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## Which Arab Country will be next?

*Toxic Convergence of the US and Turkish Imperialism in the Middle East*

The US Military views the Middle East, which it has designated as Central Command as the center of its destructive empire. Destruction of Syria opens the door for the next victim, which is likely to be in Arab League, a group that view the US as its ally.



### Who is Next?

On the 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Polish member of European Parliament, Grzegorz Braun asked whom the legislative body would nominate for murder and destruction, which reveals how Europe conducted these crimes against Syria. Braun's speech emphasized Europe's hypocrisy, especially how the region describes delegitimizing, robbing, and killing its nominated opponents as *helping* them. The legislator noted that Countries lined up for destruction by the West, including Syria, Iran, Russia, North Korea or Moldova, have harmed no one. Instead, they are nominated for destruction because the west is racing down a

maniacal slippery-slope of neocolonialism. The question of *who is next* for destruction is pertinent in the context of the Middle East, as a strategic region in which the west has destroyed the most countries in the recent past. Today, Turkey's Neo Ottoman ambitions and the US imperialism expressed through Israel show that one or several countries in the region will be nominated for destruction. Sadly, Arab League leaders just legitimized this eventuality by participating in the short-sighted partition of Syria by joining a meeting designed to dictate to Syrian's future convened by the US Secretary of State, Antony Blinken, and Turkish Hakan Fidan.

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### **A Risky Precedence of Imposing Governments from Abroad**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Blinken and Fidan convened 8 representatives of Arab League countries in the Jordanian city of Aqaba to rubberstamp a colonial process of deciding Syria's future from outside. The attendants spelled out conditions for settlement in Syria that they had already violated. For instance, they called for a peaceful transfer of power after funding terrorists including al-Qaida affiliates to violently overthrow Bashar Al Assad's government. They also called for an inclusive, and nonsectarian government, a description that fits Assad's, more than Hayat Tahrir al Sham's (HTS) government. Blinken, and Fidan, looking like Sykes, and Picot (British and French diplomats that secretly partitioned the Middle East between their empires in 1916), would have convened all political and social groups in Syria, if they were interested in empowering Syrians to govern themselves. However, democracy was clearly not the motivation of the 14<sup>th</sup> December meeting in Aqaba, as parties involved made no effort to bring Syrians together. Instead, the US sent a representative to Damascus on 20<sup>th</sup> December, to influence HTS to form a government of Washington's liking.

Blinken-Fidan summit should be viewed as modern day Sykes-Picot meetings. The sad reality is that today's Arab Leagues leaders have embraced destructive US interference in the region, which will be used against them. Drivers of western imperialism, Blinken and Fidan are openly doing in December 2024 what Sykes and Picot did secretly in 1916, and inviting Arab leaders to rubberstamp it. To prevent legitimizing an illegal process that will be used against their countries, these Arab leaders should have insisted that only Syrians should decide their future. However, by accepting to decide for Syrians, they indirectly approved that Washington, Brussels, and Ankara should use similar sham process to decide for any Arab country. Hence, Arabs should start considering which of them will be visited by Washington-Brussels wrecking ball next, as those who do not learn from history are likely to repeat it.

In a period when poor Chad required the French military and hence western colonialism to leave, Arab leaders chose to cement further fragmentation of Syria and the region. In a 2008 Arab League meeting held in Syria, the late Libyan leader, Muammar Gaddafi, cautioned Arab leaders that Washington was out to depose and kill them. Gaddafi gave the example of Saddam Hussein, whom the US had killed in an extrajudicial process. He eloquently articulated that Washington turns against its friends, like Cheney and Rumsfeld had done to Saddam Hussein. As he spoke, Tunisian, Egyptian, and Syrian leaders laughed off Gadhafi's concerns. They may have believed that they were better than Saddam Hussein, or that the US was an objective and well-meaning player.

In hindsight, the US was plotting to overthrow some of the Arab governments and to carve up their territories and resources. Like the past Arab League leaders ignored Gaddafi's warning, today's leaders even put themselves at the service of US, EU, and Turkiye's imperialism. Some think that Washington, Brussels, Ankara, or Tel Aviv think that they are better than Saddam Hussein, Muammar Gadhafi or Bashar Al Assad, which is a very simplistic view. Others may think that having invested huge sums in the west or having extravagant Museums of western cars make them immune to Washington's, destruction, but these very factors arouse the West's greed to seize these assets like they did to Libya's after killing Gadhafi.

### **US Empire's Centre or the Greater Israel**

The US military views the Middle East as the center of its empire, and designates the region as the Central Command. Washington harbors plans to own and/or control territory in this region through a proxy country. Such a future country will only appear after the existing ones with Arab populations have been decimated. While green-lighting Syria's partition for destruction, Arab League leaders should note that their countries are likely to be destroyed in their lifetimes, as they occupy territories that Anglo-Saxons covet, and will try to grab as can be inferred from words and actions of the late British Racist and Colonialist, Cecil Rhodes. Rhodes proposed permanent settlement of Anglo-Saxon's in the Middle East, which can explain the US continuous war on Iraq since 1991, in addition to the continuous proxy war waged on the region through Israel. These countries are also attractive due to their immense gas and oil wealth, which Washington and Brussels would like to add to their failing Gross National Incomes (GNI) to build more muscle for more colonial wars.

Meanwhile, Turkiye's expansionism is also likely to cause another war in the Middle East. Lastly, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, and Iraq have territories that Israel, has earmarked for expansion using its mercenaries in the US pentagon. All of these factors converge to indicate

that soon, the US and Europe's wrecking ball will be directed at one of these countries which chose to rubber stamp western imperialism in Aqaba. The west will not lack a convenient justification for such wars. For Instance, Gulf monarchies run sectarian, absolute dictatorships that can never come close to Assad's Syria or Saddam's Iraq under any secularism or democratic metric. Also, others support terrorists alongside the US, and Washington will easily find this a solid justification to destroy them. It might not take long until we find out which of the Arab countries will be targeted next after Syria.

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