

# U.S. Sen. Johnson: Statement on U.S. troop withdrawal from Syria

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**OSHKOSH** — U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.), a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the following regarding news that U.S. troops would be withdrawn from northeastern Syria:

**“I have never believed America can or should be the world’s policeman. But I do believe when it is in our national security interest, and we have the capability of stabilizing a situation to prevent violence, we should do so,”** said Sen. Johnson. **“Supporting a key ally in the fight against ISIS and preventing further unnecessary bloodshed in Syria is in our national interest. Abandoning the Kurds would not only send a terrible signal to America’s allies and adversaries, it would simply be unconscionable.”**