

CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

Allegation #	1564		
Incident Date	28 SEP 17	Opened Date	02 OCT 17
Source(s)	WebOps		
Source Type	Social Media	Location	Al-Ma'mari (Al-Zahra)
Nearest Major City	Safid	MGRS	Unknown
Allegation Description	<p>Estimated Casualties – Killed: 6, Injured: 1</p> <p>Source #1: SM FB users reported that CFs airstrike that targeted the village of Al-Ma'mari(Al-Zahra) in countryside of Markadah, Al-Hasakah, last Thursday, have killed 6 children from two diffrenetfamilies</p> <p>Is this in Airwars? YES</p> <p>September 28th 2017: (S1366) المعماري قرية, Al Mimari village, Al Hasaka city, Al Hasaka governorate, Syria</p> <p>Summary: Six children from the same family of “Ali and Aqla al-Hajj al-Hamoud al-Hweet”, were killed following an aerial offensive on the village of Al Mimari, local sources said. Initial reports by Sharqiya and Marsad Al Hasaka did not identify a culprit and referred only to “bombing”.</p> <p>The Syrian Network for Human Rights made an allegation against the US-led Coalition, they said “International Coalition warplanes missiles fired on houses” in the village resulting in the death of the six children.</p> <p>In addition to those killed Euphrates Post documented a wounded girl, they held the US-led Coalition responsible.</p> <p>Amer Hewidi alleged two girls and a boy from Ali al-Hajj al-Hamwit died and two boys and a girl from Aqla al-Jubouri al-Hamoud al-Hweet died, contradicting Marsad Al Hasaka who reported that all killed were male.</p> <p>Amer Hewidi identified the wounded girl as the daughter of Hasnawi al-Jubouri al-Hamoud al-Hewitt, and described her injuries as minor – it blamed the Coalition..</p> <p>The six children were buried together in one grave, amid fears the area would be targeted again, according to Al.khabour.</p> <p>The majority of sources held the US-led Coalition responsible, two did not name the aircraft.</p> <p>Civilians reported killed: 6 children</p> <p>Civilians reported injured: 1 girl</p> <p>Sources: Sharqiya [Arabic] [Archived], Marsad Al Hasaka [Arabic] [Archived], Syrian Network for Human Rights[Arabic] [Archived], Euphrates Post [Arabic] [Archived], Amer Hweidi [Arabic] [Archived], Alkhabour [Arabic] [Archived], Insaan right [Arabic] [Archived], Syrian Network for Human Rights [Arabic] [Archived]</p>		

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	Quality of reporting: Fair
	RFI Response: We have been unable to find the exact location of the Mimari village. However, it is located in southwest Markada district (district highlighted in the map) on an approximately 25 km radius of these coordinates: 35.6070684, 40.5965424

1. Is this allegation a self-report? **NO**

If yes, add details of potentially corroborating strike below and task a CCAR. If no, move to 2.

2. Does the allegation actually allege CIVCAS? **YES**

If yes, go to 3.a. If no, close the allegation.

3.a. Does the allegation state a single incident and/or location? **YES**

If yes, move to 4. If no, move to 3.b.

3.b. Does the allegation contain specific information pairing each CIVCAS allegation with an independent location?

If yes, separate the each of the combined allegations into separate allegations and restart an IA for each.

If no, send a RFI in an attempt to break out the locations and casualties into separate allegations, restart the IA.

If unable to RFI the algeber, go to 7.

4. Does the allegation contain:

a) a way to identify a 48 hour date range? **YES**

b) a specific location? **NO**

If yes to BOTH, go to 7. If EITHER are no, then go to 5.

5. Does the allegation contain:

a) a way to identify a 48 hour date range? **YES**

b) a specific time of day or timeframe? **NO**

c) a general location? **YES**

If yes to ALL three, then go to 7. If ANY are no, go to 6.

6. Does the allegation contain:

a) Video or photo evidence of CIVCAS that can be used to narrow the date/time or location of the allegation? **NO**

If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.b.

b) Are there at least two corroborating sources (total of 3) that independently reported the allegation? **YES**

If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.c.

c) Any high quality sources?

If yes, go to 7. If no, go to 6.d.

d) Specific facts that warrant a search for strikes?

If yes, go to 7. If no, close the allegation.

7.a. Does the allegation contain sufficient information on the time, location and details to conduct a search for strikes? **NO**

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If yes, go to 8. If no, go to 7.b.

7.b. Explain in detail why there is insufficient information on the time, location, and details to conduct a search for strikes.

- Al-Ma'mari Village cannot be geolocated. The RFI response that we received from Airwars was too broad to justify tasking strikes.

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MAT:

CAOC log:

CJTF log:

I_Z

CJFLCC log, -email (Start 18 MAY 2017):

S_V

RE(1)log, -email (Start 22 JUL 2017):

8. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes?

— If yes, answer the questions below and task CCAR.

— If no, provide a detailed explanation and close the allegation.

1. Assessed date of incident:

2. Location:

3. Potentially Corroborating Strike Information:

MGRS:

Strike Number:

DTG:

Target:

Dynamic/Deliberate:

Aircraft:

Call Sign:

Nationality:

Munitions & Number dropped:

Target Number:

TEA:

BE #:

Non-US Coalition Involvement: N/A

Decision: Close at the IA due to insufficient information as to time, locations, and details to conduct an assessment of credibility.

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