

# *Russian Embassy in Damascus Hit by Mortar Shells*

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Damascus, December 28 (RHC)-- Russia says its embassy in the Syrian capital, Damascus, has been hit by two mortar shells. The Russian Foreign Ministry said in a statement on Wednesday that an inner yard of the embassy complex had been hit by a shell, while another shell fell near the diplomatic mission.

The Russian foreign ministry said the incident amounted to a provocation aimed at derailing the settlement of peace in Syria.

Moscow has been directly engaged in an anti-terror campaign in Syria since September 2015, based on a request from the Damascus government.

According to analysts, the campaign has largely been successful in helping Syrian government forces dislodge foreign-sponsored terrorists from many regions across the country.

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