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 COMBINED JOINT TASK FORCE - OPERATION INHERENT RESOLVE
 CAMP ARIFJAN, KUWAIT
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: CIVCAS Allegation Closure Report, Allegation No. 506

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.

2. (U) **Background.** I considered the following information in making my findings:

a. (U//~~FOUO~~) Mr. Mike Giglio of BuzzFeed reported a strike to the CJTF-OIR PAO press desk. Mr. Giglio alleged the strike occurred on 12 December 2016 around 1400 in the Hay al-Falah neighborhood of Eastern Mosul. Mr. Giglio visited the site of the alleged incident and interviewed witnesses who claimed that 8 civilians were killed and a further 5 injured. The witnesses allege that there was an ISIS location across the street from the house and that ISIS fighters from time to time would use radios on the street in front of their house.

b. (U) On 7 June 2017, CJTF-OIR CIVCAS Cell directed CJFLCC to conduct a CIVCAS Credibility Assessment Report (CCAR).

c. (S//~~REL TO USA, FVEY~~) On 13 June 2017, MG Martin 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 USA, FVEY~~) CJFLCC-OIR OSJA reviewed all available records to determine whether any Coalition strikes, including air to surface and surface to surface fires, on 12 December 2016, could possibly correlate with the allegation. No Coalition airstrikes occurred in the vicinity of the alleged location at, or around, the time alleged. On the basis of the details contained in the allegation and a thorough assessment of all reasonably available evidence, this civilian casualty allegation is deemed **NOT CREDIBLE** insofar as it relates to Coalition Forces.

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
 2. CCAR

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