



## No Less Than 68 Vital Facilities Were Targeted in March 2015

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### Executive Summary:

In March no less than 68 vital facilities were targeted-by as follows:

Government forces: 53

Extremist groups:

ISIS: 6

An-Nusra front: 2

Armed opposition factions: 6

International Coalition forces: 1

### Most notable facilities that were targeted in March:

Worship places: 19, schools: 11, markets: 10, medical facilities: 9, ambulances: 9, service centers: 5, bridges and water crossings: 2, grain silos: 1, and a chicken coop: 1.

If the Security Council is unable to oblige the Syrian government to apply the resolution 2139 issued by the council on February 22, 2014, which meant to put an end to “random indiscriminate use of weaponry on residential areas, including the artillery and air strikes, such as the use of barrel bombs”, the Security Council should at least press the Syrian regime to stop targeting the vital centers, such as schools, hospitals, markets, bakeries, and worship places.

In this report SNHR shed the light on the attacks on vital facilities that they were able to document, and we indicate that this is the least known, due to the practical difficulties that we faced during the documentation process.

SNHR insure through its investigations that there is no military bases in the facilities mentioned in this report nei-



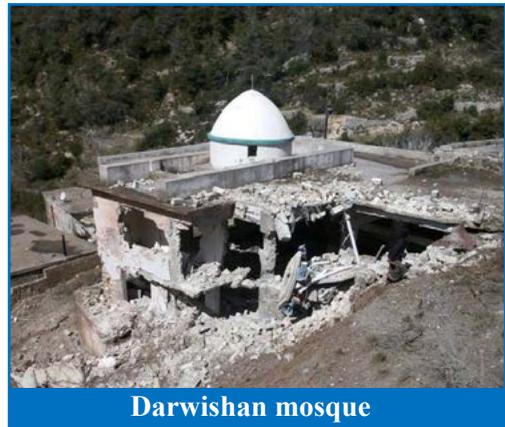


ther before nor after the attacks, and the government forces and others who commit these crimes to explain the reasons behind these brutal attacks in front of the United Nations and Security Council.

### **Government forces:**

#### Worship places:

Sunday, March 1, 2015 government war-planes targeted [Darwishan mosque](#) in Rabei'a village in Lattakia with a missile, which led to the death of an individual and [partial damage in the mosque structure](#).



Friday, March 6, 2015 government aviation dropped a barrel bomb on [Omar bin Al-Khattab mosque](#), in Hreitan, Aleppo gravely damaging the mosque structure.

Saturday, March 7, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on [“The Old Mosque”](#) in Marj Al-Sultan, injuring a few individuals, and gravely damaging the mosque structure.

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Wednesday, March 11, 2015 government warplanes fired a SSM missile that fell nearby Anas bin Malik mosque in Asia Aleppo, damaging the mosque building

Friday, March 13, 2015 government forces fired 2 missiles on Alma town mosque surroundings in Daraa, leading to the death of 5 individuals including a child, and the injuries of about 40 others, in addition to the mosque building damage





Friday, March 13, 2015 government warplanes raided 4 times nearby [The Grand Mosque in Duma](#), Rural Damascus killing 4 individuals and injuring 25 others, in addition to [partial damage to the mosque](#).

Sunday, March 15, 2015 government forces fired 4 mortar shells on Deir Al-Asa-feer, leading to injuring an individual and [damaging the mosque building](#).

Tuesday, March 17, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on a mosque in Hamoureiya, Rural Damascus, causing some damages.

Friday, March 20, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on a mosque in Ot-taya, Rural Damascus leading to the death of 3 individuals, including a child and a woman.

Friday, March 20, 2015, government forces raided over a mosque in Mantef village in Idlib with a missile killing 14 individuals including 7 children, and damaging the mosque building.

Friday, March 20, 2015, government forces shelled several Shelka shells targeting Fatima mosque minaret in Al-Wa'ar, Homs causing partial damage.

Saturday, March 21, 2015, government warplanes dropped a barrel bomb on [Omar bin Al-Khattab mosque](#) in Jamreen Daraa, destroying it almost completely

Wednesday, March 25, 2015 government forces fired to mortar shells that dropped in front of Al-Bashir mosque in Bustan Al-Qaser, Aleppo causing superficial damages in the mosque, no victims were recorded.

Friday, March 27, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on Harasta Al-Qantra, Rural Damascus, killing 9 individuals, and injuring 140 others, plus partial damage to the mosque structure.

Monday, March 30, 2015, government forces detonated a car bomb in front of a [mosque in Jeiza](#), Daraa, leading to the death of 12 individuals including 5 children in addition to superficial damages to the mosque.





### Schools:

Monday, March 2, 2015, government forces fired artillery shells on Al-Rami town school in Idlib causing some damage.

Thursday, March 5, 2015, government warplanes shelled a [primary school in Beiret Armnaz](#), Idlib killing 11 individuals including 5 children, in addition to destroying [part of the building](#).

