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8 JUNE 15:10 Z

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MISSION OVERVIEW

In two days, the Stennis Battle Group will transit the Strait of Hormuz and take up operations in the Persian Gulf proper. In preparation for this passage, coalition forces need to neutralize Iranian threats at Bandar Abbas.

A large force strike is planned for tomorrow morning against the airfield at Bandar Abbas. Tonight, we must take out the surface to air threats in the area. The SA-2 at Qeshm Island and the Hawk battery at Bandar Abbas airfield must be destroyed prior to tomorrow's attack!

WEATHER

A weakening high system continues to remain in place over the AO, which will give us VFR conditions for the next 24-36 hours. Conditions will be, throughout the area, scattered clouds and visibility 15+ miles in haze. Winds in general will be moderate from the south east. Overnight temperatures will be in the mid 20's.

CASE III DEPARTURE

BRC: 178

LAUNCH/RECOVERY

METAR CVN74 081400Z 16007KT SCT065 27/9 A2971

TAF CVN74 081400Z 16007KT SCT065

ALT/KASAB

METAR OOKB 081400Z 16007KT SCT065

TAF OOKB 081400Z 16007KT SCT065

ALT/AL MINHAD

METAR OMDM 081400Z 16007KT SCT065

TAF OMDM 081400Z 16007KT SCT085

PLAN OF ATTACK

At 15:40 Zulu, all flights will push from their assigned holds and run into their IPs. UZI 1 will target the Hawk Battery near Bandar Abbas airfield, while UZI 2 will attack the SA-2 site at Qeshm Island.

CASKET (CF-18) and DUKE (F-14) flights will provide escort duties for both UZI flights.

The best chance of success for the HARM shots will be a high-altitude launch, preferably above 26,000 ft, speeds higher than Mach 0.9 and within 30 nautical miles of the target.

THREATS

Iranian air defense networks are on a heightened state of alert, although they have been degraded over the last several days.

SURFACE TO AIR

Iranian naval units continue to operate close to Iranian territorial waters. Some of these vessels have surface to air capability, mainly the navalized SA-8 and SA-15 variants.

The SA-2 site at Qeshm Island is active and apparently Russian advisors are manning the battery.

A HAWK site at Bandar Abbas is also active.

AIR TO AIR

The IRAF has taken a beating over the two weeks, but remains a potent threat to coalition operations. Multiple F-4E CAP flights are operating from Bandar Abbas, while F-14's from Shiraz are patrolling the area.

COMMAND AND CONTROL

WIZARD will provide AEWC on button 13 to all elements of the package. All communications will be secure. Maintain radio discipline.

