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42SWB 9080 9300
S29 IJC#06-0097

TF 2-377, TF SPARTAN
1/2/3/A/2-377, G/2-377
FOB SALERNO, KHOWST PROVINCE



SUMMARY OF EVENTS:

At 011250LJUN2012, FOB SALERNO received a complex attack, initiated by a VBIED IVO 42SWB89909211. After detonation on exterior perimeter of the FOB, OP 166 on the South side of FOB SALERNO received SAF and RPG fire and returned fire. FOB SALERNO initiated IRON CURTAIN at 1252L. Shortly thereafter, approximately 10 INS breached the perimeter fence to the interior HESCO wall of FOB SALERNO. The INS were equipped with small arms, crew-serve weapons, grenades, and RPGs. They were wearing ANSF/USA ACU pattern uniforms and wearing suicide vests – seven vests in total. After they entered the breach, they moved along the HESCO perimeter for approximately 50 meters where INS were fixed and killed. Due to the INS uniforms, initial reporting indicated that possibly ANSF were involved; therefore, all ANSF elements were directed to move to a centralized area for their safety and accountability by their CF partner and subsequently released in order to conduct partnered operations. After the INS attack culminated, units were directed to conduct IRON BLANKET at 1425L, and all elements began to clear their respective zones IAW IRON CUTRAIN CONOP. Once all units reported their area clear, FOB SALERNO initiated a second IRON BLANKET at 1644L in order to conduct partnered clearing operations as an added security measure and to reinforce the strong bonds between ANSF and CF.

At 1655 a second VBIED (motorcycle-born) detonated adjacent to the ACP of FOB Salerno resulting in no casualties. At 1850L 'All Clear' was declared.

ISAF Tactical Directive
Combined Operation: N
Night Raid/Search: N
Civilian Casualties: N
GIROA notified: N
Support of local GIROA: N
AG/ IDF Munitions drop: N
Imminent Threat: N
Uninvited Entry: N
ANSF Entry: N
Mosque Entry: N/A
Body Search of LN: N
Site/ BDA assessment: Y
Unobserved IDF: N
EOF incident: N
Media Informed: N

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TOTAL MUNITIONS EXPENDED
FRIENDLY: 2000 x 5.56 mm

ENEMY: 2 x VBIED, 5 x RPG;
15 x grenade; 10 x 30mm; 1300
x 7.62mm

BDA

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15x US WIA, 3x US Contractor
WIA, 1xUS Contractor KIA, 1x
LN KIA

ENEMY:
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Timeline:

1250L: SVBIED Detonation IVO 8990 9211
1252L: IRON CURTAIN called
1252L: ECP Locked Down
1305L: QRF enroute to OP166/Breach PT
1403L: G Co sets up temporary ANSF consolidation site
1403L: Clearance sweeps begin
1425L: IRON BLANKET called
1644L: IRON BLANKET called 2nd time, partnered clearance sweeps begin
1655: 2nd SVBIED detonates at ECP
1850L: All clear given



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FOB Salerno High Profile Attack

01 JUN 12



High Profile Attack, 1JUN12 O/A 1230-1307

• 01 1255D* JUN 12: 1x SVBIED explosion between towers 166 and 185 along the south side of FOB SALERNO IVO the airfield causing significant overpressure damage to the main DFAC and PX*.

*Initial reports were that IDF impacted the DFAC but follow-on analysis indicated all damage was caused by SVBIED detonation overpressure

• The SVBIED created a breach lane in the concertina and HESCO perimeter (60m wide) allowing an assault element of 10x INS to INFIL on the FOB. US engaged and killed all 10x INS. All 10x INS were wearing SVESTs. 3x SVESTs detonated IVO the breach site*; 7x undetonated SVESTs recovered off EKIA for exploitation

*Initial reports indicated SVESTs detonated further inside the FOB perimeter but follow-on analysis proved the detonations were the three vests that exploded at the ECP where the INS were killed

• 2x Friendly KIA: 1x Fluor Contractor (US) and UNK TCN (UNK Sponsor)

• 23x CF Air Evacuated; 35x injured not requiring MEDEVAC at this time; 1x SM in critical condition at BAF

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No details on VBIED due to complete loss
The 3 SVEST exploded at point of penetration
The other 7 INS were killed by personnel coming
out of the DFAC mostly
501BSB Soldiers
Both the PX and DFAC Bldgs collapse due to the
initial VBIED explosion

DFAC Damage



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