

# Press Releases: Ceasefire in Southwest Syria

Press Statement  
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We understand that a 48 hour ceasefire went into effect at 12 noon Syria time in southwest Syria. We welcome any initiative to reduce tensions and violence in southern Syria and thereby call on the Syrian regime to live up to its own stated commitments during this ceasefire initiative.

We will judge this initiative by the results not the words. The opposition should similarly halt attacks to allow the ceasefire to endure – and hopefully be extended – and humanitarian aid to reach those in need. The United States will continue to support constructive efforts to de-escalate the violence in Syria and ensure humanitarian aid reaches those in need, while continuing the fight against ISIS and al Qaida.

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