



NATO and Libya



Operational Media Update for 19 JUNE

20 June. Allied Joint Force Command NAPLES, SHAPE, NATO HQ
(more information: www.jfcnaples.nato.int)

Mission

NATO took control of all military operations for Libya under United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1970 & 1973 on 31 March 2011. The aim of Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR is to protect civilians and civilian-populated areas under attack or threat of attack.

The mission consists of three elements: an arms embargo, a no-fly-zone and actions to protect civilians from attack or the threat of attack.

Over the past 24 hours, NATO has conducted the following activities associated with Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR:

Air Operations

Since the beginning of the NATO operation (31 March 2011, 08.00GMT) a total of **11781** sorties, including **4469** strike sorties*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 19 JUNE: **137**

Strike sorties conducted 19 JUNE: **60**

**Strike sorties are intended to identify and engage appropriate targets, but do not necessarily deploy munitions each time.*

Key Hits

19 JUNE: In the vicinity of **Tripoli:** **1** Military Vehicle Storage Facility, **2** Surface-To-Air Missile Guidance Radars. In the vicinity of **Misratah:** **2** Rocket Launchers, **1** Truck-Mounted Gun, **3** Tanks, **3** Anti-Aircraft Artillery Pieces, **1** Military Logistic Truck. In the vicinity of **Sebha:** **1** Command & Control Node.

Arms Embargo Activities

A total of **20** ships under NATO command are actively patrolling the Central Mediterranean.

10 Vessels were hailed on 19 JUNE to determine destination and cargo. **3** boardings (no denials) were conducted.

A total of **1439** vessels have been hailed, **105** boardings and **8** denials have been conducted since the beginning of arms embargo operations.

International Humanitarian Assistance Movements as recorded by NATO

Total of Humanitarian Movements***: **381** (air, ground, maritime)

Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 19 JUNE: **1**

Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 19 JUNE: **4**

****Some humanitarian movements cover several days.*

Command and Control

NATO's operational commander for Operation Unified Protector is **Lieutenant-General Charles Bouchard** of the Canadian Air Force. His office and staff is located at the Allied Joint Force Command Naples.

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