

Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR – Key Facts and Figures

Mission: On 27 March 2011, NATO decided to take control over all military operations for Libya under United Nations Security Council Resolutions 1970 and 1973. 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. The NATO-led arms embargo covers the maritime approaches to Libya, the other elements cover the whole territory of Libya.

Operation UNIFIED PROTECTOR is mandated under Chapter VII of the UN Charter. UN Security Council Resolutions 1970 & 1973 set its legal mandate. In line with UNSCR 1973, NATO has no intention for any occupying force anywhere in Libya.



Operational Commander: Lieutenant General Charles Bouchard (CAN AF)

Commander Maritime Command Naples: Vice Admiral Rinaldo Veri (ITA N)

Commander Allied Air Command Izmir: Lieutenant General Ralph Jodice II (USA AF)

Operation Contributing Nations (as of 5 April)

	Belgium		Qatar
	Bulgaria		Romania
	Canada		Spain
	Denmark		Sweden
	France		Turkey
	Greece		United Arab Emirates
	Italy		United Kingdom
	Netherlands		United States
	Norway		NATO AWACS

		
Total	195	18

Note on numbers: Figures are calculated by the Force Flow tracking system at SHAPE HQ and count all assets under the Command and Control of the Operational Commander. Numbers of assets should be taken as indicative.