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## Spain will support France but not attack Syria

### Fight against Jihadism

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**USPA NEWS** - Spain will support France in its fight against jihadist terrorism but does not provide attack Syria, according to the Spanish Minister of Interior, Jorge Fernandez Diaz. The Spanish Government considers it essential to strengthen international unity to win the war on DAESH.

This was said Wednesday in an interview with the Spanish public television the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Jose Manuel Garcia-Margallo. The Spanish Government has strengthened surveillance at ports, airports and, especially, at border crossings with France by road, in anticipation that the two terrorists fled after committing the attacks of November 13 in Paris to try to escape through Spain. However, the level of terror alert level remains at 4 and Spanish Government sees no reasons for a change.

Following the positive response of the European Union to the French request for military aid to deal with jihadist terrorism, he confirmed Wednesday that Spain will honor its commitments but said he is waiting to know what does France to assess what help can be provided Spain. In any case, he said the Minister of Interior, Spain does not arise attack Syria militarily. For the Spanish Government, the most urgent task is to strengthen international unity against terrorism and, in this sense, the president of the Government, Mariano Rajoy, said Tuesday that "our first point of reference is the European family."

"Together there are more of us and we are stronger, we open up to Europe and the world based on a solid core of our own cohesion," Rajoy said in the presentation of the book 'All Skies Lead to Spain: Letters from an Airplane', written by Minister of Foreign Affairs, Garcia-Margallo. However, the Spanish Government is convinced that "the most urgent issue today is to resolve the problem of Syria." According to Rajoy, "the common enemy is ISIL and we should not distract ourselves With other issues, which are also very important, but not priorities."

The struggle against jihadist terrorism will be "long and hard with irreparable consequences such as the absence forever of those who are killed, but a fight against terrorism that always end up winning the rule of law," he said Wednesday in Seville the Minister of Interior, Jorge Fernandez Diaz, at the opening of the Sixth Meeting of Working Group of Interpol against terrorism. So far this year, Spain has conducted 36 operations against Jihadism with a total of 90 detainees, twice around 2014. Fernandez Diaz highlighted the global nature of Jihadism, which "serves as spaces of freedom Internet and social networking to radicalise and attract followers."

The minister stressed the multifaceted profile of jihadist terrorism because, unlike traditional terrorism, "charge the special role foreign fighters, returnees or solitary actors who can act indiscriminately or carefully prepared as demonstrated in Paris." Fernandez Diaz reported that 139 Spanish people are displaced to areas of conflict and have returned 25 of them Spaniards.

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