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SINCREP 1393C (Amdt 3)

**OP AREZZO**

TO: PJHQ (VIA JOCS: PJHQ-MEOT-KPR-GP-GS1, PJHQ-SO2-OPSCGROUP-GS1) MD5-J3-PJHQLO-GS1.

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SINCREP 1393C (Amdt 3) 111400DAPR07

PRECEDENCE: IMMEDIATE

Ser		DETAILS
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01	TYPE OF INCIDENT	Op AREZZO - strike op
02	DTG OF INCIDENT	101436DAPR07
03	LOCATION OF INCIDENT	A1 GR QU 6922 7358, A2 GR QU 6913 7361, A3 GR QU 6917 7357, A53 GR QU 6900 7287, A54 GR QU 6902 7290, A55 GR QU 6902 7290 & A103 GR QU 6837 7196 AL QUIBLA District, BASRA City
04	DESCRIPTION	<p>Op AREZZO was a BG surge into AL QUIBLA District, BASRA City to demonstrate that MNF can operate across the City with impunity. A BG operation was conducted in order to set the conditions for a number of discreet 'soft knock' search and detention operation against ALPHAs in the AL QUIBLA District. These ALPHAs were thought to have been associated with previous IDF attacks against BP and other AIF activity. The search phase of the op completed successfully with relatively calm local atmospherics, and during this phase a BLOCK was established by FORCE RES along the RED route to reduce interference from the HYYANNIYAH District. As the BG time on the ground increased, atmospherics were reported to deteriorate and children were seen being cleared from the streets. A number of contacts then occurred. During these contacts AIF were seen to be delivered in vehicles and formed 'pockets' of fighters. The following key incidents and contacts occurred during the operation:</p> <p>At <b>101436DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact 6 rounds x SAF on 'Government Road' (IVO GR QU 690 712). The firing point was not identified, no rounds were returned and the patrol carried on task.</p> <p>At <b>101456DAPR07</b> BC BG reported that A1 (GR QU 6922 7358) had been struck - 3 x UKMs and a 5 x UKFs were inside and a pistol was found. There were no detentions.</p> <p>At <b>101502DAPR07</b> both A53 (GR QU 6900 7287) and A54 (GR QU 6902 7290) were struck. A53 was empty, although some documentation (believed to be relating to IDF attacks) was recovered. A54 contained a UKM, a UKF and a child. There were no detentions.</p> <p>At <b>101503DAPR07</b> BC BG reported that A103 (GR QU 6837</p>

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		<p>7196) was struck by Chindit Coy - 2 x UKMs and a UKF were inside and a SBW was reported. There were no detentions.</p> <p>At <b>101514DAPR07</b> FORCE RES (mixed WR/CR2) reported the BLOCK along the REDs was in place and that a high assurance search of RED 4 (GR QU 6774 7415) was ongoing.</p> <p>At <b>101515DAPR07</b> BC BG reported that A55 (GR QU 6902 7290) was struck. A UKF and a child were inside. Nothing of significance was found and there were no detentions.</p> <p>At <b>101517DAPR07</b> a BD threw a track. Recovery was tasked, but the broken track was unable to be recovered and was left IVO RED 3 (GR QU 6678 7272).</p> <p>At <b>101518DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact SAF IVO ALPHA 89 (GR QU 688 729). The firing point was identified and rounds were returned.</p> <p>At <b>101525DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact SAF of 4-5 rounds IVO of GR QU 682723, with the rounds passing over a vehicle. No firing point was identified, no rounds were returned and no casualties were reported.</p> <p>At <b>101530DAPR07</b> A Coy BC BG fired a warning shot at a UKM on a roof with a mobile phone pointing at MNF.</p> <p>At <b>101531DAPR07</b> A Coy BC BG reported contact SAF contact IVO ORANGE 2 (GR QU 6926 7348). No firing point was identified and no rounds were returned.</p> <p>At <b>101535DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact SRSAF fired from a white saloon car seen moving towards ORANGE 2 and ORANGE 4 (GR QU 6991 7453).</p> <p>At <b>101535DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact SAF of 3 rounds IVO GR QU 692712.</p> <p>At <b>101539DAPR07</b> FORCE RES reported that the clearance of RED 4 by REST was complete. No IED was found.</p> <p>At <b>101540DAPR07</b> A Coy BC BG BD PI reported contact SRSAF. No firing point was identified and no rounds were returned.</p> <p>At <b>101543DAPR07</b> BC BG reported 1 x IPS with GSW caused by AIF.</p> <p>At <b>101545DAPR 07</b> A Coy BC BG reported sustained SAF contact from a number of firing points North, East and South of ORANGE 2. Rounds were returned and 2 x ENHITs were claimed at GR QU 694737. This contact continued with sporadic fire from multiple firing points (both from rooftops and cars) for approximately 20 minutes. Cars were seen with weapons moving from HAYY AL SHUHDA District into HAYY AL QAAD District, as well as also heading South through HAYY AL QAAD District.</p> <p>At <b>101548DAPR07</b> FORCE RES reported contact SRSAF IVO RED 5 (GR QU 680717).</p> <p>At <b>101548DAPR07</b> BC BG reported that they engaged a marksman on a rooftop at GR QU 696740 and an ENHIT was claimed.</p> <p>At <b>101559DAPR07</b> BC BG reported contact SAF x 2 rounds. No rounds were returned and there were no casualties.</p> <p>At <b>101605DAPR07</b> the battened down extraction began;</p>

