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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 52119 29 March 1945

G-2 summary number 206. FX 52119 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR info to SHAEF Fwd, MIDEAST, SONTO, LLA, AC, 15th Army Gp, 6th Army Gp Main, 6th Army Gp Tactical, ACC Bulgaria, British Delegation, British Mil Attache Ankara, Greek Mil, AHQ Greece, 59th Area, ACC Hungary, British Delegation, 15th Air Force signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. North of Danube, Komahom in Russian hands. West and northwest Balaton Gyor, Csorna, Sarvar, Zalas-Zentgrot and Sumeg captured. This gives Russians firm bridgehead across Raba bringing them to within 20 miles Austrian frontier. Capture Zalaszentgrot and Sumeg also threatens Zala oil area. Enemy apparently intends concentrate main defence in Bratislav gap and Austrian border, although possible attempt may be made to form defensive flank Kormend-Keszthely to cover vital oil fields.

2. Jugoslavia. No major change Bihac area. 734th Regiment, 104th Jaeger Div identified Ostrozac, northeast Bihac, and Croat troops reported arrived Babin Potok, west Bihac. 33rd Battalion, 18th Ustashi Brigade is one of latter arrivals and believed part 13th Croat Division. Elements latter last reported moving south from Ogulin.

End

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

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Rheims, France

To: War Department

Nr: FWD 18322 29 March 1945

From to for action AGWAR for CCOS, AMSSO for BCOS info AFHQ, EXFOR Main, Sixth Army Group TAC, Can Military London, SHAEF Main ref no FWD 18322 SHAEF Forward signed Eisenhower cite SHGCT. TOP SECRET.

SCAF 256.

1. In compliance with CCOS FACS 164- * 513, we will c nsult SACMED to insure that release of information regarding the transfer of Canadian Forces from Italy will not prejudice his deception plans.

2. As individual Canadian Units become identified by the enemy, we will clear their release with SACMED as above and inform BCOS by cable when information can safely be released. BSOS 1937 refers.

3. Meanwhile, all concerned are being * to insure that no public reference is made to the move of these units.

4. Request Canadian Government be asked to notify SHAEF direct, 24 hours in advance, so that subsequent release in this theater can be coordinated.

End

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

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To : War Department

Nr : FX 51025 27 March 1945

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Made by Crypto AFHQ is following paraphrase of our message FX 51025.

A. Italy. There is no significant change in enemy attitude and activity continues to be on minor scale. In and behing 1st Para Division sector unusual degree of movement reported, full purport of which is not apparent as yet. Now consider that 334th Infantry Division has completed relief of 29th PG Division and carry latter in reserve provisionally general area north of Modena where units reported by two independent ground sources.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Northwest of Balaton there was considerable Russian progress culminating in capture of Papa and Devecser. Southern anchor of line is now on west bank of Lake Balaton below Orvenyes. German pocket on south bank of Danube has been reduced to line running Nyergesujfalu-two miles

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south Piszke-west Sutto. Banska Bystrica in southern Slovakia now in Russian hands.

2. Jugoslavia. Unchanged is situation at Bihac with heavy fighting continuing around station and in villages to east of the town. After land and air attacks enemy relief column from Ogulin reached Drezmik Grad (P 3196).

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INFO: CC/S; CGAAF; OPD; Col Park; Log

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward, Rheims, France

To: War Department
CG 12th Army Group
CG Fifteenth US Army
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 18229 27 March 1945

This is G-2 summary number 86 part 1 dated 27th March 1945 covering period 252400A to 262400A. From Strong signed Eisenhower ref FWD 18229 cite SHGBI.

I. Operations.

Mopping up completed west of Rhine. Initial heavy resistance to four Rhine crossings area Worms overcome and now light and disorganized. Crossing consolidated with bridgehead extending from Neckar River at Rhine confluence north to Gernsheim (M 5428) clearing Lampertheim (M 5311) with thrust cutting Autobahn at Gross Hausen (M 5819).

