

# U.S. strikes Iran-backed militia

The U.S. has launched a second round of air strikes against Iran-backed militia in Iraq and Syria at the direction of President Joe Biden, this time in response to drone attacks against U.S. personnel in Iraq

**Jun 28, 01.00 (local time): U.S. attacks weapons storage facilities at two locations in Syria and one location in Iraq. Five militants killed, according to monitoring group\***

**Feb 26:** Biden orders retaliatory strikes against militias whose attacks on Irbil airport had killed one civilian contractor and wounded U.S. service member



**Areas of control: As of Apr 2021**

- Syrian government and allies
- Kurdish forces
- Turkish-backed Syrian rebels and Turkish forces
- Syrian opposition forces
- Iraqi government

**U.S. military bases**

U.S. officials believe Iran is behind ramp-up in increasingly sophisticated drone attacks and periodic rocket fire against U.S. personnel and facilities in Iraq

*\*Syrian Observatory for Human Rights*