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## **[Syria: The Western Rogue States Must Confess Their Crimes Against Humanity and be Held Accountable](#)**

By [Vanessa Beeley](#), January 03, 2019

The West and its allies in the Gulf States, Turkey and Israel have waged an eight year war against the Syrian people. The West has besieged, starved and deprived the Syrian people of humanitarian aid while pouring "aid" into the areas controlled by their extremist sectarian proxy armies.



## [More Reckless Behavior by Israel: Netanyahu Plays by His Own Rules. Christmas Day Air Raids against Syria](#)

By [Philip Girdi](#), January 03, 2019

As has become the normal practice, [Christmas Day's air raid](#) by Israel directed against targets near Damascus was largely ignored by the US media. Given the fact that Israel has bombed Syria more than two hundred times, the attack itself, which wounded three soldiers at a warehouse, was not particularly notable.



## [Liberté, Égalité, Impérialisme! Vive la France in Black Africa!](#)

By [Ann Garrison](#), January 03, 2019

Geopolitics trumped international justice again—just in time for Christmas. On December 21, a French court closed the long-running case against Rwandan **President Paul Kagame** and his inner circle for assassinating Rwandan **President Juvenal Habyarimana** and Burundian **President Cyprien Ntaryamira** on April 6, 1994, when a surface-to-air missile downed their plane over Rwanda's capital Kigali.



## [The Atomic Bombing of Japan, Reconsidered](#)

By [Alan Mosley](#), January 03, 2019

Harry Truman never expressed regret publicly over his decision to use the atomic bombs. However, he did order an independent study on the state of the war effort leading up to August of 1945, and the strategic value of the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings.



## [Trump Bows to Domestic Pressure by Delaying His Withdrawal from Syria; A Storm Is Gathering in the Levant](#)

By [Elijah J. Magnier](#), January 03, 2019

In response to domestic pressure, Trump agreed to extend the deadline for withdrawal of thousands of US troops from the northeaster Syrian province of al-Hasaka from the initial 30 days previously announced until April this year.



## [Why France's Yellow Vest Protests Have Been Ignored by "The Resistance" in the U.S.](#)

By [Max Parry](#), January 03, 2019

In less than two months, the yellow vests ("gilets jaunes") movement in France has reshaped the political landscape in Europe. For a seventh straight week, demonstrations continued across the country even after concessions from a cowering President Emmanuel Macron while inspiring a wave of similar gatherings in neighboring states like Belgium and the Netherlands.



## [The Hidden Structure of US Empire](#)

By [Nicolas J. S. Davies](#), January 03, 2019

The flags flying over the guard gate of the prison in Lukavica were those of Bosnia and the European Union, and the US was officially involved in the imprisonment of the men there only through diplomatic channels, generous funding and the assistance of American trainers and advisers.

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