



VIRTUAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

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OPAR D+10 Ground forces

INTSUM VIS-GROUND-001

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WORD OF CAUTION - GENEVA CONVENTION!

During last engagement we have friendlies reported destroying a TIGR vehicle.

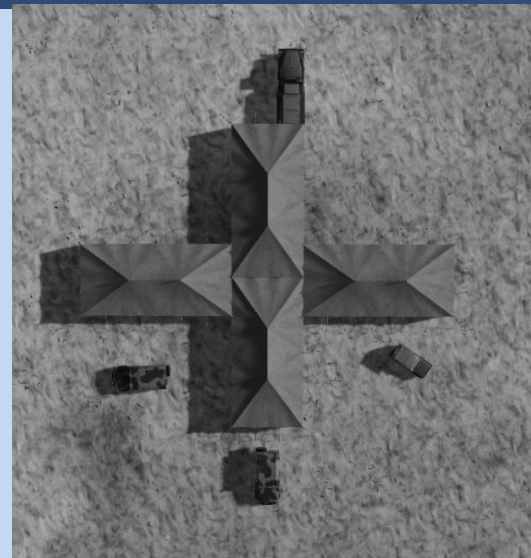
The TIGR vehicle is a wheeled vehicle similar to the one shown in picture to the right.

The Syrian Army is using this vehicle as a field **AMBULANCE**.

DO NOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES FIRE UPON THIS TYPE OF VEHICLE as it is protected by the Geneva Convention.

Similarly the tent structure shown to the right, consisting of 4x tent are used by the Syrian Army as **FIELD HOSPITAL**.

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MAJOR EVENTS LAST PERIOD

Northern front:

allied A/C continued effort to degrade enemy forces in the Northern front, shaping conditions to allied ground force maneuver into the area.

TARGET PRIORITY:

1. LONG RANGE ARTILLERY
2. ARTILLERY
3. COMMAND AND CONTROL
4. LOGISTICAL SITES LARGER THAN COMPANY

Priority objectives achieved:

1x long range artillery battalion (GRAD) severely degraded destroyed (#9) with 3 out of 4 launchers destroyed.

1x artillery battery (MSTA SPHs) destroyed (#8)

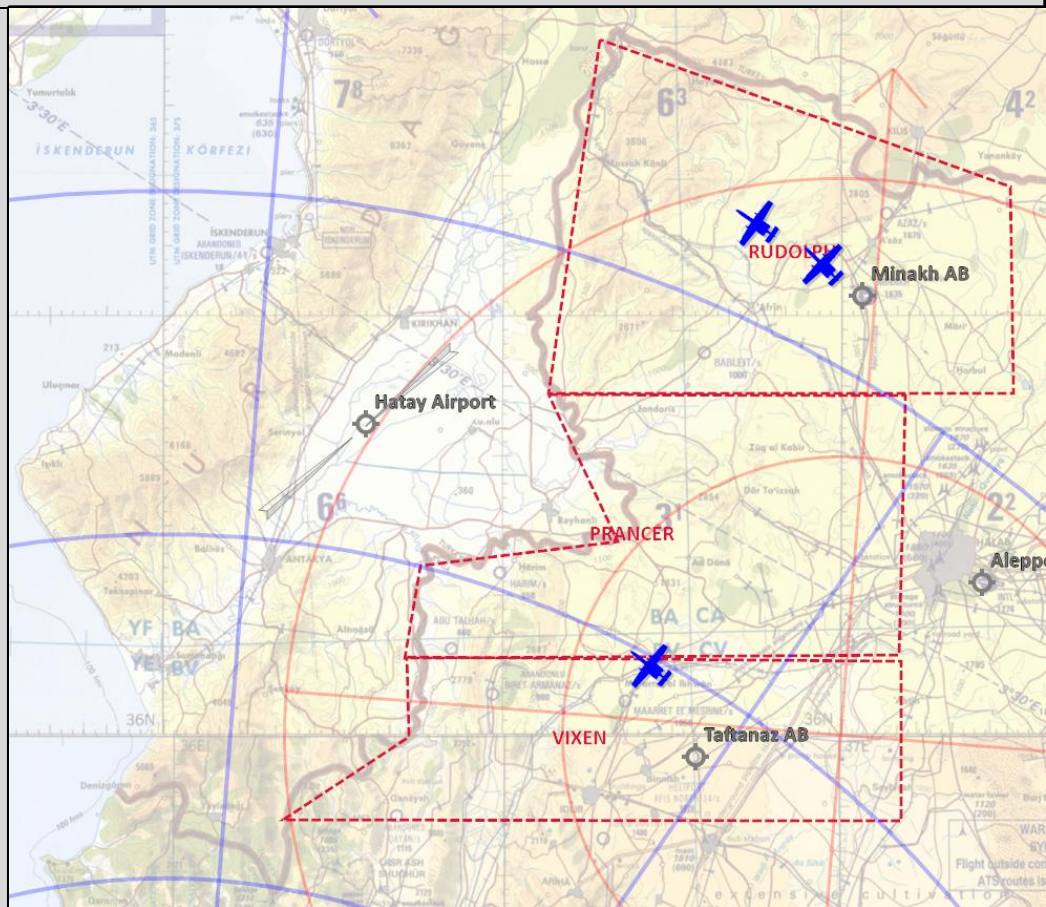
1x Brigade field HQ destroyed (#52)

Enemy SAM defenses were degraded (1x SA8, 1x SA15 and 1x SA9 destroyed) potentially making follow-up sorties in the same front more effective

Additionally, approx 3 motorized platoons (BTR 80/82) were destroyed with some supporting logistic vehicles.

