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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: S 68988 30 November 1944

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- (1) TROOPERS
- (2) AGWAR cite WDGBI
- (3) TAC 21st Army Group
- (4) Main 21st Army Group
- (5) Sixth Army Group
- (6) TAC Twelfth Army Group
- (7) First Allied Airborne Army rptd
- (8) AFHQ cite FHGBI
- (9) SHAEF Air Rear
- (10) Main Hq Twelfth Army Group
- (11) SHAEF Advance Command Post S 68988.

This is G-2 summary number 69 dated 30 November.

1. Operations. West of Mulhouse reduction of pocket north of canal continues. Advance north across Doller stopped by blown bridge at Pont D'Aspach. Further west advance from Rimbach, north towards St Amarin (P 4719) continues.

In north Vosges where ground and visibility conditions poor, German positions largely collapsed and Allied line now runs roughly Ste Marie (V 56) Barr (V 790) Mersteil (V 980) all inclusive then east to Rhine.

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North of Strasbourg enemy continues offer resistance La Wautzenau (R 0606) and Gamsheim (R 1110) that is, along railway about six miles from Rhine.

South of Hagenau, Niederschaeffolsheim about three miles from town taken after bitter fighting whilst patrols reaching Schweighausen less than two miles west of Hagenau observed enemy withdrawing to northeast. East of Ingwiller Allies over River Moder and captured Bischoholtz. To west, Tieffenbach cleared of enemy despite orders to garrison to hold at all costs. Farebersviller at approaches to Saarbruecken increasingly strongly held.

Privat (U 8354) but Metz gave up and yielded 20 officers and 483 men.

Northeast of Hurtgen, Kleinbau (F 0537) largely cleared though very heavy resistance offered. Grosshau, one kilometer to north still held by enemy. Fighting continues in Lamersdorf where enemy blew bridge. Use of bridge at Inden denied to both sides. Enemy resistance ceased Koslar and Allies reached Roer. To north enemy believed withdrawing northeast from Beeck-Lindern area. Allied troops in parts both towns.

In Holland Broekhuizervorst (E 9023), Wull Ferry (E 8529) and Kasteel (E 8329) all on Meuse still holding out.

2. Order of battle.

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Identifications: By prisoner of war. 29 November 280th Assault Gun Brigade Selestatt (V 7862). 29 November elements 935th and 937th Grenadier Regiments, 245th Engineer Battalion (all 245th Infantry Division) Ingwiller area. 29 November elements 456th Grenadier Regiment area Q 9721 and 256th Engineer Battalion Ingwiller area. 29 November elements 901st Panzer Grenadier Regiment Sarreunion area: prisoner of war states division to withdraw to Bitche or Saarbruecken.

28 November III Battalion 8th Parachute Regiment, 3rd Parachute Division area Langerwehe (F 0248). 29 November 8th Company 20th Parachute Regiment area Broekhuizen (E 92). 29 November I Battalion 294th Infantry Regiment L 0398.

Comment: Represents northward shift into sector 277th Division. 29 November I Battalion 38th SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division Q 4148. 29 November elements 87th Grenadier Regiment, 118th Grenadier Regiment, 165th Grenadier Regiment, 36th Infantry Division northeast St Avold Q 2556.

By prisoner of war statement: 28 November Headquarters 19th Infantry Division Rissen Thal (Q 2997). 22 November 84th Infantry Division still at Rindern (E 8858). 29 November 22nd SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment 2nd SS Panzer Division withdrawn.

By civilian report: 2nd SS Panzer Division Muenchen Gladbach area. 12th SS Panzer Division between Cologne and

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Notes: Prisoner of war states 280th Assault Gun Brigade left Holland 22nd November arrived Selestatt 25 November. Consists three categories. 23 self propelled guns left. Prisoner of war from Medical Company 17th SS Division fighting as Infantry. Prisoners of war state two battalions Paratroops in woods at F 0638.

3. Movements.

Tactical reconnaissance 28/29 November revealed continued heavy rail movement in general area Duisberg-Dusseldorf-Duren. The general trend of movement seems to be south-bound along the line Duisberg-Dusseldorf.

4. Prisoners of war.

A. Prisoners captured 26 November;

Second British Army 40
First Canadian Army 0
Twelfth Army Group 1
First United States Army 377
Third United States Army 587
Ninth United States Army 55
Seventh United States Army 1450
First French Army no report

B. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 26 November (excluding First French Army for 23 26 November) 743135.

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5. General.

(reduced to minimum.) Line held by 346th, 711th, 59th, 712th and 6th Parachute Divisions with unidentified parachute division reported in Lieden area (Y 80) performing triple functions of forming or reforming, coast defence and general standby for Mass front. Students resources have provided 245th and 256th Infantry Division for Hagenau area; 363rd and 3rd Parachute Divisions for Aachen area. 331st and 719th Divisions believed following now familiar trail into Germany but disposition not yet apparent. Not likely that 85th Division, one of the better formations at his disposal will be permitted to idle in Holland during winter. Enschede area reported denuded of Paratroops so that the two remaining parachute divisions may make appearance in line where life expectancy latest type Infantry division proving exceedingly short.

In Cologne main front yielding slightly as enemy withdraws behind lines of Wurm Roer and Inde Rivers. Defence in Hurtgen woods remains bitter. Withdrawal and new arrivals have allowed extensive reorganizations. Indications 10th SS Panzer Division being withdrawn on north flank and on south flank 353rd Division reported substituting for 91st Division. Line up north to south now 15th Panzer Grenadier, 9th Panzer, 340th Infantry, 3rd Panzer Grenadier, 3rd Parachute, 353rd and 275th/344th. Latter two reported combined in Hurtgen area. Reorganizing or holding Roer defences are 183rd, 246th, 47th and 12th, 91st and 89th Infantry Divisions. 116th Panzer Division

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and Sixth Panzer Army in general reserve further back.

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To: War Department

Mr: S 68829

29 November 1944

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Main EXFOR; Sixth Army Group; TAC Twelfth Army Group; First
Allied Airborne Army to for info AFHQ cite FHGBI; SHAEF AIR
Rear; Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group; SHAEF Advance
Command Post from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI ref
nr S-68829. This is G-2 summary number 68 dated 29 November.

1. Operations.

West of Mulhouse enemy withdrawn from territory South
of La Doller River. Now known that 190 officers of Nine-
teenth Army Rear Headquarters captured Mulhouse.

Dannemarie (A 59) captured. Allied troops from East
and West joined at Burnhaupt Le Haut (V 50) and control all
towns to South. Enemy pockets being mopped up. Marked
stiffening of enemy resistance Bussang and Odern Passes.
(V 32).

In withdrawal from Vosges Allied drive East from
summit of Saales Pass encountered moderate opposition Le
Hohwald area (V 77). Strongly held road blocks encountered
west of Itterswiller (V 77) and East of Triembach (V 67).
Allied armoured drive South from Strasbourg halted by blown
bridges and anti tank defenses Erstein Schaeffersheim area
(V 98). Enemy forced withdrawal of Allied armour from

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Gertwiller (V 88) and bridge found blown at Goxwiller.

North of Strasbourg enemy contacted and rocket fire received at Gamsheim (R 11). Southwest of Haguenau enemy making determined bid to defend Batzdorf (R 02). Allied patrols report no opposition Ingwiller area. Enemy offering continued resistance in attempt to defend Ingwiller (Q 83) Tieffenbach (Q 63) Pass. New division arrived in line this neighborhood yesterday. Enemy reported withdrawing forces from South of Sarreunion. Prisoners state new main line of resistance to be established just North of Burbach (Q 53). West of Sarreguemines (Q 55) enemy infantry and tank counter attack at Farebersviller repulsed. Enemy continuing stiff delaying action as Allies approach Siegfried Line in Merzig area. Blown bridges, anti tank mines and road obstacles impeding advance. Moderate resistance encountered from few old forts of Maginot Line. Frozen ground facilitating cross country operations.

West of Cologne reinforced enemy continues bitter yard (by yard defense but forced out of Huertgen village (F 03). Enemy counter attacks at Juengersdorf repulsed. Street fighting reported in Langerwehe and Lammersdorf (F 04). Enemy moving troops from East unto Geich (F 04) during evening. Altdorf (F 05) lost by enemy where bridge over Inde River captured intact but later damaged by enemy artillery fire. Allied troops reached Roer River south of Julich. Enemy counter attack at Barmen (K 96) thrown back. Rainy weather continues.

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In Holland, Allied advance held up by strong enemy
defenses Broekhuizen (E 92) area West of Meuse.

2. Order of Battle.

Identifications:

By Prisoners of War:

27th November 77 SS Grenadier Regiment 30 SS Division
area Ballersdorf (A 59): apparently includes elements from
338 Infantry Division.

28th November 759 Grenadier Regiment, 338 Infantry
Division ~~WALHEIM (A 444)~~

28th November II Battalion G/V Regiment West of Se-
lestat (V 67).

28th November 245 Reconnaissance Battalion 245th
Infantry Division area Q 8628.

Comment: 245 last identified in West Holland.

28th November, all three Regiments three Parachute
Division area Langerwehe Jungersdorf (F 0446): State mission
to relieve 47 Volksgrenadier Division.

By Prisoner of War statement:

28th November Headquarters 708 Volksgrenadier Division
at V 7973.

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28th November (Officer) 405 Division under Lt Gen
Seeger in command of defences East of Rhine from Basle to
Karlsruhe.

27th November Panzer Lehr Division to be relieved
by unspecified Infantry Division and to move to Bitsch
(Q 7750) or Saarbrücken as Army reserve.

28th November Headquarters 416 Division Trassen
(L 1209).

28th November (Deserter) 352 Infantry Division re-
placed 353 opposite Luxembourg.

28th November (Deserter) Headquarters 1051 Grenadier
Regiment 84 Infantry Division Wasserburg (E 8957). Prisoner
of War from 340 Volksgrenadier Division state it was renumbered
from 572 Division in Thorn end September: comment further
case of usual cannibalisation.

Recent document of 89 Corps states Himmler controls
appointment of all officers and non commissioned officers
to Grenadier and Volksgrenadier Divisions and has right to
interchange officers and enlisted men with Waffen SS: Grenadier
and Volks Volksgrenadier Divisions directly subordinated to
Himmler for training and also for education, discipline,
party guidance and law. Document shows 401 General Headquarters
Artillery Brigade renamed 401 Volks Artillery Corps (motorized).

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Notes:

Prisoners of War from two Company Tank Battalion Panzer Lehr Division states first Company has 12 and second Company had six self propelled 75 millimeter anti tank guns while third Company had approximately 15 mark IV tanks.

Comment:

Suggests Tank Battalion of two Companies assault guns with total 25-30 guns and two companies tanks with total 25-3 tanks.

3. Movements.

Good sources states "ABDOG" Division reformed Atege and left for Aachen on 23rd November: Comment refers to 363 Division and likely enough.

Good sources state Drenthe Groningen area more or less cleared of Parachute formations about 23rd November. Troops west for areas Metz Aachen and Arnhem: Good sources also state that a parachute division, formerly at St Lo, arrived area Leiden Bennebroek (Y 81) 24th November and Headquarters at Warmond (Y 80).

Comment:

Six Parachute Division went to Parnhem and three to Aachen; either two or five would fill the bill for Warmond; Metz story not yet borne out.

Following summary of movements of Headquarters in Holland reported by civilians and agents. Three Headquarters

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all called by agents Fifteenth Army have recently made movements. One, which from presence of General Zangen should be genuine Fifteenth Army, arrived Bilthoven from Dordrecht early November. Another which should be 88th Corps is now after several moves at Houten (E 28) since 23rd November. Third, which should be 67 Corps, left Hillegersberg (D 77) for Germany about 20th November; if true, presumably replaced. Students Headquarters left Dinxperlo near Terborg for Zutphen about 15th November, possibly leaving First Parachute Army Headquarters at Dinxperlo. Christiansens Headquarters at Hilversum in close connection with Fifteenth Army; two recently arrived Headquarters in Hilversum are labelled with name Narva and field post number of higher command Serbia respectively, a mysterious influx possibly of staffs now superfluous in former areas. Headquarters of two SS Panzer Corps at Velp not heard of since 13th November and has presumably gone south. Further recent reports from several Prisoners of War of Fifteenth Army Headquarters in Cologne sector probably refer to Fifth Panzer Army, to which Assault Battalion of Fifteenth Army apparently detached.

4. Prisoners of War.

A. Prisoners captured 25th November; Second British Army 40. First Canadian Army no report. First United States Army 1124. Third United States Army 1122. Ninth United States Army 35. Seventh United States Army 2601. First French Army, no report.

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B. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 25th November
(Excluding First French Army and Second French Armoured
Division 23-25 November) 740625.

5. General.

Critical areas undoubtedly judged by enemy to be
first Duren and secondly Karlsruhe. In latter, 256 Division
from Holland now followed by a second, 245, and third as
predicted by Prisoner of War may well be on way; judging by
reports from Holland a Parachute Division is a possibility.
To West of Tieffenbach (Q 63) First Army making strenuous
efforts to hold on present line, well forward of West wall.

Nineteenth Army West of Rhine apparently written
off. No signs yet of crossing river to escape. Document
reported by agent stated that troops in Vosges were to be
considered expendable. In any case great bulk of troops
have already been surrounded piecemeal.

Students Army Group still in course of extensive
reorganization. Stop press: By undated document reported
25th November, 63 Corps in Belfort Sector. Reliable Prisoner
of War states General Kniess (LXXXV Army Corps) relieved
by GEM on 15th November and replaced by General Joachim
Von Tresckow whose Headquarters at Bretten V 5000. Tresckow
provisionally equated with LXIII Corps. Prisoners of War
from 935 Grenadier Regiment, 937 Grenadier Regiment, 245 Engi-
neer Battalion all 245 Infantry Division identified West of
Hagenau.

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To: War Department.

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From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP Addressees
ref no 282245A November 1944 COSITINTREP No 238. Part Two
Naval.

1. Captured ports. Antwerp 18 ships arrived safely
at Antwerp today.

1. Unloading figures for 27th November.

British.

E Calvados	-	97	508	-
Dieppe	38	43	1247	-
Boulogne	47	154	3138	-
Calais	-	-	-	-
Ostend	798	333	5092	2850
Antwerp	-	-	2095	-
Total	883	627	12080	2850
US				
Cherbourg	-	-	14467	3898

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Ruen	1027	345	5886	2414
Brittany Ports -		23	6492	-
Lo Havre	697	325	6342	364
Total	7819	693	33187	6676
Combined total	8702	1320	45267	9526

End.

ACTION: OPD

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From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP
Addresses ref nr 272349A Nov 1944 COSITINTREP Number 237

Part II Naval.

Captured. First 3 coasters arrived Antwerp PM
26th November.

Unloading figures for 26th November:

British	Troops	Vehicles	Stores	POL
East Calvados	148	116	702	
Dieppe	84	15	1781	
Boulogne	38	147	3205	
Calais		29	87	
Ostend	2239	511	4656	
Total	2509	818	10431	

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US	Troops	Vehicles	Stores	POL
Cherbourg			15103	4309
Rouen	1663	571	4257	1350
Britany Ports	9	44	6210	
Le Havre	802	340	7701	1620
Total	2474	955	33271	7779
Combined totals:	4983	1773	43702	7779

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Para one. Operations.

Nineteenth Army continues withdrawal north of Mulhouse. Enemy counter attack successful in retaking Kembs but unable to hold and finally beaten back. Southwest of Mulhouse enemy gave up more ground south of Rhine Marne Canal and Allied bridgehead established at A 6196. Enemy still holds Dannemarie (A59) where fighting in outskirts reported. East of Belfort enemy withdrawn beyond Fontaine (A 49). East of Le Thillot crest of Vosges reached. Enemy withdrawing down slopes.

recaptured by allies
Allied troops advancing south from Molsheim area encountering scattered resistance and road blocks. Local enemy counter attack south of Strasbourg repulsed at Erstein (V 98). Artillery reported large enemy truck column moving west from Bernardville (V 7574) 80% destroyed. North of Strasbourg enemy patrols active Gamsbsheim (R 11) Morschviller

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area (Q 92). Tanks and infantry encountered Pfaffenoffen area (Q 92). Continued indications enemy reinforcing this section.

Allied armour encountered enemy direct artillery and anti tank fire Durstel area (Q 63) and at Eyweiler (Q 53). Eastern part Bonnefontaine Forest lost by enemy. To north Allied thrust two miles south of Holvingen (Q 44). Enemy cleared from St Avoird (Q 25) and to the west Allied southern and northern drives joined up. Large explosion completely destroyed south casement Fort Belle Croix (U 8759).

In Merzig area enemy fighting fiercely from concrete pill boxes, anti tank obstacles and defensive positions.

In Cologne sector enemy reinforcing line west of Duren with 3rd Parachute and 353rd Infantry Divisions. Stubborn house to house fighting in Huertgen (F03). Extremely heavy resistance encountered outskirts Juengersdorf and Langerwehe (F04).

Concealed tanks opposing allied advance north edge of Kessler (F 05). Heavy enemy mortar concentration received at Barmen (K 96). Weather improving but only light traffic able to use roads. Patrols report enemy holding western defenses Venlo in strength and artillery fire increased considerably. Defensive positions reported at east 885095 and 885103. To north only 3 pockets enemy infantry remain west of Maas with approximate total strength of 1 battalion.

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Water level Nijmegen Bridge now 12.45 metres.
two.

Order of battle. Identifications: by prisoner of war. 27 November. Elements 1210th and 1211th Grenadier Regiments, 159th Division and Bodensee Regiment Area Rimbach (V 4114) Dolleren. 27th November, Services Regiment 7th Panzer Division Strasbourg: states advance detachment of division, which still in Pommerania. Comment: Unsupported. 27 November, 102 Panzer Brigade area Saareverden (Q 5237): state unloaded tank regiment at Saareverden 26 November. Comment: Unsupported. 27 November 942nd Grenadier Regiment, 353rd Infantry Division area Merode (F 0443): State relieving 91st Infantry Division. 27 November, 5th and 9th Parachute Regiments, 3rd Parachute Division area Langerwehe (F 0247) State Division left Teuberg 18 November. 27 November. II Battalion, 695th Grenadier Regiment, 340th Volksgrenadier Division area Weix (K 9963). 25 November, 42 German Air Force Battalion Area Niedermerz (K 975): states battalion under regiment franz which under Major General Raessler.

