

**Mr. Torrealta,**

In response to your query I can provide you with the following:

Only conventional munitions were used during the Gulf War in 1991. The U.S maintains a number of munitions that have an explosive capability of 5000 pounds and larger. It is not possible for us to confirm the exact incident that you are referring to, but if a large bomb was dropped in that location it is reasonable to assume that the detonation would register on seismological detection equipment. Again, only conventional munitions were used during the 1991 Gulf War.

Regards

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**Mr. Torrealta:**

You can find the Gulf War Air Power Survey -- which is the US Air Force Historical Studies Office's definitive study on the subject, at the following link:

<http://www.airforcehistory.hq.af.mil/Publications/Annotations/gwaps.htm>

This is the most comprehensive publication on types of air munitions used during that war. Several of its volumes describe the use of BLU-82 bombs, which are 15,000 pound munitions. They are conventional weapons.

You can probably get more detailed information from the Air Force Historical Studies Office, but I would reiterate what LTC King told you -- we only used conventional munitions during the 1991 Gulf War.

v/r,

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