

U.S. to Deploy 1,400 Soldiers to Liberia to Fight Ebola



Washington, October 1 (RHC)-- The United States is set to send some 1,400 forces to Liberia to supposedly help fight spread of Ebola in the West African country.

On Tuesday, Pentagon spokesman Rear Admiral John Kirby said at a press conference in Washington that about 700 soldiers from the U.S. Army's 101st Airborne Division and another 700 military engineers would be dispatched to Liberian capital of Monrovia in late October.

The engineers will be tasked with overseeing the construction of 17 Ebola treatment centers with a total of 1,700 beds. There are already 200 U.S. military personnel in Liberia as part of the 3,000 troops.

In a recent interview with Press TV, American activist and journalist Abayomi Azikiwe said that Washington was using the epidemic of the Ebola virus to advance its imperialist agenda in West Africa.

Azikiwe said: "I believe this is just another means for the United States military intelligence's deeper penetration of the African continent. Already the United States has military presence in Libya, in Sierra Leone, as well in the west African state of Nigeria, all of which have been impacted by the epidemic of the Ebola virus."



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