

Press Release**Douma is being Exterminated before Everyone's Eyes and Ears whilst the Series of Massacres Wipes out Muslim children and Women**

(Translated)

“The tyrannical and oppressive Syrian regime added to their record of massacres a new massacre in Douma in the countryside of Damascus on the 16th of August. This was when its planes launched airstrikes and bombed the people's market at a peak time with four missiles leading to more than 110 martyrs and over three hundred injured. The news media reported from sources in the civil defence its confirmation that most of the victims were children and women, including a major part of the market was destroyed.

This is not the first time that Douma has been subjected to this savage bombing as the regime's aircrafts hardly ever leave its air space so that the series of massacres can follow on one from the other, day after day and month after month. According to figures of the Unified Medical Office in the town of Douma, the number killed within 18 days last February reached 109, a third of whom were children. This is not even taking into account the destruction that has changed the landscape of the town. In the past month, 56 attacks were registered within six days alone and missiles resulted in the destruction of 500 houses leading to numerous families losing their homes, who were then left without any shelter to protect them and their children.

The terrible situation has driven a number of media activists to launch a media campaign “#Douma is being exterminated” aiming to draw attention to and raise global public opinion against what the Syrian regime is perpetrating against the civilian population. This campaign has received an outstanding response in the case where tweets had reached hundreds of thousands within a few hours. However despite this campaign, the situation of Douma remains as it is; and indeed the bloodshed continues and the suffering increases in front of all the eyes and ears of all of the regimes of the Islamic lands and particularly those who share borders with Syria. This is in addition to the silence within the Security Council and humanitarian and rights based international institutions.

So the world follows the daily bloody pictures, and the messages of death have reached the one who is near and far, whilst the video clips get thousands of likes on social media sites. Despite that there is not the slightest of changes to the situation of the children and women and Syria after the passing of years. No siege has been lifted and no restriction has been placed upon the bloody bombings!!

**O Islamic Ummah:** We remind you with the Hadeeth of the Messenger of Allah (saw): «المُسْلِمُ أَخُو الْمُسْلِمِ لَا يَظْلِمُهُ وَلَا يُسْلِمُهُ وَمَنْ كَانَ فِي حَاجَةِ أَخِيهِ كَانَ اللَّهُ فِي حَاجَتِهِ وَمَنْ فَرَّجَ عَنْ مُسْلِمٍ كُرْبَةً فَرَّجَ اللَّهُ عَنْهُ كُرْبَةً مِنْ كُرْبَاتٍ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ وَمَنْ سَتَرَ مُسْلِمًا سَتَرَهُ اللَّهُ يَوْمَ الْقِيَامَةِ» **A Muslim is a brother of another Muslim, so he should not oppress him, nor should he hand him over to an oppressor. Whoever fulfilled the needs of his brother, Allah will fulfil his needs; whoever brought his (Muslim) brother out of a discomfort, Allah will bring him out of the discomforts of the Day of Resurrection, and whoever screened a Muslim, Allah will screen him on the Day of Resurrection”.**

Verily Allah will ask you all about what you did and that which you did not do for your brothers who represent a part that cannot be separated from the Islamic Ummah. So know that there is a part of the Ummah that bleeds and is in pain. Indeed it cries out and seeks support whilst there is none who responds. So are there from amongst you those who will come to the aid of the children of the Ummah or a doctor that will come for their wounds! Respond O Muslim armies so that there will be for the lands of the Muslimeen a clear and manifest victory from the Rabb of the 'Aalameen...

Allah (swt) said in His Muhkam At-Tanzeel:

﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا إِن تَصْرُوهَا اللَّهُ يَنْصُرْكُمْ وَيُثَبِّتْ أَقْدَامَكُمْ \* وَالَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا فَتَعَسَا لَهُمْ وَأَصْلَ أَعْمَالُهُمْ﴾

“O you who believe! If you support (in the cause of) Allah, He will support you (with victory) and make your foothold firm. But those who disbelieve (in the Oneness of Allah Islamic Monotheism), for them is destruction, and (Allah) will make their deeds vain” [Muhammad 7-8].



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