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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:

- **Australian and New Zealand instructors train ISF on combat live-saving skills**
- **French instructors conduct intelligence photography training for ICTS**
- **Australian, New Zealand, U.S. medical staff participate in mass casualty exercise**
- **U.S. Soldiers take military working dogs through routine clearance drills**
- **Peshmerga forces showcase strength during Joint Readiness graduation**

TG Taji conducts advanced combat lifesaver training with ISF

Australian Army and New Zealand Army combat medics deployed with Task Group Taji 9 conducted a series of advanced combat lifesaver lessons with Iraqi Security Forces personnel at the Taji Military Complex. The course focused on a range of crucial life-saving techniques derived from Tactical Care of the Combat Casualty.

Task Group Taji 9 is assisting to mentor the Iraqi Army as part of the Global Coalition's Build Partner Capacity mission on Operations OKRA and MANAWA. Operation OKRA is the Australian commitment to the US-led Global Coalition Operation Inherent Resolve to defeat Daesh. Operation MANAWA is the New Zealand commitment.

Task Group Taji has trained more than 45,000 members of the Iraqi Security Forces and law enforcement agency personnel since 2015.

(Source: TG Taji Public Affairs Office/

<https://www.facebook.com/AustralianDefenceForceMiddleEastRegion/posts/2813245665376849?>)

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French troops train Iraqi commandos on intelligence photography

French Task Force Narvik instructors trained Iraqi soldiers within the Iraqi Counter Terrorism Service on the use of photography for intelligence collection. This training is one module within a six-week Intelligence Collection Course.

The Iraqi soldiers were trained in the use of military photography and intelligence imaging techniques to collect essential information about people and places. The trainees were then able to put their skills to the test during several exercise drills, including a night shoot to understand the difficulty of taking photos in low-light conditions.

The entire Intelligence Collection Course includes training modules on the use of word processing and image software to write quality intelligence reports, theoretical and practical courses in the field of photography, interview techniques and studying sensitive sites.

(Source: Op Chammal Public Affairs Office/

<https://www.defense.gouv.fr/operations/chammal/breves/chammal-la-task-force-narvik-forme-a-l-utilisation-de-la-photographie-dans-le-renseignement>)



TF Besmaya and U.S. medical staff complete a mass casualty exercise

Spanish and Portuguese medical staff with Task Force Besmaya, in conjunction with U.S. service members, completed a mass casualty exercise at the Besmaya Range Complex, Iraq.

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The training simulated an accident in which medical units may be overwhelmed by the number and severity of casualties and focused on how to respond to these situations. The exercise offered practice opportunities in maintaining an incident command post, triage techniques, setting up a casualty collection point and preparing an evacuation area.

During the training, personnel were able to refresh their skills and procedures in order to ensure appropriate and coordinated medical responses to an emergency situation within the Coalition. This exercise highlighted the interoperability of CJTF-OIR forces in response to multiple simulated casualties with varying degrees of injuries that required different medical resources.

(Source: TF Besmaya Public Affairs Office/
<https://www.facebook.com/EMADmde.es/posts/3072099563015554?>)



U.S. Army soldiers with TF Jazeera conduct military working dog training

U.S. Army Spc. David Tatterson and Spc. Ashley Opstelten, assigned to Task Force Jazeera, conducted training for their military working dogs at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq. During the training, military working dogs “Pici” and “Baron” worked on finding objectives during a route clearance drill.

Military working dogs work side-by-side with their handlers to help search cars and identify improvised explosive devices throughout CJTF-OIR areas of operation. Utilizing patrol explosive detector dogs allows service members to identify the presence of explosives designed to cause disruption to operations.

(Source: CJTF-OIR Public Affairs Office/ <https://www.dvidshub.net/image/5892732/al-asad-air-base-dog-handlers-route-clearance-drill>)

For a fun video of CJTF-OIR Military Working Dogs click here:
<https://twitter.com/OIRSpox/status/1192893383754362881?s=20>

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Peshmerga 80s Forces soldiers graduate from Joint Readiness training

Peshmerga 80s Forces soldiers graduated from Joint Readiness training at the Bapshytan Training Center, in eastern Iraqi Kurdistan. The training consisted of operational planning, counter-terrorism, counter-improvised explosive device techniques, special weapons and tactics.

During the graduation, Peshmerga 80s Forces commander, Najat Ali, congratulated the graduates on all their accomplishments during the course. The Peshmerga forces also participated in several events to showcase their strength including tire carries, log carries and bus drags.

“The Peshmerga continue to demonstrate pride and power. The Coalition continues to partner with the Ministry of Peshmerga as they implement critical reforms,” said Col. Myles B. Caggins III, Coalition military spokesman.

(Source: CJTF-OIR Public Affairs Office/ <https://www.dvidshub.net/image/5885743/80s-forces-graduation>)

