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Special forces of SDF arrest Daesh suspects in eastern Deir Ezzor countryside



On Monday, September 7, 2020, the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF)' HAT forces arrested people on charges of Daesh affiliation in eastern the Deir Ezzor countryside. A source told D24 Network that the HAT forces conducted a security campaign, arresting people and seizing a significant amount of weapons and raw materials used in making explosives. The source noted that malign people support the Daesh suspected groups to conduct operations destabilizing the area and stirring tension in society. The source added that the HAT forces transported the arrested people to an SDF prison for investigation. This SDF' security campaign is a part of others conducted in cooperation with the International Coalition to chase .Daesh groups in the area

Officials steal medical masks in Deir Ezzor

People in charge of storing medical equipment for public hospitals in Deir Ezzor steal medical masks in cooperation with doctors and administrators. A source in the Assad Hospital in Deir Ezzor told Deir Ezzor 24 that a large amount of medical masks and gloves arrived at the hospital over the past days. The source added that a minimal portion entered the hospital warehouse, but the large portion was transported to officials' warehouses to be sold later for traders. The price of masks reach 500 Syrian pounds per mask in Deir Ezzor. Hospitals are the first source of selling masks in Deir Ezzor.





Leadership of NDF visits Al-Masrab town

On Sunday, September 6, leaders of the National Defense Militia (NDF) in Deir Ezzor visited Al-Masrab town in the western Deir Ezzor countryside to know the latest developments, Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent said. According to the correspondent, during the visit, the leadership met with group leaders and a number of the town's elders, to know their position of the appointment of "Abu Nizar" as a new commander of the NDF in the western Deir Ezzor countryside after the former one, Nizar al-Kharfan, was killed in the past few days. The NDF militia redistributed its points in the badiyah and replaced some of the members. After the recent attacks on the militias' posts in the western Deir Ezzor countryside, the NDF militia raised alert among its members, and its leadership conducted several meetings that resulted in radical changes in the distribution of points, members and even leaders

Civilians' houses furniture is looted in the sight of Assad regime's Airforce Intelligence services

During the past 10 days, several theft incidents from civilian homes were registered in Deir Ezzor's neighborhoods, Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent said. According to the correspondent, three thefts of them took place in the past week in al-Muwadafine and Al-Orfi neighborhoods. The two neighborhoods are surrounded by patrols and checkpoints of the airforce intelligence service. The stolen properties were transferred through these checkpoints, which proves coordination between the thieves and the airforce intelligence's members. The thieves sell the stolen properties in the markets of Deir Ezzor, and often have documents with them, given by security branches, showing that the properties are theirs.



People protest SDF in al-Baghouz



On September 9, 2020, people demonstrated in the square of the town of al-Baghouz, eastern Deir Ezzor against the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF). The demonstrators protested the SDF fighters' action during raids last night. Last night, an SDF large group headed by Hafal Ankeel raided the house of Salem al-Khalf who is the head of the local council of al-Baghouz. The SDF surrounded and inspected houses in al-Baghouz for two hours, arresting two people for unknown reasons. A source close to al-Khalaf told Deir Ezzor 24 that the reason for the raiding al-Khalaf' s house is his submitting complaints to the Autonomous Administration's leadership against SDF patrols which raided his house on different occasions for no reasonable reasons. On Tuesday, the SDF' public security services arrested the head of the Deir Ezzor Civil Council' cabinet due to an argument with commanders .of the services about Arabs' role in running the area

million SYP embezzled from 30 Iranian cultural center in Deir Ezzor

A source told Deir Ezzor 24 network that the Iranian Cultural Center in Deir Ezzor, in cooperation with leaders of the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Militia (IRGC), has launched an investigation against road contractors. The source said that the officials of the Iranian Cultural Center found out that about 35 million Syrian pounds had been embezzled from the budget of one of the projects the center is responsible for, which prompted them to form a committee to investigate a number of contractors, most notably Abu Fadi and Othman Al-Khalaf. The Iranian Cultural Center has recently turned to carry out service projects in Deir Ezzor with the facilitation of Assad regime's officials



Russian military police intervenes in clash between NDF and criminal security service in Al-Mayadeen



