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Forward, London, England

To: War Department
Headquarters North African District, Algiers, Algeria
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, Allied Armies in Italy
CG, US 7th Army
CG, Allied Force Headquarters Advanced Det.
Bastia, Corsica

No. FWD 13426, 31 Aug 1944

SHAEF Forward signed Eisenhower cite SHGCT Aug 301745
EXFOR, 12th Army Group, ANXF, COMN Zone, 1st Allied Airborne
Army, EMFFI, SFHQ, Future SHAEF FWD on Continent info British
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Bomber Command, Chief Combined Operation, AFHQ, AFHQ, Adv CP,
AAI, Seventh Army, NADIST, HOFOR, SCOTCO, SCOTCO FWD 13426.

Forward Supreme Headquarters closes present location
010200B September and opens in France at Jullouville T 136270
same time.

Nearest landing ground available at present is Courtils
T 237089.

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INFO : CCS, CGAAF, ASF, G-2, Statistics, Adm. King, Col. Park
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1. FORWARD SUPREME HEADQUARTERS CLOSES PRESENT LOCATION 010200B SEPTEMBER AND OPENS IN FRANCE AT JULLOUVILLE T 136270 SAME TIME.
2. NEAREST LANDING GROUND AVAILABLE AT PRESENT IS COUR TILS T 237089.

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RECEIVED BY HAND FROM ARMY
FROM SUPREME COMMANDER, SCAF 69.
(TELEGRAM TO COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF ON RESULT OF
OPERATIONS IN NORTHERN FRANCE BETWEEN 6 JUNE(D DAY)
AND 25TH AUGUST. CLASSIFICATION CONFIDENTIAL UNTIL
DATE AND TIME OF RELEASE)

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(1) THE FOLLOWING FACTS WILL BE RELEASED HERE TO THE
PRESS AT 1900 HOURS DOUBLE BRITISH SUMMER TIME ON 31
AUGUST. THEY MAY BE RELEASED IN WASHINGTON AND LONDON
AT THAT TIME AND HOUR.

(2) (REPORT BEGINS) ENEMY LOSSES.

THE EQUIVALENT OF 5 PANZER DIVISIONS HAVE BEEN DES-
TROYED AND A FURTHER 6 SEVERELY MAULED, INCLUDING 1
PANZER GRENADIER DIVISION. THE EQUIVALENT OF 20 IN-
FANTRY DIVISIONS HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED AND A FURTHER
12 VERY BADLY CUT UP AND HAVE SUFFERED SEVERE LOSSES.

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INCLUDED IN THIS TOTAL OF INFANTRY DIVISIONS ARE
3 OF THE ENEMY'S CRACK PARACHUTE DIVISIONS. IN ADDI-
TION 1 PARACHUTE DIVISION AND 2 INFANTRY DIVISIONS
HAVE NO HOPE OF ESCAPE FROM THE FORTRESS PORTS OF
BRITTANY PENINSULA IN WHICH THEY ARE MAROONED. 1
INFANTRY DIVISION IS ISOLATED IN THE CHANNEL ISLANDS.
(3) ENEMY CASUALTIES.

TOTAL ENEMY CASUALTIES AMOUNT TO OVER 400,000 KILLED
WOUNDED AND PRISONERS OF WAR, OF WHICH OVER 200,000
ARE PRISONERS OF WAR. 135,000 OF THESE PRISONERS HAVE
BEEN CAPTURED SINCE 25 JULY. THE TOTAL CONTINUES TO

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CAPTURED OF DESTROYED. ABOUT 500 ASSAULT GUNS AND 1500

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FIELD AND HEAVIER ARTILLERY GUNS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED OR DESTROYED. IN ADDITION THE ENEMY HAS SUFFERED VERY HEAVY LOSSES IN COAST ARTILLERY EQUIPMENT. THE GERMAN 7TH ARMY AND NEWLY FORMED 5TH PANZER ARMY HAVE BEEN DECISIVELY DEFEATED AND INTO THIS DEFEAT HAVE BEEN DRAWN THE BULK OF THE FIGHTING STRENGTH OF 1ST AND 15TH ARMIES. 3 FIELD MARSHALLS AND 1 ARMY COMMANDER HAVE EITHER BEEN DISMISSED OR INCAPACITATED BY WOUNDS. 1 ARMY COMMANDER, 3 CORPS COMMANDERS, 15 DIVISIONAL COMMANDERS AND 1 FORTRESS COMMANDER HAVE BEEN EITHER KILLED OR CAPTURED.

(4) ENEMY AIR LOSSES.

IN THE AIR THE LUFTWAFFE HAS TAKEN A FEARFUL BEATING

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SINCE 6 JUNE 2378 GERMAN AIRCRAFT HAVE BEEN DESTROYED IN THE AIR AND 1,167 ON THE GROUND. IN ADDITION, 270 AIRCRAFT WERE PROBABLY DESTROYED AND 1,028 AIRCRAFT WERE DAMAGED IN THE AIR.

(5) ENEMY NAVAL LOSSES.

AT SEA THE ENEMY HAS BEEN UNABLE, IN SPITE OF HIS FORMER BOASTING, TO INTERFERE SERIOUSLY WITH THE INVASION FORCES. ENEMY ATTACKS ON CONVOYS HAVE BEEN DRIVEN OFF ON VERY MANY OCCASIONS AND LOSSES TO ALLIED SHIPPING HAVE BEEN SMALL. OF THE ENEMY'S NAVAL FORCES, SOME 300 VESSELS OF ALL CLASSES HAVE BEEN SUNK OR HEAVILY DAMAGED BY ALLIED ACTION. IN ADDITION, A NUMBER OF ENEMY MERCHANT SHIPS HAVE BEEN SUNK AND THE GERMANS

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THEMSELVES HAVE BEEN FORCED TO SCUTTLE, IN THEIR HARBORS, LARGE NUMBERS OF ALL TYPES OF SHIPPING, BOTH NAVAL AND MERCANTILE.

A LARGE PROPORTION OF THE ENEMY'S EFFORT HAS BEEN DEVOTED TO ATTACK BY MINE LAYING. THE SUSTAINED WORK OF MINE-SWEEPERS HAS RESULTED, WITHIN 3 MONTHS IN A "MINE-BAG" OFF THE FRENCH BEACHES WHICH TOTALS 1/10TH OF ALL MINES SWEEPED IN 5 YEARS IN ALL THEATERS OF WAR.

(5) ALLIED TEAM WORK.

ALLIED TEAM WORK, EXTENDING THROUGH ALL SERVICES, HAS AGAIN DEMONSTRATED ITS ABILITY TO OVERCOME THE MOST ADVERSE KIND OF CONDITIONS IN DEFEATING THE ENEMY. ALLIED UNITS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE FOUGHT EFFECTIVELY.

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DONE MUCH VALUABLE WORK.

THE COMMAND SYSTEM HAS FUNCTIONED SMOOTHLY IN SPITE OF DIFFICULTIES DUE TO ENFORCED SEPARATION OF COMMANDERS AND OF POOR SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS DUE TO DISTANCES AND RAPIDLY CHANGING SITUATION.

MANY FACTORS ARE WOVEN INTO THE WARP AND WOOF OF THIS GREAT VICTORY. AMONG THESE A FEW ARE LISTED BELOW, WITH NO ATTEMPT TO GIVE THEIR ORDER OF IMPORTANCE.

ONE WAS METICULOUS CARE IN PLANNING AND PREPARATION, SUPPORTED RESOLUTELY IN ALL IMPORTANT ASPECTS BY THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF.

ANOTHER WAS THE FACT THAT WE ACHIEVED SOME DEGREE OF

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 SURPRISE IN THE POLICE LINE IS A STRONG POINT OF THE
 ATTACK. THE EXCELLENCE AND SUFFICIENCY OF (AMPHIBIOUS

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AND OBSTACLES, WAS ALSO IMPORTANT.

THE BRILLIANT PREPARATORY WORK OF THE AIR FORCES, A BELIEF IN THE EFFECTIVENESS OF WHICH WAS THE VERY CORNERSTONE OF THE ORIGINAL INVASION CONCEPTION, BEGAN MONTHS AGO AND REACHED ITS HIGHEST INTENSITY AT THE VERY MOMENT OF LANDING. IT IS MY CONVICTION THAT EXCEPT FOR THIS AERIAL PREPARATION, INCLUDING AS A SPECIFIC MISSION A PROLONGED CAMPAIGN AGAINST THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS OF NORTHWEST EUROPE, THE VENTURE COULD NOT HAVE LOGICALLY BEEN UNDERTAKEN. THE AIR SUPPORT OF GROUND FORCES HAS BEEN MOST EFFECTIVE THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN. THE SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES HAVE PERFORMED MIRACLES.

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BUT THE GREATEST FACTOR OF ALL HAS BEEN THE FIGHTING QUALITIES OF THE SOLDIERS, SAILORS AND AIRMEN OF THE UNITED NATIONS. THEIR VALOR, STAMINA AND DEVOTION TO DUTY HAVE BEEN BEYOND PRAISE. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO BE.

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COSINTREP 148

A. INTELLIGENCE.

REPORTED THAT LES SABLES D'OLONNE HAS BEEN EVACUATED BY
THE GERMANS THE HARBOUR BLOCKED AND BATTERY DESTROYED. IT IS NOT
KNOWN TO WHICH OF THE LOCAL BATTERIES THIS REFERS. SMALL SHIPS
CAN ENTER AT HIGH WATER. ST GILES - SUR - VIE EVACUATED.

B. UNLOADING FIGURES

TROOPS	VEHICLES	STORES
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Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
Allied Force Headquarters, Advance Det. Bastia Corsica

No: 13416 30 August 1944

FWD 13416 to FREEDOM, FREEDOM ADV CP, info AGWAR
for Combined Chiefs of Staff, ARAF, EXFOR, Twelfth Army
Group, ANCXF from SHAEP Forward signed Eisenhower, cite
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In continuation of our S 55130 of 6th July, 1944,
Twelfth Army Group has been directed to advance astride
Ardennes with Third Army on right directed on Metz. It
is therefore desired that next objective of Seventh Army
be area Dijon-Vesoul-Besancon. This to be gained at the
earliest possible date with a view to subsequent advance
either northwards towards Nancy or more probably eastwards
towards Mulhouse and Strasbourg.

End.

FOOTNOTE: S-55130 is CM-IN-4927 (7 July 44) Gen McFarland

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INFO : Adm. Leahy, Gen Arnold, Gen Handy, Adm King, C of S

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1. MANY REPORTS RECEIVED OF ACTION BY RESISTANCE
AGAINST GERMANS, OF WHICH FOLLOWING ARE EXAMPLES:

- SUB PARA A. INDRE: IN 3 ATTACKS BY FFI ON A
GERMAN COLUMN, 350 GERMANS WERE KILLED.

SUB PARA B. TARN: CASTRES HAS BEEN CAPTURED AND
3000 FFI PRISONERS FREED.

SUB PARA C. BOUCHES DU RHONE: FFI TOOK OVER 2000
GERMAN PRISONERS AT Trets AND AUBAGNE.

SUB PARA D. ISERE: US FORCES ASSISTED BY FFI
TOGETHER TOOK 900 GERMAN PRISONERS NEAR GRENOBLE.

SUB PARA E. BRITTANY: 230 GERMANS, 7 ANTI-TANK
GUNS AND NUMEROUS MACHINE GUNS CAPTURED AT BEUZEC.

2. RAILWAY BRIDGES REPORTED SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED
AT COL DELLA FAUCILLE, LONGUEVILLE AND BETWEEN

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ALBERTVILLE AND CHAMBERY. SUCCESSFUL ATTACKS ON TRAINS
REPORTED AT PARTHENAY, BOUX, ROBERT-ESPAGNE (3)

AND MONTCEAU.

3. SINCE 20-6 AUGUST, 110 SAS* TROOPS, 2 JEDBURGH
TEAMS AND 517 TONS OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION HAVE BEEN

SENT TO FRANCE FROM ENGLAND. 1 JEDBURGH TEAM AND 1
OPERATIONAL GROUP HAVE BEEN SENT TO FRANCE FROM NORTH

AFRICA. TOTALS SINCE D DAY INCLUDING OPERATIONS FROM
NORTH AFRICA, 1,493 SAS TROOPS, 68 JEDBURGH TEAMS,

16 OPERATIONAL GROUPS, 95 JEEPS AND 69024 TONS OF ARMS
AND AMMUNITION.

*1 GROUP MISSING BUT PROBABLY MEANS SAS

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CG Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.
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SHGBI Aug 292100 TROOPERS for DMI, AGWAR cite WDGBI, EXFOR,
AEAF for Bennet, 12th United States Army Group Forward,
12th United States Army Group Main, 1st Allied Airborne
Army info AFHQ FWD 13394 this is digest 84.

Reliable 22 August following at Reims 104 Infantry
Division (Blüsa 104 Grenadier Regiment of 47 Infantry Division);

1 Artillery Regiment;
1 Battalion SS Adolf Hitler.

Comment possible part SS Pocket Division.

1 Battalion Marines;
1 Battalion Paratroops;

Strength 1 to 2 Tank Battalion without tanks; gen-
eral officer commanding an army with staff.

End of part 1 part 2 follows.

