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Australia must get out of Syria

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ment. The UK's Chilcot Report and House of Commons Libya Report prove that previous regime-change diers in Syria, killing 62 and wounding more than 100. Whether by accident or not, our actions benefit-Australia and our American, British, French and other allies are operating in Syria without the consent of the Syrian government, and therefore illegally under international law. ISIS terrorists are now a threat to the whole world, yet we are aiding them to achieve our allies' long-planned overthrow of the Assad governinterventions in Iraq and Libya were based on the same lies being repeated about Syria, and that they tion. Since we are not there to help the Syrian government and Russia fight ISIS, we must get out—now! ed ISIS, against whom the Syrian soldiers were protecting a town of 300,000 people. Unlike the Russians, caused, not prevented, more terrorism. Australia should not participate in another regime-change opera-Australia's military on 17 September 2016 participated in the US-led bombing of Syrian Arab Army sol-

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Facts about Syria

- The Syrian conflict is not a civil war, but a foreign-backed incursion. The war in Syria began in 2011 when the USA, UK, France, Turkey and the Gulf states of Saudi Arabia and Qatar targeted the country for regime change.
- The initial demonstrations against the Assad government in 2011 were not spontaneous rebellions by the Syrian people, but were organised by groups connected to British-American networks set up to interfere in other countries in the name of spreading "democracy". Among these are the International Republican Institute, and the "non-violent revolution" movement instructed by Oxford-trained theorist Gene Sharp, which has been involved in all of the various "colour revolutions" that the Anglo-Americans have backed in Eastern Europe to expand NATO and encircle Russia.
- The Syrian opposition are not "moderate rebels", but are dominated by extreme Islamist terrorist organisations, including al-Nusra and Islamic State (ISIS), both off-shoots of al-Qaeda which has long been financed by Saudi Arabia.
- Barack Obama followed George W. Bush's lead and, until July this year, suppressed the 28 pages of the US Congressional Joint Inquiry on 9/11 Report that proved the Saudi royals financed al-Qaeda and the 9/11 terrorist attack, with money generated from their corrupt al-Yamamah arms deal with the British government.
- Syria, unlike Saudi Arabia and Qatar, is a secular state which enjoys freedom of religion and equal rights for women and minorities (as did Iraq and Libya before they became victims of regime change).
- The United States claims to be fighting ISIS and al-Nusra, but Defence Intelligence Agency (DIA) documents declassified under Freedom of Information in 2015 revealed that the DIA in 2012 had warned the White House that: a) it was supporting Islamist groups in Syria; and b) those groups would establish an Islamic State. According to then-DIA head Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn the White House made the "wilful decision" to ignore the warning.
- The groups that the US openly supports in Syria are no better than ISIS and al-Nusra. In July members of the US-backed Nour al-Din al-Zin-ki Movement broadcast themselves beheading a 12 year-old boy.
- The principal source of "eyewitness accounts" and video and photographic "evidence" of attacks on civilians by the Syrian Army and/or Russian Air Force is a group calling itself the Syria Civil Defence (SCD)—a name co-opted from a

- real humanitarian organisation founded in 1953 and still operational in the government-held areas of Syria. The fake SCD, whose operatives are known as the White Helmets, is headquartered in Istanbul, Turkey and funded by the British and US governments, as well as by several Western NGOs. Its founder and director is former British Army intelligence officer and Foreign Office consultant James Le Mesurier, a specialist in "democratisation programs" who was involved in NA-TO's regime-change operations in Bosnia, Kosovo, and Iraq. The White Helmets operate exclusively in areas occupied by jihadists (including ISIS), whom they openly embrace as "brothers" on Arabic-language social media. For example, video freely available on YouTube shows White Helmets trading friendly banter with al-Nusra militants and flashing the "victory" sign from atop a pile of Syrian Army corpses.
- The claims made by the Americans, British, and French, and repeated by the media, that Assad is killing his own people who are rising up against his brutal regime, are exactly the same claims they made against Libyan leader Gaddafi in 2011, to justify the intervention that overthrew Gaddafi's regime. The UK House of Commons Foreign Affairs Committee has just released a report on the Libya intervention, which proves all of those claims were lies. The Libya Report states: "This policy was not informed by accurate intelligence. In particular, the Government failed to identify that the threat to civilians was overstated and that the rebels included a significant Islamist element." Libya is now a failed state that is a safe haven for terrorists.
- The Libya Report also states that the American, British and French did not bother to secure Gaddafi's stockpiles, which allowed those weapons to fall into the hands of terrorists who spread them all over North Africa and into Syria. Investigative report Seymour Hersh has exposed this as deliberate.
- US State Senator Richard Black has presented evidence that the chemical-weapons attack that Syrian President Bashar al-Assad supposedly carried out against civilians in Ghouta in August 2013 was actually conducted by al-Qaeda and Turkey, to create a pretext for an American intervention.
- Until the Russians intervened in Syria in September 2015, ISIS was barely touched, despite Obama's much-vaunted coalition of 67 nations, including Australia. The US-led coalition had allowed ISIS to travel hundreds of miles across open desert with hundreds of vehicles, including tanks and artillery—a perfect target—to capture Palmyra. All because it was part of the advance to Damascus, and the overthrow of Assad.