On Wednesday, September 9, a clash broke out between members of the National Defense Militia (NDF) and a patrol of the Criminal Security Branch near the motorcycle market in al-Mayadeen city in the eastern Deir Ezzor countryside, according to Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent. Our correspondent said that a patrol of the criminal security service stopped a member of the NDF and asked him to show his identity card, but he refused, raised his weapon and clashed with the patrol. Both sides received reinforcements, which pushed the Russian military police to intervene and end the clash. The NDF, Assad's forces, security branches and Iranian and Russian militias share control of Deir Ezzor areas (west of the Euphrates



Deir Ezzor registers increase in Covid 19 infections amidst recklessness of Assad regime's health sector

A source from inside al-Assad Hospital in Deir Ezzor told Deir Ezzor 24 network that the number of Covid 19 infections is increasing significantly in the province amidst failure of Assad regime's health sector in dealing with the pandemic. The source added that 4 new cases, 2 from inside the city and 2 from Al-Ishara city in the eastern Deir Ezzor countryside, arrived at the hospital on Wednesday, September 9. After testing positive, the cases were transferred to the quarantine center in the university housing units near the hospital. A chaotic situation prevails Deir Ezzor's hospitals, as doctors and nurses do not care about the preventive measures. Which makes the situation worse is that the hospitals suffer from the absence of many types of essential medicines, the lack of qualified medical personnel, and the spread of corruption among the administrators and officials of the health sector

Medical equipment trucks escorted by Hezbollah militia arrive in al-Bukamal

On Thursday, September 10, 2020, four second-hand medical equipment trucks arrived at the Aysha Hospital in the city of al-Bukamal. The equipment included old beds, surgical equipment, and oxygen cylinders. Hezbollah militia' vehicles escorted the trucks. The Hezbollah militia controls the hospital and nearby area. The trucks arrived amidst deteriorated health conditions with coronavirus spread as the Assad regime health sector failed to fight the virus on the level of medicine, equipment, and medical staff





Russian convoys arrive in Deir Ezzor in preparation for large-scale military action

Russian military convoys entered Deir Ezzor city in the past two days from Raqqa countryside, Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent said. According to the correspondent, heavy weapons such as artillery guns, anti-aircraft guns and troop carriers were deployed to several Russian barracks in and around the city. A source told Deir Ezzor 24 network that the Russian forces will carry out a large-scale campaign on Daesh pockets in Deir Ezzor badiyah, as Assad's forces and the Iranian militias have failed to eliminate them during the past campaigns. The Russian forces lost a number of its officers and members while accompanying the militias and Assad's forces in the military actions they carried out in Deir Ezzor badiyah

ND militia protects Deir Ezzor southern entrance

The National Defense (ND) militia reinforced its posts on the perimeter of the al-Panorama, southern Deir Ezzor over the recent days. The Suqor al-Difaa supervised the posts. The Suqor al-Difaa is a group of senior ND fighters. The militia's commandership assigns the group with dangerous missions. The ND militia applied new measures after Daesh recent attacks on its posts in areas in Deir Ezzor.



ND militia continues to raise alert in al-Masrab

The National Defense (ND) militia continues to raise the alert in the badiya of the town of al-Masrab after recent attacks on the militia' outposts in the area. The ND militia' new outposts raise the alert on a daily basis since recent attacks due to reports of Daesh attacks on the outposts. Over the recent weeks, Daesh launched attacks on ND militia outposts, killing dozens of fighters and the militia commander in the wetern Deir Ezzor countryside



Assad forces raise alert in al-Mayadeen

On Thursday, September 10, 2020, the Assad forces and the National Defense (ND) militia raised the alert near the Euphrates river bank in the city of al-Mayadeen. The Assad forces conducted searches for two hours before they withdrew. The forces arrested three Daesh members who infiltrated the area by fake identity cards. The Assad forces, ND militia, and Iranian militias tightened security measures over the recent days fearing new Daesh attacks





Fatimiyeon militia finds commander injured in al-badiya

On Friday, September 11, 2020, the al-Fatimiyoan militia found Farajalah Husseini, who is a commander of the militia, injured in the al-Hasiyan area in the Deir Ezzor badiya. Al-Husseini was missing in al-badiya during a tour to check the militia's outposts. Later, al-Husseini was found injured due to a landmine explosion in his car. He was transported to hospital. Landmine explosions are frequent in Deir Ezzor badiya, which proves landmines are spread on a wide-scale in the area. Landmine intense spread will endanger civilians' lives in the future

