

Operation Aleppo

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Situation in eastern desert region from RuMOD briefing 13 Oct 17

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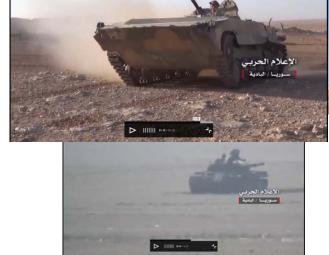
Syrian operations south of Sukhanah, 21 July 2017

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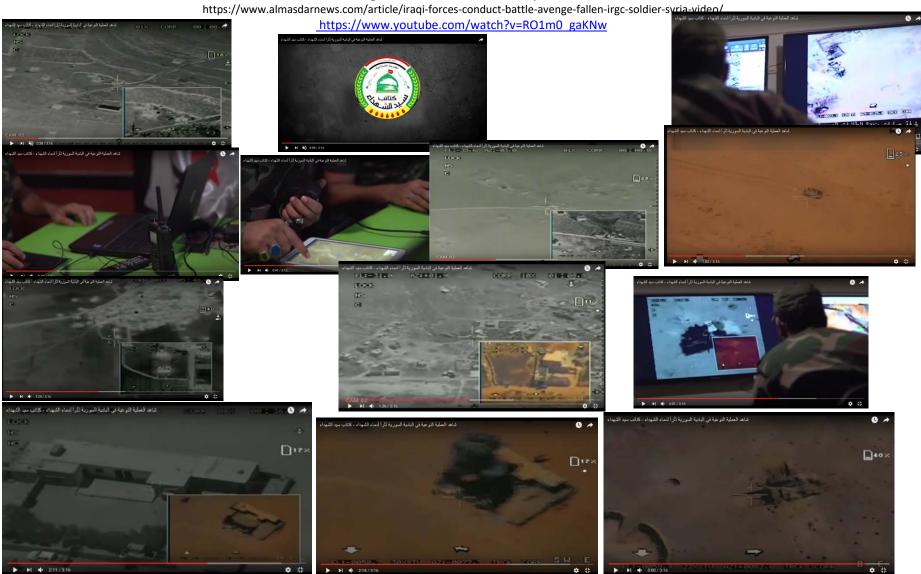
ISIS suicide truck attack on Syrian army position in eastern desert

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Published on 21 Aug 2017 Iranian UAV operations in eastern desert region, captioned

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Syrian Arab Army operating in Humaymah, 23 Aug 17

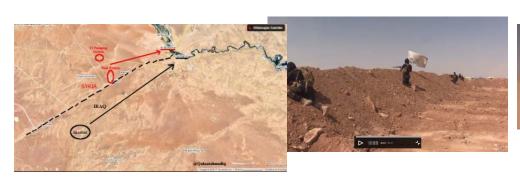
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19 Sept 17

The Syrian Arab Army and 'al-Hashd al-Sha'abi', also known as the Popular Mobilisation Forces (PMF), recaptured a 100 square kilometre area (38.6 square miles) on the Syrian-Iraqi border, Tuesday.

The capture means the SAA and its allies now control the stretch between the al-Waleed and Al-Qa'im, forcing the self-proclaimed Islamic State (IS; formerly ISIL/ISIS) into a bottleneck between the Iraqi and Syrian forces. https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/syrian-army-continues-liberate-territory-along-iraqi-border-video/

















Iranian UAV strike operations on Syria-Iraq border region, 25 Sept 17

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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance in eastern desert region, 26 Sept 17

