

## **Weekly Conflict Summary**

December 1-7, 2016

The battle for Aleppo continued into this week as pro-government forces advanced even further into previously-held opposition territory in East Aleppo. Initially, a major government offensive was repelled by an opposition counteroffensive, but a second pro-government offensive following this retreat gained even further ground than before. By December 7, opposition forces had withdrawn from Marjeh neighborhood in the southeast, al-Qaterji in the northeast, and the Old City in the north. Almost every neighborhood between these areas has also now been taken by pro-government forces, who are refocusing their efforts for the frontlines on Bustan al-Qasr, Salah ad-Din, and Sukkari

