There are of representatives religious activists migrant among workers, who have been persecuted and pressured back home (Uzbekistan, Tajikistan). Russia doesn't trust them either. Therefore, a religious activist has to seek better and beneficial conditions in Syria and Iraq. In the combat zones, he meets people like him, rejected at home.

- As a result, field commanders from the Central Asian states emerged in combat areas of Syria and Iraq fighting for terrorist organizations such as DAISH, Jabhat an-Nusrah; among them are Abu Holidi Qulobi, Gulmurod Khalimov from Tajikistan, Abu Saloh from Kyrgyzstan, Abu Hafs al-Uzbeki and Abu Saad al-Uzbeki from Uzbekistan.
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/wa</u> <u>tch?v=73pBFLgUCqk</u>
- <u>https://www.youtube.com/wat</u>
 <u>ch?v=xrb1eAfhAag</u>

The process of recruitment is supported by special propaganda videos. The videos are purposefully translated into several languages: Russian, Uzbek, Tajik.

https://www.youtube.com/wa tch?v=P1ag0ztX2fM

For example, the video "We are Ahrar – Ash Sham" published by Firdays Media calls on the Russian citizens to the war in Syria and to the establishment of the Caliphate. Yet the most popular video is the one made by the prohibited political party Hizb ut-Tahrir al Islami. The media portal HT MEDIA RUSSIA provides a list of hadith from Prophet Muhammad (p.b.u.h.) and translates these hadith into Russian

so as to convince the audience that

every Muslim must contribute to the

the war in Syria is inevitable and

fight for the establishment of the "fair Islamic Caliphate"

The Role of Social Media in the Radicalization of Migrant Workers

This raises the question, "Isn't it possible to restrict their internet access? Why can they freely use internet for their own benefit? There are so many video clips from Abu Saloh on the network The analysis of some social media, such as facebook.com, WhatsApp showed that field commanders have their own pages and upload their propaganda video clips to the internet. For example, the message of the field commander and leader of Tavhid va Jihod, Abu Saloh, is available on three social media outlets: www.facebook.com/tauhidvajiho <u>d</u>

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www.youtube.com/tauhidvajihod
, tauhidvajihod@gmail.com.

New methods of recruitment and instructions on how to fire various rifles, and to prepare a terrorist attack back home emerge in social media



Supporters of DAISH in their video clips in several languages provide detailed information on how to use small arms and explosives to the young people, who are from militants' places. Also the permanent channel emerged on the network that broadcast the lives of the militants: "Life of mujahedeen in Ashshaam". The coverage is in the languages of Central Asia (Uzbek, Tajik) and glorifies the militants in the conflict zones of Syria and Iraq. During the coverage, a reporter briefly describes the station and the history of the region, which is the evidence of a thorough preparation to the coverage.

What raise major concerns are the comments of the young people to these videos on <u>www.YouTube.com</u>.

| Video name | Video link | Comments |
|---|---|--|
| Instructions on how to use an American light anti-tank weapon | https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=rxw0PgfyAGA | The commentator asks how he can contact you, he must be in Russia, so here's the address: Biz bilan aloqa watsap manzilimiz +79685121102 Telegram manzilimiz Shomga_marhabo |
| A message of the field commander from Kyrgyzstan, Abu Saloh | https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=73pBFLgUCqk | Commentator A.Sh. asks you to wait so that he could join them. |
| Instructions on hand grenades | https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=AQVgozXmlok | Commentator asks for more such lessons. |
| Instructions on how to fire a Kalashnikov rifle | https://www.youtube.com/watch ?v=j2PbnB8TtTY | Commentator asks if there would be a Russian version? |