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MAPS: SOUTHERN FRANCE, 1/25,000; 1/50,000; 1/100,000.

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- 1. a. Enemy - Annex No 1, Intelligence.
- b. Friendly Forces.

(1) SEVENTH ARMY, supported by WESTERN NAVAL TASK FORCE and XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND, will assault the South coast of FRANCE, secure a beachhead EAST of TOULON and then assault and capture TOULON.

(2) The Naval Commander, WESTERN TASK FORCE, will command the entire seaborne expedition from the time of sailing until the ground forces are firmly established ashore; thereafter, command of ground operations passes to the Commanding General, SEVENTH ARMY.

(3) XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND will support the operation. Additional air support by MATAF will be available to Commanding General, XII TACTICAL AIR COMMAND, on request.

10592 (4) SEVENTH ARMY will make a daylight seaborne and airborne assault on area shown, to seize and secure a beachhead for the assault and capture of Toulon. (Annex 2, Information of Friendly Forces (overlay)).

2. a. The 1 AIRBORNE TASK FORCE moves in successive air lifts from airbases in ITALY, landing in the vicinity of LE MUY, FRANCE, D DAY. Assists the effort of KODAK force (VI US CORPS) by preventing movement of enemy forces into the beach assault area from WEST and NORTHWEST.

b. 1 AIRBORNE TASK FORCE attached to KODAK force when contact is established. Reverts to SEVENTH ARMY control on Army order.

TROOPS

- 2d INDEP PCHT BRIG (BR)
- 517 RCT, PCHT
- 509 INF BN, PCHT
- 550 INF BN, GLI
- 551 INF BN, PCHT
- 463 FA BN, PCHT
- 202 FA BN, GLI
- AT CO 442 INF, GLI
- CO A 2d CML BN, GLI
- CO D 83d CML BN, GLI
- 887 ENG CO GLI

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- 3. See Annex 3 (operations overlay); 4 (air movement table).
- a. 2d INDEP PCHT BRIG (BR).

Atchd: CO A 2d CML BN GLI 1
Land DZ-LZ O. Secure area 5 for subsequent glider landings. Prevent movement enemy forces within sector of responsibility. Clear LE MUY of enemy forces prior to dark D DAY. Assist advance of seaborne forces by neutralizing enemy installations to the EAST within range of weapons. Be prepared to attack to the EAST or NORTH on TASK FORCE order.

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- b. 517 RCT PCHT
 517 INF REGT PCHT
 460 FA BN PCHT
 596 ENG CO PCHT (-1 Plat)
 Atchd: CO D 83rd CML BN GLI
 AT CO 4th INF GLI
 Land DZ - LZ A. Occupy areas 1,2,3. Prevent movement enemy forces within sector of responsibility. Neutralize enemy resistance in LA MOTTE. Secure LZ A for subsequent glider landings. Be prepared to attack to the WEST or NORTHWEST on TASK FORCE order.
- c. 509 BN CT
 509 INF BN PCHT
 463 FA BN PCHT
 Atchd: 1 Plat 596 ENG CO PCHT
 Land LZ-C. Occupy area 4. Prevent movement enemy forces within sector of responsibility. Assist by fire 2d INDEP PCHT BRIG (BR). Assist advance of seaborne forces by neutralizing enemy installations to the EAST within range of weapons. Be prepared to attack to the EAST or SOUTH on TASK FORCE order.
- d. 551 INF BN PCHT
 Atchd: 1 Plat 887 ENG CO GLI.
 Land DZ - LZ A. Relieve elements 517 RCT in area 1 and assume mission assigned the units relieved.
- e. ARTILLERY - See Annex 5.
- f. 550 INF BN GLI
 Atchd: 1 Plat 887 ENG CO GLI
 Land NE sector LZ-O. Be prepared to reinforce 517 RCT; 2d INDEP PCHT BRIG (BR); be employed on attack or counterattack mission; or to receive and distribute supplies.
- g. 887 ENG CO (-)
 Land LZ-O Division reserve. Assembly area and mission will be assigned on landing.
- x. (1) Bridges within TASK FORCE sector will be prepared for demolition but will not be blown except as emergency measure, or on order of TASK FORCE.
 (2) Roads will not be cratered unnecessarily.
 (3) Units which receive attachments or relief will guide attachments or relieving units to positions of employment.
 (4) CT's and independent units will dispatch one Ln O with Msgr to TASK FORCE CP at earliest practicable time after landing.
 (5) 517 RCT, 509 BN CT, 2d BRIG will exchange Ln O's prior to departure from bases.
 (6) No weapons smaller than caliber .50 will be fired at aircraft unless attacked.
 (7) Use of glider pilots - Annex 6.

- 4. See ADM O 1.
- 5. a. SOI in effect dated 1 August 1944.
- b. See Annex No 7 - Signal
- c. CP's

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	Location
1st A/B Task Force	To be reported in LZ0.
2nd Pcht Brig (Br)	To be reported
517th Pcht RCT	To be reported
509th Pcht Inf	To be reported
551st Pcht Inf Bn	To be reported
550th Glider Inf Bn	To be reported

d. All means of signal communication will be put into operation immediately upon landing.

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Annexes:

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- 2 - Overlay, friendly forces
- 3 - Operations Overlay
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Hq 1st A/B TASK FORCE
IN THE FIELD
2400 5 Aug, 1944

INTELLIGENCE ANNEX

Annex No 1 to FO 1.

Maps: Southern France 1/25,900
Southern France 1/100,000

1. SUMMARY OF ENEMY SITUATION.

Refer to G-2 Report No 1 this Hq, 1 Aug 1944, G-2 Information Bulletin No 1 this Hq 2 Aug 1944, and current Intelligence Summaries.

2. ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS OF INFORMATION.

a. Report Augmentation of enemy AA defense within THEOULE--SUR MER--DRAMMONT--LE PUGET--LA MOTTE area, all inclusive, to include time, disposition, calibre, type, strength and location.

b. Report any organization of the ground in the TRANS--EN--PROVENCE--LES ARCS--ROQUEBRUNE--MARCHANDISE --LA VAUGINE area inclusive.

c. Observe for movement of enemy Trs and material N E from LE LUC; SE from DRAGUIGNAN; S from ST PAUL-EN-FORET and W from LE PUGET.

d. Report time of movement, strength, composition, direction, speed of enemy reinforcements into the ARGENS--NARTUBY--ENDRE river valley, with particular attention given to unidentified Arm'd Bn at BRIGNOLES; the 9th Panzer Div in the MONTPELLIER--NIMES area and 157th Inf Div at GRENOBLE.

3. RECONNAISSANCE AND OBSERVATION MISSIONS.

a. Aviation (To be requested from higher Hq by 1st A/B Task Force).

Observation Roads: TOULON--LE MUY
BRIGNOLES--LE MUY
SAIERNES--LE MUY
COMPS--SUR ARTUBY--LE MUY
SERANON--LE MUY
GRASSE--LE MUY
CANNES--LE MUY

For movement enemy Trs as observed. Negative reports desired. Pin-point photo graphic missions of critical cross roads, strong points upon request.

b. Infantry.

All items of enemy information, to include anti-airlanding obstacles, mine fields, bridge demolitions, large stocks of materials. Observe for movement of Trs to E in direction of LE MUY from LES ARCS--VIDAUBON; SE in direction of LE MUY from TRANS-EN-PROVENCE-LA MOTTE; S in direction of LE MUY from ST MICHEL; W in direction of LE MUY from LE PUGET; N in direction of LE MUY from LES PREYRES (42.4-36.2).

c. Artillery.

Observe for movement and fire of enemy artillery with particular

reference to the east in direction of LE MUJ. Report all troop movements, obstacles, mine fields, dispositions and composition.

d. Engineers.

Report all items of enemy information, to include bridge demolitions, mine fields, large stocks of materials, troop movements, and anti-airlanding obstacles.

x. All Units.

Report movement of enemy troops to include location, disposition, composition, speed, and time. Report by urgent priority all anti-airlanding obstacles, passive and active; new identifications; appearance and use of chemical materials and movements of armor.

4. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PRISONERS AND CAPTURED DOCUMENTS.

a. Combat team CO's will be responsible for handling, escorting and guarding until collected by Task Force Hq.

b. S-2's of units to which interrogation personnel is attached will inform IPW personnel what information is desired so that these items may be stressed in interrogations.

c. Interrogation of civilians and Allied personnel who have escaped from the enemy will be promptly accomplished and be reported upon as for prisoners of war, with appropriate modifications.

d. All enemy general officers, colonels and separate unit commanders will be sent thru Task Force channels to Army enclosure for special interrogation.

5. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

<u>a.</u> SOUTHERN FRANCE	1/25,000*	No
Hq Task Force		30
Hq Co		6
M P Platoon		3
Task Force Artillery Hq		10
Prcht F A Bn		46
Glider F A Bn		26
Inf Prcht Regt Hq		27
Service Co, Prcht Regt		12
Battalion (Prcht)		45
Battalion (Glider)		32
Engr Co		18
Signal Co		18
Medical Collecting Det		5
Anti-Tank Co		12
Surplus (Task Force Reserve available to units)		141
<u>b.</u> SOUTHERN FRANCE	1/50,000	No
Hq Task Force		12
Hq Co		1
M P Platoon		1
Task Force Artillery Hq		6
Prcht F A Bn		9
Glider F A Bn		5
Inf Prcht Regt Hq		5
Service Co		2

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	No
Battalion (Prcht)	9
Battalion (Glider)	9
Engr. Co	6
Signal Co	6
Medical Collecting Det	2
Anti-Tank Co	6
Surplus (Task Force Reserve available to units)	5

*Sheets covering critical areas will be trebled in amounts issued.

c. SOUTHERN FRANCE 1/100,000	No
Hq Task Force	32
Hq Co	4
M P Platoon	4
Task Force Artillery Hq.	10
Prcht F A Bn	19
Glider F A Bn	19
Inf Prcht Regt Hq	12
Service Co	5
Battalion (Prcht)	19
Battalion (Glider)	19
Engr Co	6
Signal Co	6
Medical Collecting Det	4
Anti-Tank Co	10
Surplus (Task Force Reserve available to units)	317

d. Road Maps and Town Plans, to be announced.

e. Photographs.

Vertical prints (blow up) of local areas to include DZ's, LZ's and objectives will be issued on basis one per squad leader, and section leader.

f. Target and Point Designation.

Refer to Appendix A, Intelligence Annex No 1, 1st A/B TASK FORCE, 3 Aug 1944.

6. COUNTER INTELLIGENCE

See Appendix C: Counter Intelligence.

7. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION.

a. The S-2 Periodic Reports will cover the 24 hour period ending at 2000 daily and will reach TASK FORCE HQ by 2200.

b. The S-2 Prisoner of War Report for the preceding day will be submitted daily by 0800 to TASK FORCE HQ. Prisoners will be listed by units--separately officers and enlisted men--(down to enemy battalions). IPW personnel can best ascertain this data. The attached form (Appendix B) will be used.

c. An intelligence summary will be prepared by this Hq daily and will be distributed to Brigade (Br), regimental and separate Bn cmdrs.

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d. As the situation develops or changes fragmentary reports will be submitted by the fastest available means.

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Appendix A: Target and Point Designation
Appendix B: Prisoner of War Report
Appendix C: Counterintelligence

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Same as FO No 1.

APPENDIX A, Annex No 1 to FO 1, A/B TASK FORCE, 5 Aug, 1944.

Maps: Southern France: 1/25,000, contoured
1/50,000
1/100,000

1. TARGET AND POINT DESIGNATION.

The thrust line system will be used only in conjunction with Map Southern France 1/25,000, contoured, within and between Regimental CT's and separate Battalions.

a. 2nd British Brigade plus attachments:

Land and operate in DZ-C, LZ-O. Will use as point of origin CR at (41.90-41.35) and extension points, the RJ at (47.53-41.45) and the CR at (41.61-37.88). The thrust line from (41.90-41.35) to (47.53-41.45) is designated AB and the thrust line from (41.90-41.35) to (41.61-37.88) is designated AC.

b. 517 R C T plus attachments:

Land and operate in DZ-A. Will use for point of origin RJ at (38.50-40.25) and extension points, CR at (38.50-37.02), and RJ at (43.06-40.51). The thrust line from (38.50-40.25) to (38.50-37.02) is designated AD and thrust line from (38.50-40.25) to (43.06-40.51) is designated AE.

c. 509 Battalion C T plus attachments:

Land and operate DZ-C. Will use as point of origin RJ at (43.94-36.32) and extension points, RJ at (44.10-41.66) and CR at (37.68-36.83). The thrust line from (43.94-36.32) to (44.10-41.66) is designated AF and the thrust line from (43.94-36.32) to (37.68-36.83) is designated AG.

d. 550th Inf Bn plus attachments:

Will use thrust lines as outlined in a, b, c, above, dependent upon mission.

e. 551st Precht Inf Bn plus attachments:

Same as d, above.

