

OPERATION HARMATTAN III



BRIEFING MISSION 3: 5TH 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

Our ambush operation yesterday succeeded in destroying more than 70% of their resupplies, but it turned out that some of the trucks made it to Gelendzhik. As a result, the airport and its military installations are still up and running, although not at full capacity. The downside of this operation is that we lost several machines that have to perform emergency landings. Our IMEX helicopter crashed and killed everybody on board. Luckily for the surviving pilots of the Gazelles, they were rescued by the nearby rebels and taken to safety locations in the mountains north east of Gelendzhik. Because of the chaos following the operation, none of the 3 surviving officers were able to regroup. They are kept in different locations. Our last night insertion point at the river delta is now heavily protected. This will force us to take a longer route to exfil point, hence reducing play time.

Remember : no one is left behind!





MISSION

AVIATION MISSION

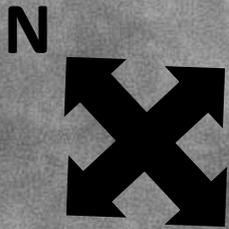
BSD Assault Helicopter battalion conducts a SAR operation in order to exfil 3 pilots and the bodies of the Huey crew. Each SAR helicopter will be escorted by 2 attack helicopters that will ensure a security perimeter on each extraction point.

Huey crew is located at an improvised LZ at W4. Extraction points for the 3 surviving pilots are only known by our local rebel contact point at Aderbievka village. Your group will need to make contact at Aderbievka and get the extraction coordinates before moving to the SAR area.

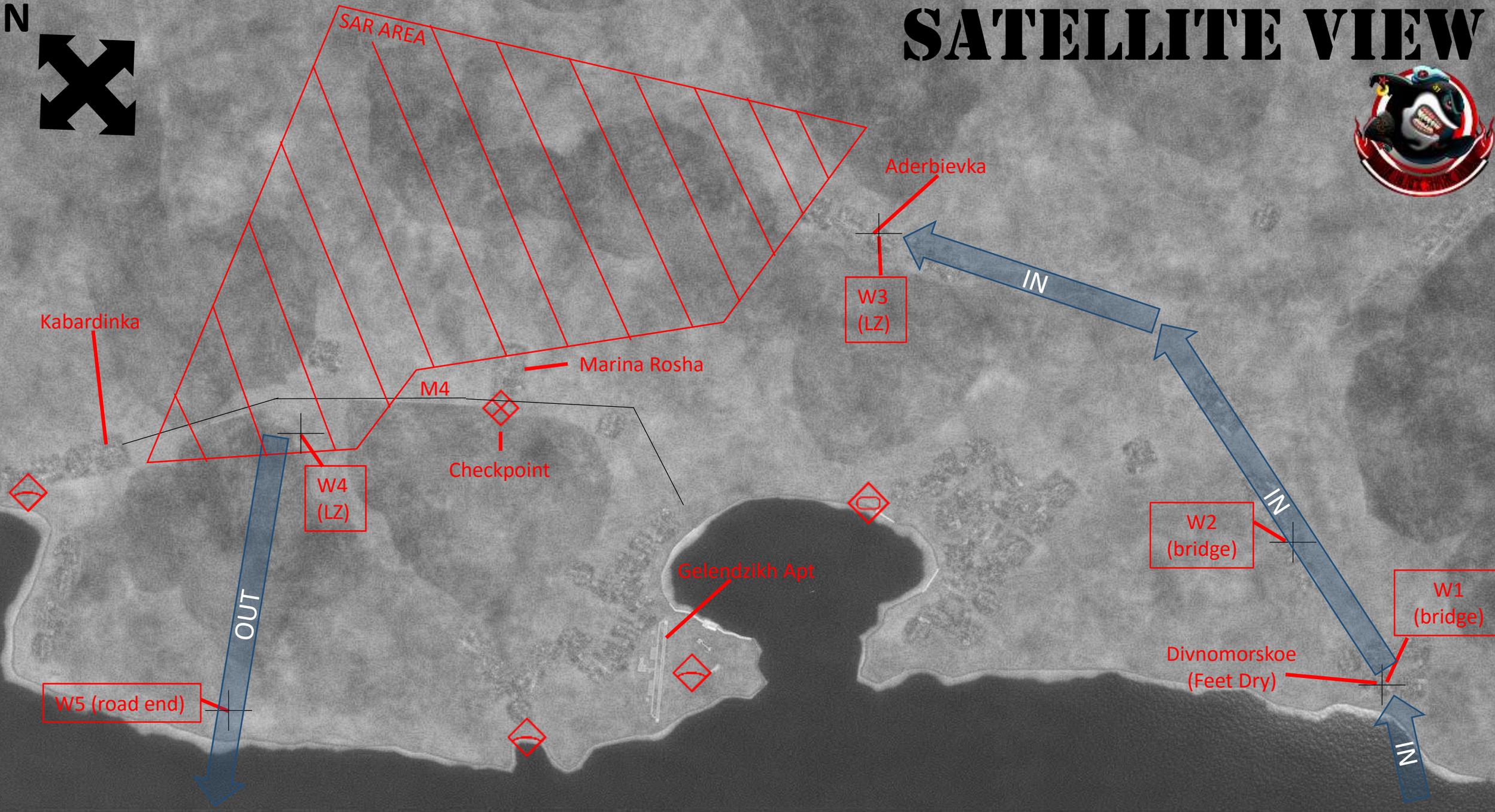
Be aware of nearby enemy patrols on road or off road. Avoid AA positions as shown in your briefing. Possible light small weapons fires during ingress. Engage only if threat becomes too significant. Check ROE.

