussein (Da'o) and his brothers Yoseph and Yassin, from Tadmur, Homs, were detained by government forces for nearly 8 months on Saturday March 28, 2015 their family confirmed they had been notified of their deaths under torture when they reviewed a security branch in Damascus.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

SNHR confirms that this huge number of deaths under torture monthly, - they make up the minimum that we were able to obtain information about, demonstrates conclusively that it stems from a systematic policy of the head of the regime, and that all the pillars of the regime are completely aware of it, as it has been practiced widely, as it's also constitute crimes against humanity and war crimes.

Some militant groups exercised acts of torture, which constitute war crimes.

To the international community:

It seems that the Security Council completely incapable of taking any action or deter the Syrian regime after four years of continuous and widespread killings, despite unequivocal evidence according to the Independent Inquiry Committee, and according to what we demonstrated in documenting hundreds of massacres and violations, which is still going on until the moment of publishing this report, they must help us to sue in front of the prosecutor at the International Criminal Court directly, and so what we possess of a huge amount of evidence we documented ourselves,

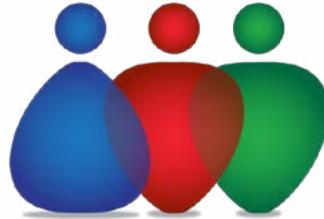




and that the Security Council implement the decisions taken with regard to Syria and to hold accountable all those who violate them.

Appreciation and Gratitude:

Sincere thanks for all the cooperation and contribution to delivering information to SNHR, and specially the activists who collaborated with us. Our sincere condolences to the families and relatives of the victims, and great appreciation for their cooperation in spite of the enormity of their suffering



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