

# **Erdogan, You are A War Criminal Under International Law. Turkey Invades Syria, Kills Civilians. The “International Community” Applauds**

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*Turkey has invaded Syria in derogation of international law (Nuremberg) with the blessing of the US and the “international community”.*

*According to press reports, Turkey’s air force and artillery were involved in “pounding ISIS strongholds” in Jarablus. Turkey’s mandate according to an official communique is to “completely cleanse terrorists from its border region with Syria.”*

*The media applauds. Turkey has a humanitarian mission under the Responsibility to Protect (R2P) doctrine.*

*The truth of the matter is that Turkey sponsors the terrorists and then invades Syria on the pretext that it must protect Syria from the ISIS terrorists.*

*Erdogan is going after his own terrorists. The ISIS is sponsored and supported by the Turkish High Command.*

*Since the onset of the Turkish invasion, extensive atrocities have been committed by Turkish forces under the cloak of combating Daesh and Al Qaeda. which are supported, trained and financed by Turkey and Saudi Arabia.*

*Turkey has gone on a military rampage in Northern Syria. Lest we forget, a war of aggression is a “crime against the peace”, it is the ultimate war crime under Nuremberg.*

*“Crimes against Peace and War” (Nuremberg Principle VI) are “punishable as crimes under international law”. These consist in (i) Planning, preparation, initiation or waging of a war of aggression or a war in violation of international treaties, agreements or assurances”;*



It should be noted that Nuremberg Principle III relates directly to president Erdogan as well as to the heads of State and heads of government of the US-NATO led coalition.

Nuremberg trial (image right)

*"a person who committed an act which constitutes a crime under international law acted as Head of State [Erdogan, Obama, et al] or responsible government official does not relieve him from responsibility under international law."*

According to the Syrian government ([Syrian Arab News Agency \(SANA\)](#)).

"The Turkish army's air and artillery forces, in coordination with the armed terrorist organizations, targeted the villages of Jub al-Kusa and al-Amarneh to the south of Jarabulus city in Aleppo through shelling randomly, leading to a massacre and killing 35 civilians, 20 of them were killed in Jub al-Kusa and 15 others in al-Amarneh village, in addition to dozens wounded persons,"

The Foreign Ministry said in two identical letters sent to the UN Secretary-General and President of Security Council about the bloody ugly massacre committed by the Turkish army in the north of Syria.

"The government of the Syrian Arab Republic condemns, with the strongest terms, the repeated crimes, violations, aggression and massacres perpetrated by the regime in Ankara against the Syrian people, sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Syrian Arab Republic for more than five years," the two letters affirmed.

"Syria calls on Security Council's member states to condemn those cowardly crimes and to exert all pressures and take all effective measures to guarantee the recovering of Turkish regime to its senses and forcing it abandon its support of terrorism or using it as a pretext to interfere in the domestic affairs of Syria," the Ministry went on to say.

Upon entering Jarabulus, Turkish forces did not fire a single bullet against Daesh-ISIS, which is protected by Ankara. In a bitter irony, the terrorists were invited to join the invading Turkish forces:

The Ministry affirmed that that the talk of the Turkish regime about the exit of ISIS from Jarabulus was in reality an entrance for other terrorist organizations

to this city, which means it is a terrorism that substitutes another terrorism.

"The continued support of France, USA, Britain, Saudi Arabia and Qatar to the Turkish regime is a clear support to terrorism, not only in Syria but in all world countries," the Ministry said.

The Syrian government calls on UN Security council to assume its responsibilities in preserving the international peace and security, and to call on Turkey to immediately withdraw from the Syrian territories, and to respect sovereignty and territorial integrity of Syria in implementation to international resolutions No. 2170, 2178, 2199 and 2253. ([SANA](#), August 29, 2016)

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