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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 Daesh fighters and their finance, logistics, and media networks.

“The daily security operations—checkpoints, small raids, presence patrols, and meetings with local leaders—results in Iraqi Security Forces and Syrian Democratic Forces success against ISIS remnants,” said Col. Myles B. Caggins III, Coalition military spokesman. “Defeating terrorists requires constant pressure from security, intelligence services, and the local populace rejecting and reporting Daesh presence.”

During the week of July 1 - 7, 2020, the following actions happened in Iraq:

- July 1: Based on intelligence, a force from the 1st Infantry Division found and seized a weapons cache belonging to Daesh terrorists in al-Nadhirah area, Anbar province.

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- July 1: Based on intelligence, a joint force from the 1st Regiment, 1st Brigade, 1st Division and Military Intelligence Detachments, thwarted an indirect-fire terrorist attack against al-Dira'mah village, southeast al-Rutba district, Anbar province. A Katyusha rocket, two artillery rounds, a mortar round and a homemade rocket launcher were found and seized. Meanwhile, a force from the 4th Regiment, 39th Infantry Brigade, 10th Division, in coordination with the Field Engineering Detachment, Anbar Operations Command, destroyed 12 explosive devices, remnants from Daesh, in Albu Khamis area, Anbar province.

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- July 2 - 4: Under the guidance of Commander-in-Chief of Iraqi Armed Forces, and under the supervision of the Joint Operations Command, Baghdad Operations Command launched an extensive search operation north of Baghdad. The operation aimed at purging Daesh remnants, capturing wanted criminals, and securing and stabilizing the area. Combined forces from Baghdad Operations Command, Special Forces Brigade, the 37th Mechanized Infantry Brigade, the Rapid Response Division, Task Force Brigade from Iraqi Federal Police, and Popular Mobilization Forces participated in the operation with the support of Iraqi Air Force and Army Aviation. As a result of the operation:
 - The Task Force Brigade, Iraqi Federal Police Command searched and cleared 12 villages over an area of 32 square kilometers.
 - The Rapid Response Division searched and cleared a number of orchards, farmlands and villages in al-Tarmiyah district and the surrounding lakes, north of Baghdad. A number of light and medium weapons were found. The militant group had been using the thick vegetation in the area to hide and launch ambushes on nearby security forces.
 - The 59th Infantry Brigade, 6th Infantry Division, captured two Daesh terrorists, located five Daesh safe houses, seized 10 medium weapons and destroyed four explosive devices.



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- July 2 - 4: The 7th Division and the 8th Mechanized Infantry Division, affiliated with Jazeera Operations Command, and a force from the Tribal Crowd, with the support of the Iraqi Army Aviation, Air Force and an airborne troops, carried out a search and clearance operation in the desert southwest Hauran Valley. A safe house, an old water tank and 15 explosive devices were found and subsequently destroyed. Additionally, another safe house containing military supplies and bedding was located and seized.



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- July 2: Samarra Operations Command and subordinate units conducted a series of search and clearance operations to find and dismantle terrorist cells, and strengthen security in their area of responsibility. As a result of these operations:
 - Based on intelligence, a force from the Commando Brigade, in coordination with the Military Intelligence Detachments captured a group of 11 terrorists wanted by the Iraqi Judiciary during a search operation in Yathrib area, Samarra city.
 - A joint force from the Field Engineering Battalion, 4th Federal Police Division, and the 13th Federal Police Brigade conducted a clearance operation on West Samarra Island. Eight explosive devices were located and subsequently destroyed.
 - The 13th Federal Police Brigade, 4th Federal Police Division conducted a search operation on al-Mukeshefah Island. Fourteen explosive devices were located and subsequently destroyed.
 - The 3rd Regiment, 17th Brigade, 5th Federal Police Division conducted a clearance operation in Albu Bdari and Albu Khalifa areas. Three explosive devices were located and subsequently destroyed.

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- July 2: Based on intelligence, a force from the 2nd Regiment, 50th Infantry Brigade, 14th Division, and Military Intelligence Detachments captured a terrorist wanted by the Iraqi Judiciary in Qanus area, al-Sherqat district, Salah Ad-Din province. The captured terrorist was responsible for digging tunnels for Daesh in the province.

