

# OPERATION HORMUZ

## MISSION 20 STREET BATTLE

*BRIEFING MATERIAL (CLASSIFIED)*



TASK ID: FR-202307

USS CVN-71

VFA-97 WARHAWKS

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## **SITUATION UPDATE**

On Day 20, our allied forces made significant progress in their mission to take control of Bandar Abbas City. Following a successful carpet bombing strike on the city's northern strongholds last night, the Marine Corps 4th Regiment advanced southward along the canal waterway towards the coast, while the 5th and 6th Regiments continued to advance towards the downtown area from the west and east sides of the city, respectively. Our main objective was to secure the entire city, as most of the coastal regions along the Hormuz Strait were already under our control, with the exception of the Bandar Abbas City area. The offensive push resumed on the morning of Day 20, with the 4th Regiment Bravo Company launching attacks from the northwest and northeast on the west side of the city. Simultaneously, the 5th Regiment Delta and Echo Companies attacked from the west, and the 6th Regiment Hotel and India Companies attacked from the east. To support the ground forces, dozens of Close Air Support (CAS) sorties were scheduled from both the Air Force and the Navy. These aircraft were stationed in the outer ring of the Bandar Abbas Operation Area and received tasking orders from the Specialized Air Support Operations Center (SASOC), codenamed "Battle Angel" with the callsign "Knight." This coordination allowed for effective air support, helping the ground forces clear the remaining defensive strongholds inside the city and advance towards the city hall square and command center. Capturing the city hall would be a symbolic blow to the city's defense, while neutralizing the command center could effectively collapse the remaining defense forces. Although the weather had improved after a thunderstorm, broken clouds at 13,000 feet presented some challenges during CAS operations, as targeting pod views could be obstructed if aircraft flew too high. Thankfully, most of the AAAs in the open areas had been destroyed by precise airstrikes before sunrise, allowing the aircraft to descend below the clouds. However, there was still threats from MANPADS, so pilots flying across the city had to exercise extra caution. In further support of our final offensive push on the ground, the CVN-71 Strike Group arranged a four twin-ship CAS flights package among its morning sorties, bolstering the air support for our allied ground forces. The combined efforts of our ground and air forces aimed to secure the city by sunset and achieve our ultimate goal of restoring free navigation in the Hormuz Strait.



## **MISSION BRIEFING**

Hawk 1-1 is the Air Mission Commander (AMC), whilst Hawk 1-2 is the Deputy AMC. The Hawks package is assigned for CAS mission for our allied ground forces fighting inside Bandar Abbas City, with four dual-ship flight each carrying two GBU-12, one GBU-16 and two ZUNI rocket launchers. All aircraft will start cold on deck, comms check will be performed in about 1 minute after right engine started, both teams to keep PRI COMM at Green 1, and Hawk 1, Hawk 2, Hawk 3, Hawk 4 to switch AUX COMM to Yellow 1/2/3/4 respectively. A/A Bullseye point is WP2 (ROCK). Joker fuel is 5,000 lbs and Bingo fuel is 4,500 lbs. Double check with crew that the bombs' laser codes match your briefing assignment. Also remember to set your HSI Data coordinates format to LATLN SEC with PRECISE mode during cold start, the degree minute second with two decimal digits will be our default 9 Line report with JTAC. Make sure all members in Hawks flights are in your datalink network. After being cleared by the taxi director, proceed to your assigned catapult.

Case I departure, classic TACAN rendezvous at WP1 (RV) at 25,000 feet. After all Flights have regrouped, we will start pushing for WP2 (ROCK) with 0.75 Mach at 25,000 feet. During the ingress phase, we will also switch PRI COMM to Red 1 on Channel 2 and check in with Strike. Strike will assign a new altitude for us for ingress. Then before entering Bandar Abbas Operation Area, we need to switch PRI COMM to Red 2 on Channel 3 to check in with Knight. Knight is the Special Air Support Operation Center (SASOC), codenamed "Battle Angel", connotating for "Bandar Abbas". Each flight needs to check in with Knight individually and then proceed to an assigned station after clearance.

