



MF-245 Exercise Talisman Sabre

Every two years, Australian and US forces come together for a major training exercise. Talisman Saber involves joint exercises performed by the Australian Defense Force and the United States Military across five locations in northern and central Australia, and the Coral Sea. In a first, the Japan's Maritime Self-Defense Force will join the exercise by sending multiple vessels to participate in the exercises. The Exercise consists of a Field Training Exercise incorporating force preparation (logistic) activities, amphibious landings, land force maneuver, urban operations, air operations, maritime operations and Special Forces activities.

Suggested Aircraft

C-5 Galaxy
C-130 Hercules
C-17 Globemaster
F/A 18 Super Hornet
MV-22 Osprey
F-15 Eagle
F-16 Fighting Falcon
F-35 Lightning II
B-52 Stratofortress
B-1 Lancer
B-2 Spirit
(or any comparable aircraft)

Mission Legs

Air Lift of Supplies. Air to Air refueling may be utilized if needed.

1. Depart Kadena AB (RODN). Transport 12 pallets @5,00lbs each to Babelthuap/Koror (PTRO) – 1,203nm.
2. Depart Babelthuap/Koror (PTRO). Transport 12 pallets @5,000lbs each to Darwin Intl (YPDN) – 1,207nm.
3. Depart Clark Intl (RPLC). Transport 4 pallets @5,00lbs each to Darwin Intl (YPDN) – 1,766nm.
4. Depart Andersen AFB (PGUA). Transport 18 pallets @5,000lbs each to Tindal AB (YPTN) – 1,843nm.
5. Depart Anderson AFB (PGUA). Transport 4 pallets @5,000lbs each to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 1,973nm.
6. Depart Anderson AFB (PGUA). Transport 12 pallets @10,000lbs each to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 1,973nm.
7. Depart Honolulu Intl (PHNL). Transport 14 pallets @6,200lbs each to Johnston Atoll (JON) – 714nm.
8. Depart Johnston Atoll (JON). Transport 14 pallets @6,200 each to Marshall Is Intl (PKMJ) – 1,266nm.
9. Depart Marshall Is Intl (PKMJ). Transport 14 pallets @6,200 each to Honiara Intl (AGGH) – 1,196nm.
10. Depart Honiara Intl (AGGH). Transport 14 pallets @6,200 each to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 971nm.

High altitude bombing sorties. Use any mission capable aircraft. Air to Air refueling may be utilized if needed.

11. Depart Andersen AFB (PGUA). Bomb Mt Larcom @ Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Continue to Amberley AB (YAMB) – 2,518nm.

12. Depart Amberley AB (YAMB). Bomb Mt Larcom @ Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Continue to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 614nm.
13. Depart Townsville Intl (YBTL). Bomb Mt Larcom @ Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Continue to Amberley AB (YAMB) – 614nm.
14. Depart Amberley AB (YAMB). Bomb Mt Larcom @ Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Return to YAMB – 482nm.
15. Depart Amberley AB (YAMB). Bomb Mt Larcom @ Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Continue to Andersen AFB (PGUA) – 2,518nm.

Airlift of Personnel. Use any mission capable aircraft. Air to Air refueling may be utilized if needed.

16. Depart Kadena AB (RODN). Transport 89 personnel to Babelthuap/Koror Apt (PTRO) – 1,203nm.
17. Depart Babelthuap/Koror Apt (PTRO). Transport 89 personnel to Darwin Intl (YPDN) – 1,207nm.
18. Depart Clark Intl (RPLC). Transport 92 paratroopers to Darwin Intl (YPDN) – 1,766nm.
19. Depart Darwin Intl (YPDN). Transport 42 paratroopers to Tindal AB (YPTN) – 154nm.
20. Depart Tindal AB (YPTN). Transport 12 SOCOM troops to Delamere (YDWF). Offload and return to YPTN – 156nm.
21. Depart Darwin Intl (YPDN). Transport 120 personal to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 1,003nm.
22. Depart Townsville Intl (YBTL). Transport 40 paratroopers to Rockhampton Apt (YBRK) – 324nm.
23. Depart Rockhampton Apt (YBRK). Transport 12 SOCOM troops to Williamson (YWIS) – 58nm.
24. Depart Williamson (YWIS). Transport 2 personnel to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 272nm.
25. Depart Townsville Intl (YBTL). Transport 120 personnel to Amberley AB (YAMB) – 601nm.
26. Depart Amberley AB (YAMB). Transport 12 RAASOCOM troops to Maroochydore/ Sunshine Coast (YBMC) – 66nm.
27. Depart Maroochydore/ Sunshine Coast (YBMC). Transport 1 personnel to Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 563nm.

Simulate Air Strike on designated targets. Air to Air refueling may be utilized if needed.

28. Depart Townsville Intl (YBTL). Simulate bombing attack at Bundaberg (YBUD). Land at Kingaroy (YKRY) – 563nm.
29. Depart Kingaroy (YKRY). Simulate bombing attack at Rockhampton (YBRK). Land at Townsville Intl (YBTL) – 530nm.
30. Depart Townsville Intl (YBTL). Simulate bombing attack at Mackay (YBMK). Land at Oakey AB (YBOK) – 579nm.
31. Depart Oakey AB (YBOK). Simulate bombing attack at Gladstone Apt (YGLA). Land at Amberley AB (YAMB) – 456nm.

NOTAMS:

Total mission distance: 30,359nm.

31 flights required for ribbon credit.