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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 519.

- (1) GULF GENOA. ALLIED DESTROYERS CONTINUED TO CARRY OUT PERIODICAL BOMBARDMENTS WITH SUCCESS NEAR FRANCO ITALIAN BORDER.
- (2) SICILY. RYNS KULKOVA HAD ENGINE TROUBLE EAST OF SICILY AND HAS SUNK. 46 MISSING BUT REPORT FROM 1 OF SHIPS WHICH STOOD BY NOT YET AVAILABLE.
- (3) GREECE. AT PIRAEUS ALL IS QUIET EXCEPT FOR

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SHELLING OF NAVAL ESTABLISHMENTS. FOR 1ST TIME SINCE HOSTILITIES STARTED A SHIP HAS BERTHED AND DISCHARGED AT COAL QUAY EVACUATION OF CIVILIANS FROM PREVEZA CONTINUES. AT MITYLENE WHERE HMS SIRIUS IS STANDING BY GENERAL STRIKE CONTINUES AND HOSTILE MOB THRONGS QUAY AND IS BARRICADING STREETS. ELAS REINFORCEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED AT SKIATHOS. GREEK SHIP KALYMNOS IS NOW BEACHED IN HARBOUR THERE. FURTHER ATTEMPT HAS BEEN MADE TO REFLOAT S.S. CHISWICK AT SALONIKA. HM TRAWLER HUNDA IS AGROUND AT MUDROS. ALL QUIET AT KAVALLO.

(4) CRETE LABOUR DEMONSTRATION AT HERAKLION CANCELLED. TENSION HAS EASED CONSIDERABLY.

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(SENDER COM 8TH FLT ACTION COMINCH & CNO INFO COMPHIBS 8TH FLEET CINCLANT.)

8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 282400

(1) MED DEPARTURES. COMNOB ORAN 261050 AND 282115 REFERS

FOR UNITED STATES FROM ORAN 28. PLUNKETT HOLLIS. RUNELS, PLANTER, ACHELOUS, MINDIV 18 ATA 125, 6 YMS

(2) 16 LCT DECKLOADED ON 16 LST. 10 LCI(L) SHIPS TO FRENCH. TURNED OVER. CONASAUGA 25TH.

REMAINING TO BE TURNED OVER 2 AOG 2 YO 6 YTLS.

(3) SHIPS TURNED OVER TO BRITISH. MY 251446 REFERS.

10 LST AND 2 PONTOON CAUSEWAYS ON 24TH 3 OFFICERS 15 MEN TEMPORARILY ABOARD EACH LST LIAISON PURPOSES

(4) SHIPPING. TOTALS SOUTHERN FRANCE SINCE 15 AUGUST. PERSONNEL 570056 VEHICLES 107802 TOJ* 2064480.

(5) RIGHT FLANK. GLEAVES 22ND FIRED 3 MISSIONS OFF FRANCO-ITALIAN BORDER AGAINST PERSONNEL WITH GOOD RESULTS.

SHIP STRADDLED RECEIVED VERY MINOR SPLINTER DAMAGE. 3 FLANK FORCE DD TRANSFERRED TO LEGHORN 26TH.

(6) STATUS LANDING CRAFT REMAINING. LST. 2 OPERATING AEGEAN. 4 LIFTS TO MARSEILLES. PALERMO 8 TRAINING 6

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REPAIRING. LST 906 AROUND LEGHORN. BEACH GEAR AND PUMPS READY
WEATHER PERMITTING SHIP MAY BE FREED 29TH OR 30TH. COMMITMENT

FOR EXTENDED DUTY UNDER DIRECTION FOTALI REDUCED FROM 14 LST 18
LCI(L) TO 6 LST. LST TO BE 1 10 DAYS NOTICE. LCI(L) 14 LEGHORN

PERSONNEL LIFT. 1 NEROATE* LEGHORN. 4 MAIL PERSONNEL SHUTTLE.
2 DRYDOCK NAPLES. 1 MOTHERSHIP LEGHORN.

LCT. TRAINING PALERMO 32. REPAIRS BIZERTE 1 PALERMO 1.
(7) TRAINING. ASSAULT LANDING EXERCISE PALERMO AREA WELL

EXECUTED. A PONTOON CAUSEWAY BEACHED BU OOW* HAULED OFF. LST
CONDUCTED A/A FIRING WITH TROPNG* PLANE 24TH AT BIZERTE.

(8) MINESWEEPING. GULF CAGLIARI. INCLEMENT WEATHER CURTAILED
SWEEPING. ACTIVITY WILL BE CONCENTRATED ON WESTERN APPROACH

CHANNEL. SWEEPING OF CHANNEL INTO MADDALENA POSTPONED AND 4
AM'S ASSIGNED TEMAHNED GULF JUAN TO OPERATE UNDER COMFLANFOR.

(9) ORGANIZATION. COMNAVDET TONLON DISSOLVED 24TH.

COM 8TH FLEET DEPARTED NAPLES 28TH FOR CONFERENCE AT CASA.

(10) INTELLIGENCE. HUMAN TORPEDO SUNK BY FRENCH SC AND PC SIXTD*

CAPE FERRAT 19 DECEMBER. ARMY REPORTS INCREASED ENEMY ACTIVITY
ASHORE EASTERN FLANK SOUTHERN FRANCE. 32 FLOATING MINES SUNK BY
DESTROYERS COMFLANFORCE.

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To : War Department
NR : M 208 29 December 1944

To Joint Chiefs of Staff from Schuyler ACC Rumania
info to OPNAV DNI G2 Washington CG ETUSA Ref nr M 208.
This reencipherment by CRYPTO AFHQ message filed 291220B.

The following information with reference to the participation of the Rumanian Air Force in the fighting on the Transylvanian front was obtained by the US Naval member and Air member from Rumanian Air Force and SSI (Secret Service) sources.

The following air force units are at the front. Three fighter wings. Two bomber wings. One reconnaissance wing. One antiaircraft division. Equipment is largely of German origin and includes following fighters and bombers. Messerschmidts. Henschels. Stukas. Heinkels. In addition Rumanians have been using Junkers 88 long range reconnaissance planes and Junkers 52 transports. The following fighter planes manufactured or fabricated in Rumania are also being used by Rumanian Air Force. IAR-80. IAR-81. Only other Rumanian landplanes * training planes are IAR-38 reconnaissance planes and Savoï twin engine bombers. Rumanian Fleet Air Arm consists of between 18 and 20 seaplanes now in Rumanian custody at Lake Sanagov near Bucharest. They were ordered there from Constanta by the Russians. They are not being employed in any way. Rumanian difficulties are considerably increased by the lack

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of transport to bring equipment from factory units dispersed to avoid Allied bombing during the early part of war. While General * has stated that Rumanian air officers have fought well against the Germans * Torikin Chief of Air Section ACC charges occasional Rumanian lack of cooperation and delay.

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* Being Serviced

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 518

(1) PREVEZA. FALL OF THIS TOWN TO ELAS REPORTED INEVITABLE. SITUATION THERE AT PRESENT QUIET. EVACUATION OF CIVILIANS TO CORFU IN HMS'S PROCEED RAPIDLY.

(2) PIRAEUS. SITUATION QUIET EXCEPT HARBOUR SHELLLED AND NAVAL COLLEGE AND AN LCT HIT 1 NAVAL RATING KILLED AND 2 WOUNDED.

(3). NON CONFIDENTIAL. ON 24TH DEC TROOP SHIPS COVERED BY HMS SIRIUS ARRIVED. LARGE HOSTILE CROWD THROGGED QUAY SIDE SO LANDING CANCELLED AND TROOP SHIP WITHDREW

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TO KHIOS

- (4) SYMI. ARMY GARRISON AND NAVAL ETC. FORCE BASE ESTABLISHED ON 25TH DECEMBER. DISCHARGE OF STORES CONTINUES.
- (5) SALONIKA ELAS IN COMPLETE CONTROL. SITUATION IS DIFFICULT.
- (6) MIDROS H.M. TRAWLER HUNDA IS AGROUND
- (7) HERAKLION LABOUR DISTURBANCES THREATENED
- (8) KAVALLIO SITUATION QUIET.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
To : War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main, Versailles, France
CG, 6th Army Group Main, Vittel, France
Nr : FX 76251 29 December 1944

First part FX 76251 action TROOPERS AGWAR info
usual addressees date nil from FREEDOM signed Alexander
cite FHGBI G2 summary number 117.

Italy.

No enemy activity reported today. Ground source
states 26th Panzer Division now S Nicolo (M 1971) south of
Ferrara.

FW from 114th Division stated unit expected to be
relieved and had heard mention of SS Troops. Do not on
this evidence yet reject presence 16th SS Division in Parma.
This however, proving prolific identification zone in view
further ground source which places 34th Infantry Division
there.

Document shows 4th Mountain Lehr Battalion Mittenwald
operating with 135th Fortress Brigade mid-December. 4th
Mountain Battalion known also to be in western sector lately.

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INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAF

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(FROM ALUSNA GREECE)

CONFERENCE TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED UNTIL MATTER OF REGENCY SETTLED. CHURCHILL BELIEVED RETURNING TO ENGLAND CONVINCED

THAT KING MUST ACCEPT REGENCY AND HAS "ORDERED" PAPANDREOU TO SEND TELEGRAM STATING THAT HE HIMSELF AND ALL PARTIES

EXCEPT ROYALISTS AGREE TO REGENCY IMMEDIATELY. ROYALISTS AGREE BUT ONLY AFTER THE FIGHTING CEASES. DAMASKINOS BELIEVES

HE CAN FORM A GOVT OF NONPOLITICAL PERSONS OF SUFFICIENTLY LEFT LEANING TO SATISFY EAM. THOUGH THIS WILL BE DISPLEASING

TO PROFESSIONAL POLITICIANS THEY ARE NOW BELIEVED NOT TO HAVE SUFFICIENT INDIVIDUAL PARTY STRENGTH TO OFFER SERIOUS

OBJECTIONS. CHURCHILL EXPECTED TO WITHDRAW PERSONAL SUPPORT OF PAPANDREOU BUT TO INSIST ON GENSROBIES TERMS BEING FULFILLED

BEFORE A MILITARY TRUCE

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
CG, 6th Army Group Main, Vittel, France
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main, Versailles, France

Rr: FX 74617

26 December 1944

AFHQ to TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees FX 74617
undated signed Alexander cite FHGBI G2 summary number 114.

