

Abu Muslim al-Turkmani



- ❖ Place of birth: Tal Afar, Nineveh Province, Iraq;
- ❖ Died: 18 August 2015, Near Mosul, Iraq; (killed by a US-led drone strike)
- ❖ Branch:
 1. Special Republican Guard (until 2003);
 2. Military of ISIS (8 April 2013–18 August 2015);
- ❖ Rank:
 1. Lieutenant Colonel (up until 2003);
 2. Deputy Leader of Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant in Iraq (8 April 2013–18 August 2015);
- ❖ His birth name is Fadel Ahmed Abdullah al-Hiyali. Once he was Iraqi Army Colonel under Saddam Hussein rule.
- ❖ Abu Muslim, known as, Abu Mutaz al-Qurashi was ISIS's governor for territories held by the organization in Iraq.
- ❖ He was considered the ISIS second-in-command, along with his counterpart [Abu Ali al-Anbari](#), who held a similar position in Syria.
- ❖ Al-Turkmani played a political role of overseeing the local councils and a military role that includes directing operations against opponents of ISIS.
- ❖ He was a lieutenant colonel in the Iraqi military's intelligence unit Istikhbarat, he also spent time as a Special Forces officer in the Special Republican Guard right up until the US-led 2003 invasion of Iraq. He was decommissioned from the Iraqi army after U.S. forces arrived, and joined Sunni insurgents to fight the Americans. He spent time in a US prison in Iraq, to be exact in Camp Bucca.

- ❖ Al-Turkmani was the head of ISIS's military council. He reportedly led the council of six to nine military commanders who directed the terrorist group's military strategy.

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