

A large crowd of people is gathered in a city square, holding many Syrian flags. In the background, there are buildings and a mosque with a minaret. A large portrait of Bashar al-Assad is visible on the right side of the image, surrounded by Syrian flags and a string of red balloons. The scene is set in a city with a hillside in the background.

# Countering War Propaganda of the dirty war on Syria

**A selection of social media infographics, 2012-2017**  
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## Introduction

This book of infographics is a selection of counter-propaganda images used on social media during the NATO-led proxy war against Syria, from 2011 to 2017.

It is a companion piece to my 2016 book *The Dirty War on Syria* (Global Research, Montreal) and can be read alongside that far more documented work. It may also be read alone by those with some reasonable knowledge of the conflict. Both books have been prepared for the honest reader or browser, and for those who defend small nations against attacks from the big powers. It is not meant for those who, after six years, still propagate the western myths about this dirty war.

As a writer I believe in discussion and evidence, but people read much less these days, so there is also a need for simplification and attention grabbing, to compete with the constant mis-information associated with this long war, the fifth such war on a Middle Eastern country in the past 15 years. These infographics combine images, ideas and headlines with some brief information and distinct sources.

The reader is asked to forgive a certain amount of duplication that was left in, for perspective.

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# The Big Picture

'They want to provoke a conflict ... to have a pretext to intervene and, with the authority of being mediator and guarantor, to seize [the country]. Such an arrogant thing has never been encountered in the annals of free people; nor has there been such cold malevolence.' – Jose Marti, 1889



# Dirty War on Syria: the basics

Washington and its allies try another 'regime change', in Syria. A fake 'revolution' uses Islamist gangs, during an 'Arab Spring'. The western media constantly lies about this covert, dirty war.



FSA terrorists throwing post office workers off a building in Aleppo



Syrian Rebels Execute Tribal Leaders

A political reform movement is driven off the streets by Islamist violence. 'Free Syrian Army' slaughters minorities and government workers.

Saudi and Qatari backed Islamists carry out a series of massacres, falsely blaming them on the Syrian Army and President Assad.



How Saudi Wahhabism Is the Fountainhead of Islamist Terrorism



Most of Syria's opposition backs the state and army against terrorism. Washington calls a puppet exile group 'the Syrian opposition'.

Washington (using Saudis, Qatar, Turkey, Israel) backs all the armed Islamist groups, pretending some are 'moderate rebels'.



Free Syrian Army rebels defect to Islamist group Jabhat al-Nusra

3,000 FSA Fighters Defect to ISIS in the Qalamoun Mountains



A resistance coalition rallies to Syria. Iran, Hezbollah, Iraq and Russia join the Syrian Army in destroying western backed terrorist groups.

For documentation of these facts see the forthcoming book: 'The Dirty War on Syria', by Tim Anderson.

# Let's speak the truth a bit more and pay less attention to the lies; they never stop



Forget the Kuwait 'incubator babies' story;  
Forget NATO's 'progress' for Afghan women;  
Forget Iraq's 'weapons of mass destruction';  
Forget the Zionist 'victims' in Palestine;  
Forget Iran's 'possible' nuclear weapons;  
Forget Gaddafi's 'African mercenaries';  
Forget the lies about Assad gassing children.



## Lets talk about why WE invade country after country!



# Why support Syria?

According to the western media, the Syrian Arab Army is always killing 'civilians', while the al Qaeda groups are freedom fighting 'rebels'. But consider this:

## **1. The Syrian Arab Republic represents an inclusive, pluralist nation**

The Syrian Arab Republic is founded on pluralism. ALL its armed opponents preach and practice sectarianism and ethnic cleansing, in the name of an 'Islamic State'.

## **2. The conduct of the Syrian Arab Army is way ahead of its opponents.**

Displaced Syrians seek refuge with the SAA. It may be brutal with terrorists and their supporters, but the NATO-backed sectarian gangs boast of their civilian murders.

## **3. The Syrian people alone will determine their Government.**

Foreign sponsors and foreign fighters show this is no 'civil war'. By law and human rights, only the Syrian people can decide their political system.



# Daily Lies in the Dirty War on Syria

NATO-Islamist Lies	Syrian reality
'Syrian Civil War'?	NATO and Gulf Monarchies backed armed attacks on Syria from March 2011; terrorists are from 80+ countries.
'Syrian Rebels' vs ISIS extremists?	All armed gangs are NATO-Saudi-Qatari backed Islamists, they squabble over arms and money but have the same goals.
U.S. coalition's has a 'War on ISIS'?	Washington uses ISIS as an 'attack dog' against both Iraq and Syria, protecting separatist Kurds. Fake bombing campaign.
Syrian Army is 'barrel bombing' civilians?	Every effective air strike against NATO-Islamists (based on NATO-Islamist sources) is said to be killing civilians.
Syria/Assad not fighting/supporting ISIS?	Syrian Army is the only effective force against ISIS. However their priority has been to protect the cities of western Syria.
'Syrian regime about to fall'?	Same headline every year since 2011. Syria resists.

"Every day the opposition gives a death toll ... many of those reported killed are in fact dead opposition fighters but ... described in reports as innocent civilians killed by security forces" - Anti-Syrian journalist Nir Rosen, Al Jazeera, Feb 2012



Syrian barrel bombs kill 71 civilians at markets near Aleppo

The shelling by the Syrian Arab Army to this site resulted with the death of 81 terrorists gathering inside this location



# Why the ignorance over Syria?

The War on Syria is not so hard to understand. The imperial powers want to overthrow yet another independent state and have employed ultra-reactionary forces in attempts to do so. They lie incessantly to cover their criminality.

But the ignorance of educated western peoples is striking. Despite multiple betrayals they cling to their own states' propaganda, unwilling to check the 'other side'.

# Globalist Newspeak

The West	Imperial powers, neo-colonial cultures
New Middle East	Complete US control of the region, excluding competitors
Arab Spring	Opportunity for 'New Middle East' using sectarian Islamists
Arab/Latin dictator	National leader who refuses to follow orders from Washington, targeted for 'regime change'
WMD scandal e.g. chemical or biological weapons	Fabrication to help drive deeper intervention
Revolution *	Fascist-sectarian terrorism, to back 'regime change' [*previously: popular social transformation]
Activist *	Anonymous western agent and media source [*previously: active citizen]
Anti-Semitic	Person who criticises the racist, colonising Zionist state
Conspiracy theorist	Anyone questioning official lies
Human rights monitor	Embedded watchdog, helping drive neo-colonial plans

**FULL SPECTRUM DOMINANCE**

## Western debate on Syria: the inconvenient evidence

Who backs terrorism?	US VP Joe Biden and General Martin Dempsey admit (2014) that their 'major allies' fund+arm ALL terrorist groups in Syria.
Chemical weapons?	Independent sources (Postol, Hersh) repeatedly demonstrate that the al Qaeda groups use CW, not the Syrian Army.
Dead prisoner photos?	Human Rights Watch admits that almost half of 'Caesar's' photos are of Syrian security forces and victims of terrorism.
Aleppo hospitals?	None of the bombed hospitals or 'last doctor in Aleppo' stories spoke to the 4,000 member Aleppo Medical Association.
White Helmets?	Corporate media and Hollywood ignore massive video & photo evidence that links WH to al Qaeda, as 'comrades in arms'.
Amnesty International?	Like Human Rights Watch, under Obama, Amnesty leaders were embedded with the US State Department.
More information: <a href="http://www.globalresearch.ca/author/tim-anderson">http://www.globalresearch.ca/author/tim-anderson</a>	

## Decolonisation 101

- Only the **Syrian people** decide the Syrian government
- The **Syrian Government** represents the Syrian people and nation
- The **Syrian Arab Army** - and its allies - are the only legitimate armed forces in the country

Message to the ignorant or unprincipled: Get used to it!

# The 'Arab Spring' and the 'Syrian Revolution'



**Father Frans Van der Lugt**  
Jesuit priest. Lived in Homs  
(Syria) for 48 years. Murdered  
by Jabhat al Nusra, 7 April 2014.

**Father Frans Van der Lugt, January 2012, Homs**

“Most citizens in Syria do not support the opposition ... you cannot say that this is a popular uprising ... From the beginning the protest movements have not merely been peaceful. I have seen from the beginning armed protesters in those demonstrations walking around, they were the first to fire on the police. Very often the violence of the security forces comes in response to the brutal violence of the armed insurgents ... Most Christian leaders stand behind [Bashar al-Assad] because they are convinced that they would be worse with any alternative”



**Q: When did media first report the genocidal slogans of the US-backed 'Syrian Revolution'? A: April 2011.**

Lebanese Christians react to regional instability

**NOW.**

5 April 2011

"Alawis to the coffins and Christians to Beirut" are allegedly being shouted during protests in Syria.' NOW Media (Lebanon), 5 April 2011

Some slogans ... speak of Syrian unity ... there are other, darker phrases being chanted like 'Alawites will head to coffins, Christians to Beirut.' - TIME magazine, 1 May 2011

Syrian Protesters Vow to Break the Siege on Dara'a  
TIME - 1 May 2011:  
A TV grab taken from Al Arabiya channel on May 1, 2011, shows people laying on the ground in the city of Daraa, Syria

**TIME**

1 May 2011

Christians Under Attack From Anti-Government Protesters in Syria

5 May 2011

'Protesters in Duma, a suburb of Damascus, were last week heard shouting: "Alawites to the grave and Christians to Beirut!"' - Christian Post 5 May 2011

**The official line:**

"The protest movement in Syria was overwhelmingly peaceful until September 2011", Human Rights Watch (USA), March 2012

# The snipers in syria killing army members and civilians

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## The Syrian Conflict – some key myths

<b>NATO/Salafi Myths</b>	<b>Syrian Reality</b>
The Syrian conflict began in 2011 as a peaceful protest movement?	The Muslim Brotherhood resumed armed attacks (with Saudi arms in Daraa in March 2011) using political reform rallies as a cover
The conflict is a civil war?	Big powers are backing religious extremists to destroy the independent Syrian nation
The conflict is between majority Sunni Muslims and minority Alawis?	It is between a multi-cultural Syria (including most Sunnis) and religious extremists
President Bashar al-Assad is a 'brutal dictator'?	Bashar and the army have defended Syria against foreign backed attacks on the nation
The Syrian Arab Army has massacred civilians (Houla, Darayaa, Aleppo)?	The extremists have made repeated use of 'false flag massacres', trying to incite intervention
The armed opposition is secular, with religious extremists a minority?	ALL major armed gangs are religious extremists (M.B./Salafi/Wahhabi) *

\* Jabhat Al-Nusra, Liwa al-Tawheed, Ahrar al-Sham, Mohamed Sultan Fateh, Suqoor al-Shahbaa, Farouk FSA, Khalid bin Walid FSA, Liwaa al-Ummah, Sukur al-Sham, Al-Dawla al-Islamiyya, Ansar al-Sunnah, Liwaa al-Islam, Jundollah, Military Revolutionary Council (Aleppo).

## Some things you should know about the 'Syrian Revolution'

- The 'Syrian Revolution' is NOT a popular uprising, but a reactionary alliance between US-NATO, Qatar and Saudi Arabia, making use of religious extremism to turn the 'Arab Spring' to their own agenda.
- This uneasy marriage between Wahhabi, Salafi and Muslim Brotherhood extremism with US-NATO aims not only to topple President Bashar al-Assad but to destroy the independent Syrian nation.
- After Iraq and Afghanistan, US policy has returned to 'dirty wars' fought by proxy armies and drones.



Syrian national flag (left). The FSA has adopted a colonial era flag (right) along with Al Qaeda's black flag (far right)



### Some important history:

The big powers have only ever been able to dominate the Middle East by keeping its peoples divided. This is why the fanatical Muslim Brotherhood has become a key ally of Washington, in many countries. Banned in most countries for their assassinations and armed uprisings over many decades they, along with allied Salafis and Wahabis, are at the core of the armed attacks in Syria, which derailed a peaceful reform movement. These extremists have falsely blamed the Syrian army for their own atrocities, in attempts to incite NATO intervention, as in Libya. Although the US fears 'blowback' they pursue this odd alliance, which Condoleeza Rice called 'creative chaos'. Watch for the new false pretexts for an expanded war: staged civilian massacres, claims of chemical weapons, supposed attacks on Turkey.



## The Billionaires' Revolution

name	country/\$bn	Photo	Comment
<b>EIGHT Saudi billionaires</b>	Saudi Arabia, \$51.7 (together)		Prince <u>Alywaleed Bin Talal Al Saud</u> (pictured), <u>Mohammed Al Amoudi</u> , <u>Mohammed Bin Issa Al Jaber</u> , <u>Sulaiman Al Rajhi</u> , <u>Mohammed Al Issa</u> , <u>Abdullah Al Rajhi</u> , <u>Saleh Kamel</u> , <u>Mohammed Al Rajhi</u>
<b>Bahaa HARIRI</b>	Lebanon, \$2.5bn		"The demands of the people are simple: "We want jobs." ... We are talking about change in Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen, Syria, Libya"
<b>Sa'ad HARIRI</b>	Lebanon, \$1.7bn		Sa'ad counselled 'a complete regime change in Syria', to a hybrid Muslim Brotherhood/ex-Baathist government like with 'the moderate Islamist government in Turkey' (US State Dept, 21 August 2006)
<b>Ayman HARIRI</b>	Lebanon, \$1.3bn		On 12 December 2012, Syria issued an arrest warrant against <u>Ayman Hariri</u> and others in the Future Movement for 'arming and providing financial support for Syrian opposition groups'
<b>Sheldon ADELSON</b>	US, \$24.9bn		Billionaire philanthropist <u>Sheldon Adelson</u> (chairman of the Republican Jewish Coalition) said he was willing to assist President Obama in making the case to Congress for a Syria strike.
<b>George SOROS</b>	US, \$20bn		Soros group 'Open Society' funds the <b>Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect</b> , for intervention in Syria. Through <u>Araaz</u> Soros has helped Syrian 'rebels'. The Syrian National Council (SNC) has intimate links to the (Soros backed) <b>Bilderberg</b> conference.
<b>Nahida TLASS</b>	Syria-France, \$7bn		<u>Nahida Tlass</u> , billionaire France-based member of the Muslim Brotherhood-linked family, says Bashar 'must be rescued from his Persian tendency'

## Who leads the Syrian 'Revolution'?



2013

**Yusuf al-Qaradawi** (right), Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood leader who lives in Qatar and broadcasts on Al Jazeera. As a leading 'Takfiri' he justifies the killing of other Muslims who do not share his beliefs (see: Takfiris.com). Issued fatwas calling for the murder of Libyan and Syrian leaders.



**Adnan al Aroor** (left), Syrian Salafi leader and 'Godfather' of the Syrian Revolution, based in Saudi Arabia. Called a 'moderate Sunni cleric' by the Saudi press, he has said of his opponents: 'We will chop their flesh in mincing machines and feed their flesh to dogs'. Other Salafi leaders have issued genocidal fatwas against minorities, such as Christians and Alawi Muslims (see top).

**Free Syrian Army (FSA)** – claimed as mainly army defectors, in fact a collection of squabbling jihadi groups. Analyst Thierry Meyssan says the FSA is 'a counter-revolutionary body ... which passed from the hands of reactionary monarchies in the Gulf to those of Turkey, acting for NATO.' In late 2012 command passed from Riad al Assad (right) to Selim Idris. Neither has control of the groups.



**Jabhet Al-Nusra**: huge group of foreign jihadis, allied to the FSA, who want sharia law and a caliphate. Linked to Al Qaeda in Iraq, they carry out car bombings, public executions and attacks on civil infrastructure. The US has tried to ban the group, while supporting the FSA, but 29 armed FSA gangs protested 'We are all Jabhet al Nusra' (see: New York Times, 10/12/2012).

The US, Britain and France at first backed the exile **Syrian National Council** as 'legitimate representatives' of the Syrian people. Then they appointed the '**National Coalition for Syrian Revolutionary and Opposition Forces**', led by Cairo-based Sheikh Ahmad Moaz Al-Khatib (right). Said to be a 'consensual figure' and a 'moderate cleric', he is in fact a Muslim Brotherhood member, an engineer who worked for Anglo-Dutch Shell and who considers Shia Muslims 'rejectionist heretics' and Jews 'enemies of God'.



[Some things you should know about the 'Syrian Revolution' – by Hands off Syria](#)

## Bashar al Assad and the Syrian system

President Bashar al-Assad, a medical doctor, was conscripted into the leadership of the Baath party after his father died. He was slow to act on promises to reform the authoritarian system, but he remains popular precisely because most Syrians believe he can do this, and because most support a pluralist, secular Syria. Syria has experienced 'state of emergency' governance for many years, because of the Muslim Brotherhood insurgencies and the regional wars.



Syrians have been polled many times on their views. They dislike the corruption and political cronyism of their system; but they like the social inclusion, foreign policy, women rights and stability (see: <http://creativesyria.com/syriapage/?p=150>). In late 2011 a Doha poll showed most wanted Bashar to remain in power. In February and May 2012 (despite the conflict) a majority voted for a new constitution and then a multi-party parliament. With 51% turnout, the Baath party won 60% of the seats. An open Presidential election is planned for 2014.

## The other opposition – for peaceful democratic change in Syria



**National Syrian Dialogue Meeting**, Tehran 19 Nov 2012. Over 200 Syrian religious and political figures met, the theme was 'Violence No, Democracy Yes.' There was unanimous support for a peaceful solution and opposition to foreign interference. Delegates stressed national unity, sovereignty and the territorial integrity. They acknowledged the legitimate demands for reform, opposed violence, supported border control and inclusion of all Syrians (including the displaced). However they disagreed over the way forward, some urging a transitional government.

**Qadri Jalil**, head of the Popular Front for Change and Liberation - a coalition with 5 MPs which joined the Baath Party in government in 2012 - says the National Syrian Dialogue Meeting (19 Nov 2012) 'represents the dividing line between the national and the non-national opposition'.



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## Independent voices: Women, Christians, Kurds, others

**Why do women support Syria?** Look how Syrian women hold their flag, with the two green stars. The woman at right holds both Muslim and Christian symbols, a sign of a multicultural Syria. In the fundamentalist FSA camp, women are heavily veiled and have little voice.



'90% of these 'revolutionary' groups are criminals', says Armenian **Bishop Armash Nalbandian** (left). 'It is sometimes hard to understand how the Western countries support democracy in Syria if they are only going to support one party in this conflict'.

**Mother Agnes Mariam** (right): about 80,000 Christians had been 'cleared' by rebel forces (FSA) from their homes in Homs province. She supports the Mussalaha (Reconciliation) movement, which includes members of all ethnic and religious communities who are tired of war.



**George Galloway**, British MP: 'A very large number of people in Syria ... are terrified of the prospects of victory for the Syrian rebels because there is a substantial Christian population ... minority Islamic sects ... different ethnic groups, Kurdish ... terrified of the victory of Jihadist extremists.'



**Saleh Muslim**: Co-President of the Kurdish Democratic Union Party (PYD): opposes both the foreign jihadis and the Doha appointed 'coalition': 'a proxy for Turkey and Qatar'. Supports the reform movement but says 'the Syrian revolution should remain peaceful'. The PYD has had armed clashes with the FSA jihadis.

**Lebanese Christian Leader Michel Aoun** (right): 'I feel today that the Syrian regime is the one defending democracy, while the western countries want to topple it by force and do not want to refer back to the Syrian people' (Youtube: 'War in Syria Will Lead to New World Order')



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## Doublespeak from Canberra

**Disgraceful 'diplomacy':** Australia's Foreign Minister Bob Carr, while expressing shock at demonstrators in Australia who urged the 'beheading' of Islam's enemies (below), at the same time proposed the assassination of Syrian President Bashar al Assad. This has helped encourage a stream of young Australians jihadis to travel to Syria to fight this 'holy war' – at least two have been killed (top right).



While Australia sent its troops to participate in the invasions of Iraq and Afghanistan, Canberra attacks Syrian troops (right) for defending their own nation against foreign backed religious fundamentalists, most of them not even Syrian.



## Self-determination means no foreign intervention

Anyone who thinks human rights have something to do with the calls for intervention in Syria should re-read the first article of the international bill of rights. The self-determination of a people stands 'apart from and before all the other rights'. Those urging intervention disregard this basic principle. The Syrian government is for the Syrian people to decide, and no-one else. If you agree, please spread this message.

*More information including copies of this pamphlet are available here:*  
<http://hands-off-syria.jimdo.com/>

'British-born jihadists fighting Assad in Syria' – captured photographer

Published 31 July 2012, 09:01



Syria Rebels 'Aided By British Intelligence'

By Mark ...



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# This was never a revolution



**TIME magazine**  
**November 26, 2012**

The rebels know they're not really welcome. "The Aleppans here, all of them, are loyal to the criminal Bashar, they inform on us, they tell the regime where we are, where we go, what we do, even now," says Abu Sadek, a defector from Assad's military now with Liwa Suqoor al-Sha'ba, one of the three rebel units in Bustan al-Basha. "If God wasn't with us, we would have been wiped out a long time ago."

**SYRIA**

has the right



"I know they hate us. They blame us for the destruction. Maybe they are right, but had the people of Aleppo supported this revolution from the beginning this wouldn't have happened."  
**FSA fighter, UK Guardian**  
**- 29 December 2012**

**TO RESIST**

foreign backed terrorism



# Syria's insurrection of March 2011 was armed from the very beginning

Contrary to the western myth that Syria's armed rebellion began after a period of peaceful protest, it was armed by Saudi patrons from the beginning, just like the 1982 Muslim Brotherhood insurrection in Hama. The armed attacks in Dara, 17-18 March 2011, took place under cover of pro and anti government rallies.

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## Syria's security forces seize arms smuggled from Iraq

Grenades, firearms and ammunition belts found in truck loaded in Baghdad

Reuters

The Guardian, Saturday 12 March 2011 04:34 AEST

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Syria - Daraa Revolution was Armed to the Teeth from the Very Be ...

Truth Syria 11k views

1,184

The Reuters report in the UK Guardian (12 March 2011) shows the capture of some of the arms, being smuggled in from Iraq. At right Anwar Al-Eshki, former Saudi commander, tells the BBC his country armed the Omari mosque in Dara, claiming this was 'to defend themselves and exhaust the army'.

# Iraq's sectarian violence: brought to you by the sponsors of the 'Syrian Revolution'



## Wave of attacks kills at least 66 people in Iraq

By SINAN SALAHEDDIN  
Associated Press

Posted: Oct 27, 2013 6  
Updated: Oct 28, 2013

BAGHDAD (AP) - A series of attacks including car bombings in Baghdad, an explosion at a market and a suicide assault in a northern city killed at least 66 people Sunday across Iraq, officials said, the latest in a wave of violence washing over the country.

Coordinated bombings hit Iraq multiple times each month, feeding a spike in bloodshed that has killed more than 5,000 people since April. The local branch of al-Qaida often takes responsibility for the assaults, although there was no immediate claim for Sunday's blasts.

Sunday's attacks were the deadliest single-day series of assaults since Oct. 5, when 75 people were killed in violence.

### Saudi Arabia sponsors violence in Iraq: Ex-US envoy



### Saudi Arabia behind violence surge in Iraq: Analyst



### MP: Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Turkey involved behind violence in Iraq

Added by Edward Hennessey on 10/28/13

### Mission Accomplished? Iraq Violence Climbs to Highest

A report looks at who's behind

### Spate of attacks on Shias kills 59 people in Iraq



2013

### Iraq violence: Attack kills dozens of Shia pilgrims



**Al Qaeda (Syria): thanks for  
the new toys, Obomber.  
PS. Where's our air force?**

A photo circulating that purports to show Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS) linked Commander Muhajireen Kavkaz wa Sham inside a USAID tent.

## Syria's Salafi-Islamist 'Revolution'

2013

Despite all the video of atrocities by foreign fanatics in Syria, western sources continue to claim that the 'Syrian Revolution' is mainly secular. This idea is promoted by the US, which has tried to separate the al-Qaeda-linked Jabhat al-Nusra from the 'Free Syrian Army' (FSA).

Yet 29 FSA groups responded: 'We are all al-Nusra', identifying strongly with the fanatics. A review of the major armed groups in Syria shows that ALL major groups appear to be Islamist, a vital common factor against a Syrian government committed to maintaining a secular and multicultural nation.

There are differences between groups. But the 'Military Revolutionary Council' in Aleppo is Islamist, as is the Military Police. All the largest groups (Tahweed, Farook, Liwaa al-Ummah, Khalid bin Walid, Mohamed Sultan Fateh, Ahrar al Sham) are Salafi or Muslim Brotherhood backed. The most prominent army defectors are also Islamists, committed to a religious state: such as Brigadier General Zaki al Louli, Lt Mohammed Tlas and Colonel Abduljabbar Oqaidi.

Following are some details of FSA's Islamist and Jihadi credentials. 'Jihadi' here means those engaged in armed struggle to overthrow the Syrian secular system and establish a Salafi-Islamic state.



**The 'Sunni Card'**, played by the US and the Saudis, refers not to Sunnis but to Sunni fundamentalists - Salafis and Salafi-Takfiris - who will attack other Muslims. Claiming to represent 'real muslims', they help divide the region.



## Islamist and Salafi-Jihadi armed groups in Syria

Group	Overview, Ideology	History
<b>Jabhat Al-Nusra</b>	5000+ Wahabi-jihadis, led by Abu Mohammed al-Julani, mostly foreign, Al Qaeda in Iraq link (Abu-Musab al-Zarqawi)	Funded by Saudi Arabia, respects no national boundaries. Sheikh Abu Ahmed, Hasaka commander: 'We want sharia ... it's the right path for all humanity' – 'most effective' and disciplined fighters - Obama admin has tried to separate al-Nusra from others, labelling it a terrorist group
<b>Liwa al-Tawheed Brigade</b>	Islamists: said to be the largest in Aleppo Province (R) (SU)	Abu Ahmed, unit leader admits support for Assad in Aleppo is very high, about '70 percent' (R); praises al Nusra as 'the cleanest' (B); Tahweed temporarily captured a military base near Aleppo (SU)
<b>Ahrar al-Sham (Free Men)</b>	Islamist and Salafist - want an Islamic regime with Shari'a (Q)	'Nationwide' group, 'adherents of the conservative Salafi ... Islam' (A), 'not part of the FSA' (A) 25 rebel units
<b>Mohamed Sultan Fateh brigade</b>	Islamist brigade	Headed by army defector, Brigadier-General Zaki Ali Louli (R); along with Tahweed, the MSFB has formed an Islamist military police in Aleppo
<b>Suqoor al-Shahbaa Brigade (Falcons)</b>	Jihadi group - 500 men, led by army defector and Islamist Lt Mohammed Tlas, who has declared loyalty to the western-backed 'National Coalition' (R)	Abu Sadek says 'The Aleppans here, all of them, are loyal to the criminal Bashar, they inform on us' (A); they have burnt family photos in homes because they showed 'uncovered women' (A), praise al Nusra and wear Pakistani Salafi headdress (A); yet Abu Marwan, defector pilot admits 'the FSA 'brand' has mostly been tarnished' (B)

R=Reuters 8/1/13; B=Bayoumy 11/1/13; A=Abouzeid 14/11/12; SU=Surk 16/12/2012

**Nov 2012:** Ahrar Al-Sham, Liwa Al-Tawheed and Al-Nusra (L to R) issue a joint statement: "We have unanimously agreed to urgently establish an Islamic state."



2013

Group	Overview, Ideology	History
<b>Farouk Brigade FSA (Homs)</b>	Salafi– jihadi - aims for an Islamic state, ‘one of Syria’s largest’ (B); initially led by Lt. Abdul Razaq Tlas.	Blew up Homs Hospital because it was treating soldiers, slogan: death is ‘the penalty to unbelievers’ (H); Farouk has had armed conflict with al-Nusra (B); <b>US advisers pretend Farouk is ‘secular’</b> (ICG); in fact ‘most of the al-Farouq Battalion’s members are Salafis, armed and funded by Saudi Arabia (M).
<b>Khalid bin Walid brigade FSA (Homs)</b>	Muslim Brotherhood; led by Abdul Rahman Sheikh Ali	<b>US advisers pretend KBW is ‘secular’</b> (ICG); in fact ‘Khalid Ibn al-Walid Battalion is loyal to and supported by the Muslim Brotherhood’ (M); believed responsible for public beheading carried out by a child (HRI)
<b>Liwaa al-Ummah (Banner of the Nation)</b>	6,000 Islamists (Q) – led by Mahdi al-Harati (IE)	Syrian and Libyan – claims inclusiveness but with ‘an Islamic frame of reference’ (Q); Libyan members underline the jihadi character of the group (F). Financed by Kuwaiti sheikhs (IE)
<b>Sukur al-Sham (Falcons of the Levant)</b>	Salafi-Jihadi	Syrian but includes other Arab, French and Belgian fighters – Tactics include suicide and car bombings (Q)
<b>Al-Dawla al-Islamiyya (The Islamic State)</b>	Salafi-Jihadis - small group that has included British	Believed to be involved in kidnapping western journalists, controls Bab el-Hawa crossing from Turkey (NW Syria) (Q)



Q= Quilliam Foundation 2013; A=Abouzeid 14/11/12 ; AA=Abdul-Ahad 28/12/12; F=Fitzgerald 2012; IE=In Extremis 2012; H=Homs Hospital; B=Bayoumy 11/1/13; ICG=International Crisis Group 12/10/2012; M=Mortada 13/6/12; HRI=Human Rights Investigations 10/12/2012.

Left – Two Kuwaiti sheikhs who support Liwaa al-Ummah, with leader Mahdi el-Harati (centre) (IE)

Right - Liwaa al-Ummah logo





Group	Overview, Ideology	History
<b>Ansar al-Sunnah</b>	Salafi-jihadi – includes Iraqis and Kurds (Q)	Salafi jihadists, formed in Iraq in 2003, with links to eastern Syria; they execute civilians (SRW)
<b>Liwaa al-Islam</b>	Salafi-jihadi - 'sees its struggle as a jihad'	Follows 'strictly the rules of Shari'a, the Quran and the Sunnah' - openly sectarian against Alawis (Q)
<b>Jundollah unit</b>	Jihadis - Includes Turkish, Libyan and Azeri Islamists, Aleppo	In Karm al-Jabal district of Aleppo (B); Azeri fighter says Bashar was 'worse than Stalin' (B)
<b>Military Revolutionary Council, Aleppo</b>	Jihadi - FSA coordination body, headed by Colonel Abduljabbar Oquaidi	Oquaidi defends al Nusra – 'anyone fighting the regime is a mujahid and a revolutionary and we kiss their forehead' (B)
<b>Revolutionary Command Council, Damascus Suburbs</b>	Voice for Islamist groups	This group runs significant media (including Facebook), does not use Islamist language, but their videos show fighters using Islamist slogans

Q= Quilliam Foundation report 2013; B=Yara Bayoumy, Reuters 11/1/13; SRW=Syria Rebel Watch 31/8/2012, <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GOaprrydSE4>



Left – FSA head in Aleppo, Islamist and army defector Col. Abdul Jabbar Oquaidi

Right - FSA Salafi executes army cadet prisoners



Group	Overview, Ideology	History
<b>Abu Ali Sulaibi group</b>	Muslim Brotherhood group, Saif al-Dawla district of Aleppo	'You are all informers. I know you cross back to government side and report on us' Abu Ali Sulaibi says. 'I know they hate us. They blame us for the destruction. Maybe they are right.' (AA)
<b>Raqqa Tal Abyad FSA battalions</b>	Appears Salafi-led	Groups in this northern area appear to be Islamist, including some army defectors, by Al Jazeera reports commander appears Salafi
<b>al Lairmoon FSA</b>	Islamist	Active FSA brigade, their video has FSA flag with black Shahada
<b>Suyoof al Shahba unit, FSA</b>	Islamists ('Swords of revenge')	Filmed using anti-aircraft weapons
<b>Grandsons of Hamza brigade</b>	Muslim Brotherhood families	Leader Abu Ghaybar (A)
<b>Abu Bakr battalion</b>	Islamist, with foreigners	Online video (Syriatube) shows them using anti-aircraft cannon at Kuweyres airport
<b>Liwa al-Fateh</b>	Islamist, but denounced by other Islamists as corrupt (A)	Part of the FSA but 'not as religiously conservative'; Suyoof al Shahba fighters call them corrupt (A)

H=Homs Hospital; B=Bayoumy 11/1/13; ICG=International Crisis Group 12/10/2012; HRI=Human Rights Investigations 10/12/2012.



FSA group get child to behead an unarmed prisoner, believed to be under the directions of the Khalid Ibn al-Walid Battalion of the FSA (HRI).

### Armed foreigners in Syria, some of the main groups

Late 2012: after a Syrian government report, the UN confirms that foreign jihadis come to Syria from at least 29 countries, and that minorities were arming themselves against the foreigners (Pawlak and Nebhay 2012)

Group	Overview, Ideology	History
<b>Libyan Islamic Fighting Group</b>	Al Qaeda linked Salafis – thousands – leader Abdel Hakim Belhadj	Leader Belhadj was said to have had command of 23,000 Libyan LIFG fighters in Aleppo over June-July 2012 (L), another report says he led a group of 700 fighters in Aleppo (LFP) – facilitated by the US embassy in Libya and paid by Saudis and Qatar
<b>Pakistani Taliban</b>	Salafi-Jihadis – thousands - linked to Saudi and Qatari secret police	'Around 1,000 members of the Pakistani Taliban have been killed in clashes near the Syrian capital city of Damascus' (JNN) in a major FSA operation – Pakistanis organised by the Saudis and Qatar (JNN)
<b>Lebanese Salafis</b>	Jihadis from Tripoli (LS)	Paid by Saudi-Lebanese billionaire Saad Hariri's 'Future Movement' (YD)
<b>Saudi prisoners</b>	1,300 Saudi Arabia death row prisoners, pardoned to fight in Syria – some had been jailed for jihadi type crimes (La)	Saudi documents showed a group of 1,334 convicts including "105 Yemeni, 21 Palestinian, 212 Saudi, 96 Sudanese, 254 Syrian, 82 Jordanian, 68 Somali, 32 Afghan, 194 Egyptian, 203 Pakistani, 23 Iraqi and 44 Kuwaiti citizens." (La) Probably not the only group
<b>Iraqis, Yemenis, Afghans and others</b>	Salafi-Jihadis	Funded by Saudis.
<b>British and Australians</b>	'Dozens' of British jihadis and 'over 100' Australian jihadis	BBC reports 'dozens' of British jihadis in Syria (Mc); Australian Foreign Minister Carr reports 'over 100' Australians involved in the violence in Syria (PTVa)

La=Lehman 2012a; Lb=Lehman 2012b; LFP=Libyan Free Press; LS=Lebanese Salafis, 1/12/12; PTyVa=Press TV 4/1/13; Mc= McClenaghan; JNN=Jafaria News Network; YD=Yusuf Diab 12/12/2012

## Why Aleppo hates the Free Salafi Army

### FSA commander Abu Sadek: 'The Aleppans here, all of them, are loyal to the criminal Bashar, they inform on us'

The street warfare isn't winning the rebels any more friends. The urbane Aleppans have never really warmed to the opposition fighters, most of whom come from religiously conservative Sunni Muslim small-towns—and there is growing concern that the rebels are turning more sectarian. The rebels know they're not really welcome. "The Aleppans here, all of them, are loyal to the criminal Bashar, they inform on us, they tell the regime where we are, where we go, what we do, even now," says Abu Sadek, a defector from Assad's military now with Liwa Suqoor al-Sha'ba, one of the three rebel units in Bustan al-Basha. "If God wasn't with us, we would have been wiped out a long time ago."



Abu Ghaybar moved into the living room, unplugging the TV and removing a few colored pencils from a drawer in the TV cabinet. He gathered up family photos, including a baby picture of his now five-year-old son. He pointed to a bare wall with two nails protruding from it. "My family portraits were here, where are they?" he asked.

"We burnt them," said one of the dozen or so rebels in the room. "You know, if we come into a house and there are pictures of uncovered women we burn them."



2013

## FSA reject democracy, back foreign jihadis: 'Syria will be an Islamic and Sharia state'

Colonel Abduljabbar Oqaidi, who heads the military revolutionary council in Aleppo province, defended al-Nusra Front. "We may differ with them on their thought," he told Reuters recently, but he rejected Washington's designation.

"They're fierce and loyal ... And at the end of the day they're fighting the regime with us. And we have not seen their extremism, they have not done anything that proves they are terrorists," he said. "Anyone fighting the regime is a mujahid and a revolutionary and we kiss their forehead," said Oqaidi, adding that their numbers were not more than 500 in Aleppo.

By contrast, support for the Free Syrian Army has eroded among some Aleppians due to some cases of looting.

"The cleanest unit on the ground, with no corruption within its ranks, is the al-Nusra Front. The group now has a popular base. Maybe their ideology is distant from the people's but they started liking al-Nusra front because they are just," said Abu Ahmed, who leads an Aleppo unit of the large al-Tawheed brigade.

"Syria...will be an Islamic and Sharia state and we will not accept anything else. Democracy and secularism are completely rejected," said the fighter, who called himself Khattab.

Sporting a shaggy beard and with an AK-47 slung over his shoulder, he warned anyone who might stand in the way. "We will fight them, even if they are among the revolutionaries or anyone else," said Khattab, who left his job as a driver to fight for two years in Afghanistan before moving to Syria six months ago.

A member of the Jundollah rebel unit, Khattab has little knowledge of Arabic - he spoke in the rubble-strewn building through a Syrian translator - and refused to be filmed or photographed for fear of being identified back in Turkey.

### Insight: Foreign fighters seek Islamic state in post-Assad Syria



2013

## FSA commander Abu Ali Sulaibi: 'I know they hate us ... you are all informers'

'The people of Aleppo needed someone to drag them into the revolution'

Abu Ali Sulaibi was one of the first people to take up arms in Aleppo. Now he controls two shattered blocks on the frontline where he lives with his wife, four children and Squirrel the cat

Ghaith Abidi: Assad in Aleppo  
guardian.co.uk, Friday, 28 December 2012 14:20 GMT

"Is there any money left?" asks the son.

"No, everything has been stolen."

The two fighters wait in the staircase watching the street and urging the people to move quickly. "I know they hate us," one says. They blame us for the destruction. Maybe they are right, but had the people of Aleppo supported the revolution from the beginning this wouldn't have happened."



"But you told us to come on Wednesday."

"I changed my mind. You should know that this is the state of Abu Ali Sulaibi." He roars out his catchphrase as much for the benefit of his men as the civilians.

"You are all informers," he tells the scared civilians. "I know you cross back to government side and report on us."

"We are not," says the bald man. "Our hearts are with you."

"When you say that, I know you are an informer." Turning to one of his men he says, half-joking: "Wasn't he the one who was chasing us when we were out demonstrating?" The bald man's face turns pale.

## FSA 'worse' than 'the dictatorship'

were on. Sulaimaniya's street lamps shone on modern cafés filled with men and women enjoying coffee, sweets, or narguiles. Jdaideh, only fifty yards away, had been depopulated since the rebels entered it a month earlier. Wherever the rebels went, the army attacked them and residents fled.

I wanted to visit the souks in the morning, but my friend told me that continued fighting there made it impossible. *Who burned the souks a few weeks earlier?* "That was the Free Syrian Army," my friend said. "We are caught between two bad powers. As you know, I don't like the dictatorship. But these people are showing themselves as worse."

Another friend said of the rebels who had come to dominate large swathes of his city: "They entered Aleppo. Aleppo didn't enter the conflict." He is a businessman, happy to be quoted last spring but now insisting I not print his name. Members of his family have been kidnapped, and he has paid large sums at the end of tortuous negotiations for their release. Where Aleppines once feared the state's many *mukhabarat*, intelligence agencies, they have become wary of additional retribution from the Jaish al-Hurr, the Free Army, and its associated militias.

Another friend said, "The opposition thought Aleppo would welcome them. It didn't, except in the outskirts, where the very poor and the rural people came in." While espousing the revolution, some in the poorer districts nonetheless sought to exclude the rebels from their neighborhoods. In one of the poorest, Bani Zayd, where many people sift through the city's garbage to make a living, the area's elders delivered a letter to the Free Army:

We cheered the Free Army. But what is happening today is a crime against the inhabitants of our neighborhood. For there are no offices for government security or the *shabihah*. However, the groups that have taken position in the neighborhood cannot defend it.... We,

**The New York Review of Books**

**Aleppo: How Syria Is Being Destroyed**

DECEMBER 20, 2012

Charles Glass



*Only western media sources have been used here, in recognition of the fact that many western readers do not trust Syrian, Russian, Latin American or Iranian sources.*

# The roots of al Qaeda, al Nusra and ISIS



Ibn Saud's Wahhabis 'kill all those who do not share their opinions and make slaves of their wives and children ... [nevertheless] my admiration for him was deep, because of his unfailing loyalty to us' – **Winston Churchill**

President Eisenhower wanted: 'a high class Machiavellian plan **to split the Arabs** and defeat the aims of our enemies ... building up King Saud as a counterweight to [Egypt's President] Nasser.'



President Ronald Reagan sends funds and weapons to Osama bin Laden and other wahhabi fighters ('the moral equivalent of our founding fathers') to fight Soviet troops in **Afghanistan**.

To undermine the relationship between Iran and the Iraqi government of Nuri al-Maliki, President Bush authorises Saudi backing for 'Sunni extremist' groups in Iraq. Condoleezza Rice says this '**creative chaos**' will help create a 'New Middle East'.



Saudis, Qatar and Kuwait, with full US backing, arm and fund sectarian Islamist insurrections in **Libya and Syria**.

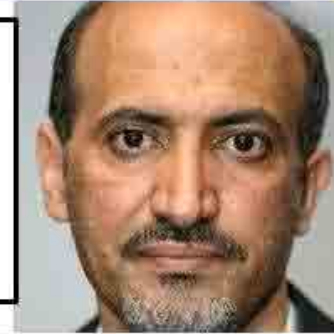




# Syria: the Washington Candidate

**Ahmad Jarba** (b. 1969)

- President of the 'National Coalition for Syrian Revolutionary and Opposition Forces' (NC), backed by USA, UK, France, Saudi Arabia
- From NE Syrian Shummar tribe



- Jailed in Syria, 1990s and 2011 (Muslim Brotherhood links)
- Riyadh sends him to Syria to face drug charges, 2008, jailed again
- Father disowns him for running brothels in Damascus and Hasakah
- Promoted by Riyadh as arms conduit to NE Syria, including for French advanced weapons (MILAN anti-tank and MANPAD anti-air systems)
- Jarba appointment affirms Saudi dominance of 'Syrian revolution'



<http://english.al-akhbar.com/node/16463>

## NATO's sectarian killers cut water supply to Aleppo, city of 2.5 million, a crime against humanity



2014

“For the fifth consecutive day, the drinking water supply is interrupted in Aleppo. Last summer, Aleppo was entirely blocked for several weeks ... Last month, Aleppo had electric power cut off for eleven days ... now "they" disconnect the water supply for 5 days and you [western people] remain silent! ... You proclaimed your anger, wrote statements ... your foreign ministers and your presidents declared sanctions, and threatened prosecution ... but for you, the victims are blamed as perpetrators ... the people of Aleppo ... are not your business. Your attitude is a shame. You should be accused of war crimes and of crimes against humanity for your passive complicity”

**Dr. Nabil Antaki**, physician at Marist school, Aleppo

**Western corporate media says nothing;  
Turkish Press blames 'Syrian regime'**



# The out-sourced 'revolution'

"Consultants at the [US] PR firm Qorvis ... ran the Twitter account for the [Riyadh based] Syrian Opposition Coalition"



**Qorvis:** "Our business is helping our clients engage creatively with their target audiences. We deliver integrated programs for some of the world's most exciting companies and brands"

Syria



Saudi government has vast network of PR, lobby firms in U.S.

Owned by French firm *Publicis Groupe*, **Qorvis** works for the Saudis, the Saudi-run 'Syrian Opposition' group, the Kurdistan Regional Government and Bahrain.

