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Russia Intervenes in Livonia

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An image of Russian Ground Forces entering the city of Virojoki, in the Virolahti region of Livonia.

At approximately 12:30 pm EEST, Russian aircraft were seen crossing the Russian-Livonian border, and reportedly began to bomb both Livonian Defense Force and NATO installations.

Next, three Divisions of Russian Ground Forces crossed into the nation of Livonia, and began to exchange fire with NATO and Livonian Defence Forces, overwhelming their defenses. Within minutes the bordering city of Virojoki was captured by the Russians.

At 12:40 pm EEST, the President of Russia announces Russian intervention in the 'Livonian Conflict', stating that "the chaos caused by the undemocratic government of Livonia must be dealt with to re-secure stability".

At the same time a Russian news agency reported that Russia "originally entered with no intention of confronting NATO troops but Russian aircraft were unprovokedly fired upon by an unidentified NATO fighter jet over the Livonian - Russian border into Russian airspace; causing Russia to consider all NATO troops in the region as hostile." This claim has not yet been verified.



Russian APC Crossing the Livonian Border into the town of Imatra

Shortly after, similar remarks came from the Russian Minister of Defense and the Minister of Emergency Situations.

Immediately after the fighting broke out the United Nations Security Council was called in for an emergency session. They called for an "immediate halt of unprovoked Russian aggression", which the Russians immediately denounced stating that "NATO provoked Russian military intervention."

NATO has categorically denied these allegations, calling for the immediate withdrawal of Russian Forces from Livonia.



What is believed to be an LDF Humvee destroyed by the Russian Military.

At Approximately 1:00 EEST The President of the United States addressed the nation, stating that “The United States and its allies will defend the freedom and the democratic rights of the Nation of Livonia” following with a statement on how the events that take place in the coming days will define our century. Similar speeches were heard from all NATO countries shortly after.

This is a continuously developing situation; AAN reporters will continue to monitor the situation as it develops.