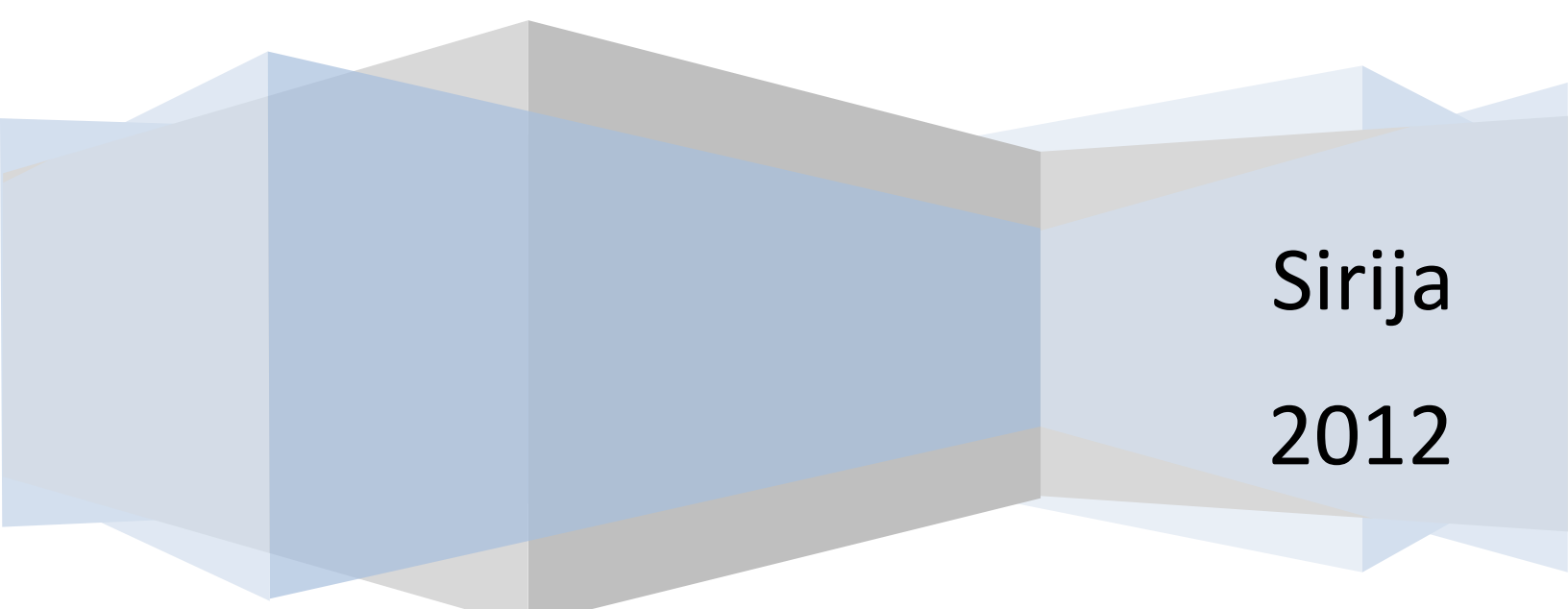


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Arapska Republika Sirija

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Službeno ime

Arapska Republika Sirija (egl: Syrian Arab Republic; arab: الجمهورية العربية السورية - al-Jumhūrīyah al-‘Arabīyah As-Sūrīyah).

Državni praznici

Državni praznici koji se obeležavaju u Siriji su: 8. mart – Dan revolucije; 21. mart – Materice; 13-16. april – grčki pravoslavni Uskrs; 17. april – Dan nezavisnosti; 1. maj – Dan rada; 6. maj – Dan mučenika; 6. oktobar – godišnjica oktobarkog rata; 25. decembar – Božić.¹

Islamski praznici koji se slave u Siriji su: 4. februar – rođendan Muhameda (Mouloud/Yum al-Nabi); 16. jun - Vaznesenje Muhamedovo; 18. avgust – kraj Ramazana; 25. oktobar – Praznik žrtvovanja; 14. novembar – islamska nova godina. Datumi ovih praznika variraju, jer zavise od islamskog lunarnog kalendara, koji ima 354 umesto 365 dana.²

Geografski položaj

Republika Sirija se nalazi u zapadnoj Aziji.³ Graniči se sa Turskom na severu, Irakom na istoku, Jordanom na jugu, Libanom i Izraelom na zapadu.^{4 5 6} Granica Sirije je sa

¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 14

² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 14

³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁵ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Geography - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

Izraelom je sporna, jer Izrael od 1967. godine okupira deo teritorije pod nazivom Golan,^{7 8} a formalno je svojoj teritoriji pripojio Golan visoravan 1981. godine.⁹

Površina Sirije iznosi 185 180 km².^{10 11 12} Obala Sirije se proteže istočnom obalom Mediteranskog mora,^{13 14} a dužina obale iznosi 193 km.¹⁵

Teren Sirije je pretežno planinski i polu-pustinjski.¹⁶ Odlikuje ga uska priobalna ravnic, iza koje se prostire planinski pojas na zapadu,^{17 18} a pustinjska oblast se prostire na istoku.^{19 20} Na jugu zemlje nalazi se uzvišeno vulkansko polje - oblast pod nazivom Džebel Druze (Jabal Druze).²¹ Većina stanovnika ove oblasti su pripadnici arapskih Druza (pripadnici jednog oblika islama, tj. religije koja predstavlja kombinaciju različitih vera nastale iz šiitskog ogranka islama).²² Najviša tačka Sirije je planina Hermon (2814 m) na granici sa Libanom.²³

Klima u Siriji je uglavnom pustinjska, topla i suva. Leta su sunčana (od juna do avgusta), a zime duž obale su blage i kišne (od decembra do februara).²⁴ Sto je veća udaljenost od obale, to klima postaje sve suvlja i manje prijatna. Na severu Sirije su zime

⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁸ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

¹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

¹¹ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

¹² BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Facts - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

¹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

¹⁴ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

¹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

¹⁷ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Geography - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸ Infoplease: Syria/Geography - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Geography - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

²⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Geography - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²¹ Infoplease: Syria/Geography - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²² Wikipedia: Jabal al-Druze - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jabal_al-Druze, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²³ Infoplease: Syria/Geography - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁴ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Geography - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

hladne sa temperaturama koje padaju često i ispod nule.²⁵ U pistinjskim oblastima, letnje temperature dostižu i 46°C, a padavine su izuzetno retke.²⁶

Glavni grad Sirije je Damask (Damascus)^{27 28 29} i nalazi se na reci Barada, u jugo-zapadnom delu zemlje.³⁰ Ostali glavni gradovi istoimenih pokrajina su: Al Hasakah, Aleppo (pokrajina Halab), Al Ladhikiyah, Ar Raqqa, Dayr az Zawr, Hamah, Tartus, Hims (Homs), Al Qunaytirah i As Sawayada.³¹

Stanovništvo

Populacija Sirije iznosi 22.9 miliona stanovnika.^{32 33} Arapi čine ogromnu većinu - oko 90.3% stanovnika. Kurdi, Jermeni, Asirci i ostale manjine čine oko 9.7% stanovništva.³⁴

^{35 36}

Kurdi u Siriji žive uglavnom u severoistočnom delu zemlje, u oblastima na granici sa Turskom i Iranom, ali brojna kurdska zajednica živi i u većini velikih gradova kao što su Alep i Damask.^{37 38} Većina Kurda su suniti.^{39 40}

²⁵ Southtravels: Middleeast/Syria/weather - <http://www.southtravels.com/middleeast/syria/weather.html> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

²⁶ Southtravels: Middleeast/Syria/weather - <http://www.southtravels.com/middleeast/syria/weather.html> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

²⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

²⁸ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

²⁹ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

³⁰ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

³¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

³³ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

³⁵ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

³⁶ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Population- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

³⁸ The New York Times Middle East: Killing of opposition leader in Syria provokes Kurds, October 8 2011 - <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/world/middleeast/killing-of-opposition-leader-in-syria-provokes-kurds.html?pagewanted=all&r=1&>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

³⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁴⁰ Wikipedia; Kurds in Syria/Demographics - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

Populacija Asiraca u Siriji broji oko 877 000 ljudi i oni uglavnom žive na severu i severo-istoku Sirije, u gradovima Homs, Alepo, Kamišili i Hasakah.⁴¹

Zajednica Jermena u Siriji broji oko 100 000 ljudi, od kojih velika većina živi u gradu Alepu.^{42 43}

Očekivani životni vek u Siriji iznosi 74 godine za muškarce i 78 godina za žene.⁴⁴

Religija

Oko 72% sirijskog stanovništva su muslimani, suniti. Muslimani Aleviti (Alawi) čine 14% stanovništva, hrišćani oko 12%, a muslimani šiiti i Druze čine ostale verske manjine.^{45 46}

Aleviti (Alawites) predstavljaju ekstremni organak šiitskog islamskog pravca.⁴⁷ Oni uglavnom naseljavaju Latakia provinciju, duž obale Mediteranskog mora na zapadu zemlje.^{48 49}

Zajednica hrišćana u Siriji broji oko 2.5 miliona ljudi⁵⁰ i većinom su pravoslavci.^{51 52} Oko 1.1 milion sirijskih hrišćana čine pravoslavni Grci, oko 700 000 hiljada su pravoslavni Sirijci, oko 200 000 su Jermeni, a 400 000 hrišćana su katolici.⁵³ Većina hrišćana u Siriji živi u gradovima Alepo, Damask, Homs, Latakia, Saidnaya i Tartous.⁵⁴

Druzi su takođe pripadnici jednog oblika islama, tj. religije koja predstavlja kombinaciju različitih vera. Druze su nastale iz šiitskog ogranka islama u XI veku. Oni koriste arapski jezik i nazivaju sebe muslimanima, iako ih većina muslimani ne smatraju

⁴¹ Wikipedia: Syria / Religion - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Religion> pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁴² Wikipedia: Armenians in Syria - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Armenians_in_Syria pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁴³ BBC News: Armenians flee Syria for their ancestral homeland, 22 March 2013 - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-21844351> pristupljeno 18.04.2013.

⁴⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Facts - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856> , pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁴⁶ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today -

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

⁴⁷ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Population- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html> , pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁸ The Middle East and Iran: The Ethnic Groups of Syria/Map - <http://war-in-middle-east.blogspot.com/2012/06/where-do-alawites-live-in-syria-and.html> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁴⁹ Wikipedia: Religion in Syria/Alawis - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_Syria#Alawis pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁵⁰ Wikipedia: Religion in Syria/Christianity - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_Syria#Alawis pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁵¹ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Secction I.Religious Demography, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁵² Wikipedia: Religion in Syria/Christianity - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_Syria#Alawis pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁵³ Wikipedia: Religion in Syria/Christianity - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_Syria#Alawis pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁵⁴ Wikipedia: Cristianity in Syria/Cristian areas - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christianity_in_Syria#Christian_areas pristupljeno 16.04.2013.

pripadnicima islama.^{55 56} Oni uglavnom žive na krajnjem jugozapadu Sirije,^{57 58} i u okolini gradova Homs i Damask.⁵⁹

Islam nije zvanična državna religija u Siriji.⁶⁰ Međutim, prema novom Ustavu Sirije od 2012. godine, predsednik Republike mora biti pripadnik islama.^{61 62}

Takođe, Ustavu Sirije predviđa da će država poštovati sve religije i da će obezbediti slobodu vršenja verskih obreda koji ne narušavaju javni red. Ustav predviđa i da će statusi verskih zajednica biti zaštićeni i poštovani.⁶³

Jezik

Prema Ustavu Sirije, zvanički jezik u zemlji je arapski jezik.⁶⁴

Osim arapskog u upotrebi su i kurdski,^{65 66 67} jermenski i aramejski jezik.⁶⁸ Francuski i engleski jezik takođe se koriste,^{69 70 71} ali uglavnom u većim gradovima.⁷²

⁵⁵ Wikipedia: Druzi - <http://sr.wikipedia.org/sr/%D0%94%D1%80%D1%83%D0%B7%D0%B8>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁶ Wikipedia: Druze - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Druze> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁵⁷ The Middle East and Iran: The Ethnic Groups of Syria/Map - <http://war-in-middle-east.blogspot.com/2012/06/where-do-alawites-live-in-syria-and.html> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁵⁸ Wikipedia: Religion in Syria/Druzes - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Religion_in_Syria#Alawis pristupljeno 15.04.2013

⁵⁹ The Middle East and Iran: The Ethnic Groups of Syria/Map - <http://war-in-middle-east.blogspot.com/2012/06/where-do-alawites-live-in-syria-and.html> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁶⁰ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁶¹ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 3

⁶² Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.

⁶³ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 3

⁶⁴ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 4

⁶⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁶⁶ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today -

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>
⁶⁷ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /People - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁶⁸ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /People - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁶⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

⁷⁰ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today -

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⁷¹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /People - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁷² U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /People - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

Privreda i ekonomija

Nakon skromnih ekonomskih reformi ranijih godina, sirijsku ekonomiju su snažno pogodile posledice političkih nemira i nasilja iz 2011. godine,^{73 74 75} a privredni rast zemlje je usporen zbog međunarodnih sankcija i smanjenja domaće potrošnje i proizvodnje.^{76 77 78} Negativni uticaj na privredu poslednjih godina imala je i svetska ekonomska kriza.^{79 80}

Kriza u zemlji najviše je pogodila sektore turizma, finansija i trgovine.⁸¹ Strane direktne investicije su značajno smanjene i državne rezerve su rapidno opale, uprkos naporima vlasti da odbrane stabilnost sirijske funte i spreče odlazak kapitala iz zemlje.⁸²

Industrijska proizvodnja Sirije obuhvata pre svega naftu, zatim tekstil, preradu hrane, pića, duvana, vađenje rude fosfata, dobijanje ulja iz semenki, proizvodnja cementa i auto-industriju.^{83 84}

Od poljoprivrednih proizvoda, u Siriji se najviše proizvode: žito, ječam, pamuk, sočivo, grašak, masline, šećerna repa, govedina, ovčeta, jaja, živina i mleko.^{85 86}

Izvozu robu Sirije čine sirova nafta, minerali, naftni proizvodi, voće i povrće, sirovi pamuk, tekstil, odeća, meso i pšenica.^{87 88} Zemlje u koje je Sirija najviše izvozila u 2011.

⁷³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

⁷⁴ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Economy - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

⁷⁵ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - overview - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁷⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

⁷⁷ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Economy - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

⁷⁸ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - overview - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

⁸⁰ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁸¹ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁸² The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁸³ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁴ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Economy - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁵ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁶ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Economy - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁷ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁸ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile /Economy - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

godini su Irak (38,8%), Italija (7,9%), Nemačka (7,1%), Saudijska Arabija (6,5%) i Kuvajt (4,2%).⁸⁹

Proizvode koje Sirija najviše uvozi su: mašine i transportni uređaji, oprema za električnu energiju, hrana i stoka, metali i metalni proizvodi, hemikalije i hemijski proizvodi, plastika, prediva i papir.^{90 91} Zemlje iz kojih se najviše uvozilo 2011. godine su: Saudijska Arabija (14,5%), Kina (10,1%), Ujedinjeni Arapski Emirati (7,1%), Turska (6,7%), Iran (5,3%), Italija (5%), Rusija (4,5%) i Irak (4,3%).⁹²

Kao odgovor na nasilje koje je sprovedeno nad demonstrantima tokom 2011. godine, Arapska liga je u novembru 2011. godine suspendovala Siriju iz svog članstva^{93 94 95} i glasala za odobravanje ekonomskih sankcija Siriji.^{96 97} Razlog nametanja sankcija Siriji bilo je kršenje obećanja sirijskih vlasti da će povući oružane snage iz gradova, da će zaustaviti nasilje i osloboditi ljude koji su uhapšeni zbog učešća u protestima.⁹⁸

Sankcije koje su nametnute Siriji od strane Arapske lige obuhvataju zamrzavanje Vladinih sredstava u arapskim zemljama, prekid poslovanja sa sirijskom Centralnom bankom, zabranu putovanja za visoke zvaničke Sirije,⁹⁹ kao i suspenziju komercijalnih letova iz i do Sirije i zaustavljanje investicija arapskih Vlada za projekte u Siriji.¹⁰⁰

Evropska unija (EU) je takođe stavila embargo Siriji na prodaju oružja, a u septembru 2011. godine i zabranila uvoz sirijske sirove nafte.¹⁰¹ To je predstavljao ozbiljan udarac za Damask i stavilo je državne finansije pod pritisak,^{102 103 104} s obzirom da Sirija 95% svojih sirovih proizvoda izvozi u EU.¹⁰⁵

⁸⁹ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁹⁰ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁹¹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/Profile/Economy - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 15. oktobra 2012.

⁹² CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

⁹³ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

⁹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

⁹⁵ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

⁹⁷ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁹⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹⁹ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁰⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹⁰¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹⁰² The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

SAD su imale uvedene ekonomske sankcije Siriji i pre otpočinjanja nemira.¹⁰⁶ Još 1979. godine SAD su proglasile Siriju “sponzorom terorizma”^{107 108} i otpočele sa nametanjem sankcija, koje se povremeno uvećavaju od tada.¹⁰⁹ U avgustu 2011. godine SAD su pooštrile sankcije Siriji – zamrznuta su sva sirijska sredstva pod jurisdikcijom SAD i zabranjeno je američkim građanima i kompanijama da posluju sa sirijskom Vladom.¹¹⁰

Sirijski bruto domaći proizvod (BDP) je zavisao od nafte i poljoprivrede.^{111 112}

Prihodi od nafte čine oko 20% prihoda Sirije i oko 35-40 % ukupnih prihoda koje zemlja ostvari izvozom.^{113 114} Poljoprivreda čini 20% sirijskog BDP-a, i zapošljava nešto manje od 20% stanovništva.^{115 116} Izvoz nafte, izvoz usluga i inostrani transferi i doznake predstavljaju glavni izvor inostranih prihoda.^{117 118} Međutim, oni su sada ugroženi krizom u kojoj se zemlja nalazi.¹¹⁹

Stopa inflacije je u Siriji za 2011. godinu iznosila 4.8%.^{120 121} Međutim, Vlada je u maju 2012. godine najavila podizanje cena električne energije i dizel goriva, kako bi se

¹⁰³ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Economy -

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

¹⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹⁰⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹⁰⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹⁰⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Terrorism 2011 – Chapter 3, Syria, 31 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/224758/332344_en.html

¹⁰⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹¹⁰ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹¹¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹¹² The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹¹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹¹⁴ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹¹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹¹⁶ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹¹⁸ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹¹⁹ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹²⁰ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Economy -

<http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

¹²¹ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

smanjio pritisak na budžet.¹²² Kao posledica toga, u maju 2012.godine inflacija je dostigla 32%.¹²³ Bruto domaći proizvod po glavi stanovnika je u Siriji za 2011. godinu iznosio 5100 dolara (USD).^{124 125}

Zvanična valuta Sirije je sirijska funta (SYP), koja se naziva i lira (usled toga što su se na novčanicama nalazila tri jezika - engleski, francuski i arapski).^{126 127} Vrednost sirijske funte iznosi: 1 funta (SYR) = 0.0143 dolar (USD).¹²⁸

Sirijska valuta nalazi se pod velikim pritiskom, usled zvaničnog pada vrednosti od 25% u 2012. godini, dok je valuta na crnom tržištu izgubila čak 45% svoje vrednosti.¹²⁹

Istorijsko-politički razvoj

Sirija je bila pod Otomanskom vlašću 400 godina - od 1516. godine pa sve do Prvog svetskog rata.^{130 131} Arapske trupe su, predvođene Emirom Feisalijem (Emir Feisal) i potpomognute britanskim snagama, zauzele 1918. godine Damask i tako okončale Otomansku vladavinu.¹³²

Liga naroda dala je Francuskoj mandat nad Sirijom posle I svetskog rata,^{133 134} ali su Francuzi morali da se izbore sa nekoliko nacionalističkih ustanaka u Siriji.¹³⁵ Francuska je 1930.godine priznala Siriju kao nezavisnu Republiku, ali je zemlja još uvek bila predmet mandata Francuske.¹³⁶

¹²² The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹²³ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹²⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

¹²⁵ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Economy - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

¹²⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 18

¹²⁷ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Syria today - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>

¹²⁸ Xe - Universal Currency converter: Syrian pound to US dollar rate - <http://www.xe.com/ucc/convert/?Amount=1&From=SYP&To=USD>, pristupljeno 5. novembra 2012.

¹²⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

¹³⁰ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹³¹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

¹³² BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹³³ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹³⁴ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

¹³⁵ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹³⁶ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

Sirija je dobila nezavisnost od Francuske 1946. godine,^{137 138 139} i iste godine poslednje francuske trupe su napustile Siriju.^{140 141}

Egipat i Sirija su 1958. godine formirali Ujedinjenu Arapsku Republiku (United Arab Republic – UAR),^{142 143 144 145} sa Gamalom Abdelom Naserom (Gamal Abdel Nasser) kao predsednikom.^{146 147} Ova Unija međutim nije bila uspešna, pa je Sirija ponovo postala nezavisna 28. septembra 1961. godine.^{148 149 150}

Michel Aflaq i Salah-al-Din al-Bitar osnovali su 1947. godine arapsku socijalističku Baat partiju,¹⁵¹ a 1963. godine Baat (Baath) partija je preuzela vlast u Siriji.^{152 153 154} Iste godine (1963) predsednik Baat partije Amin al-Hafez postaje i predsednik Sirije.¹⁵⁵

Baat partija se 1966. godine podelila na dva dela, sa sedištim u Siriji i Iraku.¹⁵⁶ U Siriji iste godine, posle državnog udara, radikalno krilo Baat partije preuzima vlast i

¹³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

¹³⁸ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹³⁹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁰ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴¹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴² Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴³ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁵ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁶ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁷ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁸ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁴⁹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵⁰ Wikipedia: Syria/Independence, instability and economic growth - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Independence.2C_instability_and_economic_growth, pristupljeno 1. novembra 2012.

