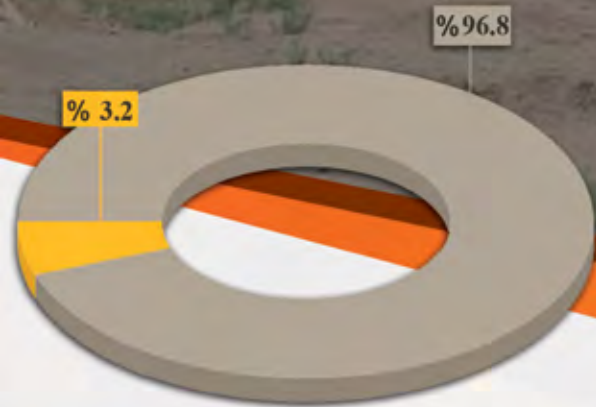




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Al Jazira Canton

Al Jazira Canton or Al khabur Upper basin area constitutes an essential part of Mesopotamia and it is one of the richest region in the world through its archaeological mounds and sites, where exceed more than thousand site, so it has been focused the attention of many missions and international organizations which raced to study and disclose its history and civilizations. The first archaeological excavations in Al Jazira began in the beginning of twentieth century specifically in 1911 by the German diplomat Max Von Oppenheim in Tell Halaf site. Then many of foreign missions followed to the region in order to detection and study even exceeded thirty mission. ranged from USA, European, Japanese and Syria and also joint missions. The number of excavated mounds reached to more than 50 site. in the beginning of the Syrian crisis on March in 2011 all of foreign missions left Syrian ground among of them which worked in Al Jazira Canton that recently reached to 20 mission. within chaos and absence of security some of sites in Al Jazira Canton subjected to illegal excavations, looting and vandalism, and some of them became as fronts of combat on the other hand. because of the dire situation that turned out these sites, it was incumbent upon The Authority of Tourism and protection of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton which founded with the announcement of democratic self-management after three years of Syrian crisis to carry upon itself Efforts of safeguarding these sites from the violations through observation, documentation and communication with the population. the Authority is specialized to achieving a number of objectives, in the foreground is promoting the awareness of protecting tourist and archaeological sites for all society categories. Preparing and accomplishing resolutions, training staffs on the importance and definition of archaeological and historical sites, correlating past with present and looking towards a better future and interesting with





awareness in schools and universities and collaboration with anyone concerned by the protecting of antiquities and humanitarian heritage.

the most prominent targets of the Authority are as following :

Protecting the archaeological sites and prevent infractions -

- publishing awareness among citizens through preparing exhibitions , documentaries , and writing scientific articles about the archaeological sites in newspapers and magazines

- Identify archaeological mounds and sites in the Canton and indicating to its economic , tourist , archaeological and historical importance

- Identify the cultural heritage of Canton for generations and strengthen their correlation with their land and their archaeological Legacy

- Communicating with all of organizations , missions and institutions which concerned with the protection of archaeological heritage.

within the conditions of crisis and inability of the media to cover all areas as a result of turning some of it into directly contact with extremist groups also inability of the scientific staffs to know what happened to this areas , so the First serious work headed on the List of the Authority initiatives after its establishment was documenting all of the archaeological sites in the Canton Lands after liberation , in two full years of continuous work we prepared an comprehensive general report about the situation of the archaeological mounds and sites in Al Jazira Canton , and now we are publishing this report in our official website to communicate the obvious and precise information to the scientific community , institutions , organizations and anyone interested with protection of antiquities and humanitarian heritage and also to show them the latest developments in our region .

**The situation of Excavated
and important sites in Al Jazira
Canton**



Photographer of the excavated sites in Al Khabur basin

Tell Brak (Nagar)

located south of Qamishlo about 44 km , it's one of the most important cities in northern Mesopotamia in the fourth and third millennium B.C . the site has been subjected to bulldozing and digging a trench also robbery and destruction of its mission house . the excavations in the site began for the first time under management of the English archaeological researcher Max Mallowan between 1937- 1938 . And then resumed again in 1976, under management of John Oates, and Helen Mackdonelid



Tell Brak



Tell Brak - bulldozing down of mound



Tell Brak - bulldozing up of mound



Tell Brak - bulldozing - Shelter



Tell Brak - Shelter



Tell Brak - pit

Tell Barri (Kahat)

located 34 km south of Qamishlo and it's one of the most important sites in the second and third millennia B.C . the beginning of settlement in the site dates back to Halaf period , the site subjected to illegal excavation and stealing the contents of the mission house . The excavations in the site began in 1980 by Italy mission under management of Paolo Emilio Pecorella ...



Tell Barri



Tell Barri - illegal excavation



Tell Barri - illegal excavation



Tell Barri - mission excavations

Tell Baydar (Nabada)

located 66 km southwest of Qamishlo city and it's one of the some excavations have been influenced by weather factors so an ambulatory restorations important ancient sites during the third millennium B.C , the beginnings of the settlement at the site date back to the fifth millennium B.C .. the site in good situation generally , except of accomplished in the site , As for the Mission House has been subjected to vandalism and theft .The excavations at the site began in 1992 by a joint European mission under management of Dr Mark Lebeau .



Tell Baydar



Tell Baydar - mission excavations



Tell Baydar - mission excavations



Tell Baydar - mission excavations

Tell Teninir

located 72 km southwest of Qamishlo and it's one of important sites in northern Mesopotamia especially during the Ayyubid and Byzantine period , beginnings of the settlement in the site return to early bronze period (2700 B.C) .. the site is in good situation generally . The excavations in the site began in 1987 by an American mission under management of Michael and Neathery Fuller .



Tell Teninir



Tell Teninir - mission excavations



Tell Teninir - mission excavations



Tell Teninir - mission excavations

Tell Al Hasaka

located in the city itself , it's one of the important archaeological mounds because of its strategical location , the site has constituted a knot for trading and military transportations between north and south , the beginnings of settlement at the site date back to 1200 B.C . the site in good situation , but the excavations have been affected by weather conditions . the first one pointed to the importance of this mound was German mission headed by Wolfgang Rowling and Hartemt kone in 1977, but the excavations began in 2008 by Syrian mission under management of Abd Al Massih Bagdo.



Tell Al Hasaka

Tell Hamidia (Taido)

located 36 km south of Qamishlo city , the site was one of most important sites during the second millennium B.C .The beginnings of settlement in the site date back to the late third millennium B.C . the site has been subjected to bulldozing and digging a trenches also the mission house stolen and destroyed . the excavations in the site have been began by the Swiss mission under management of Markus Wäfle since 1984.



Tell Hamidia



Tell Hamidia - bulldozing down of mound



Tell Hamidia - mission excavations



Tell Hamidia - mission house



Tell Hamidia - bulldozing up of mound



Tell Hamidia - opening road

Tell Khazna

located 52 km southwest of Qamishlo and it's one of the most religious ancient sites in the third millennium B.C , the beginnings of settlement at the site date back to the late fifth millennium B.C . the site is in good situation , except of the excavations have been affected by the weather factors also stealing mission house contents. The excavations at the site began in 1988 by the Russian Mission under management of Raauf Munchaief



Tell Khazna



Tell Khazna - mission excavations



Tell Khazna - mission excavations



Tell Khazna - mission excavations

Tell Shair

located 20 km east of Qamishlo and it's one of the important ancient sites , the beginnings of settlement in the site dating back to the sixth millennium B.C .. the site is in good situation , Except of the excavations influenced by weather factors . The Excavations in the site began in 2006 by Syrian mission under management of Suleiman Elias.



Tell Shair



Tell Shair - mission excavations

Tell Taban (Tabitum)

located about 37 km south of Al Hasaka city and it's one of the important sites in Al Khabour basin , The beginnings of the settlement in the site date back to the late Ubaid period and early Uruk period. The Site has subjected to illegal excavation . the Excavations in the site began in 1997 until 2000 by Japanese mission under supervision of Hirotoishi Numoto and returned again in 2005 after suspending for five years .