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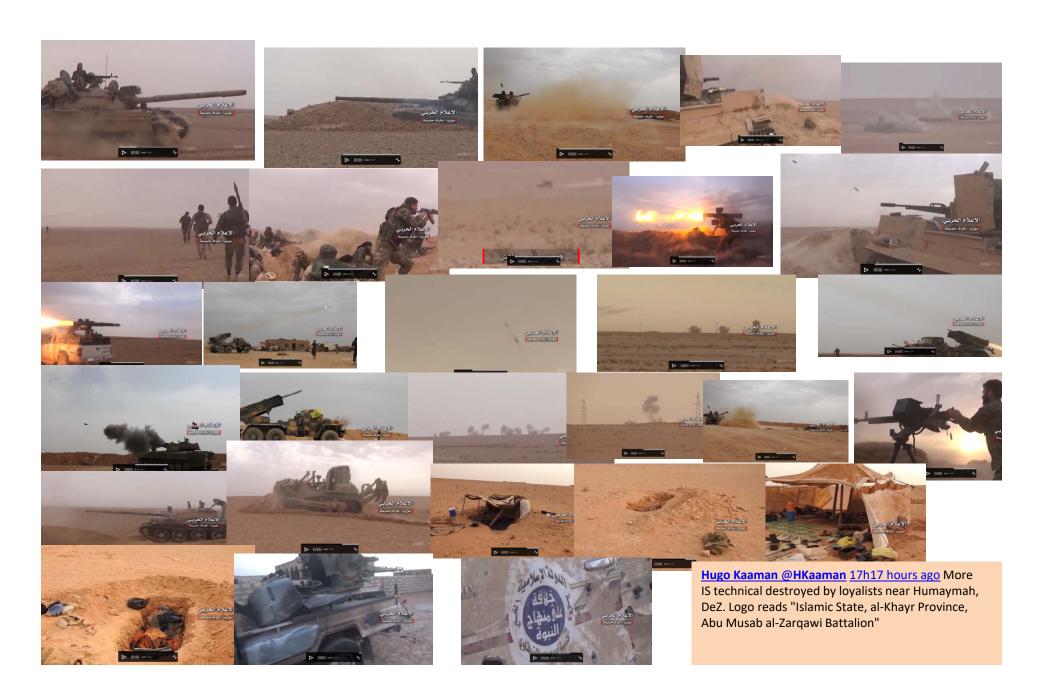






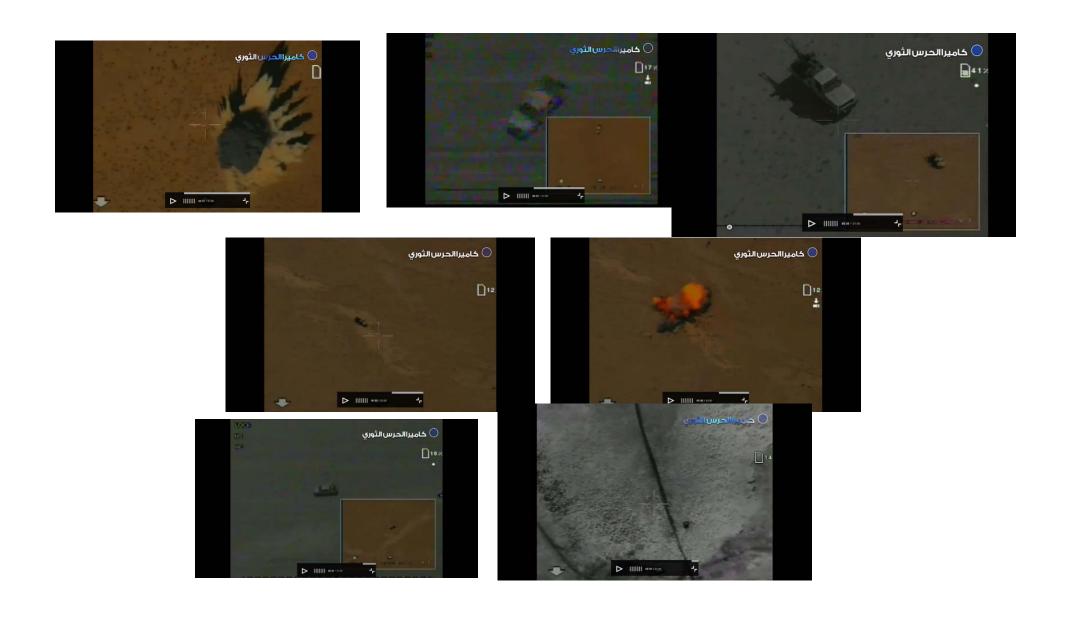
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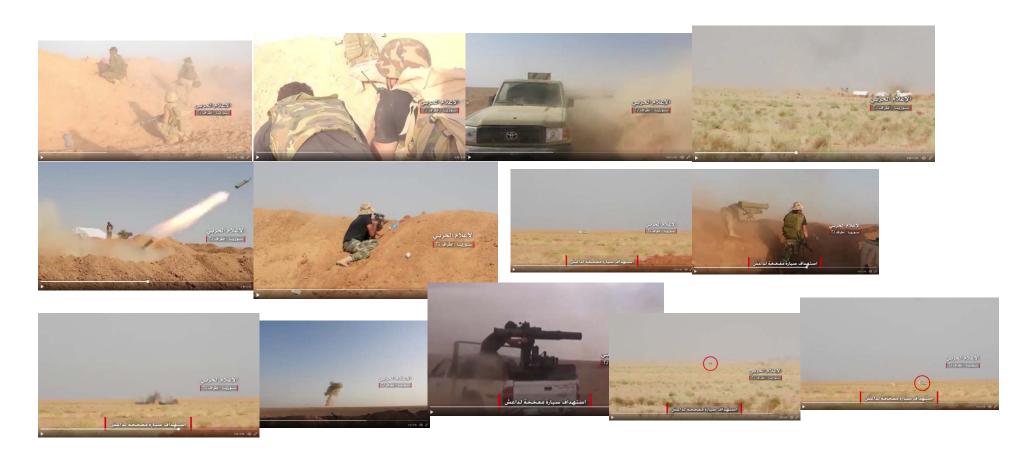
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Same front (E. <u>#Humaymah</u>) & <u>#ISIS</u> attack seen from Hezbollah side. <u>#Metis</u>-M & <u>#Toophan</u> used to stop vehicles. <u>@QalaatAlMudiq</u> 23<u>Oct 18</u>.



