



# Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – Between Dec. 11 and Dec. 14, Coalition military forces conducted 42 strikes consisting of 53 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

On Dec. 14 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 10 strikes consisting of 13 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, nine strikes engaged six ISIS tactical units and destroyed six ISIS vehicles and a fighting position.
- Near At Tanf, one strike destroyed a weapons cache and two ISIS caves.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Dec. 14, 2017.

On Dec. 13 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 14 strikes consisting of 17 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, nine strikes engaged nine ISIS tactical units and destroyed three ISIS vehicles and an ISIS headquarters.
- Near At Tanf, five strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed three ISIS vehicles, four cave entrances and a tactical vehicle.

On Dec. 13 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Rutbah, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed an ISIS vehicle.
- Near Tuz, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed two ISIS tents and a bunker.

On Dec. 12 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of seven engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, seven strikes engaged seven ISIS tactical units and destroyed two ISIS vehicles and a heavy weapon.

On Dec. 12 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Baghdadi, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Rutbah, one strike destroyed two ISIS-held buildings.

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On Dec. 11 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted six strikes consisting of seven engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, six strikes engaged five ISIS tactical units and destroyed three heavy weapons.

On Dec. 11 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of five engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Hawayjah, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed two ISIS meeting facilities.

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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