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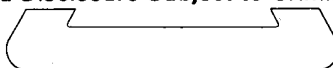
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DISPOSITION OF LIBYAN FORCES IN CHAD (SWN)

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** THE DISPOSITION OF LIBYAN FORCES IN NORTHERN CHAD _____ (SWN)

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2. **REMARKS:** LIBYAN MILITARY FORCES DEPLOYED IN CHAD, AS SEEN ON IMAGERY _____ INCLUDED ELEMENTS OF FOUR MECHANIZED INFANTRY BATTALIONS (NONE WITH THE FULL COMPLEMENT OF 40 ARMORED VEHICLES), TWO PROBABLE MOTORIZED INFANTRY BATTALIONS, TWO TANK COMPANIES AND THREE TANK PLATOONS, ELEMENTS OF ONE MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER (MRL) BATTERY, FOUR 130MM FIELD GUN M-46 BATTERIES, THREE 122MM HOWITZER D-30 BATTERIES, ELEMENTS OF SIX HEAVY-LIFT BATTALIONS, AND NUMEROUS SUPPORT VEHICLES. AIR DEFENSE EQUIPMENT INCLUDED TWO SA-6 (GAINFUL) BATTERIES (NOT OPERATIONAL _____ THREE SA-9 (GASKIN) TRANSPORTER-ERECTOR-LAUNCHERS (TEL), AND THREE ZSU-23/4 SELF-PROPELLED ANTIAIRCRAFT GUNS (SPAAG). LIBYAN COMBAT AIRCRAFT IN NORTHERN CHAD INCLUDED SIX MIRAGE F-1 FIGHTER/BOMBERS, 23 F105 (SU-22) FIGHTER/BOMBERS, 19 SF.260 LIGHT-STRIKE AIRCRAFT, AND SIX HIND ATTACK HELICOPTERS. THESE LIBYAN MILITARY FORCES HAVE DEPLOYED TO FIVE LOCATIONS IN NORTHERN CHAD -- FAYA LARGEAU, OUNIANGA KEBIR, GOURO, OGOUI, AND AOZOU. (SWN)

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THE LIBYAN GROUND FORCES OBSERVED AT FAYA LARGEAU _____ INCLUDED ELEMENTS OF ONE MECHANIZED INFANTRY BATTALION (ONLY 12 ARMORED VEHICLES OBSERVED), ONE PROBABLE MOTORIZED INFANTRY BATTALION (48 LAND ROVER-TYPE VEHICLES AND 33 TRUCKS), ONE TANK PLATOON (FIVE MEDIUM TANKS), ELEMENTS OF ONE BM-21 MULTIPLE ROCKET LAUNCHER BATTERY (AT LEAST TWO MRL), THREE 122MM HOWITZER D-30 BATTERIES (NINE GUNS, ONLY TWO BATTERIES DEPLOYED), ELEMENTS OF TWO HEAVY-LIFT BATTALIONS (30 TRANSPORTERS), AND A LOGISTICS UNIT (AT LEAST 65 TRUCKS). ALTHOUGH THE NUMBERS OF ARMORED VEHICLES CONFIRMED ON POOR IMAGERY

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[REDACTED] IN THE FAYA LARGEAU AREA DID NOT
EQUATE TO A NORMAL LIBYAN MECHANIZED BATTALION (40 PER
BATTALION), THE CONTINUED PRESENCE OF 30 HEAVY-LIFT
TRANSPORTERS, WHICH CARRY MECHANIZED UNITS, SUGGESTED THAT
MORE ARMORED VEHICLES WERE DEPLOYED THAN COULD BE SEEN.
EXCEPT FOR SMALL FLUCTUATIONS IN VEHICLE COUNTS, THE ONLY
SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN LIBYAN GROUND FORCES SINCE FAYA
LARGEAU WAS RECAPTURED ON [REDACTED] WAS THE IDENTIFICATION
OF A THIRD 122MM HOWITZER D-30 BATTERY. (SWN)

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LIBYAN GROUND FORCES AT OUNIANGA KEBIR WERE ESSENTIALLY
UNCHANGED [REDACTED] LIBYAN UNITS OBSERVED HERE ON
[REDACTED] INCLUDED ELEMENTS OF TWO MECHANIZED INFANTRY
BATTALIONS (27 BMP AND BTR-60 ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS
(APC)), ONE TANK COMPANY (13 MEDIUM TANKS), TWO 130MM FIELD
GUN M-46 BATTERIES (TEN GUNS), ELEMENTS OF TWO HEAVY-LIFT
BATTALIONS (34 TRANSPORTERS), AND A LOGISTICS UNIT (120
TRUCKS). SIX SF.260 LIGHT-STRIKE AIRCRAFT, ONE CURL
TRANSPORT, ONE TWIN OTTER TRANSPORT, AND TWO HIP
HELICOPTERS WERE ALSO AT THE AIRFIELD ON THAT DATE.
ALTHOUGH 20 ARMORED VEHICLES AND APPROXIMATELY 30
HEAVY-LIFT TRANSPORTERS HAD RECENTLY DEPARTED THE OUNIANGA
KEBIR AREA, TWO MECHANIZED INFANTRY BATTALIONS (ONE BMP APC
AND ONE BTR-60 APC) REMAINED HERE. (SWN)