There are three fixed contact points in the Operation Area: Contact Point X-Ray is located at our WP3 (CPX), where there is a commercial container port terminal as landmark; Contact Point Yankee is located at our WP4 (CPY), with Mountain Genu as the landmark; Contact Point Zulu is located at our WP5 (CPZ), where Hormoz Island is located and can be used as the landmark. Knight will assign us an altitude at the contact point, as a lot of CAS flights are expected to get in the stack and the contact points could be very compact, watch out for deconfliction. Knight will also act as the Rear Briefing Agency before sending us to a FAC in the city. After tasking order and briefing is given by Knight, we need to switch PRI COMM to the FAC's frequency and contact the JTAC operator. Once communication is authenticated and established, we will take 9-Line from the JTAC and follow JTAC instructions. One aircraft is to run in for the attack while the other aircraft cover from above for potential MANPAD launch.

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The Battle Angel SASOC have also set up four basic Initial Points for the CAS operation in the city for four different directions. The North IP is a satellite town with a tall TV tower to the north of Bandar Abbas city. The East IP is the Bandar Abbas International Airport, you can't miss it. The West IP is Havadarya Airbase which is under our control and very easy to recognize from the west side of the city. The South IP is where USMC's LHA-1 Tarawa fleet currently anchored in the sea off the south coast of the city. These four Initial Points could assist us to navigate around the city and provide quick response for the CAS operation.

If our supports to the ground force are effective, they are expected to reach the City Hall and Command Center before sunset today, or maybe earlier. We estimated that a quarter of the city's population have escaped from the city since the beginning of the war, around 350,000 civilians are still trapped there and most of them are staying in their homes or shelters. Before you release any weapon, make sure you are targeting military assets or armed personnel, and double check there are no civilians nearby. If you have to bomb a building, target the good spot you believe so to minimize collateral damage to any other structures in its neighborhood. And if you think that the JTAC has provided a wrong target, raise questions and challenge him.

If bingo fuel, you can choose to tank up with Arco or Texaco, then return and continue your on-call CAS role. If Winchester, declare and say goodbye to your JTAC, switch back to Red 2 and contact Knight to check out. Egress via WP7 and report fence out to Hawk 1-1.

We will regroup at WP7 at 25,000 feet, then push for WP8, switch PRI COMM to Red 1 and check out with Strike. The carrier isn't far away from the strait at noon, so our return leg will be short and easy. 50 miles outside the carrier, let's switch PRI COMM to Green 1 and contact marshal for our recovery. We will do our debrief in the afternoon. Good luck!

### [Designer's Note]

1. Hawk 1-1 (Tail#211) is Mission Commander and must be seated by a Player.
2. A backup Hawk 5 Flight with 4 F/A-18C is hot on ramp with air-to-air weapons for escort role, but players can change weapon loadout as needed.
3. Recovery tankers are ready on deck and will be launched upon request via F10 Radio Menu on your egress leg.
4. AI Hawk 3 & 4 will be activated if no Players sit into Hawk 3 & 4 Flights (after all Hawk 1 members outside DME-1), Players can use F10 Radio Menu to deactivate AI Hawk 3 & 4.

**PART B. TACTICAL INFORMATION**

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**BASIC INFORMATION**

START TIME 10-JUL-2011 1100LT (0700UTC)  
 SCHED LAU TIME 1110LT CASE I DEP LOC N2547E5647  
 EXP REC TIME 1300LT CASE I REC LOC N2525E5711  
 HOME FREQ 305AM TCN 71X ILS 11 LINK4 336  
 WX CLR SR 0532LT SS 1912LT TEMP 30C QNH 2993 WIND 309 8KTS SEA 2 GD VSBY

**MISSION OBJECTIVES**

Primary Provide effective CAS to support ground force capture City Hall  
 Secondary Provide effective CAS to support ground force capture Command Center  
 Tertiary Provide effective CAS to support ground force for other tasks

**THREAT ANALYSIS**

Air to air Iranian F-14, Mig-29 from Kerman AB; Russian Su-27 from Kerman AB  
 Surface to air AAA, MANPAD, Short-range SAMs inside Bandar Abbas City

