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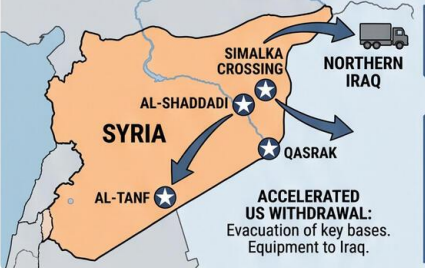
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SYRIA'S SOVEREIGNTY CHALLENGE: US WITHDRAWAL & EXTREMIST THREATS (FEBRUARY 22, 2026)

A High-Stakes Transition: Central Government Seeks Control Amidst Foreign Departure, ISIS Resurgence, and Economic Crisis

GEOPOLITICAL SHIFT & CONSOLIDATION



ACCELERATED US WITHDRAWAL:
Evacuation of key bases.
Equipment to Iraq.

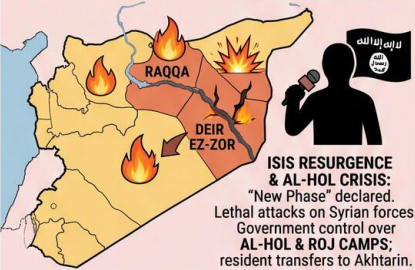


DIPLOMATIC REALIGNMENT:
US to reopen Embassy in Damascus. Trump praises Sharaa's government. Intensified coordination against ISIS resurgence.



PRESIDENT AHMED AL-SHARAA:
Positioned as competent partner in counter-terrorism & regional stability.

INTERNAL SECURITY & VOLATILITY



ISIS RESURGENCE & AL-HOL CRISIS:
"New Phase" declared. Lethal attacks on Syrian forces. Government control over AL-HOL & ROJ CAMPS; resident transfers to Akhtarin.



AHMAD AL-AUDA SURRENDERS in Daraa.



MEN OF DIGNITY



FRAGILE SOUTHERN RECONCILIATION:
Clashes in SUWAYDA. Demands for dismantling National Guard Security Office.

GOVERNANCE, INTEGRATION & ECONOMY



KURDISH INTEGRATION & REFORM:
Military integration negotiations. Kurdish language in curriculum. Decree 13 of 2026 grants citizenship.



ECONOMIC CRISIS & PUBLIC DISCONTENT:
Acute domestic gas shortage during RAMADAN. Inflation driving discontent. Black market thriving.



NEW ADMINISTRATIVE CAPITAL:
Planned capital west of Damascus for modernization and decompression.



RECONSTRUCTION ECONOMY & INVESTMENT:
Seeking European/Gulf investment for energy sector. Leveraging potential sanctions relief. Infrastructure spending amidst hyperinflation.



QAMISHLI AIRPORT HANDOVER:
Control to Ministry of Transport.

FUTURE OUTLOOK, RISKS & SCENARIOS



SHORT TERM (1-4 Weeks):
Civil unrest, ISIS revenge attacks.



MEDIUM TERM (1-6 Months):
New capital formalization, integrated SDF/Army border deployment.



LONG TERM (1-5 Years):
Potential international financial reintegration, risk of "second revolution" over economic grievances.

CRITICAL RISKS & BLIND SPOTS

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- ⚠️ **RISK: ISIS MASS PRISON BREAK** (High Likelihood, Catastrophic Impact).
 - ⚠️ **RISK: LOCAL REVOLT IN SUWAYDA** (Medium Likelihood, Severe Impact).
 - ⚠️ **BLIND SPOTS:** Iranian Influence, Russian Posture, The Julani Factor, Humanitarian Crisis Data.

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS



POTEMKIN PEACE:
Consolidation as temporary façade before crackdown.



JULANI BETRAYAL:
Secret extremist connections maintained.



BLACK SWAN:
ASSASSINATION OF SHARAA leading to power struggle.

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DAY-AT-A-GLANCE

The Syrian political landscape on February 22, 2026, is defined by a high-stakes transition as the central government under President Ahmed al-Sharaa attempts to solidify control over territories formerly held by the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF). This consolidation is occurring against the backdrop of an accelerating United States military withdrawal from key bases, including Al-Tanf and Qasrak. The state is leveraging a notable diplomatic rapprochement with the Trump administration, which has signaled a willingness to restore full diplomatic ties and reopen the US embassy in Damascus, viewing the Sharaa government as a competent partner in counter-terrorism and regional stability.

