

# *Syria resistance calls for stopping terrorist administration's crimes, warns HTS of surprises*

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A militant of the ruling Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS) administration carries a rifle, after the

**downfall of Syria's Bashar al-Assad, in Damascus, Syria, on December 26, 2024. (Photo by Reuters)**

Damascus, December 31 (RHC)-- The newly-formed Syrian resistance front has issued its first statement against the new rulers in the Arab country, arguing that the Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS) is exercising the "Wahhabi law of swords on necks."

The resistance front, in a statement released on Sunday, stated that the HTS administration has perpetrated various malicious acts, including thefts, violations of human rights, violent riots, corruption, chaos, sabotage and destruction of public properties ever since it took over the capital Damascus on December 8th. "We have also seen the Hollywood films they made in the Saydnaya prison to draw public opinion and popular support, manipulating the minds of those who believed in naivety and shared the lies," the statement read.

The statement added they were assisted in their disinformation campaign by Israeli media outlets and certain channels from the Persian Gulf region, forgetting about the plight of Palestinian prisoners in the Israeli regime's detention centers, and the ongoing war of extermination in Gaza.

"We expected from day one that the future of Syria after 12/8 would be dark for its people, and we said that the Wahhabi law of swords on necks" had come, it said. "Some believed us at the time, while others continued to dance in delight at the imaginary 'freedom' to the tunes of the Israeli bombing that did not stop for several nights, coinciding with an Israeli incursion and violation of the territorial integrity and national sovereignty," it added.

The statement further noted that the HTS administration utterly disregarded Israeli bombardments, until Maher Marwan, appointed as governor of Damascus after the fall of Bashar al-Assad's government, announced a few days ago that the new rulers in Syria have no issues with the occupying Tel Aviv regime, and are ready to receive and implement orders from the Zionist entity.

"Indeed, the Zionist 'Wahhabi' project began killing the sons of the Syrian nation in the streets, homes and farms with the bullets of the HTS administration, the government of terrorist gangs, unjustly and aggressively, without any legitimate religious or legal justifications.

"The decision to shed human blood is made by asking a question or by looking at an identity, and starving and besieging residential areas and bombing them with the children, women inside under the pretext of pursuing the remnants of the [Assad] regime. What kind of remnants are these and what false pretexts make you bomb homes over the heads of their inhabitants?"

"There is nothing strange about these actions because whoever taught under Zionist and Takfiri ideologies will do whatever the Israeli military does in occupied Palestine, where the forces bomb a building populated by civilians and kill several civilians under the pretext of pursuing resistance fighters," the statement went on to say.

The Syrian resistance front underlined that the insistence of armed gangs affiliated with the HTS administration in committing massacres against Syrian people will be met with targeting terrorist elements and leaders. The front also stated that it has many surprises in store, and young Syrians are capable of reaching out to the HTS rulers in the middle of Damascus.

"We call on all concerned parties inside and outside Syria to force the terrorist administration represented by Abu Mohammad al-Julani to stop its criminal operations against the Syrian people, so that a bloodbath does not occur, which is now just around the corner with the escalation of their terrorism and criminality. "We are still waiting for the bloodshed to stop so that we won't be branded as instigators of sedition. We only want Syria to be Arab and independent, as it was for all strata of our society," it stated.

Militants, led by HTS, took control of Damascus on December 8 and declared an end to Assad's rule in a surprise offensive that was launched from their stronghold in northwestern Syria, reaching the capital in less than two weeks.

The HTS administration has repeatedly claimed they would respect the rights of all sects and religions in Syria. The situation, however, remains very fluid and fragile, with a potential risk of further clashes as sectarian sentiments continue to boil over, amid the ongoing political instability and pressures on minority groups.

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