Friendly losses in the area:

3x A-10Cs were lost to SAMs



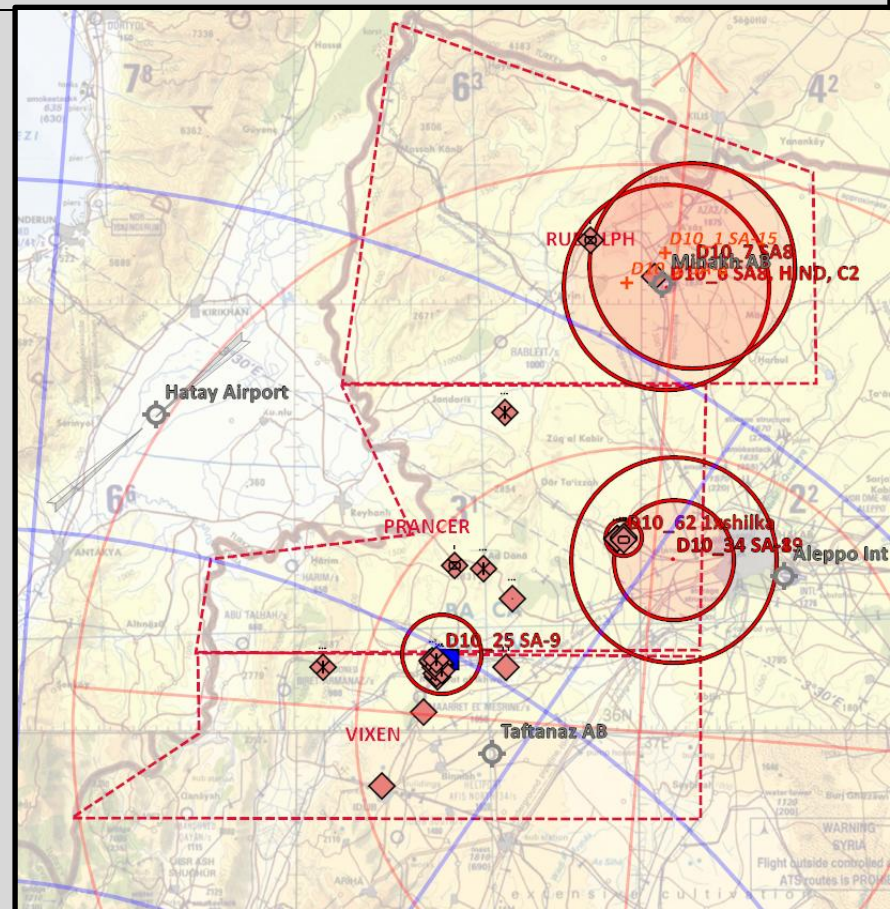


MAJOR INTEL LAST PERIOD

Northern front:

Thanks to informative reports by our pilots we were able to locate priority enemy assets:

- 1) **AL-MINAKH** **airbase** is staging the following:
 - a) Mi-24 HIND helicopters (at least 2 were observed)
 - b) GRAD rocket artillery BN
 - c) At least 1x artillery section (MSTA guns)
 - d) Air defenses in the area:
 - i) SBORKA radar
 - ii) One SA-8 is still known to be active in that location
- 1) **Suspected field HQ** IVO the soccer stadium of the city of IDLIB (#70)
- 1) **Suspected field HQ** IVO MAARRAT-MISRIN + APCs (#71)
- 1) **Logistical BN** deployed IVO N36 04.6 E036 42.6 (#56)
- 1) **Regimental field HQ** + Logistical BN IVO N36 04.6 E036 48.4 (#78)
- 1) Elements of the maneuvering divisions of 1st corp are still present mostly in the Eastern area of the KBs (#3, #13, #14, #15, #54, #62, #65, #66, #67)