**FLIGHT ROSTER**

FLIGHT	CALLSIGN	TAIL#	ROLE	A/A TCN	DATALINK	LSR CODE
Hawk 1	Hawk 1-1	211	Lead	11X	HK11	1681
	Hawk 1-2	212	Wing	12X	HK12	1681
Hawk 2	Hawk 2-1	213	Lead	21X	HK21	1682
	Hawk 2-2	214	Wing	22X	HK22	1682
Hawk 3	Hawk 2-1	215	Lead	31X	HK31	1683
	Hawk 2-2	216	Wing	32X	HK32	1683
Hawk 4	Hawk 2-3	217	Lead	41X	HK41	1684
	Hawk 2-4	218	Wing	42X	HK42	1684

**PACKAGE ELEMENTS**

FLIGHT	AIRCRAFT	NO.	TASK	TARGET
Hawk 1	F/A-18C	2	On-call CAS	TBA
Hawk 2	F/A-18C	2	On-call CAS	TBA
Hawk 3	F/A-18C	2	On-call CAS	TBA
Hawk 4	F/A-18C	2	On-call CAS	TBA

**SUPPORT FLIGHT**

FLIGHT	AIRCRAFT	NO.	TASK	A/A TCN	REMARKS
Magic	E-2D	1	AWACS		Callsign STRIKE
Darkstar	E-3A	1	AWACS		Callsign KNIGHT
Texaco 1	KC-135M	1	Refuel	53X	CH10 FL250
Arco 1	KC-130	1	Refuel	54X	CH11 FL180
Shell 1	S-3B	1	Refuel	51X	CH8
Shell 2	S-3B	1	Refuel	52X	CH9

**ALTERNATE AIRFIELD**

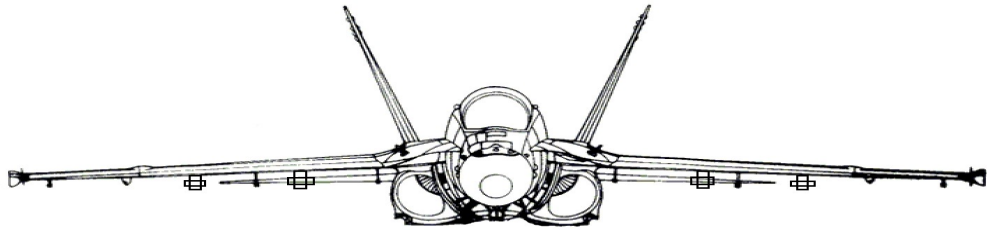
AIRFIELD	FREQUENCY	COORDINATE	REMARKS
Fujairah	124.600 AM	N25°06'21" E56°20'25"	Nearest to Recovery
Khasab	124.350 AM	N26°10'57" E56°14'37"	Peninsula north tip
B.Abbas	118.100 AM	N27°13'58" E56°23'12"	Under friendly control

## PART B. TACTICAL INFORMATION

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### LOADOUT



STATION	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Hawk 1-1	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 1-2	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 1-3	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 1-4	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 2-1	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 2-2	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 2-3	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X
Hawk 2-4	9X	2*82LG	WT	120C	CT	AFLIR	2*Rkt	83LG	9X

INTERNAL	GUNS	FLARE	CHAFF	TOTAL FUEL	TOTAL WEIGHT	ADV TRIM
Hawk 1-1	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 1-2	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 1-3	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 1-4	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 2-1	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 2-2	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 2-3	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17
Hawk 2-4	578	90	30	15291 lbs	47926 lbs	17

### RADIO COMMS

L	CODE	AGCY	FREQ	R	CODE	AGCY	FREQ
1	Green 1	Marshal	305.00	1	Green 1	Marshal	305.00
2	Red 1	Strike	264.00	2	Red 1	Strike	264.00
3	Red 2	Knight	265.00	3	Red 2	Knight	265.00
4	Yellow 1	Hawk 1	256.00	4	Yellow 1	Hawk 1	256.00
5	Yellow 2	Hawk 2	254.00	5	Yellow 2	Hawk 2	254.00
6	Yellow 3	Hawk 3	250.00	6	Yellow 3	Hawk 3	250.00
7	Yellow 4	Hawk 4	270.00	7	Yellow 4	Hawk 4	270.00
8	Violet 1	Shell 1	257.00	8	Violet 1	Shell 1	257.00
9	Violet 2	Shell 2	255.00	9	Violet 2	Shell 2	255.00
10	Violet 3	Texaco 1	262.00	10	Violet 3	Texaco 1	262.00
11	Violet 4	Arco 1	259.00	11	Violet 4	Arco 1	259.00
12	Orange 1	Devil	268.00	12	Orange 1	Devil	268.00
13	Orange 2	Chevy	269.00	13	Orange 2	Chevy	269.00
14	Orange 3	Check	260.00	14	Orange 3	Check	260.00
15	Blue 1	Raven	263.00	15	Blue 1	Raven	263.00
16	Blue 2	Dodge	261.00	16	Blue 2	Dodge	261.00
17	Blue 3	Ford	267.00	17	Blue 3	Ford	267.00
18	Indigo 1	Trek	251.00	18	Indigo 1	Trek	251.00
19	Indigo 2	Viper	253.00	19	Indigo 2	Viper	253.00
20	Indigo 3	Colt	266.00	20	Indigo 3	Colt	266.00



