

OPERATION HARMATTAN III



BRIEFING MISSION 1: 3RD JUNE 2011

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Strategic situation

Following the civil war in the southern part of the Krasnodar region, the UN security council resolution n°1793 was adopted to enforce a no-fly zone over the area while prohibiting any ground forces to be deployed on land. NATO countries are deploying their fleet along the Black Sea North East coast to provide air interdiction and combat air support to the rebel troops. Your assault helicopter battalion has been sent to operate from the helicopter carrier BPC Tonnerre (Thunder), currently cruising 35km away from the shore.

Tactical situation

The Gelendzhik bay is a highly strategic location with its large harbor and its military airport, providing a life line to the enemy forces located in this area. For weeks, the rebels have been unable to capture the installations and violent combats have been seen in the outskirts of Gelendzhik city. The enemy is using Gelendzhik airport and the nearby Novorossiysk airport to launch Su-25 bombing runs on rebels positions. We have been tasked to destroy enemy forces and their logistic supplies in this area. Frigates Jean Bart (Callsign JB) and Jean de Vienne (Callsign JDV) are tasked to take care of the coastal air defenses.





MISSION

AVIATION MISSION






BSD Assault helicopter battalion conducts an air assault on Gelendzhik airport to destroy enemy logistic supplies (fuel tanks and depot) and detection capabilities (ground radar). Destruction of any other targets of opportunity on commander's authorization depending on remaining armament.

Frigates JB and JDV will destroy coastal air defenses to allow your battalion to manoeuver from land around the Gelendzhik bay.





TASK ORGANIZATION

AIRCREW		CALLSIGN	WPNS LOAD	FUEL (%)	LSR CODE
	Pilot1	MOSQUITO 1	HOT3 X 4	75	N/A
	Pilot2	MOSQUITO 2	HOT3 X 4	75	N/A
	Pilot3	MOSQUITO 3	HOT3 X 4	75	N/A
	Pilot4	MOSQUITO 4	HOT3 X 4	75	N/A
	Pilot5	MOSQUITO 5	HOT3 X 4	75	N/A

AIRCREW		CALLSIGN	WPNS LOAD	FUEL (%)	LSR CODE
	Pilot 6	IMEX	SIDE GUNNERS	100	N/A



WEATHER

METAR

URKG 031900Z 09004KT SKC 10KM 32/15 Q1026 NOSIG





W6: BPC Tonnerre

W5: Gelendzhik apt (Radar)