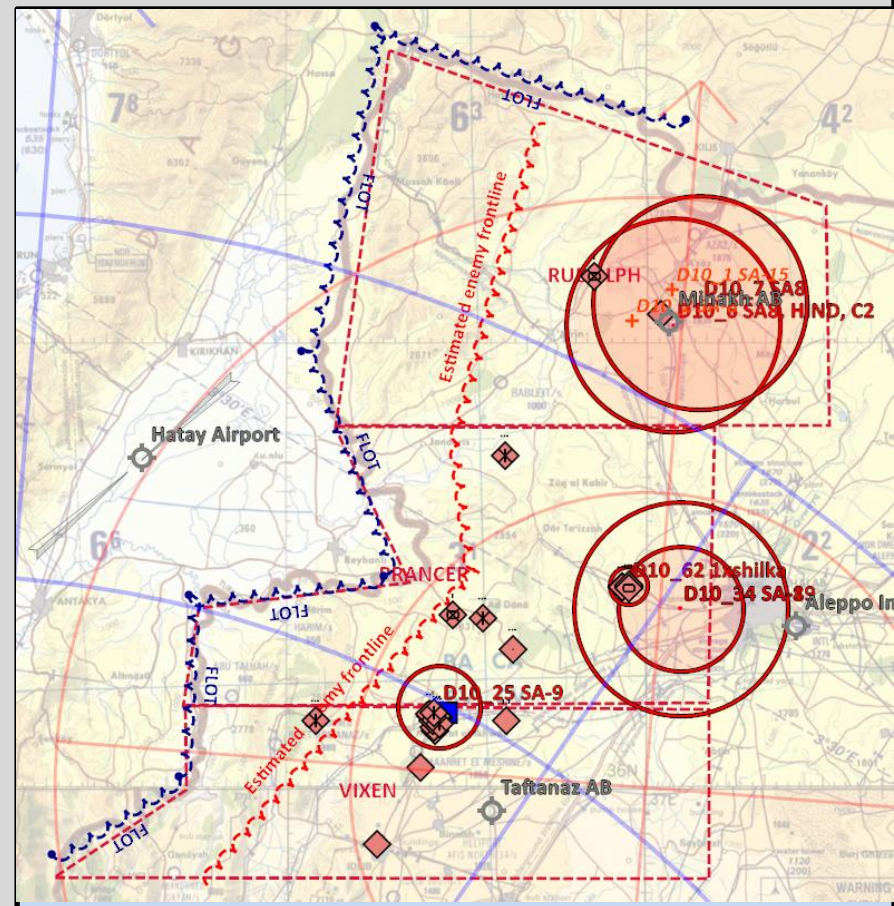




MAJOR INTEL LAST PERIOD

Northern front - Evaluation of enemy ground situation:

- 1) A substantial enemy artillery (both SPHs and rockets) is still present at AL MINAKH and threatens LCC's planned ground maneuver into that area
- 1) The Western portion of the KB is estimated to contain only remnant enemy forces. An estimation of enemy's frontline is plotted.
- 1) In the Southern area of the KB, the area stretching from the IDLIB / MAARRAT-MISRIN and Eastwards is still known to be housing enemy high-value asset such as Logistical BNs and two suspected field HQ and is still regarded as heavily defended
- 1) As of this time we evaluate the enemy remaining rocket-artillery force in the 1st Corp control to be consisting of:
 - a) 2x SMERCH/URAGAN battalions (full force)
 - b) 2x GRAD battalions
- 2) Therefore, **conditions defined by CJTF command to launch phase-2 are NOT MET at this time**. Further degradation of enemy artillery and rocket artillery is required.

