

Analysts Say U.S. Might Send Special Forces into Syria



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Washington, October 24 (RHC)-- The claim that the U.S. military will train so-called "moderate" Syrian militants only in "defensive" role is an excuse to set the stage for deployment of U.S. Special Operations Forces inside Syria to lead the offensive against the Syrian government.

According to reports from Washington, the Syrian militants, recruited by the U.S. military, will be trained "to defend territory," rather than to seize it. But senior U.S. officials say they do not believe the "moderate" Syrian insurgents-- being trained and armed by the Pentagon-- will be able to recapture territory from ISIS terrorists without the help of U.S. combat boots on the ground.

Glen Ford, executive editor of Black Agenda Report told Press TV that the whole idea is to create a pretext for U.S. forces to attack the Syrian government. "It gives the U.S. an excuse to deploy its special forces inside parts of Syria that are far away from any fighting with ISIS based on the claim that these 'moderates' are only engaged in 'defensive' activity."

"And therefore you cannot charge that the United States is using its special forces inside Syria in offensive operations against the Syrian government, that they are simply helping 'moderates' defend themselves against possible ISIS attack," he continued. "And with this kind of crazy reasoning," Ford said, Washington can justify having "U.S. special forces in the suburbs of Damascus."

And the political analyst said: "All of this is designed to mask the ongoing U.S. determination to use its own troops, and its own Air Force especially, to oust the Assad government."

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