

# XR MCD Special Operations Department



The Special Operations are important part of real world aviation and it is also an important part of IVAO and its aviation simulation community. Special Operations include, but are not limited to: Coast Guard operations, firefighting, search and rescue operations, lifeliners, police operations, all flights that are performed in accordance with rules and procedures other than those that fully comply with ICAO SARPs or other civil rules and procedures. Controlling military units and other units other than civil ATS responsible for aforementioned flights (activities) also fall under the framework of Special Operations.

To regulate the special operations in XR MCD Special Operations Department has being opened the department is responsible for the flights of state and experimental aviation within the division, SO events, SO tour and SO documents. The department is led by the Special Operations Coordinator (SOC) and Special Operations Assistant Coordinator (SOAC).

The XR SO department was established in 2011. Since that moment the development of special operations in Russia begun and later the XR MCD So activities has being accommodated.

The main task of Special Operations Department in the XR MCD is to popularize special operations in the division and to enhance division member's knowledge in special operations area.



# Special Operations Events

XR Special Operations Department in cooperation with the XR Events Department is conducting SO events where pilots can feel themselves as real pilots and test their skills in interesting tasks: search and rescue operations, combative operations, combat air patrol and much more.

One of these events was the international SO event "Operation Hurricane". The XR Special Operations Command Centre has not received a scheduled update report from one of its military aerodromes located in the UAR24 restricted area and have tried to establish communications with it, but sadly there is no response. Images from ground and air reconnaissance sorties show that 10 (ten) foreign vehicles have infiltrated the boundary of the aerodrome and presumably taken control.



The operation is broken down into two parts, The Peal and The Element:

1. The Peal - Destruction of ground targets by fighter (12:10-13:00 UTC).
2. The Element - Paratrooper drop of military transport aircraft to capture the military aerodrome (12:30-14:00 UTC).

Pilots and ATC participated in this event were awarded by 2 (two) SO points for the award that given to anyone that achieve his first 10 SO points. More information about SO award you can read here: <https://www.ivaov.aero/specops/awards.asp>

# Special Operations Group



Special Operations Groups (SOGs) are similar to civilian Virtual Airlines, but the SOGs are focusing on performing Special Operations activities. SOG can be responsible for virtual Squadrons, Air Forces or Special Operations Units etc.

In the XR MCD division, there are currently no active SOGs. The RFF SOG was established in 2015 the Russian Division. This SOG was responsible for the divisions of state aviation, EMERCOM of Russia and the Rossiya Special Flight Unit. RFF SOG pilots performed different tasks on daily basis and participated in divisional and international SO events. RFF SOG was one of the most advanced Special Operations Group in terms of technical support and organization of flights in the IVAO. Unfortunately RFF SOG stopped its work in 2017.



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