

CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

<b>Allegation #</b>	1251		
<b>Incident Date</b>	27 AUG 17	<b>Opened Date</b>	06 SEP 17
<b>Source(s)</b>	WebOps, Airwars		
<b>Source Type</b>	Social Media	<b>Location</b>	Al-Fadghami
<b>Nearest Major City</b>	Saddadi	<b>MGRS</b>	(b)(1)1.4a
<b>Allegation Description</b>	<p><b>Estimated Casualties – Killed: 3, Injured: 0</b></p> <p><b>Source #1:</b>  <b>SM TW users and news media outlets reported that 3 civilians were killed by alleged CFs airstrike that targeted the village of Al-Fadghami south of Al-Shadadi city.</b></p> <p><b>Is this in Airwars? YES</b>  <b>August 25th 2017: (S1239) الفدغمي , Al-Fadghami, Al Hasaka City, Hasaka governorate, Syria</b>  <b>Summary: Two or three civilians were killed</b> in alleged US airstrikes close to <b>Al-Fadghami village near Hasaka City.</b> Yusuf Ali al-Shawoush (12 years) and Hassan Ali al-Hamoud (55 years), and one unidentified person, were reportedly shepherds who were herding their flock when the airstrikes hit. According to local sources around 130 sheep were also killed in the event.  A correspondent with Al-Khabour “said that the international coalition aircraft launched an air raid on the villages, targeting three missiles... which resulted in the deaths of the shepherds.” All sources hold the US-led Coalition responsible for the attacks.  Civilians reported <b>killed: 2-3</b>, including 1 child  Civilians reported <b>injured: unknown</b>  <b>Sources:</b> Al Hasaka Rasd [Arabic] [Archived], Alkhabour [Arabic] [Archived], Syrian Network for Human Rights[Arabic] [Archived], @TAHRIR_ALSHAM [Arabic] [Archived], @MasarPressNet [Arabic] [Archived], Siralal7skawi[Arabic] [Archived], Hassakeh24 [Arabic] [Archived], Euphrates Post [Arabic] [Archived],  <b>Quality of reporting: Fair</b>, though no Coalition strikes reported</p>		

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 allegor, go to 7.~~

4. Does the allegation contain:

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

b) a specific location? **YES**

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?~~

~~b) a specific time of day or timeframe?~~

~~c) a general location?~~

~~—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?~~

~~—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?~~

~~—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? **YES**

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.

8. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes? **NO**

If yes, answer the questions below and task CCAR.

If no, provide a detailed explanation and close the allegation. **After searching for strikes in Al-Fadghami on 26-27 AUG 17, there were zero strikes found in the area. The area around the village was also searched since the allegation claims shepherds and their flock of sheep were struck.**

**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 #:**

**IZ & SY**

***MAT: 0 results***

***CAOC log: 0 results***

***CJTF log: 0 results***

IZ

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

SY

*TE(1) log, -email (Start 22 JUL 2017): 0 results*

**Non-US Coalition Involvement: N/A**

**Decision: Close the IA due to insufficient evidence to corroborate the allegation.**

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