

## Syrian Forces Regain Control of Crucial Infrastructure and Supply Routes Held by Terrorists

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During the last days, the Syrian Arab Army (SAA) has been clashed with the Islamist Jaysh Al-Islam militants for control of the Marj Al-Sultan Military Airport in the East Ghouta region in Damascus province. On Sunday, the Syrian forces captured the strategic Helicopter Airfields and Helicopter Airbase that is situated at the southern part of Marj Al-Sultan. On Monday, the SAA and the National Defense Forces (NDF) took control of the village of Marj Al-Sultan where the militants' command and control center was located. On Tuesday, the pro-government troops captured the main Helicopter Military Base and the P-35 Radar Base that is situated to the north of Marj Al-Sultan and liberated the whole area of the airport.

SouthFront: Analysis & Intelligence remembers on December 15, the Syrian Arab Air Force helicopter landed at the Kuweires Military Airport for the first time in nearly three years. More flights should be conducted to the Airport in the nearest future.

The recent developments have shown that the Assad government is continuing to take control of the crucial infrastructure and logistical centers pushing terrorists to the country's desert regions.

For the last four days, the SAA, Hezbollah and the Iraqi paramilitary group "Harakat Al-Nujaba" have been on the defensive against a joint advance of the Al-Nusra, Harakat Ahrar Al-Sham, and Harakat Nouriddeen Al-Zinki terrorist groups' avance in in South Aleppo.

This changed on Wednesday when Hezbollah and Harakat Al-Nujaba launched a counter-offensive from their positions at Burnah, Al-Zeitan, and Al-Qal'ajiyah to target the towns of Al-Zorba, Khan Touman, and Al-Baraoum which are located along the Aleppo-Damascus Highway. The Hezbollah and Harakat Al-Nujaba advanced in the southern axis of Khan Touman, while the SAA and the NDF advanced on the towns of Al-Zorba and Al-Barqoum.

The main aim of the offensive is to cut-off the terrorists' supply route along the Aleppo-Damascus Highway. Preliminary reports confirm a large number of dead on both sides. The clashes are continuing.

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