

U.S. President to Seek Expansive War Powers Measure for Anti-ISIS Campaign



Washington, February 11 (RHC)-- The White House has confirmed it will ask the U.S. Congress for an expansive war powers resolution to fight the Islamic State across the globe. The plan calls for a three-year military campaign and a potential battle zone without geographic limitations.

Observers say that the measure could open the door to deploying ground forces by only ruling out their "enduring" use. U.S. President Barack Obama has waged the current anti-ISIS strikes in Syria and Iraq under the 2001 war on terror resolution as well as the 2002 vote authorizing the Iraq War.

The new measure would repeal the 2002 authority while keeping the authorization of 2001. The move comes despite Obama's previous call for repealing both war authorization measures and a pledge not to sign any law that expands them further.

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