

Report: Ground Invasion of Libya Within Two Weeks

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A hawkish Jerusalem-based news outlet with reported links to Israeli intelligence that has proven accurate in its forecast of future geopolitical events claims that the war in Libya is approaching a "coup de grace" and that French, British and American troops will land on Libyan soil within the next two weeks to spearhead a full ground invasion.

In a piece entitled, <u>US and NATO prepare final assault on Qaddafi</u>, DebkaFile cites military sources for its contention that NATO powers are finalizing plans for a "large-scale, all-out military bid to kill or oust" Colonel Gaddafi.

"The coming coup de grace, expected in the next couple of weeks, is the hottest topic of discussion in the corridors of power and high-level military and intelligence get-togethers in London, Paris, Brussels, Moscow, Oslo, The Hague and Rome. It is expected to start in a couple of weeks with French and British troop landings on Libyan soil, to be followed in its last stages of by American forces," states the report.

In military terms, "coup de grace" is a synonym for 'death blow', and Debka views France's announcement that it is <u>providing weapons to anti-Gaddafi rebels</u> as a precursor for a ground invasion and "the opening shot of the final act in the scenario for removing him."

If the report is correct in its claim that a ground invasion is imminent, it would mean that a plan for boots on the ground originally scheduled for the end of October has been dramatically accelerated, which is perhaps a reflection on the fact that <u>Al-Qaeda-affiliated rebels</u> have thus far failed to depose Gaddafi.

<u>As we reported last month</u>, sources from Ft. Hood, Texas as well as CENTCOM contacted us to reveal that the 1st Calvary Division (heavy armor) and III Corps were being deployed to Libya in late October and early November, and that a total of 30,000 US troops would be in place by that time.

DebkaFile is a pro-Israel intelligence-gathering website run out of Jerusalem. It has been labeled a media arm of Mossad, yet claims published on the website in the past have proven accurate, including a 2000 prediction that terrorists would attack the World Trade Center in New York.

In addition to Israeli sources, <u>Russian Envoy Dmitry Rogozin told RIA Novosti on Friday</u>, "'I think that now we are witnessing the preparation stage of a ground operation which NATO, or at least some of its members... are ready to begin."

According to a report in the Pakistani Observer, <u>US, French and British Special Forces</u> arrived in <u>Libya on February 23 and 24</u>, weeks before the UN "no fly zone" was even

announced. More recently, Al Jazeera broadcast footage showing <u>armed western military</u> <u>officials in Misrata</u> appearing to converse with and instruct Libyan rebels.

<u>Back in April, the EU announced</u> that it had readied an invasion force for Libya that would work to "secure sea and land corridors inside the country."

Despite the fact that President Obama <u>ignored his own constitutional lawyers</u> to launch a war without congressional approval, <u>promising the conflict would last "days, not weeks,"</u> US involvement has now entered its fourth month, with the Air Force and Navy, "still flying hundreds of strike missions over Libya despite the Obama administration's claim that American forces are playing only a limited support role in the NATO operation," <u>according to the Air Force Times</u>.

Lawmakers in Washington are increasingly irate at an intervention that has <u>already cost</u> <u>nearly a billion dollars</u>, particularly with regard to how the administration has ludicrously attempted to argue that America's role in a bombardment does not represent a "war," in addition to Obama's arrogance last week in claiming he doesn't <u>"even need to get to the Constitutional question"</u> while justifying the war.

If these reports turn out to be accurate and an invasion force is dispatched to topple Gaddafi, Obama could leave himself open to impeachment proceedings because of his brazen lie to the American people when he <u>publicly stated that a land invasion was "absolutely" out of the question</u>.

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