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

IRCS 12 April 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation no. 364

- (U) BLUF. Based on the below findings, this allegation is NOT CREDIBLE. 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 22 February 2017, CJFLCC-OIR Media OPS reported local media allegation that civilian casualties had been caused by a coalition airstrike on a residential house in the Shafaa neighborhood, West Mosul on 21 Feb 17. Specifically, Maalomah News reported online that a coalition airstrike had that day attacked a residential house in the Shafaa neighborhood of West Mosul, killing six civilians from the same family.
- b. (U) CJFLCC-OIR reviewed strike records for that day and concluded that targets were struck that day in Shafaa. Several strikes occurred in adjacent neighborhoods, but none of these correlate with a strike on a residential house. CJFLCC-OIR, CJ34 recommends that the allegation be closed because does not have the potential to be credible.
- 3. (U) CJTF-OIR CIVCAS CELL's Initial Assessment
- a. (S//REL TO USA, FVEY) Following the receipt of this allegation, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell conducted an initial assessment of the allegation and concurs with CJFLCC's findings. No targets were struck that day in Shafaa. Several strikes occurred in adjacent neighborhoods, but none of these correlate with a strike on a residential house. The nearest strike (.10Km away) was on a highway.
 - (b) (U) The CJFT-QIR CIVCAS Cell recommended closing this allegation.
- 3. (U) Action.
- (U) I direct closure of this CIVCAS incident and that CJTF-OIR PAO publish the CIVCAS finding in a press release as soon as practicable.

4. (U) Point of contact is

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

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