Notes: Prisoners of War from 12th and 47th Infantry Divisions claim Divisions now combined under Command General Engel GOC 12th Division. Prisoner of War states saw order that 106th Panzer Brigade, 48th and 559th Infantry Divisions to group on 29th November at Wallerfangen (Q 2681) near Saarlautern. Order of 12th Infantry Division 5th November "Fuehrer citation on granting of honorary title Volksgrenadier to division:

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stresses youthful and elite quality of Volksgrenadiers and to be personally administered by Reichsfuehrer SS and number to be strictly limited and only 1 other division besides 12th being given honorary title. Enlisted men in Volksgrenadier Divisions called in documents Volksgrenadier, Volksgefreiter etcetera. Document gives tank strength of 11th Panzer Division on 20th November as mark III and IV, 4 runners 19 under repair, Mark V, 8 runners 20 under repair. Cancel comment on 1219th assault gun battalion in G-2 summary number 66.

By prisoner of war statement: 26 November. Deserter from 12th SS Reconnaissance Battalion stated division was on 20 November in area Cologne Golsheim (F 1849), with headquarters at Brauweiler (F 3363).

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War.

A. Prisoners captured from 2400 hours 23 November to 2400 hours 24 November: Second British Army 8,

First Canadian Army 2, First United States Army 528, Third United States Army 535, Ninth United States Army 192, Seventh United States Army 1261, First French Army 7144 (21 and 22 November).

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B. Accumulative total captured to 2400 hours 24 November (excluding First French Army and 2nd French Armoured Division 23 to 24 November): 735703. (Comment: 11650 increase due to 10848 not cleared through corps cages but captured by 21st Army Group 1 October to 24 November. Balance miscellaneous captured not reported before by Twelfth Army Group).

5. General. Enemy's preoccupation with Cologne section especially south west of city in area Durenz continues striking. 353rd Division gone north from Ardennes urgent need in south and 3rd Parachute Division, known to be apple of parachute bigwig's eyes, committed in critical Langerwehe sector to hold flank or position on River Inde. Does not appear that 12th SS Panzer Division or any of Sixth Panzer Army yet committed.

In Hagenau sector appears that both 25th Panzer Grenadier and Panzer Lehr or elements of it have now definitely crossed over to east of Hardt ridge to support 256th Division. Latter perhaps responsible for tanks at Pfaffenhoffen. No sign of any other division following 256th yet.

In recent offensive estimated that enemy's casualties have approached 3,000 a day on each of three main fronts: current rate of loss up to five German divisions a week (not allowing for replacements). Following divisions considered destroyed: 48th, 338th, 462nd. Following divisions 12th, 19th, 47th, 159th, 183rd badly battered: 189th, 246th, 361st, 416th 553rd, 559th, 708th, Panzer Grenadier, 25 Panzer

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Grenadier, 17th SS Panzer Grenadier. 21 and 116 Panzer
were tired before offensive began.

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To: War Department
Headquarters, First Allied Airborne Army
CG, United Kingdom Base Section, London, England

Hr: S 68560

27 November 1944

To Commanding General 6th Army Group, Commanding
General 12th Army Group, Commanding General 9th Air Force,
Commanding General 1st Tactical Air Force, SHAEP Main signed
Eisenhower cite SHGCT TOP SECRET to for info AGWAR for CCOS
Gen Dist UK Base for BCOS: CG USSTAF: AOC-in-C-Bomber
Command: ANCXF: C-IN-C EXFOR:AIC 2nd TAF: CG FAAA: CG Com
Zone ref no S 68560 SCAF 114 of 28 October follows.

Amendment.

1. To our S 64375. Distribution of this message will
be held to the absolute minimum. Delivery will be made only
to the addressee, or the person designated to receive the
message for him.

2. Delete paragraph 10 of SCAF 114 and substitute:
-"10. The mission of the southern group of Armies now is:

A. To continue the offensive, breach the Siegfried
Line west of the Rhine, destroy the enemy in line and deploy
in strength across the Rhine with a view to a later advance
in a northern direction.

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2. B. To launch strong attack west of the Pfalzerwald in conjunction with southern flank of central group of Armies to breach the Siegfried Line."

3. Paragraph 11 (B) of SOAF 114 will be changed as follows:

"(B) Between central and southern groups of Armies west of Finsingen (Q 4828) inclusive no change-Thal (Q 5735) to 6th Army Group-Lorenzen (Q 5939)-Rohrbach (Q 6649)-Weibkirchen (Q 7157)-Winterbach (Q 8178) all to 12th Army Group-Ramstein (Q 8794)-road junction (R.0196) both to 6th Army Group-Mehlingen (R.0899) to 12th Army Group-Bisenberg (M.2407)-Grunstadt (M.3107)-Niedesheim GR (M.4208) all to 6th Army Group-Lammertheim (M.5311) to 12th Army Group."

4. Action addressees acknowledge.

End.

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INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
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Gen Hull
Gen Bissell
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Air Rear Main Hq 12th Army Group S.HAEF Advanced Command Post.
S 68590.

This is G 2 summary number 66 dated 27th November.

1. Operations. Enemy pressure Mulhouse area eased somewhat although he maintains bridgehead west of Rhine in Kembs-Rosena (A 89) region. All remaining Belfort forts captured by Allies. Enemy withdrawn beyond Bessoncourt (A 49) Petite Fontaine (V 40), Masevaux, Bussang (V 32).

In Vosges little opposition encountered. Ste Croix aux Mines (V 66) lost by enemy. Stubborn enemy resistance pocket encountered east of Fouchy (V 66). Grendelbruch (V 68) captured. Small arms self propelled and anti tank fire received from enemy west of Molsheim (V 89) as Allies entered town.

✓ In Strasbourg enemy holds dock area. All forts on outskirts of city lost by enemy. Enemy still holds bridgehead west of Kehl (W 0597). Reconnaissance observed enemy in Reichstett (R 00) in woods north of town. Extensive Allied patrolling area south of Haguenau (R 0222) met no reaction. Northwest of Haguenau FFI and civilians report 50 tanks

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arrived Ingwiller during morning. Tieffenbach (Q 63) and high ground south of town held by Germans. Considerable vehicular movement north and northwest of town during morning. Enemy withdrawn to woods east of Wolfskirchen (Q 53). South of St Avold small groups enemy infantry reported moving into Vahl-Ebersing from woods at Q 2651. Enemy counter attacks of battalion strength repulsed Longeville Les St Avold (Q 23).

West of Cologne enemy small arms and artillery fire held Allies to small gains in Huertgenarea (F 03). Enemy counter attacks with infantry and tanks at Grosshau (F 03) repulsed. Resistance in Weisweiler (F 04) reduced and town captured. Weather clear but ground still soggy. Enemy counter attack at Bourheim (F 05) repulsed and armour attacked from air at Kirchberg (F 05) where three tanks claimed destroyed and 12 damaged. Enemy infiltrated Koslar (F 0059) and controls trenches west of town and ground to north. Tank concentrations Linnich-Linderh area (K 96) dispersed by Allied artillery.

In Holland Allied troops progressed towards Venlo but not believed yet in contact with perimeter defenses. To north mines and ground conditions delaying Allies who advanced to 1000 yards west of Broekhuizervorst (E 92).

2. Order of battle. Identifications: by prisoners of war: 26 November 35th Panzer Grenadier Regiment Drulingen (Q 6030). Comment: Apparently relieved Panzer Lehr Division, tanks of which believed sighted moving southeast from Wingen (Q 7335). Engineer Battalion 21st Panzer Division Kesslingen (L 0902).

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26 November 816th Super Heavy Machine Gun Battalion area Q 5129.
24 November 106th Panzer Brigade Ehenen (L 0212). By prisoner
of war statement: 26 November Headquarters 192nd Panzer
Grenadier Regiment L 0805. 16 November 59th Grenadier Regi-
ment reforming east of Saar. Between 416th and 19th Infantry
Divisions line Serrig (L 1609)-Kirch (Q 0594). 26 November
deserter states Headquarters 1st Army Kinkel (Q 67). 26
November Headquarters 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division
Iplingen (Q 4656). 26 November Headquarters 1216th Grenadier
Regiment 462nd Division believed Orscholz (L 1201). By
document: Undated map shows Headquarters 347th Infantry
Division Bisten (Q 2573) Headquarters 860th Grenadier Regi-
ment Q 1567, Headquarters 861st Grenadier Regiment Teterchen
(Q 1571). By civilian report: 9 November onwards elements
believed division Tettau area south and southwest Amsterdam.
6th Parachute Regiment Coevorden (V 35). Notes: Prisoner
of war 16th Volksgrenadier Division states 33rd Grenadier
Regiment absorbed by new 221st Grenadier Regiment. Following
captured: Major General Vaterrodt, Armed Forces Commander
Strasbourg and Chief of Staff. Major General Ullersperger,
First Fortress Engineer Commander: States Infantry General
Loch holds a command in Alsace. Colonel Deckstein, Chief
of Staff 89th Corps. Captured map shows 553rd Volksgrenadier
Division recently under command of 64th Corps. Comment:
Suggest Karlsruhe sector more probably under 19th Army than
1st.

3. Movements. Tactical reconnaissance reported
extensive enemy rail movement principally towards south and
southwest in Frankfurt area (M 66) during afternoon 26 Nov-
ember.

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4. Prisoners of War.

Sub para A. Prisoners captured 23 November;

Second British Army	95
First Cdn Army	14
First US Army	462
Third US Army	259
Ninth US Army	375
Seventh US Army	1434

on 23rd November, 1005 on
22 November.

2nd French Armoured Division no report on 23rd November, 1246 on 21-22 November.

B. Accumulative total captured to 2400
hours 23rd November (excluding First French Army 21 to 23
November, 2nd French Armoured Division 23 November) 715,644.

5. General. Does not appear that enemys resistance at Mulhouse and on line from Molsheim across to Rhine is intended to do more than protect flanks of army in Vosges, to permit of reasonably orderly retreat back to Rhine: No indication of reinforcement west of Rhine in this sector. Nevertheless documents prove enemy was confident of holding Vosges for winter. In triangle centering on Haguenau, 256th Division still in solitary soup: However, Panzer Lehr, having now been relieved in front of Pirmasens by 25th Panzer Grenadier, may well be on way across in general indications are that enemy will try to put up fight on line Haguenay-St Avold, if only

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to gain time for adequate manning of west wall in this sector.

Continuing indications that bulk of 6th Panzer Army is well southwest of Cologne. One reason for its non commitment may well be, as German publicists suggest, that a second Allied offensive south of the first is feared. Stop press: 25th PZ Engineer Battalion reported by prisoner of war from another unit to be expected in Haguenau area. Comment: Would indicate move to other side of Hardt ridge. Prisoner of war from 12th SS Panzer Reconnaissance Unit taken at F 0646: State division in Dueren area but also that division has liaison officer with 340th Division area Weisweiler (F 0249). Indications 183rd Division withdrawn from line. 1219th Assault Gun Battalion reported north of Erkelenz. Comment: Might be 1219th Grenadier Regiment of an upgraded 176th Division. Civilians report 23 November that 3rd Parachute Division about to leave Enschede for Germany and Students Headquarters now near Zutphen.

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1. Following is table from SHAEF G2 weekly intelligence summary for 26 November giving estimated equivalent strengths in divisions by armies.

15th 0,0,8, 3 1/3
1st Parachute 0,0, 11, 6 1/3
5th Panzer 5,2,6, 2 2/3
6th Panzer 4, 2 2/3, 0,0
7th 1, 1/3, 10, 5
1st 5,2,8, 2 1/3
19th 0,0,8, 3
Totals in line 15, 7, 51, 23
Defence works and lines of communication 0,0,3,1
Fortresses 0,0,1,2
Grand totals 15, 7, 55,26.

Note: Fortress units not yet contacted equivalent to 2 further infantry divisions.

2. Additions: 340 Volksgrenadier and 606 ZBV.

3. Eliminations: 48, 338, 462, all destroyed.
Numerous others almost as bad, especially 159, 189, 708

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553, 559, 416. Following also in very bad shape 361, 17 SS,
19, 183, 246, 3 Panzer Grenadier, 47.

4. Divisions reckoned not in line at last week
except for 6th Panzer.

5. No estimate for tanks in action given.

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nr S 68483. This is G 2 summary number 65 dated 26 November.

Previous Para 1 operations. In Mulhouse area enemy shows aggressive attitude and counter attack successful in forcing Allied Troops back to Habsheim (A 98). Enemy reported withdrawing before Belfort. Rougemont Le Chateau (V 40) lost by enemy. Allied drive north from city apparently linked up with drive east from Chateau Lambert.

In Vosges enemy attempting large scale withdrawal. Large Allied gains made southeast and northeast of St Die. Progress made along St Die - Strasbourg railway beyond Schirmeck. Allied drives penetrating deep into forest from west reached Raon Sur Plaine (V 59) and drive from north nearing Grandfontaine (V 58). Resistance offered a well organized small groups fighting delaying action. Patrols to Molsheim (V 89) encountered only retreating elements.

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Entire area between Petit Rhin and Rhine rivers east of Gwrasbour strongly held by enemy. All bridges over Rhine still intact and in enemy hands. Opposition from small arms fire received area R 0317. Civilians report approximately 50 tanks and 3,000 troops arrived in Haguenau afternoon 23 or 24 November: prisoner of war states 3 divisions to be brought up to Haguenau with mission to retake Strasbourg. Enemy attacked with tanks and infantry areas Rauviller (Q 52) and Veckersviller.

South of Sarre union after counter attack during * at Baerendorf (52) enemy observed withdrawing tanks and artillery toward Wolfskirlnen (Q53). Vittersbourg (V 43) evacuated by enemy. Strong infantry positions encountered on high ground north of Longeville St Avold (Q 25) and vicinity Zimming (Q15). East of Luxembourg enemy tank and infantry counter attack from area Oberleuen (L 0801) repulsed and town captured by *** * Tettingen (L 003) lost by enemy.

West of Cologne heavy enemy resistance along Duren Julich Linnich front held Allies to small gains. Further prisoner reports of SS arrivals rear area. Street fighting reported in Langevehe (F 05) and Weisweiler (K 99) and enemy tanks and infantry counter attack to north repulsed.

Outskirts Venlo reached Biocllies and further gains made to north on ground west of Meuse river. Rhine now risen to 11 decimat 66 metres at Nijmegen.

Enemy attempted patrol landing on north Beveland at D 2741 wiped out.

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is 530 Armenians 270 Germans. Officer prisoner of war stated remnants 553rd Division to reform area Tieffenbach (Q 6434) and become attached to 361st Volksgrenadier Division.

Para 3 Movements. Nothing to report.

Para 4 Prisoners of War.

A. Prisoners captured from 2400 hours 21st Nov to 2400 hours 22 November;

Second British Army:	192
First United States Army:	327
Third United States Army:	1622
Ninth United States Army:	300
Seventh United States Army:	785.

Captured on 20 November.

First French Army 97 captured 19 November and 111 on 20 November.

✓ B. Accumulative total captured to 2400 hours 22 November (excluding First French Army, 2nd French Armoured Division 21 and 22 November, Seventh United States Army 22 November): 710,754.

Para 5. General. More and more of enemys infantry being sucked up into main battles for Ruhr and Saar. Ardennes have now apparently contributed two divisions to each flank, 91 and 18 to north, 347 and 353 to south. Committing of 18th Volksgrenadier (and 340th Volksgrenadier) significant, as it had evidently been hoped to keep brand new Volksgrenadiers

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in secluded parts of line. Army Group H now weighing in with its contribution: 256 is probably being followed by others, and even parachute divisions still out of line and doing training may be snatched from students clutches.

Further Volksgrenadier divisions from fatherland also essential and one division in transit from Norway.

Enemy's losses in present offensive put at 100,000 men. Local lack of infantry most conspicuous in sector Strasbourg Pirmasens.

Enemy now has ten of his 15 Panzer/Panzer Grenadier Divisions committed. First Army and Fifth Panzer Army each have two Panzer Grenadiers, two Panzers, and one newly reformed Panzer on reduced TO. Panzer Grenadiers all used up in line for lack of infantry; and same thing happening to Panzers, especially in First Army sector, where 21st Panzer is actually digging. No other army has any armour, except for Sixth Panzer Army with four SS Divisions (two Panzer "1" located). Recent prisoner of war statements on this army make it appear that center of gravity is probably south of Cologne, putting it on left flank of Fifth Panzer Army and in rear of Seventh Army: elements of it, however, including two SS Panzer, certainly up near Grevenbroich. Army has not yet had to be committed and some of it appears to be still engaged in training increasing its value as a reserve.

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CG, United Kingdom Base Section, London, England

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251650 TROOPERS, AGWAR cite WDGBI, TAC 21st Army Group, Main
21st Army Group, 6th Army Group, TAC 12th Army Group, First
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Main Hq 12th Army Group S 68329.

Correction occurs as follows:

Page 5, line 11.

1st and 2nd SS Panzer Division in support behind
91st and 47th Infantry Divisions respectively.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of war.

A. Prisoners captured from 2400 hours 20th
November to 2400 hours 21st November;

First French Army: 479.
Third United States Army: 2994
First United States Army: 798

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Ninth United States Army: 1139
Second British Army: 296
B. Accumulative total prisoners captured to
2400.

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1. Operations. This is G-2 summary number 64
dated 25 November.

In Mulhouse area German troops reported crossing
Rhine south of Kembs where they hold four bridgeheads. Aspach
(A 69) and all ground regained by counter attack again lost
by enemy except Dannemarie. North of Belfort Petit Magny (V
30) reached by Allies after heavy fighting and advance north
captured Seven.

In Vosges slight delay imposed on Allies by
snipers and rearguards. Seven miles east of St Die, Wisem-
bach (V 56) reached without opposition. Allied drive down
river Bruche Valley met opposition with self propelled
artillery support at Rothau (V 68). Allied troops advancing
along Plaine River Valley to north met no resistance to Bion-
ville (V 48).

