

# OPERATION GULF GUARDIAN

MISSION 02 - The COBALT CAP



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## MISSION OBJECTIVES

Conduct a combat air patrol in the Persian Gulf, ensuring the sovereignty of UAE airspace, plus the safety of civilian shipping traffic.

## WEATHER AND NOTAMS

A strong high-pressure system remains over the region, with good VFR weather expected for the next 8 hours. An approaching low will start to bring lower ceilings and wind later tonight and into the evening.

Visibilities will be 8+ SM in haze.

Expect light-moderate turbulence below 6000 feet.

METAR OMDM 031200Z 27008KT 10SM SCT180 37/6 A3001

METAR OMDB 03110Z 24005KT 8SM FEW180 SCT250 39/10 A3000

METAR OMSJ 03110Z 27018KT 8SM FEW90 SCT230 39/10 A2999

TAF OMDM 031100Z 0303/0406 27010KT P6SM FEW0100 FEW250

TEMPO 0606/0706 4SM HZ SCT008 BKN020 OVC040 PROB30

0106/0206 BKN008 OVC090

RMK NXT FCST BY 031800Z=

### INTELLIGENCE UPDATE - IRAN

Iranian forces are conducting regular combat air patrols within the Iranian ADIZ in the southern gulf and strait of Hormuz.

Iranian Naval assets are patrolling the southern gulf as well, including Frigates fast attack groups.

Coalition air forces have committed to doing the same.

However, the Iranians continue to bolster their presence near the Persian Gulf, with 2 additional F-4 Fighter Squadrons deployed to Bandar Abbas.

An F-5 QRA has also been established on Sirri Island, though no flights have been conducted from here so far.

### INTELLIGENCE UPDATE - IRAQ

The Iraqi navy is remaining in the northern Gulf and does not pose a threat in the Qatar/Dubai/Khasab region.

The Iraqi Air Force has been not seen south of Qatar for the last 24 hours since the intercept, and likely will remain clear of the area for the foreseeable future.

## RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

ROE WEAPONS TIGHT. DO NOT FIRE UNLESS FIRED UPON OR DIRECTED BY GUARDIAN VIA FOCUS CONTROL.

## MISSION PLANNING

MISSION NUMBER - HB2001X

Conduct a Combat Air Patrol between point COBALT (WP1) and NICKEL (WP2).

Arrive in the COBALT CAP no later than 17:10 local.  
Initial vul time 30 minutes.

Tank at WP3 then CAP in the COBALT CAP for another 30 minutes.

Strict adherence to times over waypoints and time over target is essential.

STEP - 12:10z 16:10 LOCAL  
START - 12:30Z 16:30 LOCAL  
TAXI - 12:55Z 16:55 LOCAL  
START CAP - 13:10Z 17:10 LOCAL  
BINGO - 3500 LBS  
JOKER - 4500 LBS

BULLSEYE - SHARJAH TACAN (116X)  
BULLSEYE - N 25°01 E 55°22

EXPECTED MISSION LENGTH: 1 HOUR 5 MINUTES.

NOTAMS: TAXIWAY D, E, F CLOSED  
TWR FREQ 119.7 U/S UFN

#### DEPARTURE PROCEDURE

- CONTACT GROUND FOR IFR CLEARANCE PRIOR TO TAXI.
- EXPECT SEFIX 3 DEPARTURE.
- SWITCH TO DEPARTURE AS INSTRUCTED BY ATC.