A. Italy.

1. Operations. In Adriatic and Bologna sectors activity on minor scale only. In western sector enemy this morning attacked down Serchio Valley Area L 1208 and reached barge. Attacking force estimated in strength of 2 battalions of which one Italian supported by strong artillery. In coastal sector 170MM guns shelled coastal road at half hourly intervals.

2. Contact reports. Italian civilian in contact with officers of Monte Rosa reported on 24 December that Italo-German attack in Serchio Valley was intended during winter. On 25 December deserter 232 Fusilier Battalion in Abetone Valley stated that an operation was planned for 28 December.

3. Rear areas. Ground source reports German units either side Genoa moving. These possibly remaining elements 148th Infantry Division moving to join main body of division in sector. Second source reports 2000 mountain

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troops in Sarzana. Comment: May be elements 157th Mountain Division previously reported moving to Spezia front. Further ground source reports Italia Division left Parma Area in direction Aulla P7821 on 24 December. Morale stated to be high.

4. General. Full pattern of enemy intentions not yet clear but evidence of considerable enemy build-up in hitherto neglected western sector points to offensive intentions of more than local character.

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CG, 6th Army Group, Main, Vittel, France
No: FX 74053 24 December 1944

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G-2 summary number 113 A.

Italy.

1. Operations. Nothing to report.
2. Dispositions. PW 10th Para Regt (4th Para Div) taken area Monte Adone L 83 state unit relieved SS troops. This in conjunction with ground reports of 16 SSFG Div troops in Parma suggests relief of latter division. Usually reliable source reports advanced elements of 157th Mountain Div moving from Udine area to Spezia front passed through Piacenza 21 December. This considered not unlikely since western Appennines well suited to employment of mountain formation. No information whether relief or reinforcement of this part of front intended, but,

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INFORMATION: CC/S OPD Log
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 SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 512.

(1) GREECE. PRESENCE OF WARSHIPS IN GREEK PORT PARTICULARLY
 IN THOSE FROM WHICH TROOPS HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN IS HAVING A
 SALUTORY MARKED EFFECT. AT PIRAEUS THE WIRELESS STATION HAS BEEN
 MORTARED AND NAVY HOUSE MIAOULIS QUAY NAVAL HEADQUARTERS AND
 EXAMINATION ANCHORAGE AUX MACHONES SHELLED SPASMODICALLY WITH
 NO MATERIAL RESULT. DISCHARGE OF CARGO CONTINUES BUT CIVIL
 LABOUR DESERTED.

(2) CRETE. SITUATION REMAINS UNCHANGED.

(3) ADRIATIC. 3 E-BOATS APPROACHED ZARA NIGHT

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MY 212129 PART 2 FINAL TOO PRECEDING PART 212122.*

(2) CRETE.

SITUATION REMAINS UNCHANGED.

(3) ADRIATIC.

3 E-BOATS APPROACHED ZARA NIGHT 19TH DECEMBER BUT RETIRED ON BEING ENGAGED BY HDML PATROLS.

* PART 1 UNDECIPHERABLE. HAS BEEN SERVICED.

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TOR CODEROM		PARIS	DEFERRED 5
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COSITINTREP NUMBER 532 PART 4 FX 73370 SIGNED
ALEXANDER CITE FHGCT.

GREECE.

DURING 22ND DECEMBER DECREASING OPPOSITION WAS
ENCOUNTERED ASTRIDE THE ATHENS/PIRAEUS ROAD AND IN
THE AREA NORTHWEST OF THE ACROPOLIS. FURTHER AREAS
WERE ALSO CLEARED ASTRIDE THE ATHENS-FALIRON ROAD
AND THIS ROAD IS NOW OPEN TO UNARMORED VEHICLES BY
DAY.

ELAS RESISTANCE CONTINUES TO BE STUBBORN IN
PIRAEUS.

COMINCH...COG 16...CNO...20OP...NAVAIDE...13
20G... **SECRET** SECRET AMUG

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To : War Department

Nr : FX 73564

23 December 1944

FX 73564 signed Alexander from AFHQ for action to TROOPERS, AGWAR. Repeated ANPB cite PHGDS.

Administrative Summary number 41 for week ending 19th December.

1. Casualties and POW. (Including Greek mil).
Read X killed, Y wounded, Z missing, and POW. Read in five columns:

Formation	X	Y	Z	POW
Italy. (Cumulative totals to 18th December). Army.				
Eighth Army:				
British and Dominion:	12,523	50,981	7,232	26,187
Polish	1,633	6,800	402	3,827
Italian	212	697	85	24
Greek	87	280	0	0
Total Eighth Army	14,455	58,758	7,719	30,038
Fifth Army:				
US	19,162	67,496	10,340	44,395
British and Dominion	6,509	29,456	10,748	7,137
French	5,241	20,848	1,583	8,367
Italian	220	611	504	9
Brazilian	106	567	232	284
Total Fifth Army	31,238	118,978	23,407	60,192.

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Formation	X	Y	Z	POW
MAAF: AAF/MTO	2,919	2,688	11,838	
French	0	0	0	0
RAF	678	407	1,300	
Dominion	350	275	754	
Other Allied	24	23	144	
Total MAAF:	3,971	3,393	14,036	

Greece. Following is submitted for units in Greece from inception to 21st Dec.

Total Casualties	175	812	441	22,257
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No MAAF figures available as records lost through enemy action.

2. General administrative position remains satisfactory.

3. Data regarding maintenance in Italy as follows:

A. Most forward railheads: Eighth Army, Cesena (not Forlì as previously reported).
Fifth Army, Pisa.

B. Most forward POL pipeheads operating:

Eighth Army, Forlì: popoli M 5013, Viserba M 8201.

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Fifth Army, Radicono L 8713, Sesto Q 7575.

C. For week ended 12th Dec forward port discharges
averaged as follows:

British, Ancona 3,550 TPD,
Leghorn 1,160 TPD

US, Leghorn 5,680 TPD.

Total 10,390 TPD.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main, Versailles, France
• Nr: FX 73020 22 December 1944

Secret to TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees
Dec 221900 from FREEDOM cite FHGBI signed Alexander FX 73020
G2 summary number 111.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Russians advancing east of Losonx
on Hungary-Slovak frontier captured Feled, Rimaszombat and
Tornalja.

2. Yugoslavia. Zvornik finally reported cap-
tured by partisans thus Drina valley from Zozluk to Bajina
Basta now in partisan hands. Fighting continues for possession
Bijeljina. All informed.

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From: CG Balkan Air Force, Bari Italy

To: War Department

Nr: 517

21 December 1944

To AFHQ for AGWAR Mideast TROOPERS 15th Army Group
from HQ BAF BAF/517 Special Operations SITREP number 112
December 21st.

1. Yugoslavia: Eight sorties attempted, three sorties
successful, five failed weather. Two landings evacuated.

Albania, four sorties attempted, four sorties
successful, two landings evacuated.

2. Yugoslavia: (1) Partisans captures Biocce (WN 07).
(2) Drinjaca (WC 17) captured by Partisans but attack on
Vornik (WC 18) failed due enemy reinforcements arriving
via Versenice (WB 96). (3) Enemy captured Bos Petrovac
(WP 95) Udbina (WP 45) Radmirje (RD 6549) Ljubno (RD 6350)
and Soleava (RD 5358).

3. Nil.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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DATE 21 DECEMBER 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 2212			DEFERRED
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TYPED BY HUGHES/Johnson		FOR INFORMATION	PRIORITY
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 RNHQHQ CAIRO ADMIRALTY COMLA CMSF COMNAVNAV COMINCH RA
 ALEXANDRIA.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 511.

(1) ADRIATIC. RELATIONS AT ZARA WITH SHORE AUTHORITIES
 REMAIN UNCHANGED OFFICIALLY BUT SUBORDINATES ARE BEING
 MORE HELPFUL.

(2) GREECE. AT PIRAEUS SITUATION IS QUIET. THE
 HARBOUR IS AGAIN BEING USED TO UNLOAD CARGO WHICH HAD
 FOR SOME TIME PREVIOUSLY BEEN DISCHARGED BY MISTAKE.

(3) CIVIL ESTABLISHMENT DESPITE NAVAL BOMBARDMENT

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POPULATION LIBERATED AREAS HAS EXPRESSED RELIEF AT
ELIMINATION OF ELAS AND THANKS FOR ALLIED AID. FO 15TH
CRUISER SQUADRON HAS TAKEN OVER CONTROL OF NAVAL BOMBARDING
FORCES PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR ARMY IN PIRAEUS ATHENS AREA.
OTHER REPORTS ARE AS FOLLOWS KALAMATA. VERY PRO BRITISH.
SALONIKA QUIET VOLOS EASIER.

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TOR CODEROM <u>1143</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>BICKEL/BAKER/MONAHAN/</u>			PRIORITY
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ARMY CINCEP VA MALTA FOGMA FO 15TH CS RNHQ CAIRO ADMTY
COMLA CMSF COMNAVNAV COMINCH RA ALEXANDRIA.

(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 510.

1. GULF OF GENOA REFERENCE NUMBER 509 PARAGRAPH 1. ENEMY
CONVOY CONSISTING OF 1 COASTER 4 ARMED LIGHTERS AND 3 R-BOATS
AND OUR FORCE OF 5 TRAWLERS AND 16 COASTAL CRAFT. INTER-
CEPTION WAS MADE 1/2 MILE OFF BEACH TRAWLERS CARRIED OUT
DETERMINED GUN ACTION RANGING TO 800 YARDS DESPITE VERY
HEAVY FIRE FROM SHIPS AND SHORE. 2 LIGHTERS AND 1 R-BOAT
SEEN BLOWN UP 1 LIGHTER SEEN CAPSIZED AND HITS OBSERVED ON
COASTER 3 OF OUR TRAWLERS HIT WITH NEGLIGIBLE DAMAGE CO
HMS TWOSTER SLIGHTLY WOUNDED BUT NO OTHER CASUALTIES.