Suspected Daesh members kill and injure members of Iranian proxy militia in Al-Mayadeen



A member of an Iranian proxy militia was killed and three others injured when gunmen attacked their checkpoint in the vicinity of al-Mayadeen city, a source told Deir Ezzor 24 network. The source said: "On Saturday, September 12, unidentified gunmen attacked a checkpoint of Al-Hussein Brigades militia on the outskirts of Al-Mayadeen city from the east, killing one member and injuring three others. Following the attack, the area remained on high alert until the next day." The attack was part of a series of attacks carried out by unidentified gunmen believed to belong to Daesh on the posts of Assad's forces and supporting militias in all over the areas they control in Deir Ezzor

Hezbollah militia establishes new posts in Al-Bukamal

On Saturday, September 12, a military convoy of Hezbollah militia, consisting of 10 vehicles and two military (Zil) trucks full of members and ammunition, entered al-Ashiyer village in Al-Bukamal city east of Deir Ezzor, according to Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent. The convoy established two new military posts in the village from the badiya side (west and east of the village), and the rest of the convoy continued to Al-Bukamal city. This action is part of new measures taken by Hezbollah militia in Deir Ezzor province, as it had previously relocated many of its posts and established new ones in the areas it controls.





Military convoy of 17th division enters al-Masrab and makes promises to restore security

A large military convoy of the 17th Division of Assad's forces entered Al-Masrab town in the western Deir Ezzor countryside on Sunday, September 13, Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent said. According to the correspondent, the convoy set up four new checkpoints at the entrances of the town from the sides of the badiyah and "Al-Aaroodh" area, and combed the area around the new checkpoints. The correspondent noted that the leaders of the convoy met with people in the town's markets and made promises that they will restore security in the town after "terrorism has hit it". Unidentified gunmen launched several attacks on Al-Masrab town last month, killing a number of members and leaders of the militias affiliated .with Assad forces

Russian forces deploy to al-Shoula area, southern Deir Ezzor

On Sunday, September 13, 2020, a source told Deir Ezzor 24 that Russian forces, the Assad forces' 5th Corps, and the al-Quds Liwaa militia deployed to the al-Shoula area in al-badiya, southern Deir Ezzor . The source added that the Russian forces deployed to the area amid helicopters' flying over, as the forces established checkpoints in major roads in the area. The source noted that the Russian ordered the al-Quds Liwaa militia to remain in the area and establish guarding posts to secure the southern flank of Deir Ezzor from Daesh attacks. Recent attacks on the Assad forces', Russian forces', and Iranian militias' outposts caused the forces to raise the alert



Assad regime carries out campaign of forced conscription in Deir Ezzor city

On Monday, September 14, Assad regime's security branches launched a campaign to search for young men wanted for forced conscription. The campaign started in the early morning hours and covered all the city's neighborhoods. Patrols spread in the main points and streets of the city, Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent said. The correspondent confirmed that the campaign arrested about 20 young men of the age suitable for compulsory service, and took them to the military police prisons in the city, and that the campaign will continue until the end of the week, according to a source from one of the security branches. The security branches has carried out many campaigns in the areas of Deir Ezzor (countryside, that are controlled by Assad's forces (west of the Euphrates





NDF appoints Mohammed al-Assaf as its new leader in al-Mayadeen after Mohammed al-Zahir's death

The leadership of the national defense militia (NDF) in Deir Ezzor appointed "Mohammed al-Assaf" as the commander of the militia in the Al-Mayadeen city, according to Deir Ezzor 24 network correspondent. The new commander came few days after Shakkur al-Assaf was assigned to lead the militia temporarily in Al-Mayadeen, the correspondent said. Al-Assaf was appointed few weeks after the former commander of the NDF, Mohammed Tayseer al-Zahir, was killed along with a Russian officer in a landmine explosion during a joint tour of al-Mayadeen badiyah. Al-Assaf's history is full of crimes, robberies and drug trafficking

