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Defeating Daesh Highlights of the Week

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Combined Joint Task Force-Operation Inherent Resolve along with partner forces continues to take the fight to Daesh remnants across Iraq and Syria.

Our partners are leading the way to find and eliminate ISIS fighters, finance, logistics, and media networks. The Coalition is here to advise, assist, and enable our partners to achieve the enduring defeat of Daesh.

- “Coalition forces continue to pressure Daesh cells through multiple partnered operations targeting IED cell members, weapons smugglers and Daesh facilitators,” said Col. Myles B. Caggins III, Coalition military spokesman. “We remain committed to pressuring Daesh remnants and preventing their return.”

During the week of October 16-23, 2019, there have been the following actions in Iraq:

- 16 Oct: Iraqi Defense Minister, Najah al-Shammari, announced the arrest of a number of Daesh terrorists who infiltrated the Iraqi-Syrian border.
<https://www.facebook.com/mod.mil.iq/posts/2630275937201895?>
- 16 Oct: An Iraqi Military Intelligence 14th Division detachment, along with intelligence contributions from the Iraqi 50th Infantry Brigade, seized a cache of arms and explosives including 60 mm mortar rounds, a number of explosives belts, and improvised explosive devices in an area east of Mosul.
[\(Directorate General of Intelligence and Security/ Iraqi Ministry of Defense Statement\)](#)
- 16 Oct: A leader of the Anbar Popular Mobilization Forces, announced that security forces carried out a raid and search campaign targeting the area of Umm al-Jamel towards areas of Lake Tharthar, north of Ramadi. More than 30 improvised explosive devices were neutralized.
<https://www.almaalomah.com/2019/10/16/432872/>



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- 16 Oct: Coalition aircraft under command of the Joint Operations Command conducted air strikes against Daesh in Samara.

<https://twitter.com/IraqiSpoxMOD/status/1184525812504113152>



- 21 Oct: An Iraqi Military Intelligence Directorate detachment in the Central Euphrates Command conducted a raid to seize a cache of weapons and ammunition in the area of Juf-al-Nasr, north of Babel. The operation was conducted in cooperation with the Iraqi 3rd Brigade Commandos Regiment, an Eskandaria Intelligence unit and the Popular Mobilization Forces Intelligence unit. The raid resulted in the seizure of 33 artillery rounds, 24 mortar rounds, nine propellants and seven rocket guided bombs.

[\(Directorate General of Intelligence and Security/ Iraqi Ministry of Defense Statement\)](#)

- 22 Oct: A security operation was conducted east of Hamrin Lake in the Diyala province which resulted in the destruction of seven Daesh hideouts and several explosive devices. The Falcons Cell, Directorate of Intelligence of Diyala, Iraqi Army Aviation,, Diyala Operations Command and Diyala Police all partnered together to complete the operation.

<https://www.facebook.com/SecMedCell/posts/510535719728840?>

During the week of October 16-23, 2019, there have been the following actions in Syria:

- 19 Oct: Thanks to joint efforts with the Coalition, Maghaweir Thowra continue their training alongside Coalition forces in the region to ensure that Daesh does not return.

<https://twitter.com/MaghaweirThowra/status/1185471866812665856>



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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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