


# Islamic State – where key countries stand


## Countries taking part in air strikes in Syria

 **Saudi Arabia, Jordan, UAE and Bahrain** participating in U.S.-led operations against **Islamic State (IS)**. **Qatar** plays supporting role

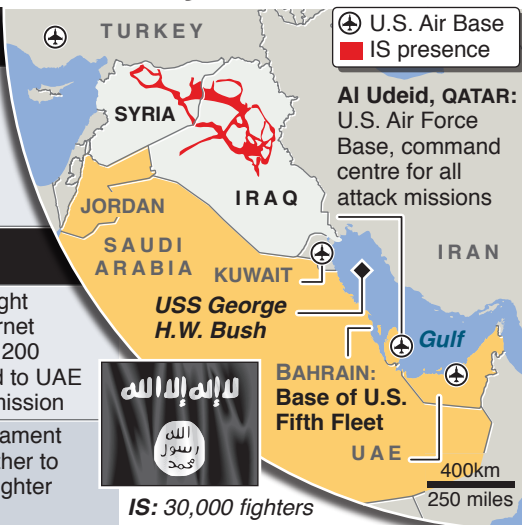
## Countries participating in fight against IS in Iraq

 **AUSTRALIA:** Eight F-18 Super Hornet fighter jets and 200 special forces pre-deployed to UAE ahead of decision on Iraq mission

 **BELGIUM:** Parliament to vote on whether to send six F-16 fighter jets for operations in Iraq

 **BRITAIN:** Parliament to vote on request from Iraqi government for air strikes against IS. **Government has not ruled out action in Syria**

 **FRANCE:** Rafale fighter jets carrying out air strikes in Iraq since Sep 19.  
**Considering extending air strikes to Syria in wake of beheading of French citizen by IS-linked militants in Algeria**



 **NETHERLANDS:**  
To send six F-16 fighters to base in Jordan for deployment over Iraq as well as 250 military personnel and 130 trainers for Iraqi and Kurdish military

 **TURKEY:** Release by IS last week of 46 Turkish hostages held in Iraq is intensifying pressure on President **Recep Tayyip Erdogan** to join fight against IS