However, this transition is fraught with severe internal security and economic challenges. ISIS (Daesh) has launched a synchronized propaganda and operational offensive, claiming recent lethal attacks on Syrian forces

in Raqqa and Deir ez-Zor and exploiting the strategic vacuum left by withdrawing international forces. Domestically, the government faces volatility in the south; the surrender of prominent factional leader Ahmad al-Auda in Daraa and escalating armed clashes in Suwayda between local "Men of Dignity" and pro-government elements highlight the fragility of the state's internal reconciliation efforts. These security concerns are compounded by an acute economic crisis, specifically a severe domestic gas shortage that is driving inflation and public discontent during the holy month of Ramadan.

MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

Accelerated US Military Withdrawal and Diplomatic Realignment

- US forces have initiated the evacuation of the Al-Tanf, Al-Shaddadi, and Qasrak bases, with military equipment being transferred to northern Iraq [via the Simalka crossing](#).
- The US administration is reportedly preparing to reopen its embassy in Damascus for the first time since 2012, with President Trump publicly [praising the performance](#) of President Ahmed al-Sharaa.
- Coordination between Damascus and US CENTCOM has intensified to manage the security vacuum and prevent an ISIS resurgence during the withdrawal [according to former coalition spokespersons](#).

ISIS Resurgence and the Al-Hol Security Crisis

- ISIS has released a new audio recording from spokesperson Abu Hudhayfa al-Ansari, declaring a "new phase" of conflict and [targeting the "secular" government](#) in Damascus.

- The group claimed responsibility for multiple attacks in Deir ez-Zor and Raqqa, resulting in the [deaths of four soldiers](#).
- The Syrian government has assumed control over the Al-Hol and Roj camps, initiating the transfer of thousands of residents to their home areas or new facilities in [Akhtarin in rural Aleppo](#).

Fragile Reconciliation in Southern Syria

- Ahmad al-Auda, leader of the dissolved 8th Brigade, surrendered to military police in Daraa following tribal clashes sparked by the [killing of a local youth](#).
- Clashes in Suwayda have intensified as the "Men of Dignity" movement demands the [dismantling of the Security Office](#) of the National Guard, citing abuses and illicit activities.

Kurdish Integration and Administrative Reform

- Negotiations between Damascus and the SDF leadership are progressing toward the [full integration of military forces](#) and the recognition of the Kurdish language in the national curriculum.
- Control of Qamishli International Airport has been [formally handed over](#) to the Syrian Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation.
- The government is vetting plans for a [new administrative capital](#) west of Damascus to decompress the current capital and modernize state infrastructure.

KEY GOVERNANCE TOPICS

Armed Conflict & Militarization The Syrian Army is moving to fill the void left by the US withdrawal, but it remains vulnerable to

asymmetric ISIS attacks. The primary challenge is the transition from a multi-polar conflict to a centralized security architecture, which requires absorbing disparate militias and SDF units while maintaining operational readiness against [hit-and-run extremist operations](#).

Diplomacy & Statecraft The Sharaa government is successfully repositioning itself as a regional partner. The looming US diplomatic return and potential lifting of sanctions are being leveraged to [attract international investment](#) for reconstruction, particularly from European and Gulf firms eyeing Syria's energy sector.

Leadership Dynamics & Governance President Ahmed al-Sharaa is attempting to project an image of inclusive, nationalist leadership. However, institutional decay and a 60-year legacy of corruption in the ministries [hinder efficient governance](#). The push for a new administrative capital is seen as both a modernization effort and a way to circumvent entrenched bureaucratic interests.

Legal Warfare & Regulatory Risk The government is implementing a new legal framework for the granting of citizenship to Kurds [under Decree 13 of 2026](#). While this aims to address long-standing grievances, the process is strictly centralized, requiring individual applications through specific government centers, which could create new avenues for state surveillance and control.

