

# September 6-9 U.S. Central Command Update

From U.S. Central Command

**Sept 9, 2024**

TAMPA, Fla. – In the past 24 hours, U.S. Central Command (USCENTCOM) forces successfully destroyed two Iranian-backed Houthi missile systems and one support vehicle in Houthi-controlled areas of Yemen.

Additionally, USCENTCOM forces successfully destroyed one Houthi unmanned aerial vehicle over the Red Sea.

It was determined these systems presented a clear and imminent threat to U.S. and coalition forces, and merchant vessels in the region. These actions were taken to protect freedom of navigation and make international waters safer and more secure for U.S., coalition and merchant vessels.

**Sept 8, 2024**

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**Sep. 6, 2024**

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Houthi uncrewed aerial vehicle and one support vehicle in a Houthi-controlled area of Yemen.

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## Flag Officer Announcement



Commander, SEVENTH Fleet Vice Admiral Karl Thomas

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08 March 2023

Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III announced today that the president has made the following nomination:

Navy Vice Adm. Karl O. Thomas for reappointment to the grade

of vice admiral, and assignment as deputy chief of naval operations for information warfare, N2/N6, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations; and director of naval intelligence, Washington, D.C. Thomas is currently serving as commander, Seventh Fleet, Yokosuka, Japan.