

# Glossary and abbreviations

## Term

### Definition

#### ACLED

The Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project

#### DAANES

Democratic Autonomous Administration of North and East Syria

#### ERW

Explosive remnants of war

#### GSS

General Security Services

#### HTS

Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham

#### IDP

Internally Displaced Person

#### ISIL

Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant; also known as Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), the Islamic State (IS), or Daesh

**MoD**

Ministry of Defence

**MoI**

Ministry of Interior

**NDF**

National Defence Forces

**OHCHR**

Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

**PKK**

Kurdistan Worker's Party

**SAA**

Syrian Arab Army

**SDF**

Small Arms Survey

**SJAC**

Syria Justice and Accountability Centre

**SNA**

Syrian National Army

**SNHR**

Syrian Network for Human Rights

**SOHR**

Syrian Observatory of Human Rights

**SSG**

Syrian Salvation Government

**STJ**

Syrians for Truth & Justice

**TWI**

Washington Institute for Near East Policy

**UCDP**

Uppsala Conflict Data Program

**UNOCHA**

UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

**UXO**

Unexploded ordnance

**YPG**

Kurdish People's Protection Units