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SITUATION REPORT #239.

(1) A FEINT LANDING WAS STAGED ON THE NIGHT 28TH/29TH ON THE EAST COAST OF ITALY IN SUPPORT THE 8TH ARMY ACROSS THE SANGROSSO RIVER. HMS LOYAL (DD), HMS QUILLIAM (DD) AND MGB'S CARRIED OUT A DIVERSIONARY BOMBARDMENT AS PART OF 30TH OPERATION.

(2) BRINDISI CLOSED ON 29TH 30 DETONATIONS 3 MINES BY SWEEPER IN THE APPROACH CHANNEL. HMS3 WAS DAMAGED AND BEACHED.

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: WAR O 1650
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COSITINTREP number 143 to 1200 hrs 29 Nov. Number O 1650 TOO 292000 A from Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post. Info FLAMBO 1st Br Inf Div. Fairfield AMILCAR pass. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGOT and FHGBI.

Part 1 begins. Sectionl Intelligence. 8th Army front. According to PWS 145 Inf Regt at S Maria C 3602 today 2 COY split up to reinforce others. 1 COY 165 engineer identified at Mozzagrogna C 3601 had been brought up from Rocca for employment as Infantry. Flame-throwers mentioned in yesterday's report now stated not to be tank ignited.

Fifth Army front. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. Eighth Army. Mozzagrogna C 3601 (3401) captured. Armoured and mobile forces operating in strength on ridge Fossacesia C 3904-Romagnoli C 3401 RWD are clearing it of enemy.

Second. Fifth Army. Six Corps. 34 and 45 Divs continued active patrolling. One COY 2 Bn 133 Inf occupied hill 920 H0331. 2 Corps and 10th Corps continued patrol activity. Fifth Army cumulative casualties. American killed 1789 wounded 7004 missing 2663. British killed 1456 wounded 6149 missing 2662. POW American 2189 British 1407.

Section 3. Air. First. Medium bombers reported 50 MT in Lanciano C 30 at 1130 hrs movement otherwise being very light and scattered on Eighth Army front.

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Fifth Army NTR.

Second. Bombline, Eighth Army 291325 C 4107-4006-3606-3604-3302-3397-2997-2693-2688-2986-River Sangro 2470-1969-09951-9942. Fifth Army no change. Section 3 ends.

No Sig.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 238.

(1) HMS GUILLIAM AND HMS BROOM ON PATROL DURING NIGHT 25TH/26TH FIRED 34 ROUNDS OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES INTO CIVITANOVA.

(2) DURING NIGHT 26TH/27TH 20 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED NAPLES ONLY SMALL NUMBER BOMBS DROPPED AND NO DAMAGE CAUSED.

(3) HMS ORION, HMS TROUBRIDGE, HMS TEAZER AND HMS PALADIN CARRIED OUT SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT NORTH OF RIVER GARIGLIANO.

(4) DURING NIGHT 26TH/27TH MGB'S WERE ON PATROL BETWEEN MLJET ISLAND AND DUBROVNIK. A BOMBARDMENT OF

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DUBROVNIK WAS CARRIED OUT, NOTHING SIGHTED.

(5) FS PROTEE REPORTS OBTAINING 1 POSSIBLE HIT ON 2,ØØØ TON MERCHANT SHIP OFF TOULON ON 23RD NOVEMBER.

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From: C.in C.Med.

IMPORTANT

Situation report Number 238.

1. H.M.S. GUILLIAM and (? H.M.S. BROOM) on patrol during night 25th/26th fired 34 rounds of high explosives into Civitonova.

2. During night 26th/(?27th) 20 aircraft attacked Naples only small number bombs dropped and (?no) damage caused.

3. H.M.S. ORION H.M.S. TROUBRIDGE H.M.S.TEAZER and H.M.S. PALADIN carried out successful bombardment north of River Garigliano.

4. During night 26th/27th MGB's were on patrol between Mljet Island and Dubrovnik. A bombardment of Dubrovnik was carried out, nothing sighted.

5. FS PROTEE reports obtaining 1 possible hit on 2000 ton merchant ship off Toulon on 23rd November.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No: COSITINTREP 140 28 November 1943

COSITINTREP nr 140 part 11 signed Eisenhower cite FERNA. From CINC Mediterranean. This is a paraphrase by Freedom.

During night 26/27 November MGBS were on patrol between Mljet Island and Dubrovnik. MGBS bombed Dubrovnik, nothing was sighted.

Para 1. Destroyers on patrol carried out bombing of Civitamudua on Adriatic night of 26th November.

Para 2. On 27th November HMS Orion and 3 destroyers successfully bombarded Minturno area.

Para 4. Oso Toulon on 23rd November French submarine Protre reports obtaining 1 possible hit on 2,000 ton merchant vessel.

No Sig.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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From: AFHQ in North Africa
To: War

Unnumbered, 28th November 1943

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Para 4. Oso Toulon on 23rd November French submarine Protre reports obtaining 1 possible hit on 2000 ton merchant vessel.

No Sig

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION:, G-2, CGAAF, CCS(CAPT ROYAL USN)

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29 Nov
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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: USFOR London Unnumbered
War No. 01646

28th November 1943

From HQ 15 Army Group 28th nil to COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass C in C MED, MAC pass Fairfield AMILCAR) rptd FLAMBO 1 Br Inf Div (Fairfield AMILCAR pass) number 01646. COSITINTREP number 142 to 1200 hrs 28th Nov. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT, FHGBI.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence.

Eighth Army 228 PWS today mainly 65 Div identifications show 146 IR Sector extends west to road through Eusanio H 2796. 1 Bn left of road and 2 Bn right. OC 3 coy Lieut Freiberg. Own Tps report being attacked by MK IV tanks and flame thrower tanks at Mosagnone C 3601.

Section 2.

Ground Operations. First. 8 Army night of 27th Nov attacked in strength from the Sangro River bridgehead on the Adriatic side. British New Zealand and Indian Tps attacked the defences of the main enemy positions on the high ground overlooking the Sangro Valley. The enemy is resisting fiercely and has launched repeated counter attacks against our Tps using flame throwers. The battle continues and heavy fighting is going on. Air Forces giving magnificent support. 13 Corps. Positions unchanged.

Second. 5th Army fwd positions no change. 6 Corps. 34 Div. arty fire on 1 coy 133 Inf in Castelnuovo H 0335 area at 0954 hours 27th Nov. 1 coy 133 Inf occupied points 905 and 920 H 0331. 45 Div. Rangers were attacked 1350 hrs Nov 27th following heavy arty concentration. Rangers again shelled during night. 2 Corps. 36 Div. Patrols contacted enemy at pts G985156-G982154-G985157 and G985158 10 Corps 56 Div. Increased enemy shelling. 23 Armd Bde. Patrol contacted enemy M8793.

Section 3. Air.

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First. Bombers night 27th/28th reported a total of 60 vehicles on roads F4573 Rome Terracina M39 and 40 MT in the coastal area Ortone 031 - Porto San Giorgio X89.

Second. Heavy MT movement in all directions was observed during the day on roads in area Valmonoone G05-Formia M69-Yassino G82 movement on 851 army front was light and scattered.

Third. Bombline. 8 Army 281210. C4205-3302 H3397-2995-2893-2891-2688-2986-River Sangro-2470-1969-09951-9942. 5 Army no change. Section 3 ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CCS (CAPT ROYAL, USN)

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2nd Part COSITINTREP number 141 from 15 Army Group. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FGHBI.

46th Div on right 23d Armd Bde on left incl 23d Armd Bde Mondragone M9179-Casanova M9688-excl rd junc M976886 rd to Cascano M9792-rd junc M946915-rd junc M945936-incl Rogdisi M932956 stream junc M924969 - thence stream to river and stream junc M888986.

5th Army cumulative casualties.

	Killed	Wounded	Missing
American	1768	6958	2655
British	1455	6147	2661
POW by			
American		2177	
British		1407	

Section 3. Air.

1st. At 261900 night bombers reported 50 plus MT moving southeast at G2606 also 50 plus MT moving north at G1606. General impression was of considerable movement mainly north in latter area.

2d. Moderate scattered MT movement was observed during the day on 5th Army front and on the northern

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sector of 8th Army.

3d. Bomb line.

8th Army. 270735-14 4205-3600-E3091-2891-2688-2986 River Sangro-2470-1969-09951-L9942.

5th Army no change.

No sig

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INFORMATION: G-2
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W-6290/6390 27th November 1943

Signed Eisenhower.Cite FHGCT. Action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rpt USAFIME, USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff.

Report requested FAN 279 reference 3170 Nov 22nd being assembled to include opinions of Field Armies. This is NAF 531. Plan forward report by air pouch in about 1 week.

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NOTE: Message relayed to SEXTANT
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ACTION: CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
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ADM KING
ADM HORNE
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Nr.: W 6289/6388 27th November 1943

Signed Eisenhower cite FHSUP, FHGDS, FHCAO, NADC and FHCOS to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff for action rptd USA-FIME and to USFNR for British Chief of Staff and CG SOS NATOUSA for information. This is NAF message number 529.

Our NAF 429 dated 30 September, NAF 478 dated 22nd October, NAF 503 dated 4 November, and NAF 525 dated 21st November and your 9652 dated October 9th are references.

1st., Troopers has agreed and is shipping 200,000 reconditioned battledress dyed green for use of cobelligerent forces engaged with us in our operations.

2nd. Considering 200,000 as a tentative strength basis we will require additional items of clothing such as underclothes, socks, headgear, overcoats, raincoats, and and blankets. These are acceptable in non standard clothing. All outer garments should be dyed green prior to shipment. Unless these supplies are furnished immediately minimum essential supplies must of necessity be met from existing Army stocks.

3rd. We expect to be able to furnish shoes or boots from reconditioned stocks in mideast or salvage stocks in this theater.

New subject. It is urgent that we receive advice as to your acceptance of the recommended ration scale for Italian military forces and of the subsistence requested

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in our NAF 503 information as to the date of initial arrival.

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ACTION: CCS (Capt Royal USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
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Gen Arnold
Adm King
Adm Horne
Gen Hilldring

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: WAR 0 1636
USFOR No #

27 November 1943

To COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post) (Freedom pass CinC Med and MAC MAC pass Fairfield AMILCAR) rptd Plambo 1 Br Inf Div (Fairfield AMILCAR pass) from Hq 15 Army Group number 0 1636 27th Nov (272350). COSITINTREP number 141 to 1200 hrs 27 Nov.

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

V Corps.

78th Div. Company positions established by 11th Bde in area C4304.

8th Ind Div. Positions H3799 and H3800 strengthed and sent forward.

2nd NZ Div. Patrols 5th NZ Bde report H3494 clear.

6th NZ Bde recce river crossings area H3292.

19th Ind Bde report much enemy shelling last fight.

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XIII Corps.

3d Cdn Bde under direct operational command XIII Corps. Report many fires seen and demolitions heard on far side of Sangro River, where artillery engaged several enemy detachments, villages burning including Villa S Maria H2971 and Borrello H2568. Rosello H2966 reported clear yesterday and patrol reached outskirts of Roccacinquamiglia H1056 last night.

5th Div. 15th Bde relieved 3d Cdn Bde in area Castel di Sangro H1153

2d. 5th Army.

VI Corps.

34th Div. 1 Bn 133d Inf Bde occupied Castelnuova H0335 with light forces.

1 Coy 135th Inf occupied hill G046314 and received mortar and small arms fire from hill just west also arty fire.

45th Div. Light enemy arty activity.

II Corps.

36th Div. Normal patrol activity. Light shelling on whole front. Little enemy activity.

X Corps. Quiet with less enemy movement. Increase shelling areas G961037-959029-954023.

56th Div NTR.

46th Div NTR.

23d Armd Bde. Patrol to river reported considerable MG fire area Castelforte M8599. Enemy engaged by arty. Patrol to M847934

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR 0 1636
USFOR No #
27 November 1943

heavily shelled and withdrew.

Boundaries. 56th Div on right. 46 Div on left N0680-027820-0092-M9696-09402-9302-9004.

1st Part. 2nd and last part follows.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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27 Nov
2028Z

PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: War

No. W-6295 27 November 1943

To AGWAR for Marshall from Freedom signed Eisenhower.

Question has arisen this theater whether artillery sensing or Naval spotting should be used by Air Force when directing Naval gunfire. From Air Forces standpoint, standardization of spotting method is essential. Suggest that Joint Army Navy Chiefs of Staff should make decision as to standard method to be employed both in training tactical reconnaissance squadrons in the United States and operationally in all theaters.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG AAF
JCS (Capt Royal, USN)
Adm. King

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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 272200

IN Rec'd: 29th Nov.'43

Time: 1015

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
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From: C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report 237

1. My 262215 Para.2. S.S.RHONA sank 30 minutes after being hit. (In?) spite of presence of 6 rescue vessels darkness heavy swell and initial bomb casualties unfortunately resulted in loss of 50% of those embarked. LCI(L) 174 shot down 1 aircraft and fighters claim 5 damaged in addition to 8 shot down.

2. H.M.S. ILEX H.M.S. NUBIAN and H.M.S. MENDIP carried successful bombardment North of Garigliano River on (23rd?) Only opposition from single gun was ineffective.

3. The (group missing) patrolled South of Ancona and 3 in (Strait?) of Otranto during night 25th-26th but sighted nothing.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
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N.M.C.S.
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G/C Du Boulay

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT 237.

(1) MY 262215 PARA 2. SS RHONA SANK 3Ø MINUTES AFTER BEING HIT. IN SPITE OF PRESENCE OF 6 RESCUE VESSELS DARKNESS HEAVY SHELL AND INITIAL BOMB CASUALTIES UNFORTUNATELY RESULTED IN LOSS OF 5Ø% OF THOSE EMBARKED. LCI(L) 174 SHOT DOWN 1 AIRCRAFT AND FIGHTERS CLAIM 5 DAMAGED IN ADDITION TO 8 SHOT DOWN.

(2) HMS ILEX HMS NUBIAN AND HMS MENDIP CARRIED SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT NORTH OF GARIGLIANO RIVER ON 23RD. ONLY OPPOSITION FROM SINGLE GUN WAS INEFFECTIVE.

(3) THE (*) PATROLLED SOUTH OF ANCONA AND 3 IN STRAIT OF OTRANTO DURING NIGHT 25TH-26TH BUT SIGHTED

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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272206A

WDCC
28 November
0501Z

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Number R 1017, 27 November 1943

This is part 2 of COSITINTREP number 139 from CINC Med signed Eisenhower to WAR 7th Army and Fairfield cite FHRNA.

Half hour after being hit the S S Rhona sank. Unfortunately the casualties amounted to half those embarked. Heavy swell, darkness and the initial bomb damage hampered the work of the 6 rescue ships present. Second paragraph of COSITINTREP No. 138 refers. Fighters shot down 8 aircraft and also claim damaging 5 and 1 aircraft was shot down by a CI (L).

Nothing was sighted when during the night of 25-26 November 3 destroyers operated in Straits of Otranto and 2 south of Ancona.

On November 23 a successful bombardment was carried out destroyers north of Garigliano River. Opposition ineffective.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL, USN)

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28th Nov
0755Z

INCOMING MESSAGE

3347

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Nr.: W 6287/6326 27th November 1943

From AFHQ to Troopers (AGWAR) Nr W6287/6326 27th 1115A. Troopers for MIRS, AGWAR pass to BAS (Cooke for Lovell). From G2 Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGBI.

Einsatz Battalion of Division 433 identified mid September 1943 in Berlin from document.

Comment: Since all Div Nr of Wehrkreis 3 became reserve Divisions, believe Division 433 to be the new Div Nr of Wehrkreis 3, controling Ersatz unit. Following also from captured documents:

(A) Convalescent sent by Marsch Komp PZ Gren Urs Batl 13 to 5 PZ Div.

(B) Convalescent from Marsch Komp 3/3 PZ Gren 13 dispatched 29 Oct 43 from Kranken S Stelle Fpn 15859 Assisi to Orvieto.

Comment: Although 5 PZ Div not believed in Italy condider this indication that Div has been disbanded or that drafts are being sent to Italy instead of Russia.

Grateful your views. Documents being sent fastest air MIRS.

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ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: OPD
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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IN Received: 27 Nov.'43

Time: 1630

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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Situation Report 236.

(1) DD Patrol in the Adriatic night 24th/25th sighted nothing. MTB's had to turn back owing weather.

(2) Convoy KMF 26 attacked by 30 plus Aircraft off Bougie 1700 26th. SS ROHNA hit being taken in tow. Details not yet available. Fighters claim 8 shot down.

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IN Rec'd: 29 Nov, '43

Time: 1500

Addressed: Admiralty
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Repeated: COMNORSEAFRON
N.O.i/c Algiers
N.L.O. 8th Army
N.L.O. 15th Army Group
F.O.T.A.
F.O.C. Gibraltar
N.O.i/c Bizerte
F.O.W.I.T.
COMNAVNAW
CINCLANT
COMCRURON 15
N.O.i/c Malta.

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From: C.in C.Med.

Situation Report Number 236.

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28 Nov
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W/6236/6088, 26 November 1943

Part 3 and last part W/6236/6088 dated 25th.

PBS motor tpt being augmented by vehs of tactical units in area. Bad weather affected port discharges particularly Torre Annunziata and Castellammare where 2 days were lost. East Coast. Shortages still exist 25 PDR amm though position is improving. Port discharges and stocks clearance showing substantial increase. Stocks in depots continue their upward trend. During the week petrol pipe line from Manfredonia to Foggia started functioning and supplies Foggia Airfields with 154000 gals 100 Oct. G (D) General adm situation satisfactory.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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CCS (CAPT ROYAL, USN)

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WDCC
27 November
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Number W 6236/6088, 26 November 1943

2nd part W6236/6088 dated 25.

Road Conca G9903 ETO Roccamonfina M99. Only patrol activity remainder period.

Front line close of period H0439 H0633 H0324 H0121 H0118 G9815 G9506 G9100 thence Garigliano River to sea.

Para 2. Locations.

153 Army Group P3088.

1 A/B Div Taranto.

5 Cdn Armd Div N2455.

7 Armd Div N0470.

8 Army H5890.

2 NZ Div H4679.

V Corps H5890.

78 Div H5199.

8 Ind Div R4290.

XIII Corps H2737*.

5 Div H1543.

5 Army Caserta N27.

1 US * N2459.

82 AB Div Naples.

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To: WAR
Number W 6236/6088, 26 November 1943

VI Corps H1717.

45 Div H0708.

34 Div M1218.

II Corps N1486.

3 Div N1599.

36 Div N0406.

X Corps N0887.

56 Div N9898.

46 Div N0089.

Para 3. Movements. Nil.

Para 4.

A. Casualties. Read X killed, Y wounded, Z missing. Total casualties to dates as stated below.

	X	Y	Z
8th Army to 19 Nov.	61	209	34
	803	3148	1013
5th Army.			
VI Corps to 18 Nov.	*	6347	2681
X Corps to 18 Nov	1429	6082	2628

B. PW captured.

	German	Unclassified
8th Army to 19 Nov	727	105

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To: WAR
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5th Army to 18 Nov.

VI Corps	German 2129
X Corps	German 1396

C. Adm review week ending 20 Nov. West coast. Amm supply satisfactory with exception 4.5 inch gun of which only seven days supply in PBS and 5th Army dumps. Necessary action taken correct position. DUKWS being turned in to PBS Depot as they are released from port. Build up classes 1 and 3 proceeding satisfactorily.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Capt. Royal, USN CC/S

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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27 Nov
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W6236/6088, 26 November 1943.

2nd part W6236/6088 dated 25.

Road Conca G9903 ETO Roccamonfina M99. Only patrol activity remainder period. Front line close of period 50439 H0633 H0324 H0121 H0118 G9815 G9506 G9100 thence Garigliano River to sea.

Locations 153 Army Group P3088.

1 A/B Div Taranto.	
5 Cdn Armd Div	N2455
7 Armd Div	H0470
8 Army	H5890
2 Nz Div	H4679
5 Corps	H5890
78 Div	H5199
8 Ind Div	R4290
13 Corps	H2737
1 CDN Div	H2742
5 Div	H1543
5 Army Caserta	N27
1 US Armd Div	N2459
82 AB Div Naples	
6 Corps	H1717
45 Div	H0708
34 Div	H1218
2 Corps	H1486
3 Div	N1599
36 Div	H0406
10 Corps	H0887
56 Div	N9898
46 Div	H0089

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From: Algiers
To: War
No. W6236/6088, 26 November 1943.

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Movements. Nil.

A casualties read X killed
Y wounded
Z missing.

Total casualties to pates as stated below:

	X	Y	Z
8th Army to 19 Nov	61 and 203	209 and 3148	34 and 1013
5th Army 6 Corps to 18 Nov	1602	6347	2681
10 Corps to 18 Nov	1429	6082	2628

B PW captured 8th Army to 19 Nov.
German 727 unclassified 105 C.
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C Adm review week ending 20 Nov. West Coast. Amn supply satisfactory with exception 4.5 inch gun of which only 7 days supply in PBS and 5th Army Dumps. Necessary action taken correct position. DUKWS being turned in to PBS depot as they are released from port. Build up classes 1 and 3 proceeding satisfactorily.
Part 3 follows.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CC/S, Capt. Royal, USN

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OSD letter, May 1, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

URGENT

From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR 0 1630
USFOR No #

26 November 1943

From 15 Army Group 262100 to COSITINTREP addressees Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post rptd Flambo 1 British Infantry Division Fairfield AMILCAR pass 0 1630. COSITINTREP number 140 to 1200 hours 26 November.

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

V Corps. In spite of continued bad weather causing 2 1/2 foot rise in Sangro River bridgehead has been extended and improved.

78th Division. 11th Bde has occupied positions at H4103 and H4003. Road at H4299 temporarily blocked impeding road movement but has been reopened.

8th Indian Division. Elements 17th Ind Bde captured positions area H3800.

Patrols 21st Ind Bde reached H3799 and is remaining there.

2d NZ Division. Due to rise in river only one patrol crossed at H6393 (3393).

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To: WAR 0 1630
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26 November 1943

XIII Corps.

1st Canadian Division. Patrols 3 Cdn Bde report enemy still in Borrello H2568 and Rosello H2966 with patrols west of ridges area B Santissmio H1864.

5th Division. Clashes with enemy reported at point 1152 H0147 and Gemhao 9945 and in area Pizzone H0340.

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2d. 5th Army. Forward positions no change.

VI Corps.

34th Division. Relief of 504 Para Regt completed by 133 Inf. Enemy patrols on 135 Inf front last night withdrew when fired upon. * 34 Division H0931.

45th Division. 1st Ranger Bn repulsed 2 counterattacks morning 25 November. Light hostile artillery fire during night.

Early night 25/26 51 Artillery engaged enemy infantry activities area G 9935 (9915)* at VI Corps request.

II Corps.

36th Division received intermittent enemy artillery fire * areas. Patrolling * left flank restricted by swollen streams.

X Corps. Regrouping almost completed 56th Division.

Patrols to saddle between point 963 G9508 and Mount Difensa G9509. Last night

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR 0 1630
USFOR No #
26 November 1943

reported enemy activity that area.

Continuous enemy movement area 09407.

(Part 2 follows).

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OSD letter, May 4, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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CC/S (Captain Royal USN)

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OSD letter, May 4, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR COSITINTREP 140
USFOR London No Number

26 November 1943

COSITINTREP number 140 to 1200 hours 26 November. From 15th Army Group 262100 to COSITINTREP addressees Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post rptd FLAMBO 1st British Infantry Division Fairfield AMILCAR pass 0 1630.

Part one begins. Section one. Intelligence. NTR.

Section two. Ground operations. First. 8th Army. 5th Corps in spite of continued bad weather causing 2½ foot rise in Sangro River bridgehead has been extended and improved. 78th Division. 11th Bde has occupied positions at H 4103 and H 4003. Road at H 4299 temporarily blocked impeding road movement but has been reopened. 8th Indian Division. Elements 17th Ind Bde captured positions area H 3800. Patrols 21st Ind Bde reached H 3799 and is remaining there. 2nd NZ Division. Due to rise in river only one patrol crossed at H 6393 (3393). XIII Corps. One Canadian Division. Patrols 3rd Cdn Bde report enemy still in Borrello H 2568 and Rosello H 2966 with patrols west of ridge area B Santissmio H 1864. 5th Division. Clashes with enemy reported at point 1152 H 0147 and Gemhao 9945 and in area Pizzone H 0340.

Second. Fifth Army. Forward positions no change. VI Corps. 34th Division. Relief of 504th Para Regt completed by 133rd Inf. Enemy patrols on 135th Inf front last night withdrew when fired upon. Hq 34th Division

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H 0931 45th Division First Ranger Bn repulsed two counter-attacks morning 25th November. Light hostile artillery fire during night. Early night 25/26 51 Artillery engaged enemy infantry activities area G 9915 at VI Corps request. 2nd Corps. 36th Division received intermittent enemy artillery fire. Regimental areas patrolling on left flank restricted by swollen streams. Tenth Corps. Regrouping almost complete 56th Division. Patrols to saddle between point 963 G 9508 and Mount Difensa G 9509 last night reported enemy activity that area. Continuous enemy movement area G 9407.

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OPERATIONAL
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Unnumbered, 26 November, 1943.

Signed Eisenhower COSITINTREP number 138 part 2
Cite FHRNA paraphrased by Freedom.

Destroyers carried out patrol in Adriatic during night 24th November/25th November but sighted nothing. On account of weather MTB sweep turned back, off Bougie Dusk 26th November, 30 plus enemy aircraft attacked convoy KMF 26. Fighter claim 8 shot down. 55 Rohna hit details not yet available tug proceeding to take in tow.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
COS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 241907

IN Rec'd: 25 Nov.'43

Time : 0905

Addressed: A.I.G. 387

Repeated : COMINCH

From : C. in C. Med.

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BY DBS, DATE
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SITUATION REPORT 234.

(1) BARFLAKE was mined and sunk at Naples on 22nd. 3 Rating killed.

(2) 13 mines swept to date whilst clearing Western Approach Channel to minimum. SANTA was mined and (sunk?) during these operations on 23rd.

(3) Port of Bari was (reopened?) 23rd November and destroyer patrols in the(Adriatic?) resumed.

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F.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen Macready
C.O.S.(2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
S.O.(4)
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt. Col. Cook
Lt. Col O'Connor
G/C Du Boulay

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WDCC
27 Nov.
0229Z

From: Algiers
To: War

Nr: W6236/6088 25th November, 1943

Part 3 and last part W6236/6088 dated 25th.

* Being augmented by * tactical units in area. Bad weather affected port discharges particularly Torre Annunziata and Castellammare where 2 days were lost.

East Coast. Shortages still * though position is improving. Port discharges and stocks clearance showing substantial increase. Stocks in depots continue their upward trend. During the week petrol pipe line from Manfredonia to Foggia started functioning and supplies Foggia Airfields with 154000 gals 100 Oct. G (D). General adm satisfactory.

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*Being Serviced.

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IN Rec'd. 26th Nov.'43

Time: 1010

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Addressed: A.I.G. 387
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From: C. in C. Med.

Situation Report Number 235

MADDALENA attacked by about 24 Aircraft P.M. 24th. Motor Torpedo Boat 73 hit and sank. 4 planes shot down.

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F.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
S.O. (4)
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt. Col. Cook
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SITUATION REPORT 234.

(1) BARFLAKE WAS MINED AND SUNK AT NAPLES ON 22ND. 3 RATINGS KILLED.

(2) 13 MINES SWEPT TO DATE WHILST CLEARING WESTERN APPROACH CHANNEL TO MINIMUM. SANTA WAS MINED AND SUNK DURING THESE OPERATIONS ON 23RD.

(3) PORT OF BARI WAS REOPENED 23RD NOVEMBER AND DESTROYER PATROLS IN THE ADRIATIC RESUMED.

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OSD letter, May , 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W 6236/6088 25 November 1943

Action Troopers info AGWAR USFOR 251000 from AFHQ signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT W 6236/6088.

37th weekly summary. Summary of operations 14 to 20th Nov.

Para one. Ground.8th Army. Heavy rains hampered all operations. Throughout week strong patrols 78th Div operated across Sangro River covering bridging operations. 8th Ind Div made steady progress and captured Atessa and occupied M Torella H 3488. On 19th Nov Perano H 3289 was captured against strong opposition and on 20th Nov Archa H 3187 was taken and Tornar Eccio H 3481 was reported clear. 18 Nov 6 nrd Bde 2 NF Div commenced operation in area NE of Perano. 1 16th Nov standing patrols 1 Cdn Div were established at Agnon H 3156 and Roccasicura H 1943. Patrols were maintained in areas Castiglione H 36 Ateleta H 16 Castel Di Sangro H 05. Enemy patrols were repulsed. 5th Div reported area Rionero H 124 road Junc H 0749 and Montenero H 0646 clear of enemy. La Montagnola H 1149 and Hill H 0742 were occupied. Patrols were maintained on road ********* Portella H 0541 and S Vincenzo H 0539 * occupied. 5th Army. Very little change in forward positions during period. Bad weather and flooded rivers hindered reorganization. 6th Corps. On 15th Nov defensive positions were prepared on line H 0536-H 0531-H 0226-H0221-H0020-G 9917-H 0014-G 9811-G 9738- 45th Div withdrew from hill H 0224. On 16th Nov 36th Divs relieved 3rd Div who moved to area Riardo N 19. *(18) nobs 2nd Corps composed of 3 and 36 Divs assumed control of area Mignano G 91. 10th Corps. On 14 Nov 56th Div reported Calabritto G9591*. On 15th Nov 201 Guards Bde withdrew to area H 0302 and 167.

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Bde concentrated area Orchi H 0002 ****.

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26 November
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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR

No #, 25 November 1943

Herewith Part 2 and last part COSITINTREP number 139 from 15 Army Group. Passing instructions as for Part 1.

Rio Torto H0247 have reached point 1152 H0147 which is reported clear.

2nd. 5th Army. Fwd positions no change.

Boundary change 5th Army new rear boundary as follows:

Inclusive 5th Army coast at N005605 thence east along Trentola road to N135637 thence Marcellino N1465 Cassaluje N1666 to Marcianims C2470 to Maddaluni N3270.

Thence exclusive 5th Army along highway number 7 to Benes Vento thence northeast along Pietrelcina Road to inter Army boundary.

VI Corps.

504 Para Inf moving to Ciorlanch 1316 area Linto corps reserve.

34 Div * and 3 Bns 133 Inf * 504 Para Inf during the night.

45th Div. Intermittent enemy arty fire during night.

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To: WAR
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II Corps. Arty and small arms fire on leftflank 36 Div.

X Corps.

56 Div. 169 Bde. Patrol to saddle between *****

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR

Number 0 1623, 25 November 1943

From 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass C in C Med Fairfield AMILCAR MAC Algiers M B Command Post) Flambo pass Fairfield Italy) number 0 1623 25 Nov nil. COSITINTREP No. 139 to 1800(1200)* hrs 25 Nov.

Part 1 begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. NTR.

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Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

V Corps.

78th Div Extent of bridgehead over River Sangro remains the same. Work continues on approaches to bridge and on supply routes.

8th Ind Div. 21st Ind Bde. Recce patrols operated fwd.

4th Armd Bde. No further tanks across River Sangro owing to state of bridge approaches. Bridge C4302 fit for wheeled * C4200 and H403983 for mules only night 24/25 Nov. Only enemy activity reported day 24 Nov light shelling **********

*NZ Div. 6th NZ Bde. Patrols night 24/25 Nov crossed River Sangro to general area of road between H3494 and 3292. Enemy fire

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reported from [redacted].

5th NZ Bde. 1 Bn now fwd on line H3592.

19th Ind Bde. Position considerably improved. Tps now on [redacted] objective I1 Calvario H27[redacted]. Bridge H[redacted] improved to take foot traffic.

XIII Corps. Mstrt off tps west of River Sangro and Rio Torto difficult because of height of rivers.

1st Cdn Div.. 3 Cdn Bde [redacted] 1053 * firmly in our hands.. Enemy positions point 1009 H[redacted] found [redacted]

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From 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass C in C Med Fairfield AMILCAR MAC Algiers M B Command Post) (Flambo pass Fairfield Italy) number 0 1623 25 Nov nil. COSITINTREP No. 139 to 1200 hrs 25 Nov.

Part 1.

Section 1 Intelligence. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations.

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1st. 8th Army.

V Corps.

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8th Ind Div. 21 Ind Bde. Recce patrols operated fwd.

4th Armd Bde. No further tanks across River Sangro owing to state of bridge approaches. Bridge C4302 fit for wheeled vehs and bridges C4200 and H403983 for mules only night 24/25 Nov. Only enemy activity reported day 24 Nov light shelling and attack by 4 FW190's area bridges

2d NZ Div. 6 NZ Bde. Patrols night 24/25 Nov crossed River Sangro to general area of road between H3494 and H3292.

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Number 0 1623, 25 November 1943

Enemy fire reported from area 384928.

5th NZ Bde. 1 Bn now fwd on line H3592.

19th Ind Bde. Position considerably improved. Tps now on original objective Il Calvario H2788. Bridge H302897 improved to take foot traffic.

XIII Corps. Maint of tps west of River Sangro and Rio Torto difficult because of height of rivers.

1st Cdn Div. 3 Cdn Bde. Castelmdi Sangro area H1053 now firmly in our hands. Enemy positions point 1009 H0945 found unoccupied 1600 hrs 24 Nov and 2 Coys now used in area patrols report Rosello H2866 clear but Qualri H2639 believed still held.

5th Div. 17th Bde agressive patrols across

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From: 15th Group
To: WAR

No: COSITINTREP 139 25 November 1943

Herewith part 2 and last part COSTINTREP number 139 from 15th Army Group. Passing instructions as for part one. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Rio Torto H 0247 have reached point 1152 H 0147 which is reported clear.

Second. Fifth Army. Fwd positions no change. Boundary change Fifth Army new rear boundary as follows. Inclusive Fifth Army coast at N 00565 thence east along Trentola road to N135637 thence Marcellino N 1465 Cassaluje N 1666 to Marcianimo C 2470 to Maddaluni N 3270. Thence exclusive Fifth Army along highway number 7 to Benes Vento thence Northeast along Pietrelcina road to inter Army boundary. 6th Corps. (504) Para Inf moving to Ciorlanoh 1316 area into corps reserved 34 Div. 2 and 3. 133 Inf relieved 504 Para Inf during the night. 45 Div intermittent enemy arty fire during night 2nd Corps. Arty and small arms fires on leftflank 36 Div. 10th Corps. 56 Div. 169 Bde. Patrol to saddle between M. Camino G 9418 and M Difensa G 9419. 23 Armd Bde. Assumed comd of new sector in south 23 Nov. Nov directly under Hq 10th Corps. Bde CP M 929911. Fifth Army cumulative casualties killed 1715 wounded 6779 missing 2714. British killed 1445 wounded 6135 missing 2661. Axis POW by American 2173 British 1405.

Section three. Air. First NTR Second. Bombline. No change. Section three ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2 CO[redacted]S (CAPT. ROYAL, USN) No.
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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot.
To: USFOR London No #
WAR 0 1608

23 November 1943

From Hq 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post) (Freedom pass CINC Med and MAC Algiers) rptd Flambo Fairfield (Italy) (Flambo pass) 1 Br Inf Div (Fairfield AMILCAR pass) number 0 1608 23 Nov (232100). COSITINTREP No. 137 to 1200 hrs 23 Nov. Signed Eisenhower cite PHGCT and PHGBI.

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Parts 1 and 2.

Section 1. Intelligence.

8th Army.

3 PW 2 Coy 79 PGR area Altino H 2789 during counterattack of less than Coy strength. PW stated:

A. 1 Bn 79 PGR Altino area.

B. 2 Bn on left of 1 Bn and 64 PGR on left 2 Bn.

C. Believed 64 PGR already relieved by parachutists or Infantry.

D. 79 PGR to be relieved.

E. 1 PW had heard 16 Pz Div was to go to rest to Croatia or Russia. Another stated sure it was Russia.

F. 2 Coy had received 20 to 30 reinforcements 19 Nov from divisional supply units.

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From: [redacted]
To: USFOR London No #
WAR 0 1608
23 November 1943

PW 6 Coy 1 Para Regt also captured in Altiho area.

Of 25 PW captured at C3899 22 Nov confirmed some from 7 Coy in addition to 10 Coy 145 IR.

5th Army.

1 Bn 71 PGR area G9720.

2 Bn 71 PGR identified vicinity G9918.

1st Bn 577 IR identified H0036.

All by PW.

Section 2. Ground operations.

E. O. 11652, Sec. 5(C) and 5(D) or (E)
OSD letter, May 4, 1972
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

1st. 8th Army.

V Corps.

78th Div. Forces holding bridgehead have been strengthened. 3 Bailey bridges completed but weather has affected approaches which are proving difficult for vehicles.

8th Ind Div. 19 Ind Bde crossed Sangro River night 22/23 area H2989 and captured high ground H2788 against slight enemy opposition including mortar fire but only light artillery fire. Patrols also across Sangro River area H3492 and report no enemy activity.

XIII Corps.

1 Cdn Div. 3 Cdn Bde. One company occupied S Angelo H2164. Small bridgehead established area H1357 from which patrol northward encountered enemy H1458. Enemy still reported on high ground east of

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From: [redacted]
To: USFOR London
WAR
No #
0 1608
23 November 1943

Castel di Sangro H0853 and area Rocca Cinque Miglia H0956.

5 Div. 17 Bde continued advance and reached Pt 1168 H0447 against reduced enemy opposition. Patrols advanced to Alfedena H0247 and reached point 400 yards east of Barrea G9950 without opposition.

15 Bde reports NMS Sorgsolfu H0651 but patrols 17 and 13 Bdes encountered enemy in areas Montagnola G9944 M Mallone H0141 and Omero H0240. Effective fire brought down on latter area.

2nd. 5th Army. No change in FWP posns.

VI Corps.

45 Div received heavy artillery fire vicinity Venafro H0320-Pozzilli H0523 night 22/23.

X Corps.

56 Div. Patrols 169 Bde to saddle between M Camino G9508-M Difensa G9509 drew machine gun fire from both sides of saddle.

46 Div. Patrol 139 Bde made contact M8594.

46 Recce reports 50 enemy M8192.

Heavy casualties inflicted on enemy withdrew own casualties 1 wounded.

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Casualties	Killed	Wounded	Missing
American	1631	6404	2683
British	1446	6104	2683

PW

American	2133
British	1405

Section 3. Air. NTR.

Bombline.

8th Army 230934. C4205-3700-H4098-R Sangro-3091-2891-2688-2986-R Sangro-2470-1969-09951-9942.

5th Army no change.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Captain Royal USN)

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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 232155

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Received: 24th Nov. '43

Time: 1320

Addressed: A.I.G. 387

From: C. in C. Med.

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JCS LTR [illegible]
BY DE [illegible]
MAY 21 1973

IMPORTANT

Situation Report No. 233.

1. H.M.S. CADMUS suffered slight damage from near miss in attack single aircraft during sweeping operations off Naples on 20th. 5 mines swept in this area on 21st.

2. After 8 days when bad weather prevented motor torpedo boat operations from Maddalena coastal craft sank lighter loaded with petrol 2 miles South of Leghorn (Livorno) during night 21st/22nd.

3. H.M.S. P. 57 report sinking large LCT loaded with M/T on 22nd in Gulf Genoa.

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F.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
S.O. (4)
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt. Col. Cook
Lt. Col. O'Connor
Group Captain Du Boulay

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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WDCC
25 Nov
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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group, Advanced Philpot
To: War No. 01618
USFOR, London No #
Troopers, London No #
GHQ Middle East, Cairo No #
Gov and CINC, Malta No #
Chief, Gibraltar No #

24 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group 24th Nov 2030A to COSITINTREP, addressees Flambo pass Fairfield, Italy, Freedom pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers, MAC pass Fairfield, AMILCAR number 01618. COSITINTREP number 138 to 1200 hrs 24th Nov. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI

0700 EWT
24/n

Part 1 begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. 8th Army. In area H3790 elements 145th IR in process of being relieved by elements 146th IR. 5th Army. NTR.

