

Video: War-torn Syria Takes to the Voting Polls

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In Iraq, attacks on various US positions are becoming the norm, rather than incidents that seldom take place.

IED attacks on American convoys are simply an everyday occurrence now.

On May 24th, rockets were fired at Ain Al Asad Air Base in western Iraq’s Anbar province.

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According to the spokesman for Operation Inherent Resolve, one rocket was fired. Some other sources reported their number was at least 5.

No casualties or damages were reported.

The attack took place two days after the Iraqi Resistance coordination room had issued a statement threatening the US forces of resuming attacks.

May 23rd, just one day before the attack, 6 US logistical convoys were reportedly targeted with roadside bombs in various regions of Iraq.

The explosions were reported in Babylon, Aldewanea, Alsmewa, Alnasrea and Basrah regions.

The attacks on US supply convoys and facilities in Iraq are a response to the assassination of Abu Mahdi al-Muhandis, Deputy-Commander of Iraq’s Popular Mobilization Units, and Commander of Iran’s Quds Force, Qassim Soleimani.

In neighboring Syria, the situation appears calm, as citizens take to the voting polls in the presidential election.

On May 26, 12,102 election centers opened in all provinces for Syrian citizens, as the number of eligible voters registered inside and abroad Syria has reached more than 18 million.

There are three candidates: **Abdullah Abdullah, Bashar al-Assad and Mahmoud Mar'ai.**

The US, UK, France, Germany and Italy released a statement claiming Syria's elections are "neither free nor fair."

Their foreign ministers said the elections should be put under UN supervision "to the highest international standards of transparency and accountability."

Their joint statement reads that all Syrians should be able to participate in the voting process, including Syrian refugees living abroad.

The al-Qaeda-affiliated "moderate opposition" slammed the elections as "illegitimate". The Istanbul-based "Syrian National Council" said that the only acceptable elections were those in which Bashar al-Assad didn't take part.

Still, the ability to hold elections in most of the country and establish some sort of normalcy is a result of the efforts of the Syrian Arab Army and its Russian support. Including measures for containing ISIS, and the "moderate opposition" in Greater Idlib and the northern parts of the country.

Despite efforts to rebrand terrorists such as Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham, the situation is slowly but steadily normalizing in Syria. Some refugees are returning to their homeland, and certain parts of the country have already been rebuilt. A lot of problems remain, of course, but the overall trajectory is a positive one.

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