Military Strikes Continue Against Daesh Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

Note: CJTF-OIR Strike Releases are now published on Fridays only. This will encompass all strikes from the previous week. The continued degradation of Daesh leads to decreased kinetic activities against this terrorist organization. Our intent is to reduce the number of reports while maintaining transparency. CJTF-OIR is committed to the lasting defeat of Daesh and the prevention of its ability to establish networks or re-emerge in Iraq and Syria.

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. OIR and its partners continue to remove Daesh from the battlefield and prevent the terrorist group’s ability to regroup and resume its capacity to threaten citizens of all nations.

Coalition airstrikes killed one senior Daesh leader in Syria in November, and another in December 2017, as well as killing four senior Daesh leaders in January 2018. The removal of these key terrorists disrupts Daesh’s leadership and information dissemination activities, reducing the terrorist group’s ability to plan and conduct terrorist attacks both within Syria and Iraq, and abroad.

Shaykh Abu Anas al Furati, a Daesh senior military commander, and two Daesh members were killed by a Coalition airstrike Nov. 27, 2017 near Hajin, Syria. Furati was responsible for coordinating Daesh attacks within Syria. His death further impairs Daesh command and control capabilities and reduces its ability to conduct terrorist activities in the region.

Abd al-Rahman Filipini, a Daesh military leader, was killed by a Coalition airstrike Dec. 13, 2017 near Hajin, Syria. An additional Daesh member was also killed during the strike.

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Abd al Rahman al Tamimi, a Daesh military leader, killed Jan. 2, 2018 near Hajin, Syria.

Haytham al Jazairi, Daesh immigration and logistics committee member, killed Jan. 6, 2018 near Kharaj, Syria.

Hassan al Jazzari, Daesh immigration and logistics committee leader, killed Jan. 6, 2018 near Abu Hammam, Syria.

Aysh al Dagestani, Daesh Brigade commander, killed Jan. 12, 2018 near Al Kashmah, Syria.

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.

**Weekly Strike Summary**

Between Jan. 26 and Feb. 1, Coalition military forces conducted 41 strikes consisting of 78 engagements against Daesh terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

On Feb. 1 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of seven engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes engaged four Daesh tactical units and destroyed three Daesh-held buildings, two tactical vehicles, a VBIED, an artillery piece, a weapons cache and damaged two Daesh-held buildings.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 1, 2018.

On Jan. 31 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of eight engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, six strikes engaged three Daesh tactical units and destroyed an artillery piece, a construction vehicle, a fighting position, a mortar tube, a staging facility and a headquarters.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike destroyed a Daesh fighting position.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Jan. 31, 2018.
On Jan. 30 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 18 engagements against Daesh targets.
- Near Abu Kamal, seven strikes engaged six Daesh tactical units and destroyed two Daesh supply routes, three Daesh headquarters, a staging facility, a Daesh motorcycle and an artillery piece.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Jan. 30, 2018.

On Jan. 29 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted three strikes consisting of seven engagements against Daesh targets.
- Near Abu Kamal, three strikes engaged three Daesh tactical units and destroyed a Daesh construction vehicle two Daesh-held buildings and a mortar.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Jan. 29, 2018.

On Jan. 28 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted nine strikes consisting of 20 engagements against Daesh targets.
- Near Abu Kamal, nine strikes engaged seven Daesh tactical units and destroyed three Daesh-held buildings, a UAV, three weapons caches, a VBIED, a Daesh van and seven pieces of Daesh construction equipment.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Jan. 28, 2018.

On Jan. 27 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of 10 engagements against Daesh targets.
- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed four fighting positions, a Daesh-held building and six construction vehicles.

On Jan. 26 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of eight engagements against Daesh targets.
- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes engaged two Daesh tactical units and destroyed a construction vehicle, a VBIED, two fighting positions and two Daesh headquarters.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on Jan. 26, 2018.
Additionally, we received late reporting of one strike consisting of two engagements conducted in Syria against Daesh targets on Jan. 25 near Abu Kamal, destroying a Daesh staging area and a fighting position.

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.