# Obama thugs bring human rights to Syria



## Dozens Killed in Suicide Bombing in Syria


**Dear Obomber, thank you for your daily contributions to freedom, democracy and 'revolution' in Syria.**

21 October 2013



**2013**


**Gaza Salafists Killed in Syria**



**Over 210 German militants traveled to Syria**



**Libyan Terrorists Are Invading Syria**



**Report: Saudis Sent 1,200 Death-Row Inmates to Syria to Join Rebels**  
Offered Detainees Freedom, Stipends for Families  
By MICHAEL COOPER | September 19, 2013

**Report Shows Libyan and Tunisian Jihadists Two Largest Groups of Foreign Fighters in Syria**  
By JAMES L. HOGAN | August 11, 2013 • 11:14 AM



Picture shows (identified by pro-ISIS sources) one Uyghur and one Kazakhstan terrorist in Syria



**North Caucasian Fighters Join Syrian Civil War**

Insight: Saudi Arabia boosts Salafist rivals to al Qaeda in Syria

**'Syrian' 'rebels'**

**Pakistan Taliban set up 'jihad cell' in Syria**

**Al-Qaeda Terrorists Airlifted From Libya to Aid Syrian Opposition**



**Foreign extremists dominate Syria fight**

By Liz Sly, October 04, 2013

**U.S.-Saudi agreement: 5,000 Yemeni Al-Qaeda jihadists to be sent to Syria**

**Chechen extremists aiding opposition fighters in Syria**

July 24, 2013



**Yemeni Jihadists Behead, Threaten Alawites in Aleppo, Syria**

Hundreds of Pakistani jihadists reported in Syria  
By BILL ROGGERO | July 14, 2013 10:05 PM

**Chinese Uighurs training in Pakistan to fight in Syria**

**Syrian "rebels": foreign thugs-for-hire, paymasters are Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Turkey**



# Egyptian al Nusra leader killed in Aleppo

'Devastating blow' for al-Qaeda as Assad's forces kill its Syrian leader

Sheikh Abu Sulaiman Al Masri's (Egyptian **Mahmud Maghwari**) death was confirmed this morning by the al-Nusra Front the al Qaeda-affiliated terrorist group fighting against **Syrian Government forces**. 24/10/15



The al-Nusra Front, the Sunni Islamic jihadist militia fighting against Syrian Government forces in the civil war, confirmed Sheikh Abu Sulaiman Al Masri's death this morning



# Another dead NATO-backed 'Syrian rebel', from Somalia



Tahrir al-Sham: Al-Qaeda's latest incarnation in Syria

2017

Abu Yusuf al-Somali, field commander of the Badia district for al Qaeda (Tahrir al Sham) was shot dead by the Syrian Arab Army in northern Hama countryside.



# Latest 'Syrian rebel' suicide bomber Afghan from al Qaeda explodes in north Hama



2017

لحظة تفجير الأخ بشتولي الديري على حاجز المكاتب في "صوران"

NATO-backed "ethnic Pashtun Dairi", suicide bomber from Tahrir al-Sham / Nusra, near the northern Hama town of Brive Suran.

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 **REUTERS**

## Syrian rebels launch attack near Hama

## Your 'revolution' is not mine: class of 2015



'Free' Idlib

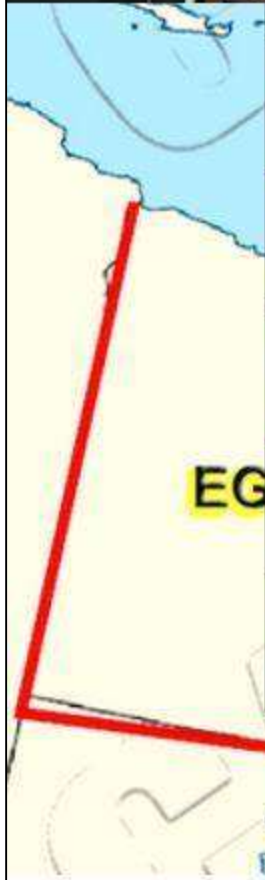


'Regime-held' Damascus

# Washington's 'New Middle East'

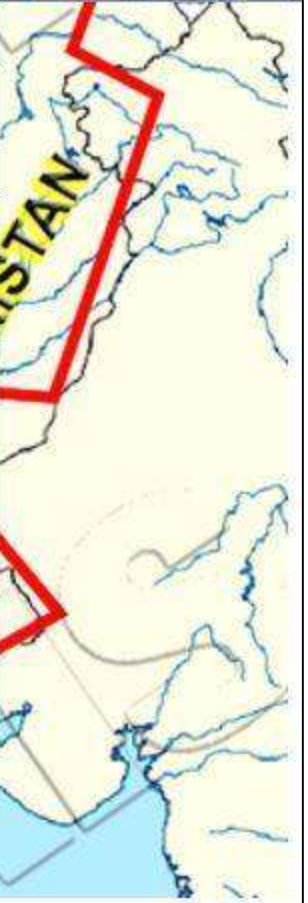


# The Syrian Crisis and Washington's 'New Middle East'



The A story	
	<b>Proxy armies</b> of sectarian Islamists used to destroy non-compliant 'regimes'
	Series of <b>disarmament</b> and <b>regime change ops</b> to create a US-dominated New Middle East
	<b>Aim:</b> (a) compliant regime, (b) dismembered or disarmed nation-states, (c) dysfunctional states
<b>EG</b>	<b>Violence:</b> Daily NATO-Islamist attacks, Syrian Arab Army counter attacks
	<b>End game:</b> Axis of resistance closes ranks across the region, excluding imperial powers

The B story	
	<b>Imperial prerogative:</b> 'we' (western powers) fix the problems of other peoples
	<b>Heroic western mission:</b> to save 'oppressed peoples from their brutal dictators'
	<b>Shifting pretexts:</b> secular revolution; defend Sunni Muslims; protect world from terror
	<b>Violence:</b> 'regime' targets civilians, 'moderate rebels' fighting extremists
	<b>End game:</b> 'west' will step in to rebuild state or sectarian statelets (new Sykes Picot deal)



**Let's start on the 'right foot' – with story A**

2013

# The 'feminist war' in Afghanistan, 13 years on



Amnesty International: NATO, "Keep The Progress Going"



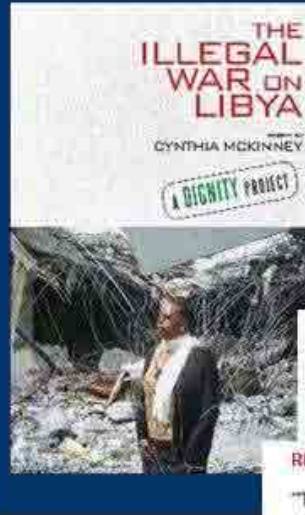
Afghan Women's Project

"I hope Americans will join our family in working to ensure that dignity and opportunity will be secured for all the women and children of Afghanistan." Mrs. Laura Bush

	Afghanistan	
Females with at least secondary education (2006-2010)	5.8%	7 <sup>th</sup> lowest in world
Fertility rate, average babies (2012)	6.0	= 3 <sup>rd</sup> highest in world
Maternal mortality (2010)	460	= 19 <sup>th</sup> highest in world
Underweight children (2006-2010)	32.9%	= 8 <sup>th</sup> worst in world
Life expectancy (2012)	49.1 years	= 6 <sup>th</sup> lowest in world
Human Development ranking (2013)	175	175 / 186 countries
<b>Source:</b> all from UNDP 2013		

# To understand the war on Syria read up on Libya

Blowing the lid off the "humanitarian intervention" fraud



## SYNOPSIS

This volume offers both analysis and eyewitness accounts of the NATO assault on a helpless civilian population it had a UN mandate to protect, and the massive propaganda campaign that made it possible.

It responds to the many questions left unanswered by a complicit mainstream media, such as: Why Libya, not Bahrain, Yemen or Egypt? What was life in Libya like under Gadhafi? What is the truth about the so-called "Black Mercenaries"? What about Africom's Plans for Africa?

Cynthia McKinney and other contributors to this volume were in Libya during the period of the NATO assault on Libyan cities, among the few independent voices to report on the tragedy.

## Libya war lies worse than Iraq

By Thomas C. Mountain  
Posted on July 28, 2011

## REVIEWS

"Those whom the gods wish to destroy, they must first make mad—and that was how the western powers and corporate media portrayed Muammar Qaddafi for decades as he nationalized Libyan oil, raised the Libyan standard of living to one recognized by the UN as among the highest in Africa, and began promoting an African currency and development bank to free the continent from the IMF. When the ragtag group of "Islamist" fighters from Ben Ghazi given diplomatic cover as the Transitional Council began their NATO-supported assault, one of the first things they did was to seize the Libyan central bank, until then one of the few still controlled by government in the world. If this makes you wonder—and it should—then this is the book for you. Kudos to former Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney and her truth-telling DIGNITY journalists who put the complicit Western-backed human rights NGOs to shame."

—GLEN FORD, *Black Agenda Report*



CYNTHIA MCKINNEY

2008 Green Party Candidate for  
President and Former  
Congresswoman

# Remember **Libya**?

## **Syria** does. That's why she resists.

**ONCE A SUCCESS STORY ON THE AFRICAN CONTINENT**

**LIBYA MAINTAINED A TRADE SURPLUS UNDER GADDAFI**

**AND OFFERED FREE EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE TO ITS CITIZENS**

**AND NATO'S MILITARY INTERVENTION**

**LEFT MUCH OF LIBYA DESTROYED**

**INCLUDING THE ISLAMIC STATE GROUP AND AFFILIATES OF AL QAIDA**

**UNDER VARIOUS MILITIAS**

**NOW THE COUNTRY IS GRIPPED BY A VIOLENT CIVIL WAR**

**THE NATION HAS BEEN FRAGMENTED**

**AND SUFFERING A MAJOR HUMANITARIAN CRISIS**

teleSUR

# September 2012: NATO-protected monarchy Qatar sends 1,800 North African Islamist terrorists to murder Syrians



## TRANSLATION

Greetings ...

**Topic:** processing of volunteers to fight in Syria. We would like to advise Your Excellency that 1800 volunteers have been prepared from countries around Arabian Morocco and North Africa to fight in Syria after the end of their training on military actions and fighting capabilities and dealing with weapons, especially in Al Zintan, Benghazi, al Zawye and Misurata military bases. So we suggest to send them in three batches through Libyan ports to Turkey, noting that these groups will be ready by next week. Please coordinate with the Turkish side to receive the fighters at the appropriate port and let us know the dates that you deem appropriate to send these groups. For honor and gratitude, accept our sincere appreciation.

**Nayef Abdullah Al Emadi al Haywani, Chargé d'Affaires**

**The Qatari petro-monarchy is the principal owner of Al Jazeera media and has put several billion dollars into the Dirty War on Syria**



# Iraq: Washington's latest regime change demand: 'Maliki Must Go'

WORLD NEWS

## U.S. Signals Iraq's Maliki Should Go

The White House Is Convinced the Shiite Leader Is Unable to Stabilize Political Landscape.

## Hillary: Al-Maliki Must Go

IRAQ UNITED STATES WORLD NEWS

US WANTS TO OUST MALIKI, WHILE HE REFUSES TO RESIGN IN EXCHANGE FOR AIRSTRIKES

Why al-Maliki needs to resign



After Libya and Syria, it should be a familiar pattern: NATO gets the Gulf monarchies to send in their al Qaeda groups, then demands regime change.

**Remember this, back in 2007:** "To the distress of the White House, Iran has forged a close relationship with the Shiite-dominated government of **Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki** ... [so] the Bush Administration has cooperated with **Saudi Arabia** ... [in] the bolstering of Sunni extremist groups ... sympathetic to **Al Qaeda**." – Seymour Hersh, March 2007

**Maliki's chief sin?** He has moved **Iraq** closer to both **Iran** and **Syria**, the only independent countries in the region

### The latest lying pretexts:

**Obama administration:** 'is convinced the Shiite leader is unable to reconcile with the nation's Sunni minority and stabilize a volatile political landscape'

**Hilary Clinton:** 'It's imperative that the government of Iraq, currently led by Maliki, be much more inclusive, much more willing to share power, involve all the different segments of Iraq'

**Diane Feinstein:** 'The Maliki government ... has got to go if you want any reconciliation'

# New US aggression unleashes chaos in the region

Al-Jaafari: U.S. Ambassador to the UN informed me of impending air strikes against ISIS targets in Syria



THE WALL STREET JOURNAL WORLD



Syria Says U.S. Told It Of Coming Airstrikes

American Officials Deny the U.S. Told Syria of Impending Strikes

By DAN COHEN in Beirut, SYRIA; JON HANCOCK in Washington and FELICIA SCHWARTZ in

Here's the map showing the targets of the airstrikes:



Syria informed in advance of U.S.-led airstrikes against Islamic State

Syria 'informed' but 'no strategic coordination'

BEIRUT — Syria was informed by the United States in advance of airstrikes against targets including Islamic State strongholds, but there was no strategic coordination with the Syrian government, a State Department spokeswoman said Tuesday.

Rouhani: Airstrikes Against IS in Syria Are Illegal

Iran's President says airstrikes by the U.S. and a group of allies against Islamic State (IS) targets in Syria are illegal.

The Ministry concluded the statement by saying, "announcing for the second time that it is standing with any international efforts in the framework of combating and fighting terrorism regardless of its names such as Jabhat al-Nusra and the ISIS, the Syrian Arab Republic asserts that this must be done with completely preserving the lives of innocent civilians and in the framework of the national sovereignty and according to the international pacts."

Reactions



US Airstrikes In Syria: Russia Says Bombings Will 'Exacerbate Tensions'

Pretexts

How America Made ISIS

POLITICS

U.S. Invokes Iraq's Defense in Legal Justification of Syria Strikes

By SOMNIO SENAPATTA and CHUCKIE SAVAGE | 09/23/14

ISIS points finger at Saudi Arabia in strikes

'Side effects'

'Imminent' terror attack in U.S. prompted airstrikes in Syria

Airstrikes against the militant Khorasan "imminent" terror attack on U.S. soil.

Turkey faces refugee crisis as 135,000 Kurds flee Isil

TURKISH AUTHORITIES REPORTEDLY DENY ENTRY TO SYRIANS FLEEING IS IN NORTH

ISIS Strikes Deal With Moderate Syrian Rebels: Reports

2014

Why is ISIS taunting the West?

By Jethro Mullen | CNN

September 23, 2014 -- updated 01:55 GMT 09/23/14

U.S.-Led Airstrikes Kill At Least 10 Civilians In Syria: Activists

By AFP | Associated Press

**Here's why Saudi Arabia (e.g.) cannot buy \$billions in US weapons and give them to terrorist groups in Syria & Iraq *without US permission*:**



**1. An international treaty forbids it**

"The Wassenaar Arrangement ... contributes to regional and international security and stability, by promoting transparency and greater responsibility in transfers of conventional arms."

"The U.S. Government views the sale, export, and re-transfer of defense articles ... [as] part of safeguarding U.S. national security and furthering U.S. foreign policy objectives."

**2. US law forbids it**

**3. This US Agency controls all weapon re-exports**

All terrorists must go to the US Directorate of Defence Trade Controls, at 2401 E Street NW, Washington (right), to get a US weapons re-export license.



## **The Criminal Responsibility for Five Years of Dirty War against Syria**

Five years ago the Government of the United States of America, using proxy armies, attacked the sovereign nation of Syria, murdering hundreds of thousands over the course of several years.

Washington denied any responsibility for this bloodbath, falsely accusing the Syrian Army for the crimes of its own sub-human, throat cutting, organ-eating monsters. The US consistently opposed the Syrian Army's right to defend the nation from these sectarian gangs.

The pretexts for this dirty war began as fake 'humanitarian intervention', then moved to the equally absurd claim that the US would intervene to fight the very terrorist groups it created.

Despite years of lies, the evidence is now abundantly clear that the USA and its regional allies - principally Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Israel and Qatar - have armed and financed every single terrorist group in both Syria and Iraq, in breach of the Charter of the United Nations.

It is equally clear that the Washington-sponsored 'Syrian Opposition' has no interest in any democratic process. It simply demands destruction of the pluralist nation and imposition of a religious state. The heroic resistance of the Syrian people has ensured this will not happen.

However, after the bloody and illegal invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq, and after the bloody and illegal dirty wars against Libya and Syria, when will Washington's monsters be brought to justice?



## Messages from 'Free Idlib'

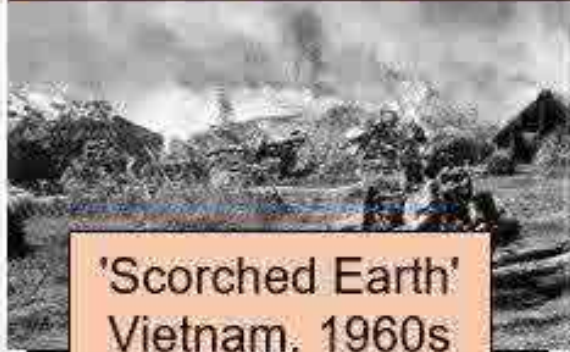
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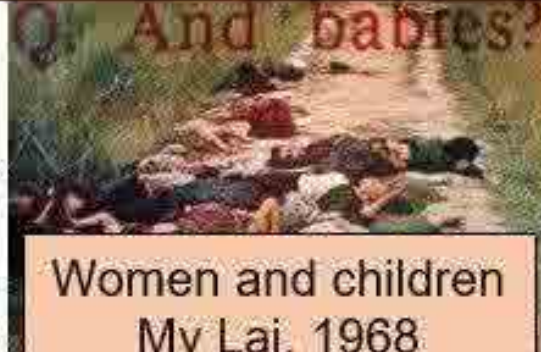
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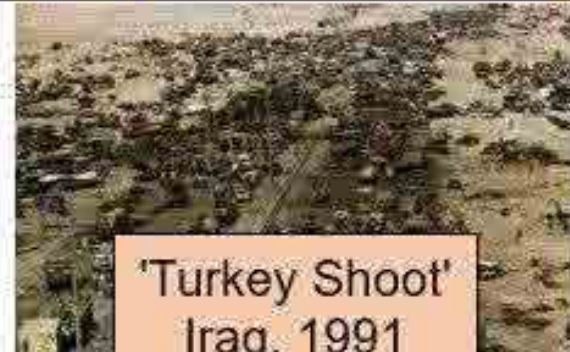
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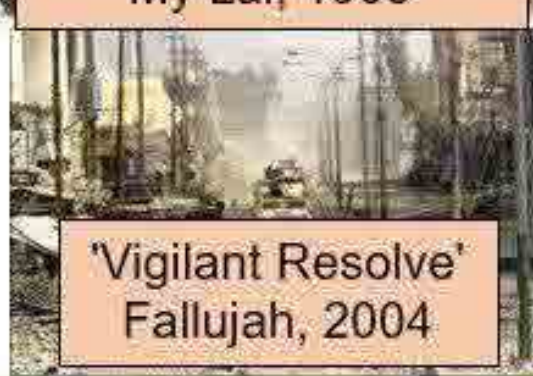
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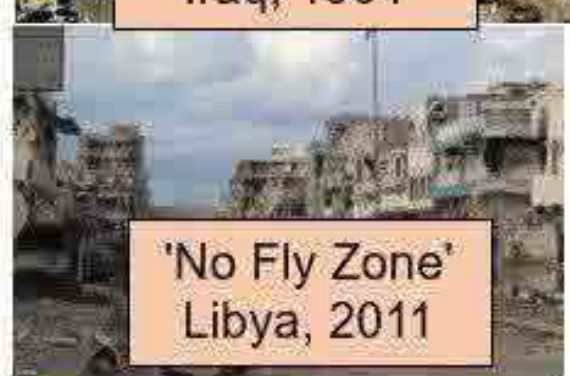
'Turkey Shoot'  
Iraq, 1991



'Shock and Awe',  
Baghdad, 2003



'Vigilant Resolve'  
Fallujah, 2004



'No Fly Zone'  
Libya, 2011

Q: So why didn't the 'Syrian Regime', said to 'target civilians',  
raze to the ground those areas (**Douma, east Aleppo, Raqqa**)  
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## British parliament admits deception, 'opportunist' and disastrous intervention in Libya



### Summary

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In March 2011, the United Kingdom and France, with the support of the United States, led the international community to support an intervention in Libya to protect civilians from attacks by forces loyal to Muammar Gaddafi. This policy was not informed by accurate intelligence. In particular, the Government failed to identify that the threat to civilians was overstated and that the rebels included a significant Islamist element. By the summer of 2011, the limited intervention to protect civilians had drifted into an opportunist policy of regime change. That policy was not underpinned by a strategy to support and shape post-Gaddafi Libya. The result was political and economic collapse, inter-militia and inter-tribal warfare, humanitarian and migrant crises, widespread human rights violations, the spread of Gaddafi regime weapons across the region and the growth of ISIL in North Africa. Through his decision making in the National Security Council, former Prime Minister David Cameron was ultimately responsible for the failure to develop a coherent Libya strategy.

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# False Flags



## Syria 'false flag': civilian massacres & the media war



by Tim Anderson for HANDS OFF SYRIA

Central to the attempt at 'regime change' in Syria is the campaign to delegitimise the Syrian government and state. Most of this has been done by the big powers, backed by the corporate media. President Bashar al Assad (right), they say, has been 'killing his own people'. But take care! There is a propaganda war here.

The patterns of violence in Syria are not random. The secular Baath government is known for its repression of sectarian Islamism, while the Muslim Brotherhood (the main domestic force in the armed rebellion) is known for sectarian violence. In a 1982 insurrection the Syrian Army crushed MB fighters and their families in urban Hama, arresting thousands of supporters and executing at least one group of MB prisoners. For its part, the MB used rooftop snipers and sectarian massacres, trying to incite fractures in the Syrian Army. In the 2011 insurrection, under cover of political reform marches and with similar tactics, the MB gained the backing of Qatar and the Saudis, a US 'regime change' agenda and thousands of Al Qaeda-style foreign salafi-jihadis, known for their brutal terrorism. Look for the patterns in this violence.

Claims over atrocities are difficult to determine but, when there is independent evidence, it most often points to the FSA and foreign jihadis. This presentation reviews some major atrocities and the evidence.

In Syria the armed 'revolution' is led by the Muslim Brotherhood and foreign salafi-jihadis. The 'regime change' agenda, led by Washington, aims to dominate or destroy the independent Syrian state. At right, the FSA flag alongside the Al Qaeda flag.





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## Revealed: UK Government let British company export nerve gas chemicals to Syria

UK accused of 'breath-taking laxity' over export licence for potassium fluoride and sodium fluoride

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## Ministers face questions over licensing of chemical exports to Syria

Labour MP Thomas Docherty asks in letter to Vince Cable which civil servants knew materials could be used in nerve agents

Kevin Rawlinson  
theguardian.com, Monday 2 September 2013 10:28 AEST

## UK 'approved nerve gas chemical exports to Syria'



British companies were given government licences in January 2012 to export chemicals that could have been used to make nerve gas in Syria, ten months after civil broke out in the country, it was revealed Sunday.

## The Syrian exports were for the metal finishing of aluminium fittings

Oliver Fry, UK Department for Business, Innovation and Skills

### 'Licences revoked'

He added: "In January 2012, we issued licences for sodium fluoride and potassium fluoride. The exporter and recipient company demonstrated that the chemicals were for a legitimate civilian end use - which was for metal finishing of aluminium profiles used in making aluminium showers and aluminium window frames.

"Before any of the chemicals were exported, the licences were revoked following a revision to the sanctions regime which came into force on 17 June 2012."

Sodium fluoride is a toxic chemical and contact can severely irritate the skin or eyes. It is used for water fluoridation, as a metal surface treatment and cleaner, as a glass etchant, in industrial textile processing or laundries, as a wood preservative and as an insecticide.

## WMD fabrications: case study #28



# Syria false flag, how they keep doing it

Ahrar Al-Sham plans to launch chemical attack on civilians, blame it on Syria govt – Syrian UN envoy



26 Sept 2016

UK accuses Russia of 'war crimes' over Aleppo bombing after Syrian jets dropped phosphorous on a rebel camp on outskirts of besieged city

Daily Mail

12 Oct 2016



8 April 2016

Jaish al-Islam (Arabic for 'Army of Islam') has confirmed the use of chemical weapons in clashes with the Kurdish People's Protection Units in the city of Aleppo, according to a statement.



Rebel commanders claim Russian and Syrian jets have been using phosphorous

Syrian Islamists bomb Kurdish district in Aleppo with chemical weapons: YPG

9 Mar 2016

Syrian Kurds say jihadists used phosphorus in Aleppo

## Massacres and the sectarian Muslim Brotherhood



### The 'Hama Massacre', Syria 1982

A failed, sectarian insurrection becomes  
a 'civilian massacre'

**'Hama Massacre' 1982:** In 1980 Syria's Muslim Brotherhood tried a sectarian insurrection in Aleppo, beginning with the slaughter of 50 young Alawi cadets. More than 1,000 died in fighting before the Syrian Army put down that insurrection.

The Brotherhood tried it again in Hama, Feb 1982. 'Roof top snipers killed perhaps a score of soldiers ... Abu Bakr gave the order for a general uprising ... by the morning some seventy leading Ba'athists had been slaughtered and the triumphant guerrillas declared the city liberated' (Seale 1988: 332).

However a large army force moved in and, after three weeks, dislodged the MB troops from a few city blocks. US intelligence wrote: 'The total casualties for the Hama incident probably number about 2,000 ... [including] 300 to 400 members of the Muslim Brotherhood's elite 'Secret Apparatus'' (DIA 1982: 7). Seale says the numbers killed could be '5,000 to 10,000'. The Army undoubtedly killed civilians in the barricaded areas, and prisoners were executed. However in Muslim Brotherhood mythology the failed revolt became a 'massacre' of up to 40,000 civilians (see right).

Although the US helped arm the insurrection, US intelligence concluded: 'the Syrians are pragmatists who do not want a Muslim Brotherhood government.'

Patrick Seale (1988) *Asad: the struggle for the Middle East*

DIA (1982) *Syria: Muslim Brotherhood Pressure Intensifies*, US Defence Intelligence Agency, May



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### 'Dara Massacre', Syria 2011

'Protestors attacked by Army'? No, another sectarian MB insurrection

**March 2011:** the beginning of armed conflict in Syria is often said to involve the Syrian Arab Army firing on peaceful protestors in Dara. In fact, Saudi-backed salafi groups, including the Muslim Brotherhood – and *under cover of* political reform demonstrations - began another insurrection with rooftop snipers, killing both police and civilians. *Then* the army moved in and more fighting took place.

**Western media version:** protestors burned government offices, then 'provincial security forces opened fire on marchers, killing several' (Abouzeid 2011). After that, 'protestors' staged demonstrations in front of the al-Omari mosque, but were in turn attacked, with 15 'protestors' killed (AP 2011). [U.S. keen for 'regime change'.]

**Syrian government version, backed by Israeli and Lebanese reports:** 'Seven police officers and at least four demonstrators' were killed by Islamist rooftop snipers, government buildings were torched (Queenan 2011). The army enters Dara, engages in a fire-fight with Islamists at the Omari mosque, recovers weapons.

**Saudi official Anwar Al-Eshki:** later confirms the Omari arms were provided to Islamic militants, supposedly for self-defence (BBC 2012). Indeed, Saudi arms had been intercepted coming from Iraq, ten days before the Dara violence (SANA 2011).

'Asad is killing his own people' then became the war cry, for NATO intervention.



Syrian Authorities Uncover Large Quantity of Weapons in Iraqi Truck at al-Tanaf Crossing Point

Apr 26, 2011



Continued: (SANA) ... Syrian authorities on March 7, 2011 stopped an Iraqi person along a truck owned by another Iraq while he was entering the Syrian border through al-Tanaf crossing point, coming from Iraq.

The Syrian authorities uncovered a large quantity of heavy, medium and light caliber weapons, bombs and night vision binoculars in several lockers in the truck.



Syria Daraa Revolution was Armed to the Teeth from the Very Begi...



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## 'Houla Massacre' Syria 2012 one of the FSA's 'false flag' massacres, demanding NATO intervention

**The massacre of over 100 civilians at Houla**, May 2012, was one of a series of massacres committed by salafi-jihadis of the 'Free Syrian Army', then blamed on the Syrian Arab Army. It took place just before a UN Security Council meeting, which was considering possible 'humanitarian intervention' in Syria.

**Western media** at first blamed Syrian Army artillery then, when it was discovered the people had been killed at close range, un-named pro-government thugs ('shabiha'). [U.S. clearly supporting the FSA.]

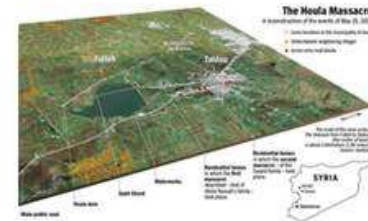
**The Farouk brigade**, a large FSA salafi group armed by the Saudis, led UN investigators to select witnesses, to reinforce the 'Shabiha' story. The area was under full FSA control. The subsequent UN report did not explain why pro government militia would enter a strong Sunni area (Taldou) to slaughter Alawi and other pro-government villagers. Nor did they explain their selection of witnesses or identify any particular perpetrators.

**UN's FSA 'assistants' the real perpetrators:** However German, Russian, Dutch and Syrian investigators blamed that same FSA brigade, led by Abdurrazzaq Tlass and Yahya Yusuf. The FSA had over-run the area, killing pro-government Shia and Alawi villagers and some Sunni families who had participated in the 2012 elections.

Adam Larson (2013) Syria : One Year After the Houla Massacre. New Report on Official vs. Real Truth, Global Research  
 Rainer Hermann (2012) Truth Dies in War - Eyewitness version of Houla massacre, 26 June, FAZ/sott.net  
 Media Lens (2012) 'Shades Of Grey'- Rethinking The Houla Massacre, 13 June



... and their idea was to target al-Houla as it was the only town that was located very close to another village from "the other sect" [Alawites] as well as Shia and Christians. In other words, al-Houla is the only village that is surrounded with the highest percentage of Alawites in Syria.



<b>Houla massacre (May 2012): significant reports</b>	
<b>Source/report</b>	<b>Method and conclusion</b>
Mother Agnes Mariam	FSA had previously attacked Christians and was engaged in 'false flag' attacks, falsely blamed on the government
Most western media reports	Massacre by 'Assad's death squads'
British and French government	Massacre resulted from Government shelling of civilian areas; later changed this to 'regime thug' attacks
UN Special Mission on Syria (UNSMIS), Gen. Robert Mood	Went to massacre site, heard stories that blamed both sides. Could not resolve the two versions.
UN HRC Commission of Inquiry	Interviews in Geneva, co-chaired by US diplomat; witnesses selection assisted by anti-government groups; Commission blames pro-government 'thugs' (shabiha)
FSA video, on Al Jazeera and elsewhere	Show young boy Ali al Sayed, he blames 'shabiha' in army clothes with shaved heads and beards.
Syrian Government, state news agencies and television	Four direct witnesses say attacks were by armed gangs, who killed security and targeted pro-government families
German journalist Alfred HACKENBERGER	Interviews refugee 'Jibril' at Qara monastery – massacre carried out by FSA gangs on pro-government families

## 8. The Houla Massacre Revisited



German journalist Rainer HERMANN	Interviews anti-violence opposition people – they say local gangs and FSA killed pro-government families
Dutch Journalist Martin JANSSEN	Notes large outflow of Christian and Alawi refugees from Houla; refugees at Qara blame FSA gangs
Russian journalists Marat MUSIN and Olga KULYGINA	Eight witnesses blame FSA-linked anti-government gangs, victims pro-government families
Correggia, Embid, Hauben and Larson	Critical review of evidence and UN reports - says the second UN report is not credible.



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## 9. Chemical fabrications: the East Ghouta Incident



Richard Lloyd and Theodore Postol, MIT: "These munitions could not possibly have been fired at East Ghouta from the ... Syrian Government controlled area."

White House Map Published on August 30, 2013 Showing Government Controlled Area

Syria: Damascus Areas of Influence and Areas Reportedly Affected by 21 August Chemical Attack

Areas of Influence

- Opposition dominant
- Regime dominant
- Contested
- Areas reportedly affected by 21 August chemical attack



Ring of Maximum Ranges from Where Chemical Munitions Could Have Been Launched



### East Ghouta Chemical Weapons incident, August 2013

Syrian Government invites UN inspectors to check the site of an earlier jihadist CW attack. As they arrived there was a CW incident in jihadist-held part of East Damascus. 1,400 said to be affected; yet only 8 bodies were buried. Washington and jihadists blamed the Syrian Government. Yet all subsequent independent evidence disproves this (DWS Ch.9). Doesn't stop the accusations.

## EVERY independent report on the East Ghouta chemical weapons attack (Aug 2013) discredits accusations against the Syrian Government

Gavlak and Ababneh, 29 Aug 2013	“Rebels and local residents in Ghouta accuse Saudi Prince Bandar ... of providing chemical weapons to an <b>al-Qaida linked rebel group</b> ”	Dale Gavlak and Yahya Ababneh (2013) Syrians In Ghouta Claim Saudi-Supplied Rebels Behind Chemical Attack, 29 August, MINT PRESS
ISTEAMS, Mother Agnes-Mariam, 17 Sept 2013	Ghouta massacre videos preceded the attack, Ghouta is a ghost town, no social context for masses of children, <b>staged and fake Images</b>	ISTEAMS (2013) ‘Independent Investigation of Syria Chemical Attack Videos and Child Abductions’, Sept 17
Seymour Hersh, 19 Dec 2013	‘Evidence’ fabricated, “al-Nusra should have been a suspect, but the administration <b>cherry-picked intelligence to justify a strike against Assad</b> ”	Seymour M. Hersh (2013) ‘Whose Sarin?’, London Review of Books, Vol. 35 No. 24, 19 December, 9-12
Turkish lawyers & writers’ group, Dec 2013	“Most of the crimes ... committed by armed rebel forces in Syria ... [Saudi-linked] <b>‘Liwa Al Islam’</b> ... [likely] behind the chemical attack on Ghouta”	Peace Association and Lawyers for Justice in Turkey (2013) War Crimes Committed Against the People of Syria, December 2013
New York Times, Dec 2013	“vector analysis” speculative, new scientific report “undermined [Washington’s] assertions”	Robert Parry (2013) ‘NYT Backs Off Its Syria-Sarin Analysis’, Global Research, 30 December 2013
UN report, 12 Dec 2013	Does not allocate blame but says “credible information” most chemical weapons “were used [3 times] <b>against soldiers</b> and civilians”	UN (2013) ‘UN team finds ‘credible information’ on more cases of chemical weapons use in Syria’, 12 Dec
MIT report, 14 Jan 2014	Sarin gas “ <b>could not possibly</b> have been fired ... from Syrian government controlled area”	Richard Lloyd and Theodore Postol (2013) ‘Possible Implications of Faulty US Technical Intelligence’, MIT, 14 Jan 2014

**What are the implications of this fabrication?**

# More dirty war against Syria: NATO-Islamists kill Syrian soldiers in Deraa with chlorine gas, western corporate media blames the victim

Syria chemical weapons: Assad still using chlorine gas in attacks, claims François Hollande



Syria has 8% of chemical material left: monitor



Evidence: Rebel Chemical Attack on Syrian Soldiers

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### Syria chemical weapons: the proof that Assad regime launching chlorine attacks on children

Exclusive: Scientific analysis of samples from multiple gas attacks in Syria shows Assad regime still launching chemical weapons attacks on children, The Telegraph can reveal

Damascus (AFP) - Around 60 people were killed in Syria's Damascus and Homs on Tuesday, as an international watchdog said it would probe alleged chlorine attacks in the country.

The same states that arm the al Qaeda groups in Syria rush to false claims; western media reports deliberately confuse those killed by terrorist car bombs and mortars with this new set of false flag accusations, ignoring the Syrian soldiers killed by chlorine gas.

# How Israeli & NATO-Islamist crimes become the 'Massacres of Assad'

Yusef Gesky added 2 new photos.  
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The #massacres of «Bashar al-Assad» regime in #Syria ...!!  
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THE WHITE HELMETS

THE WOMEN SAVING SYRIA FROM THE BOMBS



Time magazine, June 2014 – claim these are victims of Syrian 'barrel bombs' in Aleppo

A man carries a young girl who was injured in a reported barrel-bomb attack June 3, 2014 in Kalfeshah district in the northern city of Aleppo.

NATO-Islamist backers claim this is Ghouta, August 2015

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Islamic State group 'executes 700' in Syria

In Fact: ISIL kills 700 pro-government tribespeople, Deir eZorr - August 2014



The Islamic State group has executed 700 members of a tribe it has been battling in eastern

Kenneth Roth  
It really is this bad.

A drone's eye tour of what Assad's barrel bombs have done to Aleppo. [trib.al/1nNVjSY](http://trib.al/1nNVjSY)



Human Rights Watch boss Ken Roth says 'barrel bombs in Aleppo', May 2015



In Fact: the photo was Gaza after Israeli bombing, August 2014

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# Syria torture photos 'Qatari propaganda'

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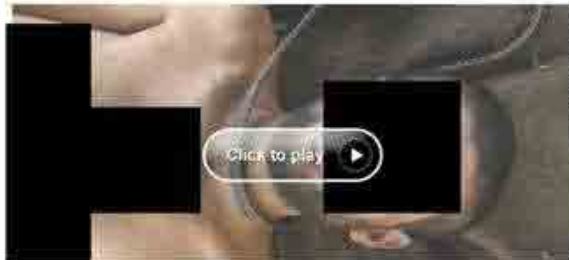
## Neuralyze them all!

'No-one will remember the Houla massacre scam, the Aleppo University rocket scam, the Darayaa massacre scam, the chemical weapons scams ...



### EXCLUSIVE: Gruesome Syria photos may prove torture by Assad regime

By Rick Morton and Editorial Staff, CNN  
January 22, 2014 — Updated 10:57 AM EST



### 5 Reasons to Reject Syria Torture Report



Three Brit lawyers get paid a lot of money by arms suppliers Qatar to interview one man (also on the Qatari payroll) and collect a lot of photos of dead bodies. He claims he worked for the Syrian government but admits he saw no torture or murders. Brit lawyers find Syrian Government 'guilty' of war crimes in secret 'trial', on the eve of a major peace conference. 'Regime change' they cry!



# Syria's enemies used 'Caesar' photo fabrication to derail peace talks

Victims of Execution by Armed Opposition



## Syria regime's 'industrial-scale killing'

As delegates meet for peace negotiations in Geneva, UN says responsible parties "must be held accountable".  
 Syrian regime document trove shows evidence of 'industrial scale' killing of detainees

Hospital morgue photos were used to sabotage Syrian peace talks. Syria's enemies claimed they were an opposition 'tortured to death'. A new report demonstrates the photo show was mass fabrication.

**FAKE**

## The Caesar Photo Fraud that Undermined Syrian Negotiations

12 Problems with the Story of Mass Torture and Execution in Syria

State Dept. Learned in November of Photos



Victims who died after receiving medical attention



by Rick Sterling  
 Syria Solidarity Movement

March 2016



"Caesar" with hood and face concealed at House Foreign Affairs Committee. What does he have to hide?

Victims of shrapnel and bullet wounds:



The dead bodies were said to represent thousands of people tortured and killed by 'the regime'. In fact:

1. Over 46% show "dead Syrian soldiers and victims of car bombs and other violence".
2. The photos were tampered with and duplicated.
3. British lawyers Carter Ruck were hired by al Qaeda sponsor Qatar to rubber stamp the fabrication.

British al Qaeda supporter Rami Abdul Rahman (the 'Syrian Observatory') claims the dead in Syria are: 96,000 pro-Government forces, 87,000 'opposition' forces and 78,000 civilians (02/2016). But the photo show from anonymous 'Caesar' claims a one sided conflict, to incite further aggression against Syria.

## One fake at a time: Qatar's morgue photos

Middle East

### 'The hospitals were slaughterhouses': A journey into Syria's secret torture wards



Qatar claimed photos from an anonymous Syrian defector showed thousands tortured to death. One year later Human Rights Watch, while trying to back that claim, admitted that almost half the morgue photos showed: "dead army soldiers or members of the security forces ... [and] crime scene photographs taken in the aftermath of attacks ... [from] incidents including the aftermath of explosions, assassinations of security officers, fires, and car bombs."

HRW (2015) 'If the dead could speak', pp.2-3

# Idlib: so al Qaeda is above killing children and blaming it on the Syrian Army? Again?

 **Malinka**  
@Malinka1102

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@maytham956 Hmm... 'Patients are flooding in' YET this 'doctor' (seems the main source of 'gas attack') has time to film, tweet and videocalls. #Syria pic: [twitter.com/SFL0fjEzpG](https://twitter.com/SFL0fjEzpG)

10:34 PM - 4 Apr 2017



**Dr Shajul Islam**  
@DrShajulIslam

This is the latest from the Sarin attacks. Patients are still flooding in. This child's been rushed in w/o any family. They're probably dead.



**Dr Shajul Islam**  
@DrShajulIslam

OUR HOSPITAL GETTING FULL FROM THE SARIN ATTACK TODAY. ANYONE THAT WANTS EVIDENCE, I WILL VIDEO CALL YOU.

7:24 AM - 04 Apr 17

Syria: Suspected gas attack in Idlib province kills at least 58, activists say

By Middle East correspondent Sophie Weller, BBC  
Updated 8 minutes ago

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No Evidence That Khan Sheikhoun Gas Attack Resulted From Aerial Bombardment



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@WithinSyriaBlog

Orient TV reporter |

"tomorrow we are launching a media campaign to cover the airstrikes on Hama country side including the usage of CW"

10:42 PM - 4 Apr 2017



**maytham** @maytham956

Terrorist Mohammed Aloush is not a gas expert, he is just one of the participants in the crime#Idlib #Syria

[twitter.com/maytham956/status](https://twitter.com/maytham956/status)

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# Barrel bombs in Syria

## Partisan sources



SYRIA'S ACTIVISTS



The NGOs (*Human Rights Watch, Amnesty Intl USA, The White Helmets, The Syrian Campaign, Avaaz*) running Syrian 'barrel bomb' stories (with 'massive civilian casualties') are all deeply embedded with Washington. These stories are constructed entirely from 'data' provided by armed groups and partisan Muslim Brotherhood sources (the *Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, the Violations Documentation Centre, the Syrian Network for Human Rights*), generally adding photos taken elsewhere. Virtually all the Syrian bombing mentioned is in zones occupied for years by western-backed gangs (e.g. *Jabhat al Nusra, the Islamic Front, the Army of Conquest, ISIL*) in NE Aleppo and NE Damascus (Douma). There are hardly any civilians in those war zones, except collaborators. Even then, the Syrian Arab Army has not yet carpet bombed those ghost towns.

## Western megaphones



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# Why Barrel Bombs are Good

- The corporate media always sides with the NATO-Islamists against the Syrian Arab Army
- All their sources are NATO-Islamist 'activists', who want greater NATO intervention and regularly pose their own casualties as 'civilians' (see below)
- Even though the numbers are unreliable, any 'barrel bomb massacre' reported by the NATO-Islamists is most likely a direct hit on their troops.

## Syria crisis: 'Barrel bomb strikes kill 72' in Aleppo province

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Par 10: "Most of those killed or injured were men, because women do not appear much in public in areas controlled by IS" – BBC, 31/05/15

BBC



Kenneth Roth

It really is this bad.

