The Search for Canyon Ether

Briefing

Two hours ago, the Canyon Ether (an Oil Tanker) raised a MAYDAY call, reporting that they were being surrounded by several small armed speedboats flying Iranian flags. The crew quickly stopped responding, and the ship transponder went quiet.

Given the vicinity of the vessel to Iranian Islands (Abu Musa, Greater Tunb, Lesser Tunb), the situation is deemed too urgent to wait for naval support to investigate.

The goal of this mission is to locate the tanker and await further instructions.

The Canyon Ether

Mission Plan

- Depart Al Minhad
- Fly to search area
- Locate the Canyon Ether

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BQ30
BQ40
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BQ60
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BQ80
BQ90
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BP89
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CP09
BP18
BP28
BP38
BP48
BP58
BP68
BP78
BP88
BP98
CP08
BP17
BP27
BP57
BP67
BP77
BP87
BP97
CP07
Last Known Location
Siri Island
BP16
BP26
BP56
BP66
BP76
BP86
BP96
Search Area
BP15
BP35
BP45
BP55
BP65
BP75
BP85
BP95
CP05
BP14
BP24
BP34
BP44
BP54
BP64
BP74
BP84
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CP03
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BP82
BP92
Possible Routes

Identifying Features

Expected direction of travel: roughly East

Loadout

Loadout consists of:

- 2x AGM-88 HARM
- 3x AGM-65D Mavericks
- 2x AIM-9X Sidewinders
- 2x AIM-120C AMRAAM
- AN/ALQ-184 ECM Pod
- Litening Targeting Pod
- AN/ASQ-213 HTS
- Centre Fuel Pod

Loadout is asymmetric; take-off will require care.

Weather Conditions

The weather is quite poor. Overcast with rain. Expect to require low fly-bys to ID tanker.

Important Radio Frequencies

Al Minhad AFB Tower: 250.100 MHz
Al Minhad ILS (Runway 9): 110.70 MHz
Al Minhad ILS (Runway 27): 110.75 MHz

Sound Settings

The voice-overs will provide guidance on your tasks… Volume settings are difficult to get correct for all users, but these were the settings used in testing.