

Assad Regime Reveals New Chemical Weapons Facilities

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The Syrian Coalition is extremely concerned over the latest reports that the Assad regime has declared new chemical weapons facilities, one of which is used to produce the highly toxic ricin. Another site is reportedly used to conduct “experimental work” on chemical weapons development. This revelation is consistent with chlorine attacks on a number of towns and villages in northern Syria during the past 8 months.

A report published last week by the OPCW Fact Finding Mission (FFM) found that chlorine was used in attacks on the villages of Talmanes, Al Tamanah and Kafr Zeta, and that those attacks were delivered by helicopters, which points clearly to the regime’s culpability. The continued use of chemical weapons by the regime is a stark violation of the UN Security Council resolution 2118, and must not go unchecked.

We demand the full implementation of clause no.21 of resolution 2118, which says: “in the event of non-compliance with this resolution, including unauthorized transfer of chemical weapons, or any use of chemical weapons by anyone in the Syrian Arab Republic, to impose measures under Chapter VII of the United Nations Charter.”