¹⁵¹ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

¹⁵³ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵⁴ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war/Background/History - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵⁵ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁵⁶ Wikipedia: Ba'ath Party/ History/ 1966 split - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ba%27ath_Party_\(Syrian-led_faction\)#1966_split](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ba%27ath_Party_(Syrian-led_faction)#1966_split) pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

proteruje osnivače stranke.^{157 158} Nova radikalna politika približila se Moskvi, usvajanjem levičarske politike koja je izolovala Siriju od mnogih njenih suseda.¹⁵⁹

U junu 1967, povećanje pogranične napetosti između Sirije i Izraela dovelo je do Šestodnevnog rata^{160 161} tj. Arapsko-izraelskog rata,^{162 163} kada je Izrael napao Siriju u odmazdi zbog zatvaranja moreuza Tiran od strane UAR (Ujedinjene Arapske Republike – United Arab Republic).¹⁶⁴ Izraelske snage su za vreme ovog sukoba ostvarile brza teritorijalna zauzimanja, uključujući zauzimanje i Golan (Golanska visoravan).^{165 166 167}

Krhko primirje Sirije sa Izraelom je trajalo do oktobra 1973. godine, kada su egipatske i sirijske snage otpočele napade na teritorije koje je držao Izrael,^{168 169 170} u takozvanom četvrtom arapsko-izraelskom ratu.¹⁷¹ Na sirijskom frontu, bilo je žestokih borbi u Golanu, a prekid vatre dogovoren je posle 18 dana.¹⁷² U maju 1974. godine američki državni sekretar Henri Kisindžer (Henry A. Kissinger), obezbedio je dogovor o povlačenju snaga,¹⁷³ i povraćaju svih delova izgubljene sirijske teritorije 1973. godine.¹⁷⁴ Ipak, Izrael je formalno anektirao Golansku visoravan u decembru 1981. godine,^{175 176} koja je i dalje pod

¹⁵⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

¹⁵⁸ Wikipedia: Ba'ath Party/ History/ 1966 split - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ba%27ath_Party_\(Syrian-led_faction\)#1966_split](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ba%27ath_Party_(Syrian-led_faction)#1966_split) pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

¹⁵⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

¹⁶⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁶¹ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁶² Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

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¹⁶⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

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¹⁷⁰ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁷¹ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁷² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁷³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁷⁴ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁷⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁷⁶ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

okupacijom Izraela,¹⁷⁷ usled čega spor Sirije sa Izraelom oko ove oblasti i granice između dve zemlje i dalje traje.^{178 179}

U novembru 1970. godine radikalni deo Baat partije je svrgnut sa vlasti od strane Hafez al Asada,^{180 181 182 183} tadašnjeg ministra odbrane Sirije,^{184 185} koji je bio na čelu pragmatičnijeg i umerenijeg dela Baat partije.¹⁸⁶ Hafez al Asad izglasan je za predsednika Sirije 1971.godine i vladao je zemljom sve do svoje smrti u junu 2000. godine.^{187 188 189}

Novi Ustav Sirije donesen je 1972.godine,¹⁹⁰ a stupio je na snagu u martu 1973. godine.^{191 192}

Sredinom 1970-ih, Sirija je poslala oko 20 000 vojnika kao podršku libanskim muslimanima u njihovom oružanom sukobu sa hrišćanskim militantima podržanim od strane Izraela, tokom građanskog rata u Libanu.¹⁹³ Sirijske trupe često su se sukobljavale sa izraelskim trupama i tokom invazije Izraela na Liban 1982. godine.^{194 195}

¹⁷⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁷⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 13

¹⁷⁹ Encyclopedia of the Nations: Syria/Location and Size- <http://www.nationsencyclopedia.com/economies/Asia-and-the-Pacific/Syria.html>, pristupljeno 12. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁸¹ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸² BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸³ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁸⁵ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁸⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁸⁸ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁸⁹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁹¹ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

¹⁹² Wikipedia: Syria/Ba'ath party rule, 1970 on/Under Hafez al-Assad, 1970-2000 - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Under_Hafez_al-Assad.2C_1970.E2.80.932000, pristupljeno 5. novembra 2012.

¹⁹³ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁹⁴ Infoplease: Syria/History - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

¹⁹⁵ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

Takodje, u tom periodu - od 1976. do 1982. godine - islamističko Muslimansko bratstvo Sirije vodilo je oružanu pobunu protiv režima.^{196 197} Muslimansko bratstvo Sirije je ogranak sunitskog islamističkog pokreta Muslimansko bratstvo, a i u vezi je sa Muslimanskim bratstvom Egipta.¹⁹⁸ Ogranak je osnovan nešto pre II Svetskog rata, ali je 1963. godine zabranjen u Siriji od strane Baat partije.^{199 200}

Predsednik Sirije Hafez al Asad je 1980. godine izdao Zakon broj 49, po kome se članstvo ili povezanost sa Muslimanskim bratstvom kažnjava smrću.²⁰¹ Iste godine, Muslimansko bratstvo pokušalo je i atentat na Hafez al Asada.²⁰²

Kao odgovor na pokušaj pobune Bratstva u februaru 1982. godine u gradu Hama, Vlada Sirije je slomila opoziciju savrnivši delove grada artiljerijskom vatrom, ali je i ostavila za sobom na hiljade mrtvih i ranjenih.^{203 204 205}

Predsednik Sirije Hafez al-Asad je 1990. godine isključio svaku mogućnost legalizacije opozicionih političkih partija, čime je dodatno učvrstio svoju autokratsku vladavinu.²⁰⁶ Rezultati toga bili su vidljivi već na narednim izborima, kada su u decembru 1991. godine birači odobrili četvrti mandat za Asada, dajući mu 99,98% glasova.²⁰⁷

Ubrzo posle smrti Hafez al-Asada 10. juna 2000.godine,^{208 209 210} Narodna skupština Sirije promenila je Ustav i smanjila minimalnu starosnu granicu za predsednika države sa 40 na 34 godine.^{211 212 213}

¹⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

¹⁹⁷ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

¹⁹⁸ Wikipedia: Muslim brotherhood of Syria - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim_Brotherhood_of_Syria, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

¹⁹⁹ Wikipedia: Muslim brotherhood of Syria - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim_Brotherhood_of_Syria, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

²⁰⁰ Middle East Forum: The Musilm Brotherhood Reborn - http://www.meforum.org/3198/syria-muslim-brotherhood#_ftn4, pristupljeno 6.novembra 2012.

²⁰¹ Middle East Forum: The Musilm Brotherhood Reborn - http://www.meforum.org/3198/syria-muslim-brotherhood#_ftn4, pristupljeno 6.novembra 2012.

²⁰² BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁰³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 20

²⁰⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁰⁵ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

²⁰⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁰⁷ Infoplease: Syria/ Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁰⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²⁰⁹ Infoplease: Syria/ Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²¹⁰ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

To je omogućilo Hafezovom sinu, Bašaru al-Asadu (Bashar al-Asad) da preuzme vlast u zemlji i nastavi autokratsku vladavinu.^{214 215 216 217} Bašar al-Asad je kandidovan i za komandanta vojnih snaga i njegov vojni čin je unapređen u general-potpukovnik.²¹⁸ Na nacionalnom referendumu koji je održan 10. jula 2000. godine, Bašar al-Asad je bio jedini predsednički kandidat i za njega je glasao 97.29% glasača.^{219 220}

Nakon preuzimanja vlasti, Bašar al-Asad je obećavao liberalizaciju sirijske politike i ekonomije.^{221 222 223} Prvih 6 meseci njegove vladavine obeležila su oslobađanja političkih zatvorenika, povratak prognanih disidenata i otvorena diskusija o problemima u zemlji. Međutim, u februaru 2001. godine režim je zaustavio ovo takozvano “Damask proleće”.²²⁴ Vodeći reformisti su uhapšeni i osuđeni na duge zatvorske kazne, dok su drugi učesnici bili suočeni sa nadzorom i zastrašivanjem od strane tajne policije.^{226 227}

Sirija je povukla u junu 2001. godine veliki deo (skoro 25 000)²²⁸ svojih vojnika iz Bejruta, koji su bili poslani u Liban još za vreme građanskog rata u toj zemlji 1970-ih godina. Ipak, deo sirijskih vojnika je ostao raspoređen po libanskim selima.^{229 230}

²¹¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²¹² U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

²¹³ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war/Backgournd/History - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

²¹⁴ Infoplease: Syria/ Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²¹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²¹⁶ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²¹⁷ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

²¹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²¹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²²⁰ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

²²¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²²² U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22.oktobra 2012.

²²³ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²²⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²²⁵ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²²⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²²⁷ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²²⁸ Infoplease: Syria/ Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²²⁹ Infoplease: Syria/ Regional Conflicts Continue Trough the End of the Centry - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

U Siriji su u martu 2004. godine izbili nemiri sa sirijskim Kurdima, koji su trajali 8 dana i 25-30 ljudi je poginulo, a oko 2000 je bilo uhapšeno.^{231 232}

U maju 2004.godine SAD su uvele ekonomske sankcije Siriji, optužujući je da nastavlja da podržava terorizam.^{233 234 235} U septembru iste godine, Savet bezbednosti UN je rezolucijom naložio Siriji povlačenje preostalih trupa iz Libana.^{236 237} Sirija je na to odgovorila premeštanjem oko 3000 vojnika iz okoline Bejruta ka istočnom Libanu, što je bio gest koji su mnogi smatrali samo “kozmetičkim”.²³⁸ Ipak, u aprilu 2005. godine povučene su sve sirijske trupe iz Libana.^{239 240}

Predstavnici sva tri segmenta opozicije u Siriji – Islamisti, Kurdi i sekularni liberali/tj. koalicija političkih aktivista i članova zabranjenih političkih organizacija – potpisali su u oktobru 2005. godine Damask deklaraciju za demokratske nacionalne promene (Damascus Declaration for Democratic National Change - DDDNC),^{241 242} u kojoj su pozvali lidere zemlje da se povuku sa vlasti i podrže širok skup liberalnih demokratskih principa na kojima bi se zasnivale promene u zemlji.^{243 244}

Takođe Deklaracijom se poziva na osnivanje demokratske države mirnim putem, koja bi bila zasnovana na modernim islamskim principima, sa novim Ustavom koji bi garantovao slobodu i ljudska prava za sve.²⁴⁵

²³⁰ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²³¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 21

²³² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²³³ Infoplease: Syria/ Syria is Repeatedly Accused of Supporting Tefforist Groups - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²³⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²³⁵ U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²³⁶ Infoplease: Syria/ Syria is Repeatedly Accused of Supporting Tefforist Groups - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²³⁷ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²³⁸ Infoplease: Syria/ Syria is Repeatedly Accused of Supporting Tefforist Groups - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²³⁹ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁴⁰ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁴¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 22 i 23

²⁴² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁴³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 22

²⁴⁴ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁴⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

Veliki broj sirijskih i libanskih intelektualaca i političkih aktivista za ljudska prava, potpisali su u maju 2006. godine Bejrut-Damask deklaraciju (Beirut-Damascus Declaration), koja poziva na promene u sirijsko-libanskim odnosima i priznavanje libanskog suvereniteta i nezavisnosti, tj. poziva sirijsku Vladu da preispita svoju politiku prema Libanu.^{246 247}

Mnogi koji su potpisali ovu Deklaraciju, bili su pritvoreni od strane sirijskih vlasti i osuđeni na zatvorske kazne.^{248 249}

Narodna skupština Sirije je 11. maja 2007. godine jednoglasno nominovala Bašara Asada za predsednika zemlje, na novi sedmogodišnji mandat.²⁵⁰ Na održanom referendumu 27. maja 2007. godine, kandidatura Asada je odobrena sa preko 97% glasova.^{251 252} Ipak, prema stranim posmatračima referendum nije održan u slobodnim i fer uslovima.²⁵³

168 potpisnika Damask deklaracije za demokratske nacionalne promene sazvani su u decembru 2007. godine da ponovo afirmišu poruku Deklaracije (DDDNC) i da izaberu Nacionalno veće. Fida al-Hourani, ćerka Akrama al-Hourania, jednog od osnivača Baat partije, bila je izabrana za predsednicu Veća. Ipak, u nedeljama nakon sastanka, oko 40 članova pokreta bilo je pritvoreno od strane sirijskih vlasti.²⁵⁴

Uprkos hapšenjima, pristalice DDDNC su formirale upravne organe njihovog pokreta i obnovili su svoje aktivnosti. To je dovelo do nastavka obračuna sirijske vlade sa njima i u 2008. godini.^{255 256}

U septembru 2008. godine, dogodio se najgori teroristički napad u Siriji za više od 20 godina. Automobil-bomba napravljena od više stotina kilograma eksploziva, eksplodirala

²⁴⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 22

²⁴⁷ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁴⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 22

²⁴⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁵⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

²⁵¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

²⁵² U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁵³ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

²⁵⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

²⁵⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

²⁵⁶ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

je u blizini šiitskog svetišta u Damasku.^{257 258} Ovaj događaj je ojačao sumnju u terorizam u Siriji, ali niko za njega nije preduzeo odgovornost.^{259 260}

Američke specijalne snage otpočele su u oktobru 2008. godine vazdušne napade na Siriju i ubile vođu Al-Kaide (Abu Ghadiya) blizu granice sa Irakom.^{261 262} Američki zvaničnici njega su optuživali za šverc oružja, novca i boraca u Irak iz Sirije,²⁶³ dok je Sirija optužila Ameriku da je počinila ratni zločin, navodeći da je u napadu ubijeno osam civila,²⁶⁴ uključujući jednu ženu i troje dece.²⁶⁵

Nakon 2009. godine, SAD su pokušale da uključe Siriju u pronalaženje pitanja i oblasti od obostranog interesa smanjenje regionalnih tenzija i u promovisanje mira na Bliskom istoku.^{267 268} U 2010. godini Sirija je nastavila da ograničava slobodu mišljenja i da kažnjava vladine protivnike.^{269 270} Ipak SAD i evropske zemlje su preduzele probne korake ka poboljšanju odnosa sa Damaskom.^{271 272} Ovo je podrazumevalo i vraćanje američkog

²⁵⁷Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁵⁸Wikipedia: 2008 Damascus car bombing - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2008_Damascus_car_bombing, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

²⁵⁹Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁶⁰Wikipedia: 2008 Damascus car bombing - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2008_Damascus_car_bombing, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

²⁶¹Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁶²CNN World: Source: U.S. meant to capture militant killed in Syria - <http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/meast/11/06/US.Syria/index.html>, pristupljeno 5. novembra 2012.

²⁶³Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁶⁴Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁶⁵CNN World: Source: U.S. meant to capture militant killed in Syria - <http://edition.cnn.com/2008/WORLD/meast/11/06/US.Syria/index.html>, pristupljeno 5. novembra 2012.

²⁶⁶Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁶⁷UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 24

²⁶⁸U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁶⁹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 24

²⁷⁰Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁷¹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 24

²⁷²Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

ambasadora u Damask.^{273 274 275} Amerika nije imala ambasadora u Siriji od 2005. godine i ubistva libanskog premijera Rafika Haririja.²⁷⁶

Antivladini protesti koji su izbili na Bliskom istoku početkom 2011. godine, poznatiji i kao "Arapsko proleće", zahvatili su i Siriju.^{277 278} Međutim, nasilan odgovor sirijske Vlade na javne proteste od marta 2011. godine, izolovalo je Siriju politički, ne samo od SAD, nego i od Evrope, Arapskog sveta i drugih delova međunarodne zajednice.^{279 280}

Protesti su prvobitno započeli u gradu Dara'a, u martu 2011. godine,^{281 282 283} kada je nekoliko dečaka bilo uhapšeno zbog pisanja grafitu protiv vlasti.^{284 285 286} Zbog njihovog pritvora i torture kojim su bili izloženi - između ostalog bili su im iščupani nokti,^{287 288 289} 15.

²⁷³UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 24

²⁷⁴Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁷⁵BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁷⁶Infoplease: Syria/ Syria and Israel begin negotiating, but terrorism and conflict continue - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁷⁷Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁷⁸CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁷⁹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 24

²⁸⁰U.S. Department of State: Background Note: Syria/History - <http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3580.htm>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

²⁸¹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 24

²⁸²Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Major Events in Unrest-2011, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

²⁸³Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁸⁴UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 24

²⁸⁵Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Major Events in Unrest-2011, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

²⁸⁶Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

²⁸⁷UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 24

²⁸⁸Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Major Events in Unrest-2011, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

²⁸⁹US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

marta 2011. godine održan je protest protiv vlasti.^{290 291} Međutim, protest je nasilno ugušen od strane sirijskih vlasti, upotrebom oružja prema mirnim demonstrantima.^{292 293 294 295}

Ubrzo, demonstracije su se proširile po najvećim gradovima - Damasku i Alepu, na oblast duž granice sa Turskom,^{296 297 298} kao i gradove Hama i Homs na zapadu zemlje.²⁹⁹ Demonstranti su pozivali na oslobađanje političkih zatvorenika, ukidanje Zakona o vanrednim merama koji je bio na snazi od 1963. godine i šira građanska prava.^{300 301 302}

Na početku sirijskog "Arapskog proleća", pod uticajem rastućih protesta i međunarodne osude, predsednik Asad je najavio niz reformi.^{303 304 305} Pre svega, u aprilu 2011. godine bilo je ukinuto 48-godišnje vanredno stanje^{306 307 308 309} kao i Vrhovni sud državne bezbednosti, koji je služio da osudi na zatvor veliki broj kritičara Vlade i

²⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 24

²⁹¹ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

²⁹² International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria, March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 6

²⁹³ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

²⁹⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

²⁹⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

²⁹⁶ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

²⁹⁷ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria, March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 6

²⁹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 24

²⁹⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

³⁰⁰ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁰¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁰² Wikipedia: Syrian civil war/Revolt and escalating protest - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

³⁰³ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁰⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁰⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³⁰⁶ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁰⁷ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁰⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 46

³⁰⁹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

disidenata.^{310 311} Asad je takodje izdao nekoliko amnestija za različite kategorije zatvorenika,^{312 313} kao i uredbe koje omogućuju mirne demonstracije i pravnu registraciju drugih političkih partija osim vladajuće Baat partije.³¹⁴

Ali ove reforme nisu imale nikakvog uticaja na brutalan obračun sa demonstrantima i bile su samo “kozmetičke”.³¹⁵ Takođe, u isto vreme, Asad je dekretom omogućio da se uhapšena lica zadržavaju u pritvoru, bez optužnice ili suđenja, do dva meseca.³¹⁶

Vlada Sirije je 25. marta 2011. godine prekršila dato obećanje da neće koristiti silu protiv demonstranata, otvorivši vatru na njih na jugu zemlje. U tom sukobu je ubijeno oko 60 ljudi.³¹⁷

U narednim danima, politička kriza u zemlji se produbila i 29. marta 2011. godine kabinet predsednika Asada je podneo ostavku, ali su se masovni protesti i obračuni vladinih snaga sa demonstrantima nastavili.³¹⁸ Do kraja maja 2011. godine oko 850 demonstranata je ubijeno od strane bezbednosnih snaga.³¹⁹

Početkom avgusta 2011. godine napadi na demonstrante u gradu Hama su intenzivirani, uz upotrebu vladinih tenkova, oklopnih vozila i snajperista. Do kraja opsade grada broj žrtava popeo se na 1700.³²⁰ Posebno brutalni napadi vladinih snaga na demonstrante izazvali su međunarodnu osudu, čak i od strane sirijskih arapskih suseda.³²¹

³¹⁰ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³¹¹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³¹² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³¹³ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³¹⁴ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³¹⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³¹⁶ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³¹⁷ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³¹⁸ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³¹⁹ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³²⁰ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³²¹ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

Saudijska Arabija, Bahrein, Kuvajt povukli su svoje ambasadore iz Damaska u avgustu 2011. godine.^{322 323}

Kako su se borbe u Siriji tokom 2011. godine nastavljale, hiljade vojnika je napuštalo zvaničnu sirijsku vojsku i pridruživalo se Slobodnoj sirijskoj vojsci (FSA) - oružanoj opozicionoj grupi.^{324 325}

Evropska unija je 10. maja 2011. godine stavila 13 sirijskih zvaničnika na listu sankcija, uključujući predsednikovog brata Maher Al-Asada (Maher Al-Assad).^{326 327 328} Oni su stavljeni na listu pod optužbom da su imali ulogu u nasilnoj represiji protiv antivladinih demonstracija sredinom marta 2011. godine.³²⁹

I sam predsednik Bashar Al-Assad je dodat na tu listu 23. maja 2011. godine.^{330 331} Onima koji su na listi, imovina u EU je zamrznuta i zabranjeno im je putovanje u EU.³³²

Sjedinjene Američke Države nametnule su slične mere Siriji, koje takođe uključuju predsednika Asada,³³³ a 6. februara 2012. godine američka Vlada je zatvorila svoju ambasadu i povukla osoblje iz Sirije.^{334 335}

Početkom februara 2012.godine Rusija i Kina su stavile veto na rezoluciju Saveta bezbednosti, koja je pozvala na okončanje nasilja, predaju vlasti predsednika Asada

³²² Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³²³ The New York Times: 3 Arab Countries Recall Ambassadors to Syria, 8 August 2011 - http://www.nytimes.com/2011/08/09/world/middleeast/09syria.html?pagewanted=all&_r=0 pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

³²⁴ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³²⁵ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 8

³²⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

³²⁷ Journal of the European Union: Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 504/2011 of 23 May 2011 implementing Regulation (EU) No 442/2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria- <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2011:136:0045:0047:EN:PDF>

³²⁸ Aljazeera: Thirteen named on Syrian sanctions list, 10 May 2011 - <http://www.aljazeera.com/news/middleeast/2011/05/20115109716137121.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

³²⁹ Aljazeera: Thirteen named on Syrian sanctions list, 10 May 2011 - <http://www.aljazeera.com/news/middleeast/2011/05/20115109716137121.html>, pristupljeno 11. oktobra 2012.