Supply Chain Resilience & Logistics A severe shortage of cooking gas has disrupted life for Syrian citizens, particularly during Ramadan. The Ministry of Petroleum claims to be increasing supplies [to 170,000 cylinders daily](#), but long queues and a thriving black market suggest deep-seated distribution and supply chain failures.

DEEP DIVE: TRENDS AND THEMES

The "Sharaa Rapprochement": A Strategic Pivot The most significant trend is the fundamental shift in Syria's international standing. By positioning himself as a pragmatist capable of curbing Iranian influence and fighting ISIS, President Sharaa (formerly Julani) has gained [unprecedented recognition from the Trump administration](#). This pivot is intended to facilitate the total withdrawal of US forces while securing the economic lifelines necessary for regime survival. However, this rapprochement is viewed with suspicion by hardline elements within the former opposition and the regional "Resistance Axis."

ISIS 2.0: From Territorial State to Ideological Insurgency ISIS is shifting its strategy to exploit the administrative and military transition in the northeast. By focusing on "lone wolf" attacks and leveraging the radicalized population in the Al-Hol camp, the group aims to prove that the Syrian state [cannot provide security](#). Their propaganda now specifically targets the "secular" nature of the Sharaa government to recruit disenfranchised youth who feel marginalized by the new political order.

The Suwayda-Daraa Volatility While the north integrates, the south remains a patchwork of semi-autonomous tribal and local interests. The state's attempt to centralize power is meeting resistance from local groups like the "Men of Dignity," who fear that the "National Guard" elements [merely represent a new form of the old security apparatus](#). This suggests that without genuine local governance reform, southern Syria will remain a chronic source of instability.

INTERNAL DYNAMICS & DOMESTIC INSTABILITY

Syria's domestic health is characterized by a "fragile centralization." The government is winning the battle of recognition but struggling with the reality of governance. The gas crisis [has fueled significant public resentment](#), with citizens waiting up to 20 days for basic fuel. This economic pressure acts as a multiplier for existing social tensions. In the south, tribal sentiment remains a powerful force that operates outside state institutions; the surrender of Ahmad al-Auda was necessitated by [tribal demands for justice](#) rather than a purely legal state process. Institutional decay is also evident in the controversy surrounding the TV series "The Exit to the Well," which has sparked a heated debate about the [portrayal of revolutionary icons](#), revealing deep ideological rifts that haven't been healed by the war's conclusion.

EXTERNAL DYNAMICS & GLOBAL POSTURE

Syria is currently navigating an anarchic international system by forming opportunistic alliances. The government is successfully playing the US against the interests of non-state actors like the PKK-aligned elements of the SDF. By securing a US withdrawal, Damascus [removes a major hurdle](#) to total territorial sovereignty. However, the state remains defensively reactive to regional shocks, particularly the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict and the potential for a US-Iran confrontation, which could [spill over into Syrian territory](#). The Syrian government's goal is to secure a "grand bargain" that trades anti-ISIS cooperation for full diplomatic rehabilitation and reconstruction funds.

THE ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

Syria is transitioning toward a "reconstruction economy" but is currently hobbled by chronic resource shortages and hyperinflation.

- **Commodity Prices:** Cooking gas prices are soaring, with reports of cylinders being sold for [over 200,000 SYP](#) on the black market.
- **Capital Flows:** The government is actively seeking to [attract European and Gulf investment](#) for oil and gas fields currently being reclaimed from the SDF.
- **Infrastructure Spending:** A massive investment in a "New Administrative Capital" [spanning 1,900 square kilometers](#) is being debated, though economists question its viability during a period of basic service shortages.
- **Logistics:** The handover of Qamishli Airport [is a critical milestone](#) for restoring domestic and international trade routes.
- **Tariffs:** Trump's proposed 15% tariff hikes [could impact Syrian exports](#) if diplomatic normalization does not include trade exemptions.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES

The Syrian leadership is undergoing a process of professionalization and centralization to meet international expectations.

- **Brigadier General Ziyad al-Ayash:** Appointed as a presidential envoy [to oversee the integration](#) of the SDF into the Syrian military. This signals a shift toward military-led administrative mergers in the northeast.

