Dozens Of Defeated ISIS Cowards Captured Trying To Hide Among Women And Children

mission to recapture territory near the Euphrates River valley from ISIS, U.S. and coalition forces dropped thousands of leaflets on cities and towns in order to demoralize ISIS fighters and give civilians an opportunity to evacuate the area before fighting occurs. Operation Inherent Resolve spokesman U.S. Army Col. Steve Warren told reporters that as many as 35,000 civilians have been able to flee the area in response.

"The ISF detained 149 ISIL [ISIS] fighters who were attempting to blend in among the fleeing civilians," said Warren during a Wednesday press conference at the Pentagon. "These cowards are now in ISF custody and will be prosecuted by the Iraqi government."

The pamphlets gave civilians instructions on where to they could seek safety and read "CTS Lions are close," an apparent reference to Iraq's elite