**PART B. TACTICAL INFORMATION**

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**FLIGHT PLAN (HAWK 1)**

WP	NAME	TIME	SPEED	ALTITUDE	ACTION	REMARKS
0	LAU	1110L			Launch	Bingo 4500 lbs
1	RV	1120L	0.60M	MSL 25K	Regroup	Exp Push Time 25
2	ROCK	1130L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Check In	Strike & Knight
3	CPX	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Sea Port
4	CPY	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Mount Genu
5	CPZ	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Hormoz Island
6	BAC				CAS	Bandar Abbas City
7	EGR	1240L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Egress	Tankers Nearby
8	REC	1300L	0.50M	MSL 1K	Recovery	Tankers Ready

**FLIGHT PLAN (HAWK 2)**

WP	NAME	TIME	SPEED	ALTITUDE	ACTION	REMARKS
0	LAU	1110L			Launch	Bingo 4500 lbs
1	RV	1120L	0.60M	MSL 25K	Regroup	Exp Push Time 25
2	ROCK	1130L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Check In	Strike & Knight
3	CPX	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Sea Port
4	CPY	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Mount Genu
5	CPZ	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Hormoz Island
6	BAC				CAS	Bandar Abbas City
7	EGR	1240L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Egress	Tankers Nearby
8	REC	1300L	0.50M	MSL 1K	Recovery	Tankers Ready

