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Libertarian Party of Illinois denounces US airstrikes on Syria

TINLEY PARK, Ill. – The Libertarian Party of Illinois has officially denounced the United States airstrikes on Syria. A measure officially denouncing the act of aggression passed unanimously at Saturday's LP-Illinois business meeting in Tinley Park. The business meeting was part of the 2017 state convention.

The United States attacked Al Shayrat Airfield in Syria last Friday in response to the alleged use of chemical weapons against civilians at the hands of the Assad regime. US warships launched 59 Tomahawk cruise missiles at the airfield, killing six people.

"The world needs to stop running to war and finding excuses to kill. It is time to set a higher standard for our military policy. This is not my war," said Lex Green, chair of the Libertarian Party of Illinois.

The bombings have only worsened relations between the United States and several other foreign countries; Russian officials condemned the attack as an act of aggression. The national Libertarian Party has also denounced the air strikes.

"Since World War II, American foreign policy has been highly interventionist. This has dragged our country into many wars and conflicts that were not in the best interest of the American people. These wars and conflicts have cost many thousands of lives and billions of dollars and have not made the American people any safer," said Nicholas Sarwark, chair of the Libertarian National Committee in a letter sent to party members last week.

The Libertarian Party platform officially states, "The United States should both avoid entangling alliances and abandon its attempts to act as policeman for the world." More information about the Libertarian Party and its platform can be found at lp.org/platform.

For more information or to book an interview with a party representative, please contact Lex Green, Libertarian Party of Illinois Chair.

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