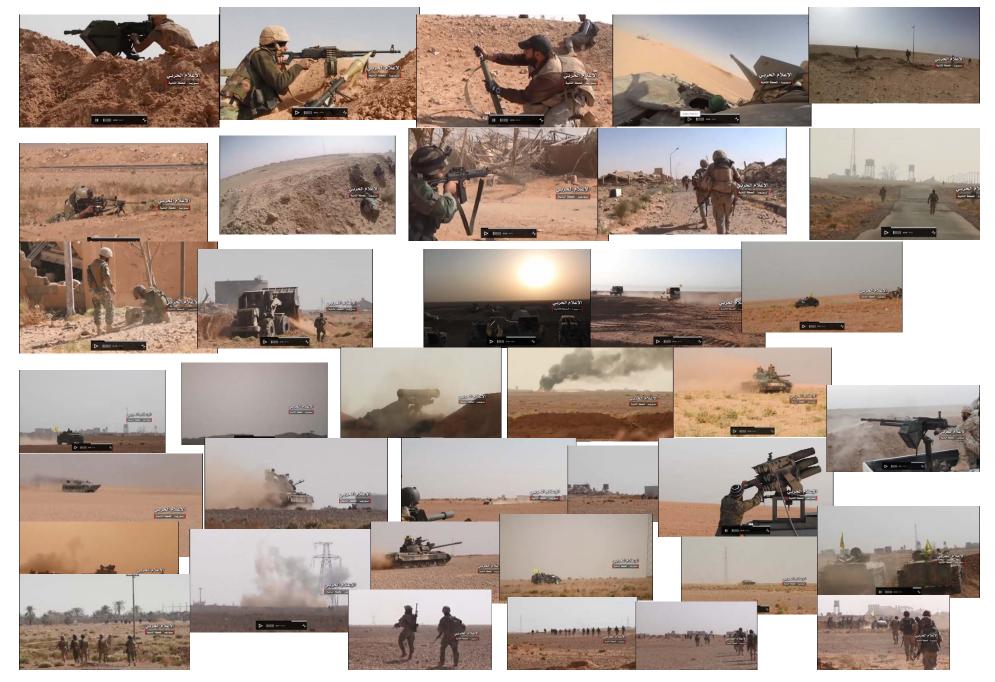


E. <u>#Syria</u>: 6 weeks after start of offensive pro-Assad forces reached T-2 Station's outskirts, 65 km from <u>#AbuKemal</u>, <u>@QalaatAlMudiq</u> 25 oct 17



Syrian and Hizbullah units advance to T-2 pumping station 27 Cct 17

https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/video-hezbollah-syrian-army-liberate-t2-pumping-station-southern-deir-ezzor/



Iranian UAV strike operations on Syria-Iraq border region, 28 Oct 17

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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance to T-2 pumping station 29 oct 17