³³⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 16

³³¹ Journal of the European Union: Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 504/2011 of 23 May 2011 implementing Regulation (EU) No 442/2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria- <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2011:136:0045:0047:EN:PDF>

³³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

³³³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 17

³³⁴ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³³⁵ The telegraph: Syria uprising: February 6 as it happened, 7 February 2012 - <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/middleeast/syria/9065214/Syria-uprising-live.html>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

podpredsjedniku i stvaranje Vlade nacionalnog jedinstva u Siriji.^{336 337 338} Međutim, nekoliko dana kasnije, Generalna skupština Ujedinjenih nacija glasala je u korist rezolucije koja je osudila Asada i pozvala ga da se povuče sa vlasti. Ipak, ova rezolucija je bila neobavezujuća.³³⁹

Arapska liga je u novembru 2011. godine prvo suspendovala Siriju iz članstva, a kasnije joj i nametnula sankcije,^{340 341} jer se vlada Sirije nije držala obećanja da će povući oružane snage iz gradova, da će zaustaviti nasilje i osloboditi ljude koji su bili uhapšeni zbog učešća u protestima.³⁴² U decembru iste godine, Arapska liga je poslala posmatrače u Siriju, kako bi nadgledali spovođenje ovih obećanja sirijske vlade.^{343 344 345} Međutim, u januaru 2012. godine Arapska liga je suspendovala svoju misiju u Siriji zbog pogoršanja nasilja u zemlji.³⁴⁶

Istog dana kad je Savet bezbednosti glasao o rezoluciji o okončanju nasilja u Siriji, (3. februara 2012. godine)³⁴⁷ sirijske snage otpočele su strahovit napad na grad Homs, ubijajući tom prilikom stotine ljudi.^{348 349} Napad na Homs trajao je tokom celog meseca, a nakon 27-dnevnog bombardovanja, pobunjenici su se povukli iz Homsa.³⁵⁰

³³⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³³⁷ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³³⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³³⁹ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁴⁰ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³⁴¹ The New York Times: Arab League - http://topics.nytimes.com/topics/reference/timestopics/organizations/a/arab_league/index.html, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012

³⁴² Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³⁴³ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Background - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³⁴⁴ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

³⁴⁵ The New York Times: Arab League - http://topics.nytimes.com/topics/reference/timestopics/organizations/a/arab_league/index.html, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012

³⁴⁶ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁴⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 41

³⁴⁸ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁴⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 41

³⁵⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

Novi Ustav Sirije izglasan je na referendumu 26.februara 2012. godine, ³⁵¹ ³⁵² ali je referendum od strane posmatrača ocenjen kao farsa. ³⁵³

Savet bezbednosti UN izdao je 21. marta 2012. godine saopštenje rezervnog plana, koji je naveo bivši generalni sekretar UN Kofi Anan, koji se u velikom meri poklapa sa predlogom posredovanja Arapske lige u novembru 2011. godine, u kome se poziva Vlada Sirije da zaustavi ubijanje civila, da se angažuje u pregovorima sa opozicijom, da se povuku snage sa ulica i počne tranzicija ka demokratskom političkom sistemu. Rusija i Kina su ovaj put podržale predloženi dokument. ³⁵⁴

Asad je prihvatio ovo saopštenje i pristao na prekid vatre i na povlačenje trupa iz gradova do 10. aprila 2012. godine. ³⁵⁵ Međutim, ova obećanja nisu ispunjena. U maju 2012. godine, u selu Hula (Houla) ubijeno je 108 ljudi, uključujući 49 dece i 34 žene. ³⁵⁶ ³⁵⁷ Prema izveštaju Ujedinjenih nacija, ovaj masakr počinili su pripadnici sirijske vojske i Shabiha milicije (milicija vođena od strane Alevit sekte, kojoj pripada predsednik Asad). ³⁵⁸

Kao odgovor na ovo nasilje, 11 zemalja, uključujući SAD, proterale su sirijske diplomate iz svojih zemalja, a Savet bezbednosti UN jednoglasno je kritikovao “nečuvenu upotrebu sile” protiv stanovnika i učesnike vladinih staga u napadu. Ovo saopštenje UN potpisala je i Rusija. ³⁵⁹

Kofi Anan je podneo ostavku na mesto specijalnog izaslanika UN za Siriju, u avgustu 2012. godine, ³⁶⁰ ³⁶¹ usled odbijanja sirijske Vlade da sprovede njegov mirovni plan,

³⁵¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁵² Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁵³ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁵⁴ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁵⁵ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁵⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁵⁷ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

³⁵⁸ Wikipedia: Houla massacre - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Houla_massacre pristupljeno 15.04.2013

³⁵⁹ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶¹ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 6

intenziviranja nasilja od strane samih pobunjenika i razdora unutar Saveta bezbednosti oko plana za rešenje sukoba.³⁶²

Situaciju u Siriji nastavila je da se pogoršava tokom leta 2012. godine, uz nastavak napada na civile. U junu 2012. godine UN posmatrači napustili su misiju za procenu stanja ("fact-finding" mission) nakon što su bili napadnuti, i zvaničnici UN objavili su da je Sirija u stanju građanskog rata.³⁶³

Asadov režim pretrpeo je oštar udarac kada je 18. jula 2012. eksplodirala bomba na sastanku visokih ministara i bezbednosnih zvaničnika u Damasku.^{364 365 366} U tom napadu je bio ubijen ministar odbrane i Asadov šurak.^{367 368 369}

Takođe u julu 2012. godine pobunjenici i vladine snage su se borile za kontrolu u Damasku i Alepu.^{370 371} Borbe su posebno bile žestoke u Alepu, jer su vladine trupe opkolile grad tenkovima i pucale na pobunjenike iz borbenih aviona i helikoptera.³⁷² Čak 200 000 ljudi pobjeglo je usled ovih borbi iz grada.^{373 374}

³⁶² Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶³ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶⁴ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶⁵ Reuters: Damascus bomb shows 'real momentum' against Assad:U.S., 18.Jul 2012 - <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/07/18/us-syria-crisis-reaction-idUSBRE86H0IR20120718>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

³⁶⁶ Global Post: Syria – Damascus bombing kills defense minister, top officials, July 18, 2012 - <http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/news/regions/middle-east/syria/120718/syria-damascus-bombing-kills-defense-minister-top-off>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

³⁶⁷ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁶⁸ Reuters: Damascus bomb shows 'real momentum' against Assad:U.S., 18.Jul 2012 - <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/07/18/us-syria-crisis-reaction-idUSBRE86H0IR20120718>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

³⁶⁹ Global Post: Syria – Damascus bombing kills defense minister, top officials, July 18, 2012 - <http://www.globalpost.com/dispatch/news/regions/middle-east/syria/120718/syria-damascus-bombing-kills-defense-minister-top-off>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

³⁷⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁷¹ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 3

³⁷² Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁷³ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁷⁴ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 3

Premijer Sirije Rijad Farid Hidžab (Riyad Farid Hijab)³⁷⁵ i najmanje dva ministra sirijske Vlade³⁷⁶ prebegli su 6. avgusta 2012. godine u Jordan i najavili da će podržati opoziciju.^{377 378}

Do kraja leta 2012. godine, u nasilju u Siriji život je izgubilo oko 30 000 ljudi, uglavnom civila,^{379 380} a oko 250 000 ljudi je izbeglo iz zemlje, dok je oko 1.2 miliona ljudi interno raseljeno.³⁸¹

Sirijske vlasti u više navrata tvrdile su da je nasilje u zemlji počinjeno od strane naoružanih terorističkih bandi,^{382 383 384 385} koje su podsticane i finansirane iz inostranstva.^{386 387}

Krajem juna 2012. godine Sirija je potvrdila da su njene vojne snage oborile turski avion.^{388 389} Ovaj incident je povećao napetost između dve zemlje. Turska je stala na stranu sirijskih pobunjenika, a desetine sirijskih vojnika prebeglo je u Tursku.³⁹⁰ Prethodno, 26. marta 2012.godine, Turska je prekinula diplomatske odnose sa Sirijom i povukla svog ambasadora iz Damaska i konzula iz Alepa.³⁹¹

³⁷⁵ Now Public: Syrian Prime Minister Riad Farid Hijab Defects to Jordan, August 6 2012 - <http://www.nowpublic.com/world/syrian-prime-minister-riad-farid-hijab-defects-jordan-2966767.html>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

³⁷⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁷⁷ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁷⁸ Now Public: Syrian Prime Minister Riad Farid Hijab Defects to Jordan, August 6 2012 - <http://www.nowpublic.com/world/syrian-prime-minister-riad-farid-hijab-defects-jordan-2966767.html>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

³⁷⁹ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁸⁰ CIA The World Factbook: Syria/Background - <https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/geos/sy.html>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁸¹ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁸² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁸³ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Excessive use of force and extrajudicial executions - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

³⁸⁴ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

³⁸⁵ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 8

³⁸⁶ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

³⁸⁷ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 8

³⁸⁸ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁸⁹ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁹⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁹¹ Eroupean Commision: Turkey progress report 2012, 10.oktober 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1350307669_turkey-rapport-2012-en.pdf, str 88

U oktobru 2012. godine pogoršao se odnos između Turske i Sirije, nakon minobacačkog napada iz Sirije, koji je usmrtio 5 turskih civila.^{392 393 394 395} Turska je nakon toga uzvratila napade ka Siriji.^{396 397 398}

Turska i Sirija su uvele međusobne zabrane ulaska u vazdušni prostor i zabrane letova civilnih aviona, nakon što je Turska zaustavila i obavila pretres putničkog sirijskog aviona koji je leteo iz Moskve za Damask, usled navodne sumnje da prenosi oružje.^{399 400}

Političko-pravni sistem

Sirija je trenutno pod autoritativnim režimom predsednika Bašara al-Asada (Bashar al-Asad). Predsednik donosi sve ključne odluke u zemlji, uz pomoć Veća sastavljenog od malog kruga savetnika, ministara i visokih članova vladajuće Baat (Ba'ath) partije.^{401 402} Snage bezbednosti u Siriji odgovaraju civilnim vlastima.^{403 404}

Referendum o novom Ustavu održan je 26. februara 2012. godine^{405 406} i dobio podršku od skoro 90 % glasova.^{407 408} Novi Ustav je ograničio mandat predsednika na dva mandata po 7 godina.⁴⁰⁹

³⁹² Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁹³ BBC News Middle East: Syria profile/Timeline - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14703856>, pristupljeno 22. oktobra 2012.

³⁹⁴ Wikipedia: Syria-Turkey relations/Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria%E2%80%93Turkey_relations, pristupljeno 25. oktobra 2012.

³⁹⁵ BBC News: Turkey responds on Syrian mortar fire in Arcakale, 7 oktobra 2012. <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-19861591>

³⁹⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Syria sinks into civil war - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

³⁹⁷ Wikipedia: Syria-turkey relations/Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria%E2%80%93Turkey_relations, pristupljeno 25. oktobra 2012.

³⁹⁸ BBC News: Turkey responds on Syrian mortar fire in Arcakale, 7 oktobra 2012.- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-19861591>

³⁹⁹ Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Turkey bans Syrian flights from airspace, after Syrian ban, 14 oktobra 2012. <http://www.unhcr.org/refworld/country,...TUR,,50890729c,0.html>

⁴⁰⁰ Relief Web: Syrian Turkish tension soar with flights bans, 15. oktobra 2012. <http://reliefweb.int/report/syrian-arab-republic/syria-turkey-tensions-soar-flight-bans>

⁴⁰¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁰² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁴⁰³ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁰⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁴⁰⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁰⁶ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

Spoljni posmatrači ocenili su referendum kao farsu.⁴¹⁰ Opozicione partije su bojkotovala izbore,⁴¹¹ a opozicioni aktivisti su rezultate referenduma odbacili kao sramne i kao prevaru.⁴¹² Ovo su bili prvi izbori na kojima Baat partiji nije, bar u teoriji, garantovana većina.⁴¹³

Odredbe novog Ustava ne sadrže više odredbu o Baat partiji kao vodećoj,⁴¹⁴ ⁴¹⁵ ali ostavljaju veliku moć u rukama predsednika Bašara al Asada.⁴¹⁶

Prema Ustavu Sirije iz februara 2012. godine, Sirija je demokratska država, sa punim suverenitetom i nedeljiva.⁴¹⁷ Sistem upravljanja je republikanski sistem. Suverenitet pripada narodu, i zasniva se na načelu vladavine naroda, od strane naroda i za narod.⁴¹⁸

Politički sistem države zasniva se na načelu političkog pluralizma i vršenju vlasti demokratski, putem glasanja.⁴¹⁹ Pravo glasanja na izborima imaju svi građani koji su navršili 18 godina života ⁴²⁰ ⁴²¹ i koji ispunjavaju uslove predviđene u Izbornom zakonu.⁴²²

⁴⁰⁷ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁰⁸ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁰⁹ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹⁰ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹³ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹⁴ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹⁵ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹⁶ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴¹⁷ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 1

⁴¹⁸ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 2

⁴¹⁹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 8

⁴²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

⁴²¹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 59

⁴²² Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 59

Prema novom Ustavu, zakonodavna vlast pripada Narodnoj skupštini.^{423 424} Mandat Narodne skupštine traje 4 godine od dana prvog zasedanja i on se ne može produžiti, osim u slučaju rata.⁴²⁵ Članovi Narodne skupštine se biraju od strane građana, tajnim, direktnim glasanjem, i svi građani imaju jednako pravo glasa.⁴²⁶ Najmanje polovina članova Narodne skupštine moraju biti radnici i poljoprivrednici.⁴²⁷ Skupština se sastaje na tri redovna zasedanja godišnje, koji ukupno ne treba da traju kraće od 6 meseci.⁴²⁸ Članovi Narodne skupštine ne odgovaraju ni parnično ni krivično, za radnje ili mišljenja izražena tokom glasanja, na sastancima ili tokom rada odbora.⁴²⁹ Islamska praksa treba da bude glavni izvor zakonodavstva.^{430 431}

Prvi parlamentarni izbori u Siriji u kojima su mogle da učestvuju i druge partije, osim vladajuće, održani su 7. maja 2012. godine.^{432 433 434} Sedam novih partija je učestvovalo na izborima, uključujući najveću opozicionu partiju – Narodni front za promene i oslobođenje (Popular Front for Change and Liberation)⁴³⁵ Antivladini pobunjenici, nisu podržali kandidate i pozvali su na bojkot izbora.^{436 437}

Prema rezultatima izbora, vladajuća koalicija (National Progressive Front) osvojila je 168 od 250 mesta u parlamentu, a kojih je Baat partija osvojila 134 mesta. Ostala mesta pripala su drugim manjim partijama.⁴³⁸

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- ⁴²³ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 55
- ⁴²⁴ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.
- ⁴²⁵ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 56
- ⁴²⁶ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 57
- ⁴²⁷ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 60
- ⁴²⁸ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 65
- ⁴²⁹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 70
- ⁴³⁰ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 3
- ⁴³¹ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.
- ⁴³² Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.
- ⁴³³ The Guardian: Syrians vote in parliamentary elections, 7 May 2012 - <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2012/may/07/syrians-vote-parliamentary-elections>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.
- ⁴³⁴ Syria Today: Syrians go to polls, opposition hopeless about the elections, 7 May 2012 - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/component/content/article/748-daily-news-brief/20044-7-may-2012>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.
- ⁴³⁵ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.
- ⁴³⁶ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.
- ⁴³⁷ Syria Today: Syrians go to polls, opposition hopeless about the elections, 7 May 2012 - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/component/content/article/748-daily-news-brief/20044-7-may-2012>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.
- ⁴³⁸ Wikipedia: Syrian parliamentary election 2012/Results - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syrian_parliamentary_election_2012#Results, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

Predsednik Republike i premijer sprovode izvršnu vlast.⁴³⁹ ⁴⁴⁰ Predsednik je šef države, a premijer je šef Parlamenta.⁴⁴¹

Predsednik Narodne skupštine raspisuje izbor za predsednika ne kraće od 60 i ne duže od 90 dana, pre isteka mandata postojećeg predsednika.⁴⁴² Predsednik se bira neposredno od strane naroda,⁴⁴³ ⁴⁴⁴ apsolutnom većinom.⁴⁴⁵ Predsednik se bira na 7 godina, i može biti izabran na samo još jedan uzastopan mandat.⁴⁴⁶

Predsednik Republike imenuje premijera, njegove zamenike, ministre⁴⁴⁷ ⁴⁴⁸ i njihove zamenike,⁴⁴⁹ objavljuje rat,⁴⁵⁰ ⁴⁵¹ zaključuje mirovne sporazume, proglašava vanredno stanje.⁴⁵² Predsednik je i vrhovni komandant vojske i oružanih snaga.⁴⁵³ Predsednik može da raspusti Narodnu skupštinu, u opravdanim slučajevima,⁴⁵⁴ i može raspisati referendum o važnim pitanjima, koja se tiču viših interesa zemlje.⁴⁵⁵

Poslednji predsednički izbori održani su 27. maja 2007. godine, na kome je predsednik Asad referendumom ponovo izabran na svoj drugi sedmogodišnji mandat.⁴⁵⁶ ⁴⁵⁷

⁴³⁹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 83

⁴⁴⁰ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.

⁴⁴¹ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.

⁴⁴² Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 85

⁴⁴³ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.

⁴⁴⁴ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 86

⁴⁴⁵ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 86

⁴⁴⁶ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 88

⁴⁴⁷ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.

⁴⁴⁸ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 97

⁴⁴⁹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 97

⁴⁵⁰ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.

