

# The Camp Strike

Four MQ-9 reapers were selected to strike a remote jihadi training facility located in a deep canyon with a valley floor just 15 feet wide. The jihadi were in two camps, A and B, two to three miles apart. To ensure surprise, both camps had to be struck simultaneously.

**1** Reapers One, Two, and Three were flown by squadrons in the same location. Reaper Four was controlled by a squadron in another location. Together they were armed with two 500-pound GBU-12 laser-guided bombs and 16 Hellfire missiles.

Reaper  
Three

Reaper  
Two

**2** Reapers One and Four attacked Camp A with 500-pound bombs.

Camp B

Reaper  
One

Reaper  
Four

**3** Reaper One passed bombs-on-target information to Reapers Two and Three, which were targeting Camp B with four Hellfire missiles. During the initial strike, all six munitions struck within a second of each other.

Camp A

**4** Prior planning, internal communication, near real-time-data sharing, and follow-on-attacks enabled the four Reapers to eliminate 85 percent of the enemy group and wound the other 15 percent.