



Press conference "land of Fustat calls for your help "

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Praise be to Allah, Lord of the worlds; peace and blessing be on our Prophet, his family and his Companions.

With the whole world watching and listening, the series of hatred and atrocities committed by the gangs of Assad and its masters in Russia and Tehran continues against our people in Syria in general and in Eastern Ghouta in particular.

It became clear after the failure of the Sochi Conference that Russia, along with Iran and the criminal regime supported by the sectarian "militias", began to practice the worst forms of retaliation against the Syrian people with unprecedented shelling on Eastern Ghouta in particular, and the countryside of Idlib, Hama and Aleppo in general; with the whole world bluntly and unprecedentedly conspiring. Dozens of civilian victims are being watched by the world day and night in all media, but they are not lifting a finger. The hundreds of civilians who were martyred and much more wounded during the past few days along with the tight siege continuous on Eastern Ghouta preventing all kinds of medicine and milk for children throughout the past months is indeed a disgrace for the whole humanity that cannot be erased by any propagandas or slogans of freedom and human rights. The scholars of the Ummah, on what is going on in Eastern Ghouta, state the following: :

First: The global community including its institutions, major powers, Arab and Muslim countries bear the responsibility of the continuous crimes against our people in Eastern Ghouta. Today, humanity is called upon to save its human values and ethics before saving al-Ghouta. We and history will record the crimes of the criminals, the slack of the slackers and the conspiracy of conspirators. The curse of innocent blood will haunt them all. If they think that, by means of their hatred and destruction, they can change the geographic features of the Levant, they will never manage to wipe out historical facts. Payback time will come sooner or later, and all criminals will receive the penalty they deserve for what they did with their hands, planes, missiles, or hatred poisons.

Second : The scholars of the Ummah acknowledge the steadfastness of our noble people in *Ghouta, the jewel of al-Sham*, and its counterparts in every inch Syria. They urge the rebellious ones against injustice and tyranny to stand together in one trench to defeat the hateful onslaught of the criminal regime and its allies. The scholars and all honorable people in this Ummah hope that our brothers will reflect this unity at all levels including civil, revolutionary and popular incubator. God, the Almighty, says "**God loves those who fight in His way in one row like a solid structure.**"

Third: the scholars of the Ummah believe that it is necessary for all rebellious, honorable people and those who still have a sense of honor to take action to relieve the burden of their brothers in the Eastern Ghouta, and not to allow the criminal regime to attack each front separately. Everyone has recognized the trick behind the so-called de-escalation zones and, before that, the tricks of the settlement and reconciliation areas aimed at destroying each area separately.

Fourth: The scholars appeal to all media, relief and political entities inside and outside Syria, Arab and Muslim worlds, and all the free people of the world, to stand with all their power with our brothers in Eastern Ghouta, and provide them with elements of steadfastness and defense in addition to lifesaving and survival assistance. We believe that a public outrage should take place to highlight to the world the depth of this shameful human tragedy. At the same time, we hope all governments, international organizations and civil societies participate in mitigating the suffering of our people in general and the Eastern Ghouta in particular.

In conclusion, we ask Allah to provide our brothers in Al-Ghouta with stability and empowerment, and we ask Him to help them until they teach the invaders a lesson that can't be erased by the fleets of Russia, the militias of Iran, or the gangs of Assad. O Allah, guide our brothers for their best. You are the best to protect and the best to help.

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