2. Unit of measure: Inches and tenths of inches. EXAMPLE: AF POL21204. AF denoted that the thrust line from (38.50-40.25) to (43.06-40.51) was used and the map reader went 7.2 inches forward and then 20.4 inches to the left.

3. a. Map coordinates will be used for artillery target designation (point) only on map of FRANCE 1:25,000.

b. Map coordinates can be used on any map of FRANCE for towns, rivers, highways, railroads, elevations, etc.

4. The map template M-1 will be used for designation of artillery targets. The Roman numeral VII will always be used to cover the reference point on the map and the template base line VII-III will always be placed parallel to the map horizontal grid lines.

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SS denotes that VII is placed over the RJ (41.89-45.73) *

KK the VII is placed over the CR (41.90-41.35)

LL " " " " " " RI.VJ (41.90-36.92)

MM " " " " " " RJ (35.24-37.16)

XX " " " " " " RREJ (35.50-41.65)

PP " " " " " " RJ (35.30-45.75)

The code letters designating the area as covered by the template should be expressed when using the M-1 template.

*See Overlay attached.

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APPENDIX C, Annex No 1 to FO 1, A/B Task Force, 5 August 1944.

COUNTERINTELLIGENCE

1. SUMMARY OF COUNTERINTELLIGENCE SITUATION

A. The enemy is reported to be preparing for a landing in France by organizing and reinforcing his espionage and sabotage agencies to function during landing operations, in the operating areas of our assault forces, and in areas where Allied troops are to be trained and staged. Agents include men and women of several nationalities. Networks of radio transmitters have been established in the target area, manned by agents trained for operations during landings and after retreat of German troops. Extensive evacuation of civilians from the target area may cause the enemy to attempt blocking of our military traffic by refugees. The enemy will attempt to create dissension between the Allies by propaganda; will attempt to cause panic among civilians and troops; may attempt to countermand combat orders to troops, and otherwise hamper our success by every clandestine means at his well organized command.

2. PHASES

a. Planning and Sealing Phases. Maximum attention will be given to security of planning and sealing areas, care of classified documents, discretion of classified personnel, surveillance of the telephone traffic and personal mail of planning headquarters staffs, and security training of all military personnel.

b. Marshalling and Operational Phase. Maximum attention will be given to denying all information of our forces to the enemy, preventing sabotage to installations of value to our forces, headquarters security and special security missions, and preventing all clandestine activities of the enemy which attempt to hamper our success.

3. SPECIAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE MEASURES.

a. Paroles and Countersigns.

(1) Paroles and Countersigns will be issued by Hq. 1st ABTF for all elements of this command.

(2) Paroles and Countersigns will consist of appropriate words having the same phonetic sound in both English and French.

(3) Paroles and Countersigns will be employed in question and answer manner. For example, the challenger gives the parole (question) and the person challenged replies with the countersign (answer).

(4) To prevent compromise, dissemination dates will be announced by Hq 1st ABTF. Paroles and Countersigns for three days use will be disseminated initially. An overall Countersign will be announced for the entire period of operations.

b. Geographical Code Names.

Refer to Signal Operating Procedure, Hq 1st ABTF.

4. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AGENCIES.

a. Agencies

(1) Counterintelligence Corps (C.I.C.) U.S. None will be provided with 1st ABTF.

(2) Securite Militaire (S.M.)--French.

b. Functions.

Counterintelligence personnel will be used to combat espionage, sabotage and subversion affecting the success of 1st ABTF mission. As agents of the Commanding General, 1st ABTF.

c. Cooperation and Freedom of Movement.

(1) French and American counterintelligence personnel attached to Hq 1st ABTF will be given every cooperation by all officers and enlisted men of 1st ABTF in carrying out missions. French and American credentials will be honored at all times.

(2) The freedom of movement of counterintelligence personnel when on assigned missions will not be hindered at any time of day or night by the military police or other military agencies.

5. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE INSTRUCTIONS.

a. Security Training

(1) Security Training will be intensified during the planning, briefing and Marshalling phases. Training ~~that~~ following will be stressed:

(a) To impress all officers and enlisted men that they are responsible for security within their own units and among all others with whom they come in contact.

(b) To give name, rank, and serial number only, if captured, and refrain from disclosing any information during captivity which might be transmitted to the enemy by listening devices or agents disguised as allied soldiers.

(c) To prevent loose talk and rumor mongering particularly in public places although foreigners in the immediate vicinity appear unable to understand the language used. Every effort will be made to stop rumors rather than to contradict them with others.

(d) To retain no captured documents as souvenirs.

(e) To explain the meaning and necessity of current censorship directives.

(f) To carry into combat areas no diaries, letters classified documents, marked maps, or other material which may disclose troop disposition if lost or captured.

(g) To ignore propaganda disseminated by the enemy designed to create dissension among the Allies, cause loss of morale or panic.

(h) To be alert against attempts by disguised enemy agents to order withdrawals or otherwise countermand combat orders and create confusion.

(i) To prevent the release of personnel other than Allied confined in jails, concentration camps, and prisoner of war inclosures.

(j) To be constantly alert to detect the presence of enemy agents, male and female.

(k) To report to commanding Officers all activities which indicate clandestine activity by the enemy.

(l) To prevent behavior of troops in liberated localities from turning potentially friendly civilians into potential enemies.

(m) To prevent looting and destruction of captured material.

(E) To be continually alert against booby traps and sabotage.

6. Security of Movements.

(1) When troops are sealed, no personnel will be permitted to leave such areas except on official business. Permission in each case to be specifically authorized by the Commander under whose orders troops are sealed.

(2) Rigid precautions will be instituted to prevent contact between sealed troops and all other persons, military, naval, or civilian.

(3) Telephones will be used only for official matters.

(4) Attention is directed to censorship restrictions forbidding mention in personal correspondence of any change in unit location, by direct statement or inference.

(5) Prior to arrival in Marshaling areas, all units of 1st ABTF will remove all Army, Corps Divisional, and Regimental unit signs or organizational insignia (including shoulder patches) from all classes of individual or organizational uniforms, clothing, baggage, property, and equipment (less vehicles). Unit signs and organization insignia will not be replaced without authority of the Commanding General, 1st ABTF. These instructions do not prohibit the use of coded symbols or signs especially prepared for the operation.

c. Document Security.

(1) Classified documents, including maps containing operational markings, will be given primary security consideration by all headquarters against observation by unauthorized persons, loss or capture.

(2) Loss, capture or compromise of classified documents, codes and ciphers will be reported immediately to the A.C. of S., G-2 1st ABTF.

(3) Files, records, plans and baggage will be secured against loss, pilferage or capture.

d. Civilian Control.

(1) Control of Civilians in Battle Area will be effected to prevent infiltration of enemy agents.

(2) All civilians found attempting to enter or leave areas occupied by 1st ABTF will be treated as civil prisoners and espionage suspects until their innocence has been established.

(3) So long as required by considerations of Military Security, civilians will be prohibited from using inter-urban (long distance) telephone or telegraph communications within the 1st ABTF area.

(4) Blanket passes made out to "The Bearer" and effective for unlimited period will be confiscated whenever found and the bearer turned over to the Military Police.

Procedure to insure security in the use of radiotelegraph, radiotelephone, telephone and other means of communication will be in accordance with Signal Operating Instructions, Headquarters 1st A/B TASK FORCE.

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7. COUNTERINTELLIGENCE REPORTS

a. Spot Reports.

(1) Immediate reports will be disseminated by all units through channels to the A.C. of S., G-2 1st ABIF, of enemy sabotage, espionage, and subversion likely to effect operations of other units.

(2) Samples of written or printed material, examples of locally inspired propaganda, types of rumors receiving wide circulation among troops and all other types of enemy-inspired propaganda are proper subjects for spot reports.

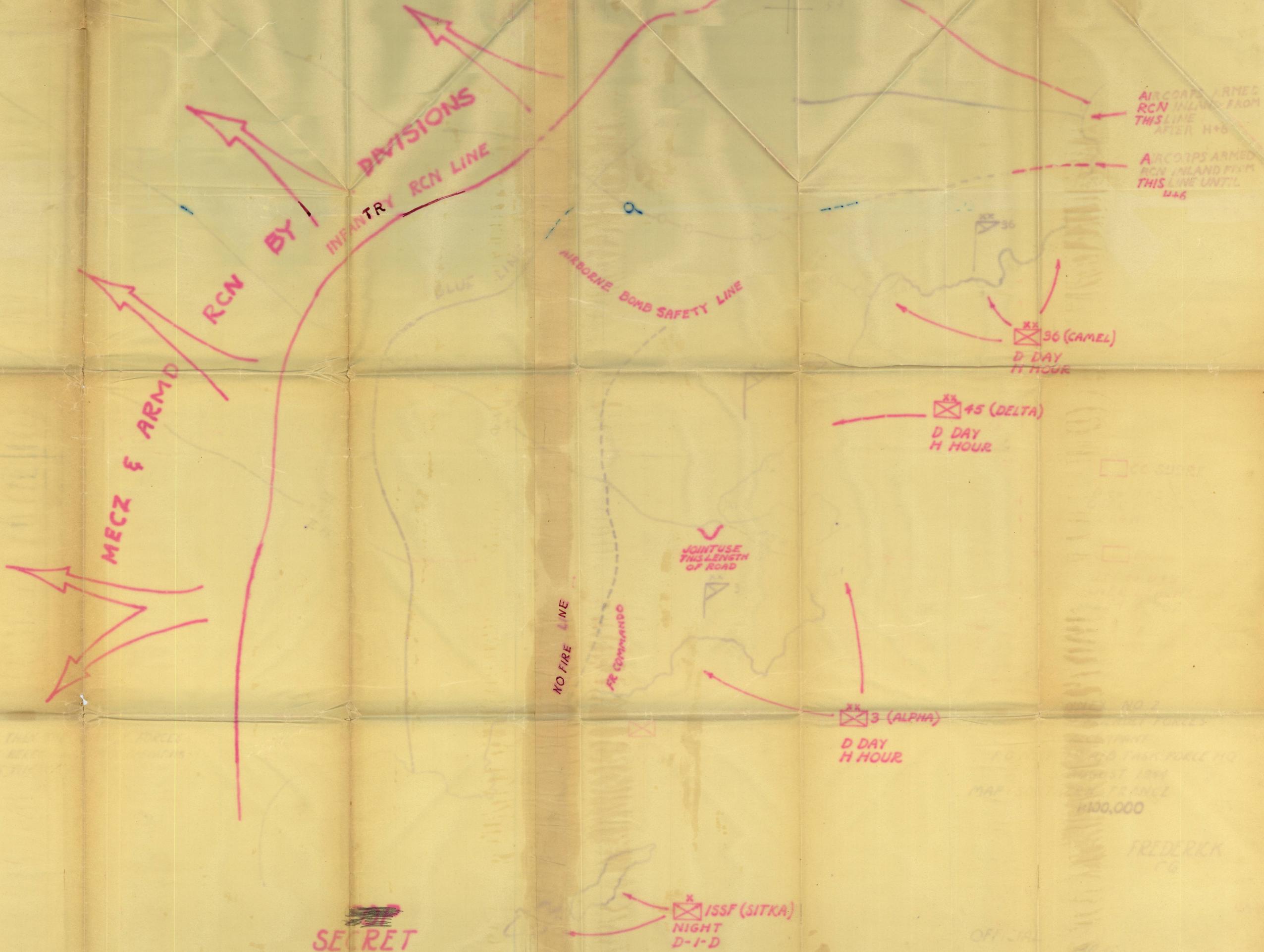
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AIR MOVEMENT TABLE

