NIGHT ORDERS UNTIL RELIEVED
EPISODE 00 · FALSE COLOURS

AJWHQ/J3/26-300/F00 · CARD
VALID 180200Z – 181800Z NOV 26

ROE CARD — OPERATION MASCARIN

Annexes A and C to FRAGO 00. Keep it to hand.

ALWAYS

1. Self-defence is never restricted (SW-1).
2. Identify before acting: two independent means, except in self-defence.
3. No boarding without **NIGHTJAR**. **SHUTTER** stops everything.
4. Photograph, record and time every act. Report.

NIGHTJAR is issued by COMSUP FAZSOI once Paris has approved. The commander afloat (CO of F730) alone decides whether deck and sea allow an insertion.

RULE	MEASURE	STATE
SW-1	Self-defence of the unit and of other friendly units and persons.	IN FORCE
SW-2	Shadowing and identification outside foreign territorial sea and airspace.	IN FORCE
SW-3	Hailing; visual, radio and light warnings; illumination.	IN FORCE
SW-4	Close approach and interposition, without contact.	IN FORCE
SW-5	Right of visit (UNCLOS art. 110) — MT ORIOLE SPIRIT only, on NIGHTJAR.	ACTIVATED
SW-6	Diversion to Port-des-Galets — after the visit, if nationality not confirmed.	ACTIVATED
SW-7	Warning shots.	NOT ACTIVATED
SW-8	Disabling fire against a vessel.	PROHIBITED
SW-9	Engagement of uncrewed vehicles.	NOT ACTIVATED
SW-10	Entry into foreign territorial sea or airspace.	PROHIBITED
SW-11	Engagement of a crewed platform other than in self-defence.	PROHIBITED

CODEWORDS

TRIPWIRE	Contact of interest detected	**DAYLIGHT**	Positive identification achieved
NIGHTJAR	Action authorised as set out in the FRAGO	**SHUTTER**	Stop all action and hold position
CLOSEOUT	End of mission		
LANTERN	Flag-state reply: CONFIRMED (**release the ship, end of operation**) or DENIED.		

ASSET SHEETS — TASK FORCE MASCARIN

F730 FLORÉAL

Surveillance frigate, Floréal class

`At sea, 32°30'S 051°30'E at 172200Z`

- Max speed about 20 kt
- One helicopter, one visit team
- Seaboats for a boat transfer in moderate seas

DB3000 #3889

Dauphin

Embarked helicopter (Flottille 34F)

`Aboard FLORÉAL`

- Photo-ID and insertion by fast rope
- Three sorties at most
- Deck limits worsen after the front

DB3000 #1884 (SA.365F1, stand-in for AS365N3)

3 SORTIES MAX

Atlantique 2

Maritime patrol aircraft

`Saint-Denis (BA 181), ready 180130Z`

- Search radar and long-range camera
- One sortie only
- About 500 nm transit each way

DB3000 #4249

1 SORTIE ONLY

P781 AUGUSTE TECHER

Overseas patrol vessel, Félix Éboué class

`Port-des-Galets, sails 180200Z`

- Escort and evidence
- More than 500 nm from the contact
- Arrives after the end of mission

DB3000 #3955 (P779 class)

ARRIVES AFTER END

A623 CHAMPLAIN

Support and assistance vessel

`Port-des-Galets, four hours' notice`

- Relief escort
- Towing capacity

DB3000 #4706 (A621 class)