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Oct. 13: U.S. Military Conducts Airstrikes Against ISIL in Syria

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TAMPA, Fla., Oct. 13, 2014 - U.S. and partner nation military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria Sunday and today using bomber and fighter aircraft to conduct eight airstrikes.

In Syria, four airstrikes southwest of Kobani struck a large ISIL unit and a small ISIL unit, damaged an ISIL staging location and destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun firing position. Three airstrikes northeast of Kobani struck a small ISIL unit, damaged two ISIL buildings and destroyed an ISIL staging location and three ISIL buildings. An airstrike northwest of Ar Raqqa struck an ISIL garrison. To conduct these strikes, the U.S. employed bomber and fighter aircraft deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of operations. In addition, fighter aircraft from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia participated in these airstrikes. All aircraft exited the strike areas safely.

The strikes were conducted as part of the President's comprehensive strategy to degrade and destroy ISIL. The destruction of targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the terrorist group's ability to lead, control, project power and conduct operations.

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