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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA- On June 01, coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted 15 strikes using bomber, attack, fighter, and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL targets. Additionally in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 17 strikes coordinated with and in support of the Government of Iraq using rocket artillery and fighter and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL targets.

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

Syria

- Near Ar Raqqa, three strikes destroyed six ISIL oil pump jacks and an ISIL crane.
- Near Manbij, 12 strikes struck 11 separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed three ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL mortar system, an ISIL-used cave, an ISIL vehicle borne improvised explosive device (VBIED), ISIL-used tunnel systems, and four ISIL vehicles and damaged a separate ISIL vehicle.

Iraq

- Near Al Qaim, one strike struck an ISIL tactical unit.
- Near Abu Hayat, one strike struck an ISIL VBIED.
- Near Fallujah, four strikes struck three separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed 10 ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL vehicle, an ISIL weapons cache, an ISIL recoilless rifle, an ISIL heavy machine gun, and an ISIL-used tunnel system and damaged a separate ISIL fighting position and denied ISIL access to terrain.
- Near Habbaniyah, one strike struck a large ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL fighting position and an ISIL vehicle.
- Near Haditha, one strike struck a large ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL fighting positions.
- Near Hit one strike destroyed an ISIL mortar position.
- Near Mosul, four strikes struck three separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed four ISIL fighting

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positions, an ISIL vehicle, and an ISIL assembly area and suppressed an ISIL heavy machine gun position.

- Near Qayyarah, two strikes destroyed three ISIL rocket rails and an ISIL rocket system.
- Near Sinjar, one strike destroyed an ISIL fighting position and suppressed an ISIL heavy machine gun position.
- Near Sultan Abdallah, one strike struck an ISIL VBIED factory.

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

A strike, as defined in the CJTF releases, means one or more kinetic events that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect for that location. So having a single aircraft deliver a single weapon against a lone ISIL vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of buildings and vehicles and weapon systems in a compound, for example, having the cumulative effect of making that facility (or facilities) harder or impossible to use. Accordingly, 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.

Ground-based artillery fired in counter-fire or in fire support to maneuver roles are not classified as a strike as defined by CJTF-OIR.

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, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Jordan, the Netherlands, the United Kingdom, and the United States. Coalition nations which have conducted strikes in Syria include Australia, Bahrain, Canada, France, Jordan, the Netherlands, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

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