Mission of Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve

Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve Advises, Assists and Enables partnered forces until they can independently defeat Daesh in designated areas of Iraq and Syria, in order to set conditions for long-term security cooperation frameworks.

Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve is in Iraq and Syria to support the Government of Iraq and our Syrian partners as they secure the enduring defeat of Daesh. CJTF-OIR is the military component of a Global Coalition of 77 nations and 5 international organizations, who remain committed to the enduring defeat of Daesh in Iraq and Syria. CJTF-OIR is operating in Iraq at the request of the Government of Iraq and in Syria in support of lasting political settlement based on UNSCR. 2254.

Eight years ago, Daesh controlled an area of approximately 110,000 square kilometers; an area that included Raqqa, Mosul, Ramadi and Fallujah. By 2019, they had suffered a complete reversal, losing all that territory, leading to the liberation of the last of almost 8 million people who had been under their oppressive control. While Daesh have been territorially defeated, their leadership degraded and their ideology widely condemned, they still pose a threat. The remnants remain active, funding themselves through criminal activity. They still have supporters in Iraq and Syria who continue to endorse the spread of violence across the globe, and who seek to regain their previous territory. A combination of civilian-led stabilization and military pressure is still needed to ensure this does not happen.

Iraqi Security Forces and our partners in Syria have shown great dedication and commitment in defeating Daesh and are increasingly conducting independent operations to provide security for local governance and stabilization activities. This has allowed the Coalition to better focus its efforts on the needs of our partner forces, supporting the parts of their military capability that are oriented towards dismantling Daesh’s leadership, finances and global network. CJTF-OIR has supported our partners as they have done so, providing equipment, technical advice, advanced surveillance and air support. As our partners’ capacity has grown, CJTF-OIR has focused on supporting the parts of their military capability that are oriented towards dismantling Daesh’s leadership, finances and global network.

The mission of the Coalition has shifted from a mission of combat to one of support for our partner forces through advising, assisting and enabling at the operational and strategic level. CJTF-OIR works closely with local, regional and international actors in Iraq, and designated areas of Syria, to help bring stability to conflict affected areas and to work towards enduring security partnerships.

The Coalition remains steadfast in our commitment to supporting our partners in Iraq and Syria as they secure the enduring defeat of Daesh.
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