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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On Sept. 22, Coalition military forces conducted 51 strikes consisting of 68 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 41 strikes consisting of 43 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a vehicle.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, one strike destroyed an ISIS supply route.
- Near Raqqah, 39 strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed 41 fighting positions, a command and control node, a supply route and suppressed two fighting positions.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 10 strikes consisting of 25 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Qaim, three strikes destroyed an ISIS headquarters, an IED facility and a weapons facility.
- Near Huwajah, five strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed three vehicles, two command and control node, a rocket-propelled grenade system, a medium machine gun, a staging area, an IED factory, a VBIED facility, a tactical vehicle and a weapons cache.
- Near Samarra, one strike destroyed a Coalition equipment that malfunctioned due to a non-combat related engine failure.
- Near Tal Afar, one strike engaged two ISIS snipers and destroyed two tunnel entrances.

Additionally, 31 strikes consisting of 48 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Sept. 21 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Sept. 21, near Dayr Az Zawr, Syria, one strike destroyed an ISIS tactical vehicle.
- On Sept. 21, near Raqqah, Syria, 28 strikes engaged four ISIS tactical units and destroyed 18 fighting positions, eight vehicles, a tactical vehicle, two IEDs, two supply routes, a logistics node, damaged seven fighting positions and suppressed two fighting positions.
- On Sept. 21, near Huwajah, Iraq, two strikes destroyed six ISIS fighting positions, three tunnel entrances, two command and control nodes, a VBIED facility, and a front-end loader.

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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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