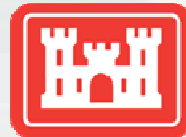




Diving Operations begin at Mosul Dam Bottom Outlet Structure



Who: USACE Mosul Dam Task Force with partners Trevi, Seli, Drafinsub.

Why: In support of Operation Inherent Resolve.

What: Diving in support of the Bottom Outlet Structure Rehabilitation Mission which includes inspection, testing and repair of four bulkheads.

When: First day of diving - Monday, 16 January 2017.

Where: Mosul Dam, Iraq.



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Drafinsub dive supervisor “Charlie” Ahmed and project manager Marco Vacchieri directing divers and tenders.



Mosul Dam

Controlled by:
 ● Islamic State jihadists
 ■ Kurdish peshmarga fighters

Iraq's largest dam

- Length: 3,650 m
- Height: 112 m
- Capacity: 1,000 MW

Provides electricity and irrigation water for farming

If it were breached, a 20 metre-high wave would hit Mosul

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Diving in the shadow of Mosul Dam's powerhouse intake structure on board the MM Drafinsub Raffaella.

