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July 11: Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

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SOUTHWEST ASIA - On July 10, Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted 17 airstrikes using bomber, fighter and remotely piloted aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 17 airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense using attack, fighter-attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL targets.

"Coalition airstrikes targeted 20 Daesh units yesterday in Iraq and Syria," said Brig. Gen. Kevin Killea, CJTF-OIR chief of staff. "These strikes have significantly degraded Daesh's capacity to conduct operations, have put them on the defensive in most areas, and have enhanced the tactical advantage of ISF and VSO forces.

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

Syria

-- Near Al Hasakah, 12 airstrikes struck an ISIL large tactical unit and nine ISIL tactical units destroying four ISIL vehicles, 11 ISIL fighting positions, two ISIL resupply positions and an ISIL excavator.

-- Near Ar Raqqa, three airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, an ISIL structure and destroyed an ISIL excavator.

-- Near Kobani, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units destroying an ISIL vehicle an ISIL mortar position, five ISIL bunkers and an ISIL fighting position.

Iraq

-- Near Bayji, one airstrike destroyed one ISIL vehicle.

-- Near Fallujah, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit destroying an ISIL vehicle and an ISIL recoilless rifle.

-- Near Habbaniyah, four airstrikes struck two ISIL large tactical units and two ISIL tactical units destroying an ISIL excavator, two ISIL vehicles, six ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL boat, two ISIL mortar systems and an ISIL armored personnel carrier.

-- Near Haditha, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit.

-- Near Makhmur, three airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units.

-- Near Mosul, four airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, an ISIL rocket position and 11 ISIL staging areas and destroyed an ISIL heavy machine gun.

-- Near Sinjar, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed three ISIL buildings.

-- Near Tal Afar, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and an ISIL heavy machine gun position and destroyed an ISIL vehicle.

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 and the wider international community. The destruction of ISIL targets in Syria and Iraq further limits the group's ability to project terror and conduct operations. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Iraq include Australia, 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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