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OPERATION SKJOLD

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The European quarantine of the Danish straits, a convoy under Russian escort, and Kaliningrad behind it: enforce it without firing first

FIG. 1 · THE WESTERN BALTIC, 021100Z



WGS 84 · ICAO 1:1 000 000

D-DAY	DURATION	FORCE	ROE
02 FEB 2027 · 1200Z	48 HOURS	15 SHIPS · 2 SSK · 31 AIRCRAFT	QUARANTINE

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OPERATION ORDER 27-033

OPERATION SKJOLD — ENFORCE THE EUROPEAN QUARANTINE OF THE DANISH STRAITS AGAINST THE SHADOW-FLEET CONVOY AND ITS RUSSIAN ESCORT, AND DEFEND BORNHOLM, THE STRAITS AND THE ALLIED FORCES WITHOUT FIRING FIRST; 2–4 FEB 27

ORIGINATOR	The Chief of Defence, Denmark, framework nation of the European quarantine; Joint Operations Centre, Karup
DATE-TIME GROUP	021100ZFEB27
SERIAL	BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033
ADDRESSEE	The Commander, BALTIC COMMAND, Operation SKJOLD (COM BALTCOM)
INFO	Einsatzführungskommando, Potsdam · Swedish Armed Forces HQ, Stockholm · MARCOM, Northwood (SNMG1) · CAOC Uedem · Danish, German and Swedish ships, squadrons and batteries under command · Bornholm garrison · Guard Hussar Regiment, Slagelse · Danish Home Guard · Danish Maritime Authority · the French, Dutch and German liaison officers at Karup
REFERENCES	A. Council Decision on the quarantine of the Danish straits, in force 021200ZFEB27 B. JOC directive of 020900ZFEB27: Operation SKJOLD C. DDIS INTSUM 27-031, 021000ZFEB27: the convoy and Kaliningrad D. Rules of engagement, profile SKJOLD, 021030ZFEB27 E. National authorities: Berlin and Stockholm F. Danish Maritime Authority: holding anchorages and notice to mariners, Route T G. Meteorological and astronomical forecast, 021000ZFEB27
ANNEXES	A · B · C · D · E · F · G · H · J · K
APPENDICES	B/1 Intelligence overlay · C/1 Operations overlay, the straits · C/2 Operations overlay, Bornholm and the east Bound as landscape sheets after Annexes B and C.
TIME ZONE	ZULU throughout. Local time is UTC+1 in Denmark, Germany and Sweden, UTC+2 in Kaliningrad.
MAP REFERENCE	Danish Geodata Agency charts of the straits; BSH charts of the western Baltic; ICAO 1:1 000 000 · WGS 84 · positions in degrees and decimal minutes
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RECORD OF CHANGES

NO	DTG	CHANGE	AUTHORITY	ENTERED BY
01	021110Z	Paragraph 1 and Annex B: **the first echelon of the convoy, six tankers, is east of Bornholm on Route T**, with SOOBRAZITELNY, STOYKIY and NEUSTRASHIMY in company. A second echelon of six is reported leaving the Gulf of Finland.	DDIS	KK VESTERGAARD
02	021120Z	Annex E: **the four holding anchorages are confirmed** by the Danish Maritime Authority: RONNE ROADS, GEDSER ROADS, KORSOR ROADS, SKAGEN ANCHORAGE.	DMA	KK VESTERGAARD
03	021135Z	Annex D rule Q-04: **until an incident, aircraft keep more than 3 nm from Russian warships**. Moscow will call anything closer a provocation.	JOC/LEGAD	OK KRAG

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German and Swedish ships; U35, GOTLAND	9–10	Secure signal; submarines at their next broadcast
Air bases: Skrydstrup, Laage, Ronneby, Nordholz, Såtenäs, Aalborg, Karup	11–12	Secure signal, extract: Annexes A, D, G
Air defence batteries: Kastrup, Korsør, Aalborg, Kiel, Karlskrona	13	Secure signal, extract: Annexes D, G
Bornholm garrison; Guard Hussars; Home Guard	14–16	Secure signal, extract: Annexes A, D, F
Danish Maritime Authority	17	Liaison, extract: Annex E
Joint registry	18	Registry

> This order is issued an hour before the quarantine comes into force, with a convoy of tankers already on Route T and a Russian escort alongside it. **The alliance is not at war, and the first shot must not be ours.** Stopping, boarding and turning back the tankers is lawful; it will also be resisted. **Everything we do in the first hours is also the position from which we fight if Moscow chooses to.**

1. SITUATION

a. Adversary forces

(NR) No state of hostilities exists; the heading is doctrinal. At 1200Z the European quarantine of the Danish straits comes into force (reference A): every uninsured or falsely flagged tanker must stop for inspection before the Kattegat. Moscow declares it contrary to the Copenhagen Convention of 1857 and has sent the Baltic Fleet to escort a convoy of tankers out of Primorsk A1.

WHAT	ON THE PLOT	REMARKS
CONVOY	Side SHADOW, NEUTRAL	Twelve product tankers in two echelons of six. **Echelon 1 east of Bornholm at H-hour** 55°12.0'N 015°54.0'E, on Route T at about 10 kt A1. Echelon 2 expected at the same point later in the operation B2
ESCORT	Side RUSSIAN NAVY, UNFRIENDLY	Corvettes **SOOBRAZITELNY** and **STOYKIY** (Steregushchiy), frigate **NEUSTRASHIMY** with a Ka-27, in company with echelon 1 A1
BALTIYSK	Side RUSSIAN NAVY	Kalibr corvettes **SHKVAL**, **SOVETSK** (Karakurt) and **ZELENY DOL** (Buyan-M) alongside B2; landing ships **KALININGRAD** and **ALEKSANDR SHABALIN** (Ropucha) and the corvette **BOIKY**, with naval infantry B2
KALININGRAD	Side RUSSIA, UNFRIENDLY	Bastion-P (Onyx) and a Bastion with Zircon on the coast of Sambia; two Iskander-M batteries; an S-400 battalion and Pantsir-SM; at Chkalovsk, Su-30SM2, Su-24M, Il-38N, Ka-27, Mi-8 and Ka-52 B2
SUBMARINE	Side RUSSIAN NAVY, not on the plot	A Kilo 636.3 may be in the western Baltic C3. Annex B paragraph 4
LONG RANGE	Not on the plot	Tu-22M3 bombers from the east if Moscow raises the stakes C3
SABOTEURS	Not on the plot	Russian special forces teams may already be hidden in Zealand and Funen C3

(NR) **Behaviour.** In September 2026 a Russian frigate fired flares a few metres from a Danish helicopter; in June 2026 the corvette *Soobrazitelny* ordered a German coast guard vessel away from a sanctioned tanker in the Fehmarn Belt (“stay away”). Expect the escort to **interpose, warn on VHF 16, fire flares, illuminate with fire-control radar and pass close at speed**; GNSS jamming in the narrows; Russian fighters at the edge of Danish and Swedish airspace.

a. Adversary forces (continued) — most likely and most dangerous

(NR) **Most likely.** The escort forces the passage by presence: tankers that do not answer, an escort alongside every inspection, harassment short of fire. Moscow waits for an incident it can call ours, or makes one.