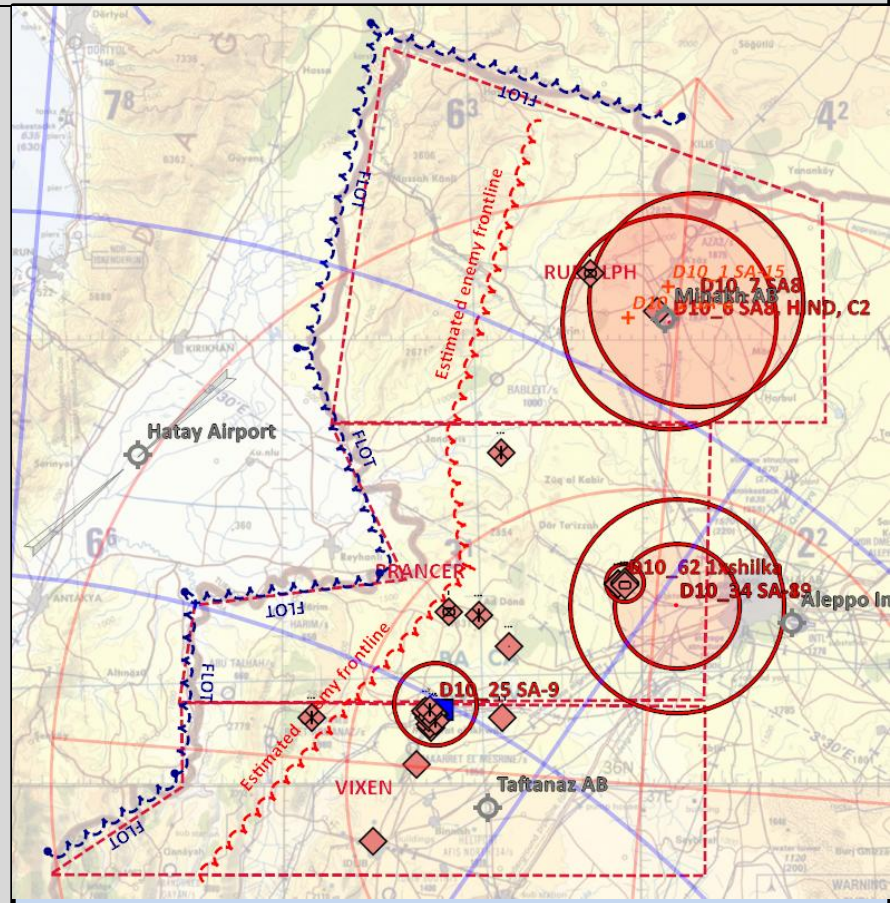




VIS GROUND RECOMMENDATIONS

Northern front:

- a) Continue AR effort to locate and neutralize enemy artillery/rocket artillery. Make use of degradation already achieved upon enemy forces in the area to keep momentum and break enemy's balance and opposition capability in preparation for Phase-2 offensive by LCC.
- a) Shift KB areas for next missions to reflect the estimated enemy line. This would reduce risk of blue-on-blue fires (Inherent risk when KB overlaps with FLOT) as well as increase effectiveness of AR missions on areas where enemy forces are known to be present with meaningful strength.
- a) Amplify intelligence gathering as well as AR effort in the AL-MINAKH area as well as in the area from IDLIB/MAARAT-MISSRIN and TAFTANAZ area





VIS GROUND RECOMMENDATIONS

Northern front:

VIS recommends amplifying AR in KB as marked in the map, with specific areas of interest focused as follows:

“NAI1” - Around IDLIB . MAARAT-MISSRIN and TAFTNAZ

“NAI2” - Around the main road from IDLIB via TAFTANAZ to ALEPPO

“NAI3” Around AL-MINAKH airbase

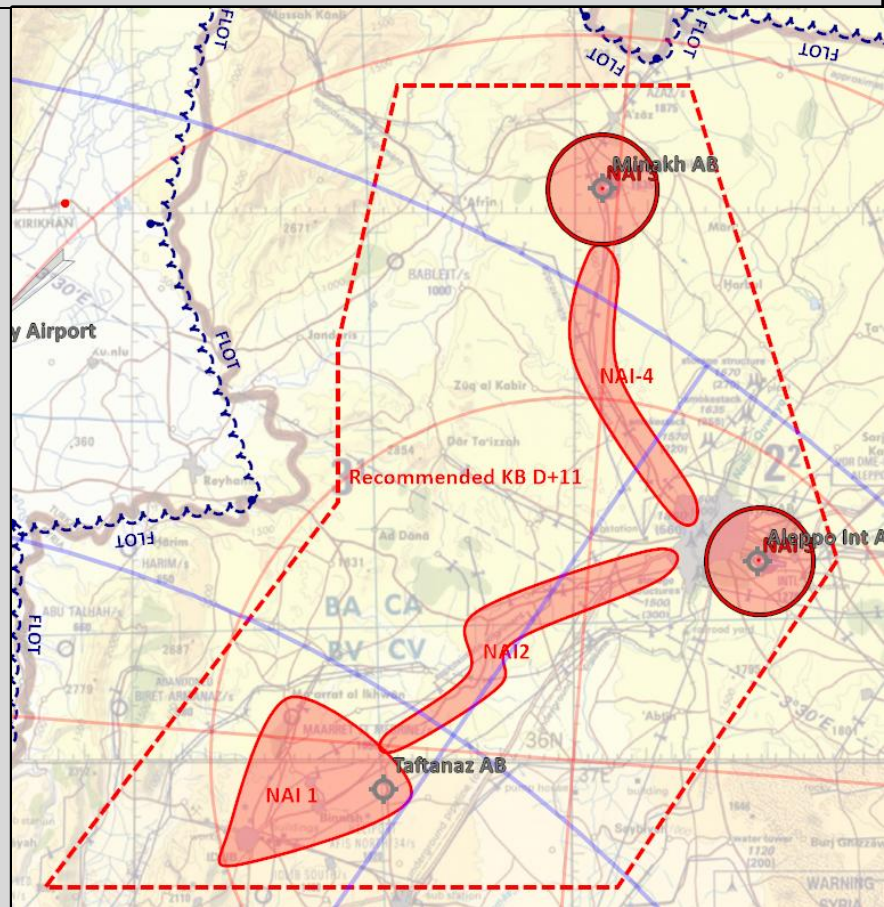
“NAI4” Around main road from AL-MINAKH to ALEPPO

