

Syrian Civil War - Stage of horror and death

The war in Syria has been going for over three and a half years. At first, it was a war between Syria's government and multiple rebellions. Now, one of the rebellions has gained a huge advance, as they have taken a territory within Syria and Iraq. That rebellion is known as Islamic State, ISIS in short.

Syria's government has allies, biggest of them is USA. USA has been actively deployed air strikes and bombings in ISIS areas, trying to prevent the militant rebellions to kill civilians. The rebellions, however, also have foreign members. Some of them are emigrants, but there are also known foreign born individuals.

For example, in May 2014, there was a suicide attack in Idlib by an American citizen. The attacker was working with the Nursa Front, which is an extremist group with ties to Al Qaeda. It is important to remember that such individuals are not representing their country, but themselves.

Even with the protection that USA is trying to provide, there are still many civilian casualties. Over the three and a half years, SOHR (Syrian Observatory for Human Rights) estimate of 260 thousand people killed. Over 58 thousand are civilians, few thousand foreign. There are over three million refugees (Nov '13), and over four and a half million civilians have been internally displaced from the war zone.

Many of the casualties are due to government use of cluster bombs, which are less accurate and destroy large areas completely. USA and EU have accused the government of using chemical weapons. The UN (United Nations) has investigated the use of such weaponry, and have found four confirmed uses of Sarin gas. Reports did not blame either side for said use.