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June 22: Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

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SOUTHWEST ASIA – Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq June 21. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted seven airstrikes using attack, bomber, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 22 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using attack, bomber, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL terrorists.

“The coalition struck Daesh in northern Syria,” said Col. Wayne Marotto, CJTF-OIR chief of public affairs. “Anti-ISIL forces in northern Syria have proven to be an effective and dependable force.”

The following is a summary of the strikes conducted since the last press release:

Syria

- * Near Al Hasakah, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL VBIED.
- * Near Aleppo, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying an ISIL excavator, an ISIL fighting position, an ISIL mortar system and an ISIL vehicle.
- * Near Tal Abyad, five airstrikes struck one large and four small ISIL tactical units, destroying three ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL vehicle.

Iraq

- * Near Baghdadi, two airstrikes destroyed an ISIL excavator and an ISIL vehicle.
- * Near Habbaniyah, one airstrike struck an ISIL rocket firing position.
- * Near Haditha, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit, destroying two ISIL vehicles.
- * Near Hit, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL structure.
- * Near Makhmur, three airstrikes struck an ISIL VBIED factory.
- * Near Mosul, five airstrikes struck one large and two small ISIL tactical units, an ISIL rocket firing position and an ISIL mortar firing position, destroying three ISIL heavy machine guns, an ISIL building, an ISIL motorcycle and an ISIL vehicle.
- * Near Ramadi, one airstrike destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun and an ISIL vehicle.
- * Near Sinjar, five airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and two ISIL staging areas, destroying three ISIL tunnel systems, two ISIL bunkers, an ISIL heavy machine gun, an ISIL cache and an ISIL mortar system.
- * Near Tal Afar, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and an ISIL tunnel system, destroying an ISIL building and an ISIL mortar firing position.

Airstrike assessments are based on initial reports. All aircraft returned to base safely.

The strikes were conducted as part of Operation Inherent Resolve, the operation to eliminate the ISIL terrorist group and the threat they pose to Iraq, Syria, the region and the wider international community. The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the terrorist group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Jordan, Netherlands, United Kingdom and United States. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Syria include Bahrain, Canada, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and the U.S.

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