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REQUEST #96



DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE - OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE CAMP ARIFJAN, KUWAIT APO AE 09306

IRCS

45 January 2018

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation No. 1187

- 1. (U) BLUF. Based on the below findings, this allegation is NOT CREDIBLE. A thorough review of all available strike records indicates that it is more likely than not that the alleged civilian casualties did not occur as a result of a Coalition strike. CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell shall close this allegation and make available for immediate public release.
- 2. (U) Background. I considered the following information in making my findings:
- a. (U) On 30 July 2017, Airwars.org, a non-governmental organization, reported an allegation of CIVCAS in Rawa, west of Anbar Province, Iraq. The allegation stated, "Local residents and press sources said that four civilians from the same named family were killed in Ana district west after an airstrike hit their house."
- b. (U) On 3 August 2017, CENTCOM WebOps reported media and social media reflections related to Coalition caused CIVCAS. The report stated, "SM and news outlets reported that an unknown airstrike targeted a house in Rawah which resulted in the destructions of the house in addition to killing four civilians."
- c. (S//REL) On 11 November 2017, CJFT-OIR CIVCAS Cell directed CJFLCC to conduct a CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report (CCAR).
- d. (S//REL) On 2 January 2018, MG White approved the assessment, finding the allegation to be NOT CREDIBLE. CJFLCC recommends no further action be taken.
- 3. (U) CIVCAS Credibility Assessment
- a. (S//REL) Based on the time and location of the allegation, one strike was assessed by CJFLCC was potentially corroborating. The strike was conducted pursuant to Rule of Engagement (ROE) b)(1)1.4

b. (S//REL) TF Al Asad assesse	ed the to be an ISIS C2 Node based on (b)(1)1.46	1
(b)(1)1.4a	The target facility was	
assessed to be not dual use.	(b)(1)1.4a	
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c. (S//REL)	At 0548Z, on	Air Tasking Order (ATO) day)(1)1.4b)(1)1.4a, (b)(struck the target	
facility with 2x	(b)(1)1.4a	The BDA call for the strike was ISIS C2 Node destroyed	
(2x buildings)	and 2x EKIA.	Both munitions impacted the target facility.	

- d. (S//REL) The strike appears to be in compliance with the applicable ORE and the principles of the Law of Armed Conflict (LOAC).
- 4. (U) Action.
- (U) I direct closure of this CIVCAS incident and that CJTF-OIR PAO publish the result of this CIVCAS assessment in a press release as soon as practicable.
- 5. (U) Point of contact is (b)(3) 10 USC 130b, (b)(6) CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell, at (b)(6)

2 Encls

1. Initial Assessment

2. CCAR

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