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[Attacking Syria: Thumbing Noses at Constitution and Law](#)

By [Ray McGovern](#), April 15, 2018

As was the case 15 years ago when the U.S. and UK launched a war of aggression against Iraq, the pretext was so-called “weapons of mass destruction” (WMD) — this time the claimed use on April 7 of chlorine (and maybe the nerve agent sarin — who knows?) in Duma a suburb of Damascus. And this time French President Emmanuel Macron was allowed to join, as junior partner, the gang that can’t lie straight.



[Who Is the Real Culprit Behind the Chemical Attacks in Syria? A Brief History](#)

By [Prof. Muhammad Sahimi](#), April 15, 2018

Last Friday night, the United States launched a series of missile strikes on Syria in retaliation for the alleged chemical attacks by the Syrian army in Douma, a town in northeast suburb of Damascus. Douma, which is part of the Ghouta district where a ferocious war has been raging between the Syrian government forces and [three major terrorist groups](#), has been completely encircled by the Syrian army. These strikes were, of course, [totally illegal](#).



[What Just Happened in Syria. Momentous Implications Far Bigger than the Attacks Themselves](#)

By [Eric Zuesse](#), April 15, 2018

Among [the 192 signers of the Chemical Weapons Convention](#) are U.S., Russia, and Syria, as well as China, Iran, and Iraq, but not Israel, nor North Korea and a very few other countries. So: all of the major powers have already, in advance, approved whatever the findings by the OPCW turn out to be. Those findings are expected to determine whether a chemical attack happened in Douma on 7 April 2018, and, if so, then perhaps what the specific banned chemical(s) was(were), but not necessarily who was responsible for it if it existed.



[Trump's Rush to Judgment on Syrian Chemical Attack: Illegal and Deadly](#)

By [Prof. Marjorie Cohn](#), April 15, 2018

Donald Trump says the United States is about to bomb Syria, and Russia has vowed to shoot down US aircraft with missile defenses in response. With John Bolton, the new national security adviser and infamous enemy of the United Nations by Trump's side, diplomacy is not in the cards.



[Trump is Playing a "Dirty Game"? Report from Damascus at 4am at the Height of the Bombings](#)

By [Mark Taliano](#), April 14, 2018

Reportedly, 103 missiles were launched, of which Syrian forces destroyed 71. Bombs landed in about four different locations, including Homs, Mesyaf, and Damascus.

Russian, Iranian and Hezbollah assets were not targeted.



[The Chemical Attack in Syria's Douma Is Just Another "Fake News" from the "White Helmets"](#)

By [Inside Syria Media Center](#), April 14, 2018

[Two medics](#) from the hospital of Douma told the truth about the staged video, widely spread by the discredited White Helmets. The participants also say the event in Douma is a provocation.

According to the medics, a group of unknown people broke into the hospital, started screaming about the chemical attack, panicked, and then sprayed people with a fire hose. At the same time, eyewitnesses confirmed that the "victims" on the videos had no signs of

chemical poisoning.



[The Syrian “Show” Must Go On. US-led Strikes against Syria: A Carefully “Choreographed” Dance between US and Russia](#)

By [Andrew Korybko](#), April 14, 2018

The US launched over 100 cruise missiles at Syria together with its French and British allies, although the Russian Ministry of Defense reported that 71 of them were intercepted by the targeted country’s Soviet-era air-defense systems.

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