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July 26: Military Airstrikes Continue Against ISIL Terrorists in Syria and Iraq

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SOUTHWEST ASIA – On July 25, coalition military forces continued to attack ISIL terrorists in Syria and Iraq. In Syria, coalition military forces conducted 13 airstrikes using fighter, bomber, attack and remotely piloted aircraft. Separately in Iraq, coalition military forces conducted 20 airstrikes coordinated with the Government of Iraq using attack, fighter-attack and remotely piloted aircraft against ISIL targets.

"Nearly all of the deliberate airstrikes against ISIL targets are acquired and validated via the Coalition's Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR) assets," said Brig. Gen. Kevin Killea, CJTF-OIR chief of staff. "The Coalition's air campaign, train and equip, and advise & assist missions are providing crucial support to ISF at the operational level."

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

Syria

-- Near Al Hasakah, five airstrikes struck two ISIL large tactical units, two ISIL small tactical units and two ISIL fighting positions and destroyed an ISIL weapons cache, an ISIL command and control center, two ISIL fighting positions and three ISIL checkpoints.

-- Near Aleppo, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL towed artillery piece.

-- Near Ar Raqqah, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit.

-- Near Kobani, five airstrikes struck an ISIL large tactical unit and four ISIL small tactical units and destroyed six ISIL fighting positions and an ISIL mortar position.

Iraq

-- Near Al Asad, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL structure.\

-- Near Al Qaim, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit.

-- Near Habbaniyah, two airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed three ISIL mortar systems, an ISIL structure and an ISIL bridge.

-- Near Haditha, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed two ISIL structures.

 Near Makhmur, two airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units and destroyed two ISIL bunkers.

-- Near Mosul, three airstrikes struck an ISIL tactical unit, an ISIL VBIED factory and an ISIL mortar position and destroyed an ISIL fighting position.

-- Near Ramadi, five airstrikes struck two ISIL tactical units, two ISIL tanks and an ISIL armored personnel carrier and destroyed an ISIL road block, an ISIL armored personnel carrier, an ISIL building, two ISIL structures and an ISIL mortar position.

-- Near Sinjar, one airstrike struck an ISIL tactical unit and destroyed an ISIL ammunition cache and an ISIL fighting position.

-- Near Tuz, four airstrikes struck 4 ISIL staging areas.

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

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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.