Mopping up of Strasbourg completed but report

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enemy still holds western edge of Kehl bridge, mined but intact.

No enemy opposition encountered in lower Vohges and plain north east of Saverne. Enemy surrendering in large numbers in Dossenheim (Q 7523) Houx Willer (Q 8125) region.

North of Sarrebourg elements Panzer Lehr Division launched counter attack Rauviller (Q 52) during morning. To the north west enemy withdrawn from Albestroff (Q 33). Scattered groups enemy troops observed entering Bois Pont-pierre (Q 15).

East of Luxembourg two badly battered battalions of 462nd Infantry Division total strength reported to be approximately 80 men fortifying bunkers at Kirf (L 0906). Light drizzly rain fell during night and day. Spongy soil hindering all but Infantry movements and armour road bound.

Drive on Cologne prevented from making any substantial gains in the area south west of Hurtgen (F 03) by mining and heavy artillery fire. Fierce German counter attack launched by new reinforcements at Langerwehe (F 04) with little change of ground reported. North west of Duren resistance reported stubborn Lammerdorf Julich area (F 05). House to house fighting western outskirts Weisweiler (F 04). Enemy forced from Putzlohn (K 9351) and high ground to east. Prisoners state they saw many SS troops believed to be from 1st SS and 2nd SS Panzer Divisions between Derikum (F 2986)

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and Harff (F 1670).

Mud conditions bad: Weather rainy but clearing to north. Heavy attack by elements 340th Infantry Division Merzenhausen area (K 96) held. No further heavy fighting Geilenkirchen sector during day.

In Holland enemy fighting hard at scattered points. Further Allied progress made east of Horst (E 81). Roads so flooded that only amphibious movement possible some areas. Unconfirmed report enemy evacuating civilians from west of Meuse.

2. Order of battle.

Identifications: By prisoner of war: 25th November: Elements 256th Volksgrenadier Division area Haguenau (R 02).

24th November: I Battalion 901st Panzer Grenadier Regiment, Panzer Lehr Division area Rauviller (Q 5425): stated battalion had eight tanks. Also 902nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment area Kirberg (Q 5124): states regiment has 25 to 30 tanks, claims entire division area Baerendorf (Q 5226).

24th November: 1216th Grenadier Regiment, 462nd Infantry Division: states total strength I and II Battalions about eight: now committed in Buhbers area Kirf (L 0906).

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24th November: 192nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment,
21st Panzer Division, area Tetting (L 057020): states regi-
ment strength about 900 men with ten to 12 Mark IV and V
tanks and one assault gun. Elements 125th Panzer Grenadier
Regiment area (L 0803).

23rd November: Battle group Hoelscher area
Nennig (L 184033): states unit comprises remnants all regi-
ments 416th Infantry Division, 347th Infantry Division area
Erecklange (Q 0766): states regimental command post area
Maizeroy (Q 1470).

24th November: III Battalion, 1056th Grenadier
Regiment, 89th Infantry Division area Hurtgen Forest (F 0438):
state battalion came from Monschau (K 9618) preceding right.

23rd November: Unidentified, taken area Grenin-
gen (Q 3744): states 11th Panzer Division ordered withdraw
24th November and assemble 30 to 40 kilometers to east.
Prisoner 61st Anti Tank Battalion states he observed remnants
11th Panzer Division departing 24th November direction Saar-
able (Q 4844).

By document: 22nd and 251st Training Regiments
area Venlo renamed Grenadier Regiments about 5th November.
Other regiments same area identified I/1223rd Grenadier Reg-
iment and suggest it was formed from II/269th Grenadier Reg-
iment.

Comment: Training divisions in north (First

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Parachute Army) now being reorganized as Volksgrenadier Divisions 176, 180 and 190, probably all involved. Suggested line-up of regiments 1218 to 1220, 176th Division; 1221 to 1223, 180th Division; 1224 to 1226, 190th Division, following straight on in series from 462nd Division.

By prisoner of war statement: Headquarters 416th Infantry Division area Mettlach (L 1700). 16th Infantry Division in process reorganization into Volksgrenadier Division. Headquarters LXXXI Corps building at Nieder Zier (F 1054). 1st and 2nd SS Panzer Division in support behind 91st and 47th Infantry * * * captured to 2400 hours 21st November excluding Seventh United States Army 20th to 21st November, First Airborne Task Force, 19th to 21st November, First French Army 18th to 21st November, Second French Armoured Division 20th to 21st November: 707320.

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Part II - Naval.

Unloading figures for 22nd November.

	Troops	Vehicles	Stores	Pol
British.				
East Calvados		210	1356	-
Dieppe	78	-	4284	-
Boulogne	9	50	3610	-
Calais	-	24	85	-
Ostend	1444	115	3561	340
Total	1531	399	12896	340.
US.				
Cherbourg	21	-	12717.	9641
Rouen	750	520	3548	140
Brittany ports	-	43	2342	370
Le Havre	2106	85	5498	-
Total	2877	648	24105	10151.
Combined total	4408	1047	37001	10491.

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FHGBI, SHAEP Air Rear, Main HQ 12th Army Group. S 68013.
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1. Operations.

French drive in south was counter attacked in area
Dannemarie and German troops reached Swiss frontier near
Belle. Allies eventually restored situation but Dannemarie
still in Eight Five Corps hands.

French now along Rhine for about 12 miles and
Mulhouse, Altkirch and Belfort lost by Germans. Six miles
north of Belfort, Miromagny also fell.

In battle for St Die though Germans made some
progress on southern flank in area Fraize (V 4553). They
were unable to prevent small Allied gains near St Leonard
despite bitter defense.

On northern side town Allies within 1,000 yards of
city which is by passed.

East of Raon L Etape Allies now through Senones
(V 4377). In Saverne, considerable allied advances made
beyond Serrebourg including capture of Saverne and points
six miles to north and south of it.

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Southeast of Metz advances made towards Sarrebourg from the northwest. North of Falkenberg, Laudrefang (Q2054) fell to Allies. Germans still resisting at two points southwest of Metz.

German defense east and northeast of Aachen assisted by deterioration of going though in general Allies advancing slowly. Further advances of about 2,000 yards made towards Duren into Wenau Forest against heavy opposition from elements 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division. Allies took Eschweiler and 2 villages to the northeast; Durvies and Putzlohn where resistance somewhat lighter.

Lohn (K 9952) however still stubbornly held and Bourheim, 2 1/2 miles to the north reinforced with elements 340th Infantry Division newly come to western front.

Allies reached Merzenhausen to the northwest where resistance put up by all arms including some Tiger tanks. East and north of Geilenkirchen resistance very determined and favored by bad ground *. Further withdrawals made by 96 Corps in Venlo area and Allies now very close to town. Not believed many Germans left west of Venlo.

2. Order of Battle. Identifications: By Prisoners of War: 21 November elements II Battalion 696 Grenadier Regiment 340th Infantry Division Pourheim (F 0157): States entire regiment moved area last night, 694th and 695th Grenadier Regiments moved Trier. 21 November, 519th Anti Tank Bn area Lohn (K9952). 22 November, 60th Panzer Grenadier

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Regiment, 116 Panzer Division, Wenan (F0446): State 200
men in regiment now employed as Infantry.

22 November, deserted 125 Panzer Grenadier Regiment,
area Sarrebourg states 21st Panzer Division Headquarters
Strasbourg (W0298).

NY Prisoner of War statements:

Claims Headquarters 16th Infantry Division Ste
Marie Aux Mines (V588602). Remnants three Regiments 48th Inf
Infantry Division amalgamated into two battle groups.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War:

Accumulative total up to 2400 hours 19 November
excluding First French Army figures 17, 18, 19 November and
7th United States Army and 2nd French Armoured Division 19:
696956.

5. *

In Army Group G area, enemy trying to restore
situation by counterattack to cut through to Swiss frontier
south of Belfort. A sort of avranches attempt but forces
too weak and enemy must now concentrate on preventing ex-
tension of our drive towards Colmar. He must also stop our
northern pincer on Strasbourg. Fresh forces particularly
needed here and probable one division will arrive. Armour
required to deal with Second French Armoured Division.

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Vosges mountains now very thinly held. Situation east of Metz unchanged but enemy probably endeavouring to settle down on Maginot Line. No signs of reinforcements believed to have arrived in Merzin Sector.

Ardennes front quiet. Very stubborn and spirited offensive-defensive fighting on both sides of Aschen with all local Army reserves committed. Enemy obviously holding back 6th Panzer Army until forced to commit it. Own progress likely to be slow. Further north signs of thickening up one parachute army from in 15th Army hibernating and probable thankful for chance of licking its wounds.

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22 November 1944

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No signs of any collapse in will to resist at the
front. (Previous para following latest picture of enemy
morale:)

New divisions composed as they are of variety of
personnel including the old and the young, Navy and German
Air Force personnel with only minimum of Army training and
always sprinkling of convalescents, are fighting well.

Main factors for this are:

- A. Iron discipline of Wehrmacht and SS.
- B. Continuous exhortations by Army orders to
stand fast and protect the "sacred soil of the fatherland"
which instills into troops a desperate resolve to retreat
no further.
- C. Propaganda which still paints the picture of
the annihilation of German nation in the event of defeat.
- D. Well prepared defensive positions and protection
of concrete.

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E. Apparently successful defence conducted so far.

Desertions of true Germans very few and when they occur are usually caused by such things as lack of food or inadequate clothing.

Majority of captured prisoners display continued defeatism and ordinary run of German soldier sees no hope in final victory. Diehards, including usual Nazi and SS types, still credit Hitler with being able to win. Secret weapons still play their part but not quite so convincingly. Improved German position of having short supply lines, no partisans to deal with, reserve divisions and such arguments are advanced as reasons for final victory by those stupid enough to believe in it.

No clear picture yet available on civilian morale but first impressions as result of occupation of Aachen and other occupied parts are:

A. Great majority of personnel in our hands profess considerable antipathy to Nazis though they still fear them. Should be born in mind no real Nazis left behind.

B. Apathy of population and war weariness amply confirmed.

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C. After short time of inactivity after occupation
self preservation comes to fore and people begin to care
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1. *Mulhouse- area enemy situation.*
Operations.

In ~~A~~ Belfort ~~**~~ continues fluid. Allied forward elements reported in southern outskirts of Mulhouse and Bruebach (A 70) reached.

Marne Rhine canal crossed by Allies at Montreaux chateau (A 49) and Eschene Autrage (A 48).

Northeast of Gerardmer mines, booby traps and enemy fire encountered Clefey (V 45).

Light and scattered resistance offered north of St Die where little organized opposition shown.

Moyenmoutier (V 37) reached.

Along approaches to Savergne Gap, Allied armour fanning out to east, northeast and north from Sarrebouurg (Q 51).

Appears to have broken German defenses and enemy reported in flight.

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Dabo (Q 60), Schaeferhof, Hommarting (Q 51),
Herange; Mittelbronn (Q 61),
Schalbach (Q 52), Ottwiller (Q 63) taken.

In Allied Rear Sarrebourg (Q 51) being mopped up.

Some enemy action also to north area Bettborn (Q 42).

Main restriction to Allied advance east of Dieuze
caused by road blocks, mines and mud.

No enemy line yet formed and Allies in Bois De
Fenestrang (Q 4528), Bois De Guessling (Q 2246). Foret De
Remilly (Q 1050) cleared.

In Metz area, resistance spotty and disorganized.

Enemy reported still holding Ile Due Dauley and
southwest portion Je Chambiere where General Lieutenant
Kittel reported Commanding General, 462nd Infantry Division
and small group officers cornered. Some forts south and
west of city still resisting. Opposition much heavier as
Allies approach outer defenses of Siegfried Line Merzig area
(Q 29). Intense artillery concentrations encountered.

Stubborn fighting continues Hurtgen Forest Schmidt
area and slow progress made by Allies. Enemy counter attack
repulsed vicinity F 0345.

House to house fighting continued in Hehlrath (K 95).

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Allies advanced beyond Fronhoven to K 9956 and
Ederen cleared with advances made to southeast with tanks
and infantry.

Enemy will dug in and resisting fiercely in area
Beeck-Wurm (K 96).

In Holland, further Allied advances made Helemaveen
area (E 71) against light opposition with main delay caused
by mines.

No activity rest of front.

2. Order of Battle.

Identifications: By prisoner of war:

21st Nov. Russians from 76th Regiment of 30th SS
Division area Dannemarie (A 36).

20th Nov. 305th Grenadier Regiment 198th Infantry
Division Wellescot.

21st Nov. All regiments of 269th Infantry Division
area Belfort.

20th Nov. Elements 736th Grenadier Regiment, 716th
Infantry Division Hurbache (V 4072).

20th Nov. Elements 933rd Grenadier Regiment north
Gerardmer (V 4257).

21st Nov. 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division area Metz:
States all escaped remnants this division ordered withdraw 17th
Nov area St Avoird (Q 2556), thence area Saarbrucken (Q 4571).

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21st Nov. 207th Tank Bn area Gereonsweiler (K 9364):
State unit has five companies each of 6 mark IV and moved up
from Metz sector.

21st Nov. 401st Artillery Brigade Folschviller
(Q 2352).

20th Nov. 506th Heavy Tank Bn area Welldorf (F 0863)
not (K 8560).

20th Nov. I Battalion 119th Panzer Grenadier Regi-
ment, 25th Panzer Grenadier Division, Silvingen (Q 1592):
States battalion mission counter attack toward Waldwisse
(Q 1291) with 12 tanks from 21st Panzer Division.

Comment: 21st Panzer Division reported not
in contact at present.

By document: Undated, indicates XII SS Corps
controls 183rd Infantry Division, commanding general of corps
is Blumentritt. Manteuffel commands Fifth Panzer Army.

By prisoner of war statement: 2nd SS Panzer
Division area Boslar (F 0165).

3. Movements.

Nothing to report.

4. Prisoner of war.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 18th November (ex-
cluding First French Army and First Airborne Task Force 17th

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to 18th November, Seventh United States Army and Second French
Armoured Division 18th November): 692,526.

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Main HQ 12th Army Group, S 67752. This is G-2 summary number
60 dated 21 November.

1. Operations.

Resistance deteriorated southern flank of 19th Army
and Rhine River reached by Allies who hold line along Hunin-
gue Canal from Huningue (A8).

(8) to Kembs (A89). Enemy withdrawn to southern
outskirts of Mulhouse (A70). Altkirch (A69) and Chalon-
villars (K30) and Belfort (A39) reported lost by enemy. In
Voeges enemy continues to withdraw probably having sent many
troops to reinforce south, but mines slowing Allied progress.
Gerardmer lost to Allies. Enemy remanned strongpoints at
St Die (V46). Light resistance offered Raon L'Etape area.
Enemy withdrawn from Dieuze (Q22) and Insyiller (Q33), Lelling
(Q24). Pocket of resistance encountered west of Hellimer
(Q34).

Resistance light in approaches to Saverne Gap.
However, Niderhoff (Q4604) strongly defended by dug in tanks
and fire fight developed at Nitting (Q4708). No definite

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enemy line yet encountered Bebing (Q4512) Heming (Q4310)
sector.

In Metz area pockets of resistance continue to make
stubborn stand. North of Metz heavy enemy fire received
from Cottendorff (Q18). Strong anti tank defences reported
established between Waldisse (Q19) and Neukirchen (Q18). Dry
weather improving ground for cross country operations.

Southwest of Duren (F14) enemy counter attack re-
pulsed and slow Allied progress made. Germans reported
withdrawing into Eschweiler (K94) leaving only rearguard
behind. Engineer and artillery troops being employed as
infantry. Enemy reinforcements with tanks arrived area
Pattern (F05) Laurenzberg (K95) area, strongly suspected of
being 116th Panzer Division. Enemy fighting fiercely in
attempt to hold Aldenhoven (K 95), Freialdenhoven and Ederen
(K96). Durboslar (K95), Kinzweiler, St Joris taken. Enemy
action mostly infantry. Further reinforcements arriving.
Linnich (K96).

In Holland, Kessel (E80) captured. Slight opposi-
tion encountered north of Helenaoven (E71) along canal. In-
dications reinforcements arriving rear area possibly 10th
SS Panzer Division.

Little activity rear of front.

2. Order of battle.

Identifications: By Prisoners of War.

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19th November 106th Panzer Bde Grostenquin (Q2742):
States half of Bridge that area.

19th November 1058th Grenadier Regiment 91st Inf-
antry Division Brandenburg (F0238).

19th November, 116th Panzer Reconnaissance Battalion
Warden (K9352).

20th November 506th Heavy Tank Battalion area
Welldorf (K8560).

17th November I Battalion 1211th Grenadier Regiment
and 1059th Artillery Regiment. 159th Volks-Grenadier Div-
ision, area north of Champagney (K2609); prisoners state
Major General Dernen GOC Division.

19th November elements 1316th Artillery Regiment,
16th Infantry Division, area Cirey (V4198).

19th November Assault Company 1121st Grenadier
Regiment 553rd Infantry Division area Hertzling (Q4310):
states regiment no longer exists.

By document:

Undated 762nd Artillery Regiment ZBV in support
246th Infantry Division.

Undated, I SS Panzer Corps Gusten (F0863).

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By civilian report:

Headquarters 86th Corps Wachtendonk (A0212).

3. Movements.

Fairly comprehensive air reconnaissance during 18 and 19 November revealed following:

A. Military movement from Paderborn and Lohne towards Ruhr along lines Lohne-Hamm-Dortmund, Paderborn-Soest-Dortmund and Scherfede-Hagen-Cologne. Little movement on lines, for example Bremen-Osnabruck-Munster and Lohne-Osnabruck.

B. Military movement south towards Giessen * northwest towards Cologne. Flow may have originated in same area as movement above, possible indicate use of alternative route.

C. Military movement south along main lines Göttingen-Fulda-Frankfurt and Cassel-Giessen-Frankfurt towards area Saarbrücken-Saargemünd.

Number of trains concerned in all these movements loaded with armour may be connected with move of 6th Panzer Army. Main flow of movement was towards Cologne with some directed towards Metz Sector.

4. Prisoners of War.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 17th November (excluding First French Army 14 to 17 November, Seventh United States Army, 2nd French Armoured Division, 1st Airborne Task Force 17th November). 688141.

