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**Middle East-North Africa: Situation Update as of 28 May 2012**

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**Syria:** The international community is focusing on reports of a massacre in Homs Province last Friday. The UN Security Council yesterday unanimously condemned the violence, blaming it at least in part on regime artillery and tank fire

Violence yesterday continued following the civilian deaths in Homs. The London-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported that 87 civilians were killed yesterday, including 34 when regime tanks shelled residential neighborhoods in the town of Hamah,

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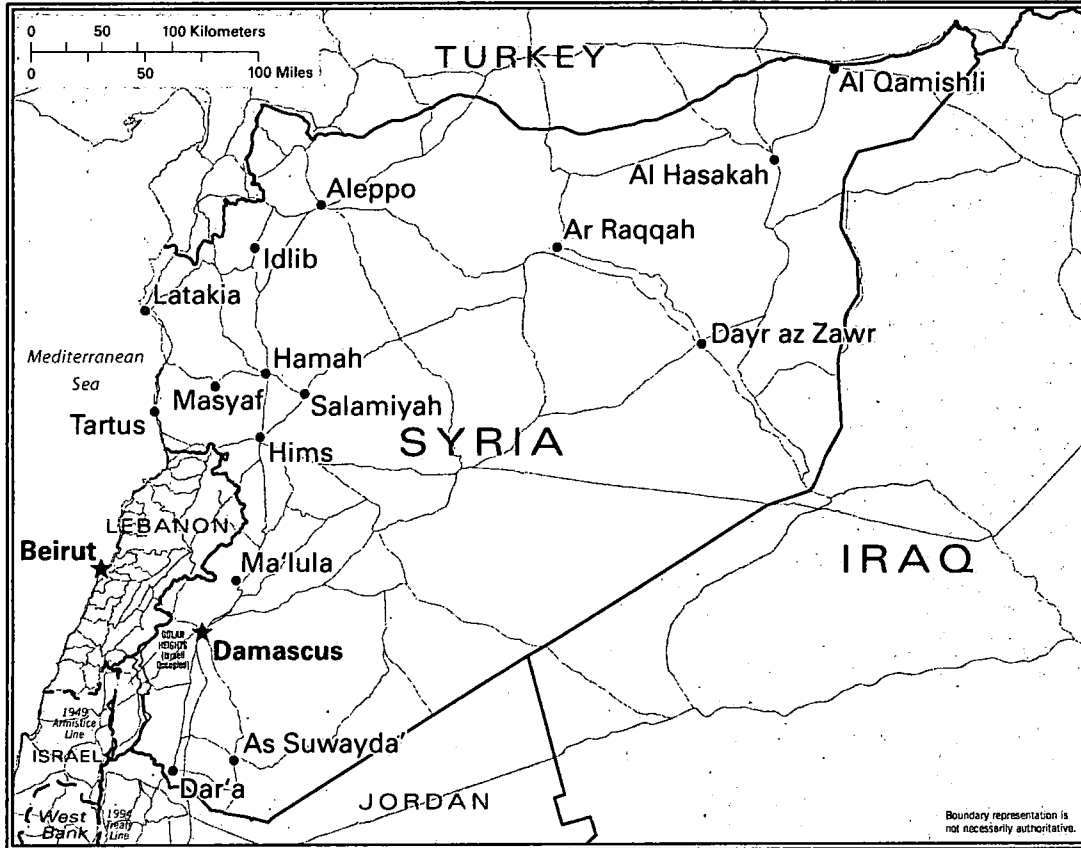


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