



Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On April 5, Coalition military forces conducted 29 strikes consisting of 85 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 20 strikes consisting of 28 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a fighting position.
- Near Ar Raqqa, two strikes destroyed an ISIS vehicle.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, four strikes destroyed five ISIS well heads, two pump jacks, an oil storage tank, and an oil equipment piece.
- Near Tabqah, 13 strikes engaged nine ISIS tactical units; destroyed two fighting positions, two vehicles, a tactical vehicle, and a tunnel; and damaged two supply routes.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted nine strikes consisting of 57 engagements coordinated with and in support of the government of Iraq against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Qaim, one strike destroyed two anti-air artillery systems and two ISIS held-buildings.
- Near Haditha, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit; and destroyed a VBIED and a vehicle.
- Near Mosul, six strikes engaged four ISIS tactical units; destroyed five mortar systems, three VBIED factories, three ISIS-held buildings, two anti-air artillery systems, two supply caches, a tactical vehicle, a vehicle, and a weapons facility; damaged nine supply routes, and suppressed six ISIS mortar teams.
- Near Tal Afar, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit; and destroyed two ISIS-held buildings and a supply cache.

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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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