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2. ADRIATIC. SHA 291* HAS RECEIVED LETTER OF CONDOLENCE ON LOSS OF HMS ALDENHAM SIGNED BY GENERAL CERNI. NIGHT OF 17TH DEC 1ST ISLAND ATTACKED BY 4 EXPLOSIVE M/B. 1 GROUNDLED AND BLEW UP REMAINDER WERE DRIVEN OFF. A SIMILAR BOAT WITH A DEAD GERMAN ON BOARD HAS BEEN TOWED INTO ZARA BY A FISHING BOAT.

3. GRECE. EVACUATION AT KALAMATA KAVALLIO AND VOLOS COMPLETED. AT FORMER PLACE HMS METEOR REPORTED EAM/ELAS COMMITTEE COOPERATIVE AND AT THEIR REQUEST LIBERTY MEN WERE LANDED AS PROOF MUTUAL CONFIDENCE. RELIEF FOODSTUFFS ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED BY EAM. AT VOLOS HMS MUSKETEE HAS RECEIVED SAFE CONDUCT TO REMAIN IN BAY. HMS SIRIUS HAS ARRIVED MITYLENE (LES VOS) WHERE THERE IS GENERAL STRIKE. A DELAYED REPORT FROM PATRAS GIVES DETAILS EVACUATION. FROM KRIONERI NUMBER 507 PARAGRAPH 2 REFER. ALL OFFICERS AND MEN 4 GUNS AND LIMBERS 1 ARMOURD CAR 2 BREN GUN CARRIERS 5 JEEPS AND 167 TONS EQUIPMENT WERE TAKEN OFF UNDER HEAVY MORTAR FIRE. NAVAL FORCE CONSISTED OF HMS SAXIFRAGE MOTOR LAUNCH 469 PROTEA MGB 661/MOTOR LAUNCH 1158 LCI(L) 314 RCL 1323 RCL 49 AND 12 CAIQUES. 72 VEHICLES ABANDONED.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

To: War Department.
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main, Versailles, France.
CG, 6th Army Group Main, Vittel, France.

DTG: 20/2355A 20 December 1944.

Part three and last AFHQ G2 summary number 109.

Indicate enemy seriously short of petrol and obliged to destroy some of MT for this reason. Podgorica evacuated by 181st Infantry Division and now in Partisan hands.

2. German reinforcements reported arriving Osijek. These so far unidentified but probably from corps Mueller which recently moved north from lower Drina Valley.

3. Croat communique 18th December states attempt by unspecified force to cross Drava by island north west Moslavina repulsed.

4. Partisans reported captured SRB, north of Knin.

5. CX states elements 21st SS Division Skanderbeg under "Guardianship" 7th SS Division north of Xvorntk. In view low strength both these formations amalgamation appears probable. All informed.

End.

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

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To: War Department.
Headquarters 6th U.S. Army Group Main, Vittel, France.
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces.
Main, Versailles, France.

Nr: FX 72000 20 December 1944.

AFHQ G2 summary number 109 of FX 72000.

Part 2.

B. Captured document indicates 14 Panzer Corps Commanding Sector to west of 76 Panzer Corps. Presume direct swop made with LI Mountain Corps. Exact subordination of divisions not known but suggest Adriatic Sector and Central Sector each controlled by II Corps Headquarters, in former case by unidentified corps and LXXVI Corps, in latter by XIV Corps and I Para Corps with LI Mountain Corps commanding non operational zone in western Appennines. Other captured document shows Lemelsen commanding Ten Army. Presume Vietinghoff commanding Army Group in absence Kesselring.

B. Balkans. Yugoslavia.

1. Junction effected between XXI Corps and 20th Infantry Division at Mojkovac on 19 December. Rapid withdrawal now to be expected although reports received.

End.

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Colonel Park, Log
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G 387: FO LEVANT AND E MED; FOTALI; FOWM; FO WESTERN ITALY;
 NLO 8TH ARMY; CINCEP; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH CS; RNHQ CAIRO;
 ADMIRALTY; COMLA; CMSF; COMNAVNAW; COMINCH; RA ALEXANDRIA.
 AIG 387 FROM CINMED

SITUATION REPORT #509.

1. GULF OF GENOA. NIGHT 16TH DECEMBER FORCE OF ALLIED
 TRAWLERS AND COASTAL CRAFT ATTACKED ENEMY CONVOY 8 SHIPS NEAR
 MESCO POINT. COMPLETE TACTICAL SUPRISE ACHIEVED AND 3 F
 LIGHTERS CLAIMED SUNK.

2. ADRIATIC. AT SIBENIK LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE BEING HELPFUL
 AND FRIENDLY BUT SITUATION AT GULF IS STRAINED. COMBINED
 AIR AND SEA ATTACK LUSSIN ISLAND SORTIE ON 17TH DECEMBER.
 DESTROYERS BOMBARDED ASINO AND ENGAGED M/B WEST CANIDOLE
 ISLAND.

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COASTAL CRAFT CHASED 2 EXPLOSIVE M/B'S INTO LUSSINPICCOLO
THRU CANAL IN POSITION 44-32-45 N 14-27-30 E AND ENGAGED

SHORE TARGETS, BRIDGE OVER CANAL AND E-BOATS BERTHED INSIDE.

3. KAPSINGMUN. DEMONSTRATIONS TOOK PLACE AT SCIGLI IN WHICH
HAND GRENADES WERE THROWN AND 5 CIVIL POLICE INJURED.

4. CRETE. LOCAL ELAS BEHAVING ADMIRABLY AND SAID TO BE ASHAMED
OF ATHENS REVOLT AND OTHER ELAS INCIDENTS. THEY ARE FULLY
COOPERATIVE WITH BRITISH AUTHORITIES. DISTRIBUTION OF RELIEF
STORES CONTINUES AND IS CREATING GOOD IMPRESSION. GUN RUNNING
TO ISLAND OCCURS SPASMODICALLY. OPENING OF PART OF HERAKLION
PROGRESSES SATISFACTORILY.

5. PIRAEUS. SOUTHERN PENINSULA NOW COMPLETELY CLEARED OF ELAS &
AND SEALED OFF. ROADSTEAD TO ATHENS REOPENED. NORTH SIDE HARBOUR
STILL ENEMY CONTROLLED. PEOPLE OF PIRAEUS HAVE SENT PUBLIC LETTER
WITH MANY SIGNATURES THANKING BRITISH AND LOYAL GREEK TROOPS FOR
THIS SECOND LIBERATION. GREEK NAVAL RESERVIST BEING ENROLLED
IN NUMBER FOR GUARD DUTY AND ARE GREAT SUCCESS.

6. GREECE. EVACUATION OF KALAMATA COMPLETED. SITUATION AT
KAVALLIO QUIET. AT VOLOS HMS MUSKETEER HAS RECEIVED ULTIMATUM
TO LEAVE. RECENT OF EMPIRE DACE AND LCT 328 AT MISSOLOGHI
BELIEVED CAUSED BY ELAN LAID GROUND MINES.

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AIG 387- FO LEVANT AND E MED, FOTALI, FOWM, FO WESTERN ITALY, NLO 8TH ARMY, CINCEP, VA MALTA, FOGMA, FO 15TH CS, RINGHQ CAIRO, ADMIRALTY, COMLA, CMSF, COMNAVNAV, COMINCH, RA ALEXANDRIA) FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 507.

(1) AN ITALIAN SWIMMING SABOTEUR HAS BEEN ARRESTED WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE PORT AREA AT LEGHORN. HIS MISSION WAS TO ORGANIZE EQUIPMENT FOR FUTURE OPERATION. EQUIPMENT PATCH LOCATED AND COLLECTED INTACT.

(2) ON 14TH DECEMBER BRITISH TROOPS IN MISSO LONGHI WERE SUBJECTED TO UNPROVOKED OPEN ELAS ATTACK. THEY CONCENTRATED

AT KRIONERI IN KALIDHON BAY AND EVACUATION COMMENCED FOLLOWING DAY. HMS RINALDO AND HMS BEAUFORT WERE SENT TO ASSIST.

EVACUATION CARRIED OUT UNDER REBEL FIRE AND COVERED BY NAVAL CLOSE SUPPORT FIRE WAS COMPLETED BY 0400 ON 16TH DEC. DETAILS

NOT YET AVAILABLE EXCEPT THAT THERE WAS NO REPETITION NO NAVAL CASUALTY. ARMY'S GUN REPORTS SAVED BUT BELIEVE ARMOUR AND 80

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VEHICLES PROBABLY ABONADONED. SITUATION AT PATRAS VERY TENSE.

(3) WITHDRAWAL FROM KAVALLO VOLOS KALAMATA LEVKAS PREVEZA NORTH SHORE GULF OF CORINTH AND D'IAN ISLANDS HAS BEEN ORDERED BY 3 CORPS. PREVIOUS REPORTS HAD NOT INDICATED ANY INCREASE IN TENSION AT THESE PLACES.

(4) AT PIRAEUS BAD WEATHER IS DELAYING DISCHARGE OF REINFORCEMENT OF TROOPS AND VEHICLES. PROGRESS ASHORE IN CLEARANCE OF SOUTHERN PENINSULA. NAVY AGAIN PROVIDED CLOSE SUPPORT.

(5) SITUATION AT OTHER PORTS AS FOLLOWS:
SALONIKA; ELAN IN CONTROL. ATTACK IN PROGRESS.

MITYLENE; QUIET. NORMAL WORK IN PROGRESS ASHORE.
SIBENIK; UNSETTLED.

(6) RHNS IONIA IS ASHORE ON REPI ISLAND AT SKIATHOS AND MAY BECOME TOTAL LOSS. A GREEK MERCHANT IS ALSO AGROUND IN SKIATHOS CHANNEL. ALLIED WAR SHIPS RETAIN STAND-BY.

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 TMLA CMSF COMNAVNAV COMINCH RA ALEXANDRIA FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 506.