Russians seek forming new militias in Deir Ezzor

A source told Deir Ezzor 24 Network that Russian forces started recruiting young men for the 5th Corps that Russian officers run. The source noted that the Russians try to recruit young men so that they participate in the military campaign to comb al-badiya. The source emphasized that the Russians recruit the young men in groups or militias that directly belong to the 5th Corps, hence to the Russian forces. The source added that the militias will deploy to west of the Euphrates and the Assad regime-controlled areas east of the Euphrates. Russian forces started recruiting young men in Deir Ezzor four month ago. The Russians tempt the recruits with large salaries per month for using them on front lines that Russian forces run in Syria and Libya. Earlier, Russian forces assigned the Russian-backed al-Quds Liwaa militia to follow up the recruitment .process



Deir Ezzor 24 Network and UN International Impartial, and Independent Mechanism sign MOU

The Deir Ezzor 24 Network signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the United Nations (UN) International Impartial, and Independent Mechanism (IIIM) to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011. On December 21, 2016, the UN General Assembly by which it decided, in paragraph 4, to establish the ,248/adopted resolution 71 International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism Omar Abu Layla, Deir Ezzor 24 Network executive director signed the MOU in the name of the network. After they signed the MOU, both sides agreed to a joint work mechanism and sharing data and information. The MOU states sharing data and evidence of violations committed against human rights, documented by the Deir Ezzor 24 Network since the General Assembly established the ,248/March 2011. By its resolution 71 International, Impartial and Independent Mechanism to Assist in the Investigation and Prosecution of Persons Responsible for the Most Serious Crimes under International Law Committed in the Syrian Arab Republic since March 2011 under the auspices of the United Nations to closely cooperate with the Independent International Commission of Inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic to collect, consolidate, preserve and analyse evidence of violations of international humanitarian law and human rights violations and abuses and to prepare files in order to facilitate and expedite fair and independent criminal proceedings, in accordance with international law standards, in national, regional or international courts or tribunals that have or may in the future have jurisdiction over these crimes, in accordance with international law. The Deir Ezzor 24 Network undertakes to work with organizations and concerned law international sides concerned about investigating crimes and violations committed against Syrians. Deir Ezzor 24 Network had already signed treaties with human rights international .organizations



Shiite militias hold meeting in al-Bukamal

A source told Deir Ezzor 24 Network that On Tuesday, September 16, 2020, commanders of the Iraqi Hashd Al-Shaabi militia met their counterparts from the Iranian Revolutionary Guards militia and Hezbollah in the city of al-Bukamal. The source emphasized that the aim of the meeting is to plan a military operation in al-Bukamal badiya to eliminate Daesh groups. Over the recent month, Iranian militias, National Defense militia, Russian forces, and Assad forces started escalated movements to eliminate .Daesh groups and havens in the Deir Ezzor badiya

Landmines explosions kill ND militia fighters in Deir Ezzor badiya

On Friday, September 18, 2020, landmines explosions killed seven National Defense (ND) militia fighters and injured others in al-badiya of the town of Al-Kharitah, western Deir Ezzor. ND fighters headed to comb a post in al-badiya in which unknown shooters targeted ND fighters the previous night. Landmines exploded on the fighters as they were combing the area. Three of the killed fighters are from the town of al-Shumaytiyah three others from the Aleppo governorate, and a 14-year-old child from Al-Kharitah. Over recent weeks, landmines explosions killed many ND fighters in Deir Ezzor .badiya





Commander of IRGC issues stern warning against Assad forces and ND militia in al-Bukamal

A source told Deir Ezzor 24 Network that on Thursday, September 17, 2020, al-Haj Askar al-Irani, who is a military commander of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards Corps militia (IRGC) met Assad forces' officers and an official of the National Defense (ND) militia in the city of al-Bukamal. Al-Irani is in charge of the al-Bukamal area and its countryside. The source added that the aim of the meeting is to discuss frequent aggressions by Assad forces and ND fighters against the IRGC local recruits. The source emphasized that al-Irani issued a stern warning against the attendees of the meeting in order for such aggressions not to be repeated. Over the past week, confrontations occurred between the Assad forces and the 47th Regiment militia in al-Bukamal. The problems between both sides have not been settled yet

Currency and gold rates in Deir Ezzor Governorate

BUY	SELL		
2180	2230	US DOLLAR	
2591	2655	EURO	
295	304	TURKISH LIRA	
134	138	EGYPTIAN POUND	
568	582	SAUDI RIYAL	
105,522		GOLD .18	
123,036		GOLD .21	



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