In Oppenheim bridgehead enemy still disorganized. Counter attack with Infantry and tanks against Allied bridgehead at Aschaffenburg repulsed. Counter attack with Infantry and heavy Artillery against bridge at Hanau reported contained. Street fighting cont'd in town. Heavy artillery fire rec'd in Langen (M 6655).

Advance continued north through Frankfurt Stadt Wald clearing Neu-Isenburg (M 6862) and capturing Frankfurt railroad bridge intact over Main (M 6466).

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2. Further Rhine crossings at Oberwesel (M 9867) and St Goar (M 9872) met moderate to heavy opposition. Dorscheid (M 0167) and St Goarshausen (L 9873) cleared. Weisel (M 0468) cleared and enemy artillery fire on crossing ceased late in afternoon.

Boppard bridgehead consolidated with Lykerhausen (L 9578) and Brauback (L 9486) cleared and street fighting going on in Ober Lahnstein.

Enemy resistance collapsed in southeast sector of Remagon bridgehead and Allied advance on eight mile front cleared Limburg (M 2398) where a bridge over the Lahn was taken intact, Hadamar (G 2205) and reached Hasselbach (G 3309).

Enemy counter attack in early morning in northern sector covered withdrawal of enemy armour across Sieg River following which resistance scattered and thrust east reached Ober Hattert (G 0230).

Lower Rhine crossing made steady gains of two to five miles against heavy resistance. Advance through Vyenzer Wald reached Gahlen (A 4041). North of Lippe River advance reached outskirts of Bruenen (A 2748). Area Rees heavy resistance held Allies and no appreciable change.

II. Order of battle.

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17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division reported in counter attack at Hanau and 5th Parachute contacted at Limburg. Remagen front shattered. Panzer Lehr reported crossing river; remainder of armour concentration south of Sieg in full retreat. Division Hamburg absorbed into 180th Division.

Battle Group Karst believed to equate with 466th Division and to consist of replacement and training units holding sector between 7th Parachute and 84th Division. Latter has had heavy losses.

6th Parachute Division committed north of Rees and 346th Division has shifted east to include Emmerich in its sector.

III. Movements.

Nothing to report.

IV. Prisoners of War.

Prisoners captured 23rd March: 17,422.
Accumulative total since D Day: 1,120,503.

V. General.

Latest development in mounting German crisis is the collapse of Fifteenth Army. Results from his misappreciation in concentrating armour on north flank and general weakness of

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Infantry forces attempting to hold on south. Whole front between Worms and Bonn broken and Germany losing territory at rate he cannot afford. North of Ruhr resistance diminishing northeast of Wesel and south of Lippe River P 84th and 180th Divisions have suffered heavy losses and reinforced with 466th Division and "Hamburg" units.

In Rees area fighting still tough with II Parachute Corps and 15th Panzer Grenadier Division yielding ground grudgingly. Further Infantry reinforcements from local resources of Army Group H expected to appear.

Air reconnaissance on 25th March in area of 6th SS Panzer Army in Hungary showed considerable activity in marshalling yards. Slight westward trend discernible but generally inconclusive. Could be easily connected with regrouping necessary as result of Russian attacks that area.

All informed.

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

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 50449 26 March 1945

G-2 summary number 203. FX 50449 from AFHQ cite FHGBI action TROOPERS-AGWAR info SHAEF Forward-Mid East-SOMTO-LFA-AC-15th Army Group-6th Army Group Main-6th Army Group Tactical-ACC Bulgaria, British Delegation-British Military Attache, Ankara-GREEKMIL-AHQ Greece-59th Area for 1st Special Force-ACC Hungary, British Delegation-4th Air Force signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.
B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Russians continue make good progress north of Balaton with capture Varsolod, Bakonyjako and Papateszer. Unless enemy now halts advance he will lose protective screen of Bakony Wald, already deeply penetrated by Russians. Soviet Troops broke through German defences Vertes Mountains and also captured Esztergom.