(NR) **Most dangerous.** An incident in the narrows — a ship hit, a helicopter lost, a tanker on fire — followed soon after by a missile salvo from Kaliningrad and the Gulf of Gdańsk on the batteries, the air bases and the ships it can see; a landing on Bornholm "to protect the convoy"; sabotage of the Great Belt bridges or of the SAMP/T. *The staff notes that a shot fired first by us starts all of it, and that a battery that has not moved for hours is a battery the Russians know.*

b. Friendly forces

(NR) Task organisation at Annex A. **At sea:** three Iver Huitfeldt frigates (Great Belt, south of the Øresund, west of Bornholm), two Absalon (southern Kattegat, Korsør), SACHSEN in the Fehmarn Belt, two K130 (Kiel, off Rostock), two Visby (Karlskrona, south of Scania), SNMG1 with AQUITAINE (west of Bornholm), DE ZEVEN PROVINCIEN and BERLIN (Kattegat), two minehunters at Kiel, U35 and GOTLAND near Bornholm. **In the air:** F-35A at Skrydstrup, Eurofighter at Laage, Gripen at Ronneby, P-8A at Nordholz, GlobalEye at Såtenäs, MH-60R on the frigates and at Karup. **Air defence:** SAMP/T at Kastrup, NASAMS at Korsør and Aalborg, Patriot at Kiel and Karlskrona. **Land:** the Bornholm garrison; the Guard Hussars and the Home Guard in Zealand. **Nothing is airborne at H-hour and no mission is ready-made.**

c. Attachments and detachments

(NR) German and Swedish forces are under the operational control of COM BALTCOM **but fire only with the authority of their capital** (reference E). SNMG1 is attached from MARCOM. Four Dutch F-35A can be asked of NATO as reinforcement. United States forces are committed elsewhere; Article 5 consultations are not under way.

d. Civil considerations and environment

(NR) **The narrows.** Some seventy thousand passages a year, fifty thousand of them by the Great Belt. The ferries Rødby–Puttgarden and Helsingør–Helsingborg run as usual; cargo ships and small tankers on Route T, in the Øresund, the Kiel Bight and the Kattegat. **A tanker on fire or aground in a strait closes the Baltic and fouls three coasts.** The Great Belt bridges and the Øresund link carry the traffic of Denmark and Sweden.

(NR) **Bornholm.** Rønne, its harbour, its airfield and the island radar; some forty thousand inhabitants; 77 nm from Copenhagen, 170 nm from Baltiysk.

(NR) **Light and weather.** Sunset 1545Z, sunrise 0659Z at Copenhagen: fifteen hours of dark, and no moon to speak of. Winter: wind, sea 3 to 6, snow or fog in the straits. Forecast at Annex J.

2. MISSION

(NR) **COM BALTCOM, from 021200ZFEB27 to 041200ZFEB27, enforces the European quarantine of the Danish straits — inspects the tankers of the convoy and turns the non-compliant to a holding anchorage — and defends Bornholm, the straits and the allied forces against any Russian attack, without firing first and without striking Russian soil unless authorised, in order that the quarantine holds, the alliance stays united and Moscow gains neither a pretext nor a foothold.**

3. EXECUTION

a. Commander's intent

(NR) **Purpose.** Moscow is testing whether Europe will enforce what it has decided, and whether the alliance holds when it costs. We enforce it, lawfully, and give Moscow nothing to use: no first shot, no wrong word after an incident, no weakness at Bornholm.

(NR) **Method. Inspect by presence**: stop the tankers, put boarding teams aboard, turn the non-compliant to the nearest holding anchorage; outnumber the escort rather than fight it. **Prepare the war while keeping the peace**: authorities from Berlin and Stockholm early, batteries moved before they are found, ships out of the Bastion envelope when they are not needed in it, Bornholm reinforced before it is threatened, the bridges and the batteries guarded. **If an incident comes, qualify it with care** — what our own sensors saw first — and answer in proportion. **If the salvo comes, survive it, then take the initiative at sea and in the air.** Russian soil is a red line: crossing it is a political decision, not a tactical one.

(NR) **End state.** On 4 February: the convoy inspected, the non-compliant at anchor under our prize crews; no allied shot first; Bornholm Danish; the bridges and batteries standing; the fleet in being; the capitals behind us; and, if it has come to war, the Baltic Fleet's escort and landing force broken without a strike on Russian soil.

b. Concept of operations

(NR) Four phases, after the convoy's own rhythm; Annex C and its overlays.

1. **Phase I, quarantine (H to an incident).** Stop and inspect echelon 1 from Bornholmsgat to the Fehmarn Belt; the non-compliant to RONNE ROADS and GEDSER ROADS. Authorities asked; Bornholm reinforced; the sites in Zealand guarded; the batteries and ships placed for what may follow. **Main effort: the inspections east of the Fehmarn Belt.**
2. **Phase II, the incident.** Qualify, answer, keep the alliance together. Intelligence asked at once.
3. **Phase III, the salvo and the battle.** Survive the first salvo; defend Bornholm; break the escort; hunt the submarine; hold the bridges and the batteries. **Main effort: air and missile defence, then Bornholm.**
4. **Phase IV, the second echelon and the end.** Inspect or stop echelon 2; answer whatever Moscow does next; hand over a quarantine that still holds.

c. Tasks to subordinate elements

> Suggested grouping at H-hour (Annex A). COM BALTCOM may regroup at will; units are named as on the plot.

1. **TG EAST** (NIELS JUEL, AQUITAINE, SEAHAWK 3; U35, GOTLAND). Meet echelon 1 in Bornholmsgat; first inspections; RONNE ROADS. Watch the landing ships if they sail. Submarines: track the escort and the Kilo; never attack before an incident.
2. **TG BELTS** (IVER HUITFELDT, ESBERN SNARE, SACHSEN, MAGDEBURG, SEAHAWK 1). Inspections from the Kadet channel to the Great Belt; GEDSER ROADS and KORSOR ROADS. German units: only with Berlin's authority for any fire.
3. **TG SOUND** (PETER WILLEMOES, HELSINGBORG, SEAHAWK 2). Cover the Øresund and Copenhagen; reinforce TG EAST on order.
4. **TG KATTEGAT** (ABSALON, DE ZEVEN PROVINCIEN, BERLIN). The gate: inspect what passes the Belts; SKAGEN ANCHORAGE.
5. **BRAUNSCHWEIG, VISBY, FRANKENTHAL, WEILHEIM.** Reserve; Kiel Bight and Hanö Bay; minehunters on order.
6. **F-35A, Eurofighter, Gripen.** Air defence of the straits, Bornholm and the bases; escort of the P-8 and the GlobalEye. **Eurofighter: Taurus only under strike authority** (Annex G).
7. **P-8A, GlobalEye.** Maritime picture east of Bornholm and over the Gulf of Gdańsk; the early warning of a salvo.
8. **SAMP/T, NASAMS, Patriot.** Defend Copenhagen, the Great Belt, Aalborg, Kiel and Karlskrona; move to an alternate site on order (Annex G).
9. **Bornholm garrison.** Hold Rønne: harbour, airfield, town, radar. Reinforcement by C-130J and by the ferry HAMMERODDE from Køge on order (Annex F).
10. **Guard Hussars, Home Guard.** Guard the Great Belt bridges, the Øresund link and the batteries at Kastrup and Korsør; find and arrest saboteurs (Annex F).

d. Coordinating instructions

11. **Rules of engagement**: Annex D. Do not fire first. German and Swedish fire only with authority.
12. **Inspection**: Annex E. Stop order first; a boarding team aboard a tanker under way without her consent is a seizure by force.
13. **Aircraft** keep more than 3 nm from Russian warships until an incident.
14. **The narrows**: ferries and merchant ships are everywhere; every weapon fired near them is answered for. A strait can be closed to civilian traffic through the console Quarantine.
15. **The incident box**: when an incident comes the game stops; COM BALTCOM qualifies it and gives the answer (Annex H).
16. **Red line**: no strike in the Kaliningrad region without authority, asked through the console Strike; even with it, a strike crosses the line.
17. **Delegation**: COM BALTCOM may hand the air component, the air defence or the land forces in Zealand and Funen to the staff, and take them back (Annex H).
18. **Every mission created**: check its weapon settings; air TIGHT, surface, underwater and land HOLD.

