AIR ASSET

ALOUETTE III SA316B



Sud Aviation Aérospatiale

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS



Helicopter: Sud Aviation Aérospatiale Lenght: 10,18 m Height: 2,97 m Wingspan: 12,82 m Max take-off weight: 2.200kg Speed : 210 km/h Range: 500 km

OVERVIEW

SA.316B Alouette III is a multi-role light transport helicopter designed and built by Aerospatiale (now known as Eurocopter) .

In 1971 three Sud Aviation SA316B Alouette III helicopters were acquired for the Belgian Navy for use as supply aircraft for ships at sea.

They are primarily deployed on the supply ship A960 Godetia (in the past also on the now retired A961 Zinnia), and on the Frigate Louise-Marie.

The three helicopters (Marine Flight) reported to N° 40 Squadron of the Belgian Air Force but were maintained and flown by Navy personnel.

Since 2004 the three helicopters are completely integrated within N° 40 Squadron of the Belgian Air Component.

The Alouette III is embarked onboard the BNS Louise-Marie joining EUNAVFOR MED operation SOPHIA.



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