

COALITION SPECIAL FORCES SUMMARY, GULF

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Roles: Each formation brings its own unique capabilities that predispose them to certain missions. For example the 5th SFG(A) are ideal choices to work with Kurdish forces in the north. The Australian SAS arriving with strong NBC support and a bent for LRRP bent would be well placed to detect and neutralise Iraqi special weapons issued to Iraqi forces. Delta and SAS have been the unit of choice in going after heavily defended high value targets well to the rear. Delta in addition has experience working with COMINT and other units in pursuit of leadership figures in Panama, Somalia and Colombia to name a few. DEVGRU and the SAS can attest to the same in the Balkans. The 193rd SOG and 8th POG together form a highly effective tactical psyops team, etc, etc.

Major SF Units Committed: The format of this list of should not be confused with the actual task organisation of units in the theatre. This document does not list all reserve component units and support units attached.

Special Forces Task Group, Australian Army [500 personnel]

(1) squadron, Special Air Service Regiment [150 personnel]

(1) company, 4th Battalion Royal Australian Regiment (Commando) [Quick Reaction Force supporting SAS]

Elements, Incident Response Regiment [CBRN detection, decontamination & disposal unit]

C Squadron, 5th Aviation Regiment [3 x CH-47D Chinooks]

UK Special Forces.

22 Special Air Service

Special Boat Service

Joint Special Forces Aviation Wing (JSFAW)

- 657 Squadron, Army Air Corps [Lynx AH7]
- No. 7 Squadron, RAF [CH-47 Chinook]

Special Forces Flight, No. 47 Squadron, RAF [C-130 C1]

Joint Special Operations Command

75th Ranger Regiment

1st Special Forces Operational Detachment-Delta (Airborne)

160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment

NAVSPECWAR DEV GROUP

US Army Special Operations Command

5th Special Forces Group (Airborne)

8th Psychological Operations Battalion

96th Civil Affairs Battalion (Airborne)

US Air Force Special Operations Command

16th Special Operations Wing [AC-130, MH-130E/H/P, MH-53M]

193rd Special Operations Group [EC-130E/J psyops broadcast aircraft]

US Naval Special Warfare Squadron

Notional Command & Control

