



# 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. 23 and March 1, Coalition military forces conducted 23 strikes consisting of 35 engagements against targets in Syria and Iraq.

On March 1 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, two strikes destroyed a Daesh motorcycle and two weapons caches.

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

On Feb. 28 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted three strikes consisting of four engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, three strikes engaged two Daesh tactical units and destroyed a Daesh supply route and a Daesh-held building.

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

On Feb. 27 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 Daesh vehicle and a supply route and damaged a UAV.

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On Feb. 27 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Kirkuk, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit.
- Near Qayyarah, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed two Daesh-held buildings.

On Feb. 26 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted three strikes consisting of seven engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, three strikes engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a Daesh supply route and damaged a mortar.

There were no reported Coalition strikes conducted in Iraq on Feb. 26, 2018.

On Feb. 25 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed three fighting positions.

On Feb. 25 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of six engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Al Asad, one strike destroyed a Daesh cave.
- Near Rutbah, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and destroyed two Daesh vehicles and a weapons cache.

On Feb. 24 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of two engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, two strikes engaged two Daesh tactical units and destroyed a heavy machine gun and a fighting position.

On Feb. 24 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- Near Hawijah, one strike destroyed a weapons cache.

On Feb. 23 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of three engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike destroyed a fighting position.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit and an IED facility.

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On Feb. 23 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- Near Hawijah, one strike engaged a Daesh tactical unit.

Additionally, we received late reporting of one strike consisting of three engagements conducted in Iraq against Daesh targets on Feb. 22 near Hawijah, engaging a Daesh tactical unit and destroying a Daesh watercraft.

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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