“NAI5” Around ALEPPO airport

- Shifting AR efforts further EAST, our air assets may come in contact with Syrian 2nd Corp located to the EAST.
 - While any information gathered of 2nd Corps unit dispositions is most useful, the focus should remain on 1st Corps heavy artillery that’s expected to be used by the enemy to threat LCC units during the first days of Phase-2
- Additional NAIs may of course be added based on specific terrain / Situation analysis by SCAR/flight leads discretion

TARGET PRIORITIES:

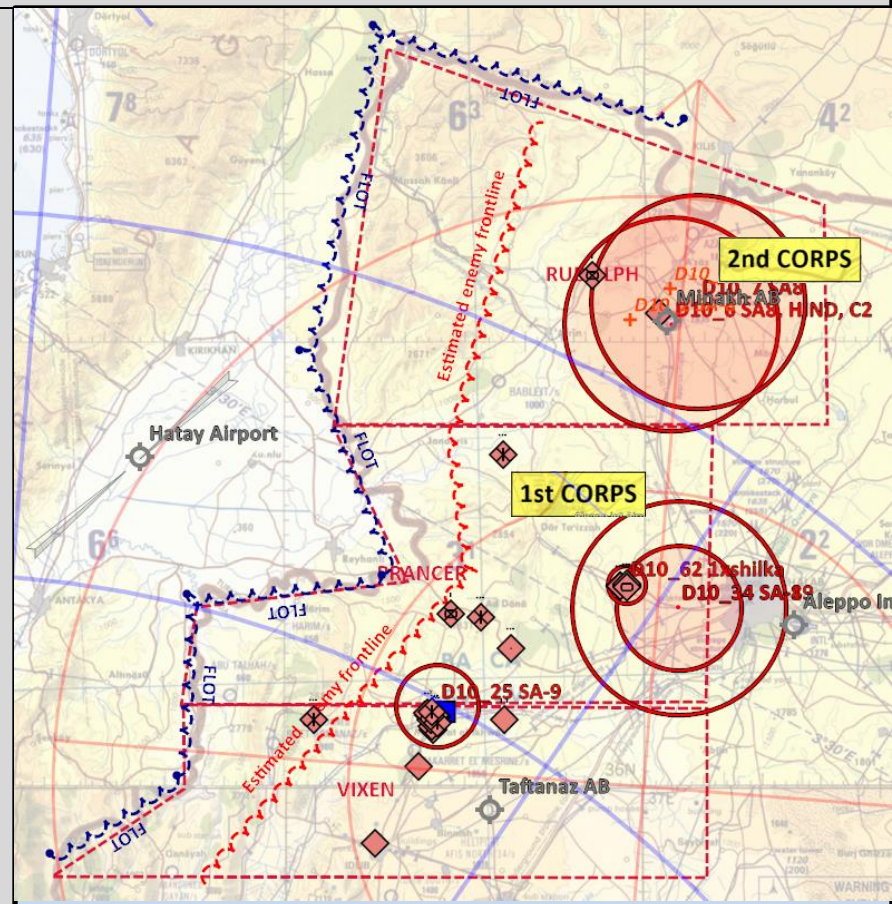
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SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- All 1st Corps units have dug in hard near the front line to Turkey, and are showing no intention to give up easily. Enemy units of 1st Corps is anticipated to dig in hard protecting their home country.
- Based upon INTEL, VIS believes remaining 10th Armor Division (now battalion strength) are thinly deployed in defensive positions West of ALEPPO and as far North as AL-MINAKH (Based on imagery of several platoons in Western outskirts of villages West of ALEPPO).
- No new information on whereabouts of the 11th Mechanized division. VIS assessment remains that the 11th might be located in the rear of the 12th Motorized (Which was observed and already being engaged around IDLIB/MAARRAT-MISRIN)
- A single Mechanized company was observed West of AL-MINAKH is believed to belong to 21st Mechanized (West area of the 2nd Corps)
- Remains of 10th Armored division (reduced to BN sized) are deployed thinly to defend the Western access route to ALEPPO. We can expect that this large city will be guarded by additional enemy elements - possibly from 2nd Corps.
- The presence of SA-15 in South Eastern corner of KB VIXEN & PRANCER gives high indication of high value targets such as HQ, 125th rocket artillery battalion which is still supported by SA-15.





