

Temple of Bel obliteration confirmed

A satellite image confirms the main temple in the ancient city of Palmyra in central Syria has been destroyed by Islamic State (IS) militants



Areas of IS dominance



1 Aug 31, 2015: Image taken day after explosion at 2,000-year-old temple



2 Before IS took control on May 21, 2015: Temple of Bel still standing



Palmyra: Built on site of ancient caravan route, unique combination of Roman and Persian architectural styles

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