

## **Combined Joint Task Force**

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

**SOUTHWEST ASIA-** On Oct. 14, coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted eight strikes using remotely piloted and fighter aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 17 strikes coordinated with and in support of the Government of Iraq using bomber, fighter, attack, ground-attack, remotely piloted aircraft, and rocket artillery against ISIL targets.

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

#### **Syria**

- Near Al Bab, one strike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL vehicles, an ISIL tactical vehicle, and damaged an ISIL excavator.
- Near Al Hawl, two strikes destroyed an ISIL crude oil collection point and an ISIL oil pump.
- Near Ar Raqqah, one strike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Manbij, one strike destroyed an ISIL artillery piece.
- Near Tal Jibbin, one strike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL fighting position.
- Near Washiyah, two strikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL vehicle, an ISIL tactical vehicle, and an ISIL artillery piece.

#### <u>Iraq</u>

- Near Al Baghdadi, three strikes destroyed an ISIL weapons cache and denied ISIL access to tactical terrain.
- Near Al Huwayjah, one strike struck an ISIL tactical unit.
- Near Bayji, two strikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL home-made explosives cache.
- Near Habbaniyah, one strike destroyed an ISIL tactical vehicle.
- Near Hit, one strike destroyed an ISIL excavator.
- Near Kisik, one strike destroyed an ISIL fighting position.

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- Near Ramadi, four strikes struck three separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun position, an ISIL mortar position, an ISIL fighting position, and two ISIL tactical vehicles.
- Near Sinjar, four strikes struck two separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed 21 ISIL fighting positions and five ISIL staging areas.

Strike 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, and the wider international community.

The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted strikes in Iraq include Australia, Canada, France, Jordan, Netherlands, United Kingdom, and the United States. Coalition nations which have conducted strikes in Syria include Australia, Bahrain, Canada, France, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, and the U.S.