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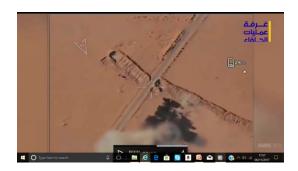
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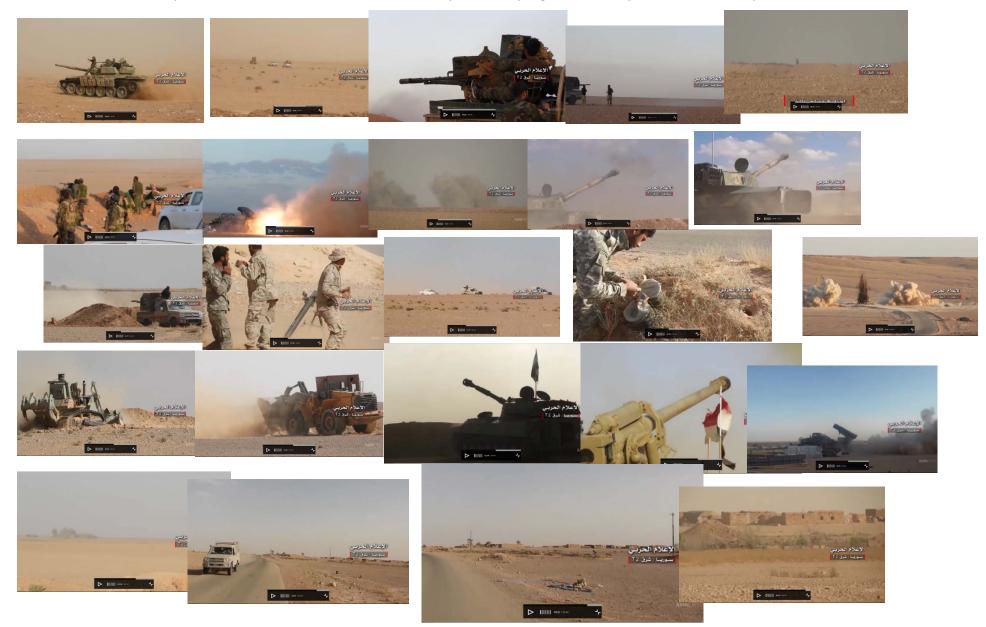






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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance past T-2 pumping station, 2nd November 17 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w48QgMUB958





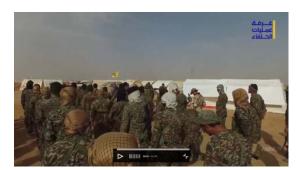




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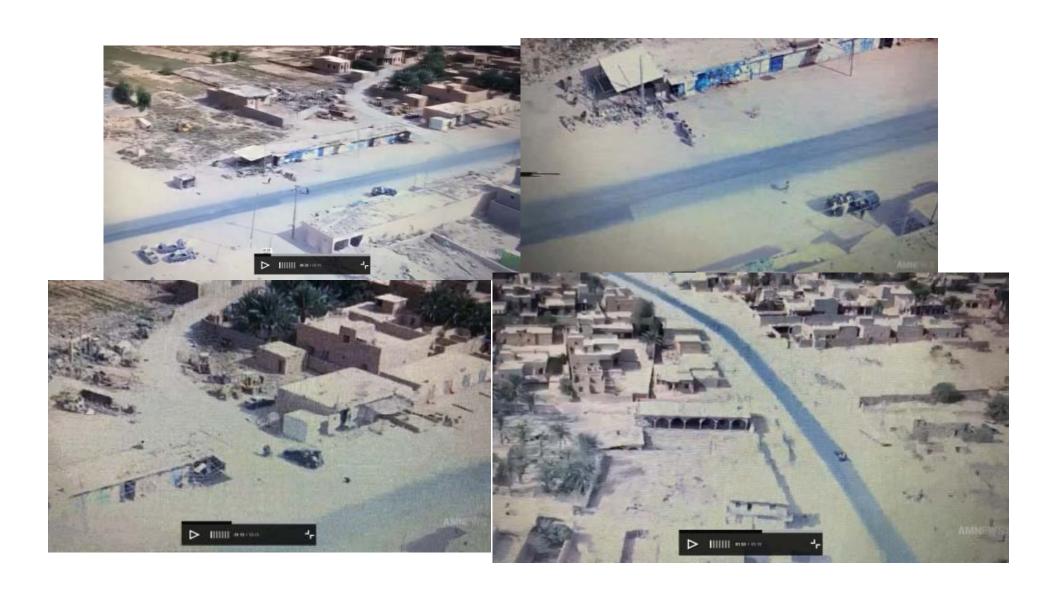
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Iraqi drone footage from inside al Qaim, 6th November 2017

https://www.almasdarnews.com/article/drone-footage-reveals-isis-fleeing-border-city-amid-iraqi-advance/



Syrian and Hizbullah units advance past Mayadin, 7th November 2017

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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance past T-2 pumping station, 7th November 2017

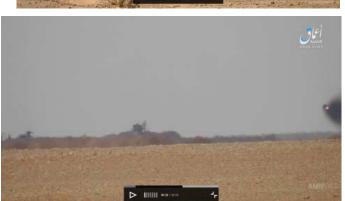
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Hizbullah engage ISIS suicide truck near T-2, 7 Nov 17