HQ 1ST AB TASK FORCE
LIDO DI ROMA, ITALY
0800 5 August 1944

Serial	TC Unit	TC Serial CO	Planes	Gli	P/Racks ea Plane	AB Troops	AB Troops C O	Depart From	Obj	Hr of Depart (Approx)	Hr over Object	Code
1	Path finder	Lt Col CROUCH	3	-	-	509 (3 Teams)		MARSIGLIANA	DZ-C	0030	0323	
2	"	Lt Col CROUCH	3	-	-	517 (3 Teams)		MARSIGLIANA	DZ-A	0035	0330	
3	"	Lt Col CROUCH	3	-	-	2D BRIG (3 Teams)		MARSIGLIANA	LZ-0	0040	0334	
4	442 Gp	Lt Col SMITH	45	-	6	1 509 CT	Lt Col YARBOROUGH	FOLLONICA	DZ-C	0136	0423	ALBATROSS
5	441 Gp	Lt Col KERSHAW	45	-	6	2 509 CT	Major COOPER	GROSSETTO	DZ-C	0141	0428	ALBATROSS
6	440 Gp	Lt Col KREBS	45	-	6	517 2D BN (+)	Lt Col SEITZ	OMBONE	DZ-A	0146	0435	ALBATROSS
7	439 Gp	Lt Col YOUNG	45	-	6	517 3D BN (+)	Lt Col ZAIS	ORBETELLO	DZ-A	0151	0440	ALBATROSS
8	437 Gp	Lt Col FRENCH	45	-	6	460 FA (-)	Lt Col CITO	MONTEALTO	DZ-A	0144	0445	ALBATROSS
9	438 Gp	Lt Col DONALDSON	45	-	6	517 1ST BN (+)	Major BOYLE	CANINO	DA-A	0149	0450	ALBATROSS
10	62 Gp	Lt Col EDRLS	45	-	6 (Br)	2D BRIG HQ	Brig PRITCHARD	GALERA	DZ-0	0133	0454	ALBATROSS
11	62 Gp	Lt Col EDRLS *	7	-	6 (Br)	6 PARA BN	Brig PRITCHARD	GALERA	DZ-0	0138	0459	ALBATROSS
12	64 Gp	Col CERNEY	36	-	6 (Br)	5 PARA BN	Brig PRITCHARD	CIAMPINO	DZ-0	0143	0504	ALBATROSS
13	64 Gp	Col CERNEY *	27	-	6 (Br)	4 PARA BN	Brig PRITCHARD	CIAMPINO	DZ-0	0148	0509	ALBATROSS
14	435 Gp	Col KREBS	35	35 (Horsa)	-	300 AT BTRY (-)	Major POTTER	TARQUINIA	LZ-0	0457	0814	BLUEBIRD
15	436 Gp	Lt Col WILLIAMS	36	26	-	64 L ARTY BN (-)	Major DUNCAN	VOLTERRE	LZ-0	0505	0822	BLUEBIRD
16	437 Gp	Lt Col FRENCH	41	-	4	SIG CO, DIV HQ (-)	Major DUNCAN	MONTEALTO	LZ-A	1509	1810	CANARY
17	442 Gp	Lt Col SMITH	48	48	-	551 BN	Lt Col JOERG	FOLLONICA	LZ-0	1516	1819	DOVE
18	441 Gp	Lt Col KERSHAW	48	12	-	550 BN (-)	Lt Col SACHS		LZ-0	1524	1827	DOVE
19	440 Gp	Lt Col KREBS	48	36	-	1 CO 550	Major WILSON	GROSSETTO	DZ-A	1532	1835	DOVE
20	439 Gp	Lt Col YOUNG	47	30	-	602 FA BN (-)	Major HUNT	OMBONE	DZ-A	1540	1843	DOVE
				18	-	602 FA BN (-)	Major DRESSLER					
				26	-	2 PLAT 442 AT	Lt SCOTLAND	ORBETELLO	DZ-A	1540		
				5	-	442 AT CO (-)	Lt FARRIS		LZ-0			
				16	-	SIG CO (-)	Lt INGUI		LZ-0			
				16	-	CO "A" TIL (-)	Lt GOODELL		LZ-0			

ANNEX: 4
TO FO: 1

HQ 1ST AB TASK FORCE
LIDO DI ROMA, ITALY
0800 5 August, 1944

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AIR MOVEMENT TABLE

Serial	TC Unit	TC Serial CO	Planes	Gli	P/Racks ea Plane	AB Troop	AB Troops C O	Depart From	Obj	Hr of Depart (Approx)	Hr over Subject	Code Name
21	43 Gp	Lt Col DONALDSON	47	14	-	2D PLAT CO	Lt PERROTT	CANINO	LZ-0	1534	1851	DOVE
				8	-	SIG CO (-)	WO GIORGLA					
				25	-	MED CO	Major SMITH					
22	62 Gp	Lt Col EDRIS	47	6	-	MF PLAT	Lt VADE	GALLERA	LZ-0	1518	1859	DOVE
				7	-	DIV HQ CO (-)	Sr OFFICER					
				34	-	887 ENG CO (-)	Capt SHAWAN					
23	64 Gp	Col CERNEY	47	10	-	887 ENG CO (-)	Lt BROWN	CLAMPINO	DZ-A	1526	1907	DOVE
				30	-	CO "D" CML	Capt LAKEY					
				7	-	ORD DET	Lt CLARK					
24	435 Gp		50		6		Lt Col BASSETT	TARQUINIA	DZ-A	0457	0813	EAGLE
25	436 Gp		50		6		Lt Col BASSETT	VOLFONE	DZ-0	0503	0818	EAGLE

@ 2-47 Planes to be used by CG AB TASK FORCE.

- NOTE:
- Serials 1-23 flown on D Day.
 - Serials 24, 25 flown on D + 1. (Earlier on call)

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Office Artillery Officer

5 August 1944

Annex No. 5

TO : F. O. 1. Hq ABTF 5 August 1944

FIELD ARTILLERY

- 1.. a. See Annex No. 1 (G-2) to F.O. 1.
 - b. See Annex No. 2 (G-2) to F.O. 1 and Opns Overlay, Incl No. 1 hereto.
2. See Par 2. F.O. 1.

Field Artillery supports operations of the Force.
3. a. 460th F.A. Bn Prcht.
 - 1) Attached 517th RCT Prcht.
 - 2) Direct support 517th Inf. Prcht.
 - 3) Normal zone: Zone of action of supported unit with priority to approaches to Force position from the southwest and the Draguignan - La Motte Road. Prepared to reinforce fires of 463d F.A. Bn. Prcht.
 - 4) Position Area: See Opns Overlay, Incl. No. 1.
- b. 463d F.A. Bn. Prcht.
 - 1) Attached 509th BCT Prcht.
 - 2) Direct Support 509th Inf. Bn. Prcht.
 - 3) Normal Zone: Zone of action of supported unit. Prepared to reinforce fires of 460th F.A. Bn. Prcht. and 64th Light Btry (Br); priority to approaches to Force position from North and East. Prepared to fire on Le Muy - Ste. Maxime Road.
 - 4) Position Area: See Opns Overlay, Incl No. 1.
- c. 602d F.A. Bn Glider.
 - 1) Direct support 551st Inf. Bn. Prcht.
 - 2) Normal zone: Zone of action of supported unit. Prepared to reinforce fires 460th F.A. Bn. Prcht; priority to approaches to Force position from the North West. Prepared to furnish direct support to 550th Inf. Bn. Glider when committed.
 - 3) Position area: See Opns Overlay, Incl No. 1.
- d. 64th Light Battery (Br)
 - 1) Direct support 2d. Indep. Prcht Brig. (Br)
 - 2) Normal zone: Zone of action supported unit. Prepared to reinforce fires of 460th and 463d F.A. Bns. Prcht on Force order. Priority to approaches to Force position from the South West.
 - 3) Position area: See Opns Overlay, Incl No. 1.

e. Co. A. 2d. Cml. Bn.

- 1) Attached 2d. Indep. Prcht. Brig. (Br)
- 2) Direct support 2d. Indep. Prcht. Brig. (Br). Initially in Brigade reserve, vicinity position area 64th Lt. Btry. (Br) See Opns Overlay, Incl. No. 1.

f. Co. D. 83d. Cml. Bn.

- 1) Attached 517th RCT Prcht.
- 2) Mission and positions: See F.O. 1, 517th RCT. 5 August 1944.

g. A. T. Co. 442d. Inf. Regt.

- 1) Attached 517th RCT Prcht.
- 2) Mission and positions: See F.O. 1, 517th RCT. 5 August 1944.

x. 1) Position areas occupied upon arrival; alternate positions selected for all batteries.

- 2) Minimum range lines: 1000 yards in advance of friendly troops.
- 3) Maximum range line: Prescribed at 2 hour intervals beginning at H hour, initially none. No firing in zone of action of another combat team without authority of Force Commander.

- 4) Firing chart: Map. France 1:25000 sheets XXXIV - 44. 3 and 4, 7 and 8; XXXV - 44. 1 and 2, 5 and 6.

- 5) Base and check points as selected by battalions; base points of one battalion to be used as check points by others where practicable.

- 6) Registration: 460th and 463d F.A. Bn. Prcht.: One battery per battalion only after presence in area is disclosed by firing of direct support mission on call of supported unit. 602d F.A. Bn. Glider: no restrictions.

- 7) Battalions prepared to fire concentrations Nos. 1 to 99 inclusive on call from Div. Arty. See Incl. No. 2.

- 8) BINGO denotes Div. Arty. concentration - all battalions fire at time specified.

- 9) Survey:
Battalion place marks by inspection; initiated immediately upon arrival, extended and improved as time permits.
460th F.A. Bn. Prcht. initiates survey for 602d F.A. Bn. Glider.

- 10) Ammunition: Minimum initial load of 120 RPG. Expenditures minimum commensurate with accomplishment of mission. Concentrations will be fired at center range and not exceed 3 RPG.

- 11) Concentration numbers:

460th F.A. Bn. Prcht. 100 to 199 incl.
463d F.A. Bn. Prcht. 200 to 299 incl.
602d A.A. Bn. Glider 300 to 399 incl.
64th Lt. Btry. (Br) 400 to 499 incl.

12) Liaison.

- a) 460th F.A. Bn. Prcht: as prescribed by RCT Comdr. Min. 1 SCR-609 on Bn. frequency of 463d F.A. Bn. Prcht.
- b) 463d F.A. Bn. Prcht: as prescribed by Bn. C.T. Comdr. and with 2d. Indep. Prcht Brig (Br)
- c) 602d. F.A. Bn.; with 551st. Inf. Bn. Prcht. and 460th. F.A. Bn. Prcht; with 550th Inf. Bn. Glider when directed.
- d) 2d. Indep. Prcht. Brig. (Br): with 509th Bn. C.T. and 517th RCT (FOO parties in lieu of liaison sections)

13) L-5 Airplanes available H to H/3 through Div. Arty. Call and adjust on Army A frequency when notified by Div. Arty. of their availability. One L-4 airplane per battalion after preparation of beach air-strip; call on Army A, adjust on battalion frequency. Beach air strips will be utilized initially.

14) AA and AT protection of respective areas by battalion; AT defense priority to Argens River valley approaches from the South West.

15) Prearranged and defensive fires by coordination with supported unit commanders. Report locations to Task Force C.P. for coordination. See Incl. No. 2 for consolidation and assignment.

16) Naval and Corps Arty:

- a) One US Naval and one British SFCP will accompany 509th BCT for adjustment of naval supporting fires.
- b) One British SFCP will accompany 2d. Indep. Prcht Brig. (Br) for above purpose.
- c) One British FOO party will accompany 509th BCT and each battalion of 2d. Indep. Prcht. Brig. (Br) for adjustment of fire of Corps Arty. units landed with 45th and 36th Divisions.
- d) Requests for reinforcing fires by Naval and Corps Arty. units from 460th and 602d. F.A. Bns. will be made to Div. Arty.

4. See Adm O No. 1. - Annex No. 1.

5. a) See Incl. No. 3 for plan of radio communication. SOI Index 1 - () effective 1 August 1944 in force. D Day items - 7 August 1944.

b) Observation in vicinity position areas. Zones of responsibility; 460th, 463d, F.A. Bns, Prcht, and 64th Lt. Btry; Zone of action of supported unit. 602d. F.A. Bn, Glider; See Opns Overlay, Incl. No. 1.

c. Command Posts.
Force and Force Arty: See Opns Overlay, Incl. No. 1.
Battalions: To be reported promptly.

