

Seizure of Maan in Rural Hama

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The Syrian Coalition renews its commitment to international humanitarian law, and reiterates that all fighting battalions serving the goals of the uprising must respect human rights laws. The group of battalions which took control of the village of Maan in rural Hama two days ago, has made it clear, through different statements, that their priority has been and always will be protecting civilians and ridding the country of a long-time dictator.

The group said only shabiha and armed militiamen were among those killed in the operation, despite the Assad regime's allegations that the group was involved in killing civilians. This empty accusation is a desperate attempt to discredit rebels in front of the Syrian people and the world.

The village of Maan, in the north eastern countryside of Hama, was a launching pad from where Assad's shabiha used to start their campaigns of intimidation and terrorism against the Syrian people calling for freedom and democracy.

We ask for Mercy for our martyrs, health for our wounded, and freedom for our detainees.

Long live Syria and its people, free and with honor.