



# Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to strike Daesh targets in designated parts of Syria and Iraq.

Ongoing operations by Iraqi Security Forces and Syrian Democratic Forces, supported by CJTF-OIR efforts, demonstrate that much work remains to defeat Daesh here. The Coalition and our partners continue to exert pressure on Daesh senior leaders and associates across multiple networks in order to degrade, disrupt, and dismantle Daesh structures and remove the extremist terrorists throughout Iraq and Syria. This will prevent the terrorist group's ability to regroup and resume its capacity to threaten citizens of all nations.

### **Weekly Strike Summary**

Between Feb. 16 and Feb. 22, Coalition military forces conducted 41 strikes consisting of 76 engagements against Daesh terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

On Feb. 22 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted four strikes consisting of five engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, four strikes engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a fighting position and damaged two Daesh supply routes.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 22, 2018.

On Feb. 21 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted three strikes consisting of five engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, three strikes destroyed two mortar staging facilities and a weapons cache.

On Feb. 21 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of nine engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Lake Hamrin, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a Daesh vehicle, a tractor, a bunker, a motorcycle and a Daesh-held building.

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On Feb. 20 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of nine engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes engaged three Daesh tactical units and destroyed three staging facilities, a mortar system and two motorcycles.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 20, 2018

On Feb. 19 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 12 engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, seven strikes engaged four Daesh tactical units and destroyed a Daesh observation post, a weapons cache and a Daesh resupply vehicle and damaged a bulldozer and a mortar.

On Feb. 19 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Kirkuk, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a Daesh tunnel entrance.

On Feb. 18 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted four strikes consisting of six engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, four strikes engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a fighting position, a weapons cache and a Daesh headquarters. Two Daesh supply routes were also damaged.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 18, 2018.

On Feb. 17 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted nine strikes consisting of 13 engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, nine strikes engaged two Daesh tactical units and destroyed one Daesh supply route, four fighting positions and three Daesh vehicles. Four Daesh supply routes, a tactical vehicle and a UAV were also damaged.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 17, 2018.

On Feb. 16 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 15 engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, seven strikes engaged Daesh five tactical units and damaged a Daesh supply route.

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There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 16, 2018.

These strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to destroy Daesh in Iraq and Syria. The destruction of Daesh 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 Daesh vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of Daesh-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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