- **President Ahmed al-Sharaa:** Has solidified his role as the [uncontested leader of Syria](#), receiving direct praise from the US President. He is currently navigating the balance between his revolutionary roots and his new role as a global statesman.
- **Ahmad al-Auda:** The former leader of the 8th Brigade is a major loser in the day's events, [forced to surrender](#) to military police, ending his period of semi-autonomous rule in Daraa.

EDITORIAL POSTURE & STORY HIERARCHY

The network's editorial hierarchy prioritized state consolidation and the ISIS threat. The lead stories focused on the [resurgence of ISIS propaganda](#) and the government's response, followed closely by the US withdrawal and diplomatic successes. There was a visible effort to frame the government as proactive and capable. Stories regarding domestic instability in Suwayda and the gas crisis were presented as secondary or as problems [under active management](#). Conspicuous omissions include the specific current status of Iranian militias in Syria and the details of the ongoing humanitarian crisis in government-held areas outside the media's focus.

GEOPOLITICAL FRAMING

The meta-narrative suggests a world moving toward a transactional multipolarity where "strongmen" who can ensure stability are favored over ideological allies.

COUNTRIES

- **United States:** Portrayed as a pragmatic superpower [retreating from "forever wars"](#) but willing to support regional strongmen who align with its counter-terrorism goals.
- **Syria:** Framed as a resurgent nation-state [overcoming a decade of chaos](#) through centralized leadership and international diplomacy.
- **Turkey:** Characterized as a stakeholder in the SDF-Damascus negotiations, primarily interested in ensuring a [stable border](#) and the repatriation of ISIS prisoners.

LEADERS

- **President Donald Trump:** Viewed as a ["deal-maker"](#) whose transactional approach to foreign policy has provided Syria with a unique window for normalization.
- **President Ahmed al-Sharaa:** Portrayed as a ["firm and competent"](#) leader who has transitioned from war-time commander to a legitimate president.
- **Mazloun Abdi:** Framed as a [pragmatic negotiator](#) seeking to preserve Kurdish rights within a unified Syrian state while facing the reality of US abandonment.

INFORMATION WARFARE ENVIRONMENT

Damascus is actively shaping a "Victory and Rebuilding" narrative. The state media emphasizes [infrastructure handovers](#) (Qamishli Airport) and diplomatic praise to create an aura of inevitability for Sharaa's rule. Simultaneously, ISIS is waging a psychological war through [high-quality video and audio](#) aimed at undermining this sense of security. The delta between the media spin of "total control" and the reality of [armed](#)

[clashes in Suwayda](#) suggests that the government is utilizing information warfare to mask persistent regional vulnerabilities.

HYPOTHESES AND FUTURE OUTLOOK

- **US-Syria Normalization:** If the US embassy reopens as planned, a flood of Western investment is likely to follow, potentially sidelining Iranian and Russian economic interests in favor of European and Gulf corporations.
- **ISIS Shift to Guerilla Warfare:** The group will likely abandon territorial defense in favor of a prolonged insurgency, targeting state administrators and infrastructure [to deter reconstruction](#).
- **Fragmentation of the SDF:** The integration process will likely result in the splintering of the SDF, with hardline Kurdish factions potentially turning toward low-level insurgency or closer ties with the PKK if they feel the [Damascus deal](#) is insufficient.

STRATEGIC FORESIGHT

Short Term (1-4 Weeks)

- Increased civil unrest in Damascus and Aleppo if the [gas shortages](#) are not resolved before the end of Ramadan.
- A surge in ISIS "revenge" attacks in rural Raqqa following the government's takeover of [prison facilities](#).

Medium Term (1-6 Months)

- The formalization of the "New Administrative Capital" project, likely serving as a [massive stimulus](#) for the construction sector.

- Deployment of integrated SDF/Syrian Army units to the [Turkish border](#) to replace US patrols.

Long Term (1-5 Years)

- Syria's full reintegration into the international financial system, assuming the [Trump-Sharaa "deal"](#) holds and external threats are neutralized.
- The potential for a "second revolution" centered on economic grievances if the benefits of reconstruction [do not reach the general population](#).