**FLIGHT PLAN (HAWK 3)**

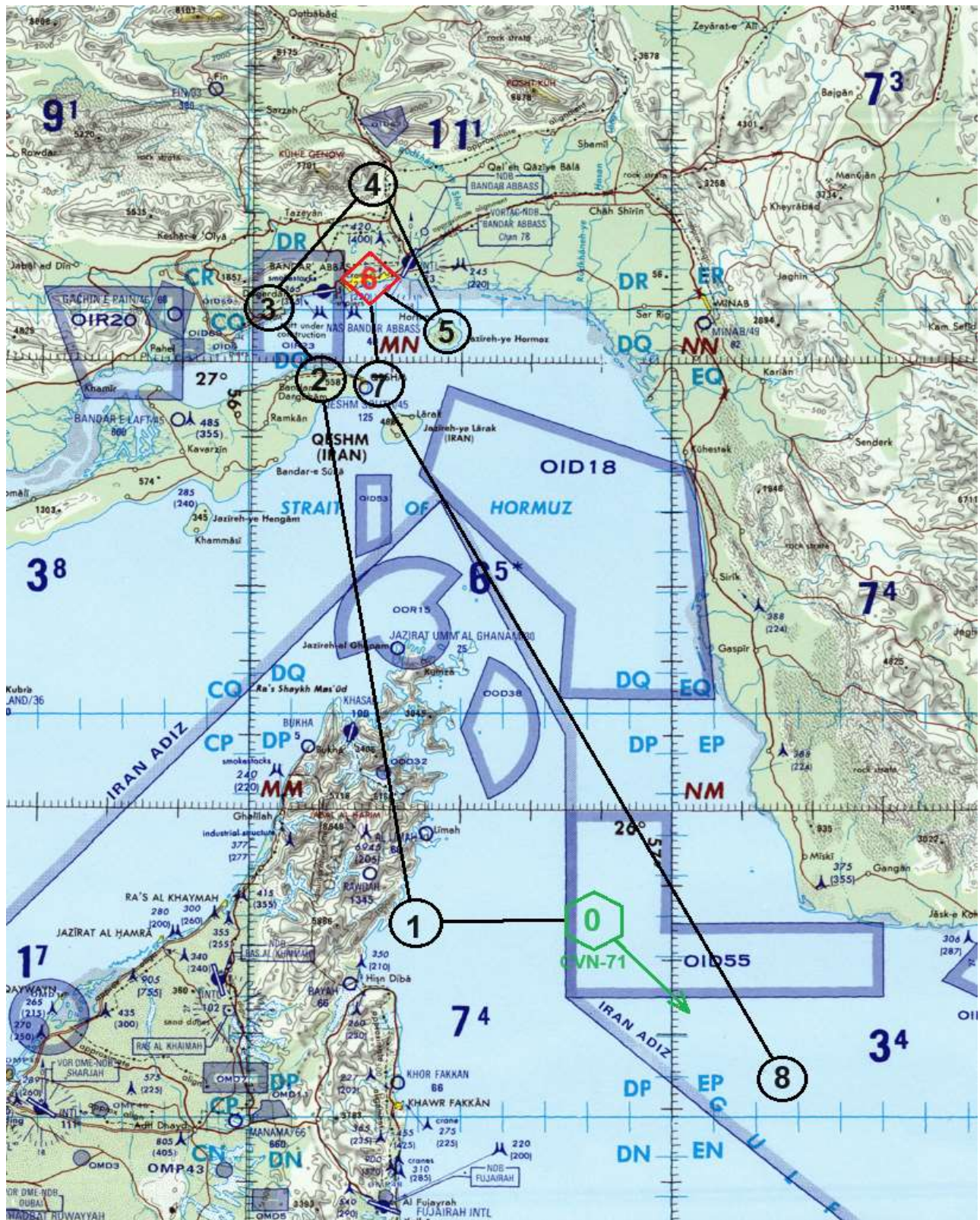
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0	LAU	1110L			Launch	Bingo 4500 lbs
1	RV	1120L	0.60M	MSL 25K	Regroup	Exp Push Time 25
2	ROCK	1130L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Check In	Strike & Knight
3	CPX	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Sea Port
4	CPY	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Mount Genu
5	CPZ	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Hormoz Island
6	BAC				CAS	Bandar Abbas City
7	EGR	1240L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Egress	Tankers Nearby
8	REC	1300L	0.50M	MSL 1K	Recovery	Tankers Ready

**FLIGHT PLAN (HAWK 4)**

WP	NAME	TIME	SPEED	ALTITUDE	ACTION	REMARKS
0	LAU	1110L			Launch	Bingo 4500 lbs
1	RV	1120L	0.60M	MSL 25K	Regroup	Exp Push Time 25
2	ROCK	1130L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Check In	Strike & Knight
3	CPX	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Sea Port
4	CPY	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Mount Genu
5	CPZ	1135L	0.50M	TBA	Contact	LM: Hormoz Island
6	BAC				CAS	Bandar Abbas City
7	EGR	1240L	0.75M	MSL 25K	Egress	Tankers Nearby
8	REC	1300L	0.50M	MSL 1K	Recovery	Tankers Ready