⁴⁵¹ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 102 i 103

⁴⁵² Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 102 i 103

⁴⁵³ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 105

⁴⁵⁴ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 111

⁴⁵⁵ Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 116

⁴⁵⁶ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Politics - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁵⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Prethodno je 11. maja 2007. godine Narodna skupština jednoglasno nominovala Bašara al-Asada za predsednika zemlje.⁴⁵⁸ Prema zvaničnim statistikama izlasnost je bila 95.86%, a 97.62% glasača je glasalo „za“, a samo 1.71% je glasalo „ne“. ⁴⁵⁹ Bilo je 67% oštećenih listića,⁴⁶⁰ i održan referendum nije bio ni slobodan ni fer, prema inostranim i domaćim posmatračima.^{461 462}

Savet ministara je najviši izvršni i upravni organ države. Sastoji se od premijera, njegovih zamenika i ministara. Savet nadzire sprovođenje zakona i propisa i nadgleda rad državnih institucija.^{463 464} Trenutni premijer je Wael Nader al-Halqi iz Baat partije.⁴⁶⁵

Lokalne upravne jedinice imaju svoje savete, koji se biraju na opštim, tajnim i direktnim izborima.⁴⁶⁶

Premijer, njegovi zamenici i ministri mogu odgovarati za svoja dela i građanski i krivično. Oni koji su optuženi, suspenduju se sa dužnosti čim optužnica stupi na snagu. Ostavka ili smena ne sprečava njihovo suđenje.⁴⁶⁷ Isto lice može biti ministar i član Narodne slupštine u isto vreme.⁴⁶⁸

Sudska vlast se sastoji od Vrhovnog Ustavnog suda, Visokog saveta sudstva, Kasacionog suda i sudova državne bezbednosti.⁴⁶⁹ Sudska vlast je nezavisna, i njenu nezavisnost osigurava predsednik Republike uz asistenciju Vrhovnog saveta sudstva.⁴⁷⁰ Na čelu Vrhovnog saveta sudstva nalazi se predsednik Republike.⁴⁷¹ Visoki savet sudstva

⁴⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 23

⁴⁵⁹ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Politics - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁶⁰ Foreign & Commonwealth Office: Syria Country information/Politics - <http://www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad/travel-advice-by-country/country-profile/middle-east-north-africa/syria>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁶¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origih and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁶² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁴⁶³ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 118

⁴⁶⁴ Wikipedia: Council of Ministers (Syria) - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Council_of_Ministers_of_Syria, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁶⁵ Wikipedia: Council of Ministers (Syria)/Current cabinet - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Council_of_Ministers_of_Syria, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁶⁶ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 131

⁴⁶⁷ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 124

⁴⁶⁸ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 126

⁴⁶⁹ Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government, pristupljeno 18. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁷⁰ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 132

⁴⁷¹ Al-bab: Sirya: new contstitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 133

obezbeđuje pružanje garancija potrebnih za nezavisnost sudstva.⁴⁷² Sudije su nezavisne,⁴⁷³ a sudske odluke se donose u ime arapskog naroda Sirije.⁴⁷⁴

Sirija ima tri nivoa sudova: sudovi u prvom stepenu, apelacioni sudovi i Ustavni sud – najviši sud.⁴⁷⁵ Verski sudovi rešavaju pitanja iz ličnih i porodičnih odnosa.⁴⁷⁶

Vrhovni sud državne bezbednosti (The supreme state security court - SSSC) je ukinut od strane predsednika Asada zakonodavnim dekretom, u aprilu 2011. godine.^{477 478}

Državno veće je zaduženo sa upravno sudstvo. To je nezavisno sudske i savetodavno telo.⁴⁷⁹

Vrhovni Ustavni sud je nezavisno sudske telo, sa sedištem u Damasku.⁴⁸⁰ Sastoji se od najmanje 7 članova, od kojih jedan mora biti imenovan za predsednika dekretom predsednika Republike.⁴⁸¹ Član Vrhovnog Ustavnog suda ne može u isto vreme biti ministar ili član Narodne skupštine.⁴⁸² Članstvo u Vrh. Ustava. sudu može se obnavljati na svake 4 godine.⁴⁸³ Vrhovni Ustavni sud vrši kontrolu ustavnosti zakona, uredbi i propisa, izražava mišljenje o nacrtima zakona.⁴⁸⁴

Bezbednosna situacija

Od početka protesta u martu 2011. godine, Vlada Sirije je upotrebljavala vojne i druge bezbednosne snage kako bi ugušila proteste. U nemirima tokom 2011. i 2012. godine

⁴⁷²	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 133
⁴⁷³	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 134
⁴⁷⁴	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 138
⁴⁷⁵	Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government , pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.						
⁴⁷⁶	Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government , pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.						
⁴⁷⁷	Wikipedia: Syria/Politics and government - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Syria#Politics_and_government , pristupljeno 18.oktobra 2012.						
⁴⁷⁸	US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Trial procedures, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html						
⁴⁷⁹	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 139
⁴⁸⁰	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 140
⁴⁸¹	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 141
⁴⁸²	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 142
⁴⁸³	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 143
⁴⁸⁴	Al-bab:	Sirya:	new	constitution,	2012	-	http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1 , čl 146

je ubijeno na hiljade ljudi, a na desetine hiljada je zlostavljano od strane vladinih snaga, uključujući novinare, političke aktiviste i članove određenih etničkih i religijskih grupa.⁴⁸⁵

Na desetine hiljada Sirijaca je ubijeno od početka krize 2011. godine, a taj broj i dalje raste.⁴⁸⁶ Još mnogo njih je povređeno ili su zadržavani u pritvorima.⁴⁸⁷ Gradovi Homs, Hama i Dara su pretrpeli najveći broj žrtava tokom nemira.⁴⁸⁸

Samo u avgustu 2012. godine, 100 000 ljudi napustilo je Siriju.⁴⁸⁹ Procenjuje se da je i do 1.5 miliona ljudi raseljeno širom zemlje.⁴⁹⁰

Sirija je sada u građanskom ratu punih razmera, jer Vladine snage pokušavaju da povrate izgubljene oblasti od pobunjenika, koji se bore protiv protiv snaga lojalnih predsedniku Asadu.⁴⁹¹

Međutim, u Siriji se javljaju i znaci sektaškog konflikta ("sectarian conflict"). Najjasniji je vidljivost Shabiha milicije, koja je vođena od strane Alevit (Alawite) sekte, kojoj pripada predsednik Asad.^{492 493 494} Shabiha milicija učestvuje u razbijanja antivladinih demonstracija u Siriji.^{495 496 497} Između ostalog, Shabiha milicija se smatra odgovornom za Hula (Houla) masakr 25. maja 2012. godine, u kome je ubijeno 108 ljudi, od toga 49 žena i 36 dece.^{498 499 500 501 502}

⁴⁸⁵ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Overview - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁴⁸⁶ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁸⁷ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁸⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 31

⁴⁸⁹ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁹⁰ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁹¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁹² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁹³ BBC News Middle East: Syria unrest: Who are the shabiha, 29 May 2012 - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-14482968>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁴⁹⁴ Wikipedia: Shabiha - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shabiha>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁴⁹⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁴⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 54

⁴⁹⁷ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

⁴⁹⁸ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

Učesnici u sukobima:

U sukobima koji traju u Siriji od 2011. godine učestvuju sirijske vladine snage sa jedne strane, i snage opozicije sa druge strane.^{503 504}

Demonstranti i opozicione grupe:

Sirijsko nacionalno veće (Syrian National Council – SNC) predstavlja najveću i najreprezentativniju organizaciju koja okuplja većinu opozicionih struja u Siriji,^{505 506 507} a koja je oformljena u Turskoj, krajem avgusta 2011. godine^{508 509 510} i broji 140 članova, od kojih polovina živi u Siriji.⁵¹¹

Sirijsko nacionalno veće objedinjuje niz spoljnih aktivista, zajedno sa predstavnicima snaga Nacionalnih i demokratskih promena iz Damaska, sirijskog Muslimanskog bratstva i Generalne komisije sirijske revolucije (Syrian Revolution General

⁴⁹⁹ Infoplease: Syria/Diplomatic effort to end violence stymied by security council vetoes - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁰⁰ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵⁰¹ Wikipedia: Houla massacre - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Houla_massacre, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁵⁰² BBC News: Houla: How a massacre unfolded, 8 June 2012 - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-18233934>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁵⁰³ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians/Disregard for international humanitarian law (the laws of war), 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>

⁵⁰⁴ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵⁰⁵ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁰⁶ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 36

⁵⁰⁸ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁰⁹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹⁰ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵¹¹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

Sommission – SRGS).⁵¹² tj. sastoji se od raznolike grupe disidenata i opozicionih lidera, koji imaju zajednički cilj – svrgavanje predsednika Asada.⁵¹³ SNC je izabralo 3. juna 2012. godine u Istanbulu kurdsog aktivistu Abdelbasset Sida za svog lidera.⁵¹⁴

Nacionalni koordinacioni odbor (National Co-ordination Committee – NCC), formiran je u septembru 2011. godine. Njega čini 13 levičarskih političkih stranaka, 3 kurdske političke partije i nezavisni politički i mladi aktivisti.⁵¹⁵ ⁵¹⁶ NCC poziva na dijalog oko uslova za povlačenje vojske sa ulica, kraj napada na mirne demonstrante od strane snaga bezbednosti i puštanje političkih zatvorenika.⁵¹⁷ Ova grupa se snažno protivi bilo kakvom obliku stranih intervencija, koje bi uključivale vojne mere, već se zalaže za ekonomske sankcije i dr. diplomatske mere kojima bi se povećao pritisak na predsednika Asada.⁵¹⁸

Slobodna sirijska vojska (Free Syrian Army – FSA) formirana je u julu 2011. godine,⁵¹⁹ ⁵²⁰ i sastoji se od dela pobeglih pripadnika zvaničnih vojnih snaga ⁵²¹ ⁵²² i ostalih koji su uzeli oružje u cilju zaštite svojih susedstava.⁵²³ Njihov osnovni cilj je svrgavanje predsednika Bašara al-Asada i FSA je jedna od glavnih zagovornika strane vojne intervencije u Siriji.⁵²⁴ FSA tvrdi da ima preko 15 000 ljudi, ali je verovatno da je taj broj

⁵¹² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹³ Infoplease: Syria/ Government forces crack down on protesters - <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108016.html>, pristupljeno 19. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 37

⁵¹⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹⁶ Wikipedia: National Coordination Committee for Democratic Change - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Coordination_Committee_for_Democratic_Change, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁵¹⁷ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹⁸ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵¹⁹ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 36

⁵²¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 36

⁵²² Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵²³ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵²⁴ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Dokumentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

preuveličan.⁵²⁵ FSA je vođena od strane Riyad al-Asada, koji je prebegao iz sirijskih snaga bezbednosti, usled njihovih brutalnih aktivnosti tokom demonstracija u martu 2011. godine.⁵²⁶

Sirijska opozicija i dalje je podeljena između različitih ideoloških struja. Sirijski nacionalni savet je prepoznat kao legitiman predstavnik sirijske opozicije na sastanku 24. februara 2012. godine, ali on uživa podršku samo dela sirijskog stanovništva. Najveća prepreka zajedničkoj akciji različitih opozicionih saveza jesu njihove razlike oko pitanja strane intervencije, protiv koje su mnogi Sirijci.⁵²⁷

Još neke od opozicionih tj. pobunjeničnih grupa koje se bore protiv zvaničnih snaga Asadovog režima su:

- Sirijska revolucionarna koordinatorska unija (Syrian Revolution Coordinators Union - SYRCU) koja dejstvuje na severu zemlje, u blizini turske granice;
- Al Faruq brigada, koja dejstvuje uglavnom u gradovima Homs, Idlib i Alep;
- Al Tawheed brigada, koja dejstvuje uglavnom u gradu Alepu;
- islamska grupa Al-Nusra Front ili Jubhat al Nusra;
- džihadistička grupa Hamza Abdul Muttalib.⁵²⁸

Vladine snage:

Sirijske oružane snage obuhvataju vojne snage, mornaricu i vazduhoplovstvo, a ukupan broj pripadnika zvaničke sirijske vojske broji oko 300 000.^{529 530}

Unutrašnji bezbednosni aparat uključuje policijske snage pod ministarstvom unutrašnjih poslova, vojnoobaveštajne snage, vazdušne snage, biro nacionalne bezbednosti.^{531 532}

⁵²⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Demonstrators and opposition groups, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵²⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 36

⁵²⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 36

⁵²⁸ SanctionsWiki: Syria/General - <http://www.sanctionswiki.org/Syria>, pristupljeno 20.03.2013.

⁵²⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 51

⁵³⁰ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

⁵³¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 51

⁵³² UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

Ministarstvo unutrašnjih poslova kontroliše četiri odvojena dela policijskih snaga: policiju za hitne slučajeve, saobraćajnu policiju, lokalnu policiju i interventnu policiju.⁵³³ Ne postoje precizni podaci o broju policijskih snaga.⁵³⁴

I oružane i bezbednosne snage Sirije uključene su u suzbijanje mirnih protesta u zemlji i slične zloupotrebe širom Sirije.⁵³⁵

Osim vojske, i civilna policija je raspoređena u urbanim sredinama radi kontrolisanja mase.⁵³⁶ Takođe, alevitska civilna milicija poznata kao Shabiha učestvuje u razbijanja antivladinih demonstracija.⁵³⁷ ⁵³⁸ ⁵³⁹ Procena je da Shabiha milicija broji oko 10 000 pripadnika.⁵⁴⁰ ⁵⁴¹

Rezimske snage obuhvataju i Narodnu armiju (People's Army) - miliciju vladajuće Baat partije, za koju se procenjuje da ima oko 100 000 rezervista.⁵⁴² ⁵⁴³

Iako Vladina vojska trpi dezertiranje njenih nižih činova, vrhovno rukovodstvo i većina starešina dugo su bili lojalni režimu.⁵⁴⁴ Ipak, sa 7 sirijskih generala koji su pobjegli u Tursku 6. novembra 2012.godine,⁵⁴⁵ ⁵⁴⁶ ukupan broj generala koji su napustili sirijsku vojsku popeo se na 42.⁵⁴⁷

⁵³³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 53

⁵³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 53

⁵³⁵ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵³⁶ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵³⁷ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/Key Players/Government forces, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

⁵³⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 54

⁵³⁹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

⁵⁴⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 54

⁵⁴¹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

⁵⁴² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 54

⁵⁴³ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 6

⁵⁴⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 35

⁵⁴⁵ CNN: British PM broaches 'safe passage' for al-Assad - http://edition.cnn.com/2012/11/06/world/meast/syria-civil-war/?hpt=hp_bn2, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁵⁴⁶ Today's Zaman: 7 more Syrian generals defect to Turkey, 6 November 2012 - http://www.todayszaman.com/newsDetail_getNewsById.action?newsId=297281, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁵⁴⁷ Today's Zaman: 7 more Syrian generals defect to Turkey, 6 November 2012 - http://www.todayszaman.com/newsDetail_getNewsById.action?newsId=297281, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

Ljudska prava:

Protesti koji su započeli u Siriji u martu 2011. godine i koji su vrlo brzo zahvatili celu zemlju, doveli su do nasilja i represije vladinih snaga.^{548 549} Desetine hiljada ljudi je ubijeno od početka krize u Siriji i broj svakodnevno raste na stotine.⁵⁵⁰ Hiljade Sirijaca je prisilno raseljeno usled represije sirijske Vlade, a mnogi su prebegli u susedne zemlje.^{551 552}

Povrede prava ciliva u Siriji se sastoje iz nezakonitih ubistava,^{553 554} proizvoljnih hapšenja^{555 556 557} i prinudnih nestanaka,^{558 559 560} mučenja i zlostavljanja,^{561 562} loših zatvorskih uslova,^{563 564} odsustva javnog suđenja, ograničavanja slobode medija, interneta i akademskih sloboda.^{565 566}

⁵⁴⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁴⁹ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵⁵⁰ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁵¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁵² Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising#cite_note-76, pristupljeno 5.novembra 2012.

⁵⁵³ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 7

⁵⁵⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary or unlawful deprivation of life, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁵⁵ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 7

⁵⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁵⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁵⁸ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 7

⁵⁵⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁶⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁶¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁶² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁶³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁶⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁶⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁶⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Teška kršenja ljudskih prava u Siriji u sukobima tokom 2011. i 2012. godine počinile su kako vladine snage tako i opozicione grupe.^{567 568 569}

Kršenja ljudskih prava od strane snaga bezbednosti prema demonstrantima i drugim civilima obuhvataju pre svega ubijanje civila.^{570 571 572} Svakodnevno civili u Siriji bivaju ubijeni ili ranjavani.^{573 574} Civili stradaju od bombi, artiljerijskih granata i minobacača koji se koriste u stambenim oblastima.⁵⁷⁵ U oružanim operacijama protiv demonstranata bezbednosne snage su između ostalog koristile snajpere^{576 577} i tenkove.^{578 579}

Osim pripadnika opozicije i civila i pripadnici bezbednosnih snaga su ubijani tokom sukoba, neki navodno zato što su odbili da pucaju na demonstrante,^{580 581 582} a neki u napadima odbeglih vojnika i drugih pojedinaca koji su se pridružili opoziciji.^{583 584}

⁵⁶⁷ UN General Assembly: Report of the Secretary-General – Implementation of General Assembly resolution 66/253 B on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic/Introduction, 21 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1349104911_n1246820syria.pdf

⁵⁶⁸ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians/Disregard for international humanitarian law (the law of war), 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>,

⁵⁶⁹ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵⁷⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28 i 29

⁵⁷¹ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians/Attacks on gatherings, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>

⁵⁷² Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁵⁷³ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>

⁵⁷⁴ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

⁵⁷⁵ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>

⁵⁷⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁷⁷ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Excessive use of force and extrajudicial executions - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁵⁷⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁷⁹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Excessive use of force and extrajudicial executions - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁵⁸⁰ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 8

⁵⁸¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁸² International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 10

⁵⁸³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

Neki zatvorenici su pušteni iz pritvora, ali je na hiljade ljudi uhapšeno u vezi sa protestima, a mnogi su i mučeni u pritvorima.⁵⁸⁵ Najmanje 200 pritvorenika je umrlo u pritvoru, pod sumnjivim okolnostima.⁵⁸⁶ Vlasti nisu sprovele istragu o navodnim mučenjima i ubistvima i drugim kršenjima ljudskih prava, koje su snage bezbednosti počinile.⁵⁸⁷

Ranjeni protestanti koji potraže medicinsku pomoć u zdravstvenim centrima, rizikuju da budu uhapšeni ili da im bude uskraćena medicinska pomoć. Takođe, doktori i drugo osoblje u bolnicama mogu biti uhapšeni ili gonjeni ako podržavaju protestante ili im pruže pomoć, a ne prijave ih vlastima.⁵⁸⁸

Rad nevladinih organizacija u Siriji ostaje ograničen. Vlada takođe ograničava slobodu veroispovesti i kretanja. Neke društvene grupe, posebno deo kurdskog stanovništva, su uskraćene za pravo na državljanstvo Sirije. Nasilje i diskriminacija nad ženama i manjinama je i dalje prisutna u zemlji.⁵⁸⁹

Osim povreda ovih ljudskih prava, od strane Vlade Sirije se uskraćuju i još neka važna prava kao što je pravo na mirnu promenu vlasti, kao i uskraćivanje građanskih sloboda kao što su sloboda govora, okupljanja i udruživanja.^{590 591}

Nekažnjivost je i dalje duboko ukorenjena u zemlji i Vlada ne kažnjava, ne hapsi i ne procesuirá zvaničnike koji krše ljudska prava.^{592 593}

Nadležni sirijski organi i dalje propuštaju da istraže mnoga nezakonita ubistva, mučenja i druge ozbiljne zloupotrebe koje su počinjene od strane snaga bezbednosti i da pronađu one koji su za njih odgovorni.⁵⁹⁴

Građani Sirije nemaju efikasna sredstva zaštite kada su njihova prava povređena.⁵⁹⁵ U zemlji ne postoji kancelarija ombudsmana ili komisija za ljudska prava.⁵⁹⁶ Pojedinci koji

⁵⁸⁴ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 10

⁵⁸⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁸⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁸⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁸⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Targeting the wounded and health workers - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁵⁸⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 28

⁵⁹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 29

⁵⁹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Executive summary, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁵⁹⁴ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Impunity - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁵⁹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 67

žele da se žale na povrede prava od strane službi bezbednosti, moraju prvo da dobiju dozvolu za to i to od same službe bezbednosti.⁵⁹⁷

Međunarodne konvencije koje je Sirija potpisala i ratifikovala: Međunarodni pakt o građanskim i političkim pravima, Međunarodni pakt o ekonomskim, socijalnim i kulturnim pravima, Međunarodna konvencija o ukidanju svih oblika rasne diskriminacije, Konvencija o pravima deteta i dva prateća protokola,^{598 599} Konvencija o eliminaciji svih oblika diskriminacije nad ženama, Konvencija o zaštiti prava svih radnika migranata i članova njihove porodice.⁶⁰⁰

Kršenja ljudskih prava od strane vladinih snaga:

Vansudska ubistva i “nestanci”:

Broj vansudskih ubistava se u Siriji značajno povećao u 2011. godini, usled nasilnih obračuna Vlade protiv protestanata.^{601 602} Izveštaji potvrđuju na hiljade žrtava proizvoljnih i nezakonitih ubistava, od kojih su mnogi rezultat Vladine akcije protiv protestanata na mirnim demonstracijama.^{603 604 605}

Prinudni nestanci civila takođe su prisutni,^{606 607 608} i njihov broj je naglo porastao posle antivladinih demonstracija u martu 2011. godine.^{609 610} Do oktobra 2012. godine

⁵⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 67

⁵⁹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 67

⁵⁹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁵⁹⁹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 7

⁶⁰⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 30

⁶⁰¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶⁰² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁶⁰³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 64

⁶⁰⁴ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 8

⁶⁰⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary or unlawful deprivation of life, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁰⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 65

⁶⁰⁷ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 18

⁶⁰⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Disappearance, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁰⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 65

⁶¹⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Disappearance, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

procenjuje se da je oko 28 000 ljudi prijavljeno kao nestalo, uključujući i civile koji su bili otetiti od strane Vladinih oružanih snaga i službi bezbednosti.⁶¹¹

Najveći broj nestalih čine aktivisti za ljudska prava, posmatrači i radnici međunarodnih nevladinih organizacija.^{612 613}

Takođe česti su i “nestanci” pritvorenika, dok vlast negira da su oni bili pritvoreni i negira bilo kakva saznanja o njima. Postoji sumnja da su zatvorenici bili osuđivani na smrt na sudjenjima po kratkom postupku i da su tajno pogubljeni.⁶¹⁴

Proizvoljna hapšenja i pritvaranja:

Sve do njegovog ukidanja 19. aprila 2011. godine, Zakon o vanrednim merama je davao ovlašćenja Vladi Sirije da sprovodi preventivna i proizvoljna hapšenja, bez potrebe da se za to pribavi nalog.^{615 616} Međutim i posle njegovog ukidanja službe bezbednosti su imale neograničenu vlast da hapse i drže na stotine osumnjičenih u pritvoru,^{617 618 619} bez podizanja optužnice.^{620 621}

Nekažnjivost je i dalje raširen problem, jer službe bezbednosti ne odgovaraju za proizvoljna hapšenja.^{622 623 624} U praksi nisu poznati slučajevi gonjenja ili osude policije i pripadnika snaga bezbednosti za zloupotrebe i korupciju.^{625 626}

⁶¹¹ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

⁶¹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 65

⁶¹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Disappearance, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 65

⁶¹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶¹⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary arrest or detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶¹⁸ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁶¹⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary arrest or detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶²¹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁶²² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 52

⁶²³ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁶²⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary arrest or detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Od izbijanja nemira i demonstracija u Siriji 2011. godine, na hiljade protestanata je pritvoreno.⁶²⁷ Tačan broj pritvorenih nije moguće utvrditi,^{628 629} ali se procenjuje se da je taj broj sredinom 2012. godine iznosio 25 000 ljudi.⁶³⁰ Stvaran broj uhapšenih je verovatno veći.⁶³¹ Među hapšenima su žene, deca i stari.^{632 633}

