REQUEST #85

## CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

| Allegation # | 934 | | |
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| Source(s) | Airwars.org | Date Received | 17 Jul 2017 |
| Casualty Estimate | **Killed: 33** <br> **Injured: 35** | | |
| Incident Date | 24-26 FEB 17 | | |
| Location | Al-Kour, Mosul (IVO ☐ (b)(1)1.4a ☐ ) | | |
| Allegation | **1. Source #1:** <br> **February 26th 2017:** الكور **Al-Kour and other neigbourhoods at the right side of Mosul, Nineveh province, Iraq** <br> Summary: **Local sources said that 33 civilians**, including women and children, were killed and 35 injured due to Coalition airstrikes and artillery bombing on several neighborhoods at the right side of Mosul. <br> Journalists had reported to Yaqein that "aerial bombardment and artillery [shelling] targeted violently, today, the homes of civilians in areas at the right side of the city of Mosul, killing 33 civilians, including women and children, and injuring more than 35 others" and added that "retaliatory shelling also caused the destruction of a number of civilian houses and damaged other." <br> Sonawa1 reported a large number of victims in **Al-Kour neighbourhood** at the right side of **Mosul**, due to artillery and airstrikes. According to Ajel al Mosul, the intended target may have been the Ekadat oil and gas station. <br> Civilians reported **killed: 33** <br> Civilians reported **injured: 35** <br> Sources: Yaqein [Arabic] [Archived], Iraqi Spring Media Center [Arabic] [Archived], Tweet by Iraqi Spring Media Center [Arabic] [Archived], Tweet by @Sonawa1 [Arabic] [Archived], Ajel al Mosul [Arabic] [Archived], <br> **Quality of reporting: Contested – both airstrikes and artillery shelling reported** | | |
| Analysis | 1. Is this allegation a self-report?  If yes, add details of corroborating strike below and task a CCAR.  If no, move to 2. **NO** <br><br> 2. Does the allegation include <br>     a) video/photo evidence of CIVCAS **NO** <br>     b) a general location, e.g., Tabaqah, Manbij, Tel Afar; **YES** <br>     AND <br>     c) a way to identify the date or a 48 hour date range? **YES** <br> If yes to all three, move to 6. If any are no, then move to number 3. <br><br> 3. Does the allegation contain a <br>     a) General Day, **YES** <br>     AND | | |

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| | b) Specific location, e.g., MGRS or specific building? **NO**<br><br>If yes to the two, then move to 6. If any are no, move to number 4.<br><br>4.a. Is the allegation from a single source (even if there are multiple sources, look at whether the sources lack independence, i.e., all derived from one source)? If yes, move to 4.b. If no, move to 5. **NO**<br>4.b. Is the single source a high quality source (well-known/credible news source) **OR** does it provide specific facts that may warrant a CCAR, i.e., a way to narrow down a reasonable list of strikes to assess. If yes, move to 6. If no, then move to 4.c.<br>4.c. Has media interviewed witnesses and/or victims? If yes, then contact journalist and reassess. If no, then close the allegation.<br><br>5.a. Are any of the sources high quality? **YES** If yes, move to 6. If no, move to 5.b.<br>5.b. Are there at least two corroborating sources (total of 3) that independently reported the allegation, **OR** does it provide specific facts that may warrant a CCAR? If yes, move to 6. If no, close the allegation.<br><br>6. Does the allegation contain sufficient information on the time, location and details to make an assessment of credibility? I.e., does it provide enough information to determine the date within 48 hour; does it provide enough information to determine a neighborhood, landmark, or other way to where the alleged incident occurred within a .5km radius? If yes, move to 7. If no, close the allegation. **YES**<br><br>7. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes? If yes, answer the below questions and task CCAR. If no, close allegation. **NO**<br><br>*MAT checked, no results*<br>*CJTF, no results inside the area. Closest strike is 500 m against ISIS motor position.*<br>*CAOC, no results* |
| **Non-US Coalition Involvement** | None. |
| **Decision** | Close at IA due to insufficient evidence to corroborate the allegation.<br><br>• Airwars provided a grid within old Mosul. The bounds of Al Kour were found using wikimapia. The area searched was within and around the area specified.<br>• No corroborating strikes were found. |
| **Report Approved By:** | (b)(3) 10 USC 130b: (b)(6) |

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