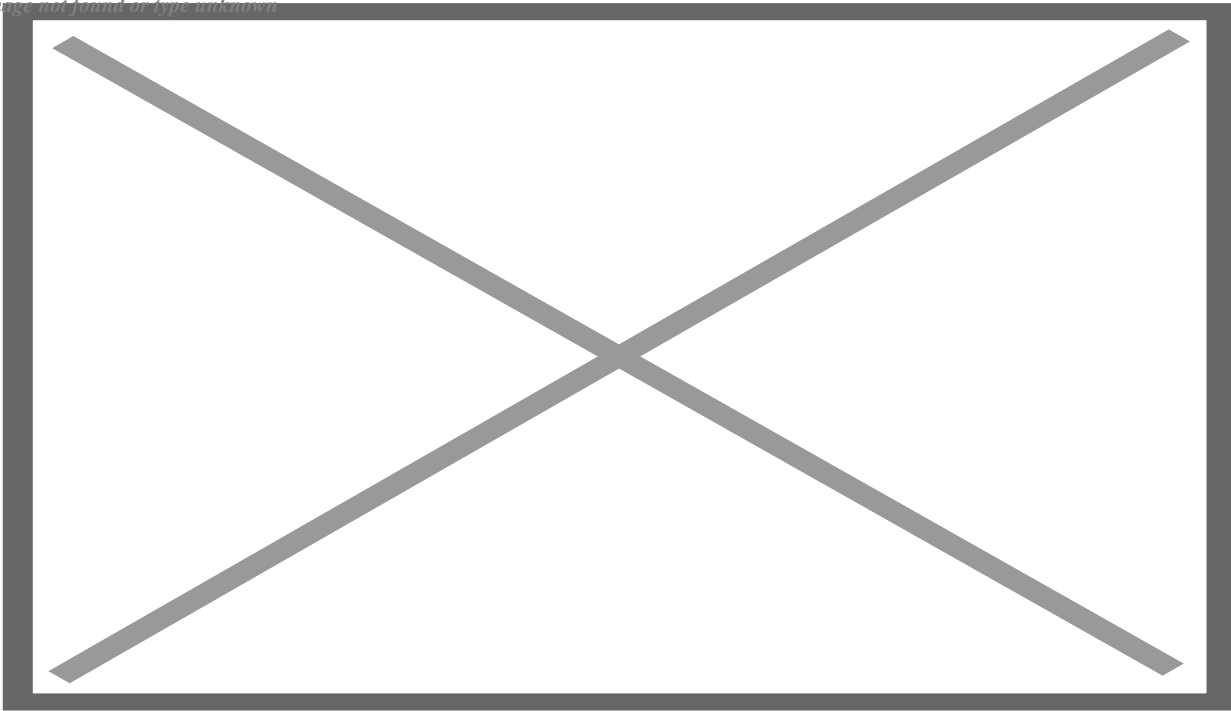


U.S. occupation forces carry out airstrikes in Syria

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Two U.S. Air Force F-22 Raptors fly above Syria in 2018 (FILE PHOTO / Staff Sgt. Colton Elliott/US Air National Guard)

Sanaa, March 26 (RHC)-- U.S. occupation forces have carried out a series of airstrikes against targets in eastern Syria, near the border with Iraq. American warplanes carried out 10 simultaneous strikes on residential neighborhoods and military installations in Dayr al-Zawr province, including the cities of Dayr al-Zawr, al-Mayadin and Al-Bukamal, on Tuesday morning, according to reports.

The reports said at least 20 people, including women and children, were injured in the attacks. No more details have been provided so far.

The United States regularly conducts illegal airstrikes in Syria under the pretext of fighting terrorism.

Damascus has written numerous protest letters to the United Nations, calling on the world body to put an end to U.S. attacks and its military presence in the Arab country. Since March 2011, when Syria fell into the grip of foreign-sponsored militancy, the Syrian government has said that the Israeli regime and its

Western and regional allies aid Takfiri terrorist groups continue to wreak havoc in the country.

The U.S. military has stationed forces and equipment in northeastern Syria, with the Pentagon claiming that the deployment is aimed at preventing the oilfields in the area from falling into the hands of Daesh terrorists.

Damascus, however, maintains the deployment is meant to plunder the country's rich mineral resources. U.S. and Israeli attacks have severe humanitarian repercussions for the people of Syria, who are currently facing a humanitarian crisis, and will only worsen their situation.

Iran has strongly condemned the U.S. airstrikes in Syria as illegal and a blatant violation of international law and the Charter of the United Nations. Iran's military forces play an advisory role in Syria at the request of Damascus, unlike the American troops that are deployed to the Arab country without the Syrian government's consent.

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