

Chinese Military Calls US "Destroyer of World Peace", Citing Millions Dead & Displaced in Iraq, Syria, Libya

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Following the US and China imposing tit-for-tat restrictions on each other's diplomats and embassy staff, China's defense ministry on Sunday <u>blasted</u> the US as the "destroyer of world peace".

The statements are specifically in response to the Department of Defense <u>releasing a</u> <u>report</u> earlier this month which predicted that "Over the next decade, China's nuclear warhead stockpile — currently estimated to be in the low 200s — is projected to at least double in size as China expands and modernizes its nuclear forces."

Chinese defense ministry spokesman Col. Wu Qian responded,

"Many years of evidence shows that it is the U.S. that is the fomenter of regional unrest, the violator of the international order and the destroyer of world peace."

He listed US regime change and destabilizing actions in Iraq, Syria, Libya and other countries, according to <u>the AP</u>:

U.S. actions in Iraq, Syria, Libya and other countries over the past two decades have resulted in the deaths of more than 800,000 people and displacement of millions, Qian said.

"Rather than reflecting on itself, the U.S. issued a so-called report that made false comments about China's normal defense and military construction," he said in the statement. "We call on the U.S. to view China's national defense and military construction objectively and rationally, cease making false statements and related reports, and take concrete actions to safeguard the healthy development of bilateral military relations."

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