4. SERVICE SUPPORT

a. Weapons

(NR) **Magazines are counted and base stocks are not unlimited.** SM-2, ESSM, Aster, PAC-3 and AMRAAM fired on the first salvo are not there for the second. Fire discipline per threat is set by the missile warning box or by the staff (Annex G).

b. Aircraft

(NR) Fuel: each aircraft leaves its group for home at Bingo; the staff recalls any aircraft below a quarter of its fuel. Plan reliefs over 48 hours and fifteen hours of night. A base hit by a salvo may close.

c. Bornholm and Zealand

(NR) C-130J: one infantry platoon per flight, about 1 h 30 from Aalborg to Rønne and 30 min to unload; the airfield must be ours. Ferry HAMMERODDE: the mechanised company and the Leopard platoon, about 2 h to embark at Køge and some 5 h at sea; she is unarmed. Quick reaction force: 45 minutes from the order, twice.

d. Search and rescue

(NR) JRCC Denmark for the straits and Bornholm; German and Swedish rescue services in their waters.

5. COMMAND AND SIGNAL

a. Command

(NR) COM BALTCOM at the Joint Operations Centre, Karup, commands all forces of Annex A. Berlin and Stockholm keep the authority to open fire for their forces. The allied capitals keep the authority to strike Russian soil. The staff takes the air component, the air defence or the land forces on order.

b. Signal

(NR) Messages are signed by their sender: **BALTIC COMMAND** (your staff), **BORNHOLM**, **INTELLIGENCE**, **NATO**, **CAOC UEDEM**, **BERLIN**, **STOCKHOLM**, **COPENHAGEN**, **MOSCOW**, **MARITIME ASSISTANCE**; **FLASH** for the events that change the situation. Requests go through the six consoles, Annex H.

General, Chief of Defence, Denmark, by delegation
The Chief of the Joint Operations Centre
Authenticated: KK M. VESTERGAARD, JOC J3

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A

Task Organisation

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1. MARITIME — UNDER COM BALTCOM

State at H-hour, 021200Z. No mission. Air weapons TIGHT; surface, underwater and land HOLD. German and Swedish units also held by their own doctrine until their capital authorises fire. Task groups are suggested (paragraph 3c of the order).

UNIT	CLASS	POSITION AT H-HOUR	REMARKS	TG	FIRE AUTHORITY
DK IVER HUITFELDT	F361 Iver Huitfeldt, AAW frigate	55°06.0'N 010°57.0'E	Great Belt, on Route T	BELTS	—
DK PETER WILLEMOES	F362 Peter Willemoes, AAW frigate	55°21.0'N 012°45.0'E	South of the Oresund	SOUND	—
DK NIELS JUEL	F363 Niels Juel, AAW frigate	55°07.2'N 014°21.0'E	West of Bornholm	EAST	—
DK ABSALON	L16 Absalon, flexible support ship	56°12.0'N 011°18.0'E	Southern Kattegat	KATTEGAT	—
DK ESBERN SNARE	L17 Esbern Snare, flexible support ship	55°19.2'N 011°03.6'E	Off Korsor	BELTS	—
DE SACHSEN	F219 Sachsen, F124 AAW frigate	54°36.0'N 011°03.0'E	Fehmarn Belt	BELTS	Berlin
DE BRAUNSCHWEIG	F260 Braunschweig, K130 corvette	54°25.2'N 010°15.0'E	Kiel	RESERVE	Berlin
DE MAGDEBURG	F261 Magdeburg, K130 corvette	54°13.8'N 012°04.8'E	Off Rostock	BELTS	Berlin
SE VISBY	K31 Visby, corvette	56°03.0'N 015°37.2'E	Karlskrona	RESERVE	Stockholm
SE HELSINGBORG	K32 Helsingborg, corvette	55°15.0'N 013°36.0'E	South of Scania	SOUND	Stockholm
FS AQUITAINE	D650 Aquitaine, FREMM (SNMG1)	55°09.0'N 014°18.0'E	With NIELS JUEL, west of Bornholm	EAST	—
NL DE ZEVEN PROVINCIEN	F802 De Zeven Provincien, AAW frigate (SNMG1)	56°36.0'N 011°24.0'E	Kattegat	KATTEGAT	—
DE BERLIN	A1411 Berlin, replenishment ship (SNMG1)	56°24.0'N 011°30.0'E	Kattegat	KATTEGAT	Berlin
DE FRANKENTHAL	M1066 Frankenthal, minehunter	54°27.0'N 010°18.0'E	Kiel	RESERVE	Berlin
DE WEILHEIM	M1059 Weilheim, minehunter	54°28.2'N 010°21.0'E	Kiel	RESERVE	Berlin
DE U35	S185 U 35, Type 212A	55°24.0'N 014°24.0'E	Bornholmsgat, 40 m	EAST	Berlin
SE GOTLAND	Gotland class	55°06.0'N 015°30.0'E	East of Bornholm, 40 m	EAST	Stockholm

2. AIR — ON THE GROUND AT H-HOUR, ARMED

BASE	POSITION	AIRCRAFT
DK SKRYDSTRUP AB	55°13.6'N 009°15.8'E	DK F-35 1–8 (F-35A)
DK AALBORG AB	57°06.2'N 009°50.9'E	Two C-130J for Bornholm (Annex F)
DK KARUP AB	56°17.8'N 009°07.4'E	DK SEAHAWK 4 (MH-60R); Joint Operations Centre
DE LAAGE AB	53°55.1'N 012°16.7'E	DE EF2000 1–8 (Eurofighter)
DE NORDHOLZ AB	53°46.1'N 008°39.5'E	DE P-8 1–2 (P-8A)
SE RONNEBY AB	56°16.0'N 015°15.9'E	SE GRIPEN 1–8 (Gripen C)
SE SATENAS AB	58°25.6'N 012°42.8'E	SE GLOBALEYE

> MH-60R: DK SEAHAWK 1 on IVER HUITFELDT, 2 on PETER WILLEMOES, 3 on NIELS JUEL, 4 at Karup. Any MH-60R hovering low over a stopped tanker puts a boarding team aboard (Annex E). Eurofighter: air-to-air; Taurus only under strike authority (Annex G).

3. AIR DEFENCE

BATTERY	SYSTEM	POSITION	FIRE AUTHORITY
DK SAMP/T KASTRUP	SAMP/T (Aster 30 Block 1 NT)	55°37.2'N 012°37.2'E	—
DK NASAMS KORSOR	NASAMS	55°19.2'N 011°10.2'E	—
DK NASAMS AALBORG	NASAMS	57°06.0'N 009°52.8'E	—
DE PATRIOT KIEL	Patriot (PAC-3, PAC-2 GEM+)	54°19.8'N 010°06.0'E	Berlin
SE PATRIOT KARLSKRONA	Patriot (Lvsys 103)	56°11.4'N 015°28.8'E	Stockholm

4. LAND

UNIT	WHAT	WHERE
DK INF RONNE 1, 2	Infantry platoons (garrison, Home Guard)	Rønne
DK STINGER RONNE	Stinger section	Rønne airfield
DK FERRY HAMMERODDE	Ferry, unarmed; lift for the mechanised company and the Leopard platoon	Køge 55°26.4'N 012°15.0'E
DK GHR 1, 2	Guard Hussars, mechanised platoons (CV 9035DK)	Slagelse 55°24.2'N 011°21.2'E
DK HOME GUARD KASTRUP, KORSOR, HALSSKOV	Home Guard infantry platoons	The SAMP/T, the NASAMS, the East Bridge
QUICK REACTION FORCE	Airmobile infantry platoon, twice	On order, Annex F

> Allies, not under command: CAOC Uedem (NATO air); NATO air reinforcement on request (four Dutch F-35A to Karup).

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Intelligence

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1. GENERAL

(NR) One adversary, three faces: the escort that forces the passage, Kaliningrad that can strike, and the shadows — false flags, saboteurs, a submarine. Gradings: letter for the source, figure for the information. Overlay at Appendix 1. Intelligence summaries are asked through the console Intelligence (three per subject); they help and can be wrong.

2. THE CONVOY AND ITS ESCORT

(NR) Twelve product tankers out of Primorsk, large and small, under flags of convenience; some without valid insurance, some under false flags [B2]. Which ones is the question each inspection answers; an assessment of the convoy names the likeliest. Masters may obey a stop order or ignore it; an escort close aboard makes them bolder. The escort follows the convoy and comes alongside a tanker that is threatened; **an inspection with as many Russian warships alongside as ours cannot be made**.

