



OPERATION ACTIVE RESOLVE INTELLIGENCE REPORT D+11

1 General Information

This intelligence report covers the last 24 hours (D+11).

2 Intelligence

2.1 Air

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2.2 Sea

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2.3 Ground

2.3.1 Study of counter SEAD/DEAD efforts

A group from the army, air force and defense research establishment has convened at the order of the Syrian regime at the Air Defense Academy (OPARTGT062). The group's purpose is to study the losses the Syrian forces have had from allied SEAD and DEAD effort. Reporting indicate that the groups mandate is to publish new guidelines to be more effective in protecting own SAM's.

2.3.2 Activation of Syrian 6th Corps

The Syrian regime today sent the activation order for the Syrian 6th Corps.

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COMMENT:

The Syrian 6th Corps mirror Syrian 1st Corps and have the same structure. The Syrian 6th Corps was first mentioned in VID INTREP D+2.

ASSESSMENT:

It is LIKELY that the Syrian 6th Corps are of lower quality and have equipment that are not to the same standard like 1st Corps. As an example, several battalions are reported to use the old T-55 main battle tanks instead of the T-72.

Assessment from D+2 still stands, and it is expected to take 7 days to activate the Corps, and an additional 7 days to move it to the area of operations where it is intended to be used. It is still unknown where the 6th Corps is intended to be used. It is considered as even chance for the 6th Corps being sent to the front or sent to Damascus to strengthen the defenses in the capitol.

2.4 Political

2.4.1 Syrian regime expects invasion

The last 24 hours VID have received reports that the Syrian regime now is starting to realize that a ground invasion may happen. The Syrian regime has expected that the allied activity have been a show of strength to force the Syrian regime to accept a peace agreement on the allied terms. The Syrian regime is now looking seriously into all options on how to counter a ground invasion.

ASSESSMENT:

It is LIKELY that the Syrian regime expects a ground invasion. It is LIKELY that the Syrian regime considers all available options to deter such a invasion, including the use of WMD. It is HIGHLY LIKELY that Syrian forces will launch a SCUD as a show of force in the next 24-48 hours to be able to use it in strategic messaging.

3 VID Information gaps

3.1 Intelligence Requirements

The following are intelligence requirements VID request support from VIS to answer.

3.1.1 Intelligence Requirement 1 (IR 1): What is the status of Syrian SCUD units?

- Where are they located?
- Which units are operational?

3.1.2 Intelligence Requirement 2 (IR 2): What is status of Syrian WMD?

- What are Syrian intentions for their WMD?
- What is the threat from WMD?

3.1.3 Intelligence Requirement 3 (IR 3): What is the status of Syrian Air Force

- DCA missions? (Does the Syrian Air Force fly CAPs?)
- QRA (reaction times, from what bases type of aircrafts)

3.1.4 Intelligence Requirement 4 (IR 4): What is the status of 4th Corps and 5th Corps

- Are they leaving bases? (If yes, that can indicate a major Syrian offensive).
- Which direction are they heading?

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3.1.5 Intelligence Requirement 5 (IR 5): What is the status of Syrian Air Force A-G missions?

- Are they Syrian Airforce able to conduct A-G missions?
- What aircraft are used in A-G missions? (Can indicate if our intelligence is correct, or provide input if A-G squadrons are changing to A-A based on the situation?)

3.1.6 Intelligence Requirement 6 (IR 6): What is Russian intentions?

- What is the status of Russian forces?
- How many?
- Where?
- From where are they operating?
- What can we expect?
- What are the Russian intentions?

3.1.7 Intelligence Requirement 7 (IR 7): What is the status of Syrian IADS?

- Positions of EWR
- Position of SAM sites
- Is the entire IADS operational?
- What parts of the IADS is operational?

3.1.8 Intelligence Requirement 8 (IR 8): What other actors are influencing CJTF operations, and are present in the area of operations?

- Which countries are present?
- Which organizations are present?
- What units are being used?
- What are their intentions?

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