

## SCENARIO SPECIAL IDEA

Joint Area of Operations	JOA - East (PAMI)
General Idea	OPERATION PACIFIC STORM
Echelon Level	COMPANY
Unit Type	MECHANISED INFANTRY
Mission Type	OFFENSIVE CLEARANCE – AROPA AIRPORT

### Scenario Design Comments

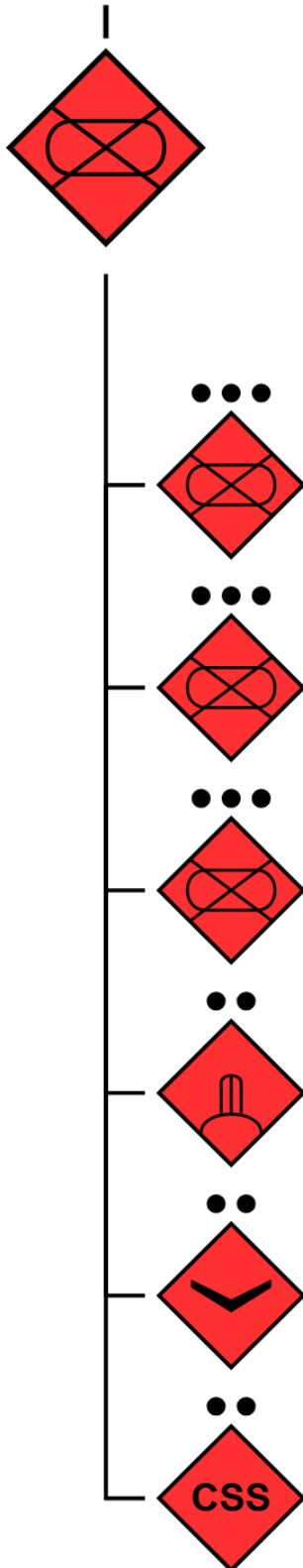
In this scenario, an Olvanan Mechanised Infantry Company (MECH INF COY) is tasked with conducting an offensive operation to seize AROPA AIRPORT, located on PELABUKA ISLAND, PULLER ISLANDS.

The MECH INF COY is part of an Olvanan Medium Combined Arms Brigade (MED CA-BDE) operating in the area, who have recently landed in the SPOD at KIETA and are conducting a seizure of the island.

After securing the SPOD at KIETA, the MED CA-BDE has broken out into the AO IOT secure Key Terrain (KT). As such, the MECH Battalion (BN) has been ordered to clear the eastern MSR, with a MECH COY assigned to secure the AROPA AIRPORT APOD.

### OPFOR suggested Order of Battle (ORBAT)

The suggested ORBAT for this scenario is an Olvanan Mechanised Infantry Company (MECH INF COY) from the MED CA-BDE.



The MECH INF COY consists of:

- Company Headquarters
- Mechanised Infantry Platoon (x3)
- Air Defence Section
- Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) Section
- Combat Service Support (CSS) Section

The MECH INF COY utilises its approximately 10 organic ZBL-08 Amphibious Infantry Fighting Vehicles (AIFVs) to transit within the AO and conduct offensive and defensive actions.

These platforms provide the majority of the firepower for the formation, equipped with 30mm autocannons.

Local defence against low-altitude aircraft is provided by the MANPADs detachment equipped with QW-18 systems.

The Company is also augmented by the UAS detachment, providing limited localised ISR capability.

Additionally, the COY is supported by its organic logistics element for maintenance and force sustainment.

## **OPFOR Mission**

### **SITUATION**

Following the successful lodgement of the Brigade at KIETA SPOD, the 2nd MECH BN conducting a clearance of the eastern MSR and securing key terrain along the route, with a MECH COY being tasked to secure the AROPA Airport.

### **MISSION**

The MECH COY is to secure the AROPA Airfield and establish a Positional Defence IOT secure the key terrain of the Aropa Airfield ISO of the 2nd MECH BN Eastern MSR clearance and to enable force flow into the AO.

#### **Phase 1 – ISR and Shaping**

- MECH COY is to conduct an Initial recon sweep of AROPA AIRFIELD and surrounds by organic UAS elements.
- 1 PLATOON will move to designated Form-up Point (FUP) position North of the runway.
- 2 and 3 PLATOON will move to establish a Support By Fire (SBF) line within the tree line to the West of the airport.
- COY HQ will remain in cover and concealment in the FUP, North of the river, co-located with the MANPADs AD detachment.

#### **Phase 2 – Runway clearance**

- On order, 1 PLATOON will conduct a deliberate clearance of the APOD, conducting a sweep from North to South.
- 2 and 3 PLATOON will support Main Effort (ME) through the provision of targeted and area direct fire from the West.
- UAS DET to maintain ISR soak, provide target indications and battlefield commentary to MECH COY Force Elements (FE).

#### **Phase 3 – Airport seizure**

- Once 1 PLATOON has reached limit of exploitation at the end of the runway, they will adopt a defensive position and BPT support 2 and 3 PLATOON.
- On order, 2 and 3 PLATOON will collapse SBF position in the tree line and rapidly clear from WEST to EAST.
- 2 PLATOON will secure the Aircraft Hangars.

