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Fact Sheet: Qayyarah Airfield West, Iraq

History

- Qayyarah Airfield West (Q-West) is an Iraqi air force base located 20 kilometers west of Qayyarah and 60 kilometers south of Mosul.
- Q-West has two main runways that measure more than 11,000 feet, and approximately 30 hardened aircraft shelters.
- In 2014, ISIS occupied Q-West, Mosul and the surrounding areas.
- In 2016, the Iraqi army recaptured Q-West from ISIS during the Mosul offensive, and the airfield has been used by Iraqi Security Forces and Coalition forces to launch anti-ISIS operations since.
- The Coalition is adjusting its positioning in Iraq as part of long-planned adjustments to the force, due to Iraqi Security Forces' success in the campaign against Daesh. The Coalition's military movements are conducted in coordination with the Government of Iraq.

Partnerships

- Iraqi Air Force
- Iraqi Special Forces

Departing Units

- U.S. Army
 - 1st Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division
 - 2nd Battalion, 8th Field Artillery Regiment
 - 5th Squadron, 1st Cavalry Regiment
 - 62nd Brigade Support Battalion
 - 160th Field Surgical Team
 - 18th Human Resources Company
 - 759th Explosive Ordnance Disposal
 - 636th Military Intelligence Battalion
 - 124th Engineer Battalion
- U.S. Marine Corps
 - Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force
- U.S. Air Force
 - 442nd Air Expeditionary Squadron
- French military element

Base Population

- Approximately 800

Equipment Transferred to Iraqis (*Approximately \$1.7 million*):

- Containerized housing units and re-locatable buildings
- Above-ground water tanks (plastic and metal)
- Generators, air compressors and hand tools



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- Office equipment, dining facility equipment and furniture
- Soft-shell tents and shower trailers
- T-Walls (short and tall), concrete bunkers and chain-link fencing
- Non-standard communications equipment
- Laundry facility and laundry equipment (washers, dryers)
- Metal storage tanks

B-Roll:

- <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/743228/qayyarah-airfield-west-transfers-iraqi-security-forces>
- <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/743231/qayyarah-airfield-west-transfers-iraqi-security-forces>
- <https://www.dvidshub.net/video/742995/coalition-forces-transfer-qayyarah-airfield-west-authority-iraqi-security-forces>

Imagery:

- <https://www.dvidshub.net/image/6137012/us-forces-transfer-camp-q-west-authority-iraqi-army>
- <https://www.dvidshub.net/image/6139486/force-protection-measures-qayyarah-airfield-west>
- <https://www.dvidshub.net/image/6138292/qayyarah-airfield-west-exchange-closes>