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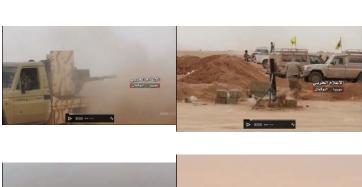




Ivan Sidorenko @IvanSidorenko1
Nov 4 More
#Iraq A #Russian #Russia T90 Tank
operated by #PMU #Hezbollah
Battalions enters Al Qaim Battle (Will enter Northern Iraq Battle
After)

Syrian and Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 9th November 2017

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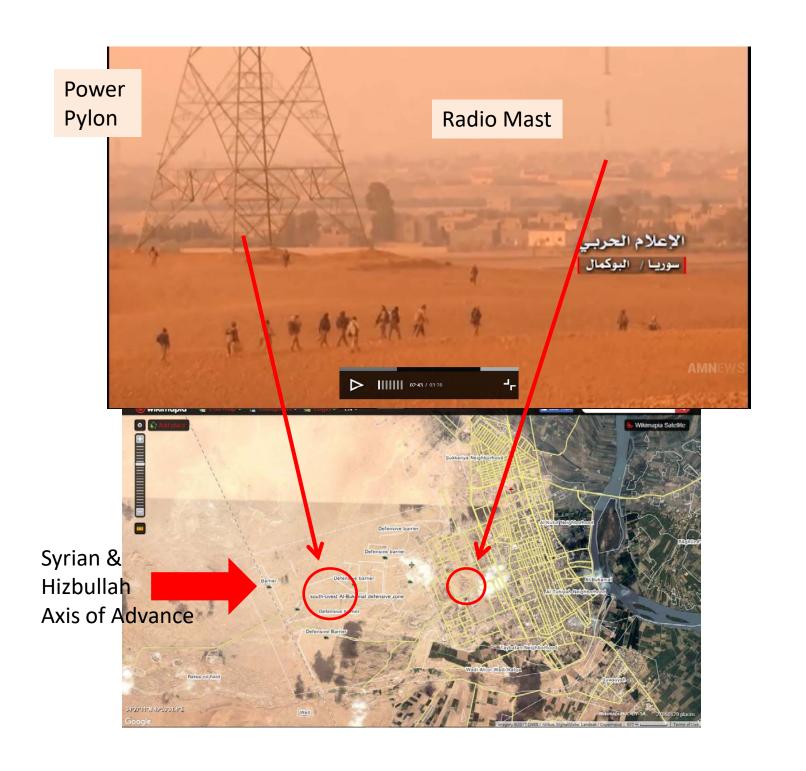












E. #Syria: #ISIS released footage of the #AbuKemal Battle (3rd day). 4 #ATGM | s visible, against bulldozers, a tank & a BMP (wiped out). @QalaatAlMudiq

























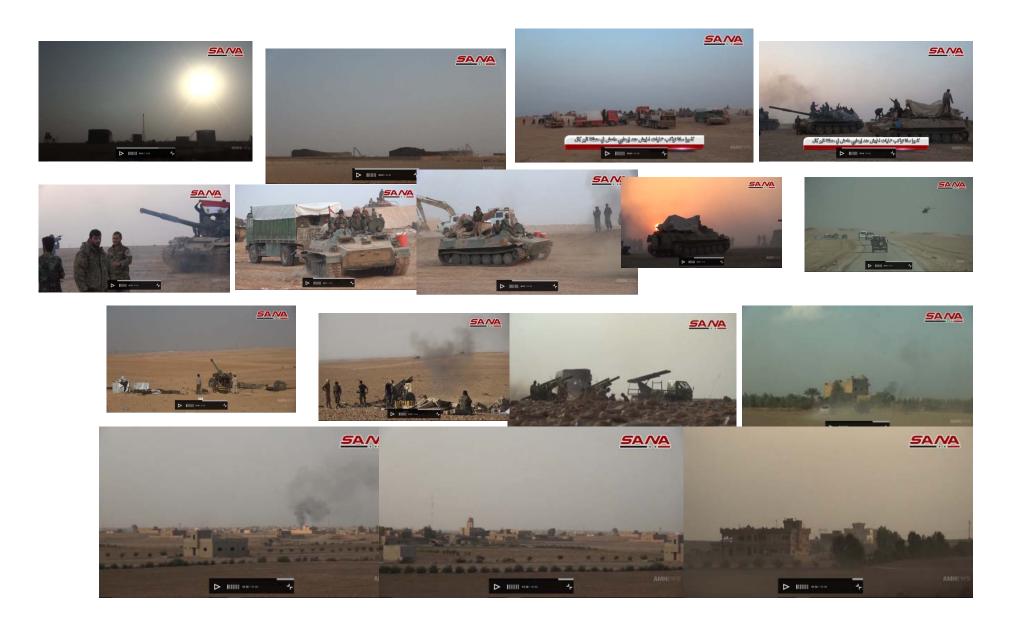






Syrian and Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 12 nov 17

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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 15/11/17

