

MOSSCOW (FNA) – The killing of a top figure in the ISIL terrorist group, Abu Mohammad al-Adnani, was the result of an airstrike conducted by a Russian bomber, the Russian Defense Ministry said. The Russian Defense Ministry said that the airstrikes conducted by the country's bombers in Aleppo has killed around 40 members of the ISIL. "Among the killed terrorists confirmed through multiple intelligence channels was Abu Mohammad al-Adnani, better known as official media spokesman of the ISIL international terrorist group," the ministry said in a statement.

One who assents or subscribes to the actions of a group or a party is as good as having committed the deed himself. A man who joins a sinful deed makes himself responsible for two-fold punishments, one for doing the deed and the other for assenting and subscribing to it.

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# 20 Killed as Saudi Jets Launch New Airstrikes in Yemen



A Houthi Ansarullah fighter walks past cooking gas cylinders in the yard of a gas station after it was hit by a Saudi airstrike in Sa'ada, Yemen.

SANAA (Dispatches) – At least 20 people have lost their lives and many others sustained injuries in a number of Saudi airstrikes against residential neighborhoods across Yemen.

On Wednesday morning, Saudi military aircraft pounded al-Rawdah Village and the Nihm district in the western-central Yemeni province of Sana'a in addition to an area close to a military academy in the capital, Sana'a, leaving four people dead and scores of others injured, Yemen's al-Masirah television network reported. Sixteen people, mostly women

and children, also lost their lives and a number of others were wounded when Saudi warplanes pounded houses in the Sahan district of Yemen's northwestern mountainous province of Sa'ada. Later in the day, Saudi jets launched an aerial attack against a gas station in the northwestern city of Hajjah, located 127 kilometers (78 miles) northwest of Sana'a. There were no immediate reports of casualties and the extent of damage caused. The Mustaba district in Hajjah Province was also hit, though no reports of casualties were available.

## Yemen's Missile Hits Saudi Positions

The Yemeni army and popular forces hit the Saudi military positions in the kingdom's Najran province with a Zalzal-3 ballistic missile in retaliation for the Saudi airstrikes on residential areas across Yemen. The Yemeni missile attack inflicted heavy losses on the Saudi troops in Najran province. Early reports indicate large casualties on the Saudi forces in the missile attack. The Saudi army and its coalition members

have lost, at least, over a hundred troops each time they have come under a ballistic missile attack by Yemen. The Saudi-led forces' armored vehicles were destroyed during the Yemeni missile attack. Earlier on Wednesday, the Yemeni forces fired a ballistic missile at Abha airport in Assir province in a retaliatory attack launched after the Saudi fighter jets targeted civilian areas in the impoverished nation. A Qaher-I ballistic missile hit the Saudi military positions at Abha airport in Assir province. The Yemeni forces fired ballistic missiles at the facilities of the Saudi state oil giant, Aramco, in the kingdom's Southwest and Abha airport in Assir province. The attack took place on Tuesday morning, hitting targets in Saudi Arabia's Jizan region and causing considerable damage to the Aramco facilities there, the Arabic-language news website Al Masirah reported. Earlier on Wednesday, Saudi-led airstrikes were intensified on several cities in Yemen, destroying civilian targets and vital infrastructures of the country. At least 20 people have lost their lives and many others sustained injuries in a number of Saudi airstrikes against residential neighborhoods across Yemen, al-Masirah television network reported.

## Jeish al-Fatah Terrorists Massacre Civilians in Syria's Hama

DAMASCUS (Dispatches) – The Jeish al-Fatah terrorist group attacked a village in the northern part of Hama province, massacring all its residents. All residents of Tayeba al-Imam were killed in Jeish al-Fatah terrorists' attacks on Wednesday. Meantime, the Syrian army blocked the terrorists' advances in northern Hama province and seized back the town of al-Boyezeh. However, the terrorist groups have intensified their attacks on military positions in northern Hama. The Syrian fighter jets carried out several combat flights over at least seven bases of the terrorist groups in Hama province, inflicting major losses and casualties on the terrorists. The terrorist groups' concentration centers in Morek, al-Latamina, al-Masasneh, Halfaiya and Markabeh, North al-Zalaqiyat and the surroundings of Kafr Zita were heavily bombed by the Syrian army aircraft. Scores of terrorists were killed or wounded and their machinegun-equipped vehicles were damaged in the air raids. In the meantime, strongholds of Fatah al-Sham (the newly-formed al-Qaeda-affiliated terrorist group previously known as the al-Nusra Front) in the town of Talaf in southwestern Hama came under the massive attacks of the Syrian soldiers. Several heavy machinegun-equipped vehicles of Fatah al-Sham were destroyed and at least 11 terrorists were killed in Talaf offensive.

