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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On Feb. 13, Coalition military forces conducted 26 strikes consisting of 48 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

Syria

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 18 strikes consisting of 21 engagements using attack, bomber, and fighter aircraft; as well as rocket artillery against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike destroyed an oil pump jack.
- Near Ar Raqqa, 15 strikes engaged nine ISIS tactical units; destroyed 13 fighting positions, a tactical vehicle, and an ISIS headquarters; damaged three supply routes, and a bridge; and suppressed an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, two strikes destroyed nine oil tanker trucks and two oil pump jacks; and damaged on oil wellhead.

Iraq

Additionally in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted eight strikes consisting of 27 engagements coordinated with and in support of the government of Iraq using fighter and rotary aircraft; as well as artillery against ISIS targets.

- Near Mosul, three strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units; destroyed four watercraft, three front-end loaders, and a mortar system; damaged nine supply routes; and suppressed eight ISIS mortar teams.
- Near Rawah, three strikes damaged three supply routes.
- Near Sinjar, one strike destroyed an ISIS fighting position.

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- Near Tal Afar, one strike destroyed a front-end loader.

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

A strike, as defined in the CJTF releases, means one or more kinetic engagements that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect for 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.

Accordingly, 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.

Ground-based artillery fired in counter-fire or in fire support to maneuver roles are not classified as a strike as defined by CJTF-OIR.

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

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

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