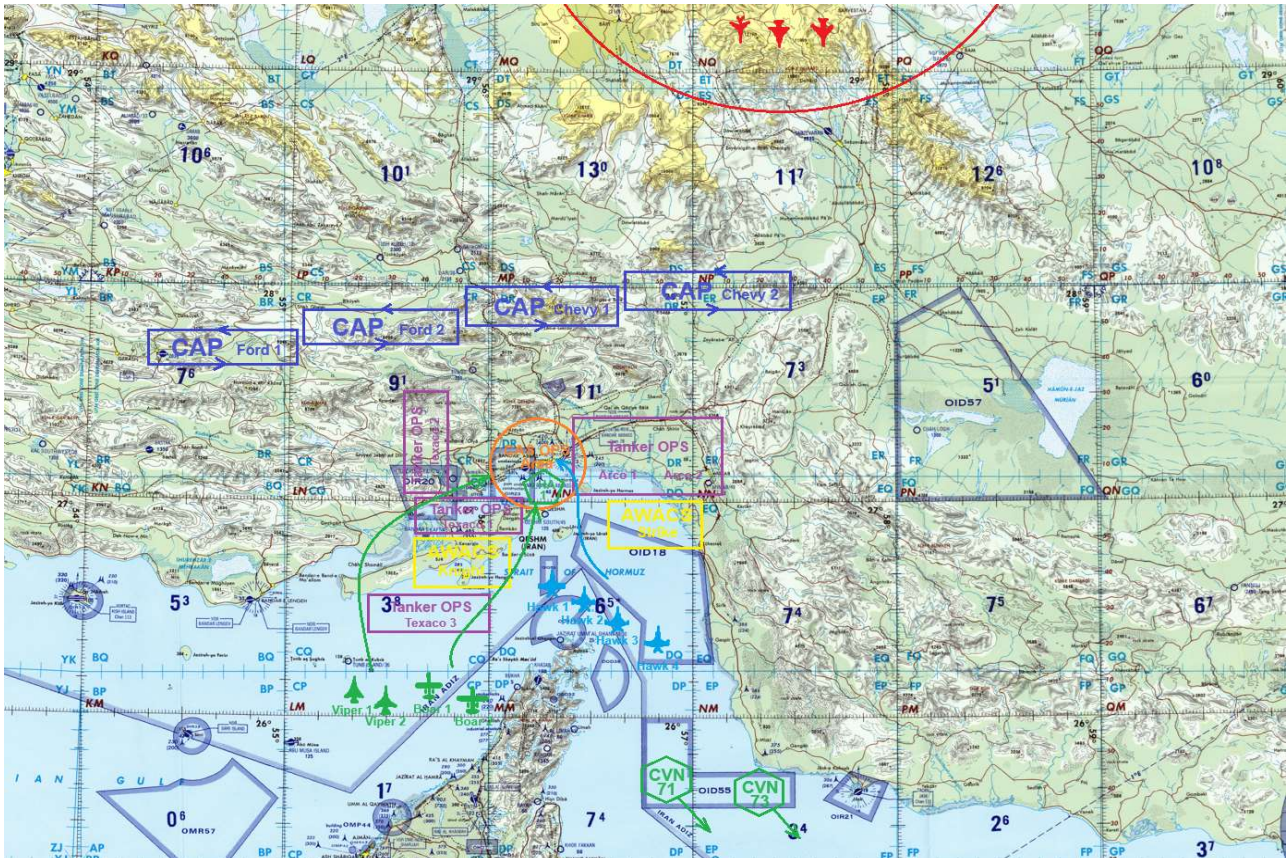
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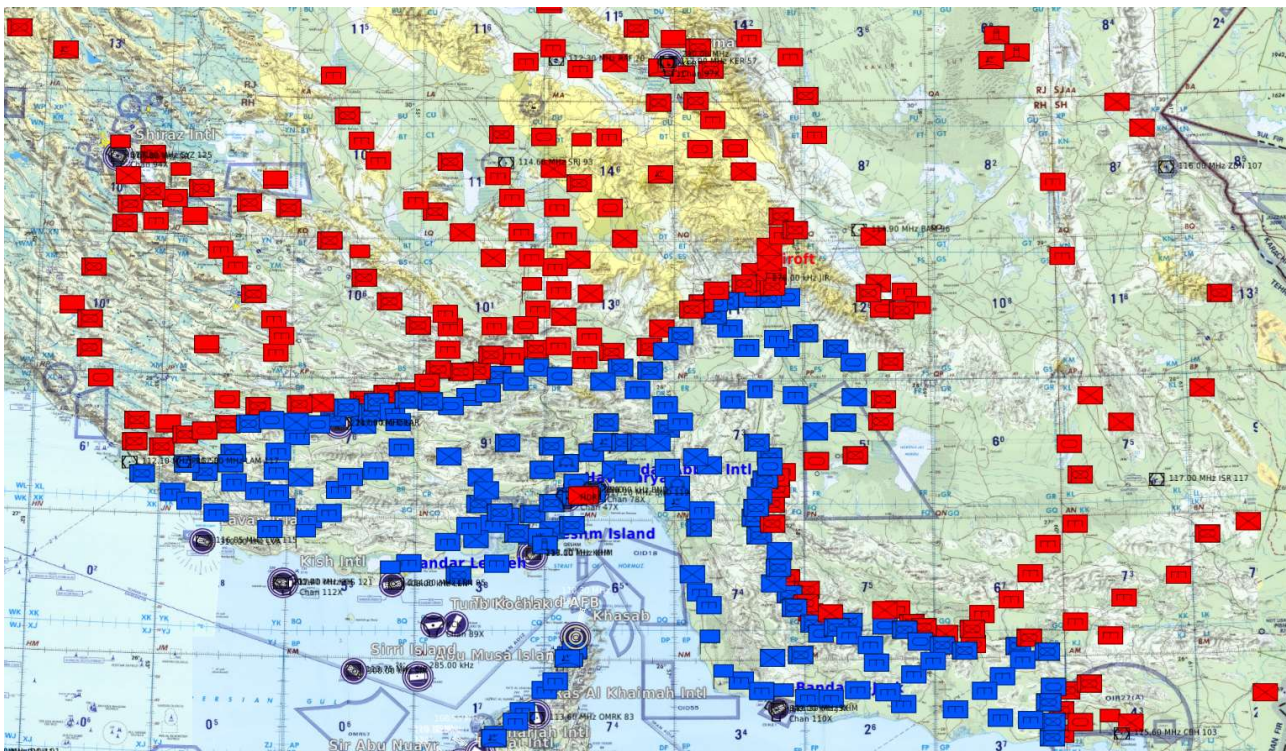




