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1. In view of the unstable situation in MOROCCO, US CINCEUR is preparing, on a priority basis, a plan for possible military operations in MOROCCO to protect US bases and installations and to maintain the security of US interests, lives and property against mob actions, guerrilla operations and minor organized attacks. Short title of plan: US CINCEUR OPLAN NR 200-13, US Joint Task Force OPLAN NR 200-13A. Following paragraphs outline the concept.

2. Forces,

a. Joint Task Force Headquarters

b. Army Task Force

2 Infantry Battle Groups, reinforced - European based

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2 Infantry Battle Groups (or 2 Airborne Battle Groups equally acceptable) - CONUS based

Combat support elements
Logistical Support Command

c. Naval Task Force

Sixth Fleet Amphibious Troops (1 Marine BLT)
1 Marine RLT/MAG (-1BLT in NELM), CONUS based

Amphibious shipping
Support elements

d. Air Force Task Force

Fighter Interceptor support, as required
Medium and Heavy Transport (European and CONUS based)

Support elements

3. The Army Task Force will be responsible for protecting all US air bases, AC&W and radio relay sites, communications and supply facilities, except at Port Lyautey, Rabat and Rabat/Sale, which are to be protected by the Naval Task Force.

Initially 1 Infantry Battle Group will deploy by air from European bases to Sidi Slimane to protect the air base and the Air Force Strategic Communications Center; and 1 Infantry (or Airborne) Battle Group from CONUS to Nouasseur and Ben Guerir to protect these bases, Port of Casablanca, AC&W and radio relay sites.

An additional Infantry Battle Group from Europe, and an additional Infantry (or Airborne) Battle Group from CONUS will reinforce operations in progress as
called forward by the Commander, Army Task Force. Protection of underlying
AC&W sites, etc. may involve extensive efforts.

4. Commander Naval Task Force utilizing Sixth Fleet Amphibious Troops (1
Marine BLT) and CONUS based Marine RLT/MAG (minus 1 BLT in NEILM) will
protect the US Embassy and US bases, communications and POL facilities at Port
Lyautey, Rabat, the Joint Task Force Headquarters and Site Y-11, Rabat/Sale.
1 Marine BLT to be airlifted from CONUS to Port Lyautey, remainder of Marine
RLT/MAG to be airlifted.

5. The Air Task Force provides air support and air transport as required.

6. Parachute troops are not considered necessary initially.

7. This information being provided now to facilitate your consideration of the
principal features of the plan, which will be forwarded for approval in the near
future.