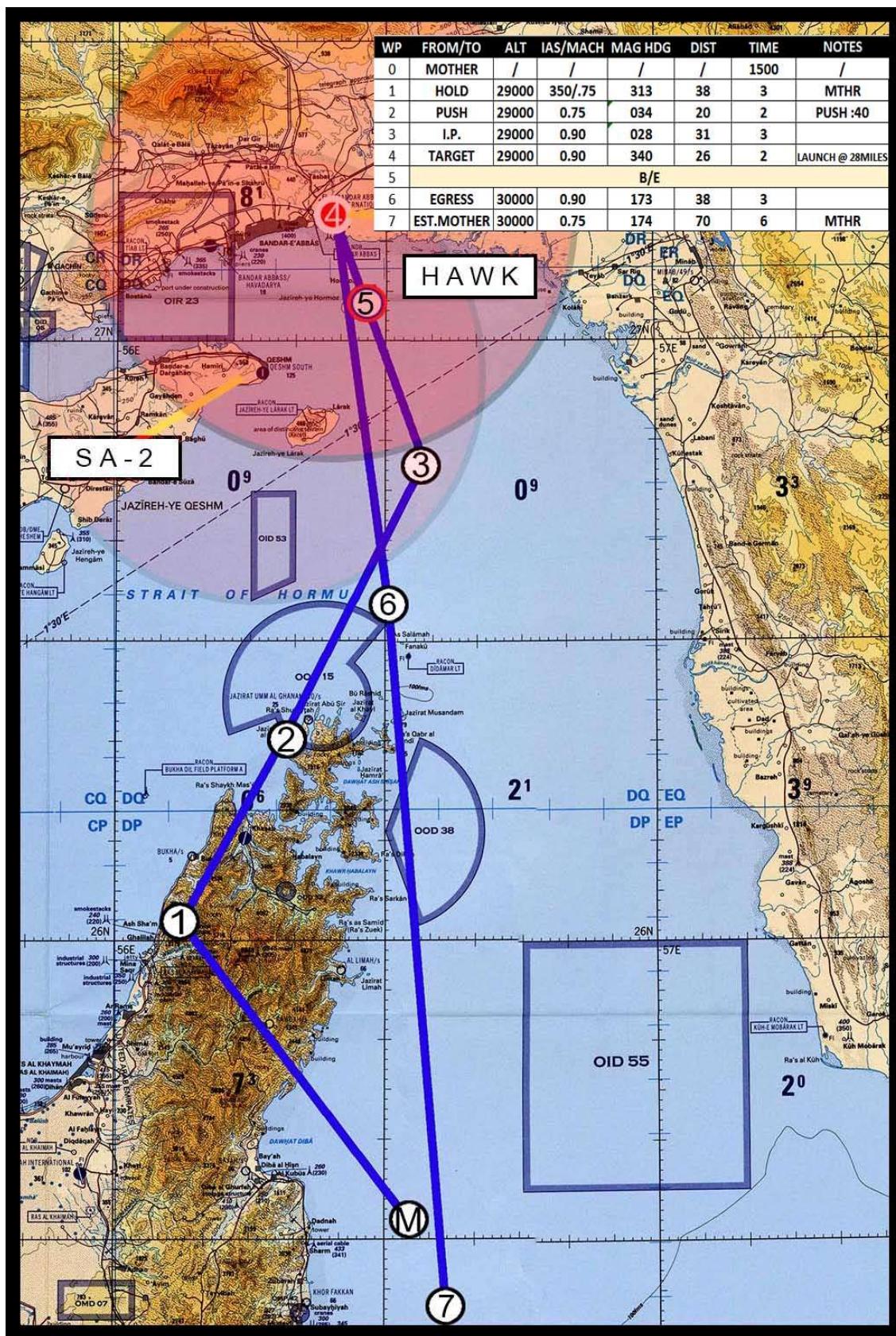
TANKERS

ARCO 11 (KC-130) will be available for all flights (Button 14 Aux, TACAN 55x) if fuel is required post-strike. The orbit will be east to west, 10 miles south of Khasab Airbase.

There will be no AAR prior to the push.

Texaco 11, an S-3B, will be orbiting MOTHER at 6000 ft emergency fuel is required at the carrier. They will be on 298.5, TACAN 31Y.

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WX								
D E P / A R R	NAME	TCN	UHF	VHF	ELV	BRC/RW	ILS	NOTES
	MOTHER	74X	384.4	139.6	0	180	CH.11	
	OOKB	85X	/	126.2	40	19	110.3	TCN U/S
F L I G H T	C/S	PILOT	TAC	TACAN	NOTES			
	UZI 11	SPARKY	356.1					
	UZI 12	BLOW	356.1					
P A C K A G E	C/S	TYPE	UHF	V/UHF	D/L	TACAN	NOTES	
	UZI 2	F-18	309.1				ARCO 21 @ 200	
	CASKT1	CF-18	309.1					
	DUKE8	F-14	309.1					
S U P P O R T	C/S	TYPE	UHF	V/UHF	D/L	TACAN	NOTES	
	WZRD	E-2	309.1	139.3	127			
	VACM	EC130	309.1	142.7				
	ARCO21	S-3B	266.5	133.8		55 X	Mission Tanker	
	ARCO91	S-3B	298.5			31X	Recovery Tanker	