## AIR OPERATION CHART



## GROUND OPERATION CHART







The map displays the Persian Gulf region with four specific IP locations highlighted by black circles and labels:

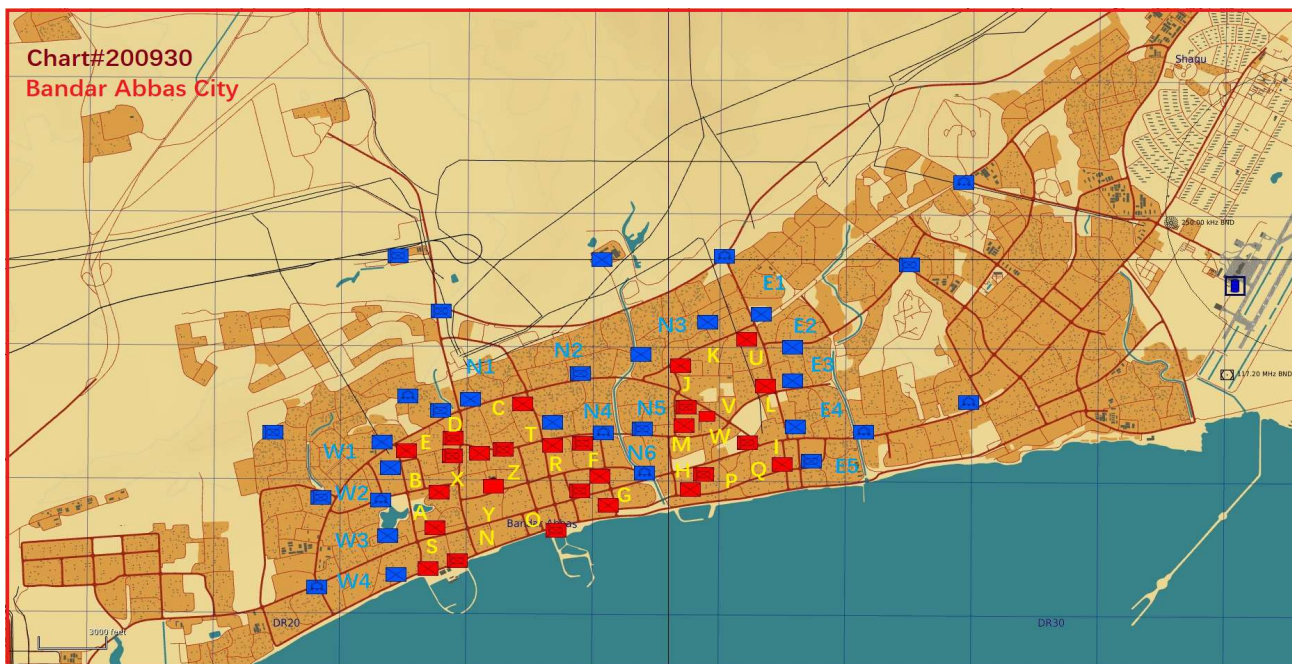
- North IP**: Northern Town TV Tower
- East IP**: Bandar Abbas Intl Airport
- West IP**: Havadarya Airbase
- South IP**: USMC LHA-1 Tarawa

