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MEMORANDUM FOR CIVCAS Team, Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve, APO, AE 09306

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report (CCAR) for Allegation CJTF 1521 (CJFLCC 265/17), Mosul, Iraq, 25 May 2017

1. (U) References:

a. (U) CJTF-OIR Policy for Reporting and Responding to CIVCAS Incidents, 27 SEPTEMBER 2017, UNCLASSIFIED//~~FOUO~~

b. (U) CJTF-OIR Security Classification Guide, 20 OCTOBER 2016, UNCLASSIFIED//~~FOUO~~

2. (U//~~FOUO~~) **BLUF:** I assess that the allegation of civilian casualties (CIVCAS) on 25 May 2017 in Zanjili is NOT CREDIBLE. This assessment is based upon a thorough review of all reasonably available information, including information provided by Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve (CJTF-OIR) and open source material.

3. (U) **CIVCAS Allegation:**

a. (U) **Source:** AirWars

b. (U) **Time and Location:** 25 May 2017, Zanjili neighborhood, center grid MGRS

(b)(1)1.4a

West Mosul, Iraq

c. (U) **Allegation:** A single local source reported to Yaqin Agency that five children and their mother were killed after Coalition airstrikes hit their house in Zanjili neighborhood in West Mosul. The source had added that "heavy and continuous indiscriminate shelling makes the task of recovering the bodies and transporting the wounded very difficult, as well as [getting] the necessary medical supplies." (Encl 1).

4. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Summary of Coalition Strike Activity:** On 25 May 2017, Combined Joint Operation Center – Erbil (CJOC-E) served as Target Engagement Authority (TEA) for 7 strikes comprising 34 total engagements. Of these 34 engagements, 24 do not match the description of AirWars allegation 1555 for the following reasons: 1 was not in Mosul; 21 were not in the Zanjili neighborhood; and 2

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were artillery illumination missions. Of note, one of the engagements conducted outside the Zanjili neighborhood was (b)(1)1.4a which was listed as a possible corroborating strike in the Initial Assessment leading to this CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report. This engagement will not be discussed further in this report due to its execution outside the area noted in the AirWars allegation. Of the 10 remaining engagements conducted within the Zanjili neighborhood, 4 were road cratering missions, meaning they did not target structures and thus do not meet the description in the allegation of a strike on a house. The remaining 6 engagements occurred within Zanjili neighborhood, targeted structures utilized by ISIS fighters, were conducted on 25 May 2017, and will thus be described in further detail below. (Encls 2, 3).

5. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Strike (b)(1)1.4a (Engagement 1) Overview: Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Dynamic strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting enemy engaging friendly forces at (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) struck each aimpoint with (b)(1)1.4a for a total of (b)(1)1.4a munitions (Encl 4). The strike resulted in a BDA of 11x Enemy Killed in Action (EKIA), 1x Direct Fire Position (DFP) destroyed, and 1x RPG destroyed (Encl 5).

a. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE): No CDE call or graphic was readily available for this engagement through the MISREP Analysis Tool, chat logs, or internal documents held at CJOC-E.

b. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Review of Chat Logs: Related chat was found in two chat rooms. The chats are consistent with the timeline of the strikes and engagements on 25 May 2017. Further details of each chat log are outlined below.

1. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) (b)(1)1.4a Messages in this chat room record the engagement and closure reports for strikes conducted by CJOC-E on 25 May 2017. The information in this chat room is consistent with the information found in the # (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) chat room, MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munitions, and BDA call (Encl 5).

2. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) # (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) : Messages in this chat room record discussion between the ISR Tactical Controller (ITC) and the operators for the (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) UAS operating in support of ground elements in Mosul. The chat record shows that (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) began observing the (b)(1)1.4a target structure at 25(b)(1)1.4a May 2017, noting no personnel or vehicle activity observed. While observing, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) noted 6x adult males, with at least three carrying weapons occupy the structure. Observation continued through splash on the target at (b)(1)1.4a, with an assessment of 6x EKIA in the building located at (b)(1)1.4a There is no mention of any civilian patterns of life (CIVPOL) at any point during the approximately (b)(1)1.4a of observation which would indicate the presence of non-combatants (Encl 6).

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c. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV):** FMV and WSV were both available for this engagement, and are described in detail below.

1. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **FMV From** (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) Approximately 1 minute and 4 seconds of FMV was provided from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) observation of engagement (b)(1)1.4a. The video begins at (b)(1)1.4a with the target structure in the center of the field of view (FOV) at (b)(1)1.4a which appears to match the target structure seen in WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6). For the next 26 seconds, there is no perceptible movement of personnel or vehicles in the FOV. At (b)(1)1.4a it appears that (b)(1)1.4a munitions strike the target and function, producing a large explosive plume. For the next 30 seconds, there is no ability to determine the extent of damage to the structure due to lingering smoke and debris. Footage ends at (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 21).

2. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **WSV From** (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) Approximately 55 seconds of WSV was provided from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for this engagement. The first 30 seconds of video appears to show the impact of (b)(1)1.4a munitions on the (b)(1)1.4a designated aimpoints for strike (b)(1)1.4a. The remainder of the video appears to depict the target structure, which is completely destroyed. The video provided does not indicate the presence of any personnel in the immediate vicinity of the two target aimpoints, before or after the munitions functioned (Encl 7).

d. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Engagement CIVCAS Assessment:** Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that NO CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. Key factors leading to this conclusion includes pre-engagement observation of the targeted structure, which did not indicate the presence of civilian personnel, but did identify armed personnel entering the structure. Additionally, visual evidence of the engagement did not indicate the presence of civilian personnel during the approximately 30 seconds of pre-strike video available, from two different perspectives.

6. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Strike** (b)(1)1.4a (**Engagement 6) Overview:** Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Dynamic strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting an ISIS medium machine gun (MMG) position at (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) struck the target with (b)(1)1.4a following approximately 6 minutes of (b)(1)1.4a scanning for CDE concerns, and finding none in the vicinity of the target (Encl 8). The engagement resulted in 8x EKIA, 1x DFP destroyed (Encl 5).

a. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE):** No CDE call or graphic was readily available for this engagement through the MISREP Analysis Tool, chat logs, or internal documents held at CJOC-E.

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b. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Battle Damage Assessment (BDA):** Battle Damage Assessment documentation for this engagement was provided by (b)(1)1.4a. The assessment shows photos before, during, and after the engagement of desired point of impact (b)(1)1.4a which corresponds to (b)(1)1.4a. The photos and analysis indicate that the munition accomplished a probable hit and that the any enemy forces present were highly likely KIA (Encl 22). The photos provided do not appear to show significant damage to adjacent structures. The BDA call for this engagement was 8x EKIA, 1x DFP destroyed (Encl 5).

c. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Chat Logs-** (b)(1)1.4a Related chat was found in one chat room. The chat records the engagement and closure reports for (b)(1)1.4a and is consistent with the information found in the MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) BDA documentation for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munition, and BDA call (Encl 5).

d. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV):** FMV from a UAS platform was not available for this engagement. WSV was also not available for this engagement.

e. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Engagement CIVCAS Assessment:** Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that no CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. Key factors leading to this conclusion include pre-engagement transient scans conducted by (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) which did not reveal any reported CDE concerns, and BDA documentation based on WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) which also did not identify and civilian personnel in the area. In addition, post-engagement imagery appears to indicate that only minor damage occurred to surrounding structures.

7. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Strike** (b)(1)1.4a **(Engagement 7) Overview:** Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Dynamic strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting a medium machine gun (MMG) position at (b)(1)1.4a struck the target with (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 8). The (b)(1)1.4a munition drop by (b)(1)1.4a following approximately (b)(1)1.4a of (b)(1)1.4a scanning for CDE concerns, resulted in an assessed failure to detonate. Following this, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) was approved to conduct a reattack, following approximately (b)(1)1.4a of additional (b)(1)1.4a scanning for CDE concerns, which resulted in a successful engagement and high-order detonation on the target. The engagement resulted in 4x EKIA (Encl 5).