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		<p>there were no detainees.</p> <p>At <b>101607APR07</b> BC BG reported a SRSF contact.</p> <p>At <b>101612APR07</b> BC BG reported contact SAF and RPG IVO of GR QU 696711. No rounds were returned and there were no casualties reported. The extraction continued as sporadic SAF and RPG contacts continued between 101520-1612DAPR07 in this area.</p> <p>At <b>101623APR07</b> BC BG reported contact RPG at ORANGE 1 (GR QU 6822 7180). There were no casualties. Two UKMs were detained during the follow up</p> <p>At <b>101627DAPR07</b> FORCE RES reported a contact SUSIED during their extraction at GR QU 684721. No significant damage was reported and the patrol continued.</p> <p>At <b>101632DAPR07</b> BC BG reported a contact SAF. Rounds were returned and an ENHIT was claimed.</p> <p>The 2 x detainees were then moved to a rural HLS to be flown to the BPF. There was a delay in the flight due to both inclement weather and IDF attacks on the COB (SINCREPs 1395 and 1396 refers).</p> <p>At <b>101640DAPR07</b> a contact RPG was reported on the corner of ORANGE 1, followed by a burst of SAF and RPG. Rounds were returned.</p> <p>At <b>101700DAPR07</b> a contact of 5 x RPGs was reported at GR QU 692713. Rounds were returned an ENHIT was claimed.</p> <p>The detainees arrived at the BPF at <b>101910DAPR07</b> and the decision to intern them both was made at <b>102342DAPR07</b>.</p>
05	FRIENDLY FORCES INVOLVED	BASRA City BG, FORCE RES, NIMDET, TORDET, USN, JHF-I
06	UNIT/SERVICE/PERSONNEL INVOLVED	2 RIFLES BG (incl Chindit Coy 2 LANCS), 2 LANCS BG, RESA, NIMDET, TORDET, USN, JHF-I
07	CASUALTIES	<p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Nil</p>
08	DETAINEES	<p>[REDACTED]</p>
09	CIVILIANS INVOLVED	<p>A1 - 3 x UKMs, 5 x UKFs</p> <p>A2 - Not known</p> <p>A3 - Not known</p> <p>A53 - Empty</p> <p>A54 - 1 x UKM, 1 x UKF, 1 x UKC</p> <p>A55 - 1 x UKF, 1 x UKC</p> <p>A103 - 2 x UKMs and a UKF</p>

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10	MILITARY HARDWARE	MR2, 2 x F-18s, 2 x GR4s, LYNX Ammunition expended: 6,009 rounds x 7.62mm, 3 rounds x 7.62mm (Green Spot), 3,434 rounds x 5.56mm, 29 x UGL rounds, 10 x smoke grenades and 2 x phosphorous grenades
11	ENEMY FORCES INVOLVED	Not known
12	EN UNIT/SERVICE/PERSONNEL INVOLVED	Multiple UK gunmen
13	EN CASUALTIES/EVACUEES/ DETAINEES	By 111200DAPR07 BC BG claimed 24 x ENHITs (full details will be reported in PIPs)
14	EN MILITARY HARDWARE	SAF, RPG, SUSIED Finds: A1 - Nil A2 - Nil A53 - 1 x pistol, documents A54 - Nil A55 - Nil A103 - 1 x SBW
15	ALLIED/FOREIGN INVOLVEMENT	USN (F-18s)
16	CIVPOL/PROVOST INVOLVEMENT	IPS casualty (GSW) - reportedly shot by AIF
17	MEDIA INVOLVEMENT/INFORMED	Media Ops informed Micheal YON (US Blogger on operation)
18	ACTION TO DATE	1443D - Lead vehicles at ORANGE 1 (GR QU 6822 7180). 1454D - Callsigns reported just short of objective. 1510D - Poss IED IVO GREEN 11 (GR QU 6809 74944) reported and search being undertaken. 1521D - Children were seen being cleared off the streets IVO ORANGE 2 (GR QU 6926 7348), indicating a change in atmospherics. 1538D - FAST AIR back overhead after tanking. 1552D - RESA reported off task. SAF and RPG contacts were still ongoing. 1554D - Extraction Phase to begin in 10 minutes. 1555D - All ALPHAs reported as struck. 1627D - BCN BG reported that all callsigns were clearing from the target area. 1635D - BPF warned off. 1639D - All callsigns clear of BG RV. A rural HLS at the 'HAMPDEN Junction' will be established for the detainee.
19	INTENTIONS	Nil