

Foreign Fighters and Their Economic Impact:

A Case Study of Syria and al-Qaeda in Iraq

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What is the economic impact of support for foreign terrorists and how can U.S. policy better combat terrorist financing?

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