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- July 2: Based on intelligence, troops from the 53rd Infantry Brigade and Military Intelligence Detachments, affiliated with the 1st Division, raided a Daesh hideout south of the International Highway, al-Sakar area, east of al-Rutba district, Anbar province. A number of explosive devices, mortar rounds and detonators were seized and subsequently destroyed by the Field Engineering Detachment. The hideout had been used by Daesh as one of their sanctuaries to launch terrorist attacks against Iraqi Security Forces.

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- July 2: Based on intelligence, a joint force from the 2nd Regiment, 8th Infantry Brigade and Military Intelligence Detachments, affiliated with the 7th Division, in coordination with Anbar Emergency Force 23, located two Daesh hideouts containing two caches of explosive devices and explosives, in Anah district and al-Sukra area, Anbar province. The caches were seized and subsequently destroyed by the Field Engineering Detachment.

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- July 3: Based on intelligence, a force from the Commando Regiment, 7th Division in coordination with the Military Intelligence Detachment, captured a terrorist wanted by the Iraqi Judiciary in al-Baghdadi area, Anbar province.

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- July 3: A force from the 3rd Regiment, 44th Infantry Brigade, 11th Infantry Division, conducted an extensive search and clearance operation in al-Nour area, al-Rashdiya district, and along the banks of the Tigris River. The operation aimed to pursue terrorist cells and prevent terrorist attacks targeting local populations in the areas of rugged terrain.

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- July 4: Based on intelligence, troops from the 5th Infantry Division raided a Daesh hideout in al-Hashemite and al-Moradia areas, Diyala province. A cache containing ammunition and mortar rounds was found and subsequently destroyed in a controlled explosion.

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- July 4: Based on intelligence, a force from the 1st Regiment, 30th Infantry Brigade, 8th Division and the Intelligence Unit, in coordination with Military Intelligence Detachments captured a terrorist wanted by the Iraqi Judiciary in al-Baydhah area, al-Rummana district, Anbar province. The captured terrorist was handed over to the appropriate authority.

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- July 4: Based on intelligence, detachments from Kirkuk Intelligence Directorate affiliated with Iraqi Ministry of Interior, in coordination with the police of Riyadh sub-district, captured three Daesh terrorists in Riyadh sub-district, Kirkuk province. The captured terrorists had been involved in the intimidation and threatening of local residents, coercing them to vacate their homes and flee the area.



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- July 4: Military Intelligence Detachments from the 1st Regiment, 30th Infantry Brigade, 8th Division, captured a terrorist wanted by the Iraqi Judiciary in al-Baghuz area, al-Rummaneh district, Anbar province. The captured terrorist had worked as a member of the so-called Daesh traffic detachment during Daesh occupation of the area.

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- July 5: Based on intelligence, a force from the 1st Regiment, 22nd Infantry Brigade, 6th Infantry Division located a cache of explosives, remnants from Daesh, inside a stormwater drainage channel during a search operation, in Albu Obiad area, west of Baghdad.

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- July 6: Based on intelligence, Field Detachments from Kirkuk Intelligence and Security Directorate, in coordination with the 56th Brigade of Popular Mobilization Forces, located a weapons cache containing 20 mortar rounds belonging to Daesh during a security operation in al-Hawija district, Kirkuk province. The seized cache was subsequently removed from the site.

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- July 7: Troops from the 7th and 8th Infantry Divisions and the Commando Brigade from the Jazeera Operations Command, with the Tribal Crowd, and support from the Iraqi Army Aviation, launched an extensive search and clearance operation. As a result of the operation a large area of the desert and 10 residential neighborhoods were searched resulting in eight explosive devices being seized and subsequently destroyed. Additionally, the Army Aviation, while providing support to the military units on the ground, destroyed a vehicle rigged with explosives, a Daesh tunnel and four Daesh hideouts.





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During the week of July 1 - 7, 2020, the following actions happened in Syria:

- July 6: The elite Counter-Terrorism Unit within the Syrian Democratic Forces (SDF), with the support of the International Coalition, carried out a security operation in the countryside area, south of Hasakah. A Daesh terrorist was captured, while weapons and military equipment were seized.

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- July 6: The elite Counter-Terrorism Unit within the SDF, with air support from the International Coalition, carried out an operation in the countryside area north of Deir ez-Zor. Three members of Daesh terrorist cells were captured and a set of equipment was confiscated during the raid.

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Removing Daesh fighters, weapons and explosive 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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