



# RECENT US AIR STRIKES IN SYRIA

## A LEGAL AND POLITICAL ANALYSIS

**May 7, 2018 | 12:30-1:20 p.m.**  
**Thomson Hall Rm. 317**  
**University of Washington, Seattle**  
*Free and open to the public*

This presentation will explore several questions surrounding recent airstrikes in Syria, including: What was the legal basis for the strikes? Did they violate international law? And were they part of a long term US political strategy?

**Frederick (Rick) Lorenz**, Senior Lecturer, Jackson School of International Studies. Rick Lorenz served in the U.S. Marine Corps for 27 years as a judge advocate. He was also a senior legal advisor for the United Nations in Somalia, a legal adviser to NATO in Bosnia, and a UN legal affairs officer in Kosovo.

**Sponsored by the Middle East Center, Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington. Contact: [mecuw@uw.edu](mailto:mecuw@uw.edu).**

To request disability accommodation contact the Disability Services Office at least ten days in advance at: (206) 543-6450/V, (206) 543-6452/TTY, (206) 685-7264 (FAX), or [dso@u.washington.edu](mailto:dso@u.washington.edu).



**MIDDLE EAST CENTER**  
UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

Henry M. Jackson School  
of International Studies