

Mission #3: Doing Drugs

Strike on Drug Factories (Cuba)

SITUATION: Having proven the existence of drug factories in Cuba, the President has decided to take steps to eliminate them. Four factories were identified: one each in Cienfuegos, Palmira, Cruces, and Santa Clara

MISSION: Your submarine will conduct a surgical strike mission using conventional Tomahawk missiles to destroy the factories. This will have two effects: 1) It will destroy the fledgling Cuban drug trade; and 2) It will slow down the military build-up, which is being funded by that money.

You are provided with satellite reconnaissance photos verifying the coordinates of the factory buildings. Because of the likelihood of anti-air defenses, you should plan for two sorties per factory. Select a launch point remote from the coast but within range of the missiles. Plan the flight paths to avoid anti-aircraft defenses and conduct a launch within the two hour window beginning 4 hours from the date-time group (DTG) of the tasking message. (Exact launch window will be specified).

Once the Missiles have been fired, you must clear datum as quickly as possible, since retaliatory action is to be expected. Do Not engage Cuban forces unless absolutely necessary.

Upon Completion of strike operations, proceed at best speed to the Vicinity of 19N,78W to report and to await BDA and further tasking.

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IMMEDIATE

FROM CTF 21
TO [ship name]

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SUBJ/LAUNCH INSTRUCTIONS AND SUPPORT//

RMKS/1. LAUNCH TWO SORTIES AT EACH OF THE FOLLOWING DRUG FACTORY LOCATIONS: 22-30N,081-17W; 22-38N, 081-00W; 22-31N, 080-24W.

2. LAUNCH POINT: WITHIN 10NM OF 21-21N, 080-48W. LAUNCH POINT SELECTED CLOSE TO SHORE TO MINIMIZE FLIGHT TIME AND ALERTMENT OF DEFENSES.
3. CONDUCT LAUNCH WITHIN THE HOUR. URGENT THAT FACTORIES BE DESTROYED BEFORE EQUIPMENT CAN BE MOVED TO NEW LOCATIONS.
4. UPON COMPLETION OF STRIKE, CLEAR LAND 50NM TO THE SOUTH AND AWAIT FURTHER TASKING. OSA PATROL CRAFT ARE REPORTED TO BE OPERATING SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST OF THE LAUNCH POINT.//

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PRIORITY

FROM CTF 21
TO [ship name]

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SUBJ/MISSION ASSIGNMENT//

- RMKS/1. AREA ASSIGNMENT. OPERATE IN THE WATERS SOUTH OF CUBA AND NORTH OF 20N BETWEEN LONG 080W AND 081-30W.
2. MISSION. TOMAHAWK STRIKE ON DRUG FACTORIES IDENTIFIED DURING SOF OPERATIONS. SPECIFIC TARGET COORDINATES WILL BE PROVIDED.
 3. COMMAND. CTF 21 RETAINS OPERATIONAL COMMAND.
 4. RULES OF ENGAGEMENT. DO NOT ENGAGE CUBAN FORCES PRIOR TO STRIKE EXCEPT IN SELF-DEFENSE. POST-STRIKE ENGAGEMENT OF CUBAN FORCES LOWER PRIORITY THAN CLEARING THE AREA.
 5. OTHER. EXPECT REACTION FROM SURFACE FORCES AND LAND-BASED NAVAL AIR AFTER LAUNCHING THE STRIKE. CLEARING DATUM AND EVADING FORCES SHOULD BE FIRST PRIORITY DUE TO INABILITY TO ENGAGE AIRBORNE UNITS.//

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FROM CTF 21

TO [ship name]

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SUBJ/NEW LAUNCH TARGET//

RMKS/1. ADD NEW DRUG FACTORY TARGET TO PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED LIST OF TARGETS. LAUNCH TWO SORTIES AT THE FOLLOWING DRUG FACTORY LOCATION 22-25N, 080-04W.

2. LAUNCH POINT: WITHIN 10NM OF 21-21N, 080-48W. LAUNCH POINT SELECTED CLOSE TO SHORE TO MINIMIZE FLIGHT TIME AND ALERTMENT OF DEFENSES.

3. CONDUCT LAUNCH WITHIN THE HOUR. URGENT THAT FACTORIES BE DESTROYED BEFORE EQUIPMENT CAN BE MOVED TO NEW LOCATIONS.

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OOB:

US Forces: 1x 688i Class Submarine

OPFOR:

2x OSA Missile Boats

1x Grisha Class Corvette

2x Foxtrot Class SSKs

Biologics are a must, up to builder for specifics.