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5. General.

In Vosges, consequences of sending reinforcements to south flank apparent in weakened resistance all along mountain chain: If threat of encirclement from south and north grows, divisions in mountains will have to withdraw hurriedly. Seven pontoon bridges ready for installation on Rhine Basle to Strasbourg 19th November.

In Metz sector enemy already withdrawn to outworks of Siegfried Line east of Thionville as far as inclusive 21st Panzer Division, but further south, in St Avold area, is still forward among fortifications of Maginot Line. If finally forced back onto whole length of Siegfried Line in south, length of line will be nearly double what it was when Allied offensive started.

Ardennes being milked both for Metz and for Cologne battle, 347th Division going south and 91st going north.

Picture of enemy order of battle in plain of Cologne as follows. Appears originally to have had 183rd Division forward of Linnich, 246th forward of Julich, 3rd Panzer Grenadier forward of Eschweiler, and 47th relieving 12th forward of Duren; South of these was embers of Schmidt battle, where 116th Panzer Division was in support of 275th and 89th, all three somewhat battered. First reaction to new Allied offensive was to import 9th Panzer Division and 15th Panzer Grenadier Division, presumably under 47th Panzer Corps, from reserve to support 183rd, counter attacking towards Geilenkirchen from southeast and northwest respectively.

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Second reaction appears to be important of 116th Panzer and 12th Division from south to support 246th, counter attacking towards Aldenhoven in defence of Julich, and possibly to support hard pressed 3rd Panzer Grenadier in some danger of being pocketed.

91st Division brought up from Ardennes to replace 116th Panzer in Schmidt area. Meantime I SS Corps seems to have taken up position in rear of Roer River, with headquarters behind Julich and 1st SS Panzer to the north, forward of Erkelenz, 12th SS Panzer to south in area Duren. Vaguer reports on 2nd SS Panzer and 9th SS Panzer indicate these may be further back on Erft River, former to north (Grevenbrouch) and latter to south (Elsdorf). This layout seems to be entirely defensive.

Reported move of 10th SS Panzer Division south may necessitate reinforcement at Arnhem. Divisions from 15th Army might be brought round. Unlikely II SS Panzer Corps will remain up north with all its children now in south: Probably will constitute II Corps under 6th Panzer Army. Time for some of the Parachute Divisions and perhaps a Parachute Corps to appear.

Stop press: Identifications by Prisoner of War
20th November:

225th Grenadier Regiment, 16th Division, Zonrupt
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Former sector of 198th Division which now not in
contact and presumably gone south. 490th Grenadier Regiment,
269th Infantry Division, area Morvillar (A48): Left La
Bresse (V33) 18th November.

Prisoner of War statement:

GOC 189th Division is General Degener.

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Soft shop found in 19th Army line by Allied drive
east of Montbéliard which reached Dannemarie (K 48). Enemy
withdrawn from Champagny (K 21). To North stubborn pocket
of resistance (previous para one operations). Encountered
east of Raon l'Etape (V 3779). Enemy disorganized and is
withdrawing along front east of Blamont. Report 553 Infantry
Division using band and other services as combat troops,
reflecting battered status of division. St Quirin (Q 50)
and St Georges evacuated by Germans. Rechicourt (Q30) and
Moussey occupied by Allies without opposition. Civilians
report bridge north of Dieuze (Q22) destroyed. Further
enemy withdrawals made Benzstroff area (Q 23). Tactical
reconnaissance reported roads clogged with enemy traffic
moving east.

Allied force from south made junction with drive
from north at Silly Sur Nied (Q06) completing ring around
Metz. Ft Plappeville (U86) reported evacuated by enemy.
Panzer reinforcements reported by tactical reconnaissance

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arriving 18 November at Merzig area (Q29) and at Saarbruecken. Improved weather conditions favored ground and air operations. To north enemy opposition spotty and light against Allied drive. Bouzonville (Q17) and Schwerdorff (Q18) reached. Considerable enemy vehicle traffic vicinity Roscheld (P87) during night. Vienden (P94) occupied by enemy patrol. Opposition heavy Stolbert area (K94) where street fighting reported in town. Allied held to small gains. Wire, mines and booby traps encountered. Tanks of 9 Panzer and 15 Panzer Grenadier Divisions have considerably stiffened enemy resistance Linnich Geilenkirchen area though latter town captured by Allies. Clear weather aid to maneuvers. Opposition stiffened after Allies entered Helden (E70). Little resistance encountered as Allied bridgeheads over Deurne Canal established in area E 71. Further indications of arrival elements 6 Panzer Army east of Roer River.

Para two. Order of battle. Identifications:

By prisoner of war: 18 November, 713 Grenadier Regiment, 416 Infantry Division, area Ancerville (Q 0099): state remainder of regiment withdrawn Freudenburg (L 1305) and 712 and 713 Grenadier Regiments combined because of losses.

18 November, 983 Grenadier Regiment 275 Infantry Division, area Hurtgen Forest: state regiment virtually wiped out Vossenack area two weeks ago. 19 November,

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reconnaissance and Panzer Battalions, 15 Panzer Grenadier Division, area Apweiler (K 9162): state latter has 7 to 8 Tigers of which three destroyed and division to reinforce Geilenkirchen area with mission to attack south westwards. 18 November, elements 33 Panzer Regiment, 9 Panzer Division south of Geilenkirchen (K 8563). 18 November, II Battalion 156 Panzer Grenadier Regiment east of Schevenhuetten (F 0142): state Headquarters 116 Panzer Division Kreuzau (F 1239). 19 November, 207 (Q 217) Panzer Battalion area Freialdenhoven (K 9559).

By document: Undated map shows I Battalion 21 Parachute Regiment holding sector on canal E 7204 since 13 November. Undated order confirms prisoner statement Headquarters 11 Panzer Division in hospital St Anne (Q 368388) 18 November.

By prisoner of war statement: 19 November, 902 Assault Gun Brigade with 31 guns east of Roer at K 9274. 18 November 2 SS Panzer Division concentrated south west of Grevenbroich (F17) and another unidentified Panzer Division immediately to south.

Para three. Movements.

Air cover 18 and 19 November gave reasonably complete picture of rail movement in western Germany: There appear to be two main trends:

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A. Movement of armour from direction Paderborn and
Lohne towards Ruhr.

B. Movement of possibly both infantry and armour
along main line Gottingen Fulda Frankfurt (Infantry ?)
and Cassel Giessen Frankfurt (Armour?) towards area Saar-
brücken and Seargemund.

Para 4. Prisoner of war.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 16 November (ex-
cluding First French Army 14 to 16 November and First Air-
borne Task Force 16 November): 685796.

Para 5. General.

Some degree of disorganization prevails along whole
sector of Army Group G. In far south remainders of 338
and 189 Divisions forward of Mulhouse being hastily reinforc-
ed by troops withdrawn from southern Vosges: 159 Division
moving to assistance of Belfort, where strongpoints still
defended but weakening. In Blamont sector battered 361 and
553 Volks Grenadier Divisions are finally beginning to
crumble. No evidence yet of arrival of reinforcements for
19th Army though division from Norway, if coming west, is
overdue: 306 Volks Grenadier Division, reported some time
ago by prisoner of war, still not contacted. First Army
evidently getting at least one Panzer Division by rail as
reinforcement, but still no contact: Air reconnaissance

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also makes plain that 91 Infantry Division is moving, possibly southwards and other reinforcements from Seventh Army possible. General trend of vehicular movement in Army Group G area forward of Siegfried Line is noticeably eastwards and northwards: on night 17/18 November however, very numerous road convoys up to sector Saarbruecken Zweibruecken, which suffered considerable losses from air attack.

In Ruhr battle enemy putting up solid and desperate resistance all along the line with very formidable concentration of artillery and flak, latter being used in ground role. Defense has so far been more successful in Cologne Sector than in Dusseldorf Sector. More armour, believed to belong to 5th Panzer Army, continues to arrive in latter where 3 Panzer Grenadier, 9 Panzer and 15 Panzer Grenadier all now committed in support of much battered 183 Volks Grenadier. 116 Panzer still in old area at Huertgen apparently not in good shape.

Still no sign of 6th Panzer Army in action though elements of all 4 SS Panzer Divisions (not the less conspicuous Panzer Lehr) have now been reported as present immediately in rear of battle by prisoners of war from other formations. Probable that the Army has still not completed move up: enemy also perhaps determined not to commit this final reserve until compelled and only when a definite Allied penetration has taken shape. Still no sign either of reformed parachute divisions in action.

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Stop press: Prisoners of war from 861 Grenadier
Regiment, 347 Infantry Division taken area Guinkirchen Q-
0668 19 November: state detained Boulay 15 November.

End

ACTION: G-2

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

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addressees ref no 182255A November 1944 SG 239 COSITINTREP 228.

A. General. Part II - Naval

US LST 6 damaged by underwater explosion 12 miles
from north of Seine on passage from Rouen to Le Havre.

B. Captured Ports.
Boulogne:

The salvage of Guernsey queen has raised the number
of alongside berths to 11 ranging in length from 500 to 180
feet. The laying of Plutchamel line has reduced the anchor
berths in Rade Carnot to two Liberty berths or four coasters.

Havre:

There are now nine Liberty berths and 12 coaster
berths: Coasters are berthed alongside. 19 alongside berths
are being prepared for Liberty ships.

Norlaix:

The number of Liberty berths available has risen
to six again.

Rouen: A rough estimate for daily acceptable
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draught can be taken as 2½ feet less than height of HW stand
at Le Havre.

Unloading figures for 17th November.

British

E Calvados	1073	373	80	683
Dieppe	125	-	2622	-
Boulogne	-	-	1561	-
Ostend	1968	31	2556	4606
Total:	3166	404	6819	5289

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Cherbourg	4	-	17745	1114
Beaches	-	-	551	-
Brittany ports	-	-	5079	-
Havre	2151	100	4769	-
Rouen	950	362	3028	1447
Total	3105	462	31172	2561
Combined total	6271	866	37991	7850

Ostend cumulative totals from 1st November to
15th November inclusive, 8699 1366 39622 3644

ACTION: OPD

End.

INFO: CC/S CG AAF ASF G-2 Adm King Col Park
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Air Rear 10 Main Headquarters 12th Army Group S 67454.

This is G-2 summary number 58 dated 19 Nov.

Part 1.
French Army and First Airborne Task Force 14 and 15
November 682960.

19th Army unable to offer more than light resistance
to Allied Drive Belfort area which reached Delle (A 47),
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attempt made by enemy to contain Allied bridgehead over Vez-
cuse River east of Blamont and Rechicourt (Q 30). Blamont
and Fremonville among towns lost by Germans. Ground drying
out.

Part 2.

No rain. Tanks able to operate off road in some
areas. Ground haze limited visibility to three to four miles.
South east of Metz enemy still unsuccessful in attempt to halt

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Allied drives and forced to give up more ground. Fighting reported in southern part of Metz. Allied drives on east and west banks of Moselle approaching outskirts of Metz from north. Enemy apparently disorganized somewhat by Allied drive to east which reached Freistroff (Q 07) and captured Waldweistroff (Q 08). Heavy mud and wire keeping armour road bound.

Southwest of Duern very stubborn resistance and counter attacks held Allies to small gains. Many mines and booby traps encountered in Hoch Wald (F 04). After reducing pillboxes and gun emplacements Weiden (K 84) and Warden (K 95) captured from enemy. Considerable activity in marshalling yards at Euskirchen (F 33). Geilenkirchen (K 86) still resisting although practically encircled. Heavier fighting reported as Allied bridgehead over Zig Canal (E 20) expanded eastwards. Patrol activity Nijmegen area. In Dunkirk area enemy attacks repulsed at Mardick (H 1583). No enemy reinforcements identified in any sector during the day.

Order of Battle.

Identifications: By Prisoner of War: 17 November elements III Battalion 1052 Grenadier Regiment 84 Infantry Division Erlekom (E 7862). 17 November 1058 Grenadier Regiment 91 Infantry Division west of Erum: states regiment leaving tonight for a threatened area said to be either Metz or Aachen. 17 November all three regiments 246 Volksgrenadier Division area Julich.

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By Prisoner of War statement: 8 November the
Panzer Anti Tank and Field Replacements Battalions 17th SS
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(R 09) constructing defences. 1st SS Panzer Division is
digging along east bank of Roer south of Erkelenz (F 0077)

Movements. Air cover of Cologne area on 18
November shows considerable activity including troop trains.

Air cover of Qottingen (C 52) on 18 November shows
much activity. Comment: This line known to be used by
division coming south from Denmark but evidence inconclu-
sive.

Air cover of Saarbrucken area on 17 and 18 November
shows much activity including heavy tank flats: also
much traffic including troop and materiel trains in Frank-
furt area moving southwestwards. Comment: Strong *.

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Comment: Strong indications of arrival of Panzer formation in Metz sector probably from northwest Germany.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 15 November (Excluding First French Army and First Airborne Task Force 14 and 15 November), 682960.

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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Rear, London, England
Headquarters 1st Allied Air Borne Army
War Office, London, England
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: S 67343 18 November 1944

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1. Operations. After resisting heavily 19th Army forced to retreat from Herimoncourt (K 48), Salencourt, Mandeuire. Heavy fighting at Montbelliard. Hericourt (K 39) captured. Civilians report three quarters St Die destroyed by fire. Enemy counterattacks Foret De Reclus at V 3680 repulsed. Heavy enemy resistance insufficient to halt Allies who have advanced within three kilometers south of Blamont (V 49) and bypassed the town on the south side. Stubborn resistance to crossings of Vexouse river this area. Undetermined number of enemy tanks vicinity hill 321 (V 3598) shelled by Allied artillery. Avricourt (Q 30) stubbornly defended by Germans where line reinforced. Ground conditions slightly improved and streams receding.

Southwest of Metz enemy withdrawn farther and line

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straightened somewhat. Fighting reported in outskirts south-west of Metz where prisoner reported all SS troops left city for Stvavold (Q 25). Allied bridgeheads north of Metz further expanded to south and east. Fort at U 8066 evacuated by enemy. To northeast enemy denied Allies Metzervisse (U 98) aided by favourable defense terrain and support from Forts of Gambetta (U 8662). Deroulede (U 8362) and St Julien (U 8861). Allies reached Kedange (U 98).

✓ Resistance Eschweiler area scattered but as Allies advanced heavy opposition developed. Ground favorable for defense and enemy well dug in behind mines and wire. Heavy fighting developed in Gressenich (K 94), Wurzeien (K 84) band around Setterich (K 95) and Apweiler (K 96). Counterattack by tanks from 9 Panzer Division during morning vicinity Puffendorf (K 96) repulsed with destruction of five tanks. Prisoners stated their unit committed morning of 17 November. Light showers fell during day with visibility reduced to 1/2 mile.

Small Allied bridgeheads established over Xig Canal at E 7204 against light resistance. Another bridgehead over Canal De Derivation at E 7304 where patrols report canal strongly held by enemy to south and north. Enemy reported east of Deurne Canal and area E 8027-7933. Vehicular movement heavy in rear area. Water level Waal and Neder Rijn fallen slightly. Nothing to report rest of front.

2. Order of battle. Identifications: by prisoners of war: 16 November 1212 Regiment ZEV (formerly 1000 Security

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Regiment) area Moffani (K 1701); 1214 Regiment ZBV (formerly Menke Regiment) east of Marvelise (P 2199) and elements 1210 Regiment ZBV (formerly 57 Training Battalion 251 Training Regiment) Sainte Marie (P 2888).

Comment: Confirmed that 159 and 189 divisions like 462 have been given an upgrading regimental numbers in twelve hundreds, former having 1209, 1210 and 1211 and latter 1212, 1213 and 1214. 16 November 50 Fortress Machine Gun Battalion Cemrier Woods (P 2486) and elements III Battalion 757 Grenadier Regiment Ecurcey (P 3877).

Comment: This is new 757 Grenadier Regiment formed locally for 338 Infantry Division. 17 November 21 Parachute Regiment 7 Parachute Division area De Heide (E 7304). 17 November 10 and 11 Panzer Grenadier Regiments, 9 Panzer Div area Immendorf (K 9062); state artillery also present but no knowledge of armour and division arrived Beeck (K 9166) on 16 November with mission of retaking Immendorf and believed division on way to Metz when diverted. 17 November elements II Battalion 958 Grenadier Regiment, 363 Infantry Division area Wageningen (E 57).

By civilian report: Headquarters 88 Corps east of Utrecht (E 2492).

By prisoners of war statements: 16 November Command Post 87 Grenadier Regiment, 36 Infantry Division south of Palquemont (Q 173479). Headquarters 19 Division at Saarlautern.

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Comment: If true indicates speedy withdrawal at
least by this division towards west wall.

By documents: Undated, believed recent, shows
Headquarters 17 SS Panzer Grenadier Division Fort Lanvalliere
(U 9159).

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total to 2400
hours 14th November excluding First French Army 12 to 14
November, First Airborne Tank Force 14 November: 681884.

5. General. Column of tanks seen moving west
from Merzig on 17 November supports story of arrival of
Panzer division from Metz sector, possibly 2 Panzer Division.

✓ No further reports of bringing up of 6~~th~~ Panzer Army.
For the present blunt of attack being borne by old Panzer
Divisions of Fifth Panzer Army. 116 Panzer not recently con-
tacted and may be moving north to join 9th Panzer, clearly
need for further reinforcements including Infantry in this
sector.

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War Office, London, England
Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Air Force,
Stanmore, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: S 67209 17 November 1944

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Army Group. First Allied Airborne Army to for info AFHQ
cite FHGBI. SHAEF Air Rear. Main Headquarters 12th Army
Group from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI.

Heavy enemy resistance unable to hold ground southwest
of St Die and Hill 623 (V 3763) lost. Fires observed in
St Die, La Pamherie (V 36) and La Voivre (3) previous.

1. Operations. Raon L' Etape still held by Germans.

East of Baccarat little enemy opposition encountered
in Foret de Reclos (V38). Domezre (V39) evacuated by Germans.
Light resistance west of Moussy (Q 20). Rain fell in this
sector and the morning was foggy.

