

# Russian Military Forces in Syria to Assist Assad, Fight Terrorism – Kremlin

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Russia's main military goal in Syria is to combat terrorism and support the forces of President Bashar Assad, Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said Wednesday.

"The main objective is the fight against terrorism and supporting the legitimate authorities in Syria in the fight against terrorism and extremism," Peskov said, when asked whether Russia could guarantee that it would confine any air strikes to Islamic State militants.

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