(1) 5 OFFICERS INCLUDING THE CO AND 58 RATINGS ARE SURVIVORS

FROM HMS ALDENHAM. 5 OF THE RATINGS ARE SERIOUSLY INJURED.
 (2) CLEARANCE OF REBELS FROM SOUTHERN PENINSULA AT PIRAEUS

PROGRESSED BUT FIERCE FIGHTING IS TAKING PLACE. NAVAL FORCE
 HAS BOMBARDED LOFOS (MISSING GROUP) CASTELLA IN SUPPORT. THE

NAVAL W/T STATION WAS MENACED BUT A DESTROYER PROVIDED CLOSE
 SUPPORT AND 10 TANKS WERE LANDED FROM AN LST. GREEK NAVAL

BRIGADE CONTINUES TO BE GREAT SUCCESS AND ITS SIZE IS BEING
 INCREASED.

(3) AT NAXOS TOWN PEOPLE HAVE EXPRESSED LOYAL GREEK GOVERN-
 MENT AND CONFIDENCE IN BRITISH. SITUATION AT KAVALLIO IS

QUIET AND IMPROVES AS RESULT WITHDRAWAL BATTLESHIP N DESTROYER
 G S IERAX WITH GREEK NOIC. AT VOLOS ELAS ARE MOUNTING GUNS

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ROUND THE PORT. SITUATION THERE IS OTHERWISE EASIER. AT KALAMATA LANDING OF RELIEF STORE CONTINUES AND WHEN BRITISH LIBERTY MEN WERE

LANDING ON 13TH DECEMBER THEY WERE GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC WELCOME BY TOWNSPEOPLE. SITUATION AT OTHER PORTS UNCHANGED AND REPORTED

TENABLE EXCEPT AT MESOLONGION WHERE ARMIES ARE BEING EVACUATED FROM KALIDHON BAY. HMS RINALDO AND HMS BEAUFORT ARE PROCEEDING TO COVER

THIS WITHDRAWAL.

(4) SWEEPING OF MUDROS BAY (MISSING GROUP) PORT HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

(5) SITUATION ASHORE AT SPLIT (SPALATO) IS NOW SAFER BUT STRAINED.

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(FROM ALUSNA GREECE)

MODIFYING MY 142155

DEEPEER AND MACMILLAN HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE KING BE URGED TO APPOINT DAMASKINOS AS SOLE REGENT. LATTER

WILL ACCEPT ON CONDITION

- A) AMNESTY FOR ELAS
- B) BRITISH TROOPS WILL GUARANTEE NO REPRISAL AGAINST ELAS
- C) COALITION CABINET TO BE FORMED INCLUDING ALL PART AND RESISTANCE GROUPS.

SOPHOULIS WIRED THE KING SUPPORTING THIS PROPOSAL BUT PAPANDREOU WHO FIRST INDICATED HIS ASSENT HAS NOW

RECOMMENDED REGENCY OF 3 : DAMASKINOS PLASTIRAS AND DRAGOUNIS WHICH IS BELIEVED TO BE A POLITICAL MANEUVER

TO PUT PLASTIRAS OUT OF THE RUNNING FOR THE PREMIERSHIP LAEPER AND MACMILLAN COUNTERED WITH STRONG RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE KING BE URGED TO SUPPORT THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL IN LAST 2 HOURS BRITISH HAVE STRENGTHENED THEIR POSITION

IN PIRAEUS BY TAKING STRATEGIC KASTELLI HILL AND EXTENDING CONTROL TO ABOUT ONE HALF PIRAEUS HARBOR.

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REINFORCEMENTS CONTINUE TO ARRIVE BUT BRITISH POSITION IN ATHENS
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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main,
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Headquarters 6th Army Group, Main.

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Fast nor whether intended as reinforcement or as relief
for 26th Panzer Division.

3. Intentions. Despite renewal of enemy concern for
east flank do not consider he is any less apprehensive of resump-
tion of frontal attacks on Bologna. 76th Corps has long been
starved of reinforcement and needs new blood if flank is to
be saved from caving in. Enemy probably hopes to be able to
pull out and regroup major elements of 26th Panzer Div before
5th Army resumes offensive.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Russian troops crossed River Ipol north
Budapest and more progress made in direction Slovak frontier
north of Miskolcz. Line south Lake Balaton now reported run-
ning southwards from Kethely-15 miles SW Kaposvar-Drava im-
mediately west Barcs. Russians thus apparently compelled to
yield some ground this sector.

2 Yugoslavia. (A) Unconfirmed report states.

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Reference G-2 Summary Number 102.

Hq 2nd Panzer Army moved from Nova Gradiska to area Rogatec. This considered possible in view extension area Army group E to south of Drava and resulting concentration 2nd Panzer Army on south Hungarian battle.

B. Partisans pushing up road Knin - Bihac have reached outskirts Srb. Latter town still enemy occupied.

C. Sjenica reported evacuated by enemy.

D. Advanced elements XXI Corps reported reached Kolasin and enemy apparently concentrating on this route rather than that via Andrijevisa where no further movement seen.

E. Elements 22nd Division in area Mojkovac reported as 47th Regiment.

All informed.

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LSTS 602 AND 74 DEPARTED PIRAEUS FOR KALAMATA AND PREVEZA
 RESPECTIVELY AT 121200B ETA LST 602 131400B ETA LST 74
 140800B. PRESENT PLAN CALLS FOR FOLLOWING OPERATIONS.
 602 LOAD KALAMATA AND RETURN IMMEDIATELY TO PIRAEUS, 74 LOAD
 PREVEZA AND LIFT TO PATRAS AND RECEIVE FURTHER ORDERS AT
 LATER PORT. WHILE MOORED AT PIRAEUS PORT 10TH DECEMBER
 GREEK SNIPERS WOUNDED 2 MEN ON MAIN DECK OF LST 74, 1 SERIOUS.

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2. Order of Battle. Whole of 98th Inf Div now identified area Bagnacavallo on right of 114th Jaeger Div. Old sector 98th Inf Div filled by extension of frontages 1st Para and 334th.

Second part follows.

End.
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Main, Versailles, France

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Second and final part of my FX 69823 of 16 December.
Please pass to AMC. All informed.

Infantry divisions. 305th Inf Div still in line on
narrow sector west of 90th PG Div.

In central sector 65th Inf Div still firmly identi-
fied on route 65.

3. Rear Areas.

Ground sources report 162nd Inf Div moving from
Piacenza towards Cremona and to be clear of latter by 15th.
Appears likely that division will continue movement to north
east Italy where operations against Partisans reported recent-
ly intensified.

B. Balkans.

1. Yugoslavia. In Montenegro advance elements XXI
Corps reported held up by road demolitions between Matesevo
and Andrijevic. Some advance northward towards Djlasin on
westerly route reported. According air recce 15 December
bridge at Kolasin still intact. Several hundred MT sighted

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same day road Biocce-Matesevo. Elements northern believing
column reported 15 December attacking Berane.

2. For III Corps only.

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ITALIAN MAS BOATS 8 MILES SOUTH OF ANYIBES 110130. LUDLOW CHASED OTHER TO POSITION 20 MILES SOUTH CAP AMPEGLIN FIRING 213 RDS BEFORE CONTACT LOST. NIGHT PATROL BY 1 BOMBARDMENT DESTROYER WAS RESUMED ON TWELFTH.

4. DAMAGES GROUND TACKLE BEING RELAID FOR LST 906. 7 WORKING DAYS REQUIRED. DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS NO ESTIMATE FOR REFLOATING CAN BE GIVEN. PT 307 AT 081400 DAMAGED BY HEAVY STERN SWELL 5 MILES OFF LEGHORN. 1 OFFICER AND 1 MAN MISSING. SEARCH BY PTS PLANE AND M/S WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. BRIDGE AND CHART HOUSE DAMAGED PT.

5. MINESWEEPING. GULF CAGLIARI SWEEP USING 6 AM AND SIX YMS. YMS AREAS. 1 REMAINS UNSWEPT SHORE SIDE CHANNEL. SEAWARD SIDE CHANNEL. 2 EQUALLY DIVIDED AREAS SOUTH OF QUARTA BAY TO 39 DEGREES 05 MINUTES SWPT. 26 MOORED CONTACT MILES 18 OBSTRUCTORS DESTROYED. AM AREAS. 1 SEAWARD SIDE CHANNEL FROM CAP SPARTIOE TO DUE EAST TO CENTER GULF 100 PER CENT COMPLETED 11 MOORED CONTACT SWPT. 1 AREA SEAWARD SIDE CHANNEL WEST SIDE GULF 11 PERCENT COMPLETED 24 MOORED CONTACT 10 OBSTRUCTORS DESTROYED. 3 AREAS REMAIN UNSWEPT. DUE TO RETURN UNITED STATES MINDIV 18 FORCES REDUCED TO 4 AM 2 YMS. BASTIA SWEEP. 4 AM 6 BRITISH ML ASSIGNED WIDEN ONE MILE CHANNEL ALONG COAST TO BASTIA. SWEEP TO COMMENCE 13TH.

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6. STATUS UNITS DEPARTING THEATER. SHIPS PREPARING AT BIZERTE AND PALERMO. LCT TO BE DECKLOADED ON LST AT ORAN. TOTAL 1 DD. 2 DE. 4 AM. 6 YMS. 1 ACM. 1 ATA. 1 ARL. 16 LST. 16 LCT. 40 LCI (L).

7. LANDING CRAFT STATUS. 10 LST DESIGNATED FOR TURNOVER TO BRITISH AT BIZERTE. BRITISH CREWS WILL ARRIVE 16 DECEMBER. EXPECT TO COMPLETE TURNOVER 23RD THEN 1 TO 2 WEEK TRAINING PERIOD DEPENDING ON EXPERIENCE OF CREWS. 14 LST 18 LCI (L) STANDING BY BIZERTE FOR EXTENDED DUTY UNDER DIRECTION FOTALI. NOW ON 10 DAYS NOTICE BECAUSE OPERATIONS POSTPONED. LST. 10 ENROUTE BIZERTE FOR TURNOVER. TRAINING 5 BIZERTE 6 PALERMO. 7 OPERATING AEGEAN. 1 MOTHERSHIP 1 AGROUND LEGHORN. ONE BASTIA NAPLES LIFT. LCI (L). TRAINING 17 PALERMO. 5 MISCELLANEOUS DUTIES. LCT. TRAINING 23 BIZERTE 5 PALERMO. 5 OVERHAULED BIZERTE. 1 REPAIRING PALERMO. 8. MISCELLANEOUS. AMPHIBIOUS TRAINING BASE FACILITIES TO BE ESTABLISHED PALERMO WITH BIZERTE REDUCED TO SECONDARY BASE CAPABLE OF REPAIRING SMALL BOATS AND SUPPLYING PHIBFOR VESSELS. LA GOULETTE WITH NECESSARY OPERATING EQUIPMENT TO BE TRANSFERRED TO FRENCH RETAINING USE OF DRYDOCK ON REQUEST.