Section 2. Ground Operations. 1st. 8th Army. Bad weather continues to hamper operations. 5th Corps. Bridgehead held by elements 11th and 36th Bdes and 4th Armd Bde extends south to Casone H3798. 8th Ind Div, 17th and 21st Ind Div Cono area northeast of Paglieta H4095. 2nd Div. 6th NZ Bde in posn east of R Sangro Area H3291. 19th Ind Bde, 2 bns crossed R Sangro H2988 during night 22/23 Nov and after heavy fighting are in posn area S Angelo H2089. 13th Corps. 1st Cdn Div. 3rd Cdn Bde, stiff opposition from point 1009 H0954. 5th Div. 15th Bde. Pt 1004 H0950 occupied by 1 Coy. 17th Bde. Patrols report enemy holding pt 1154 H0248 and pt 1153 H0147. 13th Bde. Patrols report Omero H0340 and Pizzone H0240 clear.

2nd. 5th Army. No change in forward positions.

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From: 15th Army Group, Advanced Philpot
To: War
No. 01618, 24 November 1943 page 2

6th Corps. Slight enemy shelling 34th and 45th Div Areas. 2nd Corps. CPS 1st Armd Div N1288 CCA N 135850. 10th Corps. Corps rear Cp N185775. 5th Army casualties to

5th Army casualties to date:

American:	killed	1699
	wounded	6696
	missing	2710
British:	killed	1449
	wounded	6113
	missing	2656

Axis PW by American 2170, British 1405.

Correction to COSITINTREP number 137. 5th Army, British missing reading 2683, correct to read 2648.

Section 3. Air. 1st. Very light scattered movement was reported in the area Cassino G82 - Capreno G52 - Hinturno M 79, otherwise NTR.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 241020 C 4205 - H3091 - 2891, - 2688 - 2876 - River Sangro - 2470 - 1969 - G9951 - 9942.

5th Army, no change.

Section 3 ends.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S Capt. Royal, USN
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INCOMING MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: War

No. R 1034, 24 November 1943

Paraphrase by Freedom GOSITINTREP no 136 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA

Sunk by mine at Naples on 22nd boom defense vessel. During sweeping operations whaler was mined and sunk on 23rd in Maddalena, western approach channel. 13 mines have so far been swept in this channel. After destroyer patrols in the Adriatic resumed after intensive minesweeping on 23rd Bari has reopened.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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IN Rec'd. 23rd Nov.'43

Time: 1615

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JCS LETTER, 7-5-72
BY DBS, DATE
MAY 21 1973

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
COMINCH

From: C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT

SITUATION REPORT NO. 232

14 mines were detonated by sweepers whilst re-opening Port of Bari on 22nd Nov. During further operation H.M.S. HEBE mined and (sunk?) Port was again (closed?).

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(0) Personal
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FROM: CINCMED

RELEASED BY:

DATE: NOV 23 1943

TOR CODEROOM: 0435

DECODED BY: MOUNTAIN/KRANING

PARAPHRASED BY: YORK

ROUTED BY:

FOR ACTION: AIG 387
COMINCH

INFORMATION:

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FX30	
FX37	
FX40	
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NCNO	

COMINCH ADMIRALTY INFO COMMORSEAFRON, NOIC ALGIERS, NLO 8TH ARMY; NLO 15TH ARMY GROUP, FOTA, FOC GIBRALTAR, NOIC BIZERTE, NOIC MALTA, FOWIT, COMNAVNAW, CINCLANT, COMCRURON 15. FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NO. 232.

14 MINES WERE DETONATED BY SWEEPERS WHILST RE-OPENING PORT OF BARI ON 22ND NOV. DURING FURTHER OPERATION HMS HEBE MINED AND SUNK PORT WAS AGAIN CLOSED.

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24 Nov
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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Algiers
To: War W5939/4714
USFOR London NO #
Troopers London NO #

24th November 1943

Second and last part of W 5939/4714 from AFHQ to " Troopers info AGWAR USFOR 21 1800.

Bari stores 22976 tons vehs and personnel nil. Coverage daily discharges in tons per day by ports week ending 11th Nov as follows:

Taranto 1706

Brindisi 2810

Bari 3282

Barletta 485.

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Average number of ships discharging daily was:

Taranto 6

Brindisi 8

Bari 12

Barletta 1

RYS deliveries railheads for 10 days ending 12th Nov as follows:

Foggia stores 17,341 tons personnel 2302

Lucera stores 6675 tons personnel 1550

Sanvero stores 9078 tons personnel 301

APRI stores 710 tons

Cerignola stores 5263 tons

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INCOMING MESSAGE

To: War #3939/414
USFOR London No #
Troopers London No #

Auto Novaa stores 3855 tons

Rotunda stores 385 tons

Rignano stores 2180 tons

Triola 495 tons

General Port discharges show satisfactory increase as do clearance from docks by rail and road. Stocks in depots continue to increase.

Subpara D General adm situation satisfactory.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Captain Royal USN)

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BY DBS, DATE
MAY 21 1973

From: Algiers
To: War

No. W5900/4574, 24 November 1943

To AGWAR (OPE), Troopers (MO 4) rptd Mideast from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGOT W5900/4574 23 Nov 0900.

Weekly planning telegram number 11.

Para 1. Following is plan for operations on Italian mainland for next fortnight. Two main attacks planned, 1 by Eighth Army, 1 by Fifth Army. Eighth Army, with object of securing Pescara line, attacks as soon as possible on narrow coastal plain supported by great concentration artillery and available air and armor. After Pescara line is gained thrust will be made to southwest. No amphibious assaults are planned for Eighth Army attack. Fifth Army, ° 10 days after start of Eighth Army offensive starts large scale attack. Divided into two phases. Phase 1-56 Div and II Corps attempt to sucure high ground south of Mignano Pass. Two days later, VI Corps will attack with object of outflanking high ground northwest of Cassino. Phase 2-either simultaneously or shortly after VI Corps attack, main attack by II Corps, supported by heavy artillery concentration and whole TAF will be launched. Any success will be exploited by 1 Armd Div.

Para 2. Probable that if amphibious assault is launched at a later date south of Tiber, in conjunction with offensive from Frosinone operation will be carried out by 3rd US Infantry Div.

Para 3. Consideration is being given to the move of 52nd Fighter Group of three squadrons into Corsia

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From: Algiers
To: War
No. W5900/4574, 24 November 1943

Para 4. Weather has so far prevented reconnaissance of Elba referred to in para four of last weeks telegram. French have been told that they may carry out reconnaissance raids against island when Naval craft are available, but no occupation other than by small forces who might act as Guerillas, will be undertaken at this time.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: General Arnold
CC/S (Captain Royal USN)
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24 Nov
0151Z

OPERATIONAL
PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To : War

Unnumbered - 23rd November 1943

COSITINTREP No. 135. Part 2. Signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA paraphrased by Freedom.

Sweeper suffered slight damage 25th November and 21st November mine sweeping operations in Gulf of Maeta were continued. Near miss during air attack. After a week's inactivity due to weather coastal craft operated from Maddalena night 21st November/22nd. A lighter was sunk south of Leghorn loaded with petrol. Whilst on patrol in Gulf of Genoa HMS Universal reports sinking large LCT loaded with MT 22nd November.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

WDCC
24 November
0130Z

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Number W 5937/4710, 23 November 1943

Action Troopers, AGWAR from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT W 5937/4710 22nd Nov 1600.

ORBAT 17 shows position as known 2359 hrs 19 Nov 43.

Cancel ORBAT 16 (151/Org 3) of 17 Nov 43.

Part 1 AFHQ.

Hq 1 (Br) Armd Div, 2 Armd Bde and 18 Inf Bde.

Hq 6 (Br) Armd Div, 1 (GDS) Inf Bde and 26 Armd Bde.

Hq 4 (Br) Mixed Div, 10 and 12 Inf Bdes, 21 Tk Bde.

Hq 1 (Br) Inf Div, 2 and 3 Inf Bdes, 24 (GDS) Inf Bde. 25 Tk Bde.

Hq 7 (US Army.

Following leaving theatre immediately: Hq 82 (US) Airborne Div, 325 and 505 Rcts.

Part 2 Hq North Africa District.

Hq 57 (Br) Div, 170 Bde, 171 Bde and 172 Bde.

Hq 40 (Br) Div.

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To: WAR

INCOMING MESSAGE

Number W 5937/4710, 23 November 1943

Part 3 Hq No. 1 District.

119, 120 and 121 Bdes.

Part 4.

A. Hq 15 Army Group.

Hq 7 (Br) Armd Div, 22 Armd Bde and 131 Inf Bde.

Hq 5 (Cdn) Armd Div, 11 (Cdn) Inf Bde.

B. Hq 5 (US) Army.

Hq 1 (US) Armd Div, CCA and CCB. 3 Ranger Bn. Mantova Div 113 Regt. Italian MOT Group.

Hq II (US) Corps.

Hq 3 (US) Inf Div, 7, 15 and 30 Rcts. 36 (US) Inf Div, 141, 142 and 143 Rcts.

Hq 1 (US) Tk Group.

Hq VI (US) Corps.

Hq 34 (US) Inf Div, 133, 135 and 168 Rcts.

Hq 45 (US) Inf Div, 157, 179 and 180 Rcts. 504 (Airborne) Rct, 1 and 4 Ranger Bns, 2nd Bn 509 Para Inf Regt.

Hq 10 (Br) Corps.

Hq 46 (Br) Inf Div, 128, 138 and 139 Inf Bdes.

Hq 56 (Br) Inf Div, 167, 168 and 169 Inf Bdes, 201 (GDS) Inf Bde.

Hq 23 Armd Bde.

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From: [redacted]
To: WAR
Number W 5937/4710, 23 November 1943

(This is first part. Second part follows.

C. Hq 8th (Br) Army.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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CO/S (Captain Royal USN)

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PRIORITY

CORRECTED COPY

From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 5900/4574, 23 November 1943

To AGWAR (OPE), Troopers (MO 4) rptd Medeast from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHKOT W 5900/4574 23 November 0900.

Weekly planning telegram number 11.

1. Following is plan for operations on Italian Mainland for next fortnight. 2 main attacks planned, 1 by 8th Army, 1 by 5th Army. 8th Army, with object of securing Pescara Line, attacks as soon as possible on narrow coastal plain supported by great concentration artillery and available air and armor. After Pescara Line is gained, t thrust will be made to southwest. No amphibious assaults are planned for 8th Army attack. 5th Army, 7 to 10 days after start of 8th Army's offensive, starts large scale attack divided into 2 phases.

Phase 1 - 56th Div and 2nd Corps attempt to secure high ground south of Mignano Pass. 2 days later, 6th Corps will attack with object of outflanking high ground northwest of Cassino.

Phase 2 - either simultaneously or shortly after 6th Corps attack, main attack by 2nd Corps, supported by heavy artillery concentration and whole TAF will be launched. Any success will be exploited by 1st Armd Div.

2. Probable that if amphibious assault is launched at a later date south of Tiber, in conjunction with offensive from Frosinone, operation will be carried out by 3rd US Infantry Div.

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From: Algiers
To: War
No. W 5900/4574, 23 November 1943 page 2

3. Consideration is being given to the move of 52nd Fighter Group of 3 squadrons into Corsica.

4. Weather has so far prevented reconnaissance of Elba referred to in paragraph 4 of last week's telegram. French have been told that they may carry out reconnaissance raids against island when naval craft are available, but no occupation other than by small forces who might act as guerillas, will be taken at this time.

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NOTE: Corrected copy of CM-IN-14597 (24 Nov 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: Capt. Royal, USN (CC/S)
Gen Arnold

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From: Algiers
To: Troopers, London — No #
War — No. W5939/4714
USFOR, London — No #

23 November 1943

Action Troopers rptd AGWAR, USFOR for information from AFHQ W5939/4714 21 1800. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT.

Para 4. Administrative.

36 weekly summary ref our W5545/2779.

A. Casualties read. Killed Y, wounded Z, missing. Total casualties to dates as stated below.

8th Army to 12th Nov. 58 and 777
202 and 3062
Z 33 and 974

5th Army to 11th Nov, 6th Corps.
1407
Y 5675
Z 2601

10th Corps.
1346
Y 5650
Z 2546

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B. PW captured all German.

8th Army to 12th Nov - 706

5th Army to 11th Nov, 6th Corps - 1941

10th Corps - 1348

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From: Algiers
To: War
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C. Adm review week ending 13th Nov. West Coast. Ports and beaches discharges week ending 11th Nov.

Br.	Ports stores	22371
	Vehs	448
	Personnel	14264
US.	Ports stores	45804
	Vehs	1816
	Personnel	21109

Average daily discharges in tons per day by Corps weekend 11th Nov.

Naples, Br and US	6873
Salerno	1174
Castellammare	779
Torre Annunziata	913

Average number ships discharging Naples Port for week 20th. NYS. Deliveries railheads for 9 days ending 11th Nov as follows:

Aversa	14819
Cancello	5478
Cascria	1888
Caserta	1807
Teverola	1469
Maddelona	637
Frattamoggiori	340
Acerra	1236

General. No change in general administrative situation over past week. Railhead reconstructing progressing satisfactorily.

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East Coast. Ports and beaches discharges week ending 11th Nov.

Taranto	stores	11944 tons
	vehs	2172
	personnel	17888
Brindisi	stores	19669 tons
	vehs	30
	personnel	60

End of 1st part, 2nd part follows.

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From: Twelfth A F
To : WAR

R428/23 23 November 1943

To AGWAR from Spaatz signed Eisenhower cite ref nr WR763 Nov 23rd Personal for Arnold from Spaatz.

Report of Operations for period ending 1800A hours November 22nd. No operations by strategic air force night 21st/22nd. Day 22nd 73B26 escorted by 31 P38 dropped 64 by 1000 and 258 by 500 on Foligno railroad center, some bombs hit airdrome many in town hits on south bridge approach on repair buildings and in yards. No enemy aircraft no losses. 23 B26 dropped 138 by 500 on Cecina railway bridge, many near misses some probable hits no losses. 4 groups B17 off for target in south of France returned due weather 3 aircraft missing. Tactical air force report 119 light and medium bombers attacked defended areas and gun positions south of Lanciano and Fossaucsia, most aircraft report hits in target areas. Desert air force fighter bombers attacked gun positions 8th army front with good results. Warhawks destroyed 1 locomotive 4 waggons and damaged 6 waggons near Fabriano. Spitfires patrolled Sangro river area. 12th air support command fighter bombers attacked Cavitavecchia twice, near misses on merchant vessel, hits on chemical works and munitions stores causing 2 large explosions. Other aircraft attacked gun positions and communications battle area. Coastal air force report usual convoy escort, small boat hunts, air sea rescue activities and patrols without major incident. Today B24s with P38 escort attacking Sofia marshalling yards.

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Combined Chiefs of Staff

November 22, 1943

CG FREEDOM ALGIERS — Number 3170

SEXTANT — Number 1042

CG USFOR LONDON ENGLAND — Number R 6043

For Eisenhower Freedom Algiers, FAN 279, from the Combined Chiefs of Staff

Feeling that the experiences gained in the Mediterranean in the planning and implementation of deception would be of considerable interest and value to other theaters, the Combined Chiefs of Staff request that you render a report to CCS: Subpara A Stating the extent to which cover and deception plans have assisted real operations in the Mediterranean during the last year, and Subpara B explaining the deception organization which has been responsible for this work and whether such organization has proved satisfactory.

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By RHP, NLR, Date MAY 17 1974

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 231.

(1) MY 202203 PARAGRAPH 2 EMPIRE DUNSTAN SANK ALL CREW EXCEPT 2 PICKED UP.

(2) ITALIAN M A/S B 433 ARRIVED AT TERMOLI ON 19TH REPORTED THAT ON PASSAGE FROM SIBENIK TO SPLIT (SPALATO) ACCOMPANIED BY GERMAN ESCORT VESSEL, CREW DEMANDED TO ESCAPE. THE CAPTAIN WHO REFUSED WAS SHOT AND CREW CLAIM TO HAVE SUNK THE GERMAN ESCORT VESSEL WITH DEPTH CHARGE.

(3) SMALL SCHOONER WAS MINED AND SUNK OFF THE ENTRANCE TO BARI HARBOUR AT 201322. SUBSEQUENT SWEEPING OPERATIONS ON 20TH NOV PRODUCED NEGATIVE RESULT BUT 3 GROUND MINES EXPLODED IN

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APPROACHES P.M. 21ST NOV AND HARBOUR WAS CLOSED.

(4) BAD WEATHER HAS SERIOUSLY HAMPERED SWEEPING OPERATION IN GULF OF GAETA BUT UP TO P.M. 20TH NOV 158 MINES ACCOUNTED FOR BY 12TH M/S FLOTILLA.

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Time: 0925

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
Admiralty

Repeated: COMMORSEAFRON
N.O.i/c Algiers
N.L.O. 8th Army
N.L.O. 15th Army Group
F.O.T.A.
F.O.C. Gibraltar
N.O.i/c Bizerte
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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 231

1. My 202203 paragraph 2 EMPIRE DUNSTAN sank. All crew except 2 picked (up?)

2. Italian M A/S B 433 arrived at Termoli on 19th reported that on passage from Sibenik to Split (Spalato) accompanied by German escort vessel, crew demanded to escape, The Captain who refused was shot and crew claim to have sunk the German escort vessel with depth charge.

3. Small schooner was mined and sunk off the entrance to Bari Harbour at 201322. Subsequent sweeping operations (on ?) 20th Nov. produced negative result but 3 ground mines exploded in approaches P.M. 21st Nov. and harbour was closed.

4. Bad weather has seriously hampered sweeping operation in Gulf of Gaeta but up to P.M. 20th Nov. 158 mines accounted for by 12th M/S Flotilla.

Rec'd P/L from Navy Dept.

F.M.	Plans	212154A
Admiral	Brigadier Redman (8)	N.M.C.S.
Air Marshal	N.I.	C.C.O.R. G/C Du Boulay
Gen.Macready	S.O.(O) Personal	Lt.Col.Cook
IEB C.O.S. (2)	S.O.(4)	Lt.Col.O'Connor

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Unnumbered 22 November 1943

CINC MED 11 COSITINTREP no 134 part 2 signed Eisenhover.

Port of Bari was opened but had to be again closed after a sweeper had been sunk by mine during further operations. During sweeping operations at Bari on 22 November 4 mines were detonated.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)
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23 Nov
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From: 15th Army Gp Adv Philpot
To: WAR
USFOR London

0 1595
No #

22nd Nov 1943

Second and last part of O 1595 from 15 Army Group to usual COSITINTREP addressees. Passing instructions as in Part 1. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Continued advance in face of considerable shellfire and occupied point 1086 H0342 and point 1192 H0344. Second. 5th Army. Rain and ground conditions hampered all operations. No change on army front. 6th Corps. 34 Division. 135th Inf. 3 Bn relieving 1 Bn 168th Inf (Patrols in contact). 45th Division. Sector quiet patrols contacted enemy H0121 2nd Corps. 36 Division. Active patrolling. 10th Corps. 56 Division 169 Bde. Patrol active area M Camino G9408. 46 Division. 139 Bde. Patrols area M8696. Section 3. Air. First. Air reports showed only light scattered road movement on the whole front during the day. Second. Bombline. No change. Section 3.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)
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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: 15th Army Group Adv Philpot
To: USFOR No # 01595
War

22 November 1943

222015 from Fifteenth Army Group to Cositintrep addressees (Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MAXMA) Command Post and CINC MED and MAC Algiers rptd Flambo Fairfield (Italy) (Flambo pass) 1 British Infantry Division Fairfield AMILCAR pass (01595).

Cositintrep number 136 to 1200 hours 22 November. Part 1 begins.

Section 1 Intelligence.

General.

In area M Della Meta G 9544 German pack transport activity reported by escaped SNR Italian Officer. Observations early November. Officer believes German intentions are to establish artillery system covering roads Atina G 8235 Alfadena H 0147 Colli A Volturno H 0933. New mule tracks

(A) Pizzone H 0340 over M Cavallo G 9638 North of Peak Benning at point east of Picinisco G 8938

(B) Picinisco over H Della Meia South of Peak to Villeta Barrea G 9542 Eighth Army. Except in area C3898 There was only small enemy reaction to our advance. 35 PW captured at C3899 have tentatively been identified as from

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From: 15th Army Group Adv Philpot
To: USFOR No #
War 01595
22 November 1943

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Section 2.

Ground Operations.

First Eighth Army.

Recent rain has hampered all activity to such an extent that it is practically impossible to move either tracked or wheel vehicles off roads. V Corps 78 Division. Two bridges have been completed over the River Sangro with one fit for tanks. The building of a third is being hampered by enemy shelling. 8th Indian Division. Patrols last night found crossing at H3393, but report enemy laying mines far side this area. XIII Corps. 1 Canadian Division, 3 CDN Bde. Standing Patrol S Angelo H2164 attacked by enemy in strength yesterday and after two hours action enemy forced to withdraw but still cover bridge H 208648. Patrols across river at Atelata H 1661 and H 1359. Another patrol drove off enemy patrol H 1053 and reached Castel Di Sangro H 0953, but later retired. 5 division 17 Bde.

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CC/S (Captain Royal USN)

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22 Nov
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From: 15th Army Grp Adv.
To : USFOR London
War

No #
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21 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addresses Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and MA Command Post info FLAMBO Fairfield (Italy) FLAMBO pass 1st Br Inf Div (Fairfield AMILCAR pass) (Freedom pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers) number O.1586 too 211950A COSITINTREP number 135 to 1200 hrs 21 Nov.

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. 8th Army Front. PW last night 9 Coy 145 IR from patrol area C 433010. States 9 Coy on coast and 7 Coy in old area 9 Coy vicinity Fossacesia. 1 BN in reserve S. Vito. His unit had received orders to hold position at all costs. 2 deserters 7 Coy 576 IR stated 2 Bn 576 general area 2 KMS NE Alfedena H 0248. Stated 576 IR only 2 Bns and believed 577 and 578 IR same.

Fifth Army. 1 Bn 576 IR identified area G 9746 by PW.

Section 2. Ground Operations. 1st 8th Army. Continued heavy rain seriously held up movement and activity.

5th Corps 78 Div. Strong patrol clashes have occured North R Sangro.

This is first report we have of this unit

8th Ind Div. Nov hold line of road from H 3592. To 3089. River in flood night of 20/21 making crossing impossible.

2 NZ Div. Patrols active North of R Sangro in Peran H 3289 area.

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21 November 1943

6 NZ Bde concentrated area M Marcone H 3591.

19 Ind Bde established area Perano H 3289-Archi H 3187.

13 Corps. 1 CDN Div. 2 Bns in area North and South of S Pietro H 1554.

5 Div. 17 Bde passing through 13 Bde captured point 1252 H 0043 13 Bde report point 1010 H 0441 clear.

Second. Fifth Army. No change in forward positions. Patrolling and consolidation positions. Weather and ground conditions hampered operations.

6 Corps. 34 Div. Patrol contact front 135 Inf.

End of 1st Part. Part 2 follows.

Some Arty fire. 45 Div.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CCS (Capt. Royal, USN)

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IN Received: 21 Nov. '43

Time: 0755

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
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BY DBL...
MAY 21 1973

From: C. in C. Mediterranean

IMPORTANT

Situation Report 230

(1) Coastal Craft patrolling Northwest of Mouth of Tiber during night 17th/18th November sighted nothing.

(2) SS EMPIRE DUNSTAN torpedoed by U-Boat (Ger.) South-east of Crotone P.M. 18th November. No further details yet available.

(3) H.M.S. QUILLIAM and H.M.S. LOYAL intercepted Convoy of Small Craft in position 42-56 N 13-57 E at 2132 19th November. 1 F Lighter sunk, 1 believed sunk and Tug also damaged. Coast Defence Battery of 3 inch guns found out offered accurate fire, but caused only superficial damage. Casualties, 1 Officer killed.

(4) P-51 reported 1 hit medium-sized Tanker in Gulf of Genoa on 12th November.

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P.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
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22 Nov
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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group Adv.
To : War - 135
USFOR London - No #

21st November 1943

Second and last part of COSITINTREP number 135 from HQ 15th Army Group. Signed Eisenhower cite FHOCT and FHOBI.

Patrols, no contact. Other units nothing to report. CP 10 Corps Rear N2070.

U.S. casualties now exceed British —

Cumulative Fifth Army casualties:

American,

Killed	1613	10,659
Wounded	6361	
Missing	2685.	

British,

Killed	1843	10,180
Wounded	6093	
Missing	2644.	

3. Air.

1. 100 MT were seen moving both ways on road Arce G63-Cassino G82 at 2100 hrs and 1145 hrs. Otherwise nothing to report.

2. Bombline. No change.

Section three ends.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No number, 21 November 1943

COSITINTREP No. 132 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA.

1. SE of Crotone PM 18th SS Empire Dunstan torpedoed by U boat. Further details not yet available.

2. Convoy of small craft intercepted by 3 destroyers off S Bennedetto during the night 19/20. 1 F lighter sunk. 1 lighter believed sunk and tug also damaged. Coastal batteries opened fire causing superficial damage to destroyers.

3. Unseen obtained 1 hit on a tanker on the Gulf of Genda on 12 November.

4. COSITINTREPS Nos. 130 and 131 not issued.

5. Operations of coastal craft off west coast of Italy have been hampered by weather, patrol night 17th November/18th November sighted nothing.

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From: 15th Army Group, Adv Philpot
To: USFOR, London
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No #
No. 01574

20 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group 20th Nov 2015A to COSITINTREP addressed Freedom pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers MAC pass Fairfield AMILCAR Flambo pass Fairfield Naples Fairfield AMILCAR pass 1st Brit Inf Div number 01574. COSITINTREP number 134 to 1200 hrs 20th Nov. Part 1 begins. Sectinn 1. Intelligence. 8th Army Front.

PW 19 Nov Perano from 3 COY 64 PGR stated 1 and 3 COYS 64 PGR engaged in defence Perano. PW 9 COY, 1 Para Regt same date area S Pietro H1555 from standing patrols states 3 Bn Hq at Roccaraso and all 3 Bns of Regt in area Roccaraso-Risisondoli-Pescocostanzo. Italian officer returning from occupied territory report 55 units on Pescara River. These units previously in Corsica. Comment. Would appear to indicate 55 Reichs Fuehrer. Same source reported 1 M Bn at Terano end October and 1 M Bn at Chieti.

5th Army Front. No change in general enemy attitude. Continued evidence that enemy is digging in. Considerable mining activity and construction of defences on 94th and 15th Div Fronts.

Section 2. Ground Operations. Exceptionally adverse weather conditions experienced past 24 hours on both army fronts.

8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. 36th Bde successfully engaged enemy patrols to west of river Sangro. 8th Ind Div. 19th Ind Bde captured Archi H3187 where mopping up continues. Tornareccio H3481 reported clear. 13th Corps. 1st Cdn Div. 3rd Cdn Bde extensively patrolling

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area Castiglione H3762 - Ateleta H1761 - Castel Di Sangro H0953. Enemy patrols engaged and driven back with casualties. 46th Div. 13th Bde established companies at M Portella H0540 M Fosse H0541 and S Vincenzo H0539.

5th Army. Forward positions no change. 6th Corps. 504th Para. 2nd Bn moving to Rocheta H0636. 34th and 45th Divs improving positions. Both Divs received artillery fire during night. 2nd Corps. 36th Div continues patrol activity. 10th Corps. 56th Div. 169th Bde patrols to G9506, no contact. 168th Bde patrols to G9504-9505, no contact.

Part 2 follows.

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From: Algiers
To: AGWAR

No. R 1024 20 November 1943

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4. COSITINTREPS Nos 130 and 131 not issued.

5. Operations of coastal craft off west coast of Italy have been hampered by weather, patrol night 17th November/18th November sighted nothing.

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INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, CC/S (Capt. Royal USN), COMINCH

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From: 15th Army Gp Adv Philpot
To: USFOR Unnumbered
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20 November, 1943.

Part 2 of COSITINTREP No 134. From 15 Army Group 202015. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGOT and FHGBI.

Mt Friello G9806 area shelled. 46 Div. 138 Bde patrols to M8798-8594 and bridge G8093 no contact.

Casualties. 2 and 6 Corps killed 1595, wounded 6309, missing 2686.

10th Corps killed 1429, wounded 6082, missing 2627.

PW by 2 and 6 Corps 2129, 10th Corps no change.

Section 3. Air. NIR Bombline 8 Army 201655. C4205-3700-H4098 River Sangro to H2470-1970-G9942.

5th Army. No change. Section 3 ends.

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To: War

No. W 5545/2779, 19 November 1943

Seventh and final part our message no. W 5545/2779 181145. Action Troopers rptd AGWAR USFOR for information.

1 US Armd Div N 2459. 82 AB Div Naples. II Corps. N 1486 (1886). 36 Inf Div N 1487. VI Corps H 1714. 45 Div H 0708 3 Div H 0306. 34 Div H 1218. X Corps N 0887. 56 Div N 9898. 46 Div N 0089. 7 Armd Div N 0470.

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Para 3. Movements. Hq 29 (30) Corps 51 Div 9th (US) Div and 2 (US) Armd Div departed Sicily 12 Nov with destination UK.

Para 4. Administrative report not received.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: General Strong
General Arnold
CC/S (Captain Royal USN)

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR
USFOR London

No. 01570
No #

19 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees MAC pass Fairfield AMILCAR. Freedom pass C in C Med MAC Algiers info Flambo Fairfield (Italy) (Flambo pass) 1st Br Inf Div (Fairfield AMILCAR pass) 01570 19200A. COSITINTREP No 133 to 1200 hrs 19th Nov. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Bad weather continues.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. NTR.

Section 2. Ground Operations:

1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. Fighting patrols over river Sangro inflicted casualties on enemy. 8th Ind Div. 19th Ind Bde. In face of stiff opposition captured Perano H3289 and are now firmly established in village with tps to northeast. 13th Corps. 1 Cdn Div. Patrolling continues area S. Pietro H1553 and Agnone H3156. 5th Div. Patrols contacted enemy north and south of Pizzone H0240 and also area H1250 inflicting casualties.

2nd. 5th Army. Bad weather hampered all operations. Fwd positions no change. Continued consolidation of positions and vigourous patrolling. 6th Corps. 504 Para Inf. 1st Coy moved into Rocchetta H0536. 34th Div. Little activity. Receiving some artillery fire. 45th Div. Patrol activity continued. 157th Inf. Patrols contact H0226. 2nd Corps. 36th Div. Patrols operating vicinity G9614-9316 otherwise no change. 10th Corps. 56th Div. Very quiet some enemy shelling area G9505-9605. Boundary change between 56th and 46th Divs as follows. Incl 56th Div G 8904 thence Fosso Sanaviello to 9203-Wadi-9302-bend in road 9302-bend in

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road 9401-9600-incl to 46th Div bend in road. 9696-Valogno Piccolo M9894 thence no change. Other units NTR.

Section 3. Air.

1st. Light MT movement was observed on roads Arce G63-Cassino G82 and side rds in area. Otherwise NTR.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 191225 C 4504-river Sangro-H2367-1767-0955-river Sangro-0347-G9942. 5th Army 191307 G9942-9925-8905-river Garigliano-M8695-8195-7992.

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From: Algiers
To: War

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36 Inf Div N

* VI Corps H 1714.

45 Div H 0708

3 Div H 0306

34 Div H 1218

X Corps N 0887

56 Div N 9898

46 Div N 0089

7 Armd Div N 0470

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Movements.

Hq XX (XXX) Corps.

51 Div * (US) Div and 2 (US) Armd Div departed Sicily 12 Nov with destination UK.

Administrative report not received.

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To: War

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INFORMATION: G-2
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Joint Chiefs of Staff

November 18, 1943

US MIL MIS MOSCOW Number 33

CG USFOR LONDON ENGLAND Number R-5907

THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN FORWARDED TO US CHIEFS OF STAFF AT SEXTANT

This for Deane from the Joint Chiefs of Staff in reply to your number 47, repeated to US Chiefs of Staff at Sextant and USFOR LONDON for British Chiefs of Staff.

Latest estimate of the Italian situation was contained in a message from General Eisenhower, part of which was transmitted to Eden to be relayed to The Soviets. The remainder of this message was furnished you in our 797. The estimate of the enemy situation in Italy prepared by the Combined Intelligence Committee follows:

"One. Ground Forces:

A. South of Elba-Ancona. Total strength is estimated as 184,000, including 17,000 FLAK and 30,000 miscellaneous and service troops. The 11 divisions present are the 16th, 26th, and Herman Göring Panzer Divisions; the 3rd, 15th and 29th Panzer Grenadier Divisions; the 65th, 94th, and 305th Infantry Divisions; and the 1st and 2nd Parachute Divisions.

There have never been 6 Panzer Divisions in Central and Southern Italy. Any report of that number presumably includes the 3 Panzer Grenadier Divisions listed above. The number of tanks actually present is low, probably because of the nature of the terrain and the character of the fighting. The figure 200 is an estimate of actual strength, not prescribed strength.

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B. North of Riba-Ancona. Total strength is estimated as 236, 500, including 33, 000 FLAK and 30, 000 miscellaneous and service troops. The number of German Divisions present is estimated to be 12 (including those operating under Rommel's Command in the Ljubljana-Fiume-Karlovac Area of Yugoslavia).

C. Recent movements. Two Divisions (SS Adolf Hitler and 24th Panzer) have recently been withdrawn from Northern Italy to the Eastern Front. At about the same time two Divisions (probably 334th and 356th Infantry) arrived in Italy from France. Three Divisions (65th, 94th and 305th Infantry) have recently gone South from Northern Italy and are now in the battle line.

Although the Reds have informed General Martel that troops of the Herman Göring, 26th Panzer and 44th Infantry Divisions have been identified on their front, the first two divisions have been continually in contact with us in southern Italy and were so last week.

Two. Air Forces:

A. Strength. Total initial establishment strength of the German Air Force, disposed on the Mediterranean and Balkan Front on November 1, is estimated as 1,000 aircraft. The actual strength, so disposed, is estimated as 915.

B. Recent changes. The strength disposed on this Front has been increasing. Since October 1 the estimated increment to initial establishment strength has been 45, and to actual strength, 90, the former resulting from return of units from rest and reequipment, and the latter from this cause and probably to some extent also from low operational wastage attendant upon restricted operations. There has been no appreciable reinforcement of the Russian Theater at the expense of the Mediterranean.

Three. German capabilities and intentions.

A. Central Italy. The Terrain between the present line and the approximate line Pisa-Rimini is well suited for the conduct of delaying actions, and the present German intention

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appears to be to delay in successive positions as long as possible. The German flanks, however, are open to amphibious attack, and their lines of communication to both air and amphibious attack. Therefore, we consider their present strength in Central Italy a minimum for their purpose.

B. Northern Italy. Of the 12 German Divisions in this region, (including the Ljubljana-Fiume-Karlovac Area), we believe that half are fully effective combat divisions and half are in various stages of incomplete organization and training. The Germans, however, have been notably successful in quickly raising reconstituted divisions to full effectiveness. The effective divisions, with such assistance as the remainder afford, seen to be fully engaged in occupational duties, guarding the coasts, and operating against the Partisans in the East. At present, therefore, we cannot see divisions being spared from Northern Italy without replacement, but it is conceivable that as the Germans perfect the establishment of their occupation and their defenses for the region, as they develop Fascist Militia Units for internal police, and as they bring additional German Divisions there to full effectiveness, it may be found possible to release some divisions for use in another area where they are more urgently required. We believe that they would prefer to retain any such divisions in the general Mediterranean-Balkan Area rather than to transfer them to the Eastern Front, but consider that the urgency of the need in the East would be the determining factor.

The U S Joint Intelligence Committee believes that as many as 6 divisions would become available for use elsewhere in the circumstances envisaged above; The British Joint Intelligence Committee considers that half that number would be the maximum."

General Eisenhower has been authorized by the Combined Chiefs of Staff to retain temporarily his estimated needs in landing craft for his operations.

A message similar to this is being sent to Martel by the British.

Your request in 47 for a summary of present plans for operations has been sent to Marshall at destination.

ORIGINATOR: JC/S (Capt. Royal, USN)
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 5545/ 2779, 18 November 1943

3rd part of our 181145 W 5545/2779

Mile east of Fossagesia without making contact other patrols located enemy in area C 4103 and C 4000.

Slight shelling was experienced on 11th Bde Front during night 10/11. Elements 17th Ind Bde entered Atessa H 3684 on night 10/11 in contact with enemy elements north of Atessa and in the Tornareccio H 3481. 19th Ind Bde sent out 48 hrs patrols to cover the road Castiglione-Tornareccio and high ground between road and Sangro River.

13th Corps. 1 Cdn Div. Patrols of 4 Cdn Recce Regt reported enemy patrol in Agnone H 3056 night 10/11 but no engagement took place. Patrols entered Agnone Poggio Sannila H 3452 and Pagliarone H 1948 and reported all 3 clear.

5th Div. Movement of main body forward impeded by bad weather and demolitions. Meanwhile deep patrolling and work by Engineers continued. Bridge across Vandra River at H 1639 not yet complete.

12th Nov. 5th Corps. 78th Div. 36th Bde have established patrol base at C 4203 across River Sangro from which agressive patrolling forward carried out to cover recce of river crossing. 1 enemy mg post liquadated at H 3999. 11 Bde. Patrol crossed river and reported no contact in area H 3898.

8th Ind Div. 17 Bde report Atessa mined and booby trapped with defensive positions in depth. Point

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407 H 3986 captured and enemy counterattacking from Atessa repulsed.

13th Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde concentrated in Riomero Area H 1245. Patrols reported no contact and roads up to 48 Northing clear.

13 Nov. 2nd Corps. 78th Div patrols maintained contact with enemy over Sangro River. 8th Ind Div. 17th Ind Bde captured Atessa and repulsed counterattacks. 13th Corps. 5th Div patrols clashed with enemy patrols at H 0947 H 0742 and Pizzone H 0340.

4th Part follows.

5th Army. 7th Nov. 6th Corps.

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This is Summary of Italian operations 7 — 13 Nov

From: Algiers
To: War

No. W5545/2779 18 November 1943

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Ground. 8th Army. 7 Nov. 5th Corps. 78 Div continued advance and was firmly established across the R Sinello. 36 Bde forward elements in Torino H 4598. 11 Bde captured Scorni H 4790. 8 Ind Div. 19 Ind Bde Carunchio H 4469. 13 Corps. 1 Cdn Div. Active patrolling. Salcito H 4349 reported clear. 5 Div. Clearing demolitions and mines. 8 Nov. 5 Corps. Hq at 5690. 78 Div. Progress continued toward line of R Sangro. 36 Bde occupied Torino with OPS forward overlooking river. 11 Bde occupied M Calvo H 4091 and reached Paglieta H 4195. 8 Ind Div. 17 Bde having entered Gissi on 7 Nov were advancing on Casalangnida H 4181 and Carpineto H 4278 while patrols of 19 Bde reported Buono H 4875 clear. 21 Ind Bde captured Torrebruna H 4562 and patrolled to Castiglione H 3564. 13 Corps. 1 Cdn Div made considerable progress. 1 Cdn Bde captured Pesculanciano H 2741 and patrols reached H 3752-Pietrabbondante H 3249 and road junction H 2743. 5 Div. Forward troops occupied high ground east and south-west of main road area Macerone H1738 with patrols to point 1021 at H 1238. 9 Nov 78 Div on Sangro River. 36 Bde right 11 Bde left. (Second cipher part follows).

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COSITINTREP number 132 to 1200 hours 18th November. From 15th Army Group TOO 182000 to COSITINTREP addresses Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR CINC MED and MAC Algiers rptd FLAMBO Fairfield Italy FLAMBO pass 1st British Infantry Division Fairfield AMILCAR pass O 1559.

1. Intelligence.

Nothing to report.

2. Ground operations.

1. Eighth Army. Adverse weather conditions continued until late night 17/18. River Trigno had risen seven feet over last few days. Three separate divisional axes were cut at one time 17th 5th Corps. 78th Division, recces of routes and enemy positions continue. 8th Indian Div. After occupying M Torrella H 3488 (3482) 17th 19th Bde advancing North Astride Road reached N 3689. Patrols report M Marcone H 3591 clear. 21st Indian Bde now concentrating area Pollutri H 4892. 13th Corps. 1 Canadian Div. 3 Cdn Bde established positions at Tre Termini H 2750 Vastogirardi H 2152 and Pagliarone H 1948 with patrols forward. Standing patrols Agnone H 3055 and Roccrasicura H 1943. 5th Division. 15th Bde patrols report contact with enemy near M Madonna H 1151 (1150) but point 1333 (1233) at H 0345 and M Fosse H 0542 clear.

