I am extremely concerned about the people who remain trapped in Kobane/Ayn al-Arab on the Syrian border with Turkey. The information is not clear but reports indicate that there may be people in the city who are unable to leave. There are also reported to be several thousand people outside the town along the Turkish border. ISIL has shown no mercy to those in towns they have taken. We need to get to people and give them help now.

I call on those in a position to help, to do so immediately. Violations of international human rights and humanitarian law must stop. If we don't act now this will be another tragedy for the Syrian people and a stain on the conscience of humanity.