

## Obama Administration Is Paying Monthly Salaries to "Thousands" of ISIS and Al Nusrah Syrian Rebels

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Since July 2014, the Obama-backed Free Syrian Army, Al Nusra Front, and ISIS have paired together in order to fight the Syrian Assad regime.

According to one Free Syrian Army commander, the combining of forces with ISIS was needed in order to achieve "the greater good."

Since around that time ISIS has <u>traveled around</u> the Caliphate in their brand new Toyota Hilux trucks.

Paid for by US taxpayers.

Now this...

The Obama Administration is paying "vetted" Syrian rebels monthly salaries.

Officials said the Obama administration has approved **"tens of millions of dollars"** to pay the salaries of police officers who joined the rebels.

The US is paying defected Syrian police officers \$150 a month to fight with the rebels.

Thousands of "vetted" rebels are being paid a monthly salary by the US government. The New York Times reported:

In a secret office near the Syrian border here, intelligence agents from the United States and its allies are laying the groundwork for what they hope will become an effective force of Syrian rebels to serve as ground troops in the international battle against the extremist Islamic State.

The office, the Military Operations Command, has slowed **funding to Islamist groups**, **paid salaries to thousands of "vetted" rebels and given them ammunition** to boost their battlefield mettle.

But even the program's biggest beneficiaries — the rebels themselves — acknowledge that turning this relatively small group into a force that can challenge the well-funded and well-armed Islamic State is a challenge that will require tremendous support from its foreign backers.

In President Obama's strategy of building an international coalition to fight the

Islamic State without American troops, these moderate rebels loom large as the best force to fight the extremists in Syria. While the House approved an aid package for the rebels on Wednesday and the Senate followed on Thursday, at present the rebels are a beleaguered lot, far from becoming a force that can take on the fanatical and seasoned fighters of the Islamic State.

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