2. Fifth Army. 6th Corps forward positions no change. 500 (504) Para Inf active patrols to west. 34 Div NTR 45 Division. Aggressive patrolling

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From: 18th Army Group, London
To : War - 132
USFOR London - No #
18th November 1943

to front. Sector quiet. Two US Corps. Assumed control zone of action 18000 (180001) A. 36th Division completed relief of 3 Div except certain FA and service elements. 3 Div (less elements) assigned 2 Corps and assembled vicinity N 1796. 10th Corps. Little activity. 56th Division. Occasional enemy shelling forward areas. 23rd Armoured Bde reported enemy patrols M9098. 138th Bde moving to M9792. 46th Recce Regiment patrolling left flanks little activity. Other units, nothing to report.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

NR: W 5545/2779 18th November 1943

2 This is second cipher part our No W 5545/2779.

8 Ind Div continued advance. 17 BDE occupied point 396 H 4182 and 374 H 4283 and consolidated Casalangnida H 4182. Castaglione H 3863 was occupied by 21 BDE. XIII Corps. One CDN Div cleared Carolvilli H 2445. 5 Div. 15 BDE established bridgehead over R Vandro without opposition at H 1640 and Forli was captured. Acquaviva H 3124 was reached by 13 BDE. Heavy demolitions eccountered on whole front. 10th November. Very bad weather prevailed with snow falling in mountains. V Corps 78 Division. 36 BDE had 2 patrols across R Sangro and other patrols penetrated Southeast of Fossacesia C 3904 and to H3799. No enemy encountered. 8th Ind Div. 17 BDE in area H 4185 cleared road and slopes Northwest of Casalangnida and were directed on Atessa H 3785. 21 Ind BDE in area H 4469-H 4563. XIII Corps one CDN Div had standing patrols West of Carolvilli H 2445. 5 Div. Advance continued with Ricnero H 1245 clear and patrols at H 1148. Patrols reported point 1075 H1646 and H 1943 clear. 11th November. V Corps . Patrols 78 Div again waded through deep water night 10/11 to patrol West of Sangro river butcontacted no enemy. Patrols reached a point one half. (3 cipher part follows).

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From: Algiers.
To: WAR

No. W 5545/2779 18 November 1943.

Third cipher part of our 181145 W5545/2779.

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Mile east of Fossacesia without making contact other patrols located enemy in area.
C 4103 and C 4000. Slight shelling was experienced on 11 Bde front during night 10/11. Elements 17 Ind Bde entered Atessa H 3684 on night 10/11 in contact with enemy elements north of Atessa and in the Tornareccio H 3481.

19 Ind Bde sent out 48 hrs patrols to cover the road Castiglione-Tornareccio and high ground between road and Sangro River.
XIII Corps.
1 Cdn Div. patrols of 4 Cdn Recce Regt reported enemy patrol in Agnone H 3056 night 10/11 but no engagement took place. Patrols entered Agnone Poggio Sannila H3452 and Pagliarone H 1948 and reported all three clear.

5th Div. Movement of main body forward impeded by bad weather and demolition. Meanwhile deep patrolling and work by Engineers continued. Bridge across Vandra River at H 1639 not yet complete.
12 Nov.
V Corps.
78 Div. 36 Bde have established patrol base at C 4203 across river Sangro from which agressive patrolling forward carried out to gover recce of river crossing. One enemy mg post liquadated

• Bde. Patrol crossed river and reported no contact in area H 3898.

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8 Ind Div. 17 Bde report Atessa mined and booby trapped with defensive positions in depth. Point 407 H 3986 captured and enemy counter attacking from Atessa repulsed

XIII Corps.
5 Div.

15 Bde concentrated in Rionero area H 1245. Patrols reported no contact and roads up to 48 Northing clear.

13 Nov.
V Corps.
78 Div patrols maintained contact with enemy over Sangro River.
8 Ind Div.

17 Ind Bde captured Atessa and repulsed counter attacks.
XIII Corps.
5 Div patrols clashed with enemy patrols at H 0947 H 0742 and Pizzone.

Fifth Army.
7 Nov.
VI Corps.

(Fourth cipher part follows).

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To: WAR

Number W 5545/2779, 18 November 1943

4th part of our 181145 No. W 5545/2779.

504th Para Inf reached Fornelli H 1334 (1234).

34th Div. Consolidated positions. Enemy counterattacks repulsed.

45th Div consolidated positions.

3d Div. Small advance by 30th Inf to 09614.

10th Corps.

56th Div. Gren guards captured Calabritto G 9506.

46th Div. Patrol activity only.

8th Nov. Heavy rain was hindering operations.

6th Corps.

504th Para Regt. Fwd tps reached H 1236.

34th Div. 135th Inf reached H 1029 with 133d Inf at H 0725.

45th Div. 157th RCT crossed river Volturno while leading troops of 179th RCT reached H 0326 and 180th RCT were at H 0125.

3d Div. No change.

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10th Corps.

56th Div. 201 Gds Bde attack on Mt Maggiore G 9312 had been abandoned on night 7/8 Nov but fwd tps of 168th Bde were in area G 9203.

46th Div. 138th Bde reached M 8991-8895-8791 and patrols found enemy at H 8898 and H 8697.

7th Armd Div. No Change.

2nd Corps.

36th Div. 141 Inf in reserve at N 1199 with 142d Inf at N 1686.

9th Nov.

6th Corps.

504th Para Regt entered Cerro H 0839.

34th Div. 133 Inf attacked with objective Filignano H 0426. Whole 135th Inf was counter-attacked by German force which was repulsed.

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45th Div. Nothing to report.

3d Div. 15 Inf attacked along road to Cassino objective Cataldo G 9514. Enemy counterattacks were repulsed repeatedly. Very firm resistance along whole of Corps front.

10th Corps.

56th Div. 201 Gds Bde attacked Mt Aoquapendola G 9208 and Rocca 9210. Several counterattacks in this sector were repulsed.

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To: WAR

Number W 5545/2779, 18 November 1943

5th Part our message No. W 5545/2779 181145.

But some temporary infiltration effected at Calabritto G 9406. Many antipersonnel minefields in this area.

46th Div. Nothing to report.

7th Armd Div. Nothing to report.

10th Nov. Stiff opposition and numerous counterattacks on whole front while units were reorganizing and consolidating positions.

VI. Corps. Forward positions were then on line H-1334-0533-0929-0724-0425-0316-G9814(3814)-9610.

504th Para Regt with 2 Bn 509 Para Regt attached occupied Colli H 0933.

34th Div. Nothing to report.

45th Div. Steady advance in face of light opposition in some sectors continued.

3d Div H Rotondo G 9713 was captured despite stiff resistance while feature due west of Mignano G 9811 was assaulted resulting in repulse of enemy from southeast slopes.

X. Corps. Forward positions G 9505-9401-H9397-8894-8383.

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To: WAR
Number W 5545/2779, 18 November 1943

56th Div. 201 Gds Bde secured area G 9506-9507 on M Camino about 2 miles southeast of Rocca G 9210 which was objective Div was experiencing constant counterattacks.

46th Div. Nothing to report.

7th Armd Div. Patrolling continued M 8192-8390-8593-8590.

11th Nov.

VI. Corps.

Forward elements 34 Div advanced about 1 mile northwest of Montequila H 0929.

45th Div. Leading troops of 170 Inf reached high ground area Serrone H 0326 which dominates Filignano H 0526 to the east.

3d Div. 30 Inf in area G 9714 within about 1 mile of Cataldo G 9515.

7th Inf in area G 9910 directed on M Camino from east while 201 Gds Bde of 56th Div attacked it from southeast.

(6th part follows.)

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From: 15th Army Group, Algiers
To : War -O 1559
USFOR London-No #

18 November 1943

Second and last part of O 1559 from 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addresses. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Boundary 6th Corps on right and 2 Corps HG 9024 9423-9620-9916-H 0015-0410-0806-0902-1004-1304-1503-N 1899. 2 Corps on right and 10th Corps G 9112-9310-9709-9906-9904-9903-H 0103-0204-N 0798-0888. Passing instructions as in part 1 casualties. American killed 1563 wounded 6243 missing 2673. British no change. Section 2 ends.

Section 3. Air. 1st. Bombers night 17/18 reported moderate scattered road movement on the northern sector area Sulmona G 98 to Ancona S 64 ntr during the day.

2nd. Bombline. No change. Section 3 ends. Flock together.

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18 November
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Number Svc 7435, 18 November 1943

Ensuing is a corrected paraphrase by Crypto Freedom of our relays numbers 975, 977, 978, 979, and 980 all of November 17. This is part 2 of COSITINTREP number 129 cite FHRNA signed Eisenhower from CinC Med dated 172230A. Report is nil.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CC/S Capt Royal USN
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INCOMING MESSAGE

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17 Nov
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: Algiers
To : War

No : R-150/16, 17 November 1943

Signed Eisenhower.

Unissued is part 2 COSITINTREP 128 cite FHRNA. HMS Quail now berthed in Bari harbor after striking mine forenoon 15 November in Bari approaches.

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Capt. Royal USN CC/S
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IN

No. T.O.O./16th

Rec'd: 17th '43

Time: 0910

Addressed: WAR

From: Algiers

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IMMEDIATE

No. R-150/16 Part 2 COSMTINTREP 128

Cite FHRNL. H.M.S. QUAIL now berthed in Bari Harbor after striking mine forenoon 15 November in Bari approaches.

No T.O.O./16th

Rec'd P/L from Navy Dept.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macleady
C.O.S.(2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
S.O.(4)
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt. Col. Cook
Lt. Col. O'Connor
G/C Du Boulay

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IN Rec'd. 16th Nov.'43

Time: 0100

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Addressed: A.I.G. 387

From: C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT

SITUATION REPORT 229

(H.M.S. QUAIL?) was mined off Bari A.M. 15th. Ship has been berthed in harbour.

152200

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macreedy
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal
S.O. (4)
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PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: War

SECURITY CONTROL

No. W 5370/1704, 16 November 1943

From G-3 (Plans) Section AFHQ to AGWAR (OPD) Troopers * rptd Mideast. Signed Eisenhower. Cite FHGCT W 5370/ 1704 16 Nov nil.

Weekly planning telegram number 10.

1. Build up into Italy. 15th Army Group revised priorities as of 12th November with appropriate dates of arrival on Maryland are:

A. From North Africa:

1 First US Armd Div complete during November.

2 Second Moroccan Div and proportion non division troops, commence November, complete in December.

3 First British Inf Division, complete in December.

4. Strategic Air Force 6 groups in November and December.

5. Third Algerian Div and balance non division troops complete in January.

6. A third French Div complete in February.

7. 25th Army Tank Bde complete in March.

8. 6th Armd Div commence in March com-

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From: Algiers
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No. W 5370/1704, 16 November 1943

plete in April.

B. From Mideast no change of nominations cited in our weekly telegram number 8.

2. Amphibious assault in connection with operations against Rome. 15th Army Group has directed 5th Army to plan amphibious assault, in the order of 1 division, south of Rome directed on Colli Lisiali. It appears doubtful, however whether such an operation will in fact be practicable. Further details will be forwarded as they become available.

3.Report on overall Mediterranean strategy will be made shortly as directed in FAN 263.

4. On basis of reports received from Corsica French High Command feels Germans may be evacuating Elba weather has so far prevented an execution of reconnaissance raid on Elba to verify conditions. Examination is being made however as to desirability and feasibility of occupying Island in event of German withdrawal. Limitations of resources would prevent seizure by assault but maintenance of moderate garrison force might be practicable .

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INFORMATION: CC/S Capt. Royal, USN
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From: 15th Army Group Adv Philpot
To: War
USFOR London

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No #

16 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group, Number 01546 TOO 162140A. To COSITINTREP addressees (Freedom pass Fairfield AMILCAR and M. A. Command Post also C in C Med and MAC Algiers) (Flambo pass Fairfield Italy) (Fairfield AMILCAR pass 1 Br Inf Div. COSITINTREP number 130 to 1200 hrs 16th Nov. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHOBI.

16/0700 EWT

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. N T R.

Section 2. Ground operations. 1st. 8th Army. Very bad weather on whole front has restricted activity and movement. 5th Corps. 8th Ind Div. Leading elements reached S. Marco H 3586 and patrol reported enemy back in Torn-areccio H 3481 13th Corps. 5th Div. Patrols to area M. Postella H0541 and Pizzone H0340 former reported clear. 2nd. 5th Army. Active patrolling continues on Army front. Reorganization and consolidation of positions continued. 6th Corps. Fwd positions H0638-0531-0530-0729-0528-0426-0225-0122-0019-0117-0215-G 9914-9814-9713-9711-9610. 45th Div. Elements 179th Inf advancing toward hill 769 H0226 held up by MG and Arty fire. Other units NTR. 36th Div moving up. 143rd Inf relieved 30th Inf. Part 132nd Inf relieved 3rd Bn 7th Inf. 1 Armd Div. Elements moved to new concentration area north of Capua N 1878 10th Corps. Fwd position

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To: War
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No change. 56th Div. Patrols to G9708-9505. Report no contact. 168th Bde. Report enemy Calabritto G9406 and slopes to north. 23rd Armd Bde. 11 K. R. R. N. shot up enemy section crossing river N 9098. 46th Div. Patrols covered area 8895-8695-8393.No enemy seen. Operations hampered by wet weather. Casualties. 6th Corps. Killed 1475 wounded 5979 missing 2688. 10th Corps. No change. POW. 6th Corps. 2096.

Section 3. Air. NTR. Bombline no change.Section 3 ends.

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CC/S (CAPT. ROYAL, USN)

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16 November
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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR O 1534
USFOR No #

15 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield Amilcar pass MA Command Post) (Freedom pass CINC Med and MAC Algiers) rptd Flambo 1 Br Inf Div (Fairfield Amilcar please pass) Number O 1534. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

COSITINTREP number 129 to 1200 hrs 15 Nov.

Part 1. 15th Nov (152130).

Section 1. Intelligence.

8th Army Front.

II Bn 79 PGR possibly still Casoli area in support 65 Inf Div.

PWS from Defence Sqn 16 PZ Div area H343922 on 14 Nov.

State Sqn 250 strong.

Paybook area Casalanguida H4183 from 1 troop 450 Arty Regt.

5th Army Front. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1. 8th Army.

5th Corps.

78th Div continues patrol activity.

8th Ind Div. 19 Ind Bde occupied high ground (H3787) north of Atessa.

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To: WAR 0 1534
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Patrol reports contact with enemy at Montazzoli H3571.

13th Corps.

1 Cdn Div Axis open to Carovilli H2645 and elements of 3 (6) Cdn Bde mixing up.

5th Div. Patrol north of main road caused enemy to withdraw from area H1251. Enemy holds Portella H0541 and pt 1010 (H0442) with patrols to Pizzone H0340.

2. 5th Army.

6th Corps. Fwd posns no change.

Boundary 504 Para on right 34th Div; on left G9838-9933-H0231-1031.

Boundary 34th Div right 45th Div; left G9229-9528-9928-H0427-0625-0719-1317.

45th Div. 157th Inf after being counterattacked twice on afternoon 14 Nov relinquished hill 460 (H0224). Boundary 45th Div right 3rd Div; left G9023-9519-H0113.

10th Corps. No change in fwd posns.

56th Div. 201 Gds Bne withdrew from east slopes of M Camino G9508 to area H0301-0302.

167th Bde concentrated area Orchi H0002.

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46th Recce Regt with 383 Gp Btry relieved 22nd Armd Bde assumed responsibility 7th Armd Div section 142200A hrs.

Inter Army boundary. No change to H2132 thence all inclusive 8th Army H1836-1236-0637-0339-09747-930526 thence as before.

Section 3. Air.

1. At 1500 hrs tactical recce reported scattered movement total 20 vehs in the area Lanciano C30. Otherwise NTR.

2. Bombline 8th Army and 5th Army no change.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S Capt. Royal, USN
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Time: 0910

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Addressed: A.I.G. 387

From: CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT No. 228.

(1) PT. Boat and Motor Torpedo Boats on patrol during night 11th/12th November report intercepting tanker northbound/north of Civita Vecchia. 2 torpedo attacks unsuccessful but 1 of escort of 2 E or R Boats and Flak Lighter believe considerably damaged by Gunfire. Further sweep by Pt. Boats night 12th/13th November was unproductive.

(2) Mine field in Gulf Gaeta is being cleared to assist bombardment forces. 28 mines were swept by 12th mine sweeping Flotilla on 12th November.

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Time: 1040

Addressed: A.I.G. 387
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From: C. in C. Med.

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H.M.S. TUMULT H.M.S. TYRIAN O.R.P. PIORUN and H.M.S. GRENVILLE carried out successful bombardment in support 5th Army in Gulf Gaeta during the night 8th 9th. Situation Report No. 227.

2. Naples raided by approximately 30 aircraft between 0300 (and 0400?) 10th H.M.S. RHYL damaged by near miss but is seaworthy.

3. KMS 31 attacked by about 25 aircraft off Oran about 18(15?) 11th Nov. (My?)121901 to Admiralty only also (refers?). 4 Merchant ships (were?) sunk and 2 slightly damaged but continued with convoy. 2 aircraft (claimed?) shot down (by?) anti aircraft fire and 1 probable and 1 damaged by fighters.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: AFHQ NA
To: WAR

Nr.: R888/14 14th November 1943

COSITINTREP No 126 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA para by Freedom.

Tanker intercepted north of Civita Vechia during night 11th Nov/12th Nov by PT boat and MTB's One of escorts believed considerably damaged by gunfire but torpedo attacks on tanker were unsuccessful. During night on 12th Nov/13th Nov PT boats again carried out sweep but nothing was sighted.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)
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COSITINTREP number 128 to 1200 hours 14 November.

Part 1 begins.

Section 1.

Intelligence. 8th Army NTR. 5th Army. (FWS) yesterday from 2nd Bn 578 GREN Regiment and 305 SIGS BN Area Castel San Vincenzo 2nd BN 15 PGR made 3 counter-attacks area H 0018 and H 0225. Prisoners state 2nd Bn arrived from Cassino night 12 November with "other BN" their regiment.

Section 2.

Ground Operations. First. 8th Army. Fifth Corps. 78 Division. Patrols engaged enemy across river Sangro. Overrunning a MG post and also destroyed an armoured car at H 342925 8th Indian Division. Tornareccio H 3481 reported clear. 13 Corps. 1 Canadian Division. Enemy patrols still active north of Agnone H 3056 5th Division. 15 BDE. Report NMS area Rionero H 1245-road junction H 0749-A Montenero H 0646 but road mined and blown. Montagnola H 1049 and point 1260 H 0742 occupied by own troops.

Second. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Forward positions

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To: War — No. 0 1527
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No: 0 1527, 14 November 1943.

no change. 45 Division. 4 Ranger BN relieved by 3 Bn 180 Inf. 4 ranger Bn now attached to 1st Ranger Bn. 179 Inf. Sent patrol to Selvone H 0429 but no report. No change for 34 Div 3 Div and 504 Para Inf. 10th Corps. 56 Div. 168 BDE. Established standing patrol at G 946055. No enemy reported in Calabritto G 8596(9596). Intermittent shelling all day. 46 Division. No change. 7th Armd Division. Report enemy at M 7996-793935-828934. Casualties. 6th Corps. Killed 1407 wounded 5675 missing 2601. 10th Corps. No change. POW Sixth Corps 1941. 10th Corps no change.

Section 3. Air. NTR. Bombline. 8th Army and 5th Army no change.

Section 3 ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CC/S (Capt. Royal, USN)

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From: AFHQ in North Africa
To: War

SVC 7075, 14th November 1943

Forthwith is paraphrase of message relays of November 14th: 126 to AGWAR, 128 to 7th Army 129 to Fairfield 130 to 8th Army and 15th Army Group and 111 to FLAMBO. Herewith message. COSTINTREP 125 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA from CINC MED.

Report nil.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR 202 - NAF 514.
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13 November, 1943.

AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower cite FHSOS. This is NAF 514.

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED

HMS TUMULT HMS TYRIAN O.R.P. PIORUN AND HMS GRENVILLE CARRIED OUT SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT IN SUPPORT 5TH ARMY IN GULF GAETA DURING THE NIGHT 8TH 9TH. SUTUATION REPORT NO. 227.

(2) NAPLES RAIDED BY APPROXIMATELY 30 AIRCRAFT BETWEEN 0300 AND 0400 10TH HMS RHYL DAMAGED BY NEAR MISS BUT AS SEAWORTHY

(3) HMS 31 ATTACKED BY ABOUT 25 AIRCRAFT OFF ORAN ABOUT 1815 11TH NOV. MY 12191 TO ADMIRALTY ONLY ALSO REFERS. 4 MERCHANT SHIPS WERE SUNK AND 2 SLIGHTLY DAMAGED BUT CONTINUED WITH CONVOY. 2 AIRCRAFT CLAIMED SHOT DOWN BY ANTI AIRCRAFT FIRE AND 1 PROBABLE AND 1 DAMAGED BY FIGHTERS.

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War 0 1522
London - USFOR No #

13 November 1943

Number 0.1522 TOO 132100 A from Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post, information FLAMBO. COSITINTREP Number 127 to 1200 hours 13 November.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence.

5th Army Front. 1st and 2nd Bns 578th Inf Regt identified by PWS areas H 053315 and H 061317. 8th Army Front. PW 145th Inf Regt states 1 Bn 146th Inf Regt in line south of 2nd Bn 145th. Italians report civilians being cleared from area Aquaviva H 1341 Vincenzo H 0539 and extensive demolitions being carried out.

Section 2. Ground Operations.

1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. Patrols across river Sangro continue activity. 8th Ind Div. 17th Ind Bde captured Atessa H 3684 1100 hours driving off several enemy counterattacks. 13th Corps. 1st Cdn Div Hq H 5528. Patrol entered Vastogirardi H 2152 yesterday. 5th Div. Considerable enemy patrol activity area Rionero H 1145. Clashes with own patrols reported at point 1017 H 0947 and point 1260 H 0742. Enemy also contacted in Pizzone H 0340 and Castel S. Vincenzo H 0539. Foot patrol to road junc H 0740 saw no enemy movement but demolitions observed Rocca Cinque Miglea H 1056 and Alfedena H 0148.

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2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Forward positions H 0639-0632-0528-0224 thence no change to G 9915 thence no change elements 504th Para advanced to vicinity Casel S Vincenzo H 0539. 34th Div Hq H 0828. 135th Inf moving to area H 0731 168th Inf to relieve 135th in present location 133 in reserve. 45th Div. Enemy counterattacked late morning vicinity S Pietro G 9816 details not known. Boundary 45th Div on right 3rd Div on left no change to H C113 thence G 9816-9920 thence no change. 10th Corps. Active patrolling on entire front. Enemy very active. Enemy shelled entire front throughout night. Army Troops. 1 Combat Command 1 Armd Div in Area N 1782.

Section 3. Air

End of 1st Part, Part 2 follows.

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WAR No. 0 1514

12 November 1943

From 15th Army Group to 122015 to COSITINTREP addressees. Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post, AFHQ pass C IN C Med and MAC Algiers. No 0 1514. COSITINTREP No. 126 to 1200 hours 12 Nov. Sgd Eisenhower cite FHOCT and FHGBI.

See Map

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front. Counterattacks by 15 PG Div on Camino feature G 9507 continued today and made some progress. 129th Regt identified this area 11 Nov supported by 3 Bn 382 Regt.

8th Army Front. Unconfirmed report from Italian source states an M Bn arrived area Chieti end Oct.

Section 2. Ground operations. 1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. Aggressive patrolling across river Sangro continues covering recce of river crossing. 8 Ind Div. 17 Ind Bde. Progress against enemy at Atessa H 3785 and Torna Reccio H 3482 delayed by demolitions on road Gissi-Casalanguida. 13th Corps. 1 Cdn Div. Patrols entered Agnone H 3156 Poggio Sannila H 3452 and Pagliarone H 1948 on Nov 11th without opposition. 5th Div. 15th Bde. Now concentrated fwd in Rionero H 1245. Patrols report point 973 H 1348 and main road to 48 northing clear.

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2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Consolidation of positions and reorganization of units continues with small advances against stiff resistance. Fwd positions H 1034-0531-0326-

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G 9814-9610. CP changes. 7th Inf H 010082. 135th Inf H 095283. 504th Para Inf H 115338. 10th Corps. Fwd positions no change. G 9507 retaken by enemy who also hold G 956075-956073. Counter attack on 168 Bde broken up by arty. 23rd Armd Bde. Has taken over 167 Bde area. With CP at M 978982. Casualties. 6th Corps. Killed 1369 wounded 5453 missing 2597. 10th Corps. Killed 1349 wounded 5650 missing 2546. POW. 6th Corps. 1861. 10th Corps. 1348.

Section 3. Air. 1st. Considerable mt movement was reported at 0750 hours on roads Gaeta M 68-Pico G 61 and San Giorgio G 81-Cassino G 82. During the rest of the day movement on 5th Army front was on a reduced scale. 8th Army front nothing to report.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army and 5th Army no change. Section three ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War 0-1508
USFOR London No #

11 November, 1943

COSITINTREP number 125. From HQ 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post) (Freedom pass CINC MED and MAC Algiers rptd FLAMBO number O 1508, 11th Nov (112050) Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

To 1200 hrs 11 Nov.

Part 1 begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front.

See Map

10 Nov enemy continued to offer stiff resistance in centre and carried out several local counterattacks in area S Pietro G9716 Monte Lungo H0015 and Monte Rotondo G9814. On northern flank enemy withdrew in haste leaving ammunition stores and unburied dead. Recce unit 115 identified believed operating on 15 and 94 Div front.

8 Army Front. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. Eighth Army. 5 Corps, 78 Div. Foot patrols crossed mouth of Sangro and reached C409051 no contact with enemy. Enemy positions believed C410034 confirmed H390196. 8 Ind Div. 17 Ind Bde. Fwd Tps in contact with enemy north of Atessa H3004 and area Tornareccio A3481. Div Hq at Furcu H4878. 13 Corps.

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1 CDN Div. Patrol activity continues. Enemy reported in area Agnone H3056. 5 Div. Advance of Div restricted by bad weather and demolitions. Patrolling continues pts 1094 and 1210 area H1044 reported clear. Enemy fighting patrol withdrew from Acquaviva H1241 after sharp encounter with 15 Bde patrol.

Second. Fifth Army. 6 Corps. 34 Div. 168 Inf Hq at H105252. 135 Inf Hq at H098287. 45 Div. Fwd positions H0724-0326-0017. Hqs. 179 Inf H045232.157 Inf H059207. 180 Inf H168137. 3 Div. 7 Inf Hq at G970086. 10 Corps. 56 Div. 201 Gds Bde and 168 Bde beat off counter-attacks and took prisoners. Fwd units in bdes being relieved. 167 Bde Hq at M968986. Second Corps Hq at N152869. 36 Div Hq at N145845. Casualties. 6 Corps killed 1310 wounded 4945 missing 2549. 10 Corps killed 1327 wounded 5622 missing 2542. P of W by 6 Corps 1742 by 10 Corps 1348.

Section 3. Air. First. Increased general MT movement was observed on 10 Corps front during the day. 8 Army Front NTR.

Second. Bombline. 8 Army 111345 04504 at river Sangro to PT H0347-1342-0635-09925. 5 Army no change. Section 3 ends.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. 9661 11 November, 1943

USFOR for Chiefs of Staff repeated Britman Washington from G-2 Freedom signed CINC cite FHGBI.

Cable OZ 3580 dated 5th November paragraph 2 refers, Commander in Chief averse to announcement on Oines suggested as he has enough trouble in this respect already. Request that USCOS be informed at an early date.

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NOTE: Reference not in WDCMC

ACTION: CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

INFORMATION: OPD

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From: 15th Army Group
To: War O-1502
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11 November, 1943

2nd and last part of O 1502 from 15 Army Group to usual COSITINTREP addresses. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

45 Division. 1st Bn 180 Inf relieved 1st Ranger Bn. 179 Inf advancing with no contact. 157 Inf advancing with light contact. 3rd Division attacked and seized M Rotondo G 9713 despite determined resistance. Hill mass due west of Mignano G 9811 was assaulted and enemy driven from southeastern slopes. Third Bn 30th Inf broke up counter attack which formed before their position at 091730 with mortar and artillery fire. Forward positions G 0505-9401-M9397-8894-8388. 10th Corps. 56 Division constantly counter attacking. 46 Division no change. 7th Armoured Division patrols to M 8192-8390-8593-8590 otherwise no change. HQ 22nd Armd Brigade M 8979.

Section 3. Air. First. Considerable movement was reported during the morning between Viticuso G 9724 to Aqua Fondala G 9626 and 40 MT were seen moving northwest from Ceprano G 6026 to Frosinone G 4637. Otherwise only small scattered movement was observed on 5th Army Front. 8th Army Front NTR.

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Second. Bombline. 8th Army 101200. C 4604 (4504) - River Sangro to H 3090 E-3057-0853-0347-1342-0635-09925. 5th Army no change.

Section 3 ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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From: CINCMED

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IMPORTANT.

Situation Report Number 226.

1. My 072243, Para 6.

5 enemy aircraft claim destroyed by A/A fire during attack convoy KMF 25A.

2. H.M.S.QUILLAM and H.M.S.RAIDER on patrol (South?) of Valona during night 9th/10th sank a siebel ferry loaded (with?) petrol and ammunition. Of 3 escorting M.L. 1 was taken in tow to Brindisi and 1 was destroyed.

3. Between 1st and 8th November 61 mines were swept by 14th M/S flotilla while clearing the approach channel to Maddelena.

4. 1 enemy aircraft was shot down during (an?) attack 9 planes on Maddelena at 0200/10th.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: AGWAR 01502
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COSITINTREP Number 124 to 1200 hours 5th November O 1502 to COSITINTREP Addressees Fairfield AMILCAR MA Command Post Freedom pass CINC Med and MAC Algiers rptd FLAMBO TOO 102120 from 15th Army Group.

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front.

Enemy defense reported to be thinning in hills north and north west Venafro. 15th PG Division continues to counter attack in small groups Area C 9504 to C 9507 but unsuccessfully. In coastal sector defensive positions being prepared from Castel Forte M 8599 along edge of high ground to sea.

8th Army Front.

PW 10 Company 145th Inf Regt captured on patrol south of Sancro confirms enemy still occupy Fossacesia. Boundary between 2 and 3 Bns 145 Inf Regt S Maria C 3501 H 400983 both inclusive to 3 Bn.

Section 2 Ground Operations.

1st. 8th Army. Weather conditions continue bad on entire front and snow is falling in mountain areas. 5th Corps. 78 Division.2 Patrols of 36 Bde crossed river Sangro yesterday and returned without making contact. Last night further patrols penetrated southeast

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of Fossacesia C 3904 and to H 3799 and reported no enemy reaction. 8th Indian Division 17 Ind Bde operating west of Casalanguida H 4181 directed on Atessa H 3785. 13 Corps. 1 Canadian Div. Standing patrols now west of Carovilli H 2445. 5th Division advance continues with Rionero H 1245 clear and patrols at H 1148. Patrols report point 1075 H 1646 and Roccasicura H 1943 clear.

2nd. 5th Army. Entire front characterized by stiff enemy resistance and small counter attacks. Our units are reorganizing and consolidating positions. 6th Corps. Hq H 1614. Forward positions H 1334, 0913, 0938, 0724, 0425, 0316, G 9814, 9610 Hq 504 Para Regt Fornelli H 1234. Collio H 0933 occupied. 2nd Bn 509 Para attached to 504 Para Regt.

Part 2 follows.

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: 15th Army Group
To: War

No: O-1499 9 November 1943

From 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post-Freedom pass to CINC Med and MAC Algiers. Number O-1499 092045. COSINTREP no 123.

To 1200 hrs 9 Nov.

Part 1, Section 1. Intelligence. 5 Army Front. 8th Nov unsuccessful counter attacks by 29 PG Regt and 9 PG Regt. Former yielded 41 PW. 9 PGR now known to have lost 56 killed and 21 PW in its counter attack of 7 Nov. Escaped British officer reports seeing pack mountain arty in areas S.Donato G8445 Alfadena H0247 and La Meta G9543.

Eight Army Front. PW today 450 Coast Defense Bty states unit equipped with 105 MM gun H's 8 Nov 2 deserters 1 Bn 16 Arty Regt at Furcin 4978. Statements of PWS and deserters 145 Inf Regt indicate its sector extends from coast to appro 30 easting with 3 Bn on coast Hq Fossacesia and 2 Bn on right Hq Lanciano C3203. Both Bns have 3 coys forward. Div has 2 Inf Regts only. Equipment on low scale and old including LMG 34 5 in mortar and 37 MM a tk gun in regtl coy.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. 8th Army. TAC Hq opens H5890 1600 hrs today. 5 Corps. 78 Div Hq H5399. Establishing positions overlooking River Sangro. 38 Bde concentrating west of Vasto H5890. 8 Ind Div. 17 Bde captured Pt 396 H4182 and Pt 650 H3981. Patrols 21 Ind Bde entered Castiglione H3762. 13 Corps. Foot patrol 1 Cdn Div entered Carovilli H2445 yesterday and report no enemy. 45 major demolitions reported west of 40 grid on routes leading to Carouilli being repaired but gaps at H3146 and H3340 still impassable even for carriers. 5 Div. 15 Bde established bridgehead over river Andra

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To: War
No: 0-1499

H1640 last night and captured Forli H1643. Patrols 13 Bde reached Acquaviva H1241 night 7/8 from which enemy withdrew on contact. Second. 5th Army 6 Corps. 540 Para Inf. Fwd Tps H1334-1234-0933. Patrols to Cerro H0639 and Acquaviva H1241. Enemy patrol.

End of part one, part two follows.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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CC/S Capt. Royal, USN
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From: 15th Army Group
To: War

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Part 2 COSITINTREP from 15 Army Group number O-1499. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Contacted in Cerro. Acquaviva clear. 34 Div. 135 Inf enemy counter attack at 081200A hrs repulsed with considerable losses. R45 Div. NTR 3 Div. Front counterattack at 080930A hrs again at 090900 hrs. All repulsed with enemy losses. in dead and POW. Enemy is very active and firm in his fight along entire corps front. 10 corps. 56 Div. 201 GDE Bde. Fwd Troops G9508-G9408. Enemy counter-attack 081200A in area G9508 repulsed. Infiltrated through Calibritto G9406 sector but withdrew. Strong resistance in this area with many anti - personnel mines. 168 Bde Fwd Tps. 9300. 46 Div and 7th Armd Div no change. 10 Corps rear boundary all incl N2081-1673-RD to Fertilia-Frignano-Trentola-N0160. Casualties 6th Corps. Killed 1295 wounded 4764 missing 2497. 10th Corps killed 1325 wounded 5610 missing 2542.

Section 3. Air. First. Road movement on the whole front was very slight throughout the day. Second. Bomb-line. 8th Army 091145 C4504 - River Sangro to H 3090-3052-1546-1343-0635-G9925. 5th Army 091043 G9925-8905 - River Garigliano to M8695-8195-7992. Section 3 ends.

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SUPPLEMENTARY CORRECTION

From: Algiers
To : War

No. W4792/8794, 9 November 1943

(Page 2 line 4)

22. Part 9. Hq 10 (BR) Corps. Hq 7 (BR) Armd Div

(Page 2 line 8)

Div 4 (NZ) Armd Bde 5 and 6 (NZ) Inf Bdes.

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To: WAR No #
London USFOR No #

9 November 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield Amilcar pass MA command post AFHQ pass C in C Med and MAC (Algiers) info FLAMBO 01456 082145. COSITINTREP No 122 to 1200 hrs 8th Nov. Part 1 begins. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front.

Part 1. Section 1. 9 PGR 26th PZ Div identified 7th Nov area HO 529 where its counterattack was easily repulsed. PW states whole of regt in line. 1 Bn 577th Inf Regt 305th Div are said to consist of young and insufficiently trained personnel and to have suffered heavy casualties. Recent PW 129 PGR states he arrived with reinforcement Bn for 15th PZ Div on Oct 13th. Same train carried considerable number of older men belonging to Pandissebuetzen battalions who detrained between Florence and Rome. 8th Army Front. 2 deserters from 2nd Bn and 1 PW and 1 deserter from 3rd Bn 145th Inf Regt today unspecified area.

Section 2. Ground operations. First 8th Army. 5th Corps. Hq at H568902. 78th Div. Hq moving to H5095. 36th Bde. Hq at H 583962. Fwd tps in area Torino H4498 with OPS beyond overlooking the R Sangro. 11th Bde. Hq at Scerni H4790. Fwd tps has reached Paglieta H4195 also area M Calvo H4091. 8th Ind Div. Hq moving to Palmoli H4870. 17th Ind Bde Hq at H497743 reverted to Comd. In contact with enemy 2 miles SW of Casalanguida H4181. *** Ind Bde. Hq at H532647. 21st Ind Bde. Hq at H526613. 13th Corps. Hq at Vinchiaturo. 1st.

Part 2 follows.

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Addressed: WAR

From : Algiers

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IMMEDIATE

COSITINTREP Number 120 part 2 signed Eisenhower, cite FHRWA.

Para.(1) COSITINTREP Number 119 (from CINCMED).

Para.(6) S.S. SANTA ELENA sank off Philippiville at 1800 7th November.

Para.(2) During night 6/7 November, destroyers carried out sweep in the Adriatic. No incident reported.

No T.O.O./8th

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From : C. in C. Med.

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(1) My 072243 paragraph 6, S.S. SANTA ELENA (sank?) off Philippeville at(1852?) 7th.

(2) U.S. WHITNEY and H.M.S. RAIDER carry sweep in extreme range night 6th, 7th Nov. No incident report.

(3) S.S. SURVILLE was mined east Cape Bon on 7th Nov. and (has been?) beached. Ships enter QB 74 during bad weather.

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To: WAR

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Cositintrep No 119 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA from CINC Med 11.

(1) A feint landing was carried out in the Gulf of Gaeta during night 2nd November/3rd November. The operation was uneventful but a satisfactory diversion was achieved.

(2) The harbour of Durazzo was bombarded by destroyers during night 2nd/3rd November. Results were unobserved.

(3) A sweep of the Venice/Ancona was carried out by destroyers during the night 4th/5th November, but nothing was sighted. Patrol by destroyers in the Adriatic night 5th/6th November also met nothing.

(4) During air raid on Naples area by about 30 aircraft PM 5th November stores and ammunition on 1 mole were destroyed by direct hit. AA fire claim 1 certain and 1 probable. Some night bombs were dropped on Rome.

(5) HM Hospital ship St Andrew was attacked by aircraft East of Termoli PM 6th November no damage or casualties.

(6) Convoy KMF 25A was attacked by aircraft PM 6th November off Philippeville. US destroyer Beatty was sunk. SS Marnik Van St Aldegonde and SS Anta Elena were both hit by torpedo. Most of the troops have been transferred within ships, details of casualties are not yet known. Both ships were taken in tow. SS Santa Elena has

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arrived Philippeville, but Marnik Van St Aldegonde has sunk.

(7) The harbour of Bari and Barletta have been temporarily closed as a result of suspected minelaying enemy aircraft PM 6th November.

(8) COSITINTREP No 118 part 2 now issued.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR O 1456
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From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield Amilcar pass MA Command Post AFHQ pass C in C Med and MAC (Algiers) info FLAMBO O 1456 C82145. COSITINTREP No. 122 to 1200 hrs 8th November.

Part 1.

Section 1. · Intelligence.

5th Army Front. 9 PGR 26th Pz Div identified 7 Nov area H0529 where its counterattack was easily repulsed. PW states whole of regt in line. 1 Bn 577th Inf Regt 305th Div are said to consist of young and insufficiently trained personnel and to have suffered heavy casualties. Recent PW 129 PGR states he arrived with reinforcement Bn for 15th Pz Div on Oct 13th. Same train carried considerable number of older men belonging to Pandissehuetzen battalions who detrained between Florence and Rome.

8th Army Front. 2 deserters from 2 Bn and 1 PW and 1 deserter from 3 Bn 145th Inf Regt today unspecified area.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

5th Corps. Hq at H568902.

78th Div. Hq moving to H5095.

36th Bde. Hq at H583962. Fwd Tps in area Torino H 4498 with OPS beyond overlooking the R Sangro.

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11th Bde. Hq at Scorni H4790. Fwd Tps has reached Paglieta H4195 also area M Calvo H4091

8th Ind Div. Hq moving to Palmoli H4870.

