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MEMORANDUM FOR CIVCAS Team, Combined Joint Task Force- Operation Inherent Resolve, APO, AE 09306

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report (CCAR) for alleged CIVCAS allegation IVO Al Qaim on or about 01 Dec 16 (CJFLCC-OIR CCAR 042/16)

1. BLUF: There were no identified CJFLCC-OIR strikes IVO Al Qaim on 01 December 2016 or during the period 30 November - 02 December 2016. There are three CJTF-OIR deliberate strikes that occurred during this time frame IVO Al Qaim.

2. CIVCAS Allegation:

a. Source: CJTF-OIR tasked CJLFCC-OIR with the conduct of a CIVCAS in CJTF-OIR 10 Dec 1900z Dec 16 Daily FRAGO to OPORD 16-001 at para 3.C.3. The CCAR was to assess an allegation based on WEBOPS, Iraq-Syria Spot Report 02 1555Z Dec 2016.

b. Time and Location: The supporting information alleges that the strike occurred on 01 December 2016 in Al Qa'im.

c. Description: The WEBOPS Report annotates that "that "CF airstrikes targeted areas of the district of Al-Qa'im and killed approximately 15 civilians, including women and children." The airstrikes also reportedly destroyed civilian's (sic) vehicles and houses. The task aligned CJTF Strike Numbers (b)(1)1.4a with this allegation.

3. Analysis: There are no CJFLCC-OIR strikes that align with this allegation.

a. Coalition Strike Activity: Strikes (b)(1)1.4a were all dynamic strikes conducted in Mosul, against ISIL fighters (see *Enclosure 1*). The CJFLCC-OIR J34 Strike Log and CJTF-OIR strike logs were checked against their plotted grids to confirm they were not IVO Al Qa'im. Following a check, there were no CJOC-B strikes recorded IVO Al-Qa'im during the period 30 November – 02 December 2016.

b. Further, all strike activity recorded on the CJTF-OIR Strike log during the period 30 November – 02 December 2016 was pulled and plotted on a .kmz file (see attached

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at Enclosure 2), and there were three (3) deliberate CJTF-OIR strikes conducted IVO Al Qa'im during this window. CJFLCC-OIR was not the TEA for these strikes. The relevant strike data for these strikes is listed in Enclosure 1.

c. Review of WSV/FMV: The link to FMV for CJTF strike IVO Al Qa'im is listed below:

(b)(1)1.4a

d. Target Information: There are no CJFLCC-OIR targets that align to this reporting. Strikes (b)(1)1.4a are all located in Mosul (see Enclosure 1).

e. Additional Information: There is no additional information available that supports this allegation.

4. Credibility Assessment: Based on a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, there are no CJFLCC-OIR Strikes that align with this CIVCAS allegation. The allegation as it lies against CJFLCC-OIR strikes is deemed not credible. Representatives from the Combined Joint Task Force – Operation Inherent Resolve will need to address the credibility of whether the three deliberate strikes that command conducted IVO Al Qa'im during this window may have caused the alleged civilian casualties.

5. (U) The point of contact for this memorandum is (b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6) on (b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6).

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Encls:

- 1. Al Qa'im strike .kmz, 30 Nov - 02 Dec 16
- 2. 10 Dec 16 Email – CJFLCC-OIR J34 CIVCAS Checks - Al Qaim and Wadi Akab

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I have conducted a legal review of the information contained in this CCAR and the supporting evidence. Based upon all reasonably available information at this time, I find that:

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

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I have reviewed the information contained in this CCAR and the supporting evidence. Based upon all reasonably available information at this time, I find that:

___ The evidence supports a finding of CREDIBLE. That is, it is more likely than not that the CIVCAS incident occurred. I direct an investigation be conducted by this command.

___ The evidence supports a finding of CREDIBLE. That is, it is more likely than not that the CIVCAS incident occurred. However, at this time I direct no investigation be conducted by this command, as no additional information could be discovered by further investigation.

9 The evidence supports a finding of NOT CREDIBLE. Without additional evidence, I direct that no further action be taken by this command.


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CG, CJFLCC-OIR

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