



# NATO and Libya



## Operational Media Update for 21 JUNE

**22 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 **12070** sorties, including **4569** strike sorties\*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 21 JUNE: **140**

Strike sorties conducted 21 JUNE: **48**

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

### Key Hits

**21 JUNE:** In the vicinity of **Tripoli:** **3** Surface-To-Air Missile Launchers, **1** Self-Propelled Anti-Aircraft Gun. In the vicinity of **Nalut:** **5** Truck-Mounted Guns, **1** Armoured Personnel Carrier, **2** Anti-Aircraft Guns. In the vicinity of **Zlitan:** **1** Truck-Mounted Gun, **1** Military Camp comprising **6** Truck-Mounted Guns, **2** Military Trucks and **12** Shelters. In the vicinity of **Zintan:** **1** Rocket Launcher, **2** Anti-Aircraft Guns, **3** Surface-To-Air Missile Loader Vehicles.

### Arms Embargo Activities

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

**20** Vessels were hailed on 21 JUNE to determine destination and cargo. **3** boardings (no denials) were conducted.

A total of **1472** vessels have been hailed, **109** 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\*\*\*: **391** (air, ground, maritime)

Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 21 JUNE: **1**

Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 21 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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