Enemy Infantry column observed moving north from
Chemery (Q 14) toward Falquemont (Q 15). Prisoners state
48th Infantry Division being relieved destination unknown.
Enemy unable to destroy bridge south of Metz at U 8653

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No: S 67209 17 November 1944

before retreating. Metz encircled from south, west and north to within approximately four kilometers.

462nd Infantry Division forced out of Saulny, Vigneulles and Woippy (U 86). To northeast enemy fighting rearguard action Lacprois area (Q 08). Kirschnaumen (Q 08) stubbornly held for 2 1/2 hours before German withdrawal. Sierck les Bains and Rustroff (Q 09) also evacuated by enemy. Deserter claims a Panzer Division expected at Merzig (Q 29) 15 November. Scattered showers fell in this sector also.

Air operation reported towns of Kaltviller (L0290) Evandorff (L 0491) and Ritzning (L0793) burning although neither Allied Air or artillery had fired on towns.

Prisoners from 47th Infantry Division taken at Hamich (F 04) confirm conclusion relief of 12th Infantry Division by 47th Infantry Division in process when Allied attack started. Good progress made along whole sector by Allies. Extensive minefields and considerable were encountered. Artillery not as heavy as expected.

Enemy fighting fiercely in Gressenich (K 94). A prisoner stated unspecified SS Division was in Birgel (F 04) and deserter stated 12th SS Panzer Division arrived in Duren (F 14) 15 November. Other prisoners report presence of elements of 9th SS Panzer Division in area Elsdorf (F 1246) on 13th November. First suggestion that newly formed 6th Panzer Army coming up. Ground conditions reported not preventing progress.

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In Holland Wessem (K 78) still held by Germans otherwise Allies made good advances against light opposition and reached outskirts Roermond where reconnaissance shows rail bridge blown. Germans apparently attempting hold line Zig Deurne Canal. Meijed area heavily mined.

Civilians report heavy motor transport movement all day Klong (E 5185) and Arnhem. Also heavy movement line Arersfoort, Apeldoorn, Deventer. Enemy blown further two spans Moerdijk Bridge and appears sensitive to Allied Troop movements south of river.

2. Order of battle. Identifications: By prisoner of war: 16 November elements 758th Grenadier Regiment, 338th Infantry Division area P 2485.

16 November 1215th Grenadier Regiment 462nd Division vicinity Saulny (U 8163).

16 November 1211st Regiment ZBV area K 2816.

Comment: May be renumbering of regiment in upgraded 159th Division.

16th November elements 223 Grenadier Regiment 16th Infantry Division area V 3660 and elements 225th Grenadier Regiment area V 3762.

16 November 87th Grenadier Regiment area Q 157428.

16 November 78th Grenadier Regiment 26th Volksgrenadier Division area P 8263 states Division arrived 20 October and relieved 2 Panzer Divisions.

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16 November 990th Grenadier Regiment, 277th
Volks Grenadier Division area F 0007 states Division arrived
three days ago, GOC Colonel viewed *.

16 November one * Grenadier Regiment 47th Volksgrenadier
Division Hammich F 0044 * 103rd Grenadier Regiment Werth
K 9844: state Division relieving 12th Infantry Division.

✓ Comment: Elements 89th Grenadier Regiment 12th
Infantry Division still being contacted. Further state
Division arrived from Denmark in Dueren 13 November.

Comment: Probably equaled with Vendsyssel Division.

16 November III Battalion and 14th Company 19th
Parachute Regiment, 7th Parachute Division area K 6692.

By prisoner of war and deserter statements:

Command Post 209th Engineer Battalion, 11th Panzer
Division Q 271344.

Comment: Possible extension of division front.

Command Post 36th Infantry Division Hellimer Q 3345.
118th Grenadier Regiment, 36th Infantry Division Command
Post at Q 1648. 48th Infantry Division being pulled out
of line for reforming. Panzer Division expected at Merzig
Q 2094 on 15th November.

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Headquarters First Army at Homburg (?Q3160).
714th Grenadier Regiment 416th Infantry Division area
Kaltvillers Q 0290 and 712th Grenadier Regiment area Haute
Sierck Q 0288.

✓ SS Division in area Birgel (F 0942).

✓ 12 Panzer Division arrived Dueren (F 1246) 15th
November.

✓ 9th SS Panzer Division area Elsdorf (F 1860) 12
November.

✓ 60 tanks Erkelenz (F 0076) on 10th November and
20 tanks Gereonwkiller (F 9363) on 12th November.

22nd German Air Force Regiment of 176th Infantry Division
area K 7273 16 November.

Notes. Officer Prisoner of War from 119th Panzer
Grenadier Regiment states 107th Panzer Brigade incorporated
in 25th Panzer Grenadier Division as 119th Panzer Grenadier
Regiment.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total to 2400
hours 13 November (excluding First French Army and First
Airborne Task Force 10th to 13th November, Seventh United
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5. General. In Metz battle area appears that 48th and 559th Divisions which took heavy casualties in opening phases now withdrawn from line: report of Panzer Division arriving at Merzig may indicate 2nd Panzer Division, believed reforming recently at Koblenz, now in way up.

Clear from prisoner of war statements that Dusseldorf-Trier sector, recently reinforced by 6th Volksgrenadier Division, is now getting Sixth Panzer Army in addition: evidence points to 9th SS and 12th SS Panzer Divisions forward of Cologne, and these would naturally be accompanied by 1st SS Panzer. Armour further north at Erkelenz might possibly then include Panzer Lehr and 2 SS Panzer Divisions.

Allied advance toward Meuse has not yet contacted any new formations, in particular no new parachute divisions, precise locations of which remain uncertain. Elements of 5th and 9th Parachute Regiment reported in Nijmegen area now believed to be only remnants of these Regiments from Normandy incorporated in battle groups.

Stop press: Identifications by prisoner of war, all 16th November: * 3rd Grenadier Regiment 183rd Volksgrenadier Division south of Hunshoven (K 8764) and 330th Grenadier Regiment area Setterich (K 9259) Puffendorf: 404th Grenadier Regiment, 246th Volksgrenadier Division area Mariedorf (K 9252): 29th Panzer Grenadier Regiment 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division area K 8950 and 8th Panzer Grenadier Regiment area K 8747: 875th Hq Artillery Battalion area Aldenhoven (K 9356) End
*Being serviced.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Perk, Log.
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4 In south 19th Army front weather continues very bad. Allied progress made along each side Doubs River. Vermondan heavily mined. Moderate resistance offered area Gemonval (F2090).

To north LXIV Corps still fighting hard at Raon L' Etape (southeast of Baccarat). Allied drive south Blamont cleared Harbouey (V3797).

4 Counter attacks with tanks by 11th Panzer Division and 36th Infantry Division against allied drive southeast of Metz all repulsed and some allied gains made. North of Metz 25th Panzer Grenadier Division heavily attacked by allies who made advances to within few thousand yards of city

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From south Luxembourg to Aachen area snow fog and rain impeded operations and only artillery fire reported. North of Aachen where weather and ground conditions considerably improving slight German patrolling carried out.

Allied drive towards Meuse in Holland cleared Meijel and advanced to Heynhuizen (K7292) and east of Grothem (K6990) meeting slight opposition and many mines.

Prisoners of War state no enemy west of Deurne Canal.

2. Order of battle. Identifications:

14 November elements 658th Artillery Regiment area V 3194: states new artillery regiment 708th Volksgrenadier Division. 15th November 1 Battalion 748th Grenadier Regiment area Bertrichamps (V3382). 14th November I Battalion and 14th Company Roth Regiment Bretigny-Deutal area (P2485); States 8 days ago regiment became 758th Grenadier Regiment 338th Infantry Division. 14th November II Battalion 110th Panzer Grenadier Regiment 11th Panzer Division Landroff (Q1741).

14th November elements I Battalion 165th Grenadier Regiment Many (Q1145). 14th November 10th Company 35th Panzer Grenadier Regiment 25th Panzer Grenadier Division area Delstein (Q07).

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15th November Prisoner of War 119th Panzer Grenadier Regiment north of Metz. 11th November 77th Volksgrenadier Regiment 26th Volksgrenadier Division area Putscheid (P8656) and 15th November elements II Battalion 78th Volksgrenadier Regiment area P8660.

14th November deserters I Battalion Regiment Hubner area E 692806: States rearguard 115th Panzer Grenadier Regiment withdrew 12 November also state engineers withdrawn to Meuse leaving area heavily mined. 14th November elements II Battalion Bremer Regiment (E7722) states Parachute Division Erdmann north of them.

By document: Undated document Headquarters 344th Infantry Division Kesseleik (E8099). Undated marked map found in bag General Oschmann(?) killed while inspecting in Cemrier Woods shows headquarters 338th Infantry Division Vieux Chaumont (A3380) including 758th Grenadier Regiment with 2 battalions stationed between Arcey and Doubs. Command Post Arcey (P28). 759th Grenadier Regiment in position Doubs bend and Command Post Voujeaucourt (P3484); Geiger Regiment between Doubs and Swiss border. Division has two battalions in reserve: 50th Machine Gun Battalion and 338th Panzer Grenadier Battalion. Command Post Audincourt (A3376). Boundary between 338th Infantry Division and 159th Infantry Division runs about one kilometer west of road number 83 between Arcey and Desandans.

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Comment: Indicates 338th Division having given up 933rd Grenadier Regiment and 308th Grenadier Regiment is now being reformed on old basis by incorporating miscellaneous elements in new sector. Geiger Regiment possibly temporary substitute for 757th Grenadier Regiment which is still being reported in 64th Corps sector.

By ground source: 14 November Headquarters 361st Volksgrenadier Division located blockhouse area Guermange (Q3122).

By statement: Headquarters 19th Infantry Division Dalstein (Q07) 11 November. Prisoner 304th Panzer Grenadier Regiment states 2nd Panzer Division area Koblenz since 6 September. Believed to be still there.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War.

A. Total prisoners of war for Walcheren, north and south Beveland: 11688.

B. Total prisoners of war captured up to 2400 hours 12 November excluding First French Army and First Airborne Task Force for 10, 11 and 12 November and Seventh United States Army and 2nd French Armoured Division for 11 and 12 November: 679733.

✓ 5. General. After several counter attacks in Metz sector enemy now more defensive and hard put to it to prevent

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encirclement of town itself. Still no sign of fresh
armour being sent to this area and bulk enemy Panzer forma-
tions believed ready in more vital sector Cologne-Dusseldorf.

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1. Operations.

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In Alps sector enemy active at Col du Mont Cenis
(WK 43) and Col de Frejus.

On 19th Army front intermittent snow hampering
movement. Le Tholy (V24) and La Bresse (V33) fired by enemy.
Bridge at Le Tholy blown. To north enemy withdrawn from
Granges (V24), high ground east of Rehaupal at V2948, Lansay
(V35), Vienville (V35), Ivoux (V35). Heavy enemy resistance
still bars western approaches to St Die but 3 to 400 enemy
shelled marching north from town. Opposition in woods east
of Baccarat from small scattered groups. Allied patrols
probing Neufmaisons (V 38) without contact. Flare of stub-
born fighting at Ste Pole (V 39) otherwise light opposition
this area. To north heavy enemy fire from ridge Q 2701 to
Q 2608 slowed down Allied drive. Bridge over Rhine Marne
Canal at Lagarde (Q 21) blown. Enemy reported in town.

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Enemy well entrenched with tank support this general area.

Main road north east from Dieuze cut by Allies.
Burgaltdorf (Q23) reached. Coin les Curvy (U84), Curvy
(U 85), Pouilly (U 85) Kuntzig (U 98), Inglaage (U98) lost
to Allies. Rear area west of Metz shelled by 280 millimeter
artillery.

East of Aachen intense enemy fire in Vossenack Ker-
meter area (F 03). Strong combat patrol driven off by Allied
artillery. Drizzly showers added to soggiessness of ground.
Considerable movement rear areas Zulich Roermond area. Allied
attack secured bridgehead Nederweert (E 60) and across canal
to south east and north east. Panheel locks (K 6988) secured.
No serious enemy opposition yet. Uncertain how far enemy
main defense line withdrawn. Deserters claim enemy forewarned
by Allied radio telegraphy insecurity. Weather prevented
flying. No activity rest of front.

2. Order of Battle.

Identifications by Prisoner of War:
13 November, 15th Panzer Regiment, 11th Panzer Divis-
ion, area Villers (Q 1236): states I Battalion has 25th
Panther tanks and 8 mark IV.

14th November, 192nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment along
road U 990526-Q000521: states other regimental units area
Berlize (Q 0152).

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14th November, 681st General Headquarters Anti Tank
Battalion area Herry (Q0845): states equipped 2788 millimeter
guns and left Ptlapd on 9th November.

K 8749. 14th Nov. 29th Panzer Grenadier Regiment at

By excellent source:
10th November Headquarters 712th Inf Division, Buren
(E37).

By document:
25th October eastern boundary 88th Corps at Ochten
(E5069) thence northwest; northern boundary 2nd Parachute
Corps (E7863) thence east along north bank of Wesel:

II SS Corps contains 363rd Division west and 10th
SS Panzer Division southeast with division boundary passing
through railway bridge at E 7076. Undated map shows elements
22nd SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment in corps reserve Babberik
(E 96).

Notes: 320th Grenadier Regiment at Oberbillig (L1325)
now confirms as in 212 Volksgrenadier Division reformed in
Poland six weeks ago. Division went to east Prussia thence
by rail to Pfalzel (L2531) arriving on night 11th to 12th
November to relieve 36th Infantry Division; comprises usual
young recruits, old men, naval and GAF personnel with cadre
of veterans. Several prisoners of war from 708th Volksgrenadier
Division state 306th Infantry Division followed them from

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Czechoslovakia and detained at Strasbourg.

3. Movements.
Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War.
Accumulative total to 2400 hours 11th November
(excluding First French Army 9 to 11, First Airborne Task
Force 10 to 11, Seventh United States Army and Second French
Armoured Division 11th November): 677,543.

5. General.
of 212nd Division and 681st Anti Tank
Battalion from Poland and East Prussia significant of pri-
ority enjoyed by western front at present moment.

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: S 66748 14 November 1944

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Nineteenth Army forced out of Chambray (V 24). Counter attack east of Baccarat (V 28) repulsed. Weather very bad on southern sector of front causing great difficulties.

Moderate enemy opposition encountered south and southeast Lagerde (Q 21) which increased as Allies progressed east to Leintrey (Q 20) and Remoncourt (Q 20). Road vicinity Lagerde cut. No artillery fire and very few mines met. Five Tiger tanks abandoned Faze area (Q 0632) undamaged and out of gas.

Report enemy using recognition panels similar to ours to avoid air and artillery attacks. Enemy counter

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attacks at key points. Chateau Salins Sector held Allies to small gains although counter attacks repulsed. Many and Thiocourt (Q 14) lost to Allies. Enemy reported withdrawn from Anverville (Q 14). Prisoner stated 500 enemy withdrew from Luppy (U94) with orders to go to area Q 5157.

Indications 36th Infantry Division now on this sector of front with mission to attack.

Enemy fort at Thionville (U 88) surrendered. Allied bridge over Moselle destroyed by enemy artillery fire. Additional Allied bridgehead over Moselle established at U 8579. Yutz (U 88) evacuated by enemy.

Enemy counter attack destroyed Allied bridge at U 9592 after which original line restored. On sector southwest of Duren activity by enemy limited to one counter attack southwest of Schmidt (F 02) which was contained.

Ground conditions soggy owing to melting snow, and rain hampered operations. Heavy Nebelwerfer fire received area Geilenkirchen (K 86) with delayed action bursts from 30 minutes to 12 hours.

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Reports on enemy concentrations in this area increasing. Self propelled guns reported vicinity Immendorf (K 86). Weather drizzly all day this front.

River Meuse in flood and bridge at E 5555 broken by current. High water forced slight withdrawal area E 7657-9. Armenian deserters from Schouven state island garrison consists of 650 Germans and 300 Armenians.

Para. 2. Order of Battle. Identifications:

By Prisoner of War: 12 November, 14th Company. 951st Grenadier Regiment, 361st Infantry Division, area Han-Sur-Nied (Q 0444): States entire regiment in area with mission reinforcing where needed.

13 November, 268th Artillery Regiment, 36th Infantry Division: States division ordered leave area Trier (L 2129) and all three regiments now ordered to attack in area Folkenburg (Q 1750).

12 November, deserters I Battalion 125th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 21st Panzer Division southwest Metz: States elements I and II Battalions moved from Baccarat

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(V 2684) east Chanville (Q 0550) on 12 November.

13 November, elements 106th Panzer Brigade area
Remelach (Q 04).

13 November, 320 Grenadier Regiment, 212nd Infantry
Division area Obberbillig (L 1325): Identification based
on statement, Solbuch shows 488th Grenadier Regiment, 268th
Infantry Division; states his division new formation arriv-
ing former area 118 *

Division comprises 35th Panzer Grenadier Regiment,
107th Panzer Brigade, 25th Artillery Regiment and 25th Anti
Tank Battalion.

II Battalion 35th Panzer Regiment to be formed next
week but 119th Panzer Grenadier Regiment not to be reformed.
Division reformed area Nuremburg (O 50) moved to Baumholder
(L 81) remaining there until 9 November

Para 3. Movements. Nothing to report.

Para 4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total to
2400 hours 10 November (excluding Sixth Army Group 9 to 10
November, First French Army 8 to 10 November, Second French

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Armored Division 9 to 10 November, First Airborne Task Force
8 to 10 November): 677,367.

Para 5. General. Enemy has reacted violently to Allied attack in Metz Sector and evidently still hopes to halt our advance and even restore situation. So far no real indication that he has decided to give up Metz, or his hold on the Moselle. Continued evidence including identification of fresh divisions at front, of enemy determination to oppose with all the power he can muster any large scale offensive by Allied.

Ground and air conditions and well developed defenses favor him. No sign yet in Metz area of any contribution from 5th and 6th Panzer Armies and probable he appreciates main threat to be further north. Consider part of 6th Panzer now available for employment either offensively or defensively. Possibility of spoiling attack by enemy armor not excluded but more likely enemy action will be in form of immediate and strong counter action against Allied penetrations.

