

# Kiowa: Operation Silent Thunder

## Mission 03: Dawn's Light

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### Situation

It was sheer bad luck that the strike on the hippodrome safehouse resulted in the escape of both high value targets. Rashid Elsayed escaped to the East and is believed headed into Syria presumably establishing a safe area of operations for Al-Zalam. The businessman blended back into his everyday cover within Beirut and was seen several times entering and exiting his place of business in East Central Beitut. We understand now why he remained. This morning, Faheem is going to purchase bomb-making materials at the port. We know the materials have traveled into port onboard the Bulker Ship Baltic Cove. We believe the Cove will transfer those materials to a fast moving speedboat.



That boat will rendezvous with Faheem in port.

Faheem never travels without his bodyguard, a former Lebanese hitman with a fearsome reputation. In addition to a personal protector, Faheem often travels with at least one additional truck full of armed insurgents. Expect the rendezvous to be a crowded spot.

We need Hamza Faheem eliminated. We need him eliminated along with the bomb making materials.

If Faheem is not stopped, his plans are to transport bomb components back to his storefront. Once there, he will store the components until the scheduled handoff to Al-Zalam can be arranged. We cannot allow Faheem or these components to leave that port.

### **Blue Task**

Travel into Beirut harbor and search for a high speed boat traveling into the Port of Beirut. This boat will lead you to Faheem. You will be given a weapons hot permission to engage once we verify targets. Once you receive that radio call, engage Faheem and destroy him, the contraband as well as the speedboat. You should engage from a position of safety out over the harbor. Do not let Faheem see you or he'll spook for sure and we'll lose this opportunity.

We fully expect an unmarked convoy surrounding Faheem. They will be armed so be prepared for small arms fire, possibly even RPGs. It is unknown if any QRF's will be in the area to join the fight, so we want to make this as quick as possible. Keep your heads on a swivel.

We are already working with Seal Team 7 to take down the tanker and search for any intel that might come in useful for further operations. The Navy will provide further details at a later time. Once the objectives are complete, RTB to the Tarawa.

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MISSION: Eliminate Hamza Faheem, the bomb making materials, and the speedboat

### Mission Elements

- [-01-] Cold start from Tarawa
- [-02-] Travel to Beirut Harbor
- [-03-] Locate the Bulker Ship Baltic Wind
- [-04-] Identify and track speedboat into port
- [-05-] Once cleared Hot, eliminate Faheem
- [-06-] Return to Tarawa

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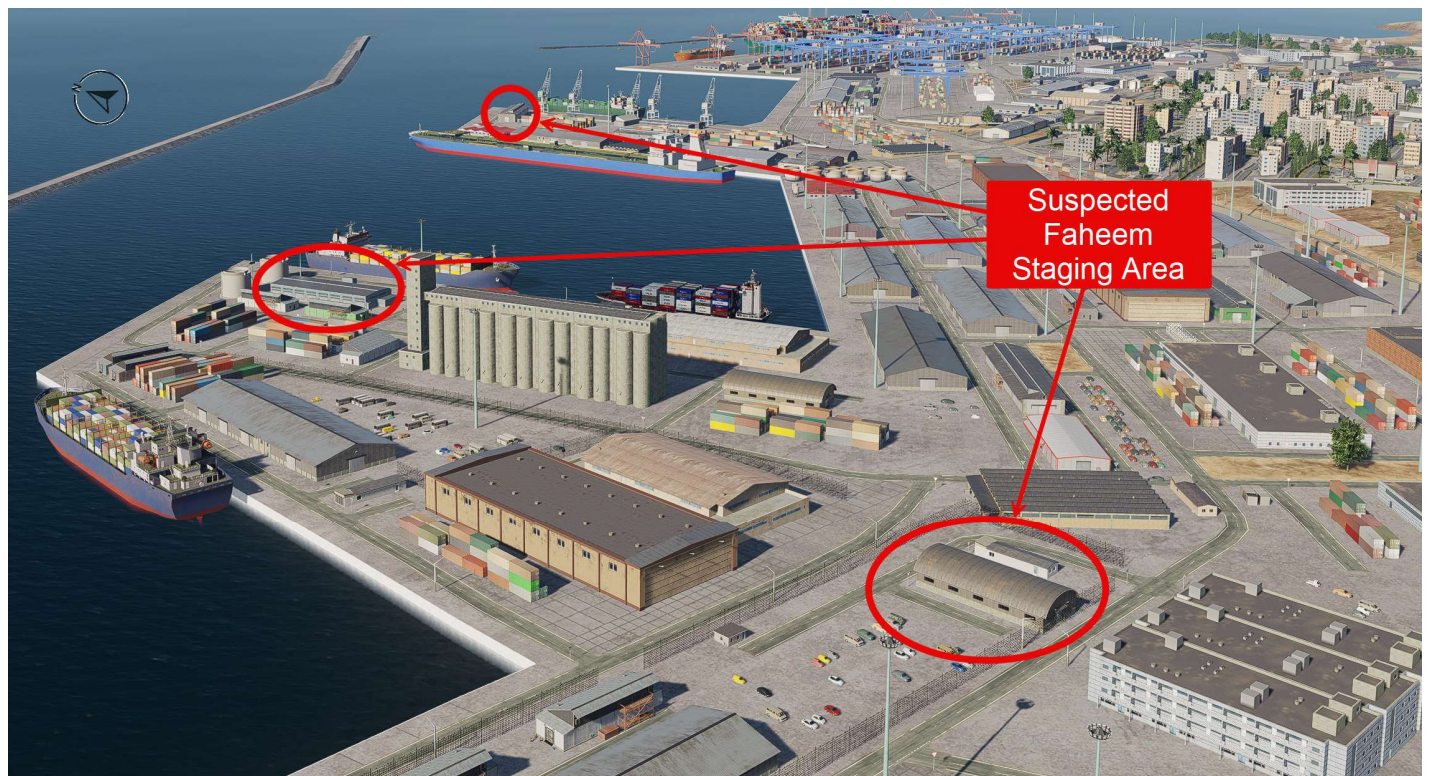
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