#### ARRIVAL PROCEDURE

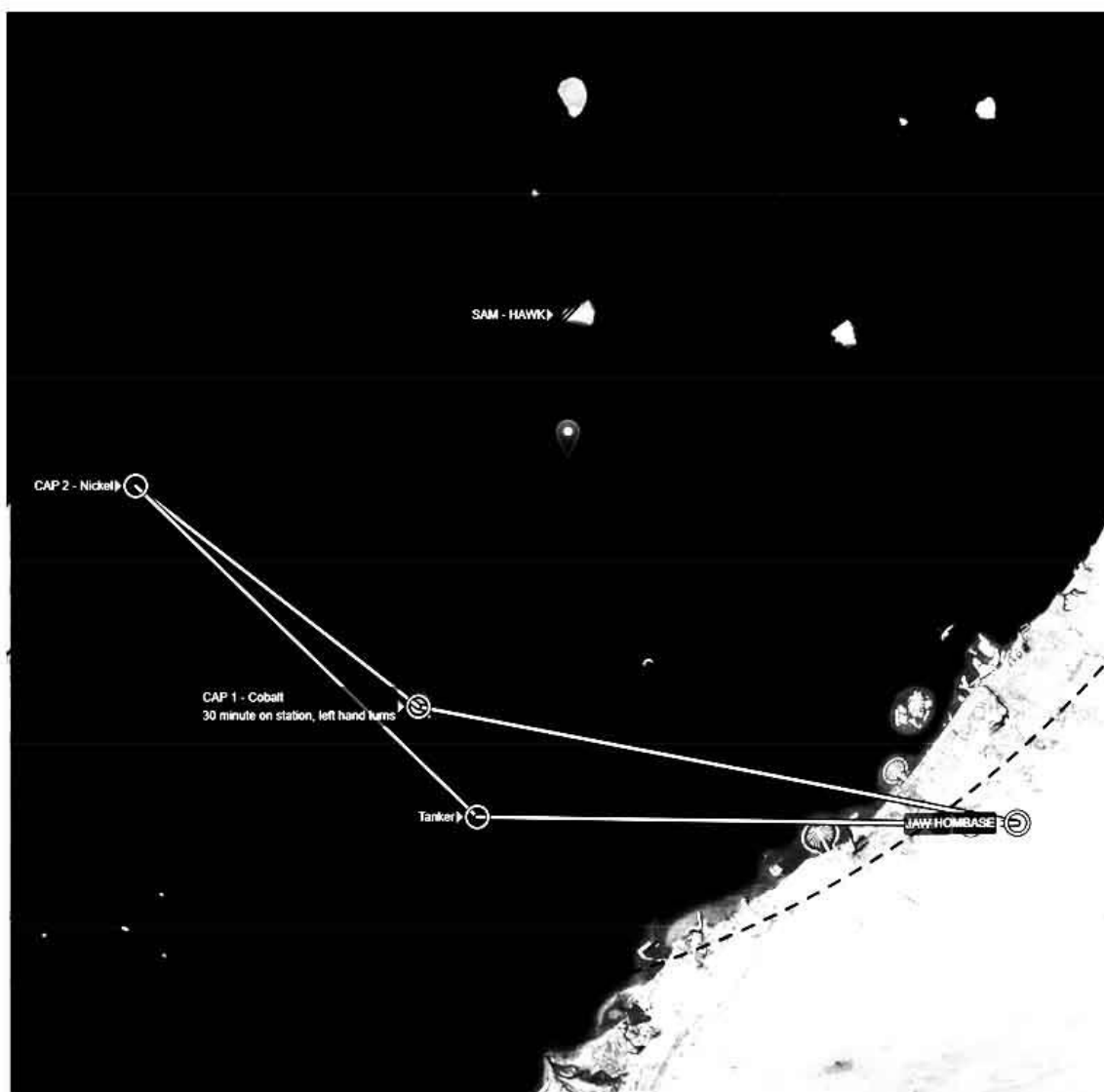
- EXPECT OVERHEAD BREAK RUNWAY 09 (BREAK TO LEFT).
- EXPEDITE EXITING THE RUNWAY.
- TAXI INTO RAMP, PARK SAME SPOT AS DEPARTED.

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CALLSIGN	MISSION	CLEARANCE	MODE 3	JOKER	BINGO
FORD 5	#B2001x	SEFIX 3	4755	4500	3500
STEP	START	TAXI	TAKEOFF	ALTERNATE	DIVERT FUEL
1645	1630	1650	1655	OWSJ	2000
ATIS	INFO				
J	070/15 5500f, 17000 scf 41/12 29.92				
DEP	RWYHDG 10000 RT D> COBALT (WP1)				
C/S	PILOT	WSO	M1	A/A TCN	TAIL
FORD 51	SPARKY	JESTER	36	26Y	
FORD 52	PICKLE	RICO	37	89X	

