

## **UPDATED REPORT**

Name of World Heritage property: **ANCIENT CITY OF BOSRA**

Date of inscription on World Heritage List: 1980

### **Current Situation**

On March 25, 2015 the armed groups took control of the ancient city. a video posted online showed armed groups wandering through the ancient citadel and on the theater's stone stage.

Fortunately, the clashing before was at the ancient city borders, the DGAM was able to get a new photos about the current situation, the photos show minor damages to the historical monuments such as: al Omari mosque, but according to local community severe damages witnessed in the residential area that surrounding al Omari mosque, the ground Souq in addition to the Eastern side of the ancient city.

The Bosra Sham Hotel was partly destroyed, the site museum in the roman citadel had been looted and part of the resident had been displaced.

### **Measures Taken:**

The DGAM started directly through the antiquities of Bosra to communicate with the local community in order to cooperate and support in neutralizing the ancient city from the ongoing events and its effects, especially at the Roman Theater.

The team succeeded to came together and rescue the roman citadel and they had the opportunity to run the citadel again. DGAM named the new site director (Arch. Ahmad Ali) with his management team took the control and started cleaning and restoring the damaged area.



*Minor damage to the Omari mosque because of clashes DGAM © March, 2015*



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*Collapsed of the Klybe DGAM © March, 2015*



*Minor damage to the outer wall of Bahira Monk DGAM © March, 2015*



*The street between the Omari mosque and the Manjak bath DGAM © March, 2015*



*The Cathedral DGAM © March, 2015*



*Minor Damages to the outer defense at the Citadel because of clashes DGAM © April, 2015*



*The DGAM team started the cleaning work at the citadel surrounding DGAM © April, 2015*



*The ongoing cleaning work at the Roman theatre DGAM © April, 2015  
Before – After*



*The ongoing cleaning work at the Roman theatre DGAM © April, 2015*



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