



Statement

Amid the widespread chaos across Syria, the city and region of Manbij experienced two weeks of intense battles between the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) and the Syrian National Army (SNA), which ended with the withdrawal of the SDF. However, after the deployment of Turkish-backed SNA factions, public properties and civilians who had been serving their city and community during the SDF's control came under targeted attacks.

During the clashes between the SDF and the SNA, on December 10, one of our volunteers (an ambulance driver) was attempting to transport an injured person to Kobani. The ambulance he was operating was targeted by a drone, in clear violation of international treaties and conventions. Tragically, this incident resulted in the loss of our colleague's life and the patient and the two paramedics accompanying him sustained severe injuries.



Following the SNA's control of the city, most service facilities in Manbij and its countryside were subjected to looting and vandalism. This included six medical facilities supported by international humanitarian organizations, as well as three Kurdish Red Crescent centers. All these facilities were managed by local medical teams to serve the residents of Manbij and its



surrounding areas. Each Kurdish Red Crescent medical center served approximately 5,000 beneficiaries from the city and its countryside every month.



Additionally, Manbij Central Hospital (Al-Furat Hospital) was looted, and four ambulances designated for hospital service were stolen.



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These grave violations contradict ethical, humanitarian, and international conventions, causing severe harm to the community in northern Syria. We call on international bodies to intervene and put an end to these actions and the targeting of infrastructure and service facilities that are unrelated to military conflicts.

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