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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). Mentoring, advising and assisting are key components for building our security partners' capacity to defeat Daesh remnants and create regional stability. Since 2014, the Coalition has military contributions from more than 30 nations.

The following highlights from around the Coalition are included:

- **French Rafale cross 2000 flight hour milestone against ISIS**
- **New leadership at Al Asad Air Base, Iraq**
- **Ali Al Salem Air Base Military Working Dog Team wins award**
- **Canadian Policewoman leads gender advising for anti-ISIS Coalition**

French aircraft support troops on the ground

Since January 1, 2020, the pilots and navigators hunting detachment of the Base Aérienne Projetée (BAP) in the Levant achieved 2000 flight hours. These air sorties testify to France's determination to continue the fight against terrorism in the Levant. At the same time, they demonstrate that France is a solid and united partner of the Coalition. The 2,000 hours of flight time also illustrate the work of all the soldiers who contribute to the success of the missions.



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Flight hours require operational preparation around briefing and debriefing. Essential to the smooth running of operations, these moments bring together crews, weather teams, air traffic controllers, as well as the intelligence unit. Thus, more than 200 war missions have been studied under these conditions.

The flights of the Rafale of the BAP in the Levant also mobilized 14 different specialties of mechanics who ensure day and night the implementation, maintenance and repair of the Rafale stationed on the BAP. In a little over 7 months, these aviators carried out nearly 5,000 technical operations for a volume approaching 20,000 hours of maintenance.

2,000 flight hours also represent 4,000 cubic metres of fuel distributed on land and 900 via in-flight refueling, which have enabled aircraft to travel more than 1,000,000 kilometers, or 25 times around the Earth. Since the start of 2020, around fifteen personnel from the Armed Forces Gasoline Service (SEA) have carried out nearly 280 hours of maintenance on vehicles and petroleum equipment.

Since the start of the operation in 2014, the Mirage and Rafale fighters of the BAP have achieved more than 40,000 flight hours and carried out more than 2,000 strikes. Exceptional figures which, without the help of all the soldiers deployed, would not have seen the light of day.

(Source: French Ministry of Defense Website)

<https://www.defense.gouv.fr/english/operations/chammal/breves/chammal-les-rafale-de-la-base-aerienne-projetee-bap-au-levant-franchissent-le-cap-des-2000-heures-de-vol-en-2020>

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Transfer of Authority at Al Asad Air Base

U.S. Army Col. Jerome Jackson, 207th Regional Support Group (RSG) transferred authority of Al Asad Air Base (AAAB), Iraq, to U.S. Army Col. Robert M. Martinez, 42nd Regional Support Group, New Jersey National Guard, on July 27, 2020. U.S. Air Force Maj. Gen. Kenneth P. Ekman, Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent Resolve (CJTF-OIR) Deputy Commander for Operations, presided over the transfer of authority ceremony.

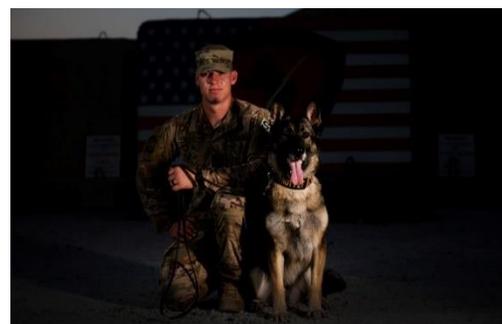


(Source: DVIDS)

<https://www.dvidshub.net/image/6288862/transfer-authority-al-asad-air-base>

Ali Al Salem Working Dog Team wins Defender of the Month

Staff Sgt. Joseph Burke, 368th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron military working dog handler, 386th Expeditionary Security Forces Squadron (ESFS), won the U.S. Air Force Central Command (AFCENT) Defender of the Month Award alongside his K9 companion Riki at Ali Al Salem Air Base (ASAB), Kuwait, July 26, 2020. K-9s assigned to ASAB train daily to accomplish their mission in defending and improving the installation along with fostering partnerships between partners.



(Source: AFCENT Website)

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<https://www.afcent.af.mil/News/Article/2291875/asab-bound-k9-team-wins-afcent-defender-of-the-month/>

Canadian Policewoman leads gender advising for anti-ISIS Coalition

It is important to ensure that women work in all types of positions and capacities within peace operations. This includes senior and leadership positions. Even today, Canada actively looks to deploy senior Canadian women police officers in senior roles.

"As a senior woman police officer serving in a mission, my leadership empowers other women. I also engage men in the conversation of gender equality," explains Superintendent Marie-Claude Côté, the Chief Gender Advisor for the Iraq mission. "My responsibilities in Iraq shows me that every day I help ensure women and men have the same opportunities in life."

Supt. Côté believes that if your actions only touch one person, it may also benefit an entire community.



(Source: Royal Canadian Mounted Police Website)

Rcmp-grc.gc.ca/en/peace-operations

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