

Report Says U.S. Moving Warplanes, Drones to Kuwait



Washington, November 27 (RHC)-- The United States continues to escalate its aerial campaign against ISIL terrorists in Iraq and Syria, shifting more attack and surveillance aircraft from Afghanistan to a base in Kuwait.

Military officials say that a dozen A-10 ground-attack planes have been moved from Afghanistan to Kuwait to support Iraqi ground troops battling the ISIL militants, the New York Times reports.

Half a dozen missile-firing Reaper drones are also expected to be redeployed from Afghanistan to be used in the war against ISIL. However, as the U.S. steps up the air campaign against the ISIL terrorist organization, military planners are finding it increasingly more difficult to pick up targets for the American air power.

The allied warplanes have carried out nearly 1,080 airstrikes in Iraq and Syria since the bombing campaign began on August 8th, according to the U.S. Central Command.

General Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said earlier this month that U.S. forces have started training Iraqi troops in the western part of the country. And U.S. President Barack Obama has authorized dispatching up to 1,500 forces to Iraq, nearly doubling the planned U.S. troop presence there.

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