



NATO and Libya



Operational Media Update For 03 JULY

04 July. Allied Joint Force Command NAPLES, SHAPE, NATO HQ
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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 **13,728** sorties, including **5,170** strike sorties*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 03 JULY: **143**

Strike sorties conducted 03 JULY: **71**

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

Key Hits

03 JULY: In the vicinity of **Tripoli** 1 Armoured Fighting Vehicle, 1 Anti Aircraft Gun, 2 Command and Control buildings. In the vicinity of **Brega**: 13 Armed Vehicles, 2 Command and Control nodes, 2 Military Storage Facility, 1 Tank, 1 Artillery piece. In the vicinity of **Waddan**: 1 Military Storage Facility. In the vicinity of **Misurata**: 2 Armed Vehicles, 1 Anti Aircraft Gun. In the vicinity of **Abu Qurayn**: 1 Armoured Fighting Vehicle. In the vicinity of **Sirte**: 1 Tank. In the vicinity of **Gharyan**: 1 Armed Vehicle. In the vicinity of **Zuwarah**: 3 Armed Vehicles.

Arms Embargo Activities

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

17 Vessels were hailed on 03 JULY to determine destination and cargo. **0** boardings (**no** denials) were conducted.

A total of **1624** vessels have been hailed, **142** 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**: **444** (air, ground, maritime)

Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 03 JULY: **2**

Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 03 JULY: **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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