

(From the author: It would be highly appreciated if you can help me to translate English version into Arabic.)

## Chapter 5 Bombing of Natanz

The fighter of three planes had passed over the north of Hafar al Batin base of Saudi Arabia, and ran through at a dash in Iraqi airspace toward northeast. Wetland in the Shatt-al-Arab river is seen. The fighter will enter an Iranian territory soon. The tension of pilots starts. Zagros Mountains of reddish-brown color blocks the way of the fighter. Natanz is near when going over Zagros Mountains. However, there is an Iranian air base in Isfahan where is tens of kilometer in south of Natanz. The Iranian fighters are sure to start the scramble, and to intercept them.

Pilots entered into the attack mode. When the minaret of the mosque in Isfahan was seen, three planes began nose dive from the high degree 13,000 meters. Three fighters transformed into three arrows that fell headfirst from the sky. Then, they will keep low altitude flight, and will return to a super-upper sky again after they bombed the target. They entered into the second step of 'High-Low-Low-High' operation.

The scenery of the ground is the wilderness one around. Pilots see the straight line in the wilderness. It is the road which draws the geometric pattern. The pilot impressed as if he saw the abstract painting that could not be understood. However, there is no need for the pilot confirms geographical features. The computer-programmed target is projected onto

the liquid crystal screen before him. The fighter is heading to targets straightway. He firmly grips the control stick by the left hand, and he gently suppresses to the missile launching button by his right hand thumb. That is enough.

'Mafia' behind the right wing of 'Elite' increased the descent speed and it slipped out. He was a first attacker of the target. 'Elite' leads to the back of 'Mafia'. The tail is 'Abdullah'. Three planes transformed from three arrows to one spear.

At that time one track was running on the ground raising the cloud of dust. The track left the main road, and is running on the military road toward Natanz. Food such as vegetable, fruit, meat and poultry with which were stocked in the market of Isfahan is piled on the truck. The track left Isfahan while hearing the voice of the sonorous prayer of the mosque at daybreak. After that, several hours have already passed. Natanz is now very near. The ground is sizzling because of the hot sun. The driver hardly sees the oncoming car at this time zone. Sleepiness attacks the driver who is driving the straight road in the wilderness. He maximized the volume of the radio-cassette. He was gripping the steering wheel of the track while shouting the song.

The sky of Persian blue occupies the upper half of the windshield. Suddenly, the driver discovered the object that gleamed up. He put both hands on the steering wheel, and looked up at the shining object. Three arrows face him straight. Three arrows were transformed to one huge

spear soon. The driver noticed the object was a jet fighter. He is getting used to seeing the jet plane that lands to the air base in Isfahan. However, it is the first time for him to see the fighter that dives in such a remote place. He forgot drowsiness, kept his breath, and stared.

A white, thin smoke rose from the first jet plane. The second smoke followed. Two missiles thrust into the building of the ground at a blistering speed. A huge sand cloud went up and a big explosive sound was heard continuously. The road pulsed. The track almost fell from the edge of the road to the desert. The driver gripped the steering wheel panicking, stepped on the brake, and stopped immediately. To confirm an outside situation, the driver opened the window. The hot wind and the grit attacked him at once. The driver was vacantly looking at the fighter zooming from among the sand cloud.

'Elite' confirmed two laser-guided bomb "Bunker buster" of 'Mafia' had caught the target point accurately. However, only the cloud of dust went up from two explosions. It is said that the explosive power of "Bunker buster" reaches the depth of underground tens of foot. It can penetrate even through the reinforced concrete of several feet in thickness. However, two "Bunker buster" did not reach to the nuclear site in the underground. 'Elite' did the second attack immediately. 'Elite' traced the same track as 'Mafia', and launched two missiles from the same height and distance. As soon as projecting a missile 'Elite' zoomed. "High-Low-Low-High" It is the last finish of operation.

The infrared rays radar of 'Abdullah' perceived heat ray in the sand cloud. He reported on that to 'Elite'. It is the time to come for the kill. 'Elite' ordered an attack to 'Abdullah'. The fighter of 'Abdullah' has one bunker buster in both wings. And, there was an ultimate missile under the body that far exceeded the destructive power of "Bunker buster".

Only when enemy's facilities were not able to be destroyed by "Bunker buster", an ultimate missile was supposed to be launched. Once this ultimate missile was launched, facilities were to have been destroyed completely. It means the annihilation of man who works at facilities. And, it is inevitable that the surrounding area also receives serious damage for a long term afterwards. That is, it is damage called radiation poisoning.

Israel has tens of nuclear warheads in the root cellar with the utmost confidentiality. Israel developed the small nuke missile for the jet fighter by using the nuclear warhead. The small nuke missile is a pinpoint bombing. If Israel uses a nuclear missile for the bombing of Natanz, it is sure to become a big international problem. However, in that case, Israel will explain that the radioactivity was generated from a nuclear material in Natanz. Moreover, Israel will insist that the fact where the radioactivity occurs is the clear evidence of Iran having concentrated the nucleus. Israel is skillful for the distortion and the excuse.

After zooming, 'Elite' took the position to be able to check the target visually. The sand cloud was weakened. He confirmed the hole like the crater to the ground. White smoke goes up from the center of the hole. It

is obviously different from the sand cloud. White smoke shows that a fire occurred underground. 'Abdullah' launched the fifth "Bunker buster". It was inhaled into the crater where white smoke was vomited. A red pillar of fire went out from the crater at the next moment. Man dashes out from a small hole around the crater one after another. It is like an ant that creeps out from the nest. Facilities in Natanz were completely destroyed by five bunker busters.

"Operation has been done successfully." The headquarter heard the voice of 'Elite'. It was low and shaking but shout with delight. 'Elite' imagined that the commander and the subordinates in the air base were calling out the cheers at headquarters.

<My father must be pleased, too > His father-in-law is praised as the hero of the Middle East Wars. His father is too great to compete for him. He was a person of the hatchet for him. But now, he felt his father-in-law familiar a little. 'Elite' was convinced that he would become genuine 'Elite' when he returned to the base safely.

The operation of Natanz ended shooting five Bunker Busters after all. 'Abdullah' remains one Bunker Buster under his left wing, and one small nuke missile under the body. It is sure that the Iranian air force noticed the accident at Natanz, and scrambled immediately. Therefore, they should leave the site as soon as possible. Three fighters including the 'Adullah' held two missiles zoomed and headed outside territorial airspace of Iran. The shadow of jet fighters reflected on their radar. The Iranian fighter that have scrambled from air base of Isfahan is reaching

behind of them.

However, when Iranian jet fighters discovered three fighters of unknown nationality fighter, they had already ended the bombing of Natanz. Iranian force has no AWACS which is the excellent system for air-borne early warning. Their air defense radar system is quite poor. Iranian jet fighters are old-fashioned and the performance is inferior. The flight performance is far apart from that of F-16. Therefore, Iranian fighters could not only to obstruct Israeli air raid but also to catch up with F-16. Three F-16 jet fighters escaped outside airspace easily.

Three planes returned from Iran to Iraqi territorial airspace. The work left for three planes is only to trace the same route to the base. The fuel gauge shows that the fuel has already fallen below the one-quarter of the tanks. The return without re-fuelling is difficult. The aerial tanker for re-fuelling is scheduled to come on the way for such purpose. They were convinced that there was nothing to worry. However,-----。

The instruction from the base was unexpected of them. The commander of the base ordered them to change the flight course to the south and head to the Strait of Hormuz via the Persian Gulf. Three pilots thought that they had been misheard the instruction of the commander.