PROJECTOR SLIDE

The Siege of Marawi

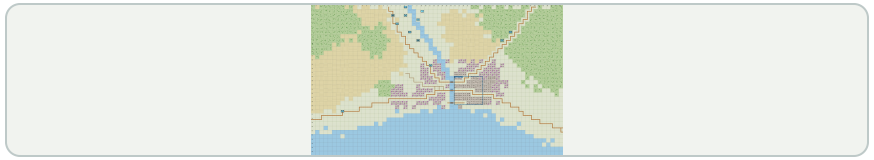
Marawi, Lanao del Sur, Philippines · 23 May to 23 October 2017

Learning objectives

- Explain how the three bridge crossings and proximity to Lake Lanao shape the authored run, separating map geography from precise historical capture dates.
- Assess what observation can and cannot establish in the authored urban run, comparing its limited drone roster with the reconnaissance described by MWI and ASPI.
- Evaluate civilian and hostage protection using Amnesty's findings and Stimson's explicitly attributed displacement and building-damage estimates.



Scenario illustration · AI generated



Student map · own side only · Simulation situation map · reconstructed terrain and estimated deployments; not verified historical positions.

Run and debrief

7 minutes 40 seconds at 1×. Take the main battle area east of the Agus River, from the bridges to the shore of Lake Lanao, by the end of the fourth wave. Start from Camp Ranao and the road from Iligan, clear the west bank, then cross at the Mapandi, Bayabao and Raya Madaya bridges as fresh units arrive. Use your few drones to find snipers, roadblocks and stores before your troops move. Civilians and hostages remain in the city, so choose artillery targets with care.

Which result differed from history, and what evidence or model assumption explains it?

Atrocity notice · 2017-11-17 · Amnesty International: The Battle of Marawi, death and destruction in the Philippines

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