Russia and the U.S. in Syria: Is cooperation possible?

In the circles below, write down the overlapping and differing GOALS of each nation. Goals are what the nation wants to do in Syria.

U.S.                        Russia

In the circles below, write down the overlapping INTERESTS of each nation. Interests are why they want to take action in Syria. What do they want the world to look like as a result of their actions?

U.S                             Russia
Questions for consideration

Is it more important to have overlapping interests or overlapping goals? Are both necessary?

What happens when goal are aligned but interests are in opposition to one another?

How do you think the U.S. and Russia might cooperate in Syria? What are the benefits and what are the risks?