HRW

A drone's eye tour of what Assad's barrel bombs have done to Aleppo. [trib.al](#)

Remember this one? Human Rights Watch boss Kenneth Roth posts a picture of **Gaza**, claiming it is Aleppo, hit by 'barrel bombs'

Report: Syrian government dropping barrel bombs on Aleppo civilians

CNN

Syrian barrel bombs kill 71 civilians at markets near Aleppo

SBS

Masters of Black Propaganda: The BBC is Barrel Bombing Night and Day

Global Research – try this, for a change

**Anti-Syrian journalist Nir Rosen:** 'Every day the opposition gives a death toll, usually without any explanation ... Many of those reported killed are in fact dead opposition fighters but ... described in reports as innocent civilians killed by security forces' - Al Jazeera, 13 Feb 2012

# Principal source of the Idlib 'sarin gas' story: Shajul Islam. Al Qaeda linked, deregistered British doctor, 'unfit to practice'



**Dr Shajul Islam**

@DrShajulIslam

This is the latest from the Sarin attacks. Patients are still flooding in. This child's been rushed in w/o any family. They're probably dead



**Dr Shajul Islam**

@DrShajulIslam

OUR HOSPITAL GETTING FULL FROM THE SARIN ATTACK TODAY. ANYONE THAT WANTS EVIDENCE, I WILL VIDEO CALL YOU.

7:24 AM · 04 Apr 17



Shajul Islam is one of several British citizens who in 2012 headed to Syria to help 'establish Sharia law'

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## Doctor Details

Results of search on: 26 Mar 2017 at 13:20:10. The details shown are valid at the date and time of the search only.

<u> GMC Reference Number</u>	7271684
<u> Given Names</u>	Shajul
<u> SURNAME</u>	Islam
<u> Gender</u>	Man
<u> Status</u>	Not Registered - Erased after Fitness to Practise panel hearing <a href="#">Details</a>

## How to read the latest CW fabrication: who gains?

Charles Shoebridge, British security specialist: *"The people who have benefited ... are the rebels [al Qaeda groups] themselves, because they have gained a major political advantage at a time when they are struggling both strategically and geopolitically ... there is a pattern of these incidents taking place at critical moments."* A chemical attack in 2013 happened just as *"the UN inspectors were arriving in Damascus"* while another in September 2016 took place on the eve of a *"major conference in London, where the Syrian opposition met with its foreign donors."* Syrian government forces had no motivation to carry out such an attack, as they are already *"gaining major victories"* over the armed opposition groups.



# Bearded kidnapper-jihadists, dead children, no mothers





"We Never Use Chemicals, Not Even Against the Terrorists" -Mouallem



Mouallem is right. I have studied it. There is no credible evidence that the Syrian Army has ever used chemical weapons, in the last 6 years. The CW Syria had (before 2013) were always a deterrent against nuclear armed Israel. On the other hand, there is independent evidence of multiple CW use by the NATO-Saudi backed al Qaeda groups. Tim Anderson

## Reminder: a few of the earlier *independent* reports on al Qaeda's use of chemical weapons in Syria

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Jan 2013

### U.S. 'backed plan to launch chemical weapon attack on Syria and blame it on Assad's regime'

- Leaked emails from defense contractor refers to chemical weapons saying 'the idea is approved by Washington'
- Obama issued warning to Syrian president Bashar al-Assad last month that use of chemical warfare was 'totally unacceptable'

By KOFI SEYI  
PUBLISHED: 14:18 EST 29 January 2013 | UPDATED: 14:18 EST 29 January 2013

WND EXCLUSIVE

### U.S. MILITARY CONFIRMS REBELS HAD SARIN

Classified document shows deadly weapon found in home of arrested Islamist

Published: 09/11/2013 at 8:18 PM

E MICHAEL MALOOF

WND, Sept 2013

### Syrian Islamists launch chemical attack on Kurdish district in Aleppo

ARA News, Nov 2016

**Kurdistan** Syrian rebels admit chemical use against Kurds

Kurdistan24, April 2016

### UN's Del Ponte says evidence Syria rebels 'used sarin'

BBC, May 2013



### Sarin gas delivered to Al-Nusra from Turkey

ANF, Oct 2015

It has emerged that the raw materials used to produce sarin gas, the use of which caused the death of thousands in Syria, was transported to Al-Nusra Front under the supervision of the Turkish state.

### Sarin gas materials sent to Isis from Turkey, claims MP Eren Erdem

Belfast Tele, Dec 2015

### Syria's "Rebels" Trained In Chemical Weapons Use By Pentagon

Your Newswire, April 2017

Children without mothers 'rescued' by bearded jihadists.  
How did they come to be in al Qaeda enclaves in Idlib?  
Most likely kidnapped from Majdal and Khattab.

Armed opposition forces captured Majdal village from pro-government

Rebels took Majdal 5 km west of Khattab and Dahrat Biju.



22 March 2017



Syrian Army has captured Khattab, Al-Majdal, and Al-Sobeen in northern Hama.

30 March 2017



NDF @NDFSyria Apr 4  
Replying to @hatDeFFer  
About 250 people from **Majdal** and **Khattab** were **kidnapped** by Al Qaeda militants last week.



NDF @hatDeFFer Apr 4  
important!  
Local sources claim that victims of Khan Sheikhoun chemical attack were **kidnapped** from **Khattab** and **Majdal** (gov-held area)

# Khan Sheykoun tweets that preceded the Idlib 'Sarin attack'

According to the al Qaeda groups (who controlled the area) and the White House, a sarin attack took place at Khan Sheikhoun (Idlib, Syria) in the early morning of 4 April. These tweets were on 3 April.

**Idlib - Whitehelmet**  
More than 20 suffocation cases among civilians - as a result bombardment of a barrels containing chlorine gas.  
#Habit #KhanShaykhun

2017



**Dr Shajul Islam**  
OUR HOSPITAL GETTING FULL FROM THE SARIN ATTACK TODAY. ANYONE THAT WANTS EVIDENCE, I WILL VIDEO CALL YOU.

**Conflict News**  
PHOTO: Mutiple people hit by the chemical attack in #Idlib, many of them children - @AsaadHamnaa



1.31pm, 11.24pm and 11.34pm, 3 April

# MIT Professor Ted Postol: 'no evidence' that Khan Sheikhoun sarin came from Syrian plane



April 11, 2017

A Quick Turnaround Assessment of the White House Intelligence Report  
Issued on April 11, 2017  
About the Nerve Agent Attack in Khan Shaykhun, Syria.

Theodore A. Postol  
Professor Emeritus of Science, Technology, and National Security Policy  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

## Prof Ted Postol's main points:

1. The White House document "does not provide any evidence whatsoever that ... the government of Syria was the source of the chemical attack in Khan Shaykhun".
2. Key evidence "points to an attack ... by individuals on the ground, not from an aircraft"
3. "The only undisputable facts stated in the White House report is the claim that a chemical attack using nerve agent occurred in Khan Shaykhun ... absolutely no evidence that [the indicated] crater was created by a [sarin] munition ... dropped from an aircraft."
3. Incident is similar to 2013 where "Obama was initially misinformed ... that Syria was the perpetrator of the August 21, 2013 nerve agent attack in Damascus."

Full report here: <http://counter-hegemonic-studies.net/postol-2017/>

## Key points on the latest war propaganda against Syria

FALSE FLAG CHEMICAL ATTACK ON  
KHAN SHAYKHUN

2017



1. Syria has no reason to use chemical weapons against the sectarian jihadists in Idlib; only al Qaeda benefits.
2. Jihadist-embedded White Helmets posted their 'rescues' from "barrels of chlorine gas" 16 hours earlier, clumsy pre-planning.
3. US forensic expert Prof Ted Postol demonstrates that the 'sarin crater' was caused by ground explosion, not an air strike
4. Postol shows: "absolutely no evidence" chemical munition came from an aircraft; the White House story "cannot be true".
5. All information on this attack is from jihadist linked media; neither the US nor the OPCW wants an independent investigation.
6. Al Qaeda's 'rescuers' wear no protection suitable for nerve agent attack, nor are they immediately affected.
7. This is one of many 'false flags' in Syria over the past 6 years.

Syria





# Syrian Pluralism is Written in Stone

## Damascus Moments



Roman Temple of Jupiter  
remains, after 1,900 years



Remains of Shiia Imam Hussein  
preserved for 1,300 years

## Damascus: 1,300 year old Umayyad Mosque



Basilica of John the Baptist,  
preserved for 1,600 years



Tomb of Saladin,  
preserved 800 years

Minaret of Jesus  
Christ, 800 years

Whenever sectarians or foreign powers damaged these elements, they were rebuilt

## Christian leader: stop the 'international war of genocide against Syria'



2015

MELKITE GREEK CATHOLIC PATRIARCH OF ANTIOCH AND ALL THE EAST GREGORIOS III LAHAM CALLED FOR STOPPING THE "INTERNATIONAL WAR OF GENOCIDE" AGAINST SYRIA.

He was speaking in a statement condemning a terrorist massacre that was committed against civilians in Qalb Lawze village in the countryside of Idlib province.

At least 30 residents of the village were killed at the hands of terrorists from "Jabhat al-Nusra" and "Ahrar al-Sham Islamic Movement" on Wednesday night. Five of those killed were members of one family.

# Syrian trade unions celebrate May Day oppose sanctions, back Syrian Arab Army

Syria's trade union federation drew attention to: 'damage caused to Syria's infrastructure, tourism, human resources, and achievements, with more than 4,000 workers falling martyr during the crisis, the massacres committed by terrorists in several areas, their transgressions against Muslim and Christian holy sites, their theft of archeological artifacts, grain, cotton, oil, and factory equipment which were smuggled to Turkey, and their daily rocket attacks on civilians in streets, homes, universities, schools and hospitals. The Federation said that the war against Syria failed to break the will of its people, lauding the achievements of the Syrian Arab Army and calling for more solidarity and work to heal the country's wounds, achieve national reconciliation, and help those who were displaced or lost their livelihoods.'

## Trade Union marks Labor Day

May 01, 2014

2014



**Damascus. (SANA)** The General Federation of Trade Unions said that Labor Day comes this year while Syria is still facing a vicious universal war and conspiracies led by the US, Israel, and western governments with the complicity of Arab states.

In a statement issued on Wednesday on occasion of Labor Day, the Federation said that those who conspire against Syria continue to use terrorists and mercenaries from around the world, sending them to Syria to commit atrocious crimes, thereby causing humanitarian, social, and economic disasters to Syria.

The statement underlined the damaged caused to Syria's infrastructure, tourism, human resources, and achievements, with more than 4,000 workers falling martyrs during the crisis, not to mention the massacres committed by terrorists in several areas, their transgressions against Muslim and Christian holy sites, their theft of archeological artifacts, grain, cotton, oil, and factory equipment which were smuggled to Turkey, and their daily rocket attacks on civilians in streets, homes, universities, schools and hospitals.

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# Most Syrians around the world, with some exceptions, will vote on 28 May



Syrians outside Syria will be able to vote on 28 May at their embassies (3 June inside Syria); but the imperial states which have brought death and destruction to Syria are denying that democratic right.

**Syrian Embassy registering voters for election**

**Si hablamos de democracia para Siria إذا كنا نتحدث عن الديمقراطية لسوريا Respetemos la voluntad del Pueblo Sirio فلنحترم إرادة الشعب السوري**



Most of the world, the friendly independent states	Vote at Syrian Embassy	BRICS countries, Argentina, Jordan, Venezuela, Lebanon, Cyprus, etc
Imperial states, waging a terrorist war against Syria	<b>Voters blocked</b>	USA, France, Britain, Germany
Some dependent states with forced embassy closures	<b>No capacity for a vote</b>	Australia, Canada, etc

**'France, Germany to block Syrian expat voting in June 3 election'**

**Los sirios en Argentina votarán a presidente el 28 de mayo**

**Syrian Community in Jordan Starts Enlisting at Syria's Embassy Prior to Presidential Elections**

# A patriotic election: the communist, the businessman and Bashar

2014

Syria's constitution **requires** a presidential election (now set for June 3) and 3 of the 24 candidates qualified

Maher Abdel-Hafiz Hajjar



Maher Hajjar is a Linguist from Aleppo who joined the Communist Party in 1984 but left in 2000 to help form an independent communist group, which then became the 'Popular Will Party'. He became an MP in the 2012 elections for Aleppo city, under the Popular Front for Change and Liberation.

Hassan Abdullah al-Nouri



Dr Hassan al-Nouri has a PhD in Management and worked as Secretary of the Damascus Chamber of Industry between 1997-2000. He was an MP from 1998-2003 and Minister of State for Administrative Development Affairs from 2000-2002. He is head of the National Initiative for Administration and Change.

Bashar Hafez al-Assad



Medical doctor and ophthalmologist, Dr Bashar al Assad was conscripted to leadership of the Ba'ath Party after the death of his father. He has gradually introduced reforms to the economy and political system. As incumbent President he led national resistance to Washington's brutal proxy war (2011-2014) against the nation.

None of the exile or armed 'leadership' nominated nor would most of them qualify. Parties based on sectarian character are banned by Syria's secular constitution.

# Even the anti-Syrian media can't hide this: Syrians want to vote and have started voting

## AP INTERVIEW: Syrian envoy says world fears vote

By ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Traffic jam as Syrians in Lebanon head to polls

May 28, 2014 08:50 AM (Last updated May 28, 2014 10:38 AM)  
The Daily Star



Traffic jam as Syrians in Lebanon head to polls

Polls open for expats to cast their ballots in the Syrian presidential election, causing huge traffic jams around Beirut as voters flock to the embassy in suburban Yarze.

2014

## Syrians abroad start voting in presidential election; crowds wait to vote at embassy in Beirut

Article by: Associated Press Updated: May 28, 2014 - 2:31 AM



Syria election: Refugees vote in Lebanon and Jordan



Syrian expats vote 28 May, in Syria 3 June. Great hope this will help end the war.

THE DAILY STAR

Meanwhile, back with the NATO-backed 'freedom fighters' in Daraa

Syrian rebels target Assad election rally with mortar; death toll at 39

'a mortar shell slammed into a tent packed with supporters of President Bashar Assad, killing 39 people and wounding 205 others'

Recriminations and dissembling from die-hard aggressors but:

## World recognises Syrian democratic sovereignty, while enemies grudgingly concede defeat

**THE TIMES OF ISRAEL**

Syria's Assad has won, Israeli diplomatic official says

Regime has secured "70-80 percent of essential" territory in the country

**THE TIMES OF INDIA**

Landslide win for Assad in polls, Damascus in celebratory mode

Aravot Mafletz/2014 | June 5, 2014, 06:06 AM IST

**REUTERS**

Russia praises Syrian election, criticizes Western reaction

Syria's election shows depth of support for Assad

**THE DAILY STAR**

UN aid chief to re-elected Assad: Put Syria's people first

Syrian President al-Assad re-elected for third term



Syria: Damascus celebrates as Assad wins re-election

Syrians yearn for unity under re-elected Assad

President's 3rd term offers chance for reconciliation

**THE IRISH TIMES**



USA humiliated by Assad's victory: Iran general



No grounds to question Syrian elections: Russian official

IANS | Moscow | June 5, 2014 Last Updated at 2:08 IST

**Business Standard**

Syrian President wins third term

Venezuela's Maduro Hails Bashar Assad Win in Syria

World | Agence France Presse | Updated at 10:04 AM IST

Kerry calls on Russia, Iran, Hezbollah to end Syria war

June 04, 2014 09:58 PM (Last updated: June 04, 2014 10:21 PM)

The Daily Star

The Syria mess: U.S. policy continues out of step with reality

**Pittsburgh Post-Gazette**  
post-gazette.com



# Spinning three elections, under NATO-backed wars



	Ukraine	Syria	Afghanistan
<b>Voter turnout</b>	55%	73%	~58%
<b>Corporate media headlines</b>			
<b>Washington Post</b>	'Russia's interference in Ukraine's national election must carry consequences'	'Kerry dismisses Syrian election as 'meaningless''	'Afghans vote in historic election amid attacks, fraud allegations'
<b>New York Times</b>	'Election of President Seen as a Beginning to Repairing Ukraine'	'Victory in Syrian Election Is Show of Assad's Control'	'Afghans, Looking Ahead to U.S. Withdrawal, Vote With Guarded Optimism'
<b>UK Guardian</b>	'Russia ready for talks with Kiev after pro-west victory in Ukrainian election'	'Bashar al-Assad wins re-election in Syria as uprising against him rages on'	'Afghanistan goes to the polls in second round of presidential election'
<b>BBC</b>	'Ukrainians vote in presidential elections'	'Syria election: Assad win expected amid civil war'	'Afghan election: Run-off vote held amid violence'

**Free elections good for Ukraine, but could be bad for Putin**

Big turnout in Ukraine election, despite pro-Russia gunmen

**Hague condemns Syrian election**

**Syria's Farcical Election**

**Afghan vote step forward on 'democratic path': US**

Afghan hope prevails as presidential election day arrives



# 11.6 million Syrians say: "we will decide our Government" - 10.3 million vote for Bashar

Syrian people: 1  
Empire: 0

Syria: 15.8m registered voters;  
11.6m (73%) cast their vote.



Presidential election	Syria 2014	Ukraine 2014	USA 2012
Participation rate	73%	55%	54%
Of which winning vote	88%	56%	51%
President elect	Resistance hero Dr Bashar al Assad	Billionaire Petro Poroshenko	Corporate Populist Barack Obama



International delegations stress Syria's voting process was fair and democratic

Presidential Candidate al-Nouri congratulates Dr. Bashar al-Assad for "winning confidence from Syrian people"

Jun 05, 2014



Obama's terrorists showered 151 mortars on Damascus, but Syrians still came out to celebrate!



# What the June 2014 Syrian elections say

- The high participation rate (73%) during armed conflict means the Syrian people are backing their own political processes
- The 'Army targeting civilians' story is a lie; most refugees are in government controlled areas; the people trust the **Syrian Arab Army**
- The conflict is NOT between the 'Sunni majority' and the rest
- The sectarian gangs (FSA, Nusra, ISIS, Islamic Front, etc) have virtually NO popular support; those who fund and arm them are criminals
- Those attacking Syria now only show contempt for its people
- **Dr Bashar al Assad** has received a strong mandate and is confirmed as the legitimate President of Syria
- A strong majority of ALL Syrian adults (at least  $88\% \times 73\% = 64\%$ ) support President Assad – something NATO already knew









## Participation rates

Syria 2014: 73%  
Ukraine 2014: 55%  
Egypt 2014: 48%  
USA 2012: 54%

Dozens of international observers from friendly countries (e.g. Venezuela, Brazil, Russia, Philippines and Iran) and civil society reps from Syria's enemies (e.g. USA and Canada) confirmed the elections as 'transparent'. They said foreign statements about the elections being rigged were ignorant and 'politically motivated'.



**'Humanitarian war' fools: RESPECT the Syrian people**

<b>Elected leaders: what mandate?</b>			
<b>Head of government</b>	Participation rate (% of adults who voted)	% of vote gained by leader/party	% adult population actually voting for leader/party
Bashar al Assad 	73% (2014) despite war	88% (2014) presidential	<b>64%</b>
David Cameron 	61% (2010)	36% conservative (2010) parliamentary	<b>22%</b>
Francois Hollande 	71% (2012)	51.6% (2012) presidential	<b>37%</b>
Barack Obama 	54% (2012)	51% (2012) presidential	<b>28%</b>
Tony Abbott 	80% (2013) compulsory voting	45.5% (coalition, 2013) parliamentary	<b>36%</b>
King Abdallah Saudi Arabia 	0% no elections	0%	<b>0%</b>

# Obama: Assad protected Christians Analysts: Washington created ISIS



## Obama: Assad Protected Christians In Syria

Obama met with the delegation in the White House for 35 minutes, during which the patriarchs presented a paper in which they exposed the situation of Christians in the Middle East and the threats and challenges they are facing, due in part to the expansion of the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) militant group.

By MintPress News Desk | September 22, 2014

 **Tom Engelhardt**  
Editor, TomDispatch.com

### How America Made ISIS

Special Commentaries of the author | October 1, 2014 12:30 PM EDT

## ISIS: Made in Washington, Riyadh – and Tel Aviv

There's more than one Dr. Frankenstein responsible for this monster



Obama said: 'We know that President Bashar al-Assad protected Christians in Syria.'

**Syrians, jihadists, NATO consultants and Qatar agree: Bashar is very popular**

**Table 1: Relevant Polls on the Syrian Government, 2011-2014**

Poll question	Date	%	Poll host
Revolution in Syria "unlikely due to Assad's popularity" (enemy source)	Feb 2011	na	Wikstrom Feb 2011 in Al Jazeera (Qatar)
91% opposed violent protest against government (5% support)	Late 2011	91%	TESEV (2012) poll (Turkey) of Syrians
Should Assad stay? (enemy source)	Dec 2011	51%	Doha Debates (Qatar)
Constitutional change poll	Feb 2012	Passed	Syrian Govt
Parliamentary elections (Ba'ath Party result) on a 51% turnout	May 2012	60%	Syrian Govt
Bashar support in Aleppo? (enemy source)	Mid 2012	70%+	3 FSA leaders in Aleppo
National support for Bashar? (enemy source)	2013	70%	NATO consultant
National support for Bashar?	2014	70%	Syrian Dr Taleb Ibrahim
Presidential elections (Bashar vote) on a 73.4% turnout (of all eligible)	June 2014	88% (64%)	Syrian Govt

**Syria says YES to women ...**



**... and NO to wahhabis**

## How Syria won at the Special Olympics 1/4

When the Syrian Special Olympics team were refused visas by the US (no reason given) they re-applied, with a smaller group, not all of whom were accepted. However when word of this came to Tim Shriver, head of the host nation (the USA), he marched with the Syrian team in the opening ceremony. That attracted attention to the team they tried to bury.

Syrians show resilience before Games even begin

28 July 2015



## How Syria won at the Special Olympics 3/4



Gold medals in the 500M and 1000M Duathlon for **Mulheead Yaser Sabouni**.



Gold medal in the 25M free style for swimmer **Sana Shaikh Al Shabob**.



13 year old **Anwar Smaka** won two gold medals in roller skating. "When everyone clapped for me, I felt like the champion of the world".

In the end the small group of Syrian athletes did very well. Forgive the omissions, but here are some of their achievements.



US host **Tim Shriver**, surrounded by Syrian flags.



**Sami Morie** (left, with Dana) gets the Gold medal for 50M banksmka.



## How Syria won at the Special Olympics 2/4

In the end **fifteen special athletes from Syria** travelled to Los Angeles for the Special Olympics. **Dana Shubat** (right), herself a champion athlete and coach, also translator and medical student, accompanied the team to the US and was often their spokesperson. We met Dana in Damascus (below).



### What is the Special Olympics?

The Special Olympics is a global sports organization for athletes with intellectual disabilities. Athletes are chosen to compete by their country's delegation based on a variety of factors. In July 2015 7,000 athletes from 177 countries gathered in Los Angeles to compete in 25 different sports, including Aquatics, Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Beach Volleyball, Bocce, Bowling, Cycling, Equestrian, etc.

## How Syria won at the Special Olympics 4/4

In the end we salute Syria's special athletes, for their courage and persistence, great representatives of an ancient and proud culture.



Syrian Special Olympics team wins more medals at 2015 Special Olympics Games in USA



Syrian Special Olympics skater **Anwar Smaka** loses luggage, still wins two gold medals.



**Forget the lies, no-one cares for Syrians like Syrians**



**First Lady Asma al Assad with Syrian orphans**

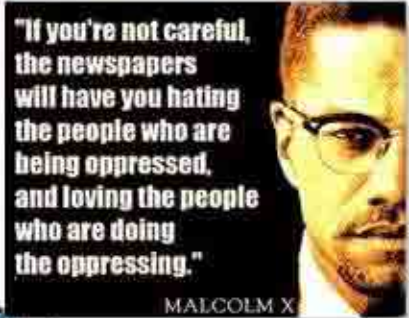


# Colonial Media and Fake News

# How to know when to change news sources

## Irrational phrases run through your head:

- Al Qaeda / ISIS poses a great threat to 'the west'
- Putin / China aims to take over the world
- Calling the US an empire is a conspiracy theory
- NATO went to Afghanistan for women's rights
- Assad of Syria is a brutal dictator killing his own people
- Israel is the only democracy in the region
- UK/French bombing will restore stability and democracy



2013

## Corporate media lies, and Al Jazeera

Many expect war propaganda from US sources, but imagined that Al Jazeera was more 'independent'. Whatever truth there was in that, it all changed with the 'Arab Spring'. Al Jazeera is owned by the Qatari monarchy, just as Al Arabiya is owned by the Saudis. These least democratic of all regimes have a keen interest in the region. Both monarchies directly fund and arm the jhadis in Libya and Syria, while leading global war propaganda.



Al Jazeera's Palestinian-born director Wadah Khanfar (above right) built a closer relationship with the US, after the invasion of Iraq. In 2011 he drove the propaganda wars against Libya and Syria and enhanced the station's backing for the Muslim Brotherhood. Many staff resigned (left), particularly from the Beirut office, because of bias and the fabrication of stories about Syria. **(Google: Al Jazeera's attacks on Syria: some background)**

### The principal media lies about Syria:

- There were peaceful demonstrations months before people took up arms (fact: armed attacks began in March 2011)
- President Bashar al Assad is a 'brutal dictator' (facts: Bashar is reforming an authoritarian but socially inclusive system and maintains high levels of public support. Google: 'The real Bashar Al-Assad' by Camille Otrakji)
- The FSA is mainly made up of army defectors (fact: it has always been led by Salafis and the Muslim Brotherhood)
- The 'Syrian Revolution' is about freedom and democracy (fact: most of the FSA want a 'caliphate', with religious law)
- 'The West' backs human rights in Syria (facts: the big powers, as always, want strategic advantage in the region; if they were interested in human rights they would have helped the Palestinians, long ago).



Some things you should know about the 'Syrian Revolution' – by Hands off Syria

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

### Michael Crowley



Washington based *Time* magazine writer Michael Crowley lied about chemical attacks in 2013, falsely accusing President Assad of crimes carried out by US-backed al Qaeda-styled terrorists. **Michael Crowley:** "Even after Syrian President Bashar Assad murdered civilians with nerve gas last year, Obama backed away from threatened air strikes and approved only limited arms transfers and CIA training of moderate fighters on a small scale." **Fact:** Multiple independent reports reject US Government claims that the Syrian Government used chemical weapons.

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

### Jim Muir



**BBC Middle East correspondent Jim Muir** calls al-Qaeda franchise *Jabhat al Nusra* "rebels in Syria", to avoid the fact that they are mostly foreign terrorists. Worse, in April 2013 he helped cover up their murder of leading Sunni scholar Sheikh Mohammed al-Bouti. Al Nusra threatened the much loved Sheikh with death, murdered him and 50 others in a mosque, boasted of his murder, then blamed "the regime". **Muir helped cover up this mass murder**, pointing to a video which showed al Bouti did not die immediately of his injuries. Even after Nusra gang members confessed on Syrian TV to the murder, Muir made no correction.

Sheikh Ramadan Al Bouti, 41 others killed in Damascus Mosque suicide blast  
by HANNA MOURTADA and RICK GLADSTONE  
Source: New York Times

NYT March 2013

Al-Nusra Affiliated Terrorists Confess to Assassination of Sheikh al-Bouti  
Syrian TV, Dec 2013

There is nothing of the panic and chaos that accompanies big bomb explosions in crowded places.

Syria 'death video' of Sheikh al-Bouti poses questions  
By Jim Muir  
NY Times, March

Muir: "The regime ... [said Sheikh Bouti] was assassinated by a suicide bomber who blew himself up in the mosque ... that version of events is not borne out by the video."

Conflicting reports

From the evidence in the video, it is inconceivable that such a small blast could have caused the death of around 50 other people, as reported by the state media - but also, curiously, by the opposition-linked Syrian Observatory for Human Rights.

Muir April 2013

"After the Sheikh al-Bouti incident al-Nusra operations in Syria were ordered to be left due to a letter by the legislative general official of al-Nusra front, nicknamed Abu Khalid al-Orabi, "the armed terrorist group said in their confession broadcast by the Syrian TV on Saturday."

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

### Rick Morton



'Social affairs' writer for *The Australian*, Rick Morton, also does war propaganda. On 23 Jan 2014 he wrote:

"A UN report provided overwhelming evidence that only the Syrian regime was capable of committing documented chemical weapon attacks."

**The UN report said no such thing.** That report allocated **no blame** for 5 confirmed attacks but did say two were 'against soldiers' and one against 'soldiers and civilians'. By mid Jan there were SEVEN independent reports discrediting CW accusations against the Syrian government. Morton either deliberately lied or

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

### Paul Barry



ABC journalist Paul Barry, seeking to ingratiate himself with the big powers, used the 'watchdog' program Media Watch (24/03/14) to vilify young Syrian-Australian woman Reme Sakt, using multiple lies to back the official war propaganda.

Lie and ethnic slur: It was "not right" that Reme's father was "a leader of the minority Druze community" - *he is not a Druze leader; and there is nothing wrong with anyone's ethnicity.*

Lie: Reme got "special favours" on her trip - *she got a temporary travel document, as her ID card had expired.*

Lie: Reme and the Hands off Syria group express "solidarity with Assad" - *solidarity is with the Syrian people and nation.*

MEDIA WATCH

Lie: She "paints the popular uprising as a foreign invasion" - *Reme says "foreign militants" are destroying Syria*

Lie: President Assad has used chemical weapons - *most independent reports reject this claim (see article below)*

Lie: President Assad is "a man the UN has branded a war criminal" - *false, no UN body has done this; wishful thinking, but not honest journalism.*



See: How Australia's 'Media Watch' lost its teeth, backing the war on Syria  
<http://www.ginkairresearch.ca/how-australias-media-watch-lost-its-teeth-backing-the-war-on-syria/171094>

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

Anne Gearan



Latest to join the ranks of **lying war propagandists** who back the al Qaeda groups in Syria is **Washington Post** journalist **Anne Gearan**. She lied about statements from the UN's OPCW on the chemical weapons in Syria. Her report **three times falsely claimed** that President Assad and the Syrian Government had been implicated in the use of chemical weapons. In fact the June report said CW had been used, but did not say by whom.

Syria probably used chlorine gas in attacks this year, weapons inspectors say **FALSE** *Washington Post*

Syria confirms President Assad's forces used chlorine gas against rebels, pledges to give up chemical weapons



Syrian Militants Have Accessed Plant Owner

New Video Evidence Points To Assad's Soldiers

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

Ruth Sherlock



UK Telegraph reporter **Ruth Sherlock** lied as part of a new round of chemical weapons smears against the Syrian Arab Army, falsely claiming her paper's 'investigation' had been backed up by the OPCW UN agency. It was not.

The Telegraph

Syria chemical weapons: watchdog confirms Telegraph analysis of chlorine gas attacks on civilians

Barbaric Assad's regime made 'systematic' use of chemical weapons against Syrian civilians, says OPCW, watchdog investigated by the newspaper

By Ruth Sherlock, and Damien McBreary, Beirut  
6:10 PM GMT+1 11 Sep 2014

The world's chemical weapons watchdog has confirmed the findings of an independent investigation by the Telegraph showing the continued 'systematic' use of chemical weapons against civilian populations in Syria.

Earlier this year, an investigation by the newspaper exclusively revealed that the Syrian regime had continued to use chlorine gas in its fight against the opposition, despite having previously made an international commitment to give up its chemical arsenal.

Sherlock's intro and a subsequent paragraph claimed the OPCW had blamed 'Assad's regime' for 'systematic' CW attacks against civilians.

Paragraph 8: oops, game over.

The OPCW report fails to ascribe blame for the attacks.

Further, in earlier OPCW reports (which also did not attribute blame, because of UNSC directives), the UN agency said most CW attacks on civilians were against 'soldiers and civilians'. Q for Ruth: Now who might be attacking soldiers in Syria?

Jabhat al-Nusra Rebels Admit Responsibility for Chemical Weapons Attack

Syrian army foils chemical attack on Damascus

## Journalists who spread lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

Natalie O'Brien



Fairfax journalist **Natalie O'Brien**, making use of former UK MP **Shahid Malik**, puts in a good word for the foreign terrorists who go to Syria to kill Syrians—these car bombers and head-choppers are apparently not really 'extremists'.

Natalie admits that she prepared her story as 'a guest of the Qatari Government'. She does NOT mention that Qatar put \$3 billion into the war against Syria, before being sidelined by the Saudis.

Qatar bankrolls Syrian revolt with cash and arms

By ROBERT MURPHY AND ALAN...



Natalie also Turkish PM E

Not all fighters going to Syria are extremists, says former UK minister Shahid Malik

## Journalists who tell lies in support of the terrorist war against Syria

Sophie McNeill



**Sophie McNeill** (ABC) helps promote NATO-GCC-Islamist lies:

- That Syrian Government attacks on the terrorist infested area of Douma (East of Damascus) killed '100 civilians'
- That the Assad Government is somehow responsible for ISIL

NATO-GCC-Islamists spread photo albums of dead bodies, said to be victims of 'the regime'. The photos are in fact their own fighters, kidnap victims and others, often in different places and times. This practice was exposed by Mother Agnes-Mariam in 2011, US journalist Nir Rosen in 2012, and many others since. It aims to cover NATO-Islamist atrocities and help with 'regime change'.

McNeill's IF sources in Douma (r), about to shell Damascus



Islamic State will thrive while president Assad's atrocities go unpunished, Middle East correspondent reports

Correspondent Reports: Islamic State Will Thrive While Assad's Atrocities Go Unpunished

The Syrian conflict continues with no end in sight and as long as the West fails to act against the Assad government, Islamic State will continue to flourish, writes Middle East correspondent Sophie McNeill

It is a war that has raged for years and killed a million people, with 10 million more at risk of death

This week, Syrian government weapons, thought to include an al-Qaeda masterpiece in Douma, fell outside the capital Damascus, killing over 100 people



'More War' says McNeill: "As long as the West fails to act against the Assad Government, Islamic State [sic] will continue to flourish".

General Dempsey confesses: Arab Allies Fund ISIL

# Slow learners or pathological liars?

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## Syria chemical weapons: finger pointed at jihadists

A Syrian Army source gives the first account of what is believed to have been a chemical attack - and it could mean that one of the West's biggest fears is about to come true. Channel 4's Alex Thomson reports.

**March 2013 – Jabhat al Nusra uses chlorine gas attack in Khan al Assal.**

*UK Telegraph: 'jihadists' accused.*



The village of Khan Al Asal was under the control of Syrian Government forces on 19 March 2013. At the time of the incident, there was ongoing shelling with opposition forces located in areas surrounding this village. At about 0700 hours an object (munition) landed near a living quarter approximately 300 meters from a military checkpoint. The munition released gas on its impact. The air stood still and witnesses described a yellowish-green mist in the air and a pungent and strong sulfur-like smell.

UN report 12 Dec 2013

**Dec 2013 – UN report: chemical weapons used in government controlled Khan Al Asal “against soldiers and civilians”**

**30 April 2014: 'Russian Foreign Ministry expressed concern over Jabhat al-Nusra's use of chlorine gas in Kafr Zeita ... "We hope that impartial efforts of international experts will help draw an objective picture of what happened and unveil the perpetrators" - RT**

The Telegraph

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## Another Syrian town falls prey to 'gas attack'

Hours after President Bashar al-Assad agrees to allow in independent investigators, video footage indicates regime forces dropped two gas bombs on town of Al-Tamanah

By Damien McElroy, David Blair and Ruth Sherlock in Gaziantep  
8:52PM BST 30 Apr 2014

Syria's regime attacked a further town with poison gas on Wednesday, killing at least one person and wounding 70, according to video footage said to be from the scene.

The raid came only hours after President Bashar al-Assad had agreed to allow independent experts to investigate such incidents.

**April 2014 – Jabhat al Nusra uses chlorine gas in Kafr Zita & Al Tamanah.**

*UK Telegraph says: 'regime attack' ['activist' allegations = 'further evidence']*

raids last month.

The alleged use of a chemical weapon is further evidence that Mr Assad's forces are routinely gassing civilians in rebel-held towns in the provinces of Idlib and Hama.

# So tell us, Murdoch media: who backed the terror attacks on Syria?



For years News Ltd told us these justice 'activists' were 'victims'

**Syria activists propose transition roadmap**

**Air strike kills 16 in Syria: activists**

News Ltd reported a chain of 'activist' lies for years

**Activists' horror report: At least 78 dead in new massacre in Syria**

**The respected Aussie imam smeared by the Assad regime**

**Syria intensifies crackdown, activists say**

## Syrian terror strikes home as Australian mother arrested and charged with supporting terrorism

POLICE had to call in reinforcements after a group of hardline Muslims gathered at a Sydney police station clamouring for the release of a woman later charged with supporting terrorism.

The mother-of-four was arrested as she allegedly tried to board a flight in Sydney carrying cash and equipment — believed to include camouflage gear — for her husband fighting in Syria.

Joint Counter Terrorism detectives stopped the 29-year-old and her four young children as they attempted to board the flight about 8.30pm on Saturday.

**EDITORIAL: THE IMPORT OF ISLAMIC BATTLES MUST END**

## Import of Islamic battles must end

THE DAILY TELEGRAPH



So after three years of promoting these 'activists', now you say they were really 'terrorists'?

# How to report terrorist videos to YouTube

The screenshot shows a YouTube video player on the left and a report form on the right. The video player displays a man in a dark jacket and headscarf speaking, with a subtitle that reads: "Allah exalted is he also says: 'verily the friends of Allah there will be no fear'". Above the video, the channel name "Face the Truth" is visible, along with a "Subscribe" button and a "Download" button. The video title is "OGN Report: Battle for Aleppo. Do the fighters feel fear?". Below the video player, a "Report this video" form is open. The form asks "What is the issue?" and lists several categories: "Sexual content", "Violent or repulsive content", "Hateful or abusive content", "Harmful dangerous acts", and "Child abuse". The "Violent or repulsive content" option is selected, and a dropdown menu shows "Promotes terrorism". To the right of the form, there is a "Timestamp selected:" field with "0" and "02" entered. Below that, a text box contains the text: "Promotes terrorism by the banned terrorist group Jabhat al Nusra". At the bottom of the video player, a subtitle reads: "To every father that does not command his children to fight Jihad, to go out and fight".

Face the Truth uploaded a video 11 months ago

**FACE TRUTH** Face the Truth

OGN Report: Battle for Aleppo. Do the fighters feel fear?

Subscribe 4,498 Download 338

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Promotes terrorism
- Hateful or abusive content ?
- Harmful dangerous acts ?
- Child abuse ?

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Violent or repulsive content - Promotes terrorism

Promotes terrorism by the banned terrorist group Jabhat al Nusra

425 characters remaining.

Rebel Fighters:

To every father that does not command his children to fight Jihad, to go out and fight



# Roll out the barrel!

OK, the Houla and Darayaa massacres were false flags, the attacks on hospitals and universities were FSA-Nusra ops, chemical weapons in Syria were only ever used by the takfiris ... but surely the 'barrel bombing' of civilians is a real crime?

Syria: Assad regime's barrel bombs kill more than 400, claim monitors

A continuing barrel bomb assault by President Bashar al-Assad's Syrian air force on Aleppo has now claimed more than 400 lives, monitors said.



Syria bombing ahead of peace talks as 200 dead and children pulled from rubble

Syria's Deadly 'Barrel Bombs': Assad Regime Uses Devastating, Makeshift Weapon

The regime is now turning to homemade "barrel bombs" dropped from the sky

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Syrian Government Forces Pound Aleppo



Syria: U.S. manipulating chemical weapons evidence, like it did with Iraq

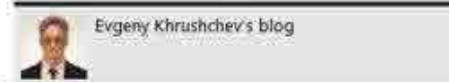
By Mariano Castillo and Greg Botelho. CNN  
April 28, 2013 — updated 2:21 GMT (7:21 HKT)

Yes, of course they are bombing foreign-backed terrorists in Aleppo

check your sources: if the new war crime story [e.g. "killing at least 25 civilians, including children, *activists reported*"] says 'Syrian Observatory for Human Rights', Al Jazeera, Human Rights Watch or Avaaz → put it in the bin

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Barrel bomb baloney



Published time: October 21, 2012 13:29

# How the UK Guardian became a mouthpiece for colonial war

The Guardian view on the US election:  
Hillary Clinton is the world's best hope  
Editorial

theguardian

The former secretary of state has the experience to tackle pressing challenges. A Donald Trump victory would be dangerous for everyone



Ominous news for Aleppo as Russian frigate reaches Syrian coast

Exclusive: secret emails lift lid on life of Assad's inner circle

• Syrian leader advised by top advisers on strategy  
• President personally reviewed proposed reforms  
• Will spend thousands on expensive shopping



UK and France: we must arm Syrian rebels

west demands humanitarian access

The White Helmets: Syria's extraordinary band of volunteer lifesavers

# How Wikipedia censors inconvenient contributions

In this case an edit, with three references, showed FSA collaboration with al Nusra and factions that have joined ISIS. Within four hours the 'super-editors' had removed it.

## Southern Front of the Free Syrian Army

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Latest revision as of 11:30, 17 June 2016 (edit) (undo) (thank)

Editor abcdef (talk | contribs)

*(Allies and opponents already listed with citations; there's also no "however")*

The "Southern Front" is a Syrian rebel alliance consisting of 58<ref name=bbc9Dec2014/> or 54<ref name=Haid/> [[Syrian opposition]] factions. The Southern Front is **said to command** the loyalty of 70% of active operations rooms in southern Syria<ref>{{cite news|url=http://www.cartercenter.org/resources/pdfs/peace/conflict\_resolution/syria-conflict/NationwideUpdate-Feb-28-2015.pdf|title= Syria Countrywide Conflict Report No. 5 |publisher=[[The Carter Center]] |date=February 2015 |accessdate=30 May 2015 |format=PDF| quote= |page=23}}</ref> and holds control of 70% of [[Daraa Governorate]] alone.<ref name=Wash\_Post>{{cite web | url= http://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle\_east/moderate-rebels-take-key-southern-base-in-syria-dealing-blow-to-assad/2015/06/09/9d6ff9c2-0ea5-11e5-a0fe-dccfea4653ee\_story.html |title= Moderate rebels take key southern base in Syria, dealing blow to Assad | publisher= The Washington Post |agency= |last1= Naylor |first1= Hugh |last2= |first2= |date= 10 June 2015 |accessdate= 10 June 2015 |quote= Emile Hokayem, a Middle East analyst at the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies, said the fall of Brigade 52 weakens government defenses around the capital [...]"The Southern Front is now showing itself as an increasingly effective buffer against Islamist rebels as well as an effective means for applying pressure on the Assad regime," Hokayem said. The rebels control about 70 percent of Daraa and are poised to seize the provincial capital from Assad's forces, he said.}}</ref> The Southern Front was established on 14 February 2014 in southern Syria.<ref name="Southernfront"/> However the FSA groups have worked with the banned terrorist group Jabhat al Nusra against the Syrian Army <ref> http://www.mei.edu/content/article/isis-and-syria%E2%80%99s-southern-front </ref> <ref> http://www.thenational.ae/world/middle-east/lines-blur-in-efforts-to-stop-isis-march-on-south-syria </ref> and in competition with two 'rebel' factions aligned with ISIS: Liwa Shuhuda al Yarmouk and Harakat al-Muthanna al Islamiya <ref> https://www.newsdeeply.com/syria/articles/2016/04/26/daraa-rebels-to-finish-off-rumored-isis-affiliates </ref>.



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The Free Encyclopedia

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are shaded in  
yellow.

**Normalised terrorism:** neither 'Kill Assad Now' nor the 'Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant' violate Facebook standards.

**Apparently KILL ASSAD NOW “doesn’t violate [Facebook] community standards” as a “credible threat of violence”.**

### The Free Syrian Army

KILL ASSAD NOW  
Closed Group

**You anonymously reported Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant for containing graphic violence.**

REPORT REVIEWED

#### ACTIVITY



#### Your report

Oct 15

You anonymously reported Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant for containing graphic violence.



#### Our update

Thank you for taking the time to report something that you feel may violate our Community Standards. Reports like yours are an important part of making Facebook a safe and welcoming environment. We reviewed the place you reported for containing graphic violence and found it doesn't violate our Community Standards.

How was this experience?