- 3 PLATOON will secure the arrivals, departures and administration facilities.
- UAS DET to maintain ISR soak, report any targets identified.

**Phase 4 – Consolidation**

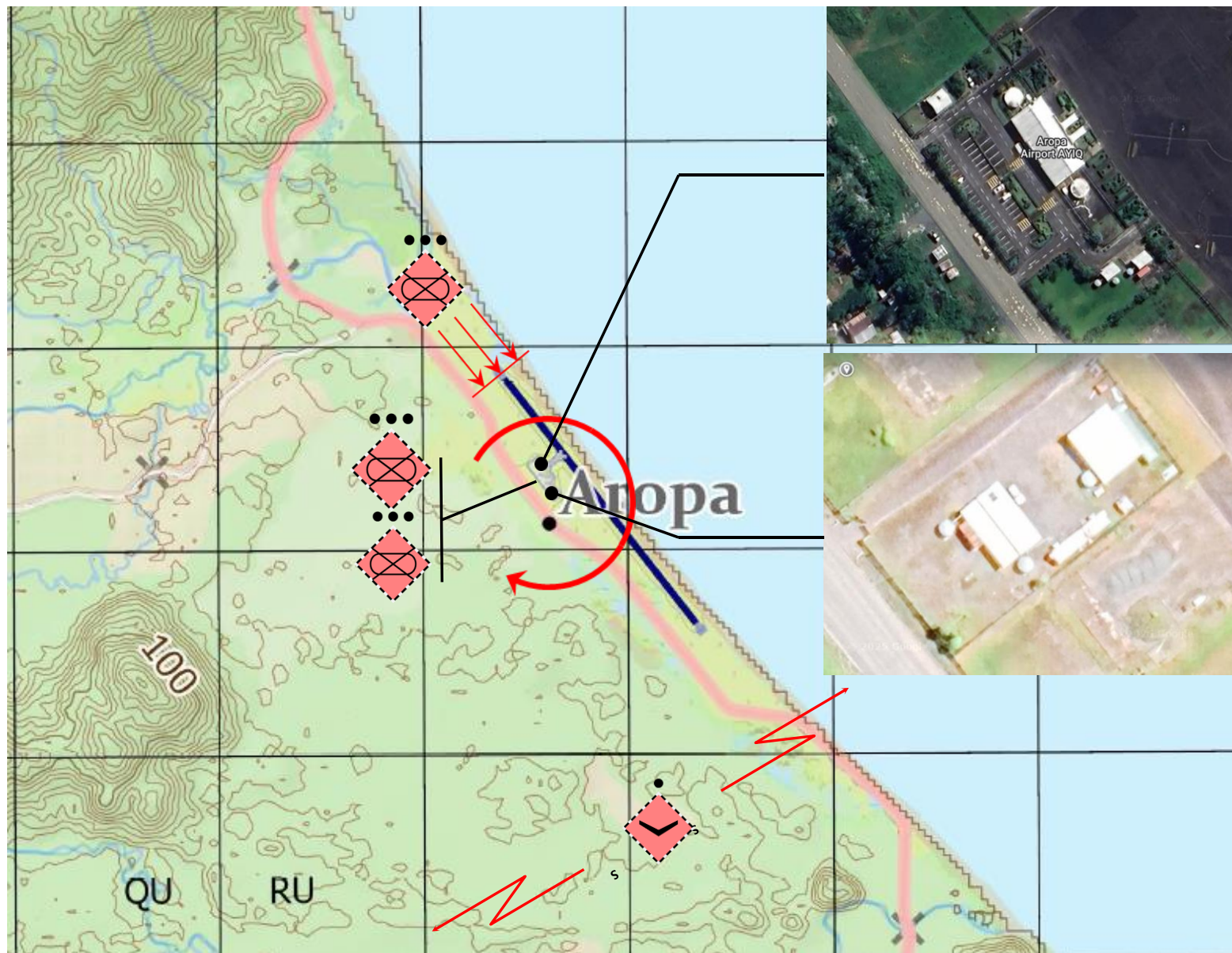
- Once conditions are set, COY HQ will relocate to terminal buildings.
- COY will conduct a re-org IVO the airport.
- AIR DEFENCE DET to reposition to provide AD bubble of airport.
- 1, 2 and 3 PLATOON will commence defensive position development, ensuring all likely avenues of approach are covered.
- UAS DET to provide a ISR screen on the Southern approach of the airport.

**End-State.**

The end-state of this mission is to:

1. Secure AROPA APOD, including ATC, hangars, and terminal facilities.
2. Establish hardened defensive position at AROPA APOD.
3. Provide ISR screen along the MSR to the South-East IOT provide EW for potential enemy C-ATK forces.
4. Enable force flow into the region by supporting Olvanan Force Elements.

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## **Relevant Training References**

### **Olvanan Brigade level Tactics**

[Olvanan Mechanised Brigade Task Group Tactics | Decisive Action Training Environment \(DATE\)](#)

### **Olvanan Jungle Warfare Tactics**

[Olvanan Jungle Warfare Tactics at Combined Arms Brigade and Below | Decisive Action Training Environment \(DATE\)](#)

Further training resources are available on the Australian DATE website, accessed at [date.army.gov.au](http://date.army.gov.au)

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