W4: Svetlyy (Road Xing)→ BP

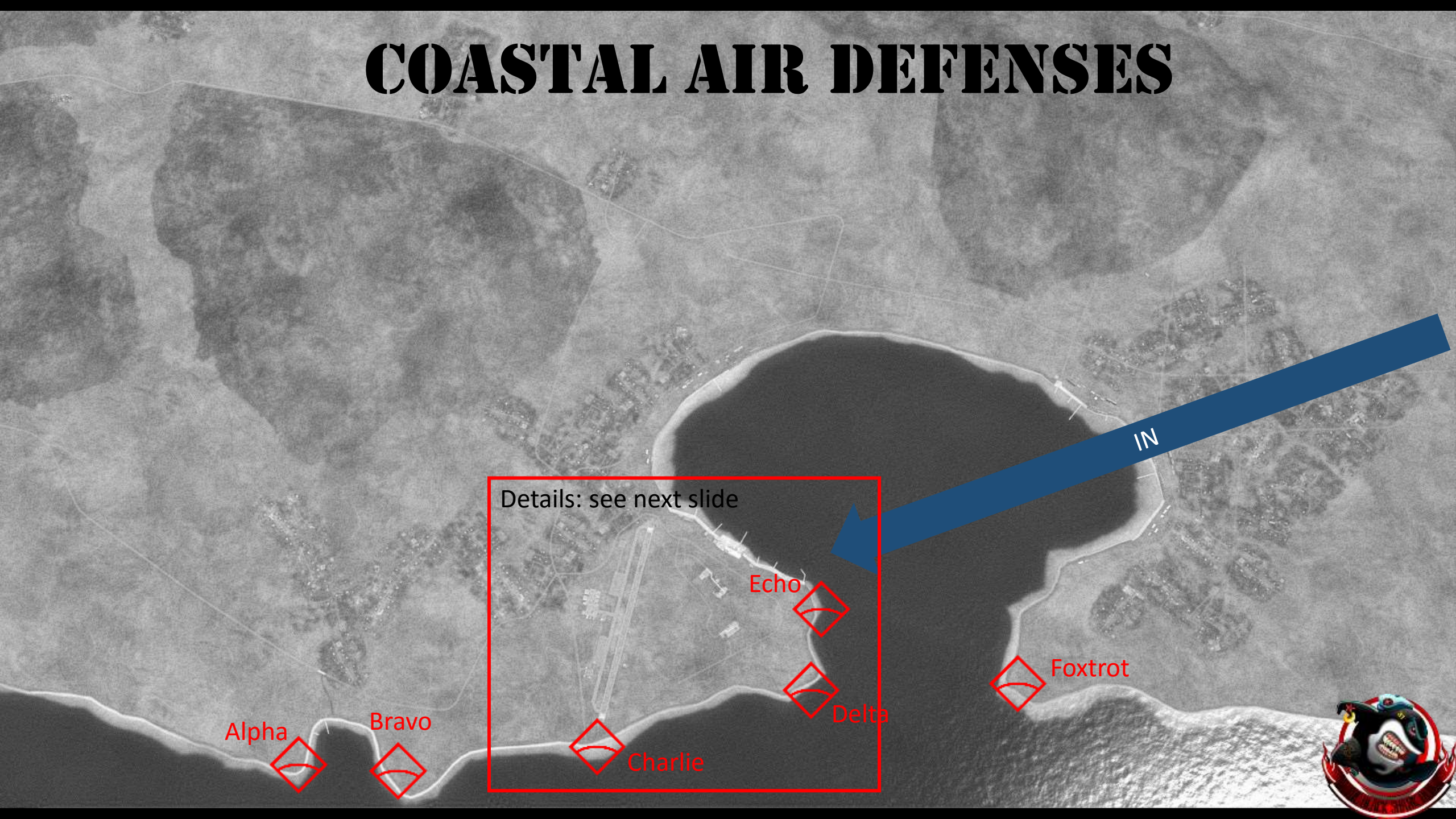
W3: Svetlyy (Bridge)

