

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. 21, Coalition military forces conducted 21 strikes consisting of 58 engagements against ISIS terrorists in Syria and Iraq.

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

 Near Raqqah, seven strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed seven fighting positions, two vehicles, two logistics nodes, a VBIED and a VBIED factory.

In Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted 14 strikes consisting of 50 engagements against ISIS targets.

- Near Baghdad, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit.
- Near Bayji, one strike engaged an ISIS tactical unit and destroyed two fighting positions, two ISIS headquarters, a VBIED and a tactical vehicle.
- Near Huwijah, five strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed nine VBIEDs, nine fighting positions, five tunnels, two vehicles, two weapons caches, two command and control nodes, a VBIED facility, an artillery system, a tactical vehicle, a supply cache; and suppressed five mortar teams.
- Rawah, seven strikes engaged three ISIS tactical units and destroyed seven fighting
 positions, four VBIEDs, two command and control nodes, two ISIS staging areas,
 two tactical vehicles, a bridge; and suppressed a sniper.

Additionally, 27 strikes consisting of 53 engagements were conducted in Syria and Iraq on Sept. 20 that closed within the last 24 hours.

- On Sept. 20, near Raqqah, Syria, 25 strikes destroyed 30 fighting positions, a logistics node, a an ISIS supply route and damaged two fighting positions, and suppressed a fighting position.
- On Sept. 20, near Huwijah, Iraq, two strikes destroyed seven ISIS command and control nodes, three communications towers, and a supply depot.

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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