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a. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE):** No CDE call or graphic was readily available for this engagement through the MISREP Analysis Tool, chat logs, or internal documents held at CJOC-E.

b. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Battle Damage Assessment (BDA):** Battle Damage Assessment documentation for this engagement was provided by (b)(1)1.4c, (b)(1)1.4d. The assessment shows photos before, during, and after the engagement of desired point of impact 3 (b)(1)1.4a which corresponds to (b)(1)1.4a. The photos and analysis indicate that the munition released by (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) failed to detonate due to an unknown cause. The munition released by (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) successfully functioned, leading to probable moderate damage to the target, and it was assessed as highly likely that any enemy forces present were KIA (Encl 23). The BDA call for this engagement was 4x EKIA (Encl 5).

c. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Chat Logs-** (b)(1)1.4a Related chat was found in one chat room. The chat records the engagement and closure reports for (b)(1)1.4a and is consistent with the information found in the MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) weapon sight video (WSV) from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) BDA documentation for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munitions, and BDA call (Encl 5).

d. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV):** FMV from a UAS platform was not available for this engagement. Two portions of WSV from (b)(1)1.4a was available for this engagement.

1. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **WSV From (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) (Initial Engagement):** Approximately 1 minute and 10 seconds of WSV was provided from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for the initial engagement of (b)(1)1.4a. The first 30 seconds of the video appears to show the target structure, with no perceptible movement by personnel or vehicles within the FOV. At 00:34 of the video, it appears one munition impacts the target structure. For the next 30 seconds the structure remains in the FOV and there is no apparent movement visible (Encl 10).

2. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **WSV From (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) (Reattack):** Approximately 1 minute and 19 seconds of WSV was provided from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for the reattack engagement of (b)(1)1.4a. The first 20 seconds of the video appears to show the target structure, with no perceptible movement by personnel or vehicles within the FOV. At 00:26 (corresponding to (b)(1)1.4az) of the video, it appears one munition impacts the target, but it lacks the characteristic explosion typically seen in WSV for similar munitions. For the next 30 seconds the structure remains in the FOV and there is no apparent movement visible, and it appears that there is minimal damage to the structure as a result of the munition (Encl 11).

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e. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Engagement CIVCAS Assessment:** Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that no CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. Key factors leading to this conclusion include (b)(1)1.4a scans for CDE concerns conducted by (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) before munitions release, with no concerns noted, and approximately 2 minutes and 30 seconds of combined WSV which does not appear to show any civilian personnel. In addition, BDA assessment following the engagement does not appear to indicate significant damage to other structures in the vicinity as a result of the engagement.

8. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Strike (b)(1)1.4a (Engagement 8) Overview:** Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Dynamic strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting an ISIS machine gun team at (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) struck the target with (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 4). The engagement resulted in 10x EKIA, 1x DFP destroyed (Encl 5).

a. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE):** No CDE call or graphic was readily available for this engagement through the MISREP Analysis Tool, chat logs, or internal documents held at CJOC-E.

b. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Battle Damage Assessment (BDA):** The BDA call for this engagement was 10x EKIA, 1x DFP destroyed (Encl 5).

c. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Chat Logs-** (b)(1)1.4a Related chat was found in one chat room. The chat records the engagement and closure reports for (b)(1)1.4a and is consistent with the information found in the MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) weapon sight video (WSV) from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munition, and BDA call (Encl 5).

d. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV):** FMV from a UAS platform was not available for this engagement. One WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) was available for this engagement.

1. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **WSV From (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6)** Approximately 56 seconds of WSV was provided through the MISREP Analysis Tool for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) engagement of (b)(1)1.4a The first 15 seconds of video contains engagement identifying information, which matches that of (b)(1)1.4a Following this, there is approximately 8 seconds of footage appearing to show the target compound prior to munition function. During this time, there is no readily apparent movement by personnel or vehicles within the FOV. The munition can then be seen functioning, apparently causing minimal damage to the structure. Finally, the video shows approximately 15 seconds of bomb hit assessment footage, showing the target compound, with little apparent damage and no movement visible in the FOV (Encl 12).

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e. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ **Engagement CIVCAS Assessment:** Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that no CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. The key factor leading to this conclusion is WSV video corresponding to the strike which does not appear to indicate major damage to the targeted structure, or the surrounding area.

9. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ **Strike** (b)(1)1.4a **(Engagement 8) Overview:** Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Planned strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting Zanjali ISIS (b)(1)1.4a at two aimpoints: (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) struck the target with (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 13). The engagement resulted in Zanjali ISIS (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 14).

b. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ **Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE):** The CDE call for this facility was (b)(1)1.4a CDE 5L (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a there were six Collateral Concerns (CCs) (all residences) within the weapons effects radii of the weapon/eering solution. The nearest CC (Res 1) was (b)(1)1.4a south-southeast from (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 15, 16).

c. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ **Battle Damage Assessment (BDA):** The BDA call for this strike was Zanjali ISIS (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 14).

d. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ **Review of Chat Logs:** Related chat was found in two chat rooms. The chats are consistent with the timeline of the strikes and engagements on 25 May 2017. Further details of each chat log are outlined below.

1. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ (b)(1)1.4a Messages in this chat room record the engagement and closure reports for strikes conducted by CJOC-E on 25 May 2017. The information in this chat room is consistent with the information found in the # (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) MAIN chat room, MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munitions, and BDA call (Encl 14).

2. ~~(S//REL USA, FVEY)~~ # (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) MAIN: Messages in this chat room record discussion between the ITC and the operators for the (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) operating in support of ground elements in Mosul. The chat record indicates that (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) began observing the target area of (b)(1)1.4a at 25 (b)(1)1.4a May 2017, noting that no personnel, vehicles or suspicious activity was observed. Observation of the area was maintained until (b)(1)1.4a, for a total of approximately (b)(1)1.4a At (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) observed on vehicle under an overhang in vicinity of the target grid. At (b)(1)1.4a the (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) controller indicated that no civilian patterns of life had been observed. At

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(b)(1)1.4z splash was reported on the target grid, with no further information of interest to (b)(1)1.4a posted in the chat room. (Encl 17).

e. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV):** FMV and WSV were both available for this engagement, and are described in detail below.

1. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **FMV From** (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b Approximately 3 minutes of FMV was provided from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b in support of (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b's engagement of (b)(1)1.4a. The video begins at 00:00 (b)(1)1.4a z) with the target facility in the center of the Field of View (FOV) at (b)(1)1.4a which appears to match the target structure seen in WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b and the CDE graphic for Zanjali (b)(1)1.4a. For the next 30 seconds, there is no perceptible movement of personnel or vehicles, although there appears to be a hot spot underneath an overhang at the center of the FOV. At 00:31 (b)(1)1.4a z) a large explosion is observed in the center of FOV, appearing to throw some of the overhang material into the street a short distance from the target. For approximately the next minute, the FOV zooms out and nothing can be observed in the target area. At 01:42 (b)(1)1.4a z), the FOV zooms in and the structure can be seen clearly again. From this view it appears that that overhang previously visible has collapsed inward, but there is little damage readily apparent to surrounding structures. This view continues until the end of the video at (b)(1)1.4a z) (Encl 18).

2. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **WSV From** (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b Approximately 45 seconds of WSV was provided through the MISREP Analysis Tool for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b's engagement of (b)(1)1.4a. The first 9 seconds of video contains engagement identifying information, which matches that of (b)(1)1.4a. Following this, there is approximately 10 seconds of footage appearing to show the target compound prior to munition function at (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a. During this time there is no readily apparent movement by personnel or vehicles within the FOV. Following this, a large explosion is observed in the vicinity of the target at the center of FOV. Little can be observed for the remainder of the video due to obscuration from smoke, but no movement is apparent (Encl 19).

f. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) **Engagement CIVCAS Assessment:** Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that no CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. Key factors leading to this conclusion include over 90 minutes of pre-engagement observation of the target area, revealing no civilian patterns of life, WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b which appears to show the munition impacting the designated target, and FMV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4b which appears to show only minor damage to surrounding structures. In addition, the fact that the facility is presented as dynamically (b)(1)1.4a removed in the CDE call implies that intelligence was presented to effect this removal, and subsequently approved, although evidence of this removal was not available for examination.

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10. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Strike (b)(1)1.4a (Engagement 10) Overview: Strike number (b)(1)1.4a was a Dynamic strike that occurred at (b)(1)1.4a on 25 May 2017, Air Tasking Order (ATO) day (b)(1)1.4a under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a targeting a machine gun team at (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) struck the target with (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a (Encl 13). The strike resulted in 3x EKIA (Encl 14).

a. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Collateral Damage Estimate (CDE): No CDE call or graphic was readily available for this engagement through the MISREP Analysis Tool, chat logs, or internal documents held at CJOC-E.

b. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Battle Damage Assessment (BDA): The BDA call for this strike was 3x EKIA (Encl 14).

c. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Review of Chat Logs- (b)(1)1.4a Related chat was found in one chat room. The chat records the engagement and closure reports for (b)(1)1.4a and is consistent with the information found in the MISREP for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) weapon sight video (WSV) from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) and the CJOC-E strike manager for (b)(1)1.4a including time, location, munition, and BDA call (Encl 14).

d. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Review of Full Motion Video (FMV)/Weapon Sight Video (WSV): FMV from a UAS platform was not available for this engagement, however, WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) was available for this engagement.

2. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) WSV From (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) Approximately 45 seconds of WSV was provided through the MISREP Analysis Tool for (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) engagement of (b)(1)1.4a The first 8 seconds of video contains engagement identifying information, which matches that of (b)(1)1.4a Following this, there is approximately 8 seconds of footage appearing to show the target compound prior to munition function at (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a During this time there is no readily apparent movement by personnel or vehicles within the FOV. Following this, a large explosion is observed in the vicinity of the target at the center of FOV. Little can be observed for the remainder of the video due to complete obscuration from smoke (Encl 20).

e. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Engagement CIVCAS Assessment: Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, it is more likely than not that no CIVCAS occurred as a result of this engagement. This conclusion is supported by WSV from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) which does not appear to show any civilian personnel presence in the vicinity of the targeted structure.

11. (~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~) Allegation Credibility Assessment: Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, this CIVCAS allegation is deemed NOT CREDIBLE. That is, there is insufficient evidence from the six engagements correlating to the location and timeframe provided to corroborate this allegation.

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12. (U) The point of contact for this memorandum is the undersigned at:

(b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6)

(b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6)

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1. (U) Airwars Allegation I555, 25 May 2017, UNCLASSIFIED
2. (U) Locations of Strikes and Engagements in Mosul, Iraq, 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
3. (U) CJOC-E Strike Manager, 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
4. (U) Mission Report: (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) (Key Excerpts), 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY2017 to 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY17, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
5. (U) mIRC Chat Log: (b)(1)1.4a Erbil for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
6. (U) mIRC Chat Log: (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) PED for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
7. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
8. (U) Mission Report: (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) (Key Excerpts), 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY2017 to 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY17, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
9. (U) Battle Damage Assessment Excerpts from (b)(1)1.4c, (b)(1)1.4d for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL UK, FVEY~~
10. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for Strike (b)(1)1.4a (Initial Engagement), 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
11. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for Strike (b)(1)1.4a (Reattack), 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
12. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
13. (U) Mission Report: (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6) (Key Excerpts), 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY2017 to 25(b)(1)1.4a MAY17, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
14. (U) mIRC Chat Log: (b)(1)1.4a for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
15. (U) OMITTED DUE TO CLASSIFICATION - CDE Graphic: Zanjali ISIS (b)(1)1.4a (b)(1)1.4a, Mosul, Iraq, 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, ACGU~~
16. (U) mIRC Chat Log: (b)(1)1.4a for Strike (b)(1)1.4a 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~

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17. (U) mIRC Chat Log: # [REDACTED] MAIN for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
18. (U) Full Motion Video (FMV) Still Images from [REDACTED] Observation for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
19. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from [REDACTED] for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
20. (U) Weapon Sight Video (WSV) Still Images from [REDACTED] for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
21. (U) Full Motion Video (FMV) Still Images from [REDACTED] Observation for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL USA, FVEY~~
22. (U) Battle Damage Assessment Excerpts from [REDACTED] for Strike [REDACTED] 25 May 2017, ~~S//REL UK, FVEY~~

Classified By: [REDACTED] (b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6)

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I have conducted a legal review of the information in this CCAR and the supporting evidence. Based upon all reasonably available information at this time, I find that:

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(b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6)

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I have reviewed the information contained in this CCAR and the supporting evidence. Based upon all reasonably available information at this time, I find that:

\_\_\_ The evidence supports a finding of CREDIBLE. That is, it is more likely than not that the CIVCAS incident occurred. I direct an investigation be conducted by this command.

\_\_\_ The evidence supports a finding of CREDIBLE. That is, it is more likely than not that the CIVCAS incident occurred. However, at this time I direct no investigation be conducted by this command, as no additional information could be discovered by further investigation.

(b)(6) (b)(6) The evidence supports a finding of NOT CREDIBLE. Without additional evidence, I direct that no further action be taken by this command.

(b)(6)

Major General, U.S. Army  
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