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9. INTELLIGENCE. PATROL CRAFT ON EASTERN FLANK SOUTHERN FRANCE ENGAGED 2 ITALIAN MAS BOAAB OFF CANNES SINKING 1 AND TAKING 2 OFFICERS AND 13 ENLISTED POW. 2 GERMANS AMONG LATTER GROUP. FRENCH PC PICKED UP ITALIAN OFFICER WHO HAS SCUTTLED EXPLOSIVE BOAT AFTER BREAKDOWN OFF MONACO. 9 FLOATING MINES SUNK.

COMINCH.....ACT

20G....CNO....NAVAIDE....200P....16.....

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QUARTER	EXTENSION NUMBER	ADDRESSEES	PRECEDENCE
FROM <u>ALUSIA GREECE</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE <u>15 DEC 1944</u>			ROUTINE
FOR CODER ROOM <u>1245</u>			DEFERRED
DECODED BY <u>SMALL</u>			PRIORITY
TYPED BY <u>VENOSKY</u>			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY <u>MORRIS</u>			DEFERRED
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FROM SPENCER,

GENERAL PLASTIRAS ARRIVED ATHENS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON. COMPROMISE NOT BELIEVED POSSIBLE IF BRITISH AGREE TO ACCEPT PLASTIRAS IN PAPANDREOU'S PLACE. APPOINTMENT OF AGENCY COUNCIL UNDER ARCHBISHOP DASKINOS MAY PRECEDE SUCH ACTION. BRITISH AMBASSADOR CONSULTING PARTY LEADERS FOR VIEWS. MILITARY SITUATION RELATIVELY QUIET PAST 24 HOURS DURING WHICH BRITISH HAVE LANDED REINFORCEMENTS. SALONIKA AND PATRAS QUIET BUT TENSE.

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RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
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MY 121519. LATE REPORTS INDICATE ATTEMPTED
INVASION SYMI REPULSED. LOCAL SOURCES REPORT
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DATE 15 DEC 1944		AIG 387*	PPPPR
TO CODEROOM 1356			DEFERRED
DECODED BY ENGLISH/PAUL/THALAK		INFORMATION	PRIORITY
TYPED BY D SMITH			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY			DEFERRED
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(AIG 387* FO LEVANT AND E. MED TOTALI FORM FO WESTERN ITALY
 NLO 8TH ARMY CINCEM VA MALTA FORM FO 15TH CS RMHQ CAIRO
 ADMIRALTY COMLA COMMORSEAFROM COMNAVNAV COMINCH RA ALEXANDRIA
 FROM CINCEM)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 505.

- (1) ADRIATIC, HMS ALDENHAM SUNK BY MINE IN POSITION
 4430 N 01450 E. HMS ATHERSTONE HAS REPORTED

HAVING SURVIVORS ON BOARD BUT DETAILS NOT YET AVAILABLE
 SITUATION AT SPLIT HAS EASED SUFFICIENTLY FOR HMS

- (2) DELHI TO BE ABLE TO GIVE LEAVE.
 GREECE, SITUATION AT PIRAEUS WILL REMAIN AWKWARD
 SO LONG AS ELAS HOLD NORTH SHORE OF HARBOUR.

THEY HAVE NOT HOWEVER SO FAR TAKEN OFFENSIVE ACTION
 FROM THAT DIRECTION. DISEMBARKATION CONTINUES

SMOOTHLY. THROUGHOUT REVOLT NAVAL GUNFIRE HAS PRODUCED
 MARKED EFFECT WHENEVER CALLED FOR. PRESENCE OF WAR-

SHIPS HAS CLEARED SITUATION AT PROVINCIAL PORTS AND IT
 SEEMS PROBABLE THAT ELAS ARE WAITING TO SEE WHAT IS
 OUTCOME IN PIRAEUS ATHENS AREA.

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DECODED BY PAUL/MCPHERSON			
TYPED BY SEVALD/			PRIORITY
ROUTED BY			ROUTINE
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FO LEVANT AND E. MED; FOTALI; FOWM; FO WESTERN ITALY;
NLO 8TH ARMY; CINCEP; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH CS;
RNGHQ CAIRO; ADMIRALTY; COMLA; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV;
COMINCH; RA ALEXANDRIA. FROM CINCHMED.

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PART 3 132144A NCR 3489

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 504

- (1) AT PIRAEUS SITUATION IS QUIETER AND ARMIES ARE MAKING STEADY PROGRESS. VOLUNTEER GREEK NAVAL RATINGS ARE NOW OPERATING ASHORE AND HAVE PROVED ENORMOUS SUCCESS AS CIVILIANS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC AT SIGHT OF UNIFORMED GREEK FORCES. TODAY'S SITUATION AT OTHER GREEK PORTS IS AS FOLLOWS.
- SYRA ELAS HAVE SURRENDERED THEIR ARMS. KAVALLLO. ALL QUIET. ** IN CONTROL OF TOWN AND PROVINCE.
- SALONIKA. 5 ELAN CAIQUES INTERCEPTED.
- YEMEN. ARRIVAL OF GREEK AND BRITISH WARSHIPS HAS COMPLETELY RESTORED SITUATION.

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VOLOS. FORCADOS. MILITARY HAVE CONCENTRATED IN DEFENCE AREA ON WATER FRONT.

KALAMATA. FORCADOS.
PATRAS. FORCADOS.

- (3) NIGHT OF 11TH DEC HMS LIDDESDALE ENGAGED 3 LANDING CRAFT ATTEMPTING TO INVADE SYMI ISLAND NEAR RODI. 1 ARMED

YACHT BLOWN UP AND THE OTHERS DRIVEN OFF.
RODI BATTERIES FIRED AT HMS LIDDESDALE WHO WAS NOT HIT.

- (4) IN ADRIATIC SITUATION AT ZARA IS QUIET AND THAT AT SPLIT MUCH EASIER.

- (5) AT TOULON, PORT DE BOUC, AND MARSEILLES TOTAL OF 1, 513,167 TONS DRY CARGO HAS BEEN DISCHARGED SO FAR.

** 2 GROUPS GARBLED.

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From: CG, Balkan Air Force, Bari, Italy

To: War Department

Hr: BAF 506 14 December 1944

AFHQ RRR AGWAR Mid East TROOPERS 15th Army Group
from Headquarters Balkan Air Force BAF/506 14th December
special operations sitrep number 104 secret time of origin
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1. Yugoslavia no operations. Albania no operations.
Hungary no operations.

2. Yugoslavia.

1. Further attacks towards Travnik XL 92 re-
pulsed by Partisans.

2. Partisans captured Grmada RD 7501 and Arb
Trebnno RD 7701.

3. Fall of Srb WP 63 and Lapac WP 55 imminent.

3. Nil.

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INFO : CCS, CG AAF, OPD, COL PARK, LOG

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

To: War Department

Nr: S 70798

14 December 1944

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Identifications: By Prisoners of War:

12th December I and II Battalions 305 Grenadier Regiments 198th Infantry Division area Selestat region. 12th december elements I Battalion 192nd Panzer Grenadier Regiment 21st Panzer Division area Mattstall (R 0142):

States I Battalion arrived in trucks south of Lembach. Mission to counterattack and remainder division also expected this sector. 13th December elements 110th and 111th Panzer Grenadier Regiments 11th Panzer Division area Q 2657. 13th December II Battalion 743rd Grenadier Regiment 719th Infantry Division area Saarlouis Roden (Q 2881):

States Division Command Post at Nalbach (Q3187). 11th December elements I Battalion 915th Grenadier Regiment 352nd Infantry Division Area Wallendorf (P 9241):

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Main, Versailles, France

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States elements moved Biesdorf (P9743). 12th December
I Battalion 1226th Grenadier Regiment 190th Division area
St Agatha (E7449) and paybook on Corps area E 765538 reveals
II Battalion 1225th Grenadier Regiment, 190th Division, area
E 765538:

Comment first identification 1226 since upgrading.
1225th Regiment presumably disposed north of 1224th Regiment.
By reliable source: 85th Infantry Division located between
Venlo and Heinsberg about 10th December.

By Prisoner of War statement: 481st Grenadier Regiment
withdrew to Weissembourg (R1548). 11th December 347th Inf-
antry Division under control XIII SS Corps and concedes command
19th Army to General Wiese as late as beginning November.
19th Volksgrenadier Division received 1000 German Air Force
replacements and same number earmarked 17th SS Panzer Grenadier
Division shortly, mostly non German. 11th December Headquarters
277th Infantry Division in Castle Schmidtheim (F1602) and
Headquarters 212th Volksgrenadier Division area Trier. 10th
December 1055th Grenadier Regiment, 89th Infantry Division,
virtually wiped out. 1056, same shape, now has only Air
Corps men left. Divisional reserve Zulpich area now complete-
ly exhausted.

Notes. 9 December Command Post 63 Corps at Hirtzfelden
(V4712); erroneously reported as Command Post 19th Army.
General Von Oppen successor to General Achmann in command,
338th Division. 13th December Headquarters General Neumann
(712th Division) in WYK (E 3577).

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Comment: Confirms 712th Division in Tiel sector.
Movements. Nothing to report.

Prisoners of War.

A. Prisoners captured 10th December:

Second British Army	2
First Canadian Army	13
First United States Army	278
Third United States Army	694
Ninth United States Army	7
Seventh United States Army	587
First French Army	
(G2 estimate)	295

B. Accumulative total to 2400 hours 10
December (including G 2 estimate of 552 for First French
Army for 9 and 10 December) 777, 131.

General. Order of 28th October defines boundary of
Western Theater of Operations as follows:

Western bank of Weser River from mouth to Hannover
Muenden Kassel Schwarzenborn Fulda Jessa Gemueden western
bank of Main River to Ochsenfurt Road Dincelsbuehl via Roth-
enburg Moenchsrod western boundary of Wehrkreis 13 western
boundary of Wehrkreis 7 to Swiss border.