Hapšenja se najčešće obavljaju bez sudskih naloga.^{634 635} Takođe, veliki broj uhapšenih nije imao pristup advokatu niti su bili izvedeni pred sudiju kako bi osporili svoj pritvor, niti su imali pravo na posete njihovih porodica.⁶³⁶

Žrtve navode da su bile fizički ili verbalno napadnute tokom hapšenja.^{637 638}

Mučenja:

Zakon u Siriji zabranjuje akte mučenja i drugih surovih, nehumanih ili ponižavajućih postupanja ili kažnjavanja i za ova dela predviđa kaznu zatvora do tri godine.^{639 640}

Ipak, pored zakonske zabrane, mučenja u pritvorskim objektima u Siriji su široko rasprostranjena,^{641 642 643} i brojne su žrtve torture i drugih oblika zlostavljanja tokom

⁶²⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 52

⁶²⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arbitrary arrest or detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶²⁷ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

⁶²⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 58

⁶²⁹ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁶³⁰ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁶³¹ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁶³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 58

⁶³³ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 31

⁶³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶³⁵ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁶³⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 58

⁶³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁶³⁸ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 12

⁶³⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁴⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁴¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 58

⁶⁴² Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Torture and other ill-treatment - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

prিতবora.^{644 645 646} Izveštaji potvrđuju znatno povećanje slučajeva zlostavljanja i mučenja od strane pripadnika sirijske vlasti od početka protesta u martu 2011. godine.^{647 648 649}

Mnogi pritvorenici su tokom boravka u pritvorskim objektima bili podvrgnuti teškom batinjanju, neretko palicama i kablovima, kao i elektrošokovima.^{650 651} Takođe, bila im je uskraćivana hrana, voda i san.^{652 653}

Zatvorenici su često boravili u prenatrpanim ćelijama.^{654 655}

Cilj mučenja pritvorenika je dobijanje informacija, prinudnih “priznanja” i kažnjavanje i terorisanje onih koji su osumnjičeni za suprotstavljanje Vladi.^{656 657 658} Mnogima su bile vezane oči, a ponekad su imali i lisice na rukama, pa su tako bili primoravani da priznaju zločine, i to otiskom palca na priznanjima, koje bi im eventualno bilo samo pročitana od strane oficira.⁶⁵⁹

⁶⁴³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁴⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁴⁵ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 15

⁶⁴⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁴⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁴⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁴⁹ Amnesty International: Deadly Reprisals, deliberate killings and other abuses by Syria's armed forces/Introduction, June 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/041/2012/en/30416985-883b-4e67-b386-0df14a79f694/mde240412012en.pdf>

⁶⁵⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁵¹ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 18

⁶⁵² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁵³ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 15 i 16

⁶⁵⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁵⁵ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 14

⁶⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 62

⁶⁵⁷ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Torture and other ill-treatment - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁶⁵⁸ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 18

⁶⁵⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

Deca su takođe bila žrtve mučenja tokom pritvora, u nekim slučajevima čak i do smrti.^{660 661 662}

Poznati su i slučajevi mučenja onih koji su pokušali da poštede civile, bilo krišom, bilo tako što su otvoreno odbili da izvrše naređenje.⁶⁶³

Jedna od metoda mučenja koju sprovode vojne i bezbednosne snage u pritvorima je i seksualno nasilje, kao i psihičko nasilje koje uključuje pretnje seksualnim nasiljem protiv njih ili njihovih porodica.^{664 665 666} Nekim zatvorenicima je više puta prećeno da će biti silovani pred svojim porodicama i da će njihove žene i ćerke biti silovane.^{667 668 669}

Neka od svedočenja pritvorenika potvrđuju da su muškarci u pritvorima bili terani da budu goli, da su udarani po genitalijama i da su im davani elektrošokovi po genitalijama,^{670 671 672 673} kao i da su primoravani na oralni seks i da su im po genitalijama gašene cigarete.^{674 675 676}

⁶⁶⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁶¹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Deaths in custody - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁶⁶² UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 13

⁶⁶³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁶⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁶⁵ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 19

⁶⁶⁶ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

⁶⁶⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁶⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁶⁹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

⁶⁷⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁷¹ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

⁶⁷² Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 26

⁶⁷³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁷⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 59

⁶⁷⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁷⁶ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

Postoje svedočenja o tome da su muškarci bili silovani od strane pripadnika obezbeđenja, neki čak palicama.^{677 678} Takođe, postoje svedočenja o silovanju veoma mladih dečaka tokom njihovog boravka u pritvoru.^{679 680 681}

Svedočenja potvrđuju i da su pritvorenici terani da izjavljuju da je predsednik Bašar al-Asad njihov bog.^{682 683}

Žene su takođe izložene seksualnom nasilju tokom pritvora.^{684 685 686} Sve bivše pritvorenice koje su bile žrtve seksualnog zlostavljanja u pritvoru, posvedočile su da nisu primile medicinsku ni psihološku pomoć u zatvoru. A samo jedna od 10 bivših zatvorenica posvedočila je da je primila medicinsku pomoć zbog seksualnog zlostavljanja nakon puštanja iz pritvora.⁶⁸⁷

Tokom noćnih racija bezbednosnih snaga po kućama, žene su često primoravane da skidaju marame sa glava i da tokom racija budu u donjem vešu.^{688 689}

Brojni izveštaji potvrđuju postojanje žrtava mučenja koje su tokom pritvora umrle.^{690 691 692 693} Njih najmanje 105 je umrlo u 2011. godini,⁶⁹⁴ a ukupno se procenjuje da je

⁶⁷⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁷⁸ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

⁶⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁸⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Torture and other cruel, inhuman, or degrading treatment or punishment, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁶⁸¹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

⁶⁸² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 61

⁶⁸³ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

⁶⁸⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

⁶⁸⁵ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

⁶⁸⁶ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 34

⁶⁸⁷ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

⁶⁸⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁸⁹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

⁶⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁶⁹¹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Deaths in custody - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁶⁹² International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 18

⁶⁹³ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 28

⁶⁹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 61

oko 200 ljudi, koji su bili uhapšeni u vezi sa demonstracijama tokom 2011. i 2012. godine, umrlo u pritvoru.^{695 696}

Njihova tela su imala prepoznatljive tragove mučenja,^{697 698 699 700} kao što su modrice, posekotine i opekotine.^{701 702} Njihove smrti nikada nisu istražene.⁷⁰³

Samo u dva slučaja umrlih u pritvoru započeta je istraga - u slučaju Hamze Ali al-Kateba (Hamza Ali al-Khateeb), dečaka od 13 godina i doktora Sakera Halaka (Dr. Sakher Hallak). U oba ova slučaja, istrage nisu bile ni nezavisne ni nepristrasne i službe bezbednosti oslobođene su odgovornosti za smrt tih lica.^{704 705}

Neki od sirijskih pritvorskih objekata gde su mučenja sprovedena su: objekti Vazduhoplovstva u Damasku, objekti Vojne obaveštajne službe u Jisr Al Shughour-u, objekti Vojne obaveštajne službe i Političke bezbednosti u Idlib-u i Al Ladhikiyar-u i obaveštajni objekti u Tartus-u.⁷⁰⁶ kao i objekti u vojnoj bolnici u Homsu.⁷⁰⁷

Prismotra:

Bezbednosne službe su 2006. godine pojačale svoju zabranu održavanja javnih i privatnih skupova, zabranivši okupljanje više od 5 ljudi i diskusiju o političkim i ekonomskim pitanjima. Vršenje nadzora i obimna informaciona mreža su sprovodile ovo pravilo.^{708 709}

⁶⁹⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Deaths in custody - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁶⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 65

⁶⁹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 61

⁶⁹⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Deaths in custody - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁶⁹⁹ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 18

⁷⁰⁰ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 30

⁷⁰¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 61

⁷⁰² Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 30

⁷⁰³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60 i 61

⁷⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 63

⁷⁰⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Deaths in custody - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁷⁰⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 60

⁷⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 61

⁷⁰⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 63

⁷⁰⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

Svako ko je privukao pažnju službama bezbednosti učešćem u demonstracijama, stavljen je pod nadzor.⁷¹⁰

Politički aktivisti su često nadgledani i uznemiravani čak i posle puštanja iz zatvora.^{711 712}

Kršenja ljudskih prava od strane antivladinih snaga:

Vansudska ubistva:

Vansudska ubistva u Siriji počinjena su ne samo od strane pripadnika Vladinih snaga, već i od strane antivladinih pobunjeničnih oružanih grupa, naročito Slobodne sirijske vojske (FSA).⁷¹³

Povrede prava od strane antivladinih grupa obuhvataju i kidnapovanja i mučenja zarobljenih vojnika, i ubijanje onih za koje se sumnja da podržavaju ili rade za Vladu i njene snage ili milicije.⁷¹⁴ Međutim, poznati su i slučajevi ubistva civila.⁷¹⁵

Takođe, ubijane su i žene koje su uhvaćene kao “doušnici”.⁷¹⁶

Proizvoljna hapšenja i pritvaranja:

Svedočenja navode slučajeve da pripadnici Slobodne sirijske vojske (FSA) drže više oficire kao taoce za razmenu. Vojnicima nižeg ranga obično se sudi od strane suda koji primenjuje šerijatsko pravo. Vojnici Aleviti se obično ubijaju odmah po zarobljavanju, od strane FSA, dok se vojnicima iz ostalih plemena nudi da se pridruže FSA, ali se puštaju ako odbiju. Druga svedočenja međutim, navode da su vojnici Aleviti vredniji kao zatvorenici, i da se razmenjuju za više sunita.⁷¹⁷

⁷¹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 63

⁷¹¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 57

⁷¹² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁷¹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

⁷¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

⁷¹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

⁷¹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

⁷¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

Nekim zarobljenicima je suđeno od strane vojnih komandanata, kao i verskih i lidera zajednice (Šura saveta). Kazna koja se najčešće izriče je egzekucija za svakoga ko se proglasi krivim. Ipak, za “male zločine” neki zarobljenici mogu biti pušteni.⁷¹⁸

Mučenja:

Pripadnici sirijskih bezbednosnih snaga ili oni koji ih navodno podržavaju, koji su uhvaćeni od strane antivladinih grupa su često izloženi mučenju i torturi. U nekim slučajevima to dovodi i do smrti zarobljenika. Metodi FSA obuhvataju prebijanje električnim kablovima, lomljenje kostiju i držanje glave pod vodom.⁷¹⁹

Druge povrede:

Izveštaji potvrđuju da antivladine snage koriste decu kao medicinske nosače, kurire i kuvare za terenske jedinice, kao i za isporuku medicinskog materijala poljskim bolnicama. Takođe, mnoga deca se koriste za izvršavanje ovih aktivnosti na sirijsko-turskoj granici.⁷²⁰

Zabeleženi su i slučajevi otimanja civila i pripadnika vladinih snaga od strane antivladinih oružanih grupa, sa ciljem razmene zarobljenika. Dešava se i da se od porodice zarobljenika traži otkupnina.⁷²¹

Zakonska prava uhapšenih i uslovi u zatvorima:

Prema odredbama novog Ustava Sirije, kažnjavanje je lično i ne može biti ni zločina ni kazne koji nije predviđen zakonom. Svaki okrivljeni će se smatrati nevinim, dok se ne osudi pravosnažnom presudom u pravičnom suđenju. Država će garantovati pravnu pomoć onima koji je ne mogu sami obezbediti.⁷²²

U Siriji je po zakonu za hapšenje u krivičnim predmetima potreban nalog.^{723 724} Nakon hapšenja, lice se obično dovodi u policijsku stanicu i ostaje u pritvoru do određivanja datuma suđenja. Dužina trajanja pritvora bez podizanja optužnice nije predviđena. Prvo

⁷¹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 72

⁷¹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 73

⁷²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 73

⁷²¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 73

⁷²² Al-bab: Sirya: new constitution, 2012 - http://www.al-bab.com/arab/docs/syria/syria_draft_constitution_2012.htm#Chapter_1, čl 51

⁷²³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 76

⁷²⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

ročište može biti zakazano posle nekoliko meseci ili godina od hapšenja.^{725 726} Optuženi može imati advokata o svom trošku, ili mu ga sud može dodeliti, ali advokatima nije osiguran pristup klijentima pre suđenja.⁷²⁷ Zakon predviđa i posete porodice ubrzo posle hapšenja, međutim prijavljeni su slučajevi porodica koje su čekale na posetu nedeljama i mesecima,^{728 729} nekada čak i do godinu dana.^{730 731}

Međutim, u slučajevima političkih krivičnih dela ili onih koji se tiču nacionalne bezbednosti, hapšenja se često sprovode u tajnosti. Osumnjičeni su u ovim slučajevima pritvoreni u izolaciji tokom dužeg vremenskog perioda, bez optužnice ili suđenja i uz uskraćivanje prava na odluku suda o pritvoru.^{732 733} U većini ovih slučajeva pritvorenici nisu obavešteni o optužbama protiv njih, sve do prvog saslušanja, koje se često održi mesecima nakon hapšenja. Ovi zatvorenici nemaju pristup advokatima ni pre ni tokom ispitivanja, niti tokom pripreme i prezentacije svoje odbrane.^{734 735}

Uprkos ukidanju Zakona o vanrednim merama u aprilu 2011.godine, sirijske bezbednosne snage nastavile su dotadašnju praksu proizvoljnog hapšenja, čak je broj uhapšenih povećan.^{736 737} Prijavljeno je nekoliko slučajeva da su službe bezbednosti hapsile rođake traženog lica,^{738 739} kako bi izvršile pritisak na njega da se preda.^{740 741} Nalozi i sudske

⁷²⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 76

⁷²⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷²⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷²⁸ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 14

⁷²⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷³⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 76

⁷³¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷³³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷³⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷³⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷³⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷³⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷³⁹ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁷⁴⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁴¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

naredbe se retko izriču ili pokazuju pre hapšenja.^{742 743 744} Proizvoljna i lažna hapšenja su uobičajena,^{745 746} i često se ne navode nikakvi razlozi za hapšenje civila.^{747 748 749}

Pritvorenici se često uskraćuje pravo na advokata, posete od strane porodice, medicinska nega.⁷⁵⁰

Uslovi u zatvorima u Siriji su često teški i opasni po život, naročito usled naglog povećanja broja zatvorenika zbog protesta protiv Asadovog režima, započetih 2011. godine.^{751 752 753} Postojeći uslovi sirijskim zatvorima ne ispunjavaju međunarodne zdravstvene i sanitarne standarde.^{754 755} Najgori su uslovi u pritvorskim objektima bezbednosne i obaveštajne službe, dok su oni u okviru ministarstva pravde u manje lošem stanju.^{756 757}

Ovim objektima nedostaje odgovarajuća ventilacija, osvetljenje, pristup vodi za piće i hrani i dovoljno prostora za spavanje.^{758 759 760} Zatvorenici se često zadržavaju bez adekvatne osnovne ili hitne medicinske pomoći.^{761 762 763}

⁷⁴² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁴³ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁷⁴⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁴⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁴⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁴⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁴⁸ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12

⁷⁴⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁵⁰ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 14

⁷⁵¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁵² International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 14

⁷⁵³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁵⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁵⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 77

⁷⁵⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁵⁹ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12 -

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⁷⁶⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Prenaseljenost zatvorskih objekata je jedan od najčešćih problema u Siriji.^{764 765 766} Vlasti zbog toga pretvaraju stadione u zatvore za antirežimske demonstrante, koji se nalaze u gradovima Baniyas i Dara'a.^{767 768} Demonstranti su smešteni i u fabrikama i skladištima, u kojima borave u uslovima prenatrpanosti i bez adekvatnih kupatila.^{769 770}

Poznati su i slučajevi u kojima sirijske vlasti drže maloletnike u pritvorima za odrasle.^{771 772 773}

Pritvorenici u predkrivičnom postupku obično se drže odvojeno od osuđenih zatvorenika. Međutim, postoje i slučajevi da se drže zajedno.^{774 775}

Takođe, ljudi koji koriste drogu drže se u izolaciji od ostatka zatvorske populacije.⁷⁷⁶ Isto je i sa zatvorenicima homoseksualne orijentacije, koji dobijaju psihološki "tretman" od strane zatvorskog osoblja, za vreme kog se oni drže odvojeni od ostale populacije, samo zbog njihove seksualne orijentacije ili rodnog identiteta.⁷⁷⁷

Mnogi zatvorenici su bili premešteni u druge objekte, kako bi ih sakrili od posmatrača Arapske lige.⁷⁷⁸

⁷⁶¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁶² Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 17

⁷⁶³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁶⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁶⁵ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 14

⁷⁶⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁶⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁶⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁶⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁷⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁷¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁷² Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 32

⁷⁷³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁷⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁷⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁷⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁷⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

⁷⁷⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 78

Politički zatvorenici često se namerno smeštaju u prenatrpane ćelije sa ostalim osuđenima i prestupnicima.^{779 780} Takođe, politički zatvorenici su često primorani da spavaju na zemlji usled nedostatka kreveta, bili su izloženi čestim pretresima i suočeni sa samicom ako se u njihovom posedu pronadju nedozvoljene stvari.^{781 782} Takođe, stražari redovno prisluškuju razgovore političkih zatvorenika sa njihovim advokatima i članovima porodice.^{783 784}

Pritvorenici i osuđenici u Siriji se žale da su od strane stražara u zatvorima izloženi vređanju, pretnjama, uključujući i pretnjama njihovim porodicama, prinuđeni su da se skinu goli, posebno pri dolasku u zatvor i često ostaju goli satima, izloženi su proizvoljnim prebijanjima od strane stražara, borave u prenatrpanim sobama, bez izvora svetlosti i svežeg vazduha.^{785 786} Ponekad su prinuđeni da spavaju na smenu, usled nedostatka dovoljno kreveta i mesta.^{787 788}

Vladine snage u nekoliko navrata upotrebile su prekomernu silu kako bi ugušile nemire u nekoliko zatvora u Siriji tokom 2011. godine.⁷⁸⁹ U zatvoru Hassakeh 22. juna 2011. godine, zatvorenici su stupili u generalni štrajk, međutim, bezbednosne snage su upale unutra koristeći suzavce i bojevu municiju.^{790 791} Kao rezultat te akcije, četiri osobe su poginule. Vlada Sirije nije tokom godine objavila nijednu informaciju o ovom ili bilo kom drugom neredu u zatvorima.^{792 793}

⁷⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 80

⁷⁸⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁸¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 80

⁷⁸² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁸³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 80

⁷⁸⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁸⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 80

⁷⁸⁶ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 12-17

⁷⁸⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 81

⁷⁸⁸ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 14

⁷⁸⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 81

⁷⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 81

⁷⁹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁷⁹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 81

⁷⁹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Prison and detention center conditions, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Političke slobode:

Slobode izražavanja, udruživanja i okupljanja su u Siriji i dalje strogo ograničene, uprkos ukidanju vanrednog stanja u aprilu 2011. godine i donošenja zakona koji navodno dozvoljava mirne proteste.^{794 795}

Snage bezbednosti Sirije uhapsile su na hiljade ljudi u vezi sa protestima od njihovog izbijanja u martu 2011. godine.^{796 797} Neki ljudi su hapšeni u toku demonstracija, dok su ostali hapšeni tokom racija po kućama i pretresima od kuće do kuće.^{798 799}

U Siriji je uhapšen veliki broj političkih aktivista, aktivista za ljudska prava, disidenata, novinara, blogera, imama i vojnika koji su odbili da pucaju na demonstrante.^{800 801} Stotine ovih uhapšenih su pušteni na slobodu posle suđenja ili su amnestirani od strane predsednika Asada. Međutim hiljade drugih su još uvek u pritvoru.^{802 803}

Sloboda okupljanja u Siriji je praktično nepostojeća.⁸⁰⁴ Javne demonstracije su zabranjene, osim ukoliko se dobije zvanična dozvola, ali se ona obično izdaje samo provladinim grupama i orgnizacijama.^{805 806} Tokom 2011.godine dokumentovani su brojni slučajevi pretnji, proizvoljnog hapšenja, pritvaranja, mučenja i ubijanja civila, u vezi sa organizovanjem demonstracija.⁸⁰⁷

Sloboda udruživanja takođe je ozbiljno ograničena u Siriji.⁸⁰⁸ Sve nevladine organizacije moraju biti registrovane kod Vlade, koja najčešće ne dozvoljava registraciju,

⁷⁹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 83

⁷⁹⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁷⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 83

⁷⁹⁷ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁷⁹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 83

⁷⁹⁹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁸⁰⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 83

⁸⁰¹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁸⁰² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 83

⁸⁰³ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁸⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 84

⁸⁰⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 84

⁸⁰⁶ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 84

⁸⁰⁸ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

naročito reformističkim ili grupama za ljudska prava, dok se lideri neregistrovanih grupa često hapse.⁸⁰⁹

Vlasti Sirije odbijaju da daju informacije o broju političkih zatvorenika, kako Sirijaca tako i stranaca.^{810 811} Prema nekim procenama taj broj iznosi 10 000 političkih pritvorenika od marta do kraja 2011.godine.^{812 813} Politički pritvorenici uključuju i učesnike antivladinih protesta.^{814 815 816}

Vlasti Sirije ciljano hapse članove porodica kritičara vlasti, a poznati su i slučajevi mučenja članova porodice pred zatvorenikom, kako bi se od zatvorenika iznudilo priznanje.⁸¹⁷

Među hiljadama uhapšenih političkih zatvorenika u Siriji, osim učesnika demonstracija, nalaze se i Islamisti i pripadnici organizacije Muslimanskog bratstva.^{818 819}