**You anonymously reported KILL ASSAD NOW for having a credible threat of violence.**

REPORT REVIEWED

#### ACTIVITY

Read 1 Previous Message



#### Our update

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Note: if you have an issue with something in the group, be sure to report the content (ex: a photo), not the entire group. That way, your report will be more accurately reviewed.

How was this experience?



# The problem is not so much that the al Qaeda network constantly spreads lies about Syria

'It was one of the two': White house blames Syrian regime, Russia for deadly Syria school attack



2016



Air strikes kill school children in Syria's Idlib

Syrian airstrikes hit school, killing 20 children, rescuers say



Former Pentagon official: no airstrike, walls damaged but not roof

Russia: No jets have flown over Aleppo for past 9 days



## It's that the western media faithfully repeats them

# Syrian Expatriates Association, Aleppo Media Centre Washington-based, no financial transparency, links to Israel



SEO has hardly any financial transparency, sources of funds hidden

## Founder

Project "Mihaad"  
January 2013 – Present (3 years 8 months)

"Since October 2012, SEO has been ... coordinating Aleppo Media Center and providing technical and ... financial help" - SEO

## Former SEO Chairman, Dr Abdullah Chahin

### Fellow, Division of Infectious Diseases

Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center  
July 2013 – June 2015 (2 years)



### Chairman

Syrian Expatriates Organization  
October 2013 – April 2015 (1 year 7 months)

<http://www.syrian-expatriates.org>



## Abdullah Chahin

Fellow, Division of Critical Care Medicine at Rhode Island Hospital  
Providence, Rhode Island | Hospital & Health Care

**Current** The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), BIDMC - Harvard University

**Previous** Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Syrian Expatriates Organization, MHRI - Brown University

**Education** Jordan University of Science and Technology

The SEO backs several other humanitarian 'NGOs', and along with its slogans of 'peaceful defiance', boasted in 2015 of its development projects and medical centres in Raqqa, Moaddamia, Idlib and Douma - areas dominated by ISIS, al Nusra and other sectarian killers

# Reading Syria: understand the labels

## Those moderate genocidal 'rebels'

US-BACKED OPPOSITION OFFICIAL CALLS FOR EXTERMINATION OF ALAWITES IN SYRIA

In their own words



**Abdullah al-Ali:** "Exterminating Nusayri [Alawi] Christian ... villages is more important than liberating the Syrian capital."



**Lamia Nahas:** "The more the minorities get arrogance in Syria the more I'm certain they must be burned, cancelling them from existence, and may mercy be upon the spirit of Hitler, who burned the Jews of his time, and Sultan Abu Hamid, who annihilated the Armenians"

**'REBELS':** the genocidal 'moderate' al Qaeda groups, Jabhat al Nusra, Jaysh al Islam, Ahrar al-Sham.

## What conflict of interest? the 'Syrian Observatory'



Muslim Brotherhood PR at work: Rami on the phone, Al Jazeera on TV

'Regime slaughters Syrian civilians with barrel bombs'? That'll be Rami, chief propagandist for the 'moderate' head choppers in Syria.



Syrian Observatory for human rights

MODERATE SYRIAN REBELS KEEP MODERATELY JOINING ISIS

The regime helicopters drop barrel bombs

3,000 "Moderate Rebels" Defect to the Islamic State (ISIS)

**'ACTIVISTS':** al Qaeda aligned Islamists, like Rami Abdul Rahman = 'the Syrian Observatory'.

## These 'civilians' bombed by Syria and Russia are the 'moderate al Qaeda'

"market full of civilians"

Video from Jaysh al Islam / Jabhat al Nusra occupied Douma (30 Oct 15): all fighting age men. Video bears logo of the Jabhat al Nusra-linked 'White Helmets'. Not a civilian to be seen.



**'CIVILIANS':** the AL Qaeda groups always complain they are 'civilians' being bombed

**'RIGHTS GROUPS':** western financed support groups for al Qaeda, e.g. the 'White Helmets'.



FSA leader Col. Abed el Jaber Okaidi and ISIS Emir Abu Jandal at Menagh airbase, 2013

journalist. Do you communicate with them?

Yes, of course. I communicate almost daily with Brothers in ISIL to settle these disputes and issues.

The factions from several brigades, among them are the heroes of the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

## the language of war: think twice before using 'regime', 'rebels' or 'opposition'

Those of us opposing the war on Syria AND those trying to report on it fairly ('objectivity' is a figment of the imagination; we all have a perspective) must pay attention to key terms in the US-driven propaganda war. If we unthinkingly adopt them we support that campaign.

1. The Syrian '**regime**' - delegitimises the Syrian government;  
stick with **government**.
2. Syrian or 'moderate' '**rebels**' - legitimises the globalised al Qaeda;  
if you can't use **terrorists** or **mercenaries**, try **jihadists** or **armed groups**.
3. Syrian '**opposition**' - legitimises al Qaeda and its spokespeople;  
there is a Syrian opposition but it is not the **exile jihadist front people**.

A number of **pro-Syrian** media outlets adopt Washington's propaganda terms

After a major offensive the Syrian Arab Army succeeded in driving out **rebel fighters** from an area just South of Aleppo and **regime forces** have once again encircled opposition forces to reestablish the siege.

Effectively, as of noon today, **rebel-held districts** in eastern Aleppo are once again under siege. Ramouseh Artillery Base and several nearby villages were otherwise seized by Jaish al-Fateh one month ago, temporarily lifting the siege.



# Worlds apart - whom to believe?

2016

East Aleppo civilians report torture, executions by 'moderate opposition' - Russian military

Published from 17 Dec 2016 12:30  
Last updated 17 Dec 2016 12:30



Aleppo: people dance with relief after being freed

Scene of relief and happiness after 1000's of civilians were evacuated from Eastern Aleppo by the Syrian Army 9 Dec 2016

YOUTUBE.COM

**Syrian  
Reporters**

Chaos and Desperation as Thousands Flee Aleppo Amid Government Advance

By ANNE BARNARD and NICK CLUMMING-BRLEE · DEC 9 2016



**The New York Times**



# Even when it is obvious western backed jihadists are killing Syrian civilians, the colonial media distorts it

## Syrian swimmer and her 12-year-old brother killed by shelling in Aleppo

Student and sportswoman Mireille Hindoyan was seriously injured and later died after bombs fell on the Villi district of the city.

www.independent.co.uk



2016



Paragraphs 6 & 7 - can't help themselves

A number of commentators claimed the deaths were a result of a rebel-led attack, although those claims could not be verified.

It came after medical charity Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) said there had been a "bloodbath" in Aleppo amid a sustained assault on the city by pro-Assad forces backed by Russian warplanes.



Mireille and Arman Hindoyan were in the Armenian part of Aleppo, currently under attack by the moderate head-choppers

## Ordinary people in Syria being killed, every day, by western backed al Qaeda groups

**FIVE CIVILIANS INCLUDING FOUR CHILDREN KILLED IN TERRORIST ATTACKS IN ALEPPO & DAMASCUS COUNTRYSIDE**



'One civilian was killed, 6 others were injured due to a terrorist rocket attack on al-Sabil neighborhood in Aleppo city ... Four children were killed and seven women and elderly people were injured due to a terrorist rocket attack on Burkat al-Damm village in SW Damascus Countryside.' *SANA 24 June 2016*

Meanwhile, NATO's media calls dead jihadists 'civilians'



'Every day the opposition gives a death toll ... Many of those reported killed are in fact dead opposition fighters but ... described as innocent civilians killed by security forces.' *US journalist Nir Rosen, Feb 2012*

# 'Human Rights' data from a NATO-jihadist front

The **Syrian Network for Human Rights (SNHR)** is a secretive pro-jihadist group which produces 'data' on abuses in Syria. It repeatedly accuses the Syrian Government over 90-95% of all killings. It claims many members inside Syria, identifies with the Islamist-FSA 'revolution', and its website is registered in Denver, USA.

However, SNHR chairman, **Fadel Abdul Ghani** (an Iranian exile based in London) runs a virtual one-man band, like the UK-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights (SOHR). The SNHR claims 'fiscal transparency' but has NO published annual reports, financial statements or list of donors. Abdul Ghani has links to the Qatari monarchy.

The SNHR makes surprising **admissions** on its method: "the likelihood of documenting military victims from the armed opposition is rather slim ... [further] SNHR cannot document victims from government forces ... due to the absence of a clear methodology ... official sources are extremely secretive ... [as are] victims' families and friends ... [plus other] difficulties faced by the Network members". In other word, useless 'data' which is nevertheless regularly used by the **US State Department** and **Amnesty International**.



THE WAR IN SYRIA  
Fadel Abdul Ghani  
Founder, Syrian Network for Human Rights



Some of the SNHR's many 'data' graphs

# Madaya: BBC fabricates again, ignores real story

Syrian government 'to let aid into besieged Madaya'

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Jim Muir, BBC: "Madaya" Jan 2016

Activists have released images of malnourished children, as Jim Muir reports



we have nothing to do with either of the two sides

Yarmouk, posted July 2014

A young boy in Yarmouk refugee camp in Syria pleading and crying tears for food and drink



The real story

2016

**89 year old man in Madaya:**

"The *mu3arada* ['rebels'] are trading in peoples' blood. They are the ones taking all the rice, then selling it for 80-90 notes ... cigarettes for 5,000 lira; a chocolate bar for 5,000 lira. And they butchered our children! Burned our trees! They caused all this. When aid arrived they stole it and are selling at high prices."

# Madaya: it was all 'crocodile tears'. Colonial media ignores aid to Madaya, Fouaa, Kefraya and Deir eZor

Those same people who send in genocidal zombies, tell constant lies and try to starve Syria through sanctions, still pretend the high moral ground.

63 LORRIES CARRYING HUMANITARIAN AID ENTER MADAYA, KEFRAYA AND AL-FOUAA

2016

63 lorries carrying humanitarian aid enter Madaya, Kefraya and al-Fouaa – Syrian Arab News

Syria aid drop: 1st Russian air force humanitarian mission

Russian jets deliver humanitarian aid to Syria near Deir ez-Zor using Russian parachute systems. RT LIVE <http://rt.com/on-air> Subscribe to RT! <http://www...>

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Yarmouk, posted July 2014

## Madaya: more recycled photos,

AP / Washington Post, 7 Jan 2016, "Madaya, West Damascus"

Hindouan Surkhyay, 7 Jan 2016, "Madaya"

MADAYA: BABY'S DRY WITH HUNGER IN CITY WHERE

Collateral Damage, 13 May 2015, "Dounna", East Damascus"

UK Independent, 17 Jan 2014, "Yarmouk, Southern Damascus"

Infocent, starving, close to death: one victim of the siege that shames Syria

# Madaya: more recycled photos, same sectarian sources

AP / Washington Post, 7 Jan 2016, "Madaya, West Damascus"



This undated photo posted by the Local Revolutionary Council in Madaya, which has been verified and is consistent with other Associated Press reporting, shows a starving boy in Madaya, Syria. (AP)

Hindustan Surkhiyan 7 Jan 2016, "Madaya"

## MADAYA: BABIES CRY WITH HUNGER IN CITY WHERE

Madaya: Syria allows aid to reach city facing starvation, says U.N.



Children and skeletal old men drifting away made from leaves and grass, a kilo of rice costing more than \$100.

People said to be dying from starvation. The accounts could be of a WWII death camp — but they are not. This is Syria in 2016.

Twitter, 'Syrian girl starving in Madaya', Jan 2016



same sectarian sources

Pinterest, 'Syrian girl in Jordan', May 2015

Collateral Damage, 13 May 2015 — "Douma", East Damascus"



Assad regime: Starvation as Weapon of War  
16 year-old Syrian boy from Douma in besieged Eastern Ghouta. No food, no water

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Innocent, starving, close to death: one victim of the siege that shames Syria



Al Jazeera Arabic uses photo from 2009 to show "Madaya 2016"

## How the BBC fabricated war propaganda against Syria



26 August 2013

**The Story:** Just days after al Qaeda groups stage a chemical weapons incident in East Ghouta, falsely blaming it on the Syrian Govt (see *The Dirty War on Syria*, Ch.9) and just as a UK Parliament vote on military action against Syria was being made, the BBC reported a Syrian forces 'incendiary' attack on a school. The entire incident appears staged, with actors.

### **Evidence of BBC participation in fabricated propaganda:**

1. Dr Rola's voice was doctored; from behind a mask she at first says 'napalm' was used, later this is changed to 'chemical weapons'.
2. Two of the 'victims' are seen smiling, while others writhe and groan after they are given a cue; serious burns victims are usually in agony.
3. BBC journalist Ian Pannell and cameraman Darren Conway and the two doctors (right) give conflicting accounts of times and events.
4. The 'Hand in Hand for Syria' hospital staff are closely linked to armed groups fighting the government. Dr Ahsan has HOSPEX experience with the British Army in the simulation of wounds. She had previously been in Libya to help the 'revolution' and treat 'wounded fighters'.
5. There was no school; rather a house for wahhabi religious classes.
6. Evidence suggests the BBC Panorama team, using mostly young males as actors, staged this incident to help drive war against Syria.

### key players



Ian Pannell, BBC reporter



Dr Rola Hallam, daughter of Syrian Opposition figure



Dr Saleyha Ahsan, experienced in artificial wounds

Fabrication in BBC Panorama 'Saving Syria's Children'

More information at Robert Stuart's site:  
<https://bbcpanoramasavingsyriaschildren.wordpress.com/>



# The assassination of Sheikh al Bouti

21/03/13: Syria's senior Sunni scholar murdered by al Qaeda 'Islamists'



Al-Nusra-Affiliated Terrorists Confess to Assassination of Sheikh al-Bouti

Al Nusra bombers confess

An armed terrorist group affiliated to Al-Nusra front confessed to the assassination of Sheikh Mohammad Said Ramadan al-Bouti at al-Iman Mosque in Damascus after it was ordered by the leader of the front, according to SANA.



## How the BBC helped cover up mass murder

Syria 'death video' of Sheikh al-Bouti poses questions

By Jim Muir  
BBC News, Beirut



**BBC journalist Jim Muir** called terrorists **Jabhat al Nusra** 'rebels in Syria' as he helped cover up their murder of Sheikh Bouti. Al Nusra threatened the Sheikh, murdered him and 50 others in a mosque, boasted of it, then blamed 'the regime'. Muir helped **cover up** this mass murder, suggesting the Syrian Government might have been responsible. Even after six Nusra members confessed, Muir and the BBC made no correction.

From the evidence in the video, it is inconceivable that such a small blast could have caused the death of around 50 other people, as reported by

There is nothing of the panic and chaos that accompanies big bomb

# 'Syria will fall' – the vulture consensus

**The Assad regime is in huge trouble**

ARMIN ROSEN APR 28 2015, 12:40 PM

Business Insider, April 2015

**Assad's hold on power looks shakier than ever as rebels advance in Syria**

Washington Post, April 2015

August 7, 2014  
**Experts: Assad Regime Towards Economic Collapse**

SEF, August 2014

**The Assad Regime Is Running Low On Soldiers**

PIERRE BIENNAME DEC 30 2014, 8:34 AM

Business Insider, Dec 2014

26 AUG 2013 - 10:48AM  
**'Assad regime to collapse soon': Jordanian Brotherhood leader**

SBS, August 2013

**'Expert Predictions' 2011-2015**

Thursday, October 24th, 2013 12:00 PM. Posted by World Tribune  
**Report: U.S. told allies Assad was collapsing while intel warned of rebels' defeat**

World Tribune, Oct 2013

**Assad losing Syria war, Russia admits for first time**

UK Guardian, Dec 2012

**Syrian regime approaching collapse NATO chief says**

CNN, Dec 2012

**Syria: Assad regime close to over amid rising violence**

Green Left Weekly, August 2012

**Syria's most senior defector: Assad's army is close to collapse**

UK Telegraph, Feb 2012

***Washington Begins to Plan for Collapse of Syrian Government***

By HELENE COOPER JULY 16, 2012

New York Times, July 2012

**Syrian Dissident Says Assad Regime on Verge of Collapse**

by Pamela Taylor DECEMBER 16, 2011

Global Journal, Dec 2011

**"The Assad Regime Will Collapse"**

US Institute for Peace, Oct 2011

**How Will Syria's Assad Fall?**

The Atlantic, Aug 2011

# Forget the 'moderate rebel' myth: Washington and the FSA work closely with Nusra and ISIS





## Here is the news from Syria:

1. Islamist 'rebels' backed by [Saudi Arabia / Turkey / Qatar] invaded the town of [INSERT] in Syria. The group included hundreds of foreigners
2. The armed men murdered local officials, desecrating churches and mosques.
3. Western leaders said this was the beginning of the end for the 'Assad regime'.
4. However the Syrian Army, with local militia, launched a counter-offensive.
5. As the Islamist groups retreated, they claimed the Syrian Army was killing innocent civilians with 'barrel bombs' and chemical weapons.
6. Western leaders immediately accused the 'Syrian regime' of war crimes.
7. Local residents welcomed the entry of the Syrian Army into their town.

# What Ruth Pollard missed; how the SMH fools you

Libya's rebel chief counting down days

September 3, 2011



**Ruth Pollard:** 'Gaddafi threatened to rain terror on Tripoli and on those who failed to support him ...'

Honest broker in Syria an Australian of many hats

August 7, 2012

Read more



smh.com.au  
The Sydney Morning Herald

IT WAS not a place you would expect to run into one of Australia's leading imams, writes Ruth Pollard in Salma, Northern Syria.

U.S. backed rebel reportedly leads Islamic State in Libya



Washington's Al Qaeda Ally Now Leading ISIS in Libya

Sydney Sheikh Fedaa Majzoub believed responsible for Syrian massacres, kidnappings



Christians flee Syria's Kessab

**What Ruth Pollard doesn't tell you:**

- The 'terror' claims against Gaddafi were false, Belhaj is a US-backed al Qaeda/ISIS leader.
- Fedaa Majzoub is implicated in atrocities at Balouta (Aug 2013) and Kessab (March 2014), near the Turkish border, where 280 villagers were killed and hundreds more kidnapped.

# New Internationalist backs al Qaeda's complaint

**New Internationalist magazine**  
People, ideas and action for global justice

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## Why is Britain using a suspect charity to deliver aid to Syria?

WEB EXCLUSIVE

How \$418 million of British aid money could be helping the Assad regime. **Tom Hussein** reports.



**Fadel Moghrabi** @mfmoghrabi May 3  
I'm standing with other medical workers targeted for saving lives in Syria.  
[medicsunderfire.org/en?source=twwb](http://medicsunderfire.org/en?source=twwb)  
#MedicsUnderFire

**Fadel Moghrabi** @mfmoghrabi Mar 23  
The chlorine criminals are in the revolutionists custody.

**Conflict News** @Conflicts  
BREAKING. Image from Jabhat al-Nusra in #idlib showing the Syrian helicopter pilot alive - @ibnNabih1

<https://twitter.com/mfmoghrabi>

**Fadel Moghrabi** @mfmoghrabi Mar 23  
No fly zone for Syria @AmbassadorRice



New International article by **Tom Hussein** uses **Dr Fadel Moghrabi** (who embeds himself with terrorist group **Jabhat al Nusra**) to attack British funding for the **Syrian Arab Red Crescent (SARC)**, because it is linked to the Syrian Government. Of course it is! Despite the ongoing bloodshed, driven by Washington and its allies, the Syrian Govt holds well over 90% of populated areas in Syria. Those with aid for Syria projects have to deal with the Syrian government - or make themselves criminals, like Dr Moghrabi.

# What's wrong with this story?

ATTENTION!  
the corporate  
media lies to you

Syrian government forces killing hundreds of civilians in air strikes as world watches Isis



2015

- A. Single source story comes from FSA rep (S.O.H.R.) in London
- B. By this source, the conflict is always the Syrian Army killing civilians, not NATO-backed terrorists.

Army eliminates many terrorists, destroys their equipment in several areas.

**What is really happening:** Syrian Army is wiping out the **Islamic Front** in East Ghouta (Damascus)

Britain almost went to war with Bashar al-Assad in 2013 but his regime's crimes are now being overlooked as the 'Islamic State' continues its rampage

LIZZIE DEARDEN | Wednesday 14 February 2015

Syrian forces "have killed an estimated 330 civilians in Syria ... this year ... **The London-based Syrian Observatory of Human Rights** chronicled 127 air raids ... [western countries] must work harder to stop [Syria's] crimes", **UK Independent**, 4/2/2015

Syrian Air Force Strikes Joint Meeting of US Sponsored Terrorist Leaders in Damascus Countryside



**Rebel group kills 7 in worst rocket attacks to hit Damascus in years**

Islamic Front military commander issues ultimatum to Bashar al-Assad regime calling it to stop attacks on suburb of capital Damascus or else opposition fighters would attack regime positions with rockets

Meanwhile, in Eastern Syria ->

**Syrian planes target ISIS**

### Propaganda technique #3: humanise our terrorist proxy armies, demonise the enemy

**Young Uzbek suicide bomber filmed crying before carrying out final mission in Syria**

You just scared I won't succeed, the young man reportedly says before being sent off to his death



'Jafar, my brother, don't be afraid. When you are scared, remember Allah.' He replies: 'I'm just scared I won't succeed' before he is sent off to his death.

UK Independent, 23 Sept 2015. No mention of those killed by this terrorist attack.

**Brisbane family man's suicide blast in Syria**

SAFE SYRIAN OF KATE MERTONIA, THE COURIER MAIL, 13 NOVEMBER 2013



He calls on others 'to follow him to Syria to fight government forces.' 'This is a message to all my brothers in the world ... today jihad is duty imposed on every Muslim, so rise up Muslims'

Courier Mail 13 Nov 2013. Jabhat al Nusra truck bomb attack killed 35 Syrians, no mention of their names.

**The man from Martyrs Avenue who became a suicide bomber in Syria**

**BBC NEWS**

“My brother was not a terrorist - my brother was a hero”

Hafaez Mageed



BBC 20 March 2014. Jabhat al Nusra truck bomb attack on Aleppo prison. No mention of Syrians killed.



# Foreign backed terrorism or 'civil war'? Spot the difference

## Britain sends 85 troops to train Syria rebels

The British Army is joining a US-led effort to train 5,000 Syrian insurgents a year in camps in Turkey and Jordan



**The Telegraph**



By David Blair

3:35PM BST 16 May 2015

## Tide of Syria civil war turns against Assad as rebels make sweeping gains

Bashar al-Assad's regime, reduced to dependence on Iran, appears to be fracturing under the pressure of recent defeats



**The Telegraph**



By Ruth Sherlock, and Magdy Samaan in Cairo

7:08PM BST 16 May 2015

# Sorry Washington, the lies don't work

The only ones to have used chemical weapons in Syria have been the NATO-Islamists

## Independent reports

Syria: Jihadist Al-Nusra Front Seizes Chemical Factory Near Aleppo

Dec 2012



Syrian Militants Have Access to Chlorine Gas, Plant Owner

April 2013

UN's Del Ponte says evidence Syria rebels 'used sarin'

May 2013

Turkey finds sarin gas in homes of suspected Syrian Islamists - reports



Detained al-Nusra members say chemicals not for making sarin gas

Sept 2013

New Video Evidence Points To al-Nusra Chemical Attack Against Syrian Soldiers

May 2014

'Abandoned' barrels containing deadly sarin seized in rebel-held Syria

July 2014

Iraqi Kurds claim Isis used chemical weapons

Sept 2014

Erika Solomon in Beirut

United States 'Concerned' About ISIS Use of Chlorine Gas

March 2015



More evidence emerges of ISIS using chemical weapons as Kurdish fighters seize chlorine canisters after suicide bomb attack

## Partisan lies, to fuel intervention

The East Ghouta fraud\* August 2013



Sept 2013



Syrian regime accused of chlorine gas attacks

Al Jazeera, April 2014



March 2015

Activists accuse Syrian military of deadly poison gas attack

# daily Syrian war lies, from the BBC

Syrian Army evacuates civilians, attacks NATO-backed Islamic Front in Douma (East Ghouta), BBC and France 24 scream 'civilians' are being bombed

Dozens of families from Douma flee terrorists, seek army's protection  
25/01/2015

2015



**Damascus, SANA** – 'Dozens of families from Douma ... managed to escape areas under the control of armed terrorists groups and sought protection at military checkpoints ... units of the Syrian Army managed to evacuate about 107 persons on Friday from al-Shifonyeh and Housh al-Fara ... Later, the families were transported to housing centers in the area of al-Dweir. **More than 5,000 people have fled** areas under control of the terrorists ... in addition to 800 gunmen ... who had turned themselves in to the authorities.'



Civilian evacuation, photos from SANA

Syrian air strike kills scores near Damascus, NGO says



Syria conflict: Air strike on Damascus suburb 'kills dozens'



NB. the usual takfiri 'activist' sources

**London, BBC:** More than 30 people have been killed in air strikes by Syrian government warplanes ... Six children were among 32 people who died in several raids on the suburb of Hamouriyeh, the **UK-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights** reported. **Local Coordination Committees**, another opposition activist group, said the death toll was at least 35. Syrian government officials have yet to comment ... the strikes hit a busy public square in a rebel-held district of Hamouriyeh in eastern Ghouta.



# How they pull the wool over your eyes

The classic repeat lie, from Australia's ABC. **NATO-Islamists** get attacked by the **Syrian Army**, they call their mate in London (Rami Abdul Raman, the SOHR=**Syrian Lavatory for Human Rights**) and his unchallenged version of 'Syrian Government killing civilians', backed by Islamist social media, is presented as 'news'.



**Syrian Lavatory for Human Rights, still flying the flag of the almost defunct FSA**

## Syrian government warplanes attack rebel-held market, killing 80, injuring hundreds: activists

By Middle East correspondent [Sophie McNeill](#) and wires  
Updated about 3 hours ago



PHOTO: Warplanes are believed to have fired at least four rockets into the market. (AFP/Samer Al-Joury)

Activists say at least 80 people have died and more than 200 injured after Syrian government warplanes attacked a busy market in a rebel-held area, just 11 kilometres from the centre of the capital Damascus.

**RELATED STORY:** [At least 31 dead after Syrian fighter jet crash into marketplace: monitor](#)

**RELATED STORY:** [Syria regime air raids, rebel fire on Damascus kill 50: monitor](#)

**MAP:** [Syrian Arab Republic](#)



## 'How did it come to this?'

It 'came to this' because western governments and their allies:

2014

- **Armed jihadist terrorist groups**, in attempts to control the Middle East;
- **Told lies** about Syria and Iraq,
- **Demanded the overthrow** of other governments ('regimes');
- **Refused to respect the right** of other peoples to run their own countries.

Aussie terrorists



**400 AUSTRALIANS BELIEVED TO BE ACTIVELY SUPPORTING OR FIGHTING WITH ISLAMIC STATE TERROR ARMY**



# Everyday lies a key part of the dirty war on Syria

## The Telegraph

### Home USA Spy chief Coup arrest?

Iran Iraq Israel Palestinian Authority Syria Jordan

### Bashar al-Assad's spy chief arrested over Syria coup plot

Ali Mamlouk, the head of the country's National Security Bureau, has been removed as the regime of Bashar al-Assad begins to show divisions over the role of Iran

UK Telegraph, 11 May 2015

UK Telegraph: "The Assad regime has placed its intelligence chief under house arrest after suspecting he was plotting a coup ... Ali Mamlouk was accused of holding secret talks with countries backing rebel groups and exiled members ..."



Jailing of Michel Samaha places Assad regime's security chief Ali Mamlouk at the heart of an alleged conspiracy to sow sectarian chaos in Lebanon

Oops, no: there's Ali Mamlouk with the President and some Iranians, plotting 'sectarian chaos' in Lebanon.



UK Guardian, 14 May 2015

In hiding? Assad meets his ministers in 'windowless room'

### Bashar on the run?

Oops, no: there's the President in a large crowd at a Damascus college, Martyrs Day, 6 May 2015



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President Assad and his family 'are now living on a warship guarded by the Russians off Syrian coast'

Syria: Bashar al-Assad 'flees to Latakia'

CONFIRMED – Assad fleeing Damascus to Iran



# Daily Lies in the Dirty War on Syria

NATO-Islamist Lies	Syrian reality
'Syrian Civil War'?	NATO and Gulf Monarchies backed armed attacks on Syria from March 2011; terrorists are from 80+ countries.
'Syrian Rebels' vs ISIS extremists?	All armed gangs are NATO-Saudi-Qatari backed Islamists, they squabble over arms and money but have the same goals.
U.S. coalition's has a 'War on ISIS'?	Washington uses ISIS as an 'attack dog' against both Iraq and Syria, protecting separatist Kurds. Fake bombing campaign.
Syrian Army is 'barrel bombing' civilians?	Every effective air strike against NATO-Islamists (based on NATO-Islamist sources) is said to be killing civilians.
Syria/Assad not fighting/supporting ISIS?	Syrian Army is the only effective force against ISIS. However their priority has been to protect the cities of western Syria.
'Syrian regime about to fall'?	Same headline every year since 2011. Syria resists.

"Every day the opposition gives a death toll ... many of those reported killed are in fact dead opposition fighters but ... described in reports as innocent civilians killed by security forces" - Anti-Syrian journalist Nir Rosen, Al Jazeera, Feb 2012



Syrian barrel bombs kill 71 civilians at markets near Aleppo

The shelling by the Syrian Arab Army to this site resulted with the death of 81 terrorists gathering inside this location



# Six of the Best BBC lies on Syria



BBC 'potted' lies	Corrections
'Opposition supporters eventually began to take up arms, first to defend themselves and later to expel security forces from local areas'	The armed insurrection in Daraa, March 2011, was classic Muslim Brotherhood violence, taking cover behind the political reform rallies.
The UN 'has documented the use of toxic chemicals ... by the government'	The UN has documented chemical weapons use in Syria 'against soldiers and civilians'.
'Activists say more than 6,000 civilians have been killed by barrel bombs'	'Activists' embedded with the armed gangs have called every dead terrorist a 'civilian'.
ISIS is 'battling rebels and jihadists from the al-Qaeda-affiliated Nusra Front, who object to their tactics'	The al-Qaeda affiliated Nusra Front was beheading and massacring Syrians well before its twin ISIS came across from Iraq.
Iran and Russia 'have propped up the Alawite-led government of President Assad'	Iran and Russia support the secular-pluralist government led by President Assad.
'Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Qatar back the more moderate Sunni-dominated opposition'	Turkey, the Saudis and Qatar (and the USA) back ALL the worst groups: Nusra, ISIS, etc.

BBC (2015) 'Syria: the story of the conflict', 9 October 2015



# Why many Syrians welcomed US strikes on Assad regime targets

OPINION

By Macquarie University PhD candidate Rifaie Tammas

Posted about 7 hours ago

2017

ABC NEWS

Fake news at work, zero sources



"Most Syrians need *no evidence* implicating the Assad regime in the chemical weapons attack", says the article; and the ABC required *no evidence* for its assertions about what 'many Syrians' think.

# Latest 'Syrian rebel' suicide bomber Afghan from al Qaeda explodes in north Hama



2017

لحظة تنفيذ الأخ بشتولي الديري على حاجز المكاتب في "صوران"

NATO-backed "ethnic Pashtun Dairi", suicide bomber from Tahrir al-Sham / Nusra, near the northern Hama town of Brive Suran.

WORLD NEWS | Tue Mar 20, 2017 | 4:25pm EDT



## Syrian rebels launch attack near Hama

# Fake News: how they do it #115

WORLD NEWS | Fri, Jan 13, 2017 | 7:06pm GMT

## Exclusive - Assad linked to Syrian chemical attacks for first time

2017



"According to a document seen by Reuters ... the United Nations ... did not name any commanders or officials ... Now a list has been produced ... according to a source familiar with the inquiry ... The list, which has been seen by Reuters but has not been made public, was based on a combination of evidence .... according to the source, who declined to be identified due to the sensitivity of the issue. Reuters was unable to independently review the evidence or to verify it."

## Let's Call Western Media Coverage of Syria By Its Real Name: Propaganda

By Michael Howard | April 26, 2017 | 9:15am



2017



Syria is proof of how low mainstream western media are prepared to sink in the service of state power; it's where journalistic standards, like global jihadists, go to die ... being spoon-fed by jihadis and their sympathizers ... [and] regurgitating information from such tainted sources, the media gives al-Qaeda type groups every incentive to go on killing."

## From watchdogs to attack dogs: the western liberal media on Syria

Joined the western 'civilising missions' to overthrow governments in Libya and Syria

Pretend that sectarian fanatics are 'rebels', or 'revolutionaries' in a 'civil war'

Constant use of partisan sources, like the UK 'Syrian Observatory', 'Human Rights Watch'

Repeat false claims against Syrian Army well after those claims are disproven

Promoted 'false flag' massacres, encouraging further sectarian atrocities

At times, engage directly in cover-ups and the fabrication of evidence for war propaganda

Pretend the US and its allies do not support al Qaeda / ISIS, after multiple US admissions

Presenting extremists as 'moderates', helped aggravate and prolong the dirty war on Syria



# Syrian Arab Army



**Forget Obomber, Syrians are fighting ISIS in Syria**





# How the Syrian Arab Army fights sectarian terrorists



# How the Empire pretends to ...



# Good News from Syria: Syrian Arab Army liberates Homs

**TOTAL SURRENDER IN HOMS! CITY FREE OF TERRORIST PLAGUE! CONFIRMED!!**

Ziad Fadel | 14/05/2014 09:00

Blogger | Share | +1 | Print | Reddit | Stumble | Tumblr | Tweet | 24



**Terrorists Surrender in Homs, Syrian Army Advances across Country**

Local Editor

A truce was concluded between the Syrian authorities and the militants in Homs who will accordingly withdraw from the city, an NGO said on Friday.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said a truce was already in place in the Old City and other militant-held areas. The city was under a siege, and fighters were



2014

**Just days after this:**

Death toll for Homs terrorist attacks hits 100

**How the corporate media spins defeat:**

**Meanwhile:**

Syria: Rebels agree to relinquish Homs to Assad forces

Ceasefire in Syria's Homs to allow rebel withdrawal  
May 9, 2014 2:51am

Syria And Rebels Reach Ceasefire In Homs

Jihadists crucify prisoners in Syria  
AP 7/10/2014 1:00pm

# Who's the hero here? Britain's al Qaeda truck bomber or the Syrian soldier who stopped him?



MARTYR HERO  
**MOHAMMAD RAJAB**  
GARRISON OF ALEPPO CENTRAL PRISON

Martyr Hero Mohammad Rajab, one of our heroes guarding Aleppo Central Prison, he did a heroic act when he advanced to face the terrorists' Booby-trapped truck before 150 m of the prison gate and destroyed it using RPG missiles. With his sacrifice he protected his comrades and the whole prison from falling, killed tens of terrorists, and thwarted their plan.



**Feb 6 2014:** Syrian soldier Mohammed Rajab stopped British truck bomber Abdul Waheed Majeed with RPGs, as Majeed tried to ram Aleppo prison with a 20 tonne truck bomb

**The BBC reports:** 'The father-of-three [Majeed] from Crawley travelled to Syria last July as a driver for a nationwide aid convoy ... [he] died trying to save Syrian people who were being tortured in the Assad regime's prisons ... he died in the attack on Aleppo prison - which was led by Chechen fighters.'

## Syria bomber from Crawley was a 'hero' says family



By Dominic Casciani  
Home affairs correspondent, BBC News



Abdul Waheed Majeed moments before his attack in February.

The brother of a British man who blew himself up in Syria has told Newsnight he should be regarded as a hero who combated the regime, not a terrorist.

Abdul Waheed Majeed, of Crawley, died last month when he drove a truck bomb at the gates of Aleppo Prison.



In the camps. Family say that Waheed Majeed went to deliver aid.

'My brother was not a terrorist. My brother was a hero. My brother paid the full price with his life for what he did. He was not a threat to the British public and never has been a threat to the British public.'

## Myths of the Dirty War on Syria:

# 'The Syrian Army is not fighting ISIS'

Myth:

Syria, ISIS Have Been 'Ignoring' Each Other on Battlefield NBC, Dec 2014

Syria rejects foreign ground troops to fight ISIS Al Arabiya, 9 Feb 2015

the corporate media celebrates this:

Video: ISIS crowd stomp Syrian soldiers to death

Up to 70 Syrian army chiefs beheaded by ISIS after jihadis make advance on second Daily Mail, 28 Oct 2014

ISIS assault on Syrian army base kills 41 Al Arabiya, 7 Aug 2014 Al Arabiya, 7 Nov 2014

and ignores this:

Hasakah: Kurdish forces and Syrian army push ISIS back ARA News, 6 Feb 2015 Syrian army kills 18 foreign Islamic State fighters, including one American jihadist JPost, 9 May 2014

70 ISIS Militants Killed by Syrian Army in Two Days ABNA, 27 Dec 2014

Syrian army repels ISIS attack on air base Islamic Invitation Turkey, 25 Dec 2014

**Victorious Syrian Army continues to crush terrorists' positions across Syria**

**Syrian Army Kills ISIS Terrorists in Ambush**  
Posted Jan 02, 2015 Military.com, 2 Jan 2015

**EASTERN SYRIA: TRIBES UNITE WITH SYRIAN ARMY TO CRUSH ISIS: TAL SALMU, AL-HAMEEDIYYA, KHUSHAYR LIBERATED!!** SyPer, 28 Dec 2014 Al Akhbar, 7 Dec 2014

## Aleppo: the Syrian Arab Army feeds the people after the NATO-jihadists starved them

2016



Residents of East #Aleppo tell Reuters that rebels tried to starve them, find stockpiles of food at an abandoned rebel headquarter.

Aleppo "Rebels" reject aid and ceasefire

## Syria maintains amnesty offer for \*Syrian\* jihadists

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في أحياء حلب الشرقية

الوقت يمضي ، عليكم بالخيارات الثلاثة التالية :

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- ٢- الخروج إلى أي مكان ترغبون به وستؤمن لكم طريق الخروج .
- ٣- إخراج المدنيين من تلك الأحياء .

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Syrian Arab Army moving into east Aleppo



Al Qaeda jihadists, wearing white helmets in attempt at 'immunity'

### Leaflet dropped over eastern Aleppo:

"To our Syrian brothers who are bearing arms in the Eastern Neighbourhoods of Aleppo - time is passing, and you have these three options:

1. Surrender yourselves and weapons; your safety us guaranteed and you will be granted amnesty.
2. Leave with your light arms to any locations you want to leave to, and an exit route will be guaranteed.
3. Let the civilians exit the Eastern neighbourhoods"

# No target too big for the Syrian Arab Army

**Flattened! Terrifying 20st ISIS executioner dubbed The Bulldozer is 'captured' by the Syrian army and dumped half-naked in the back of a truck**

- Obese jihadi was member of terror group's so-called Chopping Committee
- Footage appears to show militant after he was captured by Syrian forces
- He is seen topless and grimacing with hands tied behind his back in truck
- Masked militant has beheaded dozens of prisoners with three-foot sword
- See more of the latest Islamic State news at [www.dailymail.co.uk/isis](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/isis)

By SIMON TOMLINSON FOR MAILONLINE

PUBLISHED: 01:10 EST, 2 June 2016 | UPDATED: 06:30 EST, 2 June 2016



Executioner dubbed the Bulldozer being captured in Syria

2016



The obese extremist, a member of the terror group's so-called Chopping Committee, is seen lying half-naked in the back of a truck with his hands tied behind his back as crowds gather round celebrating his capture

## Syrian Arab Army note dropped to al Qaeda groups in east Aleppo

2016



"It is not manhood to barricade behind civilians and use them for protection, let the civilians out from these neighborhoods and we will take care of them, we will shelter them, after all they are our families and siblings." Notice the razor and soap.



# Salaries of jihadists and Syrian soldiers

2015



**Jihadist (Nusra, ISIL, Islamic Front, etc):**  
**Basic fighters:** \$100 to \$300 / month  
**'Emirs':** up to \$3,000 / month  
**Funders:** Qatar, Saudis, Turkey, USA  
**Hospitals:** Turkey and Israel  
**Weapons:** mainly North American.

**Syrian Arab Army and NDF salaries:**  
**Soldiers:** \$60 to \$100 / month  
**Senior officers:** \$150 to \$200 / month  
**Hospitals:** Syrian  
**Weapons:** mainly Russian.

## Palestinian militia fighting alongside the Syrian Arab Army in Aleppo



Clockwise from top right: Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, Jaysh al-Tahrir al-Falastini, Quwat al-Jalil, Liwa al-Quds, PLA (effectively a branch of the SAA) and (top centre) the Syrian Arab Army

# Palestinian militia repels NATO-Islamists in Syria



2016

Pro-Syrian Palestinian militia **Liwaa Al-Quds** defeats attempt by Jabhat Al-Nusra, Harakat Ahrar Al-Sham and the Free Syrian Army to infiltrate Nayrab Military Airport (Aleppo).

Palestinians Fight Off Al-Qaeda in Nayrab While the Syrian Army Advances in East Aleppo

Meanwhile, captured terrorist Bishr Yousef Ali al-Janoudi (R) admits on Syrian TV that Palestinian Islamists **Hamas** tried to build a Muslim Brotherhood base in Syria, engaging with the terror groups.



## Main Syrian volunteer militia, allied to the Syrian Arab Army and NDF against the western-backed terrorists

### Main volunteer militia allied to Syrian Arab Army and National Defence Forces (right), defending Syria from western backed terrorists:

1. *al-Muqāwama as-Sūriya* (The Syrian Resistance, communist militia, Latakia)
2. *Liwa Dir' al-Sahel* (Coastal Shield Brigade, Latakia)
3. *Kuwat ar-Rida* (Reza Forces, Hama, Homs and Damascus, links to Hezbollah)
4. *Katibat al-Jabal* (Mountain Battalion, Latakia)
5. *Liwa as-Sayida Rukaya* (Lady Rukaya's brigade, protects Shia shrines).
6. *Nusur al-Zawba'a* (Eagles of the Hurricane, SSNP militia, all parts of western Syria)
7. *Jaysh al-Muwahhideen* (Army of Supporters of Monotheism, Druze militia)
8. *Dir' al-Watan* (Shield of the Homeland, Sweida region)
9. *Rijal al-Karama* (Men of Dignity, Druze-led brigade, Sweida region)
10. *Liwa Suqur al-Quneitra* (Quneitra Falcons Brigade, next to Israeli-occupied Golan)
11. *Liwa al-Quds* (Jerusalem Brigade, Palestinian militia)
12. *Jaysh al-Tahrir al-Falastini* (Palestine Liberation Army)



Top row: 1-6, Bottom row: 7-12



# Sorry, the lies don't work



Yes, of course, every weapon the **Syrian Arab Army** uses is “indiscriminate”, of course, when they bomb sectarian terrorists they are “killing civilians”, and of course “they gas children” ... that must be why the Syrian people love them so much!



I also support the **SYRIAN ARAB ARMY**



# Syria's front line commanders

Syria's two most famous commanders, leading the fight against ISIS and other western backed terrorists. They lead from the front, not from a safe bunker.







**General Issam Zahreddine.**  
Leading Syria's Republican Guard  
against ISIS in Deir ez Zor.



**Colonel Suheil Al-Hassan.**  
Leading Special Forces in Idlib against  
al Nusra and other NATO-Islamists.

**Estimate:** The Syrian Government controls more than 90% of populated areas, but there is a terrorist *presence* in more than half the country.

