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Gents

OP COMPLETE all TF81 pers now recovered to CW les 1 x WIA PSR(S)2, PSR(C)2, PSR(IC)3 currently in BAF Role 3 Hosp. TF81 Doc in location. Injuries non life threatening. Cause of Injury, Per was trapped under debris when roof and wall collapsed at entry point of A1.

No Detainees from this operation. 3 x Compounds of interest. All empty of pers, however A1 and A3 showed signs of habitation and immediate abandonment. Including hot cooking fires, hot food and warm bedspaces. Compound A1 had abandoned Ammunition for RPG, DSHKA and abandoned 1 x RPG launcher. A3 had abandoned AK47 and ammunition.

Compound A1 caught fire. This fire was caused by Exploit pers after demolition charge on ammunition scattered flaming incendiary onto compound roof. Compound A3 also caught fire. Fire Caused by flashbang and or unattended cooking fire during clearance. A3 had a secondary explosion, unknown cause, possibly ammunition cache. Neither fire was extinguished by TF81 due to INS threat.

Offensive support assets and TF81 pers engaged a number of Armed INS either massing or manoeuvring to attack Rotary assets or TF81 pers on the ground. Air Weapons team estimate 7 x INS KIA, AC130 estimates 4 x INS KIA, TF81 confirm 1 x INS KIA. All KIA MAM's. BDA not confirmed due to threat, ground and INS locations on high ground overlooking Operation area.

Soft Knock call out conducted IAW rehearsed procedures. Escalated to EMOE when no response on A1 and A3.

Key Leader Engagement attempted however not overly successful given INS threat and reticence of locals to leave safe buildings. Loud Hailer with Foreign Speaking National and posters used to convey leave behind IO messages.

No Women or children seen in target area. 2 x women identified in building adjacent to HLZ and reassured by Afghan Partner Unit and left alone.

That's all I have for now. I am sure with time there will be more clarity especially from enabling assets. I recommend no public comment.

Regards

PSR(S)2.

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