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TIME TO STOP US'S FAKE NEWS AND PROPOGANDA ON SYRIA AT UN SECURITY COUNCIL

Up on a request for an emergency session by the US, Britain, France and six other countries the UN Security Council held urgent meeting on Syria yesterday 9 April 2018. Such an emergency meeting at the UN Security Council has been called for over a dozen times by the US and its allies under the disguise of human rights and justice.

As per the usual these countries called the emergency meeting accusing the Syrian authorities with the usual rhetoric "use of chemical weapons" in Douma. The US Ambassador to the UN. Nikki Hailey made the predictable threat saying "History will record this as the moment when the Security Council either discharged its duty or demonstrated its utter and complete failure to protect the people of Syria," she added. "Either way, the United States will respond."

Her Russian counterpart Ambassador Vassily Nebenzia remarked that "any military action against Syria's government could have grave repercussions, and accused "US, France and Britain of hawkish rhetoric", adding that their lack of a clear strategy for Syria was "appalling".

Staffan de Mistura, the UN envoy to Syria, made the following remark at the emergency Council meeting "I urge the Security Council, in accordance with its own mandate, to maintain international peace and security and uphold international law to, for God's sake, ensure a mechanism is found to investigate this allegation and attribute responsibilities."

The Syrian government and Russia support the deployment of investigators from the Organization for the Protection of Chemical Weapons to go to Douma immediately to investigate the alleged use of



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chemical weapons by the government as they have nothing to hide and want the world to see the truth not the fabricated and politically charged fake news perpetuated by the US. To this effect Russia's U.N. ambassador is urging inspectors from the international chemical weapons watchdog to fly to Syria's capital today to visit the site of a suspected poison gas attack in a nearby rebel-held town. Vassily Nebenzia says experts from Russia's military radiological, biological and chemical unit went to the site of Sunday's purported attack in Douma and found no chemical substances on the ground, no dead, and no poisoned people in hospitals.

It is a well-known fact that Syria has joined the Chemical Weapons Convention in 2013 and given a certification of relinquishing its chemical programme and destroying all production facilities by the OPCW in June 2014. The Syrian government has repeatedly warned the international community of plans by terrorists and their foreign allies to stage chemical attacks to pave the way for US's unlawful aggression on Syria. Therefore it is easy to unpack the fallacy in the US led tired and politically charged rhetoric of chemical weapon use by the Syrian government.

Syria ambassador to the UN Geneva H.E Hussam Edin Aala stated "in all alleged chemical attacks victims are women and children, responders are immune from infection and whistleblowers are the white helmets" - opposition-linked first responders who are shameless rebel accomplices- "The aim is clearly to protect terrorists and set the stage for yet another aggression on Syria"

Of substance it is apparent that the US and its allies are using the UN and its mechanisms for their political games by acting as de-facto watchdogs and the moral authority for human rights. Hence consistently raising one sided and selective human rights agenda and taking illegal unilateral and

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coercive measures against sovereign states like Syria. Case in point is the current wave of fake news by the US accusing the Syrian government of using imaginary chemical weapons. Followed by Israeli illegal and targeted attack on Syrian airbase known as T-4 air base which came shortly after the US President Donald Trump had promised a “big price to pay”. It is unfathomable as to why the US claim moral high ground in human rights despite being built on morally contemptible practices such as genocide and slavery.

It is time we hold the US, Israel and their allies accountable for their illegal and unlawful act of aggression against the sovereignty of the Syrian Arab Republic and its legitimate government.

The UN must take strict and immediate measures to stop entertaining such fake propaganda, and denounce illegal and unilateral attacks on Syria.

It is imperative to create peaceful conditions for consistent work with the Syrian government and launch a political dialogue and reach people centered peaceful settlement in Syria.

Icsft strongly denounces this US led selective and politicized human rights narrative that is dominating the UN! It is important to maintain the constructive atmosphere and launch a political dialogue and reach people centered peaceful settlement in Syria. In this context we would like to thank Russia and its allies for continuously fighting this one sided attack on Syria, and engaging with the sovereign government of Syria to reach political dialogue and resolution.

It is time to put innocent Syrian people's lives before politics and put an end to this politically sensationalized propaganda once and for all.