Oni Sirijci koji su neuspešno tražili azil u drugim zemljama, kao i oni koji su u prošlosti imali veze sa Muslimanskim bratstvom, po povratku u zemlju bivaju krivično gonjeni. Sirijski zakon predviđa krivično gonjenje i za svakog ko pokuša da traži utočište u nekoj drugoj zemlji, kako bi izbegao kaznu u Siriji.^{820 821} Traženje azila u inostranstvu doživljava se kao ispoljavanje protivljenja sirijskoj Vladi, pa se sirijski azilanti povratnici suočavaju sa velikim izgledima da budu uhapšeni.⁸²²

⁸⁰⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸¹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 86

⁸¹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Political prisoners and detainees, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸¹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 86

⁸¹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Political prisoners and detainees, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 86

⁸¹⁵ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

⁸¹⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Political prisoners and detainees, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 86

⁸¹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 88

⁸¹⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Arrest procedures and treatment while in detention, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 180

⁸²¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Freedom of movement, internally displaced persons, protection of refugees, and stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸²² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 181

Vlada Sirije rutinski hapsi disidente i bivše građane bez političkog opredeljenja koji su pokušali da se vrate u zemlju nakon više godina samonametnutog egzila.^{823 824} Takođe, sirijska Vlada uhapsila je i mnoge aktiviste za ljudska prava pri povratku u Siriju, nakon što su prisustvovali konferencijama i radionicama u inostranstvu.⁸²⁵

Sirijski disidenti u mnogim stranim zemljama bili su subjekti zastrašivanja od strane zvaničnika u sirijskim ambasadama, kao i pretnjama ili čak povređivanju njihovih rođaka u Siriji.^{826 827 828}

Religijske slobode:

Stanovništvo Sirije uglavnom čine muslimani, suniti. Verske manjine čine aleviti (deo šiitske škole), ismailisti (ismailis) i šiiti, koji zajedno čine oko 13% stanovništva. Hrišćani čine oko 10% sirijskog stanovništva, a Druze oko 3%.^{829 830} Takođe, u Siriji postoji i mala zajednica Jezida (Yezidis), koja broji oko 100 000 ljudi,⁸³¹ a postoji i jako mala populacija od 100-200 pripadnika jevrejske vere.^{832 833}

Aleviti predstavljaju sektu koja u Siriji ima visok politički uticaj jer su predsednik Sirije Asad i njegova porodica pripadnici Alevita. Međutim, bliskost pripadnika Alevita sa vladajućom Asad porodicom stavlja ih u opasnost od odmazde, u slučaju pada vlasti predsednika Asada.⁸³⁴

⁸²³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 180

⁸²⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Freedom of movement, internally displaced persons, protection of refugees, and stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸²⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 180

⁸²⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 177

⁸²⁷ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸²⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁸²⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸³⁰ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Secction I.Religious Demography, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸³¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸³³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Anti-Semitism, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

Aleviti dominiraju u unutrašnjim bezbednosnim snagama Sirije i kao vojni oficiri, dok su obćni vojnici u Siriji uglavnom suniti.^{835 836}

Sunitski vojnici često su suoćeni sa pritiskom i progonom od strane svojih pretpostavljenih koji su Aleviti.^{837 838} Naroćito zbog toga što je stotine sunitskih vojnika dezertiralo ili se pobunilo protiv narećjenja da pucaju na većinom sunitske demonstrante u Siriji.^{839 840}

Vlada Sirije strogo prati i kontroliše dešavanja u džamijama i kontroliše imenovanja muslimanskih verskih lidera u zemlji. Svi nemuslimanski sastanci verskih grupa moraju imati dozvolu sirijskih vlasti.^{841 842}

U Siriji je nezakonito ćlanstvo u bilo kojoj „Salafist“ organizaciji (generalno konzervatini sunitski fundamentalizam). Ali Vlada Sirije i slućbe državne bezbednosti nisu definisale šta taćno predstavljaju salafist aktivnosti.^{843 844} Pripadnost sirijskom Muslimanskom bratstvu (Muslimansko bratstvo Sirije predstavlja dominantnu opozicijsku organizaciju u Siriji tokom 2012. godine)⁸⁴⁵ je kaćnjivo smrću, iako se u praksi kazna obićno preinaći na 12 godina zatvora.^{846 847}

U skladu sa politikom Vlade o sekularnosti, u Sirijskoj vojsci ne postoje verske slućbe bilo koje vere i od vojnog osoblja se oćekuje da se uzdrći od izraćavanja svoje vere tokom radnog vremena.⁸⁴⁸

⁸³⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸³⁶ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸³⁸ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸³⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸⁴⁰ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸⁴¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 107

⁸⁴² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁸⁴³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 108

⁸⁴⁴ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁴⁵ Wikipedia: Muslim brotherhood of Syria - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Muslim_Brotherhood_of_Syria, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁴⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 108

⁸⁴⁷ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁴⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 108

U Siriji se religijska pripadnost navodi u krštenici i taj dokument je neophodan prilikom udaje ili putovanja u cilju verskog hodočašća. Vlada ne zahteva označavanje religije u pasošu ili ličnoj karti.^{849 850}

Sirija ne priznaje verski status onih koji se preobrate iz islama u drugu veru.^{851 852} Međutim, hrišćani koji se preobrate u islam dobijaju zvanično priznanje. U slučaju preobraćenja iz islama u hrišćanstvo, država takvog pojedinca i dalje smatra za muslimana i on je i dalje podleže pravilima Shari'a (islamskog zakona).^{853 854} Takođe, tim slučajevima preobraćenja u hrišćanstvo lice je ponekad primorano da napusti svoje mesto boravka, usled društvenog pritiska.⁸⁵⁵

U Siriji se muslimanka ne može udati za hrišćanina, ali se hrišćanka može udati za muslimana. U tom slučaju, njoj nije dozvoljeno da bude sahranjena na muslimanskom groblju, osim ukoliko se ne preobrati u islam.^{856 857}

Jehovini svedoci:

Vlada Sirije zabranjuje Jehovine svedoke i oni u toj zemlji moraju da obavljaju svoje aktivisti tajno.^{858 859} Takođe, Vlada zabranjuje njihovu versku literaturu, komunikaciju sa verskim saradnicima izvan Sirije i kao zapošljavanje Jehovinih svedoka u državnim službama.⁸⁶⁰

Svi pripadnici Jehovinih svedoka i njihovi domovi su nadgledani od strane vlasti i pripadnici Jehovinih svedoka se redovno pozivaju na ispitivanja, a ponekad su izloženi i maltretiranjima. Takođe, njima je veoma teško da dobiju pasoš i napuste zemlju.⁸⁶¹

⁸⁴⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 109

⁸⁵⁰ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁵¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁵² US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁵³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁵⁴ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁵⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁵⁷ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 108

⁸⁵⁹ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Legal/Policy framework, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁶⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 109

⁸⁶¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 109

Hrišćani:

Hrišćani se nalaze na svim nivoima vlasti u Siriji, kao i u krugovima poslovnih ljudi i u sirijskoj vojsci.⁸⁶²

Tokom ranijih godina hrišćani su, kao i druge manjine u Siriji, pružali podršku onom režimu koji je garantovao njihovu bezbednost i verske slobode.⁸⁶³ Hrišćanska zajednica veruje da je uz režim Alevita ona sigurna.⁸⁶⁴ Zbog toga mnogi hrišćani i dalje stoje na strani režima, ali ne zbog podrške predsedniku Asadu, već iz straha od građanskog rata. U slučaju da pobunjenici pobeđe i oforme islamističku Vladu, ona bi bila neprijateljski raspoložena prema verskim manjinama, što među hrišćanima izaziva strah.⁸⁶⁵

Islamski militanti iz opozicije su u martu 2012. godine išli su od vrata do vrata u Hamidiya i Bustan al-Diwan – naseljima u gradu Homs, proterujući lokalne hrišćane. Posle te racije, oko 90% hrišćana je navodno pobešlo iz grada Homs u oblasti pod kontrolom Vlade, u susedne zemlje ili u oblast u blizini libanske granice koja se naziva Dolina hrišćana (Wadi al-Nasarah). Sada u Homsu živi tek oko 400 hrišćana, dok ih je pre ustanka započetog u martu 2011. godine u tom gradu živelo više od 80 000.^{866 867}

U junu 2012. godine, u gradu Kusair (Qusayr), hrišćani su od pripadnika opozicije dobili upozorenje: ili da se pridruže opoziciji protiv Asada, koju predvode suniti ili da odu. Ubrzo nakon toga, hiljade hrišćana pobešlo je iz tog grada.^{868 869}

Jezidi (Yezidis):

Jezidi u Siriji žive u dve zajednice - jedna je u oblasti Al Džazira (Al-Jazira - severoistočno od reke Eufrat) a druga je u Kurd-Dagh oblasti (planina Kurd na severozapadu Sirije u provinciji Alepo). Broj jezida koji žive u Siriji se ne može precizirati, ali se procenjuje da ih ima između 12 000 i 15 000.⁸⁷⁰ Jezidi čine kurdsku versku manjinu.⁸⁷¹ Oni se u Siriji suočavaju sa diskriminacijom, jer njihova religija nije priznata od strane

⁸⁶²UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 109

⁸⁶³The New York Times: Syria's Threatened Christians, June 28, 2012 - http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/29/opinion/syrias-threatened-christians.html?_r=0, pristupljeno 29. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁶⁴UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 110

⁸⁶⁵UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 109

⁸⁶⁶UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 110

⁸⁶⁷The New York Times: Syria's Threatened Christians, June 28, 2012 - http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/29/opinion/syrias-threatened-christians.html?_r=0, pristupljeno 29. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁶⁸UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 110

⁸⁶⁹The New York Times: Syria's Threatened Christians, June 28, 2012 - http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/29/opinion/syrias-threatened-christians.html?_r=0, pristupljeno 29. oktobra 2012.

⁸⁷⁰Wikipedia: Yazidis/Demographics - <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yazidis#Demographics> pristupljeno 15.04.2013.

⁸⁷¹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

države^{872 873} - oni su u Siriji registrovani kao muslimani i pohađaju muslimansko obrazovanje u državnim školama.⁸⁷⁴

Etničke manjine:

Vlada Sirije generalno dozvoljava nacionalnim i etničkim manjinama da sprovede svoje tradicionalne, verske i kulturne aktivnosti.^{875 876} Međutim, kurdska populacija – državljani i nedržavljeni – suočavaju se sa zvaničnom i društvenom diskriminacijom i represijom. Ipak, nasilje i hapšenje Kurda od strane vlasti se smanjilo u odnosu na prethodne godine.^{877 878}

Kurdi:

Kurdi čine oko 9-10% stanovništva Sirije.^{879 880 881} Većina njih govori kurdskim jezikom - kirmanji,^{882 883} koji je zabranjen.^{884 885} Kurdi žive uglavnom u severoistočnom delu Sirije, u oblasti granica sa Turskom i Iranom, ali brojna kurdska zajednica živi i u većini velikih gradova, kao što su Alep i Damask.^{886 887} Većina Kurda su suniti.^{888 889}

⁸⁷² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁷³ US Department of State: International Religious Freedom Report 2011, Syria/Section I. Religious Demography, 30 July 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/223383/330897_en.html

⁸⁷⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁷⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁷⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/National/Racial/Ethnic Minorities, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸⁷⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 111

⁸⁷⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/National/Racial/Ethnic Minorities, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁸⁸⁰ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁸⁸¹ The New York Times Middle East: Killing of opposition leader in Syria provokes Kurds, October 8 2011 - <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/world/middleeast/killing-of-opposition-leader-in-syria-provokes-kurds.html?pagewanted=all&r=1&>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁸² Wikipedia; Kurds in Syria/Demographics - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁸³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁸⁸⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁸⁸⁵ Wikipedia: Kurds in Syria/Human rights of Kurds - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria#Human_rights_of_Kurds, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁸⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁸⁸⁷ The New York Times Middle East: Killing of opposition leader in Syria provokes Kurds, October 8 2011 - <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/world/middleeast/killing-of-opposition-leader-in-syria-provokes-kurds.html?pagewanted=all&r=1&>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

Obespravljenost sirijskih Kurda započeta je u oktobru 1962. godine, kada su sirijske vlasti sprovele takozvani specijalni popis,^{890 891 892 893} u Hasaka (Hasakah) provinciji, u kojoj većina Kurda ima svoje poreklo.^{894 895 896} Sirijske vlasti su dobijene statističke podatke koristile pod izgovorom otkrivanja ljudi koji su možda ilegalno prešli iz Turske u Siriju.⁸⁹⁷ Čak 120 000 Kurda – skoro 20% kurdske populacije u Siriji, je nakon tog popisa bilo denacionalizovano,^{899 900 901 902} i kao rezultat toga oni su izgubili građanska prava, uključujući pravo glasa, učestvovanja u javnom životu, pravo da putuju van zemlje, pravo na privatno vlasništvo i pravo na zapošljavanje u javnom sektoru.⁹⁰³

Pripadnici kurdske manjine i dalje u Siriji nastavljaju da se suočavaju sa diskriminacijom po osnovu identiteta,^{904 905 906} naročito sa ograničenjima u vezi sa njihovim jezikom i kulturom.^{907 908 909}

⁸⁸⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 112

⁸⁸⁹ Wikipedia; Kurds in Syria/Demographics - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria, pristupljeno 6.novembra 2012.

⁸⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

⁸⁹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁸⁹² Wikipedia; Kurds in Syria/History/Jazira census - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria, pristupljeno 6.novembra 2012.

⁸⁹³ Kurdistan Commentary: Clarifying the citizenship decree for Kurds in Syria, 17 april 2011 - <http://kurdistancommentary.wordpress.com/2011/04/17/clarifying-the-citizenship-decree-for-kurds-in-syria/>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

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⁸⁹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

⁸⁹⁸ Wikipedia: Kurds in Syria/Human rights of Kurds - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria#Human_rights_of_Kurds, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁸⁹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

⁹⁰⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁰¹ Wikipedia; Kurds in Syria/History/Jazira census - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria, pristupljeno 6.novembra 2012.

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⁹⁰³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf str 19

⁹⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹⁰⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹⁰⁶ The New York Times Middle East: Killing of opposition leader in Syria provokes Kurds, October 8 2011 - <http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/world/middleeast/killing-of-opposition-leader-in-syria-provokes-kurds.html?pagewanted=all&r=1&>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113 i 114

Vlada Sirije limitira upotrebu i učenje kurdskog jezika. Takođe, Vlada zabranjuje objavljivanje knjiga i drugog materijala na kurdsom jeziku.^{910 911 912} Kurdske kulturne aktivnosti se generalno doživljavaju kao političke i najčešće su zabranjene od strane sirijskih vlasti. To ljude koji učestvuju u tim aktivnostima dovodi u rizik da budu izloženi gonjenju od strane vlasti.⁹¹³

Kurdi koji su apatridi (“stateless Kurds”) – tj. koji nemaju državljanstvo Sirije, predstavljaju zbog toga veoma ranjivu grupu.⁹¹⁴

Kurdi su efektivno bili apatridi sve dok predsednik Asad nije izdao dekret br. 49, od 7. aprila 2011.godine, kojim je predviđeno davanje mogućnosti “stranim” Kurdima (Ajanib) da apliciraju za sirijsko državljanstvo,^{915 916 917 918} ali i ne onima poznatima kao “skriveni” (Maktoumeen), što znači – neregistrovani.^{919 920 921} Ajanib Kurdi su oni koji su učestvovali u popisu 1962. godine, ali su lišeni državljanstva – “registrovani”, dok su Maktoumeen Kurdi oni koji nisu učestvovali u pomenutom popisu ili im je bar jedan roditelj Ajanib Kurd ili su neregistrovani iz nekog drugog razloga – “neregistrovani.”⁹²²

Procena je da je u Siriji trenutno najmanje 300 000 Kurda bez državljanstva,^{923 924 925} i bez mogućnosti da dobiju pasoše, lične karte ili izводе iz matičnih knjiga rođenih.^{927 928}

⁹⁰⁸Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹⁰⁹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds- <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹¹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹¹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/National/Racial/Ethnic Minorities, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹¹² Wikipedia: Kurds in Syria/Human rights of Kurds - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria#Human_rights_of_Kurds, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹¹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

⁹¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 116

⁹¹⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹¹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113 i 115

⁹¹⁷ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds- <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹¹⁸ Kurdistan Commentary: Clarifying the citizenship decree for Kurds in Syria, 17 april 2011 - <http://kurdistancommentary.wordpress.com/2011/04/17/clarifying-the-citizenship-decree-for-kurds-in-syria/>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹¹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113 i 115

⁹²⁰ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds- <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹²¹ Kurdistan Commentary: Clarifying the citizenship decree for Kurds in Syria, 17 april 2011 - <http://kurdistancommentary.wordpress.com/2011/04/17/clarifying-the-citizenship-decree-for-kurds-in-syria/>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹²² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 117

⁹²³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

Nedostatak ličnih isprava sprečava Kurde da poseduju zemlju, da se zaposle u državnoj upravi kao i da glasaju.^{929 930}

Kurdska deca koja su apatridi, suočavaju se sa problemom upisa u školu, jer njihovi roditelji često ne mogu da izdade potrebna dokumenta. Dakle, pristup obrazovanju nastavio je da bude ograničen za kurdsku decu, što kasnije dovodi do problema prilikom zapošljavanja.⁹³¹ Takođe, Kurdi apatridi nemaju pravo da dobiju diplomu za svoje obrazovanje.^{932 933}

Kurdski studenti i radnici u Siriji nastavljaju da budu podvrgnuti proizvoljnom premeštanju ili isključenju iz Vladinih instituta, institucija i odeljenja.⁹³⁴ Kurdi apatridi sprečeni su da se zaposle u određenim profesijama koje zahtevaju sirijsko državljanstvo i često moraju da rade u neformalnom sektoru – ilegalno.⁹³⁵ Osim zabrane da se zaposle u javnom sektoru bez dokumenata, tj. lične karte, novi zakon u Siriji zabranjuje zapošljavanje takvih lica i u privatnom sektoru, što još više otežava položaj sirijskih Kurda.⁹³⁶

Kurdski aktivisti za ljudska prava i dalje se u Siriji suočavaju sa hapšenjem i pritvaranjem.^{937 938} Neki od njih koji su sirijskim vlastima bili “sumnjivi” otpušteni su iz škola i sa poslova u javnom sektoru tokom 2011. godine.^{939 940}

⁹²⁴Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹²⁵ Kurdistan Commentary: Clarifying the citizenship decree for Kurds in Syria, 17 april 2011 - <http://kurdistancommentary.wordpress.com/2011/04/17/clarifying-the-citizenship-decree-for-kurds-in-syria/>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹²⁶ Wikipedia: Kurds in Syria/Human rights of Kurds - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kurds_in_Syria#Human_rights_of_Kurds, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹²⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

⁹²⁸Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹²⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

⁹³⁰ Kurdistan Commentary: Clarifying the citizenship decree for Kurds in Syria, 17 april 2011 - <http://kurdistancommentary.wordpress.com/2011/04/17/clarifying-the-citizenship-decree-for-kurds-in-syria/>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹³¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 115

⁹³³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹³⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹³⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 117

⁹³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹³⁸ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Discrimination - Kurds - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

⁹³⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

U vezi sa pristupom zdravstvenoj zaštiti i obrazovanju, u Siriji nema diskriminacije prema etničkim manjinama, uključujući i prema Kurdima.⁹⁴¹

Za razliku od prethodnih godina, u 2011. godini nema izveštaja o sumnjivim smrtnim slučajevima kurdskih vojnih obveznika u vojsci.^{942 943}

Na početku antivladinih protesta u Siriji u martu 2011. godine, kurdska područja nisu mnogo učestvovala. Međutim, neki Kurdi jesu učestvovali u ustanku.⁹⁴⁴

Vodeći kurdski aktivista Mashaal Tammu ubijen je 7. oktobra 2011. godine, kada ga je naoružan muškarac izbacio iz kuće tokom sastanka sa aktivistima i upucao ga. Njegova sahrana, kojoj je prisustvovalo 50 000 ljudi, pretvorila se u najveće demonstracije u kurdskoj oblasti od početka ustanka u Siriji. Državne bezbednosne snage su tom prilikom pucale na demonstrante i ubile pet ljudi.^{945 946 947}

Žene:

Nejednakost i diskriminacija:

Žene u Siriji imaju pravo glasa od 1949. godine.⁹⁴⁸ Sirijske žene učestvuju u javnom, sudskom, akademskom i poslovnom životu, ali su nedeovoljno zastupljene.⁹⁴⁹ Trideset od 250 članova parlamenta (12%) su žene.^{950 951 952} U 2011. godini, mesto zamenika predsednika države i tri ministarska mesta su pripadala ženama.^{953 954}

⁹⁴⁰Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹⁴¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 113

⁹⁴² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 114

⁹⁴³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/National/Racial/Ethnic Minorities, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁴⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 119

⁹⁴⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 119

⁹⁴⁶ Wikipedia: Mashaal Tammo - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mashaal_Tammo, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹⁴⁷ The New York Times Middle East: Killing of opposition leader in Syria provokes Kurds, October 8 2011 - http://www.nytimes.com/2011/10/09/world/middleeast/killing-of-opposition-leader-in-syria-provokes-kurds.html?pagewanted=all&_r=1&_r=1&_r=1, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

