

**CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT**

<b>Allegation #</b>	1267		
<b>Incident Date</b>	01 APR 17	<b>Opened Date</b>	20 OCT 17
<b>Source(s)</b>	Airwars		
<b>Source Type</b>	Media	<b>Location</b>	Al Bu A'ssi
<b>Nearest Major City</b>	Tabqah	<b>MGRS</b>	(b)(1)1.4a
<b>Allegation Description</b>	<p><b>Estimated Casualties – Killed: 3, Injured: unknown</b></p> <p><b>Source #1:</b>  <b>April 1st 2017: (S570) Al Bu A'ssi village, Raqqa governorate, Syria</b>                      Summary: Three civilians died in alleged Coalition strikes on Al Bu A'ssi village, according to local strikes.                      Raqqa is Being Slaughtered Silently reported that the Coalition carried out strikes “on the outskirts of al Bu A'ssi village this morning and one has been identified as Taha Ibrahim Hamed from Maskana.” The victim was also named by the Violations Documentation Center. RFS, Step and Baladi and Qasioun and Syrianpc also pointed towards the Coalition.                      Civilians reported <b>killed: 3</b>                      Civilians reported <b>injured: Unknown</b>                      Sources: Raqqa is Being Slaughtered Silently (RBSS) [Arabic], [Archived], Syrianpc [Arabic], [Archived], Qasioun [Arabic], [Archived], Baladi [Arabic], [Archived], Syrian Observatory for Human Rights [Archived], Shaam [Arabic], [Archived], Step News Agency [Arabic], [Archived], RFS [Arabic], [Archived], SRG [Arabic], [Archived], Raqqa_r_w_b [Arabic], [Archived], Violations Documentation Center [Arabic], [Archived],  <b>Quality of reporting: Fair</b></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.

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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? **YES, morning**
- 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?~~  
— 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.

**IZ & SY**

***MAT: 0 results***

***CAOC log: 0 results***

***CJTF log: 0 results***

**IZ**

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

**SY**

***TE<sup>(1)</sup> log, -email (Start 22 JUL 2017):***

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.

- Performed a search for strikes on 01 APR 17 since the allegation specifically states the incident happened on the morning of 01 APR 17.
- The search returned zero strike results in/around the village of Al Bu A'ssi.

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**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:**

**TFA:**

**BE #:**

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

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

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