Tell Taban



Tell Taban - illegal excavation



Tell Taban - illegal excavation



Tell Taban - illegal excavation



Tell Taban - illegal excavation



Tell Taban - illegal excavation

Tell Ajajh (Shadikani)

located 32 km south of Al Hasaka city the beginning of the settlement in the site date back to the late second millennium B.C , and beginning of the first millennium B.C, it was known with name Shadikani . it has been thrived again during the Byzantine and Islamic periods, specifically the Ayyubid period . the site excavated between the 1980- 1990 by joint Syrian and German mission . it has subjected to bulldozing and illegal excavations exceeded (100) pit and tunnel led to destroy the archaeological layers.



Tell Ajajh



Tell Ajajh - illegal excavation



Tell Ajajh - illegal excavation



Tell Ajajh - illegal excavation



Tell Ajajh - illegal excavation



Tell Ajajh - bulldozing



Tell Ajajh - illegal excavation

Tell Arbid

located 26 km southwest of Qamishlo city and it's one of the important ancient sites during the third millennium B.C, the beginnings of the settlement in the site return to the fifth millennium B.C . the Excavations have been affected by the weather conditions , as for mission house it has subjected to theft except of relocation some of them to the safety place . The Excavations in the site had begun between 1934-1936 By British mission under management of Max Mallowan , then resumed again in 1996 after years of suspending by joint Syrian and Polish mission under supervision of Rafael Kolinesci .



Tell Arbid



Tell Arbid - mission excavations



Tell Arbid - mission excavations



Tell Arbid - mission excavations

Tell Guerran

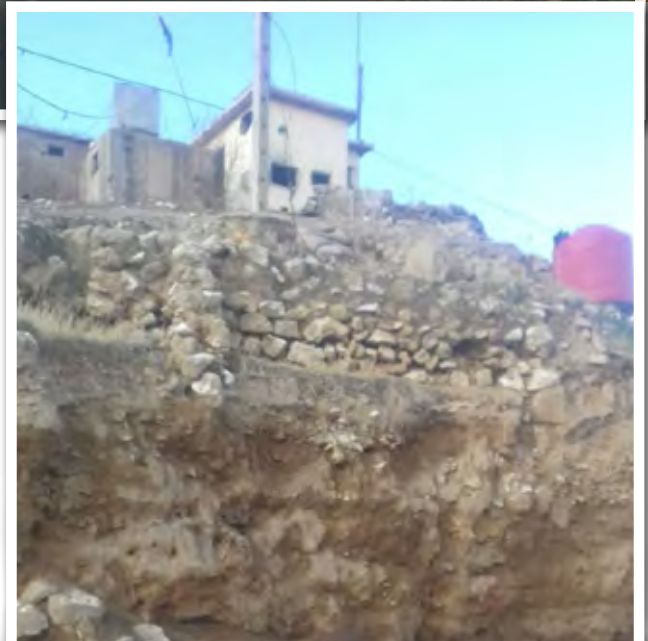
located opposite to Al Hasaka mound in the south of city center itself It's one of the important sites in the north of Mesopotamia during both of early Bronze and Ayyubid period , the beginnings of the settlement in the site dating back to Neolithic period . the site in good situation , but the Excavations have been affected by weather factors . the first one who pointed to its importance was German mission headed by Hartemt Kone in 1977, but the first Excavations in the site have begun in 2003 by Syrian mission under management of Abd Al Massih Bagdo.



Tell Guerran



Tell Guerran



Tell Guerran

Tell Faras

located 36 km southwest of Qamishlo city it's one of the important sites in the Chalcolithic period , the eastern mound (Excavated mound) its excavations have been affected by weather conditions ,The Excavations in the site began in 2006 by French mission under management of Jean Daniel Forest, about the western mound has bulldozed in the top .



Tell Faras - the excavated eastern mound



Tell Faras - mission excavations

Tell Mozan (Orkesh)

located 20 km west of Qamishlo city it's one of the biggest archaeological sites in the third millennium B.C , the beginnings of settlement in the site Return to sixth millenium B.C .. the site in good condition . The first Excavations in the mound was by the English scholar Max Mallowan in 1937.

In 1984, an Excavations began again, this time by American School under management of Giorgio Buccellati and his wife Marilyn Kelly Buccellati .



Tell Mozan



Tell Mozan - mission excavations

Tell Chagerbazar (Ashnkum)

located 36 km southwest of Qamishlo city it's one important sites during early and middle bronze age , the beginnings of settlement belong to eighth millennium B.C , the site in a good condition exception of the Excavations have been affected by weather factors also stealing some of mission house contents and the others have been moved to the authority depot .the Excavations in the site began between 1935 -1937 by British mission under management of Max Mallowan And then resumed again in 1999 by the joint Belgian ,Syrian mission under management of Onhan Tunja



Tell Chagerbazar

Ain Diwar bridge

Located 86 km east of Qamishlo city it was built in 1164 by Jamal Al Din Al Esfahani (Seljuk – Ayyubid period) and it is one of a rare archaeological monuments in north-east of Syria Where recently commandeered and drowned with water by the Turkish state during changing the course of Tigris River .



Ain Diwar bridge



Ain Diwar bridge - Turkish bulldozing
Machine



Ain Diwar bridge - Turkish bulldozing
Machine

Tell Halaf (Gozanz)

located 105 km west of Qamishlo it's one of most important sites during the Chalcolithic period , also it's the oldest area in the human cultural history , and it's the first agricultural ancient villages in the northern of Mesopotamia , the mound in a good situation except of some discordant buildings . the site had discovered in 1899 by the German engineer and diplomat Max von Oppenheim during his survey round in the region in order to extend Railway Berlin-Baghdad .

The Excavations in the site had begun between 1911-1913 then after the First World War resumed again between 1927-1929 . Since 2006 a new Excavation began under management of Martin Lotus.



Tell Halaf



Tell Halaf - mission excavations

Tell Hamoker

located 68 km southeast of Qamishlo city and it's one of the important ancient sites during the third millennium B.C, the beginnings of settlement in the site date back to the fifth millennium B.C, the site has bulldozed in the top around the geodesic point also around the headquarter of Al Baas party . the Excavations began in the site since 1999 by a joint USA and Syrian mission under management of Khaled al-Azem and McGuire Gibson .



Tell Hamoker



Tell Hamoker- bulldozing up of mound

Khasham

located 35 km northwest of Al Hasaka City , the site has been Excavated in 1998 -1999 by a Belgian Mission under supervision of Paul Loui van Berg from the University of Brussels .The beginning of settlement in the site dates back to the fourth millennium B.C and continued until the Islamic periods . And it is one of the first rocky art sites in Syria

The site in good situation



Khasham

Tell Mohammed Diab

located 34 KM southeast of Qamishlo city It's one of the important sites in the northern of Mesopotamia Particularly in the early and middle bronze age . The Beginning of settlement in the site return to the beginnings of the third millennium B.C . (Nineveh 5) . the site subjected to bulldozing , digging trenches And building a cement tunnels . as for the mission house it has been also subjected to stealing and destruction. The excavation in the site began in 1987 By French mission under management of Jean Marie Duran .



Tell Mohammed Diab



Tell Mohammed Diab - trench - cement tunnel



Tell Mohammed Diab - bulldozing



Tell Mohammed Diab - bulldozing

Tell Sakar Alhimr

located close to Tell Tamer town and 42 KM northwest of Al Hasaka city . it's One of the oldest sites which occupied in northern Mesopotamia , the beginning of the settlement in the site dates back to the ending of ninth and beginning of eighth millennium B.C . The site in a good condition except of the Excavations have been affected by weather factors , also subjected to illegal excavation (one pit) . about the mission house a large part of its contents have been relocated to the authority depot . The site underwent to archaeological surveys in 1991 By a French team and in 2000 the first Excavations in the site began by Japanese mission under supervision of Yoshihiro Ni-shiaki .



Tell Sakar Alhimr



Tell Sakar Alhimr - illegal excavation inside the mission excavations

Tell Fecheriye (Washukani)

located 100 km west of Qamishlo it's one of most important and big sites in northern of Mesopotamia it was a capital of the greatest empire (Al hurrian Almitanian empire) in the second millennium B.C . the beginnings of settlement in the site date back to the seventh millennium B.C . the site in a good situation , except of the excavations have been affected by weather factors and also some discordant buildings . in 1929 the German Archaeological excavator Max von Oppenheim was the first one who pointed to the importance of this mound . In 1944 the site has been excavated by USA mission under management of Calvin Macqueen, Also in 1955 the German researcher Antoine Murtgat accomplished specific Excavations in the mound . In 2001 a joint German and Syrian mission formed under supervision of Alexander Bruce to work in the site for a year, then again the excavations resumed in 2006 but this time under management of Dominik Bonatz.



