



Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On Aug. 15, Coalition military forces conducted 21 strikes consisting of 41 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 12 strikes consisting of 17 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Dayr Az Zawr, one strike destroyed an ISIS well-head.
- Near Raqqah, 11 strikes engaged seven ISIS tactical units and destroyed 30 fighting positions, a logistics node and an ISIS UAS.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted nine strikes consisting of 24 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Qaim, three strikes destroyed two ISIS staging areas and an ISIS-held building.
- Near Bayji, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a vehicle.
- Near Samarra, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Tal Afar, four strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units and destroyed 13 fighting positions, three ISIS-held buildings, three supply caches, an ISIS training camp, and a mortar system.

Additionally, 38 strikes consisting of 44 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Aug. 9-10 and Aug. 14 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Aug. 9, near Dayr Az Zawr, Syria, two strikes destroyed three ISIS oil stills.
- On Aug. 10, near Dayr Az Zawr, Syria, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed three tunnel entrances and two ISIS-held buildings.
- On Aug. 14, near Abu Kamal, Syria, one strike destroyed five ISIS oil equipment items.
- On Aug. 14, near Raqqah, Syria, 32 strikes engaged 20 ISIS tactical units and destroyed 18 fighting positions, three IEDs, three heavy machine guns, three command and control nodes, a logistics node, an anti-aircraft artillery system, and an IED factory.
- On Aug. 14, near Tal Afar, Iraq, one strike suppressed an ISIS tactical unit.
- On Aug. 14, near Tuz, Iraq, one strike destroyed two ISIS headquarters, a vehicle storage facility, a vehicle, a staging area, and a weapons 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 ground-based tactical artillery.

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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