By Command of Brigadier General FREDERICK;

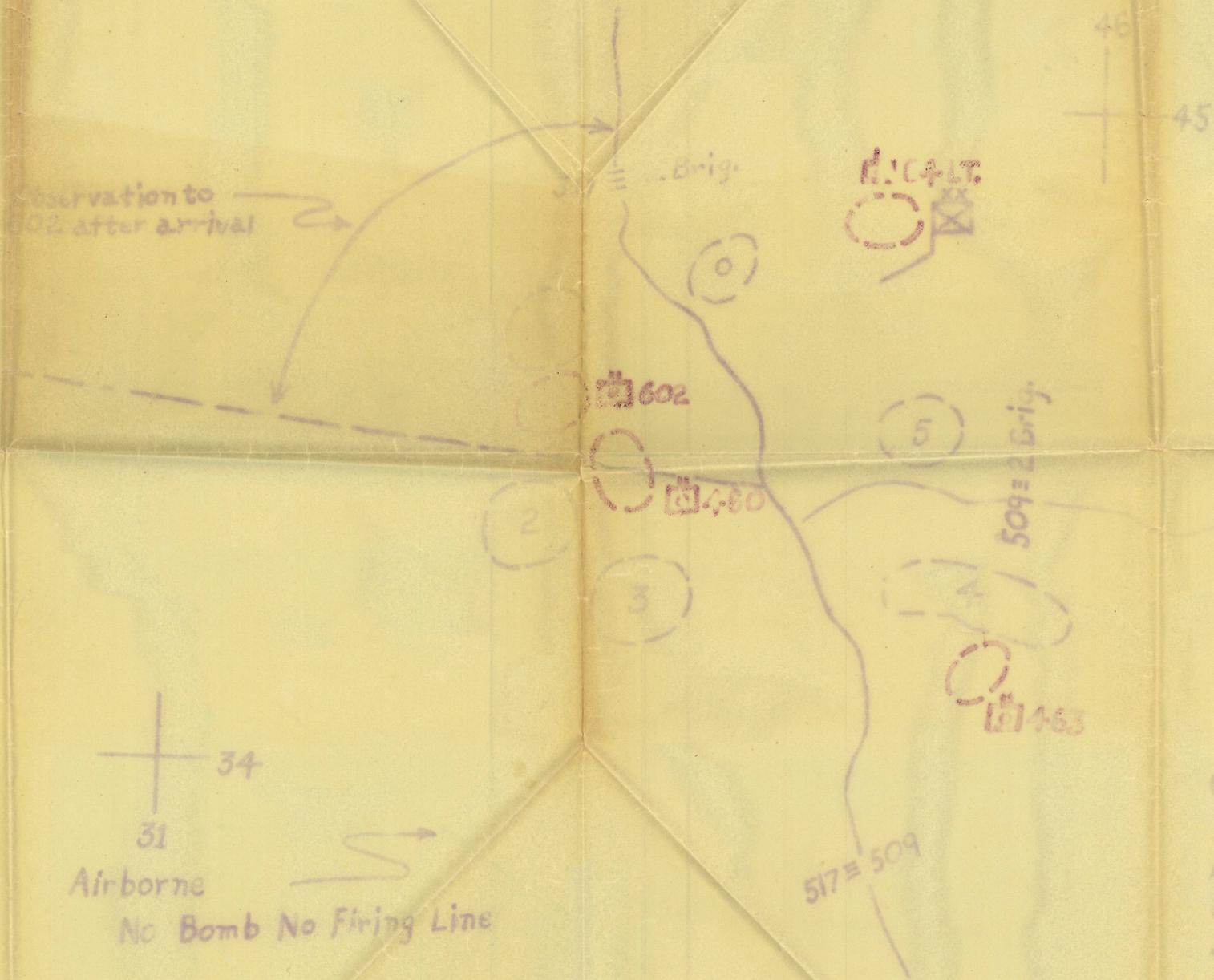
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1. Operations Overlay; 2. Fire Plan; 3. Radio Plan

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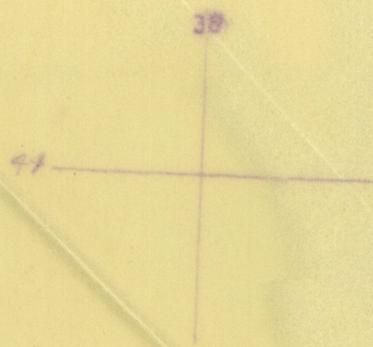
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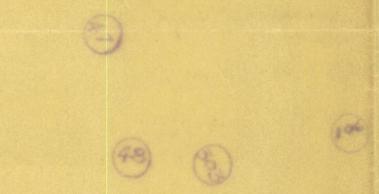
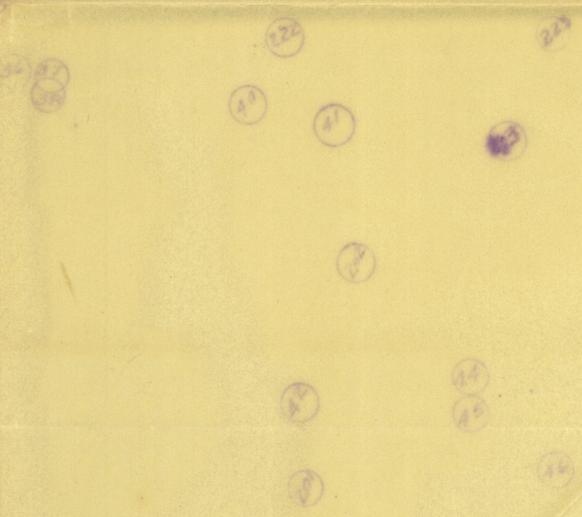
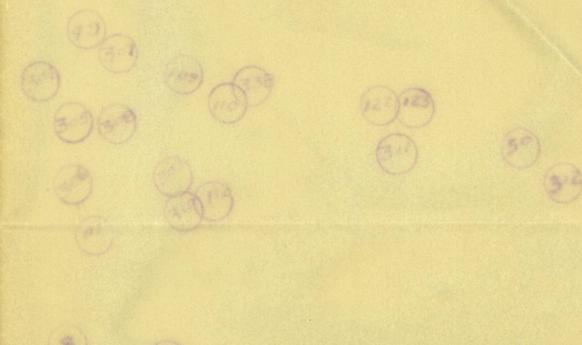
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5 August 1944

Incl. No. 3

TO : Annex No. 5. (F.A.) F.O. No. 1. Hq ABTF

1. Normal Battalion communication nets will be installed.

a SCR - 284.

(1) Each battalion will install and operate radio set SCR-284 in a directed net. NCS Div Arty station when installed. Initially 460th F.A. Bn will control. Principal frequency 4115, alternate frequency 4190. These frequencies are those of 45th and 36th Div Artys respectively. Subsequent instructions reference operation on 36th Div Arty frequency to be issued by Div Arty.

(2) This net will be utilized to:

- a. Report ABTF no fire lines and receive reports of 45th and 36th Div Arty's no fire lines at two (2) hour intervals beginning at H hour.
- b. Obtain fire support from 45th and 36th Div Artys adjusted by FOs of battalion in whose zone of action fire is to be placed.
- c. Maintain contact and exchange information with 45th and 36th Div Arty.

b SCR-609

- (1) Each battalion command post will assign sets to guard both Army A (27.4 mcs) and Div Arty (32.7 mcs) frequency channels; Div Arty station will act as NCS of both nets when in position. Initially 460th F.A. Bn will control.
- (2) Battalion frequency will be set up on one position of all sets of each battalion.
- (3) Liaison airplane sets will set up on Army A and the appropriate battalion frequency.
- (4) Call signs of all battalions, their liaison airplanes and light battery (Br) will be furnished all operators of sets normally operating on ARMY A and Div Arty channels by Bn Com Os.
- (5) Request Div Arty for permission to adjust fire on other than battalion channel.
- (6) Reserve call signs shown in SOI Code Sign Extracts will be assigned liaison airplanes.
- (7) A minimum of one 609 set of 460th F.A. Bn Prcht will guard the battalion channel of 463d F.A. Bn Prcht (30.4 mcs) for liaison purposes.

2. Time will be synchronized at 1200 and 1800 daily by Div Arty on 32.7 mcs.

- 3. The following call signs and frequencies are furnished for establishing contact with the units concerned:

	Frequency (mcs)	Call signs					
		13	14	15	16	17	18
36th Div Arty	27.0	ONH	BBW	AVR	CCS	EET	MUZ
45th Div Arty	28.8						
VI Corps Arty	33.8	SMH	UMH	VUB	RKR	JIJ	AIK

- 4. Cardinal Point method of correction will be used by U.S. FOs adjusting 64th Lt Btry and by Br FOs in adjusting U.S. Batteries.
- 5. FDC of Battalion in whose area Div Arty concentration is fired is responsible for correction of data of all battalions firing. Use Div Arty channel.

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Lido di Roma, Italy
5 August 1944

Annex 6 to FO 1

GLIDER PILOTS

(a) Glider Pilots, on landing, will be attached initially to the Combat Units which they pilot to the LZ's and will be assigned combat missions by unit commanders.

(b) As soon as practicable, US Glider pilots will be moved to Task Force CP for employment and evacuation.

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7 August 1944

ANNEX # 7 to FO # 1

SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. Situation.

a. See FO 1

b. CP's

Locations

1st A/B Task Force
2nd Pcht Brig (Br)
517th Pcht RCT
509th Pcht Bn CT
551st Pcht Bn
550th Glider Bn

To be announced
To be reported
To be reported
To be reported
To be reported
To be reported

c. Axis of signal communication: To be announced.

2. Plan

a. The 512th Signal Company will install, maintain and operate the signal system as follows:

(1) Message Center: SOP

(a) Upon establishing CP's, each unit will send location on an overlay to Hq ABTF.

(b) As soon as practicable scheduled motorcycle messenger service will be established by Hq ABTF.

(2) Radio

(a) Communications with VI Corps, 36th, 3rd and 45th Divisions will be provided by Hq ABTF.

(b) Communications with Hq ABTF Rr Ech will be established as soon as practicable after landing.

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(c) Communications to 2nd Pchtd Brig Rr Ech and Br LnO at 36th Div Hq will be provided by 2nd Pchtd Brig.

(d) Communications will be established between the 2nd Pchtd Brig and the 142nd Inf (36th Div).

(e) Communications will be established between 517th RCT and the 180th Inf Regt. (45 Div).

(f) Communication between Seventh Army (HENRICO) and Hq ABTF will be established as soon as practicable after landing.

(g) FA O and FA Bn's ABTF will communicate with 36th and 45th Div Arty by entering respective nets.

(h) Forward observer officers (FOO's) operating with the 2nd Pchtd Brig and the 509th Pchtd Bn will communicate with the 36th and 45th Div Hq by a liaison net to be established as soon as possible after landing.

(i) One (1) Naval Shore Fire Control party (NSFC), equipped to communicate to firing ships, will operate from the 509th Pchtd Inf Bn sector.

(j) Two (2) British Naval Forward Observer Officers (NFOO's), one (1) in the 509th Pchtd Inf Bn sector and another in the 2nd Pchtd Brig sector, will also work firing ships.

(k) Prior to D - 5 all radio equipment will be carefully checked and tested for proper operation, including calibration. All sets will be set and locked on their first operating frequency.

(3) Radio Teams

(a) See Appendix 'A' for Radio Diagram.

(b) The following radio sets and operating teams will land from glider serial fifteen (15) at approximately 0822B on 'D' Day. They will report into designated nets as soon as possible after landing.

<u>Sets</u>	<u>Nets</u>	<u>Operators</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
SCR-284*	ABTF Command Net	2	2025 KC/S
SCR-193*	VI Corps Command Net	2	2105 KC/S
SCR-499#	ABTF Rear Echelon Net	3	7480 KC/S
SCR-284	Seventh Army Command Net	2	2875 KC/S
SCR-284	ABTF Intelligence Net	2	3945 KC/S
SCR-300	ABTF Anti-Tank Warning Net	2	Channel 13

(c) The following radio sets and operating teams will land from

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glider serials twenty (20) and twenty-one (21) at approximately 1843B on 'D' Day.

<u>Sets</u>	<u>Nets</u>	<u>Operators</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
SCR-499#	VI Corps Command Net	5	2105 KC/S
SCR-193*	Seventh Army Command Net	4	2875 KC/S
SCR-193*	ABTF Command Net	2	2025 KC/S
SCR-300	Spare	2	
SCR-284	Spare	3	
SCR-499	Spare	0	

(4) Wire

(a) See Appendix 'B'.

(b) Two (2) wire installation teams and one (1) telephone operator team will land from glider serial fifteen (15) at approximately 0822B on 'D' Day. As soon as ABTF CP is established a switchboard TC-12 will be installed. When CP's of major units are established wire circuits using W-130 will be established in the following priorities:

<u>Trunks</u>	<u>Locals</u>
1. 1 CCT to CP 517 RCT	Msg Cen - 11
2. 1 CCT to CP 2nd Pchd Brig	CG - - - 6
3. 1 CCT to CP 509th Pchd CT	C/S - - - 5
4. 1 CCT to CP 551st Pchd CT	G-3 - - - 3
5. 1 CCT to CP 550th Glider CT	G-2 - - - 2
6. Others to be announced	G-4 - - - 4
	SO - - - 10
	G-1 - - - 1
	Arty O - 22
	Public - 33

The remainder of the wire personnel and equipment will be contained in serials twenty (20) and twenty-one (21) landing at 1843B and 1851B, respectively.

(5) Codes and Cipher

(a) SIGABA: None

(b) Converter M-209: Joint SIGSOT #17 from 0822B on 'D' Day to 0001B, D+5.

(c) Combined Assault Code: CCBP 0122-B6

(d) AFICODE: Current SOI

(e) Prearranged Message Code: To be issued by Signal Officer for use until otherwise notified. No other prearranged message code will be employed during this period.

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(f) Two (2) code and cipher teams will land from glider serials fifteen (15) and twenty (20) at 0822B and 1843B on 'D' Day.

(6) Signal Supply: See Administrative Order # 1.

