

Syria: Can Turkey be Trusted?

By [Drago Bosnic](#)

Global Research, December 09, 2024

Region: [Europe](#), [Middle East & North Africa](#)

Theme: [Intelligence](#)

First published on December 2, 2024

Officially, Turkey's state ideology is secularism imposed by Ataturk a century ago. However, for all intents and purposes, Ankara's driving force is [an extremely volatile mix of Neo-Ottomanism, political Islam and pan-Turkism](#). Erdogan is doing everything in his power to spread and implement these all over the place, be it [Southeast Europe](#), the [Middle East](#), North Africa or Central Asia. Turkey is punching way above its weight in doing so, but its geostrategic position allows this (at least for the time being). Namely, Ankara is trying to play all sides it's engaged with in order to achieve its megalomaniacal expansionist goals, but its [NATO membership still makes it an asset of the political West](#).

For years, [I've been arguing that all the evidence suggests that Turkey](#) is one of [NATO's "Trojan horses"](#) and that its policies undermine regional stability, particularly in [the South Caucasus and Central Asia](#), where [Ankara is using its resources to radicalize young populations](#), resulting in a [massive increase in the number of terrorists who join ISIS](#) and other similar NATO-backed terrorist organizations operating all over the world. The latest events in Syria serve as a testament to that. Namely, yet another US/NATO invasion that started in 2011 (ever so euphemistically dubbed the "Syrian Civil War") is now escalating once again, [resulting in hundreds of casualties on all sides](#), as Turkish and NATO-backed "democratic opposition" terrorists are attacking the Aleppo Governorate.

*Based in the occupied Idlib province, where [the CIA and other Western intelligence services are working closely](#) with the Turkish military, the terrorists seem to have been gathering troops and equipment to break the ceasefire established around half a decade ago. It should be noted that the occupation forces are also composed of **Jabhat Al Nusra**, now known as **Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (HTS)**, an Al Qaeda-affiliated terrorist group that has been infesting the area for nearly a decade and a half. To make matters worse, [the Neo-Nazi junta in Kiev is also closely linked with the HTS](#) and similar terrorist organizations operating under NATO support in Syria. Turkey supplies everything these terrorists need, including [M113 APCs \(armored personnel carriers\) that were recently filmed advancing in the area](#).*

[Military sources report](#) that factions such as the Turkestan Islamic Party have also been involved in the terrorist offensive that started on November 27. [The Kiev regime's propaganda also brags about the involvement of its intelligence services](#), confirming [reports about their involvement that InfoBRICS published in recent months](#). These intelligence assets were sent to Idlib through Turkey to train terrorists in new tactics with a particular focus on drone warfare. This includes the infamous GUR's Khimik Group, which launched an attack on a Russian military outpost in Aleppo on September 15. [There's strong evidence, including footage that shows the direct involvement of the United States](#). All this suggests that Washington DC and the Kiev regime are trying to overstretch Moscow in order to disrupt the SMO.

Namely, the political West has been trying to [stop the steady advance of the Russian military](#) by **authorizing long-range strikes deeper within Russia and is even contemplating the possibility of delivering previously banned medium-range missiles, along with nuclear weapons to the Kiev regime.** The Kremlin has already said it will have [zero tolerance for such actions and that it will respond to NATO directly](#). This leaves the political West with one option – (re)activate other global hotspots in order to shift Moscow’s focus away from Ukraine. Unsurprisingly, Turkey is directly supporting this by pushing its terrorists in Idlib to resume fighting. It should be noted that [Ankara also recently stated that it fully supports the Neo-Nazi junta](#) in the NATO-orchestrated Ukrainian conflict, proving that the latest escalation in Syria is very well planned and coordinated.

Another interesting development is Turkey’s likely return to the F-35 program, with military sources indicating that it could acquire up to 40 of the troubled fighter jets. What this means is that Ankara effectively jeopardizing its future in return for [one of the worst military aircraft in recent history](#). It should be noted this is not a new development, [as I’ve already argued back in April that this would happen](#). For their part, Russia and Syria are responding to the new crisis [with airstrikes on NATO-backed terrorists](#), with [hundreds eliminated](#) since [last week](#). However, it will take [some time for Damascus to fully mobilize the Syrian Arab Army \(SAA\)](#) and push back. [Syrian special forces are already responding](#), but their actions are [aimed at coordinating defenses](#) and [preventing further gains by terrorists](#).

The latest developments in Syria are yet another undeniable proof that [the political West is obsessed with war, death and destruction](#) and that it’s simply [incapable of peaceful coexistence with the actual world](#). It also demonstrates why it’s so important [for the planet to unite and form an indivisible security architecture](#) that would isolate the US/NATO and its vassals and satellite states. This is the only way to prevent [their aggression against the entire world](#). As for Turkey, it needs to change its expansionist policies in order to build better relations with BRICS. [Ankara will need to make a far more convincing commitment](#), first by [leaving NATO](#) and then by rejecting Neo-Ottomanism, pan-Turkism and Islamic radicalism as tools of its power projection.

*

Click the share button below to email/forward this article to your friends and colleagues. Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) and subscribe to our [Telegram Channel](#). Feel free to repost and share widely Global Research articles.

[Global Research’s Holiday Fundraiser](#)

This article was originally published on [InfoBrics](#).

[Drago Bosnic](#) is an independent geopolitical and military analyst. He is a regular contributor to Global Research.

Featured image: Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has his sights on Syria. Photo: Ramil Sitdikov / Sputnik

[Comment on Global Research Articles on our Facebook page](#)

[Become a Member of Global Research](#)

Articles by: [Drago Bosnic](#)

Disclaimer: The contents of this article are of sole responsibility of the author(s). The Centre for Research on Globalization will not be responsible for any inaccurate or incorrect statement in this article. The Centre of Research on Globalization grants permission to cross-post Global Research articles on community internet sites as long the source and copyright are acknowledged together with a hyperlink to the original Global Research article. For publication of Global Research articles in print or other forms including commercial internet sites, contact: publications@globalresearch.ca

www.globalresearch.ca contains copyrighted material the use of which has not always been specifically authorized by the copyright owner. We are making such material available to our readers under the provisions of "fair use" in an effort to advance a better understanding of political, economic and social issues. The material on this site is distributed without profit to those who have expressed a prior interest in receiving it for research and educational purposes. If you wish to use copyrighted material for purposes other than "fair use" you must request permission from the copyright owner.

For media inquiries: publications@globalresearch.ca