

Military bases in Syria's Aleppo and Hama targeted by missiles



Damascus, April 30 (RHC)-- Syria has announced that several of its military bases located in the provinces of Hama and Aleppo have come under missile fire. According to Syria's state news agency on Sunday, "a new aggression with missiles' happened at 10:30 p.m. local time, in which military positions in the Hama and Aleppo villages were targeted.

The origins of the attacks are still unclear, but come several weeks after Russia and Syria said Israeli warplanes struck an air base in the Syrian province of Homs.

Russia and Syria say Israeli jets struck an air base in Homs province and initial reports indicate that at least 26 people were killed. Syrian air defense systems reportedly shot down five of eight missiles fired.

It also comes a few weeks after, the United States, Britain and France carried out a string of airstrikes against Syria over a suspected chemical attack against Douma. Washington and its allies blamed Damascus for the suspected assault.

The Syrian government has strongly denied the allegation, calling on Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) to send a fact-finding mission for investigations.

Over the past few years, the Israeli military has launched sporadic attacks against various targets on

Syrian soil, in assaults slammed by Syria as attempts to boost terrorist groups who have been suffering heavy defeats on the battlefield with Syrian government forces.

On several occasions, the Syrian army has confiscated Israeli-made arms and military equipment from militants fighting pro-Damascus forces. Israel has also been providing medical treatment to the extremist militants wounded in Syria.

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