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One Mission, Many Nations Highlights from Around the Coalition

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Across Iraq and Syria, the Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve, works by, with and through our partner forces to ensure an enduring defeat of Daesh (ISIS). Training, mentoring, advising and assisting are key components for building our Security partners' capacity to defeat Daesh remnants and create regional stability. Highlights from around the Coalition are included below:

- **Peshmerga soldiers complete final training exercise**
- **The next rotation of Spanish troops to support OIR visit Besmayah**
- **French Gen. Vincent Cousin visits troops assigned to Op CHAMMAL**

Peshmerga soldiers complete final training exercise

Peshmerga soldiers participate in a training exercise at Bnaslawa Training Center in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq, at the conclusion of their training, Feb. 26. The soldiers were trained in topics including marksmanship, squad movements, counter improvised explosive device techniques and first aid.

The exercise required the soldiers to engage in simulated attack against enemy forces. In the event of a weapons malfunction, the Peshmerga soldiers has to swiftly perform remedial action to unjam their weapons and return fire.

These courses and training exercises help prepare soldiers to ensure the lasting defeat of Daesh.

(Source: Combined Joint Task Force –Operation Inherent Resolve Public Affairs)





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<https://www.dvidshub.net/image/6115552/peshmerga-soldiers-final-exercise-bnaslawa-training-center>

The next rotation of Spanish troops to support OIR visit Besmayah

Personnel from the General Command of Ceuta (COMGECEU) that will support the Coalition operation visited Besmayah for six days to see the operations performed by the current contingent.

During their stay at the base, each member of the incoming contingent worked side by side with their counterparts to see what their roles and responsibilities will be, so they can arrive prepared to maintain the same level of operability achieved by our Armed Forces within the International Coalition.

At the end of the week, the head of what will be the new contingent, Col. Alfonso Ramiro Bueno, thanked the current chief, Col. García del Castillo, for the training and information provided by the deployed personnel.

(Source: Spanish Ministry of Defense OIR Webpage)

<https://emad.defensa.gob.es/operaciones/10-Coalicion-internacional-Operacion-IR-IRAQ/noticias/listado/200226-reco-comgeceu-irak.html>





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French Gen. Vincent Cousin visits troops assigned to Op CHAMMAL

French Air Force Gen. Vincent Cousin, Commander Air Defence and Air Operations (COMDAOA), met with 300 airmen engaged in the fight against Daesh at their air base, as part of Operation CHAMMAL, Feb.16-17, 2020. On this occasion, he was able to see the tactical importance of the air base for the operation.

During his visit to the various operational detachments, he was able to meet personnel of all specialties to include air engineering sappers, parachute commandos, mechanics, gunsmiths and more. Through these interactions, Cousin was able to measure the level of engagement of the soldiers deployed there. The General also met with the crews of the Rafale detachment who are conducting air support and intelligence missions for the benefit of the coalition.

Lastly, Cousin accompanied the pilots to the tarmac to assist in the departure of the planes.

(Source: Op CHAMMAL Public Affairs website)

<https://www.defense.gouv.fr/operations/chammal/brevues/chammal-le-commandant-de-la-defense-aerienne-et-des-operations-aeriennes-au-levant>

