

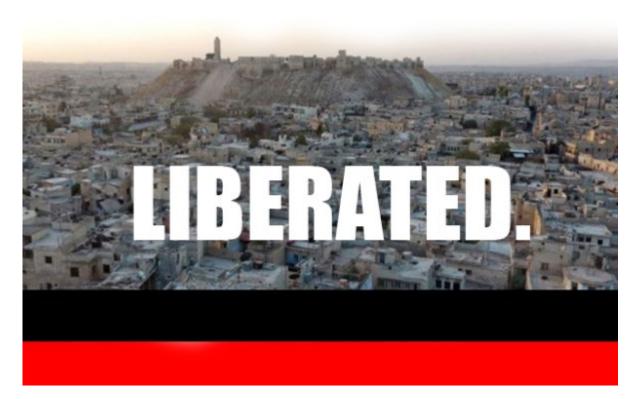
BREAKING: Aleppo's Old City Now Fully Liberated by SAA, Remaining Terrorists in Retreat

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DAMASCUS – In a stunning development today, 21WIRE has received reports from on the ground in Syria that remaining 'rebel' militants have fled the Old City of Aleppo, even leaving behind a substantial amount of equipment and weapons – as the Syrian Arab Army advances into the remaining terrorist-held neighborhood in the eastern part of Syria's largest city.

SAA sources have confirmed that the 'Old Citadel' is now fully liberated, "with remaining pockets to be cleansed by tomorrow (Wednesday)."

After nearly 3 weeks of heavy fighting in a special offensive launched by the Syrian Army, government forces were said to have controlled at least 75% of the contested areas by the end of Monday. The momentum appears to have shifted completely in the SAA's favor after another hard push throughout Tuesday.



This weekend, 'rebel' militants had mounted a counter-offensive at the districts of Karm Al-Qaterjy and Karm Al-Maysar, but their forces were neutralized, as the Syrian Army continued its progress by to capturing both the Turbet Lala and Sha'ar districts of East Aleppo. It is also believed that a collective decision to retreat has been made by remaining members of the armed militant and terrorist coalition occupying eastern Aleppo. Many militants are hoping to negotiate a safe exit via Turkey, but this would be contingent on a three-way negotiation held in Turkey between Russia, Syria and Turkey officials hoping to negotiate an orderly exit, and on what conditions exactly the Syrian Army will allow militants to leave north. It is also possible with some remaining Al Nusra, ISIS and other salafi militants had already begun making their own way over to terrorist enclaves in the east of the country, and also towards terrorist-occupied Idlib province.

It is yet unknown whether violent terrorists groups like Al Nusra, Nour al-din al-Zenki, or Jabhat Fateh Al-Sham are included in the bilateral negotiations.

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