



Trump says Islamic State's Baghdadi 'died like a dog'

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Islamic State leader Anu Bakr al Baghdadi died cowering in a tunnel, U.S. President Donald Trump said on Sunday, adding that he was identified via DNA testing.

U.S. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, SAYING:

"Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi is dead"

1. The leader of Islamic State _____

U.S. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, SAYING:

"He died like a dog. He died like a coward. The world is now a much safer place."

2. Trump said Baghdadi _____

3. There _____

4. His body was identified by DNA _____

5-1. The offensive _____

5-2. a village in Syria's northwestern Idlib province _____

6-1. This eyewitness _____

6-2. where he was confronted by soldiers who told him _____

7-1. Trump hinted _____

7-2. tweeting: _____

8-1. He's faced withering criticism _____

8-2. which allowed Turkey _____

9-1. Many critics had expressed concerns _____

9-2. but the announcement about Baghdadi's death _____

U.S. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP, SAYING:

"Baghdad's demise demonstrates America's relentless pursuit of terrorist leaders and our commitment to the enduring and total defeat of ISIS and other terrorist organizations."

10-1. On Sunday _____

10-2. naming Russia, Turkey, Syria and Iraq _____

[Vocabulary]

- **Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi**: (28 July 1971～26 October 2019 [aged 47-48] Cause of death: Suicide bombing. The leader of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). ISIL has been designated a terrorist organization by the United Nations, European Union and many individual states, while Baghdadi was considered a Specially Designated Global Terrorist by the United States until his death in October 2019.
- **Islamic State**: The **Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant – Sinai Province (ISIL-SP)** is a militant Islamist group active in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt.
- **operation**: a planned activity involving a lot of people, especially soldiers or police officers
 - *This was the biggest military operation in 20 years.*
 - *Undercover operations led to the arrest of the gang.*
- **military operation**: activity by a military or naval force (as a maneuver or campaign)
 - *"It was a joint operation of the navy and air force."*
- **drag into**: to bring something unwarranted into a particular situation, often in an aggressive manner.
 - *When we argue, he drags every one of my past misdeeds into the conversation—it's so frustrating!*
 - *I don't want to drag him into this.*
- **close in**: to advance or converge on [=to gather near something or someone as a destination, point of interest, or target of confrontation]; to move nearer to someone especially in order to surround them and stop them from escaping
 - *Enemy troops began closing in at dawn.*
 - *The police finally closed in on Connors and captured him.*
- **detonate**: to make something such as a bomb explode
 - *The bomb detonated with a thunder that could be heard for blocks in all directions.*
 - *The first atomic bomb was detonated in 1945.*
- **explosive**: used for causing an explosion
 - *an explosive device*
 - *Don't touch any of these explosive materials.*
- **explosive vest**: suicide belt
- **offensive**: a major military attack
 - *They plan to launch an air offensive before sending in ground troops.*
 - *a ground offensive*
- **Barisha**: The **Barisha raid** was a United States military operation in Barisha, Idlib Governorate, in northwestern Syria targeting Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) leadership on October 26, 2019. According to U.S. officials, including President Donald Trump, ISIL leader Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi was killed when he detonated a suicide belt, evading capture by U.S. special operations forces. The operation was code-named **Kayla Mueller**, after American humanitarian worker Kayla Mueller who was tortured and repeatedly sexually abused by Baghdadi himself.

• **Kayla Mueller** : Born: August 14, 1988 Prescott, Arizona

Died: February 6, 2015 (aged 26) Syria: an American human rights activist and humanitarian aid worker from Prescott, Arizona. She was taken captive in August 2013 in Aleppo, Syria, after leaving a Doctors Without Borders hospital. Media had long reported that a 26-year-old American aid worker was being held by the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) without naming her, at her family's request. In 2015, she was killed in uncertain circumstances, after being raped several times by her captors.



□ **Idlib province**: one of the fourteen governorates (provinces) of Syria. It is situated in northwestern Syria, bordering Turkey



□ **eyewitness**: someone who has seen something happen, especially a crime or an accident

• *Eyewitnesses describe the man as tall with brown hair.*

□ **confront**: to deal with a difficult situation

• *It takes courage to confront your fears.*

• *We need to confront these problems before it's too late*

□ **hint**: to say what you are thinking or feeling in an indirect way

• *The FDA hinted that the crisis could continue throughout the summer.*

• *He has also hinted that he does not want to fight a general election as party leader.*

□ **afoot**: being planned, or starting to happen

• *Plans are afoot to build a new mall.*

□ **wither**: to make someone feel silly or ashamed

• *Bettencourt offers withering criticism of these last-gasp tax increases.*

□ **withering criticism**:

□ **withdrawal**: the removal of an army from an area of fighting

• *Troop withdrawals will take place immediately.*

□ **Kurdish**: of or relating to Kurdistan or the Kurds or their language and culture

□ **ally**: someone who is ready to help you, especially against someone else who is causing problems for you

□ **concern**: a feeling of worry about something, especially one that a lot of people have about an important issue

• *Thank you for your concern.*

• *I appreciate your concern.*

□ **militancy**: militant behavior and actions

- *The militancy of the radical organization made the authorities a little nervous.*

□ **blunt**: to make something less strong, less effective, or less important

- *The years had not blunted his keen intelligence.*

□ **demise**: the death of a person

- *the senator's untimely demise*

□ **demonstrate**: to show clearly that something is true or that it exists

- *The study demonstrates that cigarette advertising does encourage children to smoke.*
- *The drug company demonstrated the protective effect of the new vaccine.*

□ **relentless**: determined, and never stopping your attempts to achieve something

- *Arnold was relentless in his pursuit of a good news story.*

□ **commitment**:

- *Marriage should be a lifelong commitment.*
- *He's a man who believes in honoring his commitments.*

□ **enduring**: lasting for a long time

- *his enduring popularity*

□ **ISIS**: Islamic State of Iraq and Syria [terrorist organization]. The group has been designated a terrorist organisation by the United Nations as well as by many international organizations and individual countries. ISIL is widely known for its videos of beheadings and other types of executions of both soldiers and civilians, including journalists and aid workers, and its destruction of cultural heritage sites. The United Nations holds ISIL responsible for committing human rights abuses, crimes against peace, genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity. ISIL also committed ethnic cleansing on a historic and unprecedented scale in northern Iraq.

□ **name**: to know and say what the name of someone or something is

- *They've been named as the chief suspects in the investigation.*

□ **Syrian Kurds**: Kurds in Syria; estimates from 1.6 million to 2.5 million. Kurdish population of Syria is that country's largest ethnic minority, comprising between 7% and 10% of the country's population according to most sources.

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