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THE MOST RECENT DEPLOYMENT OF LIBYAN GROUND FORCES IN
NORTHERN CHAD WAS OBSERVED AT GOURO. [REDACTED] THIS
FORCE CONSISTED OF ELEMENTS OF ONE MECHANIZED INFANTRY
BATTALION (29 BMP APC AND OTHER ARMORED VEHICLES), ONE TANK
PLATOON (FOUR MEDIUM TANKS), ELEMENTS OF TWO HEAVY-LIFT
BATTALIONS (35 TRANSPORTERS), ONE 130MM FIELD GUN M-46
BATTERY (FIVE GUNS), AND ONE LOGISTICS UNIT (53 TRUCKS).
AN F-27 TRANSPORT AIRCRAFT WAS SEEN AT GOURO AIRFIELD ON
THIS SAME DATE. (SWN)

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LIBYAN FORCES AT OGOUI REMAINED ESSENTIALLY UNCHANGED SINCE
[REDACTED] AND INCLUDED ELEMENTS OF A PROBABLE MOTORIZED
INFANTRY/CAMMANDO BATTALION (17 LAND ROVER-TYPE VEHICLES
AND AT LEAST FOUR TRUCKS), ONE TANK PLATOON (THREE MEDIUM

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TANKS), AND A LOGISTICS UNIT (APPROXIMATELY 30 TRUCKS).
ALTHOUGH VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AT OGOUI REMAINED UNCHANGED
[REDACTED] THE IDENTIFICATION OF WEAPONS PLATFORMS
MOUNTED ON SOME OF THE LAND ROVERS AMONG THE FORCES PRESENT
INDICATED THAT ELEMENTS OF AN INFANTRY/CAMMANDO UNIT WERE
PRESENT. THE AIR ORDER-OF-BATTLE AT OGOUI REMAINED NORMAL
AND CONSISTED OF SIX SF.260 LIGHT-STRIKE AIRCRAFT, ONE
CH-47, AND TWO HIND. (SWN)

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LIBYAN GROUND FORCES HAD ALSO BEEN DEPLOYED TO AOZOU
AIRFIELD [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
REVEALED ONE TANK COMPANY (EIGHT PROBABLE AND THREE
CONFIRMED MEDIUM TANKS), ONE 130MM FIELD GUN M-46 BATTERY
(FOUR GUNS), TEN HEAVY-LIFT TRANSPORTERS, AND APPROXIMATELY
55 TRUCKS AND OTHER VEHICLES HAD RECENTLY ARRIVED. AIR
ORDER-OF-BATTLE AT THE AIRFIELD REMAINED NORMAL WITH SIX
MIRAGE F-1 FIGHTER/BOMBERS, 23 F1TTER FIGHTER/BOMBERS,
SEVEN SF.260 LIGHT-STRIKE AIRCRAFT, TWO HIP HELICOPTERS,
AND ONE ALOUETTE III HELICOPTER. THE FUEL STORAGE CAPACITY
AT THE AIRFIELD WAS SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED [REDACTED]
WHEN A TOTAL OF 31 FUEL BLADDERS WAS SEEN NEAR THE
AIRFIELD. AIR DEFENSE HAD ALSO BEEN INCREASED WITH THE
ARRIVAL OF TWO PROBABLE SA-6 BATTERIES [REDACTED] WHICH
HAD NOT YET BEEN OPERATIONALLY DEPLOYED. ADDITIONAL AIR
DEFENSE INCLUDED THREE SA-9 TEL AND THREE ZSU-23/4 SPAAG.
FIVE SA-9 WERE PRESENT [REDACTED] ELECTRONICS AT THE
AIRFIELD INCLUDED A NEWLY DEPLOYED UNIDENTIFIED RADAR, ONE
FLAT FACE AIR WARNING RADAR, ONE SPOON REST AIR WARNING
RADAR, ONE SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS STATION, AND ONE RSBN-4
NAVIGATIONAL AID. (SWN) [REDACTED]
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