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**Letter dated 25 August 2017 from the Permanent Representative  
of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the  
Secretary-General**

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 22-25 August 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

*(Signed)* V. Nebenzia



**Annex to the letter dated 25 August 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General**

**Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (22 August 2017)**

**Observance of the ceasefire regime**

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported three incidents of gunfire in Ladhikiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported one violation in Idlib governorate.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

**Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic**

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations.

Three United Nations humanitarian operations were carried out: a total of 63 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products) were delivered to Tall al-Dhahab in Dar'a governorate; a total of 28 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products and medicine) were delivered to Tayyibah in Dar'a governorate; and the Russian airline Abakan Air parachuted a total of 21 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products) near to the city of Dayr-al-Zawr.

**Reconciliation of opposing sides**

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,207.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs, Idlib and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 229.

## **Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (23 August 2017)**

### **Observance of the ceasefire regime**

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported two incidents of gunfire in Aleppo governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following governorates: two in Homs, one in Damascus and one in Hama.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

### **Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic**

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation, delivering 2.1 tons of food parcels and medicine to the local population of Hama and Suran in Hama governorate.

One United Nations humanitarian operation was carried out: the Russian airline Abakan Air parachuted a total of 21 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products) near to the city of Dayr-al-Zawr.

### **Reconciliation of opposing sides**

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,207.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs, Idlib and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 229.

## **Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (24 August 2017)**

### **Observance of the ceasefire regime**

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported two incidents of gunfire in Ladhikiyah governorate.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following governorates: two in Hama, one in Damascus and one in Homs.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

### **Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic**

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation, delivering 1.9 tons of food parcels to the local population in Aran, Aleppo governorate.

One United Nations humanitarian operation was carried out: the Russian airline Abakan Air parachuted a total of 21 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products) near to the city of Dayr-al-Zawr.

### **Reconciliation of opposing sides**

Over the past 24 hours, four ceasefire agreements have been signed with populated areas: two in Hama governorate and two in Homs governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,211.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 229.

## **Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence on the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (25 August 2017)**

### **Observance of the ceasefire regime**

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

Over the past 24 hours, the Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported six incidents of gunfire in the following governorates: four in Aleppo, one in Damascus and one in Hama.

The Turkish representative office has reported five violations in the following governorates: two in Hama, two in Homs and one in Damascus.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusra Front and ISIL.

### **Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic**

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations: one ton of medicine and school supplies was delivered to the State Centre for Thalassaemia and Genetic Blood Disorders in Aleppo city; and 1.6 tons of food was delivered to the local population in Qusayr, Homs governorate.

Two United Nations humanitarian operations were carried out: a total of 84 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products and medicine) were delivered to Tayyibah in Dar'a governorate; and the Russian airline Abakan Air parachuted a total of 21 tons of humanitarian cargo (food products) near to the city of Dayr-al-Zawr.

### **Reconciliation of opposing sides**

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process remains unchanged at 2,211.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 229.