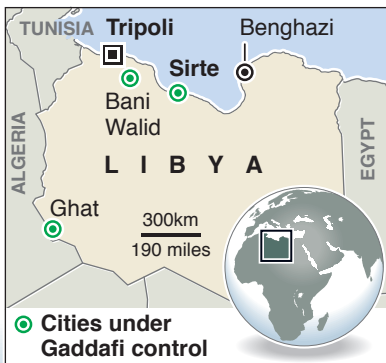


Libya rebels continue assault on Sirte

Fierce battles are continuing in Muammar Gaddafi's home town of Sirte as fighters loyal to the fugitive leader resist attacks by Libyan revolutionary forces in the eastern outskirts of the city, while anti-Gaddafi fighters in the west and south tighten the noose around the loyalist stronghold

Western advance: Lull in fighting as elder from Gaddafi tribe asks government forces for truce



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Port area
Captured by
NTC fighters
on Tuesday

Eastern advance: Rebels
pinned down by snipers
2km from city centre

South: Rebels control
airport 10km south of city