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WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The top U.S. military commander Sunday said the end-game of military action in Libya was "very uncertain" and acknowledged it could end in a stalemate with Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi.

Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, told CBS' "Face the Nation" program that the military mission has a clear, limited scope. But he could not predict how long the action might take or what its outcome might be.

Asked if it could end in a stalemate with Gaddafi, Mullen replied: "That's a possibility."

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