DEST	LATTITUDE	LONGITUDE	NOTES	TANKER	
BULLSEYE	N 25°20'49	E 55°22'30	SJH 000/0	CALLSIGN	TEXACO 11
MINHAD	N 25°01'37	E 55°23'41	MIN 000/0	TRACK	COBALT
JAWBN	N 25°01'33	E 55°16'39	MIN 270/7	ALTITUDE	24000
SEFIX	N 25°01'48	E 55°31'35	MIN 090/7	FREQ	284.3
ARRIS	N 25°11'58	E 55°23'48	MIN 360/10	TACAN	11X
DARCY	N 24°51'28	E 55°23'51	MIN 180/10	AUTHENTICATION	
				6D	N5
CAP 1 (COBALT)	N25° 14	E 54° 13	MIN 284/47	9K	C1
CAP 2 (NICKEL)	N25° 37	E 53° 40	MIN 291/101	NOTES	
ADDITIONAL INFO				FOCUS MODE 3 0355	
FOCUS CH.14 ACTIVE (A64.2)				TEXACO MODE 3 0377	
ROE WEAPONS HOLD				ROCK AUX 10-19	
OVERHEAD BREAK 09 LEFT HAND				SJH TACAN 116X	
DIVERT KSB, SJH, DHAFRA OR DXB ONLY				APP/DEP U/S	

GULF GUARDIAN NAV LOG								
WP	FROM/TO	ALT	MAG HDG	DIST	G/S	TIME ENROUTE	ETA	NOTES
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1	CAP1 CBLT	24000	278	64	460	08:21	17:03:21	30 VUL
2	CAP2 NCKL	24000	305	37	460	04:50	17:08:10	
3	TANKER	24000	131	49	460	06:23	17:14:34	17:45
4	JAWBN	3000	88	51	350	08:45	17:23:18	
5	HOMEBASE	/	87	4.9	300	00:59	17:24:17	





FREQUENCY LINEUP JANUARY 03					
MAIN			AUX		
CH.	FREQ.	USE	CH.	FREQ	USE
1	387.7	SQLN CMN	1	387.7	SQLN CMN
2	257.3	GROUND	2	265.05	WING CMD
3	376.7	TOWER	3	376.7	TOWER
4	282.05	DEF	4	266.1	ATIS
5	285.65	APP	5	277.4	TAC-1
6	375.15	SOF	6	269.6	JOKE
7	273.85	PAR 1	7	273.2	WHIDBEY 1
8	234.2	EMIR.RADAR	8	267.8	WHIDBEY 2
9	284.3	TKR CMN	9	272.1	SNOWBIRD 1
10	376.125	GUARDIAN	10	272.2	SNOWBIRD 2
11	266.1	MIN ATIS	11	267.1	CRAZYNIGHT
12	363.3	MAHDAB LL	12	284.6	DUDE OPS
13	364.2	HQ NET 1	13	273.7	MILLER OPS
14	313.925	HQ NET 2	14	268.7	STINGER OPS
15	273.15	HQ NET 3	15	277.6	ORANGE
16	302.75	HQ NET 4	16	270.2	PURPLE
17	319.925	HQ NET 5	17	266.8	COLA
18	300.05	HQ TOD GEN	18	280.9	PEPPER
			19	276.2	WRAITH OPS
			20	280.7	D.RATS COC

ADDITIONAL FREQS/TACANS			
FREQ.	USE	FREQ	USE
282.8	SQLN CMN	319.9	DUBAI APP
364.2	FOCUS	251.1	DHAFRA TWR
388.9	PURPLE	250.2	SHARJ TWR
379.7	ORANGE	TACANS	OMDB TWR
363.3	LOWLVL	TACANS	
375.15	SOF	99X	MIN TACAN
279.85	PAR 1	116X	SHJ TACAN
225.1	PAR 2	96X	DFA TACAN
379.2	KHATAM RNG	118X	KHATAM RNG



## MISSION DESIGNER NOTES

Be nice to each other

Wash your hands after pooping

Try to walk at least 1 hour a day

## **US Resumes Air Missions Amidst Rising Tensions**

Washington, D.C. - The US Air Force has resumed flight operations in the Persian Gulf region following a recent incident involving Iranian fighter jets. The Pentagon maintains that the aircraft were acting in self-defence when they were forced to engage the Iranian jets.

Iran has vehemently denied any wrongdoing, claiming that the US is interfering in regional affairs. The Iranian government has called on the United Nations to pass a resolution demanding the full withdrawal of US forces from the Persian Gulf.

US administration officials have countered these allegations, warning Iran that any further aggression would be met with a swift and decisive response. They have reiterated the US commitment to protecting its interests in the region and have emphasized the nation's right to self-defence.

Dean Kaiser of the PolCo Institute has observed that while the escalating tensions between the US and Iran are concerning, there may be an unexpected beneficiary: Iraq. "Iraq has a history of exploiting regional conflicts to its advantage," Kaiser noted. "With the US and Iran locked in a standoff, Iraq may find opportunities to strengthen its position and influence in the region