

Combined Joint Task Force

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Military Strikes Continue Against ISIS Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

SOUTHWEST ASIA – On April 4, Coalition military forces conducted 26 strikes consisting of 74 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

In Syria, Coalition military forces conducted 15 strikes consisting of 22 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Abu Kamal, two strikes destroyed eight ISIS oil tanker trucks and two well heads.
- Near Ar Raqqah, four strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units; and destroyed three fighting positions, three vehicles, a mortar system, a rocket system, and an excavator.
- Near Dayr Az Zawr, seven strikes destroyed 10 ISIS well heads, an explosives cache, and an oil inlet manifold.
- Near Tabqah, two strikes engaged two ISIS tactical units and destroyed two fighting positions.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 11 strikes consisting of 52 engagements coordinated with and in support of the government of Iraq against ISIS targets.

- Near Al Qaim, one strike destroyed an ISIS media facility.
- Near Bayji, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed a watercraft.
- Near Mosul, seven strikes engaged six ISIS tactical units; destroyed two mortar systems, two command and control nodes, a supply cache, and a fighting position; damaged nine supply routes and a bridge; and suppressed 10 ISIS mortar teams and two ISIS tactical units.
- Near Rawah, one strike destroyed 16 rockets, six rocket systems, and a VBIED.
- Near Tal Afar, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed an ISIS-held building.



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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 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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