



# Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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

Ongoing operations by Iraqi Security Forces and Syrian Democratic Forces, supported by CJTF-OIR efforts, demonstrate that work remains to defeat Daesh. Coalition strikes continue to target Daesh throughout Iraq under the leadership of Iraqi authorities. "All Coalition air strikes are carried out with the consent of the Iraqi government," said Iraqi Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi in a press conference April 1, 2018.

Combined Joint Task Force - Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to exert pressure on Daesh senior leaders and associates in order to degrade, disrupt and dismantle Daesh structures and remove terrorists throughout Iraq and Syria. This will prevent the terrorist group's ability to resurge and resume its intent to threaten and destabilize the international community.

### **Weekly Strike Summary**

Between April 13 and April 19, Coalition military forces conducted 30 strikes consisting of 47 engagements in Syria and Iraq.

On April 19 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed five Daesh-held buildings.

On April 19 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- Near Al Qaim, one strike destroyed one Daesh supply route.

On April 18 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of five engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes engaged one Daesh tactical unit and two fighting positions.



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

On April 17 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of six engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, five strikes destroyed one Daesh headquarters, one VBIED factory, two fighting positions and one Daesh held-building.

On April 17 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- One strike conducted Near Al Qaim.

On April 16 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted two strikes consisting of four engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit, and destroyed one Daesh-held building.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed one Daesh vehicle.

On April 16 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of three engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Al Huwayjah, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed three Daesh tunnels and two Daesh-held buildings.

On April 15 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of 11 engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, four strikes engaged one Daesh tactical unit, destroyed four Daesh-held buildings, one fighting position and one command and control center.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed one Daesh vehicle.

On April 15 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of three engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Tal Afar, one strike destroyed one Daesh tunnel.

On April 14 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of three engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike destroyed three Daesh IED's.

On April 14 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against Daesh targets.

- One strike conducted Near Qayyarah.



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On April 13 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted four strikes consisting of six engagements against Daesh targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, four strikes engaged one Daesh tactical unit and destroyed a Daesh fighting position, IED factory and two command and control centers.

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

- Near Al Asad, one strike destroyed a Daesh IED factory
- One strike conducted Near Al Qaim.

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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