

# What is Really Going on in Syria? Extensive US Sponsored War Crimes

A Talk by Eva Bartlett. Global Research News Hour 2017 Summer Series 5

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"The head of forensics that I met with in November on my third visit to Aleppo said in the past four-plus years 11,000 civilians ...in Aleppo have been killed by these different mortar gas canister, explosive bullets and sniping attacks by militant factions....yet not one that I've ever heard in Western media, because it doesn't support their narrative." - Eva Bartlett (from this week's program)

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In the last few weeks of 2016, messages were being broadcast across both broadcast and social media declaring that the Syrian Armed Forces in collaboration with Russian air support were mercilessly attacking civilians in the city of Aleppo. [1]

The citizenry of Western countries were shown pictures of injured Syrians being rescued by the 'non-partisan' group of volunteer first responders known as the <u>White Helmets</u>. <u>Appeals from Amnesty International</u> went out critiquing Russia and the Syrian government for their violence against civilians. <u>Médecins Sans Frontières</u> had accused the pro-government forces of destroying a hospital in Al-Quds.

All the while, media ignored the Western-backed opposition militants decimating Aleppo among other cities.

In this media climate, truly independent journalists have proven to be a liability. Portrayals of the six year old Syrian conflict as dictatorial barbarism against a pro-democratic resistance begin to unravel when testimonies from the general population under siege get exposure.

Eva Bartlett is one such independent journalist. A Canadian who had visited Syria six times since 2014, Bartlett has debunked a lot of the myths and documented how the Westernbacked militants including the Islamic State and the Al-Nusra Front are the principal architects of the violence in Syria currently.

In late January of 2017, Bartlett commenced a Canadian speaking tour in which she relayed her Syria experiences to a curious public.

Utilizing a slide presentation and some video footage available online, Eva Bartlett addressed the false narrative around the White Helmets, the unreliability of the Syrian

Observatory of Human Rights as a source, opposition militants sniping humanitarian corridors out of Aleppo, and the fabricated legend of all doctors leaving Aleppo, among other propaganda. She also confronts the criticisms directed at her reporting, including the accusation of being an employee of 'pro-Russian' news agencies and an 'Assad apologist.'

On February 2, she gave two talks in Winnipeg. This week's Global Research News Hour airs for the first time, audio from one of those talks. It took place in the evening at Winnipeg's Millennium Library in the Carol Shields Auditorium.

Video footage from the Montreal leg of Bartlett's tour is available here:

**Eva Bartlett** is a freelance journalist and rights activist with extensive experience in the Gaza Strip, where she lived a cumulative three years (from late 2008 to early 2013), arriving by boat as a part of the Free Gaza missions. She documented the 2008/9 and 2012 Israeli war crimes and attacks on Gaza while riding in ambulances and reporting from hospitals. Eva accompanied Palestinian fishers and farmers as they came under intensive fire from the Israeli army. She has been to Syria four times since April 2014 and works to convey the voices of a people suffering under the foreign war on Syria. Her writings can be found on her blog: In Gaza.

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#### Notes:

1. Kareem Shaheen (Dec. 13, 2016), 'Children trapped in building under attack in Aleppo, doctor tells UN', The Guardian; https://www.theguardian.com/world/2016/dec/13/red-cross-urgent-plea-to-save-civilians-aleppo-syria

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