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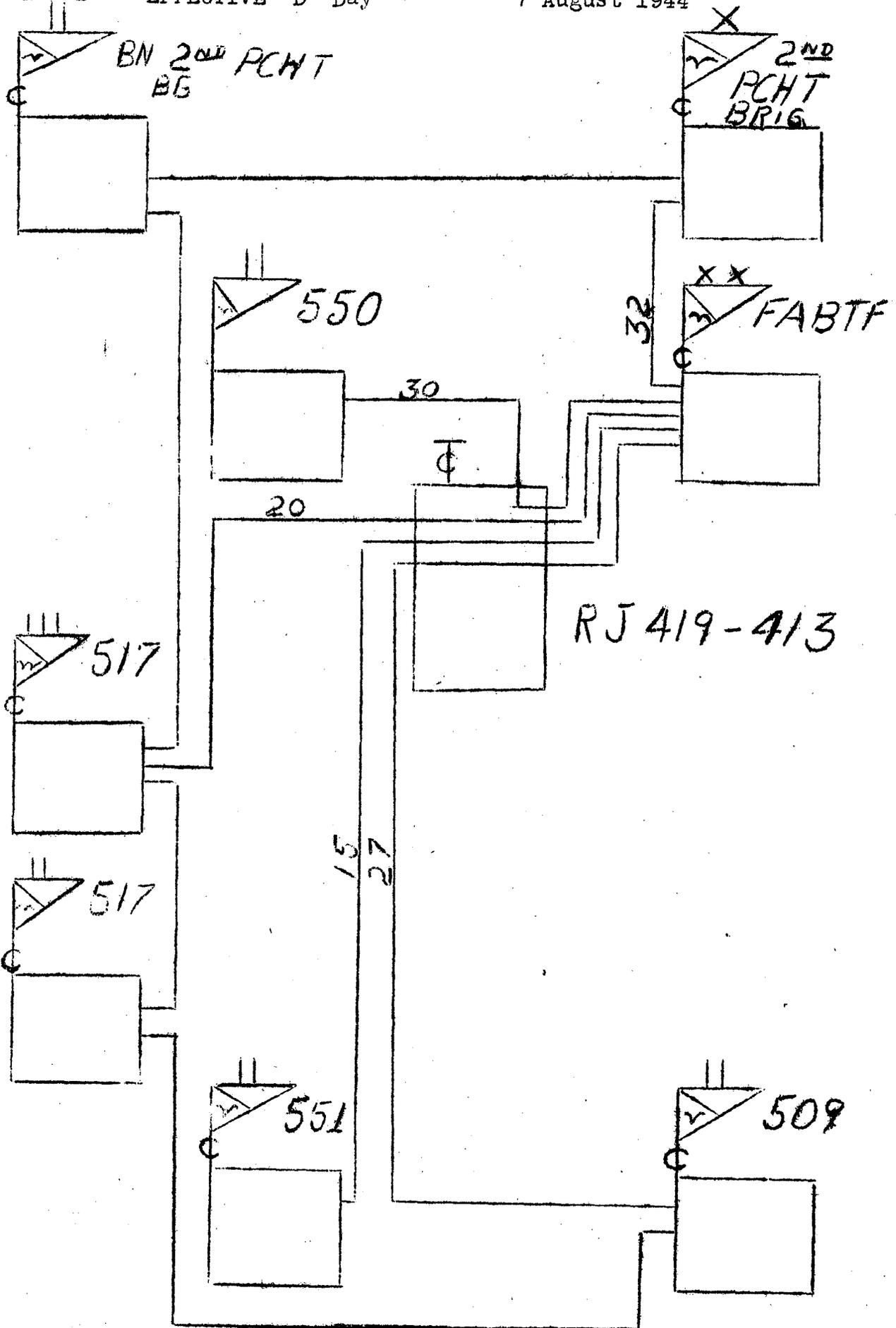
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APPENDIX 'B' to Annex No. 7

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FO No. 1 EFFECTIVE 'D' Day



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DM O 1 To Accompany FO 1

Hq 1st A/B TASK FORCE
APO 758, U. S. ARMY
4 August 1944

APS: Same as FO 1

- REFERENCES - 1. Letter, Hq 1st ABTF, 28 July 1944, Subject: "Individual and Unit Supplies and Equipment".
2. Letter, Hq 1st ABTF, 26 July 1944, Subject: "Periodic Reports".

1. SUPPLY

- a. Basic Loads - See Reference No. 1.
- b. Resupply Plan - See Annex No. 1. Resupply Plan.

2. EVACUATION

- a. Casualties.
 - (1) Units will report location of aid stations to this Hq.
 - (2) Collection Station - to be announced.
 - (3) Clearing Station - to be announced.
 - (4) Medical Plan - See Annex No. 2. - Medical Plan.
- b. Burial.
 - (1) By 1st ABTF. Units will furnish burial parties on call.
 - (2) 1st ABTF cemetery - to be announced.
 - (3) Isolated burials to be made only in an emergency; such locations to be promptly reported to this Hq.
- c. Salvage.
 - (1) Collection by units.
 - (2) Unit collecting points to be reported to this Hq.
 - (3) Vigorous measures will be taken by all units to insure maximum salvage of parachutes and aerial delivery containers.

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2. EVACUATION - Contd.

d. Captured material.

- (1) Collection by units.
- (2) Unit collecting points to be reported to this Hq.
- (3) New items of enemy equipment to be reported immediately to G-2, 1st ABTF.
- (4) In event of capture of chemical ammunition, 1st ABTF CWS Officer will be immediately notified, giving location of ammunition.

e. Prisoners of War.

- (1) Collecting points to be selected by unit commanders and locations to be reported to this Hq.
- (2) Enclosures - to be announced.
- (3) Responsibility for evacuation - by units to collecting points - By 1st ABTF from collecting points to enclosures.

f. Civilians. - All movement prohibited.

3. TRAFFIC

a. Circulation.

- (1) MSR - to be announced.
- (2) Priorities - troop movements, ammunition.
- (3) No restriction on ambulance movement.

b. Restrictions - No lights during hours of darkness.

c. Control.

- (1) Initially by units.
- (2) Traffic Control Posts - to be established and announced as required.

4. SERVICE TROOPS AND TRAINS.

- a. Det 3rd Ord Co. - Light Maintenance Parties to be attached to combat teams upon landing (except 2nd Ind. Para. Bde.)
- b. 676th Med Collecting Co. - Location to be announced.
- c. Remainder Service elements and unit trains to move by sea and join 1st ABTF between D+10 and D+16.

5. PERSONNEL

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a. Stragglers.

- (1) Straggler line - to be announced.
- (2) Collecting Points - to be announced.

b. Surplus Baggage - To be carried by unit trains (See Reference No. 1).

c. Mail - Delivery suspended D-1.

d. Strength Reports - See Annex No. 3 - PERSONNEL PROCEDURE.

e. Replacements - None until relieved. Units will retain over-strength gained as a result of RTU's not in excess of 15%.

f. Uniform and Individual Equipment - See Reference No. 1.

6. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Rear Echelon - Hq 1st ABTF (Rear) LIDO DI ROMA.

b. Reports.

- (1) Material Status and Ammunition Reports - See Reference No. 2.
- (2) G-4 Periodic Report - See Annex No. 4 - WEEKLY S-4 PERIODIC REPORT.

c. Administrative matters not otherwise covered.

- (1) See Annex No. 3 - PERSONNEL PROCEDURE.
- (2) See Annex No. 5 - MARSHALING PROCEDURE.
- (3) See Annex No. 6 - ORGANIZATION OF REAR ECHELON.

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ANNEX

- No. 1 - RESUPPLY PLAN
- No. 2 - MEDICAL
- No. 3 - PERSONNEL PROCEDURE
- No. 4 - WEEKLY S-4 PERIODIC REPORT
- No. 5 - MARSHALING PROCEDURE
- No. 6 - ORGANIZATION OF REAR ECHELON

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7. See SOI for method of marking SDZ's.
8. See Incl #2 for aerial delivery marking scheme.

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2 Inclosures:

- #1-Load Chart
- #2-Marking Scheme.

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CLASS I SUPPLIES

BUNDLES

CODE	CONTENT	No. requ for 1 day supply				
		517	509	551	DivTp	Total
BLE BAKER	6 in 1 Rations 4 cases (24)	131	48	43	43	270
ABLE CHARLIE	Type "K" Rations 1 case (12)	261	96	96	86	539
ABLE DOG	Water: 4-5 gal plastic bags	37	15	15	13	80

CLASS III

BAKER ABLE	Gasoline: 3 cans (5 gal)	11		11	16	37
BAKER CHARLIE	Oil: SAE 30 1 can (5 gal)	1		1	1	3
BAKER DOG	Lub Gear Univ. SAE 90 25 lb				SPECIAL REQUEST	
BAKER EASY	Grease GP #1 1 can (5 gal) Water pump 2 lbs			"	"	
BAKER FOX	Grease GP #2 1 can (5 gal) Water pump, 2 lbs			"	"	

CLASS IV ENGINEER

CHARLIE ABLE	200 lbs TNT 50 spec. non-elec caps 100 ft detonating cord 50 ft safety fuse 40 fuse lighters M2 20 fuse 15 second delay 50 blasting cap protectors 10 cap adapters 10 rolls friction tape 5 balls twine 1/2 pt sealing compound				1	2	3
CHARLIE BAKER	200 lbs composition C2 50 spec. non-elec caps 100 ft detonating cord 50 ft safety fuse 40 fuse lighters M2 20 fuse 15 sec delay 50 blasting cap protectors 10 cap adapters 10 rolls friction tape 5 balls twine 1/2 pt sealing compound	7	3				10
CHARLIE DOG	200 lbs chain Demo. block M-1 50 special non electric caps 100 ft Detonating cord 50 ft safety fuse 40 fuse lighters M2 20 fuse 15 sec. delay 50 blasting cap protectors 10 cap adaptors 10 rolls tape 5 balls twine 1/2 sealing compound			1			1

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CLASS IV ENGINEER (Cont'd)

BUNDLES

CODE	CONTENT	No. reqd for 1 day supply			
		517	507	331	TOTAL
CHARLIE EASY	20 A T Mines 3 rolls tracing tape	10	5		15
CHARLIE FOX	14-10' shape charges	1	1		2
CHARLIE GEORGE	5 AP mine M2 5 AP mine M3 12 Delay fuse M1 5 firing device pull type 5 firing device, pressure 5 firing device, combination 500 ft detonating cord 4 firing device, release M1	2			2
CHARLIE HAL	500 caps, electric special				
CHARLIE ITEM	250 sand bags.	1	1		
CHARLIE JIG	Kit Demo #5 (10 per bundle)		2		2

CLASS IV CHEMICAL

DOG ABLE	1 (ea) Alarm gas 1 Disinfectant, gas mask (40 btl) 1 Crayon, vesicant det (box 12) 200 Impregnite, (can) 1 (ea) Kit, H.S. vapor detector 1 (ea) Kit repair universal M8 2 Paint liqu ves det (can) 2 paper liqu ves det (book)	EMERGENCY ONLY			
DOG BAKER	200 (cans) Impregnite			"	"
DOG CHARLIE	2 Agent decon non cor (6 gal can)			"	"

CLASS IV MEDICAL

EASY ABLE	1 Bandage Compressed 3 in (72 box) 3 " Triangular (Dox) 3 Sponge, Surgical (4x4) pkg 1 Sponge, Surgical (2x2) pkg 1 Gauze, impregnated, (can) 1 Cotton absorbant pkg 12 oz 1 Gauze, plain, sterile, pkg 1 Plaster Adhesive, 1 inch 30 Plaster Adhesive, 3 inch. 2 Bandage, elastic, ace 200 Dressing, First Aid Carlisle 80 Dressing First Aid Lg Carlisle 75 Packets First Aid 30 Gauze, roll, 4 inch.			2	2
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RESUPPLY PLAN

CLASS IV MEDICAL (Cont'd)

CODE	CONTENT	BUNDLES					
		No. req. for 1 day supply					
		517	509	551	100	Total	
EASY BAKER	1 Peroxide, bottle, pint						
	6 Epinephrin, ampules ea.						
	6 Procaine, dent. cart. box 20						
	2 Cocaine, ampules						
	1 Atropine Sulphate sol., 1-oz						
	1 Ether, Can						
	2 Water, dist. ampule, 30cc						
	20 Swab, iodine, box						
	9 Sulphanilamide, crystals box 12 shakers						
	1 Alcohol, denatured, quart						
	1 Pencillin, ampules						
	1 Paregoric, quart						
	1 Sulphadiazine, bottle, 1000						
	100 Halazone, bottle 100						
	12 "D" Ration, ea.					2	2
	1 Ointment, boric acid, jar 1 lb						
	6 Multivitamine, caps, bottle						
	2 Sterno, can						
	1 Pentelhal Sodium, ampules						
	2 Plasma, unit						
	1 Cups, paper, collapsible, ctn						
	4 Soap, white, floating, bar						
	1 Syringe, 30cc						
	6 Needles, hypo, 20 gauge, ea.						
	1 Scissors, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. ea.						
	6 Gloves, rubber, size 8						
	3 Sutures, catgut #1, box						
	2 Knife, blade, detachbl. #11 pkg						
	2 Knife, blade, detachbl. #6 pkg						
	1 Handle, knife, operating #3						
	10 Kit, phosphorus burn						
	1 Needles, suture, pack						
	1 Blades, razor, pack						
10 Emergency Medical Tag, book							
40 Morphine, tartrate, syret, box 5							
1 Blankets							
5 Gauze, Plaster Paris, roll							
EASY CHARLIE	20 Plasma Unit						
	15 Morphine, tartrate, syret. box 5						
	1 Pentothal, Sodium, Ampule					6	6
	1 Spiritus, frumenti						
	1 Blanket						
EASY DOG	10 Swab, Iodine, box						
	1 Emergency Medical Tag, book						
EASY DOG	2 Litter, Folding						
	1 Splint, Set						
	2 Gauze, Plaster Paris, roll					2	2
	2 Plasma Unit						
	2 Blankets						
	1 Stockingette Roll						
2 Emergency Medical Tag, bo							
5 Morphine, tartrate, syret, box 5							