⁹⁴⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 129

⁹⁴⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 127

⁹⁵⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

⁹⁵¹Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹⁵² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Elections and political participation, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁵³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 127

Ipak, sirijsko zakonodavstvo diskriminiše žene, naročito u vezi sa porodičnim pitanjima.⁹⁵⁵ Lični status, penzionisanje i socijalni zakoni u Siriji su diskriminatorski nastrojeni prema ženama.⁹⁵⁶ Takođe, Sirija je islamska zemlja sa duboko ukorenjenim društvenim kodeksima i verskom tradicijom. Većina žena u Siriji i dalje živi tradicionalnim načinom života.⁹⁵⁸

Zakon o ličnom statusu za muslimanske žene zasniva se na šerijatu (islamski zakon) i diskriminiše žene u pogledu braka, razvoda i nasleđivanja.⁹⁵⁹

Žene u Siriji sa napunjenih 18 godina imaju pravo da putuju bez dozvole muškog srodnika ili muža.⁹⁶² Međutim, muž ili muški rođak može tražiti od vlasti da zabrani ženi putovanje u inostranstvo.⁹⁶⁴ Iako zvanični podaci o ovome nisu dostupni, strane ambasade potvrđuju brojne ovakve slučajeve u 2011. godini.⁹⁶⁷

Mogućnost sirijskih žena da donose odluke o svom seksualnom i reproduktivnom zdravlju poboljšava se od 1980-ih godina. Uprkos činjenici da su kontraceptivna sredstva formalno ilegalna, vlada plaća 40% od usluga i sredstava u vezi za reproduktivnim zdravljem, dok se ostatak podmiruje privatno.⁹⁶⁹

I porek toga, abortus u Siriji predstavlja krivično delo, za koje je predviđena kazna zatvora od najmanje 6 meseci za ženu i najmanje godinu dana zatvora za svakog ko joj

⁹⁵⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Elections and political participation, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁵⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 127

⁹⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

⁹⁵⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 126

⁹⁵⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

⁹⁶⁰ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁶¹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹⁶² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 177 i 178

⁹⁶³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Freedom of movement, internally displaced persons, protection of refugees, and stateless persons, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁶⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 131

⁹⁶⁵ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

⁹⁶⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁶⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 131

⁹⁶⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁶⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 134

pomaže, ali su u zavisnosti od okolnosti predvedene i strože kazne. Međutim, uprkos ovim ograničenjima, u Sirije je moguće pronaći lekara koji će ilegalno izvesti proceduru, ali za veoma visoku naknadu i često u nehigijenskim uslovima.⁹⁷⁰ U bogatim porodicama, devojke koje zatrudne van braka mogu biti izložene pritisku da abortiraju kako bi se održao privid časne porodice.⁹⁷¹

Starosna granica za stupanje u brak u Sirije iznosi 17 godina za žene i 18 godina za muškarce.^{972 973} Mnogi brakovi u Sirije se i dalje ugovaraju između porodica, pa postoji rizik da žene budu pod pritiskom da pristanu na brak zbog ekonomskih razloga ili zato što porodice smatraju da su ona i mladoženja odgovarajući par.^{974 975}

Poligamija je u Siriji legalna,^{976 977} a za punovažnost drugog braka nije potrebna saglasnost prve supruge.⁹⁷⁸

U Siriji su veoma česti takozvani “letnji brakovi” – muškarci iz oblasti zaliva (Gulf) putuju u Siriju i plaćaju porodicama mladih žena određene novčane iznose za miraz u zamenu za kratke “brakove”.^{979 980} U tim “brakovima” partneri žive privremeno zajedno, ali oni nemaju nikakva zakonska prava u vezi sa brakom,^{981 982} kao što su nasleđivanje ili alimentacija.⁹⁸³

⁹⁷⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 135

⁹⁷¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 135

⁹⁷² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁷³ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁷⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁷⁵ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁷⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁷⁷ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁷⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁸⁰ Syria Today: Marriages of convenience - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/life/14365-marriages-of-convenience>, pristupljeno 06. novembra 2012.

⁹⁸¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁸² Syria Today: Marriages of convenience - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/life/14365-marriages-of-convenience>, pristupljeno 06. novembra 2012.

⁹⁸³ Syria Today: Marriages of convenience - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/life/14365-marriages-of-convenience>, pristupljeno 06. novembra 2012.

Prema sirijskom zakonu, majke ne mogu preneti svoje državljanstvo na dete, tako da deca rođena van braka ili u “letnjim brakovima”, ostaju bez državljanstva ako ih očevi ne priznaju.^{984 985}

Muškarci i žene u Siriji nemaju jednaka prava koja se tiču razvoda braka.^{986 987}

Muškarci u Siriji uživaju pravo na talak (talaq) tj. pravo na jednostrano odricanje od braka i podrazumeva se da je dovoljno da muškarac obavesti nadležne organe o svojoj odluci da se razvodi, da bi brak i zvanično bio okončan.⁹⁸⁸

Ženini načini za razvod, sa druge strane, su dugotrajni i naporni.⁹⁸⁹ Jedna opcija je kula (khula) tj. sporazumni razvod,^{990 991} kod kojeg žena vraća mužu miraz i gubi pravo na finansijsko izdržavanje od strane bivšeg muža. Sirijske žene mogu pokrenuti i postupak za razvod pred sudom ako navedu određene razloge za razvod, kao što su neslaganje, postojanje predrasuda, nedostatak bliskosti, odsustvo ili bolest supruga.⁹⁹²

U Siriji razvedena majka gubi pravo na starateljstvo i čuvanje svojih sinova kada napune 13 godina, a ćerki kada napune 15 godina, osim u slučaju da se majka preudala, kada odmah gubi starateljstvo.⁹⁹³ Starateljstvo u ovim slučajevima prelazi na porodicu dece sa očeve strane.^{994 995 996}

Pravo nasleđivanja u Siriji je za sve građane uređeno tumačenjem islamskog zakona - osim za hrišćane.^{997 998} Shodno tome, muslimanke obično nasleđuju polovinu od onoga što

⁹⁸⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 136

⁹⁸⁵ Syria Today: Marriages of convenience - <http://syria-today.com/index.php/life/14365-marriages-of-convenience>, pristupljeno 06. novembra 2012.

⁹⁸⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁸⁷ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁸⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁸⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁹¹ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 137

⁹⁹⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

⁹⁹⁶ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

⁹⁹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

⁹⁹⁸ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

nasleđuju muški nasljednici.^{999 1000 1001} Međutim, muški rođaci su dužni da izdržavaju ženske rođake koje su nasledile manje od njih. U suprotnom, one ih mogu tužiti.^{1002 1003}

Ipak, tokom 2011. godine bilo je izveštaja da su u nekim regionima Sirije običaji preovladali nad pravom, pa je ženama negirano pravo na bilo kakvo nasleđe.^{1004 1005} Prava žena o nasleđivanju često se krše kada je u pitanju nasleđivanje zemlje, jer su žene pod pritiskom da ustupe svoje nasledstvo muškim članovima porodice.¹⁰⁰⁶ Nemuslimanske žene nemaju pravo da nasleđuju svoje muževe muslimane.^{1007 1008}

Osim zakonom o ličnom statusu, sirijske žene su diskriminisanе i prema odredbama Krivičnog zakona.

Prema Krivičnom zakonu Sirije, ako muškarac i žena odvojeno počine isto krivično delo preljube, žena će se kazniti dvostruko teže nego muškarac.^{1009 1010}

Pred građanskim i krivičnim sudovima svedočenje žene ima jednaku snagu kao i svedočenje muškarca.¹⁰¹¹ Međutim, pred Šerijatskim sudovima u Siriji svedočenje žene ima upola manju snagu nego svedočenje muškarca.^{1012 1013}

Sirija je pristupila Konvenciji o eliminaciji svih oblika diskriminacije nad ženama (CEDAW) 28. marta 2003. godine. Međutim, Sirija je podnela i nekoliko rezervi na

⁹⁹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

¹⁰⁰⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁰¹ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁰² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

¹⁰⁰³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

¹⁰⁰⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁰⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

¹⁰⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 138

¹⁰⁰⁸ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁰⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

¹⁰¹⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰¹¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

¹⁰¹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 128

¹⁰¹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

konvenciju koje utiču na ključne odredbe Konvencije.¹⁰¹⁴ Te rezerve odnose se na sledeće članove Konvencije: član 2, član 9 st. 2 u vezi dodeljivanja ženinog državljanstva deci, član 15 st. 4 u vezi sa slobodom kretanja i stanovanjem i boravištem, član 16. st. 1 (c, d, f, g) u vezi sa jednakim pravima i odgovornostima tokom braka i u slučaju razvoda, a u pogledu starateljstva, prava na izbor porodičnog imena, izdržavanja i usvajanja, član 16. st. 2 u vezi sa pravnim dejstvom veridbe i stupanje deteta u brak, pošto ta odredba nije u saglasnosti sa odredbama islamskog zakona - šerijata, i član 29. st 1 u vezi arbitraže između država u slučaju spora.¹⁰¹⁵

Nasilje:

Tokom nereda u Siriji tokom 2011. i 2012. godine, mnoge žene su ubijene ili pritvarane.¹⁰¹⁶ Mnogima od njih bilo je prećeno ili su bile vredjane tokom racija po kućama od strane sirijske vojske i bezbednosnih snaga.^{1017 1018} Bile su primorane da skidaju svoje šalove sa glava ili da tokom racije stoje u donjem vešu.¹⁰¹⁹

Takođe, vojnici provladinih milicija seksualno su tokom racija po kućama zlostavljali žene i devojke, neke stare tek 12 godina.¹⁰²⁰ Poznato je da su se neki provladini oficiri hvalili o tome kako su silovali žene tokom racije u gradu Daraa.¹⁰²¹ Žene su 2012. godine bile izlagane i grupnom silovanju od strane pripadnika sirijskih bezbednosnih snaga.¹⁰²² Takođe, u Siriji su poznati slučajevi seksualnog nasilja nad ženama tokom pritvora,^{1023 1024 1025} koji prolaze potpuno nekažnjeno.¹⁰²⁶

U većini slučajeva, žene koje su bile žrtve seksualnog nasilja u svojim domovima u Siriji, kao napadače navode pripadnike Shabiha milicije (civilna milicija vođena od strane

¹⁰¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 126

¹⁰¹⁵ UN: Declarations, Reservations and Objections to CEDAW / Syrian Arab Republic - <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/reservations-country.htm>

¹⁰¹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰¹⁸ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰¹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰²⁰ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰²¹ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰²² Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰²³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰²⁴ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰²⁵ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 34

¹⁰²⁶ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

Alevit sekte kojoj pripada predsednik Asad). Žene ove napadače opisuju kao naoružane muškarce u civilnoj odeći, koji deluju zajedno sa vladinim snagama.¹⁰²⁷

Porodično nasilje nad ženama u Siriji je uobičajeno, naročito u ruralnim predelima zemlje.^{1028 1029} Porodično nasilje u Siriji nije izričito zabranjeno zakonom,^{1030 1031} pa često prolazi nekažnjeno.^{1032 1033}

Nisu dostupni statistički podaci o porodičnom nasilju i seksualnim napadima u Siriji.¹⁰³⁴ Većina ovih slučajeva porodičnog nasilja se ne prijavljuje.^{1035 1036}

Žene koje su žrtve nasilja u Siriji nisu voljne da traže pomoć od države zbog straha od društvene stigmatizacije.^{1037 1038 1039} Takođe, u retkim slučajevima kada su se obraćale policiji, njihove tvrdnje nisu temeljno, ako su uopšte, ispitane.^{1040 1041}

Silovanje u Siriji jeste kažnjivo zakonom, međutim silovatelj se oslobađa kazne ukoliko oženi svoju žrtvu.^{1042 1043 1044} Porodica žrtve ponekad pristaje na ovaj “aranžman”, da

¹⁰²⁷ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰²⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰²⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰³⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰³¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 140

¹⁰³³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰³⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰³⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰³⁶ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰³⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 140

¹⁰³⁸ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰³⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁴⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 140

¹⁰⁴¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁴² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 141

¹⁰⁴³ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Women's rights - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria-report-2012>

¹⁰⁴⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

bi se izbegla društvena stigma koja prati silovanje.^{1045 1046} Takođe, po definiciji silovanja u zakonu u Siriji - silovanje u braku ne predstavlja krivično delo.^{1047 1048}

Silovanje se u Siriji kažnjava sa najmanje 15 godina zatvora.^{1049 1050} Ako je žrtva silovanja suviše mlada za brak (zakonski minimum je 17 godina) kazna je duža,^{1051 1052} a ako je žrtva imala manje od 15 godina, kazna iznosi 21 godinu zatvora.¹⁰⁵³

Ubistvo iz časti predstavlja jedan od ozbiljnijih oblika rodnog nasilja u Siriji.^{1054 1055} Usled toga, strah da će postati žrtve ubistva iz časti sprečava sirijske žene da prijave seksualno nasilje.¹⁰⁵⁷

Prema Krivičnom zakoniku Sirije, počinioci “zločina iz časti” mogu se osloboditi odgovornosti.^{1058 1059} Čovek koji ubije ili povredi svoju ženu, sestru ili blisku rođaku, zajedno sa njenim ljubavnikom, ako su uhvaćeni u nedozvoljenom seksualnom činu – biće potpuno oslobođen optužbi.¹⁰⁶⁰ Ove odredbe Krivičnog zakonika su promenjene 2009. godine, tako da je maksimalna jednogodišnja kazna koja je bila predviđena za ove zločine, promenjena u kaznu od minimum dve godine zatvora.^{1061 1062} Ipak, 3. januara 2011. godine predsednik Asad je svojim dekretom izmenio odredbe Krivičnog zakonika, kojim se ova

¹⁰⁴⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 141

¹⁰⁴⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁴⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 139

¹⁰⁴⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁴⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 141

¹⁰⁵⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁵¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 141

¹⁰⁵² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁵³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 141

¹⁰⁵⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 143

¹⁰⁵⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Women's rights - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

¹⁰⁵⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁵⁷ Human Rights Watch: Syria – sexual assault in detention, 15 June 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/219519/326490_en.html, pristupljeno 03. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁵⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁶⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁶¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁶² Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

dvogodišnja kazna povećava na 5-7 godina zatvora,^{1063 1064 1065} za ubistvo i drugo nasilje nad ženama u ime odbrane “porodične časti”.^{1066 1067}

“Zločini iz časti” najčešće su izazivani nezakonitim seksualnim aktivnostima. Međutim, oni mogu predstavljati kaznu za žene koje stupe u brak sa osobom čija je religija suprotna njenoj porodičnoj religiji.¹⁰⁶⁸

Vlasti Sirije ne vode zvaničnu statistiku o broju žrtava "ubistva iz časti", ali se procenjuje da godišnje od 200 do 400^{1069 1070} žena bude ubijeno na ovaj način.¹⁰⁷¹

Deca:

Zakonski minimum za stupanje u brak u Siriji iznosi 18 godina za muškarce i 17 godina za žene.^{1072 1073 1074} Međutim, muškarci od 15 godina i devojčice od 13 godina se mogu se venčati ukoliko sudija proceni da su oboje voljni da stupe u brak, da su “fizički zreli” i da njihovi očevi ili dede daju svoj pristanak za to.^{1075 1076}

Iako je broj maloletničkih brakova opao u poslednjih nekoliko decenija, ta praksa je u Siriji i dalje uobičajena, mada je češća u ruralnim i manje razvijenim regionima zemlje.¹⁰⁷⁷

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¹⁰⁶³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁶⁴ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁶⁵ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Women's rights - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

¹⁰⁶⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁶⁷ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Women's rights - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

¹⁰⁶⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁶⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Women, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁷⁰ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁷¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 142

¹⁰⁷² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹⁰⁷³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁷⁴ Social institutions & gender index: Syrian Arab Republic/Discriminatory family code - <http://genderindex.org/country/syrian-arab-republic>, pristupljeno 7. novembra 2012.

¹⁰⁷⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹⁰⁷⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁷⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

Krivični zakonik Sirije štiti decu od seksualnog zlostavljanja propisivanjem strogih kazni za počinioce - predviđena je 21 godina zatvora za seksualno zlostavljanje deteta mlađeg od 15 godina.^{1079 1080} Takođe, onaj ko otme maloletno lice radi vršenja krivičnog dela protiv njegove čednosti, podleže kazni od ne manje od 21 godine teškog rada.¹⁰⁸¹

Kao krivična dela predviđeni su i sledeći akti počinjeni nad decom: otmica deteta, prikrivanje deteta, zamena jednog deteta za drugo, spajanje deteta sa ženom koja nije njegova majka, ostavljanje deteta bez nege i hrane ili ostavljanje deteta na autoputu.¹⁰⁸²

Međutim, Siriji nedostaje zakonska zaštita dece od zlostavljanja. Poznati su slučajevi da su Vladine snage seksualno napadale, mučile ili ubijale decu, najčešće u vezi sa antivladinim protestima tokom 2011.godine.^{1083 1084} Poznati su i slučajevi da su vladine snage držale maloletnike u pritvorskim ustanovama za odrasle.^{1085 1086}

Deca nastavljaju da pate usled nemira u Siriji.^{1087 1088} Često su deca među žrtvama koje stradaju u napadima Vladinih snaga na protestante i pri bombardovanju naselja u međusobnim borbama dveju strana.^{1089 1090} Takođe, deca su u Siriji tokom 2012. godine korišćena i kao živi štit.¹⁰⁹¹ Deci u Siriji je usled oružanih sukoba često onemogućeno i pohađanje nastave u školama jer se škole koriste kao pritvorski objekti,^{1092 1093 1094} a po krovovima škola se često raspoređuju snajperisti.^{1095 1096}

¹⁰⁷⁸ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁷⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 145

¹⁰⁸⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁸¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 145

¹⁰⁸² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 145

¹⁰⁸³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 145

¹⁰⁸⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹⁰⁸⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹⁰⁸⁶ Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 32

¹⁰⁸⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹⁰⁸⁸ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children/Introduction, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹⁰⁸⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹⁰⁹⁰ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians/Children killed or injured by indiscriminate bombings/shelling, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>

¹⁰⁹¹ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹⁰⁹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

Deca u Siriji trpe ozbiljne zloupotrebe od strane državnih snaga bezbednosti.¹⁰⁹⁷ Deca, uglavnom dečaci, ubijeni su ili ranjeni od prebijanja ili pucanja tokom demonstracija u mestima Sayda, Dar'a, Idlib, Hama, Sermeen Al Ladhiqiyah i Dayr Az Zawr tokom 2011. godine.^{1098 1099}

Mnoga ranjena deca u Siriji nisu u mogućnosti da potraže pomoć u državnim ustanovama zbog straha da će biti smatrani za pripadnike antivladinih grupa ili zbog straha da će biti tučeni u zdravstvenim ustanovama.¹¹⁰⁰

Neka deca su u Siriji bila proizvoljno pritvarana i u nekim slučajevima mučena u pritvorskim objektima od strane Vladinih snaga tokom 2011. godine.^{1101 1102} Tela neke dece koja su od umrla, na sebi su imala tragove mučenja.¹¹⁰³

U pritvorskim jedinicama koje kontrolišu sirijska vojska i sirijske bezbednosne snage borave deca, neka stara tek 10 godina.^{1104 1105} Mučenje se u tim objektima sprovodi jednako za odrasle kao i za decu.^{1106 1107 1108} Neko od dece pritvorene u tim objektima su noge i ruke bile vezivane plastičnim lisicama.^{1109 1110 1111} Takođe, deca se tokom pritvora

¹⁰⁹³ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹⁰⁹⁴ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

¹⁰⁹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹⁰⁹⁶ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

¹⁰⁹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

¹⁰⁹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

¹⁰⁹⁹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 14

¹¹⁰⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹¹⁰¹ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 11

¹¹⁰² Human Rights Watch: Torture Archipelago-Arbitrary Arrests, Torture and Enforced Disappearances in Syria's Underground Prisons since March 2011 - <http://www.hrw.org/sites/default/files/reports/syria0712webwcover.pdf>, str 32

¹¹⁰³ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 11

¹¹⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

¹¹⁰⁵ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

¹¹⁰⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

¹¹⁰⁷ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹¹⁰⁸ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

¹¹⁰⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹¹¹⁰ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹¹¹¹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

podvrgavaju nemilosrdnim prebijanjima od strane pripadnika Vladinih snaga.^{1112 1113} Dečaci se izlažu i seksualnoj torturi u pritvorskim jedinicama, pred odraslim muškarcima.¹¹¹⁴

U januaru 2012. godine UNICEF je objavio da je 384 dece ubijeno za 10 meseci nemira u Siriji. U martu iste godine (11. marta 2012.) pronađena su tela žena i dece u gradu Homs. Neka deca su bila zaklana, a na telima drugih žrtava bili su vidljivi tragovi mučenja.¹¹¹⁵

Antivladine opozicione snage u Siriji koriste decu kao vojnike, ali i kao nosače ranjenika, kurire, kuvare za terenske jedinice i za isporuku medicinskih zaliha u poljskim bolnicama.¹¹¹⁶

Mnoga deca u Siriji imaju ozbiljne psihičke probleme usled traumatičnih iskustava koja su preživela usled ratnih dešavanja u zemlji tokom 2011. 2012. godine.^{1117 1118}

Sirija je potpisnica Konvenciju UN o pravima deteta, koju je ratifikovala 1993. godine, uz rezervu na odredbu člana 14. “sloboda misli, savesti i veroispovesti”, s obzirom da ta odredba nije u skladu sa sirijskim zakonima i principima šerijatskog prava.^{1119 1120} Takođe, Sirija je u oktobru 2003. godine pristupila Opcionom protokolu konvencije o učešću dece u oružanim sukobima (OPAC),¹¹²¹ a u maju iste godine je pristupila Opcionom protokolu o prodaji dece, dečijoj prostituciji i dečijoj pornografiji (OPSC).¹¹²² Sirija međutim, nije potpisnica Haške konvencije o civilnim aspektima međunarodne otmice dece iz 1980. godine.¹¹²³

¹¹¹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹¹¹³ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹¹¹⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 147

¹¹¹⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 148

¹¹¹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 148

¹¹¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 146

¹¹¹⁸ Save the Children- Untold Atrocities-The stories of Syria's children/Introduction, 25 September 2012 - http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/sites/default/files/images/untold_atrocities.pdf

¹¹¹⁹ UN Committee on the Rights of the Child : Reservations, declarations and objections relating to the Convention on the Rights of the Child - str 27 <http://www.refworld.org/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/rwmain?page=publisher&publisher=CRC&type=LEGHIST&coi=&docid=3ae6aeda4&skip=0> , pristupljeno 16.04.2013.