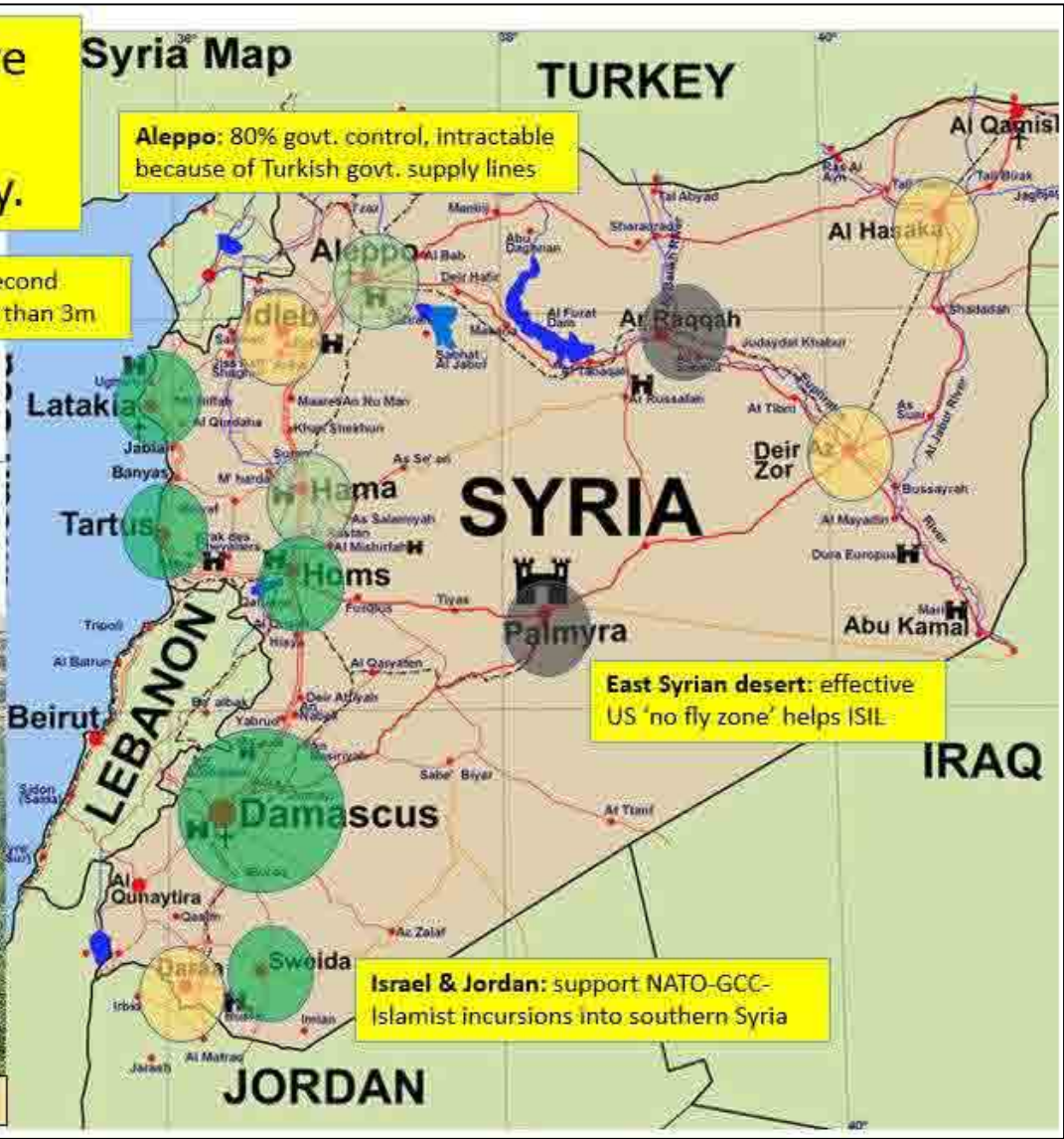
**Latakia:** has become Syria's second biggest city, doubling to more than 3m

Govt. control		NATO-Islamist control	
Mostly Govt. control		Heavily contested	



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Estimates by Tim Anderson, Sept 2015



# Syrian Muslim v. NATO-Islamists



Uzbek 'Jafar al Uzbeki'



Saudi Abu Dujana Al Dawsari.



Kuwaiti 'Shaqrان al Kuwaiti'



Lebanese 'Abu Hamza Al-Lubnani'

Four **Jabhat al Nusra** terrorists, all foreigners, die in a suicide attack on Al Fouah, Idlib, Syria.

Syrian Arab Army pays tribute to brave Syrian girl from the **Revolutionary Youth Union** who lost her leg but keeps defending her country.



**While the western media talks about Palmyra, these are some of the Syrian soldiers who died defending that ancient city**

Every single terrorist group in Syria is directly or indirectly backed by Washington, London and Paris



**Abdul Rahman al-Ibrahim**



**Hassan Ayyoush**



**Wa'el Shalibi**



**Captain Haidar As'ad**



**Mohsen Mohammad Makhlouf**

# The Role of Israel

# The Arrogance of Israel bombs Syria and Lebanon; demands 'no retaliation'

## *Israeli Warplanes Strike Near the Border of Syria and Lebanon*

By ANNE BARNARD FEB 24, 2014



BEIRUT, Lebanon — Israeli warplanes launched two raids near the Syrian-Lebanese border late Monday, according to [Lebanon's National News Agency](#), raising speculation that [Israel](#) might have targeted a weapons convoy to prevent the Syrian government from delivering missiles to its Lebanese ally, [Hezbollah](#).

Israel [has struck Syria](#) at least three times in the past year, according to United States officials, to prevent sophisticated weapons from reaching Hezbollah amid the chaos of [Syria's war](#). Neither Syria nor Hezbollah has retaliated.

24 Feb 2014

## Hezbollah vows to retaliate against Israel at the appropriate time

February 27, 2014 12:49 AM  
The Daily Star



## IDF Warns Lebanon 'You'll Pay If Hezbollah Strikes'

IDF reportedly sends warning through UNIFIL, tells Lebanese government it will be targeted if Hezbollah carries out threat.

By Ron Tomer

Feb 26, 2014 11:30 AM

The IDF has reportedly issued a stern warning to the Lebanese government, clarifying that the government will be held responsible and be a target for response should Hezbollah [carry out its threats](#) to attack Israel.



**HANDS OFF SYRIA: exposing the propaganda war on Syria**

# Israel admits: the Golan Heights people are Syrian, and they back Bashar al Assad

Aug 2013: oops! this one didn't work

Golan Druze prefer Israel to Syria

Thursday, August 15, 2013 11:00 AM

israel today



**D**ruze residents of the Golan Heights have appealed to United Nation Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon with a request that they be allowed to cast their vote in the Syrian presidential elections.

The bearers of the letter openly declared their support for the incumbent, President Bashar Assad, who has been battling rebel forces in a civil war that has cost upwards of 150,000 lives over the past three years. Ynet reported.

May 2014

THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

## Golan Heights Druze seek to vote in Syria elections

Residents of territory captured in '67 say they want to exercise their right to support President Assad

By Shoshana Weiskopf | May 21, 2013, 11:22 pm

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Druze residents of the Golan Heights hold Syrian flags and portraits of Syria President Bashar al-Assad during a rally in the Druze village of Hama Shams, on Syria's Independence Day April 11, 2012. (credit: nati/Al-Malah - Twitter/1488763)

After 47 years of occupation the Golan Heights Druze remain Syrian. UNSC resolution 497 (unanimous 17 December 1981) calls on Israel to rescind its annexation of the Golan Heights.

# Double-speak in Gaza

When NATO-Israeli backed Islamists slaughtered Syrian civilians they blamed the Syrian Army; their own casualties were also 'civilians'. The same lies are now being told about the Palestinian resistance.

Israeli assault on Gaza:  
'precision attacks'

Palestinian attacks on Israelis:  
'indiscriminate'

Palestinian civilian deaths:

Israeli civilian deaths:



**Palestinian casualties:** 'three-fourths of the Palestinians killed in more than two weeks of Israel-Hamas fighting were civilians' (UN)

**Israeli casualties:** 'total number of IDF casualties during Operation Protective Edge to 48' (United with Israel); 'Two Israeli civilians and a Thai agricultural worker have also died' (SMH, 28/7)

The **European Union** condemned 'the *indiscriminate* firing of rockets into Israel by Hamas and militant groups in the Gaza Strip, directly harming *civilians*'; **Ban Ki Moon:** 'Hamas rockets have *randomly* struck Israel'; **NYT:** 'Hamas is committing a war crime by firing rockets *indiscriminately*'

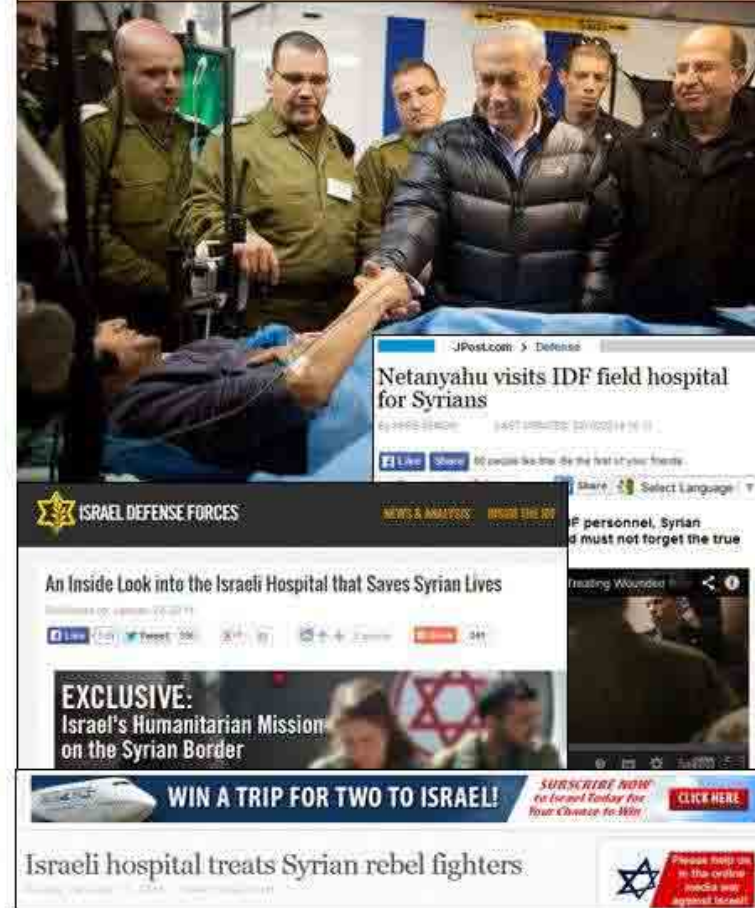
**Palestinian casualties:** 'Gaza Ministry of Health Spokesman said over the last 21 days, a total of 1,088 Palestinians have been killed and 6,470 have been injured. Of the dead, 251 were children and 50 elderly, while 1,980 children and 259 elderly have been wounded.' (+972)

# HANDS OFF SYRIA says: We back Syria, Israel backs al Qaeda

Hands off Syria members visit wounded Syrian soldiers in Damascus and Lattakia



Israel's Netanyahu visits Jabhat al Nusra (al Qaeda) terrorists in IDF hospital, occupied Golan



# Worried Israelis speak more frankly than NATO liars

## The Destruction of Islamic State is a Strategic Mistake

2016

By Prof. Efraim Inbar | August 2, 2016



**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:** The West should seek the further weakening of Islamic State, but not its destruction. A weak but functioning IS can undermine the appeal of the caliphate among radical Muslims; keep bad actors focused on one another rather than on Western targets; and hamper Iran's quest for regional hegemony.

### Israel prefers Daesh over Assad in Syria: Intelligence chief

### Israeli Intel Chief: We Don't Want ISIS Defeated In Syria

Israeli officials have regularly expressed comfort with the idea of ISIS conquering the whole of Syria, saying they find it preferable to the Iran-allied government surviving the war.

June 23, 2016

'The terrorist group is a "useful tool" against Iran, Hezbollah and Syria through savage crimes that can bring security to Israel'. *FNA synopsis*



# After Deir Ezzor and Raqqa, the Occupied Golan

## UN passes resolution calling on Israel to withdraw from Syria's Golan Heights



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### Iraqi Nujaba Movement Ready to Join Syrian Army Operation to Liberate Occupied Golan



ISIS GROUP EXPANDS IN SOUTHERN SYRIA NEAR ISRAEL BORDER

2017



Syria UN envoy: Israel supporting terror in occupied Golan Heights





# Know your 'left-zionist'

I'm not a zionist but ...



- It's dreadful what Israel is doing ... but those 'indiscriminate' rockets from Gaza are war crimes too
- I believe in a two state/one state solution ... but there must be a regional agreement that includes Israel
- We will work with the ugly Saudis to bring peace ... but not with Hezbollah, Syria and Iran who arm the Palestinians
- The occupied territories are at the centre of the conflict ... but the idea of democracy in Israel is 'unrealistic'
- Progressive Jews will bring justice to Israel ... but we can never contemplate armed Palestinians defending themselves

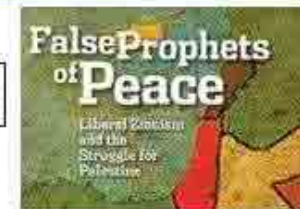
for a kinder, friendlier Israel

Further reading:

Debunking the Myth of the Zionist Left

**Shoot and cry: Liberal Zionism's dilemma**

Ben White *The Electronic Intifada* 19 September 2007



# The Zionist-Islamist symbiosis

On Independence Day, moderate Syrian rebels send warm wishes

Free Syrian Army hopes to celebrate 68th anniversary at 'Israel's embassy' in Damascus

By TIMES OF ISRAEL STAFF | NOV 24, 2014, 2:55 PM | @T

**THE TIMES OF ISRAEL**



Jabhat Al-Nusra 'unlikely to target Israel soon,' senior army officer says

**THE JERUSALEM POST**

UN reveals Israeli links with Syrian rebels

Reports by UN observers in the Golan submitted to 15 members of Security Council detail regular contact between IDF officers and armed Syrian opposition figures at the border.

By Barak Ravid | Dec 7, 2014 | 8:00 AM | W 7

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**Are Israel, Jabhat al-Nusra coordinating on attacks in Syria?**

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Syrian Rebels Thank Netanyahu for Israel's Compassion

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Israel said to treat wounded members of IS and radical Syrian groups

**12A NEWS**

# Who's sectarian?

**Israel: 'only democratic state in the Middle East'**

## Israel's Resilient Democracy

Like the United States, we have our flaws. But we're a democracy, and we're not alone.  
BY MICHAEL OREN | APRIL 5, 2012



### One Arab minister in 60 years

Raleb Majadele appointed Minister of Science, Culture and Sport, 2007

**Israel Is Only Democratic State  
In Middle East**

Israel, the only democratic state in the Middle East, deserves our moral support  
The Sunday Independent (Ireland) | Sunday March 10th 2002

**Syria: 'Alawite regime'**



*family*



President	Bashar al Assad	Alawi
Prime Minister	Wael al Halqi	Sunni
Foreign Minister	Walid Muallem	Sunni
Defence Minister	Fahd Jassem al-Freij	Sunni
Interior Minister	Md. Ibrahim al-Shaar	Sunni
Grand Mufti	Sheikh Ahmad Badreddin Hassoun	Sunni

Hezbollah Helping Syrian Alawite Regime Against Sunni Rebels

**Assad's Alawites fear Sunnis seek revenge**

Syria expert Marwan Dieb offers insights into the Alawites.

## Israel & Syria: electoral democracy

	Israel (March 2015)	Syria (June 2014)
Head of Government	Benjamin Netanyahu 	Bashar al Assad 
Most recent votes	1.38 m. (Likud: 23.4%)	10.3 m. (88%)
Participation rate (*Israel+Occupied Territories)	4.27m, or 72% of 5.9m <b>Actually: 45% of 9.4m*</b>	11.6m, or 73% of 15.9m
Vote, total voting age	14.6%	65%
Image in western media	'Only democracy in the region'	'Dictatorship'
Image in Arab world	Racist, ethnic cleanser	Nationalist hero
<b>Data sources:</b> Idea International; CEC (Israel)		

5.9m in Israel (including Jews in East Jerusalem and West Bank) have voting rights, 3.5m Palestinians in East Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza have no voting rights.

<b>What is 'Left-Zionism'?</b>			
	<b>Zionism</b>	<b>Left-Zionism</b>	<b>Solidarity</b>
<b>Underlying aim</b>	'Greater Israel'	Nicer, kinder Israel	Oppose apartheid state, support inclusive Palestine
<b>Underlying assumptions</b>	Chosen people, colonial racism	Progressive Judaism as cultural leader	Anti-colonialism, popular self-determination
<b>Political objective</b>	Greater Israel	'Two-state' solution; OR 'One State' + Israel's 'right to exist'	Democratic Palestine
<b>Regional ambition</b>	Israel led, balkanised region	Israel led, balkanised region	Independent region, excluding imperial powers
<b>Political audience</b>	Western elites	Western liberals, Jewish diaspora	Global citizens
<b>Palestinian resistance?</b>	Terrorism	'Non-violent'. Moral equivalence between Zionist repression & resistance	Proportionate resistance necessary
<b>Ethnic cleansing + ('settlements')?</b>	Support	Oppose	Oppose
<b>Resistance led by?</b>	Criminals and terrorists	Progressive Jews, liberals and passive Palestinians	Palestinian-led resistance
<b>Axis of Resistance (Iran, Syria, Hezbollah)?</b>	Violently oppose	Strongly Oppose	Support

The mission of **Left-Zionism** is to soften the image of the genocidal state and promote a nicer, friendlier Israel. It subverts movements in solidarity with the Palestinian people. This table is a provisional characterisation.

# DAESH - ISIS

# The roots of al Qaeda, al Nusra and ISIS



Ibn Saud's Wahhabis 'kill all those who do not share their opinions and make slaves of their wives and children ... [nevertheless] my admiration for him was deep, because of his unfailing loyalty to us' – **Winston Churchill**

President Eisenhower wanted: 'a high class Machiavellian plan to split the Arabs and defeat the aims of our enemies ... building up King Saud as a counterweight to [Egypt's President] Nasser.'



President Ronald Reagan sends funds and weapons to Osama bin Laden and other wahhabi fighters ('the moral equivalent of our founding fathers') to fight Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

To undermine the relationship between Iran and the Iraqi government of Nuri al-Maliki, President Bush authorises Saudi backing for 'Sunni extremist' groups in Iraq. Condoleezza Rice says this 'creative chaos' will help create a 'New Middle East'.



Saudis, Qatar and Kuwait, with full US backing, arm and fund sectarian Islamist insurrections in Libya and Syria.



# Who runs Terrorism Central?



Winston Churchill: [Saudi king believes in] 'a duty ... to kill all those who do not share their opinions ... [but] my admiration for him was deep, because of his unfailing loyalty to us.'



There is NO Al-Qaeda



The Saudi king backed George W. Bush's invasion of Iraq and his 'New Middle East' plan, with 'pro-democracy' programs for Syria and Iran.



Obama: '[Abdullah had] a steadfast and passionate belief in the importance of the US-Saudi relationship as a force for stability and security in the Middle East and beyond.'

**America's Allies Are Funding ISIS**

**Spot The Difference: ISIS Or Saudi Arabia**



## Senior US officials: “our key allies funded ISIS”

**General Martin Dempsey**, head of the US military: “I know major Arab allies who fund [ISIS]”

**Senator Lindsey Graham**: “They fund them because the Free Syrian Army couldn’t fight [Syrian President] Assad, they were trying to beat Assad”. September 2014.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nA39iVSo7XE>



**US Vice President Joe Biden**, October 2014:

Turkey, Qatar, the UAE and Saudi Arabia: “were so determined to take down Assad ... they poured hundreds of millions of dollars and tens, thousands of tons of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] al Nusra and al Qaeda and extremist elements of jihadis coming from other parts of the world ... [and then] this outfit called ISIL”. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=25aDP7io30U>

Listen up corporate media:  
**Genocidal terrorists do not = 'Sunni Muslims'**

Nor are they 'rebels' or 'Sunni militants'

U.S. Flies Surveillance over Iraq; Syria Bombs Sunni Targets

Comments by Iraqi Prime



Kerry issues warning after Syria bombs  
Sunni militants in Iraq



After backing Sunni rebels in Syria, Gulf  
nations face blowback in militant  
campaign in Iraq



The Sunni Rebellion In Iraq



America's Allies Are Funding ISIS

ISIS brags about links to US Senator John McCain



Baghdad slams Saudi Arabia for 'encouraging genocide' in Iraq

As militants threaten genocide, Iran sends soldiers to aid Iraq

There are tens of thousands of sectarian Islamist terrorists in the world, most of them hired by Washington, the Saudis and Qatar. There are hundreds of millions of Sunni Muslims in the world, almost all of whom reject sectarian terrorism.

# Some things you should know about ISIS



- This Non-Islamic Non-State is neither Islamic nor a state, but the latest of many front organisations (al Qaeda, al Nusra, Islamic Front, ISIS) created by the US to divide and dominate the Middle East
- Main direct support comes from Saudi Arabia and Turkey; other US allies, such as Israel, UK, France and Qatar, are also involved
- ISIS does not represent Sunni Muslims or any other real community
- Whatever wealth it manages to steal, it remains dependent on its patrons for arms, recruits and logistical support
- Despite fake denunciations and 'cattle prod' bombing, Washington has no intention of destroying this useful 'Frankenstein's monster'

ISIS chief Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi on his release from U.S. detention in 2009: "I'll see you guys in New York"

**Iraq crisis: How Saudi Arabia helped Isis take over the north of the country**



Hillary Clinton: 'We Created al-Qaeda' - YouTube  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=WnLyzV9xAHA](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WnLyzV9xAHA)  
Jul 23, 2012 - Uploaded by OccupyingTheMediterranean  
Hillary Clinton admits that the U.S. government

# The Empire wrestles with its very own Frankenstein's monster

**Syrian Air Force strike ISIS positions in Raqqa**  
Published Time: August 28, 2014 01:12

**Iraqi PM welcomes Syria air strike on border crossing**

The spokesman for ISIS who brazenly declared that 'White House' has been killed by a Syrian air strike, and we will raise the flag of Allah in the White House.

**FBI Admits: No Credible Threats to US From ISIS**  
Despite Hysteria, No Evidence ISIS Actually About to Attack  
by Jason Ditz, August 22, 2014

**U.S. Trained ISIS at Secret Jordan Base**  
By Aaron Klein  
WorldPost.com, July 31, 2014  
Updated 17 July 2014

**ISIS "Made in USA". Iraq "Geopolitical Arsonists" Seek to Burn Region**

**America's Allies Are Funding ISIS**  
The Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), now threatening Baghdad, was funded for years by wealthy donors in Kuwait, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia, three U.S. allies that have dual agendas in the war on terror.

**Should the U.S. Work With Assad to Fight ISIS?**

**Hammond: UK won't work with Assad in Islamic State battle**

**UK must work with Assad to fight ISIL: Ex-general**

**US must consider partnering with Assad to defeat ISIS: former CIA agent**

**ISIS Leader Abu Bakr Al Baghdadi Trained by Israeli Mossad, NSA Documents Reveal**

**Creating a new threat**

**US Begins Selling "Syria Intervention" Using ISIS Pretext**

**Obama faces calls to strike at Islamic State positions in Syria**

**The U.S. Should Help Assad to Fight ISIS, the Greater Evil**

**Syrian Arab Army**  
about an hour ago

A year ago the politicians of the United States wanted to overthrow the government in Syria by force, today they want to open intelligence channels with the Syrian intelligence agencies to get information about the foreign nationals fighting under ISIS.

# ISIS: who repeated Washington's lies?

Now that US insiders have confessed ISIS was created by their closest allies (Saudis, Qatar, Turkey) to get rid of Assad, let's see who spread the 'false flag' lies, blaming ISIS on Assad.

## How Syria's Assad Helped Forge ISIS

By Simon Speakman Cordall  
Filed: 16/01/14 07:55:40 PM



Syria's Assad accused of boosting al-Qaeda with secret oil deals

Western intelligence suggests Bashar al-Assad collaborating with jihadists to persuade West the uprising is terrorist led

## The Telegraph



By Ruth Sherlock, in Istanbul and Richard Spence  
7:53PM GMT 20 Jan 2014

## It's Becoming Clear That Assad Fuelled The Al-Qaeda Surge That Has Kept Him In Power

MONDAY, 17 JAN 2014 10:00 AM  
NEWSWEEK



## Is the Assad Regime in League with al-Qaeda?

Opposition groups and their Western backers say that despite claims to be fighting terrorism, Bashar Assad is colluding with extremists

By Ayin Bakel / Beirut @newsweek Jan 27 2014 23 Comments

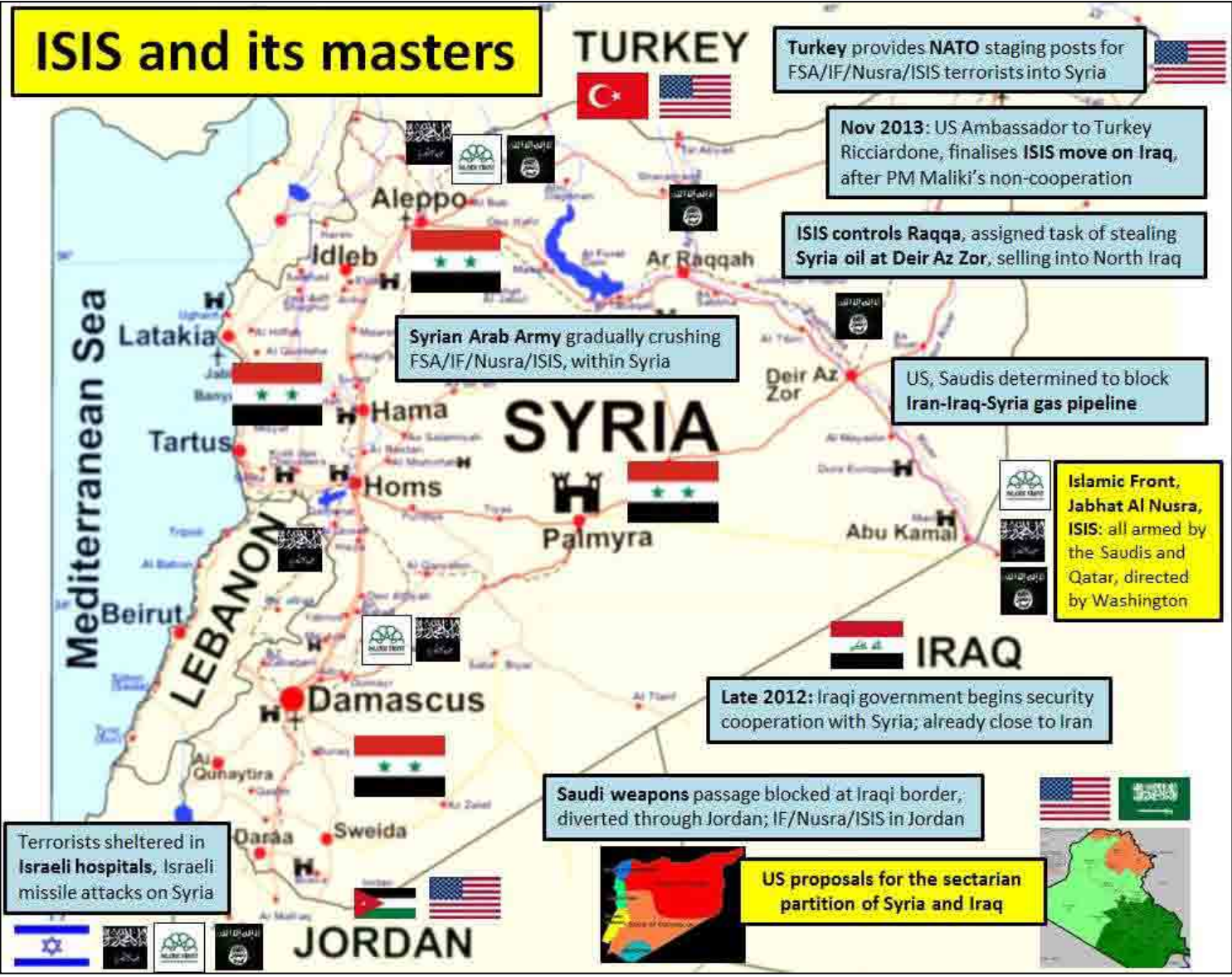


## The usual corporate media suspects, plus the imperial left!

Syria: Assad regime responsible for rise in religious sectarianism



By Michael Karadjis  
February 17, 2014



# The ISIS Game

## The PUBLIC Story

**International Crisis Group:** “a strong Salafi strand among Syria’s rebels”, but also “a moderate Islamic tradition”. Key FSA brigades are “pious rather than Islamist” – Dec 2012

29 groups of the **Free Syrian Army**, reacting to the ban on Jabhat al Nusra (al Qaeda): “we are all Jabhat al Nusra” – December 2012

**Barack Obama:** “America has worked with allies to provide humanitarian support, to help the moderate opposition” – September 2013

**Barack Obama:** “We are going to degrade and ultimately defeat ISIL, the same way that we have gone after Al Qaeda ... This is an operation that involves the world against ISIL” – Sept-Oct 2014

**US Defence Department:** “The U.S. will send about 400 troops to train the moderate Syrian opposition ... in Saudi Arabia, Turkey and Qatar” - Cmdr. Elissa Smith, Jan 2015

## The INSIDE Story

**US intel:** “The Salafist, the Muslim Brotherhood and AQI [al Qaeda in Iraq] are the major forces driving the insurgency in Syria ... AQI supported the Syrian Opposition from the beginning” - US DIA, August 2012

**US intel:** “There is the possibility of establishing a Salafist principality in Eastern Syria ... exactly what the supporting powers [the US, Saudis, Turkey, UK, France] to the opposition want, in order to isolate the Syrian regime” – US DIA, August 2012

**US Senator Lindsay Graham:** “Do you know any major Arab ally that embraces ISIL?” **General Martin Dempsey:** “I know major Arab allies who fund them.” **Graham:** “They fund them because the Free Syrian Army couldn’t fight Assad. They were trying to beat Assad” – Sept 2014

**US Vice President Joe Biden:** “[US allies Saudi Arabia, Turkey] were so determined to take down Assad ... They poured ... thousands of tons of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] al Nusra and al Qaeda ... [and] this outfit called ISIL” - October 2014

Hollywood war myths persist ... but this is the story they're too scared to touch



## How many Iraqi officials say Washington is arming ISIL?

**Salahuddin security commission:** 'unknown planes threw arms ... to the ISIL ... [at] Tikrit city' (FN Feb15).  
**Nahlah al-Hababi**, Iraqi woman MP: 'The international coalition is not serious about air strikes on ISIL terrorists ... terrorists are still receiving aid from unidentified fighter jets in Iraq and Syria' (FN Dec14).  
**Majid al-Gharawi**, Security and Defence Commission MP: US plane supplied ISIL with arms; US 'not serious' about fighting ISIL, wants to prolong the war to get bases in Mosul and Anbar (Iraq TradeLink, Dec15).  
**Jome Divan**, member of the al-Sadr bloc in the Iraqi parliament: The US coalition 'is only an excuse for protecting the ISIL and helping the terrorist group with equipment and weapons' (FN Feb15).  
**Khalaf Tarmouz**, Head of Al-Anbar Provincial Council, 'We have discovered weapons made in the US, European countries and Israel from the areas liberated from ISIL's control in Al-Baqdadi region' (FN Feb15).  
**Hakem al-Zameli**, head of National Security and Defence Committee: Iraqi forces shot down two British planes carrying weapons for ISIL – US coalition planes have dropped weapons and foodstuff for ISIL in Salahuddin, Al-Anbar and Diyala provinces (FN Feb15).  
**Wahhab al-Tayee**, senior Iraqi legislator, says Israeli military is training ISIL in the Sinai Peninsula for terrorist operations in Egypt (Al Alam Feb15).

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multiple 'accidents' - most of ISIL's weapons US made – no real progress in 'degrading' ISIL

**ISIS Video: America's Air Dropped Weapons Now in Our Hands**

U.S. accidentally delivered weapons to the Islamic State by airdrop, militants say



Pentagon drop arms to ISIL

Pentagon addresses video claiming U.S. accidentally delivered weapons to Islamic State (2:48)



# ISIS TRAP: the double game

The main reason Australia should NOT send troops "to fight ISIS"

U.S. suspects accused of sending military supplies to terrorists in Syria, Iraq

Planes bringing in arms to ISIS, Iraqi official says

By Paul Karim, CNN  
ID: 1201504111 (20150307) (March 7, 2015)

Iraq Arrests ISIL's US, Israeli Military Advisors in Mosul and transferred them to Baghdad

Saturday, March 7, 2015 15:56

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US, Israeli Military Advisors  
Accused of Aiding ISIL  
Arrested in Iraq

Unknown aircrafts drop weapons to ISIS

Iraqi MP claims Iraq downed British Plane with Arms for ISIS



Terrorists Supported by America: U.S. Helicopter Delivering Weapons to the Islamic State (ISIS), Shot Down by Iraqi "Popular Forces"

# ISIS-al Qaeda and Godfathers



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**L-R: Senator Lindsey Graham, North African Islamic State Commander Abdelhakim Belhadj (al Qaeda, Libyan Dawn, LIFG), Senator John McCain, Senator Richard Bumenthal**

# Who backs ISIS and how

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<p><b>Saudi Arabia</b></p> 	<p>2006: directed by Washington to create the Islamic State of Iraq (al Qaeda) to prevent Iraq getting close to Iran. 2011: armed the Islamist insurrection in Daraa, Syria. Financed and armed almost all the armed Islamists in Syria, maintaining divisions to limit their independent power.</p>
<p><b>Turkey</b></p> 	<p>Enabled safe passage for foreign Islamists to pass into northern Syria. With Saudi Arabia, created a Jabhat al Nusra (al Qaeda) led 'Army of Conquest' to invade north Syria in 2015. Hosts the Islamist leadership. Coordinates sale of Syrian oil stolen by ISIS. Medical treatment for ISIS.</p>
<p><b>Qatar</b></p> 	<p>2011-2013: Put billions of dollars into Muslim Brotherhood linked Islamist groups, like Farouq (FSA). After 2013 Qatar has backed the 'Army of Conquest' coalition and the Turkish-Saudi axis.</p>
<p><b>Israel</b></p> 	<p>Supply of arms and medical treatment to all Islamist fighters in Syria, including Nusra and ISIS. Coordination points at Golan border.</p>
<p><b>UK &amp; France</b></p> 	<p>Supply arms to 'rebel' Islamists, who work closely with the al Qaeda groups, systematically joining and delivering arms to them.</p>
<p><b>USA</b></p> 	<p>Directs and coordinates all of the above, making use of military bases in Turkey, Jordan, Qatar, Iraq and Saudi Arabia. Arms 'Syrian rebels' which then defect to ISIS. Pushes ISIS away from Kurdish areas but lets them attack Syria. Iraqi officials say the US directly supplies ISIS by air drops.</p>

For documentation of these facts see the forthcoming book: 'The Dirty War on Syria', by Tim Anderson

# Washington: ISIS 'misunderstood'



## Syria's Democracy Jihad

Why ISIS Fighters Support the Vote

By Vera Mirzova, Louba Mrie, Richard Nielsen, and Sam Witt



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You might find this 'surprising', but behind the public image, the genocidal beheaders are really 'democrats'



FP: "[OK, so] the Free Syrian Army (FSA) ... moderate, secular democratic reformers, have partnered with ... al-Nusra ... and ISIS ... [BUT] we conducted a survey of 50 Islamist fighters ... along with several sheiks ... [and] the Islamist fighters we interviewed were surprisingly supportive of democracy."

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# Washington's double game with ISIS

**1. The Syrian Arab Army is the only credible force fighting ISIS, helped by Hezbollah in western Syria.**

Middle East updates / Syrian army raid kills 140 ISIS fighters in Raqqa air raid

Syrian Army Foils ISIL Attack in Hasaka

Syrian army pounds ISIS strongholds in Hasakah, militants fight back

Up to 70 Syrian army chiefs beheaded by ISIS after jihadis make advance on second city of Idlib that has been held by Assad's forces for more than a year

• ISIS and the Al-Nusra front launched simultaneous attacks in 2015

ISIS battles Syrian army near world heritage site



Report: Syrian army kills 5 ISIS leaders

Syrian Army Counters ISIS at Deir Ezzor Industrial District Recaptured

ISIS and the Syrian Army Clash for Control of Southwest Palmyra

**2. US leaders & intel admit ISIS is backed by its major allies, gets US weapons and serves US purposes.**

**US-BACKED 'MODERATE' FREE SYRIAN ARMY FACTIONS JOIN ISIS TERROR GROUP**

Biden blames US allies in Middle East for rise of ISIS

General Dempsey acknowledges U.S. Arab allies funding ISIS

U.S. accidentally delivered weapons to the Islamic State by airdrop, militants say

**Pentagon Report Reveals US "Created" ISIS As A "Tool" To Overthrow Syria's President Assad**

*Assad's Forces May Be Aiding New ISIS Surge*

By ANNE BARNARD | JUNE 2, 2015

The New York Times

Assad's cooperation with ISIS could push U.S. into Syria conflict

Syrian regime's coordination with Islamic State against other rebel groups obligates Western, Arab coalition against ISIS to revise its current strategy of treating this fight as separate from the one against Assad.

By Zvi Barbi | Jun 2, 2015 | 6:36 AM

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**3. Washington pretends Assad's 'support' for ISIS justifies more direct intervention.**

U.S. Embassy Syria @USEmbassySyria

NB. 'US Embassy Syria' is actually in Jordan

Reports indicate that the regime is making air-strikes in support of #ISIL's advance on #Aleppo, aiding extremists against Syrian population

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# Cinematic war propaganda of the 21st century

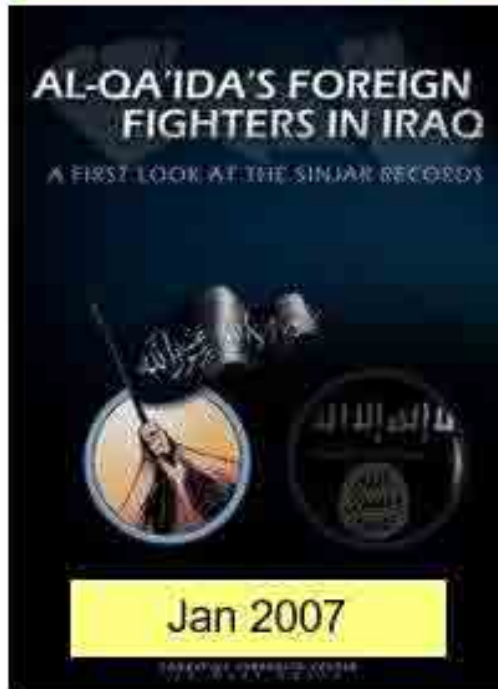


**2014: secured NATO military intervention in Iraq and Syria**



**2016: tried to secure more NATO air attacks in Syria - FAIL**

# The Saudi character of al Qaeda in Iraq (aka ISI, ISIS), 2007-2017



**The 'Sinjar Papers' 2007:**  
of the AQI/ISI fighters listed at Sinjar, the largest group were Saudis (41%); next were Libyans (19%).



Most of Daeshis left in Iraq are Saudis, Iraqi intelligence sources say



Why does Washington's close regional ally dominate ISIS?

# NO secret which criminal regime provides weapons to al Qaeda & ISIS in Syria





# US allows ISIS convoys safe passage from Mosul (Iraq) to Raqqa (Syria)



Abu Bakr Al-Baghdadi Flees to Raqqa

"THERE IS THE POSSIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A DECLARED OR UNDECLARED SALAFIST PRINCIPALITY IN EASTERN SYRIA ... EXACTLY WHAT [the US and its allies] WANT, IN ORDER TO ISOLATE THE SYRIAN REGIME." US DIA, 12 August 2012

# War on terror: how they keep us stupid



2016

**Sun**  
OBAMA CALLS ON CONGRESS TO FORMALLY  
DECLARE WAR ON ISIS IN OVAL OFFICE  
ADDRESS

**STEPPING UP THE FIGHT** UK soldiers  
to train Syrian opposition forces in  
fight against Isis

MoD to train groups in infantry, medical and explosive hazed  
awareness skills

BY EDMA LAZE 25th October 2014, (2:00 pm)

"The Salafist, the Muslim Brotherhood and AQI [al Qaeda in Iraq] are the major forces driving the insurgency in Syria ... [building a] Salafist principality in eastern Syria ... exactly what the [US and its allies] want, in order to isolate the Syrian regime" – US D.I.A. August 2012.

**General Martin Dempsey**, head of the US military: "I know major Arab allies who fund [ISIS]"; **Senator Lindsey Graham**: "They fund them because the Free Syrian Army couldn't fight Assad, they were trying to beat Assad" – September 2014.

US allies Turkey, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia "were so determined to take down Assad ... they poured hundreds of millions ... and thousands of tons of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] al Nusra and al Qaeda and ... this outfit called ISIL" – **US Vice President Joe Biden**, October 2014.

# Jund al Aqsa terrorists leave Nusra-led coalition to join **DAESH-ISIS** in Raqqa

Jund Al-Aqsa Terrorists Leaving Idlib for Raqqa

2017



JAA member (T) in White Helmet gear (R)

**Major atrocities:** February 2014 massacre of 40 civilians in Maan village, Hama.  
**Links:** White Helmets (see right)



Jund al Aqsa's major sponsors: Qatar, Saudi, Turkey

## Smooth flow of mercenaries from FSA groups to ISIS

Al Qaeda mercenaries from Idlib-Hama purchased to reinforce ISIS in Raqqa and Palmyra

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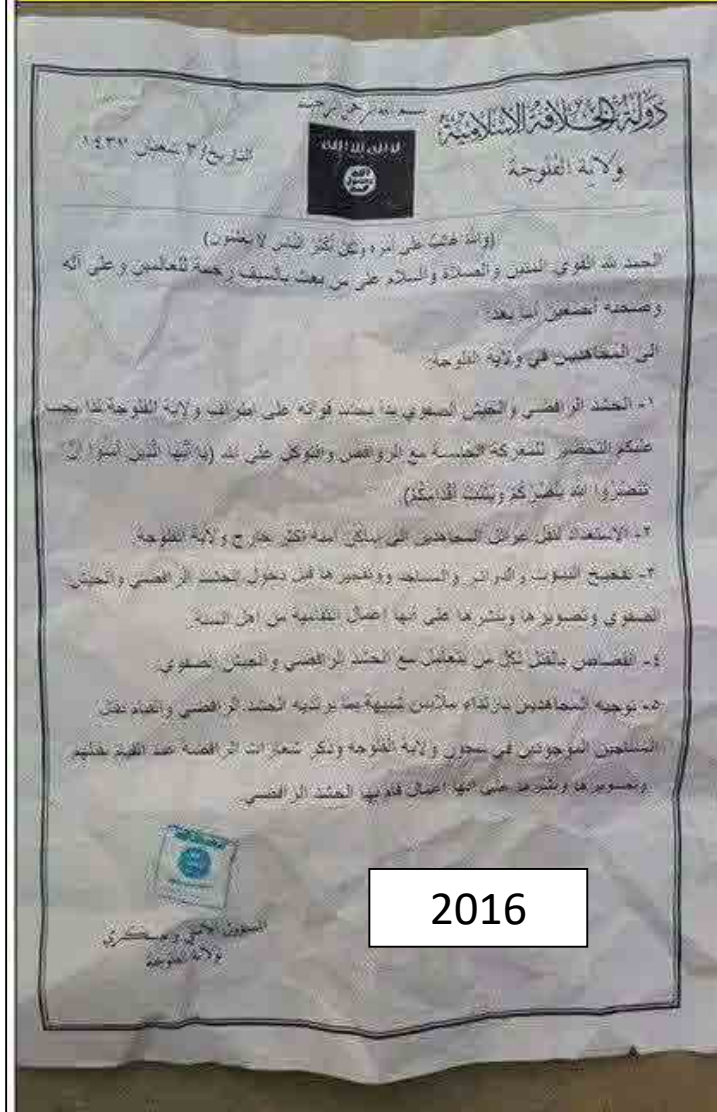
Over 2,000 radical rebels defect to ISIS following intra-rebel deal

# FSA-Nusra-ISIS: mergers and takeovers



2013

## The modus operandi of NATO-backed terrorist groups: commit shocking crimes, blame them on the Iraqi / Syrian Government



ISIS directives to its fighters in Fallujah on 3rd of Shaaban – 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> of May:

- 1) Hashd Al-Rafidi and the Safavid army [Iraqi government forces] have mobilized on the outskirts of Fallujah, therefore you have to prepare for the decisive battle against the Rafidis.
- 2) Preparation to move the families of the Mujahideen to a safer place outside Fallujah.
- 3) Setting up explosives in houses, government buildings and mosques and blowing them up before Hashd Al-Rafidi and the Safavid army enter, record it and publish it as revenge attacks against the Sunnis.
- 4) Punish by death anyone who works with the Hashd Al-Rafidi and the Safavid army.
- 5) Get the Mujahideen to wear similar outfit to the Hashd Al-Rafidi and get them to kill the prisoners in the jails of Fallujah, use Rafidi slogans when killing, record it and publish it as the act of Hashd Al-Rafidi.

