

# Russia Says Syrian Troops Repelled Three Big Militant Attacks in Syria's Idlib

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Syrian government troops on Wednesday morning repelled three big attacks by militants in Syria's Idlib province, the Russian Defense Ministry said.

It said in a statement that 500 Nusra front militants, seven tanks and about 30 pickups mounted with heavy machine guns had taken part in the attacks.

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The ministry said that Syrian militants based in Idlib had also launched a missile attack on Russia's Hmeymim air base on Wednesday, but that their missiles were either shot down or did not reach their target.

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