Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On April 14, Coalition military forces conducted 12 strikes consisting of 55 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted seven strikes consisting of 10 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Dayr Az Zawr, one strike damaged an ISIS fuel facility.
- Near Abu Kamal, one strike damaged an ISIS fuel facility.
- Near Al Shadaddi, one strike destroyed an ISIS-held building
- Near Raqqa, three strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed three fighting positions and a weapons cache.
- Near Tabqa, one strike suppressed an ISIS tactical unit.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted five strikes consisting of 45 engagements coordinated with and in support of the government of Iraq against ISIS targets.

- Near Mosul, five strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit, destroyed two rocket-propelled grenade systems, destroyed two fighting positions, damaged four supply routes and a fighting position, and suppressed an ISIS tactical unit

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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