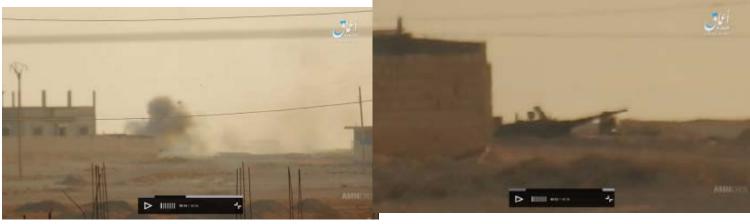
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ISIS defends Abu Kamal, 15 Nov 17

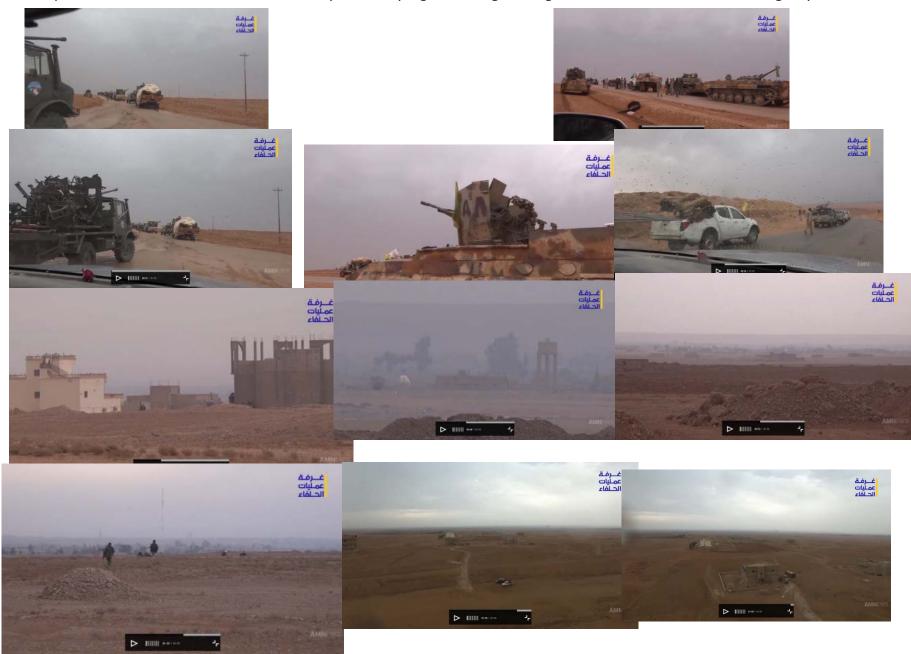
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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 16 Nov 17

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Syrian and Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 17 Nov 17

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Hizbullah units advance on Abu Kamal, 16 Nov 17

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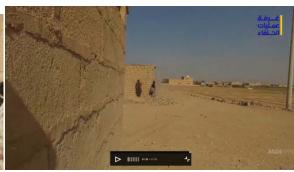








