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CJTF-OIR Strike Summary April 1 – April 30, 2020

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve and its partners continue to target and pursue the enduring defeat of Daesh.

CJTF-OIR and partner forces have liberated nearly 110,000 square kilometers (42,471 square miles) from Daesh. As a result, 7.7 million people no longer live under Daesh oppression. CJTF-OIR remains committed to the enduring defeat of Daesh to improve conditions for peace and stability in the region and to protect all our homelands from the Daesh terrorist threat.

Strike Summary

Between April 1 and April 30, 2020, CJTF-OIR conducted a total of seven strikes consisting of 16 engagements in Iraq and Syria.

In Iraq, CJTF-OIR conducted five strikes against Daesh targets consisting of 11 engagements. This resulted in 16 enemy killed, 11 caves destroyed, three defensive positions destroyed and one bed down location destroyed.

In Syria, CJTF-OIR conducted two strikes against Daesh targets consisting of five engagements. This resulted in two terrain denial operations.

This CJTF-OIR strike release contains all strikes conducted by fighter, attack, bomber, rotarywing, or remotely piloted aircraft, rocket propelled artillery and ground-based tactical artillery.

A strike, as defined in the CJTF-OIR release, refers to one or more kinetic engagements that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect in that location. For example, a single aircraft delivering a single weapon against a lone Daesh vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of Daesh-held buildings and weapon systems in a compound, having the cumulative effect of making that facility harder or impossible to use. Strike assessments are based on initial reports and may be refined.

CJTF-OIR does not report the number or type of aircraft employed in a strike, the number of munitions dropped in each strike, or the number of individual munition impact points against a target. The information used to compile the daily strike releases is based on 'Z' or Greenwich Mean Time.