RISK ASSESSMENT

- **Risk of ISIS Mass Prison Break:** The transfer of thousands of ISIS fighters from US/SDF control to the central government [creates a massive security risk](#). Triggers: Coordinated internal mutinies combined with external ISIS suicide attacks on prison perimeters. Likelihood: High. Impact: Catastrophic; would reignite large-scale territorial conflict. Mitigations: Strengthening prison infrastructure with international counter-terrorism oversight and intelligence sharing between Damascus and the US coalition.
- **Risk of Local Revolt in Suwayda:** Clashes between the "Men of Dignity" and pro-government forces [could escalate into a broader regional insurgency](#). Triggers: An assassination of a high-ranking Druze religious or military leader. Likelihood: Medium. Impact: Severe; would cut off southern supply routes and destabilize the border with Jordan. Mitigations: Granting Suwayda genuine administrative autonomy and dismantling abusive local militias.
- **Risk of Economic Collapse via Resource Misallocation:** Spending billions on a new administrative capital while the [population lacks fuel](#) could trigger mass strikes. Triggers: Extended gas shortages leading to a total halt of public transport and bakeries. Likelihood: Medium-High. Impact: Severe; widespread civil disobedience and loss of government legitimacy. Mitigations: Diverting reconstruction funds to immediate fuel subsidies and infrastructure repair.
- **Risk of Turkish Incursion in the Northeast:** A perception of Syrian state weakness during the US withdrawal [could prompt a Turkish military move](#) to secure a deeper "buffer zone." Triggers: Significant PKK-linked attacks launched from Syrian territory. Likelihood: Medium. Impact: High; would disrupt the SDF-Damascus integration and potentially lead to a Syrian-Turkish military clash. Mitigations: Robust joint border patrols and formal security guarantees from Damascus to Ankara.
- **Risk of Radicalization Spillover from Al-Hol:** The closure of Al-Hol [and the dispersal of its residents](#) could spread radical ideologies into newly reconciled communities. Triggers: Inadequate deradicalization programs and social stigmatization of returning families. Likelihood: High. Impact: Medium-Long term instability and a permanent recruitment pool for ISIS. Mitigations: Implementing comprehensive community reintegration programs and ensuring international NGO access to returnee sites.

GAPS & BLIND SPOTS

- **Iranian Influence:** The transcripts suggest a pivot away from Iran toward the US, but they fail to address the current military footprint of the IRGC and Hezbollah in Syria, which [historically remains high](#).
- **Russian Posture:** While the US and Turkey are discussed, Russia's role in the new Sharaa-Trump security paradigm is [conspicuously minimized](#).
- **The Julani Factor:** The transcripts name the president as Ahmed al-Sharaa (Julani). The broadcast fails to explain how a former Al-Qaeda affiliate head successfully transitioned into a [Western-recognized head of state](#).
- **Humanitarian Statistics:** While the gas crisis is noted, the transcripts lack specific data on malnutrition or disease prevalence in [areas devastated by the conflict](#).

CONTRARIAN NARRATIVE SCENARIOS

The "Potemkin Peace" The apparent consolidation of power and diplomatic opening with the US is a temporary façade. Damascus is merely using US withdrawal as a breathing space to reorganize and re-militarize [before a final crackdown](#) on all dissenting groups, including the Kurds. In this scenario, the "New Administrative Capital" is a fortress for the elite rather than a modernizing project.

The "Julani Betrayal" President Sharaa is secretly maintaining his extremist connections. The ISIS "resurgence" is actually a state-orchestrated operation to ensure [continued security cooperation](#) and funding from the West. Once the US is fully gone and

the SDF integrated, the "ISIS threat" will magically vanish, and Sharaa will consolidate a religious-autocratic state.

Black Swan Event: Assassination of Sharaa The delicate balance of the Sharaa government rests entirely on his personal leadership. An successful [assassination attempt](#) (already mentioned as a threat) would lead to an immediate fragmented power struggle between former opposition military leaders, pro-Iran elements, and remaining state institutions, plunging the country back into multi-front civil war.

