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SOUTH KOREAN MISSIONARIES WARNED TO STAY OUT OF MIDDLE EAST

Officials in Seoul, South Korea, are telling the country's missionaries and humanitarian aid groups to stay out of the Middle East for now. The order reportedly came after terrorists in Iraq threatened retaliation against anyone conducting evangelistic activities.

Deputy Foreign Minister Lee Soo Hyuck explained that the country's concerns stem from repeated threats made by extremists. "Terrorists will act against South Korea if they find we have entered Iraq for the purpose of propagating Christianity," he said.

South Korea advised all its civilians in Iraq to leave after terrorists executed South Korean interpreter Kim Sun Il who was in the country to work for a trading company while earning money to attend seminary.

While the terrorists have demanded that South Korea withdraw its troops from Iraq, the government is making preparations to deploy thousands of additional South Korean troops to the war-torn country.

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