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## Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq between 8 a.m., April 14, and 8 a.m., April 15, local time. In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted six airstrikes, using attack and fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 17 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using fighter, attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

"After detailed analysis, planning and coordination, a deliberate coalition airstrike was conducted in Mosul," said, CJTF-OIR Chief of Staff Brig. Gen. Thomas Weidley. "These deliberate airstrikes demonstrate the ability of the coalition to pursue a deliberate campaign plan while also providing dynamic air support to ongoing ISF ground operations."

The following is a summary of the strikes conducted since the last press release:

Syria

- Near Al Hasakah, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroyed six ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL VBIED, an ISIL tunnel and an ISIL bunker.
- Near Kobani, four airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and destroyed six ISIL fighting positions.

Iraq

- Near Bayji, nine airstrikes struck two large and six smaller tactical units, destroyed two ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL heavy machine gun.
- Near Fallujah, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and destroyed an ISIL bunker.
- Near Mosul, an airstrike struck an ISIL staging area.
- Near Ramadi, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and destroyed an ISIL armored personnel carrier.
- Near Sinjar, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroyed an ISIL building, an ISIL mortar system and an ISIL fighting position.
- Near Tal Afar, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun and an ISIL fighting position.

Airstrike assessments are based on initial reports. All aircraft returned to base safely.

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The strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to eliminate the ISIL terrorist group and the threat they pose to Iraq, Syria, the region, and the wider international community. The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the terrorist group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Jordan, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Syria include Bahrain, Canada, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and U.S.

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