

Further supplementary written evidence submitted by the Ministry of Defence

In your letter dated 8th August 2016, you asked for the latest data for our airstrikes and weapons releases in Iraq and Syria, to complement data we have provided to you previously. Having provided the information for June and July in my letter of 23rd August, I write to now to provide an update.

The first part of the data you have requested – weapons released by platform and weapon type – is to be found at Annex A, updated to include August 2016.

At Annex B1, the updated figures relating to weapons released against target type are provided for Iraq - and for Syria at Annex B2. For completeness, the figures for the entire operation since 2014 have been included.

You had also included a column in the tables at Annex B relating to numbers of airstrikes by month. We are now providing this information for June, July and August in the table at Annex C. We have provided this information separately because numbers of airstrikes cannot be compared directly with weapons releases. It is possible that a weapons release might not result in a strike; conversely, a numbers of weapons releases can result in a single strike.

As always, the data is believed to be complete and correct at the time of issue. Our operational activity databases are frequently reviewed and any errors and omissions are corrected. It is therefore possible that future statements might not match this statement exactly. Naturally, our aim is to ensure that our records are as complete and correct as possible.

5 September 2016

Weapons Releases by Platform and Weapons Type

Aircraft	Weapon	Weapons released before 2/12/15		Weapons released after and Including 2/12/15 to end August 16		Total
		Iraq	Syria	Iraq	Syria	
REAPER MQ9	AGM-114P	109	0	0	0	109
	AGM-114R2	166	0	153	45	364
	GBU12	14	0	20	3	37
Tornado GR4	PWIV Mk1	0	0	173	13	186
	PWIV Mk2	328	0	165	45	538
	EPW2	0	0	15	5	20
	EPW3	0	0	4	0	4
	DMSB	105	0	82	25	212
	StormShadow	0	0	4	0	4
Typhoon FGR4	PWIV Mk2	0	0	563	38	601

IRAQ

Weapon Release Events Against											
		Infrastructure		Fielded Enemy Forces		Vehicles		Weapons, Ammunition and Materiel			
Year	Month	Building/Structure	POL	EF in Building	EF in Open	Moving	Static	Weapon Emplacement	Weapons Cache	IED	Other
2014	AUG	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	SEP	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	0
	OCT	14	0	4	3	2	4	0	0	0	0
	NOV	3	0	5	25	4	17	0	0	0	0
	DEC	9	0	0	15	1	29	0	0	0	1
2015	JAN	4	0	6	23	6	25	0	0	0	0
	FEB	5	0	0	11	1	10	0	0	4	0
	MAR	3	0	6	20	4	16	3	1	0	0
	APR	17	0	5	17	1	10	1	0	1	0
	MAY	9	0	12	7	6	10	4	4	1	0
	JUN	13	0	15	3	2	10	0	0	0	0
	JUL	9	0	9	4	3	7	5	0	4	0

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2015	AUG	11	0	4	14	5	17	2	3	1	0
	SEP	2	0	17	15	7	8	4	2	5	0
	OCT	0	0	10	14	1	3	3	0	1	0
	NOV	0	0	27	30	1	11	10	6	5	0
	DEC	5	0	69	31	0	19	3	0	2	1
2016	JAN	8	0	86	34	1	19	6	5	5	0
	FEB	4	0	44	24	0	10	9	5	2	1
	MAR	24	0	65	27	1	8	10	4	0	7
	APR	8	0	61	17	0	6	18	19	7	4
	MAY	14	0	41	16	4	11	20	28	5	2
	JUN	22	0	81	45	7	23	18	2	0	3
	JUL	3	0	18	18	5	10	15	1	3	4
	AUG	7	0	17	13	1	9	18	0	0	1

SYRIA

		Weapon Release Events Against									
		Infrastructure		Fielded Enemy Forces		Vehicles		Weapons, Ammunition and Materiel			
Year	Month	Building/Structure	POL	EF in Building	EF in Open	Moving	Static	Weapon Emplacement	Weapons Cache	IED	Other
2015	DEC	0	21	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
2016	JAN	6	1	15	5	0	21	0	8	0	0
	FEB	1	0	2	4	0	4	0	2	0	0
	MAR	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
	APR	2	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
	MAY	6	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
	JUN	0	0	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
	JUL	0	0	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
	AUG	0	0	16	4	1	8	1	0	0	0

Numbers of UK Airstrikes

	June 2016	July 2016	August 2016	Totals
Iraq	72	39	35	146
Syria	5	5	7	17
Total	77	44	42	163