3. KALININGRAD AND THE SALVO

(NR) If Moscow decides to strike, it will strike the means of the quarantine: **batteries whose position it knows, air bases, ships it holds on its sensors within reach of the Bastion** [B2]. Not the bridges, not Copenhagen. Iskander and Kalibr reach the whole area. The Onyx of the Bastion reach about 160 nm, a ship east of Bornholm; a Zircon about 250 nm, as far as the waters south of Scania. A ship in the Belts or the Kattegat is out of their reach.

INDICATOR	WHAT IT MEANS	WHO CAN SEE IT
BASTION RADARS	Coastal radars of Sambia switched on	P-8 (ESM), GlobalEye, ships' ESM
ISKANDER	Launchers leaving their hides for their firing positions	P-8, F-35, intelligence
CORVETTES	SHKVAL, ZELENY DOL, SOVETSK sailing from Baltiysk	P-8, submarines, GlobalEye
AIR	More fighters over the Gulf of Gdańsk; Su-24 airborne	GlobalEye, CAOC Uedem

(NR) The indicators come **half an hour to an hour and a half** before a salvo, when they come at all. After a salvo the launchers leave their firing positions for hides a few miles away; they come back before the next one.

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4. SUBMARINE, LANDING FORCE AND SABOTEURS

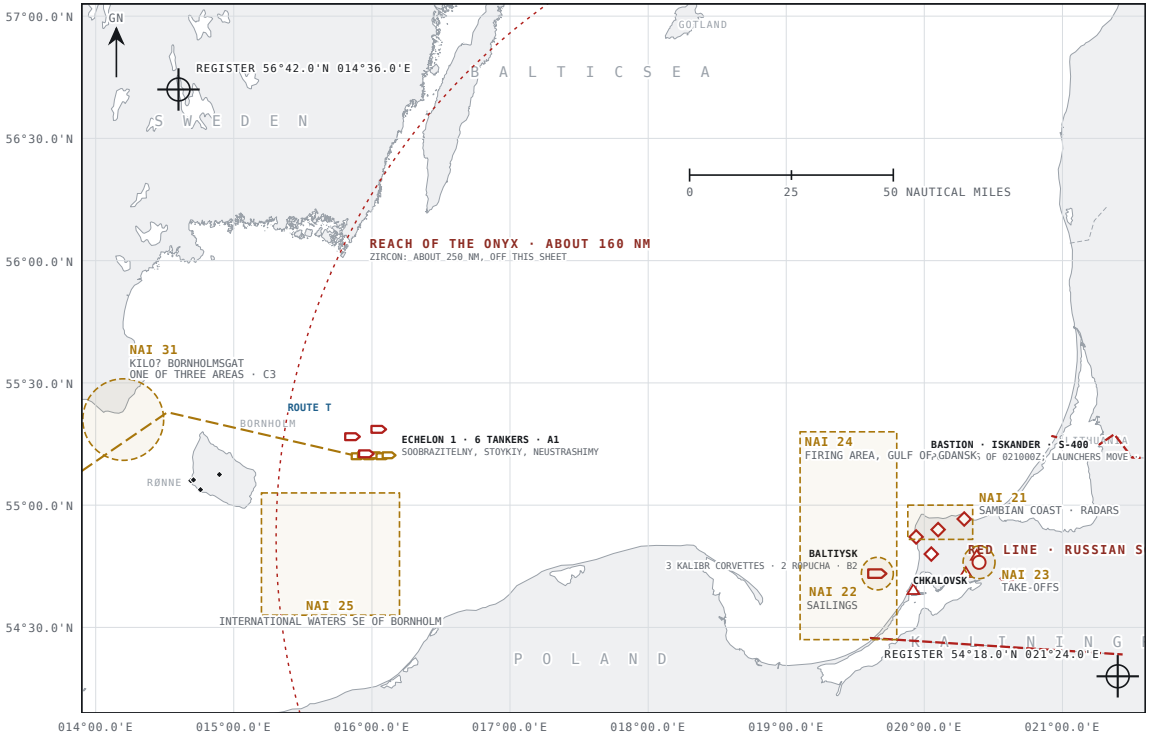
WHO	LAST REPORT	ASSESSMENT
KILO	Not located C3	One Kilo 636.3 may wait on Route T in one of three areas (NAI 31–33). Diesel: snorkels, then visible to radar and ESM. May shadow our most active ship
LANDING GROUP	Baltiysk B2	Two Ropucha and a corvette with naval infantry. If it sails, “an exercise”; it would wait in international waters south-east of Bornholm before any order. **Objective, if ordered: Rønne harbour, airfield and radar**, as a “protective measure for the convoy”. Heliborne troops possible on the airfield
SABOTEURS	Reports only C3	Small teams hidden in Zealand and Funen, a few kilometres from their targets. Likely targets: the SAMP/T, the NASAMS at Korsør, the Great Belt East and West Bridges, the Øresund link. They would act once a war has begun
FALSE FLAGS	None C3	A merchant ship, a fast boat or a drone without markings could make an incident that is not what it seems
BOMBERS	Far east C3	Tu-22M3 from the east, only if Moscow raises the stakes

5. NAMED AREAS OF INTEREST

NAI	WHERE	LOOK FOR
21	Coast of Sambia, Yantarny to Zelenogradsk	Bastion radars; launchers moving
22	Baltiysk	Corvettes and landing ships sailing
23	Chkalovsk	Su-24 and Su-30 taking off; helicopters
24	Gulf of Gdańsk, north of the Sambian coast	Corvettes at their firing positions
25	South-east of Bornholm, international waters	The landing group waiting
31	Bornholmsgat, around 55°21.0'N 014°12.0'E	A Kilo waiting on Route T
32	Fehmarn Belt approaches, around 54°36.0'N 011°27.0'E	A Kilo waiting on Route T
33	southern Kattegat, around 55°54.0'N 011°12.0'E	A Kilo waiting on Route T
41–45	Kastrup, Korsør, Halsskov, Knudshoved, the Øresund portal	Saboteurs near the sites

6. WHAT IS NOT KNOWN

(NR) What Moscow intends: to force the passage, to provoke, or to strike. Whether an incident will come, when, and by whose hand. Which tankers are non-compliant. Where the Kilo waits. Whether the landing group will sail, and where it would land. How many sabotage teams there are, and where.



APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX B

CHARTS	DANISH GEODATA AGENCY · BSH
SCALE	APPROX 1:2 500 000 · INSET LARGER
DATUM	WGS 84 · DEG AND DEC MIN
DTG	021100ZFEB27
ORIGINATOR	JOC J2 / DDIS
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INTELLIGENCE OVERLAY

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ASSESSMENT AT 021100Z · NOTHING HIDDEN IS PLOTTED

- BORDER OF THE KALININGRAD REGION (RED LINE)
- REACH OF THE BASTION MISSILES
- RUSSIAN SHIP
- TANKER OF THE CONVOY
- NAMED AREA OF INTEREST
- ROUTE T
- KEY POINT (BORNHOLM) OR SITE AT RISK

INSET · THE STRAITS · NAI 32, 33 AND 41 TO 45
THE OTHER KILO AREAS, AND THE SITES AT RISK OF SABOTAGE



INDICATORS OF A SALVO
BASTION RADARS ON (NAI 21)
ISKANDER LEAVING THEIR HIDES
CORVETTES SAILING (NAI 22, 24)
MORE FIGHTERS OVER GDAŃSK
SU-24 AIRBORNE (NAI 23)
30 TO 90 MIN BEFORE, IF AT ALL

WHO SEES WHAT
P-8 (ESM, RADAR): SHIPS, RADARS
GLOBALEYE: AIR, SURFACE
F-35: LAUNCHERS, CLOSE IN
SUBMARINES: BALTIYSK EXITS

WHAT IS NOT KNOWN
WHAT MOSCOW INTENDS
WHETHER AN INCIDENT COMES
AND BY WHOSE HAND
WHERE THE KILO WAITS
WHETHER THE LANDING GROUP
SAILS, AND FOR WHICH BEACH
HOW MANY SABOTAGE TEAMS

COASTS: GSHHG; BORDERS: NATURAL EARTH; FOR ORIENTATION ONLY · LAY ON THE CHART AND REGISTER ON THE TWO MARKS · DISTANCES IN NAUTICAL MILES

C

Operations

ANNEX C TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. CONCEPT

(NR) Four phases (paragraph 3b of the order). **Main effort: the inspections east of the Fehmarn Belt while the peace holds; air and missile defence, then Bornholm, if it breaks.** Overlays at Appendices 1 (the straits) and 2 (Bornholm and the east).