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U77: large concentration Germans along railway between Voulon U35 and Vivonne U46. Pair 28 August 2 divisions moving east along roads Montcontour P21 Mirebeau P30 and Loudun P22 Richelieu P42; important convoy heavy horse-drawn artillery south of Richelieu. Comment probably 16th Infantry Division with remnants from Brittany and south west. Brisseux 26 August general in charge disengagement operations on Seine probably Dietrich; according German source 14000 vehicles out of 40,000 reached right bank Seine up to 23 August. Excellent 24 August numerous convoys moving south-north through Lyon towards Belfort; order in Lyon maintained by 1500 parachutists from jump.

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School bron. Fair 25th August administrative troops leaving Nancy eastward; fighting troops especially parachutists concentrating Nancy. Comment headquarters one parachute army. Same unidentified armoured troops leaving Nancy direction Toul. Comment possibly SS reinforcements of troops from Italy. Brissax 24 August 15 wagons emblem black bear in modern French white shield passed Maubeuge from Mons towards Avesnes. Comment emblem now thought possibly that of low grade infantry division.

Bad 27th August estimated two infantry divisions Bordeaux area one tank regiment Landes. Comment believed * remnants this area though indication line of communications * troops making for Bordeaux.

Preceding part III. Part IV A.

Fair 28th August important.

End

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Part five of FWD 13394 DTG Aug 292100

Convoy 189th Training Division headed by headquarters from Garonne Valley towards Niort. Comment: probably 28th Training Regiment. Same considerable departures troops Bordeaux area towards Normandy. Comment: helps account for convoys Poitiers Tours areas. Indifferent 19th to 23rd August eight trains via Belfort carrying 2100 Infantry to Gray 1000 to Vesoul 400 to Montbéliard; 22nd to 23rd August four trains one artillery one motorized infantry to Vesoul two motorized infantry to Gray; 24th August 14 trains four artillery to Gray two artillery to Besançon eight troops to Vesoul and Gray. Comment: railway numbers prove two distinct movements; possibly continuation those reported Digest 83. Poor 16th to 20th August

Part six follows.

End.

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Part 6, 7 and 8 of FWD 13394 dtg Aug 292100.

Eight trains troops to France via Strassburg from Karlsruhe. Bad 17 to 18 August troops from Bourg in Lyon heading south by lorry after trains immobilized. Fair 24 August south north via Macon 1 train motorized Infantry 1500 vehicles carrying Infantry 50 antitank guns.

Comment: Believed motorized formation from Italy.

New 22 August westward passage via Nice tank elements belonging Milan Armoured Division.

Comment: Possibly elements 90th Panzer Grenadier Division.

Brissex 25 August 100 halftracks towards Cambrai through Valenciennes from Belgium. Same 19 August following through Reims, four trains TCO Baronesse towards Troyes;

Comment: Possibly carrying 51st or 27th SS Panzer Brigade.

26 lorries troops towards Soissons from Chalons Sur Marne; 39 lorries containing SS and Grossdeutschland

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troops with emblem helmet; 35 lorries eastward carrying
troops of one SS Panzer Division; in town itself 12 Panthers.

Comment: Other reports suggest elements one SS
Panzer Division reforming area Limburg Liege.

New 17th August TCO with 4,000 troops via Belfort
towards Besancon Dole.

Comment: Possibly identical movement Bourg Lyon
above.

Same 13th to 18th August three trains via Belfort
with 1,600 motorized Infantry and 160 vehicles towards Nancy
also one train Panthers westwards from Germany.

Comment: Possibly SS Pocket Division; compare
movements reported digest 83*above.

Part IV B. Photographic Reconnaissance 28th August
reveals: North France.

Movement north loaded trains line Ormoyvillers Laon
Hirson. No activity line Compiègne Aulnoye.

East France.

Line Saarbrücken Bar Le Duc Vitry continues active.

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Considerable decrease Reims departure anti aircraft wagons.
South East.

Line Dijon Culmont heavily loaded: 11 military
trains present in Sur Tille. Presence loaded trains line
Dijon Vesoul Belfort. Some northbound movement.

Stop press: Brissex undated Armoured Division
greyhound emblem reached Bonnemare 59 E/5.357016.

Comment: 116th Panzer Division reported heading
Bonnemare digest 83. Same armoured unit Bruehl making
for Bronleroy near Clermont (Oise).

Comment: Only Bruehl known reported June commanding
5th Company 17th SS Armoured Reconnaissance Unit.

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Y 62 with 8X105 millimetre guns. Preceding part III.
Part IV A. Excellent 20th August staff 712th Infantry
Division arrived Bruges from Oostburg with 3 generals.
Comment Corps and Infantry Division staff reported. Same
source Bruges 15 August; suggests this division not pro-
ceeding France but covering extended coastal sector. BRISSEX
26th August Allied air attacks left bank of Seine evening
25th August inflicted heavy motor transport losses 9th SS
Panzer Division. Fair 9th to 10th August 1800 to 2000 in-
fantry and SS in lorries from Mons towards Maubeuge. Comment
probably SS Panzer brigades. Fair 18th to 23rd August intense
traffic loaded motor transport route Dinant-Ciney.

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P 19 Liege. Comment evacuation civilians or possibly elements battered divisions. Same 23rd August German enquiries possibility running numerous trains heavy material lines Namur Luxembourg and Dinant Jemelle P 27; 25th August heavy requisitioning billets especially Rochefort P 27 Libramont P 34 Neufchateau P 33 Bastogne P 55. Comment suggest refitting area for battleworn troops. Same 16th August 60 Panthers arrived wood Aix sur Cloix P 51. Fair 27th August Germans moving towards Italy from South east France especially along Route Nationale 90 from Bourk St Maurice Z 48. Comment 157 Training Division. New 25th August from Cormery P 85 towards Elere P 91 1000 men.

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follows:

110 lorries 20 flak 20 millimeter guns: From Tours
towards Blere 2000 men, 150 lorries 30 flak 20 millimeter
12 flak 75 millimeter guns.

Nov 22 August small groups half-tracks on Route
Nationale 137 via Sainte Hermine T 47 apparently from area
La Rochelle.

Fair 26 August 20 37 millimeter guns on road
Champagne-St. Hilaire U44 Gencay U55; Four trains engineers
passed Vivonne U46 towards Poitiers; 14 trains expected
Bordeaux to Poitiers.

Comment tardy withdrawal 64 corps. OSSEX 20 August
intense motor transport traffic Bourges on Route Nationale
76 and Route Nationale 151 to La Charite M44 and Nevers.

Same 21 to 22 August 20,000 Germans arrived.

End

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Bourges. New 27 August Germans trying disengage from Bourges via Ervers. OSSEX 27 August 150 to 200 SS Grossdeutschland arrived Bourges from Metzssans Dijon. Comment training units Grossdeutschland Division possibly holding river crossings on escape route from west. Pair 8 to 16 August 52 trains via Aulnoye towards Tergnier-Compiègne. Comment conceivable schedule TCO Weissdorn 48th Infantry Division. Same 9 to 15 August 41 trains SS troops with heavy material one train tanks via Thiouville towards Metz-Vitry-Le Francois; also 13 trains SS troops and 18 wagons self propelled artillery towards Metz-Blainville. Comment probably new SS formations. Same 11 August to France via Strasbourg 16 wagons heavy tanks; 14 to 16 August 41 wagons medium tanks and 88 millimetre guns. Part IV B nil.

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Bastia, Corsica

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First US Army Group, Main Hq Twelfth US Army Group, Adv
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Operations. South and east of Paris enemy continues
to withdraw. 15th Motorized Division identified south east
of Troyes, 3rd Motorized Division identified north east of
Troyes, 9th Panzer Division area Meaux, 47th Infantry Divi-
sion east Pontoise. On Second Army front 49th Infantry
Division broken through by our attack. Resistance not
strong.

End.

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No. FWD 13402 30 August 1944

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G2 Summary Addresses.

This sector. Movements. No reconnaissance flown.
Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed through reception
camps and base hospitals up to 291,800B August: 11040.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAP, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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to AFHQ, AGWAR cite WDGBI, EXFOR, AEAF for Bennett, 12th
United States Army Group Forward, 12th United States Army
Group Main, First Allied Airborne Army FWD 13362. This
is digest 83.

SAS 26 August SS Division car park Z 0646. Comment
possibly SS Pocket Division from Germany. German convoys
arriving Chatillon sur Seine Y62; small motorized column
moving from Chaumont 200 to Messigny Z 0371 north of Dijon
delayed by Maquis at Louesme H 8124. Comment possibly
motorized troops reported digest 82 moving north via Macon
22 to 24 August believed from Italy. SF 22 August.

Part two follows.

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2nd SS Panzer Division near Paris. Comment probably
elements retiring for refit. Excellent 24 August ammunition
dumps being blown up Lyon; Headquarters of services and three
quarters of Gestapo evacuated. Fair undated horse drawn
column led by General headed towards Lussac les Chateaux U 75.
Comment query 64th Corps under General Sachs withdrawing
east. New 21 August General Ottenbacher Commander lines
of Communication Regiment returning from Limoges in direction
Montlucon. Comment thought to command an AntiMaquis battle
group; Limoges reported surrendered 21 August. Good 22 August
700 SS still

Part three follows.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CCS, CGAAF, OPD, Col. Park, Log

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At Thiers east of Clermont Ferrand. New 24 August motorized SS unit with tanks blocked between Montbazin and Cournonsec S 03. Comment possibly miscellaneous elements 2 SS Panzer Division from Toulouse area. New 23 August Germans evacuating L'Isle Adam blowing dumps; bridges on two arms river intact; Germans left Valmondois R 96. BRISSEX 23 August Germans starting blow installations Port Rouen. Same 24 August lorries and troops 2 SS Panzer Division at Rouen making for Pavilly M 12; disordered troops reaching right bank being regrouped woods near Menesqueville M 40 then leave direction Gournay M 61. Same 23 August ammunition and tanks -

Part four follows.

ACTION: G-2

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Part 4 of FWD 13362 dtg August 282130.

Forest De Traconne S 91 at about Michelin 61.1.40
degrees 15 minutes by 54 degrees 36 minutes. Comment depots:
Armour reported 22 August area Mondemont T 02. Reliable 22
August Light Corps staff left Royat; thought Corps units to
retire towards Belfort Metz. Comment withdrawal 66 Corps
accepted. Brissiez 25 August Chateau Aubry 975.963052 Supply
Service Headquarters 60 horse drawn vehicles 150 horses 100
men. New 19 August important enemy elements taking up position
area Beauchamp Taverny Steleu all R96 St Prix R96; appear
preparing large scale action. Reliable 25th August new tanks
have.

(Part 5 follows).

End

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ACTION: G-2

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Part 4, 5 and 6 of FWD 13362 DTG August 282130.

Foret De Trassonne S 91 at about Michelin 61.1 .40
degrees 15 minutes by 54 degrees 36 minutes.

Comment: Depots. Armour reported 22 August area
Mondemont T 02. Reliable 22nd Corps staff left Royat;
thought Corps units to retire towards Belfort Metz.

Comment: Withdrawal 66 Corps accepted. Brisses
25 August Chateau Aubry 975.963052 Supply Service Headquart-
ers 60 horse drawn vehicles 150 horses 100 men.

19 August. Important enemy elements taking up
position area Beauchamp Taverny Steleu all R 96 St Prix R 96;
Appear preparing large scale action. Reliable 25th SS tanks
have arrived Mailly Le Camp; 30 SS Tigers Sommepey T 67; 8
Tigers Humbauville T 51; 7 Tigers Le Meix Tiercelin T 50;
20 tanks in woods area Sommesous T 43.

Reliable 19 August 628th Artillery Regiment left
Paris direction Germany.

Comment: Contains three troops each of three by
21 centimetre howitzers.

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Reliable 28 August 6000 Germans Puy De Dome operating against Maquis including 4000 from 28th Division.

Comment: Task Force Jesser.

Groups from Lyon attempting reach Besanigrege Fort; 1200 Germans trapped St Etienne Du Bois (Ain).

Comment: Possibly escaping troops of 19th Army or elements moving in from Italy.

New 25 August column Germans seeking break through north east.

Brissac 27 August Headquarters 15th Army still Boulevard Marne Tourcoing; General Salmuth in charge reorganizing decimated divisions; Staff to defend town but withdrawal headquarters to Metz organized; Mont D' Halluin units reduced strength.

Comment: Mont D' Halluin presumably not complete enough for battle headquarters. 16 Flak Division Mouvaux suburb Tourcoing; General arrived month ago. SAS 27 August enemy troop movement from Bordeaux towards Thouars Parthenay.

Important movement with tanks from Poitiers to Chauvigny U 77; Chauvigny attacked and occupied by 1500 enemy with tanks. Ossex 27 August.

End of part 6 part 7 follows.

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End

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Part 7, 8 & 9 FWD 13362 DTG August 282130.

Area Saumur to Candes near Chinon evacuated; 100 vehicles of Panzer Grenadier Division carrying troops passed through Bourges in direction Montlebon. Comment Bourges movement unexplained. Preceding Part III. Part IV A. Excellent 23 August five Infantry trains Benthelm to Rosendahl. Comment TCO Stadthaler. Brissex 25 August about 100 lorries with troops and guns from direction Cambrai towards Belgium. Excellent 15 to 22 August important convoys troops and tanks from France towards Philippeville 078 Vaire 079. Comment possibly remnants decimated divisions for refit. Brissex 27 August about 60 medium and heavy tanks crossed to right bank Seine; Main crossings Oissel. Grand Couronne M 10; armoured division emblem Greyhound due reach Bonnemare 59 E/5.357016 on 27th August. Comment 115 Panzer Division. Excellent 17 August Germans sending empty rolling stock from Nancy to Chalons sur Marne for evacuation to Germany after loading; rate 24 trains for 24 hours.