¹¹²⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹¹²¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹¹²² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 144

¹¹²³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Children, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Sloboda govora i medija:

Sirijska Vlada je od početka pobune u martu 2011. godine zabranila većinu stranih novinara, što čini proveru događaja na terenu veoma teškom.^{1124 1125} Takođe, sirijska vlast nastavlja da ograničava kretanje novinarima kroz zemlju i otežava im rad,¹¹²⁶ prati ih i nadgleda.¹¹²⁷

Vlada Sirije je stotinama sirijskih aktivista za ljudska prava,¹¹²⁸ kao i disidentima i bivšim pritvorenicima¹¹²⁹ zabranila putovanje u inostranstvo.^{1130 1131}

Trenutni režim u Siriji, na čelu sa predsednikom Asadom, sprovodi efikasnu medijsku blokadu od marta 2011. godine, koja obuhvata zabranu međunarodnim novinarima da izveštavaju ili da uđu u zemlju i pritvaranje domaćih novinara koji su pokušali da isprate proteste na kojima se tražila smena Bašar al-Asada.¹¹³²

Novinari se u Siriji suočavaju sa uznemiravanjem koje uključuje proterivanje iz zemlje, zastrašivanja kroz hapšenja, pritvor, mučenje i fizičke napade.^{1133 1134} Od početka prodemokratskih promena u martu 2011. godine, veliki broj novinara i blogera je uhapšeno u Siriji.^{1135 1136 1137}

¹¹²⁴ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

¹¹²⁵ International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria, March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 6

¹¹²⁶ Austrian Centre for Country of Origin and Asylum Research and Documentation: The 2011-2012 political unrest in Syria/General Information, 24 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/228652/336732_en.html, pristupljeno 16. oktobra 2012.

¹¹²⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹²⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 177

¹¹²⁹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

¹¹³⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 177

¹¹³¹ Amnesty International: Annual Report 2012 The state of the world's human rights, Syria/Repression of dissent - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/region/syria/report-2012>

¹¹³² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹³³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97 i 98

¹¹³⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹³⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹³⁶ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹³⁷ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Violations of User Rights, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

Davanje viza stranim novinarima je u Siriji vrlo umereno,¹¹³⁸ i kontrolisano od strane sirijske obaveštajne službe.¹¹³⁹ Takođe, strani novinari u Siriji nemaju slobodu kretanja.¹¹⁴⁰ Veliki broj stranih novinara zbog toga u Siriju ulazi ilegalno,¹¹⁴¹ pa su suočeni sa rizikom da budu uhapšeni ili da dobiju zabranu putovanja.¹¹⁴²

Trinaest novinara je ubijeno u Siriji tokom nereda 2011.godine, uključujući 4 strana novinara.¹¹⁴³

Takođe, nestanci novinara u Siriji su postali česti tokom 2011. godine.¹¹⁴⁴ Dva novinara Al-Hurra televizije – Bashar Fahmi Al-Kadumi i Cuneyt Unal - nestali su u Alepu 20. avgusta 2012. godine, a američki novinar Austin Tice nestao je 13. avgusta 2012. godine u predgrađu Damaska.¹¹⁴⁶

Sirijski novinari, blogeri i aktivisti se redovno prate, hapse i muče.¹¹⁴⁷ Više od 30 profesionalnih i amaterskih novinara je pritvoreno od strane režima.¹¹⁴⁸ ¹¹⁴⁹

Novinari su pritvarani i mučeni zbog izveštavanja o antivladinim demonstracijama započetim u martu 2011. godine.¹¹⁵⁰ Takođe, na desetine običnih građana je mučeno u pritvoru do smrti, nakon što su bili uhvaćeni da snimaju proteste ili napade na demonstrante od strane Vladnih snaga i sa namerom da ih postave na sajt YouTube.¹¹⁵²

¹¹³⁸UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹³⁹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹⁴⁰UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹⁴¹UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹⁴²Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁴³UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁴⁴Reporters Sans Frontieres: Syria – Vicious circle of disappearing journalists. 20 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227714/335626_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁴⁵Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁴⁶Reporters Sans Frontieres: Syria – Vicious circle of disappearing journalists. 20 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227714/335626_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁴⁷UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁴⁸UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁴⁹Reporters Sans Frontieres: Syria – Vicious circle of disappearing journalists. 20 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227714/335626_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁵⁰UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁵¹International Federation for Human Rights: Bashar al Assad: criminal Against Humanity – Report of human rights violations committed in Syria. March – July 2011 - <http://www.fidh.org/IMG/pdf/reportsyria2807eng.pdf>, str 13

¹¹⁵²Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Violations of User Rights, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

Obični građani koji su imali kontakt sa stranim informativnim organizacijama, takođe su na meti vlasti, zbog čega se Sirijci ali i stranci koji žive u Siriji plaše da razgovaraju sa medijima.¹¹⁵³

Vlada Sirije zadržava diskreciono pravo da odredi šta predstavlja nelegalno izražavanje. Pojedinci ne mogu da kritikuju Vladu javno ili privatno, bez straha od odmazde.^{1154 1155} Sirijske vlasti su od početka anti-vladinih protesta u martu 2011. godine ojačale svoju kontrolu nad svim sredstvima komunikacije.¹¹⁵⁶ Vlada Sirije posebno kontroliše sadržaje na internet stranicama.¹¹⁵⁷

Sve ovo se dešava uprkos novom Zakonu o medijima Sirije koje je odobrio predsednik Asad u Avgustu 2011.godine, a koji je bio namenjen da podrži slobodu izražavanja.¹¹⁵⁸ Međutim, tim zakonom je zabranjeno objavljivanje “netačnih” informacija, naročito ako to izaziva javni nemir, remeti međunarodne odnose, narušava dostojanstvo državnog ili nacionalnog jedinstva, utiče na moral oružanih snaga ili nanosi štetu nacionalnoj ekonomiji i bezbednosti monetarnog sistema države Sirije.^{1159 1160} Lica koja se proglašavaju krivim za objavljivanje takvih informacija mogu se osuditi na kaznu zatvora u trajanju od jedne do tri godine i novčanom kaznom od 9000 do 18000 dolara.^{1161 1162}

Takođe, prema ovom zakonu, novinari ne mogu biti zatvoreni zbog obavljanja svoje profesije, ali se mogu suočiti sa novčanom kaznom do 18 000 dolara ukoliko govore protiv režima.^{1163 1164}

Televizijski i radio prenosi u Siriji se u velikom obimu kontrolišu od strane države,^{1165 1166} a tek nekoliko privatnih medija koji postoje, ne pokrivaju vesti ili politička pitanja u zemlji.¹¹⁶⁷

¹¹⁵³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁵⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹⁵⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁵⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁵⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 93

¹¹⁵⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 94

¹¹⁵⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁶¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶² US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁶³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶⁴ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Akadska sloboda u Siriji je takođe veoma ograničena.^{1168 1169} Univerzitetski profesori su otpušteni ili su pritvarani zbog izražavanja svog neslaganja, a neki su čak i ubijeni tokom ustanka 2011. godine.^{1170 1171}

Vlada Sirije ima široku kontrolu i nad štampanim i elektronskim medijima.^{1172 1173} Većina izdavačkih kuća je u vlasništvu ili pod kontrolom Vlade i Baat partije.^{1174 1175} Vlada zabranjuje sve publikacije na kurdsom jeziku.^{1176 1177} Knjige koje kritikuju režim su takođe zabranjene.^{1178 1179} Premijer Sirije odobrava licence novinarima, koja može biti odbijena iz razloga koji se tiču javnog interesa.¹¹⁸⁰

Lokalni novinari u Siriji vrše samocenzuru o temama kao što su kritika predsednika Asada i njegove porodice, sirijske vojske ili Baat partije,¹¹⁸¹ kao i o temama koje se tiču službi bezbednosti ili Alevita (Aleviti predstavljaju organak šiitskog islamskog pravca i ova verska sekta u Siriji ima visok politički uticaj jer su predsednik Sirije Asad i njegova porodica pripadnici Alevita).^{1182 1183}

¹¹⁶⁵ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶⁶ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁶⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁶⁹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁷⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 95

¹¹⁷¹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁷² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁷³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁷⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁷⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁷⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁷⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁷⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁷⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁸⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁸¹ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Limits on Content, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁸² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁸³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

Stranim novinarima koji ne poštuju nametnute smernice ponašanja se zabranjuje ulazak u Siriju, a domaći novinari koji su prekršili pravila morali su da napuste Siriju i žive van zemlje i rizikuju da budu uhapšeni po povratku u nju.^{1184 1185} Novinari se kažnjavaju i ukoliko, na vladin zahtev, ne otkriju svoje izvore.^{1186 1187}

Televizijska stanica Al-Džazira (Al-Jazeera) objavila je 27. aprila 2011. godine da suspenduje na neodređeno vreme svoje aktivnosti širom Sirije, zbog zastrašivanja i pretnji njihovom osoblju od strane sirijske Vlade.^{1188 1189}

Vlada Sirije vrši monitoring komunikacije preko interneta, ograničava pristup nekim internet stranicama, nadgleda imejl naloge i „chat sobe“.¹¹⁹⁰ Pro-Asadova propaganda na internetu širi lažne informacije, „hakuje“ mejl adrese i naloge društvenih mreža.^{1191 1192} Ipak, satelitske antene su u Siriji veoma uobičajene,^{1193 1194 1195} i one daju mogućnost Sirijcima da prate strane medije.¹¹⁹⁶

Postoji celokupna Asadova „sajber“ armija (Sirijska elektronska armija – Syrian Electronic Army),^{1197 1198} koja nastoji da diskredituje antivladin ustanak, postavljajući poruke na internet stranicama vladinih protivnika, u kojima pozivaju na nasilje, praveći se da poruke pripadaju protestantima.¹¹⁹⁹

U Siriji se na internet može pristupiti samo preko državnih servera, koji blokiraju sajtove koji su povezani sa opozicijom, kurdsom politikom, islamskim organizacijama,

¹¹⁸⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 96

¹¹⁸⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁸⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁸⁷ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁸⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁸⁹ Committee to protect Journalists: Al-Jazeera suspends Syria bureau; attacks on Lebanon crew - <http://cpj.org/2011/04/al-jazeera-suspends-syria-bureau-attacks-on-lebano.php>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁹⁰ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Internet freedom, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁹¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 99

¹¹⁹² Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Violations of User Rights, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁹³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁹⁴ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁹⁵ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Status of freedom of speech and press, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹¹⁹⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 97

¹¹⁹⁷ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁹⁸ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Limits on Content, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹¹⁹⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 100

ljudskim pravima.^{1200 1201} Komunikacija preko mejlova se nadgleda od strane obaveštajne službe.^{1202 1203} Službe takođe traže od vlasnika internet kafea da nadgledaju svoje mušterije.¹²⁰⁴
1205 1206

Vlada Sirije je nakon 4-5 godina blokade, u februaru 2011. godine, skinula zabranu sa sajtova Facebook i YouTube.^{1207 1208 1209} Međutim, Vlada i dalje nastavlja da ometa protok informacija o nasilju u zemlji, posebno snimke sa sajta YouTube, na kojima se vide demonstranti koji su tučeni, hapšeni ili ubijeni.^{1210 1211} U decembru 2011. godine, Vlada Sirije je zabranila korišćenje i uvoz iPhone telefona, kako građani ne bi dokumentovali nasilje na protestima.^{1212 1213 1214}

Sirijska Vlada vrši i filtriranje i cenzuru tekstualnih poruka na mobilnim telefonima.
¹²¹⁵ Vlada je naložila mobilnim operaterima da blokiraju poruke koje sadrže ključne reči kao što su “revolucija” ili “demonstracije”.¹²¹⁶

¹²⁰⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 100

¹²⁰¹ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²⁰² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 100

¹²⁰³ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²⁰⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 100

¹²⁰⁵ Freedom House: Freedom In the World – Syria/Political rights and civil liberties - <http://www.freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/2012/syria-0>, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²⁰⁶ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Obstacles to Access, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²⁰⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 101

¹²⁰⁸ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Limits on Content, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²⁰⁹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Internet freedom, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹²¹⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 101

¹²¹¹ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Internet freedom, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹²¹² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 101

¹²¹³ US Department of State: Country Report on Human Rights Practices for 2011/Internet freedom, Syria, 24 May 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/217667/324297_en.html

¹²¹⁴ BBC News Middle East: Syria 'bans iPhones' over protest footage - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-16009975>, pristupljeno 6. novembra 2012.

¹²¹⁵ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Limits on Content, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

¹²¹⁶ Freedom House: Freedom on the Net 2012 – Syria/Limits on Content, 24 September 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/227471/335346_en.html, pristupljeno 3. novembra 2012.

Izbeglice i interno raseljena lica (IDP's):

U Siriji postoje četiri različite grupe interno raseljenih lica (IDP): u jednu grupu spadaju oni koji su raseljeni u toku nasilnog suzbijanja protesta započetih u martu 2011. godine, dok se ostale tri grupe suočavaju sa dugotrajnom raseljenošću. Tri grupe dešavanja u Siriji koje su izazvale raseljavanje su okupacija Golan visoravni od Izraela 1967. godine, zatim raseljavanje Kurda iz njihove domovine na severo-istoku zemlje 1970-ih godina i razaranje centra grada Hama 1982. godine ¹²¹⁷ (videti odeljak Istorijsko-politički razvoj, strana 15).

Nemiri u Siriji koji su počeli u martu 2011. godine, doveli su do raseljavanja velikog broja civila. ^{1218 1219} Do avgusta 2012. godine, više od 170 000 ljudi je napustilo Siriju u potrazi za utočištem. ¹²²⁰

Preko 10 800 zahteva za azil od strane Sirijaca je registrovano u zapadnoevropskim zemljama od aprila 2011. do juna 2012. godine. ¹²²¹ Od marta 2012. godine, prosečno više od 500 Sirijaca dnevno pređe granicu i napusti Siriju. Preko 75% ovih izbeglica su žene i deca. ¹²²²

Granice svih susednih zemalja su otvorene za izbeglice iz Sirije, kojima se obezbeđuje bezbednost i poštovanje "non refoulement" principa (princip zabrane proterivanja ili vraćanja izbeglica u zemlju gde im može biti ugrožen život ili sloboda zbog rase, verske ili etničke pripadnosti, pripadnosti nekoj društvenoj grupi ili političkog mišljenja). ¹²²³

Broj interno raseljenih lica u Siriji razlikuje se od izvora i varira od 1 miliona do 1.4 miliona ljudi. ^{1224 1225 1226 1227}

¹²¹⁷ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 165

¹²¹⁸ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 166

¹²¹⁹ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 1

¹²²⁰ UN General Assembly: Report of the Secretary-General – Implementation of General Assembly resolution 66/253 B on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic/Introduction, 21 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1349104911_n1246820syria.pdf

¹²²¹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 166

¹²²² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 166

¹²²³ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 167

¹²²⁴ UN General Assembly: Report of the Secretary-General – Implementation of General Assembly resolution 66/253 B on the situation in the Syrian Arab Republic/Introduction, 21 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1349104911_n1246820syria.pdf

¹²²⁵ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf)

Većina Sirijaca odlazila je iz svojih domova privremeno, bežali su iz sela i gradova pre ili za vreme napada i vraćali su se nakon što bi vladine snage otišle.^{1228 1229} Međutim, upotreba tenkova i drugog teškog naoružanja dovela je do uništavanja kuća, a samim tim i dužeg trajanja raseljenosti.^{1230 1231} Mnogi od onih koji su napustili svoje gradove i sela, sada kampuju u okolnim selima, ili se kriju u pećinama, dok su neki smešteni kod rodbine.¹²³²

Veliki broj interno raseljenih lica iz Sirije je pronašlo utočište u Turskoj, ali je veliki broj njih trenutno (septembar 2012.godina) zaglavljen na granici sa Turskom, gde čekaju da pobjegnu iz Sirije.¹²³³ Procenjuje se da je početkom septembra 2012.godine od 8000 do 10 000 ljudi čekalo na sirijsko-turskoj granici da uđe u Tursku.^{1234 1235 1236 1237}

Interno raseljena lica u Siriji u velikom broju zauzimaju i smeštaju se u javnim zgradama, kao što su škole i univerziteti. Iako te zgrade pružaju potreban hitan smeštaj, one nisu odgovarajuće za smeštaj na duže vreme.¹²³⁸

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¹²²⁶ Wikipedia: Syrian civil war - http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011%E2%80%932012_Syrian_uprising, pristupljeno 5. oktobra 2012.

¹²²⁷ The World Bank: Syria Overview/Context - <http://www.worldbank.org/en/country/syria/overview>, pristupljeno 10. oktobra 2012.

¹²²⁸ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 1

¹²²⁹ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 165

¹²³⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 165

¹²³¹ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 2

¹²³² Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>, str 1

¹²³³ Amnesty International Briefing: Syria: Indiscriminate attacks terrorize and displace civilians, 19 september 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/078/2012/en/7c6e152b-6592-4f54-a5f4-400ff74385cd/mde240782012en.pdf>, str 1

¹²³⁴ Amnesty International Public Statement: Neighbouring countries must ensure that refugees stranded at Syria's borders are allowed access to safety, 14 September 2012 - <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/077/2012/en/600b5409-dd87-4c99-8126-8301c3ccb485/mde240772012en.pdf>

¹²³⁵ UNHCR: Syria regional refugee response/Turkey-24 septembar 2012. http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1930_1349868731_syr-update-23.pdf, str 4

¹²³⁶ Amnesty international:public statement, 14 septembar 2012.- <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/asset/MDE24/077/2012/en/600b5409-dd87-4c99-8126-8301c3ccb485/mde240772012en.pdf>

¹²³⁷ HRW - Human Rights Watch: Syria Neighbors: Keep Borders Open for Refugees, 29 August 2012.- http://www.ecoi.net/local_link/226010/333709_en.html

¹²³⁸ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 4

Nekoliko humanitarnih organizacija koje deluju u Siriji, uključujući i lokalne i nacionalne organizacije, bile su primorane da tokom 2012.godine ograniče ili potpuno suspenduju svoje aktivnosti usled teških borbi koje se vode. Osim što pretila opasnost njihovom osoblju, administrativne zabrane i ograničenja Vlade Sirije onemogućavaju im da pristupe određenim oblastima i pomognu raseljenima.¹²³⁹

Sirijske bezbednosne i vojne snage otvarale su vatru na one koji su pokušavali da napuste zemlju.^{1240 1241} U incidentu blizu grada Idlib u avgustu 2011. godine, porodica sa decom kolima je prilazila graničnom prelazu sa Turskom, kada su sirijske snage na njih pucale i ubile dvoje, a ranile jednog člana porodice. U septembru iste godine, ubijen je još jedan muškarac koji je pokušao da pređe sirijsko-tursku granicu.^{1242 1243}

Mnogi pojedinci su osećali pritisak da napuste Siriju, jer su se njihova imena pojavila na listi ljudi koje traži služba bezbednosti, zbog toga što su učestvovali u mirnim protestima.^{1244 1245}

Isto tako, Sirijcima postaje sve teže da legalno pređu granicu, jer su imena onih koji su hapšeni zbog učešća na demonstracijama, takođe na spiskovima koji se nalaze na granicama i njima se na granici zabranjuje napuštanje zemlje.^{1246 1247}

¹²³⁹ Internal Displacement Monitoring Centre: Syria, No safe haven – A country on the move, a nation on the brink, 16 August 2012 - [http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/\(httpInfoFiles\)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/\\$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf](http://www.internal-displacement.org/8025708F004BE3B1/(httpInfoFiles)/B70DD9A70E37CE5CC1257A5D0030C955/$file/syria-brief-aug2012.pdf), str 5

¹²⁴⁰ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 178

¹²⁴¹ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15

¹²⁴² UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 178

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¹²⁴⁴ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 178

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¹²⁴⁶ UK Border Agency: Syria Country of Origin Information (COI) Report, 15 August 2012 - http://www.ecoi.net/file_upload/1226_1345464874_coir-syria-ukba-12-08-15.pdf, str 179

¹²⁴⁷ UN General Assembly: Report of the independent international commission of inquiry on the Syrian Arab Republic, 23 November 2011 - http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Countries/SY/A.HRC.S-17.2.Add.1_en.pdf, str 15