### Kurds Target 3rd Turkish Tank

The Kurdish People's Protection Units (YPG) and the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) destroyed

another tank of the Turkish army in northern Aleppo, increasing the number of Turkey's damaged tanks in Syria to three. The tank was destroyed by the SDF and YPG on the western side of the border town of Jarabulus in Aleppo province in retaliation for the Turkish army's occupation of Syria's lands. Three Turkish soldiers were also wounded in the attacks. Meantime, the ISIL terrorist group claimed earlier today that it has smashed two Turkish tanks in the western parts of Jarabulus in Aleppo. The ISIL claimed that it has targeted and destroyed two tanks with guided missiles after the Turkish military forces and their allies occupied Kaliya village in western Jarabulus. The Turkish army had declared on Tuesday night that one of its tanks was destroyed by a rocket, wounding three forces but didn't reveal any information about the attackers. Turkish military sources said on Tuesday that the Turkish military has not agreed to any ceasefire with Kurdish fighters in Northern Syria, after a Kurdish official said a truce was holding. Separately, the Turkish foreign ministry said in a statement that Turkey's military operation in Syria would continue until all militant threats to Turkish security were removed, Reuters reported. It said comments from the United States, which is seeking a de-escalation between Turkish-backed forces and Kurdish fighters, about the target of the Turkish action were unacceptable and Ankara expected a U.S. pledge that Kurdish fighters would remain East of the Euphrates to be fulfilled.

## Bahraini Court Sentences Two Nationals to 15 Years in Jail

MANAMA (Press TV) – The High Criminal Court in Bahrain has sentenced two Bahraini nationals to 15 years in jail over allegations of damaging a police vehicle. The court on Wednesday issued the sentence in connection with an alleged bomb explosion in 2013 that damaged the vehicle, according to Bahrain Mirror website. The new development comes as human rights organizations have cast doubt on the independence of the Bahraini courts and challenge the sentences issued against the political detainees as the members of the judiciary are appointed by royal decrees and because the courts issue sentences based on confessions made under torture. On Tuesday, another court sentenced a Shia cleric to one year in prison over his participation in a sit-in in the restive village of Diraz. Sayed Ali Ahmed al-Mosawi took part in the sit-in, which has been regularly staged in Diraz since June, in protest against the

Al Khalifah regime's decision to revoke the citizenship of prominent Shia cleric, Sheikh Isa Qassim. Mosawi is the third cleric to be sentenced for his participation in the sit-in after Shia cleric Sheikh Ali Humeidan and Shia eulogist, Abdullah Subah, were given jail sentences earlier this month. Several other clerics are facing trial on similar charges. Bahraini authorities revoked Sheikh Qassim's citizenship in late June. They later dissolved the main opposition bloc al-Wefaq National Islamic Society, as well as the Islamic Enlightenment Institution, founded by the 79-year-old cleric. Another opposition movement, al-Risala Islamic Association, was also dissolved. On Tuesday, the Al Khalifah regime banned a human rights activist from traveling. Jalila Salman was told at King Fahd Causeway that she was not allowed to leave the country after authorities imposed a ban on her on August 21.

## Zionist Regime Approves About 300 New Illegal Settler Units

WEST BANK (Dispatches) – The Zionist regime has approved the construction of 285 new settler units in the occupied West Bank in defiance of international calls to end the illegal project in the Palestinian territories. The Tel Aviv regime approved the building of 234 settler units in the illegal settlement of Elkana, 31 in Beit Aryeh, and 20 others in Givat Ze'ev, Israel's Haareze daily reported on Wednesday. The regime also retroactively legalized some 178 housing units already built in the illegal Beit Aryeh settlement. The Zionist regime "continues to plan and build all over the West Bank, while also giving settlers the message that any construction done without planning will be retroactively legalized," settlement watchdog Peace Now said.

Earlier this month, Tel Aviv also approved plans to construct 56 new housing units in the neighborhood of Ramot in East al-Quds. Over half a million Zionists live in more than 230 illegal settlements built since the 1967 Zionist occupation of the Palestinian territories of the West Bank. The regime continues to expand illegal settlement units in the occupied West bank despite international calls for the unauthorized activity to be halted. In a report to the UN Security Council in New York on Monday, UN Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process Nickolay Mladenov talked about a "surge" in Zionist plans to advance 1,700 new settler units in the Palestinians lands. Mladenov accused the oc-



A general view of the Zionist regime's construction cranes and excavators at the building site of new units in the illegal settlement of Gilo in occupied East al-Quds

cupying regime of stepping up demolitions of Palestinian buildings, and plans to identify grounds for a new settlement next to the Palestinian city of Bethlehem. The UN envoy also noted that expansion of Israeli settlements in occupied Pal-

estine hinder efforts aimed at establishing peace in the Middle East. All Zionist settlements are illegal under international law but Tel Aviv continues to defy calls to stop the settlement expansions in the occupied Palestinian territories.