17th Ind Bde. Hq at H497743 reverted to Comd. In contact with enemy 2 miles SW of Casalanguida H4181.

19th Ind Bde. Hq at H532647.

21st Ind Bde. Hq at H526613.

13th Corps. Hq at Vinchiaturo.

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Cdn Div. Considerable progress made in spite of demolitions. 1 Cdn Bde captured Pescolanciano H2741. Patrols have reached H3751, Pietrabbondante H3249 and RD Junc H2943 without contact.

5th Div. Hq at H326240. Fwd Tps established on high ground east and SW of 01496 main RD area Macerone H1738. Patrol at PT 1021 H1238 reports no enemy seen. Locations Hq 13th Bde H 2727. 15 Bde H2828. 17th Bde H3428.

2nd. 5th Army. Heavy rains have held up operations.

6th Corps. 34th Div Hq at Capriati H1218. 135th Inf. Fwd Tps reached H1029. 133rd Inf. Fwd Tps H0725. 45th Div. Attack carried out morning 8 Nov 179 Inf right 157 Inf left. 179th Inf reached area H0326. 3rd Div. Hq at H0306. 7th and 15th Inf carrying out attack. NTR. 10th Corps. 56th Div. 201 Gds Bde attempted attack on Mt Mangiore G9312 night 7/8 Nov. Abandoned as enemy position on crest heavily held. 168th Bde. Fwd Tps. Area in G9203. 46th Div. 138 Bde. Fwd Tps at M8991-8895-8791. Patrols have contacted enemy at M8898 and 8697. Div boundary 46th Div right 7 Armd Div left. Incl 7th Armd Div Cr roads N0963 Rd to Cancello Rd Junc N0078-M9284-road Junc M88895-Rly Stn 8791 Main Rd to Br M8594-Rd to track Junc M 8397-ring contour G7000, G8000.

7th Armd Div. NTR. 2nd Corps. 36 Div Hq at N1884. 141st Inf in Army Reserve at N1199. 142nd Inf

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N1786.

Casualties.

6th Corps. Killed 1256, wounded 4546 missing 2433

10th Corps. Killed 1309, wounded 5577, missing 2542.

POW.

6th Corps 1665

10th Corps 1311

Section 3.

Air 1600 hours.

1st. Operations over the whole front were restricted owing to bad visibility and weather conditions. Practically no road movement was reported throughout the day.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 080715. C4504-R Sangro H4098-4082-3378-RD to 3664-3064-3059-2648-2047. 5th Army 081800. H2047-1441-0635-N9925-8905 R Garigllano * M8695-8195-7992.

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Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence.

5th Army Front. According to PW33 Eng Bn Garigliano position known as Bernhardt line. Had also heard of Viktor line but knew no details.

8th Army Front. NTR.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

5th Corps.

78th Div firmly established across river Sinello and advance on to Sangro River continues. Casalbordino H4894 occupied and after days fighting Siorni H4790 captured last night. Furci H4978 captured and contact being established with 8th Ind Div.

8th Ind Div secured Palmoli H4771 and Carunchio H4368 and are engaged in clearing to Rebruna H4562.

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13rd Corps.

1st Cdn Div continues active patrolling towards Castiglione H3762-Carovildi H2445 and Salcito H4349 reported clear.

5th Div. Clearing of demolitions and mines opened Vinchiaturo H4820--Isernia H1932 road to all traffic.

2nd. 5th Army.

6th Corps.

504th Para Regt. Hq H1925. Fwd tps at H1234-1429-1627. Advancing north of Fornelli H1134.

34th Div. Fwd tps H1125-0925-0624.

133rd Inf. Hq H0823. Was counter-attacked at H0724. Attack repulsed.

135th Inf. Hq H1023. Div consolidating its position.

45th Div. Fwd tps H0423-0422-0121-0215. Div is consolidating its position north and northwest of Venafro.

179th Inf and 180th Inf Hq at Venafro.

157th Inf Hq at H0815.

3rd Div. Fwd tps G9814-9614-9608.

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30th Inf Hq at H0415. Advanced to G9614. Remainder of div concentrated south of S Pietro.

10th Corps.

56th Div. 201 Gds Bde attacked in direction M Maggiore G9312. Fwd tps G9607-9406-9504. Calabritto G9406 captured.

Part 2.

168th Bde Hq at G9801. Inter div boundary 56th Div right 46th Div left. Incl 56th Div Trentola N1464 to rd junc N1272-1076-Gazzarise-Brezza-S Andrea Rd junc N0388 to Rd junc N0288 incl 45th Div-Capelle N0093-Valagno M9894-Rongolise-Avulpi to M8898-G8504.

46th Div. 138 Bde. Hq at S Agata M9491. Patrol activity on div front only.

7th Armd Div. 22nd Armd Bde patrols at M8093. Otherwise NTR.

Casualties.

	6th Corps	10th Corps
Killed	1195	1309
Wounded	4145	5573
Missing.	2399	2542

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs.

1st. Fighters and fighter bombers reported 300 MT mainly mvg north on secondary roads between Cassino G82 and Pontecorvo G71 and 150 MT mvg north from G9111 to G9215 0640 hrs otherwise only light scattered road movement was observed on whole front.

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2nd. Bombline.

8th Army. 071700 hrs. C4504-R Sangro to H4098-4064-3064-3052-2648-2047-1036.

5th Army. 071207 hrs. H1036-0629-0026-0982-9716-9312-8905-R Garigliano M8695-8195-7992.

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CONSITINTREP number 120 to 1200 hours 6 november. Part 1 begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. NTR.
Section 2. Ground operations.

(1st) 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78 Div as a result of heavy fighting against determined resistance in last 3 days have advanced 12 miles along coast road and are now firmly established in area Vasto H5990 Cupello H 6686. During advance enemy put in series of heavy counter attacks supported by armoured forces all of which were repulsed. Enemy has been forced to withdraw further and our patrols now across river Sinello. 8th Indian Div. Have captured Mount Farano H5269 and Celenza H4863. 13th Corps. 1 Canadian Div. Heavy successfully cleared area south and southwest of San Biase H4945 and Bagnoli H3844. 5th Div. following the capture of point 1162 H3130 and the Castelpetroso defile on 3rd November enemy has been driven out of the Isernia H 1932 Caprinone H 2732 area and patrols have now beached road junction H1441 6 miles northwest Isernia and report enemy in Forli H1643 area. These operations have been conducted despite inclement weather and in face of heavy and carefully prepared demolitinns.

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(2nd) 5th Army. 6th Corps forward positions. H 1533-1328-0925-0423-0221-0014-09608. 594th Para Regt. Forward troops high ground east of Fornelli at H 1533. Patrols reaching out to north-northwest and northeast. 34 Div. Meeting considerable resistance along entire front. 45 Division progress slow and encountering many S mines. 179 Inf. CP H 0420 4 Ranger Bn. Less 1 company has been withdrawn and is reorganizing. 3 Div. 7 Inf. 2nd Bn Engaged with enemy. Other units awaiting orders to continue on next objective. Situation well in hand.

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2 Corps CP at N 1587. 36 Div. Moving to assembly area vicinity Pignataro N 1487.

10th Corps. Forward troops G 9505-9403-9100 Garigliano to the sea.

56 Div. Hq M 9898. Night patrols contacted enemy in Calabritta G 9405 46 Div. 138 Bde has standing patrols in Lauro M 9195

Castrese M 8895 and Cupa M9293.

7th Armored Div. No change. Casualties to date

6th Corps. Killed 1185 wounded 4075 missing 2368.

10th Corps. Killed 1295 wounded 5499 missing 2530 POW taken by 6th Corps 1605.

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10th Corps 1305.

Secion 3. Air 1600 hours.

1st. During night 5/6 bombers reported 50 plus MT moving SE on coast road from Pescara C 12 and moderate general movement on northern sector of front.

2nd. There was scattered road movement mainly on 5th Army front during the day. Main reports were 100 plus vehicles moving north road Cassino G82 to Atina G83 at 1130 hours 40 tanks and 20 MT north G 7568 at 1130 hours and 100 MT on road net into Sora G64 at 1500 hours.

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3rd. Bombline 8th Army 061354. C4504-H4589-4670-3662-3249-2047-1638-0527

5th Army 061015. H0527-G9822-9517-8905 to river Garigliano to M8695-8195-7992.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 223.

1. REPORT NOW RECEIVED OF BOMBER AND TORPEDO RAID BY RAIDER PLUS AIRCRAFT ON NAPLES AND POZZUOLI BAYS P.M. 1ST NOVEMBER. HMS LINNET HOLED FORWARD AND BEACHED. HMS RHYL SUSTAINED SLIGHT DAMAGE FROM NEAR MISS. NO NAVAL CASUALTIES. FIGHTERS CLAIM 2 CERTAIN AND A/A GUN 2 PROBABLE.

2. ITALIAN MAS BOAT PROCEEDED NIGHT SECOND/THIRD NOVEMBER IN ATTEMPT TO RECOVER PRISONER OF WAR FROM BEACH NORTH OF PESCARA. BOAT HAS NOT RETURNED

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1 Bn reached H045222.
3 Bn reached H042213.
180 Inf. 1 Bn reached H015195.
3 Div. 15 Inf. 3 Bn at G996093.
7 Inf. 1 Bn at G990083.
4 Ranger Bn at G987190 with left flank vicinity San Pietro G9616. Radio contact with 3 Div. supplies sent by 180 Inf. No report. 10 Corps. No change corps front. Long range patrols of 46 and 56 Divs not yet returned.

Casualties to date.
6th Corps.
Killed 1176, wounded 3986, missing 2367.

10th Corps. No change.

Axis Prisoners of War 6th Corps, 1592.

10th Corps. No change.

Section 3.
Air.

1600 hours. 1st. on 8th Army front scattered MT movement totalling 80 vehicles was observed at 1315 hrs on roads in the area Castel Di Sangro H0854.

At 1530 hrs 100 MT were reported moving both ways on the road between H4595 and H4283.

Road activity on 5th Army front was only on a moderate scale.

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2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 1240 hours. H5991-5291-River T05086-5383-5391-5577-5571-5171-4968-4767-4757-River Trigno 3848-2645-2737-1935-1736.

5th Army 1120 Hrs H1736-G9827-8905 River Garicliano to M8695-8195-7992.

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IN Rec'd: 6th Nov. '43

Time: 1000

Addressed: A.I.G. 387

Repeated: COMINCH

From: C. in C. Med.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 223

1. Report now received of bomber and torpedo raid by (Raider?) plus Aircraft on Naples and Pozzuoli Bays P.M. 1st November. H.M.S. LINNET holed forward and beached, H.M.S. RHYL sustained slight damage from near miss. No naval casualties. Fighters claim 2 certain and A/A gun 2 probable.

2. Italian Mas boat proceeded night second/third November in attempt to recover prisoner of war from (beach?) North of Pescara. Boat has not returned and explosion was seen in vicinity her probable position about 0130 third. 2 British officers on board.

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Received P/L from Navy Dept.

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Admiral
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Gen. Macready
C.O.S.(2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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1. My 312240 Oct. paragraph 4 and 011101 paragraph 1. Later reports show that one U-boat was damaged by IMPERIALIST and finally sunk by H.M.S. DOUGLAS and the other sunk by H.M.S. FLEETWOOD.

2. H.M.S. QUEENSBOROUGH and H.M.S. RAIDER carried successful bombardment of target on East coast Italy on 3rd November in support of 78th Division attack and then proceeded to establish patrols during night 3rd/4th November along the Albanian Coast South of Valona. Nothing was sighted during this sweep. 3rd Coastal force operating from Maddalena report engaging U-boat at 2330/3 and forcing enemy to take refuge (in ?) San Stephano (42-27N(11?)07E).

F.M. C.O.S. (2) S.O. 042215A
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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 222.

(1) MY 312240 OCT PARAGRAPH 4 AND Ø111Ø1 PARAGRAPH 1. LATER REPORTS SHOW THAT ONE U-BOAT WAS DAMAGED BY IMPERIALIST AND FINALLY SUNK BY HMS DOUGLAS AND THE OTHERS SUNK BY HMS FLEETWOOD.

(2) HMS QUEENSBOROUGH AND HMS RAIDER CARRIED SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT OF TARGET ON EAST COAST ITALY ON 3RD NOVEMBER IN SUPPORT OF 78TH DIVISION ATTACK AND THEN PROCEEDED TO ESTABLISH PATROLS DURING NIGHT 3RD/4TH NOVEMBER ALONG THE ALBANIAN COAST SOUTH OF VALONA. NOTHING WAS SIGHTED DURING THIS SWEEP. 3RD COASTAL FORCE OPERATING FROM MADDALENA REPORT ENGAGING U-BOAT AT 2330/3 AND FORCING ENEMY TO TAKE REFUGE IN SAN STEPHANO (42-27N 11-07E).

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P R I O R I T Y

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Nr.: R 1206/5 5th November 1943

COSITINTREP No 117 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA.

1. It is now reported that HMS RHYL sustained slight damage from near miss during raid PM 1st November by 35 plus torpedo and bomber aircraft on Naples and Pozzuoli Bays and HMS Linnet was holed forward and beached. 2 aircraft claimed shot down by fighter and two probably by A/A fires.

2. About 0130 3rd November explosion was seen in the probable vicinity of Italian kms boat with 2 British Naval officers which attempted to recover prisoners of war from beach north of Pescara during night 2nd November, 3rd November. Boat has not returned.

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War 0. 1479
USFOR No #

5 November, 1943

COSITINTREP NO 119 to 1200 hours 5th Nov. From HQ 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post 0.1479 052145A.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence.

5th Army Front. PWS state 276th Inf Regt of 94th Inf Div in line on lower Garigliano. 3rd Coy (Minturno) Area 7th Coy M8798. 8th Army Front, 305th Eng Bn identified area Monteroduni H1524 with elements 305th Recce Unit. PQ from 7th Coy 577th Inf Regt captured near Roccaravindola H1025. All above from 305th Inf Div.

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2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Ewd positions. H1932-135285-0827-045230-045210-015190-0987150-983077. 504th

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From: 15th Army Group, Adv Philpot
To: War — No. O 1479
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COSITINTREP No 119 to 1200 hrs 5th Nov from Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addresses Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post. O 1479 052145A

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End of 1st part. 2nd part follows.

34th Div. 168th Inf. 1st Bn advanced to H 0827. 3rd Bn at H 092253. 45 Div. CP H 073085. 179th Inf.

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From 15th Army Group
To WAR

No. O 1470, 4 November, 1943.

From HQ 15th Army Group. Number O 1470 TOO 042205A. To COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR pass M.A. Command Post. COSITINTREP number (118) To 1200 hrs 4th Nov.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front. 3 COY 305 Recce Bn of 305th Inf Div identified in area Montrgoduni H 1524. 8th Army Front. PWS from 11th Bn 9th PGR and 1 Bn 67 PGR captured north of road Cantalupo-Iserna. Area Tutillo 5268 PW from 3rd Bn 3rd Para Regt state 1 Bn Toasluth and 2 Bn Gogliola 5371. Strength 3 Bn 150 all ranks.

Section 2. Ground Operations. 1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. After heavy fighting Fwd Tps now established north of S.Salmlo H 6082 and in S.45 O station H 6384. Further advance direction on high ground south of Vasto H 5990 road. 4th Armd Bde. Now under command 78 Div. 8th Ind Div. 19 Ind Bde. Have made small advance northwest of Tufillo H 5268. 13th Corps. 1 Cdn Diopm patrols contacted enemy at H 3938 but report acquevive H 3636 Pietracupa H 4343 and feature to west clear. 5th Div. Following up withdrawing enemy report no contact except at Sessano H 2837. 13 Bde. Patrol entered (Iserel) H 1932 at 0300 hrs and found it clear. 2 Bns on main road have reached Cifelli H 2628 and Poiot 887 H 2629. 17 Bde. Fwd Tps established area Castelpetroso H 2928. Patrols sent to Carpionone H 2732 and to Seisano H 2837 where enemy still holding town. (End of Part 1, Part 2 following up.)

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From: Algiers
To: War

No: # 4 November 1943.

Destroyers HMS Queensborough and HMS Raider on 3 November carried out a successful bombardment in support of 78th Division, then proceeded to patrol south of Valona during night 3 Nov/4 but met nothing. Foregoing is Part 1.

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One for October read November cite FHRMA COSITINTREP No. 116 part 2 signed Eisenhower.

2. U-boat was engaged during night 3 Nov/4 Nov by coastal forces operating from Maddal HA and its retirement to San Stephano was forced.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Nr.: W 4302 4th November 1943

Action AGWAR cite FHGDS signed Eisenhower.

Extent and type of destruction in Naples of public utilities, telecommunication, road transportation is the subject of this report, given in a paraphrased cable from PBS.

(A). Naples water supply system on 2nd October not working . Main aqueduct, including 120 feet destroyed by demolitions, heavily damaged. Completely destroyed by charges were all valves and connections in the complicated control chambers where the concrete sections join the steel pier sections and where smaller lines connected. At crossing near Aberra, line totally destroyed also damaged were some collecting chambers between Pannarano and Avellino. Engineers troops assisted by 500 civilians repaired line in 8 days. Large number of mains in municipal area were destroyed. 75% have been repaired recently.

(B). Bulk of major sewer leaks caused by demolitions. Required were 41 major repairs. City authorities making minor repairs. Army effort directed to major breaks to prevent flooding of city and resultant unsanitary conditions.

(C). Gas plants completely destroyed by enemy demolition although only slightly damaged by bombs. Reasonable time for complete reconstruction necessary to restore service.

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(D). Municipal electric power stations, sub-stations and incoming transmission lines damaged so badly that city was without service. Enemy demolition caused most damage although Allied bombings caused some. Hydro plants suffered least damage although some generating plants and substations completely demolished. Improvised submarines and tramway substation power are operated water pumps.

(E). Neapolitian telecommunication 1-2000 line automatic exchange totally destroyed but circuits between and distribution cable undamaged. Exchanges being connected to 20,000 line cross connect frame at location of destroyed exchange. In operation are 6 small exchanges. Repeater station and toll switch board completely destroyed. Enemy sabotaged main underground toll cable north of Naples by destroying loading pots and sawing flush with manhole walls. Open wire toll circuits 50 per cent destroyed. 50 percent damaged with 20 percent beyond repair was the underground distribution system.

(F). Destruction of railway tracks and bridge varies from 20 percent to 100 percent veraging 50 percent. Main line 90 percent destroyed but single track may eventually put into use.

(G). 13 open liberty berths as of 31st October against 1½ in port upon arrival. By 1st December expect 4 additional berths to be opened and beyond that 9 more for liberties and 9 for coasters.

(H). 75 percent major bridges destroyed which are largest part of highway demolition. Improvised road blocks such as large felled trees or demolition of building made considerable highway clearance necessary. Less important roads still have land mines. Out of 2,500 trucks in operation prior to invasion only about 300 are now left. Only

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10 percent of the passenger vehicles formerly operating in city or 1,250 are now available. When batteries and proper size tires are obtained more vehicles will be available.

(I). All covered space now being used for port operation and not for storare of general cargo. No estimate is made of port warehousing space which may become available.

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FROM: Algiers
To : War NAF 505
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No : W-4254, 4 November 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff repeated to AFHQ CP AMILCAR signed Eisenhower cite FHDSC. This is my NAF 505.

Yesterday at Commanders conference 3 November the situation as presented in my NAF 486 was again reviewed in the light of detailed Staff examination of the tactical plan proposed by General Alexander and the requirements of the build up of ground and Air Forces in Italy, Sardinia and Corsica. As a result of this examination I am convinced that General Alexanders plan is sound, the best that can be devised in the circumstances.

2. Tactical plan.

A. Eighth Army.

As we estimate the enemy situation now there seems every prospect, tactically and logistically, that the Eighth Army can carry the Pescara line, provided that it can be reinforced by another Infantry Division and the necessary administrative units brought in. Only small amphibious attacks in close conjunction with the frontal attacks are visualized on this front. A Short pause will be required after capture of the Pescara line after which the Eighth Army should be able to deliver a thrust southward and, in the direction of Avezzano. Admittedly this is a difficult maneuver considering that the mountainous terrain and the weather are both against us. Nevertheless I foresee that it may have productive effects on the battle to the west.

B. Fifth Army.

The Fifth Army will press on during the advance of the Eighth so as to retain the unitiative but will concentrate its resources for a decisive rupture of the enemy position on the axis of the main inland Naples-Rome road

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coincident with southwestward thrust of the Eighth Army. We feel justified in hoping that given the necessary strength and logistical support, this attack will carry it to the Frosonano area. If then we can launch an amphibious assault south of the Tiber our advance will be greatly facilitated. It is foreseen that there may be opportunity and need to launch other amphibious assaults to assist the advance north of the Tiber . The decision to launch these attacks cannot be taken in advance. It must be based on the situation existing at the time and will-in the main depend on three factors: The weather, the ability of the land advance to arrive within supporting distance, and the strength and disposition of enemy reserves. But I must emphasize that while these amphibious assaults may be reguarded as opportunistic, the ability to make them if and when the opportunity offer may be decisive. To execute these contemplated manoeuvers we shallrequire to move in to the Fifth Army two French Divisions and the necessary service elements to maintain the impetus of its attack . It must be realized that the bulk of this Army has been engaged without respite since 9th September. At the moment a back up of about 2500 vehicles urgently needed by the Fifth Army are held up at Bizerte awaiting landing craft to move them.

3. Need for LSTS. As a result of our further examination I am convinced that my request for the retention of LSTS contained in NAF 496 is not excessive. I am concerned for the build up of ground forces in Italy and of Air Forces in Italy, Sardinoa, and Corsica together with the necessary logistical units no less than for the requirements of contemplated amphibious operations. The situation appears to me to hang in the balance . I am determined to establish myself north of Rome but it becomes increasingly clear that the task is not going to be an easy one and I shall need every resource I can bring to bear. Naturally I do not wish to interfere with the preparations for OVERLORD but I have felt it my duty to lay before you my requirements,leaving it to you to judge of priorities.

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Corps boundary.

Larino H 7555 (to 5th Corps)

Guardiafiera H 6455
S Giovanni H 4760 (both to 12th Corps)

Schiavi H 4057
Castiglione H 3762
Villa S Maria H 2971 (all to 5th Corps)

Colledimacine H 1777 (to 13th Corps)

Second. 5th Army 6th Corps.

504 Para Inf at H 1728.
34th Div.
Fwd Tps 168th Inf H 1125

133 Inf H 0624
45th Div.
Fwd Tps 179 Inf H 0419

CP 45 Div H 1906

4 Ranger Bn G 9915

3rd Div. Fwd Tps 15th Inf G 9906

10th Corps

56th Div Fwd Tps G 9502 - M 9596

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Sipicciano G 9502 captured

46 Div no contact

138th Bde at M 9392

7th Armd Div reached line M 8892 - 8390

Extensive flooding of lowland by enemy reported along coast southeast of Garigliano River.

Section 3

Air 1600 hrs.

1st. During night bombers reported considerable activity at Fossacesia C 4004 and scattered MT movement northwest on road Vasto H 59 Pescara C 12.

2nd. Fighter bombers saw 40 plus MT moving north from Venafro V 50 Pozzilli H 02 at 0645 hrs and 100 plus MT moving north west from G 6752 to 5268 at 0700 hrs. Throughout the rest of the day reports of moderate scattered road movement mainly on 5th Army Front were received from tactical reconnaissance and fighters.

3rd. Bombline. 8th Army 041343. H 5991 - 5391 - River to 5086 - 5383 - 5381 - 5577 - 5571 - 5171 - 5164 - 5062.R Trigno - 3644 - 3340 - 2738 - 1333. 5th Army 040923. H 1333 - 0932 - 0406 -G 9827 - 9613 - 9201 - 9100 - R Garigliano - M 8695 - 8195 - 7932.

Section 3 ends.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 221.

(1) CONVOY KMS 30 WAS ATTACKED U-BOAT IN POSITION 36-45 N Ø1-55 E AT ØØ5Ø/3RD. SS MONT VI3Ø WAS SUNK. HUNT IS IN PROGRESS.

(2) U.S. PT BOATS REPORT SINKING 4,ØØØ TON ESCORTED TANKER AT Ø13Ø/3RD 6 MILES NORTH OF FORMICHE DI GRETTO. 1 PT BOAT WAS DAMAGED, NO CASUALTIES.

(3) S/M P34 (Information) REPORTS ATTACKING AT 1219/27TH OCTOBER 3,ØØØ TON MERCHANT SHIP IN CONVOY OFF TOULON. 1 TORPEDO HIT SHIP BELIEVED SUNK. AT Ø716/3ØTH OCTOBER U-BOAT ENTERING TOULON WAS

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HIT WITH TORPEDO. CONNING TOWER OF U-BOAT WAS SEEN AFTER ATTACK APPARENTLY SINKING AND P34 CONSIDERS SINKING SUCCESSFUL.

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URGENT

From: Algiers
To: War

No. W-4197/5979, 3rd November 1943.

COSITINTREP number 117 to 1200 hrs 3rd Nov part 4. Parts 4 of COSITINTREP number 75 to 116 both inclusive not issued.

Between Corsica + Italian Coast

At noon 31st Oct a small German raiding party numbering about 70 men landed on Capraia Island, (30 miles northeast of Bastia) from landing barge and 2 E boats.

One. Corsica. One Officer and 4 civilians captured by Germans. Raid lasted 2½ hrs during which telegraph and radio office was destroyed.

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From: Algiers
To: War

No: W-4231/6159 NAF 498 3 Nov 1943

This is NAF 498 answering FAN 262. For Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff. Signed Eisenhower. Cite FHGCT. Action AGWAR.

In order properly to secure the Rome airfields for our own use it will be necessary to secure a general line from about San Benedetto Del Tronto on the east coast through Visso and Terni to a point on the west coast covering our use of the port of Civitavecchia. It would certainly be of great value if we were able further to extend our lines on the east coast to include the port of Ancona, but the attainment of this extension has not been included in the following estimates.

See Map (about 40 miles north of Rome)

As explained in General Alexanders statement in NAF 486 the continued withdrawal of landing ships and craft according to schedule leaves only one method of seizing this line, VIZ, a series of frontal attacks. Such attacks always costly and time consuming, may be expected to be especially so in this instance because of the terrain which greatly favors the defense. Moreover, for lack of adequate landing ships, we lose a great advantage which we would otherwise expect to reap from our almost unchallanged command of the sea and air. Reference is made of course to amphibious outflanking attacks. It is difficult to give any reliable estimate of the time at which a long series of frontal attacks would bring us to the desired line covering Rome and its airfields. As a very rough estimate we might expect by such methods to reach the necessary line at some time during January and to secure it during February.

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The additional resources required to enable us to achieve the program set out in part four of NAF 486 consists solely of LSTS. Authority has been requested to retain enough of them to permit if the situation so demands of making amphibious assaults on a sufficient scale to turn the enemy out of any strong position he may organize, as well as to enable us to complete the build up of Army and strategical air forces in Italy. The number of additional LSTS considered essential for these purposes has already been set out in our NAF 496. To repeat, they are: all British LSTS now on station but due to return to UK, between 48 and 56, and 12 US.

When the line covering Rome has been seized and adequately secured it is estimated that ten infantry divisions in the forwarded area should be sufficient to hold the line. The whole tactical air force would be required for support of the Army and in the event of a German counter offensive against us on a large scale it would be necessary to divert the strategical air force to the support of the land battle. Moreover it would be necessary to maintain a reserve of five infantry divisions in the rear areas to allow us to withdraw and rest formations in the forward area. At present the German can relieve and rest his formations whereas we cannot.

In general it is considered that when the operations to seize and secure the line referred to in para one have been completed it should only be necessary to retain in this theater the number of craft set out on part three of NAF 446, provided that barges, tugs and lighters arrive in this theater as scheduled.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR 01464
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From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMI FAR pass to MA Command Post) Freedom pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers. Originator number 01464 032230A. COSITINTREP number 117 to 1200 hours 3 Nov.

Part 1.

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Section 1. Intelligence.

5th Army front. Contact with enemy generally light except in area CINCA H0003 where fairly stiff resistance reported. PW 29 PGR 2 Nov stated his unit withdrawing north of Cassino where "Winter Line" is being established.

8th Army front. Strong enemy resistance encountered in our attack on S Salvo. Enemy supported by 20 tanks mark IV. 35 PWS taken including 1 officer all from 64 PGR. Both battalions 64 PGR disposed forward between sea and S. Salvo with 2 Bn on coast and 1 Bn on its right.

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Section 2. Ground Operations.

1st. 8th Army.

5th Corps. 78 Div with Naval and Air support attacked across river Trigno this morning.

11th BDE forward troops across river Trigno area H6583 fighting area station S. Salvo H6484.

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38th BDE captures S. Salvo H6182. Enemy counter attacks from northeast of town being dealt with and advance continuing in face of stiff opposition.

8th Ind Div improving positions west of river Trigno.

13th Corps.

1 CDN Div. Patrols report no contact in area west of Torello H 4337.

5th Div. 17 BDE captured point 1162 at H 3130 and have advanced to point 1144 at H3029 and Castelpetroso H2828.

13th BDE Patrol reached Castelpizzuto H2424.

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2nd 5th Army.

6th Corps.

504th Para Inf reached S. Agapito H1827 forward troops to H1928.

34 Div. Forward elements at H1121.

45 Div 1 Company 180 Inf across river at No 812. No contact.

3rd Div. Forward troops H0409-G9904-H0199. Consolidating positions. 7th Inf received some resistance. Boundary 3rd Div on left 45th Div on right.

End of 1st part. 2nd part follow.

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34th Div. H 1714.

3rd Div. H 0901

10th Corps.

56th Div. 168 BDE. Forward troops G 9901, advancing toward Sipicciano Hectpwk G 9502.

46th Div. Forward troops M 9496. 138 BDE M 9592 with patrols in Sessa Aurunca M 9492.

7th Armd Div. Forward troops M 9289 - 8785. Advance hampered by demolition.

5th Army casualties stated in COSITINTREP number 112 of 29 October are incorrect and should read 6th Corps:killed 108, wounded 3664, missing 2317. 10th Corps: killed 1213, wounded 5063, missing 2491.

Section 3. Air 1600 hours.

1st. By comparison with recent days, there was a sharp increase in the amount of road movement reported from the air today on 5th Army Front. Although most of

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the movement was scattered, the general tread was southeast. Shortly after midday 2nd, lots of 70 plus vehicles were reported in addition to general traffic se moving on Axis Cassino H82 to Mignana H91 and on side roads lying to the north of the main road. 2 enemy fighter bombers attacks were reported in northern sector of the front.

3rd. Bombline. 8th Army 031440. H 5989 9 then 1000 yards east road to 5381 - 5577 - 5570 - 4868 - 5062 - R. Trigno - 3644 - 3340 - 2738 - 2531 - 2329 - 1631.

5th Army. 031507. H 1631 - 0932 - 1226 - G9405 - M 9095 - 8195 - 7992.

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Forward positions. M 9999-N 0195-M 9893-9585-9182-8882.

56th Division.
168 Inf BDE. 10 RB patrols to M 9898 no contact. 1 LS occupied S Pietro M 9898. 1 LIR established at Furnolo N 0396. No other change or contact Div Front.

46th Div.
No contact night 1/2 Nov.

7th Armoured Div.
131 BDE. Now have companies M 8882-8782. Active patrolling continues.

Section 3.

Air 1600 hours.

1. During night scattered road movement was reported by bombers on both Army Fronts and 1 group of 50 plus Mt was seen at G 1648 moving NW towards Rome throughout the day road movement was again on an increased scale particularly on 5th Army front though no large concentrations of vehicles were at any time reported.

2. Bombline. Eighth Army 021026 H 6187-6032-RD to 5577-5570-4868-4859-R Trigno-3644-3340-2738-2829-2824. Fifth Army 012115.

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H 1511 was continued 3 Div continued to advance and occupied Riardo N 1395. Fwd positions 56 Div N 1190-N 0689-N 0688. Forty Six Div fwd troops reached N 0587-N 0383. Twenty eight Oct 34 Div attacked toward Pratella which was by passed by 1 RCT while another came within 1 mile of Prata H 1714. Three Div captured Pietra Viarno H 10 feature and continued to consolidate its positions. 56 Div. One Bn 168 Bde supported by light armour captured Teano N 0694. 29 Oct. 504 Para Regt (82 AB Div) was moving west and NW from Alife H 2702. Thirty Four Div continued assault on Pratella. Advance of 3 Div delayed by rear guards and demolitions. Fifty Six Div continued to attack towards Teano Area. Forty Six Div attacked night 28/29 towards rd junction N 0288. Patrols 7 Armd Div entered Mondragone N 9079 and found it evacuated. 30 Oct. 504 Para Regt continued to patrol on 6 Corps right flank. 179 RCT (45 Div) moved to assembly area between 34 and 3 Divs. Fifty Six Div captured Gloriani N 0496. Forty Six Div occupied S Croce N 9987. Seven Armd Div entered Mondragone.

Para 2. Locations. One Five Army Group J 3088. Eight Army J 1808.

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From: 15th Army Group
To : War
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2 November 1943

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COSITINTREP Number 116 to 1200 hours 2nd November.

Part 1 - Section 1. Intelligence. NTR. Ground operations First, Eighth Army, 5 Corps. HQ opened Termoli H 8188. 78 Division. No change. Eighth Indian Division. 19 Bde attacked across river Trigno in area Montemitro H 5365 morning 2nd November. Bridgehead established successfully across river. Forward troops on right reported capture of Tufillo H 5268 this afternoon. Troops on left crossed river at H 5165 against opposition. 21 Indian Bde report increased enemy shelling at Mafalda H 5971 and Tavenna H 6367. 13 Corps. 1 Canadian Division enemy patrol engaged night 1/2 Nov north of Torella. 5 Div. 17 Bde. Forward troops opposed by strong enemy forces on point 1162 H 3131. Bde in area Macchia Godena H 3428. 13 Bde report enemy at S Angelo STN H 3026 and point 1424 H 2823. Latter withdrawing towards Castel Pizzuto H 2424.

Part 2. Fifth Army. 6th Corps. Forward positions. H 1819-1419-1219-1018-1113-0508-0207-9903-M 9989. 504 Para Inf. Against light opposition made slight gains. 34 Div. Fontegreca H 1517 occupied. 168 and 133 Inf continued advance little opposition until tanks were met at H 1119. 45 Div. 179 Inf. Attacks

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advanced steadily. 2nd Bn H 1113. 3 Division. 7 Inf. Attacks from left cut road vicinity H 0003. 1 Bn M 9999. 3 Bn G 9903. Patrols active to front. 4 Ranger Bn. Attached to 6th Corps closed area 45 Div Cp H 2404 afternoon 1st November. 10th Corps.

Second cipher part follows.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)
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From: AFHQNA Algiers
To : War

No. W 4069/5409 - 2 November 1943

2nd cipher part of Freedoms W4069/5409 to Troopers info AGWAR USFOR.

Strong resistance 1 mile SE Seks Salvo. 8th Ind Div captured Montefalcone H56. 1st Cdn Div captured Molise and found Frosolone clear of enemy. 5th Div 17th Bde relieved 2nd Cdn Bde in area Spinete H3926-S Eleua H3930:

13th Bde concentrated near S Guiliano H5218; Div prepared to attack along Axis Bojano-Isernia 29th Oct. Operations 5th Corps hampered by bad weather. No change reported. 5th Div attacked and 17th Bde reached the area H3531.

30th Oct. Bad weather continued. No change 5th Corps front. 5th Div 1st Bn 13th Bde is now at S Massimo. 5th Army. 24th Oct. Hq opened at Caserta N27. Little change entire front. 25th Oct. 24th Div and 33 RCT reached line East of Daviscanina H2008. 56th Div were in possession of Calvi Risorta and Montara features N19. 7th Armd Div reached N0288 46th Div advanced to M9981. 26th Oct. Forward troops 34th Div vicinity H2108. 3rd Div reached H1703 with attack progressing. 56th Div occupied high ground NE Sparanise N 18. 7th Armd and 46th Div reorganized and switched sectors. 27th Oct. 45th Div came into Corps reserve in area of Piedimonte H30. Forward troops 34th Div reached line H1712-H1609-H 1607 from which attack on Ciorland H1316-Pratella.

3rd cipher part follows.

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From: Algiers
To: War

No: W 4069/5409 2 Nov 1943

Fourth and last part to Troopers info to AGWAR USFOR from Freedom W 4069/5409 (Nov nil).

1st Cdn Div H5929. 5th Div H5220. 5th Army N2777. 36th Div N 1082. 82nd AB Div Naples. 6th Corps N3186. 3rd Div N2497. 34th Div H2902. 45th Div N4489. 10th Corps N2077. 56th Div N1388. 46th Div N0570. 7th Armd Div N1275.

Para 3. Movements. 1st (US) Armd Div commenced movement from Oran to Italy 25th Oct. 1st (US) Inf Div and 50th (BR) Inf Div commenced movement from Sicily to UK on 26th Oct.

Para 4. Administrative including (follows) casualties and PW.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (CAPT. ROYAL, USN)

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To: War

No: W4069/5409, 2 November 1943.

From Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT. To Troopers info to AGWAR USFOR W4069/5409 2 Nov.

34th weekly summary. Summary of operations. 24th to 30th Oct.

Part 1.
Ground. 8th Army. 24th Oct.
78th Div improved bridgehead over Trigno River.
8th Ind Div reached Palata H6565 and Acquaviva H 6263.

15th BDE (5th Div was relieved by 4th CDN Recce Regt area Petrella H 5843.

One CDN Div Captured Colle D Anchise H 4323 and S Polo H 4217.

Frosolone H 3833 was occupied.

25th Oct.

Patrols 78th Div in contact south of S Salvo H6183.
19th Ind BDE moved to area Guardialfiera H 6555.
4th Armd BDE concentrated area Serracapriola H 95.
1 CDN Div reached Limosano H 5141 and Casalciprano H 4431 and captured Bojano H 32.

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26th Oct.

No Change 78th and 8 Ind Div.
One CDN Div encountered stiff resistance in reaching

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area H 4436 27th Oct.

11th BDE (78th Div) attacked across Trigno River in Coasta area and extended bridgehead during day.

8 Ind Div after meeting rear guard action captured Montemitro H 4365 and Mt Majardo H 5464. Strong opposition encountered by forward troop.

One CDN Div at Torella and Molise H 43. Attack launched against Frosolone.

5th Div was concentrating area Vinchiaturo H 42.

28th Oct.

78th Div.

1 BN 11th BDE established across Trigno at H 6585.

Leading elements 38th BDE met.

End of first part. 2nd part follows.

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CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)

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(ADMIRALTY INFO COMMORSEAFRON NOIC ALGIERS NLO 8TH ARMY NLO 15TH ARMY GROUP FOC GIBRALTAR FOTA NOIC BIZERTE NOIC MALTA FOMIT COMNAVNAW (2 GROUPS GARBLED) FROM CINCMED.)

SITUATION REPORT 229.

(1) DETAILS ARE NOT KNOWN BUT IT APPEARS HMS DOUGLAS ALSO SANK A U-BOAT IN THE (GARBLED GROUP)* ON 31ST OCT

(2) ADDEES OF THIS MESSAGE WILL BECOME AIG 387 TO WHICH SITUATION REPORT WILL BE ADDRESSED. AIG 376 IS CANCELLED.

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From: AFHQ North Africa
To : War

Nr : R-101-2 1st November 1943

To COSITINTREP from CINC Med para by Freedom of COSITINTREP number 113 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRMA.

// U-boat probably sunk in the Straits of Gibraltar by HMS Douglas on 31st October. My 312247 was 112 COSITINTREP second part.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 011101

IN Received: 2nd Nov. 43

Time : 1020

Addressed: ADMIRALTY

Repeated : (Call Garbled)*
F.O.W.I.T.
COMNAVNAW
N.O. i/c Malta
N.O. i/c Bizerte
COMMORSEAFRON
N.O. i/c Algiers
N.L.O. 8th Army
N.L.O. 15th Army Group
F.O.C. Gibraltar
F.O.T.A.

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From : C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report 220.

1. Details are not known but it appears H.M.S. DOUGLAS also aank a U-boat in the (Garbled Group)* on 31st Oct.

2. Adees of this message will become A.I.G. 387 to which situation report (will be?) addressed. A.I.G. 376 is cancelled.

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*Being Serviced.

