

U.S. Bombs and Troops Still in Syria, Nine Years Later... After 22 Years, USA Mostly Gone from Afghanistan

US bombs Syria targets after deadly drone attack



The US has about 900 troops operating in southern and eastern Syria

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The US has carried out air strikes against Iran-linked groups in eastern Syria after a drone attack killed a US contractor, the US defence chief said.

Rally & March

Friday,
Sept. 29, 2023
5:00 PM

Pioneer Courthouse Sq
SW Yamhill & Broadway

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This special Friday Rally for Peace and Justice marks two painful anniversaries. On September 23, 2014, the US began bombing Syria ostensibly to fight the Islamic State (ISIS). This date was very close to the anniversary of when the US invaded Afghanistan following 9/11, on October 7, 2001. While there are no US troops in Afghanistan any more, America keeps an "over-the-horizon" presence, claiming the right to interfere militarily at its discretion. In Syria, roughly 1000 US troops are stationed in at least 24 military sites,*-1 in a country that did not invite American presence.

The US exercised its self-proclaimed right to bomb Afghanistan in July, 2021, when a drone used a missile armed with knives to kill an alleged Al Qaeda leader in Kabul. America also continues to hold about \$7 billion of Afghan assets in its banks and refuses to turn it over, despite widespread hunger and poverty racking the nation's people.*-2

By continuing its presence in Syria without Congressional or UN Authorization, the US is engaged in illegal warfare, frequently coming into near-conflict situations with Russian aircraft who patrol Syria's skies at the government's request. Syria has objected to the US presence but the United Nations takes no action against the 800-pound gorilla that also launched a war in Iraq based on fraudulent evidence, and continues to conduct airstrikes in Somalia and Yemen. In addition, response to the massive earthquake that hit Syria early in 2023 was delayed due to US sanctions.*-3

The Friday Rally for Peace and Justice has been held weekly since November, 2001.

*1-<https://www.newarab.com/news/global-anti-coalition-building-new-base-northern-syria>

*2-<https://www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline/article/afghanistan-two-years-taliban-takeover-humanitarian-crises-economy-womens-rights/>

*3-<https://www.middleeasteye.net/news/un-earthquake-rescue-system-blocked-syria-iran-us-sanctions>

The event is coordinated by Peace and Justice Works Iraq Affinity Group and endorsed by Resist US-Led War Movement.

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