

### Liam Fox: British troops could be deployed to the Tunisian-Libyan border

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**"British Defence Secretary Liam Fox said Wednesday that troops could be deployed to the Tunisian-Libyan border, on the pretext of protecting fleeing civilians."**

By Patrick O'Connell (NATO bomb attack on Libya kills Misrata 'rebels' fighters)

A NATO airstrike reportedly killed 12 anti-Gaddafi fighters and badly injured three others in the contested port city of Misrata on Wednesday evening. The 'friendly fire' incident 'the second of its kind since the bombing campaign began on March 19' again underscores the bogus character of the various statements issued from Washington and Brussels claiming their 'precision' bombing raids are aimed at protecting the Libyan people.

In reality, the allied imperialist powers are engaged in an increasingly reckless 'regime change' campaign that now involves assassination attempts against Gaddafi and the bombing of public infrastructure targets, which will inevitably see more civilian casualties.

NATO issued a statement which neither confirmed nor denied the incident, but cynically declared 'deep regret for any loss of human life.' The Guardian, citing local doctors in Misrata and one of the survivors, reported that the bombing occurred around 5 p.m., close to Misrata's port. A 15-member 'rebel' unit gathered near a salt factory with three 'improvised battle wagons', each with a special identifying mark painted on them, as ordered by NATO. Despite this, after the men had just finished having tea with an ambulance crew, a NATO bomb hit them. Twelve men, aged between 20 and 40, were killed instantly.

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France and Britain are continuing their preparations for the deployment of ground forces. British Defence Secretary Liam Fox said Wednesday that troops could be deployed to the Tunisian-Libyan border, on the pretext of protecting fleeing civilians. An estimated 30,000 people have crossed the border to escape the fighting. Fox told a parliamentary defence select committee that British forces may be necessary to establish 'safe havens' to protect refugees from attacks by Gaddafi's forces.

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