Tell Fecheriye



Tell Fecheriye - mission excavations

Sakra Castle

located in Al Khabur basin areas on the top of one high chains of Abdul Aziz mountain , faraway of Al Hasaka city about 35 KM western , also It was one of the most important defensive military garrisons in the region where was used as a point of protection for supply troops with supplies in addition to its work as a mountainous control station on the linking corridor between north and south plains , the castle was built during the Islamic period (Ayyubid and Mamluk periods). The site in a good condition



Sakra Castle



Sakra Castle

Tell Keshkeshok

located 18 km northwest of Al Hasaka city . it's one of the first agricultural villages in Al Khabur basin , the site has been occupied during the middle of seventh millen-nium B.C until the late third millennium B.C . The site in a good situation . the Exca-vations in the site began in 1987- 1988 by joint Japanese and Syrian mission under management of Yoshihira Nishiaki and Antoine Suleiman



Tell Keshkeshok



Tell Keshkeshok

Tell Laylan (Shakhna – Shubat Enlil)

located 28 km southeast of Qamishlo city , it's one of the biggest archaeological sites in Al Khabur basin area , the beginnings of settlement in the site belong to the sixth millennium B.C . it has been subjected to bulldozing and digging a trench in the small mound that located south of the main hill (Tell Hamami) . as for the mission House contents it have been transferred to a safety place The first Excavations in the mound had begun in 1979 by USA mission from Yale University under management of Harvey Weiss



Tell Laylan



Tell Laylan - bulldozing up of mound - Al Hamami mound



Tell Laylan - bulldozing up of mound - Al Hamami mound



Tell Laylan - bulldozing up of mound - Al Hamami mound

Tell Mabtuh Al Sharqi

located 37 KM east of Al Hasaka city , in Al Khabur basin area . it's one of important sites in northern of Mesopotamia during the third millennium B.C . The beginnings of settlement in the site date back to the late fourth millennium B.C and the beginning of third millennium B.C . the site subjected to illegal excavations in several places also the Excavations have been affected by weather conditions . Between 1986-2001 un USA mission under management of Frank Hall has accomplished archaeological surveys of the site , Since 2001 the first Excavations began by Syrian mission under management of Antoine Suleiman .



Tell Mabtuh Al Sharqi



Tell Mabtuh Al Sharqi - mission excavations



Tell Mabtuh Al Sharqi - bulldozing



Tell Mabtuh Al Sharqi - illegal excavation

Statistics about the damaged sites in the Canton

The Authority Of Tourism And Protection Of Antiquities has documented 767 site in all of Al Jazira Canton areas as following



Sere kaniye (Ras Al AIN) area

The total number of sites 168 including Al Derbasia area , 115 site has been documented as following :

Sere kaniye	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	105	Number	4	Number	0	Number	6
		Percentage	3.8%	Percentage	0%	Percentage	5.7%
Derbasia	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	63	Number	13	Number	3	Number	0
		Percentage	20.6%	Percentage	4,8%	Percentage	% 0

very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage		Percentage	total
Number	17	Number	3	Number	6	15.5%	26
Percentage	10%	Percentage	1.8%	Percentage	3.6%		



Derek area

The total number of sites 205 including Tell Kojer - Gel Agha areas , 160 site has been documented as following :

Derek	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	77	Number	5	Number	1	Number	0
		Percentage	6,5%	Percentage	1.3%	Percentage	0%
Tell Kojer	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	73	Number	11	Number	8	Number	6
		Percentage	15,1%	Percentage	11%	Percentage	8.2%
Gel Agha	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	55	Number	5	Number	4	Number	0
		Percentage	9.1%	Percentage	7.3%	Percentage	0%

very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage		Percentage	total
Number	21	Number	13	Number	6	19.5%	40
Percentage	10%	Percentage	6.3%	Percentage	3%		



Qamishlo area

The total number of sites 351 including Amuda , Terbespieh and Tell Hamis , 296 site has been documented as following :

Qamishlo	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
		Number		Number		Number	
	54		5		4		1
		Percentage	9%	Percentage	7,4%	Percentage	1,9%
Amuda	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
		Number		Number		Number	
	87		16		4		0
		Percentage	18,4%	Percentage	4,6%	Percentage	0%
Terbespieh	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
		Number		Number		Number	
	80		5		٧		١
		Percentage	6,3%	Percentage	٨,٨%	Percentage	1,3%
Tell Hamis	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
		Number		Number		Number	
	130		9		20		9
		Percentage	6,9%	Percentage	15,5%	Percentage	6,9%

very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage		Percentage	total
Number	35	Number	35	Number	11	23%	81
Percentage	10%	Percentage	10%	Percentage	3,1%		



Al Hasaka area

The total number of sites 358 including Tell Tamer - Al Shedadh – Merkdah – Baar Al Helo – Al Hol - Al Arisha areas , 191 site has been documented as following :

Al Hasaka	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	156	Number	6	Number	8	Number	4
		Percentage	3,8%	Percentage	٪ 5,1	Percentage	٪ 2,6
Tell Tamer	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	57	Number	3	Number	10	Number	6
		Percentage	5,3%	Percentage	17,5%	Percentage	10,5%
Baar Al Helo	No of sites	very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage	
	76	Number	3	Number	4	Number	2
		Percentage	٪ 2,6	Percentage	٪ 5,3	Percentage	٪ 2,6

very limited damage		limited damage		considerable damage		Percentage	total
Number	12	Number	22	Number	12	12.8%	46
Percentage	3,4%	Percentage	6,1%	Percentage	3,4%		

Notice:

As for Al Shedadh , Merkdah , Al Hol and Al Arishah areas the documented sites no more than 10 sites . It were listed with Al Hasaka sites



The considerable , limited and very limited damaged archaeological sites in Al Jazira Canton

Localities	Al Hasaka	Qamishlo	Derek	Sere kaniye
Number of sites	358	351	205	168
Number of damages	46	81	40	26
Percentage	% 17,8			

The considerable damage in Al Jazira Canton

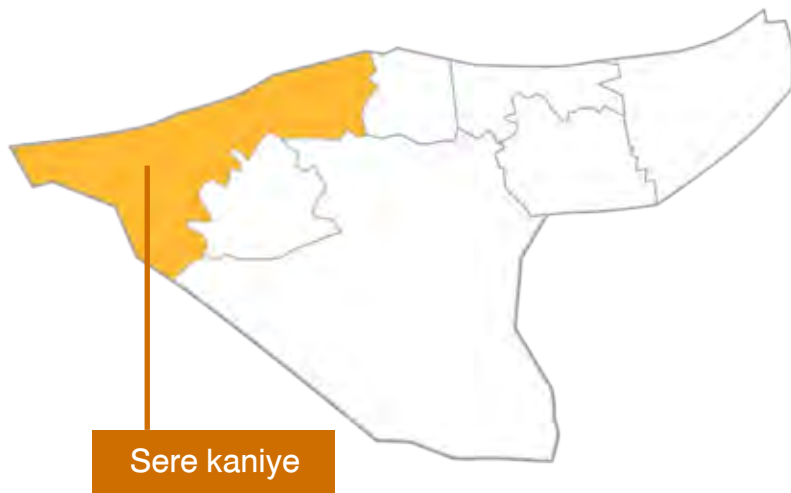
The number of sites in Canton	1082
Considerable damaged sites	35
Percentage	% 3,2