356th Infantry and 6th Panzer Divisions recently identified areas Lake Balaton and Kisber respectively. 3rd and 4th Cavalry Brigades reported area west Budapest. Latter is new identification and contains 41st Regiment.

2. Jugoslavia. Enemy column moving Ogulin-Slunj reached area K 1522, 25th March. In Slavonia considerable movement reported from Donji, Miholjac

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and Osijek towards Dakovo and Nasice, 25th March. 2500 MT together with troops and guns reported in transit Nova Gradiska-Novska 24th/25th March. All probably reinforcements for Bihac area.

No identifications.

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

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1. THE PROJECTED OPERATIONS OF THE 15 AND 6TH ARMY GROUPS ENVISAGE THE RAPID OPENING OF THE PORTS OF SPEZIA GENOA AND SAVONA THE LAST 2 PROBABLY SIMULTANEOUSLY. IF NAVAL GUNFIRE CLOSE SUPPORT IS REQUIRED BY ALLIED TROOPS THE GULF OF GENOA OPERATIONS WILL MAKE HEAVY DEMANDS ON AVAILABLE SWEEPERS AND AMERICAN SWEEPERS WILL BE REQUIRED. IN ORDER TO HAVE ADEQUATE COMMAND AND FACILITIES PROPOSE TO RETAIN BARRICADE AND COMINRON 7.

2. IN VIEW OF THE URGENT REQUIREMENTS IN OTHER THEATERS I PROPOSE TO READY MINDIV 32 TO SAIL IN GMS 84 DEPARTING ORAN 17 APRIL.

3. UPON THE COMPLETION OF PROJECTED OPERATIONS IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO RELEASE MINDIV 21 WHILE RETAINING YMS UNTIL 6TH FLEET LEAVES THE THEATER.

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26 March 1945

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward Echelon, Rheims, France

Commanding General, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

British Joint Staff Mission, Washington, D. C.

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The Combined Chiefs of Staff agree with the views expressed by you in SCAF 241. Before however releasing any information on the move of any individual formation, you should consult Saomed in order to ensure that his deception plans are not prejudiced.

End.

Note: SCAF 241 is CM-IN-22773 (22 Mar 45)

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INFORMATION: Adm Leahy; Gen Arnold; Gen Hull; Gen Bissell; Adm King; Log

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 584.
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(2) ADRIATIC. REF NUMBER 583 PARAGRAPH NUMBER 1. FOR MOTOR GUN BOAT READ MOTOR TORPEDO BOAT AND FOR 9 READ 7. MOTOR TORPEDO BOAT 705 MINED AND SUNK IN APPROACH TO MAKNARE CNANNEL 2 OF HER CREW MISSING.

(3) DODECANESE. NIGHT 21ST MARCH 2 MOTOR LAUNCHES FOUGHT ACTION WITH FAST ENEMY LAUNCH SOUTH OF LEROS. ENEMY CRAFT THOUGH HIT ESCAPED. OUR MOTOR LAUNCHES WERE UNDAMAGED.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 49800 25 March 1945

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A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

(1) Hungary. Roumainian GS report (see G-2 Summary number 201) confirmed and even greater progress made by Russians. With capture of Veszprem whole of enemy salient pushed back and line now runs west of Veszprem and Zirc thence curving northeast to Danube 10 miles east Komarom.

(2) Jugoslavia. Jugoslavs now in western part Bihac where enemy reported Bunuvbrp burning stores. Una bridge also in Jugoslav hands and fall of town believed imminent.

24th March Jugoslav troops from north and south converged Kriz, west of Bihac. Places captured include Ripac (WP 5477) and Zavalje (WP 4579). Main road Bihac-Bos Krupa cut west Ostrozac (WP 5292). So far no sign enemy reinforcement arriving.

