



COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE

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Defeating Daesh Highlights of the Week

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Our partners in Iraq and Syria are leading the way to find and eliminate ISIS fighters, finance, logistics, and media networks.

"The Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve's objective is to support and increase our partner capacity in Iraq and Syria," said Col. Myles B. Caggins III, Coalition military spokesman. "Their recent successes in the fight against Daesh demonstrate their amassed capabilities received through training operations provided by Coalition programs. To maintain the pressure on Daesh cells and to prevent ISIS resurgence, the Coalition seeks a continued partnership with Iraqi and Syrian forces."

During the week of January 30 – February 4, the following actions happened in Iraq:

- Jan. 30: The Military Intelligence detachments of the 8th Division, in cooperation with the intelligence of the 30th Infantry Brigade and the intelligence of Al-Jazeera Operations Command, arrested three terrorists in the district of Al-Qa'im in Anbar, Iraq, and seized their weapons. These three people are wanted by the judiciary under arrest warrants in accordance with Article IV of the Anti-Terrorism Law. In addition, the Military Intelligence detachments of the 14th Division, in cooperation with the intelligence of the 1st Battalion, 51st Infantry Brigade, managed to reach a munitions and weapons cache in the Al-Zab district of the village of Al-Raween in Kirkuk. They conducted a controlled explosion to destroy the weapons cache.
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- Jan. 30: The heroes of Nineveh Operations Command with the 26th Infantry Division, Popular Mobilization Command, and Police Directorate of Nineveh province, began a mission to search and clear the areas of south of Mosul, to dry up the sources of terrorism and arrest those wanted, and to secure and stabilize the region. As a result, they found three structures belonging to ISIS gangs that contained five homemade mortar bombs, and old military equipment that was destroyed on site by the engineering effort.

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- Jan. 30: With an ongoing intelligence and follow-up effort, the field detachments of the Sulaymaniyah Intelligence, Security Directorate of the General Directorate of Intelligence and Security, in cooperation with the Asayish of the Sulaymaniyah Directorate (Asayish is the Kurdish security organization) arrested an ISIS member part of a cell in Sulaymaniyah province, according to Article IV of the Anti-Terrorism Law, from the Nineveh Investigation. The detachments of the Baghdad Intelligence and Security Directorate of the General Directorate of Intelligence and Security, in coordination with 6th Brigade, 2nd Division, Federal Police, managed to liberate a kidnapped foreigner and arrested three defendants in Al-Amel neighborhood in southwest Baghdad. The defendants were referred to the relevant investigation authorities to complete the investigation.

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- Feb. 2: Heroes of Anbar Operations command have found, through a search mission for ISIS remnants in Jazeeret Al-Karma, Al-Ma'amel (factories) area, a stack of munition that contains 11 bullets (14.5 mm), five homemade IEDs in cylindrical shape, 100 (81-mm) mortar rounds, 10 Austrian missiles, a homemade guided missile launcher, a guided missile launcher, five (23 mm) gun hardware, a wire detonation battery, five small wireless detonation batteries, an oxygen bottle, and a five meter detonating cord. The duty was carried out by a force from the 1st Battalion, 40th





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Infantry Brigade, 10th Infantry Division.
Anbar MP, supported by a detachment from the 10th Engineering Battalion on a duty for search in the area of (Hasiba Al Sharqiya), they found 15 IEDs from the remnants of terrorist gangs that were disposed of in a controlled detonation.

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- Feb. 4: The detachments of Baghdad Intelligence and Security Directorate of the General Directorate of Intelligence and Security arrested a terrorist suspect while he attempted to enter Baghdad through the Al-Sha'eb checkpoint. The accused has an arrest warrant against him according to Article IV of the Anti-Terrorism Law. The above detachments were able to arrest other suspects in the area of Abu Ghraib who have arrest warrants against them according to Article (444) of the Penal Code. They were referred to the competent authorities to complete the investigation with them.

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- Feb. 4: The 19th Commando Corps and Command units, under the supervision of the brigade commander, Major General Abbas al-Taie, carried out a raid and search campaign in order to impose the Anun Authority, to dry up the sources of terrorism and maintain contact with the people. A force from the 1st Battalion, 1st Commando Brigade, during a survey and inspection mission in Jurf al-Nasr (second mount), found a pile of ISIS munitions containing 261 (37 mm) cannon rounds and 600 (14.5 mm) machine gun rounds.

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- Feb. 4: The heroes of the Samarra operations command, during a search mission in Al-Joyezarat area in the Balad district, found an ISIS bed down location in some abandoned



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houses. The bed down location contained cookware, furniture and some food; all have been completely burned. The Field Engineering Battalion, 4th Division, Federal Police, during a search mission, found 10 IEDs from ISIS remnants that were disarmed and destroyed under a controlled detonation. By activating the arrest warrants, the command units were able to arrest four accused persons, according to Article IV of the Anti-Terrorism Law, in the Yathrib and Al-Dhalu'iya regions.

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During the week of January 30 – February 4, the following actions happened in Syria:

- Jan. 31: Our special units and security services carried out a sweeping operation in Al Bosayra, in Deir Ezzor, to deactivate ISIS terrorist cells responsible for recent explosions in the area. The operation resulted in the arrest of six members of these cells.

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Removing Daesh fighters, weapons and IED material remains a top priority, as Daesh continues to plot attacks against innocent civilians and our partners throughout Iraq and northeast Syria.

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