Indifferent 17 to 19 August 9 trains Germany to Belfort each 600 to 1200 Infantry; 7 trains including two of police to Vesoul; one each to Gray Besancon; seven trains material to Vesoul; one each to Gray Besancon.

Comment possibly pocket SS Division. Same five trains

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from south east; one of motorized troops four of material.
Comment possibly spearhead motorized formation from Italy.
Same 17 August. Arrival Belfort about 35 lorries with
Infantry from Mayenne.

Comment sounds like remnants from Normandy. Pair
26 August 150 wagons armoured troops including Tigers
believed moving between Sete and Montpellier.

Comment possibly identical SS tanks mentioned above.
Brissex night 27/28 August about 50 tanks through Rouen
from Seine towards roads north and northwest of town.

Excellent 25 August rail traffic between Hamont and
Herenthals greatly increased since 19 August; 20 to 21
August 12 trains carts light guns and Infantry passed
through towards Mouscron.

Comment fits TCO protection or.

Part 10 follows.

End

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TCO "120". Brissax 17th to 18th August four trains
with numbers of TCO Weissdorn passed Jeumont towards Aulnoye.

Same 20th August 2 trains same movement numbers,
1 empty, 1 carrying SS troops passed from Aulnoye via Jeumont
towards Belgium.

Comment suggests empties used for taking battleworn
remnants to refit. Same 22nd August train carrying Mark
IV tanks passed Maubeuge towards Avesnes from Valenciennes.

Same 17th August convoy from Paris via Rheims towards
Chalons sur Marne 48 x 170 millimeter guns; 48 lorries with
gun carriages 7 meters long without shields; 52 lorries with
52 tracked vehicles "secret weapon partly armored".

Fair

Part 11 follows.

End

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Part 11 of FWD 13362 DTG August 282130

26th August large concentrations troops with
artillery Orange Montelinar. Excellent.

14th August very important headquarters set up
Waterloo J 64; VI store at Lacerna Park near Gosselies J 61.

Part IV B.

Photographic reconnaissance 27th August reveal
following:

A. North east France. Intermittent cover limited
movement lateral lines Pas de Calais area. Loading or
unloading lines Calais Saint-Omer Lille and Abbeville Amiens.

B. East France. Further increase movement lines
Saarbrücken Vitry and Strasbourg Nancy. Movement loaded

(Part 12 follows)

End

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K trains Pagny Vitry. Heavy tank train departed Bar
le Duc. Several loaded trains. Present Reims also increas-
ed anti aircraft.

C. South east France.

Movement north loaded trains line Chalon-Sur-
Saone Culmont Toul and Culmont Blainville. Loaded K trains
present Celsoy. Soulosse (north of Culmont) Neufchateau.

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Nr: 1485 OPS 29 August 1944

SITREP 229

1. 15 Corps.

(A) Arakan.

Rainfall for 24 hours ending 0800 hours
28 August 2 inches. No change.

(B) Kaladan

Det PG 3940. One Coy 7 GCR PG 4437 1 Coy PG 4039

2. 33 Corps

(A) Area Tiddim Road.

5 Div. 161 Bde. Night 27/28 August

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enemy evac position MS 88 R 09846 MS 90 R 09844 also clear.
28 August enemy reported withdrawing from Khuadam R 09945.
1/1 Punjab Area R 09846. 4 RWK less 3 Coys R 09942 3 Coys
Area Khuadam R 09945. 4 Rajput Area R 09648. Lushai Bdg.
Night 25/26 August 8 FF Rif ambushes between MS 100 R 09634
and MS 104 R 09930 reported no enemy activity.

(B) Area Tamu-Sittaung-Minthami.

1. Tps from valley SE through Dathwek-Yauk Auk RP 8351 and Dathwek-Yauk Atet RP 7542 appear well used. Some indication Mawlaik RP 9222 still occupied in come Str. Tac R 27 August reports rd Mawlaik-Mawku RP 9333 used by MT. Trakatum SL 1154 Paya-Tazu SL 1949 appears well used.

2. 11 (ea) Div. 25 (ea) Bdg. 34 KAR less 2 Coys area SL 0391 2 Coys SL 0390 moving up to road block. 26 KAR less 1 Coy SL 0189 1 Coy holding road block SL 0388. Bde TAC Hq. Area SL 0190. 26 (ea) Bdg. 27 August Zibugon RP 7151 occupied and 2 Coys 44 KAR entered Htinzin RP 6549 without opposition. 25 August patrol clash RP 8870. Enemy cas. 1 wounded. No further details.

(C) Area Homalin-Thaungdut.

1. Locals EX Nawngkham SF 2863 state all villages west of Chindwin Area Homalin clear and speak of insignificant parties east of Chindwin. TAC R 27 August

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reports no sign MT along YR Nawngpuawng SF 6067 - Sitsawk
SK 7343 but used by carts.

2. M 20 Div. Ref. SITREP 227. 9 JAT
CR Bn now conc Heirok RK 5036 Tarcol. 9 FFR in contact
enemy SF 1036. Hq. Tarcol 14 FF Rif area SF 0836. 4 Dogra
less 2 Coys Kangpat RK 9748 2 Coys Khonglo RK 8943.

3. North Burma

(A) Area Mogaung-Hopin 36 Div. 29 Bde.

28 August in attack on Pinbaw SC 3430
1 Bn reached Rly BR SC 3109 against stiffening resistance.
Once Bn moving west of Rly reached SC 311C where strong
opposition met.

(B) Area Myitkyina-Bhamo.

4 Coys levies operating south bank
Nam-Tabet river SD 3517 to SD 5115. 38 Chinese Div. Div.
Hq. and 112 Regt. arrived Myitkyina.

4. Salween

21 to 25 August many tp and 80 MT reported
moving through Wanting SO 9696 to Mangshih SK 5142.

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Comment: Reference SITREP 228 may connect move
Hq. 2 Div. Japanese broadcast persist reporting by
Chinese pressure Salween Sector.

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G 2 summary addressees.

Total to 1800 hours 25th August (excluding 12th Army Group figures 22-25 August) 187,966.

4. General. Although it is apparent that the enemy has been able to maintain some degree of order in his withdrawal to east of Seine his position still unhealthy in view of insufficiency and low mobility of forces at his disposal. Thus still no option but withdrawal to Somme. Meanwhile our advance north and northeast of Paris rapidly jeopardizing the security of the line Somme-Marne-Saone-Swiss frontier, which the enemy is making every effort to prepare.

End.

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Group, Adv Hq 12 Army Group Hq Com Zone Fwd, FWD 13339.
This is G2 summary no. 84.

Our forces making headway at Brest against strong
enemy opposition. Report of three to four thousand Germans
south of Loire in Orleans area willing to surrender. Prisoners
of War 49 SS Panzer, now known to be Panzer Grenadier Brigade,
captured at Bray (G01). Joigny (X74) liberated with over
1100 prisoners.

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addressees.

Of War mainly from 338th and 708th Infantry Divisions
taken. 51 SS Panzer vicinity Troyes (Y33) identified as
Panzer Grenadier Brigade. Nogent (X89) cleared of enemy
and our troops in vicinity Romilly (Y09). One Regiment
343rd Infantry Division identified by prisoner of war at
Montereau (X84). Report air knocked out of 50 horse drawn
guns and resistance broken Gastins (851) area where 189-.

(End of part two part three follows).

End

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No: FWD 13339 28 August 1944

Begins part 3 of SHAEF FWD Aug 290205 AGWAR AFHQ
SHAEF Main AFHQ Adv Det First US Army GP HQ Comm Zone FWD,
FWD 13339 DTG 281610 Aug.

Training Division has appeared with 48 Infantry
Division. Forward Elements over Marne at Lagny (S34).
Strong opposition from 338 Infantry Division encountered
at Chelles (S24). Slight progress against stiff opposi-
tion Northeast of Paris. Minor enemy counterattacks against
our bridgehead at Vernon (R47) repulsed.

(End of part 1 part 2 follows).

End

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- Nancy. Increased antiaircraft protection and activity at Reims.

C. Southeast France. Some movement of loaded trains northwards on line Macon-Dijon-Toul and also line Culmont-Blainville.

3. Prisoners of War.

A. Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals in United Kingdom to 1800 hours 27 August: 107,726.

B. Grand total to 1800 hours 22 August: 184,533.

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and EXFOR and AEAFF for Bennett and Twelfth United States
Army GP Forward and Twelfth United States Army Gp Main
info AFHQ. FWD 13313. This is DIGEST 82.

// 261800B: Total entry of prisoners into United Kingdom to
106,745. Preceding part I.

Part II. Nil.

Part III. Essex 12 August Signals Detachment arrived
Reims located NIFTY 177 points 229732 and 252758.

Sage 25 August. Germans abandoned work on defence
line between Soissons and Reims; between Epernay and Chalons
Sur Marne only work of destruction continues.

Brissas 22 August. Enemy preparing defence on line

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28 August 1944

1 Somme Aisne; area Picquigny flooded.

24 August. Somme Valley flooded from St Valery to
Abbeville.

New 23 August. 32 tanks including 18 Tigers at
Gonesse S15.

New 12 August. Fort Aubervilliers S15 near Parisian
cemetery on RN 2 Paris Bobigny turned into tank and equip-
ment depot.

Excellent 15 August. Staffs of Corps and Infantry
Division with 3 Generals at Bruges. Comment if true might
be 89 Corps from Antwerp and 712 in transit.

SAS 24 August. German strength 18,000 to 20,000
in area Thouars Parthenay Montreuil-Bellay P 14 Saumur;
Headquarters Armoured Division P 020476; Germans evacuating
area Parthenay Niort and moving north east. Comment 159
Training Division with possibly some GHQ armour or artil-
lery from Souges.

Fair 26 August. 600 Germans apparently supported
by tanks attacking Maquis on road Poitiers Chauvigny U 77;
also leaving Poitiers for east via Chatellerault; area
Le Blanc Q 08 controlled by Maquis. Comment also 159

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Training Division.

New 19 August. Motorized column from Clermont Ferrand towards Tulle had object relief of Eggletons V 74; still 8000 Infantry at Perigueux security and Russian troops weakly helped by German Air Force. Comment existence isolated battle groups this area confirmed.

New 22 August. Troops in south west making for Bordeaux; 24 August, 3,000 poorly armed troops from Bordeaux in Foret Braconne Z 48.

New 21 August. Castres Albi Mazamet captured by French Forces of Interior, 4,000 Germans captured in Castres.

New 23 August. Dax Mont De Marsan freed.

New 23 August. Gestapo left Montpellier with Militia for Strassburg via Lyon.

Fair 24 August. Germans retreating without plan from Narbonne and Montpellier via Lyon.

Brissex 22 August. Important fortifications work starting along Somme from Amiens to Peronne; organization Todt of Arras left St Quentin for these works.

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Excellent 14 August. New * * *
Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5. Part 6 follows. DIGEST 82.
End.

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FWD 13306. Previous.

Paragraph One Operations.

This is G 2 summary number 83.

Southeast of Paris our forces still making good
progress despite arrival SS Panzer reinforcement units in
Troyes area. Allied Forces striking north reached River
Marne at La Ferte sous Jouarre (S 6249). Meaux (S 450)
also reached by our forward elements. Enemy driven back.

Part Two follows.

End.

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Part 2 of FWD 13306 DTG August 271900 G2 summary
addressees.

From Seine south of Paris roughly to line Noisseau
(S 23) Fontenay Tresigny (S 42). North of Paris, Le
Bourget (S 15) entered by our patrols. Troops approaching
Paris from west along south bank of river met little
opposition. 49th Infantry Division forced out of Tilly
(R 47) by our new bridgehead across Seine at Vernon.
South of Rouen strong attempt was made by enemy to deny
us south bank of river. Elements following divisions iden-
tified rearguard battle: 9th SS Panzer, 2nd SS Panzer,
116th Panzer, 17th German Air Force and 6 Parachute Divis-
ions. Most of the armour assumed to have crossed river
by now. To the north Pont Audemer captured and on coast.

Part 3 follows.

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End.

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addressees.

Enemy given up Berville Sur Mer. Enemy offering
stubborn resistance to our attack on Brest.

Movements.

Activity continues on lines into northeast and
eastern France from Belgium and Germany.

Prisoners of War.

a. Accumulative total passed through re-
ception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 26 August
106745.

b. Prisoners captured from pocket west of
Argentan Trun now estimated to have been between 40000 and
50000.

General.

Enemy retreat to east of Seine between Paris and sea
virtually completed. No details available concerning losses

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but these believed heavy particularly in equipment. Enemy
probably desirous (part 4 follows) of holding river line
but our bridgeheads across river have frustrated this.

End.

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G2 summary addresses.

And no option but to withdraw as slowly as possible to Somme line avoiding another cauldron. Majority of divisions, both infantry and armour, now reduced to battle groups and badly in need of refit, particularly remnants of 7th Army. Armour likely to be disposed as counter attack reserve initially but will soon be required to carry out its usual role of holding ground since enemy will not dispose sufficient infantry to present firm front. To east and south of Paris enemy bringing up scratch units to slow down our eastward drive. Continued rail movement from Germany shows that reinforcements are being rushed up but majority likely to be formations of little combat value.

End.

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AEAF for Bennett, 12th United States Army Group FORWARD
12th United States Army Group MAIN info FREEDOM. FWD 13282.
SECRET. This is digest 81. End part 1 part 2 follows.

Total entry of prisoners into United Kingdom to
251800B, 102821.

Preceding part I.

