



## Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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### **Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq**

**SOUTHWEST ASIA** – On Mar. 28, Coalition military forces conducted 28 strikes consisting of 70 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 22 strikes consisting of 24 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike destroyed an ISIS oil inlet manifold.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike destroyed an ISIS tactical vehicle.
- Near Ar Raqqah, one strike destroyed an ISIS pump jack.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, seven strikes destroyed nine ISIS well heads, a pump jack, and a barge.
- Near Tabqah, 12 strikes engaged five ISIS tactical units; destroyed seven fighting positions, four oil tanker trucks, two front-end loaders, a mortar system, and a vehicle; and damaged a supply route.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted six strikes consisting of 46 engagements coordinated with and in support of the government of Iraq against ISIS targets.

- Near Haditha, one strike suppressed an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Mosul, five strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units; destroyed a mortar system, a vehicle, a rocket-propelled grenade system, and an artillery system; damaged 17 supply routes and a roadblock; and suppressed three ISIS tactical units.

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These strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to destroy ISIS in Iraq and Syria. The destruction of ISIS targets in Iraq and Syria also further limits the group's ability to project terror and conduct external operations throughout the region and the rest of the world.

This Coalition strike release contains all strikes conducted by fighter, attack, bomber, rotary-wing, or remotely piloted aircraft, rocket propelled artillery and some ground based tactical artillery when fired on planned targets. 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.

A strike, as defined in the Coalition release, refers to one or more kinetic engagements that occur in roughly the same geographic location to produce a single, sometimes cumulative effect in that location. For example, a single aircraft delivering a single weapon against a lone ISIS vehicle is one strike, but so is multiple aircraft delivering dozens of weapons against a group of ISIS-held buildings and weapon systems in a compound, having the cumulative effect of making that facility harder or impossible to use. Strike assessments are based on initial reports and may be refined.

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. The information used to compile the daily strike releases is based on 'Z' or Greenwich Mean Time.

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