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Map

Altis

Modset

Joint-Op Modest

SITUATION:

28th September 2018

The government of the Republic of Altis has officially collapsed, plunging the island nation into chaos. Years of economic decline, widespread corruption, and social unrest have finally led to the downfall of the central authority in Pyrgos, the capital. With key institutions in disarray and no effective leadership, the collapse has left a power vacuum across the island.

In the wake of the government's fall, various factions are vying for control, including nationalist militias, separatist groups, and criminal organisations. The situation is further complicated by the heavy influence of Russia, which had been propping up the failing government in exchange for strategic and economic interests. With the government's demise, Russia's presence has become even more pronounced, as it seeks to maintain its influence over the island through support for proxy forces.

The collapse has exacerbated the humanitarian crisis, with basic services failing and lawlessness spreading. The population is divided, with some aligning with Russian-backed forces, while others rally behind insurgent groups or local leaders promising order. Altis now stands on the brink of a full-scale civil conflict, as the absence of a central authority fuels further instability and violence across the island.

The once formidable Altis Armed Forces (AAF) and the Freedom and Independence Army (FIA) have seen elements of their organisations merge, creating a blurred line between the two once-opposing factions. This unexpected convergence has led to a surge in attacks on shipping routes in the Mediterranean, with many vessels falling victim to these coordinated assaults. The distinction between AAF soldiers and FIA militants has become increasingly unclear, complicating efforts to identify the responsible parties.

This merger has enhanced their operational effectiveness, allowing them to carry out more sophisticated and widespread attacks on both commercial and military ships. The uncertainty surrounding the identities of the attackers has heightened tensions in the region, making it difficult for international forces to respond appropriately. As these hybrid forces continue to disrupt vital shipping lanes, the situation threatens to destabilise the Mediterranean, posing significant risks to global trade and regional security.

A task force is being prepared of local assets to quickly eliminate the threat posed by the forces operating out of Altis. Air strikes will target known military infrastructure on the east of the island in preparation for the ground offensive.

MISSION:

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Alpha Company are to seize the airfield North West of Abdera.



Time:

- 0515 local.

Weather:

- Broken cloud coverage.
- Sea fog settling across the island.

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IED / Mine threat:

- NIL.

ENEMY FORCES:

Altis Armed Forces:

Trained regular force using Russian equipment supplemented by irregular troops using varied old equipment.

Airfield is currently used by limited rotary units of the AAF and for training of drone flying.

Limited localised defences expected.

The AAF have limited anti air capability but a large number of imported MANPADS and large calibre static weapons employed for air defence.

Expecting retaliatory strikes, unlikely to be expecting a ground attack.

CIVILIAN POPULATION:

In civilian residential areas. Most government supporters have since fled.

LOGISTICS INFORMATION:

Supplies:

- Available through support assets.

Support:

- Attached CAS.
- Air defence from task group.

Reinforcements:

- Available through support assets.

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT:

Weapon Control Order: At the discretion of the Troop Commander.