

## **US-Sponsored Genocide in Syria**

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From the republic's inception, America waged genocidal wars without mercy, rule of law principles discarded, conquest and dominance sought at any price.

At home, America's native people were virtually exterminated, survivors consigned to concentration camp-like reservations, treated more like animals than people, impoverished, abused and denied their fundamental rights.

Abroad, one country after another was raped and destroyed, endless horrors continuing. Tens of millions of death attest to a ruthless state masquerading as democratic and peaceloving – an Orwellian world in fact, not fiction.

Cold hard reality exposes horrifying truths – a nation bent on world conquest and colonization, its resources looted, its people exploited, nonbelievers slaughtered, imprisoned, disappeared or otherwise eliminated.

Where does it end? Will neocon lunatics in Washington use nuclear and other superweapons?

Syria is one of many US war theaters, using ISIS and other terrorist groups as imperial foot soldiers, backed by American air power, pretending to combat the scourge it supports.

Endless war continues, peace talks and cessation of hostilities farcical. Clinton, if elected president, and her likely secretary of WAR Michele Flournoy favor escalated conflict, including no-fly or no-bombing zones, along with greater numbers of US combat troops involved.

Both are warriors, favoring war over diplomatic solutions, wanting Assad forcibly toppled, risking direct confrontation with Russia – Putin wanting Syrian sovereignty and territorial integrity protected, its people alone deciding who'll lead them.

Days earlier, Syria declared a three-day truce, then extended it another 72 hours – a futile gesture. Foreign-backed terrorists don't take holidays.

John Kerry lied, saying "(w)e very much welcome the Syrian army declaring of 72 hours of quiet. We are trying very hard to grow these current discussions into a longer lasting...enforceable, accountable cessation of hostilities that could change the dynamics on the ground."

At the same time, Washington continues supporting terrorists mischaracterized as

moderates, wanting endless war, Assad toppled, US-controlled puppet leadership replacing him, another nation destroyed by imperial madness.

In letters to UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and current Security Council president (Japan's) Koro Bessho, Syria's Foreign Ministry blasted the hypocrisy of America, NATO and regional countries, pretending to want terrorism eliminated while actively supporting it, saying:

In continuation of the policies of destruction and hatred which are sponsored by specific countries and regimes including Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and Turkey, the armed terrorist groups which are supported and funded by external sides continued targeting the residential neighborhoods in Aleppo city with various explosive and rocket shells and 'hellfire cannon' shells which consist of weaponized gas cylinders in an arbitrary manner without any consideration for the sanctity of Eid al-Fitr holiday in blatant violations of the truce agreements and the cessation of hostilities.

Since the ceasefire was declared, effective midnight last February 26, 762 known terrorist violations occurred, more daily, notably targeting residential and other civilian areas – advanced weapons, cluster munitions, and chemical agents used, supplied by Western and regional states.

According to the Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA),

"the persistence of these terrorists attacks which are carried out by what some like to call 'moderate opposition groups' such as the terrorist organizations Jabhar al-Nusra, Jaish al-Fateh, and Jaish al-Islam among other groups affiliated or linked to ISIS and Al Qaeda, shows the depth of the hypocrisy of the states that claim to be fighting terrorism, as well as being evidence of the lack of seriousness of countries such as France, Britain, and the United States – the three of them permanent Security Council members – in combating terrorism, in addition to showing the double standards employed by these states when it comes to the war on terrorism."

(T)hese cowardly terrorist act...are...protected by Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Turkey, France, Britain, and the United States...

(T)hese states and regimes provid(e) terrorist groups with funds, weapons, munitions, equipment, and recruits...some providing...safe havens, particularly Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Jordan and Israel...

The Ministry blasted key Security Council members for failing to fulfill their duties to combat the scourge of terrorism they actively support.

They're responsible for half a million or more Syrian deaths, half the population internally or externally displaced, survivors facing largely unaddressed crisis conditions, Russia alone among major powers committed to helping them.

The fate of a nation and its people hang in the balance.

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