RECOMMENDATIONS & IMPLICATIONS

For Statecraft/Public Sector:

- **Security:** Prioritize the securing of oil and gas fields [over offensive operations](#) in the desert to alleviate the domestic energy crisis and bolster state revenue.
- **Economic:** Condition diplomatic normalization and US aid on the verified [inclusion of all minorities](#) in the new citizenship and administrative processes.
- **Diplomatic:** Establish a permanent joint US-Turkish-Syrian military coordination cell [to manage the post-withdrawal border](#) and prevent miscalculation.

For Private Sector/Investors:

- **Supply Chains:** Anticipate significant delays and high costs in domestic logistics [due to the fuel crisis](#); prioritize solar or self-contained power solutions for any new industrial projects.

- **Regulatory:** Closely monitor the [Decree 13 implementation](#); businesses employing former SDF or Kurdish staff must ensure full compliance with the new centralized citizenship requirements to avoid legal seizure.
- **Capital Allocation:** Focus investment on the [Qamishli-Damascus axis](#), as this is likely to receive the highest state protection and priority during the transition period.

LEGISLATIVE ROUNDUP

Syrian governance is moving toward a highly centralized legal model, focusing on identity and administrative reconstruction [under Presidential leadership](#).

BILLS DISCUSSED/DEBATED:

- **Legislative Decree No. 13 of 2026:** A landmark law [granting Syrian citizenship to Kurds](#) who were previously classified as "foreigners" or "unregistered." The strategic intent is to neutralize Kurdish grievances and integrate former SDF territories into the central state hierarchy.
- **New Administrative Capital Act:** A proposal [to establish a 1,900 square kilometer district](#) west of Damascus as the new seat of government. The intent is to modernize state bureaucracy and create a "smart city" environment for foreign diplomatic missions.

HEARINGS & PRESS EVENTS:

- **Ministry of Transport Briefing:** Confirmed the [formal handover of Qamishli Airport](#) and established a timeline for the restoration of domestic flights to Deir ez-Zor and Aleppo.

- **Ministry of Interior Gas Crisis Press Conference:** A defensive presentation claiming gas production [is meeting 90% of demand](#) while blaming "external sabotage" and hoarding for the ongoing shortages.

KEY STORIES

- **ISIS Resurgence and Threats:** ISIS claims lethal attacks on soldiers in Deir ez-Zor and Raqqa, following a 35-minute [audio release](#) threatening the Sharaa government.
- **US Base Evacuations:** US forces are vacating bases at Al-Tanf, Shaddadi, and Qasrak, moving equipment [into the Kurdistan Region of Iraq](#).
- **Daraa Security Transition:** Ahmad al-Auda surrenders to government military police after [tribal violence](#) following the murder of Saif al-Din al-Miqdadi.
- **Suwayda Clashes:** Armed conflict between the "Men of Dignity" and the "National Guard" over control of [local security and smuggling routes](#).
- **Qamishli Airport Handover:** Syrian government forces and civilian administrators [take full control](#) of the strategic airport in northeast Syria.
- **Kurdish Citizenship Drive:** Ministry of Interior begins processing thousands of citizenship [applications for Kurds](#) under Decree 13.
- **Damascus Gas Crisis:** Citizens in Damascus wait over 20 days for cooking gas as [shortages cripple](#) household activities during Ramadan.
- **Trump-Sharaa Normalization:** Trump [publicly backs Sharaa](#), with plans announced to reopen the US Embassy in Damascus.

- **New Administrative Capital:** Government [unveils blueprints](#) for a 1,900 square km capital project west of Damascus.
- **TV Series Controversy:** Debate erupts over the show "The Exit to the Well" and its [alleged disrespect](#) toward revolutionary hero Abdul Basset al-Sarout.
- **Al-Hol Resident Transfers:** Government initiates a [massive relocation](#) of ISIS-linked families from Al-Hol to Akhtarín and other sites.
- **Hassan al-Atrash Escape:** Reports of an [assassination attempt](#) on regional leader Hassan al-Atrash in Suwayda and his subsequent flee to Damascus.
- **Humanitarian Bridge:** Syrian Red Crescent [transfers 45 displaced families](#) from Al-Hol to rural Aleppo.
- **Tariff Threats:** Trump administration announces potential 15% [import tariffs](#), causing concern for Syrian exporters.

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