

NATO OPERATION ORDER (OPORD)

OPERATION IRON RETRIBUTION

References

- UKSF Campaign Briefing: OPERATION IRON RETRIBUTION V2 filecite turn0file0
 - NATO AJP-3 Allied Joint Doctrine for the Conduct of Operations
 - NATO STANAG 2014 (Operational Orders)
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1. SITUATION

a. General

An international terrorist organisation, assessed as **AL-KHAIMA FRONT (AKF)**, has conducted a mass-casualty terrorist attack on UK soil ("Day of Ashes") and maintains an extensive transnational network spanning the UK and the region of **Lythium**. The organisation employs layered command structures, financial facilitators, logistics specialists, propaganda elements, and IED / chemical weapons expertise.

UK Special Forces (UKSF), supported by the Special Reconnaissance Regiment (SRR) and national intelligence partners, are tasked with dismantling the AKF network through a phased counter-terrorism campaign consisting of domestic response operations followed by expeditionary actions overseas.

b. Enemy Forces

AKF is assessed as: - Highly compartmentalised - Experienced in counter-surveillance - Capable of complex IED, VBIED, chemical, and UAV-enabled attacks - Willing to exploit civilian infrastructure and human shields

Enemy Leadership (Known / Assessed): - **The Ferryman** – Finance, logistics, and international coordination - Multiple Tier 2 and Tier 3 facilitators across Lythium

Enemy courses of action include: - Rapid evacuation of safehouses - Pre-planned kill zones - Booby-trapped sites and secondary devices - Information warfare and disinformation campaigns

c. Friendly Forces

- UKSF Task Group (SAS / SBS)
- SRR (ISR, target development, tracking)
- MI6 (strategic intelligence support)
- EOD elements (11 EOD Regiment)
- Aviation support (AAC / SOAR as allocated)
- NATO intelligence sharing partners (as required)

d. Assumptions

- Enemy possesses advance warning capability via leaks or technical surveillance
 - Civilians will be present at multiple objectives
 - Simultaneous operations will be required to prevent target escape
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2. MISSION

UKSF Task Group conducts phased counter-terrorism operations to locate, disrupt, capture or eliminate AKF leadership and infrastructure in order to neutralise the organisation's capability to conduct attacks against the UK and allied interests.

3. EXECUTION

a. Commander's Intent

The intent is to apply sustained, intelligence-led pressure against AKF leadership, dismantling the network node-by-node until command and control collapses. Priority is placed on intelligence exploitation, capture of key individuals where feasible, and the prevention of further mass-casualty attacks.

End State: - AKF leadership neutralised - Financial, logistics, propaganda, and IED networks dismantled
- Residual cells rendered ineffective

b. Tasks to Subordinate Units

SAS / SBS: - Conduct DA, HVT capture/kill missions - Execute CQB and assault operations - Lead SSE at all objectives

SRR: - Persistent ISR and surveillance - Target development and pattern-of-life analysis - Tracking of couriers and vehicles

EOD: - Clearance of IED/VBIED threats - Technical exploitation of devices

Aviation Assets: - Insertion, extraction, ISR support - QRF and CASEVAC as required

c. Coordinating Instructions

- Capture preferred where intelligence value is high
 - ROE permits lethal force when hostile intent is demonstrated
 - SSE is mandatory at all cleared objectives
 - Civilian harm mitigation is a priority
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4. SERVICE SUPPORT

a. Logistics

- Resupply via designated NATO/UK logistics nodes
- Controlled distribution of specialist breaching and EOD equipment

b. Medical

- Role 1 medics organic to assault teams
- CASEVAC via rotary wing where available

c. Personnel

- Mission-tailored task groups
 - Rotation to manage operational fatigue
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5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Command

- Overall Command: UKSF Task Group Commander
- Tactical Control: On-scene Assault Force Commander

b. Signal

- Secure UKSF encrypted communications
 - SRR ISR feeds integrated at HQ
 - Emissions control enforced in high-risk areas
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ANNEXES (Available on Request)

- Annex A: Intelligence Summary
 - Annex B: ROE Matrix
 - Annex C: Target Packs
 - Annex D: SSE Reporting Templates
 - Annex E: Aviation & QRF Plan
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