Part II. Prisoners of War state equipment
of 6 bridge columns J 43 dumped beginning August in un-
located wood vicinity Precy-sur Oise S 0981 and unlikely
since moved owing to heavy losses in special transport re-
quired. Document undated but giving instructions for 13th
August shows 11.

End

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Cipher part 3 of FWD 13282. 262200 Aug.

Rouen left bank; heavy arrivals. Wounded Hotel
Dieu Hospital. 22 August enemy evacuating wounded female
services railway workers luggage by all possible means;
anti tank guns installed by side of all important roads
covering Rouen; troops low morale in disorderly retreat on
Neufchatel Road. Pair 23 August severe fighting Paris; French
Forces of interior hold public buildings; enemy with tanks
masters in streets; New 23 August enemy Mery Sur Oise R 96
not numerous; Meriel R 96 evacuated; Meriel Estry bridge
intact; Bessancourt R 96 numerous enemy paratroops. Good.

End of part 3, part 4 follows.

End

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Part 4 of FWD 13282. 262200 Aug. Part 5 follows.

✓ 12 August General Dehner replacing General Niehoff
as Military Commander South France.

Comment: Accepted.

New 18 August 22 Generals met Hotel Bellevue Verdun
to discuss whether fix line of resistance on Meuse or further
East. Unknown value 22 August German High Command believes
that evacuation of occupied territories will provide enough
troops to hold Allies for many months on line Belfort,
Strassburg, Metz, Mezieres, Lille, Dunkirk. Fair 8 August
organization TODT withdrawing to valley of Marne from
Saint Dizier to Chaumont.

Comment: Agrees with other reports. OSSEX 17 August
Reims radio telephone exchange installed in.

End.

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FWD 13282. 262200 Aug.

Part 5. Fort Montbre 5177.323724; Signal Transmission
Battalion working on organization of network. Good 26 August
important German Headquarters Chateau Mondateine S 680468
east of La Ferte-sous-Jouarre. BRISSEX 25 August Headquarters
Panzer Division Chateau 1200 metres south le Nouvion; tanks
camouflaged in neighbourhood; emblem black lion on white
shield.

Comment: Possibly Nouvion-en-Ponthieu; emblem sug-
gests troops constantly reported by BRISSEX as infantry moving
Mons to Maubeuge; more probably low grade infantry division.
Fair 22 August

Part 6 follows.

End.

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Part 6 of FWD 13282. 262200 Aug. Part 7 follows:

SS troops moving Romilly towards Troyes; 80 lorries
SS troops Troyes towards Bar-Sur-Seine.

Comment: See part IVA.

BRISSEX 22 August depots of armoured vehicles in
Mondemont Montgivroux Broyes Lachy all T02. Part IVA.

Four undated TCO Beronasse eight trains diverted via
Ottignies Fleury Florennes Givet.

Comment: Train numbers indicate origin Denmark;
Four trains same movement reported by BRISSEX 19 August Reims
to Troyes; probably same as movement in digest 80 part IVA
and possibly identical with SS brigade previously reported
leaving Denmark 18 August.

OSSEX 24 August divisions.

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Part 7 of FWD 13282. 262200 Aug.

Adolf Hitler and Reich being sent area Metz to reform; separate elements these divisions passed through Emernay 20 August. Comment possibly true of some battered units these divisions. Brisseix 22 August lorries of Adolf Hitler troops passed through Albert towards Bapaume. 20 August guns motor transport and SS troops arrived Reims from Soissons also Artillery Group Adolf Hitler Division going towards Rethel.

Comment: Confirms considerable arrivals SS troops East France. 20 August 37 lorries WH Infantry with corps emblem passed through Reims towards Chalons Sur Marne. Poor 12 to 17 August all panzer and motorized elements in area.

End of part 7, part 8 follows.

End

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Hirson Mexieres left for area Reims Sezanne Romilly
by road.

Fair 23 August 11th Panzer Division left Millau
for Dijon; Division lost much equipment between Nimes and
Uzes.

Fair 19 to 23rd August TCO Stadthalteu 22 trains
towards France via Esschen and Mouscron.

19 to 21 August TCO protection 8 trains from Esschen
to France via Meirelbeke.

24 to 25 August movement "123" 8 trains same route.

21 to 24 August movement "120" 17 trains same route.

Part IV B. One northeast and east France. Consider-
able movement in.

End

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Cipher part nine of FWD 13282. 262200 August.
Cipher part ten follows.

West and south west direction on main lines leading
into France.

A. Line Ghent Courtrai Lille loaded K and J trains
moving west. Military trains present at Ghent.

B. Line Hirson Laon Soissons K trains present at
stations between Hirson and Laon. Departure trains between
Laon Soissons.

C. Loaded trains moving south west on line Givet
Reims Meaux. Possible medium tank train and part loaded
medium tank train at Reims.

D. Movement west of loaded K trains at Avricourt
on line Strasbourg Nancy Bar-Le-Duc. Loaded.

End

ACTION: G-2

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Nr: FWD 13282 27 August 1944
Part 10 and final of FWD 13282. 262200 Aug
K trains at Nancy and Sorcy.

E: Line Saarbrücken Bar-Le-Duc loaded K and medium tank trains at Forbach also departure 3 military trains. Loaded heavy tank train and further loaded train at Bars -Le-Duc. Two southeast France. Presence of military trains and some movement north on line Lyon Dijon Chaumont. Loading moderate on line Besançon Lyon. Part loaded medium tank train headed south at Besançon.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S
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Allied Force Headquarters, Casserta, Italy

Nr. FWD 13133 23 August 1944

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SHGBI 231800 Aug TROOPERS, AGWAR cite WDGBI info 21st Army
Group, AFHQ cite FHGBI, AEAFF for Bennett, SHAEF Main cite
SHGBI, AFHQ Advance Detachment, Ninth US Army, 1st US Army
Group, Main HQ 12th Army Group. Advance HQ 12th Army Group,
HQ Com Zone FWD. FWD 13133.

This is G 2 summary number 79.

Nothing to report from Third Army Front. On 1st Army
front advances made to within about 5 miles of Evreux but
enemy resistance stiffening to the west in Breteuil area.
Pocket in Argentan area now liquidated but enemy losses not
yet assessed. Enemy carrying out withdrawal in 21st Army *sector*
End part 1 part 2 follows.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S
CGAAF
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Adm. *King*
Col. *Park*
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Nr: FWD 13133 23 August 1944

Part 2 and last of FWD 13133.DTG 231800 Aug.

Group Sector to line River Touques. Liseux.
Orbec thence southeast. Enemy resistance light. Our
forces are fighting in Lisieux and to the north have
advanced along the coast as far as Trouville. Pont L
Eveque has been entered by our troops.

2. Movements.

No reconnaissance flown owing to weather.

3. Prisoners of War.

Accumulative total passed through reception camps
and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 22 August: 99,351.

Total captured up to 1800 hours 18 August: 151,642.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S OPD Log
CG AAF Adm King
ASF Col Park

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland
To: War Department
Nr: 1676 22 August 1944
MILID Wash D C msg nbr 1676
Following reported under reserve:

Foche GHQ plans employ approximately within week V-2. Ramps definitely in Belgium and Holland, reports of those in Jutland may be Boche propaganda. Specifications 20 ton projectiles flat trajectory, speed 1200 kilometers, rocket propelled, accuracy infinitely greater than V-1.

Predictions in Boche General Staff circles are eight British and 3 French cities will be out of existence soon after employment.

Source 784 from Sub-source he classes B-2)

GHQ plan is to retreat to Siegfried Line with very strong covering forces fighting protracted delaying action. Two armored columns moving on French Maquis but plan of fighting FFI may be abandoned in view fast Allied advance in South France.

Our check shows Alkenhausen was meant recur 1650. Please correct.

Legge

FOOTNOTE: 1650 is CM-IN-14822 (16 Aug 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG AAF, ASF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Gen Borden,
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CM-IN-20996 (23 Aug 44) 1100Z ejm

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Nr: FWD 13078 22 August 1944

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First United States Army Group Main Hq 12th Army Group
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Cancel second sentence Paragraph four of G-2
Summary number 77, subsequent information shows enemy still
attempting to get out from pocket.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm. King, Col. Park, Log ✓

CM-IN-19971

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Nr: FWD 13062 21 August 1944

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21 Army Group AFHQ cite FHGBI AEF for Bennett SHAEF Main
cite SHGBI AFHQ Advance Det Ninth United States Army First
United States Army Group Main HQ Twelfth Army Group Advance
HQ Twelfth Army Group FWD 13062. This is G 2 summary number
77.

Previous para 1. Operations.

Resistance in the southeastern sector of the front
still spotty but stiffening against our advances down west.

Bank of Seine. Elements 17th German Air Force Divi-
sion contacted northwest of Dreux, 6th Parachute Division
identified Verneuill and 708th Infantry Division Laigle area.

Prisoner of War from 36th German Air Force Regiment
(18th German Air Force Division) taken at Limay (R6161.)
Lightly.

Part 2 follows.

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CCS, CGAAF, ASF, OPD, Adm. King, Col. Park, LOG
CM-IN-19541 (21 Aug 44) 2056Z ejv

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Nr: FWD 13062 21 August 1944

Part two of FWD 13062 dtg August 211815.

Held enemy outpost line runs north of Dreux along line river Avre, Verneuil, Laigle, Gace, Chambois. Enemy still trying desperately to escape from trap west Argentan Falaise which now sealed. Believed majority of infantry still cut off. Evidence that elements most Panzer Divisions escaped to the east.

2. Movements. No reconnaissance was flown yesterday owing to weather.

3. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 20 August: 98,177. Total captured up to 17 Aug: 147989.

4. General. Over 10000 prisoners captured yesterday from Pocket. Enemy apparently no longer trying to get out and he must now concentrate on coordinated withdrawal of main front.

Part 3 follows.

End

Note: FWD 13062 is CM-IN-19541 (21 Aug 44) G-2
ACTION: G-2
INFO : CCS, CGAAP, ASF, OPD, Adm. King, Col. Park, LOG
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London England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 13062 21 August 1944
Part 3 and last of FWD 13062 DTG August 211815.

To Seine. West and southwest of Paris enemy attempting to form defensive front to cover city and crossings of Seine south of Paris. Identification of 48th Division by Third Army suggests possibility division of similar category may appear since enemy very thin on ground this area and to block Paris effectively must cut down present large divisional frontages considerably. Captured documents shows 49th, 344th Infantry and 17th German Air Force Divisions ordered to move from north of Seine on 16 August to area Argentan - Alencon.

End

Note: FWD 13062 is CM-IN-19541 (21 Aug 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CCS, CGAAF, ASF, OPD, Adm. King, Col. Park, LOG

CM-IN-19583 (21 Aug 44) 2151Z ejv

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To : War Department.
CG Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.
Nr : FWD 13394 20 August 1944.
Part 2 of FWD 13394 dtg Aug 292100.

At Corps Headquarters till 21st August. Comment possibly Quartermaster section Commander in Chief west. New 25th August fugitive German column (2,000 to 3,000) still Toulouse area making for Avignon. SAS 27 August about 2,000 Germans in Chinon N 23; unconfirmed report 4,000 with artillery Nevers; 12 trainloads concentrated area Les Laumes N 58; evidence German line Dijon Chaumont Chatillon N 62 Montbard N 59 Semur N 57; 8 tanks 60 lorries leaving Avallon N 17 in direction Tonnerre H 21. Comment possibly motorized formation from Italy. SAS 28th August 30 tanks on route Nationale 151 between Poitiers and Chauvigny.

Part 3 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CCS, CGAAF, OPD, Adm. King, Col. Park, Log

CM-IN- 27395 (30 Aug 44) 0238Z

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No: FWD 13007 19 August 1944

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SHGBI Ninth United States Army First United States Army
Group Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group Advance Head-
quarters Twelfth Army Group FWD 13007 secret previous

Para 1 operations.

This is G2 summary number 75. In southeastern
sector Orleans mopped up and our reconnaissance elements
entered Mantes Cassicourt on River Seine. Prisoner of war
from headquarters 48 Infantry Division taken Chartres Area.
Regiment of 17 German Air Force Division reported north
St Germain en Laye (R 85). Pocket west of Falaise Argentan
cut in two by simultaneous capture. End of part 1 part
2 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S CGAAF ASF OPD Adm King Sol Park Log
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Forces, London, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No. FWD 13007 19 August 1944
Part 2 of FWD 13007. 191545 August

Briouze from north and south. Eastward movement
men and material accelerating. Total number of men in
Panzer Grenadier Regiments of 9th SS Panzer Division said
by Prisoner of War to be 350.

In Canadian Sector, good advances being made to east
and fighting in progress Mexidon and Cabourg Les Bains.
Heavy enemy road movement east from Trun area continues.

2. Movements:

Considerable activity line Lille Amiens Rouen
Departure loaded trains from stations between Lille and
Amiens:

Might be 182nd Training Division.

Heavy loco activity at Beauvais. Light loading
on line Givet Rheims. Intermittent cover of lines

End Part 2, Part 3 follows:

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CC/S CGAAF ASF OPD Adm King Col Park Log
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Nr: FWD 13007 19 August 1944

Part 3 of FWD 13007. 191545 Aug.

Saarbrücken Metz Lerouville reveals presence military trains. Some activity and limited movement north line Lyons Chalon, Dijon. Reports of train movements via Strasbourg originating in Denmark suggest that 25th Panzer Division might be moving into France.

3. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 18th August; 93061.

