

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Does ISIS really differ from other terrorist groups; if so, how does its singularity complicate U.S. efforts to defeat it?

1. What is the relationship between Sunni nations in the Middle East and the growth of ISIS?
2. How has the new relationship of the United States with Iran influenced the American effort against ISIS?
3. Can or should the U.S. work with the Russians to bomb ISIS assets?
4. Is ISIS-inspired terrorism inside the West a greater threat than that posed by al-Qaeda?
5. Who are ISIS? Al-Qaeda veterans? Ex-Baathists from Iraq? Former Free Syrian Army renegades? International Muslim radicals?

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