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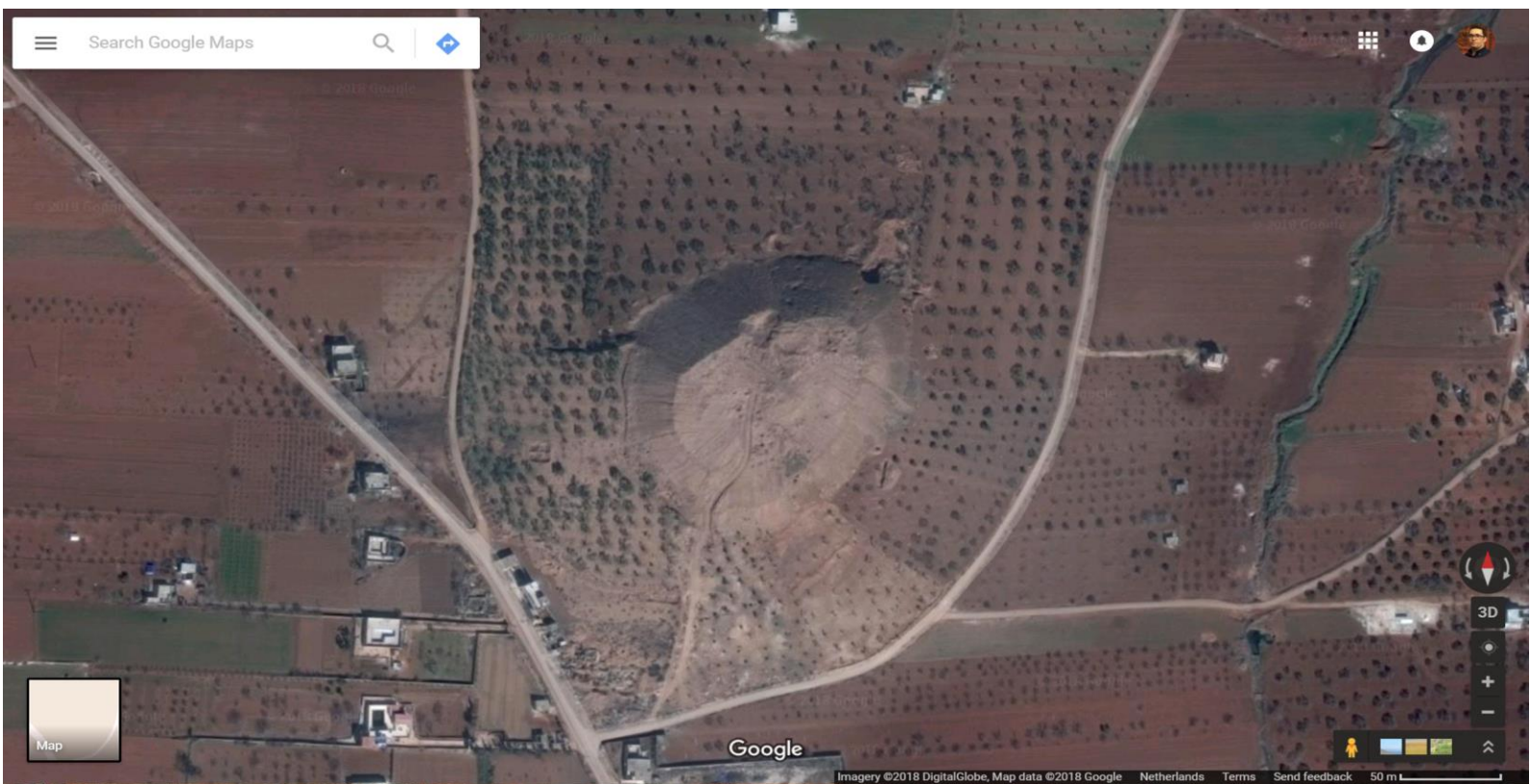
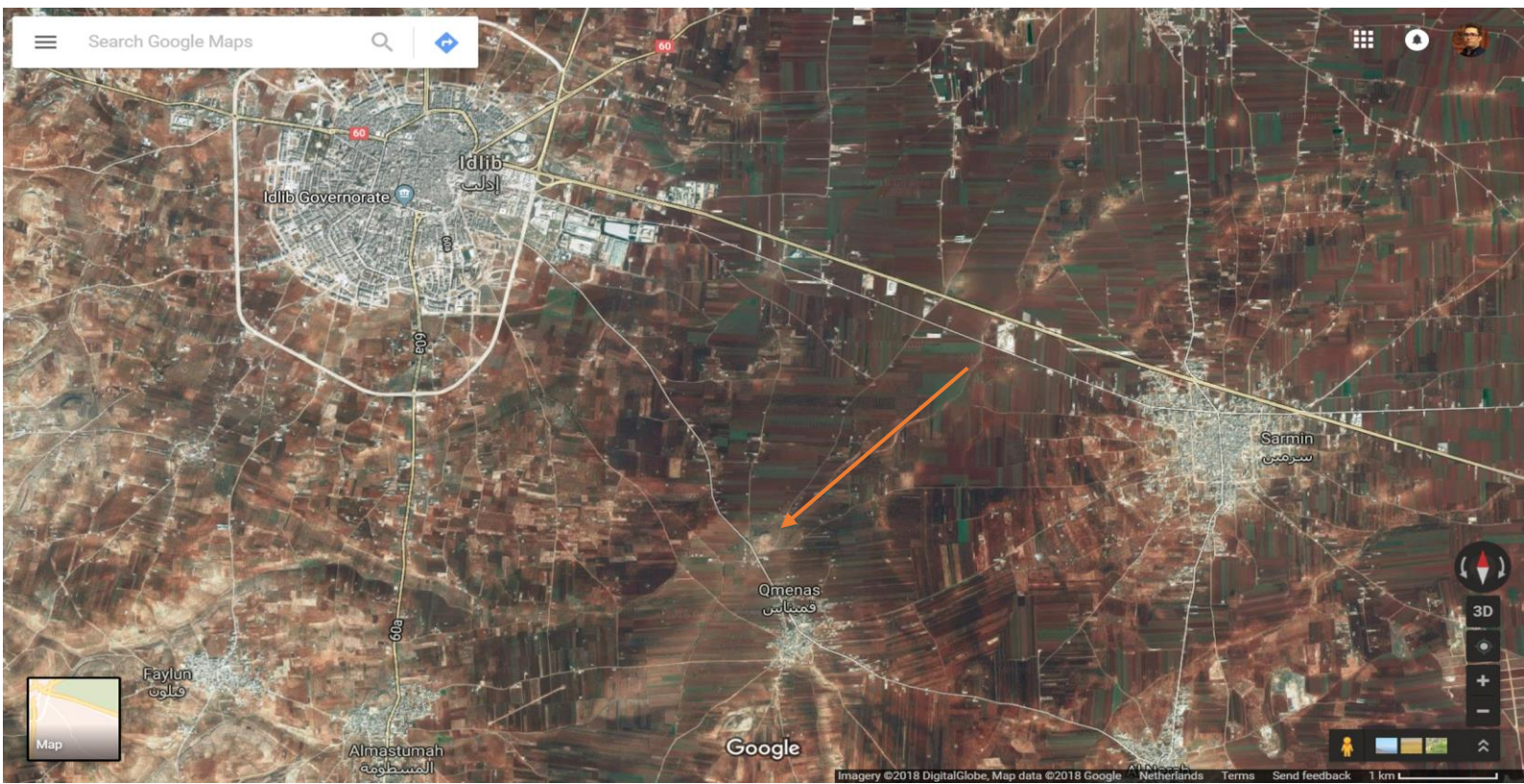
Site Monitors Project

Site Monitoring Report Tel Danit

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Tel Danit is an archaeological site/mound located in the south eastern part of the Idlib governorate near the village of Qminas. Evidence from the site indicates occupations dating from the Aramaic, Babylonian, Assyrian, and Persian periods. Surface finds including coins and pottery also indicate occupation levels dating to the Hellenistic, Byzantine, Ayyubid and Mamluk periods too.



Most recent damage to the site of Tell Danit has been caused by an individual who recently purchased (March 28, 2018) a large tract of land (12 acres) directly at the southeast corner of mound/tell. He has since been bulldozing large amounts of soil from the mound/tell for sale and to



facilitate looting of the site for archaeological material and treasure hunting.

Large part of the tell bulldozed



Bulldozed soil being loaded onto trucks





Bulldozer moving soil on the south eastern side of the tell, loading the dirt into dump trucks, and hauling it to farmlands where it is sold.

Looting the site for antiquities. A man uses a metal detector to locate buried artifacts while the bulldozer stands by.





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