



27 March 2019

Subject: ICC Juridical mandate on war crimes committed in Syria.

To the Office of The Prosecutor at the International Criminal Court,

We, the undersigned Syrian NGOs and victim groups, express our full support to [the Article 15 Communication](#) submitted by the Guernica Centre for International Justice with regards to the jurisdiction of the ICC over the hideous crimes committed against the Syria civilian population.

For the last 8 years, Syrians have lost so much. They have been tortured and killed. They have been forcibly displaced. They have been targeted. All of that happened and continues to happen with absolute impunity to the perpetrators.

Ruling for the ICC jurisdiction mandate to include those crimes is a crucial step towards justice in Syria. The ICC has the mandate to investigate such crimes, and it needs to fulfil this mandate.

In an increasingly gloomy situation, this comes as a spark of hope.

We look forward to receiving positive news for justice in Syria soon as we renew our readiness to share evidences Syrians risked their lives to document and protect over the years; if it would mean that justice will be served.

Sincerely,

Signatories,

1. Alkawakibi Organization For Human Rights
2. Association of Detainees & Missing in Seydnaya Prison
3. Badael
4. Barchava Organisation

5. Basamat for Development
6. Baytna Syria
7. Caesar Families Association
8. Center for Civil Society and Democracy
9. Civil Waves
10. Dawlaty
11. Families for Freedom
12. Fraternity Foundation for Human Rights
13. Freie Deutsch Syrische Gesellschaft e.V in Hamburg
14. Kawakby Center for Transitional Justice & Human Rights
15. Kesh Malek
16. Lawyers & Doctors for Human Rights
17. Local Administration Councils Unit
18. Local Development and Small-Projects Support
19. MAF - Syrian Organisation for Human Rights
20. Mena Rights Group -Based in Geneva
21. Musawat Organisation
22. NoPhotoZone Organisation
23. Peace & Civil Society Center
24. Pro-Justice Organisation
25. Rethink Rebuild Society
26. SHAML Coalition
27. Syrian Center for Legal Studies and Researches
28. Syrian Center for Media and Freedom of Expression
29. Syrian Emergency Task Force
30. Syrian Feminist Lobby
31. Syrian Forum
32. Syrian Lawyers
33. Syrian Lawyers
34. Syrian League for Citizenship
35. Syrian League for Human Rights and Accountability
36. Syrian Legal Development Program
37. Syrian Legal Network - Netherlands
38. Syrian Network for Human Rights
39. Syrian Women Network
40. The Day After
41. Union de Coordination des Syriens a Travers le Monde
42. Urnamu for Justice and Human Rights
43. White Helmets - Syrian Civil Defense
44. Women Now For Development (WND)