Sunday, March 8, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on a [school in Irbeen](#), Rural Damascus, causing severe damage to [the school building](#) leading to closing it, no victims were recorded



Monday, March 9, 2015, government warplanes Kinda school in Najeiya town, Idlib leading to the destruction of part of the school.

Monday, March 9, 2015, government forces fired a missile on Tardeen school in Kurd mountain, Lattakia, destroying part of the school.

Tuesday, March 10, 2015 government forces raided twice on a [school in Deir Al-Asafeer](#), Rural Damascus, killing 2 individuals and injuring 15 others, in addition to partial damages to the school building.

Sunday, March 15, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on a [school in Duma](#), Rural Damascus, injuring dozens of children, plus destroying part of the school building.

Tuesday, March 31, 2015, government forces fired an artillery shell on [the industrial school in Dael](#), Daraa causing fire on the last floor.





### Medical Facilities:

Friday, March 6, 2015, government aviation dropped a [barrel bomb on the fifth field hospital](#) (specialist) in Kafr Zeita, Hama, causing [grave damage to the hospital](#) and turned it out of service, no victims were recorded.

Sunday, March 15, 2015, government forces fired several mortar shells on night emergency center in Marj, Rural Damascus, causing partial damages in the center.

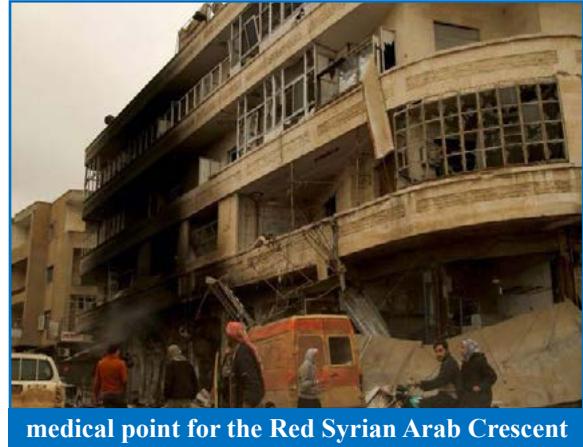
Tuesday, March 17, 2015, government forces fired 4 missiles on a medical center in Hamoureiya, Rural Damascus, leading to the injury of 2 of the medical staff, and the center turned out service for a few days, due to the damages.

Wednesday, March 18, 2015, government forces fired a missile on [Ihsan Hospital](#) in Sraqb, Idlib, [causing partial damages](#).

Monday, March 23, 2015, government aviation dropped a barrel bomb on a [field hospital in Ma'araba](#), Daraa, [destroying it](#).

Wednesday, March 25, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on Mayadeen hospital in Deir Az-Zour killing 2 individuals and turning it out of service due to severe damages.

Sunday, March 29, 2015, government fired missile shells on a [medical point for the Red Syrian Arab Crescent](#) in Idlib, causing fire and turning it out of service.



Tuesday, March 31, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on [Idlib National Hospital](#) in Idlib killing 4 individuals, in addition to the destruction of the medical care building, which contained dead bodies refrigerators which contained 81 bodies, also a nearby fuel tank was burned, and the rest of [the hospital facilities partially damaged](#).





### Markets:

Monday, March 2, 2015, government warplanes fired 2 missiles on chicken market in Bab Al-Hadid, Aleppo, damaging the shops.

Thursday, March 5, 2015, government aviation dropped a barrel bomb [on the market nearby Qadi Al-Askar](#), Aleppo, killing 17 civilians including 4 children in addition to burning a number of shops.

Friday, March 20, 2015, government forces fired 2 SSM (elephant type) missiles at a market in Al-Mashhad, Aleppo killing 5 individuals including 3 children and injuring 10 other with severe wound, plus grave damage in the shops.



market in Al-Mashhad, Aleppo

Monday, March 23, 2015, government aviation dropped 2 barrel bombs on the [local market in Khan Sheikhoun](#), Idlib causing partial damages to the shops, no victims were recorded.

Thursday, March 26, 2015, government warplanes raided by missiles targeting [the main market in Srmin, Idlib](#) killing 10 individuals including 5 children, in addition to the destruction of a few shops, and the damages of others.

Friday, March 27, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on Harsta Al-Qantra market in Rural Damascus, the shelling caused the death of 9 individuals, and the injuries of around 140 others, in addition to damages in the shops according to SNHR victims' documentation team.

### Ambulances:

Sunday, March 29, 2015, government forces fired missile shells on a Red Syrian Arab Crescent ambulance in Idlib, causing partial damages.



Red Syrian Arab Crescent ambulance in Idlib

Tuesday, March 31, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on Idlib National Hospital killing 4 individuals and causing the destruction of 8 ambulances and turning it out of service.





### Service Centers:

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, government warplanes fired a missile on the financial administration building in Al-Jabeileh, Deir Az-Zour, causing partial damage.

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, government forces fired a local made missile (elephant) fell nearby Al-Kalaseh neighborhood police station, Aleppo injuring 4 civilians plus damaging the building.

### Grain Silos:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015, government aviation dropped a barrel bomb [on a grain silos in Khan Sheikhoun](#), Idlib, partially [destroying it](#).