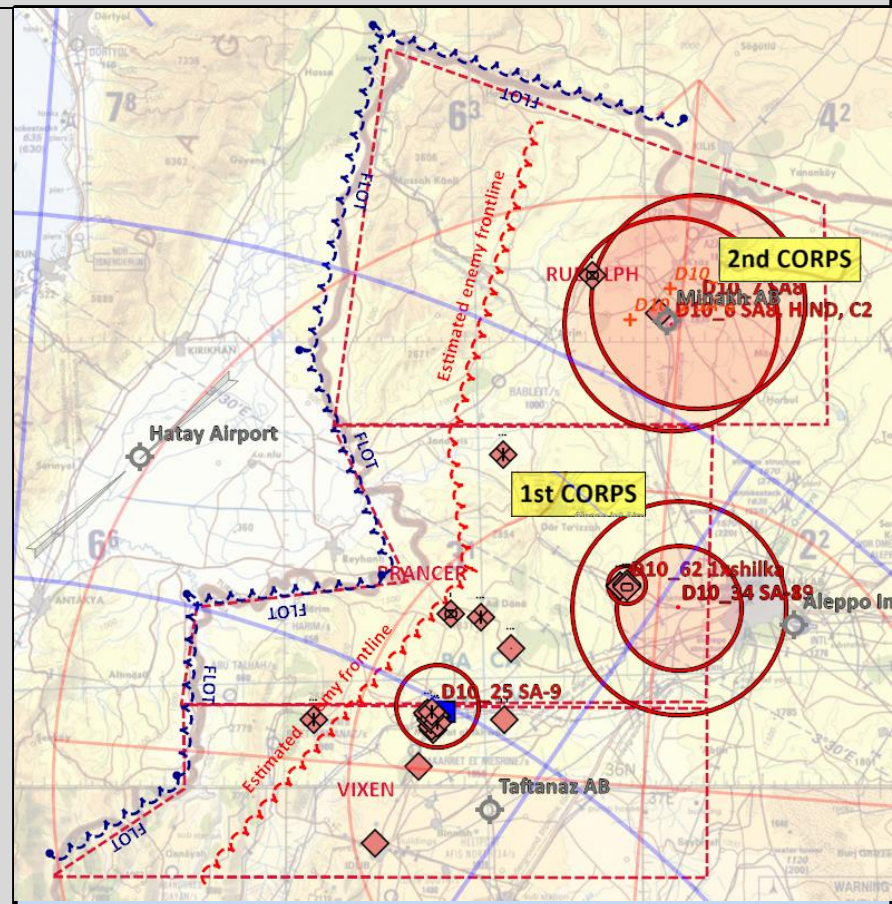
SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION

- The deployment of a logistical BN (Observed with ammo/fuel resupply points on the ground rather than on trucks/convoys IVO MAARRAT-MISRIN) suggests that the 12th Motorized and perhaps even the 11th Mechanized are currently undergoing a resupply phase and are thus in a reduced state of combat readiness
- 105th & 115th rocket artillery battalions do not have support from SA-15's
- We can expect heavy bombardment from rocket artillery once stepping into Syria. It is vital that allied air forces neutralises these rocket artillery units as they can inflict heavy casualties on allied ground forces

NOTE!

2nd Corps doesn't not have full strength compared to a standard Corps as it lacks the following;

Armor Division
Air Defence Division
Rocket Artillery Regiment





SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION (facts)

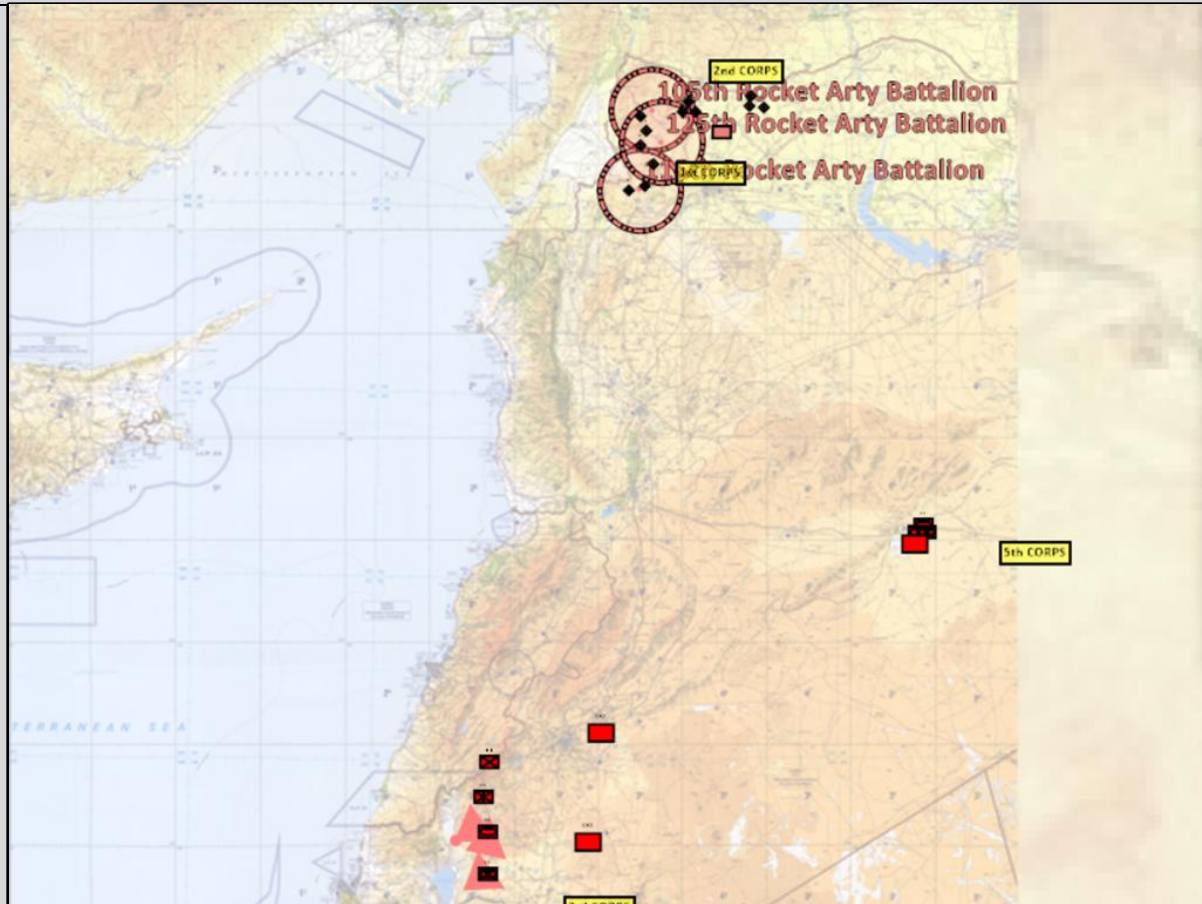
1st Corps have withdrawn from Turkey.

