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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 21, and 8 a.m., April 22, local time. In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven airstrikes using attack, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft. Separately in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 11 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using fighter, attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

“The Coalition continues to provide exceptional support to our partners in Iraq and Syria,” said Brig. Gen. Thomas Weidley, CJTF-OIR Chief of Staff. “These strikes are achieving a significant effect on Daesh’s ability to move, assemble, communicate and conduct operations. We will continue to hit Daesh forces and military equipment wherever they present themselves across the battlespace.”

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

Syria

- Near Al Hasakah, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying five ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Kobani, six airstrikes struck five ISIL tactical units, destroying 14 ISIL fighting positions and ISIL vehicle.

Iraq

- Near Bayji, four airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, an ISIL command and control facility, destroying an ISIL dump truck, an ISIL motorcycle, an ISIL armored vehicle and an ISIL artillery piece.
- Near Fallujah, an airstrike destroyed two ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Ramadi, three airstrikes struck an ISIL large and two small tactical units, destroying two ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Rawah, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying an ISIL checkpoint.
- Near Tal Afar, two airstrikes struck an ISIL large and small tactical unit, destroying three ISIL buildings, an ISIL vehicle and an ISIL heavy machine gun.

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

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

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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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