



# COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE

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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, in conjunction with our partner forces, works to ensure an enduring defeat of Daesh (ISIS). CJTF-OIR provides high-level advising and enabling of our partner forces to defeat Daesh remnants and set conditions for follow on operations to increase regional stability. Since 2014, the Coalition has military contributions from more than 30 nations.

The following highlights from around the Coalition are included:

- **Spanish soldiers hold a readiness seminar for Iraqi leadership**
- **Previous NATO Mission Iraq commander visits Camp Canada**
- **OP Chammal air base in Levant celebrates 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

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### **Spanish soldiers hold readiness seminar**

Spanish soldiers and NATO Mission Iraq recently held a readiness seminar in Baghdad.

The seminar was attended by numerous Iraqi Army officers and included topics such as: readiness cycles, evaluation procedures and unit inspections.

Source: Spain NATO Twitter account

<https://twitter.com/SpainNATO/status/1337040990041993218>



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## Prior NATO Mission Iraq Commander visits Camp Canada

MGen Jennie Carignan and CWO Dominic Gaudreau made a stop over at Camp Canada, Ali Al Salem Air Base on their way home. After a yearlong tour as the NATO Mission Iraq commander and sergeant major the two stopped at Camp Canada to talk with the soldiers about their experience.

During MGen Carignan's stay at Camp Canada, BGen Wright addressed #CAF members in camp: "This is the first time since 2018 that [#NATO](#) Mission Iraq is not being commanded by a Canadian," he said. "Over the past year, MGen Carignan has maintained focus on the [#CAF](#)'s mission that included enhancing security and stability in Iraq during a time when her team saw rising regional tensions, the COVID-19 global pandemic, and a significant mission retrograde, significantly contributing to what we are all doing here as part of [#OpIMPACT](#)."

(Source: Op IMPACT Facebook page)

<https://www.facebook.com/OpIMPACT/posts/687656651911678>



## French Air Base in Levant turns six

In 2014, at the request of the Iraqi government and on the orders of the President of the Republic, France joined the coalition in the fight against Daesh, by launching Operation CHAMMAL, the name of French participation in the operation *INHERENT RESOLVE* (RTI). Six years have passed since.



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Back to the highlights that marked the history of the projected Air Base (BAP) in the Levant.

Colonel Arnaud, current commander of the BAP recalls his mandates in 2015 and tells us, on this anniversary date, of the mission today:

Today, back as commander of the planned air base, I am discovering yet another new facet of Operation CHAMMAL. I had the opportunity between the summer of 2015 and the winter of 2015, in just a few months, to observe the many changes on the ground and in the fire support achieved by participating in the operations of recovery of Sinjar, in the battles of Faloudja and Ramadi, as well as at the start of operations to retake Mosul. Five years later, the BAP is still this agile device which quickly adapts to the environment. Indeed, with the Rafale for example, versatility is highlighted as a real key determining factor in operations within the coalition. In addition to fire support missions, there are reconnaissance and air defense missions. The BAP made it possible to build up capacity to meet operational needs and imperative

(Source: Op Chammal official site)

<https://www.defense.gouv.fr/english/operations/chammal/breves/chammal-la-base-aerienne-projetee-au-levant-fete-ses-six-ans>

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