

Pentagon Shifts to Libya for Airstrikes on Daesh



Washington, April 29 (RHC)-- The United States military has deployed spy drones to Libya where the Pentagon's latest shift over Daesh (ISIL) will reportedly involve added air fire against militants in the North African state. American surveillance drones have been moved into the skies over Libya to gather intelligence against militants there and based on recommendations from the U.S. commander for Africa.

The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. Joseph Dunford, has told the Senate Armed Services Committee that the decision was made more than a month ago to increase resources for U.S. Africa Command.

Earlier this month, General David Rodriguez, head of U.S. Africa Command, said the number of ISIL militants in Libya has doubled in the last year or so to as many as 6,000. He said the terror group seeks to conduct attacks against the U.S. and other nations in the West.

ISIL terrorists, who were initially trained by the CIA in Jordan in 2012 to destabilize the Syrian government, now control parts of Syria and Iraq. They have been engaged in crimes against humanity in the areas under their control.



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