US Coalition Attacks Syrian Forces, To the Rescue of ISIS

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On Thursday, the US-led coalition announced it had launched an air strike against "pro-Assad forces" inside Syria killing several government-aligned militia soldiers and destroying numerous military vehicles near the al-Tanf region where the borders of Syria, Iraq and Jordan meet. The US coalition claim that Syrian forces inside of Syria posed a threat to US and NATO troops and the 'rebels' they are training and arming on the Jordanian side of that border region.

The US-led attack comes as UN officials and diplomats are meeting in Geneva to discuss a solution to Syria's six year war. According to one Syrian official, the attack was a "flagrant aggression launched by the international coalition exposes the falsity of its allegation about fighting terrorism and undoubtedly demonstrates the reality of the Zionist-American project in the region."

The move by the US also poses an indirect threat to the stability of the Astana Peace Agreement signed by Russia, Iran and Turkey which guarantees "de-escalation zones" inside Syria in order to bring an end to major ground hostilities in the country.

21WIRE's Patrick Henningsen spoke with RT International as the story broke on Thursday evening GMT, telling newscasters in Moscow that this week's attack by the US, like many others previously – seems to strategically benefit ISIS terrorist forces on the ground in Syria. *WATCH:*

Other reports are also suggesting that thousands of Hezbollah troops are being deployed to the al-Tanf passageway at the Iraq-Syria border. Fars News reports:

> "Hezbollah has deployed 3,000 forces in al-Tanf region to participate in Badiyeh operations in Syria. Most of the forces had earlier been stationed in al-Zabadani, Madhaya and Sarqaya regions as well as the Western parts of the town of al-Tofail and Brital, Ham and Ma'araboun heights in the Eastern mountain."

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