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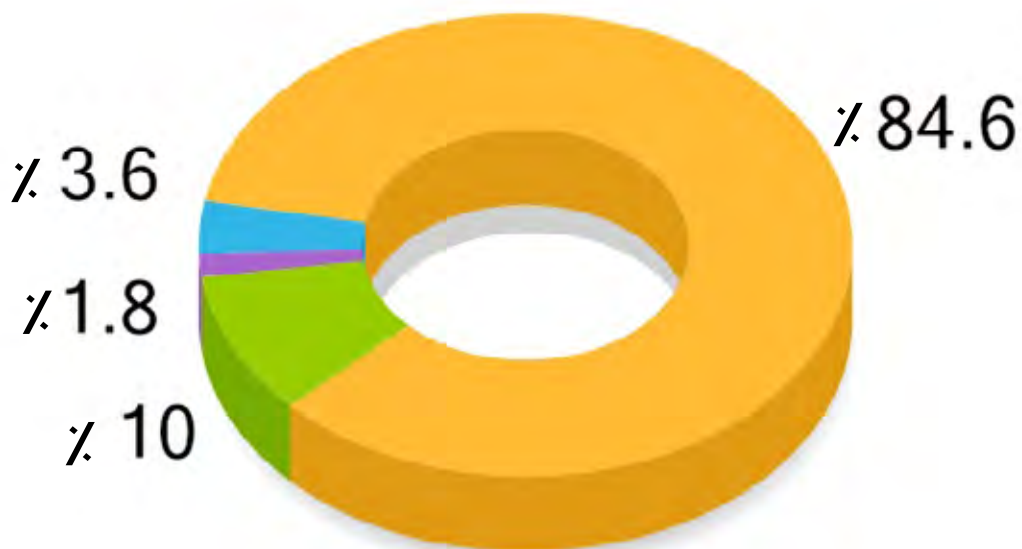
Most of sites that have been used as fronts of combat subjected to considerable damage

Kind of damages :

Discordant buildings – removing soils – Transferring soils – bulldozing – illegal excavation – earthy barricade – trenches – adding cement blocks (cement tunnels)



Situation of the sites in Sere Kaniye area during 2016



Good condition sites

Considerable damaged sites

Limited damaged sites

Very limited damaged sites



Situation of the sites in Derek area during 2016

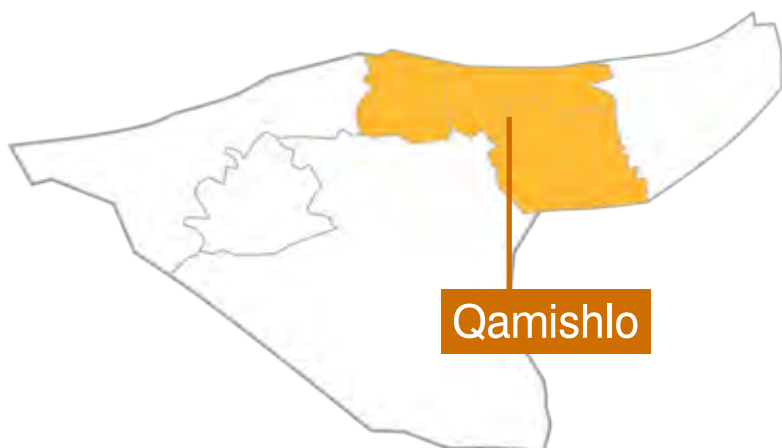


Good condition sites

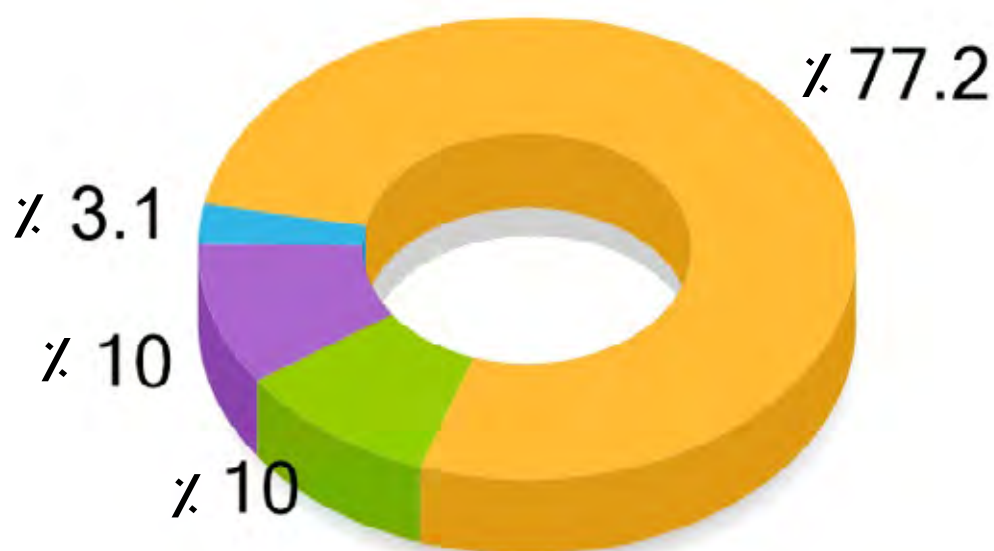
Considerable damaged sites

Limited damaged sites

Very limited damaged sites



Situation of the sites in Qamishlo area during 2016

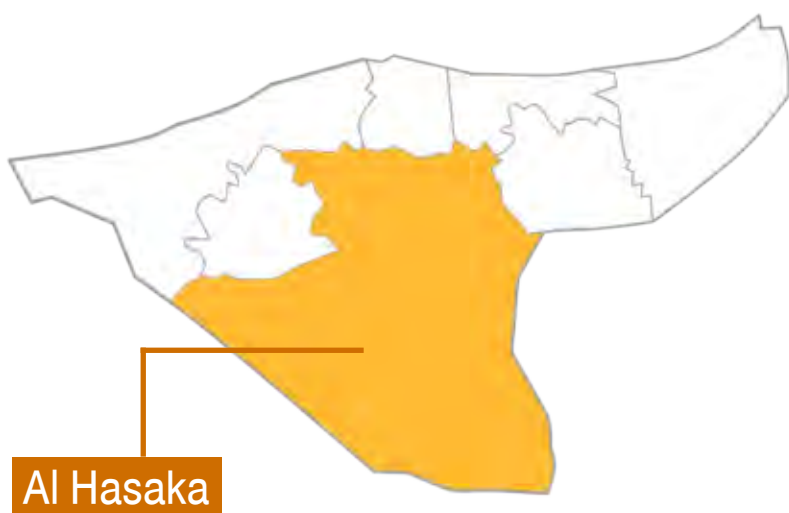


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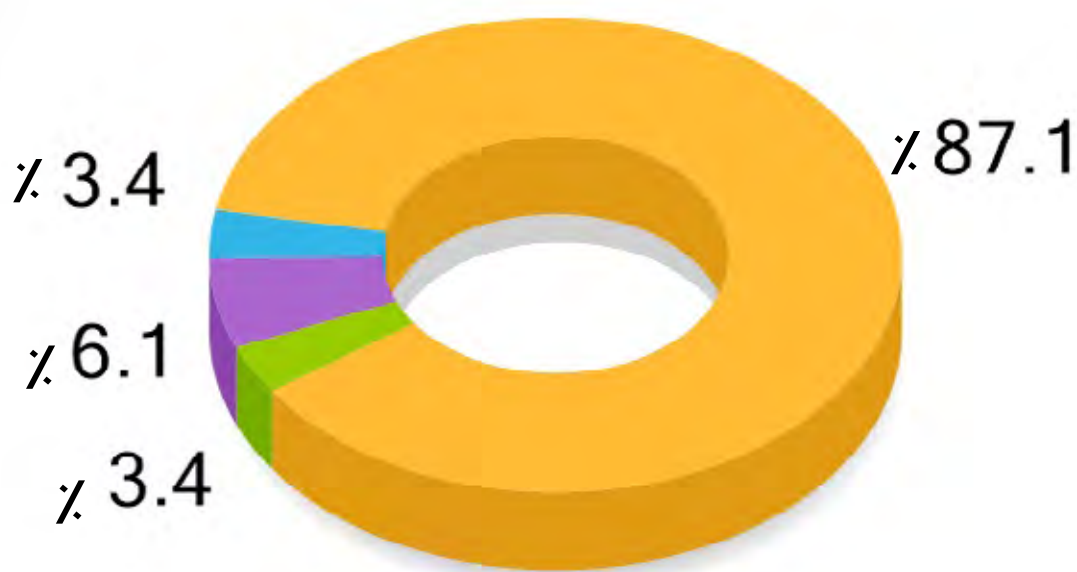
Considerable damaged sites

Limited damaged sites

Very limited damaged sites



Situation of the sites in Al Hasaka area during 2016



Good condition sites

Considerable damaged sites

Limited damaged sites

Very limited damaged sites

The House of Missions and its contents within the crisis

Starting of July in 2015 The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities transferred what remained of missions house contents to safety depot as following (Tell Bayder – Seker Al Ahimer – Leylan – Tenenier – Khesham – Chagarbazar – Arbid – (Fkhuieria – Halaf - Khuiera – Hamoker



