



Combined Joint Task Force Operation Inherent Resolve

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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On Sept. 20, Coalition military forces conducted 23 strikes consisting of 41 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 15 strikes consisting of 15 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a vehicle.
- Near Raqqah, 14 strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units and destroyed seven fighting positions; a vehicle; two logistics nodes; a VBIED and a VBIED factory.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted eight strikes consisting of 26 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Bayji, one strike destroyed a vehicle and a mortar system.
- Near Huwajah, two strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a vehicle and a command and control node.
- Near Rawah, five strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units and destroyed two vehicles; two tactical vehicles; two weapons caches; a command and control node; a mortar system; a heavy machine gun; a VBIED; an ISIS bridge; an ISIS staging area and an IED.

Additionally, 16 strikes consisting of 20 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Sept. 19 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Sept. 19, near Raqqah, Syria, 15 strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units and destroyed 17 vehicles, 13 fighting positions, and suppressed a fighting position.
- On Sept. 19, near Huwajah, one strike destroyed five VBIEDs, two vehicles and damaged two ISIS supply routes.

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.

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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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