2. THE QUARANTINE

1. **Route T**: Bornholmsgat 55°22.8'N 014°31.2'E → Kadet channel 54°31.2'N 012°18.0'E → Fehmarn Belt → Great Belt, under the bridge 55°19.2'N 011°01.2'E → Kattegat → QUARANTINE GATE north of Skagen 57°50.4'N 010°48.0'E. Large tankers cannot take the Øresund.
2. **Inspect where the escort is thin**: two ships and a helicopter on one tanker, the escort busy elsewhere.
3. **Holding anchorages**: the prize crew takes a non-compliant tanker to the next one on Route T — RONNE ROADS 55°06.0'N 014°37.2'E, GEDSER ROADS 54°28.2'N 012°03.0'E, KORSOR ROADS 55°16.8'N 011°03.6'E, SKAGEN ANCHORAGE 57°40.8'N 010°45.6'E.
4. **The gate**: a tanker within 2 nm of the gate has passed.
5. **Echelon 2**: the same, later, possibly without escort.

3. PREPARING THE WAR

6. **Authorities** from Berlin and Stockholm asked early: the answer takes time, and longer as legitimacy falls.
7. **Batteries**: a battery that has not moved for two hours is assumed known; an alternate site is reconnoitred for each (Annex G).
8. **Ships**: out of the Bastion envelope when not needed east of Bornholm; air defence ships near the batteries.
9. **Bornholm**: the Home Guard, the airlift and the ferry before the landing group can be off the island (Annex F).
10. **Zealand**: the sites guarded; a team found before the war is arrested by staying close to it (Annex F).

4. DECISIONS RESERVED TO COM BALTCOM

DECISION	WHEN	WEIGHS
SEIZURE BY FORCE	A tanker that refuses	One tanker taken, against Moscow’s pretext
QUALIFICATION	At the incident	What our sensors saw against what we are told
ANSWER	At the incident	Immediate response, NATO consultations or restraint
FIRE DISCIPLINE	At the missile warning	Missiles now against missiles for the next wave
CLOSING A STRAIT	At any time	Ferries safe against the cost to Denmark and Sweden
STRIKE AUTHORITY	After Russian forces have fired	Launchers destroyed against the red line
CEASEFIRE	If Moscow offers it	The quarantine suspended against the fighting stopped
DELEGATION	At any time	Attention against the staff’s prudence

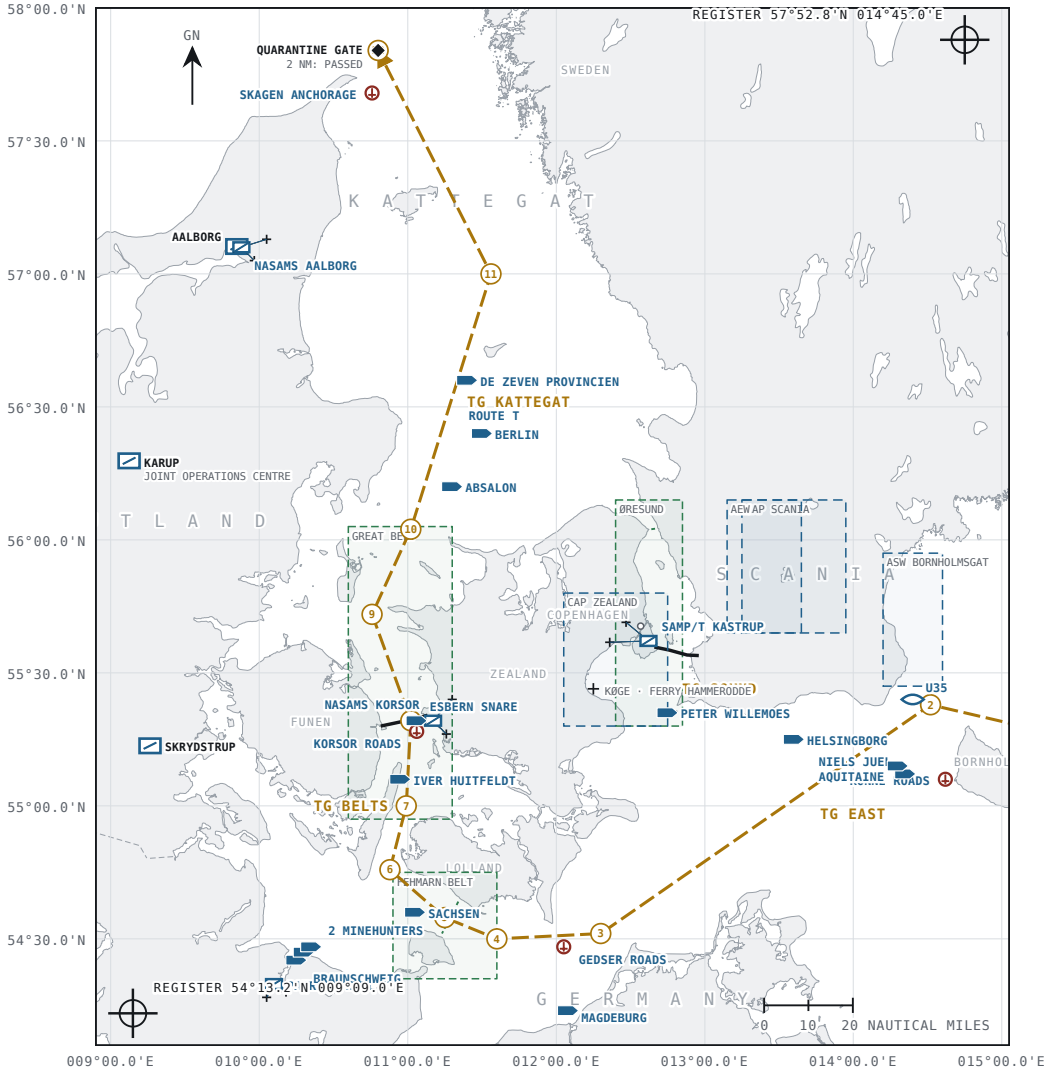
5. STAFF PATROLS (IF THE AIR COMPONENT IS DELEGATED)

PATROL	CENTRE	AIRCRAFT
STAFF CAP ZEALAND	55°33.0'N 012°24.0'E	4 F-35
STAFF CAP FEHMARN	54°03.0'N 011°30.0'E	4 Eurofighter
STAFF CAP SCANIA	55°54.0'N 013°36.0'E	4 Gripen
STAFF ASW BORNHOLMSGAT	55°42.0'N 014°24.0'E	1 P-8
STAFF AEW	55°54.0'N 013°24.0'E	GlobalEye

> The staff flies these patrols with the aircraft named, at a modest tempo; the training version starts with them in place. They are clear of Route T by more than 3 nm.

6. END OF THE OPERATION

(NR) 041200Z. Earlier on a ceasefire that holds; if two allied governments fall and withdraw their forces; or, if no incident has come, four hours after the second echelon has arrived and every tanker has been dealt with. A debrief follows, then the close of the campaign.



APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX C

CHARTS	DANISH GEODATA AGENCY · BSH
SCALE	APPROX 1:2 000 000 · INSET LARGER
DATUM	WGS 84 · DEG AND DEC MIN
DTG	021100ZFEB27
ORIGINATOR	JOC J3
SHEET	1 OF 2

OPERATIONS OVERLAY · THE STRAITS

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STATE AT H-HOUR, 021200Z · TASK GROUPS SUGGESTED (ANNEX A)

- OWN SHIP AT H-HOUR
- OWN SUBMARINE
- AIR BASE
- AIR DEFENCE BATTERY
- ALTERNATE SITE OF A BATTERY
- ROUTE T AND ITS POINTS
- HOLDING ANCHORAGE
- STAFF PATROL (IF THE AIR IS DELEGATED)
- NARROWS: FERRIES AND MERCHANT TRAFFIC
- BRIDGE OR LINK

INSET · THE GREAT BELT AND COPENHAGEN
BRIDGES, BATTERIES, GUARD AND QUICK REACTION SITES



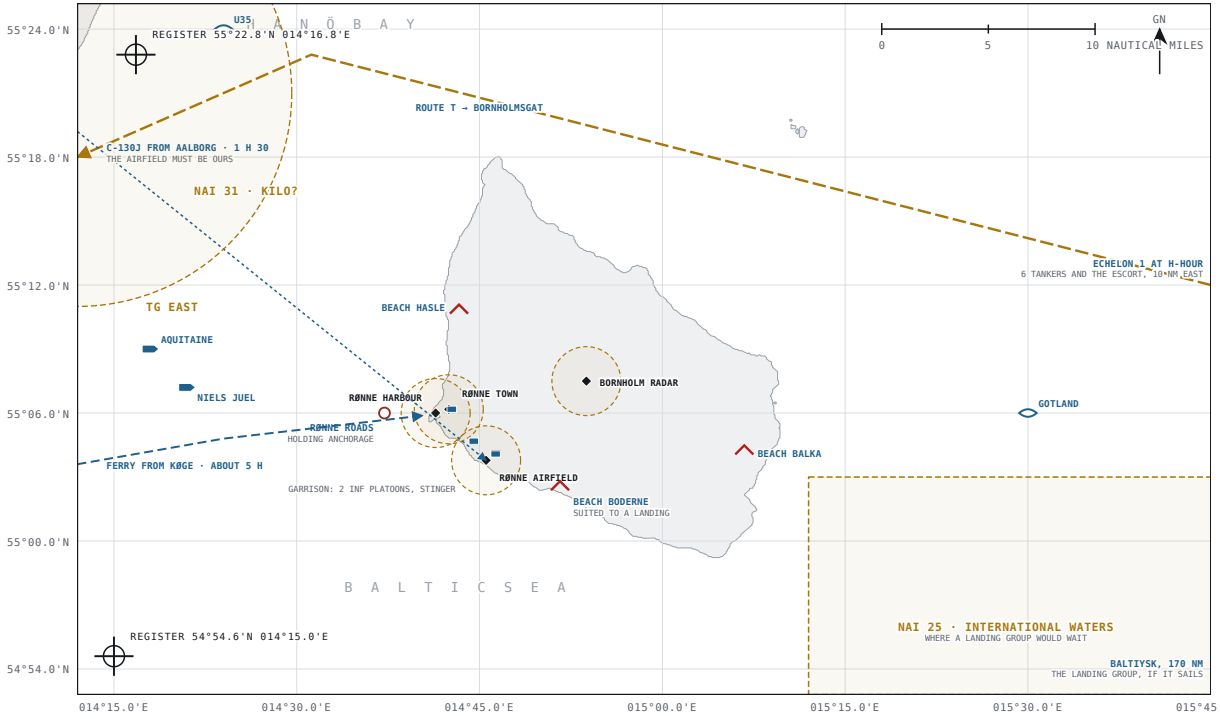
◆ SITE · ○ QUICK REACTION LANDING POINT · ■ HOME GUARD

THE QUARANTINE (ANNEX E)
STOP ORDER: CONSOLE QUARANTINE
INSPECTED: 1 NM, 30 MIN,
AND A TEAM ABOARD
NON-COMPLIANT: NEXT ANCHORAGE
ON ROUTE T
LARGE TANKERS: NOT THE ØRESUND

BEFORE ANY INCIDENT
DO NOT FIRE FIRST
AIRCRAFT 3 NM FROM RUSSIAN SHIPS
DE AND SE: CAPITAL'S AUTHORITY

BATTERIES (ANNEX G)
STILL 2 H = KNOWN TO THE RUSSIANS
MOVED = OUT OF ACTION
UNTIL SET UP AGAIN

COASTS: GSHHG; BORDERS: NATURAL EARTH; FOR ORIENTATION ONLY · LAY ON THE CHART AND REGISTER ON THE TWO MARKS · DISTANCES IN NAUTICAL MILES



APPENDIX 2 TO ANNEX C

CHARTS	DANISH GEODATA AGENCY
SCALE	APPROX 1:500 000 · INSET SMALLER
DATUM	WGS 84 · DEG AND DEC MIN
DTG	021100ZFEB27
ORIGINATOR	JOC J3
SHEET	2 OF 2

OPERATIONS OVERLAY · BORNHOLM AND THE EAST

OPORD 27-033 · OPERATION SKJOLD · 2–4 FEB 27
STATE AT H-HOUR, 021200Z · NOTHING HIDDEN IS PLOTTED

- KEY POINT OF BORNHOLM
- 3 KM: WHO HOLDS THE KEY POINT
- GARRISON PLATOON
- OWN SHIP AT H-HOUR
- TANKER OF THE CONVOY
- RUSSIAN SHIP
- REINFORCEMENT ROUTE
- BORDER OF THE KALININGRAD REGION

INSET · KALININGRAD AND THE RED LINE
LAUNCHERS AT 021000Z; THEY MOVE AFTER EACH SALVO



BORNHOLM (ANNEX F)
KEY POINT: STRONGER FORCE WITHIN 3 KM, HALF AN HOUR FALLS: HARBOUR AND AIRFIELD
RUSSIAN FOR 4 H
HOME GUARD: 2 H
AIRLIFT: 1 PLATOON A FLIGHT
FERRY: COMPANY AND TANKS
EVACUATION: 6 H

THE RED LINE (ANNEX G)
NO STRIKE ON RUSSIAN SOIL
WITHOUT THE CAPITALS
AND EVEN THEN IT IS CROSSED

COASTS: GSHHG; BORDERS: NATURAL EARTH; FOR ORIENTATION ONLY · LAY ON THE CHART AND REGISTER ON THE TWO MARKS · DISTANCES IN NAUTICAL MILES

D

Rules of Engagement

ANNEX D TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

ROE SKJOLD · QUARANTINE · THE FIRST SHOT MUST NOT BE OURS	
Q-01	**Air TIGHT; surface, underwater and land HOLD** for the side, every unit and every mission. Russian units are UNFRIENDLY; they become HOSTILE only after an incident.
Q-02	**Do not fire first.** A Russian unit fired upon or destroyed by our forces before an incident makes the incident, and makes it ours.
Q-03	**German and Swedish units** fire only under the **authority of Berlin or Stockholm**, asked through the console Capitals. A capital may refuse while our legitimacy is in doubt; ask again two hours later. A government that falls withdraws its forces: they hold fire.
Q-04	**Until an incident, aircraft keep more than 3 nm from Russian warships.** Their guns are manned.
Q-05	**Seizure by force**: a boarding team put aboard a tanker under way, without her consent, is a seizure by force. It is lawful under the quarantine; it is also the alliance's act, and Moscow will answer it.
Q-06	**After an incident**, weapons release against hostile Russian units follows the answer of COM BALTCOM: **immediate response** at once; **NATO consultations** after 30 minutes; **restraint** once the facts are established. Air defence stays TIGHT; surface and underwater weapons stay on HOLD until COM BALTCOM sets them.
Q-07	**Ferries and merchant ships**: no weapon is to be released where it may strike them. A civilian ship hit by our weapons is ours to answer for.
Q-08	**Russian soil is the red line.** No strike in the Kaliningrad region without the authority of the allied capitals, and then only on the targets authorised. Even with authority, a strike on Russian soil crosses the line (Annex G).
Q-09	**Truce and ceasefire**: once in force, any shot of ours breaks it.

