

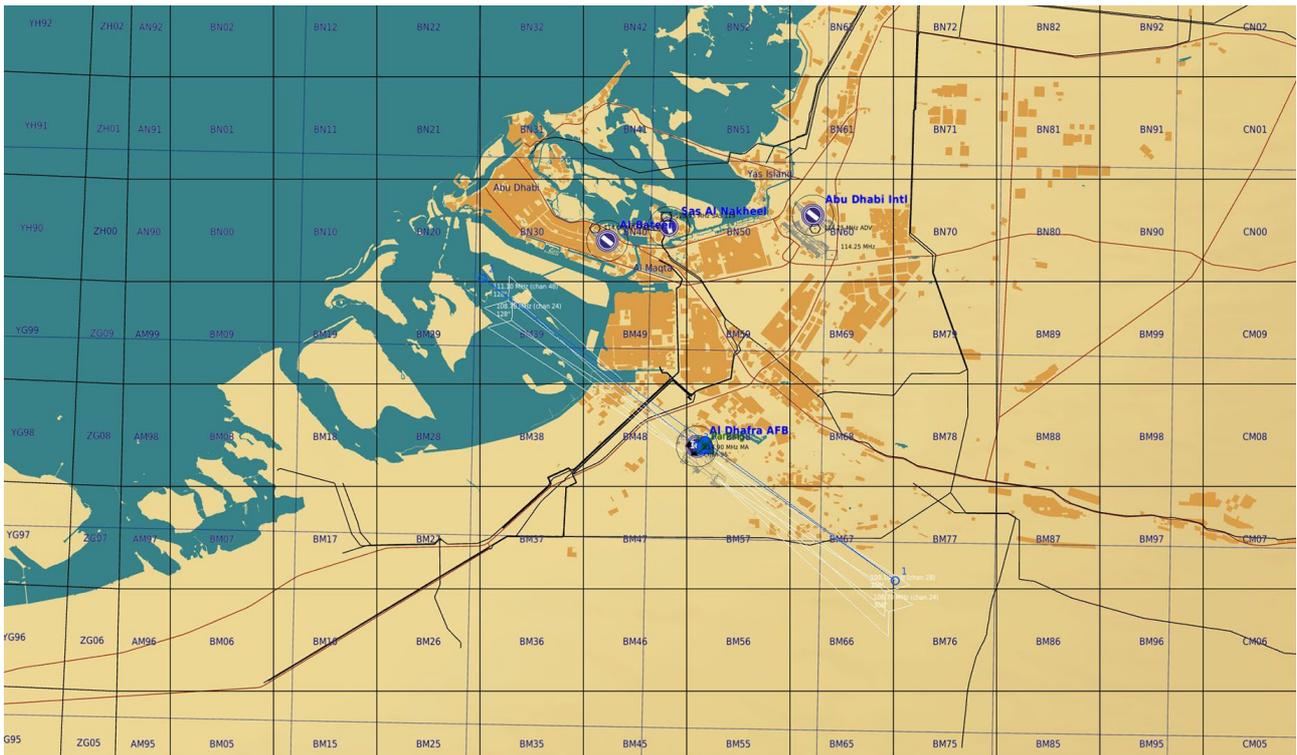


Mission 4, A welcome partnership

70mn

6th of June 1992

Finally, behind the scenes, Saudi Arabia woke up. Not for a direct military support but rather for a joint training. It is just a first step but valuable. Royal Saudi Air Force (RSAF) is the most powerful in the area and has exclusive assets : E-3 Sentry, KC-130, F-15, ... Even indirectly, Saudi Arabia could be helpful in the coming days.



Briefing

Escorted by a F-15 patrol, a Saudi KC-130 (codenamed Texaco) is available to practice IFR (in-flight refueling). It is new for UAEAF and you are the first pilot today to experiment that. Your internal tank is full and your external 13001 tank is empty. Your take-off is scheduled for dawn. Keep your radar silent for training. To reach the tanker, Ops Center will drive you by radio as for a GCI (Ground-controlled interception) providing BRA (Bearing, Range and Altitude). The aim is to quickly join your target and fully refuel your plane before coming back to Al Dhafra.

A Mirage 2000 CAP (Uzi 2) will take off just before you and will watch Abu Musa zone.

Mission starting at **05:20 am**

- WP1** 300 kt / 5 000 ft
- Tanker search** 450 kt / BRA provided by Ops Center
- WP2** 300 kt / 5 000 ft
- WP3** Al Dhafra Air Base

Radio frequencies

Al Dhafra Tower	126.50	Green Radio Channel 1
Al Minhad Tower	118.55	Green Radio Channel 2
Ground units	257.00	Green Radio Channel 3
Naval units	258.00	Green Radio Channel 4
Texaco (Tanker)	255.00	Green Radio Channel 6
Civilian guard freq	121.50	Green Radio Channel 8
Military guard freq	243.00	Green Radio Channel 9
Mission (Ops Center & Air units)	251.00	Red Radio Channel 1

For takeoff and landing, use the standard F5 ATC radio menu !

This is a **cold** start by night.

To complete this mission you will need to join Texaco, **completely refuel**, then land at Al Dhafra Air Base and park your plane to the assigned location (70).

Advice

Be sure to know the inner and outer lights switches of your plane. A key shortcut to switch on the torch could be a good idea to start in the dark.

Use the standard F6 radio menu for refueling.

In Flight Refueling is a tricky thing, especially with a slow tanker like the KC-130. If you're not fully comfortable, play the "M2000C The Pebble of Discord M04 TRAINING.miz" mission available in the campaign zip file. Starting directly 10nm behind the tanker at the same altitude, you can practise as much as you want.

References

RSAF is still using F-15s and KC-130s in 2022. F-15 was introduced in RSAF in 1981, KC-130 in 1973.

(Kneeboard available in flight)

Airfield

	Alt	Radio	Runway	TACAN	ILS
Al Dhafra AB	52 ft	126.50	128°	96X	109.10
Al Minhad AB	172 ft	118.55	90°	99X	110.70

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Package

Codename	Aircraft	Country	Role	Ordnance
Uzi 1	M2000C	UAE	IFR	R550 Magic II x 2 Super 530D x 2 13001 tank x 1 (empty)
Uzi 2	M2000C x 2	UAE	CAP	R550 Magic II x 2 Super 530D x 2 13001 tank x 1
Texaco	KC-130	SA	Tanker	

Flight plan

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Notes

Assigned location at Al Dhafra Air Base -> 7D !