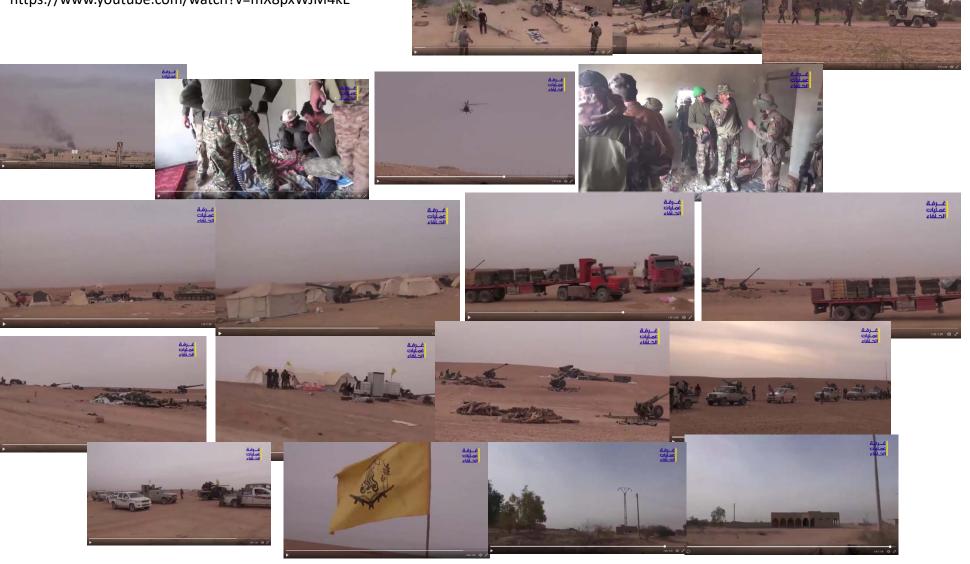




#Syria #DeirEzZor Video of bombardments and advance of SAA and allies (IRGC & Hezbollah & fatimiyoun & zainabiyoun & haydariyoun) on Southern outskirts of

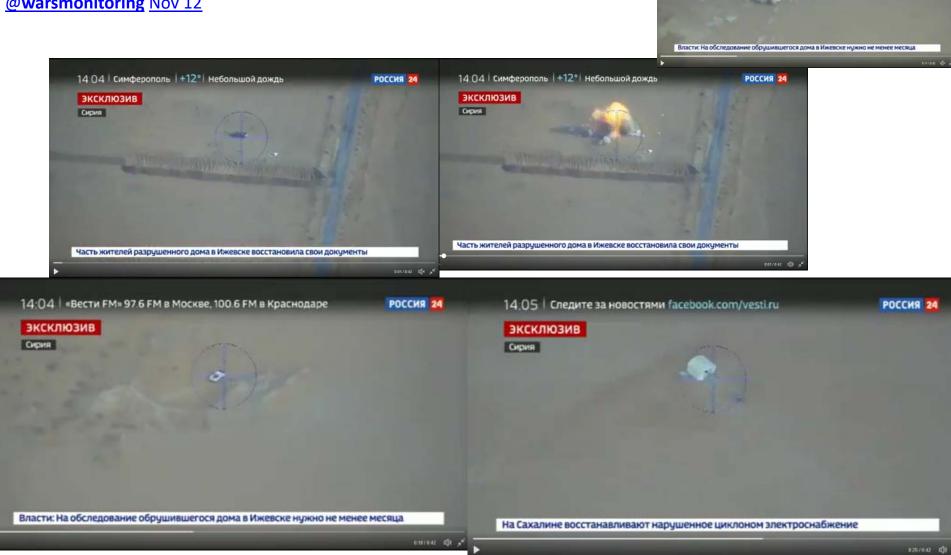
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<u>Ivan Sidorenko @IvanSidorenko1</u> <u>2h2 hours ago</u> # 17 Nov 17 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mX8pxWJM4kE



Iranian UAV strike operations on filming/striking IS targets around Al-Bukamal.

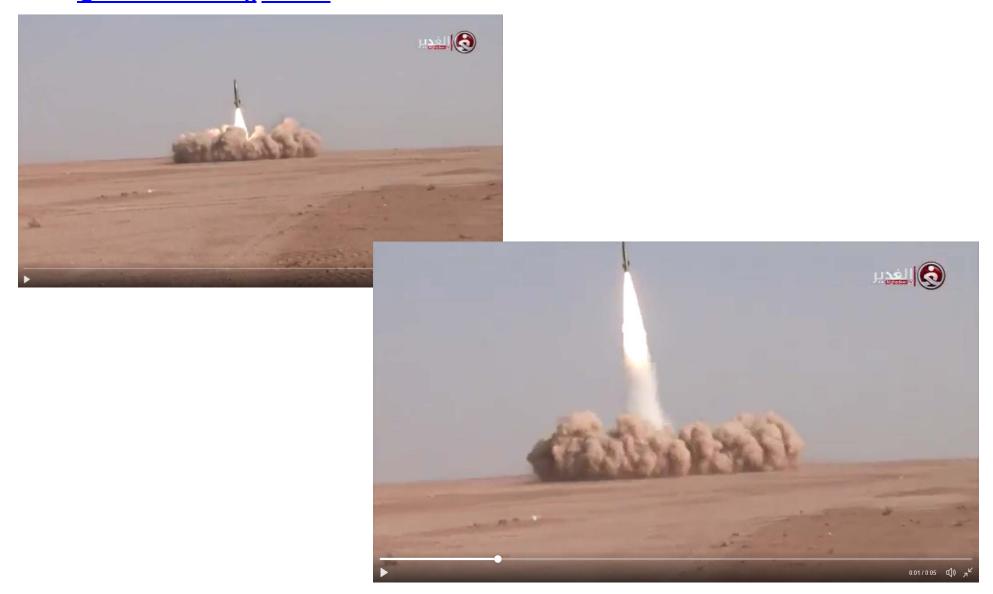
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Video of Tochka-U(?) launch on Al Bukamal/surroundings. @warsmonitoring Nov 16



