

Selected Articles: Afghanistan and the Middle East. Shifting Political Alliances

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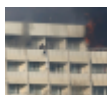
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[Afghanistan: Kabul Deadly Terrorist Attacks. US Embassy Had Foreknowledge](#)

By [Masud Wadan](#), January 29, 2018

The Intercontinental hotel in the heart of Afghanistan's capital city Kabul was stormed by militants last Friday, with the intent to kill and shed blood, to portray an Afghanistan which is still at war. In the grisly attack, many private sector and government officials were burned to ashes and declared "missing" inside the building after the hired terrorists did their utmost to vandalize and maximize the death toll. Who are the sponsors of these atrocities?



[Hotel Intercontinental Siege – Is Kabul Falling?](#)

By [Andre Vltchek](#), January 29, 2018

All that is still functioning in the country are structures and infrastructure built before and during the Soviet era, like irrigation ducts, canals and bread factories. Other tangible assistance came recently from China and India, but almost nothing was provided by the NATO occupation countries, except countless fences, wires and military installations.



[Shifting Geopolitical Realities in Afghanistan. Threat to US Hegemony?](#)

By [Fraidoon Amel](#), January 28, 2018

Violent geopolitical rivalries between imperialist and hegemonist powers over Afghanistan's natural resources, trade and transit routes, and geostrategic location have dramatically intensified.



[How Regional Rivalries Threaten to Fuel the Fire in Syria and Iran](#)

By [James M. Dorsey](#), January 29, 2018

[Turkish allegations](#) of Saudi, Emirati and Egyptian support for the outlawed Kurdish Workers Party (PKK) threaten to turn [Turkey's military offensive](#) against Syrian Kurds aligned with the PKK into a regional imbroglio.



[The Syrian Kurds Think They Can Play Damascus Like a Fiddle](#)

By [Andrew Korybko](#), January 27, 2018

The Syrian Kurds are exploiting Damascus' strong sense of patriotism in order to provoke it into the dilemma of either entering into a confrontation with Ankara or risk falling victim to slanderous accusations that it "sold them out" to the Turks, with this entire manipulation being carried out with the grand strategic intent of prompting Moscow to diplomatically intervene in safeguarding the PYD's desired "decentralization" dreams in the region and inadvertently furthering the American-Israeli vision for a Kurdish corridor to the sea.

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