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summary number 52 dated 13th November.

1. Operations.

In Alps sector large enemy patrols in Saint Germain
region between Le Salom and Les Havannes.

In Vosges moderate enemy resistance encountered
south of La Chapelle (V 25). Hand to hand fighting with
undetermined number enemy area La Houssiere (V 35).

Allied advance east of Baccarat met some opposition
but believed enemy withdrawing to east lane Meurthe between
here and St Die.

First Army troops continue strong defensive
attitude Foret de Chateau Salins area. Tank and vehicles
of all types observed making withdrawal from north edge of
forest towards Morhange (Q 13) during afternoon.

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Bridge at Q 0444 captured intact by Allies.

Sporadic fighting reported area U 9547.
To north stiff resistance met at bridgehead area.

Armoured reconnaissance reported large concentration
enemy tanks area Q 0094.

Continued enemy pressure in Acertgen Vossenach area
(F 03). Local counter attacks made initial penetration
after which enemy pushed back to original position.

Prisoners report observing vehicles bearing 116th
Panzer Division insignia moving north 10th November.
Comment: Likely enough as numerous reports of movement
have been received. Enemy motor movement Schleiden Hoengen
road (K 95).

Particularly heavy movement reported southeast of
Roermond (K 79).

Waal River at Nijmegen is rising and has reached
danger point.

Enemy rail movement Tiel area (E 46) and tracked vehicles
observed moving west to east at Ochten (E 57).

2. Order of battle.

Identifications. By Prisoner of War: 9th November,
elements 251st Grenadier Reserve Regiment, 159th Infantry
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Division, Ronchamp (K 2308).

11th November, elements (1 Prisoner of War) 106th
Panzer Brigade area Metz.

12th November, 35th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, 25th
Panzer Grenadier Division, area Kerling (U 9989) and 25th
Assault Gun Battalion same area: State relieved 21st
Panzer Division now in area Q 1050.

12th November, 760th Grenadier Regiment area
Migneville (V 2993). Comment: New identifications,
divisional number unknown.

Notes. Prisoner of War from 504th Mobile Battalion
states now acting as II Battalion 404th Grenadier Regiment.
Comment: 246th Volks Grenadier Division reforming.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War on accumulative total to 2400
hours 9th November (excluding First French Army and First
Airborne Task Force 9th November): 676,087.

5. Weather, 12th November. Northern area generally
broken overcast: Occasional light rain. Visibility 1 to
2 miles AM, 2 to 6 miles PM.

Southern area generally overcast all day. Scattered
rain, snow and fog. Visibility 1 to 2 miles.

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General. Continuing indications of large scale enemy regrouping and reinforcement particularly in Metz battle area and in sector Cologne Dusseldorf. If Prisoner of War statement on move of 21st Panzer Division to Metz correct (and it is supported by presence of 106th Panzer Brigade).

Blamont sector left dangerously bare: 760th Grenadier Regiment should therefore be part of division arrived as replacement.

Stop press. 21st Panzer Division contacted southeast of Metz. 760th Grenadier Regiment identified with 728th and 748th as 3 regiments of 708th Volks Grenadier Division reformed in Czechoslovakia.

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TONNAGE STATISTICS

I. NORTHERN FRANCE.

A. Port Capacities as of 27 September 1944:

1. American:

Roscoff, Morlaix	-	3,000 tons/day	
St. Brieux	-	600	"
Granville	-	4,000	"
Cherbourg	-	16,000	"
Barfleur, St. Vaast and Isigny	-	2,000	"
Utah Beach	-	4,000	"
Omaha Beach	-	8,000	"
LeHavre	-	4,000	"(Up to 6,000 by 15 Oct)
Rouen	-	None	(3,000 by 15 Oct)
Calais	-	None	(To be used by America)
Antwerp	-	None	(Projected to 25,000)
			(Building to 35,000)
			(Available starting 15 Nov

2. British:

Caen	-	3,000 tons/day	
British Beach	-	3,000	"
Dieppe	-	3,500	"
Boulogne	-	None	(To be used by British)
Antwerp	-	None	(Projected to 15,000)

B. Reported Overland Supply Route Daily Tonnages:

1. Actual Reports.

a. Rail.

- (1) 13 September 44.
Normandy-Paris (20 trains) - 7,194 tons/day
Paris-Northeast & East (19 trains)-6,757 "
- (2) Daily average 20 thru 24 Sept 44, inclusive.
Normandy to Paris (22 trains) - 7,600 tons/day
- (3) 28 September 44.
Normandy-Paris (25 trains) -10,658 "
Paris-East & Northeast (25 trains)-10,000 "

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b. Truck - Average 1 Sept 44 thru 9 Sept 44.
 Normandy-Paris-Northeast & East (RED BALL) - 5,122 tons/day
 Brittany-Army areas (West) - 1,200 "
 Miscellaneous - 500 "
 Total: 6,822 "

c. Pipe Line - Capacity as of 27 Sept 44 is 1,200 tons/day.

2. Target 1 to 15 Oct 44 (Major Heumen, OCT, ETOUSA):

a. Rail.
 Normandy-Paris (29 trains) - 11,600 tons/day
 Brittany-Paris (6 trains) - 2,400 "
 Paris-Northeast (27 trains) - 10,800 "
 Paris-East (19 trains) - 7,600 "
 Brittany-Rennes & LeMans (6 trains) - 2,400 "
 b. Truck.
 Normandy-Paris - 6,900 "
 Normandy-Army Area (West) - 2,300 "
 LeHavre-East - 4,000 "

II. SOUTHERN FRANCE.

A. Port Capacities as of 1 Oct 44:
 Marseilles - 8,500 tons/day
 Port De Bouc - 2,500 "
 Toulon - Civil Supplies only.

B. Overland Supply Route Daily Tonnages:

1. Actual Reports.

a. Rail - 1 Oct 44.
 Marseilles north via Lyon - 3,000 tons/day
 Marseilles north via Grenoble - 1,900 "
 b. Truck - 1 Oct 44
 Marseilles north (route not available) - 1,900 "
 c. Pipe Line - from Port De Bouc.
 One 4" pipe line is operating.
 One 4" pipe line is operating to La Mede, a can filling point.
 One 6" pipe line is operating.
 Another 6" pipe line is under construction.

(2) To Rhone Valley:

One 4" pipe line is operating to Avignon and under construction to Valence and to Lyon. Operational date at Valence is to be 15 Oct 44, and at Lyon, 30 Oct 44. Its capacity is 500 tons daily.

One 6" pipe line is under construction to Avignon with operational date to Avignon set for 12 Oct 44. Its capacity is 1,500 tons daily.

2. Rail Tonnage Targets.

15 Oct 44	-	10,000 tons/day
25 Oct 44	-	12,000 "
1 Nov 44	-	15,000 "

C. Rail Lines to be opened:

Lyon to Dijon via Macon and Chalon - double track - 15 Oct 44.

Valence to Moirans - double track - 15 Oct 44.

Is-Sur-Tille to Epinal via Culmont-Chalindrey, Andilly, Hymon

Mattaincourt - double track - 20 Oct 44.

Port d' Atelier to Culmont-Chalindrey, thence to Andilly -
double track - 15 Oct 44.

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From: Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department

NR: 119

12 November 1944

~~TOP SECRET~~ To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff,
Central District UK Base for British Chiefs of Staff info
to Admiralty CINCMED COMGENSIXTH Army Group COMNAVFOR France
from SHAEF signed Ramsay. Part 1 of my 121920. Reference
SHAEF no 119.

French authorities have requested that the following
French ships be made available for operation INDEPENDENCE
and CINCMED has confirmed that they can be released:

Lorraine Duquesne Gloire two DD's two DE's eight
French YMS one trawler depot ship for YMS. 2. Early
approval.

End

*opening Part of
Bordeaux.*

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To: War Department

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SHAEP signed Ramsey.

Of above is requested in order that ships may start
immediate preparations for operation and voyage to UK or
French Atlantic port as designated later.

3. It has been further agreed with French authorities
that command of the above force will be vested in a French
flag officer who will be subordinate to General de Larminat
for this operation in accordance with the principle of unity
of command.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Adm. Leahy
Gen. Arnold
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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department
United Kingdom Base Section, London, England

No. S 66495 12 November 1944

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On further consideration am averse to the arrangement of an armistice at Dunkirk for the exchange of 90 seriously wounded Germans. Reasons for this recommendation are:

(A) Strict orders have been issued to formations forbidding local armistices.

(B) The danger to security of arranging the transfer of wounded at any point on our front having regard to the developing situation.

(C) It is to our advantage if the enemy in Dunkirk is unable to look after his wounded as this will have serious effect on his morale.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Adm Leahy Gen Bissell
Gen Arnold Adm King
Gen Hull C of S
Gen Henry

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main Versailles France

To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

Nr: S 66474 12 November 1944

From SHAEF Main from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI 121330A to (1), TROOPERS (2) AGWAR cite WDGBI (3), TAC 21st Army Group (4) Main 21 Army Group (5), 6th Army Group (6), TAC 12th Army Group (7), First Allied Airborne Army, to for info AFHQ cite FHGBI (9), SHAEF Air Rear (10), Main Hq 12th Army Group. S 66474. This is G-2 Summary Number 51 dated 12th November.

1. Operations.

On 19th Army Front rain and snow showers with colder weather slowed down operations. Slight Allied gains St Die.

First Army reaction to Allied drives general area Chateau Salins mainly withdrawal with rearguard action and local counter attacks. Resistance poorly organized. Considerable vehicle and troop movements to north and northeast late afternoon 10th November. More elements 11th Panzer Division arrived from Metz and identified by prisoners area Forêt de Chateau Salins. Villeres (Q 13) Gerbecourt (Q 20) Foville (U 93) and Luppy (U 94) lost to Allies.

North of Metz heavy enemy resistance limited Allied expansion of bridgehead over Moselle to area U 8979. Allied bridgehead at Koenigsmacher (U 9489) expanded. Enemy counter attacks repulsed with resultant German loss of ground to Elzange (U 89) Kierling Sur Sierck (U 89) and Hunting (U 99). Southwest of Duren (F 14) continued fierce enemy opposition held Allies to negligible gains: No contact with 116 Panzer Division in line. Nothing to report remainder of front.

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Mr: S 66474 12 November 1944

2. Order of battle.

Identifications: By prisoner of war:

10th November elements II Battalion 128th Grenadier
Regiment 48th Infantry Division east of Tincry (Q 0234).
10th November, 813 Super Heavy Fortress Machine Gun Battalion
area Lubencourt (Q 1028). 401st Artillery Brigade reported
in same area.

Notes: 272nd Infantry Division now reported as
Volks Grenadier. Prisoner taken from battle group Wegelein
(275 Infantry Division) area F 0235 states unit was to have
been relieved by a Volks Grenadier Division.

Comment: Seems too far north for 272.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of war.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 8th November
excluding First French Army and First Airborne Task Force
6-8 November; Seventh United States Army and 2nd French
Armoured Division 8 November: 674,594.

5. Weather.

Broken to overcast sky along entire front. Scattered
rain and snow showers all day. Visibility half to two miles
forenoon, 3 to 5 miles in afternoon. End

ACTION: G-2

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

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To: War Department

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11 November 1944

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Main EXFOR: Sixth Army Group; TAC 12th Army Group; First
Allied Airborne Army to for info to APHQ cite PHGBI: SHAEF
Air Rear; Main Headquarters 12th Army Group from Strong
signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI.

1. Operations.

In Alps sector the enemy burned three villages on
Larche Pass road between Allied lines and Italian border.
Nineteenth Army withdrawn from Foret Domaniale De Champ
(V 35).

St Die area enemy driven back to east bank Meurthe
River south of Raon L'Etape (V 37). Bridges blown this area.
Stiff enemy resistance Foret De Chateau Salins throughout
day.

Prisoner from 11th Panzer Division states unit's
mission to dig in and defend forest.

Amelecourt (Q 02), Coutures (Q 02), Fremerey (Q 03),
Vigny (U 94) among towns lost to Allies. To north Koenigsmacher
(U 98) lost to Allies, but to immediate east enemy counter
attacks met with local success. Some enemy tanks in action
this sector. Continued enemy pressure maintained Schmidt
sector (P 04).

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

Re: S 66376 11 November 1944

Increased activity rear areas vicinity Julich and
Mersch (F 06), also to north area K 7574. Situation on
Schouwen not clear at present but recent news is only eastern
tip of island occupied by Allies.

2. Order of Battle.

Identifications:

By prisoner of war: 10 November, elements II
Battalion 110th Panzer Grenadier Regiment Forêt De Chateau
Salins (Q 0828) and Gerbercourt (Q 1028): stated unit left
area north Metz (U 8658) 9 November and arrived Forêt night
9 to 10 November.

Elements II Battalion 111th Panzer Grenadier Regiment
area Diviers (Q 0433). Other elements areas Morhange (Q 1936)
Comphil (Q 2133).

9 November elements II Battalion 1119th Grenadier
Regiment 553rd Infantry Division Uival (Q 143) states
battalion 8th Panzer Corps Reserve.

Comment: Presumably 58th Panzer Corps. 10 November
command post 1126th Grenadier Regiment Comphil (Q 2133);
elements 975th Coast Artillery Regiment area Oriocourt
(Q 0230) 1 November states unit left Norway middle September
joined 1559th Artillery Regiment in October.

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Main, Versailles, France

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9 November elements I Battalion 74th Grenadier
Regiment 19th Infantry Division area Valmestroff (U 9088).

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 7th November
(excluding First French Army 5 to 7 November and First
Airborne Task Force 6 and 7 November) 66,580.

5. Weather 10th November.

Scattered rain and snow showers morning; rain showers
afternoon. Broken low clouds ceiling 1,000 to 2,000 feet,
visibility generally good.

6. General.

With development of Allied offensive to be expected
that enemy will very shortly bring up all available reserves
in determined effort to scotch crisis for winter. Believed
that four reformed parachute divisions are by now ready for
First Parachute Army and five reformed panzer divisions
primarily for Dusseldorf Cologne sector; though some may
eventually have to be switched to Army Group G, efforts will
probably be made to avoid this even at the cost of yielding
territory in the south. In addition 272nd Infantry Division
is probably harbinger of several similar low grade infantry
divisions.

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Main, Versailles, France

Rr: 8 66376

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Altogether beyond capabilities of these forces to stage counter offensive, especially in view of oil situation, though given time and opportunity they are still capable of attempting a spoiling attack. More probable that counter attacks against Allied thrusts towards Ruhr will be main role of panzer divisions acting as mobile reserve and these likely to be furious and determined. Parachute divisions which lack mobility more likely to go into the line right away and hold on grimly.

Newly arriving infantry which lacks battle experience likely to be used for preference in quieter areas, relieving better divisions for use in more critical sectors.

End

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INFO: CC/S
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From: Chiefs of Staff
To: SHARP (Main)
Rptd: Joint Staff Mission

Date- JAN 4 1942

Signature- RHP

No. OZ 6642 10 November 1944

Following for General Eisenhower from Chiefs of Staff.

Would be glad to have any comments you may wish to offer on following communication which has been received from German government through Swiss Government.

BEGINS:

German Legation request that following communication may be conveyed to British Government -

"Commander of German operation base at Dunkirk surrounded by British troops has reported that, on occasion of suspension of hostilities for purpose of evacuation of civilian population of that town, he requested Commander of the British troops to have regard to hospitals in Dunkirk. This, he says, was promised. When subsequently, on October 14, hospital was fired on and hit by British Artillery, Commander at Dunkirk lodged written protest with Commander of British troops, giving an exact indication of position of hospitals in question. Nevertheless hospital was shortly afterwards fired on at night despite fact that there were no military positions in the vicinity. There were also British wounded in the hospital. As exact position of hospitals in Dunkirk had been communicated by Commander to the British troops situated in front of operations base, firing on hospitals cannot have been case of

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chance hits. On contrary it must be assumed that firing was intentional.

German government must therefore lodge energetic protest against this infringement of international law."

End

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary
Forces, Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department

No. S 66236 10 November 1944

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EXFOR, Sixth Army Group, TAC Twelfth Army Group, First
Allied Airborne Army to for information AFHQ cite FHGBI.
SHAEP Air Rear, Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group from
Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI S66236.

1. Operations.

Nineteenth Army still fighting stubbornly south
and southeast edge Foret Domaniale (V35). Resistance moder-
ate west of St Die with enemy showing sensitive reaction
to Allied patrols to north.

Rain, snow and colder weather making operations
difficult. Allied drives Chateau Salins area (Q11) meeting
with success and enemy forced out of Marsal, Hampont (Q12)
east of Hannocourt Fonteney (Q03) and east of Liccourt
(U93). East of Thionville Allies established 3 bridge-
heads over Moselle river and enemy withdrawing against
heavy pressure. On Walcheren all organized enemy resist-
ance ceased.

2. Order of Battle.

Identifications:

Deserters in area K9522 state they belonged to
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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary
Forces, Main, Versailles, France

No. S 66236 10 November 1944

981st Grenadier Regiment of 272nd Infantry Division and
had relieved 89th Infantry Division.

Comment:

272nd Infantry Division apparently also re-
suscitated.

Notes:

Still uncertain whether 272nd is a Volksgrenadier Division or has been reformed extempore like 89th etcetera. Documents show 256th Infantry Division (32 wave) was due to complete its setting up which apparently began officially early September by 10 October. Officer, Prisoner of War states 46th Volksgrenadier Divisions to have complete formations by sometime in November.

3. Movements.

Main rail movement revealed by Tactical Reconnaissance 8 November as in area west of Dusseldorf, 2 possible military trains present at Gladbach, another possible military train moving east between Neuss-Dusseldorf. Some southbound movement on line Mannheim Karlsruhe including a possible military train. A possible military train observed moving west line Kaiserslautern Saarbrücken, loaded military train stationary north of Saarlautern.

An excellent source states in 2 separate reports:

Convoy of 4 transport ships arrived Aarhus 8

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Forces, Main, Versailles, France

No. S 66236 10 November 1944

November. 30 unit trains will leave about 9 November
from Vendsyssel Denmark and Kimmerland at rate of 8 to 12
trains per day.

