

Syria - Publication of the OPCW report on the use of chemical weapons in Douma (6 July 2018)

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On July 6, the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) published an interim report on the attack that killed several dozen people in Douma on April 7.

Experts from the fact-finding mission underscore that various chlorinated chemicals were identified in the analyses conducted by OPCW laboratories, whose final conclusions on this attack will be issued later.

The OPCW published 17 reports confirming the chemical nature of more than 30 attacks in Syria. The Joint Investigative Mechanism (JIM) of the UN and the OPCW determined that Syrian armed forces were responsible in at least four cases involving the use of chlorine and sarin.

France applauds the OPCW's independent work, conducted with professionalism and rigor.

The fight against the proliferation of chemical weapons is a priority for France, which on January 23 launched the International Partnership against Impunity for the Use of Chemical Weapons. So far 35 nations have joined it.