

# *Syria Calls on United Nations Security Council to Stop U.S.-led Coalition Crimes*

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Damascus, October 25 (RHC)-- The Syrian Foreign Ministry has called on the UN Security Council to take immediate measures to put an end to the atrocities of the U.S.-led coalition against the people in the country. In two letters to the UN Secretary General and Chairman of the Security Council, the Ministry condemned a recent airstrike by the U.S.-led coalition on al-Qussour neighborhood in Dayr al-Zawr city, which claimed the lives of 14 civilians and injured over 40 others.

The attack reveals the “suspicious” and “subversive” role of the U.S.-led coalition in Syria, as the bloc was aware of the presence of the large number of civilians in the district after the Syrian army evacuated Daesh Takfiri terrorists from the area, the letters pointed out. The Syrian Foreign Ministry slammed the “frantic” efforts by the Washington-led coalition to hinder the advance of the Syrian Arab Army and its allies following their victories against Daesh terrorists, particularly in Dayr al-Zawr.

The U.S.-led coalition has been conducting airstrikes against what are said to be Daesh targets inside Syria since September 2014 without any authorization from the Damascus government or a United Nations mandate. The military alliance has repeatedly been accused of killing and injuring civilians and destroying the civilian infrastructure. It has also been largely incapable of achieving its declared goal of

destroying Daesh.

The Syrian Foreign Ministry described the U.S.-led coalition's newly-announced plans to reconstruct the city of Raqqah, as an attempt to cover up its "heinous" crimes in the city. The coalition "will not succeed in consolidating the de facto situation it seeks to achieve in cooperation with its agents, in a gross violation of the Syrian Arab Republic's sovereignty, unity and territorial integrity," the letters pointed out.

The letter noted that the countries which hail the U.S.-led operations in Raqqah but turn a blind eye to the deaths of thousands of civilians and the full destruction of the city are "complicit" in shedding the blood of the Syrians and ruining their cities and infrastructure. Earlier this month, the so-called Syria Democratic Forces (SDF), a U.S.-backed coalition of mainly Kurdish militants, captured the city of Raqqah from the Daesh terror group following a military operation, which was launched in July without the central government's approval.

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