4. Miscellaneous.

A. A good source reports that since 13th August no important traffic across Seine below Les Andelys and there is no indication of preparation of defense line on Seine. Germans showing intention demolish port of Rouen.

Part 4 follows.

End.

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Part 4 FWD 13007. 191545 Aug.

Rouen tugs ordered to Duclair ferry crossing suggests considerable evacuation north across river.

B. Ample evidence that all higher Headquarters withdrawing behind Somme Marne, Saone line, particularly all branches of Navy and occupying authority. Mainly Alsace Lorraine vicinity Metz, Nancy, Strasbourg and so forth.

C. Estimate garrisons in Brittany as follows:

Brest, 25,000 to 30,000;

Lorient, 12,000 to 15,000;

St. Nazaire, 15,000 to 20,000.

Supplies in all cases for not less than 4 weeks. Two Parachute Division under command Parachute General Ramcke, very determined fighter.

Part 5 follows.

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S CGAAF ASF OPD Adm King Col Park Log
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Part five of FWD 13007, 191545 Aug.

D.

Good source reports Guderian has persuaded Hitler that groups in southern France must be used for present operations. Withdrawal such troops towards north and to Italy stated to have commenced already.

Comment: Presumably present operations refers to northern France. This certainly true of southwest France where considerable thinning out has been taking place for some time.

Rail reconnaissance still shows movement north from Marseilles area. Thus possible report refers also to 19th Army. If true, means virtual abandoning of southern and southwest France, though probable main ports will be defended.

Report continues that Guderian has advocated systematic withdrawal to west wall while complete demolition of area vacated was.

End

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Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 13007 19 August 1944

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Undertaken. Hitler stated to have learned at last that military adviser's suggestions must now be taken.

Comment: May possibly be true, but it has taken Hitler long time to learn this.

pocket 5. General: Enemy continuing attempt to get out of cauldron, through narrow gap which still exists. State of disorganization so complete that only hope enemy has now of retaining any cohesion of forces is for him to withdraw what he can across Seine covered by armour and reorganize on far bank. Impossible for him to form line west of Seine. Ferries reported to be waiting anxiously on west bank to rescue what arrives from the battle area.

End

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, 7th Army in Italy
Navy Department, Washington, DC

DTG: 19/0100B 19 August 1944

Part 2 of fwd 12995 DTG Aug 182220.

8 locomotives sabotaged.

2 locks at Don (Nord) on the Canal de la Deule were reported destroyed on the 28th July. It is estimated that traffic will be delayed for 2 months.

The FFI have liberated the towns of Scrignac, Lannion, Erdreu, Mauleon, Nogent, Le Routrou and Breve la Gaillard.

Resistance leaders in the departments of Loir et Cher, Eure et Loire, Loriet, Cher, Nièvre, Corrèze, and Creuse report that open warfare has broken out between the resistant forces and the Germans.

Since the 14th August, 85 special air service troops, 5 Jedburgh teams, 1 operational group and 193 tons of arms and ammunition have been dropped.

End of part 2, part 3 follows.

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INFORMATION: CC/S
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Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

Nr: FWD 12995 19 August 1944

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182220 War Department, Navy Department, AFHQ, 7th Army
FWD 12995 COSITINREP number 135 part 4. Last part 4 issued
was number 133.

Extensive railway sabotage continues. Railway
bridges are reported destroyed at:

Paray Le Monial, St. Etienne, Canal de Bourgogne,
Nantes, Col de La Faucialie (3 bridges), St. Rembert, and
Beauchastel.

Railway lines reported out include:

Chalones-sur-Saone-Macon, Changy-Dole, Allos-
Barcelonnette, Moulins-Montlucon, Lorial-Vallence, Cambrai-
Vallenciennes, Arras-Hazelbrouck, La Fere-St Crespain, Bourg-
Macon, and Lyon-Bourg. 4 derailments were reported and

Part 2 follows.

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INFORMATION: CG/S ASF Adm King
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CG Seventh Army
Navy Department

No. FWD 12995

19 August 1944

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To: War Department
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CG, Seventh Army, Italy
Navy Department

Nr. FWD 12995 19 August 1944

Part 3 of FWD 12995 DTG Aug 182220.

In France from England. Total since D day, including
operations from North Africa:

- * 8 SAS troops,
- 50 Jedburgh teams,
- 13 operational groups,
- 42 jeeps,
- 6164 tons of arms and ammunition.

G 2 intelligence appreciation resistance effect:

The resistance movement has made a substantial contribution to the success of present operations, both directly and by cooperating with Allied Forces and by tying up large numbers of German garrison troops, and indirectly by delaying the movement of enemy reserves and by disorganizing communications. In the earlier stages of invasion several divisions, including armoured, were forced to send battle groups, even while en route to Normandy, to.

*Being serviced. End of part 3 part 4 follows.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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Part four and last of FWD 12995 DTG Aug 182220.

Cope with the increasingly effective Maquis. Now that almost all reserves have been drawn into the battle area, resistance is steadily gaining control in Central and SW France, where it will be in an excellent position * current operations and where enemy counter-measures are becoming increasingly ineffectual.

End

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No. FWD 12976 18 August 1944

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SHGBI Ninth United States Army First United States Army Group
Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group Advance Headquarters
Twelfth Army Group FWD 12976. Previous para 1 Operations.
This is G2 summary number 74.

In Brittany Citadel of St Malo has fallen. In area
west and southwest Paris our troops entered Vendome (E01)
Orleans and Etampes (W89) and are 5 miles west of Versailles.
Pocket West Argentan Falaise now virtually closed. Germans
reported to have disregarded all road discipline and to have
been streaming eastwards.

(End of part 1 part 2 follows).

End

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INFO : CC/S, CGAAP, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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No: FWD 12976 18 August 1944

Part 3 of FWD 12976 DTG 181650 Aug 44.

Avignon and loaded motorized troop train going east from Nîmes, presumably both connected move 11th Panzer Division.

Paragraph 3. Prisoners of War.

Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospital up to 1800 hours 17 August 90555.

Paragraph 4. Miscellaneous.

A. 9th SS Panzer Division tank state yesterday from officer prisoner of war: 20 mark V, 20 mark IV and 20 assault guns.

B. Training formations and units in west now being either sliced up and swallowed in form of drafts, as has apparently happened to 165 Training Division, or else committed whole to battle after more or less nominal upgrading, as for example 158.

End of part 3, part 4 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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London, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Re: FWD 12949 17 August 1944

Cipher Part Six and final of FWD 12949 DTG 171630
August.

Jeopardised enemy supply position in battle area which
consider is in most unhealthy state. Probably many tanks
and vehicles will remain stranded.

Difficult to estimate total enemy losses to date but
these have been very high in men and material and majority
infantry divisions less than fifty percent effective. Armour
also seriously depleted. Enemy main task now to retain
cohesive front and prevent general withdrawal movement from
accelerating into a route.

End.

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Army Group FWD 12942. This is G-2 summary number 73

Operations.

In Brittany, Dinard has been captured. Very stiff
enemy resistance in Ranee area by elements 1st SS, 9th SS and
2nd Panzer Division, and in Argentan area enemy attempting to
prevent our southern pincer from closing gap. Pocket east
of Mortain considerably contracted by our capture of Fiers,
Conde and Falaise. On Canadian Army front.

End of part 1, part 2 follows.

End

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Second Cipher Part of DTG 171630 Aug FWD 12942.

Enemy giving ground slowly northeast of Falaise. In this sector prisoner of war taken from 245th Infantry Division which supplied reinforcements for battle area. Forward elements of Third Army 10 miles northeast of Dreux. No identifications reported. This thrust cutting across main enemy supply routes to battle area thus forcing enemy to make increasing use of Seine crossings which is laborious process.

Para 2. Movements.

Movement of Infantry trains heading north from Lyons area via Chalon Sur Saone possibly connected with division movement reported by ground sources, believed 338th Infantry Division. Increasing departure armoured elements. From 11th Panzer entraining area towards Mediterranean battle area. Otherwise little movement to report. (End of Second Cipher part Part 3 follows.)

End.

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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Forces, London, England.

No: FWD 12942 17 August 1944

3rd Part of DTG 171630 Aug FWD 12942.

Prisoners of war. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals to 1800 hours
16th August 87943. Total prisoners captured estimated
126000.

Miscellaneous.

A. There is evidence that Low Countries
being combed of training units of all types for battle
area.

B. Civil and Military Headquarters of
importance continue to withdraw from Paris, and evidence
now that a few divisional elements from battle area moving
to Paris, presumably for rest and refit, possibly north
of Seine.

C. Line of communication Battalions on
coast defense duties now known to exist consisting
entirely of soldiers.

End

End of Part 3. Part 4 follows.

ACTION: G-2

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Part Four - of DTG 171630 Aug FWD 12942.

Suffering from stomach or ear ailments.

D. Artillery so far committed in battle excluding
static coast defense and Anti-aircraft equipments estimated
as follows:

Assault guns 800 (70 percent Divisional).

Self-propelled Artillery over 7.5 centimeter
caliber 200 (Divisional).

General Headquarters Medium and Heavy Artillery
250 (Non-Divisional).

88 Millimeter Anti-tank Guns 250 (25 percent Div).

88 Millimeter Flak Guns used in predominant anti-
tank role 150 (Non-Divisional).

Werfers over 15 centimeter caliber 450 (Non-Division-
al).

Divisional

(End of Part Four, Fifth Part follows).

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Part 5 of FWD 12942 DTG 171630 August.

Field and medium battalions fairly normal. Number
of guns (1350) but eked out with very numerous foreign
equipments.

Para 5. General.

In Brittany enemy continues to organized defense of
ports. On main front enemy doing utmost to extricate his
Infantry withdrawing west of Falaise Argentan Gap. Appreciate
impossible for him to make stand in this area and best he can
hope for is coordinated withdrawal eastwards across Dives,
while he protects southern flank of Seventh Army with bulk
of his armour and attempts to stem advance of allied Third
Army towards Paris and Seine. Advance latter area has
seriously.

(End of part 5 part 6 follows.)

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Addressees ref no GO 38-17 August 1944, COSITINTREP no 135,
to 1200B hrs, 17 August.

Part 1-Land

Section A Intelligence

Identifications. 7 Coy 125 P G R South of T 8831.
Elements 84 Inf Div 8411. 1 and 2 Coys 988 G R 9331. 3 Coy
989 G R 9532. 6 Coy 989 G R 9634. 346 fus Bn U 1667.

Operations.

Second British Army. 8 Corps.

3 Brit Div. 3 Recce Regt entered Flers during
afternoon and found town clear of enemy. 8 Bde reached 80
easting grid. 185 Bde took over Tinche-Bray from US tps.
30 Corps.

50 Div now bridging R Noireau area, area Conde 8831 and
9032.

11 Armd Div. Counter attack from area Aubusson 8724
dispersed by 159 Bde 1700 hrs. During evening elements 29

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Armed Bde crossed Noireau by ford area 8629. Patrols Inns of Court contacted 3 recce regt in Flers. During morning div continued adv along rd Conde sur Noireau-Putances 1021 and rd Flers-Ecouche 1916. By 1200 hrs fwd tps reached line of rd St Philbert sur orne 9930 - Opportune 9719. Adv delayed by demolition of bridges over R Rouvre. Inns of Court moved in adv of div and maintained contact with First US Army along inter army bdy.

43 Div. 214 Bde captured Herjou 9331 at 1630 hrs and held bridgehead while 129 Bde passed through and captured Honoring la Chardonne 9228.

12 Corps.

59 Div. 56 BDE taking over from 160 BDE of 53 Div area Pierrepont 0435-Le Mesnil Jaquet 0434. 177 BDE passed through 197 BDE and continued adv. By 1200 hrs BDE had reached area 0230-0331-0532 with 1 Bn 9739. 197 BDE area 9834 -9931-0031.

53 Div. During evening 158 BDE captured Noron Labbaye 1035 in face of stiff opposition. In morning BDE found St Mortain De Mieux 1133 held by enemy in some strength. Patrols Royals contacted enemy at 088320 and 085334.

First Cdn Army.

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2 Cdn Corps.

2 Cdn Inf Div captured Falaise during morning. 4 BDE now west of town area 1334-1234-1336. 5 BDE cleared Bois Du Roi. 6 BDE reached pt 167 (1434)

4 Cdn Armd Div. Adv continued SE by 1200 hrs 10 Inf BDE held crossings Ante river at Damblainville 2037 and Morteaux-Cou Libeuf 2348 but adv held up by considerable opposition. 4 Cdn Armd BDE reached Morteaux-Coulibeuf.

1 Polish Armd Div captured Coucy 2544 Louvigny 2541 and Barou 2539.

1 Corps.

51 Div. 154 BDE passed through 152 Bde and advanced NE astride rd St Pierre sur Dives-Lisieux. Fwd tps reached 3152.

49 Div. 70 BDE established bridgehead over Dives River at Mezedon 2556 but bridges blown. 146 Bde with 1 Bn Croissanville 2160 1 Bn Pedouze 1961 and 1 Bn Ingouville 1759 moving fwd. Bridges at 221608 and 221609 blown. 147 Bde with 1 Bn mopping up Moulit 1760 1 bn Argences and 1 bn area 1560. 49 recce regt report bridge 254588 blown.

7 Armd Div concentrated area 0956-1055-1056.

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6 Airborne Div. 6 Air Landing Bde advanced to rd junc
165748. 1 S S BDE occupied Raven 1623 patrolling N E.
Roucheville 1671 clear. 3 Para Bde occupied Bassenville 1870
Bures 1769 and Troarn. 4 S S Bde occupied St Pair 1666
advancing S E.