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Order of same date defines rear boundary of Army Group G as: Koblenz course of Lahn River to Limburg course of main river to Miltenberg Osterburken Eslingen Reutlingen Tuttlingen. Swiss border to Blumenfeld. Rear boundary of First Army was Rhine River and of 19th Army Rhine River to Ottenheim Emmendingen Freiburg in Breisgau Swiss border at Loerrach.

Captured document of 275th Division shows that one regiment (strength 805) lost during 10 days 11 to 12 November in Huertgen Forest 228 men including 25 killed 86 wounded 112 missing and 5 sick (figure for killed does not include those who died in hospitals): This gives a ratio of approximately one to one between numbers of prisoners of war and of other serious casualties.

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To: War Department
CG, 6th Army Group, Vittell, France
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force
Main, Versailles, France
No. FX 68849, 14 December 1944

To TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees Dec 14-2277
from FREEDOM cite FHGBI signed Alexander FX 68849. G-2
Summary number 104.

A. Italy.

1. General. Enemy continues to cling tenaciously to present water line on Adriatic front and counter attacked strongly Allied bridgehead northeast of Bagnacavallo. Major elements of 98th Inf Div identified this area. South of Faenza minor activity only reported.

2. Order of battle. Both battalions 289 GR and one battalion 117th GR now identified on Eighth Army front. 98th Division has not been identified on Fifth Army front since 5th December when it held only a narrow front. Presume remainder of division now enroute Eighth Army front.

B. Balkans.

1. Yugoslavia. Enemy rear guards now believed area Uzice. XXI Corps withdrawal Montenegro continues. Matesevo reached and column passing through to east reported approaching Andrijevisa. MT movement reported south of river Tara in

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area Mojkovac suggests relief column moving down westerly - route from north succeeded in crossing river. Some evacuation by AII reported from Podgorica up to night 11/12 December.

2. Greece. Captured document reveals rebels plan previously prepared and originally intended for operation against Germans. Object cutting of roads leading from Athens to suburbs and use of suburbs as nests of resistance. Majority 2nd ELAS Div believed in Athens and 42nd Regiment of 13th Div also identified. Employment Cavalry Brigade as Infantry expected. Indications rebels will fight hard to maintain initiative before arrival Allied reinforcements. Friendly attitude evidenced by return of prisoners may harden. All informed.

End

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Main, Versailles, France
CG, 6th Army Group Main
Nr. FX 68305

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PHGBI. G 2 summary number (103)

A. Italy.

1. Varying resistance to latest allied attack. On
left 114th Div reinforced by 190th Recce Bn and MG Bn C in
C southwest still firm on Canale Naviglio. Left wing 356th
Div forced to give ground south of Bagnacavallo but right
wing with 278th Div still forward on Lamone. On central
sector 1st Para Div suffered heavy losses in unsuccessful
attack on Monte Cerrere.

2. Order of battle. 305th Div probably now moving
out of line. Readjustment of boundary between 334th and
715th Divs and Imola Road now inclusive to former.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Russians

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Second, third and final part FREEDOM's FX 68305
132200 December 1944. G 2 summary number 103.

Closing in on Budapest from north and northeast
reported 10 miles to northeast. To south Bulgarian counter-
attack reported to have recaptured Erd.

2. Yugoslavia. Previous reports Vukovar in Russian
hands incorrect though fighting in progress in area. General
Kuebler reported commanding all German troops between Drava
and Sava believed to include 118th Jaeger, elements of
264th Infantry and of 117th Jaeger Divisions. Probably an
Ad Hoc corps command. Headquarters reported Nustar near
Vinkovci. Some slight indication 22nd Mountain Corps Head-
quarters moved northwestwards through Brod en route Hungary.
Two battalions 138th Jaeger Regiment 188th Reserve Mountain
Division believed moved southward from Susak to area Senj
possibly to assist XV Mountain Corps. 12 December Partisan
aircraft attacked transport moving Bijeljina-Bрко possibly
elements 104th Jaeger Division which reported reached Sava.
In Montenegro MT seen moving east from Matesevo 12 December
indicates advance elements XXI Corps now reached latter. All
informed.

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

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SITUATION REPORT #503.

1. ALL WATERFRONT AT PIRAEUS FROM NAVY HOUSE TO NAVAL
HEADQUARTERS CLEAR OF REBELS. CLEARANCE OF PENINSULA
ON WHICH THESE HEADQUARTERS STAND PROGRESSING WELL.
WARSHIPS CONTINUE TO PROVIDE CLOSE SUPPORT FIRE ON
CALL. MODERATION IN WEATHER HAS ENABLED DISCHARGE OF
M/T TO RESTART. PREPARATION OF ELAS STRONG POINT NORTH
OF COAL JETTY CONTINUES AND IS CAUSING GRAVE CONCERN.

2. ARRIVAL OF HMS CALEDON HAS EASED SITUATION AT KAVALLA
WHERE ALL IS NOW REPORTED QUIET.

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CDS OF LOCAL ELAS HAS GIVEN HIMSELF UP.

3. REPORTS FROM OTHER GREEK PORTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:
 PATRAS. ELAS TROOPS HAVE LEFT TOWN AND ARE DIGGING IN
 ON HIGH GROUND IN OUTSKIRTS. SITUATION OTHERWISE QUIET.
 KALAMATA. SITUATION TENSE. SYRA. EAM SURRENDERED ARMS
 WITHOUT INCIDENT BUT FIRING BROKE OUT LATER.
 MITYLENE. SITUATION DELICATE BUT EASED BY ARRIVAL OF HM SHIPS.
 LEMNOS. NO DISTURBANCES.
 VOLOS. NO SHOOTING YET BUT GREEK NAVAL OFFICER IN CHARGE
 THREATENED AND HAS BEEN EMBARKED.

4. GERMAN RAIDING PARTY LANDED ON PATMOS FROM 3 BARGES.
 KIMBERLEY AND HMS EXMOOR AND MOTOR LAUNCHES ARE INVESTI-
 GATING.

5. DESTROYERS CARRIED OUT NIGHT BOMBARDMENT OF RAB
 ISLAND.

6. SITUATION AT SPLIT REMAINS TENSE IN SPITE OF APPROVAL
 FROM TITO FOR HMS DELHI TO REMAIN.

7. SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 502 PARAGRAPH 3. FF 568
 SABRE WAS ALSO IN THIS ENGAGEMENT AND SANK 1 ENEMY COASTAL
 CRAFT.

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To: War Department 536
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East 1214
Cairo, Egypt
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Ankara to MILID 536 AMME 1214

Conditions in Greece are causing much harm to Allied causes in Turkey and full extent of concern is not reflected in press comments. Three main points come out of recent conversations with Turks and foreign residents:

1. The crisis reveals a serious divergence of opinion between the Turks and Allies and maybe the opening gun in the coming conflict between British and Americans on one side and Russians on the other.
2. Immense loss of prestige for England and for Churchill personally with revival of old German argument that defeat of Germany means victory for Communism.
3. Growing conviction that US are turning to a policy of isolation. All Turkish thinking is colored by fear that England will be too weak in Balkans to act as bulwark against complete Russian domination of this part of world.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 502

(1) AT PIRAEUS ALLIED NAVAL HEADQUARTERS UNDER ACCURATE

MORTAR FIRE FORENOON OF 10TH DECEMBER. BRITISH AND
GREEK WAR SHIPS CONTINUE TO PROVIDE CLOSE SUPPORT FIRE.

ELAS REPORTED CONSTRUCTING STRONG POINT NORTH OF COAL
WHARF WHICH WILL DOMINATE ALL MOVEMENTS IN HARBOUR

UNLESS ELIMINATED, SUCH MOVEMENTS ARE AT PRESENT ALMOST
IMPOSSIBLE DUE TO SOUTHERLY GALE. LSI HMCS PRINCE DAVID

DAMAGED BY UNDERWATER EXPLOSION IN SEARCHED CHANNEL
OFF CAPE TURLO CAUSE IS DOUBTFUL AND DAMAGE SLIGHT.

HMS CALEDON HAS ARRIVED KAVALLIO AND STATES SITUATION
TENSE BUT QUIET. LATER REPORT SAYS THAT EVACUATION

THERE HAS BEEN ORDERED BUT HMS CALEDON SIGNALS OFFICER
COMMANDING TROOP INTERVAL HAS NO SUCH ORDER. NO REPORT

AVAILABLE FROM HMS'S AT OTHER MAIN PORTS. DECLASSIFIED
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(2) AT SPLIT ON ORDER FROM TITO APPROVAL HAS NOW BEEN GIVEN FOR HMS DELHI TO REMAIN

(3) ON NIGHT OF 10TH DEC US LUDLOW ATTACKED 2 ENEMY ^{COASTAL} CRAFTS SOUTH OF ANTIBES. 1 BADLY DAMAGED AND CREW TAKEN PRISONERS THE OTHER GOT AWAY AFTER A LONG CHASE

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 SECTION, LONDON, FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF
 REPEATED SHAF FOR INFORMATION SIGNED WILSON
 CITE FHGEG, FHCAO, FHCOS, THIS IS NAF 824, FX 64868

1. ON 12 NOVEMBER G O C GREECE REPRESENTED

THAT AFTER DUE EXPERIENCE OF ACTUAL CONDITIONS, IT
 WAS ESSENTIAL TO INCREASE THE PRESENT IMPORT

PROGRAMME OF RELIEF FOODSTUFFS. HIS REPORT WAS IN
 THE FOLLOWING TERMS:

(A) IN ADDITION TO THE EXPECTED DISLOCATIONS
 OF LIBERATION, WE HAVE HAD TO CONTEND WITH A

COMPLETE UPEHAVAL OF THE ECONOMIC STRUCTURE - THE
 RESULT OF UNCONTROLLED INFLATION.

