Taskforce Situation Report, Libya Crisis Map: 16 March 2011

Date: 16 March 2011 (Reported at 09:00 EDT, focusing only on events of the last 26 hours, since 07:00 EDT, 15 March 2011)

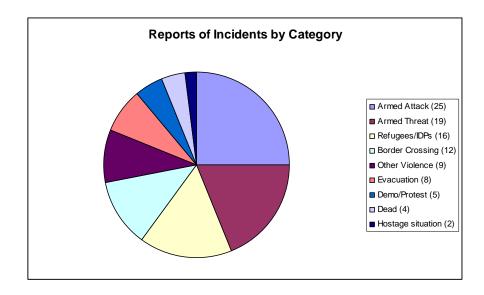
More than 893 unique reports have been filed since the Libya Crisis Map was launched. There were 91 unique reports filed in this reporting period.

## **Summary of Events**

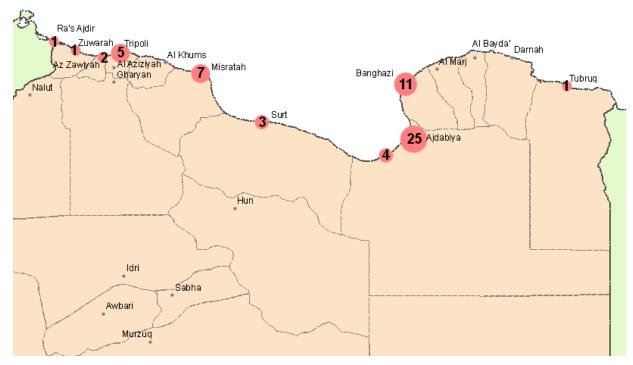
- Interactions between government forces and rebels have been very heavy in both the eastern city
  of Misratah and in Ajdabiya, in the west. There are conflicting and alternating reports about who has
  the upper hand.
- Fighting in Ajdabiya is forcing its citizens to flee further eastward to Benghazi, while citizens of Benghazi are also moving further eastward, towards the Egyptian border, in anticipation of the increased violence there. Medecins Sans Frontieres (MSF) has removed its medical staff from Benghazi towards safer ground
- Brega remains under rebel control, but military troops are again aggressively active here as well.

## **Summary of Needs**

- Heavy fighting in Ajdabiya has created critical medical needs. The Ajdabiya hospital has been shelled and is short of all medical staff and other resources.
- Libyan civilians are leaving the country at both the Tunisian and Egyptian borders and refugee populations are straining local resources. Medical, food, and sanitation needs are heavy.



## Reported Incidents of Violence (Armed Violence, Armed Threat, Dead, Injured, Hostage Situation, Other Violence)



## Reported Incidents Non-violent (Border crossings, Demo/protest, Evacuation, Refugees/ IDPs)