W2: Divnomorskoe (Bridge) → Feet Dry

W1: Contact with frigates



COASTAL AIR DEFENSES



Details: see next slide

Echo

Foxtrot

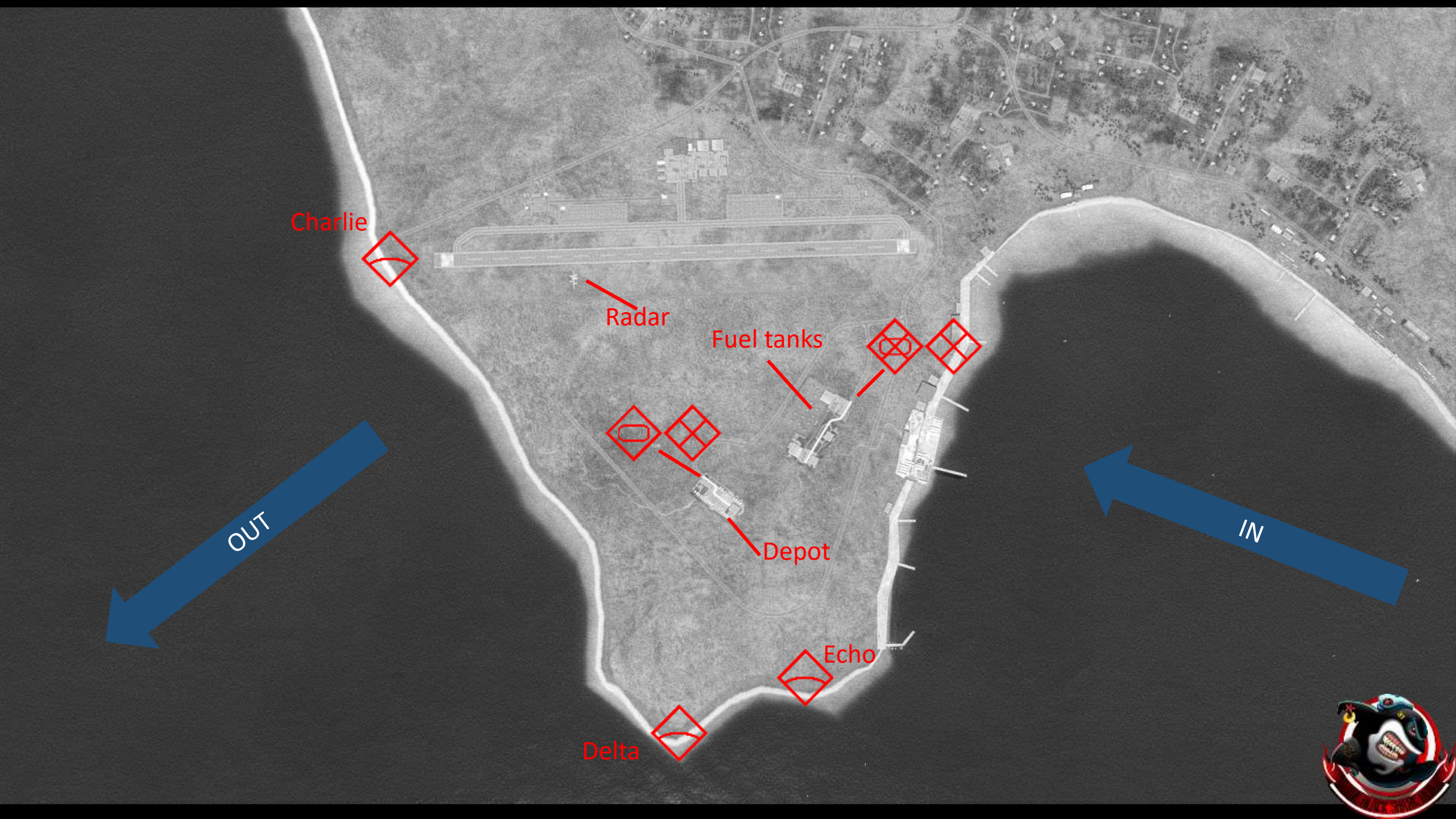
Alpha

Bravo

Charlie

Delta





Charlie

Radar

Fuel tanks

Depot

Echo

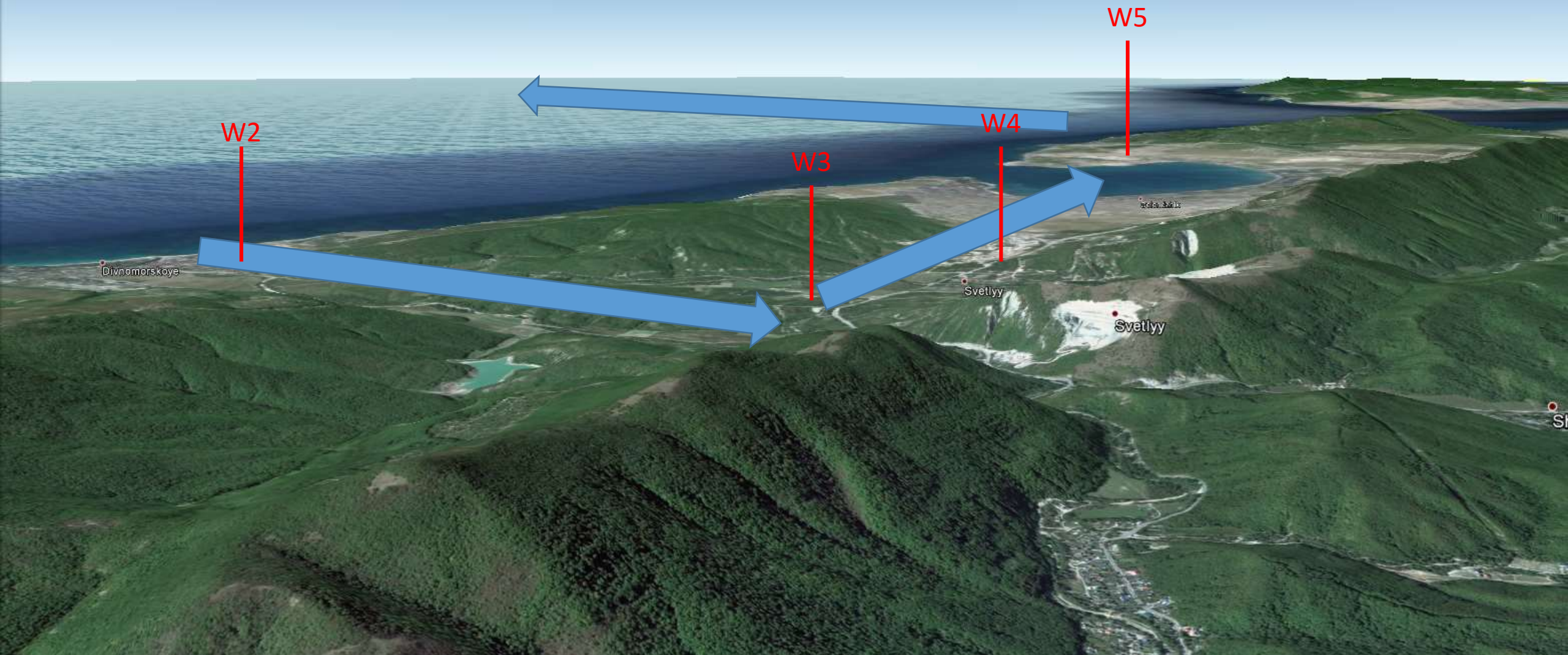
Delta

OUT

IN



PRIMARY INGRESS





MISSION CONSTANTS

GROUND SPEEDS

W6 TO W1: 180 KPH GROUND SPEED

W1 TO W4: 150 KPH GROUND SPEED

W4 TO W5: LEADER'S DISCRETION

W5 TO W6: 180 KPH GROUND SPEED

MANOEUVER

FLIGHT FORMATION: ECHELON LEFT

ALTITUDE: TAKE OFF: 100 M AGL MAX AUTHORIZED. BEYOND 3KM FROM BPC, 50 M AGL MAX TO AVOID DETECTION UNTIL W2.

FROM W2 TO W5: LEADER'S DISCRETION

LIGHTING

NVG position lights only (DIM). Anti collision OFF.

EMCOM

GO SILENT UNTIL FEET DRY.





MISSION TIMELINE

EVENT	LOCAL
SHOW	2200
UPDATE BRIEF	2210
START UP/HOVER/POWER CHECKS	2225
DEPART BPC	2230
CONTACT FRIGATES	2250
BP	2300
ARRIVE BPC	0000





RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

1. Positive Identification of non-Coalition military vehicles and personnel on and around Gelendzhik airport as well as Gelendzhik docks to be considered hostile enemy forces and are subject to persecution IAW the established RoE guidance.
2. Law of Land Warfare is in effect – all units are subject to the rules and stipulations outlined in this agreement ,as well as all applicable international agreements and treaties that the NATO allies honor and support.
3. Positive Identification is required to establish and maintained prior to engaging – Positive Identification is defined as the reasonable certainty that the target to be engaged is a legitimate military target.
4. Hostile Act (HA) is defined as clear and present direct and/or indirect action taken against Allied forces with the intent to inflict damage, destruction and/or death on Allied forces and/or equipment.
5. Hostile Intent (HI) is defined as the acts, actions and/or preparations with the intention of inflicting damage, destruction and/or death on Allied forces and/or equipment.
6. All units are authorized to use deadly force without clearance from a Ground Force Commander if they subject to HA/HI, or witness HA/HI against fellow Allied forces as long as PID is established and maintained.



RISK/THREAT ASSESSMENT

HAZARD	PROBABILITY	SEVERITY	INITIAL RISK	CONTROL	RESIDUAL RISK
Enemy use of chemical weapon	Seldom	Catastrophic	High	Chemical Recon	Moderate
Enemy use of air defense systems	Likely	Critical	High	Naval strike on coastal defenses	Moderate
Indirect fires; attack by ground, artillery	Likely	Critical	High	Drone recon	High
Enemy reinforcements on aircraft detection (ground and air)	Likely	Critical	High	NOE ingress to target / Radio Silence	High



TARGETS PHOTOS