ENERGETIC MEASURES HAVE BEEN TAKEN TO ASSIST
 THE GREEK GOVT IN HANDLING THIS PROBLEM AND WITH

THE ASSISTANCE OF BRITISH AND AMERICAN EXPERTS
 STEPS HAVE BEEN TAKEN WHICH IT IS HOPED WILL LEAD
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TO THE STABILIZATION OF THE DRACHMA. IT MUST HOWEVER TAKE SOME WEEKS BEFORE IT IS POSSIBLE TO DECIDE WHETHER THE

STABILIZATION PLAN HAS IN FACT SUCCEEDED.

(B) FROM THE SUPPLY STAND POINT, THE IMMEDIATE AND

MOST IMPORTANT EFFECT OF INFLATION HAS BEEN TO PREVENT THE EFFECTIVE PURCHASE OF LOCAL PRODUCE, PARTICULARLY OLIVE OIL.

THIS FACTOR WHEN COMBINED WITH EFFECTS OCCUPATION INTERNAL UNREST IN GREECE AND COMPLETE DISLOCATION OF

INTERNAL DISTRIBUTION BY DESTRUCTIONS OF THE ENTIRE RAILWAY SYSTEM HAS LED TO A SITUATION WHERE, FOR THE TIME BEING AT

LEAST, THE CITIES MUST BE SUPPORTED ALMOST ENTIRELY BY IMPORTED SUPPLIES, AND IN THE PROVINCES A MUCH LARGER PERCENTAGE

OF THE POPULATION MUST BE FED FROM AN IMPORTED RATION THAN IS PROVIDED FOR IN THE CURRENT ALLOCATIONS OF FOODSTUFFS.

(C) NO EFFORT IS BEING SPARED TO COLLECT LOCAL PRODUCE AND THE GOVT IS BEING PRESSED AND ASSISTED IN EVERY

WAY TO TAKE ACTIVE MEASURES, BUT EFFECTIVE RESULTS CANNOT BE EXPECTED UNLESS AND UNTIL STABILIZATION PLAN SUCCEEDS.

(D) THE STABILIZATION PLAN IS ITSELF DEPENDENT UPON AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY PROGRAM AND, IN TURN, IT IS OBVIOUS

THAT ANY IMPORT PROGRAM WILL BE PRACTICALLY VALUELESS UNLESS THE STABILIZATION PLAN SUCCEEDS, SINCE NO SYSTEM OF

DISTRIBUTION WHICH TAKE LOCAL PRODUCE INTO ACCOUNT CAN OPERATE UNLESS CURRENCY SYSTEM IS EFFECTIVE. THUS THE

STABILIZATION PLAN AND THE SUPPLY PROGRAM FOR GREECE ARE INTERDEPENDENT.

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2. IN ORDER, THEREFORE, TO ATTAIN THE OBJECTIVE OF CURRENCY STABILIZATION AND PROVISION OF AN ADEQUATE RATION TO THE CIVIL POPULATION, G O C GREECE, WITH THE CONCURRENCE OF GENERAL SADLER AND GENERAL HUGHES, REQUESTED THE FOLLOWING INCREASES IN FOOD COMMODITY ALLOCATIONS FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 2 MONTHS:

- A. COMMODITY
- B. PRESENT AVERAGE MONTHLY ALLOCATION IN TONS.
- C. RECOMMENDED AVERAGE MONTHLY ALLOCATION IN TONS.

(A)	(B)	(C)
GRAIN FLOUR	52,050	63,000
FATS & OILS	400	4,500
MEAT	2,394	3,536
CHEESE OR EQUIVALENT	678	884
SUGAR	3,213	6,492

3. ON 16 NOVEMBER A FURTHER SIGNAL WAS RECEIVED URGING THAT THE ABOVE RECOMMENDATIONS BE IMMEDIATELY AUTHORIZED.

THE IMMEDIATE OCCASION FOR THIS SIGNAL WAS THE ANNOUNCED INTENTION OF THE GREEK GOVT TO INCREASE WAGES THREE FOLD, WHICH WOULD, OF COURSE, WRECK STABILIZATION PLAN COMPLETELY. THE GREEK PRIME MINISTER ADVISED THAT HIS POWER TO

RESIST THESE DEMANDS DEPEND ENTIRELY ON HIS ABILITY TO ASSURE HIS MINISTERS THAT A SUPPLY PROGRAM BASED ON 2,000

CALORIES WOULD BE PROVIDED BY THE ALLIES.

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4. FROM THE SUPPLY STAND POINT, THIS RECOMMENDATION HAS MANY OBVIOUS OBJECTIONS, AND IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT INCREASED IMPORTS ALONE WILL NOT, AS A LONG TERM MEASURE COMBAT INFLATION.

5. ON THE OTHER HAND, THE POLITICAL, FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF THE POSITION NECESSITATED IMMEDIATE ACTION.

6. I THEREFORE AUTHORIZED G O C GREECE TO ADVISE THE GREEK GOVT THAT:

A. ON CONDITION THAT WAGES WERE IMMEDIATELY PEGGED ON A SATISFACTORY BASIS AND;

B. THAT EFFECTIVE PRICE CONTROLS FOR RATIONED COMMODITIES ARE ENFORCED.

I WOULD MAKE UTMOST ENDEAVOURS TO SECURE A DISTRIBUTION OF RATIONS FROM ALL SOURCES ON A 2,000 CALORY BASIS IN ALL AREAS OF GREECE WHERE DISTRIBUTION CAN BE EFFECTIVELY MADE.

THIS UNDERTAKING TO BE GIVEN FOR A PERIOD OF 2 MONTHS SUBJECT TO SUBSEQUENT REVIEW AND ON THE EXPLICIT CONDITION THAT WAGES WILL REMAIN FIXED FOR THE 2 MONTHS PERIOD IN QUESTION.

7. FOLLOWING NEGOTIATION WITH THE GREEK GOVT, G O C GREECE NOW ADVISES THAT AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED IN

THE ABOVE TERMS WITH EFFECT FROM 1 DECEMBER FOR A PERIOD OF 2 MONTHS AND NEW RATION SCALE BECOMES EFFECTIVE

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8. IN IMPLEMENTING MY UNDERTAKING AT 6 ABOVE IT IS
PREPOSED TO HAVE FULLEST POSSIBLE USE OF SURPLUS NOW
REPLACEABLE MIDEAST MILITARY STOCKS OF ITEMS OTHER THAN
THOSE PRESENTLY PROGRAMMED. MOREOVER, IT IS NOT ANTICIPATED
THAT SUPPLEMENTARY ALLOCATIONS WILL BE NECESSARY TO THE
EXTENT INDICATED IN PARA 2.
ON THE OTHER HAND, WHERE PROGRAMMED ITEMS DO HAVE TO
BE USED FOR GREECE ABOVE ITS PRESENT ALLOCATION, I MUST
DRAW FROM AVAILABLE STOCKS SCHEDULED FOR OTHER BALKAN
COUNTRIES AND IMMEDIATE REPLACEMENT WILL BE NECESSARY, AS
OUR IMPORT PROGRAM THRU FEBRUARY IS ONLY SUFFICIENT TO
MEET CURRENT ALLOCATIONS.

9. I REQUEST THAT APPROVAL BE GIVEN TO SUCH
SUPPLEMENTARY ACQUISITIONS AS MAY BECOME NECESSARY WITHIN
THE TOTALS INDICATED AT PARA 2 ABOVE

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From: Commander in Chief, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: 12/2221 12 December 1944

COSITINTREP addressees from CINC Med, Part 1, my 12/2221.

1. At Piraeus all water front from Navy house to Naval Headquarters clear of rebels and clearance of peninsular on which headquarters stand progressing favourably.

Close support is being provided by warships. Weather has moderated and unloading of M T has recommenced. Grave concern is being caused by continued preparation by ELAS of strong point north of coal jetty.

2. Situation at Kavallio now reported quiet having been eased by arrival of H M cruiser Caledon.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S Adm King
CG AAF Col Park
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From: Commander in Chief, Mediterranean

To: War Department
Headquarters, North African District, Algiers, Algeria
Headquarters, Communications Zone, European Theater of
Operations, US Army, Paris, France
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

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12 December 1944

Part 2 122221 from CINC Med.

1 Local ELAS Chief of Staff has given himself up.

3. Situation at other Greek ports is as follows:

Patras Rebels have left town and are digging in on high ground outside. Otherwise everything quiet Kalamata tense. Syros EAM gave up their arms without incident but later firing broke out. Mitylene delicate but eased by arrival of H M ships. Lemnos all quiet. Volos Greek NOIC threatened and embarked. No shooting yet.

End

ACTION: OPD

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
Headquarters, 6th US Army Group, Main
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

No: FX 67681 12 December 1944

FX 67681 action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees
121915 Dec 1944 from FREEDOM signed Alexander cite FHQBI.
G-2 Summary Number 102.

A. Italy.

1. Operations.

Enemy now holding Fosso Vecchio and still in possession
of Bagnacavallo M 3838.

Little sign any withdrawal on 278 and 26 PZ Div fronts.

Over 300 PW taken on 8th Army Front on 11 December
mainly from 114th and 356th Divs.

2. Order of Battle.

6 Battalions 90 PG Div identified south of Route
9 and Recce Unit committed Canadian Corps Sector.

✓ Some indications that 305th Div is withdrawing and
that 90th PG Div may extend to take over its sector.

715th Div also appears to be shifting sector slightly
eastwards. Indications 362nd Div assuming part of 65th Div
sector. End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/3, CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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To: War Department
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But further confirmation required.

B. Balkans.

1. General. Reliable report dated 22nd November states unidentified German division recently left Norway destination Southeastern Europe.

2. Hungary. Considerable Russian attacks reported towards Szekesfehervar and Nagykanizsa. North of Budapest further progress made where Ipolyseg taken.

3. Yugoslavia. Advance elements XXI Corps within two miles Matesevo. Relieving column from north made no further progress beyond River Tara at Mojkovac. Reported German thrust towards Travnik from Sarajevo-Brod suggests enemy may be seeking additional escape route through Central Bosnia in view of possible Russian threat to withdrawal route westwards from Brod. All informed.

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log.
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To: War Department
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Main, Versailles, France
CG, 6th Army Group, Vittel, France
No. FX 67207, 11 December 1944

TROOPERS AGWAR rptd usual addressees from FREEDOM
signed cite FRGBI FX 67207 Dec 111855 G-2 summary number 101.

