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## **IS THE PENTAGON LYING TO MOTIVATE AN ASSAULT ON IRAQ, IRAN AND SYRIA?**

A Jordanian government spokesman said the Jan. 28 drone strike by the Islamic Resistance in Iraq that injured 40 US soldiers and killed 3 occurred in Syria, not Jordan<sup>1</sup>: It targeted the large Al-Tanf US base in Syria just across the border from Jordan, reported Sputnik 29 Jan. (see “AREA 55” in Sputnik map). It makes a big difference whether the strike occurred in Jordan or Syria because US troops in Jordan are there legally as arranged with the government, but US troops in Syria are illegal on Syrian soil and against the wishes of the Syrian government and its people. Since the drone strike occurred in Syria, the US has no grounds for retaliation. But under the cover that the troops were injured in Jordan, the US has launched air strikes on Iraq and Syria so far. U.S. military action against Iran and its allies could come in the form of a 'campaign' that could last 'weeks', and which would see the targeting of allegedly Iran-backed Resistance militias in airstrikes across Syria, Iraq, and possibly Lebanon as well as strikes on Iranian property outside of Iran, according to NBC Jan. 31.<sup>2</sup> Foreign Minister of Iran, Hossein Amir-Abdollahian warns, The Iranian response to American threats will be decisive and direct.<sup>3</sup>

The Pentagon has endangered US troops by stationing them on the soil of a foreign country that does not want them there. The drone attack on Al-Tanf base is the result of such Pentagon recklessness. Indigenous peoples have the right to defend themselves against invading US forces in Syria and Iraq as well as Palestine. After the US troops were injured, they were likely transported to a field hospital in Jordan where they were treated, and three of them died.<sup>4</sup>

The Al Tanf base has for years trained terrorists that attack the Syrian people and the government of Bashar Assad.<sup>5</sup> Russia, Syria and Iran have struggled to drive the Al-Tanf base out of the country.<sup>6</sup> In response to previous attacks on

US bases in Iraq, the US and the Iraqi government were negotiating a timetable for US withdrawal from the country.<sup>7</sup> Now under the pretense that the Jan. 28 drone attack occurred in Jordan, those negotiations are on hold.

**END THE ILLEGAL PRESENCE OF US  
TROOPS IN SYRIA!**

**STOP US BOMBING IN THE MIDDLE  
EAST!**



<sup>1</sup> RT <https://www.rt.com/news/591419-us-troops-killed-jordan-lu/>

<sup>2</sup> Middle East Spectator, 31 Jan on Telegram.

<sup>3</sup> MilitaryPOV, 31 Jan on Telegram.

<sup>4</sup> Middle East Spectator, 28 Jan on Telegram.

<sup>5</sup> “West appears to be preparing another regime change ‘uprising’ in Syria” RT 12 Sep. 2023.

<sup>6</sup> “Russia and US narrowly avoided major conflict in Syria – Telegraph,” RT 24 June 2023 and “US continues to use terrorists in Syria – Russia” 20 Mar 2023

<sup>7</sup> “US to negotiate future of its troops in Iraq – media,” RT 25 Jan.