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CLASS IV SIGNAL

BUNDLES

CODE	CONTENT	No. req for 1 day supply.				
		517	509	551	Div Tp	Total
FOX ABLE	W-130 2 DR-4 W-130 3 DR-8	1	1	1	1	4
FOX BAKER	W-110 2 DR-4 W-130 3 DR-8	1	1	1	1	4
FOX CHARLIE	BA-30 100 BA-39 3 BA-40 5 BA-43 21 BA-49 2	2	2	2	2	8
FOX DOG	BA-37 50 BA-38 50 BA-70 6 BA-80 4	3	2	2	2	9
FOX EASY	50 rolls friction tape 15 " rubber tape 6 TE-33 3 C-161 2 Linemans belts w/equip seizing wire 4 EE 8A 1 Pr. Test Clips 2 Sets CE-11 1 Drum DR-4 W-110 100 BA-30 1 M-209-A Converter				1	1
FOX GEORGE	TUBES	SPECIAL REQUEST				
	2 Sets for SCR 610					
	2 " " " 300					
	2 " " " 284					
	2 Sets for SCR 536					
	2 " " " 511					
	2 " " " 193					
	2 " " " 694					
2 " " " 499						

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CLASS V AMMUNITION

CODE	CONTENT	No. Rds Req. for 1 day supply				
		517	509	551	DivTp	Total
GEORGE ABLE	Cartridge, Carbine, Cal. .30	15120	2250	9630	985	30285
GEORGE BAKER	" Tracer, Carb. Cal. .30					
GEORGE BAKER	" Grenade, Carbine	Included w/rifle grenade, carbine				
GEORGE CHARLIE	" Cal. .30 AP-T (9-1)	38250	8000	11750	250	60250
GEORGE DOG	" Cal. .39 AP-T (4-1)					
GEORGE EASY	" Ball, Cal .30, 8-Rd Clips	36500	12720	9140	2180	60540
GEORGE FOX	" Ball, Cal .30, 5-Rd Clips	4850	1300	450		6600
GEORGE HAL	" Tracer, Cal .30 20-Rd Ctn.	Included w/ball.				
GEORGE ITEM	" Ball, Cal. .45	3252	4461	1185	440	9338
GEORGE JIG	" AP-I-T, Cal. .50 (belts)	5200	3800	1200	1000	11200
GEORGE KING	57MM Shot APC	360				360
GEORGE LOVE	" Shell, H.E. (Br)					
GEORGE MIKE	60MM Shell, H.E.	1350	750	450		1550
GEORGE MAN	" , Illum.					
GEORGE OBOE	81 MM Shell, H.E., Heavy	900	150	300		1250
GEORGE PLUM	" " , Light					
GEORGE QUEEN	" " , Smoke WP					
GEORGE ROGER	75-MM Shell, H.E., M-48	1280	960	960		3200
GEORGE SUGAR	" " , M-54					
GEORGE TARE	" " , Smoke					
GEORGE UNCLE	" " , H.E A-T					
GEORGE VICTOR	4.2" Mortar	480				480
GEORGE WILLIAM	Rocket, 2.36", A-T	1062	420	396	78	1956
GEORGE XRAY	Grenade, Rifle, A-T	600	645	120	180	1545
GEORGE YOKE	" " , A-T Carbine					
GEORGE ZAL	" " , Hand Frag.	515	165	165	170	1015
GEORGE BAKER	" " , Offensive	515	165	165	170	1015
GEORGE CHARLIE	Fuze for Grenade, Hd. Off.	515	165	165	170	1015
GEORGE DOG	Signal AC. Red Star Cluster	144	52	92	52	330
GEORGE EASY	" " White Star					
GEORGE FOX	" " Red-red Star					
GEORGE HAL	" " Green Star					

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CLASS V AMMUNITION - Contd.

CODE	CONTENT	No. Req. for 1 day supply				
		517	509	551	RvTp	Total
HAL ITEM	Signal A.C., Red Star					
HAL JIG	" " Yellow Star					
HAL KING	" " Very Yellow Star		68			68
HAL LOVE	(75 Grenade, W.P., M15 25 " " , Incend, ANM14 150 Starter, fire 6 Grenade, Smoke, Yellow M16 12 " " " FC	1	BUNDLES 1	1	1	4

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Incl. #2 to Annex No. 1 - Marking Scheme

Hq 1st A/B TASK FORCE
APO 758, U. S. ARMY
4 August 1944

1. Scheduled (Serials 24 & 25)
 - a. DZ A:
 - Blue Canopy - 517 RCT
 - Yellow Canopy - 551 CT
 - b. DZ O:
 - Disregard all canopy colors.
 - All containers for 2nd Ind Para Bde marked with yellow band around container.
2. Emergency - Disregard all canopy colors.

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ANNEX NO 2 to ADM 0 1 - MEDICAL PLAN

Hq. 1st A/B TASA FORCE
APO 758, U. S. ARMY
4 August 1944

1. Evacuation:

a. Casualties:

- (1) Casualties occurring in marshalling areas prior to departure will be given medical care by Air Force medical personnel at each departure base.
- (2) Casualties incurred in flight will be given 1st aid by crew chiefs and returned to departure bases for evacuation by Air Force medical service.
- (3) In the target area all DZs and LZs will, if practicable, be searched for landing casualties by unit medical personnel prior to their departure from the area.
- (4) Locations of aid stations will be reported to 1st ABTF Hq. promptly.
- (5) Regtl Aid stations will operate as directed by the Regtl Cmdr.
- (6) Medical service of separate companies will be the responsibility of the surgeon of the unit to which the company is attached.
- (7) Medical service for 1st ABTF will be provided by the 676 Medical Collecting Co Airborne.
- (8) The 676 Medical Collecting Co Airborne will operate a Treatment Station in the vicinity of 1st ABTF CP and report location.
- (9) The 676 Medical Collecting Company will be responsible for the routine evacuation of aid stations of the 517 CT, 509 CT, 551 Prcht Inf Bn and the 602 Gli FA Bn. Evacuation of the Field Ambulance of the 2nd Ind Para Bde will be on request of the Brigade Surgeon.
- (10) All medical installations not previously evacuated by 1st ABTF will be evacuated of casualties by the first ground unit with which contact is made. Units must make evacuation requirements known to relieving unit.

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1. Evacuation - Contd.

a. Casualties - Contd.

(11) All ~~gender~~ pilot casualties evacuated will be reported daily to 1st ABTF Hq, listing name, ASN, unit and type of injury.

b. Burial - The dead at medical installations will be buried as directed in ADM O 1.

c. Salvage - Items of clothing and equipment accumulated in medical installations will be turned in promptly to the nearest salvage collecting point.

d. Prisoners of War:

(1) Prisoner of War casualties will be rendered treatment similar to our own troops and will be evacuated through normal channels.

(2) Medical Officers will request the necessary guards.

2. Supply:

a. Class I Supplies:

(1) Rations carried by individual casualties will be available to medical installations for feeding patients.

(2) The medical company will carry 200 additional rations in the basic load for patients mess.

(3) Additional "D" Rations are provided in medical resupply loads -- See Incl #1 to Annex No 1.

b. Medical Supplies:

(1) Attached medical units will carry unit equipment and sufficient supplies for two days. An augmentation of plasma, morphine syrettes, dressings and sulfaquanidine will be carried.

(2) The 676th Medical Collecting Company, in addition to (1) above will carry additional litters, blankets, plaster, splint sets and Tetanus Toxoid.

(3) Special items for Troops, to include atabrine, quinine prophylactic kits, motion sickness tablets, will be issued prior to departure. (See letter, Hq 1st ABTF, dated 28 July 44, Subject: "Individual and Unit Supplies and Equipment"). In addition, units will carry a two weeks supply of atabrine.

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b. Medical Supplies - Contd.

- (4) Five days of medical supplies will be stocked at the 1st ABTF resupply airbase for aerial delivery.
 - (a) For method of delivery see Annex No. 1.
 - (b) Medical resupply bundles are of four (4) types--See Incl #1 to Annex No. 1.
- (5) The 676th Medical Collecting Co will assume responsibility for normal medical supply of 1st ABTF as soon as it is practicable to reach beach medical supply dumps. Prior to contact with relieving units Medical Co will endeavor to establish dump of dropped medical supplies.
- (6) Requisition will be by informal request.
- (7) Tactical units capturing medical installations will place a guard thereon to prohibit entry of unauthorized persons and prevent looting. The location and size of installations will be reported to 1st ABTF surgeon promptly.

3. Traffic: - See Adm O.

4. Personnel:

- a. Stragglers and malingerers apprehended at medical installations will be turned over immediately to the proper tactical unit or Military Police.
- b. Shelter - Wherever practicable buildings will be made available for medical installations.

5. Sanitation:

- a. Water - All water will be considered non-potable, except the following:
 - (1) Purified by engineer water supply units.
 - (2) Chlorinated in lister bags.
 - (3) Individually sterilized by Halazone Tablets - (2 to 4 tablets per canteen, depending upon turbidity, and 30 minute activation period).
- b. Food - Rations from authorized sources only will be used. Food will be consumed from original containers and mess kits will not be used until proper mess gear washing facilities are available.

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5. Sanitation - Contd.

- c. Waste Disposal - Straddle trenches in early phase, box type latrines to be used as early as practicable in order to control fly breeding.
- d. Malaria Control - Constant use of repellents, aerosol dispensers and daily atabrine will be exercised.
- e. Venereal Disease:
 - (1) Dissemination of individual prophylactic packets.
 - (2) All medical installations will carry necessary material for chemical prophylaxis.
- f. General - The target area is a malarious area and in general the same diseases prevail that are found in the Lido area.

6. Miscellaneous:

- a. Medical Department Records:
 - (1) The Emergency Medical Tag (MD Form 52b) is the most important medical record as in many cases it is the only record upon which claims are based, great care will be exercised in accomplishing this Form.
 - (2) Other medical records will be submitted in compliance with current instructions.
- b. Treatment of gas casualties:
 - (1) Unit gas casualty treatment equipment will be carried in basic load.
 - (2) Available in the individual gas mask are the following items which may be used in treatment of gas casualties:
 - (a) Ointment protective M-4.
 - (b) Eye ointment, Bal.
- c. All provisions of the Geneva Convention will be complied with.
 - (1) The brassard will be worn by all medical personnel.
 - (2) The Red Cross will be painted on the helmet.

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6. Miscellaneous - Contd.

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(3) Medical vehicles will be marked with the Red Cross, on horizontal surface, both sides, front and rear.

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AFO 758, U S ARMY

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Annex No. 3 to Admin. Order No. 1 - PERSONNEL

I PERSONNEL PROCEDURE:

1. Leaves and furloughs suspended

2. Daily S-1 Report:

a. Effective D Day, each unit of this command, in the combat zone, will submit a Daily S-1 Report as of 2359B. Reports will be submitted so as to arrive at this headquarters by 0900 hours on the day subsequent to the 24 hour period covered by the report.

b. Reports will be submitted in code, by telephone, or courier as follows:

(1) Strength	AZ
(2) Killed, captured, missing and interned	BY
(3) Hospitalized	CX
(4) Returned to duty and replacements received	DW
(5) Enemy prisoners captured	EV
(6) Period covered by report	FA

c. Effective D plus 15, the report required in paragraph b, will be discontinued and the following substituted therefor:

(1) T/O Strength of reporting unit	AN
(2) Assigned strength of reporting unit	PN
(3) Effective strength of reporting unit	AC
(4) Killed, captured and missing	LA
(5) Wounded	AR
(6) Non-battle casualties	XY
(7) Battle and non-battle casualties returned to duty	DW
(8) Replacements received	PS
(9) <u>Axis prisoners</u>	RN
(10) Period covered by report	DU

d. Definitions:

(1) Effective strength is the present for duty strength at the time the report is compiled.

(2) Killed, captured, missing and interned include all battle casualties, except wounded.

