

CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

Allegation #	815		
Source(s)	AIRWARS	Date Received	8 JUL 2017
Casualty Estimate	1 or more killed, 1 or more injured		
Incident Date	8 JAN 2017		
Location	Rashad and Riad in Hawija, IZ IVO (b)(1)1.4a		
Allegation	<p>January 8th, 2017: Hawija, Kirkuk province, Iraq Summary: Local sources said that civilians, including women and children, were killed or injured due to Coalition airstrikes on Rashad and Riad regions Sunday evening in Hawija, southwest of Kirkuk. Only once source, News of Iraq, claimed there were civilian casualties. Civilians reported killed: 1 or more Civilians reported injured: 1 or more Sources: News of Iraq [Arabic] [Archived], Iraqi Spring Media Center [Arabic] [Archived], Iraqi Spring Media Center (2) [Archived], Coalition position: For January 7th-8th the Coalition did not publicly report any strikes in Hawija. For January 8th-9th the Coalition publicly noted: "Near Al Huwayjah, one strike destroyed a VBIED storage facility." Quality of Reporting: Weak – presently single source</p>		
Analysis	<p>1. Is this allegation a self-report? NO If yes, add details of corroborating strike below and task a CCAR. If no, move to 2.</p> <p>2. Does the allegation include a) video/photo evidence of CIVCAS NO b) a general location, e.g., Tabaqah, Manbij, Tel Afar; if in Mosul, or similarly sized city, must provide neighborhoods, e.g., Zanjili. YES AND c) a way to identify the date or a 48 hour date range? YES If yes to all three, move to 6. If any are no, then move to number 3.</p> <p>3. Does the allegation contain a a) General Day, YES AND b) Specific location, e.g., MGRS or specific building? NO If yes to the two, then move to 6. If any are no, move to number 4.</p>		

	<p>4.a. Is the allegation from a single source (even if there are multiple sources, look at whether the sources lack independence, i.e., all derived from one source)? YES If yes, move to 4.b. If no, move to 5.</p> <p>4.b. Is the single source a high quality source OR does it provide specific facts that may warrant a CCAR. Specific details about location and the strikes occurring in the evening of 8 JAN 2017. If yes, move to 6. If no, then move to 4.c.</p> <p>4.c. Has media interviewed witnesses and/or victims? If yes, then contact journalist and re-assess. If no, then close the allegation.</p> <p>5.a. Are any of the sources high quality? If yes, move to 6. If no, move to 5.b.</p> <p>5.b. Are there at least two corroborating sources (total of 3) that independently reported the allegation, OR does it provide specific facts that may warrant a CCAR? If yes, move to 6. If no, close the allegation.</p> <p>6. Does the allegation contain sufficient information on the time, location and details to make an assessment of credibility? YES I.e., does it provide enough information to determine the date within 48 hour; does it provide enough information to determine a neighborhood, landmark, or other way to where the alleged incident occurred within a .5km radius? If yes, move to 7. If no, close the allegation.</p> <p>7. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes? If yes, answer the below questions and task CCAR. If no, close allegation.</p> <p>No coalition strikes between 0900Z 8 JAN and 0600Z 9 JAN 2017 IVO Hawija. See “(S MESF) AW Allegation #29 8 JAN 2017.ppt”.</p> <p>1. Assessed date of incident:</p> <p>2. Location:</p> <p>3. Corroborating strikes:</p>
Non-US Coalition Involvement	
Decision	<p>Close at the IA due to insufficient evidence to corroborate the allegation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No strikes in the location and timeframe alleged.
Report Approved By:	(b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6)

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