Comment:

Unlikely trains carried anything that may have
arrived in the 4 ships as Aarhus too far south.

4. Prisoners of War.

Total captured up to 2400 hours 6 November (in-
cluding First French Army and First Airborne Task Force
for 5th and 6th November) 665,130.

5. Weather:

9th November: Broken to overcast skies, ceiling
1000 to 2000 feet. Scattered rain and snow showers along
front. Visibility 2 to 6 miles generally, restricted in
precipitation areas.

End.

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

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department

No: S 66102

9 November 1944

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On southern sector 19th Army front only patrol activity reported.

Allied offensive on 13th SS and 89th Corps fronts made some headway.

Vic Sur Seille (Q 12), Eply (U 83), Sallones (Q 02), Bezange La Petite (Q 11), Moncourt (Q 11) captured by Allies morning 8 November.

Enemy continued to resist fiercely in Nomeny (U 93) and Mailly.

To north heavy artillery fire directed against Vossenack (F 03) at easterly tip Allied salient.

Considerable tank activity in Hurtgen forest. 15 to 19 German tanks knocked out 8 November this sector.

To north some German movement reported eastern edge Ederen (K 9662) otherwise no unusual activity.

In western Holland, organized resistance on bridgehead south of Moerdyke bridge ceased. Moerdyke taken by Allies.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

No: 8 66102

9 November 1944

On Walcheren two pockets Germans remain each about
100 men strong; at Gapinge and St Laurens (E 13).

2 Order of battle.

Identifications: By Prisoner of War: 7 November
deserters elements II Battalion 126th Grenadier Regiment,
48th Infantry Division: Stated mission to hold high ground
area Montigny (U 9032).

Also other elements same regiment Tincry (Q 0234.)

7 November elements II Battalion 38th SS Panzer
Grenadier Regiment Les Menils (U 8339).

1431st Fortress Infantry Battalion attached 17th SS
Panzer Grenadier Division Rouves (U 8734) Cvm states
elements unit in reserve St Jure (U 8939) with positions
prepared along road St Jure-Secourt (U 906377).

Prisoner of War statements: 7 November important
command post U 928406. Comment: Possibly 38th SS Panzer
Grenadier Regiment. Also stated large number enemy troops
in Secourt (U 9339) prepared to move.

3 Movements. Tactical reconnaissance 7 November
revealed some continued movement east of small trains Gladbach
Dusseldorf, Gladbach Krefeld; a possible military train
moving west observed line Koln Duren; southward movement of
small trains at Bruhl.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

No: S 66102 9 November 1944

4 Prisoners of war. Total captured up to 052400
(excluding First French Army on 3, 4, 5 November 1st Air-
borne Task Force 4 and 5 November, Seventh United States
Army and 2nd French Armoured Division 5 November) 663476.

5 Weather 8 November. Overcast all sectors western
front. Ceiling 800-1500 feet. Light intermittent rain
becoming moderate to heavy continuous in afternoon.

End

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INFO: CCS, CGAAF, OPD, ADM.KING, COL.PARK, LOG

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department

Nr: S 65955

8 November 1944

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Nineteenth Army fighting stubbornly south east of Le Tholy in Rochesson (K 34) region. To north opposition weakening. Heavy opposition failed to check Allies and enemy forced back approximately one mile in Foret Domaniale Du Champ and Foret De Mortagne (V 45). Enemy evacuated St Michel (V 37). Enemy sensitive to Allied patrol area Cheminot (V 84) night 6/7 November and countered with heavy fire and flares. Artillery activity reported east of Luxemburg. Enemy recaptured Kommerscheidt (F 00). South west of Duren strong enemy pressure persists Schmidt area (F 03) and to north where estimated 30-50 tanks operating in small groups but all counter-attacks repulsed. Increased artillery build up suspected in LXXIV Corps sector at expense area east of Aachen. Traffic particularly heavy north east Eschweiler with tanks observed between Inden and Kirchberg (F 05). Strong enemy reaction to Allied patrols Wurselen area (K 84). Prisoner reports civilian evacuation of Echt, Susteren, Deiteren (K 67). Enemy regrouping Meijel area where scattered minefields encountered.

Along Maas, Empel captured by Allies. Enemy still fighting south of blown Moerkijk bridges (D 84). Willemstadt

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Main, Versailles, France

Nr: S 65955

8 November 1944

(D 74) captured.

On Walcheren enemy resistance ceased in Middelburg where 2000 prisoners taken including Gen Daser Commander 70th Infantry Division. Only remaining resistance in north tip of island. To north, Schouwen Island found evacuated by Germans.

2. Order of battle:

Identifications. By prisoner of war:

7 November, deserters 394th Assault Gun Brigade area Meijel: States unit due 10 to 11 November area Meijel Helenaveen (E 71) up to strength, 126 men per troop, new equipment 7, 7.5 centimeter, 3, 10.5 centimeter.

6 November, elements II Battalion 8th Panzer Grenadier Regiment, north Wurselen (K 868485).

By ground source:

4 November, main Headquarters Fifteenth Army possibly now at Ridderkerk (D 86).

Prisoner of war statement: 9th Panzer Division withdrew three days ago now concentrated 7 kilometers east of Venlo, 7 November.

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Notes: Prisoners state Lieutenant General Bruns
commands 89th Infantry Division.

5 November, only screening force consisting poorest
quality personnel elements 951st Grenadier Regiment, 361st
Infantry Division remained in sector, bulk regiment retired.
Comment: Numerous elements this regiment recently identified
Baccarat sector;

7 November, Headquarters 16th Infantry Division
Coinches (V 4562). Headquarters 338th Infantry Division
at Thann (V 5212) beginning November: Also 757th Grenadier
Regiment now not under command this division. Comment:
Believed all three regiments 3088th, 757th, 9338th Infantry
Division have now been surrendered and are fighting
independently or under other command in St Die sector.

New location of 338th Division Headquarters suggest
out of line or moving south; presumably in search of new
troops.

3. Movements.

Ground observers report numerous vehicles from east
Early direction Saint Marie (P 28). Tactical reconnaissance
6 November revealed activity line Dusseldorf Koln, six trains
observed moving south at least three being possible military
trains. Some train activity observed line Roermond Gladbach,

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one possible military train seen moving west. Considerable
concentrations wagons Euskirchen, Gerolstein.

4. Prisoners of war.

Accumulative total to 2400 hours 4 November (excluding
First French Army 3 and 4 November and First Airborne Task
Force 4 November): 661,841.

5. General.

Indications from ground sources that several parachute
regiments were moving out of their forming or reforming areas
in Holland in buses on 4 to 6 November. Believed that 7th
Parachute Division and quite probably 5th and 3rd also were
concerned. Probable that forming and reforming of 3rd, 5th,
6th and 7th Parachute Divisions now reasonably complete and
same may possibly apply to 2nd. As 15th Panzer Grenadier
Division stated by prisoner of war to be due to go out of
line on 8th November it is possible paratroops are taking
over from XLVII Panzer Corps, giving parachute army a fair
claim to name. If so XLVII Panzer Corps free to move south
to Aachen sector or into reserve.

Appreciate that divisions of 6th Panzer Army should
be reasonably ripe for action by mid November: Prisoner of
war report that on 6th November a SS advance party was in area
F 1071 forward of Cologne seeking accommodation for 1000 troops.

ACTION: G-2

End

INFO : CG/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log.
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Main, Versailles, France

To: War Department

Nr: S 65666

6 November 1944

This is G 2 summary

number 45 dated 6th November. To for action TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDOGBI. TAC EXFOR. Main EXFOR. Sixth Army Group. TAC Twelfth Army Group. First Allied Airborne Army to for info AFHQ cite PHGBI. SHAEF Air Rear. Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI S 65666,

1. Operations.

Resistance continued weak vicinity Le Haut Jacques (V 36) but increased along general line Thiaville Beaujeu (V 37). Mines encountered area west of St. Remy (V 37). Increased enemy activity rear area Mett. South of Luxembourg Allies advance to west bank Moselle Area Sierck (U 99). In Hurtgen area heavy fire and stubborn resistance aided by natural defensive terrain slowed Allied drive. Enemy counter attacks from Schmidt area (FO *) held and enemy forced back one kilometer. Enemy tanks attacked from air with some success. Strong German opposition Meijel area (E 60) held line static. Only resistance south of Maas reported north of Geertruidenberg (E04) and to west at Willemstade (D74). On * Allied bridge-head over causeway enlarged to north and west. Opposition light. Nieuland and Ft Rammekeens (D12) captured. Further Allied progress from south towards Middelburg (D 13) but mines and heavy fire slowing advance. 2000 prisoners captured during day.

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2. Order of battle. Identifications: By Prisoner of War: 5th November elements I and II Battalions 951 Volksgrenadier Regiment area Raon L' Etape (V 38) and 361 Fusilier Battalion (V 3196).

5 November 156 Panzer Grenadier Regiment southeast of Hurtgen (F 0335) stated 116 Panzer Division between Germeter and Schmidt (F 02).

4 November elements II Battalion 21 33 Panzer Grenadier Regiment Heusden (E 25).

By document: Map about three to four days old shows headquarters 256th Infantry Division church (E082561); Command Posts 456th Grenadier Regiment (E038524) and 481st Grenadier Regiment Meeuwen (E116513).

Prisoner of War statements: 4th November Headquarters 716th Infantry Division Duyfosse (V3571). 4th November II Battalion 469th Grenadier Regiment, 269th Infantry Division, under command 198th Infantry Division.

3. Movement. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 2nd November (excluding First French Army 1st and 2nd November First Airborne Task Force 2nd November) 660125.

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5. General. Repeated reports Army Group Nord at Terborg and since 20th October at Dinxperloo in North Holland suggests western front may be divided into three sectors- Nord, Mitte (B), Sud (G). Now that Balck known to be Commander Army Group G, new army group can be only answer to recent German radio reference to Blaskowitz, Model and Balck in connection with west. Disproportion front held by Army Group B in comparison with G evident long time. In event of crucial threat to Ruhr it may be expected Army Group B will be relieved of more static defense duties in North Holland and along German bight. New command may control 15th Army and possibly First Parachute Army as well as Army reported as 13th defending German bight.

End

*Being serviced.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Admiral King, Colonel Park, Log.

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, London, England.

To: War Department.

Nr: 214

5 November 1944.

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addressees
ref no 05/0115A November 1944. COSITINTREP no 214 Part II-
Naval.

A: General

Minesweeping of the Schelde has started. Some
40 sweepers have reached Terneuzen preliminary report indicates
have disposed of 50 mines. A small force has arrived Antwerp
having swept 5 mines 20 miles below Antwerp. Sweepers operat-
ing off Walcheren were fired on but avoided damage by making
smoke.

B: Unloading figures for 3rd November.

US	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores	POL
Cherbourg	501	-	17642	8665
Brittany Ports	-	-	4300	737
Beaches	3383	169	2616	60
Le Havre	-	3	4344	2838
Rouen	-	-	4457	2029
Total	3883	172	33359	14329

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5 November 1944.

US	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores	POL
British				
E Calvados	9	402	728	2258
Dieppe	860	30	7345	-
Ostend	Figures not yet received.			
Boulogne	251	115	2406	-
Total	1120	547	10479	2258
Combined total	5003	719	43838	16587

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG/S
CG AAF
ASF

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To: War Department
United Kingdom Base Section London England

Nr: S 65401 SCAF 123 4 November 1944

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Chiefs of Staff repeated to Central District UK repeat UK
Base for The British Chiefs of Staff for information from
Eisenhower cite SHSC SCAF number 123

Approaches to Antwerp have been entirely cleared.
The operation involved the most gallant action on the part
of light Naval forces and assaulting troops. Minesweeping
is proceeding with the maximum possible number of sweepers
deployed on the task. We are arranging to take special
measures for the protection of the harbor and approaches
including the installation of a balloon barrage, Naval mine-
detecting personnel along the river, and thickening the
ack-ack barrage as much as we possibly can. Initiation of
actual working of the port will mark a great forward step in
our operations and will enable us to receive maximum amount
of troops and supplies in a great effort to win the victory
here at the earliest possible moment.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
Gen Somervell
Gen Hull
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To: War Department
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CG Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, Caserta Italy
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Headquarters Communications Zone, Mediterranean
Theater of Operations, Caserta Italy

No. S-65164 SCAF 119 2 November 1944

S-65164, to 6th Army Group info to AGWAR for
Combined Chiefs of Staff, Central District U K Base for
British Chiefs of Staff, PHQ, C in C Med, USSTAF, ANCSF,
12th Army Group, 94th Inf Div, 9th Air Force, 1st Tactical
Air Force (Provisional), Com Z ETOUSA, Com Z MTOUSA, Com Z
MTOUSA (Advance), EXFOR from SHAEF signed SCAEF cite THOFT
this is SCAF No. 119. TOP SECRET.

Please make correction Page 2, Paragraph 4 and 5.

"4. Guidance regarding French internal security
policy will be furnished General De Larminat by the French
Provisional Government.

Mission. 5. Your mission is to reduce the German
pockets astride the Gironde estuary so as to enable the Port
of Bordeaux to be opened by the French. Action will be taken
to secure the Port of Bordeaux and safeguard the port install-
ations as soon as possible."

End

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy Gen Hull Adm King
Gen Arnold Gen Bissell CofS

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To: War Department
United Kingdom Base Section, London, England

Nr: S 65384 4 November 1944

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Chiefs of Staff for info AGWAR for US Joint Chiefs of Staff
from SHAEF Main signed Eisenhower cite SHGOT TOP SECRET.

Your 6397 of 31st October (repeated JSM Washington)

We agree that this proposal is impracticable. At
present time Cologne (Mulheim) bridge is blocking river
traffic; furthermore we are now contemplating proposal
to mine the river.

Postscript. Your 6479 of 3rd November just received
and is now under consideration. Our preliminary view is
that it does not alter the above reply to your 6397.

We will furnish a considered opinion by not later
than 5th November.

FOOTNOTE: 6497 is CM IN 3829 (4 Nov 44) CC/S End
6397 is CM IN 986 (1 Nov 44) CC/S

ACTION: JC/S

INFO : Adm Leahy, General Arnold, General Hull, General Henry,
General Bissell, Adm King, Mr McCloy, Log, General
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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: S 65454 4 November 1944

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EXFOR Sixth Army Group TAC 12th Army Group First Allied Air-
borne Army info AFHQ cite FHGBI SHAEF Air Rear, Main Hq
Twelfth Army Group S65454. This is G2 summary number 43
dated 4th November.

1. Operations. Nineteenth Army actively patrolling
along front. Southwest of St Die stubborn enemy opposition
held Allies to small gains. Nompatelize (V 37) captured
and heavy fighting in La Salle (V 36). Further Allied gains
Baccarat area where enemy resistance still light. No aggressive
action on LXXIV Corps front but sensitive to Allied patrols.
Enemy counter attack with assault gun and tank support
Hurtgen area (F 03) repulsed. Thinly held but stubbornly
defended positions in good defensive terrain slowing Allied
attacked Allied armour captured Harik (E 60) and reached
line of Canal Do Nord Waatstamp area.

Light contact with enemy troops north of Mark
River but heavy opposition from accurate observed fire. Ground
conditions restrict movement to roads only. Den Hout (D 94)
reached and 2 bridgeheads north of canal linked up. Bridge-
head north of Standsarwuiten (D 73) extended to outskirts
Noordhoek (D 74). To West Welberg (D 63) captured and out-

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skirts of Steenberg reached. On Welcheren little opposition to Allied landing south of Causeway. Allied troops from west Apelle within 500 yards of linking up with Flushing troops. Domberg (D 03) captured. Lieutenant Colonel Rwinhart, Commander 1019 Grenadier Regt. 70th Inf Div taken prisoner.

Final count prisoners south of Scheldt, 289 officers and 12418 enlisted men.

2. Order of Battle. Identifications: By Prisoners of War: 2nd November, elements 253 Grenadier Regt, 34th Inf Div Roy River area 8488. 2nd November, elements 951 Grenadier Regt, 361 Volks Grenadier Div, Ancerville (V 3193). 2nd November, 126th Grenadier Regt, 48th Inf Div, area Abaucourt (U 9234). 2nd November, elements 294 and 295 Volks Grenadier Regts, 18 Volks Grenadier Div, north of Wascheid (L 0588): State regts formed in Denmark on 8th and 15th September respectively and cadre from division taken from 18 German Air Force Div. Comment: Equates with unidentified Div from Denmark.

By document: Undated, command post 126 Grenadier Regt Nailley (U 9035), headquarters 48 Inf Div Juvinle (U 9837).

Prisoner of War statements: About 10th October, headquarters Army group B, Wesel, Seventh Army Waldlager (Forest Camp) near Munstereifel; LXXXVI Corps, Venlo. 106th

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Panzer Brigade believed in area Nompateuze several days ago and moved north of Baccarat to launch counter attack.

Notes: Lieutenant Colonel Reinhardt, commander 1019 Grenadier Regt of 70th Inf Div captured. Prisoner of War states elements 361 Volks Grenadier Division formed at Wahn from units numbered 1167. In conjunction with previous reports of 1165 and 1166 Grenadier Regiments at Wahn shows 569 Division was cannibalised by 361. Prisoner of War states 189 Infantry Division dissolved and remnants incorporated in 716 Infantry Division.

3. Movements. Nothing to report.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 31st October (exclusive First Airborne Task force 30-31st October): 642745.

5. General. Believed that, in addition to 18 Volks Grenadier Division, enemy may have ripened several further Volks Grenadier Divisions by end of October. These, so far as not diverted to east, might be brought up to western front between Cleves and Luxemburg, relieving emergency divisions and reinforcing fake or half-baked reformations.

