
Obama Lacks Right to Force States to Admit Dangerous Refugees - Congressman

WASHINGTON, January 8 (Sputnik) – US President Barack Obama is not allowed to burden US states with foreign refugees that might pose a threat to American citizens, Congressman Ted Poe's office said in a press release on Friday. "The [Obama] Administration has no right to force the states to accept refugees who may pose a danger to their citizens," the release stated. This release follows Poe and US Senator Ted Cruz's introduction of the State Refugee Security Act of 2015, which seeks to give state governors the right to protect their citizens when the federal government is failing to do so. Poe said this is exactly the case in his district of Houston, Texas. "Terror has come to Houston," Poe said. "Thankfully law enforcement caught Al Hardan before it was too late. We may not always be that lucky." Poe concluded that Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Director James Comey was right in his assertion that the country cannot probe refugees properly. In October, Obama stated the United States would allow 10,000 Syrian refugees into the country during 2016. The decision led to widespread opposition among lawmakers, state governors, and the general public out of concern for the nation's security. On December 16, US House Speaker Paul Ryan said the US Senate will hold a debate in 2016 on the issue of Syrian refugee settlement in the United States.