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CAIRO (Reuters) - Libya's armed forces said it would stop military operations on Sunday to give rebels a chance to surrender, Al Arabiya TV reported on Thursday, without giving further details about the offer.

Muammar Gaddafi's forces launched air strikes on the outskirts of the rebel-held city of Benghazi on Thursday. Rebels also reported fighting in Ajdabiyah, south of Benghazi, between rebel forces and Gaddafi's troops.

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