WHAT THE PLOT SHOWS

SHOWN AS	MEANS
UNFRIENDLY	RUSSIA and RUSSIAN NAVY until an incident: the escort, the Baltic Fleet, Kaliningrad
HOSTILE	The same, after an incident (the FLASH message says so)
NEUTRAL	SHADOW (the tankers of the convoy, and any vessel or boat without colours) and MERCHANT (ferries, cargo ships, small tankers)
UNKNOWN	A contact not yet classified. An incident may come from one

BOTTOM LINE

Stop, board, divert: by presence, never by fire. If they fire, answer as COM BALTCOM orders, at sea and in the air, never on Russian soil without the capitals. A German or Swedish ship without authority is a target, not a weapon.

E

The Quarantine: Stop, Board, Divert

ANNEX E TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. ROUTE T

(NR) 1 55°12.0'N 015°54.0'E → 2 55°22.8'N 014°31.2'E → 3 54°31.2'N 012°18.0'E → 4 54°30.0'N 011°36.0'E → 5 54°34.8'N 011°15.0'E → 6 54°45.6'N 010°52.8'E → 7 55°00.0'N 010°59.4'E → 8 55°19.2'N 011°01.2'E → 9 55°43.2'N 010°45.6'E → 10 56°02.4'N 011°01.2'E → 11 57°00.0'N 011°33.6'E → 12 57°50.4'N 010°48.0'E. About 390 nm from the east of Bornholm to the gate. The large tankers cannot take the Øresund; Route T passes under the Great Belt bridge. A tanker within 2 nm of the QUARANTINE GATE has passed.

2. THE STOP ORDER

1. Through the console **Quarantine - Maritime orders**: choose the tanker, order her to stop for inspection (VHF 16).
2. A tanker that **acknowledges** slows to 4 kt: board her.
3. A tanker that **does not answer** keeps her course and speed. A second order is possible 30 minutes later. An escort close aboard makes a master bolder.
4. Each stop order brings the nearest free escort towards the tanker.

3. INSPECTION BY PRESENCE

CONDITION	RULE
PRESENCE	One of our ships within **1 nm** of the tanker, **30 minutes** in all
TEAM ABOARD	An MH-60R within **0.5 nm, below 500 ft**, for **10 minutes**; or a boat from a ship within **0.5 nm at 3 kt or less**, for **20 minutes**, the tanker stopped (5 kt or less)
BLOCKED	As many Russian warships within 1 nm of the tanker as ours: no inspection

(NR) The minutes add up; they need not be consecutive. A boarding team that goes aboard a tanker still under way is a seizure by force (Annex D, Q-05).

4. OUTCOME

FINDING	WHAT FOLLOWS
IN ORDER	Insurance and flag in order: she is released and resumes Route T
NON-COMPLIANT	No valid insurance, flag of convenience struck off; or false flag, master refused inspection: a prize crew takes her to the next holding anchorage
TAKEN BY FORCE	Whatever her papers: to the next holding anchorage

HOLDING ANCHORAGE	POSITION	LEAVES ROUTE T AT
RONNE ROADS	55°06.0'N 014°37.2'E	Bornholmsgat (Route T point 2)
GEDSER ROADS	54°28.2'N 012°03.0'E	Kadet channel (point 4)
KORSOR ROADS	55°16.8'N 011°03.6'E	Great Belt bridge (point 8)
SKAGEN ANCHORAGE	57°40.8'N 010°45.6'E	Quarantine gate (point 12)

5. THE ESCORT

(NR) The escort follows the convoy and comes alongside a threatened tanker at speed. Against the nearest of our ships it steps up, each step by message: **a call on VHF 16 at 2 nm** (“stay away from the escorted vessel”); **flares across the bow at 1 nm**; **fire-control radar at 0.5 nm**; **a pass at a few hundred metres at speed**. It does not fire first. It answers fire at once.

6. PRESSURES

(NR) Expect GNSS jamming on the ferries of the Fehmarn Belt and the Øresund (MARITIME ASSISTANCE reports; the ferry slows for half an hour), and pairs of Su-30 skirting Danish airspace around Bornholm with transponders off (CAOC UEDEM reports).

7. THE NARROWS AND THE CIVILIAN TRAFFIC

5. **Closing a strait** (console Quarantine): the Fehmarn Belt, the Øresund or the Great Belt is closed to civilian traffic and its ferries stay in port; the same order reopens it. Denmark and Sweden pay for it.
6. **A tanker on fire or aground in a strait** is a marine pollution disaster: keep weapons away from the tankers in the narrows.

8. LIFTING THE QUARANTINE

(NR) Possible through the console Quarantine, with the confirmation box ticked. Every tanker not yet inspected or diverted resumes Route T; Moscow claims victory. **This is a decision for the capitals; COM BALTCOM takes it only if ordered.**

9. ECHELON 2

(NR) Six more tankers, at the same point east of Bornholm, later in the operation: the same procedure. After an incident they may come without escort.

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F

Bornholm and Zealand: the Land Forces

ANNEX F TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. BORNHOLM — KEY POINTS

KEY POINT	POSITION
RONNE AIRFIELD	55°03.8'N 014°45.5'E
RONNE HARBOUR	55°06.0'N 014°41.4'E
RONNE TOWN	55°06.2'N 014°42.5'E
BORNHOLM RADAR	55°07.5'N 014°53.8'E

(NR) **Each key point is held by whoever has the stronger force within 3 km of it** — a tank counts three, an armoured vehicle two, an infantry platoon one. A point changes hands after half an hour of clear superiority. **Bornholm falls if the harbour and the airfield are both Russian for four hours**, or at the end of the operation. Beaches suited to a landing: Boderne (south) 55°02.5'N 014°51.6'E, Balka (south-east) 55°04.2'N 015°06.7'E, Hasle (west, north of Rønne) 55°10.8'N 014°43.3'E.

2. BORNHOLM — REINFORCEMENT AND THE CIVILIANS

MEANS	WHAT	TIMING
HOME GUARD	An infantry platoon in Rønne	Two hours after the call-out
AIRLIFT	Two C-130J from Aalborg, one infantry platoon per flight, four flights in all; the airfield must be ours	About 1 h 30 in flight, 30 min to unload; three hours between two flights of one aircraft
SEALIFT	Ferry HAMMERODDE: the mechanised company (DK CV90 1–3) and the Leopard platoon (DK LEOPARD 1); at her Køge berth (within 2 nm); unarmed; the harbour must be ours	About 2 h to embark, 5 h at sea, 1 h to unload
EVACUATION	The civilians of Rønne	Six hours

(NR) Reinforcing before any incident is lawful. A strong garrison and armed ships near the landing group's route weigh on Moscow's decision to land. Once an assault begins, the garrison and every unit sent later are cleared to fire on the landing force (land weapons TIGHT).

3. ZEALAND AND FUNEN — THE SITES

SITE	WHAT	REFERENCE POINT OR POSITION
SAMPT	SAMP/T battery, Kastrup	55°37.2'N 012°37.2'E
NASAMS	NASAMS battery, Korsor	55°19.2'N 011°10.2'E
EAST	Great Belt East Bridge (Halsskov)	55°20.5'N 011°08.0'E
WEST	Great Belt West Bridge (Knudshoved)	55°18.0'N 010°49.1'E
ORESUND	Oresund link (Kastrup portal)	55°35.8'N 012°39.6'E

(NR) Guard: the Guard Hussars (DK GHR 1, 2, Slagelse) and the Home Guard (DK HOME GUARD KASTRUP, KORSOR, HALSSKOV). Airmobile quick reaction force: one platoon put on a chosen site 45 minutes after the order (console Staff), twice.

