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## **Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq**

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – On Aug. 8, Coalition military forces conducted 31 strikes consisting of 41 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 25 strikes consisting of 32 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Dayr Az Zawr, three strikes destroyed three ISIS supply routes.
- Near Raqqah, 22 strikes engaged 15 ISIS tactical units and destroyed 20 fighting positions, an IED, ISIS engineering equipment, a logistics node, and a command and control node.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted six strikes consisting of nine engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Huwayjah, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed three VBIED facilities.
- Near Bayji, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a staging area and a vehicle.
- Near Kisik, two strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed two command and control nodes and an IED factory.
- Near Rawah, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Tal Afar, one strike destroyed three VBIED facilities.

Additionally, nine strikes consisting of 17 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Aug. 6-7 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Aug. 6, near Raqqah, Syria, one strike destroyed 10 ISIS fighting positions and two mortar systems.
- On Aug. 7, near Raqqah, Syria, six strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed three fighting positions, an ISIS communications tower, and a mortar system.
- On Aug. 7, near Tal Afar, Iraq, two strikes destroyed two IED facilities and a VBIED factory, and suppressed five ISIS mortar teams.

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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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