



# NATO and Libya



## Operational Media Update for 16 JUNE

**17 June.** Allied Joint Force Command NAPLES, SHAPE, NATO HQ  
(more information: [www.jfcnaples.nato.int](http://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 **11387** sorties, including **4307** strike sorties\*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 16 JUNE: **146**  
Strike sorties conducted 16 JUNE: **51**

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

### Key Hits

**16 JUNE:** In **Tripoli:** **1** Vehicle Storage and Maintenance Facility. In the vicinity of **Tripoli:** **1** Surface-To-Air Missile Launcher with Loader Vehicle. In the vicinity of **Brega:** **7** Truck-Mounted Guns, **3** Tanks. In the vicinity of **Waddan:** **1** Ammunition Storage Facility. In the vicinity of **Misratah:** **5** Truck-Mounted Guns. In the vicinity of **Zintan:** **2** Truck-Mounted Guns, **1** Fuel Truck.

### Arms Embargo Activities

A total of **18** ships under NATO command are actively patrolling the Central Mediterranean.

**23** Vessels were hailed on 16 JUNE to determine destination and cargo. **4** boardings (no denials) were conducted.

A total of **1392** vessels have been hailed, **100** 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\*\*\*: **366** (air, ground, maritime)

Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 16 JUNE: **1**

Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 16 JUNE: **3**

*\*\*\*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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