Operation Roundup targets ISIS remnants

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to pursue the lasting defeat of ISIS in designated parts of Iraq and Syria.

Operation Roundup, which began May 1 for the defeat of ISIS in the Middle Euphrates River Valley and Iraqi-Syrian border region, has continued to gain ground and remove terrorists from the battlefield through offensive operations coupled with precision Coalition strike support.

Combined Joint Task Force - Operation Inherent Resolve and its partner forces' operations are exerting pressure on ISIS senior leaders and associates, as well as degrading, disrupting and dismantling ISIS organizational structures throughout Iraq and Syria.

Operation Roundup will continue to target ISIS remnants as the Coalition remains committed to the lasting defeat of ISIS to increase peace and stability in the region, and to protect all our homelands from ISIS’s terrorist threat.

Weekly Strike Summary

Between September 17 and September 23, Coalition military forces conducted 78 strikes consisting of 114 engagements in Iraq and Syria.

On September 23 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 13 strikes consisting of 17 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Albu Kamal, 13 strikes engaged six ISIS tactical units, and destroyed one ISIS command and control center, one ISIS vehicle-borne IED, two fighting positions, one ISIS heavy weapon system, one ISIS IED and one ISIS compound and suppressed three ISIS mortars.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on September 23, 2018.

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On September 22 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted eight strikes consisting of nine engagements against ISIS targets.
  - Near Albu Kamal, eight strikes engaged four ISIS tactical units and destroyed four ISIS fighting positions, one ISIS vehicle, one ISIS vehicle-born IED and two ISIS supply routes and damaged one ISIS tunnel.

On September 22 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against ISIS targets.
  - Near al-Ba’aj, one strike destroyed one ISIS weapons cache.

On September 21 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 12 engagements against ISIS targets.
  - Near Albu Kamal, seven strikes engaged four ISIS tactical units, and destroyed four ISIS fighting positions and three ISIS boats and damaged one ISIS tunnel.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on September 21, 2018.

On September 20 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 11 strikes consisting of 19 engagements against ISIS targets.
  - Near Albu Kamal, 11 strikes engaged eight ISIS tactical units, and destroyed one ISIS command and control center, one ISIS weapons cache, one ISIS staging area, two ISIS compounds, one ISIS supply route and two ISIS vehicles and damaged two ISIS vehicles and two ISIS compounds.

On September 20 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of one engagement against ISIS targets.
  - Near al-Rutbah, one strike destroyed one ISIS fuel supply truck.

On September 19 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 18 strikes consisting of 26 engagements against ISIS targets.
  - Near Albu Kamal, 18 strikes engaged 11 ISIS tactical units, and destroyed three ISIS fighting positions, two ISIS command and control center, one ISIS vehicle, one ISIS vehicle-born IED, one ISIS rocket launcher, one ISIS Structure, two ISIS staging areas, one ISIS machine gun, six ISIS supply routes and one ISIS tunnel and damaged two ISIS sites and suppressed one ISIS staging area.

There were no reported strikes conducted in Iraq on September 19, 2018.
On September 18 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted eight strikes consisting of 13 engagements against ISIS targets.
- Near Albu Kamal, eight strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units, and destroyed four ISIS fighting positions, one ISIS logistics hub and one ISIS command and control center and suppressed one ISIS mortar.

On September 18 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of two engagements against ISIS targets.
- Near al-Anbar, one strike engaged one ISIS tactical unit.

On September 17 in Syria, Coalition military forces conducted nine strikes consisting of 12 engagements against ISIS targets.
- Near Albu Kamal, nine strikes engaged one ISIS tactical unit and destroyed one ISIS weapons cache, four ISIS fighting positions, one ISIS mortar firing point and one ISIS IED belt and suppressed one ISIS compound.

On September 17 in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted one strike consisting of two engagements against ISIS targets.
- Near Makhmur, one strike destroyed one ISIS supply route.

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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