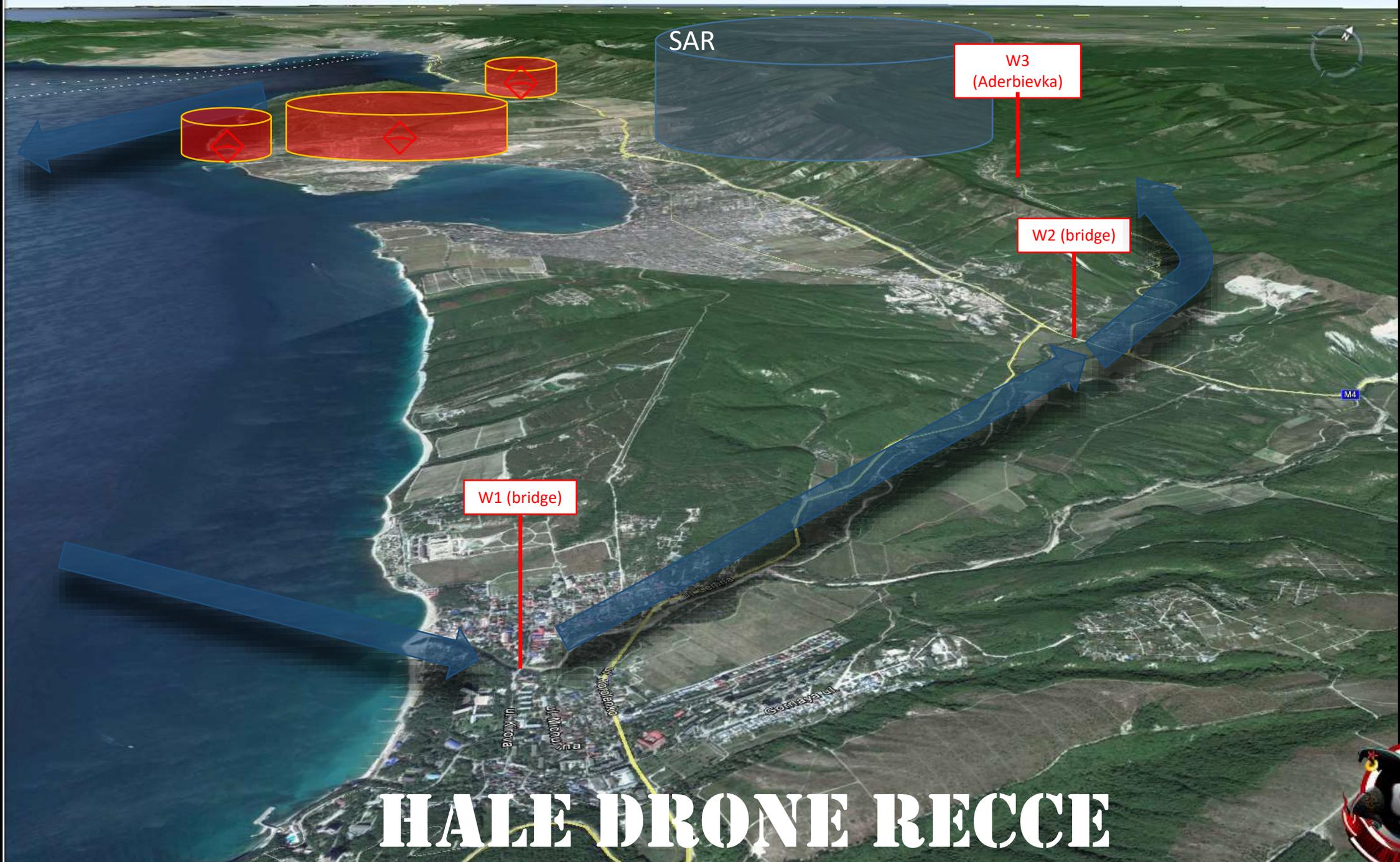
ID of the downed pilots must be confirmed prior to extraction. Check standard procedures. Pilots photos provided at the end of the briefing.





SATELLITE VIEW





W1 (bridge)

W3
(Aderbievka)

W2 (bridge)

SAR

HALE DRONE RECCE



HALE DRONE RECCE



TERRAIN PROFILE



W1 (bridge)

W2 (bridge)

W3 (LZ)

W4 (LZ)

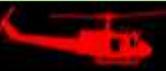
W5 (road)



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

AIRCREW	CALLSIGN	WPNS LOAD	FUEL (%)	LSR CODE
 Pilot 5	ANGEL 1	SIDE GUNNERS	100	N/A
 Pilot 6	ANGEL 2	SIDE GUNNERS	100	N/A





MISSION CONSTANTS

GROUND SPEEDS

W6 TO W1: 180 KPH GROUND SPEED

W1 TO W5: 150 KPH GROUND SPEED

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 W1 (FEET DRY).

NO FLY ZONES: GELENDZHIK AIRPORT / GELENDZHIK DELTA RIVER NEAR W5 / KABARDINKA VILLAGE.

LIGHTING

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

EMCOM

GO SILENT UNTIL FEET DRY.



WEATHER

METAR

URKG 051900Z 09004KT 10K TSRA OVC050 10KM 25/22 A1026





MISSION TIMELINE

EVENT	LOCAL
SHOW	2145
UPDATE BRIEF	2155
START UP/HOVER/POWER CHECKS	2200
DEPART BPC	2210
FEET DRY	2225
ADERBIEVKA	2230
ARRIVE BPC	2330 MAX





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 air defense systems	Likely	Critical	High	No fly zones in place	Moderate
Indirect fires; attack by ground, artillery	Likely	Critical	High	Drone recon. NOE night flight	High
Enemy reinforcements on aircraft detection (ground and air)	Likely	Critical	High	NOE ingress to target / Radio Silence	High



MIA/KIA

C.BAD



C.ROSSER



E.RISING



B.WOLF CREW

