

CIVCAS CELL INITIAL ASSESSMENT

Allegation #	1123		
Source(s)	WebOps: Social Media	Date Received	7/16/2017
Casualty Estimate	Killed: 8		
Incident Date	13-15 JUN 2017		
Location	Al-Mayadin, Syria (IVO	(b)(1)1.4a	
Allegation	<p>1. Source #1:</p> <p>(U) Reports of CIVCAS from CF Airstrikes on Al-Mayadin City IVO Deir Ez-Zor: Pro-Syrian opposition social media users and regional media outlets, including pro-Syrian opposition media outlet Jisrtv, on Facebook and Twitter circulated reports that CF aircraft targeted al-Jafer area in al-Mayadin city, killing at least eight, most of whom were women and children, and injuring several others. Pro-Syrian opposition regime social media user (@Y__ara0) said "no one is going to care about them because everybody is busy with the two Germans who were killed in Egypt." Pro-Syrian opposition social media user (@thalfsy) posted that "the crusader CF aircrafts committed a massacre in the city of al-Mayadin killing eight civilians including women and children."</p> <p>2. Is this in Airwars? NO</p>		
Analysis	<p>1. Is this allegation a self-report? If yes, add details of corroborating strike below and task a CCAR. If no, move to 2. NO</p> <p>2. Does the allegation include</p> <p>a) video/photo evidence of CIVCAS NO</p> <p>b) a general location, e.g., Tabaqah, Manbij, Tel Afar; YES</p> <p>AND</p> <p>c) a way to identify the date or a 48 hour date range? YES</p> <p>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</p> <p>a) General Day, YES</p> <p>AND</p> <p>b) Specific location, e.g., MGRS or specific building? NO</p> <p>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)? NO If yes, move to 4.b. If no, move to 5.</p>		

	<p>4.b. Is the single source a high quality source (well-known/credible news source) OR does it provide specific facts that may warrant a CCAR, i.e., a way to narrow down a reasonable list of strikes to assess. 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? YES (moderate 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? 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. YES</p> <p>7. Are there any potentially corroborating strikes? If yes, answer the below questions and task CCAR. If no, close allegation. NO</p> <p><i>MAT checked, no results</i> <i>CJTF log and kmz, no results</i> <i>CAOC, no results</i></p>
Non-US Coalition Involvement	None
Decision	<p>1. Close at the IA; insufficient evidence to corroborate the allegation.</p> <p>2. There were no strikes found in Mayadin on the 15 of Jun and 48 hours prior. And no corroborating strikes found around Mayadin with the same parameters. See Enclosure 1.</p>
Report Approved By:	(b)(3) 10 USC 130b; (b)(6)

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