A. Italy. Allied attack across the Lamone River which reached Bagnocavallo (M2939) found a weak spot on the boundary of 114th and 356th Divisions and more than 120 prisoners were taken. Southwest of Faenza 90th PG Div of which five bns now identified continued its counter attacks and had some success but territory gained was out of proportion to losses incurred.

B. Balkans.

1. Yugoslavia. (A) Russian force which crossed Drava southeast Barcs reported captured Virovitica and Slatina and thus approaching Partisan controlled area stretching southwards towards Pakrac and Pozega. Vukovar in Russian hands.

(B) Enemy column from Prijepolje attacked Jabuka pass on Plevlja road 8th Dec. All informed.

End

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

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FROM ALUSNA GREECE INFO CNO. MILAT REQUESTS PASS TO MIXR
MILID. FOR BISSULL FROM GALRABEE.

"BRITISH POSITION ATHENS PIRAEUS GRAVE. LARGER SCALE
ATTACKS BY ELAS EXPECTED TONIGHT OR TOMORROW. FIELD
MARSHAL ALEXANDER EXPECTED ARRIVE TODAY"

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ARMY.....COMINCH.....20G.....NAVAIDE.....

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NLO 8TH ARMY; CINCEP; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH CS; RINGHQ
CAIRO; ADMTY; COMLA; CMSF; COMNAVNAV; COMINCH; RA ALEXANDRIA

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 501

1. GREECE

SITUATION IN ATHENS PIRAEUS AREA WELL UNDER CONTROL.

TENDENCY OF ELAS IS TO CONCENTRATE ATTACK ON RHN.

ISSUE REPORTED TO HINGE ON CAPITAL AND ELAS SAID TO BE

UNLIKELY TO COMMIT THEMSELVES DEEPER ELSEWHERE UNTIL THAT

ISSUE SETTLED. 9TH DEC. WAS QUIET DAY WITH ARMY CONSOLIDATING

AND NAVY PROVIDING CLOSE SUPPORT ON CALL.

BISHOP OF PIRAEUS AND CITIZENS COMMITTEE REQUESTED CESSATION

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AIR NAVAL AND TANK FIRE AND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR CIVILIAN CASUALTIES. COMMITTEES WERE ORDERED TO LOCAL EL AS COMMANDER AND ~~A~~ INSTRUCTED TO INFORM HIM TO LAY DOWN HIS ARMS AND ALLOW DISTRIBUTION HOSPITAL SUPPLIES. NO REPLY HAS BEEN RECEIVED. OTHER MAIN PORTS ALL WELL COVERED BY NAVAL SUPPORT. SITUATION AT KAVALLA REPORTED SERIOUS BUT HMS CALEDON HAS NOW ARRIVED THERE. SO'S HAVE BEEN ORDERED USE THEIR DISCRETION AND EVACUATE ALLIED NAVAL PERSONNEL AT PORTS WHEN THIS CONSIDERED NECESSARY.

2. ADRIATIC.

CERNI HAS REQUESTED SHA 291** TO SAY WHEN HMS DELHI WILL LEAVE. COMMUNICATION WITH SHORE HAS CEASED AND PARTISAN TOMMY GUNNERS ARE STANDING BY. PARTISANS HAVE APPARENTLY NO OBJECTION TO SWEEPER AND SMALL CRAFT REMAINING. SHA 293 ** REPORTS HMS COLOMBO HAS NOT BEEN ASKED TO LEAVE.

** NOT YET PROMULGATED.

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10 December 1944

Situation report number 501.

1. Greece.

[Situation in Athens Piraeus area well under control. Tendency of E.L.A.S. is to concentrate attack on RHV. Issue reported to hinge on capital and E.L.A.S. said to be unlikely to commit themselves deeper elsewhere until that issue settled. 9th December was quiet day with Army consolidating and Navy providing close support on call. Bishop of Piraeus and Citizens Committee requested cessation air, Naval and tank fire and medical assistance for civilian casualties. Committees were ordered to local ELAS

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Commander and instructed to inform him to lay down his arms and allow distribution hospital supplies. No reply has been received. Other main ports all well covered by Naval support. Situation at Kavallo reported serious but H.M.S. Caledon has now arrived there. S.O.'s have been ordered use their discretion and evacuate Allied Naval personnel at ports when this considered necessary.

2. Adriatic.

Cerni has requested SHA 291 to say when H.M.S. Delhi will leave. Communication with shore has ceased and Partisan tommy gunners are standing by. Partisans have apparently no objection to sweeper and small craft remaining. SHA 293 reports H.M.S. Colombo has not been asked to leave.

End

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From: C. in C. Med, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
Headquarters North African District, Algiers, Algeria
Headquarters COMZONE ETOUSA, Paris, France
SHAEP, Versailles, France

DTG: 101901 10 December 1944

COSITINTREP no. 521.

Adriatic.

Cerni has asked when H.M. Cruiser Delhi will leave, partisan Tommy gunners prevent all communication with shore. There is apparently no objection to small craft and sweepers remaining. H.M.S. Colombo has not been requested to leave Zara.

2. Greece

9th December in Piraeus Athens area was quiet day with Army consolidating assisted by close support from Navy. Bishop of Piraeus and citizens committee asked for cessation of action by our forces and medical assistance for civilians.

They were referred to local ELAS Commander and instructed to suggest he lay down his arms and allow medical supplies to be distributed. A reply has not so far been received.

Situation at Kavello reported serious by H.M. Cruiser Caledon has arrived there. All main ports are well

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covered by Naval support.

Senior Officers have been given discretion to evacuate Allied Naval personnel if situation renders this necessary. Tendency of ELAS in Piraeus area is to concentrate on Royal Hellenic Division. It is reported that issue hinges on capitul and that ELAS unlikely to commit themselves elsewhere until that issue settled.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Statistics, Col. Park, Log
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From: C. in C. Med.

To : A.I.G. 387 9 December 1944

Situation Report Number 499.

(1) At Piraeus Road to Athens is blocked and wireless station has been put out of action. No further attack has been made on Navy House property clearance of Peninsula near Naval College continues. H.M.S. EASTON and 3 Coastal Craft engaged ELAS strong hold at Lofos Kastela. No reports on situation at other Greek Ports have yet been received.

(2) On 5th December raiding forces carried out a successful ambush at Melos and enemy garrison Commander who has been largely responsible for determined resistance on this island was among Officers killed.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, G-2, Col. Park, C of S

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 499.

(1) AT PIRAEUS ROAD TO ATHENS IS BLOCKED AND WIRELESS
STATION HAS BEEN PUT OUT OF ACTION. NO FURTHER ATTACK HAS
BEEN MADE ON NAVY HOUSE PROPERTY CLEARANCE OF PENINSULA NEAR
NAVAL COLLEGE CONTINUES. HMS EASTON AND 3 COASTAL CRAFT
ENGAGED ELAS STRONG HOLD AT LOFOS KASTELA. NO REPORTS ON
SITUATION AT OTHER GREEK PORTS HAVE YET BEEN RECEIVED.

(2) ON 5TH DECEMBER RAIDING FORCES CARRIED OUT A SUCCESSFUL
AMBUSH AT MELOS AND ENEMY GARRISON COMMANDER WHO HAS BEEN
LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR DETERMINED RESISTANCE ON THIS
ISLAND WAS AMONG OFFICERS KILLED.

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FROM ALUSNA GREECE INFO CNO PASS TO SEC STATE

THIS IS AMERICAN EMBASSY TELEGRAM 051600 RECEIVED
THIS OFFICE FOR FORWARDING 8 DEC"THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR TOLD ME THIS AFTERNOON THAT
WHILE NEGOTIATIONS WERE IN PROGRESS AMONG THE GREEKPOLITICIANS THIS MORNING FOR A RECONSTITUTION OF
THE GOVERNMENT HE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM LONDONTO THE EFFECT THAT THERE SHOULD BE NO POLITICAL CHANGE
AT THIS TIME THAT THE BRITISH HAD UNDERTAKEN TOPROTECT ATHENS AGAINST ARMED ATTACK AND SHOULD GET ON
WITH THE JOB WHILE THE GREEKS SHOULD POSTPONE POLITICSUNTIL AFTER THE CRISIS IS OVER. AS A RESULT MR
PAPANDREOU AFTER RESIGNING THIS MORNING HAS UNDERTAKENTO CARRY ON. GENERAL SCOBIE IS CONCENTRATING TROOPS
INCLUDING GREEK MOUNTAIN BRIGADE IN THE CENTER OFATHENS AND THE CRUISER ORION IS STANDING BY TO AID
IF NECESSARY IN FURTHER DEFENSE OF THE NAVAL SCHOOL~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

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IN THE PIRAEUS. THE SITUATION SEEMS RAPIDLY DEVELOPING TOWARDS A CLASH BETWEEN BRITISH AND GREEK.

SCOBIE TOLD CORRESPONDENTS THIS MORNING "I CANNOT PROMISE THAT IF THE BRITISH TROOPS ARE FIRED UPON

THEY WILL NOT FIRE BACK" AND SAID THAT FURTHER COLUMNS OF ELAS (SEE MY NUMBER 125 OF DEC 4 6 PM)

ARE MOVING ON THE CITY. MEANWHILE GREEK FACTIONS CONTINUE THEIR SPASMODIC CIVIL WAR IN VARIOUS

PARTS OF THE URBAN AREA. LATEST REPORTS REACHING THE BRITISH AMBASSADOR FROM SALONIKA INDICATE

THAT ELAS HAS REPUDIATED THE GOVERNMENT AND HAS STARTED LOOTING ML STORES. REVIEWING THE WHOLE

SITUATION HE SAID "FUNDAMENTALLY THE TROUBLE IS WE HAVEN'T ENOUGH TROOPS. WE MUST HAVE ENOUGH TROOPS

IF THIS JOB IS TO BE HANDLED RIGHT" UNDER THE ABOVE CIRCUMSTANCES I HAVE ORDERED ALL MEMBERS OF THIS

MISSION LIVING IN OR AROUND THE CENTER OF THE CITY TO MOVE EITHER INTO THE EMBASSY BUILDING OR THE AMERICAN SCHOOL FOR THE TIME BEING SIGNED MACVEAGH"

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