

# Syria Military Operations in Aleppo Province, Russian Air Raids on Terrorist Positions across Coastal Province of Lattakia

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*The Syrian Arab Army (SAA) and the Lebanese Hezbollah resistance and Iraq's shia militias have been continuing military operations in Aleppo province, specially in its Southwest, concurrent with the army's new operations in Hama and Lattakia provinces.*

The Syrian forces captured the strategic Senobarat hilltops located to the Northwest of Al-Vazihi village. Senobarat hilltops overlook movements in areas under terrorists' control, including Qarasi town. Earlier, the SAA backed by Russian fighter jets managed to purge Tal Qabli hilltops and al-Jaberia village of terrorists.

The SAA, Hezbollah and Iraq's shia militias have also been making continued gains in the Eastern countryside of Aleppo since Sunday midnight and managed to seize Tal Naqmous hilltops and Tal Sab'een village as well as the town of al-Moflesa. The Syrian forces are currently fortifying their positions in the newly-purged areas.

Kafi Fahd and Abu Libia from the so-called "Asifet al-Hazm Battalion" and the leader of "Sayyed al-Shuhadaa Hamzeh Battalion", nicknamed as Abu Hamza, were killed during clashes in the Northern countryside of Lattakia.

Earlier reports said the Russian air raids on the terrorist positions across the coastal province of Lattakia left at least 40 militants dead, including Basel Zimmo a senior commander known as the King of US TOW antitank missiles. US-trained Zimmo targeted many army tanks in Syria by TOW missiles and trained many militants to work with the TOW missiles.

The goal of these operations is to purge these regions of terrorists and continue advances towards the Lattakia province. Thus, the route connecting the terrorist groups in Aleppo to the Lattakia and Idlib provinces will be cut off. Moreover, this plan should lead to establishing a security on the main route linking Central Syria, or the Damascus province, to the Northern parts of the country, or Aleppo, and accordingly dispatch of equipment and troops will be expedited, while terrorists in Eastern and Western Syria will be fully disconnected.

Another goal of the operation is Kuweires airbase. Arab sources report that the Syrian forces supported by the Russian warplanes, are pushing back ISIS terrorists from areas adjacent to

the military airport. Separately, the Syrian army's helicopters supply foodstuff and other needs to the Syrian troops defending the airport. Nonetheless, it's too early to say that the siege will be lifted in the nearest hours.

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