

The US Created Al Qaeda: The Illusion of America "Cooperating" with Russia in "Combating Terrorism"

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America created and supports ISIS, al-Nusra and likeminded terrorist groups in Syria, the Middle East and elsewhere.

No US cooperation with Russia exists in combating this scourge. Rhetorical promises or suggestions otherwise by Washington are meaningless.

US preemptively waged wars aim to replace sovereign independent governments with pro-Western ones – in Syria and elsewhere.

Its relations with Russia remain irreconcilably adversarial because its deep state wants pro-Western governance replacing its sovereign independence.

Putin and China's leadership are America's main obstacles to unchallenged global dominance – nuclear war possible ahead against one or both countries, a doomsday scenario if launched by Washington.

Following Putin's Tuesday phone call with Trump, the Kremlin press service tried putting a brave face on irreconcilable bilateral differences, saying:

"On May 2, Vladimir Putin had a telephone conversation with President of the United States Donald Trump. The sides discussed a number of topical issues of cooperation between the two countries on the international arena."

"The focus was laid on the prospects for coordination of Russia's and the United States' action in fighting against international terrorism in the context of the Syrian crisis."

"The presidents, in particular, agreed to enliven dialogue the two countries' foreign ministers to look for options for the consolidation of the ceasefire and making it sustainable and controlled."

"The goal is to create conditions for launching a real settlement process in Syria. Thus, the Russian foreign minister and the US secretary of state will inform the leaders about progress reached on this track."

Chances for Washington cooperating with Russia on Syria or any other geopolitical issue is virtually nil.

Bashar al-Assad is right, saying Trump

"is doing what he is told to do by the CIA, the Pentagon and major oil companies. (H)e...conform(s) to the established principles of US governance" like his predecessors.

Nothing suggests change. He's captive to America's deep state, doing its bidding, risking removal from office by impeachment or something more sinister if he diverges from longstanding policy.

US relations with Russia are as hostile as any time during decades of Cold War. America is at war in multiple theaters, escalated since Trump took office, conflict on the Korean peninsula threatened.

Russia and China are surrounded by hostile US military bases, both countries furious about Pentagon deployment of THAAD missiles targeting their homelands, giving America a firststrike advantage.

In a Tuesday press briefing, Beijing's Foreign Ministry spokesman Geng Shuang said his country's

"position is clear-cut and firm. We oppose the deployment of the THAAD system in South Korea and urge relevant sides to immediately stop the deployment. We are ready to take necessary measures to protect our interests."

Russia considers deployment of THAADs an "additional destabilizing factor for the region." Weeks earlier, Sergey Lavrov said THAADs

"certainly affect our strategic forces, negatively affect(ing) the security not only of Russia but also China and other countries."

In March, Russia's Defense and Security Committee chairman Victor Ozerov called deployment of THAADs

"another provocation against Russia. Under the guise of a North Korean threat, (Washington) want(s) to close the ring around Russia...besieg(ing) it from the west and the east."

Putin's Tuesday discussion with Trump failed to change US geopolitical policies and intentions – despite positive spin reported.

America's rage for unchallenged global dominance remains unchanged. Possible US nuclear war on North Korea, Russia, and China hangs like a sword of Damocles over humanity.

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