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**Weekly Conflict Summary**  
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During this reporting period, negotiations surrounding the ongoing “Four Towns Agreement” continued despite the appalling attack on civilians being evacuated from the pro-government enclave of al-Fo’ah and Kafraya. Pro-government forces succeeded in their attempts to reverse the overwhelming majority of the opposition’s previous advances in northern Hama countryside, though fighting remains fierce. ISIS forces briefly retaliated after months of significant territorial loss, but continue to lose territory on several fronts. Opposition forces advanced against government forces in Daraa city and forced a minor withdrawal of pro-government forces to the east of Damascus.



Figure 1 - Areas of control in Syria as of April 19





**Daraa and Eastern Qalamoun**

The opposition offensive for Daraa city, al-Bunyan al-Marsous, gained more ground within the city over this period. Opposition forces advanced in al-