

## **Combined Joint Task Force**

Operation Inherent Resolve

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## Peshmerga Successfully Clears Territory and Liberates Villages

SOUTHWEST ASIA – Peshmerga forces with the support of Coalition airstrikes, are conducting a successful offensive operation against Daesh terrorists near Tuz in Northern Iraq. Since Aug. 26, the Peshmerga have destroyed Daesh defensive positions and re-established control of more than 200 square kilometers, liberating seven villages, and straightening and shortening the Kurdish forward line of troops.

"The Peshmerga troops are conducting a significant operation east of Tuz in northern Iraq," Brig. Gen. Kevin Killea chief of staff, CJTF-OIR. "In a short period of time the Peshmerga have physically cleared and secured a large amount of terrain, supported by Coalition air strikes."

Coalition forces carried out 13 deliberate and 12 dynamic strikes over a three-day period in support of the Peshmerga operation. CJTF-OIR will continue to target and destroy ISIL fighting positions, infrastructure and equipment in support of the Peshmerga as they clear ISIL fighters from Iraqi villages and countryside.

Video footage of airstrikes in support of this operation, which is part of a broader effort by the Coalition to degrade and ultimately defeat Daesh terrorists in Iraq and Syria, is available at <a href="https://youtu.be/cSNPupGz">https://youtu.be/cSNPupGz</a> T8

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