F.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O) Personal

S.O.
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt. Col. Cook
Lt. Col. O'Connor
G/C Du Boulay

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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 312240

IN Rec'd. 1st Nov. '43

Time: 1010

Addressed: FONIC
C. in C. M.F.
A.C.N.B.
N.Z.N.B.
COMINCH
B.A.D.

From: C. in C. Med.

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MAY 21 1973

IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 219.

(1) My 282201 paragraph 1 U.S. Cruiser BROOKLYN successfully bombarded (2?) batteries and a barrack in this area and U.S. Destroyer NIBLACK bombarded a battery at Gaeta.

(2) U.S. Destroyer WAINWRIGHT carried successful bombardment of road and rail crossing north of the Volturno on 30th October.

(3) During night 28th/(29th?) October coastal force operated in 2 groups, 1 in the Civita Vecchia area and the other north of Elba. No shipping was sighted.

(4) Imperialist reports attacking U-Boat in position 35-54 N 05-52 (W?) at 1330/31st. U-Boat was forced to the surface and sunk by gunfire.

previously reported

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.

S.O.(O) Personal
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FROM: CINCMED

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 1 NOVEMBER 1943

TOR CODEROOM: 0921

DECODED BY: SMITH/READY

PARAPHRASED BY: DIEBEL

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ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEES

FOR ACTION: FONIC, CINCEF, ACNB, NZNB, COMINCH — BAD

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AIG 376 FROM CINCMED.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 219.

(1) MY 282201 PARAGRAPH 1 US CRUISER BROOKLYN SUCCESSFULLY BOMBARDED 2 BATTERIES AND A BARRACK IN THIS AREA AND US DESTROYER NIBLACK BOMBARDED A BATTERY AT GAETA.

(2) US DESTROYER WAINWRIGHT CARRIED SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT OF ROAD AND RAIL CROSSING NORTH OF THE VOLTURNO ON 30TH OCTOBER.

(3) DURING NIGHT 28TH/29TH OCTOBER COASTAL FORCE OPERATED IN 2 GROUPS, 1 IN THE CIVITA VECCHIA (10 miles North of Rome) AREA AND THE OTHER NORTH OF ELBA. NO SHIPPING WAS SIGHTED.

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(4) IMPERIALIST REPORTS ATTACKING U-BOAT IN POSITION 35-54 N 05-52 W AT 1330/31ST. U-BOAT WAS FORCED TO THE SURFACE AND SUNK BY GUNFIRE.

COMINCH PASS TO BAD.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. NAF 499 1 November 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff rptd HQ ME for C in C US ME from Freedom 4915/W3961 NIL. This is N.A.F 499.

Following correction should be made to N.A.F 493 para 5 for 3 gunboats read 2 gunboats and delete Dalmacija.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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GEN ARNOLD
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From: 15th Army Group
To: USFOR Unnumbered
WAR O 1452

1 November 1943

Signed Eisenhower. Cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Part 2 and last COSITINTREP from 15TH Army Group number O 1452 dated 012130.

with one bn attacking NW.

180th Inf moving vicinity H1409.

3 Div. 7 Inf.

2 Bn H0403.

3 Bn 0301.

1 Bn 1101. Active patrolling.

30 and 15 Inf NTR.

10 Corps. Fwd positions N0398-0195-M9790-9181-8882.

56 Div.

168 Bde. CP H0891. Patrols now advancing to M9897. Forward elements 168 Inf advancing to capture point 332 N0096.

46 Div. Some mortars and shelling encountered.

128 Bde. CP N0185. 2 hamps moving through 5 hamps toward M9690.

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139 Bde. CP N1686. Leading elements moving toward road junction M9792.

7 Armd Div.

Elements 131 Bde supported by 1 RTR attacking area M8882. Forward elements have reached objective.

Casualties

	6 Corps	10 Corps
Killed	1134	1221
Wounded	3865	5073
Missing	2341	2494

PW.

By 6 Corps	1554
By 10 Corps	1154

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs.

1st. MT facing south at Beer 8335 were reported by medium bombers at 1150 hrs. Road movement along the whole front was on an increased scale during the day particularly opposite 5 Army.

2nd. Bombline.

8th Army. 1043 hrs. H 6187-6082-5577-5572-Trigno-3644-3340-2738-2829-2824.

5th Army. 0945 hrs. H2824-1125-0010-M8684.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR O 1452
USFOR London No #

1 November 1943

To COSITINTREP addresses (Fairfield Amilcar pass MA Command Post. Freedom pass to C in C Med and MAC Algiers) rptd Flambo from Hq 15th Army Group number O 1452 1st Nov 2130. COSITINTREP number 115 to 1200 hours 1st November.

Part 1.

Section 1 Intelligence.

5th Army Front. Nothing to report.

8th Army Front. From patrol which crossed river at H5875 PWS taken from 6th Company 79th PGR. State all 4 companies of 2nd Battalion 79 are forward and battalion headquarters at Fresagrandinaria H5574.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army.

5th Corps. Patrol activity continues while work proceeds on river crossing H6379 and approach to river from Montefalcone H5363.

13th Corps. 1st Canadian Division. Report no enemy shelling since 0900 hours yesterday.

5th Division. 17th Brigade. Secured area Macchiagodena H3428.

13th Brigade. Troops occupied covering positions west of Cantalupo H3324 and patrol reported Roccamandolfi H2921 clear.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR
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15th Brigade. Moved to area S Giuliano H5219 (H5217), Weather slightly improved.

2nd. 5th Army.

6th Corps. Forward positions. H1718-1217-1314-1409-0403-0301.

504 Para. Occupied Mallo H1817. Now advanced to H1718. Enemy contact light.

34th Division. 2nd Battalion. 133rd Infantry occupied Fontetreca H1517 31st October. 133rd Inf attacking northwest leading elements H1117.

168th Infantry. CP H2013.

45th Div. CP H2404.

179th Infantry. CP 1807.

(Part 2 follows)

Leading elements now at H1409.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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To : War
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Part 2 COSITINTREP No. 114 from 15th Army Group. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

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Correction to COSITINTREP No. 113 of 30 Oct section 2 ground operations 8th Army 78 Div, 38 BDE for bridge at H 656838 read H 6379. Part 1 ends.

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Corrected copy of CM-IN-75 (1 Nov 43) OPD

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From: AFHQ in North Africa
To: War

No. W-3929/4749, NAF 496, 31st October 1943

To AGWAR for the Combined Chiefs of Staff and to USFOR for the British Chiefs of Staff from Eisenhower cite FHCOS. This is NAF 496.

My NAF 486 gave General Alexander's estimate of the situation existing in Italy, and pointed out particularly the effect of an evident change in enemy intentions, and discussed what we consider the best line of action to meet this change of intention and eventually to provide the maximum assistance for operation OVERLORD. At the time I sent this message I realized that the critical factor was landing craft. The entire situation has now been examined by the Staff. The 3 immediate tasks which involve the use of LSTS are:

(1) The buildup of auxiliary units to complete formations already in Italy.

(2) An assault behind the enemy line, probably on the west coast and with the strength of at least a division. This, as pointed out in NAF 486, I believe to be imperative if we are to avoid a series of slow and costly frontal attacks in our effort to drive the enemy north of Rome.

(3) The demands of the existing Strategic Air Force and of the increased Strategic Air Force contemplated by FAN 254. (a) These include establishment of air field construction and service units.

With our present resources, and adhering to the program for returning ships and craft to the United Kingdom, we can complete the first of these tasks by the 15th of December; but we would have only sufficient resources to mount a seaborne envelopment of the strength of a single brigade (or regimental combat team). This is inadequate.

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However, if we could hold here until December 15th all the British LSTS and 12 of the United States LSTS now due to return to the United Kingdom, we could complete task one, mount a divisional assault, and complete approximately 1/3 of the task of establishing the remainder of the Strategic Air Force in Italy. These LSTS would then return to the United Kingdom, completing arrival by the beginning of February.

By holding these 60 LSTS an additional 3 weeks or until January 5th, we could complete the whole program after which all the LSTS allotted by QUADRANT would sail for the United Kingdom, arriving between the last week in January and the end of February.

I am not certain what effect the 2 alternatives described above would have on OVERLORD, but I am very sure that the success of our operations in this area will have a great effect on OVERLORD and a greater on POINTBLANK. Therefore, while I am reluctant to repeat my previous request for delay in returning LSTS to the United Kingdom, the enormous value to us of being able to use these additional LSTS for a comparatively short period beyond the time originally scheduled for their return is so impressive from our local viewpoint that I have decided after consultation with my senior commanders again to present these facts for your consideration. Should later developments show that some of our proposed amphibious operations are impracticable or can be executed on a smaller scale, you can depend on me to speed up return of corresponding craft.

- Combined Bomber operation from UK

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ACTION: CCS(CAPT. ROYAL USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
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GEN. ARNOLD
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From: 15th Army Advance
To: USFOR London
War

No #
No. 01447

31 October 1943

From 15th Army Group too nil dated 31st to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post Freedom pass C in C MED. No. 01447. COSITINTREP No. 114 to 1200 hours 31 Oct.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. NTR. Section 2. Ground operations. First Eighth Army. Five Corps. Weather still bad and no major change in position. 78 Div. Work on river crossing at H 6379 being hindered by rain and enemy shelling. 13 Corps. 1st Canadian Div. Patrols contacted enemy west of S Angelo H 5043. Five Div continued advance in spite of bad weather. 17 Bde captured Macchiagodena H 3428 and has patrols at La Crocetta H 3231 and 913 H 3328. 13 Bde captured Cantalupo H 3324 afternoon 30 Oct and have troops on high ground south of town. Second. Fifth Army. Six Corps. 504 Para Regt. Fwd Tps H 2315. Active patrolling only being carried out. Boundary 504 Para Regt right 34 Div left. H 2016-1820-1424-1227-1130-1134. 34th Div. 135 RCT. Fwd Tps H 1614. 133 RCT Bn vicinity H 1613. Fwd Tps H 1411. No opposition advancing north west. Boundary 34 Div right 45 Div left. H 1614-1318-0819-H 0123-G 9924-9724-9725-0227 (9227). 45 Div. Cp H 3005. 179 RCT assembled in area H 1508 Boundary 45 Div right 3rd Div left. N 2798-Volturno river to H 1207-0708-0212-G 9910. Three Div. 30 RCT. Fwd troops H 1405. 15 RCT. Fwd Tps H 1003. Seven RCT. Fwd Tps N 1199-1196. Ten Corps. 56 Div. 201 Gds Bde. Fwd Tps N 0995. Part 2 follows.

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INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, CCS (CAPT ROYAL [redacted])
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From: 15th Army Group Adv.
To: War 114
USFOR No #

31st October 1943

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INFORMATION: G-2
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. COSITINTREP 109, 31 October 1943

To AGWAR, 5th Army, 7th Army Fairfield 8th Army 15th Army Group from CINC MED COSITINTREP no 109.

Para 1. Targets for the bombardment by USS Brooklyn on 27th October were 2 batteries and a barracks. These were successfully attacked and USS Niblack also bombarded a battery at Gaeta.

Para 2. Bombardment of road and rail crossing north of the Volturno was carried out by USS Wainwright on 30th October.

Para 3. Coastal forces operated from Maddalena and Bastia during the night 28th October/29th October, north of Elba and in Civita Vecchia area, but sighted nothing.

Para 4. HM Trawler reports attacking U-Boat in Straights of Gibraltar PM 31st October. U-Boat was forced to the surface and sunk by gunfire.

Navy had this also

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AIG 376 FROM CINCMED SITUATION REPORT 218.

(1) ADVANCED COASTAL FORCE BASE AT MADDALENA REPORTED DURING NIGHT 26TH 27TH OCT U.S PT BOAT UNSUCCESSFUL ATTACKED LIGHTLY ESCORTED F LIGHTER OFF VIAREGGIO BREAKDOWN OF ACCOMPANYING M.T.B. PREVENTED ATTACK BEING PRESSED HOME. SAME NIGHT E BOATS OFF BASTIA WERE DRIVEN OFF BY U.S. PT BOAT.

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Addressed: A.I.G. 376
COMINCH

From : C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT Situation Report 218

(1) Advanced Coastal Force Base at Maddalena reported during night 26th 27th Oct. U.S. PT boat unsuccessful attacked lightly escorted F lighter off Viareggio breakdown of accompanying M.T.B. prevented attack being pressed home. Same night E boats off Bastia were driven off by U.S. (?PT) boat.

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. 816/30, 30 October 1943

This is paraphrase by Crypto Freedom of Part 2 of COSITINTREP number 111 from CINC Med 11 to AGWAR, 5th Army, 15th Army Group, 7th Army, 8th Army and Fairfield signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA.

Night October 26th, 27th. Due to breakdown of accompanying boats attack by US PT boat on F lighter off Viareggio had to be broken off. Same night E boats off Bastia were driven off by US PT boats.

Nights October 26th to 28th. Patrols between Spezia and Elba were maintained by Coastal Forces.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Capt Royal USN)
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Time: 0915

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COM 10th Flt C & R
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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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Situation Report Number 217.

1. E-Boats entered Gulf (?Naples) during night 25th October - 26th October and were engaged and driven off by patrols. No damage or casualties.

2. Destroyer patrol in Adriatic was continued during night 28th October-29th October. No incidents reported.

3. Spanish SS SABASTIAN believed to be trading in German interest was intercepted by H.M.S. TYNEDALE a.m. 29th Oct. and is being taken into Gibraltar for examination.

4. P 53 reports sinking escorted 3500 ton passenger (?vessel) off Rapallo at 1142 19th.

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Gen. Macready
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Part two and last COSITINTREP number 113 from HQ 15th Army Group.

Or on Mt Alto H0611. 15 Rct. Fwd Tps. H1003-1400-N1397. Patrol to H0806 no report. 7 Rct. Fwd Tps H1906. Contact with 168 Bde 1 mile south of Teano. 10 Corps. 56 IV. 201 guards Bde Ntr. 168 Bde. Fwd Tps. N0996-0596-0793-0493-0391-0288. Tranzi N0492 captured. 46 Div. 139 Bde. Fwd Tps. N0288-0189-0186. 128 Bde. 1 Bn in Nocejleto N0185. 7th Armd Div. 22 Armd Bde. Patrols reached M9177 and 9276. Light opposition from Lmgr. Mines and demolitions retarding progress. Casualties. 6th Corps. Killed 1096. Wounded 3741. Missing 2314. 10th Corps. Killed 1221. Wounded 5073. Missing 2494. POW. 6th Corps 1525. 10th Corps 1154.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs.

1st. Tactical reconnaissance during the morning revealed light Mt movement NW from Mignano G91 to Cassino G82 and fighter bombers reported very heavy traffic headed north NW from Mignano at 1505hrs. Elsewhere Mt movement was very light and scattered.

2nd. Bombline 8th Army 301505A. H6187-6084-6077-R Trigno to 3644-3340-2934-2924-2824-2822. 5th Army 301126A. H2822-0513-N0994-M9891-9888-8979.

Section 3 ends. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

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INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)
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From: 15th Army Group
To: War 01446
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30 October 1943

From Hq 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees AFHQ pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers number 01446 302200A. COSITINTREP Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post.

113 to 1200 hrs 30 Oct. Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. Fifth Army front. Enemys activity generally on light scale and appears to have withdrawn to probable position along Massico feature north to upper Volturno. Own patrol to H0906 reported no movement in Presenzano and on MT Alto H0610. Recent PWB 3rd PG Div state elements of division including One Bn 8 PGR One Bn 29 PGR and elements Divisional Artillery have moved back to area Cassimo. Eight Army front. NTR.

Section 2. Ground Operations.

First. Eighth Army. Fifth Corps. 78 Div. 11 Bde no change. 38 Bde. Bridgehead still held. Bridge at H656838 washed away fords usable. Eight Ind Div. Hq H6664. Patrols reconnoitring crossings of R Trigno report enemy at Tufillo H5268 and Celenza H4863. Roccavivara H4959 found clear of enemy. 13 Corps. One Cdn Div. One Cdn Bde patrols report enemy posts area Duronia H3840. Div concentrating area Torella H4337 Campobasso H5029 Barayello H4525. Five Div. 17 Bde occupied high ground PT 1281 H3330. No opposition. Fwd Tps on outskirts of Macchiagodena H3828. 13 Bde. One Bn in S Massimo H3421.

Second. Fifth Army. Six Corps. 45 Div. 180 Rct in vicinity H2706. 45 Recce unit in contact elements Eighth Army. 50 Para Regt. Fwd Tps H2111. Patrols vicinity H2113.

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From: 15th Army Group URGENT Page 2
To: War 01446
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34 Div 135 Rct. Fwd Tps. 1713-1513. 168 Rct. Fwd Tps. 1310-1407. 133 Rct Conc Area H1609. Three Div. Reorganising after capture of heights at Pietrovairano. 30 Rct. Fwd Tps. H1407-H1303. Patrols to RR Station H0906 report good observation saw no movement in Presenzano H0608. (Part 2 follows).

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INFORMATION: G-2
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IN

Received: 29th Oct. 1943

Time: 1645

Addressed: COMINCH
A.I.G. 376

From: C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report No. 216.

U.S.S. BROOKLYN escorted by U.S.S. BENSON and U.S.S. NIBLACK proceeded on 27th Oct. to carry out bombardment commencing at 1300 in Minturno area 041-15 N (7013)-45 East. Result not yet received.

Destroyer patrol in Adriatic has been maintained each night 26th to 28th Oct. but nothing has been sighted.

16 ground mines in all have been swept in approaches to Brindisi and port was reopened on 27th.

P-51 reported sinking 1 "F" lighter by torpedoes in position 043-54 North 008-08 East at 1010/22nd.

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. COSITINTREP NO. 109, 28 October 1943

COSITINTREP No. 109 Part 2, signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA from CINC Med II. 282230A October.

15 miles N of the line

(1) USS Brooklyn escorted by USS Benson and Niblack proceeded to carry out bombardment in the Minturno area PM 27th October. Results have not yet been obtained.

(2) Destroyer patrol has been maintained in the Adriatic during each night 26th, 28th October but nothing has been sighted.

(3) HM Submarine Unseen reports sinking F lighter with torpedo on 20th October during patrol in Gulf of Genoa.

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From: AFHQ North Africa
To : War

No. W 3585/3175 27 October 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff (R) to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff from Eisenhower cite FHRNA this NAF number 491.

As a result of a meeting at AFHQ at which Commander in Chief, Mediterreanean, COMNAVJAW, Mediterranean Air Command and NAAF, were represented, on the subject of (fighter direction in combined operations), the following proposals are forwarded as important requirements:

(A) Although it is possible to control fighters from Hq, ships, it is recommended that the best reaults will only be obtained by equipping and employing separate special fighter direction ships independent freedom of movement, radio lines clear of Hq ship and necessary accommodation for plots and fighter direction personnel.

(B) Each fighter direction ship to be fitted out with necessary radar equipment for controlling day and night fighters, including:

(1) A set capable of accurate height finding,

(2) The best long range warning set available,

(3) Sets having PPI display.

(C) As a temporary measure, a combination of both Naval and Air Force fighter direction personnel is necessary in each ship, to achieve the best control of day and night fighters, both land-based and carrier-borne. This personnel to be permanent part of ships complement.

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Senior Officer Fighter Recon.

(D) It may also be a requirement for Sector Commander and SOFR to be embarked in and operate from the fighter direction ship and accommodation should be allowed accordingly.

(E) Each fighter direction ship to be fitted with the following radio equipments:

6 VH/F sets.
5 HF/RT ground to air sets, including inter-F/DO wave.
2 low power W/T, R/T, M/F, H/F, sets.
2 medium power H/F, W/T sets.
4 additonal receivers.
1 VHF/D/F receiver.

Standard emergency equipment. Mark IV and mark VIII AI beachon.

Experience in AVALANCHE with existing fighter direction ship and CCI sets in LST, confirm that ships equipped as recommended in para 1, are an urgent requirement for future combined operations. Provision should be made for other ships or craft such as LST's to be equipped with radar suitable for control of fighters to supplement these special fighter directions ships.

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From: 15th Army Group
To: War
USFOR No #
No. COSITINTREP 109 01423, 26 October 1943

2nd and last cipher part of COSITINTREP number 109 from 15 Army Group number 01423 262030 A.
Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FBGBI.

Pietramelata N1596 and N1497. contact with 56 Div at N1393. 10 Corps. 56 Div. Hq N1388. 168 BDE. Forward troops N1293-N1091. 169 Brigade. Forward troops N0789. Inter-Div boundary 56 Div right 46 Div left. N1321 N1381 - 1484-1086-0786-0486-0288-M0090-9892-9692-9491. 7 Armd Div. 131 Bde. Forward troops N0487. 7 Armd Div and 46 Div reorganizing and switching sectors. Inter-Div boundary 46 div right 7 Armd Div left. N0278-0180-M9981-9782-9784-9587. 46 Div. No change. Section 3. Air 1600 hours. First. During the night enemy road movement was observed as follows 50 MT moving northwest at G5828 60 north to Sulmosa H0760 30 northwest from Sulmosa and 30 southeast at G5233. Steady movement southwest was reported towards Agnone H35. Tactical reconnaissance revealed little movement throughout the day on both Army fronts. Second bombline. 8 army 1600 hours. No change. 5 Army 0925 hours. H3719-2212-1311-1301-0801-N0695-M8979.

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(1) 15 PLUS ENEMY AIRCRAFT RAID NAPLES NIGHT 23RD 24TH OCT. SS JAMES FREDELL WAS HIT AND CASED PETROL CARGO TOOK FIRE. SHIP WAS BEACHED FIRE UNDER CONTROL. NO NAVAL CASUALTIES. FIGHTERS CLAIM 3 IN COMPANY DOWN AND A/A FIRE 1 POSSIBLE.

(2) DESTROYER PATROL IN ADRIATIC BETWEEN DUBROVNIK AND VIS ISLAND NIGHT 24TH 25TH OCT WAS BLANK.

(3) MAGNETIC MINES HAVE BEEN ENCOUNTERED IN APPROACH TO BRINDISI ON 24TH OCT. SWEEPING IN PROGRESS 11 MINES ALREADY DETONATED. OBSERVE U.S. MINESWEEPER HAVE RECENTLY SWEPT 59 MOORED MINES AT CAGLIARI AND

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Situation Report No. 214

(1) H.M.S. CROMARTY was (?mined) and sunk while sweep(?ing) in the Western Approach (?to) the Straits of Bonifacio at 1124/23rd. 62 survi(?vors) C.O. seriously wounded Commander E.(?B) Pinkney Commander M/S Maddalena killed.

(2) Destroyer patrol in Adriatic night 23rd Oct. 24th Oct. between Cazza Island and Durazzo met nothing.

(3) Netherlands ship DOLFYN reports no worth (?while) target seen during patrol between Toulon and Italian Border. 1 barge was attacked (?with) gunfire on 14th Oct. but after registering 2 hits action had to be broken off on (?account) of fire from shore (?battery).

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W3343/1898 25 October 1943

W 3343/1898 25th nil to AGWAR (OPD) Troopers MO 4 rptd Mideast from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT.

BIGOT. 15 Army Group have revised priorities from Mideast telegram number 5 para 1 read (A) Complete NZ Div. Weekly planning telegram number 7.

Para 1. Build up into Italy.

(B) LOFC and Air units.

(C) 4th Ind Inf Div.

(D) Polish Corps.

(E) 9th Armd Bde.

Allotment 4th Ind Div now War Office reserve would give rise to certain complications and question is still under discussion with War Office.

Para 2. Mediterranean diversion to overlord. Discussions with Cossac representatives are nearing completion. Report will be submitted by 1st November to CCS.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W-3325, 25 October 1943
(NAF 486)

Contained in this message is the 4th and last part of NAF 486. To AGWAR for the Combined Chiefs of Staff and to USFOR for the British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower cite FHCOS.

The preceding paragraphs give a very accurate picture of the present tactical situation although the estimates of our buildup and availability of landing craft as given by General Alexander are not quite in line with my own understanding, as the allocations of craft were firmly made at the Quebec Conference and the only changes have been in our favor. Our buildup so far has at least equalled our estimates.

My principal commanders and I are in complete agreement that it is essential for us to retain the initiative until the time approaches for mounting OVERLORD, otherwise the enemy will himself seize the initiative and may force us on the defensive prematurely, thus enabling him to withdraw divisions from our front in time to oppose OVERLORD. If we can keep him on his heels until early spring, then the more divisions he uses in a counteroffensive against us, the better it will be for OVERLORD and it then makes little difference what happens to us if OVERLORD is a success.

I believe the line of action which offers the best chance of success for the attainment of our objective is as follows:

A. The 8th Army to seize the high ground north of Pescara and the Pescara River and then to launch a thrust to the southwest up the valley of the Pescara River, capturing important points along the line Popali-

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Avezzano-Raviano, and threatening Rome from the east. To have a reasonable change of success, this maneuver to capture the high ground north of Pescara must be assisted by a seaborne attack around the enemy's east flank by a force approximating an Infantry Brigade Group, which will, of course, require the use of landing craft.

B. Timed with the thrust of the 8th Army to the southwest from Pescara, the 5th Army to launch a frontal attack to the north on Rome, combined with an amphibious and airborne attack northwest of Rome as soon as the landing craft can be brought around. To be successful, this maneuver will require an amphibious assault by a force of at least an Infantry Division with some armor. The governing factor, of course, is landing craft. The exact requirements are now being worked out in detail but it is certain that more landing craft will be required for a limited time if we are to capture Rome in the near future and avoid a slow, painful and costly series of frontal attacks.

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To : WAR

No : W-3325 24 October 43

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff. This is NAF 486. Signed Eisenhower. Cite FHCIC.

Entire text being transmitted because this morning at a Commanders conference General Alexander presented a review of the battle situation in Italy which gives such a clear and accurate picture.

1. A. On 9th September, the date of the launching of AVALANCHE and the announcement of the Italian armistice, the estimate of the general enemy situation was that 2 Divisions were opposing the advance of the 8th Army in Calabria; 1 Division was in the heel of Italy; 3 Divisions were in a position south of Rome and available to take action against the Allied landing in Salerno Bay; more than 2 Divisions were in the neighborhood of Rome and 9 in the north of Italy. The Germans therefore had total of some 18 Divisions at their disposal on the mainland. Of these it was considered that some would be engaged in northern Italy to deal with the internal situation which was expected to cause them considerable embarrassment.

B. It was of course realized that our assaults near Salerno would prove hazardous in the face of German opposition, but it was thought that the Italian situation, coupled with the opportunity of landing light forces in the heel and our overwhelming air superiority, weighed the scale sufficiently in our favor, and the risks quite rightly were taken. Further, landing craft were available in large numbers

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and gave us liberty of maneuver and flexibility in both build up and maintenance by sea. They also afforded the possibility of further amphibious operations to assist the advance by land. This flexibility proved invaluable and was utilized fully by 8th Army in its operations along the coast of Calabria and by 7th Army in reinforcing the Salerno area with 1 division from Sicily in the critical early days of the battle.

C. Although at that time it was known that craft were to be withdrawn during the winter, the number to be withdrawn and the dates of withdrawal were not established. Our plans then envisaged approximated build up of 1300 vehicles a day from all Mediterranean Ports. Such a figure meant that a total of 20 Allied Divisions, together with the Tactical Air Forces, could factually have been put into Italy by the end of the year, provided that they could be equipped and their maintenance assured. At the same time, the estimates of craft available for the future allowed sufficient elasticity to assist maintenance and to provide for amphibious operations in conjunction with the land advance to Rome, should such steps be necessary.

2.

A. Today the situation has changed greatly. In the south, 11 Allied Divisions oppose 9 German, while further north there are some 15 more, a known total of 24 Divisions, and perhaps as high as 28 Divisions. On the basis that there are no unforeseen causes of a still lower rate of build up, the optimum number of formations at our disposal on the mainland will be: end of November-13 Divisions, end of December-14/15 Divisions, end of January-16/17 Divisions. Our rate of build up has fallen from the previous estimate of 1300 vehicles a day to an estimated 2000 a week with a consequent delay in the calling forward of Air Forces and Army Formations. The reduction in the build up of Ground Forces has also been influenced by the decision to move the Strategic Air Force into the Foggia Area as rapidly as possible rather than to wait for the capture of bases in the Rome area. The demands of the Air Forces should be met by the end of the year.

B. The reduction in craft, already decreased

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by wear and tear, has been so serious as to preclude us from taking advantage, other than with minor forces, of the enemys inherent weakness, which is the exposure of his 2 flanks to turning movements from the sea. The majority of such craft as are available are required for build up and for coastwise maintenance on account of demolitions to road and rail facilities, and traffic in the ports, owing to the shortage of lighters and tugs and enemy sabotage to berthing facilities, which will take time to repair.

3.

A. An examination of the enemy position has shown that his lines of communication enable him to build up in Italy, mainly in the north, the order of 60 Divisions, should they be available, and maintain them there in the winter months, despite our air superiority. The Germans clearly are trying to form a reserve by shortening their lines round the Fortress of Europe. Such a reserve could be employed in reinforcing further their Armies in Italy.

B. In comparison, the Allied position is less favorable. With the resources available no increase in rate of build up can be made. A stabilized front south of Rome cannot be accepted, for the Capital has a significance far greater than its strategic location and sufficient depth must be gained before the Foggia Airfields and the Port of Naples can be regarded as secure. This being so, the seizure of a firm defensive base north of Rome becomes imperative. Moreover we cannot afford to adopt a purely defensive role, for this would entail the surrender of the initiative to the Germans.

4. The obvious present German intention is to hold a line south of Rome, where the country favors defence and allows no scope for the deployment of our superiority in Armor or Artillery. Coming bad weather will limit the employment of our Air Forces, as indeed it has done already. Enemy troops may be tired but they can be relieved by formations from the north. There are indications that this is being done now. We have neither the formations nor the shipping to enable us to do so. It would therefore appear that we are committed to a long and costly advance to Rome, a " Slugging match", with our present slight superiority in formations on the battle front offset by the enemy opportunity for relief: for, without sufficient resources in craft, no

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out-flanking amphibious operation of a size sufficient to speed up our rate of advance is possible. There is a danger that a successful conclusion to this "Slugging match" might leave us north of Rome in such a state of exhaustion and weakness as not to be able to hold what we have gained, if the Germans bring down from the north fresh Divisions for a counter offensive. An enemy stroke of this nature may not be fully neutralized by our Air Forces during the winter months; otherwise, I should feel no concern. The German reinforcement of Italy appears greater than warranted by the internal situation or by purely defensive requirements. If the opportunity for an easy success occurs, there is little doubt that it will be seized upon to counter the effects of a year of defeats on all fronts and to raise German morale prior to the campaigns of 1944. The effect in the Balkans and in France might be particularly to our disadvantage.

5.

A. In conclusion, the picture in September looked rosy, provided the initial assault at Salerno was successful. The German Divisions in the north were about to become involved in difficult internal security problems. In the south the rate of build up was believed to be such that, given no reinforcement by reserve German formations, we should have had 20 Divisions opposed to probably his 18 by the end of December, and our full Air Force requirements would have been on the mainland. It was believed that sufficient craft would be available to turn his 2 flanks and maintain forces over the beaches, as might be necessary.

B. To sum up: today the situation is that 11 Allied Divisions are fighting a frontal battle in country favoring the defense against an immediate strength of 9 German Divisions, which can be reinforced at any moment. Our build up has dwindled to a maximum of 16/17 Divisions by the end of January against a present enemy strength of a certain 24 Divisions, and our resources are not available for amphibious operations of much more than of local character. We may be delayed south of Rome sufficiently long to enable the Germans to clear up the situation in northern Italy and then reinforce his southern

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From: Algiers
To : WAR
No : W-3325 24 October 43 Page 5

front. In this case, the initiative might [redacted] well pass to him. Review ends. Part four follows shortly.

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: OPD
Gen Strong
Gen Arnold
Adm King
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[redacted] NAVAL MESSAGE T.O.O. 232129

IN Rec'd: 24 Oct.'43

Time : 0904

Addressed: A.I.G. 376
COM 10th Fleet

From : C. in C. Med.

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BY DBS, DATE
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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 213.

1. MTB's sailed from Bari on 20th Oct. for Vis Island to (contact?) enemy shipping in the vicinity. Force lying (up?) at the Island by day to return when fuel exhausted. Result not yet received.

2. U.S. PT Boats report sinking (5,000?) ton ammunition Carrier ship North (of?) Giglio Island during night 21st 22nd Oct. Ship which was escorted by 4 R Boats disintegrated. Our force apparently not sighted by enemy.

3. S.S. SALAWATTI was mined in vicinity BRINDISI on 22nd Oct. Ship was damaged in number 1 hold and proceeded into Harbour.

4. Destroyers on patrol between Dubrovnik and Durazzo night 22nd/23rd Oct. Met nothing.

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Air Marshal
Gen Macready
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Brigadier Redman (8)
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IN Received: 23rd Oct.43

Time: 0911

Addressed: A.I.G. 376

From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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Situation Report 212.

1. U.S. PT Boats night 20th/21st intercepted South bound Convoy of 3 F Lighter with 4 small escorts entering Leghorn (Livorno). 1 of the F Lighters was hit with torpedo. Enemy returned confused fire no damage or casualty.

2. Convoy MKS 28 was attacked by a mixed force of about 25 JU 88, HE 111 and DO 217 at 1840 21st in a position 36-55 North 001-36 East. Torpedoes only were used and S.S. SALTWICK and TIVIVES were sunk. 6 aircraft claimed shot down. 2 by H.M.S. ALYNBANK and 4 by Fighter.

3. H.M.S. QUILLIAM and H.M.S. QUAIL on sweep in the Adriatic captured Merchant Ship ARSIA in the Gulf of Drin at 2250 21st. Ship is being taken to Bari in tow H.M.S. QUAIL.

4. During night 21st/22nd October MT Boats patrol East coast Italy in vicinity Ortona. No incident (?reported).

5. H.M.S. UNTIRING reported having sunk a U-Boat (German) (?on) 15th October while on patrol off Toulon.

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U R G E N T

From: AFHQ Adv Cmd Post
To: War

No. 783, 23 October 1943

Action AGWAR for CCS. Rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff, Freedom MAIN, MIDEAST, FATIMA for information. From AFHQ Adv Cp (AMILCAR) signed Eisenhower. Cite FHGCT. NAF 485.

Allied mission to Italian government reports as follows. Italian High Command reports in Montenegro the Venezia Div has been called upon by Germans to surrender on threat of treatment as Franc-Tireurs complied with. Italians request Allies issue statement our intention reprisals in event German threat materializes. They suggest announcement be broadcast immediately from Allied radio stations about as follows: "Ultimatum from German Command in Balkans has been forwarded to Italian troops now fighting with Ygo-Slav patriots in Montenegro threatening treatment as Franc-Tireurs of Italians who do not surrender immediately. Since a legal state of war exists between Italy and Germany the Allies declare that should Germany permit such violations of the laws of war, similar measures against captured prisoners in Allied hands will be taken at once." While we have no check on accuracy of reported German threat, consider it of utmost importance to lend maximum support to active Italian resistance and to keep cobelligerent status in forefront of our propaganda. In this case prompt action appears necessary. Recommend:

Guerillas or would not be shot if captured

A, that public annoucement be made without delay and on high end level denouncing reported German threat as heinous crime against laws of war but that suggested threat of reprisals should not be employed under any circumstances.

B, that a warning that any German authority who treats an Italian PW other wise than in accordance with the principles of the Geneva convention will be held by the US and

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To: War

No. 783, 23 October 1943

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ACTION: CCS (Capt. Royal USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
GENERAL STRONG
GENERAL ARNOLD
GENERAL HILLDRING
AMIRAL KING
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: War

Nr: R 937/23 23 October, 1943

COSITINTREP no 104 part 2, signed Eisenhower cite FHRNA.

1. A force of coastal craft has been operating in the vicinity of Vis Island since 20th October, lying up by day and proceeding to intercept enemy shipping by night. Results not yet received.

2. During night 21st Oct/22nd Oct United States PT boats on patrol report sinking 5000 ton ammunition ship which disintegrated north of Giglio Island, enemys escort of 4 R boats did not appear to sight our forces.

3. SS Salawatti arrived at Brindisi on 22nd October after being mined in the approaches.

4. Adriatic patrol by destroyers night 22/23 October between Dubrovnik and Durazzo, met nothing.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (CAPT ROYAL USN)

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From: 15th Army Group
To: War 1414
USFOR

23 October 1943

Part 2 COSITINTREP from 15 Army Group signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

56th Div. Forward troops. N 1493 - 1289 - 1089 - U787 Sparanise N 0887 taken. Div continuing attack with 201 Guards Bde on ridge at right and 169 Bde in low ground on left. 7th Armd Div. No change. 46 Div. No change. Boundaries. 7th Armd Div on left 56 Div on right. No change to N 1381 thence N 1584 - 1086 - 0888. Cumulative British casualties killed 1155 wounded 4822 missing 2417. Army. Corps rear boundary. Road Pontelandolfo N 5898 - Guardia - Telese - Amorosi to N 3889 incl to Army -river to N 2782 - road south of Volturno to N 2081 incl to corps - N 2774 - road to N 2768 incl to Army then no change. Casualties enemy air raid on Naples 21 Oct approx 50 killed 100 wounded 4 missing. Little material damage.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs. First. Only very slight road movement was observed on 8th Army Front during the day. On 5th Army front fighter bombers at 1130 hrs reported at least 100 MET moving north at H 0807. Small MET movement was observed southwest of Roccasecca G 7327 and 250 plus trucks were reported in railway sidings area G 7124. Second. Bombline. 8th Army 231105 hrs H 6187 - 3164 - 5554 - 4330 -4026 - 4015. 5th Army 231213 hrs H 4015 - 1910 - 1604 - M 8979. Section 3 ends.

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)

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FROM: 15th Army Group
TO: USFOR No #
War 1414

23 October, 1943

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From Hq 15th Army Group. Number 1414. TOO 232245A. To COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass M. A. Command Post). COSITINTREP number 106.

To 1200 hrs 230 October. Part 1 begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front. NTR 8th Army Front. PWS 2 and 3 Coys 64 PGR Area H 6479 and of 5 Coy 79 PGR area H 7976. Area S. Polo H4217 PWS 1 Bn 9 PGR statl 1 Bn 67 PGR also in that area having withdrawn from Colle D'Anchise H 4424.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78 Div. Fwd Tps of 31 Bde drove back enemy rearguard night of Oct 22 and crossed river Trigno at H 6379. Bridgehead now being improved. Patrols into Montenero M 6572 during night found enemy withdrawn and town clear. 8th Inf Div. Fwd Tps established on point 400 H6670. 13th Corps. 5th Div. Patrols report Lucito H5747 and Castelbottaccio H5650 clear. 1st Cdn Div. 2nd Cdn Bde. Attacked last night capturing feature PT 6818 H4323 early this morning and are now fighting on outskirts Holle D'Lanchise H4123. Enemy shelling of Div area continues. Cumulative casualties 8th Army to 0600 A hrs 21 Oct killed 480 wounded 1816 missing 488.

Second. 5th Army. 6th Corps. 34 Div. Fwd Tps. Unchanged to H3007 then to H2306. Third Bn 133 Inf occupied S. Angelo D'Alife H2207. Third Div. Fwd Tps. H1901 to H1800 then unchanged. Seventh Inf has moved up on right of

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15th Inf. Cps. Two Corps main N 1486. Two Corps rear N1259. 157 Inf H3205. 168 Inf N2894. 133 Inf H2604. 30 Inf N2392. Cumulative U. S. casualties killed 929 wounded 3170 missing 2859. Ten Corps.

End of part 1 part 2 follows.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)

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From: 15th Army Gp
To: FAN
USFOR London

COSITINTREP O 1404
No#

22nd October 1943

From 15th Army Group TOO 020100 to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAE pass MA Command Post Freedom pass CINC Med and MAC Algiers number O 1404.

COSITINTREP number 104 to 1200 hours 21st October. Part 1 begins. Section 1.

