

CIVCAS Tracker

CLASSIFICATION: ~~SECRET~~

RELEASABILITY: ~~REL TO USA, FVEY~~

Allegation

CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

RELEASABILITY: ~~FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY~~

ALLEGATION NUMBER: 615

ALLEGATION STATUS: Closed

INCIDENT DATE: 02-Nov-2015
00:00

COUNTRY: IRAQ

OPENED DATE: 26-May-2017
00:00

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: Wardiya, Iraq

MGRS: Not Reported

NEAREST MAJOR CITY: Not Reported

COORDS UNKNOWN: No

CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED

RELEASABILITY: NONE

ALLEGATION DATE: 26-May-2017 00:00

SOURCE: Airwars

SOURCE TYPE: Social Media

November 2nd 2015: Sinjar, Nineveh province, Iraq

Summary: Eleven civilians were reportedly killed at Um Al Theban while crossing between Syria and Iraq, in what was claimed to be a Coalition airstrike. The incident is presently poorly reported.

Civilians reported killed: 11

Reported injured: Unknown

DESCRIPTION:

Sources: A3Maq News [Arabic]

Quality of reporting: Weak - presently single source

Coalition position: The Coalition has confirmed heavy airstrikes in the Sinjar area at ths time. For November 1st-2nd 2015 it was reported that "Near Sinjar, five strikes struck three separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed three ISIL vehicles, an ISIL mortar system, an ISIL weapons cache, and two ISIL fighting positions."

And for November 2nd-3rd it was reported: "Near Sinjar, four strikes

struck three separate ISIL tactical units and destroyed three ISIL staging areas, two ISIL headquarters, two ISIL weapons caches, and one ISIL tunnel system."

Initial Assessment

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INITIAL DATE: Not Reported

INITIAL ASSESSMENT: Not Reported

Assessment Details

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ASSESSMENT UNIT: CJTF-OIR

ASSESSMENT TASK
DATE: Not Reported

NON-US COALITION NATION: Not Reported

ASSESSMENT RESPONSE:

Closest strikes were conducted on the outskirts of Sinjar and IVO Wardiyah; Wardiyah being 30km away from the border or crossing site as referred by the allegation. The 4x strikes above were highlighted only because the title of the allegation is labelled as "Sinjar". Sinjar is 50+ km East of the border. There is no additional information from the source IOT associate a CF strike to the CIVCAS allegation. Also, Airwars.org has a single source, "A'Maq News Agency", a news outlet that reportedly functions much like

an official part of the ISIL media apparatus. Due to the fact that the only correlating Coalition strikes took place at least 30km E of the alleged location, the Syria-Iraq border; without any additional information connecting the Coalition strikes to the allegation's location, this allegation is assessed to be NON-CREDIBLE. Given the specificity of the location alleged, the distance between the closest strike and the alleged location make it more likely than not that the strikes cited above did not lead to the CIVCAS incident alleged. CJTF-OIR recommends no further action.

ASSESSMENT CIVCAS: No

FURTHER ACTIONS DIRECTED: Not Reported

LESSON LEARNED/ROOT CAUSE: Not Reported

ASSESSMENT KILLED: 0

ASSESSMENT INJURED: 0

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CLOSED DATE: 31-May-2017 00:00

US INVESTIGATION
REPORT DATE: Not Reported

CLOSED AT: CCAR

EX GRATIA: No

CIVCAS: NO

COMMENTS: Not Reported

KILLED: 0

INJURED: 0

PAO RELEASE DATE: 07-Jul-2017 12:21

NA: No

REASON FOR NO
RELEASE: Not Reported