

UN Accuses Syrian Government of "Curtailing" Women's Rights While Ignoring "Crimes of Sexual Violence" by US-NATO supported Armed Groups

Al-Jaafari: UN report on sexual violence in Syria curtailed, depends on unilateral source

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Syria's Permanent Representative to the UN Bashar al-Jaafari slammed Friday at UN Secretary General's Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict Zainab Bangura's report on Syria as "curtailed" and relies on a unilateral source and interpretation.

Al-Jaafari, a UN Security Council's meeting on "Woman, Peace, and Security" item, said Bangura's report adopts misleading media sources and ignores the documents Syria has presented on the crimes of sexual violence perpetrated by the armed terrorist groups against the Syrian women including killing, kidnapping, rape and torturing.

He added Syria's delegation has spared no efforts to provide UN Secretary General's Special Representative with documents on the responsibility of the armed terrorist groups for crimes against the Syrian women as part of their takfiri, salafi and wahhabi ideology.

Al-Jaafari pointed out that Syria sent an official invitation to UN Secretary General's Special Representative several times before preparing her report with the aim of helping her to assess the situation on the ground.

He reiterated Syrian government's rejection of the accusations against the Syrian armed forces, including accusations on sexual violence against women at military checkpoints as these checkpoints are positioned in open places.

Al-Jaafari called for highlighting the suffering of the displaced Syrian women at the refugee camps in the neighboring countries as an essential issue which necessitates Syria's deep concern in regard with the deteriorated security situation in those camps.

He added that Syrian women and girls suffer high levels of insecurity and are subjected to trafficking, rape and early marriage which are proved by the UN and international reports.

Al-Jaafari cited documented and reports on 18,000 cases of trade in human organs committed in the Turkish hospitals against Syrian girls and children, asserting that Syria has informed Bangura with this issue.

"If the claim that the reason for not documenting the crimes of the armed terrorist groups

on sexual violence in Syria was the inability to reach places inside Syria, then what is her interpretation for not documenting these violations in the camps which host the displaced Syrians," al-Jaafari wondered.

Al-Jaafari also inquired about her ignorance to document the violations of host countries which pledge to meet their obligations on protecting the displaced Syrians according to the international conventions relevant to the rights of woman, child and refugees.

Syria's permanent representative reiterated Syria's seriousness in dealing with these ugly and disgusting violations for human rights.

He expressed Syria's desire to continue cooperation with the UN, particularly the UN Secretary General's Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict to show the reality of the situation in Syria away from politicization and incitement.

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