

Hungary (Southern Group of Forces)

The Soviet 36th Tactical Air Army was stationed in Hungary

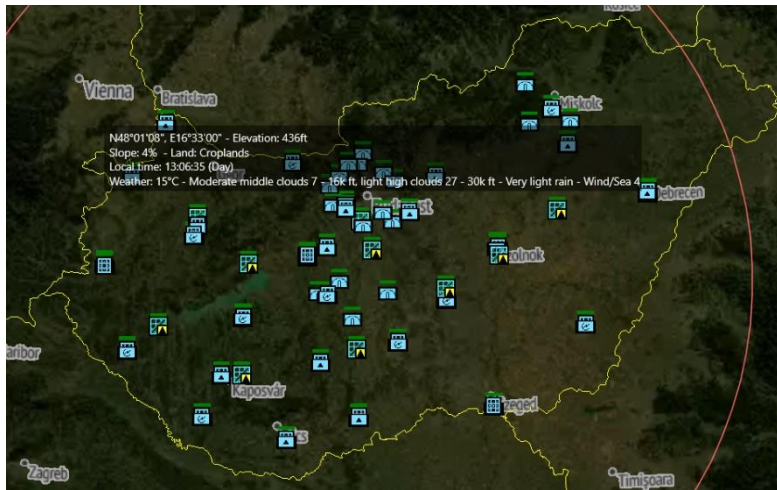


36th Air Army.Organisation 1990:

- [11th Guards Fighter Aviation Division](#) (Tekel, Hungary)
- [328th independent Guards Reconnaissance Aviation Regiment](#) (Kunmadaras, Hungary)
- [1st Guards Fighter-Bomber Aviation Regiment](#) (Kunmadaras, Hungary)
- [201st independent Mixed Aviation Squadron](#) (Tekel, Hungary)
- [294th independent Helicopter Squadron for Electronic Warfare](#) (Debrecen, Hungary)
- 18th independent Communications Regiment and Automated Control Regiment (Pilishaba, Hungary)

The probable task of Hungarian units is to attack Austria and or Italy. On the flank of the Western-Europe. But they could also support the trust from Czechoslovakia into Germany.

¹ http://www.easternorbat.com/html/515th_regiment_mig-21bis_in_co.html



Illustrative Warsaw Pact Operations in the Southwestern TVD

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Picture no. 2. CIA Assessment of the Soviet Strategic Directions
in the Southwestern Theater of Military Operations in 1979

More details in: https://wbh.wp.mil.pl/c/pages/atts/2023/1/b4.8. Zoltan_Harangi-Toth_ok.pdf



Hungarian MiG-23UB "Flogger-C" two-seat trainer with interesting weapons. Under the wing two Kh-23 Grom 'AS-7 Kerry' air-to-surface missiles. And under the fuselage two old R-3S 'AA-2A Atoll' short-range, infrared homing air-to-air missile.²

I haven't found complete data about the Hungarian Airforce in the late '80s. Only snippets. Next to MiG-23s and Su-17's the following squadrons have been identified.

MiG-21 squadrons

In 1991, MiG-21s operated with the following units (HRE = *Harcászati Repülő Ezred* – Combat Air Regiment; VSz = *Vadászrepülő Század* – Fighter Squadron):^[12]

- 31. HRE "Kapos" ([Tasár](#))
 - 1. VSz "Boszorkány" ("Witch") – 10 MiG-21bis, 2 MiG-21UM
 - 2. VSz "[Turul](#)" – 10 MiG-21bis, 2 MiG-21UM
- 47. HRE "Pápa" ([Pápa](#))
 - 2. VSz "Griff" ("Griffon") – 10 MiG-21bis, 2 MiG-21UM (transferred to MiG-23).
- 59. HRE "[Szentgyörgyi Dezső](#)" ([Kecskemét](#))
 - 1. VSz "Puma" – 10 MiG-21MF, 2 MiG-21UM
 - 2. VSz "Dongó" ("Wasp") – 10 MiG-21bis, 2 MiG-21UM

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Mikoyan-Gurevich_MiG-21_operators

A nice setup for a scenario can be this website which lists the Soviet nuclear bunkers in Hungary:

<https://www.sightraider.com/the-red-army-in-hungary-airbases-bunkers-and-ghost-towns/#>

See also the Kiev Military district (17th Tactical Air Army) for reinforcements in Hungary, in case of a crisis.

Kiev Military District

Reserve armies were stationed at Kiev military district. The District became subordinate to the South-Western Strategic Direction in the early 80s.



The Kiev Military District's units:

- 6th Guards Tank Army
- 1st Guards Army
- 17th Tactical Air Army

These were the Warsaw Pact Southern Group of Forces's, Odessa Military District's and the Bulgarian armed force's reserves during the Cold war.

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Only 2 airbases found of de 17th Tactical Air Army check for more..

² <https://x.com/EasternOrbat>

³ http://www.easternorbat.com/html/kyev_military_district_eng.html