

# Operation: Desert Guardian

**Mission 1:  
Welcome to the Desert**



CLEARWAY



05/31/2020 Al Dhafra AFB, UAE

The eve before Operation Desert Guardian settles over Al Dhafra, casting a quiet intensity over the airbase. Tomorrow marks the beginning of our mission in this tangled web of the Iranian civil war. A mix of anticipation and doubt hangs in the air.

Motivation fuels my every thought. We're here to restore stability, but the complexities of the conflict raise questions of efficacy. Can we truly make a difference in this chaos? The answer remains uncertain.

Lt. Colonel Smith, our mission lead for the next two days, exudes experience but harbors an unspoken tension. The clash of Air Force and Navy dynamics adds an extra layer. I sense Smith's reservations about the Navy's involvement.

Tonight, as I prepare for the first mission over the Persian Gulf, I can't help but feel a mix of anticipation and trepidation. The jet engines hum softly in the background, a prelude to the symphony of power that will echo through the skies tomorrow. Strapped into the cockpit, surrounded by the hum of avionics, I find a peculiar comfort.

There's also a glimmer of hope in the darkness. We, a multinational coalition, stand together against the chaos. The carrier strike group en route, the patrol flights from the UAE, France, and Germany, each aircraft carrying not just weapons but the weight of responsibility. Tomorrow, we take to the skies, uncertain of the outcome but unwavering in our commitment.

To the unknown, to the skies, may our wings carry us with purpose.

# Mission Briefing

## Welcome to the Desert

Mission Start: 06/01/2020 0300 Zulu

### Situation

#### Enemy

##### Iran Civil War Status

- No Changes -

##### Iran Government Status

- No Changes -

##### Notable Events

-None-

##### Enemy Forces

- No Changes -

##### Friendly Forces

- No Changes -

### Campaign Objective

To restore stability and security in the Persian Gulf region amidst the ongoing civil war in Iran, neutralize terrorist and insurgent threats, safeguard maritime traffic in the Strait of Hormuz, and support the reestablishment of governmental control.

- No Changes -

# Mission

## Objective

- 1. Conduct a comprehensive familiarization flight over the UAE, to gather critical information on the current security situation. Lieutenant Colonel Smith, leading the mission, will provide valuable information about the area.
- 2. Participate in a training exercise at the weapons and training range to enhance familiarity with the aircraft, test communication systems, and validate weapons delivery capabilities.

*End State:*

The completion of Mission 1 aims to provide a detailed assessment of the operational environment, enhance coalition coordination, and lay the groundwork for subsequent missions. The gathered intelligence, combined with Lieutenant Colonel Smith's insights, will contribute to informed decision-making, ensuring the effective execution of Operation Strait Guardian and the restoration of stability in the Persian Gulf region.

## Execution

Route

WP	Name	Grid	Alt.	Remarks
1	WP 1	40 R CN 38876 04607	20000	
2	WP 2	40 R DN 04571 85500	20000	
3	WP 3	40 R CP 41038 27534	20000	
4	WP 4	40 R CP 00364 05089	20000	
5	WP 5	40 R BN 26148 73119	20000	
6	MAM	40 R BM 51002 83905	52	OMAM
7	B/E	40 R DQ 46693 93763	474	Bullseye
8	Range	40 R BN 19961 93265	94	



Map





### Time on Target

- Mission commencement at 0800 hours local time.
- Expected completion within 1.5 hours, with flexibility for adjustments based on the operational requirements and information gathering.

### Loadout

Station	Amount	Armament	SMS
1	-	-	-
2	1	GBU-12*	82LG
3	1	FPU-8A Tank 330Gal	FUEL
4	-	AN/AAQ-228 ATFLIR	ATFLIR
5	1	FPU-8A Tank 330Gal	FUEL
6	-	-	-
7	1	FPU-8A Tank 330Gal	FUEL
8	1	GBU-12*	
9	-	-	
Cannon	578	HEI-T	
Flare	90		
Chaff	30		

\*Due to limitations in the DCS engine no actual practice munitions are used in this mission

### Weights

Empty	26,934 lbs.
Max Internal Fuel	10,803 lbs.
MTW	51,899 lbs.
Onboard Fuel	10,803 lbs.
Additional Fuel	6,732 lbs.
<b>Total Fuel</b>	<b>17,535 lbs.</b>
Total Loadout	1,575 lbs.
<b>TOW</b>	<b>46,044 lbs.</b>
<b>T/O Trim</b>	<b>12° (Field)</b>

### Packages

Flight		Callsign	Airframe	Notes	
	1 Lead	Rocket 11	F-15E S4+		
	2 Wing	Ragin 21	F/A-18C Lot 20		
	3 Element				
	4 Wing				
Package	Callsign	A/C Type	UHF	TACAN	Task
	Magic	E-3A	246 AM	-	AWACS
	Arco	KC-135MPRS	257 AM	45Y	Refuel
	Karim 4	M2000C	263 AM	-	CAP
	Raven 6	Tornado	265 AM	-	Patrol

Command and Signal

Mission Command
Magic

Tactical (Comm 1)			Support (Comm 2)		
CHL	Freq.	Name	CHL	Freq.	Name
1	305,00 AM	TAC 1	1	251	OMAM Twr
			2	243	Range Control