(3) Replacements received will include only those actually delivered; not expected or enroute.

e. Battle and non-battle casualties returned to duty will be reported when picked up by parent unit.

f. Period covered by report is 24-hour period ending 2359B.

g. S-1 Reports will be classified as SECRET.

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3. Combat Promotions and appointments U S Forces Only:

a. The Commanding General, Seventh Army, has been delegated the authority to promote to the next higher grade deserving officers, to include the grade of Lieutenant Colonel, and to make combat appointments to the grade of Second Lieutenant in the case of deserving Warrant Officers and enlisted men. Combat promotions and appointments are based upon demonstrated fitness by outstanding performance and leadership in actual combat. Superior performance of assigned duty and exemplary conduct at all times during combat does not alone qualify for combat promotion or appointment.

b. Promotions are to fill Table of Organization vacancies only.

c. Appointments may be made without regard to Table of Organization or Table of Allotment vacancies.

d. For detailed instructions on combat promotions and appointments, see Circular #3, Headquarters Seventh Army, dated 12 June 1944.

e. Promotion of Officers.

(1) Routine - In accordance with Circular Number 39, Headquarters NATOUSA, as amended by Circular Number 63, Headquarters NATOUSA, C.S., and in accordance with AR 605-12, as amended.

4. Reclassification.

a. Officers - As directed in Ar 605-230, as amended.

5. Battle Casualty Reports - To be submitted in accordance with Circular Number 4, Headquarters Seventh Army, dated 15 July 1944, thru this headquarters.

6. Machine Records Units - Organizations will continue to be serviced by the same units that were servicing them prior to the operation. During operations Morning Reports will be submitted thru this headquarters. Combat Team commanders will be responsible for the collection of Morning reports from elements of their combat teams and their subsequent submission to this headquarters with the least practicable delay.

II PAY

1. U S Forces - Payment will be normal. Organic Finance Disbursing Detachment of Task Force will land with rear echelon of ABTF.

2. a. All sterling or dollar exchange will be withdrawn, from, or exchanged by troops prior to their departure.

b. Sterling and/or dollar currency will not be legal tender on the continent. All personnel who engage in transactions involving such currency will be liable to trial by courts martial.

III MORAL

1. Gratuitous issue of essential PX items will be made with rations until exchange system is established about D plus 30.

2. A daily edition of Stars and Stripes will be published. Personnel and equipment will land about D plus 10.

3. Awards and Decorations:

a. Prompt action will be taken by unit commanders to recognize and recommend outstanding acts of gallantry for the appropriate award and will insure that no deserving case goes unrewarded.

b. Recommendation will be submitted as directed in letter this headquarters, file AG 200.6, subject: Decorations and Awards, dated 2 Aug 44.

4. ARS personnel will move by sea and will land with rear echelon of ABTF.

IV PRISONERS OF WAR

1. Definition.

The following, when captured, shall be treated as Prisoners of War:

a. All persons belonging to the armed forces of the enemy, captured in course of military operations, land, sea, or air.

b. Individuals who follow or accompany armed forces, such as correspondents, newspaper reporters, contractors, and their employees, shall be entitled to be treated as Prisoners of War, provided they are in possession of a certificate from the enemy military authorities.

c. All other captured enemy civilian personnel shall be considered as internees until their classification is determined by proper authority and shall be kept separate from Prisoners of War. Ref. FM 27-10 Rules of Land Warfare.

2. Procedure for handling.

a. Officers of the unit making the capture may interview prisoners briefly without causing undue delay in evacuation.

b. For evacuation see administrative order. Units will notify ABTF upon capture.

c. Upon capture prisoners will be disarmed, and ordered to remain silent.

d. A message showing time and place of capture and the unit effecting capture will be sent to the next higher headquarters.

e. At Regimental level prisoners will be searched for documents. This search should be made in conjunction with Prisoners of War Interrogators who can best determine the military value of documents. Prisoners will retain steel helmets, gas mask, identification tags, insignia or rank, decorations, photographs of no military value and their paybooks (SOLDBUCH).

f. Confiscated documents will be labeled so as to identify the owner. The documents will be sent back to ABTF with the prisoner escort. At ABTF enclosure the documents will be delivered to the interrogators or a G-2 representative.

g. Prisoners will be segregated as quickly as possible into groups; Officers, Non-commissioned officers, enlisted men and internees. (Note) German corporals are not NCOs. There will be a further segregation by nationalities, if feasible, to separate Nazi from Anti-Nazi, and old prisoners from young. All persons of French nationality (especially inhabitants of Alsace-Lorraine) serving in or under the control of the German army will be segregated as soon as possible.

h. Handling and movement of prisoners will not interfere with the circulation, movement, or tactical employment of our own troops.

i. When practicable, prisoners will be organized to furnish their own administrative personnel, and will be formed in maximum groups of fifty. Once a group is formed, it shall remain intact throughout the evacuation.

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j. Extensive use will be made of enemy supplies and equipment to administer prisoners.

k. English speaking prisoners will be utilized where feasible for clerical use.

l. In accordance with paragraph 79, Rules of Land Warfare, rigid discipline will be exercised for security of personal effects of prisoners and securing enemy government equipment as provided in the 79th and 80th Articles of War.

m. The graves registration unit of ABTF will supervise burial and accomplish necessary records of deceased prisoners.

n. Prisoners of War are in the power of the enemy, but not of the individuals or bodies of troops who capture them. They must be protected against violence, insults and public curiosity.

o. Prisoners of War have the right to have their person and their honor respected.

p. Unit medical installations will report the presence of wounded prisoners to ABTF. Documents taken from such prisoners will be sent to G-2 ABTF, as soon as possible.

q. Uninjured prisoners may be used to assist in carrying wounded prisoners. If Chaplains or medical personnel are among the prisoners, their services will be utilized.

4. Souvenir Hunting:

a. All personnel are warned that taking for personal purposes money, watches, rings, fountain pens, insignia or any other property of Prisoners of War, in addition to being a violation of the Geneva Prisoner of War Convention of 1929, is a criminal act, amounting, according to the circumstances, to larceny or robbery in violation of Article of War 93.

b. Prisoners will be questioned by an officer before leaving ABTF enclosures as to whether they have had personal belongings stolen from them. In case of an affirmative answer the officer will obtain all the facts available, reporting them to the ABTF Provost Marshal for investigation.

5. Labor:

a. All able-bodied Prisoners of War, except Officers, may be employed as workers on projects not directly connected with military operations. Non-commissioned officers are only required to work in supervisory capacity. Officers may be assigned appropriate work if they so request.

V Prisoners of ABTF Units:

a. All garrison prisoners, including those awaiting trial by General Courts Martial or action by reviewing authority, will accompany their units.

VI Discipline:

1. Military Police are authorized and empowered to maintain order, enforce authority and make arrests within their area of responsibility, without regard to the nationality or service to which such personnel may belong.

2. Unit Commanders will issue instructions for the maintenance of proper relations with the civil population. It should be impressed on each member of our units that their individual conduct will influence both the immediate and post-war attitude toward our country.

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c. Unit Commanders will maintain such vice control measures as may be considered appropriate.

d. Upon entry in cities and towns, the strictest discipline will be maintained. Breaches of discipline will be dealt with promptly and firmly.

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HQ 1st A/B TASK FORCE
APO 758, U. S. ARMY
4 August 1944

ANNEX NO. 4 TO ADM O 1 - WEEKLY S-4 PERIODIC REPORT

1. All units will submit a WEEKLY S-4 PERIODIC REPORT, one copy only, to reach this Headquarters by 1200B each Sunday, for the period 0001B Sunday to 2400B Saturday of the week preceding.
2. Reports will follow the form of Inclosure #1.
3. Method of completing S-4 WEEKLY REPORT (Incl. #1)
 - (a) Location of unit or its C.P. will be indicated by coordinates and the name of nearest city or town.
 - (b) Report numbers will continue consecutively.
 - (c) Under paragraph 1 b (1) and (2) form, all losses and receipts for the period indicated, covering all items shown on MATERIAL IN HANDS OF TROOPS REPORT will be listed. It should be noted that the information in these paragraphs is used primarily to adjust the MATERIAL IN HANDS OF TROOPS REPORTS and accordingly should be given careful consideration. Items previously reported on EMERGENCY LOSS REPORT and replacements received, will be included in the weekly consolidation. Equipment lost to the unit due to transfer or turn in to dumps or depots will be so indicated.
 - (d) Vehicles turned in for repair will be considered as "On Hand, Deadlined" if the same are to be returned to the unit within 96 hours (Paragraph 2a, Incl. #1).
 - (e) Animal Status - Animals will be indicated by type; that is, Mountain Artillery (MA Mules, 58" and higher), Army Transport (AT Mules, under 58"), and horses (Paragraph 2b, Incl #1).

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S-4 WEEKLY REPORT

Unit Reporting _____ APO _____

Location _____ Coordinates _____ Date _____

Report No. _____ From 0001B _____ to 2400B _____

1. STATUS OF SUPPLY.

a. Class I:

Ration Strength - Personnel Daily Average No. of rations on hand
(Daily Average for period) B C D K X (10/1)

b. Class II: Change of status (include changes in items of all supply services as shown on MATERIEL IN HANDS OF TROOPS REPORT).

(1) Losses.

Vehicles

Other Equipment

(2) Receipts.

Vehicles

Other Equipment

c. Class III: Average days of supply on hand, basis 1000 miles/day

d. Class IV (List critical shortages and major stockages on hand)

2. STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION.

a. Vehicles - Indicate AVERAGE DAILY STATUS for period.

	<u>Armored</u>		<u>Special Purpose</u>		<u>General Purpose</u>	
	<u>Auth.</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>Auth.</u>	<u>OH</u>	<u>Auth.</u>	<u>OH</u>
Operative Vehicles	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Deadlined Vehicles	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Total	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

b. Animals:

OH. Start of Period (Killed or Missing) Vet. Hosp. Rec'd OH. Clos

MA Miles
AT Miles
Horses

3. CAPTURED MATERIEL.

Vehicles

Other Equipment

4. EVENTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE INTEREST AND REMARKS.

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ANNEX NO. 5 to ADM O 1 - MARSHALLING PROCEDURE

1. Attached as Incl. #1 is schedule of movement to Departure Air Bases. This schedule must be rigidly adhered to; units must be prepared to load promptly upon arrival of additional transportation, and release this transportation immediately upon arrival at Departure Air Base.
2. The following units will operate messes at the initial Departure Air Bases and will mess the attachments as indicated:

<u>BASE</u>	<u>UNIT OPERATING MESS</u>	<u>ATTACHMENTS</u>
FOLLONICA	509th CT 550th A/B Inf. Bn.	None None
GROSSETTO	509th CT 602nd FA Bn	None 1 Co, 550th A/B Inf Bn
OMBRONE	517th RCT 602nd FA Bn	None 2nd Plat, 442 AT Co
ORBETELLO	517th RCT 442nd AT Co	None (Det, 512th Sig Co (Co. A, 2nd Cml Bn (-2 Plats)
MONTALTO	460th FA Bn 551st Prcht Inf Bn	None None
CANINO	517th RCT 676th Med Coll Co	None (Det, 512th Sig Co (2nd Plat, Co A, 2nd Cml Bn
GALERA	2nd Ind Para Bde 887th Engr Co.	None (Det ABTF Hq Co (ABTF MP Plat
CIAMPINO	2nd Ind Para Bde Co D, 83rd Cml Bn	None (Det, 887th Engr Bn (Det, 3rd Ord MM Co
TARQUINIA	2nd Ind Para Bde	None

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| 2. | <u>Contd.</u>
<u>BASE</u>
VOLTONE | <u>UNIT OPERATING MESS</u>
2nd Ind Para Bde
512th Sig Co | <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>
None
Det, ABTF Hq Co. |
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3. The senior officer of units of ABTF at each Departure Air Base will be in command of all AB elements thereat. He will send necessary advance detachments so as to contact the ABLO at that base and arrange for necessary subdivision of bivouac areas, orderly movement into bivouac areas, establishment of messes, guard, sanitation, and other necessary administrative matters.
4. For action of rear detachments of units subsequent to takeoff of air echelons, see Annex No. 4 - ORGANIZATION OF REAR ECHELON.