Intelligence. 5th Army front. NTR. 8th Army Front. 19/20 Oct PW 7th Company 67th PGR and 9th Coy 71st PGR area Busso H 4728 indicate probable boundary 26th and 39th Divisions.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army. V Corps. 78th Division. Patrol have reached river Trigno H 6582 and road junction H 6678. Enemy standing patrols encountered on line at R Trigno. 8th Indian Division. 17th Ind Bde. Forward troops established across R Biferno at H 7060 and 6857. XIII Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde reported no contact along river H 6756 to 6350. Patrols have located enemy in defensive positions in Lucito H 5747 area and point 467 H 5443. 1 Canadian Division. 1 Cdn Bde. Patrols from S Stefano HR 5134 have reached Montagano H 5638. 3 Cdn Bde occupied Campochiaro H 4216.

2nd. 5th Army. VI Corps. 45th Division. Siezed Piedimonte D'Alife H3205 and is now assembling in the vicinity as Corps reserve. 34th Div. 135th Inf Alife H2803 with forward elements 2 miles beyond town. Enemy counter-attack 210030 A repulsed. 133 Inf in area southwest of town. 168th Inf is crossing Volturno at H2698. 30 ton bridge oper-

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ating at N 3284. 3rd Div. 7th Inf NW of Dragoni N2696. 15th Inf NW of Rocca * N 1897. 30th Inf assembling near Viola N2391 normal rear guard action encountered * difficult over bad Terrain. EQ. VI Corps Caiazzo N3083. Corps boundary exclusive. X Corps Br N2181. Road junction N 2282. Inclusive. X Corps road junction N 2186. Exclusive Ponte Latofy N 2186. Inclusive Formicola N 1989.

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Capt. Royal USN (CC/S)
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URGENT

From: Algiers
To: War

Nr: R 902/22 22 October, 1943

To CONSITINTREP no 102 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHRJA.

During patrol

Para 1 Night 20th Oct/21st Oct United States P T boats attacked convoy of 3 F lighters and 4 small escorts off Leghorn. 1 of the F lighters was hit by torpedo.

Para 2 An attack was made by about 25 aircraft on convoy MKS 28 off Tenz at 1840 21st October. S S Saltwick and Tivives were sunk by torpedo. 6 aircraft are claimed shot down 2 by HMS Llynbank and 4 by Fighters.

Para 3 Destroyers patrolling in Adriatic during night 21st Oct/22nd Oct captured Italian Arsis and are proceeding with ship to Bari.

Para 4. No incidents reported by MTB on patrol off east coast of Italy in vicinity of Ortona during night 21st Oct/22nd Oct.

Para 5 H M submarine Untiring whilst on patrol off Toulon reports sinking on 15th Oct a U-Boat.

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INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)
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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR - 105
USFOR - No #

22 October 1943

Part 2 and last COSITINTREP number 105 from 15th Army Group THI 222130. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Killed 475, wounded 1786 (2786), missing 483. Secong. Fifth Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div. FWD Tps H3207. 34 Div. FWD Tps H2606. 3 Div. FWD Tps H2100. To 1500. CPS. 135 RCT Alife H2803. 133 RCT H2602. 15 RCT N2197. Ten Corps. 56 Div. 1201 GDS BDE. PT 860 at N1492 captured. Coldstream Guards N1592. No further change. 7 Armd Div. 7 Armd Div. on Pine N0990, 0888 (N0950-0888). 131 BDE no change. 46 Div no change. CPS Ten Corps N1977. 56 Div main N1782. 168 BDE and 201 GDS BDE N1587. 169 BDE N1383 (N1386). 23 Armd BDE N2576. 22 Armd Bde N1385. 46 Div Tac N0276. Culminative casualties. US killed 925, wounded 3091, missing 2852. British killed 1134, wounded 4778, missing 2408.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs.
1st. Bombers night 21/22 reported considerable MT activity in the Vasto H59-Chieti C11 area between 0040 and 0445 hrs also 60 MT moving southwest at H5061. Tactical recce showed only light scattered movement on the whole front during the day. One column of 40 MT

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To: WAR - 105
USFOR - No #

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was seen moving northwest from Frosinone G43 at 1345 hrs. Medium bombers reported 50 large MT moving northwest to Velafro H02 at 0940 hrs.

2nd. Bombline. 8 Army 1020 hrs H6685-6379-6077-6373-6367-5654-4330-4026-4015. 5 Army 1014 hrs. H4015-2110-P8979 (P8919). Section 3 ends.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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Capt Royal USN (CC/S)

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: 15th Army Group Algiers
To: USFOR No #
War O 1404

22 October, 1943

Second part of O 1404 from 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees. Passing instructions as in Part 1. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

All exclusive 10th Corps N 1592 - stream junc N 1094, road junc N 0995, road junc H 0801, rd junc G 9811, G 9017. 10th Corps 56 Div. Forward elements N 1188, 1591, 1891, 168 Bde beginning to relieve 201 guards Bde 20/21 169 Bde covering bridge construction. N 1087, 1085. Vecchia N 1189 and Sparanise N 0887 still held by enemy. Boundary between 56 Div and 7th Armd Div (Incl 7th Armd Div N 1381),cross roads N 1183, excl 7th Armd Div rd junc N 0786, rd and rail junc N 0587, stream junc N 0489. 7th Armd Div. No change in front. 131 Bde patrols entered outskirts of S Andrea Pizzone N 0483 which is still held by enemy. Boundary between 7th Armd Div and 46th Div. Incl 46 Div Cancello N 0274, bridge N 0278, cross roads N 0180, rd junc M 9981, rd and stream crossing M 9883, 46th Div Fwd Troops no change to M 9877 then to M 9978,N 0178, N 0280. Enemy counter attack in vicinity M 9977 repulsed. Patrols.

Section 3. Air 1600 hours. First. Scattered MT movement on an increased scale was observed on 5th Army front during the day. Road traffic on 8th Army front was again reported as negligible.

Second. Fighter bombers reported up to 35 small craft active in S a Bandethl Harbour B 9085.

Third. Bombline. 8th Army no change. 5th Army

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210755 hours H 4015, 3012, 1403, I 8979. Section three ends.

Corrections. In first part alter counterattack 210030 to 201130. In last para after B 9085 insert during the morning. Before section 3 read patrols report no enemy to N 0287.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Capt. Royal USN (CC/S)

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. R-131/22 21 October, 1943

United States PT boats whilst on patrol off river Arno night 19/20th October attacked convoy of 1 small tanker 1 F lighter escorted by 3 R boats. F lighter was hit torpedo and another possibly hit tanker. Fire from R boats was inaccurate and they eventually engaged each other.

Navy has this

Destroyers on sweep in the Adriatic night 20th Oct and 21st Oct. Sank Ex Yugo/Slav trawler with German armed guard on board in vicinity of Ulcinj.

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NOTE: Corrected copy of CM-IN-13102 (22 Oct 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Capt Royal USN (CC/S)
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IN Received: 22nd Oct. 1943

Time: 0914

Addressed: Admiralty

Repeated: C. in C. Levant
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N.L.O. 1st Army
F.O. Force "N"
F.O.C. Gibraltar
H.Q.N.W. African Air Forces
N.L.O. 8th Army
V.A. Malta
B.A.D.
COMNAVNAW
N.L.O. 18th Army Group
S.N.O. Tripolitania
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From: C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT

Situation Report No. 211.

1. U.S. P.T. Boat night 19th/20th October encountered North bound convoy of 1 small tanker, and (F) 61 and 3 R boats off River Arno 43-40 North 10-15 East. 1 torpedo hit was obtained on lighter and a possible hit on tanker. R boats returned inaccurate fire eventually engaging each other.

2. H.M.S.TYRIAN and H.M.S. TUMULT on patrol during night 20th/21st between Durazzo and Dubrovnik sank ex-YugoSlav trawler BOJANA with German guard on board South of Menders Point 41-57 North 19-09 East.

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F.M.
Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
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IN [redacted] Received: 21st Oct.43

Time: 1545

Addressed: B.A.D. Washington

From: Admiralty

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Begins:- Following for Joint Staff Mission, Washington.

(Information received up to 10 a.m. 21st Oct.43).

1. NAVAL

Levant. 19th/20th. Three of H.M. Destroyers carried out sweep in Aegean without opposition and one of them bombarded Kos blowing up a petrol dump. H.M. Submarine TROOPER overdue and must be considered lost.

2. AIR OPERATIONS.

Western Front. 20th. 213 Fortresses (B.17) with Fighter support despatched against Duren (29 miles South West of Cologne) of these 92 aircraft dropped 260 tons in cloud results unobserved. 8 Fortresses missing, 1 crashed in the sea. Spitfires (3 missing) carried out sweeps over France. Enemy casualties 9, 0, 1. Escorted Typhoons attacked air fields at Woensdrecht and in St. Omer area. Mustangs (P.51) damaged 6 locomotives.

20th/21st. Aircraft despatched. Leipzig 358 (16 missing) Berlin, Emden, Brauweiler and Knapsack 29, Sea-mining 12, Leaflets 31, Intruders 28 (1 missing). At Leipzig thick cloud bad weather and bombing scattered. 31 enemy aircraft operated over Southeast England and East Anglia, also 27 Minelaying mostly off Yorkshire Coast. 10 penetrated to London area with casualties nil, 1, 1. A fire was caused at Woolwich Arsenal and bulk of serious casualties at Bethnal Green.

Italy. 18th. In addition to attacks on railway yards 66 Invaders (A.36) attacked airfield in Rome area, destroying 15 enemy aircraft on the ground and 3 in combat.

19th. 11 Liberators (B.24) destroyed 4 bridges in area South Southeast of Ancona. 48 Invaders attacked airfields at Viterbo and Tarquina destroying 14 aircraft on the ground. 159 light bombers and 234 Fighters attacked communications in battle area.

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Crete and Dodecanese. 18th/19th. 9 heavy bombers attacked Antimachia airfields (Kos) and 6 light bombers raided Heraklion airfield (Crete).

Burma. 17th. Effective attacks on railway 150 miles North of Mandalay by 26 heavy and medium bombers. Ends.

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IN Received:21 Oct.'43

Time: 0912

Addressed: A.I.G. 376

From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 210.

Patrols by Coastal Force between Elba and Spezia were curtailed due bad weather during period 16th to 19th Oct, but division operated in this area for short period without making any (contacts?).

2. During the night 19th 20th Oct. H.M.S. TROUBRIDGE and H.M.S. ILEX carried out Sweep between Cezze Island and Blitzenice Island but saw nothing.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
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CORRECTION

URGENT

From: 15th Army Group Algiers
To: War O 1394
USFOR No #

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OSD letter, May 1973
By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

20 October, 1943

Correction at beginning of message should read:

COSITINTREP number 103 to 1200 hrs 20 October. Number O 1394 TOO 202155 A from Hq 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. Fifth Army Front.

PW from 21TP 56 Panzerwerfer states his unit equipped SP heavy rocket projectors.

Eighth Army Front.

1/9 PGR identified on road forward of Bojano with II/9 in reserve at Bojano. II/67 to north. Polish deserter from Two Company Nine PGR states 18 Poles out of 50 men in company all anxious to desert. Photo R shows 4 strong bn positions prepared west of R. Trigno between road and coast.

No Sig

NOTE: Correction to CM-IN-12477 (21 Oct 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, Capt Royal USN (CC/S)

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URGENT

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By DBS Date MAY 21 1973

From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: USFOR London No. #
WAR COSITINTREP # 103

20 October 1943

2nd Part of COSITINTREP number 103 dated 20 October. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGPI.

Inf Alvignano N 2893. 7th Inf N 2595. 15th Inf N 2493 cumulative US casualties killed 879 wounded 3047 missing 2848. 10th Corps. 56th Div. Forward Troops. 201 (210) guards brigade Formicola N 1990-N1289 with patrols to N1592. Coldstream guards at N1489. 2 Scots Gds at N 1388 169th Bde. Forward Troops at N1188. 2/6 Queens patrol report bridge blown at Calvi Vecchie N1189. 2/7 Queens patrol to H.1085. W2/5 Queens patrols reached Sparanise N 0767. 7th Armoured Div. Fwd Tps. 131st Bde N 0382 with patrols of 1/5 Queens to N0584 and 0786. Contact with enemy at N0986. 46th Div. Fwd Tps no change. Contact maintained. Local clashes during night. Canal from sea east to 99 easting grid proving quite and obstacle. 3 ferries now in operation. 1 company across at M9977. CPS. 168 Bde Caserta N 2874. 201 Gds Bde Bellona N 1984. 169 Bde N 1484. 56 Div. N1681 139 Bde. 0859 . Cumulative British casualties 5th Army killed 1097. Wounded 4731. Missing 2378.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs. 1st. Road movement on whole front was reported as small and scattered throughout the day.

2nd. Bombline 8th Army 200720 hrs 6685-6379-6077-6373-6359-5654-4330-4026-4013. 5th Army 201441 hrs H4013-

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20th October 1943

-3012-1906-M 8609. Section 3 ends.

Correction.

After 1 Canadian Bde in 1st part read "recaptured Sostefano H 5134.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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Capt Royal USN (CC/S)

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URGENT

From: Algiers
To: War

No: O 1394 20 Oct. 1943

COSITINTREP number 103 to 1200 hrs 20 October. Number O. 1394 too 202155 A from Hq 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR par[illegible] MA Command Post.

Part one. Section 1. Intelligence. Fifth Army front. PW from 21TP 56 Panzerwerfer states his unit equipped SP heavy rocket projectors. Eighth Army front. 1/9 PGR identified on road forward of Bojano with II/9 in reserve at Bojano. II/67 to north. Polish deserter from Two Company Nine PGR states 18 Poles (*) men in company all about to desert. Photo R shows 4 strong bn positions prepared west of R.Trigno between road and coast.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. Eighth Army. Five Corps. 78 Div continued patrol activity and enemy reported still holding Montenero H 6573. Eight Indian Div. 17 Ind Bde relieved 10 Bde of 78 Div in Larino H 7555 area. 13 Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde report no enemy east of Biferno river in their sector. One Canadian Div one Canadian Bde captured S Stefano H 6134 early this morning. Attacks on Busso H 47[illegible]8 and Oratino N 4831 no successful and both places now in our hands. Three Canadian Bde forward troops at [illegible]527 H 4516 with patrols forward. Cps. Eight Ind Div H8460. 17 Ind Bde H7657. Cumulative casualties to 0600A. 18 October killed 463 wounded 1,741 missing 451. Second. Fifth Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div going into reserve. Forwards troops 157 Inf Piedmonte D'Alife H 3205. 34 Div forward troops 135 Inf Alife H 2803. 133 Inf N 2799 168 Inf N 2688. Some slight activity including artillery fire. Crossing of Volturno river continuing. 135 Inf and 133 Inf across river. 3rd Div. Forwards troops. 7th Inf N2498. 15 Inf N 2099 - N 1898. Subjected to artillery fire vicinity Dragoni N 2696 - Liberi N 2491. Cps 45 Div Telese N 4490. 179 Inf N 4596. 157 Inf N3898-168. End of part 1 part 2 follows.

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To: WAR Nr. 102
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Part 2 COSITINTREP No. 102 from 15 Army Group. Signed Eisenhower.

Three Div left. 34 (38) Div Right 3279-2790-2696-2597 N 2699-Volturno river to H 0907-G9910. 3 Div forward troops N2497-2099 (N2497-2099). CP's. 7 RCT N269@ 15 RCT N2492. Div advancing on Pietramelara N1696 and Pietravairano H 1403. 10th Corps. 56 Div. Forward troops N1485. 169 Bde patrols to Vecchia N 1289 and Pignatara N 1487. 201 Bde occupied high ground N1589. Contact with 30 Rct at N1888. Pignatara N1487 and Pantuliano N0687 reported clear of enemy. 7th Armd Div. HQ N 1375. No change. Patrols at N 1086-0383-0292-0084. 131 Bde contacted enemy at S Andrea N0382. 46 Div. No change. Light contact with enemy. Casualties. 8th Army to 17 Oct. Killed 463. Wounded 1729. Missing 451. 5th Army to 18th Oct. 6th Corps. Killed 870. Wounded 2991. Missing 2825. 10th Corps. Killed 1084. Wounded 4689. Missing 2368. Section 3. Air 1600 hrs.

1st. Bombers night 18/19 saw little MT movement in the area of Vasto H59 to Chieti C11 and in area north of the line Formia M69 Isernia H13 tactical reconnaissance showed mostly scattered MT movement along the whole front during the day, one Mt Column closely spaced being reported between NO385 and NO999 80 Mt were seen by Fighters Bombers moving South West on the Vasto H59 AGNONE H35 road at 1600 hours.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 1348 hrs H6685 6379 - 6077 - 6373 - 6361 - 6359 - 5654 - 4126 - 4115 - 4519.

5th Army 1547 hours H4519 - 3109 - 1100 - NO889 -

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

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IN Received: 20th Oct.43

Time: 1638

Addressed: A.I.G. 376
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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

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Situation Report Number 209.

(1) 3 P.T.'s H.M.S. TYRIAN and H.M.S. TUMULT proceeded Bari p.m. 18th October to intercept ship reported by air reconnaissance off Mljet Island but did not make contact.

Yugoslav Coast
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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
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To: War O-1388
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19th October 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group. Number O-1388. TOO 192231A. To COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass P.A. Command Post). COSITINTREP. Number 102 to 1200 hrs 19 October.

Part 1.

Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army front. Enemy continues withdrawal. Contact with rearguard units. Demolition activity continues with fewer mines. Indications from PWS that 2nd Bn 8th PGR has relieved 1st Bn 8th PGR on left flank 3rd PG Div. 8th Army front. Pas today area Petacciato from 64 PGR. Also at Baranello H4625. From 2nd Bn 9th PGR and 6 Coy 67 PGR latter state 6, 7th and 8th Coys 67 PGR area Spinete H4126. Also 1 PW 4 Troop 93 Arty Regt same area. Comment. Battle group of 2nd Bn 67 PGR previously operating south of Casacalenda has now rejoined main body 26 PZ Div. Officer PW Flieger Korps XI claiming to be friend of student states 2nd Para Div has 4 Regts numbered 2nd, 5th, 6th and 7th. Div had fairly heavy casualties in fighting around Rome.

Section 2. Ground operation.

1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. 38th Bde. Fwd troops captured Petacciato H7179. 36th Bde. Montecilfone H7067 area minor enemy counter attacks beaten off. 13th Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde. Own tps H5948. Patrols operating from Morrone H6546 and Petrella H5843 report enemy on high ground Guerdiafiera H6656 to Lucito 5747. 1st Cdn Div. 1st Cdn Bde. Fwd Tps area S Stefano. Enemy resistance met

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in area Cratino H4932 and Busso H4728. 2nd Cdn Bde. Captured Pt 763 H4623 and Baranello H4625. Contact with enemy maintained. Patrols have reached H4423 and H4316.

2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. 45th Div. Fwd tps no change to N3601 then to N3300. CP's. 157 RCT N3995 180 RCT N3595. Body eliminated between 45th and 34th Div. Div advancing on and assembling in area S Petito Pannitico H3304. In contact with 8th Army. 34th Div CP N3090 fwd tps N3097-2799-2698. 168th RCT. CP H2893 (2895). Dragoni N2696 occupied. 133 and 135 (115) RCT crossing Volturno at N2798 directed on high ground SE of Venafro H0421. Div boundary. (End of part 1 part 2 follows.)

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
GEn. Deane (CC/S)

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No: W2931/9801 19 October 1943

To Troopers rptd AGWAR USFOR from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT W2931/9801 19th October.

32nd Weekly Summary. Summary of operations 10th to 16th Oct.

Para 1. Ground 8th Army 10th Oct. 15 BDE of 5th Div on left of 78th Div reported Bonefro H 74 clear. 1 CDN Div against opposition reached H 6923 on main rd to Vinchiaturo and occupied Castel Pagano H 81. Contact with 5th Army Patrols made at Circello H 60. 11th Oct. 5th Div 15th BDE in contact with enemy 2 miles NW of Bonefro. CDN Div reached H 6224 and reported Riccia H 7020 clear. 78th Div came under command 5th Corps. 12th Oct. 78th Div patrols reached Petacciato H 7179 and Montecilfone H 76. 5th Div 15th BDE took high ground H 7447 after stiff fighting. 1 CDN Div reached line Saelia H 73-Cercemaggiore A 61. 13th Oct. 5th Corps report no contact with enemy. 5th Div reached Casacalenda H 74 and rd junc H 7046 without contact. 1 CDN Div in contact enemy area Campobasso H 52. 14th Oct. 5th Corps report little contact with enemy. 13th Corp. 5th Div patrols in contact with enemy Morrone H 64. 1 CDN Div reports roads either side Campobasso clear and nearing Vinchiaturo. 15th Oct. 78th Div reports enemy on line Petacciato-Montecilfone also area R Biferno H 7159. 5th Div 15th BDE captured Morrone and reports all clear. 1 CDN Div reports capture of

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To: WAR
No: W2931/9801

19 October 1943

Campobasso and Vinchiaturo. 16th Oct. Road Termoli to Vinchiaburo reported clear of enemy. 78th Div 11th BDE crossed Biferno River. 15th BDE report Castellino H 64 clear of enemy but contacted enemy 10 miles NW of Bonefro. 1 CDN Div patrols operating approx 5 miles west and NW of 97 Campobasso and Vinchiaturo. 5th Army 10th Oct. Patrolling and preparation for river crossing continue. 45th Div captured Pontelandolfo N 59. 11th Oct. No change. 12th Oct. Preparation and troop concentration carried out. 13th Oct. Both Corps launched attack across river Volturno night 12/13 Oct. Fierce (1st part, 2nd part follows.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
CCS (Capt Royal USN)

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Second and last part of COSITINTREP number 101 from 15th Army Group number 0 1383 dated 18th Oct.

Gioia N3699 to a point 2 miles southeast of Potito H3303. 180th RCT is 2 miles south of Potilo. 179th Rct in reserve in area south of S Lorenzello N4597. Div CP N4491. 34th Div 135th Rct reached Ponte Selvapiana N3195. 168th Rct advanced to S Ferdinando N2895 2 miles southeast of Dragoni. 133 Rct in reserve in area M Brande N2889. Div CP N3482. 3rd Div. 30th Rct captured Roccaromana N1997 and have advanced north of the town. 15th Rct in area Profeti N2393. 7th Rct in reserve east of Pontelatone N2186. Div Cp N2384. Due to constant use of bridge at Triflisco N2181 it was necessary to close bridge for approximately 4 hours today. 10th Corps. 56th Div. 201st Bde captured Villa Volturno N1884 and advanced to within one mile of Formicola N1989. 169th Bde are advancing on main road Capua N1878-Calvi N1189 and have reached road junction N1484. 167th Bde are concentrated northeast of Capua area Salomone N1479. Div CP N1874. 7th Armd Div. The greater part of 131st Bde has crossed the river Volturno and forward elements are on the line Lupera N1382-Moggia N0883-road junction N0680. 22nd Armd Bde except recce elements have not crossed river and are in division reserve. 46th Div little change in situation. 138th Bde reported no enemy at N0177 north of Quartone. 40th RTR in area Lenzella N9673. 128th Bde in reserve south of road junction N9472. The Class

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Wine bridge at Grazzanise N0857 is fully employed in maintenance of 46th Div as maintenance over beach is impracticable due to artillery fire. Situation should be relieved by class 30 bridge at Capua due to be completed by morning 19th October.

Section 3. Air 1600 hours. 1st. Medium bombers reported considerable scattered Mt moving.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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18th October 1943

From HQ 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post) number 01383 182335A. COSITINTREP number 101 to 1200 hours 18 October.

O7op. 18th

Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army front. Nothing to report. 8th Army front. Deserter 4 Sqn 16 Recce Unit night 16/17 states unit near Supello H5685 and had heard that 2 Bn 64 PGR in San Salvo H6183. PW Montecilfone 9 Coy 3 Para Regt states company only 23 strong. Whole bn behind village. Comment 1 Para Div now apparently holding sector from approximately 70 northing to 48 northing. Enemy resistence reported stiffening west of Vinchiatura and patrols active night 17/18 east of road Campobasso-Vinchiatura up to 1000 feature H5523. British officer escapee reports Germans preparing demolitions on all bridges south of road Pescara-Popoli. Numbers of Germans recently arrived area Pescara-Chieti but not in position. About 4000 Germans Atitocco B9301. Comment. Arrival large numbers German troops Pescara area possibly supports Italian report that 2 divisions to be sent from north Italy to Kesselring.

Section 2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78 Div. 36 Bde captured Montecilfone H6967. Patrols reported no contact 3 miles west of town. 11 Bde HQ H830625. 4 Armd Bde HQ J104281. 13 Corps. 5 Div. 15 Bde HQ H7149. Patrols operating in area Lucito H5747 and Petrella H5843. 1 Cdn Div HQ H5929. 1 Cdn Bde forward troops captures S Stefano H5934. Enemy counter

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attacks thrown back. 2 Cdn Bde HQ H5520. Attacking towards Baranello H4625 and point 763 H467229 meeting determined resistance. 3 Cdn Bde HQ H6924. 1 Cdn Tnk Bde HQ J1825.

2nd. 5th Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div. 157 RCT advanced through (End of 1st part. 2nd part follows.)

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W2820/9086 18 October 1943

Troopers AGWAR information Mideast Fairfield Rear FATIMA FABLE FAKIR from AFHQ cite FHGBI signed Eisenhower W2820/9086 18 Oct nil G2 daily summary.

Five Army Front. Enemy driven from Gioia north west of Fiacchio and Libero where 3 unsuccesful counter attacks made with Infantry and tanks. Enemy now reported north of Formicola. Mines and demolitions still considerable but Arty fire Sporadic and mainly from SP guns. Little activity between Capua and sea. Enemy preparing intermediate defensive positions south of Pignataro. Enemy now pushed back from river front in sector Grazzinese-Cancello and has withdrawn to canal line in coastal sector. General enemy tactics unchanged. Withdrawal is slow and rear-guard actions strong but general impression the enemy moving back to new main defence line upper reaches Volturno-Roccamontina-Monte Massico.

2. Eight Army Front. No major contact. Air photography indicates considerable activity on line of river Trigno. Main defensive position evidently Trigno river from coast to Trivento thence southwards tb Bojano strong covering parties encountered between rivers Trigno and Biferno. Mission evidently to deny us observation of Trigno line. Approaches to Trivento and Bojano strongly held.

3. Miscellaneous. French report 925 Fortress Regt was subordinated to 90 PG Division in Sardinia with 903, 905, 906 and 907 battalions.

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INFORMATION: OPD, CG AAF, Gen. Deane CC/S

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From: 15th Army Group
To: WAR 0/1375
USFOR London No#

18th October 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group 172355 to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass a Command Post Freedom pass C in C Med and MAC Algiers) 0/1375 COSITINTREP no 100 to 1200 hrs 17th October.

Section one. Intelligence. 5th Army Front.

Stubborn enemy resistance entire front but signs that withdrawal is being accelerated on left flank 14 Corps.

8th Army Front.

Stiffening enemy resistance met particularly in southern sector. In north 16 PZ Div holds strong covering positions denying us observation over river Trigno 16 Oct PW 1 Bn 60 PGR area H 7379. Confirms all Bn in position just east of Petacciano. Air photos show considerable activity in preparation of Trigno line. One 1 Para Div front patrols over Biferno met with stubborn resistance and further south. Enemy reported holding strongly to Trivento. Considerable Army activity reported from Bojano where 26 PZ Div hold positions covering main road. General M. PGW 15 PGR with 24 PZ Div beginning Sept when Division south of Florence, states Div included 21 and 26 PGRS each of 2 Bns plus Regtl Coys. 24 Tank Regt had originally 2 Bns MK 111 and 1V and 3rd Bn 111 and V1 (Tigers). May 43 Tigers sent to Russia. March Bn formed from Div and moved south before 20 Sept at that time 21 PGR due to leave for Russia but PW ignorant whether it actually left.

River 15 miles above Biferno R. on North coast.

Section 2. Ground operations. 1st. 8th Army.

5th Corps. 78th Div. No change.

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13th Corps. 5th Div. Patrol to Petrella Tifernina H 5843. Town believed clear. 1 CDN Div. 1 CDN Bde patrol encountered enemy Sano H 5341. Patrol of 1 coy strength engaged at H 4742. Casualties no report.

2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps.

Advance continuing in face of stiff resistance. 45 Div. Fwd Tps no change to N 3898 then 3897-3885. CPS. 179 Inf N 4595. 157 Inf N 4391. 180 Inf N 3991. 34 Div. Fwd Tps N 3292 N 2792. 3 Div. Fwd Tps N 2590 2492 2190 1990. Liberi N 2491 Captured. 3 counter attacks repulsed vicinity Liberi. CP 30 Inf N 2186.

Boundaries. 45 Div on right. 34 Div on left N 3986. Along Volturno River north to 3396 3000 H 2903 2705 2707. 34 Div on right. 3 Div on left N 3279 2986 2695 2299 H 2301 2002. Cumulative casualties killed 743 wounded 2779 missing 2778. 10 Corps. Continuing to advance in face of stiff resistance. 56 Div. Fwd Tps N 2085 1682 1479. 201 Bde. Bellona N 1984 clear. 169 Bde. Enemy counter attack beaten off. 167 Bde forced crossing vicinity Capua N 1878. CP 169 Bde N 2180. 7th Armd Div. Fwd Tps N 1479 1279 0780 0278 0177. Grazzinise N 0876 bridge completed. Bridgeheads opened at N 0979 and N 0578. 1 Sqn tanks over. Div Cp N 1075. 46 Div. No change. Cumulative Corps casualties killed 1018 wounded 4461 missing 2099.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs. 1st.

Very light scattered Mt movement was observed in area H 56 at 0940 hrs otherwise nothing to report on 8th Army front. Tactical. Reconnaissance which was hampered by poor visibility due to clouds and rain saw no movement throughout the day on 5th Army front.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 1130 hrs.

H 6658 6379 6361 6249 5649 5646 line of river Biferno H 4020 4518 4510. 5th Army 1428 hrs H 4510 3004 N 3096

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2496 2098 1692 1484 0886 south of road to N 0078 M 9078.

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Gen Deane (CC/S)

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F.O.C. Gibraltar
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N.L.O. 18th Army Group
S.N.O. Tripolitania
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COMNAVNAW
N.L.O. 8th Army

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From: C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report 208

1. My 162320 para. 1
M.T.B. report details as follows:
A confused night action in which shore batteries and searchlight joined. 2 heavily armed (flak ?) ships were silenced and left burning to the waterline. An armed trawler escaped. (Report?) of M.T.B. 636 states merchant ships also present were unsuccessfully attacked with torpedo. Casualties 8 killed 10 wounded.

2. During night 15th/16th 1 M.T.B. division operated in Tiber area and reported sinking 300 ton schooner which disintergrated with large explosion.

3. At 17(30?) 16th H.M.S. TYRIAN and H.M.S. TUMULT intercepted Italian S.S. ARGENTINA and O.YMPIA south west of Mljet Island. The former with German armed guards and loaded with hay has been taken into Bari. The latter was sabotaged caught fire and had to be sunken.

4. M.T.B. proceeded P.M. 16th to carry reconnaisance of Vis Island.

5. H.Q. of Fowit are not established ashore (at Naples?). Discharge from the port is averaging 5000 tons per day.

6. H.M.S. TROUBRIDGE and H.M.S. ILEX patrolled from Dubrovnik to Vis Island during the nights 17th 18th but saw nothing.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S.(2)
Plans
Brig. Redman (8)
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From: Algiers
To : War

No : W-2696/8411, 17 October1943

To AGWAR for the Combined Chiefs of Staff, personal pass copy to General Walter Bedell Smith and repeated to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower cite FEDSC. This is NAF 471.

General Alexander reports that on the Eighth Army front there has been little change in the situation. Now completely in our hands is the road to Termoli-Vinchiayura. The closing up and consolidating of our units is taking place, at the same time patrols are being pushed well forward.

Advance continues on Fifth Army front. Operations are proceeding according to the original plans but progress is slow and methodical. 45th and 3rd American Divisions have made good progress and the 34th Division is being pinched out as planned. Faicchio has been captured by the 45th Division. Liberi has been surrounded by the 34th Division.

Report on the Tenth Corps front shows that the 56th Division is crossing the river east of Capua and have pushed patrols well forward. In the vicinity of Crazzamise elements of the Seventh Armored Division crossed the river and have captured Brezza . The 46th Division is now firmly established on the Dell Agnena Canal and have patrols located along the coast south of Mondragone.

A great increase in enemy air activity on the front of the Fifth Army on the 15th was noted.

General Alexander inspected the port of Brindisi 16th October and found the situation there well in hand.

ACTION: CCS
INFORMATION: OPD, GEN STRONG, GEN ARNOLD
ADM KING, GEN BEDELL SMITH, LOG

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To: WAR

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Part 2 my AV 217 OPSUM 328 TOO 171335.

1 aircraft holed. 15 Bostons armed recce roads to Rome. Slight movement seen. 64-500 road and rail junctions at Sermoneta Vaiaontome Almoctone and Marano. 4 Beaufighters defensive patrols.

16 October. 72 US Mustangs armed recce. 76-500. Roads railways M/T in area Vairano Teano Sessa Aurunca Alife Francolise. 3 M/T destroyed 2 damaged. 3* containing trucks and 1 radio truck damaged. 1 HE111 destroyed and 2 HE111 damaged on ground at Cisterna A/D. 20 US Warhawks bomber escort and patrol Capua to Caiazzo. 96 Spitfires 109 US Spitfires patrols battle area and offensive sweeps. Former encountered total of 20 FW190's and 42 ME109's in 3 formations. 2 FW190's and 4 ME109's destroyed 3 ME109's damaged 1 Spitfire damaged. 12 Spitfires 14 US Mustangs tactical recce. 1 US Mustang damaged by flak.

Northwest African Coastal Air Force. No reports received.

Northwest African Photographic Recons. * 7 US Lightnings 1 Spitfire.

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To: USFOR London
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COSITINTREP 99

From HQ 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees O 1371 162330A.

COSITINTREP number 99 to 1200 hrs 16th October.

Section 1. Intelligence, 5th Army Enemy fighting stubborn rear guard action, using Inf Arty and tanks. Mines and demolitions are reported not as effective as heretofore. 56th Panzer Werfer Rgt identified in 6th Corps sector by PW 8th Army. 3rd and 4th Coys 64th PGR identified Etacciato H7279 14th October by DOCS, PW area Larino H7658 15th October state Hq Para Arty Regt and Hq 2nd Bn 1st Para Regt Acquaviva H6263 14th October with 1st Bn at Guardiafiera H6756. Schulenburg commanding. Schulz wounded. 3rd Bn on Volturno front. PW 7th Coy PGR states 2nd Bn H5141. 1st and 3rd Bns area H4553.

Section 2. Ground operations. 1st, 8th Army. Road Termoli H8278 Vinchiaturo H4921 clear. 5th Corps. 78th Div. 11th Bde. Patrols crossed R Biferno and have reached high ground area H7059. 13th Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde. Patrols contacted enemy on high ground area H6454. Castellino H6144 reported clear. Contact made with 1st Cdn Div near Ripabottoni H6743. 1st Cdn Div. Fighting patrols now operating West of area Campobasso H5521, Vinchqitupo H4921 are still meeting enemy resistance. 1st Cdn Bde. Patrols reached Montagno H5638. Patrol to Busso H4728 without contact. FWD Tps reached Rocco H4833. 2nd Cdn Bde Fwd Tps reached Baranello H 4605. Patrol to H4220 reported road clear but enemy on high ground South of road. Cumulative casualties to 0600 A hrs 14th October killed 459 wounded 1662 missing 459. 2nd 5th Army. 6th Corps advance continues. Bridges in operation. Enemy air active. Crossing of Volturno about

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completed. 45th Div. Fwd Tps. 179th Inf no change. 157th N3997. (End of 1st cipher part second * N4097 captured.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CGAAF
Gen Deane (CC/S)
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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War Nr 92
USFOR London Unnumbered

17th October, 1943

Second and last cipher part of COSMOPEP Number 99 true THI 0615. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGDI.

Heavy fighting along Titerno River. 34th Div. Meeting normal rearguard action. Fwd tps. 135th Inf N3492 3390. 169th Inf N2990-2991. 3rd Div. Fwd tps. 7th Inf N2591-2491. 15th Inf N2191. 30th Inf N2087. Liberi N2491 surrounded. CPS. 3rd Div N2386. 15th Inf N2586. 7th Inf N2388. 30th Inf N2286. Corps cummulative casualties to 12th Oct killed 660 wounded 2547 missing 2632. 10th Corps 56th Div. 201st Bde and * across river. 169th Bde crossing river at N2181 with 1st Bn moving toward Capua N1878 on north bank of river. 167th Bde patrols crossed at N1879 and 1677. Bridge established at N1678. CPS. 201st Bde N2282. 169th Bde N2176. 167th Bde N1975. 7th Armd Div. 131st Bde crossed vicinity Grazzanise No 976 and captured Brezza No 978. Bridge being built at Grazzinise. 46th Div. Fwd tps no change. Bridge being constructed at N0274. CPS. 138th Bde No 374. 128th Bde M9871. Corps cumulative casualties to 11th Oct killed 978 wounded 4407 missing 2071.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs. 1st Bombers night 15/16 reported 100 plus MT moving southeast from Rome and 150 Mt on the road. Southwest from San Vito C3612 2nd Tactical reconnaissance on 5th Army front showed scattered road activity on a reduced scale during the day. 8th Army front nothing to report. 3rd. Bomb line.. 8th Army no change. 5th Army 0648 hrs H3510-3506-N3598-2498-1791-1685-0282-M0178.

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IN Received: 17th Oct. 43

Time : 0906

Addressed: A.I.G. (?376)
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From : C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report 207.

1. M.T.B. operating in the vicinity of Elba during night 14th/15th Oct. report sinking 2 enemy vessel in the (?Piombino) Channel. M.T.B. 636 was sunk in this action. No further details yet. The other division patrolling South of Elba saw nothing.

2. During night 14th/15th Oct. M.T.B. carried sweep (?to Mljet) Island no shipping was seen. Craft were engaged by Shore batteries (?no) damage or casualty.

3. My 152115 (?para. 1 amendment) as follows:

The ships intercepted were Italian S.S. MERANO and S.S. POZARICA proceeding from Venice to (?Trieste) with German armed guard on board. Former loaded with 500 tons Bauxite was (?sabotaged) caught (?fire) and had to be sunk, the latter in ballast was brought (?into) Bari.

4. My 152115 para. 2 JAMES R. LOWELL has been beached near Phillipeville.

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To: General Eisenhower

From: Chiefs of Staff

Repeated BRITMAN Washington as C.O.S.(W) 879.

Commanders-in-Chief Middle East,(Mideast please pass) Mediterranean, India.

Dated: 16th October, 1943.

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Following from Chiefs of Staff.

1. At Trident it was decided to send following Squadrons from M.A.C. to arrive in India by 1 October, 1943 -

4 single engine day fighter squadrons, and
1 coastal beaufighter squadron.
In addition 1 transport squadron from the resources of transport command was to be sent to India.

2. In view QUADRANT decisions regarding operations from India and situation in Mediterranean it was decided to postpone departure of these squadrons.

3. Present transport aircraft position in U.K. is such that additional transport squadrons for India must come from Middle East resources.

4. Request you arrange despatch of reinforcing squadrons to India as follows:

(A) 1 transport squadron, to arrive in India as soon as can be arranged, air echelon to arrive not later than 1 November.

(B) 2 Hurricane squadrons. 2 Spitfire squadrons, 1 Coastal Beaufighter squadron, to arrive in India not later than 1 December.

5. Air Ministry telegram AX 96 of 24 June to M.A.C. refers.

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Time : 0908

Addressed: A.I.G. 376

From : C. in C. Med.

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SITUATION REPORT No. 206

(1) H.M.S. TUMULT and H.M.S. ILEX on sweep in Adriatic, night 14th-15th Oct. Intercept 2 ships 5 miles South of Cazza Island. 1 Ship was sunk. The other a 5000 ton Esbjerg Tanker is being taken to Bari in prize.

(2) S.S. JAMES R. LOWELL in convoy GUS (18?) (was?) torpedoed by U-boat (German) in position 37-22 N 07-08E about 1230/15th. The engine room was flooded ship has been taken in tow.

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced
To: WAR 98
USFOR London No#

15th October 1943.

