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## **(SF novel) East of Nakba (8)**

### **Part I. Israel bombs a nuclear plant in Iran (5)**

#### **Chapter 2 Three flight routes (1/5)**



To bomb Natanz nuclear facilities, three flight routes were studied. One is a route that passes over Syria and Iraq. The second route is from over the Mediterranean Sea, passing through Turkey and intruding in Iran. And the third one is to fly over along the border between Saudi Arabia and Iraq. However, either route invades the airspace of Syria, Iraq, Turkey or Saudi Arabia. The first and third cases, in addition, invade the airspace of Lebanon or Jordan. But Israel didn't care both countries due to its superiority.

The safest route to Iran without invading the airspace of any other countries is to fly over the open seas. It might be a detour route like this; First of all, jet fighters should go south above Red Sea along the Arabian Peninsula. Then they pass through the Strait of Mandab, and fly over the Gulf of Aden, the Arabian Sea and the Gulf of Oman. After passing through the Strait of Hormuz, jet fighters invade Iran from the Persian Gulf. However, this route was out of the question taking the range of the fighter into consideration. Some military executives lamented that they had no aircraft carrier at all. If they should have an aircraft carrier, they can bomb any place in Iran from the Arabian Sea.

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