

House Passes Bill To Arm Syrian Rebels Despite Evidence of ISIS Ties

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In a 273-156 vote on Wednesday, the House of Representatives [passed](#) a bill which approved of President Barack Obama's \$500 million plan to arm and train Syrian rebel forces.

The bill is expected to pass the Senate when it arrives there on Thursday to solidify the President's goal of dismantling the ISIS "threat."

It must be assumed that Congress has their heads so far in the sand that they missed the extensive reporting that has documented the ties between ISIS and the so called "moderate" rebel forces that the Obama administration is so hell bent on arming.

As Paul Joseph Watson of Propaganda Matrix documents in his article titled "[Obama Plans to 'Fight ISIS' by Arming ISIS](#)", there is ample evidence showing that the rebels in Syria have joined ISIS and supplied arms to the extremists.

The lunacy of such a policy is illustrated by the fact that Bassel Idriss, commander of an FSA-run rebel brigade, [recently admitted](#) that Washington-backed "moderate" rebels are still collaborating with ISIS.

"We are collaborating with the Islamic State and the Nusra Front by attacking the Syrian Army's gatherings in ... Qalamoun," Idriss [told Lebanon's Daily Star](#). "Let's face it: The Nusra Front is the biggest power present right now in Qalamoun and we as FSA would collaborate on any mission they launch as long as it coincides with our values."

A [July report in Stars and Stripes](#) also documented how the 1,000 strong Dawud Brigade, which had previously fought alongside the FSA against the Assad regime, defected in its entirety to join ISIS.

[Also in July it emerged](#) that "several factions within the FSA, including Ahl Al Athar, Ibin al-Qa'im" had "handed over its weapons to the Islamic State in large numbers" and pledged allegiance to ISIS.

Three leading Syrian rebel commanders also [announced back in December that they had relinquished ties](#) with the Free Syrian Army's Supreme Military Council, the military wing of the western-backed Syrian National Coalition, in order to join ISIS.

It is safe to say, due to the evidence presented above in Watson's article, that some of the \$500 million spent on the rebels has a chance of aiding the same terror group that the Obama administration has declared war against.

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