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CAMP ARIFJAN, KUWAIT
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31 AUG 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation No. 555

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 25 June 2017, WebOps Iraq-Syria reported: CIVCAS Claims from CF Airstrikes in Raqqa. Pro-Syrian opposition social media users and regional media outlets including eldorar.com on Twitter and Facebook circulated news that CF aircrafts, early Sunday morning, conducted series of airstrikes on Raqqa city, killed 11 civilians including children.

b. (~~S//REL~~) On 12 August 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 strikes occurring during the morning of 25 June 2017. Because the allegation does not provide an exact time of the alleged strike(s), a search was done of all strikes on the morning alleged.

d. (~~S//REL~~) Based on the number of strikes returned by the search and lack of detail in the allegation to narrow the search, it would be unreasonable to make assessment of credibility.

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e. (~~S//REL~~) Accordingly, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell recommended closing this allegation at the Initial Assessment due to insufficient information as to time, location, and details to make an assessment of credibility.

4. (U) Action.

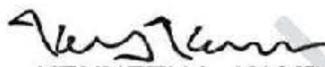
(U) I direct closure of this CIVCAS incident and that CJTF-OIR PAO publish the result of this CIVCAS assessment in a press release as soon as practicable.

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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