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## Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq June 9. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted five airstrikes using bomber and fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 16 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using attack, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

“Coalition Combat Air Patrols (CAPs) are airborne continuously over the operations area, providing rapid, flexible and lethal fires to our partners engaged in the fight against Daesh,” said Brig. Gen. Thomas Weidley, CJTF-OIR chief of staff. “Having armed aircraft airborne and ready to strike in synchronization with ground force maneuver or Daesh observed activities on a nonlinear battlefield, is a key component of the Campaign’s successes to date.”

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

### Syria

- Near Al Hasakah, one airstrike struck an ISIL staging area.
- Near Ar Raqqah, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, destroying three ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL armored vehicle.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, one airstrike struck an ISIL crude oil collection point.

### Iraq

- Near Baghdad, one airstrike struck an ISIL resupply vehicle.
- Near Bayji, five airstrikes struck four ISIL tactical units, destroying three ISIL vehicles, an ISIL building and an ISIL VBIED.
- Near Kirkuk, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying an ISIL building.
- Near Makhmur, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and an ISIL mortar system, destroying an ISIL building and an ISIL heavy machine gun.
- Near Mosul, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and an ISIL mortar system, destroying an ISIL building, an ISIL fighting position and an ISIL heavy machine gun.
- Near Sinjar, one airstrike struck an ISIL large tactical unit, an ISIL mortar firing position and an ISIL building, destroying five ISIL buildings, an ISIL VBIED, an ISIL heavy machine gun and an ISIL rocket propelled grenade cache.
- Near Tal Afar, four airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, two ISIL mortar systems, an ISIL heavy machine gun and an ISIL rocket firing position, destroying three ISIL buildings, an ISIL rocket and an ISIL tunnel system.

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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 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 the U.S.

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