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From Hq Twelfth Army Group from Army Group Commander
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17 August 1944. COSITINTREP No. 135, to 1200B hours, 17
August.

Part 1. Land.

Section B. Intelligence.

Third Army. Eastward thrusts cleared Chartres and
Dreux of enemy with little opposition. Dinard fell.

First Army. Enemy withdrawals continue. Stiff
resistance at Fromental (U0816). By document 360 Infantry
Regiment of 708 Infantry Division.

Operations. Command Posts as follows:

83 Division R934. XII Corps W1653. 35 Division
W2655. 4 Armd Division V7444. XX Corps R1703. 5 Division
W2391. 7 Armd Division R1901. 80 Division Z3084. XV Corps
R2519. 79 Division R3820. 5 Armd Division R3429. 2 French
Armd Division U3206. 4 Division Z1396.

Front lines as follows:

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Third Army.

VIII Corps. 6 Armd Division elements G7925. 8
Division. 28 Infantry R0605.

XII Corps. 35 Division W2456. 4 Armd Division
CCAW344, remainder F0413.

XX Corps. 5 Division W2495, W3304, W2685, W3304,
W2685, W2487.

7 Armd Division CCAR5216, CCBR4713, R4304, R4300,
CCRR5712.

80 Division U3004 less 1 RCT Angers.

XV Corps. 79 Division R4522, R425, R4026. 5 Armd
Division CCBR3734, CCRQ7936.

First Army.

VII Corps. 3 Armd Division CCAU0916, CCBU0815, U1115,
CCCRU1310. 9 Division U0615-U0514-U0414-U0314-U0113.

4 Division Z1599. Others no change.

Rear boundary of First Army all incl to com zone:
Road N175 from Villebieu Les Poelles T3832 to Pontfarcy T5243.
Vire (Souleuvre) River from Pontfarcy to Twelfth Army Group
boundary.

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Third Army.

VIII Corps. 6 Armd Division. CCB in position west shore Lorient Bay. Other elements on east shore. 8 Division. 28 Infantry moved to Brest. Remainder Division moving to vicinity Paimpol 80534. 83 Division continued mopping up St Malo-Dinard area. Citadel still holding out.

XII Corps. 35 Division elements liberated Chateaudin W2361. Remainder of Division closed in area to south. 4 Armd Division CCA with 1 RCT 35 Division liberated Orleans Fl650. Remainder of Division closed vicinity St. Calais V7849. Movint to new assembly area vicinity Vendome F0413.

XX Corps. 5 Division assembled vicinity W3994.

7 Armd Division CCA and CCR assembled area R4914, CCB 3 miles east of Chartres, Chartres liberated. 80 Division closing in assembly area U3004.

XV Corps. 79 Division established bridgehead across Aunay River and assemble in area to east.

5 Armd Division CCB secured river crossing at Dreux. Remainder of division closed vicinity Dreux which has been liberated. 90 Division no change. 2 French Armd Division no change.

First Army.

VII Corps. Continued advance to north against little opposition except in Third Armd Zone.

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Third Armd Division CCA occupied Fromental U0816,
CCB advanced to east to U1115.

9 Division advanced 3000 yards against light resistance.

First Division no change. 4 Division moved to assembly
area vicinity Z1599.

XIX Corps. 30 Division no change. Second Armd
Division no change.

28 Division liberated Larchamp T7815. Continued
active patrolling along line T8213-T8315-T8512 and T8910
without contact with enemy. Met British units in afternoon.

V Corps. 2 and 29 Division pinched out and regroup-
ing.

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London, England

Nr. 135 17 August 1944

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addressees
ref no 172321B 17 August 1944 COSITINTREP no 135.

Part II- Naval.

A. General

At 0530/16 M T B's 724 and 787 were in action with
enemy trawlers off Ile De Gboix. Our M T B's fired torpedoes
obtaining 1 hit and later engaged 1 trawler with gunfire.
Several explosions were observed on the trawler before touch
was lost.

B. Assault area.

Attacks by human torpedo again took place in BAA
between 0415 and 0700/17. Approximately 18 torpedos were
accounted for including 9 shot up by RAF. FS COURBET, 1 of
the CORNCOBS in GOOSEBERRY was hit by torpedoes and later
SS IDLESLEIGH aground off Langrune after previous torpedo
damage, was again hit. T0632 LOF 1 also blew up and sank.

C. Unloading figures.

	Troops	Vehicles	Stores
British	782,071	192,632	1,113,971
US	1,065,344	201,556	1,371,297
Total D plus 71	1,847,415	394,188	2,485,268

Cumulative total for BAA based on re-estimate of
stores landed by D plus 50.

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COSITINTREP addressees. Ref No. A.I. 539, 17 August 1944
COSITINTREP No. 135, to 2100B hours, 15 August.

Part III. Air.

Total sorties 2660

Ninth AF 675

Second TAF 833

ADGB 1152

Airborne operations:

Total sorties 28

Ninth TCC 17

38 and 46 Groups 11

Summary of targets:

4 railway bridges, 1 dump 3 other targets.

Claims; 2 junkers 188 destroyed, 1 junkers 88
damaged.

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40 flying bombs destroyed.

Losses; 2 bombers, 10 fighters/fighter bombers
destroyed.

1 bomber and 2 fighters/fighter bombers damaged.

Details of operations:

Railway bridges.

33 Marauders on Pont Audemer 56 by 2000 and 8 by
500 unobserved.

16 Marauders on Thibouville, 4 by 500 and 60 by
1000 good to excellent.

34 Marauders on Brionne 8 by 500 and 103 by 1000
fair to good,

33 Marauders on Nassandres and Lebourg 112 by 1000
and 8 by 5000 poor.

Dumps:

18 Bostons on Foret De Roumare (Ammo) 68 by 500
unobserved.

Other targets.

30 Mosquitoes on R. Seine/Mezibon/Paris Dieppe/
Chaumont enemy movements 70 by 500 MC good

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34 Mosquitoes on Chaumont enemy movements 96 by
500 good.

10 Mosquitoes on Chaumont enemy movements 20 by
500 MC good.

Over 700 fighters, including fighter bombers and
fighters R.P. operator on armed reconnaissance and
prearranged support in the battle area, against M/T, tanks,
railway facilities, locomotives and barges.

4 Marauders dropped leaflets satisfactorily in
vicinity of Flers.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.

RAFBC.

Total sorties 11

Summary of targets.

Airfield. 1 port area.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: Nil.

Details of operations:

8 Mosquitoes of Venlo airfield 5.4 tons unobserved:
3 Lancasters on La Pallice port area 16 tons unob-
served.

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Eighth Air Force did not operate on OVERLORD.

Coastal Command.

8 Beaufighters with 6 other aircraft attacked shipping off French and Belgian coasts. 3 vessels received direct hits and 1 E/R boat set on fire.

2 Mosquitoes attacked a minesweeper and an auxiliary aground off Les Sables D'Oloone, fires were started on both vessels.

Enemy air operations.

Visual sightings not previously reported show an unknown number of enemy aircraft losing 4-0-0, 10 miles north east of Chartres and 20 Focke Wulf 190 that jumped our fighters losing 4-0-01 15 August. During the period enemy aircraft activity appears to have been very light with only 6 enemy aircraft being reported so far.

Claims:

All over the beach head for night 15/16 August are 2-0-1.

Radar plottings show only 3 patrols of 5 enemy aircraft over France and 1 enemy aircraft on recce north of the Shetlands.

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Flying bomb activity was on a much heavier scale with 15.8 per cent of those plotted reaching the Greater London area. 54.4 per cent making landfall and 38 per cent being tentatively claimed as destroyed.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG/S
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Log
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77500 CSP 2405

17 August 1944

Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England

Number: WAR 82247

For Eisenhower from Joint Chiefs of Staff

When may your views requested in WAR 73929 of 1 August
be expected?

End

ORIGINATOR : JCS

INFORMATION: Adm. Leahy
~~CG AAF~~
OPD
Adm. King

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COSITINTREP number 135 Part Naval. NAVCOM London sends to
Navy Dept and War Dept. CG ETOUSA CTF 125 CTF 127 have info.

Note: Please make correction Page 9 paragraph B.

B. Assault area.

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and sank.

End

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INFORMATION: CC/S Adm King
CG AAF Col Park
ASF Log
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PART NAVAL.

A. GENERAL. NOTHING TO REPORT.

B. ASSAULT AREA. MTB 313 SUNK BY MINE OR TORPEDO IN
ASSAULT AREA.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 15TH AUGUST.

	TROOPS	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	777,840	191,383	1,116,428
US	1,062,935	201,253	1,359,775
TOTAL			
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From EXFOR MAIN signed Eisenhower ref no GO-37A,
16th August 1944 COSITINTREP no 134 to 161200B.

Part 1, Land, Section A.

Intelligence.

Identifications. By PW. 3rd Bn 326th Arty Regt
T-7932. 277th PD Reinforcement Bn and 200th PZ Reinforce-
ment Bn 9642. Elements 991st GRU 001343. 1st Bn 979th GR
0634. 277th Fus Bn 0635. 1039th A TK Bn 1749. 3rd Bn 857th
GR 1858. 12th SS PZ Regt 1942. 14th Coy 982nd GR 2346.

Operations.

2nd British Army. Considerable progress made on
right of army front where much delay caused by enemy mine-
fields and demolitions in center. Enemy very sensitive to
adv south, and fighting in this sector hard during whole
period.

VIII Corps. 3rd Brit Div. 8th Bde adv to area
PT 305 (8920)-PT 265 (8022)- Montsecret 7826-7723. 9th Bde
conc area 7425-

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7525 - 3rd Recce Regt in contact with enemy at 853310. 2
Sqs HCR under comd 3rd Div found hrs area 8021 intact.

XXX Corps. 7th Armd Div with uncercomb 11th H moving to 1st Cdn Army to come under comd I Corps on arrival. 11th Armd Div adv south from Vassy 7932 to line Mont De Cerisy 8131 - Conde Sur Noireau 8836. Patrols Inns-of-Court found Conde Sur Noireau clear of enemy but heavily mined with numerous demolitions. All hrs over R Noireau on div front blown. 43rd Div. 214th Bde attacked 1000 hrs and by last night had est firm bridgehead over R Noireau on high ground 9332 - 9431 960326. This morning pockets of enemy remained in bridgehead and enemy tks and inf were holding Berjou 9331 with great determination. I Corps are attacking to clear village but progress difficult in close country. 129th Bde moved up behind 214th Bde north of river prepared to pass through. 50th Div, 231st Bde sent patrols to La Chapelleen Glebold 8436 and St Germain Du Crioult 8432 but made no contact with enemy.

XII Corps. 59th Div. 56th Bde continued adv and captured PT 272 (9640). 197th Bde took Pont D'Ouilly 9834 and formed bridgehead west of Orne. 53rd Div. During evening 160th Bde occupied PT 244 (0335) and PT 249 (0734) and 4th Armd Bde captured Trepel 0336 and Pierrepont 0434. In early morning Royals located enemy posns Martigny 0736 PT 223 (0835) and Noron L'Abbaye 1035. 158th Bde and 4th Armd Bde adv SE and by 1200 hrs fwd elements 158th Bde

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reached area 0835 with element 4th Armd Bde 080350.

1st Cdn Army. II Cdn Corps. 2nd Cdn Inf Div.
4th Bde est west of Falaise area 1335 - 1236 - 1336 5th Bde
area Fontaine Le Pin 0844. 6th Bde advancing SE along rd
Ussy - Falaise reached 1239. 3rd Cdn Inf Div. 7th Bde
advancing south reached Aubigny 1338. 4th Cdn Armd Div
conc area 1443 - 1543 - 1643 - 1542.

1st Polish Armd Div conc area Jort 2344 - Courcy
2544 - Vicquette 2342. Recce regt patrolled to Morteaux
2339 - Barou 2339 - Vaudeloges 2840. Enemy reported in
Louvigny 2541 and Bois De Courcy 2642.

I Corps. 51st Div. Patrols reported Percy Enauge
2453 clear of enemy. 152nd Bde captured St Pierre Sur
Dives 2649, Escures 2250 and Favieres 2249. 49th Div.
Patrols reported Cesny Aux Vignes 2057 and Quezy 2156 clear
of enemy. 146th Bde patrolled to Airem 1858 and Ingouville
1859. 147th Bde completed capture of Vimont and occupied
woods 1560 and patrolled to Moulit 1860 Argences 1762. 70th
Bde area woods 1159.

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Part 1, Land. Section B.

Intelligence.

3rd Army: Strong enemy resistance vicinity Argentan.
Little opposition to eastward thrust.

1st Army: Light resistance as enemy withdraws.
Eastward movement of enemy material continues. Enemy armor
moving northeast of Ecouch. No new identifications.

Operations.

CP as follows: 6th Armd Div 7339.

XV Corps Q 6418. 9th Div Q 4334.

XX Corps R 1503. 4th Armd Div V 7447.

VII Corps Z 0289. 29th Div T6717. Other no change.

Front lines as follows.

3rd Army. XII Corps. 4th Armd Div CCB V7844,

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CCA F5044. 35th Div F2461.

XI Corps. 7th Armd Div CCB R 3504; CCA R2303; CCR
R2006. 5th Div 80th Div 1st Rct at Angers.

XV Corps. 5th Armd Div elements at R5026, R3834 and
R3036. 79th Div R2418. 90th Div U2618-U3117-Q5245-Q5538.

1st Army. VII Corps. 3rd Armd Div CCB U0807,
CCA U1010. 1st Div T9217-T9509-T9611.

