

# Who is Behind the Air Defense System To “Protect ISIS” against Russian Strikes?

## The Qatar-Ukraine Connection

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### GR Editor's Note

*A word of caution: While the authenticity of the documents released by Cyber Berkut in this report are not corroborated by other sources, we have however been able to confirm that Qatar was among the countries represented at the Ukraine Arms and Security Expo. The heads of armament and procurement of the Qatari Minister of Defense were present at the venue.*

*What this suggests is that the Qatar delegation was examining the possible purchase of Ukraine weapons systems.*

What is significant is that the representatives from Qatar' Ministry of Defense held bilateral talks with the Deputy minister of Defense of Ukraine.

*UkrOboronProm was also among the [registered companies at the Kiev Expo](#).*

<http://www.iec-expo.com.ua/en/arms-and-security-2015/list-of-participants-arms-2015.html>

Among other honored guests of the exhibition – **representatives of 7 foreign delegations:** Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Kazakhstan (headed by the Deputy Minister of Defense of Kazakhstan); defense agencies of Pakistan (consisting of – armament Director of General Staff), **State of Qatar (consisting of – head of Armament Department, head of defense procurement of Qatar Ministry of Defence)**, Ministry of National Defense of Poland, representatives from the General Staff of Georgia, **defense** enterprises from Italy, the NATO International Secretariat (headed by the Deputy Director of Defence Investment, NATO International Secretariat – Deputy Assistant Secretary General).

**On the stand of the Ministry of Defence of Ukraine were held a bilateral meetings of the Deputy Minister of Defense of Ukraine, Lieutenant – General Pavlovsky I.V. with the representatives of mentioned foreign delegations.** Military attaches from 29 countries were working during the show, the Land Capability Group Land Engagement within NATO Conference of National Directors on armament of 30 representatives. During four days the exhibition was attended in total by more than 13,000 professionals.

**<http://www.iec-expo.com.ua/en/arms-and-security-2015.html>main page:**

Also find below a video of [Air Defense Missile Complex "Pechora-2D"](#) produced by Ukraine:

#### REPORT ON THE RESULTS OF XII INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION ARMS AND SECURITY – 2015

In pursuance of the Degree of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 19.09.2007 №753-p as amended on 04.08.2015 №340-p at the International Exhibition Centre (IEC, Kiev, Brovarsky Ave, 15) was held the XII International exhibition of protection means, weapons, military equipment, technologies and dual - use goods "Arms and Security - 2015".

The organizing committee includes representatives of key ministries and agencies:

- Ministry of Internal Affairs of Ukraine
- Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
- Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine
- Security Service of Ukraine
- State Border Service of Ukraine
- State Space Agency of Ukraine
- State Emergency Service of Ukraine
- State Service of Export Control of Ukraine
- State Fiscal Service of Ukraine
- State Concern "Ukroboronprom"
- "International Exhibition Center"



The exhibition "Arms and Security" is held since 2004, but this year was the biggest event on this direction in Ukraine's history by number of participants, important international agreements, presented samples of new products and technologies, as well as high level and popularity among the public.

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**Michel Chossudovsky, GR Editor, November 23, 2015**

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The fact that the ISIS infrastructure in Syria and Iraq is absolutely vulnerable to the airstrikes of the international coalition is undoubtful. During the last week only the Russian Air Force and Navy hit around 826 ISIS targets (training camps, munition and explosives plants, depots, oil refinery and transport objects) causing critical damage to the terrorist groups and its revenue sources. The sponsors of the ISIS are certainly committed to acquire and supply to the jihadist brigades the air defense systems efficient enough to at least hamper the activities of the coalition in the Syrian sky.

Back in September 2015, being aware of the Russian plans to launch anti-terrorist air campaign, a Qatari delegation from the Ministry of Defense came to Kiev to take part in the Arms and Security Expo, September 22-27, 2015:



A letter by the Director of Ukrainian SpetsTechnoExport enterprise Pavlo Barbul to Ukrainian MFA with the list of Qatari delegation.

**They reached a deal with UkrOboronProm (a state-run Ukrainian arms trader) to purchase the modernized [Air Defense Missile Complex “Pechora-2D”](#):**



Pavbo Barbul writing to the Deputy Head of the Ukroboronservice that his enterprise is about to deliver Pechora-2D systems to the Armed Forces of Qatar.

On Sept. 30 **Volodimir Kuruts**, the Trade Councillor of the Ukrainian Embassy in Qatar, writes to his business contact in Cyprus **Vasyl Babytskiy**, director of the Blessway Ltd:

**Thank you for Morocco and Saudi contacts. It was right in time. The locals have been to Kiev at the Expo, are about to buy “Pechora” and something more serious. The issue of delivery is pending. Our side will not be able to do that. You have a chance to make good money. Try to talk to the military guys. The probability is high as the yankees agreed. Bulgarians and Turks are aware, the route is the same...**



Take note that it is the same Vasyl Babitskiy who resold 265 outdated [Poland-made anti-aircraft autocannons to Saudi Arabia](#) (eventually to the same ISIS), originally dedicated for the Ukrainian Ministry of Interior.

**The revealed information clearly indicates that the Qatar Ministry of Defense is arranging supplies of the Ukrainian air defense systems to Syria-based terrorist organizations via Bulgaria and Turkey. The US officers in Qatar have approved the deals. Taking into account that “Pechora 2D” system is able to strike the aircrafts at the heights up to 21 km, the investigation of the [A321 Metrojet downfall](#) over Sinai may receive an unexpected turn...**



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