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Oct. 15: U.S. Military Conducts Airstrikes Against ISIL in Iraq and Syria

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TAMPA, Fla., Oct. 15, 2014 - U.S. military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Iraq Tuesday and today, using attack and fighter aircraft to conduct five airstrikes. Separately, U.S. military forces deployed bomber and fighter aircraft Tuesday and today to conduct 18 airstrikes against ISIL in Syria.

In Iraq, one airstrike near Haditha Dam destroyed one ISIL armed vehicle and one ISIL guard shack. Four airstrikes near Bayji destroyed an ISIL building, an ISIL Humvee, and an ISIL machine gun, and damaged an ISIL artillery piece. To conduct these strikes, attack and fighter aircraft deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of operations were employed. All aircraft departed the strike areas safely.

In Syria, 18 airstrikes near Kobani destroyed multiple ISIL fighting positions and successfully struck 16 ISIL occupied buildings. To conduct these strikes, the U.S. employed U.S. bomber and fighter aircraft deployed to the U.S. Central Command area of operations. All aircraft departed the strike areas safely.

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



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