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Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq between 8 a.m., April 13, and 8 a.m., April 14, local time. In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted three airstrikes, using fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 15 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using fighter, attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

"Yesterday, coalition strike and reconnaissance assets directly supported Iraqi Security Force's operations in Bayji with seven dynamic airstrikes," said, CJTF-OIR Chief of Staff Brig. Gen. Thomas Weidley. "The ISF, enabled by the coalition, continues to deny ISIL small unit attacks and maintained their positions within the Bayji Oil Refinery."

The following is a summary of the strikes conducted since the last press release:

Syria

• Near Kobani, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroyed four ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL vehicle.

Iraq

- Near Bayji, seven airstrikes struck one large and two smaller tactical units, two ISIL excavators, destroyed 11 ISIL buildings, four ISIL vehicles, two ISIL excavators, two ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL warehouse, an ISIL VBIED and an ISIL heavy machine gun.
- Near Fallujah, three airstrikes destroyed two ISIL bridges and an ISIL checkpoint.
- Near Mosul, an airstrike struck an ISIL headquarters.
- Near Ramadi, three airstrikes struck three ISIL tactical units, destroyed four ISIL fighting positions, two ISIL vehicles and an ISIL mortar system.
- Near Sinjar, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroyed two ISIL buildings, and an ISIL rocket-propelled grenadier.

Airstrike assessments are based on initial reports. All aircraft returned to base safely.

The strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to eliminate the ISIL terrorist group and the threat they pose to Iraq, Syria, the region, and the wider

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international community. The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the terrorist group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Jordan, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Syria include Bahrain, Canada, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and U.S.

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