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March 24: Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL in Syria and Iraq

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SOUTHWEST ASIA – On March 23, Coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria, using fighter and remotely piloted aircraft to conduct six airstrikes. Separately in Iraq, Coalition military forces conducted eight airstrikes approved by the Iraqi Ministry of Defense, using fighter and attack aircraft against ISIL terrorists. All strikes took place between 8 a.m., March 23, and 8 a.m., March 24, local time.

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

Syria

o Near Kobani, six airstrikes struck four ISIL tactical units and destroyed five ISIL fighting positions, an ISIL vehicle and an ISIL checkpoint.

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- o Near Bayji, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL shipping containers.
- o Near Fallujah, an airstrike struck an ISIL vehicle.
- o Near Mosul, two airstrikes destroyed two ISIL excavators.
- o Near Sinjar, an airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL building.
- o Near Tal Afar, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, an ISIL IED and VBIED storage facility 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, 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 U.S. Coalition nations which have conducted airstrikes in Syria include Bahrain, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and U.S.