The map includes a compass rose in the top left corner and a 3 nm scale bar in the bottom left corner. Various geographical features and labels are visible, including Chahchekor, Bandar Abbas, Hormoz, and several DR (Data Reference) and DQ (Data Query) codes.

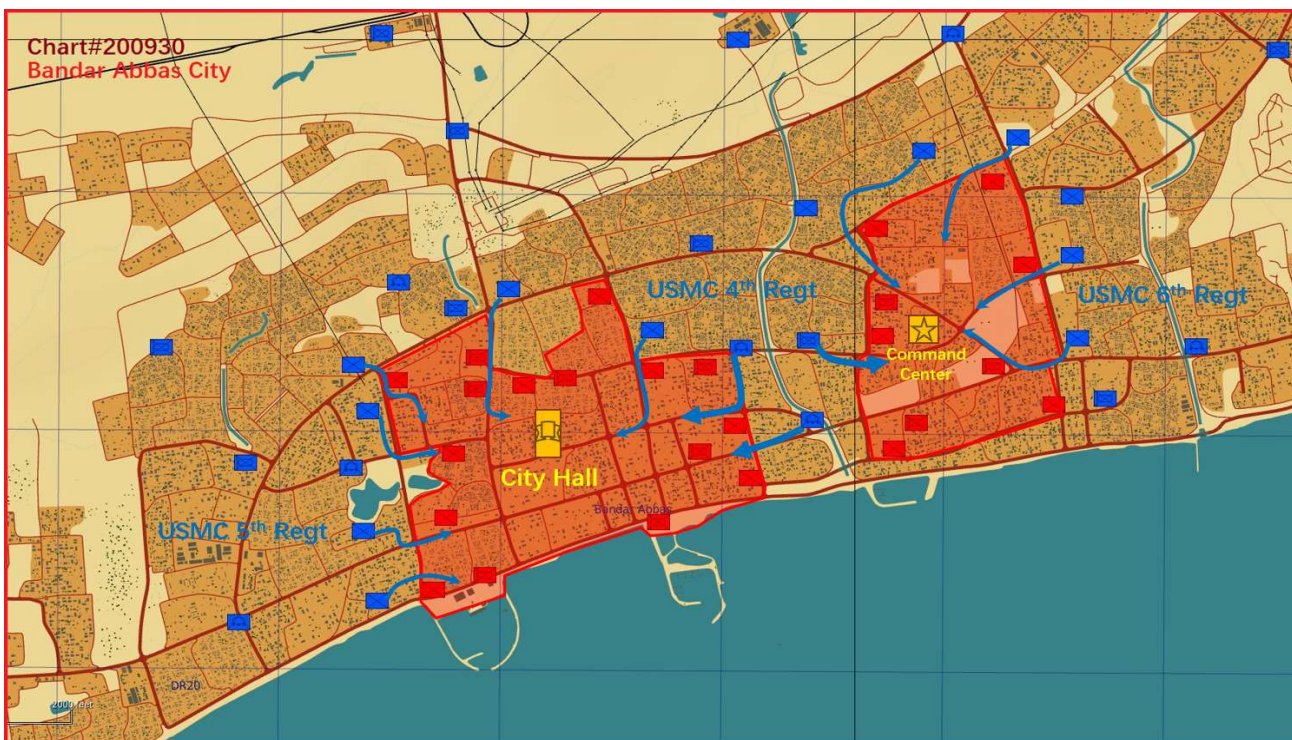




## BANDAR ABBAS CITY OPS CHART #200930



## BANDAR ABBAS CITY OPS CHART #200930 GROUND OFFENSIVE PLAN



### NOTE

Primary Objective: Seize City Hall (USMC 4th & 5th Regt)

Secondary Objective: Take control Command Center (USMC 6th Regt)