4. SABOTEURS

1. **Finding them.** A land unit within about 1 nm of a team, or a helicopter below 1 000 ft within 1 nm, may spot it; a team on the move is easier to spot. Intelligence on saboteurs gives areas, never certainties.
2. **Before the war**: a land unit that stays within 0.5 nm of a team for 10 minutes **arrests** it; questioned, it may give away another. No shot.
3. **Once the war has begun**: the teams go for their targets. **A site with one of our land units within 0.5 nm is not sabotaged**; a team held off long enough withdraws. A team destroyed, or outnumbered two to one within 0.5 nm for 10 minutes, is neutralised.
4. **A battery moved to an alternate site** is lost by the team that was after it.
5. **Delegation “Land”**: the staff holds Kastrup, Korsør and Halsskov with the Home Guard and patrols the Guard Hussars between Slagelse, Korsør, Halsskov and Ringsted. It does not search for hiding places.

G

Air and Missile Defence, and the Red Line

ANNEX G TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. BATTERIES AND ALTERNATE SITES

BATTERY	PEACETIME SITE	ALTERNATE 1	ALTERNATE 2	SET-UP
DK SAMP/T KASTRUP	55°37.2'N 012°37.2'E	55°41.4'N 012°28.2'E	55°36.9'N 012°21.6'E	30 min
DK NASAMS KORSOR	55°19.2'N 011°10.2'E	55°24.0'N 011°18.0'E	55°16.2'N 011°15.6'E	20 min
DK NASAMS AALBORG	57°06.0'N 009°52.8'E	57°03.0'N 009°58.0'E	57°07.8'N 010°03.0'E	20 min
DE PATRIOT KIEL	54°19.8'N 010°06.0'E	54°16.8'N 010°03.0'E	54°18.0'N 010°10.8'E	45 min
SE PATRIOT KARLSKRONA	56°11.4'N 015°28.8'E	56°13.8'N 015°22.8'E	56°10.8'N 015°18.0'E	45 min

(NR) **A battery that has stood still for two hours is assumed known to the Russians.** A battery that moves is out of action while it moves and until it has been still for its set-up time. Moved by the console Staff, it drives straight to the alternate site at about 25 kt (the staff gives the times); moved by hand, it stays out of action while it has waypoints left.

2. FIRE DISCIPLINE

WEAPON	RULE SET AT THE START
ESSM	Two per threat, maximum range
SM-2 BLOCK IIIA	One per threat, 40 nm; **none against sea-skimming missiles**
ASTER 30	Two per threat
PAC-3	Two against ballistic missiles
PAC-2 GEM+	Two against aircraft and cruise missiles; none against ballistic missiles
AMRAAM (F-35)	Never against ballistic missiles; 25 nm at most against large aircraft

(NR) At the first **missile warning** the game stops once and asks for the fire discipline of the air defence: **standard** (two per threat), **conserve** (one), **maximum** (three). With the air defence delegated, the staff answers: standard.

3. THE RED LINE

1. The **Kaliningrad region is Russian soil**. Any Russian unit destroyed there by our forces crosses the red line.
2. **Authority** is asked through the console **Strike - Request authority on Russian soil**, and only after Russian forces have opened fire: a request (a warning, then the targets: launchers only; launchers and Chkalovsk air base; any military objective), then its confirmation, sent to the capitals.
3. With authority, the **Eurofighters on the ground at Laage are armed with Taurus**, ready three hours later. Aircraft in the air keep their loads.
4. Asking is not crossing; striking is. Expect a nuclear warning from Moscow, the allied governments under pressure, a faster sharper Russian answer, and consequences beyond this operation. A strike without authority, or outside the targets authorised, costs more.
5. The S-400 covers the region at altitude; the F-35 and low-flying missiles are another matter. A strike needs local air superiority.

H

Communications, Reporting and Special Actions

ANNEX H TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. CONSOLES (GAME MENU, SPECIAL ACTIONS)

CONSOLE	CHOICES
Quarantine - Maritime orders	Stop order to a tanker; close or reopen a strait; lift the quarantine (box ticked)
Capitals - Political requests	Fire authority from Berlin or Stockholm; NATO consultations (Article 4); NATO air reinforcement; the hotline to Moscow
Intelligence - Request assessment	The convoy; Kaliningrad; the author of the incident; Bornholm; saboteurs. Within 30–60 min; three per subject
Bornholm - Reinforce and evacuate	Airlift; sealift; Home Guard; evacuation of Rønne
Strike - Request authority on Russian soil	Draft a request (warning, targets); send it (box ticked)
Staff - Delegation	Air component, air defence, land forces in Zealand and Funen: hand over / take back; quick reaction force to a site; move a battery to an alternate site

(NR) A console opens a box with its choices; nothing is done until **Submit**. Guide: Briefing Pack, section 7.

2. BOXES OF THE GAME

(NR) The game stops and asks, each once: **the incident** (qualification and answer); **the missile warning** (fire discipline); **saboteurs revealed** (send the quick reaction force or not); **a Russian offer of ceasefire** (refuse, negotiate a two-hour truce, accept). It also reports, without stopping, the answers of the capitals and of NATO, the landing group's movements and the arrival of reinforcements.

3. DELEGATION

(NR) **Air**: combat air patrols over Zealand (F-35), Fehmarn (Eurofighter) and Scania (Gripen), a P-8 over Bornholmsgat, the GlobalEye on station (Annex C paragraph 5). **Air defence**: standard fire discipline; the staff answers the missile warning. **Land**: Annex F paragraph 4. No fixed price: the staff does the job without brilliance.

4. REPORTS

(NR) The DEBRIEF closes the operation: grade; what Moscow intended and the incident; the salvoes; the convoy; the fleet; the political standing; Bornholm; the saboteurs; the strike. Then the close of the campaign: the summary of the ten operations, an epilogue, and the export for what comes next.

J

Meteorological and Astronomical Forecast

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1. ASTRONOMY

PLACE	2 FEB	3 FEB	4 FEB
COPENHAGEN SUN	SS 1545Z	SR 0659Z SS 1547Z	SR 0658Z
RØNNE SUN	SS 1539Z	SR 0649Z SS 1541Z	SR 0647Z
KALININGRAD SUN	SS 1517Z	SR 0624Z SS 1519Z	SR 0622Z
MOON (COPENHAGEN)	—	MR 0602Z, 12%	MR 0629Z, 6%

(NR) Nautical night at Copenhagen 1711Z–0535Z. New moon 061556Z: the moon rises at dawn and sets before midday; the nights are dark.

2. WEATHER

(NR) The forecast is issued with the opening message and holds over the whole area. In February, one of three:

TYPE	WIND AND SEA	EFFECT
COLD AND CLEAR	North-east 15 kt; sea state 4	Good visibility; long nights; boarding by boat possible
GALE	From the west, snow showers; sea state 6	Helicopters and boats hampered; ships, and landing ships, slower
FOG	Fog banks in the straits, light wind; sea state 3	Short visual ranges in the narrows; sensors matter more

(NR) Sea temperature 2 to 4°C. Ice in sheltered bays; the straits are open.

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K

References and Abbreviations

ANNEX K TO OPORD 27-033 · DTG 021100ZFEB27 · BALTCOM/JOC/SKJ/27-033

1. CHARTS AND DATA

(NR) Coastlines: GSHHG (Wessel and Smith); state borders: Natural Earth 1:10 m; for orientation only. Sun and moon computed for the places named. Positions in the order are those of the plot.

2. ABBREVIATIONS

TERM	MEANING
BALTCOM	BALTIC COMMAND, the allied command of the quarantine
CAOC	Combined Air Operations Centre (Uedem)
COM BALTCOM	The Commander, BALTIC COMMAND: the player
DDIS	Danish Defence Intelligence Service
DMA	Danish Maritime Authority
ESM	Electronic support measures
GNSS	Satellite navigation
JOC	Joint Operations Centre, Karup
LR1, LR2, MR	Classes of product tanker, large to medium
NAI	Named area of interest
QRF	Quick reaction force
SNMG1	Standing NATO Maritime Group 1
TG	Task group
SR, SS, MR	Sunrise, sunset, moonrise

> This order, the operation, its incidents and every name of tanker, ship and person in it are invented for an exercise. It is a fictional document.

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