XIX Corps. 30th Div T9110-T8406. 2nd Armd Div
T8112-T7912. 28th Div T7813-T7617.

V Corps. 29th Div T7618-T7621. 2nd Div T7622-
T7624-T7224. Others no change.

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Third Army.

VIII Corps. Corps task force cleared pocket of
resistance vicinity R9030.

6 Armd Div no change.

8 Div captured Cap Frehel S5920.

83 Div Dinard occupied, and mopping up progressing.

Citadel at St Malo continued to hold out. St Malo
docks not usable, extent of damage undetermined.

XII Corps.

4 Armd Div CCA with elements of 35 Div advanced on
Orleans.

CCR closed in concentration area south of St Clais.

35 Div less 1 Rgt closing in assembly area south of
Chateaudin W2361.

XX Corps.

7 Armd Div CCB reached Chartres. CCA and CCR moved
to vicinity R2105.

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5 Div. Advanced to vicinity Chartres in rear 7
Armd Div. Chartres held by enemy.

80 Div still concentrated in area Southeast Mayenne
except 1 Rgt occupying Angers.

XV Corps.

5 Armd Div CCB advanced in 2 columns to Q7721 and
07016 CCR reached Q6127.

79 Div. Elements advancing to east toward --
Chartres.

2 French Armd Div no change.

90 Div no change.

First Army.

VII Corps made good progress against light resistance.

3 Armd Division elements CCB advanced 6000 yards to
UZ0815 against moderate resistance.

9 Div continued advance north against scattered
resistance.

1 Div advanced continued attack against light resistance.

4 Div no change.

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XIX Corps. Patrols active along line T7915-T8213-
T9011.

28 Div reached objective.

3 Div continued attack making good progress.

2 Armd Div CCA advanced east of Lonlay L'Abbaye then
was passed through by elements 28 Div, and assembled
vicinity T7609. OCB assembled T7005.

V Corps.

29 Div and 2 Div. Consolidated positions.

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to COSITINTREP addressees ref no AI 537 17th August 1944.
COSITINTREP no 134, 0200 hrs, 17th Aug.

Part III, Air.

Total sorties 3687. 9th AF 1776. 2nd TAF 1482.
ADGB 429. Airborne operations total sorties 90. 9th TCC
49. 38th Group 17. 46th Group 24.

Summary of targets. Two railway centers, five
railway bridges, two areas of gun positions. Five dumps
and six other targets.

Claims: Not included in previous reports: (13th
August) eight Messerschmidt 109 destroyed and one probably
destroyed. (14th August) three Focke-Wulf 190 and one
Messerschmidt 109 destroyed and one Focke-Wulf 190 damaged.

Current claims: One Messerschmidt 109, one Focke-
Wulf 190, two Messerschmidt 113, three Junkers 88, one
Junkers 188. One unidentified E/A and 41 flying bombs
destroyed. One Messerschmidt 109 and one unidentified E/A
probably destroyed. Six unidentified E/A damaged.

Losses: One transport and 13 fighter/fighter
bombers destroyed or missing. Two bombers and five fighter/

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fighter bombers damaged.

Details of operations. Railway centers. 36
Bostons on Serqueux 197 by 500 GP good/excellent, 11 Thunder-
bolts on Chentounay 21 by 500 GP good.

Railway bridges: 33 Marauders L'Isle Adam 65 by
2000 GP good. 11 Marauders on Auvers Sur Oise 22 by 2000
GP fair/good. 6 Marauders on Nerixl 12 by 2000 GP fair/
good. 34 Marauders on St Martin De Le Leue 272 by 500 GP
good. 35 Marauders on Pontoise 140 by 1000 GP excellent.

Areas of gun positions. 12 Thunderbolts on Falaise,
13 by 260 FRAG, good, 107 Marauders on St Malo 126 by 1000
GP, 546 by 250 GP and 975 by 1000 IB excellent.

Dumps. 31 Marauders on Marseilles En Beauvaisis
588 by 100 GP, 40 by 500 GP and 40 by 100 FRAG good. 34
Marauders and 71 Bostons on Forêt De Chantilly (fuel) 542
by 250 GP and 283 by 500 GP good, 12 Lightnings on Chateau-
dun (ammo) 24 by 500 GP excellent, 8 Thunderbolts on Brest
area (ammo) 14 by 500 GP good, 6 Typhoons on Tincbebray
(ammo) 39 by 60 RP excellent.

Other targets: 112 Mosquitoes on Siene and W to St
Pierre Sur Dives NE Had 3 of Paris as far as Lens/Givers/
Moulines all road/rail movements, 187 by 100 MC and 204 by
3 flares, good, 56 Thunderbolts on cover 3rd Armored

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Division (M/T, tanks, railways) 69 by 500 GP, 144 by 20 FRAG and 8 by 100 FRAG good, 137 Thunderbolts/Lightnings on air support assault area (M/T, tanks, railways, etc.) 181 by 500 GP and 11 by 1000 GP good/excellent, 62 Thunderbolts and 16 Lightnings on Bernay/Lisieux/Laigle/Tron/Falaise, 53 by 500 GP, 20 by 260 FRAG, 96 by 200 FRAG, 18 by 112 FRAG, 656 by 20 FRAG, 8 by 500 GP, 8 by 1000 GP, 8 by 120 FRAG and 8 by 100 FRAG very good, 40 Thunderbolts on La Ferte Mace area 43 by 500 GP and 35 by 260 FRAG very good, 18 Typhoons on Livarot crossroads 60 by 500 good, 42 Typhoons on Bernay M/T 307 by 60 RP fair/good.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets:
RAFBC: Total sorties: 1040.

Summary of targets: 10 airfields and two other targets.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: Three bombers.

Details of operations: Airfields: 2 Mosquitoes on St Trond 0.9 tons unobserved, 110 Lancasters and 4 Mosquitoes on Volkel 65.7 tons good, 104 Lancasters and 4 Mosquitoes on Glize/Rijen 588 tons good, 94 Lancasters and 5 Mosquitoes on Beelen 534.3 tons good, 110 Lancasters and 6 Mosquitoes on Le Culot 670.7 tons good, 94 Halifaxes and

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16 Lancasters on Brussels/Mesbroek 509.3 tons good, 109 Lancasters on St Trond/Brusthem 604.2 tons good, 74 Halifaxes and 39 Lancasters on Soesterberg 567 tons good, 108 Halifaxes and 9 Lancasters on Eindhoven 548.3 tons good, 109 Halifaxes and 9 Lancasters on Tirlemont/Gosselencourt 568.3 tons good.

Other targets: 32 Mosquitoes on Berlin (city)
42.6 tons good, 2 Mosquitoes on Sterkrede (syn oil plant)
0.9 tons unobserved.

8th Air Force: Total sorties: 932 bombers, 667 fighters and 35 fighter bombers.

Summary of targets: One railway center, 12 airfields and three T/Os.

Claims: 27-3-3 air and 4-0-7 ground.

Losses: 17 bombers and 6 fighters.

Details of operations: Railway centers: 33 Thunderbolts on Brain-Le-Comte 11.2 GP and 2.6 FRAG excellent.

Airfields: 108 Fortresses on Cologne 68.5 IB and 205.5 GP good/excellent, 38 Fortresses on Wiesbaden 36 tons IB and 72 tons GP good, 65 Fortresses on Frankfurt 62.5 tons IB and 125 tons GP good, 91 Liberators on

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on Wittmundhofen 31.2 tons IB and 204.7 tons GP very good, 90 Liberators on Zwischenjhn 238.6 tons GP good/excellent, 67 Liberators on Vechta 61 tons IB good and 129.6 tons GP good, 54 Liberators on Plantlunne 132.2 tons GP fair/good, 109 Fortresses on Handork 186.7 tons GP, 55 tons IB and 32.5 tons frag good, 104 Fortresses on Pengo 207 tons GP good, 75 Fortresses on Twente/Enschede 177.2 tons GP good/excellent, 59 Liberators on Florennes 146.3 tons GP good, 10 A/C on Holpstein 28.5 tons GP good, 7 A/C on 3 T/03 16 tons GP and 3 tons IB not reported.

Special information: 6 Fortresses dropped leaflets in France.

Enemy air operations: Visual sightings not previously reported show: 25 Messerschmidt 109/Focke Wulfe 190 attacking friendly troop at V6883-V6190 on 13 August. Claims against this enemy effort are 8-1-0: On 14 August, an additional 50 E/A have since been recorded as operating over the Rouen, Nogent and St Dizier areas. Claims against these operations are 4-2-1. During the night of 14/15 August, 20 E/A were observed, principally over the beach head with claims of 7-0-0. From sunrise to 2100 hours 15 August, 130/170 mixed E/A were observed near Laigle, 6 S/EE/A south east of Poix, 2 unidentified E/A west of Beauvais, 9 Messerschmidt 109 south of Rheims, two E/A near Nancy, 10 Messerschmidt 109 and 12/15 Focke Wulfe 190 in the vicinity of Dreux, 6 E/A near Poix.

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Total claims for the period total: 8-2-6. According to radar plottings, 12 A/C operated over the Caen area, of which an undisclosed number were hostile planes. One E/A was plotted as being active on a defensive patrol north east of Amiens, and 1 E/A on a reconnaissance patrol north of the Shetlands. Flying bomb activity was on an increased scale during the period although only 16 per cent of those launched reached the Greater London area, 42 per cent made landfall, and 34 per cent were destroyed. 118 flying bombs were plotted, 50 made landfall and 19 penetrated to the Greater London area.

End.

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INFORMATION:

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133 to 151200B.

Part 1, Land, Section A.

Intelligence.

Identifications: By PW. 3rd Coy, 326th Engr Bn
T 9043. 10th Amdn 11th Coys 26th SS PGR U 0643;

By deserter. 2nd Coy 981st GR 143616;

By captured document: 3rd Coy 19th SS PGR T 772349.
3rd Bn 185th Arty Regt U 2340.

Operations.

2nd British Army. VIII Corps. 3rd Brit Div. By
1200 hrs fwd tps 8th Bde reached 72242 in contact with 2nd
US Div right.

XXX Corps. 11th Armd Div. Patrols 159th Inf Bde
continue push fwd towards Vassy 7932 and entered town dur-
ing morning. All bridges in town blown and road heavily

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50 Div. Patrols 231 Bde report St Vigor 8138 clear
of enemy.

43 Div. Recce elements occupied Clecy 9339. 130
Bde captured St Denis de Mere 9034 and continued clearing
area between PT 201 (9234) and river to east. Enemy still
resisting strongly area St Denis de Kfl Ce.

12 Corps. 59 Div. 59 recce regt reached 965350
and encountered enemy in St Marc D'Ouilly. 56 Bde on
right and 197 Bde on left reached pt 306 (9839) and pt 205
(9341) respectively.

53 Div. 4 Armd Bde held up by enemy in Trepel
0336 on gen line of 37 northing grid. 71 Bde reached approx
2500 yds to north of Trepel and 160 Bde at 1200 hrs were
in area St Germain Langot 0539 with 1 Bn Leffard 0638.
Royals recce se from Leffard. 15 Div Conc area west of *
Orne area Amaye sur Orne 9757-Luvigny 0165.

First Cdn Army. 2 Cdn Corps. 2 Cdn Inf Div. During
afternoon 6 Bde repulsed 3 enemy counter attacks area Le
Cressonniere 0742. 4 Bde relieved 10 Polish Armd Bde area
Grainville 0949 - Bretteville le Rabet.

1 Polish Armd Div. 3 Polish Inf Bde captured wood

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0943 - Potigny 1044 - Bons Tessilly 1143 now being relieved
by 4 Cdn Inf Bde. 10 Polish Armd Bde moved towards R Dives.

3 Cdn Inf Div established high ground 1342 advancing
south. 8 Bde reverted to comd area Maizieres 1749 - woods
1645 - Sassy 1845. 9 Bde area woods 1345 - 1546 - 1348.
2 Cdn Armd Bde woods 1343 - 1443.

4 Cdn Armd Div. 10 Inf Bde captured Epancy 1641 -
Perrieres 1842 - Olendon 1644. 4 Cdn Armd Bde advanced
south from area 1643. Fwd tps reached 1540 - 1740 by 1130
hrs.

1 Corps.

51 Div. 152 Bde reached Laison river at 1952.
144 Rac of 33 Armd Bde hold high ground 2350. 153 Bde
area Labu sur Rouvres 1651 - woods 1653 - 1554.

Following amendment to bdy between Second Brit and
First Cdn Armies. As before to incl First Cdn Army Le Pot
0641 thence all incl Second Brit Army corner of wood 124366-
rd junc 126352 - bend in rd 139347 thence as before.

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Part 1. Lend. Section B.

Intelligence. Third Army. Enemy opposition de-
termined Argentan. East flank meeting no organized resist-
ance. St Malo except citadel has surrendered Dinard occupied.

First Army. Enemy withdrawing on all sectors.
Enemy movement continues to east vicinity Trun.

By P/W, 15 Regiment of 11 Panzer Division near
Chartres. 9 Recon Battalion south of Juvisy; 17 Labor
Battalion fighting as Infantry T 8004.

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Operations.

CP as follows:

3rd Army. 80th Div Z 1468.

1st Army. Z 0289. 3rd Armd Div Z 1797. 9th Div
Z 0893. Others no change.

Front lines as follows:

3rd Army. VIII Corps. 6th Armd Div CCR Vannes.

XII Corps. 4th Armd Div V 9145.

