

The Information Centre of Afrin Resistance



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Starting from Saturday 27 January 2018, the Information Centre of Afrin Resistance provides a daily news bulletin from the invasion and resistance of the Afrin Canon.

Our Centre is located at the heart of the events. Hence, all our news is based on primary sources.

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Protests and solidarity demonstrations

Demonstrations in solidarity with the Afrin Resistance took place all over Europe and some of the American countries including, Germany, France, Italy, Brittan, Norway, Sweden, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Cyprus, Denmark, Lebanon, Finland, Switzerland, and Romania.

In a statement that was signed by 250 lecturers, the University of Rojhalat, East Kurdistan, condemned the Turkish invasion of Afrin and showed solidarity with the Afrin Resistance.

A number of Turkmen people in Afrin Canton denounced the Turkish invasion. One of them told ANHA News Agency: “The Turkish fascist state is committing crimes against Turkmen, Arabs, Kurds, Assyrians and all sectors of Afrin province.” Another said: “Erdogan is a murderer of children and women, a murderer of humanity.”

Ground attack

The Turkish army shelled Tel Refat area of al-Shahba district, resulting in material damages. Turkish artillery shelled Agjale village of Jinderes.

A heavy artillery shelling of the villages of Hammam and Haj Iskander resulted in wounding of a dozen.

Air attack

An Armenian family who had fled the Armenian Genocide of 1915, unleashed by the Turkish state, and settled in Afrin where they found security in the central Rajo was attacked by the Turkish warplanes.

Turkish warplanes bombed Bulbul district villages.

Turkish warplanes bombed the Jinderes areas.

Turkish warplanes once again bombarded the town of Jinderes.

Turkish warplanes targeted historical Ain Dara temple, causing partial destruction of the archeological heritage.

After the SDF foiled an attack in Tel Kafri Gir in Rajo, Turkish cobra helicopters began launching an aerial bombardment of the region.

Response

While repelling an attack of the Turkish army and its affiliated jihadist groups in Amara village of Rajo, The Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) destroyed a Turkish tank.

Strong clashes were recorded in the vicinity of Kafri Ker hill at Rajo area between the SDF and the Turkish troops.

The SDF destroyed a Turkish tank and downed two scouts.

Amid a clash that broke out in Sharra, the SDF destroyed a Turkish military vehicle and killing two soldiers.

The Turkish army and its allied jihadist groups tried to advance towards Qastal hill. The SDF targeted their convoy killing 15 of them.

Statement

In an interview with our Centre, Fawza Youssef, a member of the Democratic Society Movement, stated: Efrîn has become a cemetery for the Turkish army and its mercenaries. If Erdogan fulfilled his threat and attacked northern Syria to the Iraqi border, our areas would become a quagmire for his army and mercenaries. This would bring to an end his strategy, which is based on war and terrorism.

She continued: Efrîn canton called for the Syrian state to defend its border because the regime is still legitimate, according to the UN and international law. The people of Efrîn will continue their resistance despite heavy bombardment and the use of different kinds of weapons. Syrian State must fulfill its duty since they consider Efrîn as part of Syria.

The SDF rejected the allegation of the Turkish army that the Turks have captured the hill of Qastal village, saying they were in a full control of the hill.

The co-chair of the French Left Party, France Insoumise, and the candidate Jean-Luc Melenchon said: "We know very well the relationship between ISIS and Erdogan".

Turkish Foreign Minister, Mouloud Jawish Oglu, warned the United States to withdraw immediately from Manbij city. Manbij military council confirmed they were ready to face the Turkish army.

The SDF rejected the Turkish propaganda claiming to overrun Biske village, saying the village is under SDF control.