

# Syria Arms Deliveries Halted

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Russia has halted deliveries of light arms to Syria to avoid exacerbating a conflict between government forces and opposition groups, said a person close to the Defense Ministry in Moscow.

President-elect Vladimir Putin's government ended supplies of weapons including anti-tank missiles and grenade launchers after reports in January of a Russian shipment of ammunition to Syria provoked criticism from the United States, the person said by phone Wednesday, declining to be identified because the information is confidential.

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