

## **Strong Condemnation and Urgent Appeal for Immediate Intervention to Halt the Targeting and Siege of Khaled Fajr Hospital in Sheikh Maqsoud – Aleppo**

We, the undersigned civil society organizations, hold the Syrian Transitional Government fully responsible for the ongoing and direct targeting of Khaled Fajr Hospital—the sole medical facility providing healthcare services in the Sheikh Maqsoud neighborhood of Aleppo—and for the complete siege imposed on the hospital. Dozens of civilians, including women, children, and elderly persons, as well as wounded and injured patients, are currently trapped inside the facility under extremely harsh humanitarian conditions and face an immediate and grave threat to their lives.

Credible and verified information received from inside the hospital confirms that it is currently besieged by the “Syrian Arab Army” and subjected to intense attacks using drones and heavy weaponry, in addition to the use of tear gas, amid ongoing clashes in the immediate vicinity of the hospital. At the same time, those trapped inside are deprived of the minimum essentials necessary for survival and medical care, including medicines, water, electricity, and heating, significantly increasing the risk of mass civilian casualties at any moment.

These actions constitute war crimes and represent grave violations of International Humanitarian Law (IHL), which affords special and unconditional protection to civilian hospitals and medical facilities and strictly prohibits their targeting, besiegement, or obstruction under any circumstances. Prior warnings or alleged military justifications do not negate this legal protection, nor do they absolve the perpetrators of full legal responsibility for the severe humanitarian consequences resulting from endangering or disabling medical facilities.

Accordingly, we urgently and unequivocally call on the Syrian Transitional Government to:

- Immediately and fully cease all forms of targeting, shelling, and siege imposed on Khaled Fajr Hospital and its surroundings.
- Open a safe and immediate humanitarian corridor to evacuate the wounded and ensure the protection of civilians trapped inside the hospital.
- Allow the immediate entry of medicines, medical supplies, fuel, and water, and guarantee the continuous and safe operation of medical personnel without threat or intimidation.
- Ensure urgent and effective intervention by the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), and all relevant international actors to exert pressure to protect the hospital and ensure full respect for international humanitarian law.

Any delay in intervention places the lives of civilians, patients, and medical personnel at extreme risk and undermines the most fundamental principles of humanity. Saving lives is an urgent obligation that cannot be postponed.

**The undersigned civil society organizations:**

- 1- Accountability Advocates Organization
- 2- Ahlam saghira
- 3- Aras Association
- 4- Alzajel
- 5- Analysis and strategic Studies Organization
- 6- Artist Organization for Culture and Development
- 7- Ashna for Development
- 8- Ashti Center for Building Peace
- 9- Ashti organization
- 10- Aso News Network
- 11- Center for Research and Protection of Women's rights

- 12- Center Defense
- 13- Dijla Organization for Development and Environment
- 14- DOZ
- 15- Ella organization for development and peacebuilding
- 16- Fajr Org
- 17- Green Trees
- 18- Hez awareness
- 19- Humanitarian and Development Cooperation
- 20- Humanitarian Independent Message Organization
- 21- Insight Organization
- 22- Jiyan Humanitarian Org
- 23- Lêlûn Association
- 24- Life step
- 25- Malva Organization for Arts, Culture and Education
- 26- Network of Statelessness Victims in al-Hasakah (NSVH)
- 27- NES NGO Platform
- 28- Nujin society for community development
- 29- PEACE SHE LEADAR NETWORK
- 30- RÊ for rehabilitation and development
- 31- Roj Kar Relief and Development
- 32- Roni peywend
- 33- Rose for support and empowerment
- 34- SCSD

- 35- SHAR for Development
- 36- Shawshakal Women's Association
- 37- Smart foundation
- 38- Syriac cultural association in syria
- 39- Taa Marbouta
- 40- TEVIN
- 41- Together for a better society- TBS
- 42- Upp
- 43- White Hope Organization
- 44- Women Initiatives
- 45- Word Org
- 46- Zameen for development and peacebuilding
- 47- Zhingezan NGO