

De Facto NATO "Invasion" of Syria? US, Turkey Military Operations in Syria Are Intervention

By Sputnik

Global Research, November 28, 2016

Sputnik 28 November 2016

Region: Middle East & North Africa

Theme: <u>US NATO War Agenda</u>

In-depth Report: **SYRIA**

Washington and Ankara do not coordinate their military operations on Syria's territory with Damascus, their presence in the country can be regarded as intervention, a senior Syrian Army official told Sputnik.

Turkish forces, backed by US-led coalition aircraft, began a military operation dubbed Euphrates Shield to clear the Syrian border town of Jarabulus and the surrounding area of the Daesh, outlawed in Russia and many other countries. As Jarabulus was retaken, the joint forces of Ankara, the coalition and Syrian rebels continued the offensive southwest.

"There is no coordination between us on the one side and Turkey and the United States on the other... We believe that the actions of these two countries in northern Syria are interference in our internal affairs, aggression and intervention," Brig. Gen. Samir Suleiman, Head of the Media Affairs of the Syrian Army's Political Office, said.

He stressed that the Syrian army will withstand "any attempts of intervention on the part of foreign states."

The operation has been widely criticized both by the Syrian Kurds and Damascus accusing Ankara of violating Syria's territorial integrity.

US forces are also on the ground in Syria, equipping, advising, and training Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF) and partners for the operation to isolate and then retake the Daesh stronghold of Raqqa, Coalition Commander Lt. Gen. Stephen Townsend said last Wednesday.

The original source of this article is Sputnik, Sputnik, Sputnik, 2016

Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page

Become a Member of Global Research

Articles by: **Sputnik**

Disclaimer: The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: publications@globalresearch.ca

www.globalresearch.ca contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: publications@globalresearch.ca