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# OPERATION: KNIFE JUGGLERS

## OPERATIONS ORDER

### 1. Situation

- a. **Enemy.** Insurgent forces of an unknown quantity are present within the city. A primarily foot-mobile force utilising cold war era arms and equipment will use the city and civilians as cover and concealment.
- b. **Friendly.**
  - i. Mechanised and motorised elements of B Company, 2nd Battalion will be executing the operation.
  - ii. A United Nations peacekeeping force is situated at the centre of the AO.
  - iii. Sympathetic civilians may assist in the location of enemy supply caches.

### 2. Mission

- a. Elements of B Company, 2nd Battalion will locate and destroy a number of suspected insurgent weapons caches in order to decrease the operational effectiveness of hostile forces in the Fallujah region.

### 3. Execution

- a. **Concept.** The platoon will utilise HUMINT from local citizens and organisations to locate and destroy insurgent weapons caches in the western suburbs of Fallujah. An attachment from the 103rd Engineer Battalion will assist with safe detonation of objectives.
- b. **Elements.** The platoon will be primarily mechanised, utilising 4 Strykers and an MRAP.

- i. **Strephon, Trivalve** and **Rampion** (Rifle) squads will each operate an armed Stryker (M2 or Mk19) for maneuver and protection.
- ii. **Manfred** (Command) and **Whittier** (Medic) will operate a Stryker MEV to provide onsite medical aid.
- iii. **Phar Lap** (Engineers) will operate an MRAP containing explosives and heavy AT in case of armour contact.

**c. Tasks.**

- i. Company will assemble a convoy on the western bank of the Euphrates along **MSR Crazy Horse**.
- ii. Following assembly, company will proceed in convoy to the UN Peacekeeping base in the western suburbs of Fallujah to retrieve information regarding potential cache locations.
- iii. Company will locate and destroy insurgent weapons caches.

**d. Formation.**

- i. Company will move as a convoy in the following order, unless otherwise specified:
  - 1. Strephon (Stryker M2)
  - 2. Trivalve (Stryker Mk19)
  - 3. Phar Lap (MRAP M2)
  - 4. Manfred/Whittier (Stryker MEV)
  - 5. Rampion (Stryker M2)
- ii. Convoy vehicles will maintain a staggered column formation at all times.
- iii. Upon company dismount order, infantry will move to create a company line formation surrounding the convoy to provide security from side-streets. Ref image iv:



iv.

## 4. Administration & Logistics

- a. Medical aid and reinforcements will take place in or around the Stryker MEV.
- b. Spare tyres are located in the Stryker MEV next to the morphine.

## **5. Command and Signal**

**a. Command.** Command will be situated with Whittier or Phar Lap depending on the current situation.

**b. Signals**

**i. 148.**

1. Platoon
2. Convoy

**ii. 343.**

1. Strephon
2. Trivalve
3. Rampion
4. Phar Lap
5. Whittier
6. Manfred