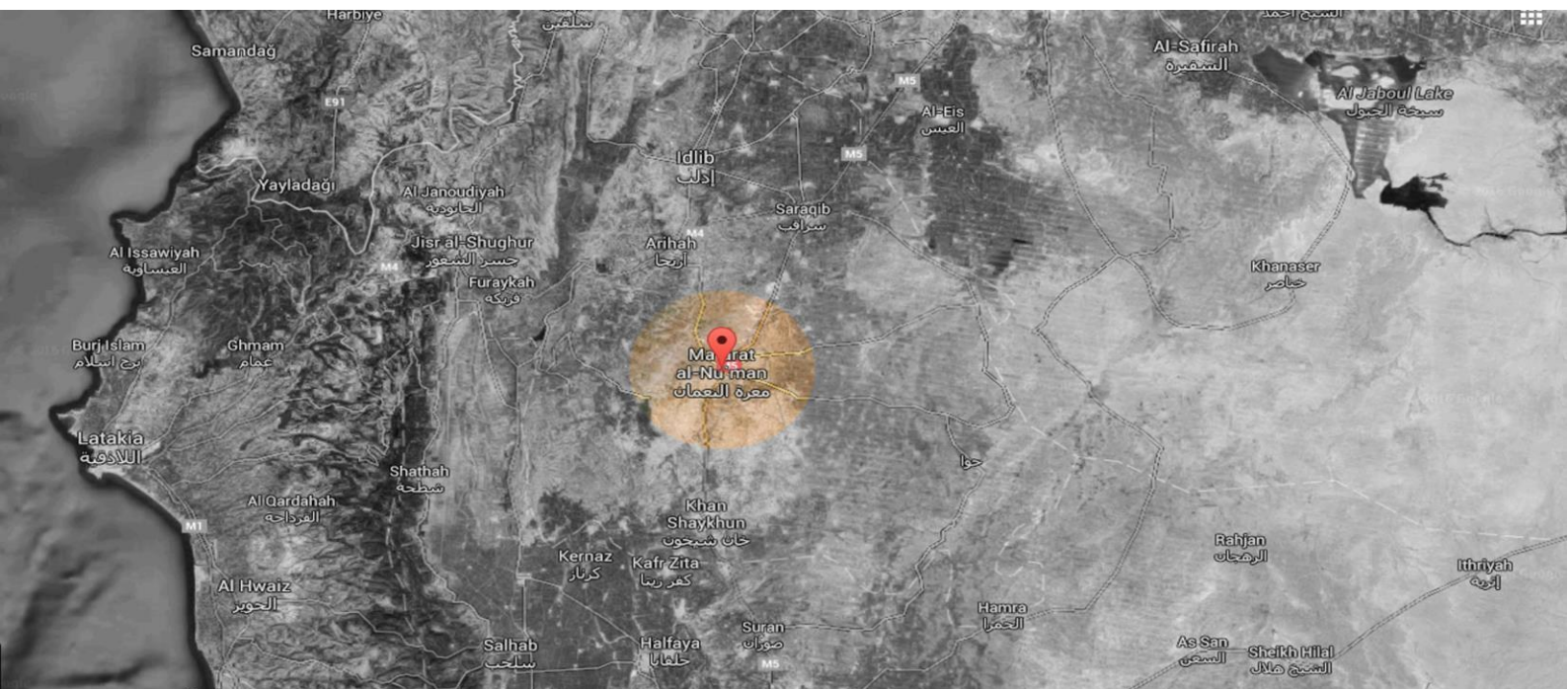


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Damage Report Ma'arra Museum Regime Airstrike

May 9, 2016.



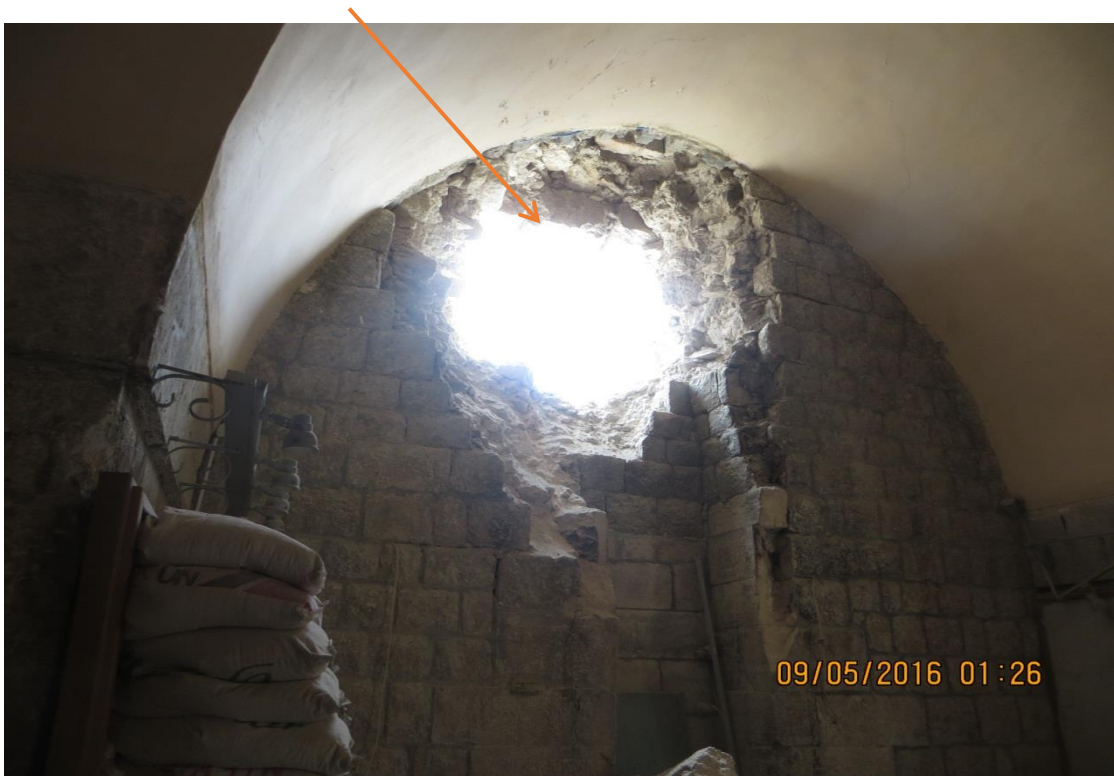
On Monday May 9th, 2016 at noon, the Museum of Ma'arra Al-Nu'man was struck for the second time by the Syrian regime air force with two rockets. The attack targeted the museum also know as Khan Murad Basha which was built in the 16th century during the Ottoman era (1564) and served as a Caravanserai, restaurant, and rest area for travelers.

The Khan occupies an area of 1.7 acres and is divided into 4 wings topped with domes. The wings are connected to service facilities: The central courtyard included a mosque and a restaurant, whereas the west wing housed a market place, a bathhouse, a bakery, grains storage area, and a water station that supplies the whole facility.

a breach/opening in the external wall of the museum.



Damage causing a breach in the wall (inside)





Damage causing a breach in the wall (outside)



Rubble collapse over the mosaic of Hercules. The mosaic appears to be undamaged due to the protection provided by the sandbags.



Rubble collapse over mosaic



Damage to external wall (see plan above)



Roof of the Bathhouse (Hammam)



Damage to the main dome on the Bathhouse (*Hammam*) roof

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