20 June. Allied Joint Force Command NAPLES, SHAPE, NATO HQ
(more information: www.jfcnaples.nato.int)

Mission
NATO took control of all military operations for Libya under United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1970 & 1973 on 31 March 2011. The aim of Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR is to protect civilians and civilian-populated areas under attack or threat of attack.

The mission consists of three elements: an arms embargo, a no-fly-zone and actions to protect civilians from attack or the threat of attack.

Over the past 24 hours, NATO has conducted the following activities associated with Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR:

Air Operations
Since the beginning of the NATO operation (31 March 2011, 08.00GMT) a total of 11781 sorties, including 4469 strike sorties*, have been conducted.

Sorties conducted 19 JUNE: 137
Strike sorties conducted 19 JUNE: 60

*Strike sorties are intended to identify and engage appropriate targets, but do not necessarily deploy munitions each time.

Key Hits
19 JUNE: In the vicinity of Tripoli: 1 Military Vehicle Storage Facility, 2 Surface-To-Air Missile Guidance Radars. In the vicinity of Misratah: 2 Rocket Launchers, 1 Truck-Mounted Gun, 3 Tanks, 3 Anti-Aircraft Artillery Pieces, 1 Military Logistic Truck. In the vicinity of Sebha: 1 Command & Control Node.

Arms Embargo Activities
A total of 20 ships under NATO command are actively patrolling the Central Mediterranean. 10 vessels were hailed on 19 JUNE to determine destination and cargo. 3 boardings (no denials) were conducted.

A total of 1439 vessels have been hailed, 105 boardings and 8 denials have been conducted since the beginning of arms embargo operations.

International Humanitarian Assistance Movements as recorded by NATO
Total of Humanitarian Movements**: 381 (air, ground, maritime)
Ships delivering Humanitarian Assistance 19 JUNE: 1
Aircrafts delivering Humanitarian Assistance 19 JUNE: 4

**Some humanitarian movements cover several days.

Command and Control
NATO’s operational commander for Operation Unified Protector is Lieutenant-General Charles Bouchard of the Canadian Air Force. His office and staff is located at the Allied Joint Force Command Naples.

For any operational query:
Naples Media and Information Center
tel: +39 081 721 31 11
Email: oup.media@gmail.com

For any other query:
NATO HQ Press Desk
+32 (0) 2 707 1010
+32 (0) 2 707 10 07
Mail to: moc@hq.nato.int