[Translated by Ali Musawi – Press TV]

# 8 ways Turkey helps ISIS



Selling Syria's stolen oil: Bilal Erdogan (right, Recep's son) with ISIS fighters

Key US ally and major war criminal, President **Recep Tayyip Erdogan**, has disgraced the Turkish people



1	<b>Provides military equipment to ISIS</b>
2	<b>Provides transport and logistical assistance to ISIS</b>
3	<b>Provides training to ISIS fighters</b>
4	<b>Offers medical care to ISIS fighters</b>
5	<b>Supports ISIS financially through oil purchases</b>
6	<b>Turkish forces fight alongside ISIS</b>
7	<b>Helped ISIS in the battle for Kobane</b>
8	<b>Erdogan Government and ISIS share worldviews</b>



David L. Phillips of Columbia University documented 44 reports of evidence (in the above 8 categories) of Turkish Government support for ISIS, using only US, UK and Turkish (English language) media reports. [Search: "Research Paper: ISIS-Turkey List"]

# How we know Washington runs ISIL

1. Bush 2<sup>nd</sup> asked the Saudis to create ISI, to stop Iraq getting close to Iran



Dempsey continues to frustrate Obama with admission some Arab allies fund ISIS

3. ISIL uses mostly US weapons, direct or from other Islamist groups

DIA Docs: West Wants a "Salafist Principality in Eastern Syria"

2. Head of the US military Martin Dempsey admits "major Arab allies" finance ISIL

ISIL fighters show off weapons likely seized from US airdrop

Senior Iraqi Official: US Helicopters Drop Weapons, Ammunitions for ISIL in Anbar

4. US intel (DIA) admits ISIL's 'salafist principality in Syria' serves US interests

1. Seymour Hersh (2007) 'The Redirection', New Yorker, 5 March; Brian Fishman, Joseph Felter (2007) *Al-Qa'ida's Foreign Fighters in Iraq: A First Look at the Sinjar Records*, Combating Terrorism Center, West Point, New York
2. Washington Blog (2014) 'Top U.S. Military Official: Our Arab "Allies" Support ISIS', 16 September
3. FARS News (2015) 'Pentagon Directly Supports the "Islamic State"', Global Research, 29 July; Sarah Lazare (2014) 'ISIL Fighting With Weapons From US and 'Moderate' Syrian Rebels: Report', Juan Cole, 11 September
4. Levant report (2015) 2012 'West will facilitate rise of Islamic State "in order to isolate the Syrian regime"', 19 May





# Permanent war?

**Biden:  
Turks,  
Saudis, UAE  
funded and  
armed Al  
Nusra and  
Al Qaeda**

**Panetta Predicts '30-Year War' Against ISIS**

Plans for Redrawing the Middle East: The Project for a "New Middle East"

How ISIS Ended Up Stocked with American Weapons

UN: Proven Ties Between ISIS And Israel



'ISI could also declare an Islamic state through its union with other terrorist organisations ... This is exactly what the supporting powers [the West, Gulf countries, Turkey] to the opposition want, in order to isolate the Syrian regime' - US Intel (DIA), Aug 2012

# The emperor has no clothes

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'The Salafist, the Muslim Brotherhood and AQI (Al Qaeda in Iraq) are the major forces driving the insurgency in Syria .. AQI supported the Syrian Opposition from the beginning' - US Intel (DIA), Aug 2012

## My favourite 'conspiracy theory', in admissions: Washington created al Qaeda



**Condoleezza Rice (July 2006):** Israeli invasion of Lebanon is part of:  
"creative chaos ... the birth pangs of a new Middle East"

**Martin Indyk, US State Dept (2007):** 'The Middle East is heading into a serious  
Sunni-Shiite cold war ... the White House is doubling the bet across the region.'

**Hillary Clinton (Dec 2011):**

"The people we are fighting today (al Qaeda), we funded 20 years ago"

**US DIA (Aug 2012):** "The Salafist, the Muslim Brotherhood and AQI [al Qaeda]  
are the major forces driving the insurgency in Syria ... [they may create a] Salafist  
principality in eastern Syria ... exactly what ... [the US and its allies] want."

**Head of US military Gen. Martin Dempsey (Aug 2014):**

"I know major Arab allies who fund [ISIS]"

**John Podesta, Clinton aid (Sept 2014):** "the governments of Qatar and Saudi  
Arabia ... are providing clandestine financial and logistic support to ISIL".

**US Vice President Joe Biden (Aug 2014):** "Turkey, Qatar, the UAE and Saudi  
Arabia "were so determined to take down Assad ... they poured ... thousands of  
tons of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] al  
Nusra and al Qaeda and ... ISIL".

# Moderate Head-Choppers

# What conflict of interest? the 'Syrian Observatory'



'Regime slaughters Syrian civilians with barrel bombs'? That'll be Rami, chief propagandist for the 'moderate' head choppers in Syria.



**Syrian**  
observatory  
for  
human rights



The regime helicopters drop barrel bombs

Muslim Brotherhood PR at work:  
Rami on the phone, Al Jazeera on TV

3,000 "Moderate Rebels" Defect to the Islamic State (ISIS)

Every western media channel uses Rami Abdul Rahman, the 'Syrian Observatory for Human Rights' as principal source for data on 'regime atrocities' in Syria. From England Rami's SOHR flies the flag of armed groups in Syria, while distancing himself from ISIS.

Working with Brit intelligence: 'Money from two dress shops [in Coventry] covers his minimal needs ... along with small subsidies from the European Union and one European country that he declines to identify' - NYT, 9/4/13



# FSA and ISIS, two (squabbling) peas in a pod

## Leak "Rebels" in Syria



FSA and ISIS, now called Assad fighters, were once allies. In fact, FSA wouldn't have survived

40:00:00 of long without them.



ISIS emir Abu Jandal: "In the name of Allah, my blessed be upon his Prophet, we thank



FSA colonel Abed el Jaber Oqaidi: "In the name of Allah, my blessed be upon his Prophet, we thank

Speeches by FSA leader (Col. Abed el Jaber Oqaidi) and ISIS Emir (Abu Jandal) after 2013 seizure of Menagh airbase (Aleppo)

# Moderate Rebels Inc.

## Humanitarian Heroes of Syria since 2011



FSA, Baniyas, 2011



FSA, Homs, 2012



Farouq (FSA), al Houla, 2013



ISIS, Raqqa, 2014  
'the bad guys'



Al Nusra, Khan Sheikhoun, Idlib, 2014



Ahrar as Sham (FSA), al-Zara, Homs, 2016



Al Zinki (FSA), Aleppo, 2016

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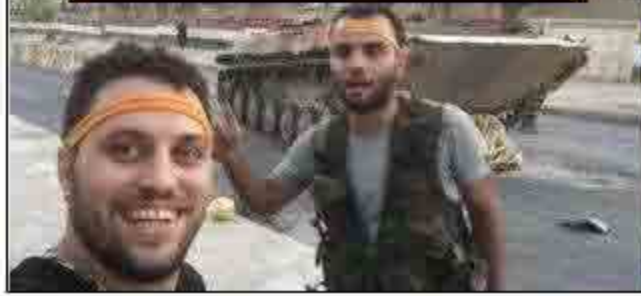
**'Media activist' jihadist sucks in western media:  
photographer of 'Omran' linked to child beheaders Nour al-Din al Zenki**



**Mahmoud Raslan presents fake photo of wounded child 'Omran', blames Syrian Army**

Elizabeth Tsurkov  
East Aleppo media activist Mahmoud Raslan in Ramoush today. Behind: a tank captured by the rebels. [pic.twitter.com/9aqaTPYHL2](https://pic.twitter.com/9aqaTPYHL2)  
10:56 AM - 9 Feb 2016

**'East Aleppo media activist' Mahmoud Raslan with 'rebels'**



**Mahmoud Raslan with al Zinki child beheaders**



# How the corporate media turns sectarian beheaders into humanitarian heroes

2016

الإعلام

Omran's photographer, Mahmoud Rslan, has al Zinki flag and 'martyrs' on his FB page

Injured five-year-old Syrian boy reunited with his parents

SBS WORLD NEWS

Al Qaeda rep. delivers his humanitarian message on Australian state television

Mahmoud Rslan

Little Omran: symbol of what??

Mostafa Mahamed  
Fath al-Sham Foreign Media Relations Director

Mahmoud Raslan 'media activist' (left) with the al Zinki beheaders of a 12 year old Palestinian boy (right) in Aleppo

SBS calls former Sydney preacher **Mostafa Mahammed** (top right, aka Mahamed Faraq) "Fath al-Sham Foreign Media Relations Director". Fath al-Sham = the banned terrorist group Jabhat al-Nusrah = aka al-Qa'ida. Mostafa is on a US list of "Specially Designated Global Terrorists". Australian Foreign Minister Julie Bishop said he "has recruited Australians to fight for Al-Nusrah Front."



**Remember the ones who complained about 'barrel bombs', pretending they were 'civilians'?**

**This is all they had to offer the Syrian people**

Aleppo, July 2016

# NATO-jihadists killing each other in Daraa and Idlib; residents protest against Nusra

Syria: Several ISIL Members Killed in FSA Ambush in Dara'a

2016

Residents of Idlib town protest to force Nusra out

"Idlib residents organized an anti-Nusra protest holding aloft signs reading "Syria is free, get out of here Nusra"



Clashes Intensified amongst Rival Terrorists in Syria's Idlib



"Jeish Khalid Bin Valid terrorist group kicked off a massive offensive on rival groups in Northwestern Dara'a ten days ago ... at least 163 militants from battling parties were killed ... [and] a number of civilians, including children have lost their lives" - FARSNA

Al-Nusra Front with Nouralddeen al-Zinki, Jeish al-Sonah, Jabhat Ansar aldeen and Liwa al-Haq formed a new coalition called Tahrir Al-Sham Hay'at, commanded by Abu Jaber Hashem al-Sheikh, a former commanders of Ahrar al-Sham, now fighting against Ahrar al-Sham. - FARSNA

# 'Liberated Kafranbel': moderate head-choppers

The Kafranbel group, led by **Raed Fares**, appeals to US funders through the freedom to be trans-gender (below). All their women are in Burkhas (Left).



**Raed Fares** denounces 'All Islamists' while in the US. Back in 'Liberated Kafranbel' they don't mind beheading, 'catastrophe' and unlimited killing. *New Internationalist* backs these 'non-violent good guys'.

2016

The cat man of Aleppo - BBC News

BBC NEWS

Life Under Siege  
The cat man of Aleppo

Apocalypse meow: ISIS issues a fatwa on cat breeders living within their 'caliphate' and begins searching houses for kittens in Mosul

Daily Mail

According to the colonial media, kittens distinguish the moderate head choppers from the evil ISIS

A collage of images and text. At the top left is a small photo of a man with a child. To its right is a BBC News banner with the text 'The cat man of Aleppo - BBC News' and '2016' in a white box. Below the banner is a larger photo of a man holding a cat. To the right of the BBC banner is a Daily Mail article snippet with the headline 'Apocalypse meow: ISIS issues a fatwa on cat breeders living within their 'caliphate' and begins searching houses for kittens in Mosul'. Below the Daily Mail headline is a photo of a man with a beard holding a kitten. At the bottom of the collage is a yellow banner with the text 'According to the colonial media, kittens distinguish the moderate head choppers from the evil ISIS'. The background of the collage includes various images of people, cats, and military equipment.

2013

General al-Okaidi

Abu Jandal

2016

CIA freezes funds for its 'Free Syrian Army'

Exclusive: CIA backed aid for Syrian rebels frozen after Islamist attack

Report: CIA gave up on backing Syrian rebels

# CIA IN SYRIA

# US-backed 'moderate rebels' and their ISIS allies commit multiple atrocities in Syria: Hama, Aleppo and Damascus

5 CIVILIANS KILLED, 20 INJURED IN TERRORIST CAR BOMB BLAST IN DAMASCUS COUNTRYSIDE

Steven Sahiounie on Aleppo: 'terrorist groups launched over 1,000 missiles ... on schools, hospitals, houses, homes .. Over 150 injured, tens of them dead'

Attacks in government-controlled Aleppo kill 9



16 CIVILIANS KILLED, SCORES INJURED IN TERRORIST ATTACKS ON ALEPPO AND DARAA



10,000 Al-Nusra militants surrounding Aleppo, blockade the city – Russian military



2015

# Rebranding al Qaeda

2015



Kelly Jarrett, Executive Producer, Al Jazeera

**Journalists who spread lies in support of the Dirty War on Syria**

**Kelly Jarrett told her Al Jazeera staff: 'Stop referring to al Nusra as 'al-Qaeda affiliated''**  
"Syria's war is complex and the battlefield is crowded with competing ideologies and aims ... The reality is that al-Qaeda isn't the organisation it used to be and it's irrelevant in this context. Al Nusra Front is part of Syria's rebel coalition which is made up of multiple armed rebel groups including many based on religious ideology with various funding streams, our viewers need to understand that these armed groups form the main opposition to the government led by President Assad" - Memo from Kelly Jarrett, Executive Producer of news, Al Jazeera English



**UN blacklists Syria's al-Nusra Front**  
The UN Security Council adds al Nusra Front, a hard-line group in Syria, to blacklist.



Terrorist Designations of the al-Nusra Front as an Alias for al-Qa'ida in Iraq



# Those moderate genocidal 'rebels'

US-BACKED OPPOSITION OFFICIAL CALLS FOR EXTERMINATION OF ALAWITES IN SYRIA

In their own words

Veterans Today



2015

**Abdullah al-Ali:** "Exterminating Nusayri [Alawi] Christian ... villages is more important than liberating the Syrian capital."



**Lamia Nahas:** "The more the minorities get arrogance in Syria the more I'm certain they must be burned, cancelling them from existence, and may mercy be upon the spirit of Hitler, who burned the Jews of his time, and Sultan Abu Hamid, who annihilated the Armenians"

# Russia and the Axis of Resistance

## Istanbul summit tries to increase pressure on Syria

Foreign ministers from more than 70 Western and Arab countries have sought to increase pressure on Syria at a key meeting in Istanbul.

The "Friends of the Syrian People" summit warned Damascus not to stall on implementing a UN-Arab peace plan and stressed support for the opposition.

However key players remained absent, including Russia, China and Iran.



The UK Foreign Secretary spoke of plans for "a managed transition, a political transition" in Syria

**Ankara 'Friends of Syria' agenda:** regime change 'peace plan', armed rebellion against Syrian government (main players: USA, Britain, France, Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Qatar)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-middle-east-17576134>

2012

## Who are Syria's real friends?

**Tehran conference agenda** (main players: Iran, Russia, China, Iraq, India, Venezuela, Palestine): end foreign arms currently flowing into terrorist hands inside Syria, broker a meaningful ceasefire, coordinate humanitarian aid, and support the Syrian people's right to reform without foreign interference.

<http://landdestroyer.blogspot.fi/2012/08/the-syrian-government-is-not-isolated.html>

### 30 Nation International Consultative Conference on Syria

Hosted by Iran regarding Syria - attending were representatives from Russia, China, Belarus, Mauritania, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Georgia, Turkmenistan, Benin, Sri Lanka, Ecuador, Afghanistan, Pakistan, Algeria, Iraq, Zimbabwe, Oman, Venezuela, Tajikistan, India, Kazakhstan, Armenia, Nicaragua, Cuba, Sudan, Jordan, Tunisia and Palestine



3.4 billion people represented - over half the world's population.

# The plain truth

Hezbollah leader on Charlie Hebdo: 'Extremists more offensive to Islam than cartoons'

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2015



**"Takfiris are the biggest threat to Islam ... [more than those] who insulted the prophet in films ... or cartoons"**

Lebanon's Hezbollah leader Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah.(Reuters / Hasan Shaaban)

## Nasrallah: 'International Coalition to fight ISIS' is a US cloak to re-occupy region

2014



**Sayyed Hassan Nasrallah:** "The US is not morally qualified to lead an anti-terrorism coalition because it is the mother of terrorism as it supports the terrorist entity (Israel). The US has participated in creating terrorist groups in Syria, Iraq and in other countries ... we are against ISIS and all other takfiri organizations because they constitute a threat to all the peoples of the region"

# Militant Islam for Dummies

## The Resistance

- a. Actively oppose foreign domination
- b. Non-sectarian cooperation



## Takfiris

- a. Sectarian terrorists
- b. Collaborate with the big powers



In western doublespeak the **Resistance** are 'dictators' and 'terrorists';  
while the **Takfiris** are 'moderate rebels' or 'moderate Islamists'

# What exactly is Russia doing in Syria?

## Why?



2015

Thousands of foreigners fighting with terrorists in Syria came from Russia and neighboring ex-Soviet countries. Dealing with them in Syria is better than allowing them to return.

## Who allowed it?



The Syrian government asked Russia's help. That gives the legal ground for sending troops to Syria (unlike the US-led coalition which bombs targets in Syria uninvited and without a UN mandate).

## How?



Graphics from RT

By providing air support for Syrian Army troops. No ground combat missions are planned.

Why is Washington upset? The US and its allies finance and arm ALL the terrorist groups in Syria

## Who is helping?



Iran and Iraq are on board through an information sharing center in Baghdad. Will the US-led anti-ISIS coalition take part? Well, it's an open issue right now.

A photograph of Vladimir Putin in a dark suit and tie walking past a large military fighter jet. The scene is dusty and hazy. A person in a military uniform and helmet is seen from behind in the foreground, walking away from the camera towards the jet. A yellow text box is overlaid on the top left of the image.

## The double game exposed

2015

“It is always difficult to play a double game: declaring a fight against terrorists and simultaneously trying to use some to place pieces on the Middle Eastern chess board to pursue their own interests ... [do the] so-called moderate bandits behead people moderately?” – Vladimir Putin



# Two reasons why Israel is NOT happy with new Lebanese President, Michel Aoun

2016



Former General Michel Aoun has developed good relationships with Hezbollah and Syria



Aoun: Never concealed his ambition to become president  
Photo: AFP

## General Michel Aoun is bad news for Israel

Analysis: If Aoun, who is known for championing the cause of the Lebanese diaspora, is elected president in Lebanon, he will be the country's prime minister and dictate its foreign policy. Israel is concerned, this means quite a headache.



## Lebanon's new pro-Hezbollah president vows to retake 'Israeli-occupied' land

THE JERUSALEM POST

# Syria and Russia bring Egypt into the alliance

LAUROV, SHOUKRY DISCUSS SITUATION IN SYRIA



2016

Egypt Begins Humanitarian Efforts in Syria, Aid Coordination in Aleppo

Iran 'wanted Egypt at Syria talks' as Middle Eastern alliances shift

MAJ. GEN. AL-MAMLOUK MEETS SENIOR EGYPTIAN SECURITY OFFICIALS IN CAIRO. COUNTERTERRORISM COOPERATION DISCUSSED

Arab Analyst: Riyadh-Cairo Honeymoon Ended



Egypt to send ground troops to Syria in support of Assad: report



Reports: Egyptian Officers Undergo Russian Military Training in Syria

Syrian government and Egypt agree to 'fight terrorism'

RUSSIA SUPPORTS PARTICIPATION OF IRAN, IRAQ, EGYPT IN LAUSANNE TALKS ON SYRIA



'The two sides agreed on coordinating stances politically between Syria and Egypt, in addition to boosting coordination for combating terrorism hitting both countries.'

While the US gave a cinematic prize to an al Qaeda front group, for helping murder thousands of Syrians, Russia delivered 17 thousand tons of wheat to Syria

**A SHIPMENT OF 17394 TONS OF WHEAT, SENT BY RUSSIA TO SYRIAN PEOPLE, ARRIVE IN TARTOUS**



2017

<http://sana.sy/en/?p=101022>

# Russia awards medals to commanders of Palestinian-Syrian militia *Liwa al Quds*



## The best of Vladimir Putin



"It is extremely dangerous to encourage people to see themselves as exceptional, whatever the motivation ... We are all different, but ... God created us equal."

"Rise above the endless desire to dominate. You must stop acting out of imperialistic ambitions. Do not poison the consciousness of millions of people, like there can be no other way but imperialistic politics."

"The Islamic State did not just come from nowhere. It was also initially forged as a tool against undesirable secular regimes."



"The export of so-called 'democratic' revolutions ... has resulted in the brazen destruction of national institutions."



"No one doubts that poison gas was used in Syria. But there is every reason to believe it was used not by the Syrian Army, but by opposition forces, to provoke intervention by their powerful foreign patrons."



# Iraq's victory at Ramadi, the colonial illusions

Iraq's prime minister in Ramadi to hail liberation from Daesh



Why success against the Islamic State in Ramadi hints at U.S. military strategy to come

2015

The Washington Post

Iraq: Popular Forces' Commander Reveals US Plots to Evacuate ISIL Leaders from Ramadi



Australian military praised for 'vital' role in Iraqi recapture of Ramadi from Isis

theguardian

Ash Carter Confirms Airstrike Hit Iraqi Troops by Accident

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

Costly gains in Iraqi city vindicate U.S.-led strategy

The Associated Press

22 Iraqi Troops Killed in US Airstrikes in Ramadi



U.S.: Airstrike that killed 10 Iraqi soldiers was 'a mistake that involved both sides'

The Washington Post

US Spins Ramadi Capture as 'Vindication' for Failed Tactics in Daesh War



Retaking of Ramadi proves US-led strategy, but at high Iraqi cost

THE TIMES OF ISRAEL

'The recapture of Ramadi by the Iraqi Army dealt a major a blow to Daesh, also known as ISIL/Islamic State, and the Obama administration is desperate to take credit for the victory as a means for justifying Washington's failed anti-terror strategy'. – Sputnik, 31/12/15

# Humanitarian War

# War on Syria: how they tried to fool us



**March 2011, Daraa:** There were indeed 'peaceful protestors' in Daraa, but they did not begin the sniper fire on police and crowds. Saudi Arabia military later admits arming jihadist Salafis to begin an insurrection.

**May 2012, Houla massacre.** Massacre of 108 villagers. US chaired inquiry tries to blame unnamed government 'thugs'. No motive. Yet 15 independent witnesses say the Farouk Brigade (FSA), leaving Homs, slaughtered pro-government people.



**August 2013, East Ghouta chemical weapons:** Chemical weapons used by terrorists, blamed on the government. No motive. Children photos were not from that area. US MIT scientists say "impossible" that those rockets were fired by the Syrian Army

**Jan 2014, torture photos:** Thousands of photos from a morgue said to be prisoners tortured to death. Even the US group 'Human Rights Watch' admits that at least half the photos are of Syrian security forces and other victims of terrorist attacks.



**2014-2016, 'barrel bombs':** Syrian Army bombs terrorists. Armed groups pretend to be 'civilians', while firing their own crude, home-made bombs (right) into Syria's cities.



**2016, 'hospitals bombed':** Syrian and Russian bombing of terrorists has included their covert clinics. Western media ignores 'moderate' bombing of Syria's public hospitals.

**Most of what you have been told about this dirty war, from western governments and media, is false**

**More information: The Dirty War on Syria** (2016) by Tim Anderson:

<http://www.globalresearch.ca/the-dirty-war-on-syria-washington-regime-change-and-resistance/5504372>



# Humanitarian intervention: the grand alliance

	Neo-cons	Liberals	Imperial Left
			
Source of information	Western corporate media	Western corporate media	Western corporate media
How they see independent states	Obstacle to imperial rule	Tinpot dictators who need western values	Ruling class outfits, need 'revolution'
Reaction?	Bomb them	Bomb them	Bomb them

# Navi Pillay: had she said one word against those waging war on Syria we might have paid attention

## Bashar al-Assad implicated in Syria war crimes, says UN

UN inquiry finds 'massive evidence' that president is responsible for crimes against humanity as conflict's death toll hits 126,000

Lee Black, Middle East editor  
The Guardian, Tuesday 3 December 2013 05:12 AEST  
[Jump to comments \(165\)](#)



2013



WMD Productions presents: 'Saving the Middle East, one country at a time'

# Humanitarian imperialism

2012

Right: **Suzanne Nossel** went directly from Hilary Clinton's State Department to head **Amnesty International (USA)**. Runs the same WMD fabrications and 'humanitarian intervention' demands.



## THE WHITE HELMETS

2015



## Oops! No WMD's



Left: **Purpose & Avaaz** (Wall Street) invention 'The White Helmets' assist in cleaning up after an al Qaeda execution in Syria



[http://www.liveleak.com/view?i=fd8\\_1430900709](http://www.liveleak.com/view?i=fd8_1430900709)

## AVAAZ.ORG

Safe zone for Syrians, now!



**Al Qaeda's humanitarian organization**



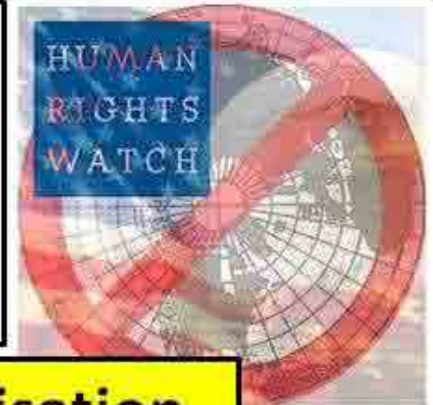
Right: **UNHCR** special envoy **Angelina Jolie**, calls for the bombing of Syria ('No Fly Zone', 2015) posing in Baghdad (2008) with leader of humanitarian mission to Iraq, David Petraeus.



# There's something you should know about 'Human Rights Watch'

It targets US enemies, backs 'humanitarian' bombing and torture-  
renditions, run by a Washington elite, funded by a Zionist billionaire

**Examples of the 'revolving door', under Democrat regimes:**  
**Tom Malinowski**, HRW advocacy director, former assistant to Bill Clinton. Left HRW 2013 to become Assistant Secretary of State  
**Susan Manilow**, former HRW director, friend of Bill Clinton, hosted 'dozens of events' for the US Democratic Party.  
**Miguel Diaz**, HRW advisor, former CIA agent now at the State Dept.  
**Myles Frechette**, HRW advisor, former US Ambassador to Colombia  
**Holly Burkhalter**, HRW Director for 14 years, wrote Sec of State's option paper (2000) on 'Humanitarian Intervention'



## It's a fake, front organisation

HRW boss Kenneth Roth wanted more than just a 'symbolic' bombing of Syria

Director Tom Malinowski argues: a 'legitimate place' for renditions

HRW's Americas director José Miguel Vivanco: vicious attacks on Venezuela

**Nobel Peace Laureates to Human Rights Watch: Close Your Revolving Door to U.S. Government**  
*The leading human rights organization's close ties to the independence into question.*

**George Soros gives \$100 million to Human Rights Watch**  
 Billionaire's biggest single grant to an American organisation will allow HRW to expand its reach into developing nations.



## HRW on Syria: partisan from the beginning

**“The protest movement in Syria was overwhelmingly peaceful until September 2011” -**

Human Rights Watch, March 2012, Washington

“The claim that armed opposition to the government has begun only recently is a complete lie. The killings of soldiers, police and civilians, often **in the most brutal circumstances, have been going on virtually since the beginning.**” - Professor Jeremy Salt, October 2011, Ankara Turkey

**By early 2012 police and military were more than half the 5,000 dead in Syria - OHCHR (DWS, p.65)**



Daraa 18 March 2011



**Father Frans Van der Lugt**  
Jesuit priest. Lived in Homs (Syria) for 48 years. Murdered by Jabhat al Nusra, 7 April 2014.

**Father Frans Van der Lugt, January 2012, Homs**

‘Most citizens in Syria do not support the [armed] opposition ... you cannot say that this is a popular uprising ... From the beginning the protest movements have not merely been peaceful. I have seen from the beginning armed protesters in those demonstrations walking around, they were the first to fire on the police. Very often the violence of the security forces comes in response to the brutal violence of the armed insurgents ... Most Christian leaders stand behind [Bashar] because they are convinced that they would be worse with any alternative.’

# More Lies on Syria, from Human Rights Watch

Human Rights Watch  
@hrw

Syria Dropped Barrel Bombs Despite Ban  
[bit.ly/1DWwG36](https://bit.ly/1DWwG36) via @NYTimes



No, it's Kobane (Ayn al-Arab), after ISIS attacks, US bombing and Kurdish resistance

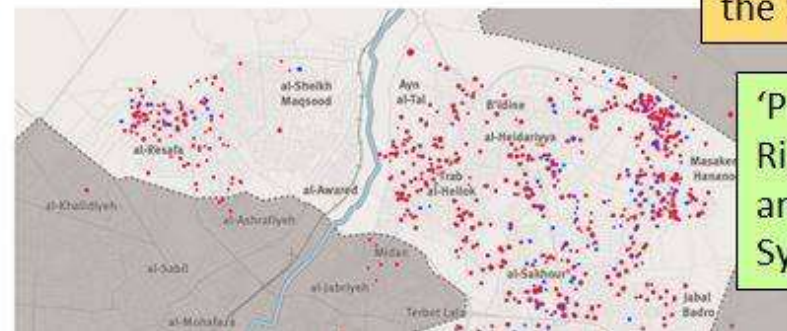


SYRIAN GOVERNMENT BOMBARDMENT OF  
OPPOSITION-HELD DISTRICTS IN ALEPPO

MAJOR DAMAGE SITES:

● Before UN Security Council Resolution 2139  
November 1, 2013 - February 21, 2014

● After UN Security Council Resolution 2139  
February 22, 2014 - January 25, 2015



The actual HRW report mainly charts bombing of terrorist held parts of Aleppo (left), for which the Syrian Government makes no apology

'Partially funded by George Soros, Human Rights Watch has repeatedly shilled for NATO and America's imperialist aims, particularly in Syria.' – Brandon Turbeville, March 2015

# How many war propaganda lies does it take to make HRW a war criminal?

system; and the documented possession of the 140mm and 330mm rocket systems able to deliver chemical weapons in the government arsenal—all point towards Syrian government re

The authors concluded that sarin gas "could not possibly have been fired at East Ghouta from the 'heart', or from the Eastern edge, of the Syrian government controlled area shown in the intelligence map



**R: Human Rights Watch (9/13) claims Syrian Army gassed children in East Ghouta - independent MIT experts (Lloyd and Postol) say the HRW/White House logistical claims are impossible.**



**L: Human Rights Watch (2/15) uses photo of Kobane Kurdish site of ISIS attacks and US bombing, to claim the Syrian Army is 'barrel bombing' civilians.**



Kobane (Kurdish Syria), after attacks by ISIS.

Refugees in half built block, Aleppo



**R: Human Rights Watch boss Ken Roth repeatedly uses photo of Government held areas in Aleppo, to claim the Syrian Army is 'barrel bombing' civilians in Aleppo.**



Gaza, after attack by Israelis.

Pro-government area of Hamidiyeh (Aleppo), attacked by Islamists.

**L: Human Rights Watch boss Ken Roth (5/15) uses photo of Gaza, after Israeli bombing, to claim the Syrian Army is 'barrel bombing' civilians in Aleppo.**

# The problems with 'humanitarian corridors' in war torn Syria

NATO-backed terrorists will dishonour agreements and force a 'siege'

**Yarmouk** – "The **al-Nusra** Front has re-positioned itself within Syria's Yarmouk camp [in Damascus] ... a 'dangerous escalation' that prevented humanitarian aid from entering the camp and made it impossible for sick patients to leave ... all non-Palestinian militant factions [had] agreed to leave Yarmouk on Feb 11 in a deal to allow humanitarian aid to the camp" - Ma'an News Agency, 19/03/14



The gangs will steal the aid, attack convoys and blame 'the regime', with corporate media help

**Homs** – "The convoy came under attack from mortars and gunfire as it was leaving Homs ... the second day of the humanitarian ceasefire. Syrian authorities have blamed the attack on rebels, but they in turn say that President Bashar al-Assad's forces were responsible" - CNN 9/02/14

Sectarian gangs will steal the aid and tax the people

**Yabroud** – "Um Qusai claimed that the **Jabhat al-Nusra** fighters ... forced the people in the town to pay high prices for the food they brought in. The Christians had to pay even higher prices as a tax because of their religion. And much of the food, she said, was UN humanitarian aid from across the border in Lebanon" – Robert Fisk, 17/03/14



**HANDS OFF SYRIA** says: 'The Syrian state is *by far* the largest aid provider in Syria. If you want to help the Syrian people, work with and respect their state.'



# 'The Syria Campaign' joins the list of fake NGOs backing the war against Syria

Just try to find out who is behind 'The Syria Campaign'. The founders and funders are well hidden. This most secretive of fake NGOs has recently entered the war on Syria, backing military intervention and campaigning against the Syrian peoples' right to choose their own government.



Facebook pressured to refuse access to Assad campaign in Syria election

- Sawa page attracts 200,000 likes as Facebook 'terminates' ads
- Syria Campaign says president 'should be beyond the pale'

The Syria Campaign is a faceless online agency, attempting to show that 'people from all over the world' oppose President Assad, oppose Syria's elections and support 'humanitarian intervention'.



'The Syria Campaign' (for a 'peaceful and free Syria') joins established Washington front groups: **Human Rights First** ('American Ideals') and **Human Rights Watch** (George Soros plus the State Dept).

Recognise Washington's 'embedded watchdogs'

# New York P.R. agencies churn out fake 'Syrian' NGOs



The Syria Campaign, The White Helmets and Syrian Voices say 'people from all over the world' oppose the Syrian government and support 'humanitarian intervention'

**PURPOSE IS HIRING**  
JOIN THE SYRIA CAMPAIGN

Job Detail for Social Media Intern, Syrian Voices Movement

Job Location: Purpose Inc, New York, NY, 10178

*A Global Team Tackling the Biggest Problems of Our Time*

New York PR Agency **Purpose**, backed by New York lobby **Avaaz**, set up all three fake NGOs

**Jeremy Heimans** (right), Australian-born New York based PR man, co-founder of GetUp, Avaaz and CEO at **Purpose**. "Jeremy was named a Young Global Leader by the World Economic Forum"



In 2012 **Avaaz** was implicated in sponsoring fabricated videos of civilian massacres, to back deeper foreign intervention in Syria.

NGO Propaganda: Who is Behind the Massacres in Syria?  
Avaaz Spreads Media Disinformation

March 03, 2012  
How Avaaz Is Sponsoring Fake War Propaganda From Syria

## US desperate to stop attacks on ISIS and al Qaeda

### Kerry warns about Syria's continued airstrikes



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### US Asks Iraq to End Volunteer Forces' Anti-ISIS Role

Iraqi official: "The US is exerting a lot of pressure to weaken the Iraqi volunteer forces and prevent them from advancing towards Salahuddin and Anbar provinces."

**Master of double-speak blames everybody but himself. Claims Syria and Iraq are not allowed to defend themselves from NATO backed terrorists.**

### Kerry 'blames opposition' for continued Syria bombing

Kerry blamed the Syrian opposition for leaving the talks and ... a joint offensive by the Syrian government and Russia on Aleppo. "He said, 'Don't blame me – go and blame your opposition.'"

### Kerry: Russia's 'Dumb Bombs' in Syria Won't Stop 'By Whining About It'

### Russia must stop bombing women, children in Syria: John Kerry

**SUPPORTING SYRIA & THE REGION**  
EST. 2011

## Bad al Qaeda, Good al Qaeda



**Dr Rafiq SABIR:** Jailed for 25 years in the USA for conspiring to provide material support to Al Qaeda in **Saudi Arabia**



**Dr Joanne Liu, MSF:** wants a medal for providing material support to al Qaeda (aka al Nusra) in **Syria**

## MSF mis-information on Syria, 25 Nov 2016

### Syria: Renewed Mass Casualty Attacks Around Damascus and Homs Kill, Wound Scores of Civilians

November 25, 2016



The intensity of attacks in besieged areas near Damascus and Homs has increased dramatically since more, leading to significant increases in mass casualty influxes:

Just today, Friday, multiple airstrikes again hit East Ghouta, an area of besieged towns near Damascus. Medics in the area are reporting many casualties, including women and children, but the tally of today's war-wounded and war-dead is not yet complete.

It's part of a very disturbing trend: From November 17 onwards, MSF-supported facilities in East Ghouta and in Al Waer, a besieged community near Homs, have been reporting very high numbers of war-wounded and dead. Hospitals in the East Ghouta area reported 261 wounded and 30 dead over that time frame, while the hospital in Al Waer reported that 100 were wounded and 13 were killed on just one day of bombing and shelling.

- MSF has NO people on the ground in Syria, they fund 'irregular' groups in al Qaeda held areas, including jihadist field clinics ('hospitals')
- MSF provides NO support to the 95% of Syrians living in government controlled areas
- The Syrian army is indeed bombing al Qaeda groups, killing many.
- Information relayed to MSF comes from these same armed groups, it is they who call the casualties 'civilians' or 'women and children'
- MSF and western media fail to recognise the bias in these reports

**"MSF-supported facilities in East Ghouta and in Al Waer, a besieged community near Homs, have been reporting very high numbers of war-wounded and dead" - MSF**

# The decline and fall of Amnesty International



Amnesty International began in the 1960s as a letter writing group which supported prisoners of conscience. They said they were apolitical and against all violence.

Somewhere that changed, as Amnesty backed 'Nurse' Nayirah's fake 'incubator babies' story, used to support the 1990 Gulf War.



On the tenth anniversary of the invasion of Afghanistan, US State Dept. official Suzanne Nossel became head of Amnesty (USA) and Amnesty was praising the NATO occupation of that country.

Amnesty backed false stories about Libya, that Gaddafi was using 'black mercenaries' to massacre civilians. After NATO bombed and destroyed Libya, Amnesty admitted those stories were false.



Donatella Rovera

Senior Investigator per le aree di crisi per Amnesty International. Si muove in incognito nelle città sotto assedio, investigando sul campo le violazioni dei diritti umani. Ha svolto missioni di ricerca in Siria, in Libia, nella Repubblica Centrafricana, a Gaza, nel Sud Sudan, nello Yemen ed in Iraq. Scrive e parla su come che



Embedded watchdog series, #1

Co-author of the false Libyan stories, Donatella Rovera, then compiled a set of one-sided accusations about Syria, helping promote the dirty war on Syria.

2012: Amnesty backs NATO's decade long occupation of Afghanistan

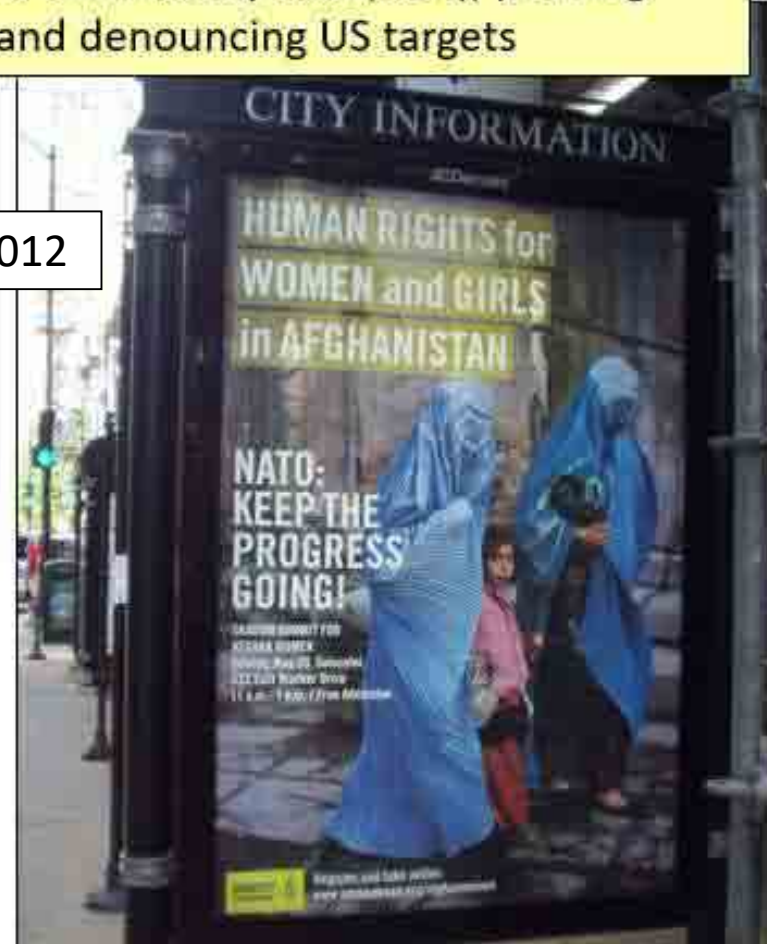
**Suzanne Nossel:** one moment working for Hillary Clinton's State Department, the next Director of Amnesty Intl. (USA), praising NATO and denouncing US targets



2012

Revolvers: Blurred Lines Between Human Rights Organizations and the State Department

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jack-healey/revolvers-blurred-lines-b\\_b\\_5550249.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/jack-healey/revolvers-blurred-lines-b_b_5550249.html)



## Recent Amnesty International war history

First 'crisis actor': 1990 'Nayirah' claimed Iraq killed 312 hospital incubator infants in Kuwait to criminally incite war



December 19, 1990, Amnesty International published an 84-page report on alleged human rights violations in occupied Kuwait. The report stated that, "300 premature babies were reported to have died after Iraqi soldiers removed them from incubators, which were then looted." In March 1991, Amnesty International retracted its report, saying it had become clear that the allegations were baseless.



In 2011 Amnesty International backed claims that Libya's President Gaddafi was using 'black mercenaries' to massacre civilians. After Gaddafi was murdered Al France head Genevieve Garrigos admitted: "today ... we have no evidence that Gaddafi employed mercenary forces"





## Amnesty and the 'regime change' bombing of Libya

In the 2011 lead up to NATO's 'regime change' bombing of Libya, Amnesty campaigned strongly against the government of Muammar Gadaafi. Amnesty's **Genevieve Garrigos** claimed Gadaafi was threatening Libyan civilians and had used 'black mercenaries' to kill civilians. In fact, *Al Jazeera* (owned by Qatar, and backing Libya's Islamist groups) told lies about the February 17 shootings at a demonstration in Benghazi. As later video demonstrates (right), it was a pro-government rally that was attacked.



YouTube: 'Libya protest: Aljazeera lies about killing in Benghazi'

**Garrigos** (below right) was forced to admit five months later (after Gadaafi was publicly murdered – below left) that there was 'no evidence' to support Amnesty's claims over 'black mercenaries' (YouTube: 'Humanitarian Intervention' in Libya - the duplicitous game). Yet these claims led to the killing of a number of black Libyans and immigrants – an issue which Amnesty would protest, but without admitting responsibility for promoting the rumours. All 'facts and figures' about civilian killings were provided by Libyan opposition groups, which took over after the NATO bombing (see YouTube: 'Humanitarian Intervention' in Libya - the duplicitous game').



Amnesty later claimed it had not backed the NATO intervention, a claim rejected by human rights lawyer Daniel Kovalik (see: 'Amnesty International and the human rights industry').



## Amnesty backs NATO's jihadis in Syria

Syria was to be 'Libya 2': 'civilian massacres' followed by NATO intervention. Amnesty flew the jihadi 'Free Syrian Army' flag on its posters (right). Joined by other groups (Avaaz, Human Rights Watch) funded by billionaire George Soros, Amnesty backed UN Security Council Chapter Seven (armed) action against Syria (below left), while claiming it was 'even-handed'. The stress was on civilians: 'the main victims of a campaign of relentless and indiscriminate attacks by the Syrian army.' (AI 19/9/12).



