



# NATO and Libya

## Operational Media Update

### For 03 AUGUST



**04 August.** 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, 06.00GMT) a total of **17,691** sorties, including **6,701** strike sorties\*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 03 AUGUST: **125**

Strike sorties conducted 03 AUGUST: **53**

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

#### **Key Hits 03 AUGUST:**

In the vicinity of **Bir Al Ghanam**: **2** Armed Vehicles.

In the vicinity of **Brega**: **1** Military Facilities, **1** Multiple Rocket Launch System, **1** Mortar, **1** Anti Aircraft Artillery, **1** Surface to Air Missile.

In the vicinity of **Tripoli**: **2** Military Facilities, **2** Radars, **1** Anti Aircraft System.

In the vicinity of **Zintan**: **1** Military Facility, **1** Command and Control Node.

In the vicinity of **Zlitan**: **3** Command and Control Node, **1** Ammunition Storage Facility, **2** Military Facility.

#### **Arms Embargo Activities**

A total of **17** ships under NATO command are actively patrolling the Central Mediterranean.

**13** Vessels were hailed on 03 AUGUST to determine destination and cargo. **2** boardings (**no** denials) were conducted.

A total of **2066** vessels have been hailed, **206** boardings and **9** denials have been conducted since the beginning of arms embargo operations.

#### **International Humanitarian Assistance Movements as recorded by NATO**

Total of Humanitarian Movements\*\*: **722** (air, ground, maritime)

Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 03 AUGUST: **3**

Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 03 AUGUST: **7**

*\*\*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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