

# VIRTUAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE VICTORIA PER INTELLECTUM

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## INTRODUCTION

This report investigates the implications and effects of a deliberate strike on EWR assets and the runway at Bassel Al-Assed Airport (ICAO: OSLK) on request of CJTF JFACC





## **SITUATION (1)**

- 1. OSLK is currently hosting RUSSIAN air assets stationed in Syria
- 2. The Russian Federation is currently not actively engaged in the conflict
- 3. EWR assets have been located at OSLK, and has the potential to cover large areas of the main operating areas for CJTF forces and supporting assets
- 4. JFACC is looking for possibilities to shape the airspace for future operations, as well as prevent information gathering by Syria and its allies on CJTF movement
- 5. OSLK is a military airbase with two equallength parallel runways 17L/35R and 17R/35L located at N 35 24.358 E 035 57.209



### **INTEL - 1**

Photo reconnaissance performed by DODGE1 on D+2 revealed

- 1. SA10 (S300) site containing at least:
- 2x TELARs
- 1x 64H6E BIG BIRD Search Radar
- 2. Russian Fighter aircraft, at least
- 4x Su-34 Fullback Fighter-Bombers

The 64H6E is part of the SA-10 (S300) Air Defense system and is often used as an Early Warning Radar with its estimated range of 87 nautical miles. NATO reporting name: BIG BIRD (BB)



## INTEL - 2



4x Su-34 N 35 24.374 E035 57.212



1x S300 TELAR N 35 24.269 E 035 57.277



1x S300 TELAR N 35 24.141 E 035 57.140

## INTEL - 3

#### POI#1: 1x SA-10 BB SEARCH RADAR

N 35 23.956 E035 57.222 Last coordinates indicates compound, southeast corner of airfield

#### POI#2: 4x Su-34 FULLBACK FIGHTER-BOMBERS

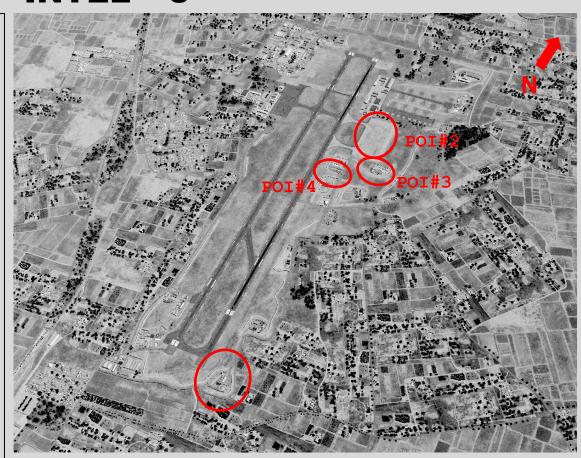
N 35 24.374 E035 57.212 Eastern Ramp, close to RWY 35R/17L

#### POI#3: 1x SA-10 TELAR

N 35 24.269 E 035 57.277 Small compound directly south of Eastern Ramp

#### POI#4: 1x SA-10 TELAR

N 35 24.141 E 035 57.140 Small compound directly approximatly 1000 ft south-west of POI#3



## **ASSESSMENT**

#### Striking EWR assets at OSLK:

It is not clear who owns or operates the air defense systems at Bassel Al-Assad. However, intel does not indicate that Syria is in possession of a SA-10 system – indicating that the EWR and supporting assets most likely are Russian assets.

Political implications might be severe, and might draw Russia further into the conflict. Strike not advisable until:

- 1. Russia acts aggressively against CJTF
- 2. The Russian SA-10 site poses a direct threat to CJTF assets, halting CJTF operations
- 3. Syria is proven to also possess SA-10 assets\*
- 4. Russia denies its presence at the airbase\*

#### **Striking runways at OSLK:**

A strike on the runways should prevent the use of the runway for at least 1 day or more. Striking additional targets like fuel- and ammunition-bunkers might prove more devastating and longer lasting. As Russian air-operations from OSLK does not seem to currently be impacting CJTF operations the immediate effect of such a strike is uncertain. However, it might force Russian assets to evacuate or move to another location – with the potential to also force them into the conflict.

#### RISK:

Unknown Airbase Air Defenses. SA-10 site identified and supporting point-defense assets (SA-19, SA-15 etc.) should be expected. Russian fighters are located at the base, but intention of their use or alert-readiness is not known.

<sup>\*</sup> A strike could be green-lighted under the guise of hitting Syrian assets on a Syrian airbase