

Ending Syria's Violence: Begins with Ending Arms, Cash, and Support for Terrorist Front

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At 20 million, if even half of Syria's population rose up against the government of President Bashar al-Assad, armed with pointed sticks, the revolution would be over in an afternoon. Instead, it has dragged on for nearly a year and a half, consisting of hit-and-run battles, terrorist bombings, and cross-border infiltration - indicating that but a slim minority has "risen up" and of that minority, the vast majority of them are sectarian extremists - admittedly many are not even Syrian.

Most importantly, it is not within Syria, but beyond its borders, that these "rebels" derive the summation of their support.

Syria's Violence Was Premeditated From Abroad

Since 2007, interests within the US, Saudi, and Israeli governments, along with other Gulf State despots and proxies in both Turkey and northern Lebanon, have been assembling from across the Arab World an army of sectarian extremists, with close ties - even direct affiliations with Al Qaeda. Exposing this was US journalist, Seymour Hersh, who published his findings in a 2007 New Yorker article titled, "The Redirection." Readers should note that Al Qaeda itself was an "Arab foreign legion" of sorts, created in the 1980's also by the US to fight its proxy wars.

These militants drawn from across Saudi Arabia, Jordan, UAE, Qatar, Lebanon, Turkey, Libya, and Iraq, were armed, funded, and staged along Syria's borders between 2007-2011. The Syrian Muslim Brotherhood, who had fought a failed but brutally violent campaign to establish a faux-theocracy in the late 70's and early 80's was also contacted during this time by the West, receiving funding and directives to begin preparing for the violent overthrow of the Syrian government.

While this militant front was being assembled and prepared by US-Saudi-Israeli clandestine services, the US State Department was assembling a cover story with which to justify the planned bloodbath. That cover story would be later called the "Arab Spring." In 2008, the US State Department hosted activists from Egypt in New York City, who would be funded, equipped, and trained both there, and later in Serbia by US-funded CANVAS before returning to Egypt in 2010 to prepare the grounds there for the "Arab Spring."

Two years before the "Arab Spring" would be "sprung," the US State Department began training and funding activist leaders from across the region, including Syria and Lebanon. They received up to \$50 million, communication equipment, and were invited to training sessions organized by the US State Department itself. The goal was, admittedly, to send

them back to their respective countries to train others, thus creating a “ripple effect.” This was later revealed by Assistant US Secretary of State for Human Rights, Michael Posner in an April 2011 AFP report.

This indicates that both the “peaceful” and militant components of the Syrian so-called “uprising” were premeditated, organized, and manipulated geopolitical calculations for achieving Western foreign policy objectives, not to fulfill the “democratic aspirations” of the Syrian people. In fact, the inclusion of violent ideological militants in the equation almost certainly ensures such “aspirations” will never be achieved.

Furthermore, the very organizations and institutions the US State Department used to direct “activists,” namely the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) and its subsidiaries including Freedom House, the International Republican Institute (IRI), and the National Democratic Institute (NDI), are steered not by progressive-liberals from Berkley, but rather names drawn from Boeing, Exxon, Citigroup, Goldman Sachs, Conoco Phillips, and other corporate-financier special interests.

NED’s board of directors also includes names from America’s pro-war Neo-Conservative establishment including Francis Fukuyama, Zalmay Khalilzad, Will Marshall, and Vin Weber, all signatories of the pro-war, pro-corporate Project for a New American Century. These same interests, in fact, were simultaneously building up both the “pro-democracy” protesters and their violent extremist militant counterparts - with the obvious intentions of couching one within the other to then set the stage for the military intervention they are now incessantly lobbying for.

The Obvious Solution - Stop Foreign Arms & Cash

That the events playing out in Syria now were entirely premeditated from abroad by corporate-financier interests couching their aspirations for global hegemony within “democracy promotion,” does not condemn all of Syria’s opposition as “illegitimate.” However, those supporting both the violence created by foreign-funded death squads, and the unyielding interventionist agenda of the West’s so-called “Syrian National Council,” are indeed both illegitimate and a threat to Syrian peace as well as world peace.

Perhaps most indicative of just how disingenuous the so-called “Free Syrian Army’s” cause is, is the fact that their primary backers both financially and in terms of supplying military arms, are the despotic absolute monarchies of the Gulf States. These include Qatar and Saudi Arabia - the latter so despotic and nepotistic, the nation itself is named after the unelected, eternally ruling “Saud” family. That they, in concert with the West, seek “democracy” and “freedom” in Syria is an absolute absurdity - with their true intentions of undermining and destroying neighboring Iran the much more plausible, even admitted goal of violently subverting Syria.

Both the genesis and perpetuation of Syria’s violence is rooted not within Syria’s borders, but beyond them. Not in the alleys of Syria’s cities, nor the fields of its villages, but in Washington, Riyadh, Doha, Tel Aviv, London, Tripoli, and Ankara. The obvious solution is for the “international community” to recognize, condemn, and end the flow of weapons, cash, and political support provided to overt foreign proxies. Syria’s borders should be secured with vast penalties imposed on Turkey, Jordan, and Lebanon for failing to cooperate with Syrian security forces in stopping the flow of foreign arms, cash, and fighters.

Why the US Solution Will Not Work - Peace is Not Their Goal

The violence could literally grind to a halt overnight, when foreign mercenaries and Syrian Muslim Brotherhood extremists realize the spigot of arms, cash, and impunity had been turned off and the restoration of order throughout Syria made inevitable. Instead, the US, feigning ignorance to the documented role they played in the malicious origin of this conflict, proposes to increase the violence by further arming and providing "air support" for their front of militant extremists, just as they did in Libya to catastrophic effects.

They plan on doing this through a UN Security Council resolution loaded with Chapter 7 provisions - meaning military intervention, after a brief "last effort" to implement the UN's peace plan the US fully prepares to sabotage. Since another NATO-led military campaign is universally reviled, the West has organized a series of publicity stunts to shock, scare, panic, and stampede their resolution through the Security Council. These include confirmed fabrications regarding the latest "massacre" in Tremseh, Syria - which UN monitors have concluded was instead a battle.

There was also the suspicious claim by "US officials" that the Syrian government was moving its "chemical weapons." The reports warned that the Syrian government might deploy the weapons against civilians - failing to explain what besides justifying foreign military intervention, doing so might achieve. The reports also failed to mention "where" the weapons were being moved to - essential information "civilians" at risk might use to avoid a "massacre."

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