Situation of missions house in Al Jazira Canton

No	The site	Mission house condition	Notices
1	Tell Mozan	good	
2	Tell chagarbazar	it has been Stolen	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
3	Tell Halaf	it has been Stolen	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
4	Tell Fecheriye	good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
5	Tell Seker Al Ahaimer	good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
6	Tell Bayder	It has been stolen and vandalized	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
7	Tell Arbid	It has been stolen and vandalized	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
8	Tell Brak	It has been stolen and vandalized	
9	Tell Hamidia	It has been stolen and vandalized	
10	Tell Barri	It has been Stolen	The guard still keeping some of its contents
11	Tell Hamokar	Good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
12	Tell Laylan	Good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
13	Khesham	Good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
14	Tell Khuiera	It has been damaged	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
15	Tell Teninir	Good	Transported a part of its contents to safety place
16	Tell Mohammed Diab	It has been stolen and vandalized	
17	Tell Faras	It has been stolen	Its contents were being moved to Tell Bayder Mission house

Notice

Also transferred Kharab Seyar mission Contents

Tell Laylan mission house



Tell Laylan - mission house - collection of potteries



Tell Laylan - mission house - a group of boxes

Tell Baydar mission house



Tell Baydar - mission house



Tell Baydar - one of mission house room



Tell Baydar - mission house



Tell Baydar - some of mission house contents

Tell Brak mission house



Tell Brak - mission house



Tell Brak - mission house

Tell Barri mission house



Tell Barri - mission house



Tell Barri - mission house

Tell Halaf mission house



Tell Halaf - mission house after transportations



Tell Halaf - mission house before transportations

Tell Hamidia mission house



Tell Hamidia - mission house



Tell Hamidia - one of mission house room

Tell Mozan mission house



Tell Mozan - mission house



Tell Mozan - mission house



Tell Mozan - mission house

Tell Teninir mission house



Tell Teninir - mission house



Tell Teninir - mission house contents



Tell Teninir - mission house contents

Tell chagarbazar mission house



Tell chagarbazar - mission house contents after transportations

Tell Mohammed Diab mission house



Tell Mohammed Diab - place of damaged mission house

Tell Hamokar mission house



Tell Hamokar - mission house



Tell Hamokar - some of mission house contents

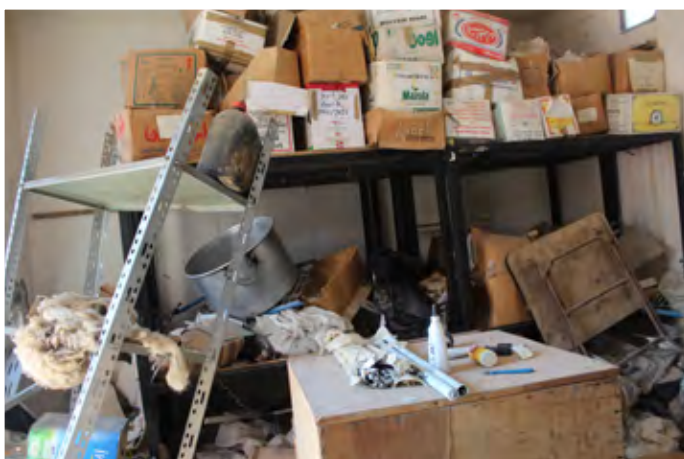


Tell Hamokar - mission house

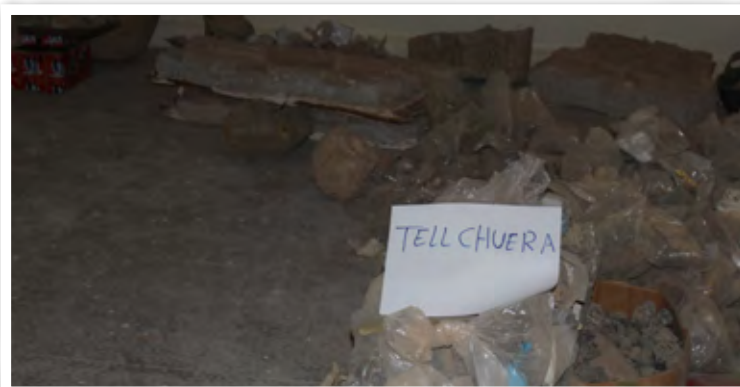
Tell Khuiera mission house



Tell Khuiera - mission house after shelling by warplanes



Tell Khuiera
mission house



Tell Khuiera
mission house

Khesham mission house



Khesham - mission house



Khesham - mission house before transportations



Khesham - mission house after transportations

Tell Seker Al Ahaimer mission house



Tell Seker Al Ahaimer - mission house before transportations



Tell Seker Al Ahaimer - mission house after transportations



Tell Seker Al Ahaimer - mission house

Tell Arbid mission house



Tell Arbid - mission house



Tell Arbid - some of mission house contents

Tell Fecheriye mission house



Tell Fecheriye - mission house after transportations



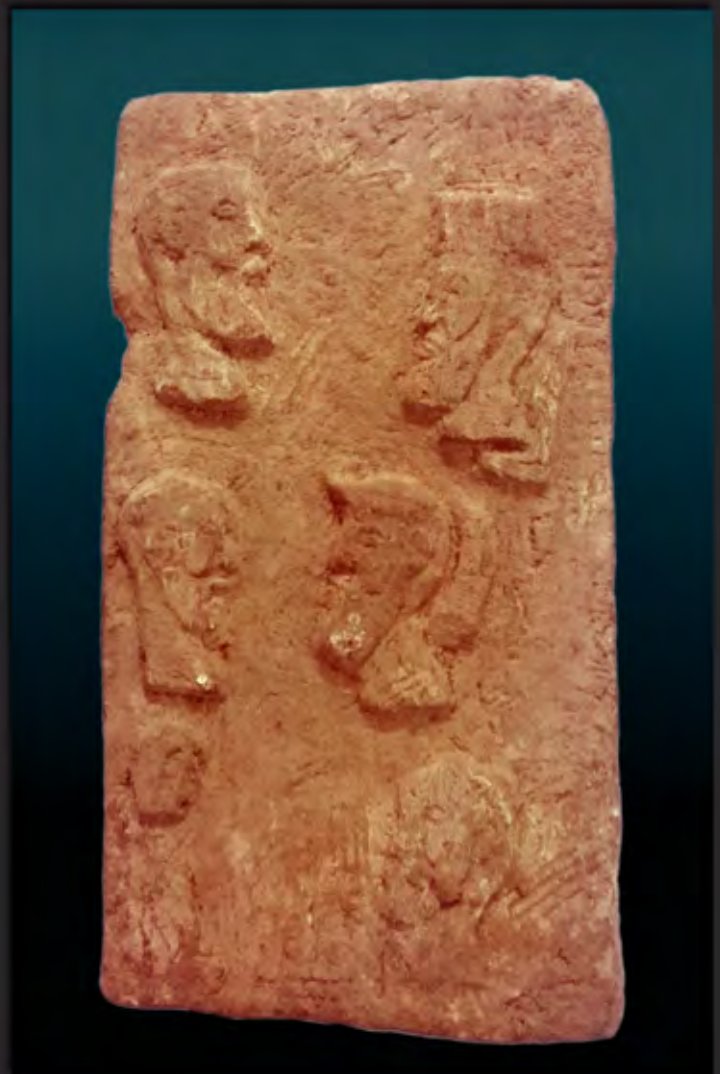
Tell Fecheriye - mission house before transportations

Confiscations

During 2016 the confiscation cases by the Kurdish security forces (Al Assayish) in Al Jazira Canton reached to 37 case including smuggling and trading antiquities , where the total of confiscated pieces reached to 293 piece



