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Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq between 8 a.m., May 27, and 8 a.m., May 28, local time. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted six airstrikes using attack, and fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 20 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using attack, fighter, bomber and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

“Coalition airstrikes struck across Iraq,” said Col. Wayne Marotto, CJTF-OIR chief of public affairs. “When Daesh terrorists expose themselves and their equipment, we will strike them.”

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

Syria

- Near Al Hasakah, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and an ISIL trench system, destroying four ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, three airstrike struck three ISIL crude oil collection points.

Iraq

- Near Baghdadi, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying an ISIL homemade explosives cache.
- Near Al Huwayjah, one airstrike struck an ISIL fighting position.
- Near Bayji, three airstrikes destroyed five ISIL vehicles, an ISIL building and an ISIL fighting position.
- Near Fallujah, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroying two ISIL heavy machine guns, two ISIL armored vehicles and an ISIL VBIED.
- Near Kirkuk, one airstrike struck an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Makhmur, one airstrike struck an ISIL mortar position.
- Near Mosul, five airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, an ISIL checkpoint and an ISIL staging area, destroying two ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL vehicle, an ISIL armored vehicle and an ISIL trench system.
- Near Ramadi, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL VBIED.
- Near Sinjar, three airstrikes struck three ISIL tactical units, destroying three ISIL heavy machine guns, an ISIL mortar position and an ISIL sniper position.
- Near Tal Afar, one airstrike struck land features denying ISIL a tactical advantage.

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

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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 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 the U.S.

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