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**REQUEST #7** 

#### CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

| Allegation #              | 1050   |                    |            |
|---------------------------|--|--------------------|------------|
| Incident Date             | 24 MAR 17  | <b>Opened Date</b> | 05 NOV 17  |
| Source(s)                 | Airwars  |                    |            |
| Source Type               | Media  | Location           | Al Thawrah |
| Nearest Major<br>City     | Tabqah   | MGRS               | S          |
| Allegation<br>Description | Estimated Casualties – Killed: 5, Injured: 10<br>Source #1:<br>March 24th 2017: المعتية حي في فلطمة مسجد Fatima mosque in Maghniya neighbourhood,<br>Tabaqa, Raqqa governorate, Syria<br>Summary: Five civilians died and ten more were wounded in an alleged Coalition airstrike<br>on a mosque in Tabaqa, according to local media.<br>Alfayha reported that "a Coalition warplane shelled near Fatima mosque in the Maghniya<br>neighbourhood after Friday Prayers and killed five civilians and wounded 10 more. The<br>death toll is likely to increase." Smart News also pointed to the Coalition.<br>According to the Shaam News Network, "Tabaqa and Al-bo Asi were under aerial<br>bombardment and heavy artillery shellings" – though the source didn't say who was<br>responsible.<br>Sharqiya named Khaled Ahmad Al-Salal from Buleil, Deir Ez-Zor as a victim of warplanes –<br>but also didn't identify the culprit nation.<br>Civilians reported killed: 5<br>Civilians reported killed: 5<br>Civilians reported injured: 10<br>Sources: Alfayha [Arabic], [Archived], GRAPHIC: Bulqaani [Arabic], [Archived], Sharqiya<br>[Arabic], [Archived], Smart news agency [Arabic], [Archived], Shaam News Network<br>[Arabic], [Archived], Quality of reporting: Fair |                    |            |

# 1. Is this allegation a self-report? NO

If yes, add details of potentially corroborating strike below and task a CCAR. If no, move to 2.

- 2. Does the allegation actually allege CIVCAS? YES If yes, go to 3.a. If no, close the allegation.
- 3.a. Does the allegation state a single incident and/or location? YES

If yes, move to 4. If no, move to 3.b.

3.b. Does the allegation contain specific information pairing each CIVCAS allegation with an independent location?

If yes, separate the each of the combined allegations into separate allegations and restart an IA for each.

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If no, send a RFI in an attempt to break out the locations and casualties into separate allegations, restart the IA.

If unable to RFI the alleger, go to 7.

4. Does the allegation contain:

- a) a way to identify a 48 hour date range? YES
- b) a specific location? YES

If yes to BOTH, go to 7. If EITHER are no, then go to 5.

5. Does the allegation contain:

a) a way to identify a 48 hour date range?

b) a specific time of day or timeframe?

c) a general location?

- If yes to ALL three, then go to 7. If ANY are no, go to 6.

6. Does the allegation contain:

a) Video or photo evidence of CIVCAS that can be used to narrow the date/time or location of the allegation? <u>If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.b.</u>

b) Are there at least two corroborating sources (total of 3) that independently reported the allegation?

- If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.c.

c) Any high quality sources?

- If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.d.

d) Specific facts that warrant a search for strikes?

- If yes, go to 7. If no, close the allegation.

7.a. Does the allegation contain sufficient information on the time, location and details to conduct a search for strikes? NO

If yes, go to 8. If no, go to 7.b.

7.b. Explain in detail why there is insufficient information on the time, location, and details to conduct a search for strikes.

• Although the allegation is extremely specific in regard to time and location, we are unable to perform a search because we cannot locate the neighborhood or the mosque that is spoken about in the allegation.

IZ & SY MAT: CAOC log: CJTF log:

<del>12</del> CJFLCC log, -email (Start 18 MAY 2017);

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T(F)(1) log, -email (Start 22 JUL 2017):

8. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes?

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- If yes, answer the questions below and task CCAR.

- If no, provide a detailed explanation and close the allegation.

#### 1. Assessed date of incident:

2. Location:

3. Potentially Corroborating Strike Information: MGRS: Strike Number: DTG: Target: Dynamic/Deliberate: Aircraft: Call Sign: Nationality: Munitions & Number dropped: Target Number; TEA: BE #:

Non-US Coalition Involvement: N/A

Decision: RFI sent to Airwars on 22 NOV 17; response not provided by Airwars. Close at the IA due to insufficient information as to time, locations, and details to conduct an assessment of credibility.

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