

## Syria's Counter-Attack against the Terrorists. "ISIS Fighters Move Close to Damascus."

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The Syrian Army and the Lebanese Hezbollah Resistance Movement took control of Syria's border region of Zabadani from the terrorists early Wednesday. The border city was purged of the terrorists after two months of intense clashes. Ahrar al-Sham and al-Nusra Front terrorists withdraw from the Southern parts of Zabadani towards al-Mazaya region. The Ahrar al-Sham terrorist group conducted artillery fire and exercised offensive actions on the two towns of Fuaa and Kafraya.

Meanwhile, the Syrian forces killed more than 14 terrorists of the "Islam army" and "Fajr al-Umah" in operations carried out in al-Ghouta to the east of Damascus. The military leader of Islamic Union for Anjad al-Sham in al-Ghouta al-Sharkiya" Kasem Halaweh, Abu Walid in Harasta was killed there.

Same time, Syrian forces clashed with Jabhat al-Nusra terrorists in al-Karak al-Sharqi in the northeastern countryside of the southern Daraa province. Both sides reports that 'numerous enemies were killed'. The clashes have been also going in Daraa al-Balad neighborhood in the city of Daraa.

Syrian army has been trying to cut terrorist supply routes from the Jordanian side in the area to the east of Shaaf town on the outskirts of al-Badiya desert in the southern Sweida province.

Local militia groups clashed with ISIS terrorists in the surroundings of Mua'ath hill and Shaqa town in the northwestern countryside of the province following the terrorists' infiltration attempt from Tal Sa'ad towards Mua'ath hill and Shaqa town. The Syrian army has been continuing to fight the ISIS in the farms of al-Slaybeh to the west of al-Qaryatain in the eastern countryside of the central Homs province. Also clashes against ISIS were observed in Rahoum village in eastern Homs and in Kisin village in al-Rastan area.

The Syrian Air Force exercised airstrikes in Muhambal, Kafr Nubbul, Saraqeb, Ta'um, al-Tura'a, and Oram al-Joz in the southern countryside of Idleb province.

10 civilians were killed and 25 were injured in a terrorist car bomb attack which took place at the outskirts of Lattakia city on Wednesday. Sources at the province told that terrorists detonated a white van loaded with large amounts of explosives that was parked in front of Imad Ali School at al-Hamam Square at the outskirts of Lattakia.

Earlier, on Tuesday evening, the authorities managed to dismantle two car bombs that

terrorists were trying to sneak into Lattakia city and arrested members of the terrorist group responsible for rigging the two cars with explosives.

Two civilians were killed and 15 others were injured by rocket shells fired by terrorist organizations on residential areas in Damascus city on Wednesday.

Islamic State fighters moved closer than ever to central Damascus. Street battles reportedly raged in the Asali neighborhood of the capital's southern Qadam district over the weekend, killing at least 15 fighters as Islamic State militants seized at least two streets. The district had been relatively quiet since rebels and government forces reached a localized truce a year ago.

Thus, despite the local success of Syrian armed forces, the situation keeps to be critical.

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