

„Northern Nightmare 2024”

VIGNETTE

The Vladimirian People's Republic (VPR) has conducted a major invasion against its neighbour, Zelenskistan, with major initial setbacks in 2022, but holding on to segments of Eastern parts of the country. VPR and Zelenskistanian material and immaterial (Political, Psychological, etc.) resources have been exhausted however, by the end of 2023.

Zelenskistan owes its successes to the military, material and operational (C4ISR) support of Western partners, the coalition of North Atlantic Coalition (NACO) Organization countries, the VPR's main historic adversary block.

In 2024 January, the Vladimirian People's Republic seems to plan a demonstrative attack on NACO territory, an incursion, in order to „escalate to deescalate”. The aim is to force NACO to the negotiating table. Two new member state countries have officially joined NACO in 2023, the Kingdom of Ikea and the Republic of Jollopukki, however, they are still only loosely integrated into the institutional structure of NACO.

The VPR has amassed forces in three major groupings ready to carry out offensive operations against NACO bordered segments as well as the Republic of Jollopukki, not yet operationally integrated.

Vladimirian formations are amassed in three sectors. These three sectors, referred to in the simulation as „VPR North”, „VPR Cental” and „VPR South” Sectors. Leadership in the capital – Putinsburg – has enough material capabilities to deploy one large grouping of forces into one Sector.

NACO forces are present in major groupings in four sectors: „Jollopukki”, „Baltic 1”, „Baltic 2” and „Warsawia”. NACO has enough logistical capability to deploy one large formation into one of the four sectors.

TASK:

- VPR team has to decide where to mobilize remaining groups and which NACO sector it should include into
- Amerigo and NACO team must decide which NACO sector should they preemptively strengthen

Once decisions are made, forces will be redistributed and Russian offensive must be carried out, using Hedgemony's rules of engagement

Teams are encouraged to compile a „Utility Matrix” from the VPR perspective. Some teams will have additional hidden information. NACO holds the majority for the decision, so BLUE forces will be deployed into the sector that NACO team designates.

After the event, teams are encouraged to „negotiate” a settlement for the conflict.

Expressing Force Ratios

Combat Capability is expressed in „COMBAT FACTORS”.

Combat factors are derived by the NUMBER of FORCE FACTORS (Qualitative value of Forces) AND the MODIFICATION LEVEL (Quantitative Factor of Forces). One additional factor is the READINESS LEVEL of certain units. Any readiness level below 100% means that the COMBAT FACTOR of the unit is reduced.

- Calculate combat factors using table
- Calculate chance of success using „Combat Resolution Table A”

Critical Capabilities:

Critical Capabilities are Force Multiplying factors, derived by the technological advances in some key capability areas, such as C4ISR or Missile Technology.

VPR FORCES DEPLOYED IN BORDER SECTORS

VPR NORTH: 5 Force Factors on 80%-os Readiness, 2M1 & 3M2

VPR CENTRAL: 3 Force Factors on 100% Readiness, 3M2

VPR SOUTH: 4 Force Factors on 80% Readiness, 3M2 & 1M3

Critical Capabilities: C4ISR +2; LRF +2

Forces South of Putinberg: 14 (8M2, 5M3, 1M4) 100% Readiness

NACO FORCES DEPLOYED IN FOUR SECTORS

Jollopukki: 3 units of local Forces & 2 NACO FFs, 3M2 2M3

Baltic 1: 6 NATO FFs, 3M3 és 3M4

Baltic 2: 4 NATO FFs, 2M2, 1M3 & 1M4

Warsawia: 6 NATO FFs, 3M3 & 3M4

Critical Capabilities: C4ISR +4, IAMD +4

NACO Grouping in Deutschistan: 9FF (5M3, 4M4)