

## NATO Airstrikes Target Grain Silos In Syria, Killing Civilians Only - Defeating ISIS By Starving Syrians?

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As the United States continues its shrouded assault on the Syrian government, new targets for the U.S. airstrikes have emerged. This time, it is not oil refineries, but grain silos.

In an airstrike campaign that took place Sunday night, "coalition" aircraft struck "mills and grain storage facilities in Manbij," a town in Northern Syria which was controlled by Westernbacked death squads.

Manbij is located slightly northeast of Aleppo, the largest city in Syria which is itself the scene of fierce fighting between the NATO-directed ISIS forces and the Syrian government. The <u>SAA began focusing</u> on Aleppo intently in the last few months.

The attack on grain facilities by NATO/GCC forces is yet one more example of how the bombing of Syria is not aimed at destroying the West's ISIS proxy army but at crippling and destroying the Assad government.

Just like the bombing of Syrian oil refineries, the effect of bombing Syrian grain silos is to prevent the Assad regime from retaking much needed resources to provide for its citizens or its military after long fought battles with ISIS.

The elimination of the grain silos would, of course, do nothing to stop ISIS but it will go quite some distance in adding to the burdens of an already oppressed and hungry people barely surviving under the rule of the so-called "moderate rebels" also known as ISIS.

Interestingly enough, when Bashar al-Assad's forces have blockaded ISIS controlled areas in the past, no matter how lenient the blockade may have been in terms of food shipments, the West has responded with claims that he was "starving his own people." Yet, when <u>death</u> <u>squads banned food and baby products</u> from being shipped in to areas that they themselves controlled, the West ignored and silenced the reports. When the West directly bombs food storage, it is presented as bombing for democracy and freeing the people from ISIS.

Unsurprisingly, no death squad fighters were killed in the attack on the Manbij grain stores, only civilians. Even death squad supporter Rami Abdulrahman, the director of the propaganda outfit called Syrian Observatory For Human Rights, was forced to admit the results of the U.S. bombing only produced civilian casualties.

'These were the workers at the silos. They provide food for the people.' The airstrikes 'destroyed the food that was stored there,' <u>said Abdulrahman</u>.

The United States military, typically, refused to acknowledge the fact that any civilians were killed.

While any unintentional killing of Syrian civilians by the Assad government was presented to American audiences as premeditated slaughter against innocent people, American airstrikes continue to be presented as manna from heaven, designed to rid the world of Islamic terror and brutal dictators at the same time.

Of course, in the twilight zone of American media, the truth is that the United States has <u>created</u>, <u>funded</u>, <u>armed</u>, <u>and directed</u> the Islamic terror for decades and that the "brutal dictator" is actually fighting for the survival of Syria. Little details like facts and reality, however, have never gotten in the way of Western media outlets.

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