

America's Phony War on the ISIS. Washington Recruits, Arms, Funds, Trains and Directs the "Islamic State" Terrorists

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On September 10, 2014, Obama lied claiming his intent "to degrade and ultimately destroy the terrorist group known as ISIL" – adding "these terrorists could pose a growing threat beyond that region, including to the United States."

He willfully misled the US public saying he "ordered our military to take targeted action against ISIL to stop its advances...These strikes...helped save the lives of thousands of innocent men, women and children."

Washington recruits, arms, funds, trains, and directs them the same way it used Mujahideen fighters in the 1980s against Soviet Russia in Afghanistan, as well as Al Qaeda and other likeminded takfiri groups today.

They serve US imperial interests, used against independent governments Washington wants toppled – replaced by subservient puppet regimes. Terror bombing Iraqi and Syrian targets has nothing to do with degrading and defeating them – everything to do with destroying vital infrastructure in both countries, balkanizing them for easier control and ousting Assad.

On the first anniversary of Obama's declared phony war on IS, RT International <u>headlined</u> "1yr, 6,700 airstrikes & \$4bn after Obama vowed to 'destroy' ISIS, jihadists still on offensive" – stronger than ever, controlling more territory, aided and abetted by US support.



Obama's real war is polar opposite his phony "campaign of airstrikes...increase(d) support (for) forces fighting these terrorists," preventing IS attacks elsewhere, and "provid(ing) humanitarian assistance to innocent civilians" displaced by devastating war.

According to the Pentagon, so-called "Operation Inherent Resolve" conducted 53,278 sorties in Iraq and Syria, including 6,700 airstrikes through September 8.

It lied claiming 10,000 IS "targets" were destroyed, including tanks, other heavy weapons and facilities. Washington supplies IS terrorists by airdrops and other means to wage its proxy wars – spending billions of dollars to advance its imperium, letting recruited terrorists do its fighting and dying.

RT explained "impressive-sounding (Pentagon) numbers" did nothing to change "reality on the ground where IS (terrorists) have only grown stronger."

Propaganda about "a quick and easy victory" is belied by greater than ever IS strength and territorial control.

The most visible result of Obama's wars is the human refugee flood they caused, numbers increasing exponentially as they rage – overwhelming European countries with desperate people undertaking hazardous journeys to find safe havens out of harm's way, met with scorn and disdain most everywhere they arrive, treated horrifically under appalling conditions, victimized twice over, by Obama's imperial wars and Western nations (especially America) unwilling to provide humane help.

World peace and security aren't threatened by IS or other takfiri terrorists. America's imperial agenda with complicit rogue allies bear full responsibility – waging endless wars of aggression, threatening humanity's survival.

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