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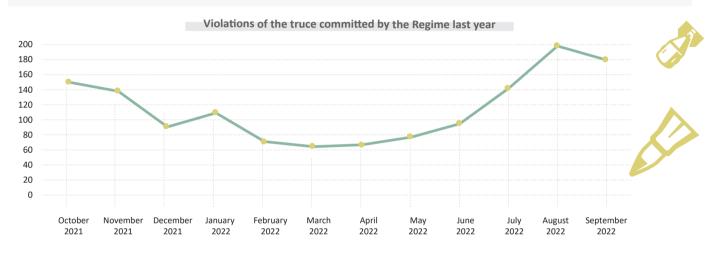


FIELD DEVELOPMENTS

NORTHEAST AND NORTHWEST 15-21 October; 2022

violations of truce committed by the Regime and its Russian ally

After the Turkey and Russia reached a ceasefire agreement in Idlib governorate on March 5, 2020, the Syrian regime and its Russian ally did not bomb northwest Syria with warplanes. However, the regime continued to bomb these cities and towns with heavy artillery and rockets from ground launchers. On June 2, 2020, Russian warplanes resumed bombing cities and towns in northwest Syria, and the regime continued to bombard them with heavy artillery and rockets from ground launchers. Through its network of enumerators, ACU worked on documenting the regime's breach of the ceasefire. As of the date of preparing this report, the Syrian regime and its Russian ally have violated the ceasefire 3.881 times.



After the ceasefire came into effect, Turkish and Russian forces began conducting joint military patrols on the contact lines between the regime forces and the opposition forces, as these patrols run along the M4 international road. These joint forces aim to monitor the implementation of the ceasefire and de-escalation on the contact lines. However, Russian forces stopped participating in these patrols in mid-September 2020.

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A child

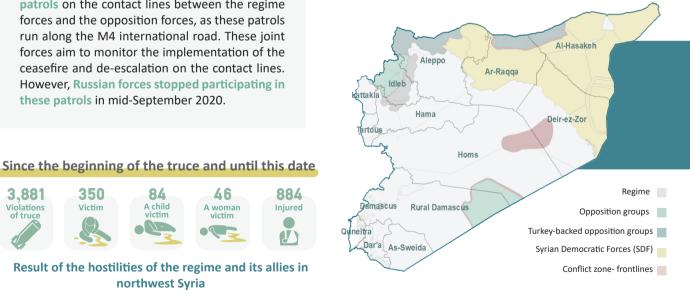
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Violations of truce

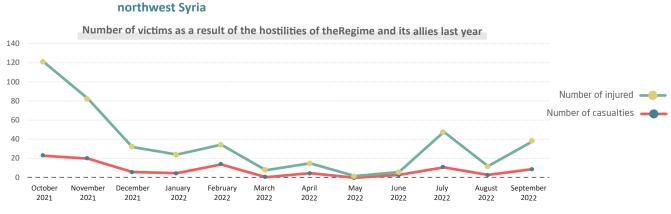
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Victim

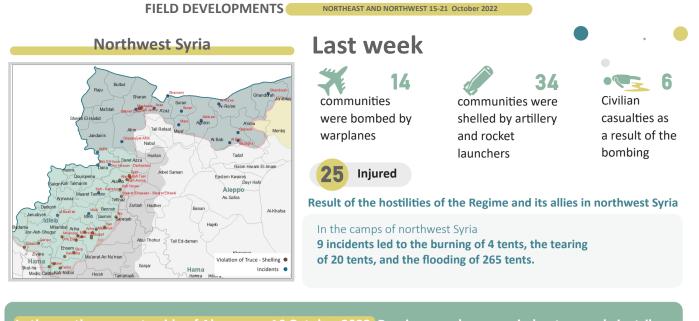


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A woman victim

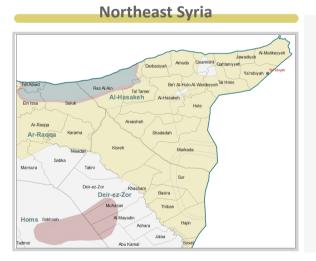


In the northern countryside of Aleppo, on 16 October 2022, Russian warplanes carried out several air strikes on the towns of Qatmet Efrin and Kafr Janna, killing 6 civilians and wounding 15. In the central region of Idleb governorate, on 17 October 2022, Russian warplanes carried out several air strikes on the city of Ariha and the towns of Orm Eljoz, Nahleh, and Rami. The regime forces bombarded the city of Ariha and the towns of San, Nahleh, Rami, Maaret Elnaasan, Maarbalit, and Majdaliya with heavy artillery. In the western countryside of Aleppo, Atareb city and the towns of Kafr Thoran, Kafr Amma, and Kafr Taal were bombed with heavy artillery, the so-called Elephant rockets, and heavy machine guns by the regime forces. In the western countryside of Aleppo, on 20 October 2022, regime forces shelled with heavy artillery the towns of Maarbalit and Mhambal, injuring two children in the town of Maarbalit. The regime forces targeted a civilian car near the town of Majdaliya, wounding seven civilians who were going to harvest olives.

In the northern countryside of Aleppo, an agreement was concluded to end the clashes between the opposing forces represented by HTS, the Hamza Division, and Amshat faction on the one hand and the Third Legion on the other hand. HTS withdrew from the cities and towns in Afrin region, which it entered after 12 October 2022, to support the Hamza Division and Amshat faction against the Third Legion. Thaerron deployed in the cities and towns from which HTS withdrew.

In the northern countryside of Idleb on 16 October 2022, a severe windstorm hit the area, tearing apart 20 tents in the Za'lana camp near the town of Kafrehmul. On 20 October 2022, heavy rainfall led to flooding in the two camps of Al-Mahata close to Bala'a town and Wadi Khalid camp near Idleb. The floods completely destroyed 90 tents and partially damaged 175. Al-Mahata camp needs to establish a rainwater drainage system.

In the western countryside of Idleb, on 18 October 2022, a 16-year-old boy was found murdered in the town of Kafr Takharim. The forensic medical report showed that the cause of death was hanging by a rope, without certain information whether the child had committed suicide or been killed.



In the northern countryside of Al-Hasakeh, on 17 October 2022, the international coalition forces dispatched a military convoy of 30 trucks containing weapons and logistical equipment through the Waleed border crossing with northern Iraq. The convoy headed toward the international coalition bases in Al-Hasakeh governorate. On 19 October 2022, 162 Iraqi refugee families left Al Hol camp to return to Iraq.

In the eastern countryside of Deir ez-Zor, on 19 October 2022, the international coalition conducted military exercises in the Conoco Gas Plant. The exercises came two days after the military reinforcements to the Plant that included

military vehicles, weapons, and logistical materials. Information sources confirm that the exercises tested artillery, drones, and an air defense system that is being used for the first time in Syria. The exercises come several days after missiles from an unknown destination targeted the base.



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