



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

IRCS

21 August 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation No. 1105

1. (U) **BLUF.** Based on the below findings, this allegation is **NOT CREDIBLE**. A thorough review of all available strike records indicates that it is more likely than not that the alleged civilian casualties did not occur as a result of a Coalition strike. 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. (S//REL) On 29 MAY 2017, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a reported four adult males (ADM) with weapons in FOV around a building located at (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(6). (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a requested a strike against the target under Rule of Engagement (ROE) (b)(1)1.4a in support of an ISF brigade who's FLOT was within 60 meters of the target. After confirming there were no friendlies in the area, (b)(1)1.4a, (b)(1)1.4a engaged 2x ADMs and 1x child with (b)(1)1.4a. The strike was logged as 3x EKIA. The CJTF-OIR CJ34 requested review, via self-report to the CIVCAS Cell, of the strike to determine whether the 1x child was a civilian casualty or legitimate military target on 4 JUN 2017.

b. (S//REL) On 12 JUL 2017, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell directed CJFLCC to conduct a CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report (CCAR).

c. (S//REL) On 28 JUL 2017, MG White approved the assessment, finding the allegation to be **NOT CREDIBLE**. CJFLCC recommends no further action be taken.

3. (U) **CIVCAS Credibility Assessment**

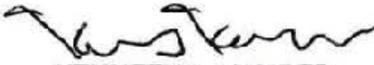
a. (S//REL) Review of the strike video, with assistance from CJTF CJ2 (b)(1)1.4c analysts, assess that the individual of interest was more likely than not of mid-teen age. The video appeared to show him assisting with loading or securing materials on a cart along with the two other EKIA. Thus, the subject individual would be appropriately classified as an additional EKIA.

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)

2 Encls
 1. FIR Email
 2. CCAR


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