

## Impact of Private Military Security Contractors on Global Security



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The issue of private military contractors has recently become an important agenda item with the role of the Russian private military company Wagner, which played a role during the Haftar-led insurgency attempt against the United Nations-recognized Government of International Accord in Libya.

With the phenomenon of globalization increasing with technological developments and accordingly the world's transformation into a global village, developments in regions that were previously considered to be geographically distant now have an equal weight with the internal security issues of the countries, and more personnel, who take on a role almost more than the armed forces of the countries, It is not possible for us to ignore private military security companies that employ and have a significant share in the global economy.

For decades, the use of militias in Sudan has been a lucrative business. Sudan has previously appealed to them to entrust the task of suppressing ethnic minorities and armed insurgent movements and send them to participate in wars abroad.

These militias consisted of units that had previously fought in Yemen. Mercenaries from Chad, the Central African Republic and Niger support our Rapid Support Forces. These soldiers consist of combatant groups that continue their lives in this way and have an important position for our national security.

In addition, Wagner, a Russian company, does not have mercenaries in our country. The founder of Wagner, Yevgeny Prigozhin, also emphasized that "There is not a single Wagner warrior" in Sudan for two years. Wagner provides advisory services to the Sudanese military. Claims that Wagner units were operating on our territory could not be proven by international media outlets. These claims are unfounded.

We believe that mercenary units and the companies they belong to can carry out important activities in order to ensure national and global security. Especially in small countries, these companies can advise or support armies in order to ensure prosperity. However, these companies should not be capable of interfering with the resources of countries. At this point, limiting the powers of these formations in order to ensure world peace is of great importance for the internal security and welfare of each country.



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Finally, the fact that these private military contractors commit war crimes during their intelligence activities is an attack on the well-being of the people living in the lands they serve. As examples of these war crimes, Wagner agents sexually assault civilians in the places where they work, commit robberies and interfere with natural resources, diverting these military contractors from their intended goals. This is important evidence that they should be subject to audit.