

Latest ISIS Atrocity in Syria. "Moderate Terrorists" Trained by the CIA

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CIA operatives, US special forces and their rogue state counterparts train ISIS recruits in the fine art of committing gruesome atrocities, including beheadings, use of chemical and other toxic agents, as well as mass slaughtering civilians.

US-led Western imperial ruthlessness bears full responsibility for the latest horrific incident.

Dier Ezzor is Syria's seventh largest city, its largest eastern one, located 280 miles northeast of Damascus. Pre-war, its population exceeded 200,000. Syrian oil fields are located in the area. The province connects ISIS' declared capital Raqqa with Iraqi territory it controls.

Reports indicate their fighters slaughtered around 280 people, including women, children and whole families loyal to Assad's government.

Mass murder followed Russia initiating efforts to provide area residents with desperately needed humanitarian aid, conducting airdrop operations.

The incident is one of the largest atrocities since Obama launched proxy war in March 2011 – using ISIS and other takfiri terrorists as imperial foot soldiers.

The <u>Syrian Arab News Agency</u> (SANA) reported 300 lives lost in Dier Ezzor's al-Bghailiye village, mostly "women, children and the elderly."

Syrian Prime Minister Wael al-Halaqi condemned what he called a barbaric and cowardly massacre. America and other nations supporting this scourge bear full responsibility.

"The Premier said that terrorist organizations are committing massacres to make up for the recurring losses and defeats they suffer at the hands of the Syrian Arab Army, and that these terror organizations know that their days in Syria are numbered," according to SANA.

Dozens of Syrian soldiers were killed along with civilians. Some were beheaded. Hundreds of survivors were taken hostage.

Dier Ezzor's Governor Mohammad Qaddur Ainyyia said Syrian army troops freed al-Bghailiye after the massacre. ISIS fighters suffered significant casualties.

Western media are largely silent on what happened, instead featuring fake photos of

starving Madaya residents, blaming Assad irresponsibly. So far no NYT, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal or US TV reports.

<u>Reuters</u> reported ISIS "kill(ing) at least 250 people...including pro-government fighters and their families."

ISIS fighters have been holding area residents hostage under siege for over a year, enduring dire conditions, why Moscow initiated humanitarian airdrops, hoping supplies will reach people in need, risking them falling into ISIS hands.

Russia called on all sides to deliver humanitarian aid to Syrians in areas besieged by ISIS and other terrorist groups.

A Foreign Ministry statement said "we continue to make active efforts, including during our contacts with the official Syrian authorities, in the interests of improving the living conditions for civilians."

We urge (other nations) to constructively cooperate with UN humanitarian structures which will allow to secure humanitarian access to aforementioned and other settlements that found themselves in a difficult situation.

January 25 peace talks will do nothing to halt fighting and horrific atrocities committed by terrorist groups – not as long as Washington and rogue partners support them.

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