

# *U.S. Airstrikes in Libya Target Al-Qaeda Leader*

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Tripoli, June 15 (RHC)-- U.S. airstrikes in Libya have targeted an al-Qaeda leader accused of orchestrating the deadly seizure of an Algerian gas plant, which left 38 foreign hostages dead in 2013.

The Libyan government said U.S. airstrikes killed Mokhtar Belmokhtar and an unspecified number of other militants. But Belmokhtar has been reported killed in the past, and U.S. officials say they are awaiting forensic confirmation of his death.

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