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5) Deraa, where a rebel offensive captured the town of Tell al-Hara and SARG airstrikes hit the town of Inkhil;

6) Hasakah, where clashes continued between unknown insurgents (likely IS/IS-linked) and YPG forces.

Politically, current events strongly suggest Sunni tribal groups in northern Syria favor establishing broad alliances to oppose SARG forces³. The newly formed “Alliance of Sunni Clans” may signal a new trend in northern Syria with the formation/expansion of tribal confederations for mutual defense — not unlike the Sahwa movements of Iraq or the tribal confederations that typified pre-Mandate times. The ASC does not appear to be aligned to insurgent Islamist groups. ASC has allegedly denounced U.S./Coalition airstrikes.

The HASI offensive southeast of Aleppo likely involves JN forces and could evolve into a joint operation with Islamic State as well, paving the way to broader extremist alliances and a potential accelerated IS move on Aleppo.

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