



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. 18, Coalition military forces conducted 13 strikes consisting of 21 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

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

- Near Raqqah, six strikes destroyed 25 ISIS vehicles, five fighting positions, a command and control node and a logistics node.

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

- Near Al Qaim, one strike destroyed an ISIS headquarters.
- Near Haditha, one strike destroyed ISIS engineering equipment and a vehicle.
- Near Huwajah, three strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed four heavy machine guns, three fighting positions, a tactical vehicle, a bunker, a front-end loader, a mortar system, a staging area and an ISIS headquarters.
- Near Rawah, two strikes engaged an ISIS tactical unit, destroyed a vehicle and an ISIS-held building, and damaged a supply route.

Additionally, 12 strikes consisting of 14 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Sept. 17 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Sept. 17, near Raqqah, Syria, seven strikes destroyed six ISIS fighting positions and a logistics node.
- On Sept. 17, near Al Qaim, Iraq, one strike destroyed an ISIS tactical vehicle and a tactical vehicle storage facility.
- On Sept. 17, near Huwajah, Iraq, two strikes destroyed a VBIED facility and an ISIS weapons cache.
- On Sept. 17, near Rawah, Iraq, one strike destroyed an ISIS staging area.
- On Sept. 17, near Rutbah, Iraq, one strike destroyed an ISIS weapons cache.

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.

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