

Grad Missile Sightings
September 21-28, 2016

opposition forces at Handarat Camp retreated within a week of receiving Grad missile support on their frontlines with the government.

Figure 2 - Opposition advance and location of Grad missile attacks in northern Hama.

An opposition commander speaking to the press stated that this uptick in Grad missile deployment is related to new relationships to foreign donors.¹ The move to supply opposition groups with heavier weapons is yet another example of the continuous cycle of escalation currently underway in Syria. With steadily intensifying battles on most of the major frontlines throughout the country, and opposition forces under extreme pressure in eastern Aleppo, it is likely that more supporting countries will seek to support their favored side, with Syrian civilians ultimately paying the price.

¹ Landay, Jonathan, and Arshad Mohammed. "Gulf May Arm Rebels Now Syria Truce Is Dead: U.S. Officials." Reuters. 2016. Accessed September 30, 2016. <http://www.reuters.com/article/us->