

NATO and Libya



Operational Media Update for 22 JUNE

23 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 **12198** sorties, including **4613** strike sorties*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 22 JUNE: **128**Strike sorties conducted 22 JUNE: **44**

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

Key Hits

22 JUNE: In the vicinity of **Tripoli: 1** Radar , 1 Command and Control Node . In the vicinity of **Jadu: 1** Ammunition Storage . In the vicinity of **Zlitan: 13** Armed Vehicules , **1** Armoured Personnel Carrier , **1** Rocket Launcher . In the vicinity of **Zintan: 1** Surface-To-Air Missile Loader . In the vicinity of **Misratah: 1** Command and Control Node comprising 2 Radar Towers.

Arms Embargo Activities

A total of **20** ships under NATO command are actively patrolling the Central Mediterranean. **14** Vessels were hailed on 22 JUNE to determine destination and cargo. **5** boardings (no denials) were conducted.

A total of **1486** vessels have been hailed, **114** 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***: **400** (air, ground, maritime) Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 22 JUNE: **4** Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 22 JUNE: **5**

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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^{***}Some humanitarian movements cover several days.