Woman figurine



Sculpted flagstone



pottery bird



cylinder seal



pottery jar



Pottery waggon



stony bowl



collection of potteries



coin



collection of confiscated pieces



head of boar from pottery



stony head



pottery



collection of potteries



coin



coins



pottery bowl



coin



coin



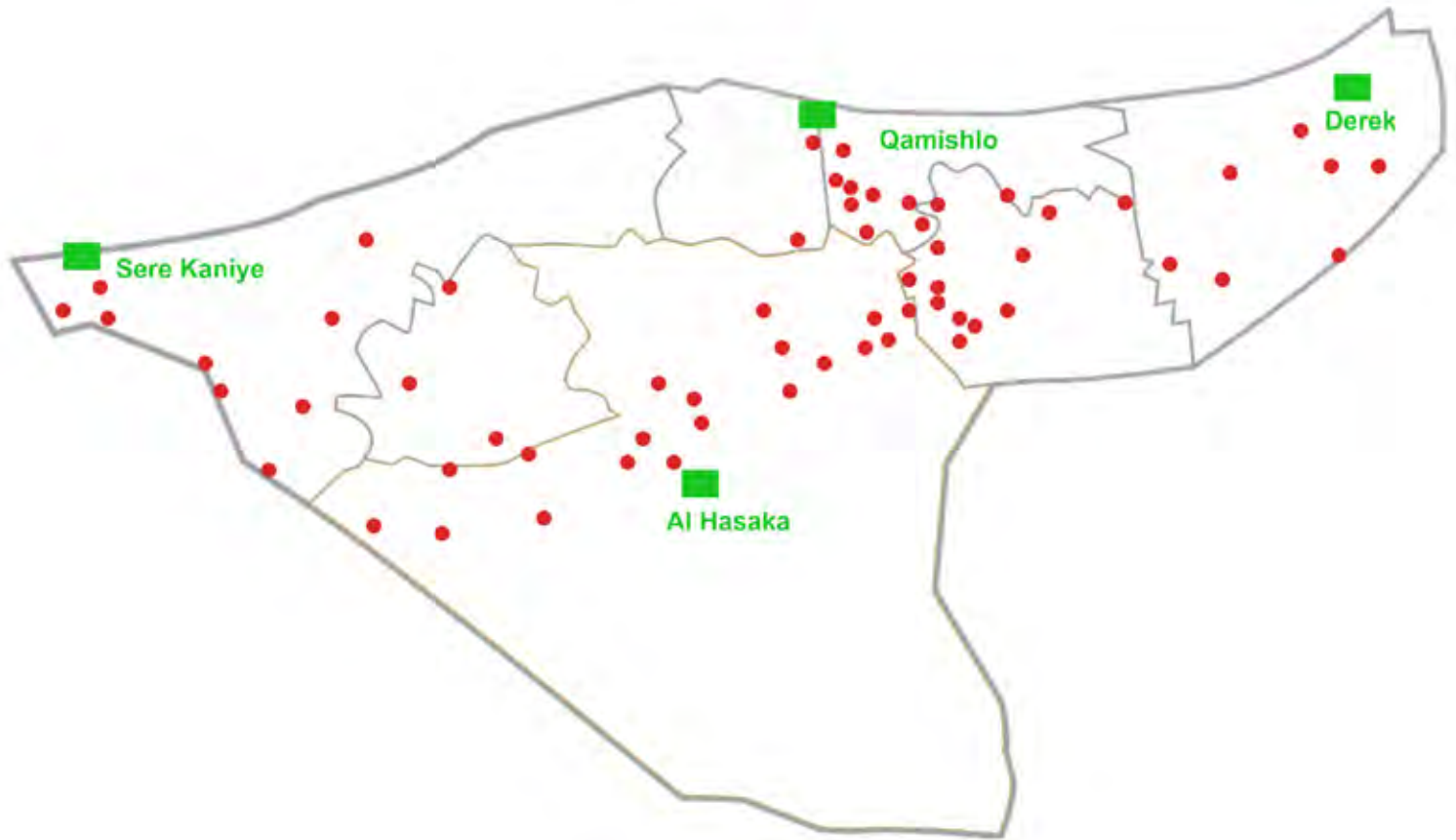
woman figurine



stony owl figurine

Sites used as fronts of combat

List about the archaeological sites that have been used as a fronts of combat before liberating some of Canton areas from terrorist groups.



photographer illustrating sites used as fronts of combat in the Canton

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
1	Tell Darsha	Baar Al Helo	Bulldozing – Trench
2	Tell Al Fadel	Baar Al Helo	Bulldozing – Trench
3	Tell Faras western mound	Baar Al Helo	Bulldozing
4	Tell Barak	Baar Al Helo	Bulldozing
5	Tell Hamidia	Baar Al Helo	Bulldozing

Tell Al Fadel / baar Al Helo



Baar Al Helo - Tell Fadel - bulldozing - trenches

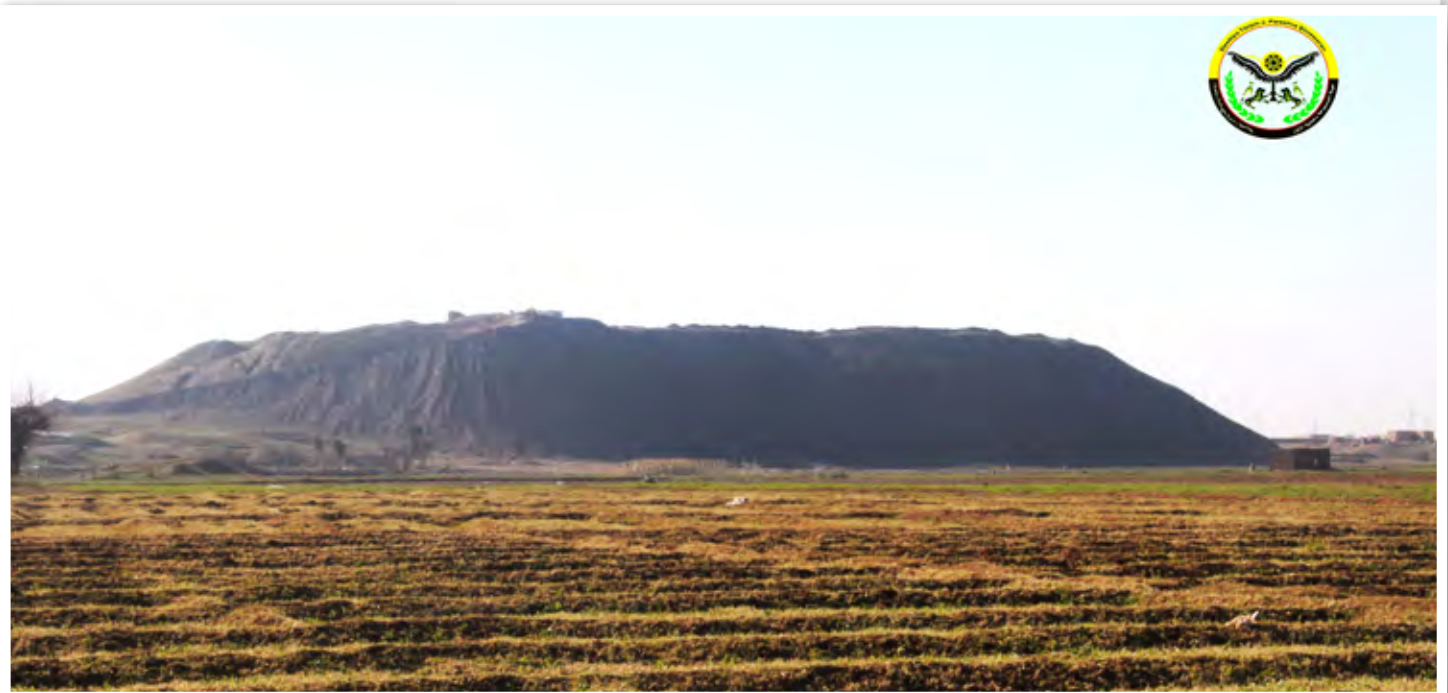
Tell Darsha/ baar Al Helo



Baar Al Helo - Tell Darsha - bulldozing - trenches

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
6	Tell Majdal	Al Hasaka	Trench – Earthy barricade
7	Tell Am Al Debs	Al Hasaka	Trench – Earthy barricade
8	Tell Said Ali	Al Hasaka	Trench – Earthy barricade
9	Tell Bezari	Al Hasaka	Trench – Earthy barricade
10	Tell Beko	Al Hasaka	Trench – Earthy barricade- Cement tunnels