Part 2 COSITINTREP No. 98 from 15 Army Group. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Front. 3 bridges in operation. boundary between 34 Div, 3 Div N 3775 3085 2890 2694 2897. 3 Div all Infantry elements north of river advance continues. 3 bridges in operation boundary between 3 Div 45 Div in later stages will be N2898-Volturno river to H0910-0215. Corps boundary 6 Corps right 10 Corps left as before to N2079-Volturno river to 2182 2383 2286 2090 1494 0996 H0901 G9910 10 Corps. 56 Div. 2 Bns crossed river on bridge built by 3 Div at Triflisco N2181. with remainder of 1 Bde continuing to cross. Bridge under construction south-west of Capua. 7th Armd Div still holds small bridge-head vicinity Grazzanise with bridge under construction. 46 Div consolidating position. Cancello reported clear with patrols to line of canal on immediate front. Boundary between 7th Arm Div and 46 Div Villa Literno Cancello road junction N0079 inclusive to 46 Div.

Section 3. Air 1600 hrs. First. Tactical reconnaissance showed scattered road movement on a slightly increased scale on 5th Army front 1 MT column closely spaced being reported facing north east between N0384 and N0887. 1 column of 104 (100) MT moving south west from Piedmonte H3106 was seen by fighters at 0815 hrs 8th Army front nothing to report. Second. Bombline. 8th Army 1600 hrs no change. 5th Army 142212 hrs B4510 3506 M3598 2498 1891 1886 0282 M9178. Chelsea nowhere.

(Section 3 Ends).

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2 CG AAF GEN.SPAATZ GEN.DEANE (CC/S)
GEN. BEDELL SMITH

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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group Advanced
To: War 01365
USFOR No #

15th October 1943

From 15 Army Group TOO 152230 to COSITINTREP addressees (Fairfield AMILCAR pass to MA Command Post) Freedom pass to C in C Med and MAC Algiers no. 01365. COSITINTREP to 98 to 1200 hrs 15 October.

Part 1 begins. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front. 13th October all 3 Battalions 129 PGR identified between M9674 and Grazzanise N0876. PWS 104 PGR areas Brezza N0979. According to PWS 382 PGR cannibalised to provide replacements for 1 Bn 129 PGR. Eighth Army Front. Night 13/14 enemy patrol met east of Petacciato H72 (H77). PW 3 Bn 3 Para Regt Montecil-Fone night 13/14 states his Bn in contact with 79 PGR. 14 Oct enemy withdrew northwest from Campobasso after stiff fighting. 13 Oct PW 1 Bn 15 PGR Cerceppicola.

Section 2. Ground Operations.

1st. Eighth Army. 5th Corps. 38 and 36 Bdes patrolling forward report enemy resistance on general line Patacciato H7179 Montecil Fone H 6967. 11 Bde. Forward troops in contact on R Biferno in area H7159. Bridge at 7159 blown. 13 Corps. 5 Div. 15 Bde captured Morrone H6546 on 14 Oct. patrols from Cascalenda H 7149 held up by demolitions at H7040. S Elia H7335 clear. One CDN Div One Cdn Bde. Campobasso captured 14 Oct. Bde clearing up area. One Bn reached H5735. Two Cdn Bde captured Vinchiaturo H4921 this morning. S Giuliano H 5417 reported clear.

2nd. Fifth Army. Six Corps. Forward troops N 4197 3891 3788 3288 2788 2389 2187. 45 Div. Left flank made progress. Contact with one Cdn Div at Pontelandolfo CP N 5292. Boundary between 45 Div 34 Div N 6037 5583 4484

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15th October 1943.

3986. Volturno River to 2898. 34 Div. advance continued on.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen Bedell Smith
Gen. Deane (CC/S)
Gen Spaatz

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y

From: 15th Army Group Advance Philpot.
To: USFOR London Unnumbered
WAR No. 97

COSITINTREPO number 97 second and last part from 15 Army Group. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Up to river from N140174 to 0274 22 Armd Bde in area Aversa N1663. 46 Div. 139 Bde Fwd Tps N0274-0075-N9572. 128 Bde M9572-9372. 138 Bde area North of Qualino N1257. Corps rear boundary road Maddaloni N3270-RJ at 272682-Grispani M2561-CR at N190584 Qualiani N1257-RJ at 034513 all exclusive. Section three. Air 1600hrs.

1st. Bombers night 13/14 from 2145-0400 hrs reported lettle movement on roads opposite 5th Army front and on roads north and southwest from Vasto H5891. Day 14 tactical recce saw only slight scattered MT activity on 5th Army front. 8th Army front nothing to report.

2nd. Bombline 1200 hrs. 8th Army H6685-6379-6361-6653-then line river Biferno to H4020-4518-4510. 5th Army H4510-H3506-N3596-3592-2289-1886-0282-M9178, Section three ends. Part one ends.

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NOTE: Corrected copy of CM-IN-8755 (15 Oct 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CGAAF
Gen. Deane (CCS)
General Smith
General Spaatz

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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot.
To: USFOR London No#
WAR 97

15th October 1943.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2
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Gen. Deane (CC/S)
Gen. Bedell Smith
Gen. Spaatz

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From: 15th Army Grp Adv Philpot
To : USFOR London No #
War O 1361

15 October 1943

From Hq 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees Fairfield AMILCAR pass MA Command Post number O-1361 14th Oct 142355. COSITINTREP number. 97 to 1200 hours 14 October.

Part 1 begins . Section 1. Intelligence . Nothing to report.

Section 2. Ground operations. 1st. Eighth Army. 5th Corps. 78 Div. 38 BDE patrolled to Petacciato H 7180 reported enemy patrols north west of town. 36 BDE patrolled to Montecilfone H 6967 saw no enemy but were shelled. 13 Corps. 5th Div. 15 BDE captured Casacalenda H 7149. Recce parties reached RD Junc H 7040 Patrols during night 13/14 contacted enemy in Morrone H6545. 1 CDN Div. 1 CDN BDE FWD TPS at 570282 and 5529. Campobasso H 5528 not reported captured but RD 5630 to 5327 clear. 2 CDN BDE advancing on Vinchiaturo H 5020. FWD TPS reached H 5321 Div Hq H 685215

Second. 5th Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div FWD TPS. 3 BN 180 Inf area N6398. 179 Inf H 4602-N415980-4195. 180 Inf less 3 BN N-4194-4188. 157 Inf area south of Castelvenere N 4593. CPS. 180 Inf N4591 157 Inf N482906. 34 Div. FWD TPS 135 Inf N 3888-3789-3588. 168 Inf N3487-3187-3185 meeting strong resistance. 135 Inf area east of Montesarchio N 5373. CP 135 Inf N 385585. 3 Div. FWD TPS 15 Inf less 1 BN N3085-2788.7 Inf N 2788-2487-2383. 30 RCT N 2383-220815. 1 BN 15 Inf N-220815-2080 and in contact with 3 Coldstreams in outskirts Capua N 1778. Div CP N-276774 Corps rear boundary H 7288-6683 Benevento (incl)-road Benevento to Montesarchio to Maddaloni (all excl).10 Corps. 56 Div .201 GDS BDE in Capua N 1778. 168 BDE along south bank of river from Capua to N-150775. (2nd and last part follows.) 169 BDE area south of Caserta N 2774. 7 Armd Div left bndy road N0764-0077.131 BDE.

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From: 15th Army Crp Adv Philpot October 15, 1943
To: USFOR London No #
War O 1361

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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By RHP, NLR, Date
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W-2521-7475 NAF 469 15 Oct 1943

To AGWAR for the Combined Chiefs of Staff pass copy to General Walter B Smith for information USFOR for the British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower cite FHDSC. This NAF 469.

Alexander has just returned from the front where he states that on the whole the 5th Army attack is progressing fairly well. 10th Corps is experiencing great difficulty in the crossing the Volturno, but the American divisions are working well forward and are getting into a position threatening the flank of the German forces which face 10th Corps. Alexander feels that in a few days we shall have gained a crossing, bridged the river and forced the enemy back some miles. Heavy pressure in the northeast will be started by the 8th Army about October 25th.

Non-metallic land mines are now being used by the enemy in some areas which render our electrical mine detectors useless.

The morning of October 14th was spent by Alexander in the Naples Port area where he reports a remarkable job being done by salvage units and dock experts in opening the port. 3,000 tons per day are being discharged at Naples while other small ports nearby are discharging about the same total. For the 5th Army area we are aiming at a total of at least 10,000 tons per day. Clearing the quays of wreckage may take some weeks so much of the unloading is being done by small craft such as LCTS and Dukws.

Alexander states that the administrative situation is being straightened out satisfactorily. This is his main difficulty at present.

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ACTION: CCS
INFORMATION: OPD GEN. STRONG GEN. ARNOLD SGS ADM. KING
GEN. BEDELL SMITH GEN. SPAATZ LOG

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IN Rec'd. 15 Oct.'43

Time: 1018

Addressed: A.I.G. No. 376
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From: CINCMED

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BY DBS, DATE
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IMPORTANT:

Situation Report Number 205.

(1) 4 LCT successfully landed tanks north of Volturno River before light 13th October.

(2) H.M.S. LAFOREY, H.M.S. LOOKOUT and DS FLORES bombarded targets north of Volturno River (on?) 13th. Results were unsatisfactory owing to poor visibility and nature of country. Force was attacked by about 8 Fighter bombers at 1455. H.M.S. LAFOREY and H.M.S. LOOKOUT were near missed slight damage from splinter 2 killed and 11 wounded.

(3) During 13th (14th?) H.M.S. TROUBRIDGE and H.M.S. TUMULT carried out patrol in Dubrovnik Area but saw nothing.

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From: Algiers
To: War.

Nr: 2442/7120 and NAF 468, 14 October, 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and for the personal attention of Major General Walter B Smith rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff, signed Eisenhower, cite FHGCT. This is NAF number 468.

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Note: Text of original message correct as sent. Correction in heading of message.

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: OPD, Gen. Strong, Gen. Arnold, SGS
Gen. Spaatz, Adm. King, Gen. Smith

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No: W 2442/7120 NAF 46* 14 October 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and for the personal attention of Major General Walter B Smith rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff. Signed Eisenhower Cite FHGCT. This is NAF number 46*.

Further advances have been made on 8th Army front with Canadians reaching Campobasso H 52 where they are in contact with enemy. Attack of 5th Army during night 12th/13th Oct launched and generally operations are proceeding according to plan. Resistance on 6th Corps front light and all units have crossed the Volturno and are holding. 45th Div reached the area N 2082-2485-2785 and is moving quickly to first objective. 34th Div is having some trouble but is now holding area N 2985-3385-3885. 3rd Div crossed river NE of Capua and have reached the line N 4193-4397-4799. An enemy attack on 10th Corps front in vicinity of Capua just prior to zero hour caused the attack of 5th 6th Div to fail. Patrols of 7th Armd Div crossed the river in vicinity of Grazzanise but were being withdrawn. On the south flank 46th Div crossed the river between Cancello and Castel Volturno and with help of 2 squadrons of tanks landed by sea, secured a bridgehead approximately one mile in depth.

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: OPD, Gen. Strong, Gen. Arnold, SGS, WDCC, Gen. Spaatz, Adm. King, Gen. Smith, Log

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: WAR 1352
USFOR London No. #

14 October 1943

Number 1352 TOO 140130. To action COSITINTREP addressees MAC CP pass to Fairfield AMILCAR Freedom pass to CINC MED and MAC Algiers. COSITINTREP No. 96 to 1600 hours 13th October. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army Front. Morning 11th Oct. Germans withdrew from Guardia after stiff resistance. 14th and 5th Coys 9th PGR identified vicinity Guardia with 1 Battalion 93rd Arty Regt in support. 12th Oct 3rd and 4th Coys 8th PGR identified by PWS area N4392. Comment. Suggest bulk if not whole of 3rd PG Div now in line and occupying sector approximately between 26 easting and 44 easting. 8th Army front. Enemy evacuated Casacalenda night 12/13 Oct but still hold ground at H7047. East of Vinchiaturo our patrols reached area H5321 but under arty fire from feature at H5423. One battalion 67 PGR identified by PWS Cercepiccila H5517.

Section 2. Ground Operations. 1st. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. Active patrolling continues with no contact reported. 8th Ind Div. Conc Area Corato 0286 SS Bde conc Molfetta P1994. Inter Corps boundary all incl 5th Corps road Larino H7555 Acquaviva H6263. 13th Corps 5th Div. 15th BDE. Fwd tps reached outskirts

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To: WAR 1352
USFOR London No. #
14 October 1943

Casacalenda H7149 and rd Junc H7046. No contact reported. 1st Cdn Div. HQ H772332. 1st Cdn Bde passed through 3rd Cdn Bde night 12/13 Oct. Fwd tps in contact with enemy 1 mile east of Camkobasso H5529. 2nd Cdn Bde report Cerecemaggiore H6018 clear.

2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. 45th Div. Fwd tps M4799-4397-4193. Cps 179th RCT M5195 180 RCT M4901. Div left boundary M4585-4086-3790-R Volturno-H0911-H0216. 34th Div. Fwd tps M3885-3886-3385-2985. Cp 168 Rct M4077. Div left boundary M4077-3280-3084-2490-2094-M1297. 3rd Div. Fwd tps M2785-2485-2082. Cps 15th Rct M2881. 7th Rct M2680. Div and Corps. Left Boundary. Boundary exclusive Nola M4458-incl Casserta M2874-M2080-M1088.

Part 2. 10th Corps. 56th Div No change. Div left boundary M2655-1970-1479. 7th Armd Div 131st Bde patrols at M0977 and M0637 no further change. Div left boundary M1067-0577-0382. 46th Div. Forward troops M0476-0374-0276-M0074-M9874-9572-9372. Operational summary 5th Armd attack launched last night as scheduled. 45th Div. Elts attaining high ground north east and south east San Salvatore M4293. 179th Inf occupied Kerrato M4798. 34th Div. Crossed 4 Bns against determined resistance. 3rd Div. Crossed 5 Bns and some tanks against determined resistance. 10th Corps. 56th Div. 167th Bde attack across Volturno south west Capua forestalled by enemy. No further attempt to cross here yet made. 7th Armd Div. Small parties crossed M1177 and 0877 unable to advance and being withdrawn. 46th Div. 139th Bde crossed and beat off center attack. 2 Bns across river dug in on line of canal 128th Bde all bns across. Sqn tanks landed by LCT area M9371. All crossings still under fire and no bridges yet completed either corps front.

Section 3. Air. 1st. 5th Army. During night 12/13 reports received from night bombers revealed large movement of MT south from Ceprano G6027 to Fornia and eastwards towards river Volturno. Tac R at first light however disclosed little movement in the same area. Activity including movements of tanks artillery and transport was reported throughout the day on the whole front. 8th Army.

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To: WAR 1352
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Night bombers reported considerable movement north east towards Vasto H5991 otherwise little activity was reported on this front.

2nd. Bombline. 8th Army 0938 hours. H7083-6573-6565-6361-6752-5840-5836-4535-4510-3905. 5th Army 1020 hours. H3905-N3993-2788-9282-M9178.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
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Gen. Deane (CC/S)
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URGENT

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No: R 1017 13 October 1943

COSIT INTREP no 94 signed Eisenhower at FHRNA. From C in C Med 2.

1. Destroyer sweep in the Adriatic night 12th Oct/13th Oct. Was carried out in the Dubrovnik area but nothing was sighted.

2. It is anticipated 8 alongside berths will be available at Naples by 20th October. Arrangements for supply of electric light by Italian submarines are nearly complete.

3. SS Ocean Viking was mined in approaches to Taranto on 11th October. Ship reached harbour.

4. One Division of MTB's operated in vicinity of Elba night 11th October 12th October. No incidents reported.

No Sig.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, Gen. Deane (CC/S), Gen. Smith, Gen. Spaatz

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URGENT

From: AFHQ in North Africa
To: War

No. R-1017, 13th October 1943

COSITINTREP No. 94 signed Eisenhower at FHRNA. From C in C Med 2.

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DD-453
USS Bristol escorting part convoy was sunk probably by U-boat AM 13th October off Philippeville.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
GEN W B SMITH
GEN SPAATZ
GEN DEANE (CCS)
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URGENT

From: 15th Army Gp Adv Philpot
To: WAR O 1345
USFOR London No#

13th October 1943.

From Hq 15 Army Group to COSIMINTREP addressees MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR Freedom pass to C in C Med O 1345 122345 A signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI. COSITINTREP number 95. To 1600 hours 12 October.

Part 1 begins.

Section 1.

Intelligence. Nothing to report.

Section 2.

Ground operations. First. Eighth Army. Main Army Hq JO85175 TAC Army closed same site. 5 Corps. 78 Div. 38 Bde patrols report enemy still holding Petacciato H7179 36 Bde patrols have reached Montecilfone H7067 and high ground 3 miles southeast of the town. 11 Bde concentrating area Larino H7555 and have patrols 3 miles northwest of the town where they are held up by enemy positions across river Biferno. 56 Recce Regt held up by shelling at H735525. 8 Ind Div. 17 and 19 Ind Bde Gps now Conc area Corato P0286. 13 Corps. 5 Div. 15 Bde after fighting all day yesterday captured Pt 888 at H7447 this morning. 4 Cdn Recce Regt from Colletorto H8140 are in contact with 15 Bde and have patrols 4 miles southwest of the town. 1 Cdn Div. 1 CDN Bde have patrols at S Elia A Pianisi H7235 * Cdn Bde Fwd Tps at Gildone H6222 report no contact. 2 Cdn Bde in S Croce Del Sannio H6109 with patrols to outskirts Cercemaggiore H6017. Army casualties to 100600 killed 403 wounded 1441 missing 433 . Second. Fifth Army. Forward elements no change. Cps 6 Corps Maddaloni N3270. 179 Inf N3390. 180 Inf N4790. Casualties 10 Corps no change. 6 Corps killed 623 wounded 2514 missing 2589. Previous report showing larger number of 6 Corps wounded erroneously included sick.

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To: WAR 01345
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13th October 1943.

Section Three.

Air. First. Tactical reconnaissance saw no road movement along the whole front but reported all railway bridges blown between Vasto H59 and Pescara C12. Second. Bombline. 8 Army no change. 5 Army 1415 hours. H5202-5310-5205-3505-N3988-1380-M9370.

Section three ends. Part one ends.

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IN Rec'd: 13th Oct. '43.

Time: 0902

Addressed: All Commands concerned with C. in C. Mediterranean's Situation Report

From: C. in C. Mediterranean

IMPORTANT

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SITUATION REPORT No. 203.

1. Motor Torpedo Boat operating from Brindisi spent a sweep of Italian Coast as far (as?) Pescara during night 9th/(10th?) October to (? intercept) enemy shipping but nothing was sighted.

2. During night 10th/11th October Motor Torpedo Boat in Elba Area attacked a lighter escorted by an armed Trawler. Enemy turned back to Porto Vecchio (Perlas). Another Motor Torpedo Boat division sighted nothing during sweep between Elba and Port Ercole.

3. H.M.S. TUMULT and H.M.S. ILEX operated in the Durazzo Area during night 11th/12th October without seeing anything.

4. P54 reports having attacked an F lighter carrying troops at 2335/2nd in position 42-47 North 09-54 East (with?) machine guns probably causing some casulaties. At 1340/3rd torpedoed a 3000 ton merchant ship lying in Longone Harbor (Elba)

5. My 082341 para 5 SOKOL O.R.P. reports details as follows: At 0758/4th torpedoed 6000 ton merchant ship which was seen to sink 2 hours later at 0710/7th torpedoed 4600 ton merchant ship which was also seen to sink at 1600/7th attacked 1500 ton troop ship with 3 inch guns. A number of hits were obtained but action had to be broken off owing to fire from shore battery. All (attacks?) took place off Promontore (44-45 North 13-54 East)

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. WX 289/6275, 12 October 1943

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(E) One French Div from Mideast:
(A) Complete 8th Ind Div.
(B) L of C and air units.
(C) Complete 2nd NZ Div.

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Supplementary correction of CM-IN-7234 (12 Oct 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: GEN. STRONG
GEN. DEANE (CC/S)
GEN. ARNOLD

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. WX289/6275 12 October 1943

Action AGWAR (OPD) Troopers (NO 4) rptd Mideast from Freedom G-3 (Plans) section no WX289/6275. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT.

Para 1. Priority for build up. Reference my 474 September 28 para 3, 15th Army Group revised priority is: from North Africa:

(A) Completion units and formations already in Italy, including tactical and proportion Coastal Air Forces, all with full administrative units for maintenance.

(B) Strategic Air Force.

(C) First US Armd Div. — (Now Arm)

(D) Personnel First Brsk (Br) Armd Div to relieve personnel 7th Armd Div for UK.

(E) One French Div from Mideast:
(A) Complete 8th Ind Div.
(B) L of C and air units.
(C) Complete Second NZ Div.

Para 2. Moves of Air Forces into Sardinia and Corsica. Following priority has been decided:

(A) Preparation Decimomannu as ALG. Servicing party already dispatched.

(B) Two French Spitfire Sqns to Corsica. Already moved.

(C) Four Sqns Gr Wing to Corsica.

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(D) One Sqn Spitfires, one Sqn Intruders to Corsica.

(E) Construction additional airfields in North and NW Corsica for future operations.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: GEN STRONG
GEN DEANE (CC/S)
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GEN ARNOLD

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From: C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT

Situation Report No. 202.

(1) During night 9th/10th, U.S. P.T. boats carried sweep between Elba and Leghorn (Livorno). A ship was torpedoed off Leghorn but it is reported this may have been a wreck on the Meloria Bank. A division of motor torpedo boats operating North of Elba saw nothing.

(2) Adriatic patrol was maintained by destroyers during night 10th/11th but nothing was sighted.

Minesweeper (3) H.M.S. HYTHE was torpedoed while attacking contact in position 37-04 North 05-00 East and sank at 0200/11th. 22 survivors.

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From: 15th Army Gp Advanced Philpot
To: USFOR Unnumbered
War Nr: O 1341

11th October, 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group. Number O 1341 too 112336A. To COSITINTREP addressees (MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR) Freedom pass C in C Med. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHSBI.

1100 AM
EWT

Number 94 to 1600 hrs 11th October. Intelligence. 5th Army front. 1 coy 129th PG Regt identified at M9872 and M9972 on Oct 10th. 8th Army front. 9th Oct PW. para MG Bn Macchia H 7632 state under command Grassmeyer. Comment Grassmeyer of 3rd Bn 4 para Regt may have elts MG Bn under command. 11th Oct PWS Second Bn 67th PG Regt at H7447 and from 71st PG Regt Riccia H7020. Enemy still holding H7442 and S. Elia 7335 but withdrew from Riccia. Area south from Riccia to S. Croce now reported clear of enemy.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. 8th Army. 5th Corps. 78th Div. Passed under command 0900 hrs today. Patrol activity continues. During Oct 10th our arty engaged many targets area Casaca Lenda H7149 uncluding MT on road and Inf positions. 13 Corps. 5th Div. 15th Bde leading elements were in close contact last night with enemy at H7448 and H7544 and this morning were reported south of point H7557. In contact with 1st Cdn Div at H8043. 1st Cdn Div. Main HQ HV7823. 3rd Cdn Bde. Continue advance against opposition with leading tps reported on road at H6224. Combat contact established with 2nd Cdn Bde south of Riccia H7020. 2nd Cdn Bde. Patrols reported Riccia H7020. And Castel Pagano H6711 clear. Second. 5th Army. Forward elements no change. 6th Corps

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To: USFOR Unnumbered
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45th Div. CPS. 179th Inf N5290. 180th Inf N4789. New left boundary for 45th Div with 34th Div on its left Volturno river from junction with Calore northwest to H0911-0216. 10th Corps. CPS. 131 Bde N1167. 46 Div No 864. 128th BDE M 9965.

Section 3. Air. First Tactical reconnaissance which was on a reduced scale owing to weather revealed no significant movement along the whole front. Second. Bombline 1600 hrs. 8th Army H7083-6573-6565-6361-6752-5840-5836-5310-5202 5th Army H5202-3982- N3988-1380-M9370. Section 3 ends.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)
Gen. Bedell Smith
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93 to 1600 hrs 10 October. Part one begins. Section One. Intelligence. 8th Army Front. All 3 Bns 15th PG Regt identified in position north of Ielsi H 6625. One Bn south. 3 Bn centre. 2 Bn north. 5th Army Front. Nothing to report.

Section two . Ground operations. First. 8th Army. 13th Corps. 78 Div. 36 Bde patrols laid mines on road Montenero H 6473-Palato H 6365. 5th Div. 15th Bde moving fwd into area H 8545 on the left of 11th Bde report Bonefro H 7845 clear of enemy. 1st Cdn Div. 3 Cdn Bde reached H 6923. 2nd Cdn Bde reached Riccia H 7020 and Castel Pagano H 6911 and made contact with 5th Army patrol at Circello H 6706. 5th Corps. Main Hq H 9656. Army casualties to 0600 9th Oct. Killed 376 wounded 1328 missing 436.

Second. Fifty Army. Patrolling and preparing for river crossing. 6th Corps. 45th Div fwd troops N 6999-H 6401-4995-4086. Captured Pontelandolfo N 5898. Cp N 6089. Left boundary N 3480-3380-3181-3084-2885-2193-1795-1299. 3rd Div Cp N 2877. 10th Corps. 56th Div Cp Casserta N 2875. 139th Bde.

Section 3. Air MM first. tactical recce revealed no major movement over the whole front.

Second. Bomblines 8 and 5 Armies nor change. Section

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Gen. Deane (CCS)
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From: 15th Army Group Adv. Philpot
To: War COSITINTREP 01333
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11th October 1943

From Hq 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees number 01333 11th Oct (110225). Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI COSITINTREP number.

93 to 1600 hrs 10 October. Part 1 begins.

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Section 3. Air.

1st. Tactical recce revealed no major movement over the whole front.

2nd. Bomblines 8 and 5 Armies no change. Section 3 ends.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2 CGAAF Gen.Deane(CC/S) Gen Bedell Smith

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U R G E N T

From: 15th Army Group Advance Philpot
To: War
USFOR London

No. COSITINTREP No. 92, 10 October 1943.

2nd and last part of COSITINTREP No. 92.

135 Inf N3978 (3978)* 168 Inf N4072. 157 Inf N5890. Boundary. 3 div on left 34 Div on right N2688-N2885-N3181-N3580-N4077-N4276-N5373.

10th Corps. Forward elements no change. Boundary. 46 div on left 7th Armd Div on right N0479-N0675-N0870-N1067-N1264.

Casualties. 6th Corps killed 585 wounded 2333 missing 539.

10th Corps no change.

Section 3. Air. 1st fighter bombers reported concentration of 100 vehicles approximately 12 miles west Termoli otherwise nothing to report.

2. Bombline. 8th Army 090530B H7083-6573-6565-5653-5835.

5th Army 091533 A H5835-N5199-4097-1380-M9370.

Section 3 ends. Part 1 ends.

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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War

Nr: 2345 10th October, 1943

To Comitintrep addressees (MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR) (Freedom pass to CINC MED) from 15th Army Group 01326 Oct 9 2345.

Comitintrep No 92 to 1600 hrs 9th October. Part 1 begins. Section 1. Intelligence 5th Army Front. Nothing to report. 8th Army Front. Bulk of 16th PZ Div now in area Palata. Reliable escapee reports Italian forced labor constructing defence area Castel Di Sandro H0854.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. 1 A/B Div under comd no 2 district concentrated area Gioja Del Colle P4748. 1st Bde area Putignano P6254. 1st Para Bde Area Altaiura P1550. 2nd Para Bde area Casamassuna P4565, Aequaviva P3958 HQ at Casamassuna. 4th Para Bde HQ Gioja Del Colle P4748. Bde Conc in area to southwest. 13th corps. 78th Division front generally along 74 grid easting from sea to and including Larino H7555. 38th Bde advancing along coast road. 36th Bde occupied Guglionese H7667. Patrols moving southwest toward Palata H6565. 11th Bde captured Larino H7555 with patrols to northwest and southwest. 56th Recce on a line Montelowgo H7948 incl S Croceqdi Magliano H8245 with patrols toward Bonefero H7845. 1st CDN Div. 4th Cdn Recce Regt in area Colletorto H8140 which is reported clear. 1st Cdn Bde along river Lortore. 1st Bn crossed river and occupies Macchia Val Fortore H7632. 3rd Cdn Bde advancing against strong opposition have reached H 7224. 2nd Cdn Bde hold line Cassel Setreh 7715 to Decorata H7312 to overlooking Cole Sanita H7007. 5th Div came under command today. 5th Corps. 4th Armd

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bde under command 6th Oct now concentrated north of Lucera J1123. Casualties to 0600hrs 8th Oct 340 killed.. 1284 wounded. 426 missing 2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. 45th Div captured Campolatterno N6198 and are attacking Pontelandoloo N 5898 forward elements N6100-N5800-N5292-N6586 to N4286 then no change. CP 34th Div N5272. 133rd Inf N5473. Second Section follows.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
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From: 15th Army Group Advanced PHILPOT
To: USFOR London Unnumbered
War 0/1309

9th October 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group 090115 to COSITINTREP addressees (MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR. Freedom pass C in C Med) 0/1309. COSITINTREP No. 91 to 1600 hrs 8th October.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence. 5th Army front captured document dated 4 Oct shows 3rd Panzer Gren Div scheduled to move south and sandwich between Goering and 26th Divs. East boundery 3rd Div to be stationed Arpaia N 4770 - confluence Volturno and Calore Rivers - road junction H 1119. Prisoner reports Grell replaced Fullriede as CO 129th PGR. 8 Army front. Nothing to report.

Section 2. Ground operations. First. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Enemy concentrated north Volturno-Calore Rivers. Light arty and small arms fire holding up advance. 34th Div concentrated area Montesaanchio D 5474. Corps front generally 7096-6195-5893 5791-4888-4286-3384-2782-2181. Otherwise no change. 10th Corps. Corps front generally along Volturno River-Capua N 1278-S Maria Lafossa Grazzanise (taken today)-NO676. Arnone-N 0272. 167th and 201st Gds Bde concentrated S Maria N 2176. 139th Bde relieved 23rd Armd Bde in coastal section. Patrols continuing. Enemy continuing rearguard action. Second. 8th Army. 13th Corps. 78th Div little change Termoli Sector. 11th Bde gained some ground. General line H 8079-7977-7973 7863-7961 7860. 56th Recce Regt patrols general line 7756-8550- S Groce 8247 which is reported clear. 1st Cdn Div. 4th Cdn Recce Regt on general line south from S Groce. 1st Cdn Bde Celenza area 8128. 3rd Cdn Bde area 8223. 2nd Cdn Bde area 7816. Contact to southwest with

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To: USFOR London Unnumbered
War 0/1309

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45th Div. Heavy rain has made movement difficult. Impossible move vehicles off roads. Many demolitions on roads still causing difficulty which is increased by rising water in stream beds.

Section 3. Air. First. Owing to weather conditions only 1 tactical reconnaissance was flown which reported no movement seen on the road N 0388 Capua N 1878 Cassino G 8521. Second. Bombline 1700 hrs. 8th Army H 7082 7048 6812 6202. 5th Army no change. Section 3 ends.

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INFORMATION: G-2
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GEN DEANE (CCS)
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Time : 1015

Addressed: COMINCH
A.I.G. 376

From : C. in C. Med.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 200.

1. ARACANI was wrecked on Filicudi Island during sudden gale on 3rd Oct. While close (inshore?) pumping water (to?) shore tank.

2. 2 Enemy Aircraft were shot down by ships at Termoli on 6th.

3. S.S. LAURELWOOD was mined off TARANTO on 7th but proceeded into Harbor.

4. Destroyer carried patrol off Durazzo during night 6th, 7th, and in Dubrounik Area during night 7th 8th. No incident report.

5. Sokol, O.R.P. reports having sunk 1 Merchant ship of 6 thousand tons and of of (4000?) off Cape Promontore during patrol in Northern Adriatic.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
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From: Algiers
To: War

No: W1970/4868 8 October 1943

Third part weekly summary No 30 from AFHQ 7th Oct.

P4748. 8 Indian Div P7712. 13 Corps J1243. 1 CDN Div Lucera J1123. 5 DHPC 05228. 78 Div H1744.

Wounded and missing all ranks.

5 Army 9 to 28 Sep 11971.
8 Army 3 to 27 Sep 839.

B. Prisoners

6 US Corps. 9/27 Sep.
German 428 unclassified 71.

10 Corps. 9/28 Sep.
German 1003.

8 Army. 3/28
German190 unclassified 79.

C. Adm review week ending 30 Sep. 1.

5 Army. Ports and beaches. Discharges. 9/27 Sep.

6 US Corps stores 55508 tons Vehs 12409 personnel 86485.

10 Corps stores 52519 tons Vehs 17230 personnel 93043.

Beaches not operating 29 Sep due heavy seas reopened 1 Oct. Naples port captured 1200 hrs 1 Oct.

Rds Andreas.
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From: Algiers
To : War

No: W1970/4568 8 October 1943

recce Salerno-Agropoli. No bridges damaged. Salerno station cratered and bombed subways demolished repairs not difficult. Pogeegagano station not damaged good RH. Battipaglia station track * (Battipaglia-Agrogoli line open river Sele to Agropoli. Agropoli station not damaged electric traction in good order but no power. Hydro electric power station Olevano intact but lines damaged by shell fire and demolitions. Airfields unserviceable 27 Sept owing rain nights 25/26 and 26/27. Airfield construction tps now on maintenance. Evacuation sick and wounded.

9/27 Sept.
6 Corps - By sea 2390 by air 444 by other means 166. 10 Corps incl US att by sea 5015 by air 767.

2. 8 Army. Ports and beaches. Barletta recce recce reports 5 berths alongside 16/21 ft 1 in stream. All berths rd and rail served. No lighters tugs or cranes available. Estimated daily discharge 200 tons in addition. (cipher part 4 follows).

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, GEN DEANE (CC/S), WDCC

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From: USFOR London
To : War

No : O-1316, 8 October 1943

From Hq 15th Army group. Number O-1316 TOO 080250 A. To COSITINTREP addressees MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR. AFHQ pass C in C Med . COSITINTREP.

Number 90 to 1600 A hrs 7th October.

Part 1 begins. Section 1. Intelligence. Nothing to report.

Section 2. Intellignece. Nothing to report.

Section 2. Ground Operations. 1st. 8th Army. Main Hq O-7586. 13th Corps.78th Div. Series of enemy counter attacks strongly supported by tanks has been repulsed by 36th and 38th Bdes and our positions materially improved to incl road junc H 7977-7875-7872 11th Bde hold line Porto Cannone H 8368 7478 H 8457. Enemy still hold Guglionesi H 7568. Our forward troops advancing towards Larino are fighting at H 7655 Div Hq area Camp Alarino H 8673. 1st Cdn Div. 1st Cdn Bde halting by the River Forqore H 7827. 3rd Cdn Bde reached H 7623. By 1200 hrs.

See Map

ACTION: OPD

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GEN DEANE (CCS)

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To: WAR

No. W-2029/4848, 8th Oct 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and USFOR for British Chief of Staff reference FAN 164 17th July and subsequent telegrams having reference to Corsica. From Eisenhower cite FHMGS MAP 443.

Corsican operation was carried out almost exclusively by the French and the French National Committee early established Etat De Siege in the Island and appointed the Prefect Luixet who was sent from Algiers. Arrangements are being made with the French that our relations with respect to Corsica be the same as those obtaining in Algeria and that the 2 Ministers deal with political and economic questions in the same manner as for Algeria.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

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Please insert the following correction in last line page one thru line six on page two.

Naples port captured 1200 hrs 1 Oct. Rds and rys. Rd Montecorvino-Acerno being opened. Preliminary ry recce Salerno-Agropoli. No bridges damaged. Salerno station cratered and bombed subways demolished repairs not difficult Poecegagano station not damaged good RH. Battipaglia station heavy cratered. Battipaglia-Agrogoli line open river Sele to Agropoli.

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F.O.W.I.T.

From: C. in C. Mediterranean.

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IMPORTANT

Situation Report #199.

(1) My 052119 paragraph 3 (?SS) HIRAM S. MACXIM and SAMITE have arrived Algiers.

(2) All beaches of Northern Attack Force in Salerno Bay were closed on 5th October but unloading continues over Southern beach.

(3) 3 U-Boats (Italian) are proceeding Malta to supply power at Naples.

(4) 38th Brigade were embarked in L.C.I.(L) and ferried to Termoli during night 5th/6th October without incident.

(5) H.M.S. JERVIS and H.M.S. OFFA carried out Adriatic patrol during night 5th/6th October but met nothing. Between 0600 and 0800 (?6th) October ships investigated Italian Coast for 20 miles (?East) of Termoli and successfully bombarded railway in several (?places). There were no signs of Troop or M/T and no opposition was encountered.

(6) F.O.W.I.T. has been added address of C. in C. Mediterranean's SITREP. Address indicating Group 264 has been renumbered A.I.G. 376 and future SITREP (?will be) so addressed.

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Air Marshal	S.O.
Gen. Macready	N.M.C.S.
C.O.S. (2)	C.C.O.R.
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

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4th and last part of weekly summary number 30 from AFHQ.

To personnel and stores from craft.

Sapri:

1st report of discharge 23rd Sept. Highest daily discharges 744 tons. Brindisi discharge commenced 0630 hrs 28th Sept. 774 tons discharged to 1600 hrs 28th Sept. 6 ships being worked. Discharges Taranto and Brindisi.

16/29 Sept. stores 26,036 tons personnel 39,614 vehs 4972. Either ports and beaches.

3/29 Sept. stores 27,353 tons personnel 87,786 vehs 22,618. Rdns and rys. Rd Taranto-Brindisi class 70 route. Priorities repair rys.

Priority 1:
A Brindisi-Taranto-Metaponto-Pontenza-Naples.
1 B Brindisi-Bari-Barletta-Foggia.

Priority 2
A 2 main routes Naples-Rome.
2 B Foggia Northwards.
2 C Pescar-Naples.

Development L of C. Main Axis of supply through Taranto Brindisi and Bari. Number 2 district (Fortbase)

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To: WAR

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take over Calabria 1st Oct. Road head Vibo Valencea closes 1st Oct. 13th Corps troops on West to be maintained through Sapri. Number 2 district now administers Taranto-Brindisi and Bari and regulates and controls all shipping.

3. Malaria 8th Army. Final figures Sicilian campaign to 3rd Sept. Cases clinical and confirmed 7138. Cases (*) not yet diagnosed 3257.

4. With effect from 4th Oct. number 1 district assumes responsibility for. Local adm excl discipline and MS matters of BR tps in Sicily under command 15th Army Group and number 2 district. And local(ADM) incl discipline and MS matters of all other BR tps in Sicily.

D. Gen adm situation. 5th Army no change except adverse weather conditions. 8th Army build up proceeding for next phase of the offensive.

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
GEN DEANE (CC/S)

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 1969/4564, NAF 442, 7 October 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd for information Troopers from Freedom to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff info Troopers for British Chiefs of Staff No. W 1969/4564 7th nil for British Chiefs of Staff. This is NAF 442, signed Eisenhower, cite FHOCT.

General Alexander's 541 dated 8 October paraphrased follows: General Alexander reports that on night of 5th/6th Oct another brigade of the 78th Division made a landing at Termoli on 8th Army Front without incident. Larino and S Croce are reported to be held by the enemy in strength. A general line along the road south and north of Volturara down to S Marco is held by the Canadians with contact established by their forward patrols. 45th Division of 5th Army is approximately 6 miles northwest and north of Benevento. Progress of 5th Army is good. Some patrols of 3rd Division forward to Volturno River to the north and northeast of Caserta. From Capua to the sea, 10th Corps is along the river. In the Grazzanise area 46th Division is moving forward preparing for an attack through a bridge head which is to be established in that area. The main attack is expected across the Volturno on 9th or 10th October. General Alexander is happy to say that the entire battle front is in hand and getting more tidy. He reports Badoglio as very nice and though his power is not very great, is all out to give us all assistance. Successful conversation held with Badoglio and Ambrosio.

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ACTION: CC/S
INFORMATION: OPD
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Gen. Arnold
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 1970/4568, 7 October 1943

Troopers rptd AGWAR USFOR from AFHQ signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT W/1970/4568 7th Oct nil. Weekly summary no 30.

Summary of operations 26th Sep to 2nd Oct.

