

Muhajireen Brigade: CIA Spawned Chechen Terror Group Joins Nusra Front in Syria

Chechen group has links back to CIA war in the Caucasus

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Jaish al-Muhajireen wal-Ansar, aka Muhajireen Brigade, has joined al-Nusra, the jihadi terror organization linked to the Islamic State.

According to the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a one-man operation <u>run by an anti-Assad activist from Britain</u>, the Muhajireen Brigade made the pledge in a statement distributed by supporters online.

From <u>Reuters</u>: "The pledge is a boost for Nusra Front against its rival Islamic State, an ultra hardline jihadist group which has seized territory in Syria and Iraq."

This is clearly not the case.

In August Infowars.com reported on the close alliance between ISIS and Jabhat al-Nusra.

In addition to <u>pledging allegiance to the Islamic state</u>, al-Nusra, according to to its leader, <u>Abu Mussab al-Makdessi</u>, considers ISIS fighters "brothers" and the "ideological bond between us is stronger than anything. We are ready to fight by their side ... our blood is their blood."

In November the last purportedly "moderate" Syrian rebel group, the Syrian Revolutionary Front, <u>handed over bases and weapons</u> to Jabhat al-Nusra in the Idlib province.

Additionally, thousands of fighters, many formerly aligned with the Free Syrian Army and other groups supported by the United States and its Gulf Emirate partners, have defected to ISIS and al-Nusra.

Muhajireen Brigade: An Element of the CIA's War in Chechnya

Jaish al-Muhajireen wal-Ansar is comprised primarily of Chechen and other Russian-speaking foreign fighters. It was led by an ethnic Chechen, Abu Omar al-Shishani, aka Tarkhan Tayumurazovich Batirashvili.

Batirashvili and two other amirs assumed leading positions in the Syrian jihad and were backed by Chechen warlord Doku Umarov.

Umarov, described as "Russia's Bin Laden," at one time ran a propaganda clearinghouse,

the Kavkaz Center, that was funded by the US State Department and various fronts including the National Endowment for Democracy-funded Russian-Chechen Friendship Society. "The former currently supports US efforts to overthrow the Syrian government," writes Tony Cartalucci.

Research shows the conflicts in Chechnya and neighboring Dagestan were engineered by NATO and the CIA to destabilize Russia.

"Ethnic Muslim populations in this region of Russia and of the former Soviet Union, including Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan and into China's Xinjiang Province, have been the target of various US and NATO intelligence operations since the Cold War era ended in 1990," writes <u>F. William Engdahl</u>.

"Washington sees manipulation of Muslim groups as the vehicle to bring uncontrollable chaos to Russia and Central Asia. It's being carried out by some of the same organizations engaged in creating chaos and destruction inside Syria against the government of Bashar Al-Assad."

Rebel leaders Shamil Basayev and Al Khattab, who vowed to establish a Wahhabist the Caucasian Emirate, were <u>trained and indoctrinated in CIA sponsored camps</u> in Afghanistan and Pakistan.

Pakistan's ISI (Inter-Services Intelligence) played a key role in organizing and training the Chechen rebel army. The ISI also played a role in supporting the Afghan Mujahideen, a Muslim paramilitary force that would eventually mature into the Taliban and al-Qaeda.

The CIA also worked to destabilize the Balkans, a fact <u>documented by the media in Europe</u> but largely ignored in the United States. The effort to convert the Balkans into a "safe haven" for fanatical jihadists was aided by the CIA and the Pentagon. In 1993, CIA asset Osama bin Laden reportedly installed his number two man, Ayman al-Zawahiri, to run the organization's operations in the Balkans.

The CIA, British and Turkish intelligence, with ample funding from Wahhabist fanatics in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf Emirates, created the jihadist menace in Syria as part of an effort to overthrow al-Assad and establish a Sunni caliphate in Syria.

In May Judicial Watch <u>obtained DIA documents</u> showing the U.S. has supported the Islamic State from its inception as an al-Qaeda offshoot in Iraq and is working with the Wahhabists to establish an Islamic principality or princedom in Syria.

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