NOTES

RECOVERY TANKER ARCO 91 OVHD MTHR@6000
TACAN 31Y, 298.5

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COMM1			COMM 2			MISC		
1	265.5	CVN	1	356.1	TAC-1	OMFJ GND	311.8	121.1
2	311.3	TAC-1	2	385.5	TAC-2	OMFJ TWR	251.15	119.7
3	331.1	TAC-2	3	225.525	TAC-3	OOKB GND	361.5	121.9
4	384.4	TWR1	4	296.6	TAC-4	OOKB TWR	250.0	126.2
5	286	DEP	5	277.1	TAC-5	OMDM GND	245.55	121.4
6	369.5	MSHL	6	250.8	VFC	OMDM TWR	250.1	121.8
7	274.4	REP1	7	337.1	VFC 2	OMAM GND	337.5	121.9
8	257.5	TWR1	8	257.8	RAT 1	OMAM TWR	251.0	126.5
9	246.8	CHEER	9	234.8	RAT 2			
10	262.625	OPS	10	262.5	ARCO	DUBAI CTR W	374.5	134.1
11	259.4	BIRD	11	333.95	HMZ CMN	DUBAI CTR E	288.6	127.8
12	374.5	DOG	12	387.5	POGO			
13	309.1	WZRD	13	269.125	BLACK5	OMAN CTR W	294.5	125.5
14	131.5	WZRD	14	266.5	WHITE 2	OMAN CTR E	317.7	132.2
15	278.8	LOVE	15	134.8	ODIN			
16	228.05	MOLE	16	128.85	TAD105	NOTES		
17	361.1	TAC-3	17	267.1	TAC-6			
18	251.525	TAC-4	18	267.3	JOKE			
19	333.3	DAD	19	253.625	TAC-8			
20	300.05	STRIKE	20	266.6	HQ WOD			

CODE WORDS

MIG ALERT	BICYCLE		RADAR-AIR		SALAD
RECALL	TAGLINE		SAM THREAT		PEPPER
TOT CHANGE	ATTACHMENT		SUCCESSFUL		LAZY
EXECUTE	PIANO		UNSUCCESS		BLUE
CANCEL	SPIRAL		IRAN BORDER		TOPPING
WEATHER	BLANKET		BASE ALT		9000
BULLSEYE	DEALER		BULLSEYE LOC		WP5 / N27 03 37 E56 27 41

BOLD CHEETAH MISSION

WX	METAR CVN72 011500Z 17016KT SCT070 33/9 A2971							
D E P / A R	NAME	TCN	UHF	VHF	ELV	BRC/RWY	ILS	NOTES
	MOTHER	74X	384.4	139.6	0	180	CH.11	
	OOKB			126.2	40	19	110.3	
	OMFJ	85X	251.15		95	29	113.8	
T A K E O F	CONFIG	2/9M 1/120 2/AGM88					FUEL	
	G.WEIGHT	51899			CASE1/3	1	T/O	17500
	FUEL	17536	DRAG		CLIMB	350/.75	JOKER	7500
	WEAPONS	7727	ALOW	500	TRIM	16	BINGO	6500
	BURNER	Y	ELV MSL	0				
WP	FROM/TO	ALT	IAS/MACH	MAG HDG	DIST	TIME	NOTES	
0	MOTHER	/	/	/	/	1500	/	
1	HOLD	29000	350/.75	313	38	3	MTHR	
2	PUSH	29000	0.75	034	20	2	PUSH :40	
3	I.P.	29000	0.90	028	31	3		
4	TARGET	29000	0.90	340	26	2	LAUNCH @ 28MILES	
5	B/E							
6	EGRESS	30000	0.90	173	38	3		
7	EST.MOTHER	30000	0.75	174	70	6	MTHR	