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UNIT	DATE	LOCATION	LOADING POINT		DESTINATION	UNLOADING POINT		ARRIVE MOTOR POOL	AVAIL-ABLE	NO TRUCKS REQUIRED	AVAIL-ABLE SPARES	TYPE OF MOVEMENT
			ARRIVE	LEAVE		ARRIVE	LEAVE					
517 Inf 3 Bn	D-3	Ciampino	0415	0715	Orbetello	1315	1615	2215	0015	25	2	C
Sig Co		Lido	0415	0715	Orbetello	1315	1615	2215	0015	2		S
517 Inf 1 Bn		Ciampino	0600	0900	Canino	1400	1700	2200	2400	25	9	C
517 Inf 1 Bn		Ciampino	0615	0915	Canino	1415	1715	2215	0015	25	9	C
Sig Co		Lido	0615	0915	Canino	1415	1715	2215	0015	4	5	S
Med Co		Lido	0615	0915	Canino	1415	1715	2215	0015	3	2	S
460 F.A.		Frascati	0745	1045	Montalto	1545	1845	2345	0145	28	16	C
460 F.A.		Frascati	0800	1100	Montalto	1600	1900	2400	0200	28	5	C
551 Bn	D-2	Lido	2400	0100	Montalto	0600	0700	1200	1400	20	10	C
551 Bn		Lido	0100	0200	Montalto	0700	0800	1300	1500	19	16	C
Sig Co		Lido	0100	0300	Voltone	0800	1000	1500	1700	2	14	S
Div Hq		Lido	0100	0300	Voltone	0800	1000	1500	1700	2	12	S
Div Hq		Lido	0100	0300	Galera	0430	0630	0800	1000	2	10	S
887 Eng		Lido	0100	0300	Galera	0430	0630	0800	1000	10		S
MP Plat		Lido	0115	0315	Ciampino	0445	0645	0745	0945	2	57	S

C-Convey
S-Shuttle

Schedule based on 4 truck Co's an... speed of 20 M.P.H.

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Annex No. 6 to ADM 01 - ORGANIZATION OF REAR ECHELON

1. ORGANIZATION OF HQ. AIRBORNE TASK FORCE (rear)

a. The rear echelons of units under this Headquarters are consolidated under HQ ABTF (rear) and as consolidated will be referred to by that designation.

b. HQ ABTF (rear) is organized, for control and movement, into three detachments identified as Detachment REAR, Detachment REAR A (subdivided into groups 1, 2 and 3) and Detachment REAR B.

c. HQ ABTF (rear) and Headquarters for each detachment will be located at Headquarters 1st Airborne Task Force.

d. Personnel assigned to Detachment REAR (see incl. 1) will come under control of HQ ABTF (rear) D + 1. The Senior Officer or NCO of such elements in each unit will report to the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear) on that date.

e. Personnel assigned to Detachment REAR A (see incl. 2) will come under control of HQ ABTF (rear) D + 6.

f. Personnel assigned to Detachment REAR B (see incl. 3) will come under control of HQ ABTF (rear) upon final departure from Departure Air Bases for tactical operations of unit combat elements and will report without delay to the Detachment Commander at Task Force HQ, but not later than 1200 hour D + 1. Unit transportation will be used to effect this movement.

2. FUNCTIONS OF HQ ABTF (rear).

HQ ABTF (rear) is charged with the re-supply of combat elements of the 1st Airborne Task Force, and the administration, supply, discipline, security and movement of all officers, enlisted men and materiel of the Task Force not assigned to combat elements.

3. ORGANIZATION AND MOVEMENT * Detachments of HQ ABTF (rear)

a. HQ ABTF (rear) and Detachment REAR.

(1) Staff:

Commanding Officer - Lt.Col. Jas. A. Bassett

Executive Officer	- Lt. Col. G.W. Greathouse
ADJ. and S-1	- 2nd Lt. Ray J. Tadlock
S-2 and S-3	- Lt. Col. Robert H. McCaw
S-4	- Capt. Louis M. Hipp
Air Movement	- Major Wm. H. Matthews
Resupply operations	- 1st Lt. D.L. Harter
Signal Officer	- 1st Lt. Samuel M. Turner
Hq. Comd't-	- Capt. Leroy E. Brown, Jr.

- (2) Composition of Personnel and Equipment - (see inclosure # 1).
- (3) Departure time - to remain at HQ ABTF (rear) in bivouac areas designated by Commanding Officer Detachment REAR until further orders.
- (4) Medical Installation - Dispensary, HQ. Sq., 51st T.C. Wing.

b. Detachment REAR A.

(1) Staff.

- (a) Commanding Officer - Major C. E. R. Dudgeon.
- (b) Additional staff as designated by the Detachment Commander and reported to the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear).

(2) Composition of Personnel and equipment.

- (a) Group 1 - the first echelon of rear elements 2d Ind. Para. Bde. to move as seaborne forces. Other personnel (if any) will remain in locations designated by the Commanding Officer 2d In. Par. Bde. to await further orders.

Organization and movement plans of this group will be submitted to this HQ by D - 8.

- (b) Group 2 - elements from all units of the 517th combat team assigned to Detachment REAR A (see incl. 2). Group Commander to be designated by Commanding Officer 517th combat team and reported to Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear).
- (c) Group 3 - Remaining elements assigned to Detachment REAR A (see Incl. 2)

- (3) Loading of motor vehicles.
 - (a) Motor vehicles and trailers will carry maximum authorized loads of personnel and equipment prepared for both land and sea movement without material alteration of loads.
 - (b) T/E allowance of filled gasoline cans will be carried on each vehicle.
- (4) Departure - time and place.
 - (a) All groups will be prepared to move to a port of embarkation on D - 5.
 - (b) Groups 1 and 2 will depart from present bivouacs.
 - (c) Group 3 personnel, with equipment, will report to the Commanding Officer Detachment REAR A at Task Force Headquarters by 2400 hour D - 6, and will be prepared for movement to a port of embarkation at time of reporting. Unit transportation will effect movement to Task Force HQ, and to the port of embarkation.
- (5) Control - Control of the Detachment will pass to Near Shore Control, 7th Army, upon departure for a port of embarkation.

c. Detachment REAR B.

- (1) Staff:
 - (a) Commanding Officer - Lt. Col. Leon B. Moye.
 - (b) Additional staff - as designated by the Detachment Commander and reported to the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear)
- (2) Composition of personnel and equipment - see incl, 3.
- (3) Loading of Motor vehicles.
 - (a) Motor vehicles and trailers will carry maximum authorized loads of personnel and equipment prepared for both land and sea movement without material alteration of loads.

(b) T/E allowance of filled gasoline cans will be carried on each vehicle.

(4) Departure - time and place.

Detachment will be prepared to move from the area of Task Force Headquarters to a port of embarkation by afternoon D + 1.

(5) Inspection of personnel and equipment loads.

The Commanding Officer Detachment REAR B will inspect the loading of vehicles and personnel reporting to him from Departure Air Bases and require such reloading or redistribution of loads as may be necessary to effect the orderly and safe movement of the detachment. He will report to the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear) when vehicles and personnel are fully prepared for movement.

(6) Control - Control of the Detachment will pass to Near Shore Control, 7th Army, upon departure for a port of embarkation.

d. Assignment of personnel within each detachment.

(1) Assignment of individuals and equipment in rear echelon units to Detachment REAR, Detachment REAR A and Detachment REAR B will be made by the Commanding Officer of each unit in accordance with the organization plan detailed in inclosures one, two and three.

(2) Unit commanders will keep the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear) currently informed of assignments.

4. FUNCTIONS OF DETACHMENTS OF HQ ABTF (rear)

a. General.

Detachment Commanders will be responsible for the mess, housing, administration, discipline, security and movement of personnel and equipment of the Detachment subject to supervision by the Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear). He will prepare and have available at all times a detailed loading and movement plan for the movement of his detachment in motor vehicles by land and water.

troop locations, composition, strength, movement, plans, or other matters affecting HQ ABTF (rear) will be classified "TOP SECRET". No reports or comments will be made by rear Detachment personnel concerning the combat elements of the First Airborne Task Force, except by direction of Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear).

e. Rejoining parent unit.

Elements of rear echelons moving as seaborne forces will rejoin their parent units upon arrival at destination in the combat zone.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. Amendment to plans.

Detailed instructions re-assigning personnel, co-ordinating loading plans, outlining time and space factors involved in movement, and other matters pertinent to units and rear detachments will be published as may be required by supplement or amendments to this annex specifically addressed to units and individuals concerned.

b. Use of unit designations.

First Airborne Task Force detachments organized by this annex will be referred to only by the name assigned each herein.

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b. Control of personnel.

- (1) Units other than separate companies or smaller units, will detail an Officer from its element in Detachment REAR to be in command of each rear echelon element moving to a Departure Air Base as an assistant control Officer.
- (2) Separate companies and smaller units will detail a NCO from its element in Detachment REAR to be in command of each rear echelon element moving to a Departure Air Base as an assistant control officer.
- (3) Assistant control Officers provided above will remain at the Departure Air Base until the return (or a reasonable time has lapsed therefor) of the flight carrying persons from his unit. He will report by telephone the return of the flight to Commanding Officer HQ ABTF (rear), and handle the disposition of casualties as provided in paragraph c. following.

c. Disposition of Casuals.

- (1) Casuals will consist of the following and will be disposed of in the manner indicated.
 - (a) Casualties incurred in flight. This personnel will be evacuated through Air Force medical channels of air fields to which aircraft return.
 - (b) All other removed from combat elements after leaving present bivouacs for Departure Air Bases, or returning to or being forced down near a Departure Air Base after take off of air echelons. Casuals of this type will report to the assistant control Officer of his unit, as provided in par. 4 b. Each such casual will be reported by name and serial number to HQ ABTF (rear) and returned to that Headquarters for disposition. Each assistant control Officer is charged with the responsibility of collecting these casualties known to them to be either at the Departure Air Base where they are located, or elsewhere.

d. Security.

AR 380-5 "Safeguarding Military Information" will control communications of elements of HQ ABTF (rear). Reports of

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Organization Plan

Detachment REAR A

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UNIT				EQUIPMENT
2d Ind Para Bde			105	Lorry 3 ton
517th Precht Inf			48	Truck 1/4-ton
460th Precht FA Bn	3	18	17	Truck 3/4-ton w/c
596th A/B Eng Co		1	1	Truck 2 1/2-ton cargo
			8	Ambulance 3/4-ton
			1	Staff car
	3		12	Trailer 1/4-ton
		1	1	Trailer 1-ton
			11	Trailer 10 cwt
				Motorcycle, solo
		2	19	OFFICERS & WOs
	3	25	21	499 ENLISTED MEN
	6	21	31	195 TOTAL MOTOR EQUIP
	3	25	23	518 TOTAL PERSONNEL

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UNIT							EQUIPMENT
							Lorry 3-ton.
			21	12	5	11	Truck 1/4-ton
5	5	1		1		1	Truck 3/4-ton w/c
			1				Truck 2½-ton cargo
							Ambulance 3/4-ton
							Staff car
			21	1	5	6	Trailer 1/4-ton
5	5	1	1	1		1	Trailer 1-ton
							Trailer 10-cwt
						1	Motorcycle, solo
2	1		2	1	1		OFFICERS & WOs
43	49	2	20	38	6	16	ENLISTED MEN
10	10	2	44	15	10	20	TOTAL MOTOR EQUIP
45	50	2	22	39	7	16	TOTAL PERSONNEL

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Detachment REAR B

Incl #3 to Annex No. 6

UNIT	EQUIPMENT									
517 Prcht Inf	Truck 1/4-ton									
460 Prcht FA Bn	Truck 3/4-ton w/c									
596th A/B Eng Co	Truck 1 1/2-ton cargo									
	Truck 2 1/2-ton cargo	2	15	16						
	Truck 3/4-ton C & R									
	" small arms rep.									
	" Arty repair									
	" small arms pts									
	" instr. & repair									
	Ambulance 3/4-ton	2								
	Staff car									
	Wrecker 4-ton truck									
	Trailer 1/4-ton									
	Trailer 1-ton	3	8	2	15	16				
	Trailer, welding									
	" 250 gal. water									
	Motorcycle, solo									
	57 mm A - T guns									
	OFFICERS & WOS	1	4							
	ENLISTED MEN	39	75	5	21	54				
	TOTAL MTR EQUIP	10	23	6	30	34				
	TOTAL PERSONNEL	40	79	5	22	56				

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UNIT										EQUIPMENT		
											Truck 1/4-ton	
		4	1	1	1		1	1	2	3	Truck 3/4-ton w/c	
		5					11			4	Truck 1½-ton cargo	
1	5	1	1	6	9	9		26	6	5	Truck 2½-ton cargo	
	1										Truck 3/4-ton C & R	
			2								" small arms rep.	
		1									" Arty repair	
		1									" small arms prts.	
		1									" instr. & repair	
	1									1	Ambulance 3/4-ton	
	1										Staff car	
		1									Truck 4-ton wrecker	
		1								2	Trailer 1/4-ton	
1	13	3		3	4	3	2	24	7	5	Trailer 1-ton	
		1									Trailer, welding	
			1								" 250-gal. water	
											Motorcycle, solo	
							9				57 mm A-T guns	
3	17				1	1		1	1	1	OFFICERS & WOs	
17	148	44	4	10	46	52	16	1	34	47	23	ENLISTED MEN
2	30	15	3	10	13	12	23	0	54	15	20	TOTAL MTR EQUIP
20	165	44	4	10	47	53	16	1	35	48	24	TOTAL PERSONNEL

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