In August 2012 Amnesty issued a report claiming an 'assault by state forces on Aleppo is the culmination of months of a brutal crackdown on dissident voices' (1/8/12). In fact, Aleppo was by under heavy attack from an armed force of mainly foreign jihadis, paid by Qatar and the Saudis. These gangs posted many of their own atrocities online (see YouTube: 'Syrian Rebels Execute Tribal Leaders in Aleppo'; 'FSA terrorists throwing post office workers off a building in Aleppo'; 'FSA Terrorists took bodies from hospital to stage Al-Houla Massacre - Syrian Nun Exposes FSA'; 'FSA Terrorists Bomb Al Watani Hospital in Qusayr, Homs '). These graphic images made some of the western media, for the first time, begin to question the 'FSA' and NATO's alliance with these Al-Qaeda styled groups.



Russian and Chinese resistance at the Security Council, and Syrian resistance at home, slowed things down. With exposure of atrocities by the jihadi and foreign armed gangs, Amnesty often retreats to criticising 'both sides'. However the group has well demonstrated that it is deeply embedded with the big powers, and is ready to help legitimise the next Washington-backed 'revolution'. Pity about Amnesty's well meaning volunteers, they will have no say.

**Further reading:** Daniel Kovalick (2012) Amnesty International and the Human Rights Industry, *CounterPunch*, 8 Nov  
Diana Johnstone (2012) Pussy Riot and Amnesty International: The Decline of Political Protest, *CounterPunch*, 28 August  
Ann Wright and Coleen Rowley (2012) Amnesty's Shilling for US Wars, *ConsortiumNews*, 18 June

# Amnesty's latest attack on Syria: the facts

## HUMAN SLAUGHTERHOUSE

MASS HANGINGS AND EXTERMINATION AT SAYDNAYA PRISON,  
SYRIA

2017



**Amnesty claims:** many thousands of prisoners executed at Saydnaya prison; senior Syrian religious figure is said to have approved the executions.



1. Amnesty 'corroborated' (i) false justifications for the first Gulf war (the fake 'incubator babies' story); (ii) justification for the occupation of Afghanistan ("NATO: keep the progress going"); and (iii) pretexts for NATO's destruction of Libya (the fake 'black mercenaries' story). It admitted but did not apologise for this false war propaganda.
2. Syria does have the death penalty and has executed terrorists.
3. Amnesty did not visit Syria for this report, nor would it be allowed in. It did a few dozen interviews in Turkey; but its numbers come mainly from the HRDAG, a US group funded by George Soros, US foundations and the US Govt funded NED.
5. Amnesty says "hundreds – probably thousands" were killed, refers to the HRDAG claim of "17,723 killed", then presents its own claim of "5,000 to 13,000" killed.
6. Amnesty makes some criticism of terrorist groups in Syria but has not criticised the US, UK, Saudis and others for financing and arming terrorist groups in Syria.
7. The US State Dept, Amnesty and Human Rights Watch regularly swap officials.

## Swedish Doctors for Human Rights condemn Amnesty International's 'fabrications' over Syria

New Amnesty International's fabrications aim to interfere President Trump's upcoming decision on US participating in the anti-terror war in Syria

Amnesty are not an NGO, but "pro-NATO-interventionists" who "vividly oppose the project ... to fight jihadist terrorism" - Dr Ferrada de Noli



- Amnesty put out a "new fabricated report" about "mass executions", but they never visited Syria and simply cite anonymous witnesses.
- They travelled to Turkey with an Israeli architect to 'recreate' the prison where they claim thousands of executions took place. No evidence.
- The Swedish Govt. funds and constrains Amnesty's work in Sweden.
- They say nothing about the jihadist terrorists who are "armed and trained by the [same] governments and interests that Amnesty Intl. serves"

# Children as tools of war propaganda: it's a crime



**Bana Alabed**  
@AlabedBana

Dear world, it's better to start 3rd world war instead of letting Russia & Assad commit #HolocaustAleppo  
10:55 PM · 29 Jul 16

Syrian girl 'Bana', with barely a word of English, becomes a celebrity after calling for '3rd world war' to defend al Qaeda enclave in Aleppo. Her video messages are sent from Turkey.

THE PROHIBITION  
OF PROPAGANDA  
FOR WAR IN  
INTERNATIONAL LAW



FAKE.



NATO-funded 'White Helmets', Nobel prize candidates, claim to save thousands of children from 'Assad's barrel bombs'. When al Qaeda is driven from Aleppo they disappear.

2016

**'Media activist' jihadist sucks in western media:  
photographer of 'Omran' linked to child beheaders Nour al-Din al Zenki**



Aleppo civilians rescued by the Syrian Army say the 'white helmets' never helped them

Iconic child victims photographed by child beheaders' accomplice.

**Al Qaeda / White Helmets rescue same girl  
three times in three months**



**Syria's Mufti: terrorists installed MSF (Doctors without Borders) in Aleppo hospital to treat only wounded terrorists, not civilians**



2017



# The White Helmets

# Ever heard of The White Helmets ('Syrian Civil Defence')? Nice PR, but

Christian Science Monitor, 14 April 2013

## Looking for Obama's agenda in Syria

As killings in Syria worsen, more people look to Obama for action. But the mental preparation for action doesn't start with the White House.

By the Monitor's Editorial Board | APRIL 14, 2013



Aleppo Media Center AMC

1. Recycling old war photos to lie about their work

The White Helmets

Arrived at the scene of the blast... about one dozen barrel bombs have torn a whole tower block apart. #ShareHumanity

The White Helmets, 19 August 2015



2. Helping Jabhat al Nusra (al Qaeda) with body disposal, after an execution





# US-backed group *The White Helmets* assist al Qaeda execution

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**Syria - So-called "White Helmets" facilitate an al Nusra execution**  
 Part of channel(s): Syria (current event)

as expected, youtube deleted this very incriminating video of the s-called "White Helmets" hand in hand with al Qaeda.

Another CIA fail, trying to sell us these "white helmet" as civilian workers and volunteers, they are simply Nusra phadists. What to think of their dams about "chlorine"? :) hmmm...

May 2015



A Wall Street creation, **The White Helmets** only provide 'humanitarian aid' in al Qaeda run parts of Syria. The video (left) shows them assisting with body removal at the Jabhat al Nusra execution of a civilian. Oh, and they also call for a 'No Fly Zone'.

**THE WHITE HELMETS**




**Al Qaeda's humanitarian organization**

## What the corporate media tells you:

Syria crisis: Meet volunteer emergency relief group the White Helmets - 'We save everybody. That means everybody'



'White Helmets' bring civilian aid to Syria's conflict

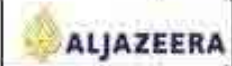


Unpaid, Unarmed Lifesavers in Syria



**Q&A: Syria's White Helmets**

Made up of ordinary citizens, Syria's White-Helmets are the first to rush in when



Maria Jara | 01 Aug 2015 16:30 GMT | Human Rights: Middle East: Syrian Crisis: Syria: Turkey

The US-UK creation, the 'Syria Campaign' claims the 'White Helmets' are 'heroes'



This is what a hero looks like



The Syria Campaign



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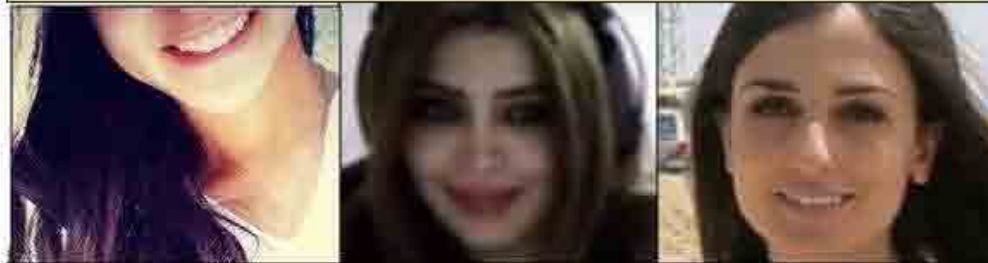
These Syrian women say: the 'White Helmets' are no 'heroes', they support terrorists in Syria.



Rana

Samiah

Atalia



Jamila

Afraa

Reme



Mimi

Hala

Hind

Some women have hidden their faces to avoid reprisals from the terrorists

# How do we know White Helmets = al Qaeda?



2016

White Helmet heroes with the tools of their 'second job'



White Helmet Muawiya Hassan Agha helps in the murder of two soldiers



The 'White Helmets' say they are: **'unarmed and neutral rescue workers'**  
US Government gave them \$23 million; UK Government gave \$4.5 million



White Helmets (L) celebrate with Jabhat al Nusra



Jund al Aqsa terrorist 'martyr' M'ud Barish and friend in their White Helmet jackets

# Sponsor al Qaeda acting classes?



THE WHITE HELMETS

GIVE \$144.64 FOR A HELMET,  
**PROTECT A HERO**

They already get \$100m from the US and UK to back al Qaeda, but why not chip in?



**'Heroes' who torture and murder Syrians**

**Al Qaeda / White Helmets rescue same girl three times in three months**



**DOUBLE LIFE OF WHITE HELMETS: VOLUNTEERS BY DAY, TERRORISTS BY NIGHT (PHOTOS)**



## White Helmets / al Qaeda stunt at New York Central Station disrupted by REAL anti-war activists

2017



Afterwards some of the musicians spoke with activists & admitted they felt used - they had no idea what the event was for.

Comprehensive RT report on this stunt with videos of the action, of the musicians who were sucked in, and analysis of the White Helmets scam.  
<https://www.rt.com/usa/379391-anti-syrian-war-protest-disrupts/>

## Syrian man came from the UK-US funded 'White Helmets' to plan a bombing in Germany

NATO-funded 'White Helmets' were a stepping stone to this man's planned bomb attack on German train station

2016



**Jaber Albakr:** "I'm volunteering with the White Helmets in Idlib"

**Jaber Albakr** was granted asylum in Germany in February 2015, but remained under surveillance on suspicion of links to ISIS. He returned to Turkey and Syria to join the al Qaeda support group the 'White Helmets'. On return to Germany police found 1.5kg of TATP (a home-made explosive used in jihadist attacks in Paris and Brussels) in his apartment. He and others are said to have planned a train station bombing. German police arrested Albakr in Leipzig, but he killed himself in prison two days later.

# Al Qaeda / White Helmets rescue same girl three times in three months



Syria



Girl pulled from rubble after airstrike in Aleppo - video

Source: Sky News

Saturday 24 September 2016 01:12 AEST



430

Save for later



Sky News, 24 Sept 2016

After an airstrike in Aleppo, rescuers dig out the girl, covered in the wreckage and dust, with their bare hands. She is believed to be the only surviving member of her family from the attack by Syrian and Russian airplanes that killed at least 70 people.

© Aleppo residents tell of onslaught as airstrikes enter second day

Images capture young girl calling for father after airstrike

The 8-year-old girl's family hid under a table and was pulled from rubble after their home was destroyed.

By Stephen Filler | Oct 11, 2016 at 5:56 PM



UPI, 11 Oct 2016

An 8-year-old girl in Syria is the second child caught in the violence of that country's civil war after the apparent fragmentation and crying for her father while being treated for injuries sustained in an airstrike. Photo by Talibeh Ameen Service

# Real rescue, or staged media stunt?

## Al Qaeda's 'White Helmets' pose as 'heroes', again



Story of 23 Sept 2016. SKY News (relying on al Qaeda video and story) says all three pictures show 'Rawan Alloush, 5 years old', victim of an 'airstrike' in Aleppo 'which killed her entire family'. Young girl #1 appears buried in rubble, however there is no video of her extraction. Another man is then shown with girl #2, who appears older. Later still girl #3 is shown with shorter, darker hair. Are they the same girl? Check the video yourself. Is it real or a media stunt?



## CIA-backed jihadist leader (and White Helmets part timer) **Abdullah al-Sarhan** dead in Daraa

Head of White Helmets in Daraa Killed in Bomb Attack

MAJ 11:08:27PT by Samer al-Jundi (@SamerAlJundi)

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In a huge loss to Syrian rescue workers, the head of Daraa's Civil Defense team Abdullah that hit his car



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"Roadside explosives have killed a large number of moderate rebel commanders and Civil Defense workers in Daraa" - jihadist support site 'Syrian Observer'

Ian Grant  
@iengr

Following

Killed Abdullah Al-Sarhan wasnt only a #WhiteHelmet, but also a commander of a #FSA combat unit (18 March Division)



Al Sarhan's '18 March' division was part of the CIA-backed Southern Front (FSA), which fought alongside Nusra against the Syrian Army in Daraa (2014-2015) but later came under attack by Nusra. They were also helped by Israel. Most jihadist sites suggest Al-Sarhan was killed by a Nusra IED.

# Al Qaeda in Syria ('White Helmets') 'quietly disappointed' at missing Nobel Peace Prize



**These moderate head choppers were quietly disappointed, but they plan to go back to their day jobs**



**Many moderate head choppers were quietly disappointed**

## The infamous 'White Helmets'



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Es7oBV6b43Y>

## The White Helmets

First Responders or Al Qaeda's Paramedics?



Nominated for Nobel Peace prize, Oscars, etc.  
'Independent' group gets more than \$100m from UK and US, to support 'moderate' al Qaeda



They double as al Qaeda fighters



# White Helmets in Aleppo = al Nusra, FSA, DAESH



Video: see what the White Helmets - al Qaeda left behind in Sakhour district, Aleppo: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n5FW2R5B8xQ>

**Al Qaeda boss: thanks to the US-UK funded **White Helmets**, who are "hidden soldiers of our revolution"**



Abu Jaber Al-Sheikh, the leader of Hay'at Tahreer Al-Sham (Al-Qaeda in Syria) thanks the White Helmets and calls them "the hidden soldiers of the revolution". This was part of his speech commemorating the 6th anniversary of the Jihadist insurgency in Syria.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cpuxgbyNIO8>

# Refugees and 'Blowback'

# 'Whatever one sows, that will he also reap'

Syria war graduates bigger threat than 2001 attacks, says Abbott

PUBLISHED: 10 JUN 2014 04:39:53 | UPDATED: 10 JUN 2014 05:26:14

PRIME Minister Tony Abbott says there is a growing international consensus that more needs to be done to tackle the threat of Syrian-trained terrorists.

Those who sent the dogs of war against Syria now worry about the blowback



Syrian TV: '50-100 Australians' went to Syria 'to fight along side the terrorist groups'



'Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap' - Galatians, 6:7

# Syrian refugees want to come home



2016

My dream is for Syria to return to what it used to be



I miss everything.



'I wish to come back to the lovely country when the war will end'



'[I want to] go back see my friends and family in Syria'



'[The war is] by foreign hands ... we want to complete our lives in Syria'



sometimes we reminisce together about our home.



This terrorism is done via external conspiracy with external financing. But we are alive, and we are returning, we are returning, we are returning!



We were comfortably off.



'Just stop the war ... we don't want to go to Europe'



# Let the refugees come home!



Only **colonial fake humanitarians** pretend concern about Syrian refugees, then stoke the genocidal war and sanctions that drives refugees.



2016



**Syrian boy in Hungary:** "Just stop the war ... we don't want to go to Europe."



**Mufti Ahmad Badreddin Hassoun:** "Stop the war on Syria. The refugees will stop within one day. Within one month they will return."

# How *The Syrian Campaign* faked its "70% of refugees are fleeing Assad" story

In this TSC survey of 889 Syrians in Germany:

- No question was even asked about 'fleeing Assad';
- 70% said the Syrian Army 'was responsible' for the fighting; but in this multiple option question 74% also chose anti-government armed groups;
- 77% said they feared arrest by the Syrian Army; but in this multiple option question 82% also selected anti-government armed groups.
- That is, more feared the jihadists than the Syrian Army

2015



The TSC poll was **grossly unrepresentative** of Syrian refugees.

- 68% young men; 74% from jihadist-held areas; almost no women and children;
- Hardly anyone from Tartus, Latakia, Sweida, and very few from Damascus

# Fake refugee polls for 'humanitarian' bombs



Wall Street creation **The Syria Campaign** claims that “**70% of [Syrian] refugees are fleeing Assad**”, demanding western military intervention. The claim is based on a survey of 889 asylum seekers carried out in Germany over Sept-Oct 2015. However:

1. Selection was **partisan**, by a group committed to the overthrow of the Syrian Govt;
2. **Bias** is obvious from the massive over-representation of **young men**, many former fighters (see table); in fact, 74% came from ‘rebel’ (al Qaeda) held areas.
3. A series of **leading questions** were put to vulnerable asylum seekers;
4. **10m Syrians** have been displaced; asylum seekers in Europe **represent 5%** of these.

Syrian refugees	TSC sample, 889	UNHCR data (4.8m)
Male	88%	50%
Age	78% (16-35)	44% (18-59)

Data sources:  
<https://diary.thesyriacampaign.org/what-refugees-think/>  
<http://data.unhcr.org/syrianrefugees/regional.php>

# Syrian Refugee tide begins to turn

1mn Syrians return home since launch of Russian anti-ISIS ops - Syria UN ambassador

Rising number of Syrian refugees returning

Nov 2015

More than 800,000 refugees RETURNING to Syria as Putin OBLITERATES Islamic State

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Jan 2016



The Washington Post

Some Syrian refugees in Canada already want to return to the Middle East

Jan 2016

How to Help the Syrians Who Want to Return Home

Syria's Assad: Europe Must Help Refugees Return

Defying the odds, Syrian refugees return to Aleppo



Feb 2016

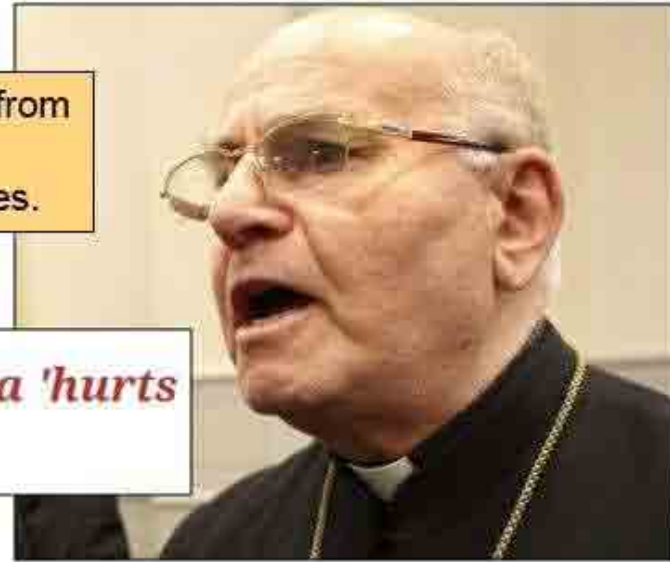
Fearing a possible siege in Aleppo, many Syrian refugees currently awaiting their fate on the border with Turkey are going back to be with their families. Anna Lekas Miller reports from Kilis.



"A vast majority of the more than four million refugees want to return to Syria once the war there ends." - Maureen White, NYT, 12 Jan 2016

Western liberals often imagine that assimilating refugees from other countries is a great service – but it is not when their governments are fuelling the war that drives those refugees.

*Seeing refugees being resettled in Canada 'hurts us a lot', says Archbishop of Aleppo*



**Archbishop Jean-Clément Jeanbart, Melkite Archbishop of Aleppo:**

“We're not happy when we see the Canadian government moving refugees and facilitating their integration. It hurts us. A lot ... We would rather see the Canadian government making more efforts to allow the Syrian population to stay in Syria ... drive both sides to talk. To find a political solution ..

“They pity the Syrians and the Christians. But do they really know about their problems? No, I don't think so. Because if they did they would have made efforts to end this war, to prevent it from continuing ... [Aleppo] gave civilisation to the world ... until recently [it was] providing work to 1.2 million workers and hosting 150,000 university students ... [but] more than half of the city's population left” (Jeanbart in Vaillancourt 2016).

# The Rat Line: sectarian terrorists abandon Syria for Europe



Laith Al Saleh (Daesh) arrives in Greece. Claims to be FSA 'commander'

2016

<b>2015</b> Refugee in Europe	<b>2013</b> ISIS - Daesh
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'Khaled AL Abdulla' moves to Sweden



From FSA to Nusra and then to Hungary



Nusra zombie detained in Hungary

<b>2013</b> Al Nusra Front	<b>2015</b> Refugee in Europe
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**More postcards from the rat lines, p.2**



From Jabhat al Nusra to Germany



Ahmad Abdulkarim al Hajjeh, terrorist now living in Nürnberg

Faisal Ramadan, now in Romania



Never been easier just pose for a photo with kids and flags

2016

Murtada al Zubaidi, burning an innocent Iraqi citizen, now in Finland



Terrorists in Syria now refugees in Belgium



# Meet some 'civilians' who escaped the 'barrel bombing'

Best way to help Syrian refugees?  
**STOP** the war! **HELP** them go home!



**2015**  
Refugee in Europe



**2013**  
ISIS - Daesh

Syrian rebel leader seeks Europe \_ fleeing gov't and jihadis



Thanks to 'This is Christian Syria' for these photos

"Laith Al Saleh (L) ... from Aleppo ... accustomed to being in command, he led a 700-strong rebel unit in Syria's civil war" MIDCO, 17/08/15

'Just wait...' Islamic State reveals it has smuggled THOUSANDS of extremists into Europe



**2015**  
Refugee in Europe



**2013**  
Al Nusra Front

Five men were arrested on the Bulgarian-Macedonian border. Their mobile phones contained pictures of decapitated people and ISIL symbols, Russia's Federal News Agency reported.



# Best way to help Syrian refugees? STOP the war! HELP them go home!

The family of **Aylan Kurdi** (R) had fled **Kobane**, under attack from ISIL, which is supported by US allies Saudi and Turkey.



**"Just stop the war and we don't want to go to Europe".**  
- Kinan Masalmeh

## STOP funding and arming the 'moderate rebels'

'Moderate' Syrian rebels defecting to ISIL, blaming lack of U.S. support and weapons

ISIL carries out one of its 'worst massacres' in Syria within 24 hours of re-entering Kobane as 120 civilians are killed by snipers and rockets



Top U.S. Military Official: Our Arab "Allies" Support ISIL

## STOP our 'allies' funding ISIL.



## STOP the sanctions on Syria!

Syria: end sanctions and find a political solution to peace

"[Syria] achieved remarkable declines in maternal mortality and infant mortality rates ... [but] its **health sector now faces destruction from on-going violence compounded by economic sanctions**" - Lancet 2012



**ISIL fighters show off weapons likely seized from US airdrop**

# Aleppo & the Hospital Wars

## Aleppo Ceasefire? Syria was willing but NATO was not

**Mikdad: US, Turkish agreement to arm and train terrorists means failure of de Mistura initiative**

21.02.2015

2015

**Syria proposes humanitarian Aleppo ceasefire**



**US and Ankara agree to train Syria rebels in Turkey**

**Syrian Rebels Dismiss U.N. Cease-Fire Proposal for Aleppo**

**Syria's Deputy Foreign Minister Fayssal Mikdad** agreement between the US and Turkey to train and arm terrorists of the 'moderate opposition' means the failure of a plan set by the UN envoy to Syria, Staffan de Mistura, before it begins. 'This agreement is a premature judgment by those countries on the failure of de Mistura's mission which was supported by Syria ... The reality is that the US politicians are the ones who protect the terrorist criminal organizations, and the most important evidence on this fact is **the cosmetic war** of the US coalition on the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) terrorist organization.'

## Why sources matter: BBC says, UN official says, al Qaeda says

### Aleppo battle: UN says civilians shot on the spot

6 hours ago Middle East

Syrian civil war



EXCLUSIVE: 'Aleppo Media Centre' Funded By French Foreign Office, EU and US

"AL QAEDA WITH A FACE-LIFT!"  
WHITE HELMETS EXPOSED

2016

Syria: Aleppo terror and slaughter must be halted – Zeid  
UN Human Rights - fb/unitednationshumanrights  
OHCHR.ORG

## 2016: Syrian Arab Army takes back al Kindi Hospital

2013: western backed al Qaeda jihadists destroy al Kindi

Syrian army captures Kindi hospital in north Aleppo countryside



**December 2013**, suicide truck bombs destroy al Kindi hospital, Aleppo. Soldier guards are publicly murdered. **September 2016**, Syrian Arab Army takes back the hospital.

The 2013 assault on al Kindi was carried out jointly by: the Islamic Front, Ahrar al-Sham, Liwa al-Tawhid, al-Nusra Front, and al-Fajr Islamic Movement

NATO-jihadist 'hospital', the centre of propaganda

2016

**SYRIA: AL QUDS HOSPITAL  
DESTROYED IN AIRSTRIKES**



This is what the colonial media used to call 'al Quds hospital' in east Aleppo; supposedly bombed several times. You can see it is not a marked or designated hospital. Most Aleppo residents had never heard of it. It may have held a clinic for al Qaeda fighters.

# Palestinian militia repels NATO-Islamists in Syria



2015

Pro-Syrian Palestinian militia **Liwa Al-Quds** defeats attempt by Jabhat Al-Nusra, Harakat Ahrar Al-Sham and the Free Syrian Army to infiltrate Nayrab Military Airport (Aleppo).

Palestinians Fight Off Al-Qaeda in Nayrab While the Syrian Army Advances in East Aleppo

Meanwhile, captured terrorist Bishr Yousef Ali al-Janoudi (R) admits on Syrian TV that Palestinian Islamists **Hamas** tried to build a Muslim Brotherhood base in Syria, engaging with the terror groups.

S INVOLVEMENT IN TERROR ACTIVITIES IN SYRIA



## Syria's Palestinian allies guard newly liberated areas in Aleppo



Liwa al Quds repelled 'multiple surprise attacks by Jeish al-Fatah terrorists'



2016



Assuming that UN designated terrorist groups have some protection under international humanitarian law, what provisions apply to civilian targets such as makeshift 'hospitals'?

## International law and attacks on hospitals

The **Geneva Conventions** are based upon the principle of **distinction** (ICRC Rule 10) between civilians (and other protected persons) and combatants. These conventions also provide for the protection of **hospitals and safety zones**, generally far from combat zones (ICRC Rule 34).

A person or object can lose its civilian status if it starts making an **effective contribution to military action**. It would then become a legitimate military objective and target. Any attacks must be subject to principles of **proportionality** (ICRC Rule 14) and other elements of IHL, such as **military necessity** and **discriminate attacks**.

However under **US law** (which applies outside the USA) it is an offence to support any terrorist group, and this includes the provision of medical treatment to terrorists.

**Rule 10. Civilian objects are protected against attack, unless and for such time as they are military objectives.**

[https://www.icrc.org/customary-ihl/eng/docs/v1\\_rul\\_rule10](https://www.icrc.org/customary-ihl/eng/docs/v1_rul_rule10)

IHL: [https://www.icrc.org/customary-ihl/eng/docs/v2\\_cha](https://www.icrc.org/customary-ihl/eng/docs/v2_cha)

US law: <https://www.lawfareblog.com/medical-care-armed-conflict-ihl-and-state-responses-terrorism>

# Aleppo's real hospitals: al Dabbit

## Al Dabbit Hospital, west Aleppo

- Damaged by US-backed al Qaeda groups, May 2016;
- Rebuilt and reopened by Syrian Government, October 2016.
- No al Qaeda/White Helmets here



# Aleppo doctors: war propaganda and reality check

## The Last Pediatrician in Aleppo

The Atlantic

"We represent a last hope, the final defenders of life in this city."

Last paediatrician in rebel-held Aleppo killed as Syrian regime bombs hospital

The Telegraph

CCTV shows moment bomb strikes Aleppo hospital killing city's last paediatrician

'Most Qualified Pediatrician' Killed in Airstrike on Syria Hospital

TIME



US backed 'White Helmets' support al Nusra/al Qaeda



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Dr Nabil Antaki, LALKAR/BCTV, 02.05.16



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## Aleppo University students back the SAA

2016



# Multiple fake image scams over Aleppo

Girl running to survive and All her family have been killed  
It's not in Hollywood  
This real in syna  
#Save\_Aleppo

**'Carnage' from music video = Aleppo**  
Siman (Saudi) 28K followers

the Lemniscat  
This image you @Reemmedhhat1 posted of Aleppo is of Israel's crimes in Gaza  
#fakenews #Syria

Hiba Tawaji - Al Rabih Al Arabi [Official Music Video] (2014) / هبة تواجي - الربيع العربي  
Hiba Tawaji 1,000,000 views

**Real Gaza carnage = Aleppo**  
Reem Medhhat, 133K followers

Nevrok Alnassir  
الى من يحتفل بانتصار... هنيئاً لكم هذه الفرحة.  
#حلب

Benazir Bhutto Killed in Suicide Attack

**Jihadist = 'Bana'**  
Aleppo fake twitter account

2016

**Pakistan bombing 2007 = Aleppo**  
Dima Sadek (Lebanese news reader) 123K followers

Jihadist propagandist @mr\_alhamdo is most likely the man operating the account & writing both Bana & her mother's tweets. Don't let him get away with this deception.

## Aleppo fake news lies: another FIVE from the headchoppers fan club

**#FakeNews** : When you use a photo of Dahyeh in Beirut (destroyed by Israeli drones in 2006) and claim "barbarian" Iranians, Syrians & their "sectarians" did this to **#Aleppo**.



**#FakeNews** : When using pictures of Syrian children butchered by Al-Qaeda 3 years ago in Hasake and pretending the Assad regime and the Russians did it in **#Aleppo**.



**#FakeNews** : When using a picture from 2015 to depict a massive death scene and claim this is **#Aleppo** today.



**#FakeNews**: When using pictures of dead babies slaughtered by Israelis in Gaza and pretending Asaad & the Russians killed these children in **#Aleppo**.



**#FakeNews** : When using pictures of Yemeni children injured by Saudi strikes as Syrian children injured in **#Aleppo**.



Thank you **Ruba Moghrabi**.  
Five more 'Aleppo fake news'  
lies, to add to the previous **four**.

2016

**Displaced families beginning to move back to secured areas of NE Aleppo**



2016

Photos via Samia al Assad

# Victims of western-backed terrorist attacks on Aleppo, late April 2016





**Same damage: 'Al Quds hospital', Aleppo, photographed on:  
15 October 2015 (left) and 29 April 2016 (right)**



## Three Aleppo hospitals bombed



**Ibn Rushd (state) hospital bombed by al Nusra coalition, 26 April 2016**



**Al Quds 'hospital' (al Nusra occupied and MSF backed) bombed, 27 April 2016.  
Russia, Syria and US all deny responsibility**



**Al Dalit (state) hospital bombed by al Nusra coalition, 2 May 2016**

# Aleppo late April 2016

US-backed al Qaeda groups mortar the city, try to blame it on the Syrian Army, which in turn advances to retake the entire city

from the last 4 days, not the past 4 years

Al-Nusra Front Terrorists Kill 14 Civilians in Aleppo in 24 Hours

Turkey Planning New Aggression

Fresh Syrian Forces Arrive in Aleppo for Decisive Battle

Syrian Military: Claims about Aleppo Hospital Airstrike 'Diversion Tactic'

# Warning: more al Qaeda support groups in Aleppo

SAVE OUR SYRIA



<https://ida-org.com/>

Account Name: Bağımsız Doktorlar Derneği  
BANKASI, GAZİANTEP – TU  
Dollars (USD \$)  
: 72093866-5007  
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## Support Aleppo's last Children Hospital

Support Aleppo's last Children Hospital. The Children Hospital supported by IDA has been one of the last hopes for the children of Aleppo. Learn more about how you can support it.

Protect Doctors



**Caution:** Do NOT send money to this 'IDA'. They do NOT run any real Aleppo hospitals. Their HQ is in al Nusra controlled Gaziantep, in Turkey. They support al Qaeda field clinics.

This is the REAL Aleppo doctors' association, they denounce the 'armed opposition'



Aleppo Medical Association (نقابة أطباء حلب)  
@Aleppodoctors.org

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# How the NATO-backed gangs bomb Aleppo



Al Qaeda groups bomb Ibn Rushd hospital, Aleppo 26 April 2016.



NATO GCC terrorists bombing Ibn Rushd Hospital in Aleppo, civilians on the hospital balcony killed in the attack



2016

Al Kindi Hospital in Aleppo Destroyed by Obama Thugs



Al Qaeda groups always boast of bombing Syrian hospitals, then try to blame the Syrian Government. Here al Nusra celebrates their December 2013 bombing of al Kindi hospital in Aleppo.



Left, from Marianne in Aleppo: “‘moderate rebels’ making their hell canons, bombs ... we’re smelling an odd smell ... the smoke that’s emerging from them is a bit yellowish.”

WORLDWIDE RED PROTEST

#AleppoIsBurning

# What you weren't told about the Aleppo hospital bombings

NATO's al Qaeda gangs have consistently attacked Syria's hospitals. Between 2011 and 2013 they attacked 67 of the country's 94 national hospitals, including Aleppo's al Kindi Hospital. In recent weeks they bombed three major Aleppo hospitals: Ibn Rushd, al Dabbit and al Razi.

2016

Al Kindi hospital truck bombed by al Nusra coalition, December 2013

Ibn Rushd (state) hospital bombed by al Nusra coalition, 26 April 2016

Al Dabbit (state) hospital bombed by al Nusra coalition, 2 May 2016

Western media showed the bombing of 'Al Quds Hospital' (al Nusra created and MSF backed), on 27 April 2016. However Russia says satellite images show the damage was done before October 2015.

Al Razi (state) hospital bombed by al Nusra coalition, 3 May 2016

Aleppo doctor **Dr Nabil Antaki** says western media accounts are distorted. People in government held Aleppo "represent 75% of Aleppo ... 1.5 million people ... Compare this to the 300,000 living in the eastern zone which is occupied by terrorist groups."

# Latest UN report on the liberation of Aleppo only aggravates the war

**No Conflict of Interest?** US diplomat Karen Koning AbuZayd, co-author of all UN 'human rights' reports on Syria, 2012-2017. Embedded with US think tanks.



**The principal effect of one-sided and bogus 'human rights' reports on Syria is to prolong the war and embolden foreign powers who, in open breach of international law, arm and finance all the al Qaeda groups.**

<b>AbuZayd-Pinheiro UN report:</b>	<b>In fact:</b>	<b>2017</b>
Syria-Russia conducted 'daily air strikes' on east Aleppo.	Mid-Oct to mid-Dec there were no airstrikes on the city. Aleppo city was liberated by Syrian ground forces	
al Qaeda makeshift clinics called 'hospitals' were attacked.	Covert non-registered clinics are not 'hospitals'. Report fails to mention ANY of the bombed west Aleppo hospitals.	
Humanitarian convoy bombed by Russian-Syrian airstrikes.	No craters on road, no chassis damage to trucks. Al Qaeda groups attacked other humanitarian transport in Idlib.	
Syria and Russia blocked humanitarian aid to Aleppo.	Syria and Russia are the main providers of humanitarian aid to Aleppo.	
Evidence from: al Qaeda 'victims' and families, jihadist networks.	UN group did not even speak with the 4,000 member Aleppo Medical Assn.	



2016



Samantha Power

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#Aleppo is joining Rwanda and Srebrenica as defining historical events that embody evil. #Assad, #Russia, #Iran know no shame.



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When the emperor's emissaries resort to this hyperbole, we know an important blow has been struck for the independent peoples of the world



God bless the Army!



Now we can study and become journalists and doctors

## Syrians rebuilding Aleppo



2017

The colonial powers and their hangers on forgot about Aleppo when their favourite al Qaeda gangs were kicked out, but the Syrians don't forget.

Coming soon: 'The last al Qaeda hospital in Idlib'



# The Imperial Left



# Why we call them 'the imperial left'



Washington	Imperial left
Rejects democratic will of the Syrian people, backs violent regime change.	Rejects democratic will of the Syrian people, backs violent regime change.
Falsely accuses Syrian government of supporting the rise of sectarian terrorism.	Falsely accuses Syrian government of supporting the rise of sectarian terrorism.
Supports 'moderate rebels', is 'shocked' when weapons end up in ISIL's hands	Supports 'moderate rebels', is 'shocked' when weapons end up in ISIL's hands

## How the Empire sucker-punched the Imperial Left



They are tiny groups, without any influence, even in 'the working class' they claim to represent. But at least they used to oppose imperial wars – such as the Afghan war, and the Iraq war.



Then the empire resurrected its proxy wars, called them 'Arab Spring revolutions' – and the Imperial Left fell for it. They backed the war on Libya, they cheer the war on Syria and they will support a war on Iran.



Washington=1; Imperial Left=0



The empire, corporate media, jihadis and imperial left all agree!

2012



## Imperialism? No big deal says 'Socialist Alternative'

'Imperialism, in the sense of Western neo-colonialism, is not the main threat facing the masses of Syria, or of the Arab world as a whole.'

— Socialist Alternative member Corey Oakley (16 August 2012) — this article used a graphic from a pro-government rally (right) to praise the 'revolution'



The imperial left (i) pretends the Syrian 'revolution' is secular, but also (ii) backs the reactionary Muslim Brotherhood-led FSA, currently in an uneasy alliance with the empire to take over the entire ME region. 'We are all Jabhat al-Nusra', says the FSA.



Socialist Alternative uses the fake 'revolution' in Syria as a chance to attack Venezuela(left), which backs Assad's reform process. They and the ISO before them have attacked every progressive Latin American government: Cuba, Venezuela and Allende's Chile.

2012

# Friends of Palestine?

The shout 'Free, Free Palestine', and march for a 'revolution' in social justice



Qatar bankrolls Syrian revolt with cash and arms - FT.com  
www.ft.com

The gas-rich state of Qatar has spent as much as \$35bn over the past two years to support the rebel forces in Syria, according to a report by the US State Department.



SOCIALIST ALTERNATIVE

The left, imperialism and the Syrian revolution



**BUT** they cheered the destruction of Libya, urge on the humanitarian rape of Syria, and will most likely attack Iran, the only countries in the region with no US-NATO bases

At every step these groups side with that same imperialism that sustains Israel, and deepens Palestinian dispossession, so I ask myself:  
*Does Palestine really need such friends?*



# Humanitarian Hypocrites



The Syrian regime is killing its own people! - how dare they attack those nice freedom fighters!



Damn both sides, I support women, children, refugees – forget the war



We oppose US attacks and oppose 'Assad' - 'revolution' sounds cool!

# Great but forgotten insights on the ‘Syrian Revolution’, by Australian imperial leftists

Green Left Weekly, 12 Aug 2012		Syria, May 2014	
<b>Headline:</b> “Assad regime close to over ... rule of the Ba’ath Party ... effectively over”		Well, no. Assad remains favourite for the June elections, and the Ba’ath Party heads a reformed multi-party system.	
“anti-democratic forces have become more prominent within the opposition ... which began as a non-violent mass uprising”		Armed salafi-islamist attacks, which took cover under the reform movement, were armed and financed by Qatar and the Saudis, backed by NATO and were never democratic.	
“Mass protests ... [are] organised by the Local Coordinating Committees”		The Local Coordinating Committees were a Muslim Brotherhood front that backed the (now defunct) FSA	
“the uprising’s original aims [were] democratic rights and economic justice”		The Muslim Brotherhood/FSA aims were the same as those of their al Qaeda rivals: a sectarian Islamic state	
“Most FSA groups are not foreign-armed”		The FSA (when it existed) was mostly foreign armed	
<b>Green Left Weekly:</b> “government remains responsible for most of the killings” [no evidence provided]		<b>Hilary Clinton 2011:</b> “Syrian regime” responsible for “most of the killings” [no honest evidence provided]	

How western imperial leftists betrayed yet another sovereign people

**You're against both the Syrian  
Army and NATO attacks?**



**So who defends Syria  
from NATO?**

# Palestine's false friends

'Both sides should put down their weapons'  
(= Palestine cannot resist genocidal attacks)

'Israel is slaughtering civilians and not attacking  
the terrorists' (= Palestine cannot resist)

'Israeli attacks and Palestinian rocketing are  
both war crimes' (= Palestine cannot resist)

'Those who supply Palestine with weapons  
(Iran, Syria and Hezbollah) are supporters of  
terrorism' (= Palestine cannot get help to resist)

**Beware those who 'support' Palestinians as *victims*  
but deny their right to *resist***

## Guess who claims ISIS is a 'Sunni rebellion'?

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Bitter fruit of the Iraq war

**Andrew Cheeseman, Soc Alt** (Red Flag, June 2014): "The **Sunni rebellion** sweeping Iraq is ... caused by the 2003 invasion and ... occupation"

**Thomas Friedman, NYT** (Sept 2014): "Shiite Iran ... helped trigger this whole **Sunni rebellion** in Iraq"

*The New York Times*

**Ramzy Baroud, Al Arabiya** (Sept 2014): "ISIS is ... part of a larger **Sunni rebellion** in Iraq, in response to the U.S. war and Shiite-led government oppression"

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IS a reaction to unjust occupation



**Wassim Doureihi, Hizb ut Tahrir** (ABC, October 2014): "ISIS ... al-Qaeda ... exist as a reaction to Western interference in the Islamic lands ... a resistance effort to ... unjust occupation."

## What wahhabis and other imperial tools prefer to ignore



"[Our allies] fund [ISIL] because the Free Syrian Army couldn't fight Assad. They were trying to beat Assad." – **US Senator Lindsey Graham**

"The Turks ... the Saudis, the Emiratis ... [sent] thousands of tons of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] Al Nusra and Al Qaeda and ... ISIL." – **US Vice-President Joe Biden**



# The western armchair jihadist



'I demand NATO bombs  
Syria, to protect civilians'

**Too lazy to think, too scared to fight**

# Washington's 'moderate rebels' in Syria work closely with ISIS, Israel

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## Syrian Rebels Thank Netanyahu for Israel's Compassion

### ISIS Strikes Deal With Moderate Syrian Rebels: Reports

Armed groups in Syria receive weapons from Israel: Reports

### US-BACKED 'MODERATE' FREE SYRIAN ARMY FACTIONS JOIN ISIS TERROR GROUP

ISIS strike deal with moderate Syrian rebels to stop fighting each other as military pressure grows and its oil money starts to dry up

Syria: Rebels use Israeli arms  
Syrian media showcase images of weapons allegedly produced by Jewish State  
Roi Kass

Thank you, Israel: Syria "opposition" leader

Why the Islamic State isn't in any rush to attack Israel  
The organization formerly known as ISIS has made clear that fighting Shi'ite Muslims is its top priority.

### Entire 1,000 man US backed and funded FSA outfit joins ISIS

Dawud Brigade is a Jihadists force of 1,000 men and 100 vehicles in Syria. It is former part of the FSA, which was the recipient of hundreds

## But Syrian Arab Army strikes back at ISIS near Iraq border

### "MODERATE REBELS" IN SYRIA

Syrian Army Captures Strategic Area from ISIS Militants in Al-Hasakah

### Islamic State secretly near Israel border, Syrian rebel group says

### FSA Rebels Urge Israel to Impose No-Fly Zone Over Syria

Claims Intervention Would Win 'Hearts of All Syrians'

By Jason Daley September 16, 2014

## Dopey British 'activists' protest lack of war, demand more 'regime change'

**Jeremy Corbyn heckled by activists at Stop the War Coalition event in central London**

London 8 Oct 2016



Al Qaeda supporters upset at failure of NATO intervention in Syria



"The group claimed they were angry at Mr Corbyn's failure to call for regime change in Syria ... Their protests were soon drowned out by a chant of "no more war" - UK Standard, 8 October 2016



# the western lefty-liberal disease

cheer on the destruction  
of other peoples' countries



be kind to refugees and  
ever so 'anti-racist'

## Why do some small pseudo-left groups back Washington's war on Syria?



**General Martin Dempsey (2014):** "I know major Arab allies who fund [ISIS]"

**Former VP Joe Biden (2014):** "Turkey, Qatar, the UAE and Saudi Arabia  
"were so determined to take down Assad ... they poured ... thousands of tons  
of weapons into anyone who would fight against Assad ... [including] al Nusra  
and al Qaeda and ... ISIL." (see *The Dirty War on Syria* 2016, Chapter 12)

The 'state capitalism' theory of **Socialist Alternative** (a fragment of the old ISO and ideologically linked to the British SWP) condemns all states as capitalist until there is 'world revolution'. So they joined with NATO and the Saudis to cheer on the destruction of Libya and Syria. Apart from some pseudo-left rhetoric, what is the difference between them and Washington? Defending nothing and standing for nothing (as Malcolm X said) they fall for anything.

