

War By Deception: Obama Reboots Old 'No Fly Zone' Scam, Bombing For Regime Change in Syria

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Get ready for <u>Libya 2.0</u>. Looks like the Pentagon will be getting its illegal regime change war in Syria after all...

Finally this week, President Barack Obama appears to have sprung his own trap for the next big war, now promising to intervene the Syrian Civil War if, "if it is attacked by Syrian government forces or other groups." You can translate that into a *fait accompli* for war.

This latest deceptive militarist scam is buttressed by lies like, "the newly trained [moderate rebel] force has committed to fighting the Islamic State, not the regime," and also note how US war planners claim to be setting up a "Safe Zone" (aka 'No Fly Zone', or 'shoot down anything that moves zone') as a prelude to war.

Washington is also keen to hide the fact that over the last 6 months, their 'coalition' airstrikes, supposedly targeting ISIS, have actually <u>killed scores of innocent civilians in Syria and Iraq</u> (which Americans could generally care less about).

Putting aside the usual vague Washington language aside, either way, the President has just promised to take sides in another country's civil war – even after his own country along with Saudi Arabia, Qatar and the other Gulf kingdoms – have been consistently <u>importing weapons</u>, along with highly illegal <u>training and funding guerrilla militant terrorists</u> in Syria since 2011.

So, contrary to to the nonsensical claims by the hopelessly hawkish Lindsey Graham, Ed Royce, Mike Huckabee *etc*, it seems that the US and its Gulf allies – and not *Iran*, are **the world's largest state sponsor of terrorism**.

Worst of all, this also creates an open door for NATO to establish a beach head in the Middle East.

Put simply, Obama and his handlers just want to destroy the Syrian nation, just as they did with Libya, and now they are just going through the usual formalities in order to make it an "honest war"...



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According to Adam Entous in the Wall Street Journal

President <u>Barack Obama</u> has authorized using air power to defend a new U.S.-backed fighting force in Syria if it is attacked by Syrian government forces or other groups, raising the risk of the American military coming into direct conflict with the regime of President Bashar al-Assad.

U.S. officials said the decision ended a months-long debate over the role the American military should play in supporting its few allies on the battlefield in Syria. Administration officials had been deeply concerned that defending the Pentagon-backed force could inadvertently open the first open conflict with the Assad government, which has denounced the U.S. program.

Though the new rules allow Pentagon strikes to defend the U.S.-allied force against any regime attacks, U.S. military officials played down the chances of a direct confrontation, at least in the near term. The newly trained force has committed to fighting Islamic State, not the regime, and won't be fielded in areas the regime controls. U.S. officials say they believe the regime won't challenge the new force.

Alistair Baskey, a White House National Security Council spokesman, declined to comment on the specifics of the new rules of engagement. But he said the administration has made clear it will "take the steps necessary to ensure that these forces could successfully carry out their mission." U.S. support to the Pentagon-trained force, he added, would include "defensive fires support to protect them."

The decision comes as the U.S. and Turkey discussed joint operations to clear a zone along the Turkish-Syrian border of Islamic State militants. Turkish officials urged the U.S. to be more serious about defending allied ground forces there. The U.S. and Turkey plan to send rebels they are training into the zone as well as into other areas in northern Syria where Islamic State holds territory. (Wall Street Journal, emphasis added)

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