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

IRCS

31 AUG 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation No. 1106

1. (U) **BLUF.** Based on the below findings, this allegation is **NOT CREDIBLE**. Based on review of all reasonably available information, there is insufficient information as to time, location, and details to make an assessment of credibility. 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 4 July 2017, WebOps Iraq-Syria reported: some [Twitter and Facebook] users said [a] CF airstrike killed three civilians in Kasart Masrur village, south of Raqqa. These users posted the names of the alleged CIVCAS.

b. (~~S//REL~~) On 12 AUG 2017, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell approved the Initial Assessment (IA) and determined the allegation should be closed at the IA.

3. (U) **CJTF Initial Assessment**

a. (~~S//REL~~) Airwars.org did not contain a corroborating allegation.

b. (~~S//REL~~) The allegation did not include picture or video evidence of CIVCAS. Moreover, the allegation did not provide a specific location, e.g., MGRS, name of building.

c. (~~S//REL~~) The CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell conducted a search for Kasart Masrur village and was met with negative results. Because the allegation did not provide an MGRS, or a way to reasonably identify where the village is located, the CIVCAS Cell was unable to proceed with the assessment of the allegation.

d. (~~S//REL FVEY~~) Accordingly, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell recommended closing this allegation at the Initial Assessment due to insufficient evidence to corroborate the allegation.

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4. (U) **Action.**

(U) I direct closure of this CIVCAS incident and that CJTF-OIR PAO publish the result of this CIVCAS assessment in a press release as soon as practicable.

5. (U) Point of contact is

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

(b)(6)

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1. Initial Assessment



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