### Bridges and Water Crossings:

Thursday, March 26, 2015, government warplanes raided over a water crossing in Boulyel town, Deir Az-Zour, causing the injury of 5 individuals, and superficial damage to the crossing area.

### Chicken Coop:

Monday, March 30, 2015 government warplanes fired a missile on a [chicken coop in Kafr Tkhareem](#), destroying part of it.

## Extremist Groups:

### ISIS:

#### Service Centers:

Monday, March 23, 2015, artillery force located in Ihtimlat town controlled by ISIS fired mortar shells that dropped on the post building in Souran town, Aleppo controlled by armed opposition factions, causing partial damages in the building.

Tuesday, March 24, 2015, several Katyusha missiles were fired from an area controlled by ISIS on a train station in Tal Refa'at, Aleppo, killing 5 individuals including 3 children, in addition to some damages in the station building.

#### Markets:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015, ISIS artillery force shelled the market St. in Marea, Aleppo with 7 artillery shells killing a child and injuring two other individuals, in addition to superficial damages to the shops.





### Schools:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015, several Katyusha missiles fired from an area controlled by ISIS on a school in Tal Refa'at, Aleppo, killing 5 individuals including 3 children, in addition to some damages to the school building.

### Worship Places:

Wednesday, March 25, 2015, artillery force located in an area under ISIS control fired a mortar shell on a [mosque in Tal Tamr village](#) in Hasakah, damaging part of the mosque fence.

### Bridges and Water Crossings:

Friday, March 6, 2015, ISIS exploded [Jrables bridge](#) in Aleppo after retreating from Sheioukh town, destroying part of the bridge.

### An-Nusra Front:

#### University Facilities:

Saturday, March 21, 2015, a mortar shell from an area under An-Nusra front control fell on the [Technical Institution of Economy](#), in Dabeit, Idlib, causing superficial damages in the institution building.

#### Service Centers:

Tuesday, March 24, 2015, artillery force located in an area under An-Nusra front control fired a mortar shell on the Central Bank in Idlib, causing damages in the building.

### Armed Opposition Factions:

#### Markets:

Saturday, March 7, 2015, artillery forces located in armed opposition territories fired a mortar shell on Mnakhleiya market in Ancient Damascus causing partial damages in the building.

Monday, March 23, 2015, artillery force seem to be of the armed opposition fired 5 mortar shells dropped on a market in Al-Jamelaiah Neighborhood, Aleppo, destroying some shops.



market in Al-Jamelaiah Neighborhood





Saturday, March 28, 2015, artillery force located in an armed opposition faction territory fell on a market in Bab Al-Salam, Damascus, partially damaging a shop.

#### Schools:

Monday, March 9, 2015, artillery force located in an armed opposition territory fired a mortar shell that fell on a school wall in Taleh Souk Al-Qadi, in Qeimareiya, Ancient Damascus injuring two female students, in addition to superficial damages in the school.

Monday, March 23, 2015, artillery force seem to be of the armed opposition fired a mortar shell fell in front of Mahmoud Hourri school in Al-Muhafaza neighborhood in Aleppo controlled by government forces, killing 2 individuals, and injuring 3 others, in addition to superficial damages in the school building.

#### Worship Places:

Thursday, March 12, 2015, artillery force seem to be of the armed opposition fired a mortar shell that fell on Sinan Agha Mosque summit, in Mnakhleiya, Ancient Damascus injuring an individual and partially damaging the building.

#### International Coalition Forces:

Friday, March 6, 2015, International Coalition planes fired a missile on [Aisha hospital in Boukmal](#), Deir Az-Zour, killing 4 individuals including 2 children and a woman, in addition to grave damages in the hospital according to SNHR victims' documentation team.



#### Conclusions and Recommendations:

According to international humanitarian law, a deliberate or indiscriminate or disproportionate attacks, unlawful attacks, and targeting public schools, hospitals, churches and furnaces forces is a flagrant disregard of the lowest standards of humanitarian international law and the resolutions of the UN Security Council.

As you can see that the extremist groups as well as some of the other armed groups, have been targeting these vital centers. Their indiscriminate attacks are a direct





violation of international humanitarian law, and these acts amount to crimes of war.

### Recommendations:

#### To the Security Council:

1. Oblige the Syrian regime's implementation of resolution 2139, at the very least, condemn the targeting of these vital centers that are essential for the civilians livelihood.
2. Due to breaches of the international laws and resolutions of the UN Security Council, you must impose a comprehensive ban on arming the Syrian government.
3. Consider countries that supply weapons to the Syrian regime and groups that have proven involvement of committing crimes against civilians, as a partner in the commission of said crimes, in addition to all suppliers and distributors.
4. The countries that supporting the armed opposition shall stop their support to the factions that doesn't respect the international and humanitarian law.
5. The International Coalition Forces should announce their targeting of the mentioned hospital, and compensate the victims, and do not waste time in arguments based on insufficient evidences, as the difficulties in Syria are too numerous to be mentioned.

