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Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On July 28, coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted three airstrikes using fighter and remotely piloted aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 11 airstrikes coordinated with the Government of Iraq using attack, fighter-attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL targets.

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

Syria

- Near Al Hasakah, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Idlib, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL vehicle.

<u>Iraq</u>

- Near Al Huwayjah, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Bayji, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL vehicles and an ISIL VBIED.
- Near Habbaniyah, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL structure.
- Near Haditha, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Mosul, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL tunnel entrance.
- Near Ramadi, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and destroyed an ISIL armored vehicle, an ISIL structure and an ISIL fighting position.
- Near Sinjar, one airstrike struck an ISIL mortar position.
- Near Tal Afar, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun and an ISIL fighting position.

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 and the wider international community.

The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include



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Australia, 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.

Separately, on July 28 near Salqin, Syria, U.S. military forces conducted one airstrike against a network of veteran al-Qaida operatives, sometimes called the "Khorasan Group," who are plotting external attacks against the United States and our allies. The airstrike struck a tactical unit and destroyed a vehicle.