Ground. 8th Army. 26th Sep 78th Div Recn partrols captured Cerignola 059 and Ortanova J40. 1st Cdn Div patrols reached Minervino 077. Forenza 055 and Venosa 056 reported clear of enemy. 2nd Cdn Bde in contact enemy Rionero 045. 27th Sep 78th Div Recn patrols reached outskirts Foggia and up coast road to Manfredonia J53. 1st Cdn Div advanced to Melfi 036. 4th Armd Bde captured Foggia. 78th Div and 4th Armd Bde passed to command 13th Corps. Sept 28th Recn elements 78th Div reached Lucera J12 and Severno J14 with remainder of div concentrating vicinity of Barletta J90. Advance of 1st Cdn Div delayed by demolitions. 29th Sep Recn patrols 78th Div reported Gargano promontory clear of enemy. 1st Cdn Div began concentration in Minervino 077 area. Landing of 8th Indian Div was in progress at Taranto. 1st Cdn Div made contact with enemy on high ground west of road Castelnuovo H93 Votturara H82-S Bartolommeo H81. 17th Ind Bde moved to Brindisi. 1 OC 4th Armd Bde captured Serracapriola H 95. 1st Cdn Div made contact with enemy at Casaveccnia H93 and Motta H92. 5th Div and 1st Airborne Div came under command 5th Corps. 2nd Oct patrols 78th Div reached areas 3 miles west and 4 miles SW of Serracapriola without contact. During night 2/3 Oct 1 Special Service Bde made seaborne assault on Termoli and by 0715 hrs captured the town and port. A ccunter attack was driven off. 5th army. 26th Sep 45th Div consolidated its positions west of Teora 005 having captured town during the day. Advance delayed by demolitions. 3rd Div occupied Cassano N85 and patrols reached line Bagnoli N94 to Castelfranci N85. 56th Div captured

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Capriglia N 6437. 16th Div regained Sanmartino N 5835 it having been lost earlier in day. Sala N 5035 was captured by Rangers. Sep 27th forward troops 45th Div held line Miele 01053 Lemmi 0354 and Lioni 005 (First cipher part. Second follows) 3rd Div forward elements reached.

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157 Rct in area Pescolamaz. N6892 with 2 Bde moving on S Marco Dei Cavoti H7301.179 Rct in area Pietrelcina N7188. 180 Rct in reserve south of 179 Rct. 34 Div concentrated in area Benevento N8581. 3 Div. 30 Rct in A/O * with patrols north to river. 15 Rct on line M Virgo N3178 S Leucio N2677 with patrols forward to river. 7 Rct in area Maddaloni N3270. 10 Corps. Seventh Armd Div 131 Lorried Inf Bn and 22 Armd Bde in area Auersa. N1763 with forward elements on river between Grazzanise N0876 and Cancello N0274. 23 Armd Bde with 505 Para Inf on line N0471 to N0373 with patrol along river Volturno from Cancello to the sea. 56 Div concentrated in area Acerra N3160 with forward elements at Capua N1878 46 Div concentrated Mara O Di Napoli N1655.

Section 3. Air.

First. Movement concentrated in 2 areas west of Termoli bridgehead small scattered groups moving north and northeast converging in Termoli front. Fifth Army sector in area north of Capua N1879. Small groups moving in all directions. Fighters located 100 vehicles stationary north of Isernia. H2032.

Second. Bombline. Eighth Army 1650 hrs H7879-7870-8060-7650-6202. Fifth Army 1135 hours. H6202-

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: WAR 1313
USFOR London No #

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Fifteen Army Group to COSITINTREP addresses (MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR) (Freedom pass to C in C Med) 1313, Oct 7, 0115 to 1600A hrs 6th October. COSITINTREP No. 89.

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Section 1. Intelligence.

Fifth Army front. Nothing to report.

Eighth Army front. In Termoli area enemy today made several weak attacks but with no success. Late afternoon concentration estimated at 2 Bns supported by tanks and 3 troops of arty reported NE of Gualionesi H76 but no attack developed. At last light enemy reported breaking contact and passing through Gugionesi in direction Palata. Night 5/6, 18 PW area H7977 from 6 and 7 Coys 79 PGR. 1 Bn 79 PGR identified today are 8075-8077 with 7 Sqn 2 Tk Regt 3 Coy 16 Recce Unit and Coy 16 Eng Bn in support. Enemy digging in on height 169 and at Larino and Colletorto H8139. Further south enemy outpost line along river Fortore 7738 to 7827. PWS today in Basilice from 1 Bn 71 PGR and from 9 Coy 71 PGR village S Marco 7301.

Section 2. Ground operations.

First. 8th Army. 13 Corps. 78 Div. 38 Bde landed Termoli H8478 during night 5/6 Oct. Fighting to improve Termoli bridgehead continued all day against strong opposition. No major change in division front. 1 Cdn Div. 1 Cdn Bde hold high ground Carlantino H8132 M Miano H8529 S Maco La Catola H8425. 3 Cdn Bde being passed through 1 Cdn Bde. 2 Cdn Bde leading tps S Marco Dei Cavoli H7301.

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Five Corps. 4 Armd Bde less 3 CL Yeomanry have come under command and are concentrating in Foggia area. 5 Div. Patrols of 5 Recce Regt Casalbore N8492 in contact with 5th Army. 17 Bde in area Troia J09C7. 13 Bde at Bovino 01295. 15 Bde area Potenza 05227.

Second. 5th Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div now concentrated north and northeast of Benevento N6581.

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From: Algiers
To : WAR

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Part 2 of weekly summary number 30 to Troopers rptd AGWAR USFOR from AFHQ.

Pajano 8956. 56 Div captured Baronissi N63. 46th Div captured Camarello N5836 28 Sep 45th Div was disposed by line S Andrea N15 - Torella N96. Advanced elements 3rd Div occupied Votturara N75 and Solefra N74. 56th Div was directed on Sarno N54 and occupied line San Severino N64 to Castel S Giorgio N54. 46th Div advanced 3 miles north Nocera N53. 23rd Armd Bde passing into plains of Naples occupied Castellammare N43. 131st Bde of 7 Armd Div passing through 46th Div occupied Pompei N43. 29th Sept 45th Div reached Mirabella N87 34th Div reached Lucguosano N86. 56th Div occupied Sarno. 7th Armd Div occupied Torre Annunziata N33 with patrols to west and north of Tobn. 46th Div began concentrating northwest Salerno 30th Sep 45th Div advanced to line 00061-9362. 3rd Div occupied Avellino. 7th Armd Div reached N4147 and N4037 and 23rd Armd Bde N3441. Progress of armor slowed by mines and demolitions. 1st Oct leading troops 45th Div reached RJ 01165 to Frigento N96 where contact made with 8th Army 34th Div captured Pratola N76 and Montemiletto N76. 7th Armd Div captured Palma N45 Ottovino N35 and Pollina - Trocchia N35 and entered Naples at 0935A hrs.

2nd Oct 34th Div occupied Benevento which was still under artillery fire. 56th Div occupied Nola N45. Our armor reached Marano Di Napoli. 5 miles

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north east Naples. Enemy resistance stiffened especially in 10th Corps zone of action.

2. Locations. 15th Army Gp Cassibile. 5th Army N7329. 6th Corps N8622. 3rd Div N6756. 34th Div N7167. 36th Div N9413. 45th Div N9755. 10th Corps N4238. 46th Div N6032. 56th Div N6343. 7th Armd Div N4138. 82nd Airborne Div N4032. 7th Army no change. 8th Army P2267. 5th Corps P7318. 1st Airborne Div Gioja. Part 3 follows.

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To: WAR

No. COSITINTREP 87 7 October 1943

COSITINTREP addressees from C in C MED. COSITINTREP No. 87. Part 2. Signed Eisenhower cite FGRNA.

1. SS Hiram S Maxim and Samite have arrived Algiers COSITINTREP number 86 Para 3 refers.

2. Northern Force beaches in Salerno Bay were closed 5th October. Unloading continues over Southern Beaches. ///

3. Three Italian submarines are proceeding to Naples to supply power. ///

4. 38th Brigade were embarked in LCI (L) and ferried to Termoli during the night 5th/6th October without incident.

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From 15th Army Group TOO 060130 to COSITINTREP addressees (Mac pass to Fairfield AMILCAR) Freedom pass CINC Med O 1311. COSITINTREP number 88 to 1600 A hours 5th October. Part one begins section 1.

Intelligence. Fifth Army front. 3 Company 104 PGR 15th Division identified S Giorgio N 7274. Date and source of identification not given.

8th Army Front. 16th PZ Div now responsible northern sector from coast road west of Termoli to exclusive Larino with 64 PGR north and 79 south. 20 tanks reported in action today but 30 reported seen at first light before action. From Larino to approx 40 northing 1 Para Division with Schulz Group north consisting 1 and 3 Bns 1 Para Regt 1 Para (Eng) and Heilmann Group south composed of remainder of div. South to approx N 90 northing 29 PG Div with 15 PGR north and 71 south. PWS 71 PGR identified area Foiano H 8006.

Section 2. Ground operations. First Eight Army. 13th Corps. 78 Div with under command 4th Armoured Bde and 88 Bde. Enemy attacked this morning with Infantry and tanks between H 78 and H 70 northings. Heavy pressure from north and south towards H 8274. Enemy thrust to H 8273 necessitated withdrawal of 36 Bde left flank to cover Artillery positions in river Biferno Valley. Wash away of bridge over Biferno caused difficult situation. Remainder Div front changed. Enemy holding Larino H 7656 Montririo H 7852. One Can Div. 4 Recce Regt report strong enemy opposition H 8739. One Cdn Bde no change. Enemy holding road H 8523. 2 Cdn Bde for-

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ward troops H 8111 H 8005. Fifth Corps. Main Hq J 1601 5th Div patrols in contact 45th Div N 7274. 5th Div concentrating SE Foggia J 2919. (Second part follows). One Airborne Div concentrating P 4848. Eighth Indian Division concentrating Corato P 0286 operationally complete 10th Oct. Second Fifth Army Sixth Corps. 45th Division See part 2

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INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
GEN DEANE (CC/S)

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From: 15th Army Group Advanced Philpot
To: War

Nr: COSITINTREP 88 6th October 1943

From 15 Army Group O 1311. 2nd part of COSITINTREP number 88 to usual addressees. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

15 Div Passing through 34 Division in Benevento area and forward troops have reached N 6590 6288. 2 bridges completed Benevento enabling heavy traffic to pass. Contact with patrols 5th Div Area S Giorgio N 7275. 3rd Div. no change. 10th Corps 56 Div. patrols to Maddalone N 3370 Recale N 2673. S Maria N 2076 clear of enemy. 7th Armd Div. Melito N 1958 with forward troops Aversa N 1664 patrols to cover Volturno at Concello N 0374 scale of demolitions and mining increasing. 46 Div concentrating Marano N 1555 ready to move forward. Inter army boundary altered to give Grottaminarda-Benevento and road to just short of road junction H 5800 to 5th Army. Thence existing boundary no change. Section 2 ends.

Section 3. Air.

1st. Road movement on 8th Army front was of a scattered nature. No MT activity was seen on the immediate front of 5th Army but considerable MT movement north and northeast was reported on the roads H 0903 to H0540 and H 2033 to H 0749.

2nd. Bombline 1630 hours. 8th Army H 5990 6677-6565-7655-6842-5428-5024-5416 N 6195. 5th Army N 6195-4294-3884 then line river Volturno to M 9368. Section 3 ends.

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From : C. in C. Med.

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Situation Report No. 198.

(1) 36th Brigade were successfully landed by LCI(L) and LCA at Termoli on 3rd Oct. My 042321. Refer.

(2) Good progress has been made in clearing the Quays at Naples. 2 Personnel Ships were completely discharged 4th Oct. 2 Mt. Ships were berthed alongside and 2 more alongside berths were expected when available 5th Oct.

(3) A low level attack by 15 plus DO 217 and HE 111 was made on Convoy UGS 18 at dusk on 4th Oct. In position 36-42 N 01-17 E. Rocket spotted Glider bombs were probably used. 4 ships were hit of which S.S. HIRMA MAXI(M?) and SAMITE are successfully in tow to Algiers. S.S. SELKIRK received minor damage and rejoined Convoy and FORT FITZGERALD was set heavily on fire and was sunk by gunfire. Preliminary reports indicate possibly 4 Aircraft were destroyed. Some prisoners were picked up.

(4) During night 4th/5th October, Destroyer Patrol in the Adriatic was carried out between Dubrovnik and Molunat Island.

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(5) H.M.S. P217 Report

(A) 1 explosion (was?) heard after attack on escorted 1500 ton Merchant ship at 09-17 22nd September in position 44-11N 09-24E.

(B) 3000 ton Merchant Ship carrying ammunition was sunk at 1632 23rd September in position 44-13N 09-13E.

(C) Large armed Trawler packed with Troops was sunk in position 42-49N 09-40E at 1426 30th September.

(6) H.M.S. ULTIMATUM reports sinking 1 escorted 500 ton Supply Barge in Convoy of 4 at 1247 30th September in position 43-04N 05-47E.

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Signed Eisenhower cite FHRMA. COSITINTREP No 86 part 2 from CINC Med 11 dated 052121 A October.

Destroyer patrol in the Adriatic during the night 4th October/5th October operated between Dubrovnik and Molunat Island. HMS Ultimatum reports sinking a 500 ton supply barge off Toulon on 30th September.

At Naples good progress has been made in clearing the quays. Two MT ships were berthed alongside 4th October and 2 more berths were expected to be available on 5th October.

A very successful operation was carried out 3rd October with the landing in LCI (L) of 36th Brigade at Termoli following the commando landing during night 2nd October/3rd October.

15 plus DO 217 and HE 111 made a low level attack on convoy UGS 18 off Tenex at dusk 4th October. Rocket propelled glider bombs were probably used. 4 ships were hit of which SS Selkirk received minor damage but continued with convoy. SS Hiram Maxim and Samite were successfully taken in tow for Algiers and SS Fort Fitzgerald was set heavily on fire and eventually had to be sunk by own forces. Preliminary reports indicate possibly 4 aircraft were shot down. Some survivors from aircraft were recovered.

2 personnel ships were also discharged 4th October at Naples.

HMS Sibyl reports on return from patrol in the Gulf of Genoa having sunk a 3,000 ton ammunition ship on 23rd

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September and a large armed trawler full of troops on 30th September. An explosion also followed an attack on a 1,500 ton merchant vessel on 22nd September but result was not observed.

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Gen. Deane (CC/S)
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 1749/3458, 5 October 1943

To AGWAR (OPD) Troopers (MO4) info Mideast from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FEGCT W 1749/3458 5 October

BIGOT. Weekly planning telegram number 4.

1. Operations in Italy.

15th Army Group directive 30 Sep, forecasts 2 phases:

(A) Capture of line Termoli-Biferno River-Castro Pignano-Isernia-Venafro Sessa Aurunca to secure Foggia airfields. Naples Port and airfields north of city. Before commencing next phase firm base to be established in captured area. but light forces will operate actively throughout against enemy rear guards.

(B) Capture of line (San Benedetto-Deltronto) - Visso-Terni-Civitavecchia to secure Rome and airfields in vicinity. Present inter-army boundry to be extended incl 5th Army Benevento, then all incl 8th Army road Porte Landolfo-Isernia Road Junc SW of Celano-Salso River to Rieti-Road Terni-Gemini-Todi. When both armies completed phase (A) probable 10th Corps will join 8th Army.

2. Corsica.

Arrangements are being made to move troops into Corsica. Speed of moves will be limited by availability MT ships CQ and to ease problem Italians, on moving to Sardinia, will leave in Corsica AA and CD equipment and proportion load

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W 1749/3458, 5 October

carriers for handing over to French. Value of Corsica used as advanced base for operations against Southern France next year, and against Northern Italy as present campaign progresses, is being studied. General Giraud has been given directive to reopen ports, communications and airfields.

3. Employment Italian Forces.

Best methods of employing Italian Army and Air Forces have been examined and conclusions are:

(A) Possibly 1 Field Div might be used, as token force, in active operations.

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INFORMATION: GEN. DEANE (CC/S)
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To : WAR

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Part 2 and last of Freedom's BIGOT W1749/3458 dated 5 October.

(B) Specialists, L of C Troops and AA units to be used to supplement Allied Forces.

(C) Units not otherwise required to be used for labour, some perhaps being demobilized for agriculture and mining.

(D) All Italian troops employed will be under command local Allied Hq, but administered by Italians.

4. Build up in Italy. Priority remains substantially as outlined Para 3 my 474 September 28. Move of portions Strategic Air Force into Foggia area being accelerated, and phased with move Tactical Air Force.

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Reference unidentified by WDCMC.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: GEN. DEANE (CC/S)
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To: Troopers London No #
USFOR London No #
Governor and CINC Malta No #
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Chief Gibraltar No #
War No #

5th October 1943

01302 to 050115. From HQ 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR. Freedom pass C in C Med. COSITINTREP number.

87 to 1600A hours 4th October.

1. Intelligence. 5th Army front. Nothing to report. 8th Army front. Battle group area Termoli stated by PW to be under command Rau. Latter last identified as Commander 2 Bn 3 Para Regt but present battle group appears to consist of miscellaneous flak units plus some engineers. PW 2 Bn 67 PGR taken night 3/4 Oct H8135 state battalion supported by 4 Troop 93 Army Regt. PWs today from 64 PGR area Larino H75 and from UO (79) PGR area H7872. 3 tanks also reported area H7872.

2. Ground operations.

1st. 8th Army. 13 Corps. 78 Div. Covered by SS Bde along SO northing 36 Bde landed at Termoli in the morning and are moving south to take over north flank of 11 Bde now holding from Porto Cannone H8468 to S Martino H8464. Artillery engaged enemy positions at Petacciatl H7179 Gugliones 7568 and Larino 7656. 78 Div HQ at H9850. 1 Cdn Div. 1 Cdn Bde reached north south line through S Marco H8425 at dusk with forward troops advancing to Celenza 8229 and along main road toward Col-

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5th October 1943

letorto H8140 whence fire received. 2 Cdn Bde. Patrols reached N9494 and made contact with 45 US Div patrols at Ariano N9184. 1 Cdn Div HQ AC J0123. 5th Corps NTR.

2nd. 5th Army. 6th Corps. 45 Div passing through 34 Div northwest of Benevento. 3rd Div forward troops 2nd RCT reached Montesarhio N5373 30 RCT reached Airola N4673 and 15 RCT are in contact with enemy at Maddaloni N3270 after capturing Concello N3566. 10th Corps. 56 Div on general line Cancello-Acerra N3160. 7th Armd Div on general line Acerra-Cardito N2560. -Mugnanq Di Napoli N1756. 23 Armd Bde on general line Qualiano N1257-Foce De Patri N0257. 46 Div in reserve at Cava Di Tirreni N5932. Army reserve-36 Div at Altavilla N9615. 82 AB Div and Rangers at Naples.

3. Air.

1st. No road movement was reported during the day on 8th Army front. On 5th Army front 150 MT was reported moving north 5 X 5270 at 1040 hrs and 100 MT stationary at G5528 at 1215 hrs. Otherwise only light scattered flak was reported.

2nd. Bombline 1600 hrs 8th and 5th Army no change.

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IN Received: 5th Oct. 43

Time : 0922

Addressed: COMINCH

From : C. in C. Med.

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BY DBS, DATE
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IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 197.

(1) Commandos my (?0323)14 Paragraph (?2) refers were successfully (?landed) at Termoli during night 2nd Oct./3rd Oct. Some opposition was encountered. The Brigade was expected (?to) land 3rd October.

(2) In the Port of Naples it is reported that most berths are (?blocked) with sunken ships (?but) damage to (?mold and quays) is not so bad as expected discharge in the (?port) of Torreannunziata commenced 3rd October. 1 ship is berthed alongside.

(3) Detached Squadron has carried out sweep (?in) Adriatic during night 3rd/4th October but nothing was met.

(4) H.M.S.P. 31 reports sinking Naval Auxiliary at 0949 22nd Sppt. in position 42-50 N 10-21E at 16(?59) 27th fired torpedo and hit stern of 10,000 ton Tanker just South Bastia. Presumably this was the Tanker which attacked by H.M.S.P. 53 my 262222 Sept. refer.

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Air Marshal	N.M.C.S.
Gen. Macready	C.C.O.R.
C.O.S. (2)	Lt. Col. Cook
Plans	Lt. Col. O'Connor
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. R-63/05, 4 October 1943

COSITINTREP number 85 part 2 signed Eisenhower cite FHENA from CINC MED dated 050048 October.

Quays and Moles are not so heavily damaged as was expected but most berths are reported blocked with sunken ships in the port of Naples. Torre Annunziata commenced discharge on 3rd October and 1 ship was berthed alongside. S of Naples

During recent patrol HMS Uproar sank Naval Auxiliary off Elba 22nd September.

Commandos were successfully landed at Termoli during night 2-3 October. Encountered some opposition on 3rd October 38th Brigade was expected to land.

Destroyers carried out sweep off the Yugoslav Coast during night 3rd October/4th October but nothing was met.

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IN

Received: 4th Oct. 1943

Time: 1655

Addressed: WAR

From: CINCMED

COSITINTREP No. 84.

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Part 2.

1. Barletta harbour is reported clear. 5 berths are available alongside. 21st Brigade of 78th Division was embarked in landing craft on 1st October and is waiting off the coast to land at Termoli as soon as the situation permits.

3. Advanced coastal force base is being established at Maddalena and is expected to arrive 4th October.

4. Destroyers carried out sweep in the Adriatic during the night 2nd/3rd October.

No T.O.O./4th Oct.

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Brigadier Re[redacted] (B)
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OPERATIONAL PRIROTY

From: Commander-In-Chief Mediterranean
To : War

No : Unnumbered, 4 October 1943

FAGCT. COSITINTREP from C in C MED signed Eisenhower cite

COSITINTREP no 84 part 2. 1. Barletta Harbour is reported clear. 5 berths are available alongside. 21st Brigade of 78th Division was embarked in landing craft on 1st October and is waiting off the coast to land at Termoli as soon as the situation permits. 3. Advanced coastal force base is being established at Maddalena and is expected to arrive 4th October. 4. Destroyers carried out sweep in the Adriatic during the night 2/3 October.

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4 Oct 1943
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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group
To: War - 0.1228 COSITINTREP Nr. 86
USFOR London - No #
4th October 1943

TOO 040315A number 0.1228 from HQ 15 Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees MAC to pass to Fairfield AMILCAR for information Adv 15 Army Group COSITINTREP number 86 to 1600K hours 3rd Oct. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and SHGBI.

1. Intelligence. 8th Army Front.
14 A/Tk Company 4 Para Regt reported by PW to be equipped with 6 42/48 guns. 5th Army Front. Nothing to report.

2. Ground operations.

1. 8th Army. 13 Corps. 5S Bde. Landed successfully on night 2/3 Oct at Termoli H8378 and by 0715 hours had captured town and port. Counter attack repulsed. Contact made with 11 Brigade at H8370 (H8270) and H8574. 78 Div. 11 Bde in position North and South on Porto Cannone H8468 with patrols forward. 4 Armoured Bde hold high ground area S Martino H8464. Patrols reported to have reached H8058 and H8948. One Canadian Div. Recce elements reached H8837. 1 Canadian Bde hold high ground North of road junction H8822. Patrols 2 Cdn Bde reported in S Bartolomio with area SE clear. No contact now on Div front. 13 Corps mail HQ J0943. 5 Corps Recce Regt reported at O 3054. 5 Corps main HQ 07991.

2. 5th Army. 6th Corps. Leading troops. 45 Div N8190-7880. 34 Div. 133 Inf 6583. 3 Div. 7 Inf Regt 6470. 30 Inf Regt 6275. 15 Inf Regt 4764-4264. Div Cp Avellino. 10

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From: 15th Army Group
To : War - O.1228 COSITINTREP Nr. 86 Page 2.
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4th October 1943

Corps. 56 Div. 169 Bde NOLA 4458-4059. Div HQ Palma 4652 11 Hussars Acerra 3160. 7 Armd Div. 22 Armd Bde 2660. 23 Armd Bde 2358-1757-1006 (1058). Corps boundary. M6349 - 5352 - 4855 - NOLA incd 10 Corps - 4160 - 1089 - 9694.

Casualties:

10 Corps.	Killed	- 976
	Wounded	- 4005
	Missing	- 2227
6 Corps.	Killed	- 511
	Wounded	- 5428
	Missing	- 2368

3. Air.

1. No considerable movement MT reported throughout day but heavy bombers reported some movement North West from area Capua N18. This was confirmed by Tactical Reconnaissance during the afternoon.

2. Bombline. 8th Army no change. 5th Army 1500 hrs. M 9368 thence line river Volturno to M3884-4294-7198.

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IN [redacted] Received:4 Oct.'43

Time: 1038

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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 196.

(1) Barletta Harbour is reported clear of obstructions and 5 berths are available alongside.

posted (2) 1 Brigade of 78th Division was embarked in Landing Craft on 1st October and is waiting off Coast (to?) land at Termoli as soon as situation permits.

(3?) Advance Coastal Force Base is proceeding to Maddalena and is expected to arrive (about?) (16th?) October.

(4) Destroyer Patrol in Helrealie was maintained during night 2nd/3rd October.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen.Macready
C.O.S. (2)
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Brigadier Redman (8)
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TO AGWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF REPEATED USFOR INFORMATION BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FHWGS MAT 40.

MCSHERRY HAS JUST RETURNED FROM NAPLES AND REPORTS AS FOLLOWS ON CONDITIONS THERE. HEAD OF LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE REPORTED THERE WAS NO CHOLERA OR TYPHUS AND THAT PREVELANCY OF OTHER DISEASES WAS NORMAL. MEDICAL SUPPLIES REPORTED SHORT. NUMBER OF DOCTORS APPARENTLY ADEQUATE. FOOD SITUATION SERIOUS. REPORTED THAT GERMANS TOOK ALL STOCKS OF FOOD. WATER SITUATION ACUTE. VIADUCT AND SOME OF THE RESERVOIRS BLOWN UP BUT 15 DAYS SUPPLY OF WATER ON RATIONED BASIS AVAILABLE FOR PRESENT POPULATION, KNOWN BREAKS IN VIADUCT CAN BE REPAIRED IN 15 DAYS. CONSIDERABLE PORTION OF MAIN ADQUADUCT IS IN GERMAN HELD TERRITORY. ITS CONDITION UNKNOWN. ELECTRICAL

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SYSTEM BLOWN UP. MAIN TELEPHONE EXCHANGE BLOWN BUT 2 SMALLER EXCHANGES INTACT. GAS WORKS DESTROYED NECESSITATING IMPORTATION OF COAL FOR BAKERY AND HOUSE-HOLD USE AS WELL AS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES. SEWER SYSTEM REPORTED TO BE OK. ALL TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING ELECTRIC TROLLEY BUSES WERE TAKEN BY GERMANS. ALL INDUSTRIAL PLANTS WAREHOUSES AND HOTELS REPORTED DESTROYED, IT WAS ESTIMATED 600,000 PERSONS REMAINED IN CITY. POPULATION APPEARED GREATLY RELIEVED UPON ENTRY OF ALLIED TROOPS. RECEPTION EMOTIONAL.. CURSORY SURVEY OF HOUSING WOULD INDICATE THIS WILL BE NO SERIOUS POBLEM. RAILROAD YARDS BADLY DAMAGED. OFFICIALS APPOINTED DURING BADOGLIO REGIME WERE PRESENT. ALL OFFICIALS SINCERELY EXPRESSED DESIRE TO COOPERATE IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. MAIN ENTRANCE TO PORT REPORTED BLOCKED BUT HARBORMASTER REPORTED SOUTH ENTRANCE [redacted]

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URGENT

From: 15th Army Group
To: War No. COSITINTREP No. 85 No. 01226
USFOR London Unnumbered

03 October 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees MAC pass to Fairfield AMILCAR Number 01226 3rd Oct (030235A). COSITINTREP number 85 to 1600A hrs 2 Oct.

Part 1 begins. Section 1. Intelligence. 8th Army Front. PW 603 Flak Bty identified San Severo M14 28 Sep states Bty equipped with 88MM guns. Landesschuqtzen Bn identified same area. According Italian General Staff defenses under construction area west Pescara. Unconfirmed Italian report states German concentration this area. 5 Army Front. Enemy withdrawal continues protected by mines and demolitions.

Section 2. Ground Operations.

1st. 8 Army. 13 Corps 78 Div. Screen established line Chieuti H9761 Serra Capriola H9656. Patrols have reached H9363 H9256 and H9148. No Contact on front. Div progress retarded at river crossing J0254 by rain. 1 CDN Div Main Hq Lucera. FWD tps reached H9023 and 9025. Motta captured by 1 CDN BDE. Enemy hold Castelnuova H9432. Alberona H9416 and Roseas H9208 clear. 2 CDN BDE area Troia J1008 Bovina 01396. 5 Corps. TAC Hq 07991. 5 Div. Patrols in contact 1 CDN Div Mt Troia J1008.

2nd. 5 Army. 6 Corps CP N8649. 45 Div FWD tps N8072. Patrols reached Benevento N6681. 54 Div FWD Tps N7074 and N8972. Patrols reached Benevento. 3 Div. FWD Tps N6264-N5361-N5367. 10 Corps. TAC Hq N3149. 56 Div. Hq N5239. FWD Tps Nola N4458. 7 Armd Div. 131 BDE N4156 N4054-N3752 (N4356). KDG N2958-2456-N2355. 23 Armd BDE Hq N2552. 82 A/B Div-Naples. Tank state . 10 Corps Fit 270. 6 Corps Fit 149. Lost to date 19.

Section 3. Air.

1st. Tactical recce on a reduced scale reported for target information Tactical Bomber Force 1 bridge

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From: 15th Army Group
To: War No COSITINTREP No 85 No 01226
USFOR, London Unnumbered

03 October 1943

Capua M1879 intact. No abnormal enemy movement observed over the general front.

2. Bombline. 8 Army at 1010 (1310) hrs. H5990-3863-7338-7400-M8080. 5 Army at 0715 A hrs. M 8080-0060. Section 3 ends.

Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

No Sig.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

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IN Rec'd: 3rd Oct'43

Time: 1638

Addressed: Admiralty

Repeated: C. in C. Levant
COMMORSEAFRON
Naval Liaison Officer 1st Army
Flag Officer Force "H"
Flag Officer Commanding Gibraltar
H.Q.N.W. African Air Forces,
Naval Liaison Officer 8th Army
Vice Admiral Malta
B.A.D. Washington
COMNAVNAW
Naval Liaison Officer 18th Army Group
Senior Naval Officer Tripolitania
Senior Officer Inshore Squadron

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BY DBS, DATE
MAY 21 1973

From: C. in C. Mediterranean

IMPORTANT

Situation Report Number 195.

1. Port party arrived Castellamare and Torre Annunziata on 1st Oct. Demolition has been widespread at both ports and in general every factory power station and utility service has been destroyed.

2. Sweeping of approach channel to Naples is expected to be completed today Saturday.

3. U.S. DES BUCK made 2 attacks on U-boat (German) contact in Salerno area 1st Oct. but with negative result but recovered balloon with metal tapes used for deception.

4. During the night first second Oct. H.M.S.SERVIS and H.M.S. PETARD carried out sweep between Saseno Island and Dubrovnik. Nothing was met Dubrovnik was fully lit but coast to South blacked out.

5. S.S.STANMORE in convoy KMS 27 was torpedoed by U-boats at 0125 2nd Oct. in position 036-41 N 001-10 E. Ship has arrived Tenes.

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6. My 292208 Sept.Para 5 UNSEEN reported details as follows begins:-
At 1623 21st Sept. in position 043-08 N 009-58 E attacked 2 2,000 tons escorted Merchant ships overlapping with 4 torpedoes. 2 hits were observed followed by (sucking up ?) noise. UNSEEN consider probable that 1 ship was sunk and other damaged.

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Received P/L from Navy Dept.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
N.I.
S.O.(O)Personal
S.O.
N.M.C.S.
C.C.O.R.
Lt.Col.Cook
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02 Oct
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INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT

From: 15th Army Group
To: USFOR London Unnumbered
War No. COSITINTREP 84 No. 01213

2nd October 1943

From HQ 15th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees 01213 020205A COSITINTREP number 84 to 1600A hours 1st Oct. Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT and FHGBI.

Part 1. Section 1. Intelligence.

Nothing to report.

Section 2. Ground Operations.

1st. 8 Army. 13 Corps. 78 Div HQ J1547 4 Armd Bde captured Serracapriola J9656 (H9656) with patrols to M9761 (H9761). Leading troops on left in contact with enemy Casalnuova H9236 and Casalvecchio J9233 (H9233). 1 CDL Div recce elements in contact with enemy St Motta H9323 (D9323) and report enemy holding high ground Volturino J9420 (H9420)-Alborona A9415 (D9415). TAC HQ 13 Corps J1243. 5 Corps. 5 Div and 1 A/B Div passed to command 010600A hours.

2nd. 5 Army. 6 Corps. 45 Div. road junction 01165-N9467. In contact 8 Army ST 01049. 34 Div captured Montemiletto J7769 (U7769) Pratola N7165. 3 Div N6758. 10 Corps. 7 Armd Div N5058 and Palma N4751 (J4751). 131 Bde captured Ottavisno N3950 and Pollena-Trocchia N3250. KDG entered Naples at 0935A. Combined British American Forces policing city.

Section 3. Air

1st. Tactical reconnaissance reported 100 MT stationary west of Copua J1878 (N1878) at 0830 hours but fighter bombers reported no target in this area at 1205 hours. Scattered MT was observed moving west to Boicno H4020 (J4020) at 1220 hours. Little traffic reported roads Naples-Rome

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To: USFOR London Unnumbered
War No. COSITINTREP 84 No. 01213

2nd October 1943

during morning.

2nd. Bombers attacking Benevento N6581 reported mile long column north of town.

3rd. Bombline. 8th Army no change. 5th Army 1420 hours N8374-6073-0159.

Section 3 ends.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
General Deane CC/S

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INCOMING MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL
PRIORITY

From: Commander in Chief Mediterranean
To : War - 83

No. 83, 2 October 1943

COSITINTREP number 83 Part 2. COSITINTREP from CINC Med.

(1) Demolition has been widespread at Castellamare and Torre Annunziata where port parties arrived on 1st October.

(2) Approach channel to Naples is being swept and should be completed today Saturday.

(3) Destroyers carried out sweep between Saseno Island and Dubrovnik during the night first stroke 2nd October but met nothing.

(4) SS MacStanmore torpedoed by U boat early 2nd October in convoy KMS 27 has arrived Tenez.

No Sig.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G 2
CG AAF
General Deane CC/S
Admiral King

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INCOMING MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL
PRIORITY

From: AFHQ in North Africa
To: War

COSITINTREP No. 82 2 October 1943

CINC MED ref Nr 11. Freedom passes to AGWAR 7th Army 5th Army Fairfield. COSITINTREP number 82

Part 2. Para 1.
Bad weather stopped unloading over Salerno Bay beaches 29th September Several landing craft were driven ashore by the gale.

Para 2.
Patrol in the straits of Otranto was maintained by destroyers during nights 29th September/30th September and 1st October, but nothing was sighted.

Para 3.
An LST was sunk during air attack on Ajaccio. 30 September. French destroyer La Fortune also received minor damage.

Para 4.
US port party was established at Cagliari 30th September. British port patry arrived Barletta.

Para 5.
SS Empire commerce and Fort Howe in convoy MKS 26 were torpedoed by unit boat CTR sunk PM 30th September off Phillippeville.

Para. 6.

6 SS Metapan having strayed out of channel was sunk by mine north of Bizerta. 1st October para CASITINTREP number 81, part 2, not issued.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, Gen. Deane (CC/S), Adm King

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IN

Received: 2nd Oct. 43

Time : 1636

MOST SECRET [redacted]

Addressed: A.I.G. 264

From : C. in C. Med.

IMPORTANT

Situation report number 194.

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BY DBS, DATE

1. Bad weather in Salerno Area on 29th Sept. culminating in gales during night 29th/30th Sept. Unloading over beaches was not possible and several landing craft were driven ashore.

2. Destroyers maintain straits pressure patrol during night 29th/30th Sept. and 30th Sept./1st Oct. but met nothing.

3. During air attack on Ajaccio at 1700 30th L.S.T. 79 was hit and has become total loss. FS FORTUNE also received minor damage.

4. U.S. Port party was established at Cagliari on 30th Sept. and British Port party arrived Barletta.

5. S.S. EMPIRE COMMERCE and FORT HOWE in MKS 26 were torpedoed in position 037-19 N 006-40 E at 2305 30th Sept. Both ships subsequently sank.

6. S.S. METAPAN in convoy from Palermo to Bizerta diverted from Channel and was sunk by mines 1320 1st Oct.

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Admiral
Air Marshal
Gen. Macready
C.O.S. (2)
Plans
Brigadier Redman (8)
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INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT

From: Algiers
To : War

No : W-1397, 1 October 1943

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower cite FHDSC. This is NAF 432.

Our troops entered Naples 1100 hours this morning.
0600 EWT

No Sig

ACTION: CCS (Gen Deane)

INFORMATION: OPD
Gen Strong
Gen Arnold
SGS
Adm King
White House
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By RHP, NLR, Date MAY 17 1974

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INCOMING MESSAGE

SECURITY CONTROL

PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To : WAR

SECURITY CONTROL

No : W 9961/4458/141240 13 September 43

(From Freedom to AGWAR for OPD Troopers rptd Mideast W 9961/4458/141240 13th nil Signed Eisenhower cite FHGCT for MO 4)

BIGOT. This is first of a series of weekly telegrams sent to keep you informed as to possible future developments this theatre and the way in which this Headquarters is thinking for planning purposes. These telegrams are for information and liaison purposes and should not be taken as committing AFHQ to any particular course of action.

2. Main feature of all planning at present is to achieve greater build up in Windsock. Situation there still critical particularly in Avalanche area and every possible improvisation is being studied to overcome our difficulties. Leading elements 8th Indian Division expected in heel about 24 September; but build up thereafter is slow. Probable that 2 NZ Div will follow in latter half of October.

3. Situation in Corsica is that Italians and patriots cooperating against Germans control the port of Ajaccio and a great part of interior of island. French are rushing limited number of troops in French destroyers French submarines and the Jeanne D'Arc in order to encourage and strengthen local resistance.

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From: Algiers
To : WAR

No : W 9961/4458/141240 13 September 43

French troops moving include Bataillon De Choc (Rangers) Mountain Battalion and Tabors. Cannot however spare any shipping or craft to lift heavy weapons and it is doubtful whether it will be possible to prevent Germans regaining complete control.

4. In Sardinia Italians are being pressed to deal with situation on their own. It has been decided not to use French troops there. The Italians have been instructed to do everything in their power to prevent German forces escaping to Sardinia.

5. Study now being carried out to determine best method of returning 7th British and U States divisions to U Kingdom.

6. See possibility of useful employment for Plough force either on mainland of Italy or on Dalmation coast. Mideast has been consulted about this and AGWAR has been requested to move this unit to Mediterranean Theater by mid November.

7. Examination of means for withdrawing Italian divisions from Balkans now being carried out. It will be necessary to use Italian shipping now under our control and do not anticipate that in fact great numbers can be withdrawn.

8. Will you please say if cables of this nature are useful to you and indicate what additional information on particular points you would like. We emphasize again that these messages are for information and to keep you in touch with our planning situation.

No Sig

NOTE: See CM-OUT-3852 (8 Sep 43) CC/S

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: CCS, GEN STRONG, SGS, GEN ARNOLD, ADM KING, LOG

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From: Algiers
To: War

No. W-9494 8th September 1943

Aerial spotting for naval gun fire reference your 5816 24th Aug 43. Study by USN, RN, USAAF and RAF reached following conclusions, subject to changes resulting from future operations and experiments. Ship-borne or carrier-borne spotting planes too vulnerable for use where enemy fighter aircraft active. Fighter protection for naval spotting planes usually impracticable because of other commitments, distance from land bases and characteristics unsuited to prolonged escort missions at low altitude. For an operation in near future USAAF P-51 observation squadron already committed for tactical reconn will at maximum effort provide limited number of sorties for spotting US Naval gunfire. Signed Eisenhower. Action AGWAR. Cite FHGCT. Time insufficient to train naval observation pilots to operational standards in P-51 aircraft therefore missions will be flown by army pilots. Intensive training conducted to coordinate technique of spotting, communications, maps, codes and other details. Principal target areas are 250 miles from airdrome which will require frequent relief sorties. This method of spotting will be studied further after experience in next operation.

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NOTE: 5816 is CM-OUT-9509 (23 Aug 43) OPD.

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: Admiral King
(Capt Jeter)

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