Lead elements of 2nd Corps have been found in vicinity Minakh AB.

3rd Corps is holding strong in GOLAN Heights region and currently VIS does not hold any new intelligence of this area.

4th Corps is still believed to protecting Damaskus.

5th Corps is still believed stationary however is expected to be able to move within days if needed.





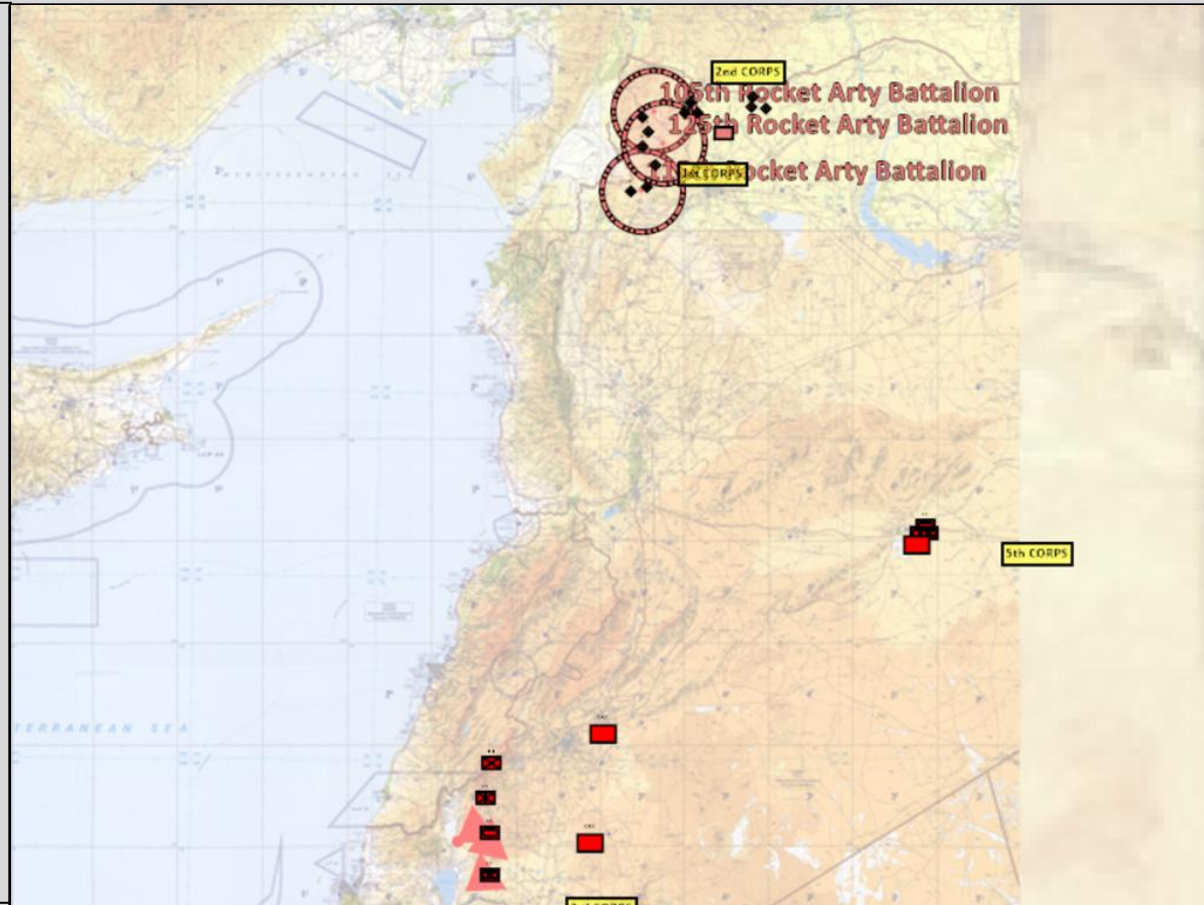
ASSESSMENT OF ENEMY SITUATION (Short term)

2nd Corps is anticipated to hold its ground now being ready to support 1st Corps elements.