In Baccarat-Blamont Sector tardy reinforcements now coming in shape of 106 Panzer Brigade from south and elements of 361 VG Division from North. However, Prisoners of War of 21st Panzer Division expect division to retire for

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4 November 1944

refit in November: This likely enough, if Infantry, more
suited to the terrain, can be found to replace it. Stop
press. Deserter reports on 10th October 6th Panzer Army
regrouping in Bielefeld area, commanded by Col Gen Sepp Diet-
rich and including elements of 2, 10 and 12 SS Panzer Divi-
sions and Panzer Lehr Division. Comment: 10 SS Panzer
Division still in Arnheim Sector.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, ADM. KING, COL PARK, LOG

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To : War Department
Hq, 6th US Army Group Vittel France
Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

No : S 65285

3 Nov 1944

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SHGBI 031645 to for action. TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDOBI,
TAC 21st Army Group, MAIN 21st Army Group, 6th Army Group,
TAC 12th Army Group, First Allied Airborne Army to for info
AFHQ cite FROBI, SHAEP Air Rear, Main Hq 12th Army Group,
S 65285. This isq2 summary number 42 dated 3 November.

1. Operations. Enemy patrols active Haut Du Faing
area. Resistance continues in Forest Domaniale (V 35)
(Southwest of St Die) and Raon L's Etape Axis (V 3479).
To north Vacqueville (V 38) captured after overcoming
opposition by infantry and tanks. Seizure of town and high
ground east of Baccarat effects break of important defensive
line Baccarat Blamont. Enemy reaction at close of period
still weak. 156 prisoners taken from 48th Infantry division
in attack south of Metz. South east of Aachen Allied attack
area P03 met stubborn resistance and advance elements
delayed by hasty defence and wire but by mid afternoon both
Gemeter and Vossenack (F 0433) taken and steady advance
continued. Small concentration enemy infantry at K 9255
shelled with unknown results. Enemy still held bridge over
canal north of Wessem (K 78) stiff resistance area E 6404.
Heitrak Klein (E 61 and Moostdijk (E 60) captured against
weak opposition.

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No : S 65285

3 Nov 1944

Air photos show both Moerdijk bridges intact. Geertruiderberg (E 04) still held by enemy. Allied bridgeheads over Dintel Mark river established and Standdurbuten (D 73) captured against heavy resistance. Tholen Island occupied without enemy opposition. Allied patrols on North Beveland. Heavy resistance on Walcheren causeway unable to check Allies who now hold area one mile by half mile on Walcheren. Flushing cleared but heavy resistance continues from elements 1019 Grenadier Regiment of 70 Infantry Division in dock area. Westkapelle bridgehead further expanded. Dishoek (D 0727) reached.

South of Scheldt all organized resistance ceased at 2000 hours east of Leopold canal. Total prisoners of operations: 12000.

2. Order of battle. Identifications: Prisoner of war: 11 Parachute Flak Regiment E 7756, 2 November.

Notes: Prisoners of war 280 and 281 Stomach battalions arrived Veere D 1735 from Dordrecht D 8861, 31 October then to north Beveland. Document undated shows 344 infantry division holding from railroad Helmond Venlo to inclusive Roermond.

3. Movements. Nothing to report

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4. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total to 2400
hours 30 October (exclusive 1st Airborne Tactical Force
30th October): 641637.

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To: War Department
United Kingdom Base Section, London, England

Nr: S 65076 SCAF 118 2 November 1944

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1. The directive transmitted to Commanders in Chief in cable S 64375 (SCAF 114) dated 28 October 1944 is amended as indicated in the following paragraph.

2. Delete paragraphs eight and nine of cable S 64375 substitute: "Para eight". The mission of the northern group of armies is:

First phase:

A. As first priority to open the port of Antwerp.

B. When operations to open Antwerp have been completed and in conjunction with the operations of the central group of armies north of the Ardennes to attack the enemy west of the Meuse and advance to the Rhine. The target date of this attack will be November 10th.

Second phase:

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C. To seize bridgeheads, in zone, over the Rhine and the Ijssel and to deploy in strength east of these rivers. CINC northern group of armies will decide upon the extent to which western Holland will have to be cleared of German forces. This decision will be based on military factors and not upon political considerations.

9. The mission of the central group of armies is:

North of the Ardennes un

First phase:

A. To advance to the Rhine, destroying enemy forces west thereof and gain bridgeheads south of Cologne. The target date of this attack will be November 10th, ✓

Second phase:

B. To seize bridgeheads, in zone, over the Rhine and deploy in strength on the east bank.

South of the Ardennes.

C. To occupy the Saar and secure crossings over the Rhine. These operations will be so timed as best to assist the main effort in the north. ✓

3. For CCS and BCOS.

End

Note: SCAF 114 is CM-IN-27171 (29 Oct 44) CC/S

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Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
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CG, Mediterranean Allied Air Force, Caserta, Italy
Headquarters Communications Zone in the Mediterranean
Theater of Operations, Advanced, U.S. Army
Lyons, France

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S65164, to Sixth Army Group info to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, Central District UK Base for British Chiefs of Staff, FHQ, CINC Med, USSTAF, ANCSF, 12th Army Group, 94th Inf Div. 9th Air Force, 1st Tactical Air Force (Provisional), COMZETOUSA, COMZ MTOUSA, COMZMTOUSA (Advance), EXFOR from SHAEF Main signed SCAEF cite TRGFT this is SCAF no 119 TOP SECRET.

General. 1. A military operation will be conducted under command of the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force, with the object of opening the port of Bordeaux. The code name for this operation will be notified in our immediately following cable.

Command and control. 2. You will be responsible for directing the planning and execution of this operation in accordance with instructions issued by this Headquarters, and for furnishing the necessary operational support.

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3. General de Larminat, by appointment of the French Provisional Government, commands all French forces operating in the Hiatus area south of the Loire and west of the Rhone. General de Larminat will conduct this operation in accordance with orders and directives issued by you.

4. Guidance regarding French Provisional Government.

Mission. 5. Your mission is to reduce the German pockets astride the Gironde Estuary so as to enable the port of Bordeaux and safeguard the port installations as soon as possible.

Allocation of forces.

Naval Forces. 6. You are authorized to communicate direct with Allied Naval Commander, Expeditionary Force, in regard to such Naval assistance as may be made available on the Atlantic Coast in support of the operation.

Ground Forces. 7. A French Task Force comprising such French Forces presently under your command as you consider necessary, up to a corps of 2 divisions with supporting troops, may be used for the operation.

Air Forces. 8. Air support will be provided by 1st Tactical Air Force (Provisional) currently in your support.

General. 9. In selecting Naval, Ground and Air resources for use in these operations, French units will be used wherever possible.

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Target date. 10. You will aim at clearing the enemy from astride the Gironde Estuary not later than 1st January 1945.

Administrative instructions. 11. Priorities and allocations - the Commanding General, 6th Army Group, will be responsible for priorities and allocations of supplies and equipment in short supply between the French Task Force and 6th Army Group in accordance with policy set up by Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force. If, in his judgment the availability of certain items becomes so restricted as to jeopardize the mission of the task force, he will report the matter to Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, with appropriate recommendation.

12. Troop list- the Commanding General, 6th Army Group, will make appropriate recommendations to Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, if the task force should require troops which are not under his command in addition to those originally allocated.

13. Functions and responsibilities of General de Larminat - by agreement with the French Provisional Government, General de Larminat is charged with the following responsibilities and functions:

Line of communication - he will be responsible for maintenance of the French Task Force Forward of the port of Sete and for the operation of this port, subject to arrangements for handling of shipping to be agreed with Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance). He will operate his base at Sete and his line of communication forward of that

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point, making maximum use of indigenous resources and civilian labour to supplement administrative troops placed at his disposal.

Supply - General de Larminat will be responsible for unloading, receiving, storing and guarding supplies and equipment delivered to him, and for insuring that they are used solely for operations in accordance with directives of Sixth Army Group unless furnished specifically for other purposes. Levels will be established of 15 days for class 1, 3 and 5, and 30 days for class 2 and 4 for the authorized troops basis. Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance) will be furnished reports as called for in order that they may be fully informed of the supply situation. General de Larminat will determine the supply requirements of the French Task Force (see paragraph seven Basic Directive) and will prepare demands for supply in the form of detailed requisitions. He will designate a single agency which will place these demands on Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance), and will arrange accommodation in Sete for a liaison detachment from Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance) which will assist him in obtaining necessary supplies and equipment.

14. Overall logistical support - logistical support of all Sixth Army Group Forces, including those assigned to the French Task Force, is the responsibility of Commanding General, Communications Zone MTOUSA. At a time to be announced later, this responsibility will be assumed by Commanding General, Communications Zone ETOUSA. During both periods, this responsibility will be exercised through the Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance) as described in the following paragraph.

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15. Functions of Headquarters, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance) - the Commanding General, Communications Zone MTOUSA (Advance) will screen French requisitions to determine necessity and local availability, will determine sources of supply and set up necessary shipments to the port of Sete. He will restrict issues of items in limited availability to those actually required for support of operations. He will place bids for shipping within the Mediterranean Theater upon Allied Force Headquarters and arrange with Commander in Chief, Mediterranean and General de Larminat for handling shipping within the port of Sete. He will obtain all necessary information as to the supply situation required for 6th Army Group, Communications Zone ETOUSA, Communications Zone MTOUSA and Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force. He will refer to 6th Army Group for decision questions involving priorities between 6th Army Group and the French Task Force. Acknowledge.

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To: War Department

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With reference FWD 16611, 2nd October 1944.

Probable airborne operation Cologne-Bonn Area not
before 1 December. Frankfurt operation probable after 1
January.

Situation as to gliders will be further reviewed and
requirements for 1945 submitted about 15 November.

End

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INFO : General Arnold, General Hull, C of S

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy
To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main Versailles France

Nr: FX 47443 2 November 1944

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Summary number 64.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Yugoslavia. Zara, Biograd and Nin evacuated
by enemy but Sibenik not yet entirely free. Area west Bay of
Kotor also abandoned except for Risan where fighting continues.
Partisans confirm enemy withdrawing in strength along route
Mitrovica-Novl Pazar-Sjenica. Head of column now beyond
Prijeopolje. Greater part 104th Jager Division reported moved
Bitolj to Gradska via Prilep and latter town now in Partisan
hands. No indication whether Struga Pass route being employed.
TAC R 1 November shows NMS roads Florina-Bimisht, Florina-
Bitolj or roads north from Koritsa. Probable therefore that
enemy now north of Bitolj.

2. Albania. Germans evacuated San Giovanni di
Medua and Partisans control coastal area to south. Road Tirana-
Scutari still being used by enemy despite Partisan interference
and troop concentration reported LESH 3rd October.

3. Greece. Contact established 31st October with
enemy south of Florina but CF Para 2 above suggesting latter
now withdrawn. TAC R 1 November showed enemy still moving by

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secondary roads and by rail north of Salonika.
All informed.

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Army Group. First Allied Airborne Army. To for info AFHQ cite
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1. Operations.

Resistance stubborn Haut Jacques area (V 36) - Les Rouges
Eaux Valley (V 36) while opposition light to north. Baccarat
(V 28) cleared and Allied advances along front to south and
north. Enemy improving defenses Metz area. Heavy traffic
indicative arrival of division possibly 11th Panzer. 20 tanks
reported seen by prisoners from 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division
in Aachen area east of Wurselen (K 84) 30th October. Enemy
attacks in Meijel area now entirely petered out; and enemy
withdrawn to canal east of Liesel. East bank of canal opposite
Geertruidenberg (E 04) reached against strong opposition. Allied
bridgehead over Mark River at D 8942 meeting stiff opposition
from 245th Inf Div and enemy counter attack forced Allied with-
drawal south of Mark River at D 7840. Prisoner states present
role 719th Infantry Division in Army reserve to hold line and
cover withdrawal. German resistance continues stiff south of
Steenbergen (D 63).

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Allied attacks across Beveland Welcheren causeway forced to withdraw: enemy opposition mainly from anti-tank and machine gun fire. Allies control southern half of Flushing where opposition stiffened. Bridgehead at Westkapelle (D 03) widened and Allied line roughly north-south from Domburg to Zouteland. South of Scheldt Sluis captured by Allies and Knoke (C 91) almost clear: Lieutenant General Eberding Commanding 64th Inf Divn captured and 2,500 other prisoners of war. Remaining enemy in fortified positions north of Cavland and in Heyst.

2. Order of battle.

Identifications: By prisoner of war: 1st November, 326th Grenadier Regt Area K 3244. 31st October, elements 726th Grenadier Regiment 716th Infantry Division area St Remy (V 3170). 31st October, I Battalion 3rd Battalion 3rd SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment area Pagny (U 8942). 31st October, elements 959th Grenadier Regiment and 363rd Engineer Battalion area Wageningen (E 5876).

By Document: 19th October General Balck commanding Army Group G. By prisoner of war statements: 31st October, Headquarters 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division at Bazencourt (Q 0051); 37th SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment, Orny (U 9148) and 38th SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment at Liehon (U 9254). 31st October, Headquarters 183rd Infantry Division still at Rurich (K 9771) with Lieutenant General Lange commanding. 31st October Major General Wagner commanding 269th Infantry Division.

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3. Movements.

Tactical reconnaissance: 24 trains plus 11 locomotives either moving or steam up observed in triangle Belfort Basle Colmar this morning. Two were 70 cars in length. No direction pattern determined.

4. Prisoners of War: Accumulative total prisoners of war captured to 2400 hours 29th October (inclusive): 639,676.

5. General. In the St Dye area 716th Infantry Division evidently moved northwards to position between 16th Infantry Division, now very weak, and 21st Panzer Division which presumably recalled elements west to St Dye battle being now in difficulties itself at Beccarat.

Despite conflicting reports, believed 116th Panzer Division and 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division are still forward of Cologne: in rear of line. No further reinforcement of Meijel thrust which has apparently been called off.

Fifteenth Army still fighting fierce rearguard actions with 59th, 256th, 719th and 245th Infantry Division: the narrow neck of Land south of the Maas at Geertruidenberg which joins 67th to 88th Corps is still being held. Last stand at Knocke by remnants of 64th Infantry unlikely to last one day more.

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To: War Department.

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Army Group 6th Army Group ETOUSA Communication Zone, Communi-
cation Zone for Brig Gen Eyster USSTAF AA Command 2nd TAF
Main 9th Air Force Main 9th Air Force Adv GHQ AA Troops
EXFOR Main (pass to lines of communication and 11th Survey
Regt) Chief Intelligence Officer Fighter Command 2nd TAF
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290500, J511925: 290800, J532915: 291830, J532783: 300830,
J556803: 301130, J5254: 301824, D689041.

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- (5) Sixth Army Group
- (6) Seventh Army
- (7) Ninth US Army
- (8) TAC 12th Army Group
- (9) First Allied Airborne Army for info
- (10) AFHQ cite FHGBI
- (11) SHAEP Air Rear
- (12) Main Hq 12th Army Group
- (13) 13th US Corps.

Previous Para one operations. This is G2 summary number 40 dated 1 November. From far southern sector lively patrol activity and intermittent artillery fire. South of St Die only scattered resistance offered to Allied advance east and southeast in Foret Domaniale and not opposition offered east of hill 652 (V 3463). Further north strong resistance continued from prepared defense positions east of St Benoit. St Benoit itself and surrounding area heavily mined and booby trapped. Allied drive southeast Luneville apparently took 58th Panzer Corps by surprise and good

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progress made against light to moderate resistance. Little activity reported from First and Seventh Army fronts except for brisk patrolling. Fort Driant, outside Metz, fired some shells into Allied lines.

In Holland chief change reported from Meijel area is recapture by Allies of Liesel and Slot. Enemy company attack at E 6202 annihilated. Enemy since his counter attacks started this area has had 25 tanks and 3 assault guns knocked out. Rapid progress made on western sector including capture of Oosterhout Capell (E 0047) Waaiwijk (1546) Rosendaal, Leur (D 8636) and Ruisland (6939). Allied bridgeheads over mark D 8942 and D 7842 counter attacked. Steenberg (D 63) and village (D 5934) held by determined rearguards former elements Hermann Goering Replacement Regiment.

Allied landings made on Walcheren this morning.

Part 2 order of battle.

Identifications:

By prisoner of war: 30th October elements 489th Grenadier Regiment 269th Infantry Division north of Cornimont (K 333). 30th October elements 1st Battalion 305th Grenadier Regiment 198th Infantry Division area Chapelle (V 2751). 30th October elements 8th Panzer Grenadier Regiment 3rd Panzer Grenadier Division area north Aachen. 30th October elements parachute Lehr Regiment area Ospel (E 6202).

By document: 28th October undated map, presumably recent, shows boundary between 21st Panzer Division

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and 553rd Infantry Division as V 250943-300950. 30th October undated map, estimated a week old, shows command psts army group "G" forward at V 9599 and rear at Oberkirch (W 2592); First Army St Avold (Q 2556); 13th SS Corps Boulay (Q 0359); 58th Panzer Corps, area Langenberg (Q 3817); 85th Corps Belfort (A 39).

Prisoner of war statements: 30th October, lone deserter 9th Parachute Rifle Regiment Loo (E 1639) states 3rd Parachute Division inclusive 5th, 8th and 9th regiments reforming area Enschede (V 40). Personnel mainly German Air Force. Expected training will be completed in three weeks from 23rd October. Comment: previous report places division same area A.

Notes: unconfirmed reports locate 22nd Panzer Regiment 21st Panzer Division, near Dunsenheim (Q 8513). Comment: probably reforming. Captured document dated 20th October shows 64th and 70th Infantry Division have direct wireless communication with Fifteenth Army. Comment: suggests direct subordination to Fifteenth Army.

3 Movements. Nothing to report.

4 Prisoners of war. Total captured up to 2400 hours 28th October 637062.

5 General. Withdrawal of Fifteenth Army behind Waal River is confirmed by captured map. Maas crossings at Keizerzveer, Capelle and Drongelen; Waal at Werkendam and Gorinchem. Withdrawal over Maas now in progress with strong rearguard action at above crossings.

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No further development of attack in Meijel area with enemy yielding some of recent gains. Regrouping in Nineteenth Army area continues. Recent identifications indicate the following dispositions: 16th Infantry Division south of Forest De Mortagne-St Die; 933rd Grenadier Regiment and 308th Grenadier Regiment of 338th Division north and south Beffontaine; 198th Infantry Division south to Gerard Merlines; 269th Division south to Le Thillot. Remainder obscure but believed held by 159th Division and miscellaneous units. 716th and 189th Infantry Divisions unaccounted for: former appears to have been displaced by northward move of 198th Division. Latter not identified for some time, but may still be found in southern sector of Army front whence few recent identifications.

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