## Fake western 'leftists' back Washington's sectarian mercenaries in Syria, call them 'revolutionaries'

Misogynist Islamists in **Kafranbel** (Idlib) beg for (more) US weapons, with signs written in the USA



YPG says Islamists fired chemicals at Kurdish neighborhood of Aleppo

'Free Syrian Army' commander Issam Zeitoun appears at Israeli conference 'to prove that we exist'



US-Backed 'Moderate Rebels' Filmed Beheading Palestinian Child in Northern Syria

Nour al-Din al-Zinki Movement, one of the US supported factions



# Australia's Role

# From the same corporate media who complained about the 'hereditary monarchy' in Syria



## How the Greens backed the dirty war on Syria



**After Saudi-armed Islamists kill police and civilians -- JOHN KAYE MLC** (23 June 2011): "the regime has callously violated the civil and human rights of its citizens ... [we demand] effective and meaningful sanctions ... [and] maximum pressure on the regime "

**After sectarian terrorists slaughter pro-government civilians, falsely blaming their crimes on the Syrian Government –**  
**Senator BOB BROWN** (22 Aug 2011): 'In view of the ongoing slaughter of the unarmed champions of democracy in Syria, will the government close the Syrian embassy and have them sent packing?'



**Labor Government expels Syrian Diplomats after the Houla Massacre, committed by Farouq FSA Islamists -- ADAM BANDT MP** (30 May 2012): 'the government has done the right thing .. [now we need] significant sanctions at the UN level'

**After Syrian Army moves against sectarian terrorists in Homs -- Senator LEE RHIANNON (18 April 2012)** 'With reference to the violence in Homs ... will the Government use the Security Council debate in June 2012 ... to highlight this concern.' **Senator Bob Carr:** Yes.



SYRIA 10 Oct 2012

### Carr Calls For Syria Assassination

By Joseph Wakim

## Which 'Australian entities' helped send weapons from Libya to al Qaeda groups in Syria?



“[Under] a secret agreement reached in early 2012 between the Obama and Erdoğan administrations ... funding came from Turkey, as well as Saudi Arabia and Qatar; the CIA, with the support of MI6, was responsible for getting arms from [late Libyan President] Gaddafi’s arsenals into Syria. A number of front companies were set up in Libya, some **under the cover of Australian entities**. Retired American soldiers ... were hired to manage procurement and shipping. The operation was run by David Petraeus, the CIA director” – Seymour Hersh

**There can't be too many Australian companies, NGOs or agencies in Libya with possible links to Turkey**

Seymour Hersh, 'The Red Line and the Rat Line', *London Review of Books*, 6 April, online: <http://www.lrb.co.uk/2014/04/06/seymour-m-hersh/the-red-line-and-the-rat-line>

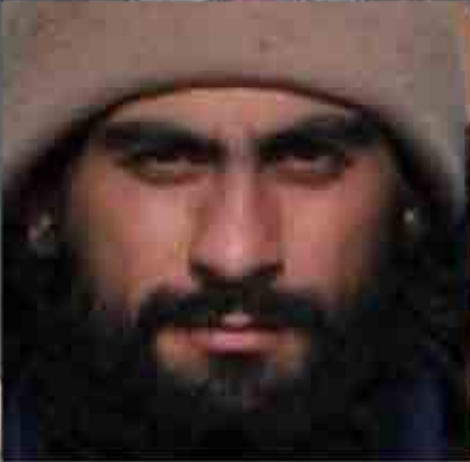
**Bob Carr's  
terrorists**

2012

**'Perhaps an  
assassination is  
what's required'  
- Bob Carr**



**Mustafa al Majzoub  
joined FSA  
killed in Syria**



**Yusuf Toprakkaya  
joined FSA  
killed in Syria**



**Roger Abbas  
joined FSA  
killed in Syria**



# Blatant disregard for international law

## Australia willing to join US in Syria air assault — report

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2014

Abbott risks confrontation with Syria, Russia

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US OFFICIALS say they expect Australia will be willing to join a US air campaign behind potential military action in Syria.

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# another war, another 'clear objective'



Obama threatens to oust Assad if US planes downed in Syrian airspace

2014

There are clear and achievable objectives in Iraq, says Tony Abbott

December 15, 2014 - 2:52PM

Abbott: Australia's mission in Iraq fundamentally humanitarian

Islamic State: Tony Abbott says Australia has 'clear objective' to fight IS militants in Iraq

By political.com.au/press/15 Dec 2014



Whether by 'false flag' or an act of Syrian self-defence, the **intervention in Iraq** could easily become an **aggression against Syria**, drawing in Syria's allies **Iran and Russia**.

**New York Times:** 'If he [Assad] dared to do that, Mr. Obama said he would order American forces to wipe out Syria's air defense system, which he noted would be easier than striking ISIS (or ISIL) because its locations are better known. He went on to say that such an action by Mr. Assad would lead to his overthrow.'

# Fedaa al Majzoub, only Australian in the exile-puppet SNC: from 'respected Aussie imam' to 'accused war criminal'

## The respected Aussie imam smeared by the Assad regime

DAVID BENTON | THE AUSTRALIAN | JANUARY 01, 2014 12:00AM

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The Australian  
2 Jan (below)  
4 Jan (right)



2014

A citizen journalism image provided by Aleppo Media Center shows a war-torn Syria. Source: AP

**THEY** are two Syrian-Australian brothers whose fates illustrate the shifting, bloody complexities of their homeland's brutal civil war.

The younger is dead, killed in a rocket attack. His elder brother has been dragged unwittingly into the propaganda battle being waged by the Syrian regime.

Speaking to a visiting WikiLeaks Party delegation at a meeting in the state-run radio and television compound in central Damascus last week, Syrian Information Minister Omran al-Zoubi made a series of unsubstantiated allegations against the older brother, Fedaa al-Majzoub.

The respected Sydney-based Islamic cleric played a role in the kidnapping of



Fedaa al-Majzoub. Source: Supplied

## THE AUSTRALIAN

### Accused war criminal aligned with O'Farrell

JARED OWENS | THE AUSTRALIAN | JANUARY 04, 2014 12:00AM

**TOURING** the mosques of Sydney as a travelling preacher, respected cleric Fedaa al-Majzoub rarely strayed into politics - until he threw his weight behind Barry O'Farrell at the 2011 election.

Sheik Majzoub's decision to back the Liberal Party, and a similar move by the Lebanese Muslim Association, were credited with costing Labor the seat of Granville, in Sydney's southwest, for the first time since the Great Depression.

A champion of interfaith dialogue, Sheik Majzoub has strenuously denied committing war crimes as claimed by a Syrian minister in a series of heavily publicised meetings with a delegation from the WikiLeaks Party in Damascus last week.

During these meetings, which were widely reported on Syrian state-run television, Information Minister Omran al-Zoubi told the WikiLeaks delegates that Sheik Majzoub was "responsible for the kidnapping of 106 people".

WikiLeaks Party national councillor Jamal Daoud has repeated the allegation and said he would prove it once he received evidence from the Assad regime.

A member of the delegation, Julian Assange's father, John Shipton, has hired a senior NSW barrister to sue Tony Abbott and Foreign Minister Julie Bishop for defamation over criticisms of the delegation, although legal experts yesterday doubted Mr Shipton's chances of success.

Among the community leaders temporarily estranged by Sheik Majzoub's support of Mr O'Farrell was his former adviser Keysar Trad, who said the cleric made political statements only on "very serious issues" such as the state election and the war in Gaza five years ago, during which he appeared alongside Catholic, Anglican and United Church leaders to call for peace.

Mr Trad said Sheik Majzoub was well respected for his chaplaincy work with the state Department of Corrective Services, was "instrumental" in building bridges between imams and the police, and wanted to launch a radio station to broadcast mainstream Islamic teachings.



Sheik Majzoub has strenuously denied committing war crimes. Source: Supplied

# How easily Australians are manipulated into backing a new war

2014

**Majority of Australians support military intervention against ISIS, Newspoll reveals**



## Some things you should know about ISIS



- This Non-Islamic Non-State is neither Islamic nor a state, but the latest of many front organisations (al Qaeda, al Nusra, Islamic Front, ISIS) created by the US to divide and dominate the Middle East
- Main direct support comes from Saudi Arabia and Turkey; other US allies, such as Israel, UK, France and Qatar, are also involved
- ISIS does not represent Sunni Muslims or any other real community
- Whatever wealth it manages to steal, it remains dependent on its patrons for arms, recruits and logistical support
- Despite fake denunciations and 'cattle prod' bombing, Washington has no intention of destroying this useful 'Frankenstein's monster'

They collected together parts of dead bodies, seeking to make a man from them ... yet when successful they were repelled by the hideous parody of a human being they had created ...



The monster's appearance led to its instant rejection by all he met, so he began to take revenge on his makers by murdering their families, one by one ...

ISIS chief Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi on his release from U.S. detention in 2009: "I'll see you guys in New York!"



Hillary Clinton: 'We Created al-Qaeda' - YouTube

**Irish crisis: How Saudi Arabia helped Isis take over the north of the country**

**Abbott risks confrontation with Syria, Russia**

**Russia's President Putin warns US over Syria action**



# Islamic Relief Australia raising funds for al Qaeda groups

SYRIA: Still In Our Hearts Emergency Dinner – NSW



Terrorism financing in Australia 2014

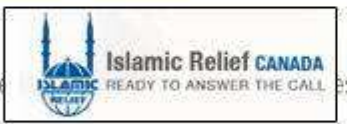


Islamic Relief USA (left) places all its 'hospitals' in areas held by ISIL and Jabhat al Nusra

Islamic Relief Canada praises banned terrorist group Jabhat al Nusra as 'effective rebel forces'

January:

- > The Arab League halts its observation mission in Syria, as violence escalates.
- > Jabhat al-Nusra, al-Qaeda's branch in Syria, announces its creation. Since then it has been described as "one of the most effective rebel forces" in Syria



United Arab Emirates (Nov 2014) bans Islamic Relief UK and Islamic Relief Worldwide (IRW) of the Global Muslim Brotherhood as terrorist organisations

UAE Cabinet approves list of designated terrorist organisations, groups  
15/11/2014



ISIL (Daesh), the Islamic Front, the FSA and Jabhat al Nusra all collaborate in terrorism



Assassination, defection could topple Assad: Carr

UN accuses Syrian rebels of carrying out sarin gas attacks which had been blamed on Assad's troops

WE DO NOT SUPPORT BOMBING SYRIA

Australia to Bomb Syria?

The prime minister is raring to go, despite the questionable wisdom of the move.



## Australian contributions to the dirty war on Syria

Revealed: Full list of Aussie jihadis fighting with ISIS in Syria and Iraq



Nov 2011	"Assad must go"	Government and state owned media join the Washington-led 'regime change' chorus.
Early 2012	"Australian entities" ship arms to al Qaeda groups	"the CIA ... getting arms from Gaddafi's arsenals [through Turkey] into Syria ... [using] the cover of Australian entities" Seymour Hersh 2014
May 2012	Canberra expels Syria's acting ambassador	'Australia expels Syria's Charge D'Affairs Jawdat Ali' (30 May 2012), falsely blaming Syria for killing pro government villagers at Houla.
October 2012	Propose assassination of President Assad	"Perhaps an assassination combined with a major defection, ... is what is required to get [peace]", Foreign Minister Bob Carr, Oct 2012
December 2012	Backing a new regime, with no mandate	FM Carr declares exile-puppet group the Syrian National Council 'The legitimate representative of the Syrian people', December 2012
Aug 2013	False gas attack claims	Australian government, media falsely blame Assad for 'gassing his own people'
Sept. 2014	Canberra backs the fake war on ISIL in Syria, Iraq	"A day after announcing a military commitment to help fight IS in Iraq, PM Tony Abbott is not ruling out a role in Syria", September 2014
2012-2015	Dozens of Australian terrorists in Syria	Over 2012-2015 Australia sent dozens of religious-fanatic-mercenaries to join Washington's mythical 'moderate rebels' in Syria and Iraq
August 2015	Preparing to bomb Syria	Under the pretext of another 'war on terror', Canberra discusses joining in the illegal US bombing of Eastern Syria, August 2015

# US coalition massacres Syrian soldiers at Deir eZorr, directly assisting ISIS



**Obama's double game**

September 17, 2016  
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Coalition halts airstrike in progress against possible

TAMPA, Fla. – Earlier today Coalition aircraft conducted an air strike. Coalition forces believed they were striking a Da'esh fighting position. A significant amount of time before the strike. The coalition air

Pentagon claims 'mistake', believed they were attacking ISIS

'US is defending ISIS': Russia convenes UNSC meeting after US coalition strike on Syrian army

Published time: 17 Sep 2016 13:09  
Updated time: 17 Sep 2016 13:46

Russia calls urgent UNSC meeting, concludes Obama "is defending ISIS"

2016



Syria confirms 62 dead, 100 wounded, but SAA operation against ISIS ongoing

LIVE RT RUSSIAN DEFENCE MINISTRY HOLDS BRIEFING ON SYRIA COALITION STRIKE

ISIS made advances on SAA positions as a result of the strike, Syria says it is reclaiming those positions

## ***U.S. Admits Airstrike in Syria, Meant to Hit ISIS, Killed Syrian Troops***

You admit guilt for the Deir eZorr massacre, killing 60 Syrian soldiers,  
Whether deliberate or accidental will be for an independent tribunal,  
But then you blame others, to deflect attention from your crimes,  
That shows neither contrition, nor maturity; you plan to re-offend.



**Malcolm Turnbull slams Russian 'contradictions' while admitting Australian bombs in Syria**

**WATCH // Samantha Power Rips Assad Regime, Russia After Emergency UN Meeting**

**RAAF was part of fatal air strike in which 80 Syrian troops were killed 'by mistake'**

2016

**US Ambassador to UN: Emergency Meeting a Stunt, Blasts Russia and Assad 'Game'**





**Lest We Forget:** Australian military involvement in the 17 Sept 2016 murder of almost 100 Syrian soldiers, as they were fighting ISIS terrorists

## Australian jets involved in US-led air strike which killed dozens of Syrian soldiers, Defence confirms

Updated 19 Sep 2016, 12:26am

Australian jets participated in massacre of Syrian soldiers in Deir Ezzor

- Full inquiry
- Criminal trials
- 'Never again' pledge





## The Rape of Syria

2017

essay by Professor Jeremy Salt for the conference 'After the War on Syria', University of Sydney, 18-19 April 2017

### THE UNMAKING OF THE MIDDLE EAST

*A History of Western Disasters in Arab Lands*

JEREMY SALT



"The media lies have been compounded by the shrill rhetoric of fake leftists unable to see ... the most determined attempt ever made by the 'west' and its allies to destroy an Arab government. These leftist frauds have put themselves in the service of imperialism, Israel and the most reactionary governments in the world."

**Full article:** <http://counter-hegemonic-studies.net/debate/rape-of-syria/>



# Solidarity

**Comandante Hugo Chávez**


**Bienvenido a Venezuela**  
Presidente de la República Árabe Siria  
**Bashar Al Assad**

**'Syria's sovereignty must be respected. If Syria has problems, Syrians must be the ones to resolve them, in a peaceful manner. We condemn the terrorist acts besieging the Syrian people, as happened in Libya ... It's sad to know that the European Governments recognise these terrorists, fund them and give them weapons'**

**Leila Khaled  
Palestinian legend**



**'I am screaming at the top of my voice: We stand by the Syrian Army and the people of Syria. We are confident in the people of Syria, who have taken us, Palestinians, under their wings and hosted us on their land for over sixty years. We are confident that they will prevail over this problem.'**



Oscar Olivera  
Bolivian trade union leader

Oscar Olivera  
LEADER OF 2000  
COCHABAMBA "WATER WARS"

The struggle of the Syrian people against foreign-backed attacks 'es nuestra lucha también' (is our struggle too)



**Cynthia McKinney  
Former US Congresswomen**

**'The kind of death and destruction visited upon  
Libya ... cannot be allowed to happen in Syria.'**

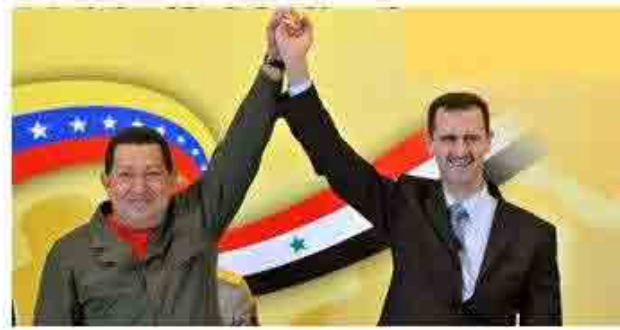


**Dr Raymundo Navarro, Cuban Workers Trade Union Central (CTC), 2012**



**'We were able to verify, wherever we went, that this nation is a nation of dignity and a patriotic country that defends its conquests obtained during 40 years of an ongoing process of social changes, and led by President Bashar Al-Assad who counts on the support of his people.'**

## Luis Bilbao: the resistance will prevail












**Luis Bilbao, Argentine writer and adviser to Venezuelan Presidents Hugo Chavez and Nicolas Maduro. Visited Syria with Chavez in 2010.**

**Feb 2012:** "In October 2010, shortly before they started terrorist attacks led by Mossad and the CIA against Syria, President Bashar Al Assad declared his intention of incorporating Syria as a "permanent guest" of the ALBA [the progressive Latin American bloc]. But each day there is the assertion of a different political world map, a rearrangement in international power relations."

**April 2014:** "[Yet] there is no third world war in the near future, nor a cold war ... Washington wanted to sweep Bashar al Assad from Syria as they did with Gaddafi in Libya: they could not; they wanted to wipe out Iran as they did Iraq, they could not; they wanted to oust Nicolas Maduro as they did the presidents of Honduras and Paraguay: they could not; they wanted to snatch Ukraine, and managed to depose Yanukovich, but failed on Crimea, which encouraged other regions."

<http://americaxxi.com.ve/revista/articulo/106/tormenta-geopol-iacute-tica>  
<http://www.luis-bilbao.com.ar/2012/02/02/temor-justificado/>

 **Latin American countries support Syria** 

<p><b>Venezuela</b></p>	<p>Provides diesel to Syria. The late President Hugo Chavez was a friend and supporter of Syrian President Bashar al Assad. </p>
<p><b>Cuba</b> </p>	<p>Provides medicine and health support to help rebuild Syria's health system, hit by western backed terrorism and sanctions.</p>
<p><b>Ecuador</b></p>	<p><b>President Rafael Correa:</b> 'what Syria encounters is a conspiracy, not demands for democracy'. </p>
<p><b>Bolivia</b> </p>	<p><b>President Evo Morales</b> defends Syria. Bolivia says Syria's 2014 elections were 'transparent and in accord with international criteria'.</p>
<p><b>Nicaragua</b></p>	<p>Nicaragua defends Syria, calling for an end to the 'aggression and foreign manipulation' against the Syrian government. </p>
<p><b>Brazil</b> </p>	<p><b>President Dilma Rouseff:</b> no military solution to the crisis in Syria; the only solution is through 'dialogue and understanding'.</p>
<p><b>Argentina</b></p>	<p><b>President Cristina Fernandez:</b> US preparations to attack Syria were an example of the 'crisis of the multilateral system'. </p>

From the world champions of solidarity:

# Cuba: full support for Syria



Havana: Cuban Health Minister Roberto Morales Ojeda (R) meets Syrian Ambassador Loae al-Uoji (L)

The Cuban Health minister praised 'the resilience of the Syrian people, and the wisdom and courage shown by President Bashar al-Assad', expressing confidence that 'the Syrian people, who have withstood the heinous war led by the world imperialism, its supporters and tools, will triumph'.

## First shipment of Cuban vaccines arrive in Damascus

2016



# Fidel speaks the plain truth, NATO is a monster

Castro compares NATO to Nazi SS, slams US, Israel for 'creating ISIS'

2014



Fidel Castro: U.S. and Israel To Blame For ISIS

Cuba: Fidel Castro Slams U.S. and Europe for Fueling ISIS and Compares NATO to Nazis

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Fidel Castro accuses John McCain, Israel of creating Islamic State

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Fidel Castro: US & Israel created ISIS

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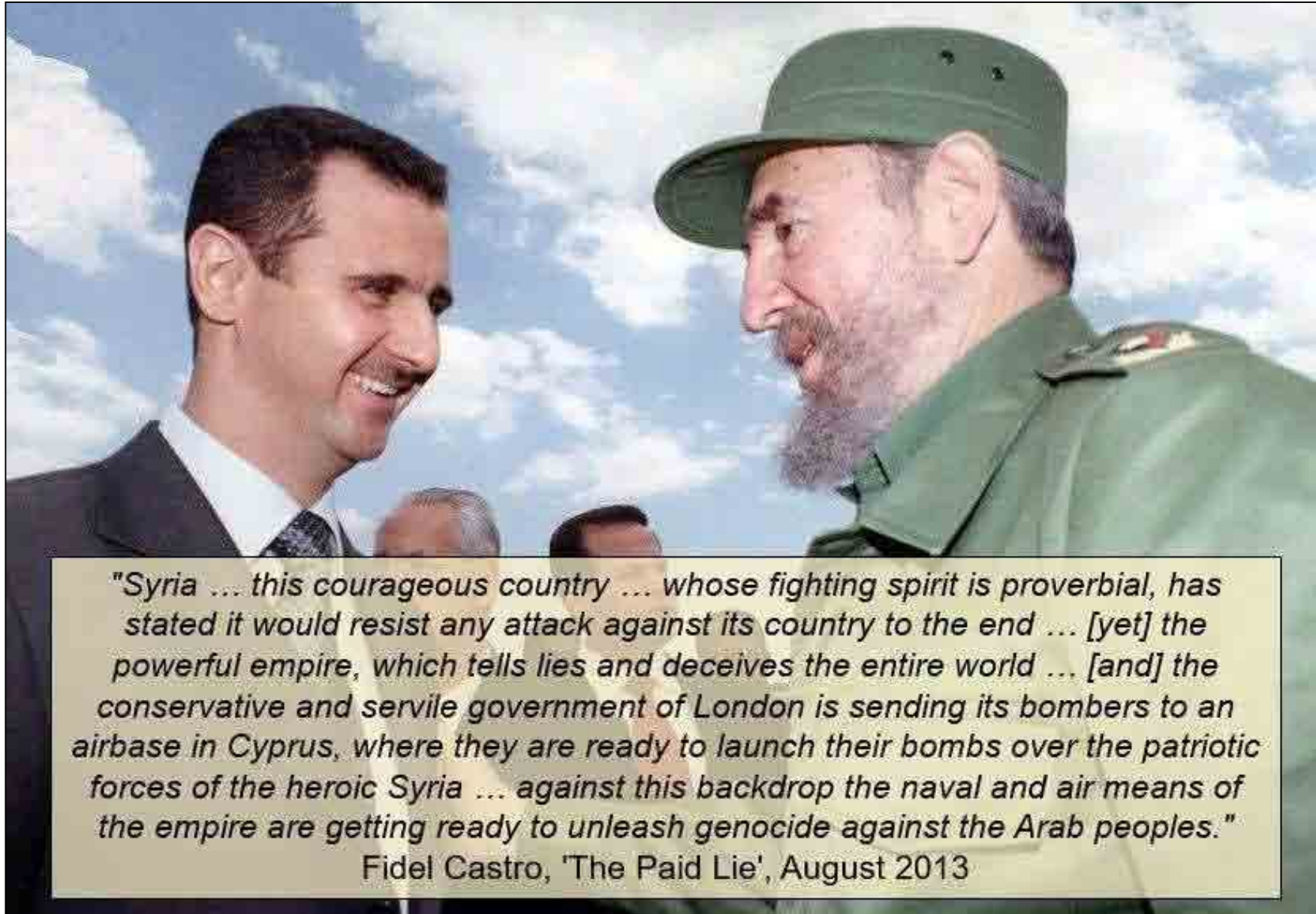
Castro Compares NATO to Nazi SS, Slams US, 'Israel' for Creating ISIS

Local Editor

Cuba's former president Fidel Castro compared NATO's recent statements to that of Nazi SS and accused US and its allies of igniting conflicts abroad. Castro slammed John McCain for backing Israel and accused both of being involved in the creation of ISIS.



"Accusing the West of "cynicism," he said the trait had become "a symbol of imperialist policy."  
"Some European spokesmen for NATO ... speak with the style and face of the Nazi SS." Instead of promoting conflicts they should "introduce more food, build hospitals and schools for the billions of human beings who desperately need them."



*"Syria ... this courageous country ... whose fighting spirit is proverbial, has stated it would resist any attack against its country to the end ... [yet] the powerful empire, which tells lies and deceives the entire world ... [and] the conservative and servile government of London is sending its bombers to an airbase in Cyprus, where they are ready to launch their bombs over the patriotic forces of the heroic Syria ... against this backdrop the naval and air means of the empire are getting ready to unleash genocide against the Arab peoples."*  
Fidel Castro, 'The Paid Lie', August 2013

# Grandstand against terrorism one day, send them to Syria the next



Syria slams France for not cooperating over jihadists

Which country in Europe has the most jihadists in Syria and Iraq?

**French President Hollande:** France will be 'merciless ... and unrelenting against those who defend and carry out terrorism, notably the jihadists who go to Iraq and Syria'

Paris attacks suspect entered Syria on Jan. 8, Turkey says



In Syria

Dead



Meanwhile, Cuba's national heroes back Syria

2015





## The Value of People to People Contact



Grand Mufti of Syria since 2005. His 22 year old son Sariya was murdered in 2011 by sectarian Islamist 'rebels', because of the father's support for a pluralist Syria.

"I'm glad you came to Syria to 'read' us and not just 'read about' us. When I 'read about' Australia I learned that a group of criminals sailed there and stole the land from the indigenous peoples. But when I actually met some Australians I realised there was more to them." **Grand Mufti, Sheikh Ahmad Badreddin Hassoun**



2013

# Solidarity with Syria

Many westerners do not understand the difference between: 'I support Bashar al Assad' and 'I support the Syrian people'.

It is an important distinction. A key reason for the conflict in Syria is that so many non-Syrians believe they can have a say in the Government of Syria. Why would those sympathetic to Syria add to this (neo-colonial) illusion?

The principled position says it is only the Syrian people who can decide how and by whom they are governed. This is self-determination, the foundation of human rights.



2013

# AID for SYRIA: some key points

Dirty war has devastated Syria. They do need our help. Yet the sad fact is that most groups seeking money for Syria are fronts, backing sectarian terrorists and 'regime change'. Ask them: 1. do they coordinate with Damascus? 2. do they oppose sanctions?

First peaceful Xmas in Homs for four years



Syrian Christian Leaders Call On U.S. To End Support For Anti-Assad Rebels



## Pro-Syria aid groups



Oppose sanctions: <http://endthesanctions.com/>

## Anti-Syria aid groups –those that back sectarian terrorism



**AVOID:** Islamic Relief and Muslim Aid (work with sectarian terrorists, e.g. in Arsal, Al-Zaatari, Shamareen-Idlib), Hand in Hand for Syria (non-Islamist but works with sectarian terrorists), Qatar Red Crescent (Qatar is a major funder of the dirty war).

**Is there a worse crime than backing war  
against an independent people?**

**Is there a worse cowardice  
than saying 'damn you both, I don't care'  
when big powers attack an independent people?**



# FOUR reasons why you should support the Syrian Government against NATO-backed terrorism

1. On every poll, including those run by Syria's enemies (Qatar, FSA, NATO) President Bashar al Assad has the majority support of the **Syrian people**.

Defying US, 29 Rebel Groups in Syria Swear Allegiance to al Nusra

December 2012

3. Even if you believed much of the war propaganda, the **Syrian Army's conduct** is way ahead of the al Qaeda groups and the people support them.

Biden: Turks, Saudis, UAE funded and armed Al Nusra and Al Qaeda

October 2014

VP Biden Apologizes for Telling Truth About Turkey, Saudi and ISIS

GEN. DEMPSEY: I KNOW ARAB ALLIES WHO FUND ISIS

July 2015

Syrian Army Kills 400 ISIL Terrorists in Raqqa

NATO Study: Assad Winning War, 70% of Syrians Support Him

June 2013

June 2014

Bashar al-Assad wins re-election in Syria

2. The Syrian Government maintains a **secular-pluralist state**, which most Syrians want; all the armed 'opposition' back a sectarian religious state.

Aleppo Battle: Al Qaeda's Jabhat Al-Nusra Is Friend To Syrian Rebel Groups

March 2015

**MODERATE SYRIAN REBELS KEEP MODERATELY JOINING ISIS**

4. The **war on terror/ISIL/al Qaeda** is fake. Washington and its allies back ALL the extremist groups in Syria

**Endgame: Syria is Winning**

# Why are the Geneva peace talks on Syria failing?



**A. U.S.A. sends more weapons to 'moderate' al Qaeda, during the talks**

MIDDLE EAST

*Syrian Talks Disrupted by Congress's Approval of Aid to Rebels*

Congress secretly approves U.S. weapons flow to 'moderate' Syrian rebels

**C. SNC 'opposition' hardly represents anyone in Syria**

Syria rebels reject opposition coalition, call for Islamic leadership

**Islamic extremist rebel groups reject new Syria opposition coalition**

Major Syrian rebel group rejects Geneva peace talks

Basic elements for a political communique  
1- Full respect for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Syria and inadmissibility to give up any part of its territory. Commitment should be made to restore all its occupied territories.  
2- Rejection of all forms of direct and foreign interference in the Syrian internal affairs directly or indirectly and that the Syrian people decide the future of their country.

2014

**B. SNC rejects Syrian Govt statement in support of sovereignty**

**Demands rejected by NATO-backed SNC:**

1. Respect for Syrian Sovereignty
2. Rejecting foreign interference
3. Protecting national unity and diversity
4. Ending support for terrorism
5. Preserving Syria's infrastructure



**HOWEVER**, Syria will win because (1) At least 90% of the people support a **PLURALIST** and **INCLUSIVE** Syria and (2) the sectarian terrorists, having made no strategic gains in 18 months, are being ground down.

# Dozens of families returning to East Ghouta villages liberated by the Syrian Arab Army

TENS OF FAMILIES START RETURNING TO THEIR HOUSES IN SOUTHERN AREA OF EASTERN GHOUTA-VIDEO



2016



Tens of families start returning to their houses in the southern area of Eastern Ghouta after security established by the army





# Residents of Deir Qanoun (Barada valley) celebrate the expulsion of al Qaeda groups

2017



**A few of the 19 Syrians murdered by NATO backed car bombers in Homs, 26 Jan 2016**



**Bayan al Hassan, LLB**



**Nour Abbas, student**



**Ali Fandi**



**Sisters Batul and Marah Khadour**



**Sarah Bilal**

## When your team just lost and you can't admit they're your team

2016



**US spokesperson:** "I don't have any specific updates on [Palmyra] ... the regime ... violation of cessation of hostilities ..." Q: "Do you want to see the regime retake Palmyra, or do you prefer it stays in DAESH's hands? A: [giggle] It's truly a ... look ... we would like to see the political negotiation .. pick up steam ... cessation of hostilities ... Q: You're not answering my question. A: [giggle] I know I'm not [loud laughter] ... and then we can all increase our efforts to go after DAESH ... violations on the part of the regime ... [etc].

# Syria: widespread surrenders by western-backed armed groups

2016

Scores of Terrorists Surrender in Damascus



Military Source: Armed Groups Call for Reconciliation with Syrian Army to Fight Al-Nusra Front



163 Militants Surrender to Syrian Authorities in Homs Province

TEHRAN (FNA)- More than 160 militants laid down their arms and turned themselves in to the Syrian officials across Homs province. [PHOTOS]

Militants Surrender to Syrian Army in Damascus Countryside



Sources: SANA, Fars News

## The liberation of Palmyra (Tadmur)

<-- public execution site

- Seized by ISIS, with US arms and US complicity, May 2015
- Gruesome executions, destruction of World Heritage
- Liberated by the Syrian Arab Army, March 2016
- US officials sulk, refuse to recognise Syrian achievement

2016

<-- heritage vandalised

## The 'High Negotiations Committee'

Saudi-backed mouthpiece for Al Qaeda groups in Syria




What they cannot win by car-bombing and beheading they will never get in 'negotiations'

# The Liberation of Daraya means



- An end to the terrorism in southern Damascus, and relief for residents in Daraya and surrounding areas
- Cutting a key southern terrorist supply link
- Accelerating the liberation of Douma / East Ghouta
- Demonstrating that SAA-NDF sieges can work well

## Astana: Syria v the Muslim Brotherhood, again



2017

With key foreign al Qaeda (Nusra & ISIS) sidelined, the Astana talks are another confrontation between old enemies: secular Syria and the sectarian Muslim Brotherhood

Mohammad Alloush (top) and the late Zahran Alloush (bottom)

Syria's U.N. Ambassador Dr Bashar al Jaafari

Saudi-backed former leader of 'Jaysh al Islam' **Zahran Alloush**, before he was killed by the Syrian Army, worked closely with al Qaeda, held his prisoners in cages and called for the slaughter of every Shi'a and Christian in Damascus: *"Oh filthy Rafidis ... [we] will make you taste a painful torment in this world before God makes you taste it in the hereafter."* **Jaysh al Islam** is one of the **Syrian Muslim Brotherhood** gangs attending Astana. Others have stayed out, to fight on with al Qaeda. Very early in the conflict all the MB gangs allied with al Qaeda (Nusra or ISIS).



## Washington's deadly combination: terrorism and economic sanctions



Behind the claims of humanitarian concern, al Qaeda's sponsors choke daily life in Syria

### **U.S. AND EU SANCTIONS ARE PUNISHING ORDINARY SYRIANS AND CRIPPLING AID WORK, U.N. REPORT REVEALS**



Rania Khalek

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Important report by Rania Khalek and The Intercept

The U.N. describes the U.S. and EU measures as **“some of the most complicated and far-reaching sanctions regimes ever imposed.”** An internal U.N. email ... also faults U.S. and EU sanctions for contributing to **food shortages** and deteriorations in **health care**.

# West sanctions on Syria hitting children's cancer treatment: WHO

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# The latest US rationale for invading Syria

Middle East

## With a show of Stars and Stripes, U.S. forces in Syria try to keep warring allies apart

"Manbij, where U.S.-allied Arab forces backed by Kurds have been fighting for more than a week with U.S.-allied Arab forces backed by Turkey, according to U.S. and local officials"  
Washington Post, 8/3/18



### Translation:

"US-allied Arab forces backed by Kurds" are the SDF which, after Turkish resistance and some Russian diplomacy, have just handed back several Manbij villages to the Syrian Arab Army.

"US-allied Arab forces backed by Turkey" are the mostly al Qaeda allied sectarian Islamists of the FSA; Turkey has used them against Syrian Kurds.

"Keep warring allies apart" means invading Syria as US strategy falls apart.

# Masterminds of Middle East terrorism



## **Vanity terrorism**

Launched missile strikes on Syria - knowing that the *Khan Sheikhoun* incident was another 'false flag' pretext - to prove he was better than Obama.

## **Systematic terrorism**

Covertly financed and armed ALL the terrorist groups in Syria and Iraq, to advance the Bush Plan for a 'New Middle East'. Hundreds of thousands killed.

## **Godfather of terrorism**

Used al Qaeda as pretext for two invasions, then used the Saudis to build al Qaeda in Iraq (ISI), to destabilise Baghdad and isolate Iran.

## Residents of Deir Qanoun (Barada valley) celebrate the expulsion of al Qaeda groups

2017



## To speak of a Syrian 'transition government' is a thing of the past, old history

Shabaan: Hablar de un gobierno de transición es un tema del pasado, historia vieja

2017



The Idlib chemical attack was a fabrication, the US has no interest in an independent investigation; the US missile attack on Homs had a political not a military objective; Syria will respond at the appropriate moment; the Syrian reconciliation process is central to a political solution; Syria will accept nothing less than independence, unity and territorial integrity; the Syrian Army is determined to eliminate terrorism from every last inch of Syria. - **Dr Bouthaina Shaaban**, Syrian Presidential advisor

## Trump's attack on Syria leads Red Cross to belatedly recognise the war on Syria as an 'international conflict', not a 'civil war'



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### Syria is now international armed conflict



Exclusive - Situation in Syria constitutes international armed conflict - Red Cross

2017

The situation in Syria now 'amounts to an international armed conflict' after U.S. missile strikes on a Syrian air base, the International Committee of the Red Cross said, expanding both sides' humanitarian obligations to cover any prisoners of war. "Any military operation by a state on the territory of another without the consent of the other amounts to an international armed conflict," ICRC spokeswoman Iolanda Jaquemet told Reuters. This creates a legal obligation to allow the ICRC to check on prisoners.

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# **Syria is winning!**

**but at the cost of many lives, mostly young lives  
top photos: the chief criminals responsible**



**Syrian Arab Army: maligned by lying monsters for defending their country**



The long war in the Middle East was never about: Osama bin Laden, Saddam Hussein, Hezbollah, Muammar Gaddafi, Bashar al Assad nor nuclear weapons in Iran.

They were all sideshows to distract. The long war is about our regime and ourselves.

## Further Reading



English version: Global Research, Montreal;  
 in Australia: Hands Off Syria, Sydney  
 German version: Liepsen Verlag, Marburg  
 Arabic version: Damascus Centre for Research and Studies  
 Swedish version: Oktoberförlaget, Stockholm  
 Spanish version: Centre for Counter Hegemonic Studies  
 Bosnian version: Šahinpašić, Sarajevo  
 Italian version: Zambon Editore, Milano  
*Greek and Icelandic versions are on the way.*

**Other good books on the Syrian conflict:**

Stephen Gowans 'Washington's Long War on Syria' (Baraka Books)

Mark Taliano's 'Syrian Voices' (Global Research)

**Best English language analysts and journalists on the Syrian conflict:**

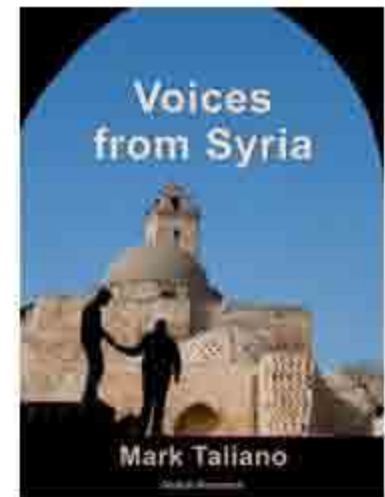
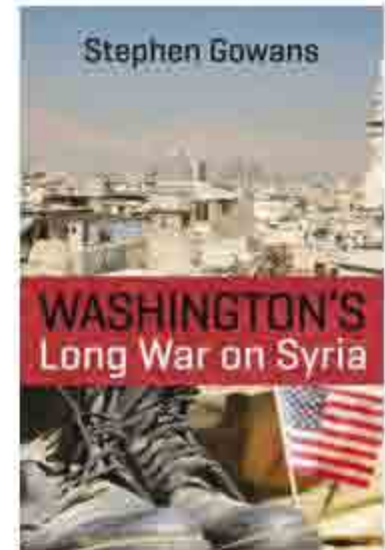
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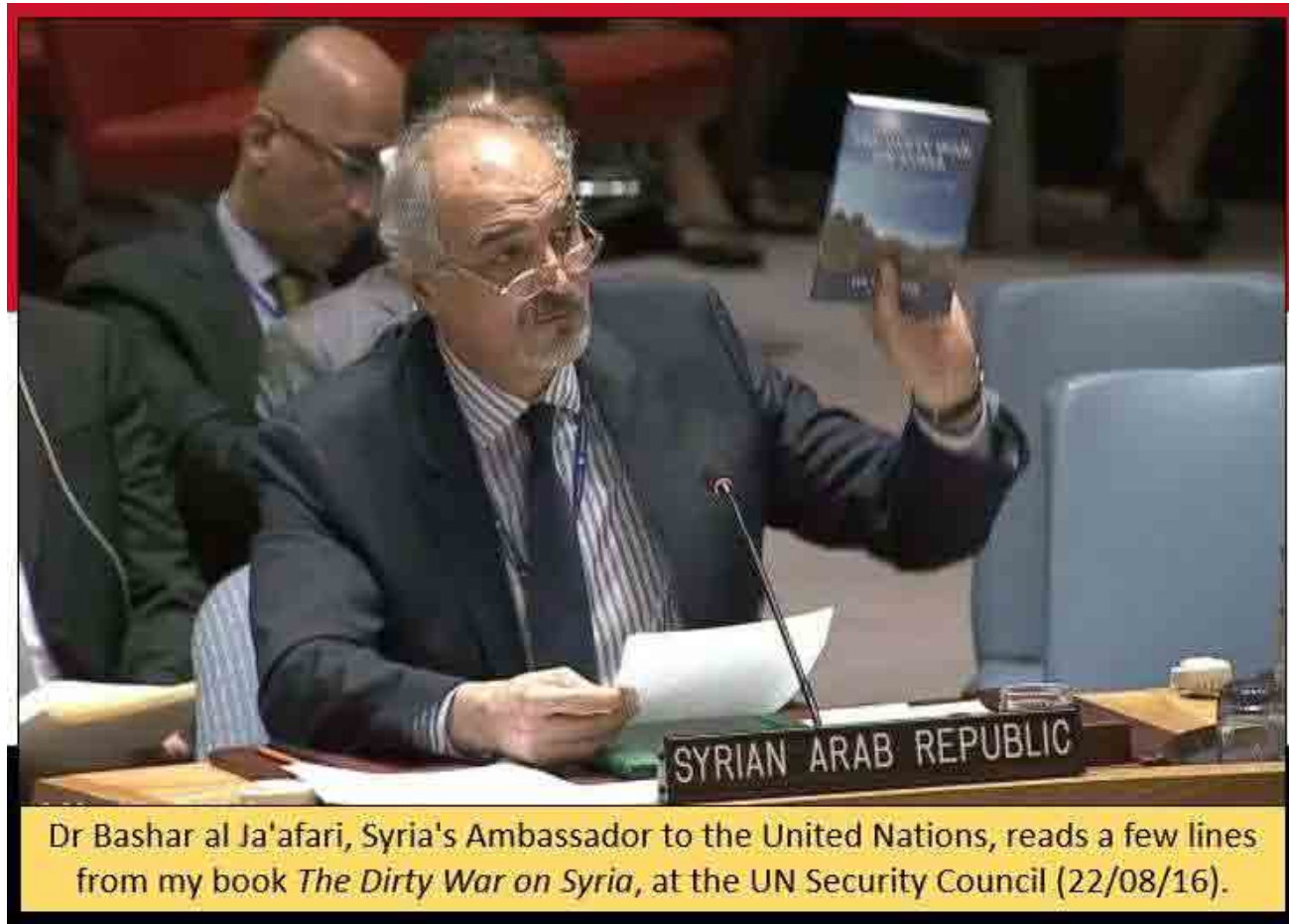
**Worst war propaganda sources:**

Al Jazeera (Qatar), BBC, UK Guardian, New York Times and virtually all the western state and corporate media which have not questioned their own government's war policy and practice during this long war.

**Fake NGOs which have backed the war on Syria:**

Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, The Syrian Campaign, The White Helmets, 'Syrian Observatory for Human Rights', 'Rights Violations Documentation Centre' and other Muslim Brotherhood and al Qaeda fronts.





Dr Bashar al Ja'afari, Syria's Ambassador to the United Nations, reads a few lines from my book *The Dirty War on Syria*, at the UN Security Council (22/08/16).