



MF -196 Operation Harmattan - Libya



French participation in 2011 was involvement in a “No Fly” Zone introduced during the Libyan Civil War to prevent Government Forces, loyal to Gaddafi, carrying out air attacks on anti Government personnel.

Aircraft Dassault Mirage 2000, Rafale C, AC-130 (Or appropriate aircraft)

Flights



1. Rafale aircraft from Escadron “Provence”. Depart Sigonella AFB, LICZ. Simulated low-level bombing of anti government artillery positions near Benina Benghazi, HLLB. Land at Kisteli AB, LGTL. 726 nm.



2. Mirage aircraft from Escadron “Cigogne”. Depart Sigonella AB, LICZ. Simulated low level bombing of artillery positions at Al Khadim, HL59. Return to Sigonella AB. 894 nm.



3. AC- 130 aircraft from Escadron Transport "Dunkerque". Depart Luqa, LMML. Anti arms smuggling patrol. Overfly Mitiga, HLLM, Misurata, HL76, Ras Lanuf, HLNf, and Marsa Brega, HLMB. Land at Kasteli Ab, LGTL. 955 nm.

NOTAMS:

Total 2575 nm.

Three sorties for ribbon credit