3rd Corps will remain in a current hold waiting for the inevitable attack from Israel and it's allied.

4th Corps have shown no indication of movement so far and is anticipated to stay and protect Damascus

5th Corps will continue preparing to move if needed.

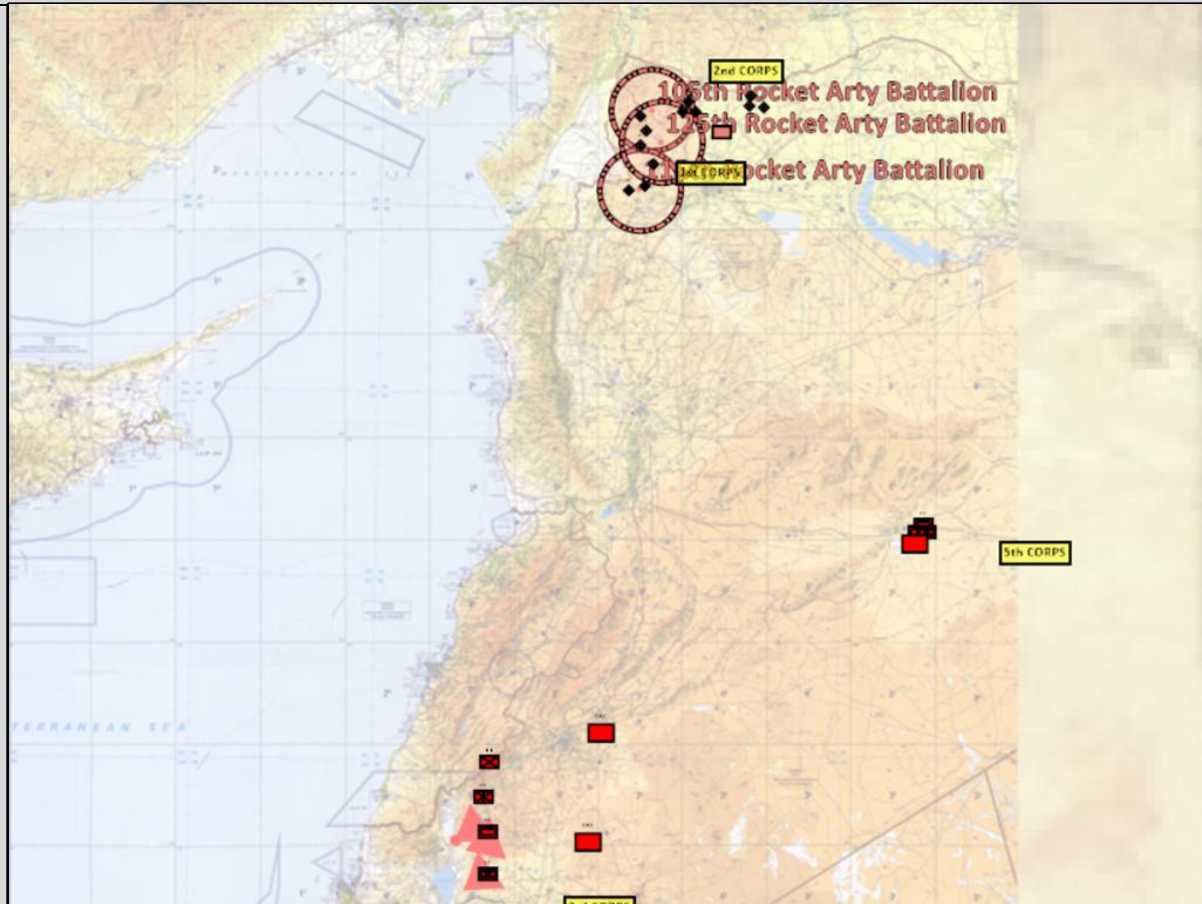




ASSESSMENT OF ENEMY SITUATION (long term)

Syrian long term goal to establish foothold in Turkey has now vanished until they can get significant reinforcements. They only options for this is for 4th or 5th Corps to come to their aid, however currently VIS does not see this as a likely scenario.

Syria will likely try and stall any allied advances.





INTELLIGENCE GAPS

- 1) The location of heavy rocket artillery battalions are of great importance to VIS as they can significantly hamper allied ground forces advances.
- 1) Are there any movement of 2nd Corps to the West to support 1st Corps defending ALEPPO/ AL-MINAKH?
- 1) Are there any movement to positions of 4th Corps and 5th Corps and if so in which direction?

