

Former CIA Agent Says U.S. Trains and Fights ISIL



Los Angeles, September 19 (RHC)-- The U.S. Central Intelligence Agency is frustrated for being asked to train the ISIL terrorist group and at the very same time to combat it, a former CIA contractor says. Steven D. Kelley made the remarks in a phone interview with Press TV from Anaheim, California.

"The CIA is being faced with their current task of continuing to arm and train the rebels, which they've admitted doing -- the so-called Free Syrian Army -- and at the same time being asked to combat the group ISIL, which it is getting harder and harder for them to mask that it's essentially the same group."

Steven Kelley said: "The CIA, of course, are not stupid people. When they are asked to do this task, they do it very well. They've said they have spent this time training these rebels in Jordan [and] they're doing a very good job. And now they are being asked to combat these very same rebels and yet they are still being asked to continue with the training in Jordan. It's almost like they know that if they were to try to attack ISIL, the best things to do is to probably to start with their bases in Jordan."

The ISIL terrorists, who were initially trained by the CIA in Jordan in 2012 to destabilize the Syrian government, control large parts of Syria's northern territory. ISIL sent its fighters into Iraq in June, quickly seizing large swaths of land straddling the border between the two countries.

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