XX Corps. 7th Armd Div CCA Q7703 CCB V 9129 CCR
R 0305. 80th Div 1st Rct Angers.

XV Corps. 90th Div Z 3099.

1st Army. VII Corps. 3rd Armd Div CCA U 1309:
CCB U 1109. 8th Div U 1001-U 0304. 1st Div. 0350-T 9698.

XIX Corps. 2nd Armd Div CCB T 7800, CCA T 7902.
30th Div T 8203-T 8012. 28th Div T 7811-T 7616- T 7416.

V Corps. 29th Div T 7416-T 7019-T 7121. 6-T 7019-

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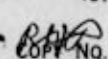
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T7121. 2nd Div. T 7026. Others no change.

3rd Army. VIII Corps. 6th Armd Div CCB completed relief on 4th Armd Div elements in Vennes. 8th Div no change. 83rd Div no organized resistance in Dinard. St. Malo citadel resisting.

XII Corps. 4th Armd Div CCA arrived at assembly area V 9145. 35th Div closed in new assembly area vicinity V 4354.

XX Corps. 7th Armd Div attacked to east against light resistance in direction of Chartres. 5th Div moving northeast from Authon V 9978. 80th Div. 1st Rgt occupying Angers, remainder division Le Mans-Alencon-Mayenne.

XV Corps. 5th Armd Div and 79th Div changed direction to east. Advancing toward Dreux R 3235. 2nd French Armd Div no change. 90th Div cleared Foret De Couves Z 3495.

1st Army. XIX Corps. 2nd Armd Div passed thru by 28th and 30th Div. CCA at T 7912. 30th Div advanced along Berenton-Comfront road east Egrenne River. Elements occupied Domfront and advanced 2000 yards northeast to T 8105. 28th Div elements advanced 4000 yards east Egrenne River.

VII Corps. 3rd Armd Div CCA overcame heavy resistance at Ranes U 1207. CCA advancing northeast on Ranes-

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Ecouche highway. CCB advancing northwest on Ranes-Fromentil
U 0816 highway. 9th Div moved 13 miles to north against
little resistance and continued advance toward Du Bois U 1001.
1st Div advanced 7000 yards north against spotty resistance.
4th Div no change.

V Corps. 29th Div all forward elements continued
advance to east against moderate small arms and artillery
fire. 2nd Div advanced against moderate resistance to 3000
yards west Tinchebray.

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Part II. Naval.

A. General

✓ Wight. At 1752 an LST was reported mined south of Isle of
At 1800 a U-Boat was sunk 1 mile from this position.

B. Assault area.

Nothing to report.

C. Unloading figures to PM 14 August.

	Troops	Vehicles	Stores
British	772279	190069	1102856
US	1057640	199381	1331366
Total			
D plus 69	1829919	389450	2434222

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Part III. Air. Summary of operations for period
2100B hours 13 August to 2100B hours 14 August.

Total sorties 3307

Ninth AF 1621

Second TAF 1193

ADGB 493

Airborne operations.

Total sorties 72

Ninth TCC 45

38 Group 8

46 Group 19

Summary of targets.

7 railway bridges, 1 railway facility, 3 gun
positions,

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7 road bridges, 1 ammunition dump, 8 other targets.

Claims 12 Focke-Wulf 10, 3 Messerschmidt 109,

1 Arado 240 destroyed, 6 Focke-Wulf 190, 2 Messerschmidt 109,

1 Arado 240 probably destroyed. 8 U/I E/A, 3 Messerschmidt 109 and 1 Arado 240 damaged. 10 flying bombs destroyed.

Losses: 3 bombers damaged, 21 fighter/fighter bombers destroyed, 8 fighter/fighter bombers damaged.

Details of operations.

Railway bridges:

30 Marauders on Les Foulons, 117 by 1000 Gp, good.

5 Marauders on Rivercourt, 20 by 1000 Gp good.

29 Marauders on Nogent Le Roi, 116 by 1000 Gp, good.

34 Marauders on Epone Mezieres, 135 by 1000 Gp good to excellent.

31 Bostons on Prevent, 169 by 500 Gp good.

6 Bostons on N-000970 Auxi Le Chateau, 31 by 500 Gp, unobserved.

35 Marauders on Pontmise, 140 by 1000 Gp, excellent.

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Railway facilities:

12 Spitfires on R-237607 (siding) 12 by 500 Gp,
poor.

Gun positions:

37 Spitfires on Sassy, 60 by 250 and 37 by 500
unobserved.
16 Typhoons on U-142431 Bons, 16 by 500 and 64 by 60
Rp, fair.
16 Typhoons on U-168459 Rouvres, 15 by 500 Gp and 64
by 60 Rp, unobserved.

Road bridges:

12 Marauders on Notre Dame Le Courson, 94 by 500
Gp, poor to excellent.
12 Marauders on St Martin, 93 by 500 Gp, poor to
excellent.
18 Bostons on Le Bourg, 71 by 500 Gp, fair to good.
18 Bostons on Ticheville, 72 by 500 Gp, fair to
good.
11 Marauders on Gosset, 83 by 500 Gp, poor to ex-
cellent.
18 Marauders on Quilly, 64 by 500 Gp and 40 by
1000 Gp, poor to excellent.
34 Marauders on St. Martin De La Lisse, 272 by 500
Gp, good.

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Dump:

12 Spitfires on wood, 945300 (ammo) 22 by 250
Gp and 10 by 500 Gp, unobserved.

Other targets:

- 193 Mosquitoes on between battle area and Seine crossings (all movement) 539 by 500 good.
- 23 Mitchells on Soumont (strong point), 184 by 500, good.
- 21 Mitchells on Rouvres (strong point) 168 by 500 good.
- 28 Bostons on Maizieres (strong point) 109 by 500 excellent.
- 27 Marauders on Foret D'Halouse (support of ground forces), 388 by 100 and 260 by 100, good.
- 6 Marauders on Canapville (road junction) 41 by 500 Gp, fair.
- 24 Spitfires on Courteille (strong point) 24 by 500 Gp, good.
- 12 Thunderbolts NW Domfront (M/T) 16 by 500 Gp, unobserved.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London England

Nr. 133 16 August 1944

RAFEC.

Total sorties 1071.

Summary of targets:

5 other targets.

Claims: nil.

Losses: 6 bombers.

Details of operations.

Other targets:

23 Lancasters on Fordeux (port area) 79 tons fair.
27 Lancasters and 2 Mosquitos on Brest (port area) 148 tons
good. 27 Lancasters and 2 Mosquitoes on Brest (port area)
147 tons good. 417 Lancasters 352 Halifaxes. 42 Mosquitos
on battle area (Caen-Palaisse road) 3723 tons, good. 128
Lancasters and 2 Mosquitos on battle Brest (shipping) N/A good.

Eighth Air Force.

Total sorties.

Bombers 1183.

Fighters 429.

Fighter bombers 155.

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Nr. 133

16 August 1944

Summary of targets:

2 railway bridges, 2 railway facilities, 3 airfields.

Claims: nil.

Losses: 1 Liberator.

Details of operations.

Railway bridges:

46 Liberators on Anizy Le Chateau, 181 GP, good.
34 Liberators on Fismes 129 GP, poor.

Railway facilities:

38 Liberators on Saintes (R.R. junction) 114 GP, fair.
38 Liberators on Angoulême (R.R. junction) 109 GP, good.

Airfields:

108 Liberators on Lyon/Bron, 217.6 GP and 57.2 IB,
good. 70 Liberators on Dole/Tavaux 152.1 GP, good. 83
Liberators on Dijon/Longvic, 126.1 GP and 85.7 IB, good to
very good.

Special information:

6 Fortresses dropped leaflets over France, Holland,
Belgium. All returned safely. 4 Marauders dropped 24
leaflet bombs at Laroche Bernard/Port Louis and Lorient.

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London, England

Nr. 133

16 August 1944

Enemy air operations:

Visual sightings reported for the period totalled 54 E/A of which 14 Focke-Wulf 190's were engaged in the Chartres area, 6 Messerschmidt 109's over Notre Dame le Courson highway bridge, 10 plus Focke-Wulf 190's and Messerschmidt 109's 10 miles southeast of Boulogne, 7 Focke-Wulf 190's 10 miles west of Wesel, and 1 E/A near Pontoise. Combats ensued in most cases, resulting in overall AEAF claims of; 14-8-11 in the air. According to radar plottings only 4 E/A were indicated as being active, these over areas of northern France.

Flying bomb activity was on a reduced scale.

Between 0705 and 2100 hours there was no activity on the part of this missile. Of the total number launched only 27 per cent were successful in reaching the Greater London Area, and 47 per cent of the total indicated as being launched were destroyed.

From 2100 hours 13/14 August 41 flying bombs were plotted--20 overland, and 11 over Greater London area.

Claims: 10 to fighters, 6 to AA fire, and 3 to balloons.

ACTION: OPD

End

INFORMATION: CC/S CG AAF ASF G-2 Adm King

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To: War Department
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London, England.
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12914 16 August 1944

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SHGBI, Ninth United States Army, First United States Army
Group, Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group, Advance Head-
quarters Twelfth Army Group FWD 12914. This is G 2 summary
number 72.

No change in situation in Brittany. East of Montain
enemy infantry continues to withdraw in orderly fashion,
though it is not thought that any has yet crossed east of
the road Argentan-Falaise. Enemy armour for most part with-
drawing to neck of the gap, chiefly on southern side. Where
elements 2 Panzer, 9 Panzer, 116 Panzer, Panzer.

(End of part one part two follows)

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log.

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Nr: FWD 12914 16 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12914 DTG August 161720.

Lehr, 1st SS, 2nd SS, and 9th SS Panzer Divisions
are endeavoring to keep escape route open. (previous Para
1 Operations) East of Argentan elements 6th Parachute Div-
ision contacted.

On Canadian Army front enemy still making gradual
withdrawal along whole front. No indication where he will
stand. Our troops close to Falaise opposed by 12th SS Panzer
Division. Reinforcements arriving in area 272nd Infantry
Division from 17th German Air Force Division and Prisoners
of War state division itself coming into Canadian Sector.
Units of 348th Infantry Division apparently also reinforcing
272nd Infantry Division.

Movements. Increased evidence of movement of Infantry
from Bruges, Ghent, Malines area. Movement of.

(End of part 2 part 3 follows.)

ACTION: G-2

End.

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col. Park, Log.
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Allied Expeditionary Air Forces, London, England
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Part 3 and final of FWD 1291A DTG 161720 August.

Infantry also continued from Pas De Calais. Further
movement observed in entraining area 11th Panzer Division.

Eastbound.

Line along Rhone Valley between Avignon and Lyons
apparently repaired.

3. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours
15 August: 86172.

Total prisoners of war taken to date estimated to be
over 120,000.

4. General.

Enemy fighting desperately to extricate his forces
from present position and bulk of armour now engaged in
preventing extension of thrust in Argentan area while

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Mr: FWD 12914

16 Aug 44

Infantry is withdrawing slowly eastward towards general line
Falaise-Argentan. Enemy however very reluctant to give
ground, but is obviously not prepared to risk annihilation
of bulk of his infantry which will be badly needed to form
new front further east.

End

Note: Corrected copy of CM-IN-14857 (16 Aug 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S
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To: War Department

No. FWD 12907 16 August 1944

Personal FWD 12907 for General Marshall and for
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End.

FOOTNOTE: 56667 in CM-IN-1324 (2 Aug 44) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Gen Arnold, Gen Handy, Gen Bissell, Adm King,
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To: War Department

DTG: 060532

6 August, 1944

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A. General.

HMS Stayner destroyed U boat 20 miles South of
Beachy Head at 0300/5 2 officers and 4 ratings taken prisoner.

B. Assault Area.

Clearance of berths at Caen completed enemy air
activity in B A A increased night of 3rd/4th over anchorage
and beaches with some bombing. No damage reported. Two
circling torpedoes fell on land at Banville. Four enemy
aircraft shot down by fighters. Sporadic shelling of Langrune
Area reported 3rd August last Phoenix for Mulberry. Arrived
4th August.

C. Unloading figures to PM 4th August. Read in
three columns.

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	717,543	176,327	904,018
US	957,471	181,572	955,597
Total D plus 59	1,675,014	357,899	1,859,615

ACTION: OPD
INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, SGS, Col Park, ILOG
CM-IN-4982 (6 Aug 44) 1049Z df

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TOTAL D PLUS 51	1,538,678	324,887	1,509,885

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To : War Department

DTG : 271309 27th July 1944.

This is 271315B from Ramsay signed Eisenhower. COSIT-
INTREP number 109 part Naval. NAVCOM London sends, CG ETOUSA
CTF 125 have info.

A. Assault area. Day 26th. Flores carried out bomb-
ardment of batteries in Franceville area. Accumulation of
mines in BAA approach channels has caused stand by channels to
be opened. Enemy shelling of Petit Enfers-Langrune areas
and beaches necessitated moving shipping to westward.

Night 26th/27th preliminary reports indicate that enemy
aircraft carried out torpedo attacks in BAA and approaches to
BAA and Cherbourg. One JU 88 claimed destroyed. No damage to
shipping reports. MTB's 412 and 430 were sunk in action with
E boats off Cap D Antifer E boat 182 was sunk and seven pris-
oners taken.

B. Unloading figures to PM 26th July.

Beach	Troops	Vehicles	Stores
British	650,057	160,666	712,988
US	865,527	158,555	750,241
Total D plus 50	1515,584	319,221	1463,229

ACTION: OPD
INFO : CC/S CG AAF ASF G-2 Col Park Log
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