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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On May 31, Coalition military forces conducted 30 strikes consisting of 51 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 23 strikes consisting of 36 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, two strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed an ISIS well head and a vehicle.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, seven strikes destroyed four ISIS well heads, four ISIS oil tanks, an ISIS oil truck, an ISIS oil storage tank and an ISIS oil storage trailer.
- Near Raqqah, 14 strikes engaged nine ISIS tactical units and destroyed eight fighting positions, two vehicles, two anti-air artillery systems, a front-end loader, and a tactical vehicle.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 15 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Hawayjah, one strike destroyed three ISIS-held buildings and an IED factory.
- Near Al Qaim, two strikes destroyed a VBIED factory and a tactical vehicle.
- Near Mosul, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed two fighting positions, a mortar system and a rocket-propelled grenade system.
- Near Rawah, one strike destroyed a VBIED.
- Near Tal Afar, two strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit; destroyed a mortar system, a fighting position, an ISIS-held building, and a heavy machine gun; and damaged a tunnel and a fighting position.

Additionally, three strikes were conducted in Syria and Iraq on May 30 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- Near Raqqah, Syria, a strike destroyed an ISIS command and control node.
- Near Mosul, Iraq, two strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units; destroyed two fighting positions, a heavy machine gun, a vehicle, and a VBIED; damaged a fighting position; and suppressed an ISIS tactical unit.

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These strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to destroy ISIS in Iraq and Syria. The destruction of ISIS targets in Iraq and Syria also further limits the group's ability to project terror and conduct external operations throughout the region and the rest of the world.

This Coalition strike release contains all strikes conducted by fighter, attack, bomber, rotary-wing, or remotely piloted aircraft, rocket propelled artillery and ground-based tactical artillery.

A strike, as defined in the Coalition release, refers to one or more kinetic engagements that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect in that location. For example, a single aircraft delivering a single weapon against a lone ISIS vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of ISIS-held buildings and weapon systems in a compound, having the cumulative effect of making that facility harder or impossible to use. Strike assessments are based on initial reports and may be refined.

CJTF-OIR does not report the number or type of aircraft employed in a strike, the number of munitions dropped in each strike, or the number of individual munition impact points against a target. The information used to compile the daily strike releases is based on 'Z' or Greenwich Mean Time.

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