Tell Majdal / Al Hasaka



Al Hasaka / Tell Majdal



Al Hasaka - Tell Majdal - illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Tell Majdal - bulldozing



Al Hasaka - Tell Majdal - trench

Tell Am Al Debs / Al Hasaka



Al Hasaka - Tell Am Al Debs

Al Hasaka - Tell Am Al Debs - bulldozing

Tell Said Ali / Al Hasaka



Al Hasaka - Tell Said Ali



Al Hasaka - Tell Said Ali - bulldozing

Tell Beko / Al Hasaka



Al Hasaka - Tell Beko



Al Hasaka - Tell Beko - trench



Al Hasaka - Tell Beko - pit

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
11	Tell Laylan	Terbespieh	Bulldozing – Trench
12	Mohammed Diab	Terbespieh	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
13	Tell Taweel	Terbespieh	Bulldozing – Trench - – Earthy barricade

Tell Taweel / Terbespieh



Terbespieh - Tell Taweel

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
14	Tell Ain Al Abed	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing
15	Tell karabet	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing – Trench
16	Tell Magas	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing – Trench
17	Tell Rman Foqani	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing – Trench
18	Tell Hamam Al Garbi	Tell Tamer	Trench
19	Tell Al Laban	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing
20	Tell Magloja	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing – Trench
21	Tell Am Gargan	Tell Tamer	Bulldozing

Tell Ain Al Abed / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer - Tell Ain Al Abed



Tell Tamer - Tell Ain Al Abed - cement tunnel



Tell Tamer - Tell Ain Al Abed - bulldozing



Tell Tamer - Tell Ain Al Abed - bulldozing

Tell karabet / Tell Tamer



Tell karabet - Tell Tamer



Tell karabet - Tell Tamer - trench



Tell karabet - Tell Tamer - bulldozing

Tell Magas / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer - Tell Magas



Tell Tamer - Tell Magas-
bulldozing up of mound

Tell Rman Foqani / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer -Tell Rman Foqani



Tell Tamer -Tell Rman Foqani -
trench



Tell Tamer -Tell Rman Foqani - cement tunnel

Tell Hamam Al Garbi / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer - Tell Hamam Al Garbi



Tell Tamer - Tell
Hamam Al Garbi

Tell Al Laban / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer - Tell Al Laban



Tell Tamer - Tell Al Laban - bulldozing

Tell Am Gargan / Tell Tamer



Tell Tamer - Tell Am Gargan



Tell Tamer - Tell Am Gargan - trench



No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
22	Tell Zwaiher	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench-- Earthy barricade
23	Tell Sahen	Tell Hamis	Trench
24	Tell Al Kheder	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing-- Earthy barricade
25	Tell Ashiban	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
26	Tell Al Umeri	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing- Earthy barricade
27	Tell Naam Jalad	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
28	Tell Al Sarah	Tell Hamis	Trench- Earthy barricade
29	Tell Al Bakaria	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
30	Tell Abu Qsaib	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
31	Tell Abu Khazaf	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
32	Tell Shersi	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing-- Earthy barricade
33	Tell Sharmokh	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing-- Earthy barricade
34	Tell Al Naser	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
35	Tell Dabag	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
36	Tell Al Sheikh Salem	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing-- Earthy barricade
37	Tell Benja	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
38	Tell Farfara	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
39	Tell Ahmad Al Abed	Tell Hamis	Trench– Earthy barricade
40	Tell Al Znatrei	Tell Hamis	Bulldozing – Trench

Tell Ashiban / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Ashiban



Tell Hamis - Tell Ashiban - bulldozing

Tell Naam Jalad / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Naam Jalad



Tell Hamis - Tell Naam Jalad

Tell Zwaiher / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Zwaiher



Tell Hamis - Tell Zwaiher - bulldozing

Tell Al Naser / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Naser



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Naser - trench



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Naser - cement
trench

Tell Dabag / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Dabag



Tell Hamis - Tell Dabag - trench

Tell Benja / Tell Hemis



Tell Hamis - Tell Benja



Tell Hamis - Tell Benja - trench

Tell Abu Qsaib / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Abu Qsaib

Tell Al Bakaria / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Bakaria

Tell Sharmokh / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Sharmokh



Tell Hamis - Tell
Sharmokh - trench



Tell Hamis - Tell Sharmokh - trench

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
41	Tell Alo Tahtani	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench
42	Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench
43	Tell Al Arja Al Garbi	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – illegal Excavation
44	Tell Hadad	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench
45	Tell Massoud Kabir	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench
46	Tell Twairesh	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench
47	Tell Siha	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing-- Earthy barricade
48	Tell Am Njur	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing – Trench

Tell Twairesh / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Twairesh - bulldozing



Tell Kojer - Tell Twairesh - bulldozing

Tell Siha / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Siha



Tell Kojer - Tell Siha - bulldozing

Tell Am Njur / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Am Njur



Tell Kojer - Tell Am Njur -
trench

Tell Hadad / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Hadad

Tell Massoud Kabir / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Massoud Kabir

Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi



Tell Kojer - Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi - bulldozing



Tell Kojer - Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi - bulldozing



Tell Kojer - Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi - bulldozing



Tell Kojer - Tell Al Arja Al Sharqi - bulldozing

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
49	Tell Jatal	Derbasia	Bulldozing – Trench– Earthy barricade
50	Tell Harmal	Derbasia	Bulldozing – Trench
43	Tell Al Arja Al Garbi	Tell Kojer	Bulldozing- Trench
51	Tell Abo Rasin	Derbasia	illegal Excavation
52	Tell Seger	Derbasia	Bulldozing

Tell Seger / Derbasia



Derbasia - Tell Seger

Tell Harmal / Derbasia



Derbasia - Tell Harmal



Derbasia - Tell Harmal - trench

Tell Abo Rasin / Derbasia



Derbasia - Tell Abo Rasin



Derbasia - Tell Abo Rasin - cement
tunnel



Derbasia - Tell Abo Rasin - bulldozing

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
53	Tell Abo Jerade	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade
54	Tell Sharika	Sere Kaniye	Earthy barricade- Bulldozing
55	Tell Snan	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade
56	Tell Jahash	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade
57	Tell Soukl	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade
58	Tell Arisha	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade
59	Tell Al Safah	Sere Kaniye	Trench- Earthy barricade

Tell Sharika / Sere Kaniye



Sere Kaniye - Tell Sharika



Sere Kaniye - Tell Sharika -
bulldozing

Tell Snan / Sere Kaniye



Sere Kaniye - Tell Snan



Sere Kaniye - Tell Snan - bulldozing

Tell Jahash / Sere Kaniye



Sere Kaniye - Tell Jahash



Sere Kaniye - Tell Jahash-bulldozing - cement tunnel



Sere Kaniye - Tell Jahash-bulldozing - cement tunnel



Sere Kaniye - Tell Jahash-bulldozing

Tell Arisha / Sere Kaniye



Sere Kaniye - Tell Arisha



Sere Kaniye - Tell Arisha - bulldozing



Sere Kaniye - Tell Arisha - pit



Sere Kaniye - Tell Arisha -
bulldozing

Tell Al Safah / Sere Kaniye



Sere Kaniye - Tell Al Safah



Sere Kaniye - Tell Al Safah - bulldozing



Sere Kaniye - Tell Al Safah - bulldozing

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
59	Tell Tarteb	Qamishlo	Earthy barricade- Bulldozing
60	Tell Al Aid	Qamishlo	Bulldozing- Cement tunnels
61	Tell Bejaria	Qamishlo	Bulldozing

No	Name of Site	Locality	Kind of damage
62	Deruna Qulnga	Jel Aga	Earthy barricade- Bulldozing
63	Remelan Pasha	Jel Aga	Bulldozing – Trench

Remelan Pasha / Jel Aga



Jel Aga - Remelan Pasha



Jel Aga - Remelan Pasha - bulldozing

Infractions

During 2016 the Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton spotted about 56 infraction on the archaeological mounds and sites ranged as following discordant buildings , removing soils , bulldozing , illegal excavations , digging wells and places of manufacturing fuel , these cases has been converted to the competent judicial authorities

Manufacturing fuel place / Tell Abo Kbira / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Abo Kbira - Manufacturing fuel place

Manufacturing fuel place / Tell Al Awina / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Awina - Manufacturing fuel place