E. <u>#Syria</u>: Hezbollah-led forces storming <u>#AbuKemal</u> from Western side, engaged in house-to-house fighting with <u>#ISIS</u> <u>@QalaatAlMudiq</u>











Iranian UAV operations over Abu Kamal, 18 Nov 17

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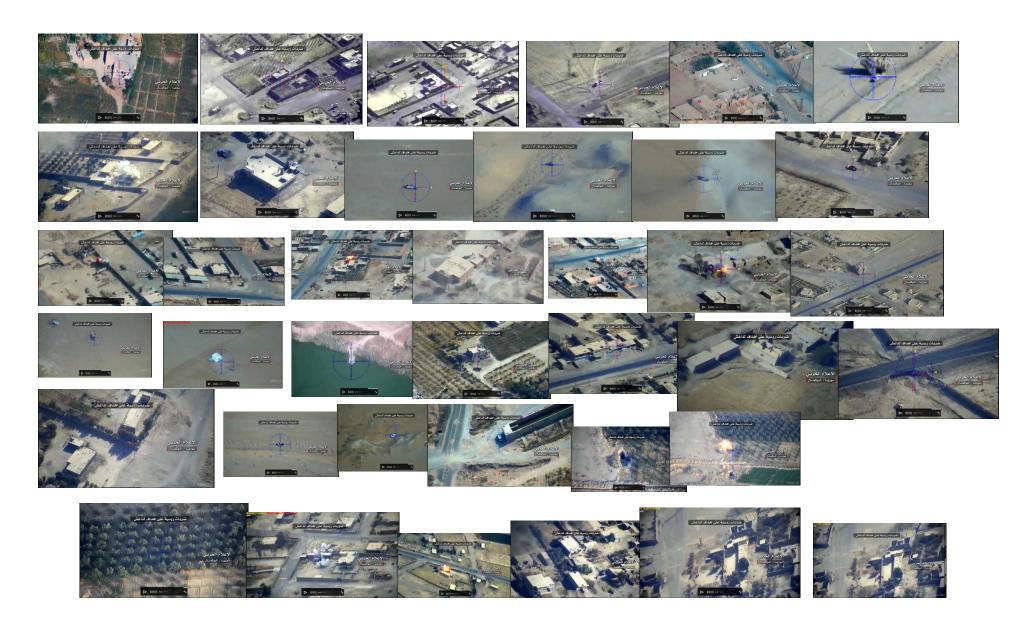






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#Pt. Hezbollah storming **#ISIS**-held **#AbuKemal** under heavy bombardment. Weapons and vehicles seized.

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Quds Force chief Qassem Suleimani reportedly in Albu Kamal after Syrian army, allies 'completely recapture' final ISIS stronghold

Mehrzad Kohanrouz @MehrzadBBC 19h19 hours ago 19 Nov 17









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Reports say the Syrian military and its allies have captured the border city of Albu Kamal, the Islamic State group's last urban stronghold in the country. A commander fighting in the area says the collapse of IS will open a new area of Shia influence across the Middle East from Iran to Lebanon. BBC Arabic's Feras Kilani has this special report from inside the city...

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Russian command vehicles

Syrian and Hizbullah units advance inside Abu Kamal, 21 NOV 17

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General Soleimani coordinating the campaign to retake Al-Mayadin(?) or

Abu Kamal city in Syria: Tobias Schneider Verified account @tobiaschneider Nov 30























Hezbollah media released speech by Qassem Soleimani before battle for ISIS-held Bukamal. Leader of IRGC-QF compares current fight to early Islamic Battle of Khaybar and the role of the Iranian contingent to that of Ali capturing Al-Qamus Fort.

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E. <u>#Syria</u>: among fiercest battles raging to seize last <u>#ISIS</u>-held locations on W. <u>#Euphrates</u> bank (extending over a distance of ~15 km).

@QalaatAlMudiq Dec 5



#ISIS truck and fighters blown away by a #RuAF or #SyAAF bomb in #DeirEzzor

Jason Jones @DPRKJones 7 Dec 17



Syria: heavy fighting when **#Iran** | ian-led forces stormed N. suburbs of **#AbuKemal**.

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