Discordant building / Tell Abo Hjera / Terbespieh



Terbespieh - Tell Abo Hjera - Discordant building

Discordant building / Kherab Al Jeer / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Kherab Al Jeer - Discordant building

Discordant building / Tell Ozemler/ Amuda



Amuda - Tell Ozemler - Discordant building

Discordant building / Ger Bawi/ Qamishlo



Qamishlo - Ger Bawi - Discordant building

Bulldozing / Tell Azan / Baar Al Helo



Baar Al Helo - Tell Azan - bulldozing



Baar Al Helo - Tell Azan - bulldozing



Baar Al Helo - Tell Azan - bulldozing

Bulldozing / Tell Khas / Amuda



Amuda - Tell Khas - Bulldozing



Amuda - Tell Khas - Bulldozing

illegal excavation / Tell Al Sheuikh Al Salem / Tell Hamis



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Sheuikh Al Salem



Tell Hamis - Tell Al Sheuikh Al Salem - illegal
excavation



illegal excavation / Tell Dibak / Derbasia



Derbasia - Tell Dibak - illegal excavation



Derbasia - Tell Dibak - illegal excavation



Derbasia - Tell Dibak - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Tell Zembil / Baar Al Helo



Baar Al Helo - Tell Zembil



Baar Al Helo - Tell Zembil - illegal excavation



Baar Al Helo - Tell Zembil - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Tell Zerqat Hamame / Al Hasaka

Tell Zerqat Hamame : located 35 southeast of Al Hasaka the site has been subjected to illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Tell Zerqat Hamame



Al Hasaka - Tell Zerqat Hamame - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Tell Qubat Mansur / Al Hasaka



Al Hasaka - Qubat Mansur



Al Hasaka - Qubat Mansur



Al Hasaka - Qubat Mansur



Al Hasaka - Qubat Mansur - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Tell Qalat Al Hadi / Tell Kojer



Tell Kojer - Tell Qalat Al Hadi



Tell Kojer - Tell Qalat Al Hadi - illegal excavation



Tell Kojer - Tell Qalat Al Hadi - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Madina / Al Hasaka

Al Madina : located 34 KM Southeast of Al Hasaka, the site dates back to the Romanian period, it has been subjected to illegal excavation by geometric Machines where noticed about 90 pit



Al Hasaka - Al Madina - illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Al Madina - illegal excavation

illegal excavation / Tell Al Moazer / Al Hasaka

Tell Al Moazer : located 44 Km southwest of Al Hasaka and it's one of the coronal mounds , dates back to the third millennium B.C . the site subjected to illegal excavation by geometric Machines , where the number of pits exceeded 27 pit with different shapes , sizes and depths .



Al Hasaka - Tell Moazer



Al Hasaka - Tell Moazer - illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Tell Moazer - illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Tell Moazer - illegal excavation



Al Hasaka - Tell Moazer - bulldozing

Activities

Tell Bayder Restorations 2016

The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton has been renovated Tell Bayder site by a group of specialists in this field and who have already worked with the mission itself and under supervision of archaeologists and engineers from the Authority and with contribution of archaeological students from the Euphrates University ,

The Restorations included cleaning floors , raising the ruined walls and dismantling and installing some of walls and plastering it by mud and plaster after removing the old plaster also appointing an observer for the site











Tell Mozan before Restoration

Restoration of Tell Mozan (Urkesh) 2015

The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton has been supervised on Tell Mozan restorations which accomplished by a group of specialists in this field and who have already worked with the mission itself , the Restorations included The temple (big and small drawer and ancient and modern terrace) , in addition to the palace and ABI

Notice

This restorations have been performed by the mission team and with funding from it , and under supervision of The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton



Tell Mozan before Restoration





Tell Mozan after Restoration



Tell Mozan after Restoration





Tell Mozan after Restoration



Awareness rounds



Awareness rounds



Awareness rounds



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Awareness rounds

Workshop

The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton set up a workshop to studying and documenting the pottery with sharing a group of students from the Euphrates University department of antiquities and under management of the pottery expert Mohammed Hamza who has already worked with Tell Mozan mission , the training continued for four days also included a visit to the site





advertisement and awareness billboards

Within the campaign of awareness the Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton Distributed a group of advertisement and awareness billboards in all cities of the Canton



awaereness lectures







Exhibition

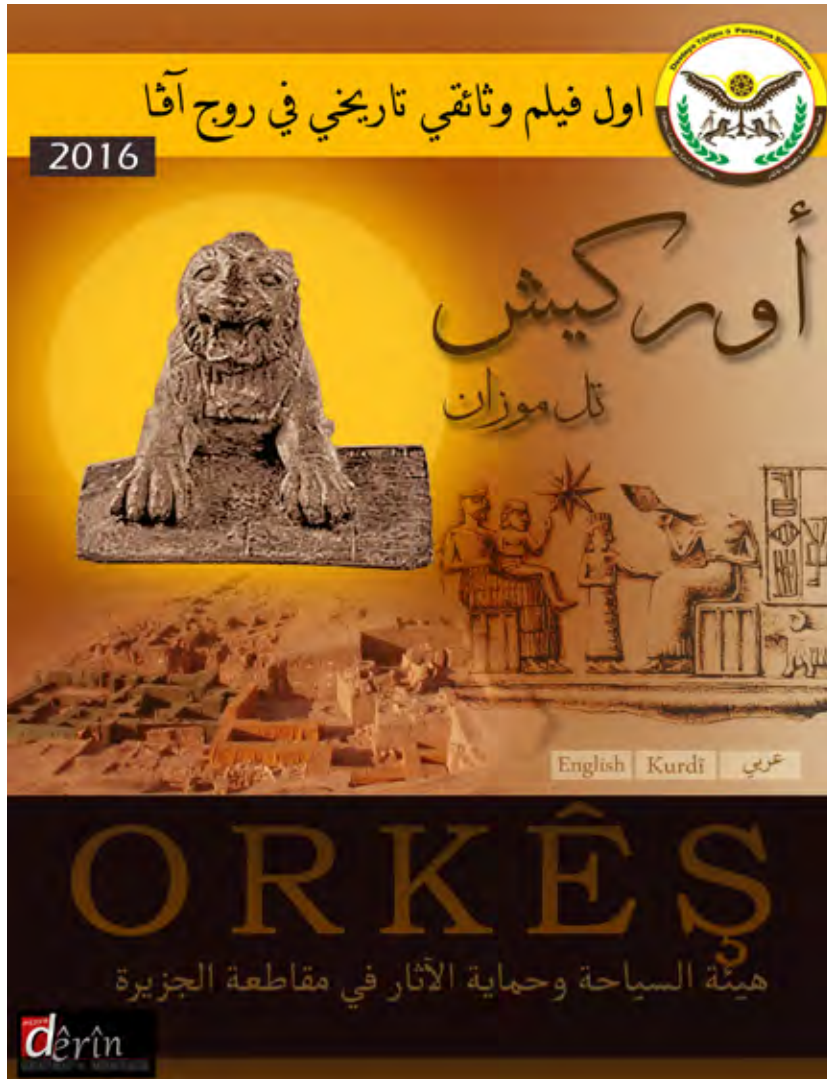
Within the campaign of awareness the Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton set up a gallery under stone scream slogan , where included more than 50 portrait with different sizes for more than 20 excavated site in Al Jazira .This gallery has been displayed in Qamishlo , Amuda , Remelam and Terbe-spieh cities



Documentaries

The Authority Of Tourism and Protection Of Antiquities in Al Jazira Canton displayed documentary film about Tell Mozan (Urkesh) , this film included the importance and history of ancient Urkesh . this documentary has been displayed in many of halls and academies in the Canton , also displayed in Kobani Canton





the Authority intends to continue its moral , humanitarian and national duty towards protection of the archaeological sites in Al Jazira Canton , and will strive to prevent the abuses which affecting it within the available possibilities and protect it by all means to keep this cultural heritage, also preparing projects that would increase the level of protection such as increasing the number of roving guards , and communicating with population of the villages and rural areas , in addition to restoring the situation to what it was in some of the sites that have been used as fronts of conflict previously , according to archeological and scientific rules , also preparing documentaries, exhibitions and delivering awareness lectures and seminars in order to raising the archaeological cultural level among citizens