Reports from Sarajevo area suggest 181st Infantry Division now withdrawing towards Brod. 800 MT reported

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 49800 25 March 1945

moved north between 17th and 24th March and on 24th March air recce showed troops and MT moving Sokolad-Sarajevo.

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

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8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 222400.

FRENCH TURNOVER, SYNCLINE (YO-63) AT BIZERTE 16TH.

MINESWEEPING. CAGLIARI. 4 YMS 3 AM. ENTIRE GULF NOW OROPESA SWEPT EXCEPT AREA BOUNDED BY

(A) 09-05.4N 09-11.5E (D) 38-55.2N 09-07.2E

(B) 39-02.2N 09-05.8E (E) 38-57.1N 09-14.3E

(C) 38-57.5N 09-04.4E (F) 39-00.4N 09-19.7E

CUT 5 MINES 11 OBSTRUCTORS. LOST 1 P/RAVANE 1 SET PORT SWEEP GEAR LESS FLOAT 16 CUTTERS. SWEEPING CURTAILED 2 DAYS DUE WEATHER. LEGHORN. 4 AM. SWEEPING AREA NORTH OF EXTENDED ENTRANCE CHANNEL AND WEST OF GORGANA ISLAND POSTPONED UNTIL ARRIVAL DEEP DAN BUOYS. SWEEPING OF CHANNEL NORTH OF CAP

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TOUR NAVAL ACTIVITIES SOUTHERN FRANCE. TG 89.9 (MORENO AND TACKLE) DEPARTED ODESSA 21ST.

INTELLIGENCE. ON NIGHT 17/18 MARCH ENEMY DD PREMUDA AND 2 REMAINING ACTIVE WAR PARTENOPE CLASS TB'S MADE SORTIE FROM GENOA. WERE FIRST LOCATED BY SHORE RADAR AND WERE ENGAGED BY BRITISH DD'S METEOR AND LOOKOUT AT 180310. 2 TB'S SUNK APPROXIMATE POSITION 43-40N 09-20E. 64 SURVIVORS 9 DEAD TAKEN TO LEGHORN. APPROXIMATELY 112 SURVIVORS LANDED AT GOLFE JUAN AND LATER TRANSFERRED TO MARSEILLE. PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION AT BOTH PLACES IDENTIFIES 1 SHIP AS TR24. NAMES OF SUNKEN SHIPS BELIEVED TO BE ARTURO AND ENDANO. NO DAMAGE SUFFERED BY BRITISH FORCES.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 48792 23 March 1945

FX 48792 for action to TROOPERS and AGWAR and for info to SHAEF Fwd, MIDEAST, SOMTO, LFA, AC, 15th Army Group, 6th Army Group Main, 6th Army Group Tactical, ACC Bulgaria British Delegation, British Mil Attache Ankara, GREEKMIL, AHQ Greece, 59th Area, ACC Hungary British Delegation, XV Air Force, BMM Rumania, G2 summary number 200 signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Russians reported reached Berhida, due north Balaton thus cutting road Varpalota-Szekesfehervar. Only major escape route for enemy forces latter area now via road north bank Balaton-Veszprem. In area west Budapest unconfirmed report claims Kisber in Russian hands.

II SS Panzer Corps identified sector Balaton-Szekesfehervar by 19th March. Thus all formations 6th SS Panzer Army now located Hungary. 92nd Grenadier Brigade not identified area Banhida, west Budapest, and 325th Assault Gun Brigade in Kisber area. 217th Field Training Division reported Trnava, northeast Bratislava. Confirmation of latter identification awaited.

2. Jugoslavia. Entire road Udbina-Korenica now in Jugoslav hand though latter town not yet reported

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captured. Enemy repulsed attack on Xavalje (WP 4578) but Ostrovica (WP 1553) and Siroki Kula (WP 1559) taken by Jugoslavs who are now position to threaten L of C to Gospic.

South of Sarajevo, Ilovice evacuated by enemy.

Ref G2 summary number 199 last para, for 2144.

End

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

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From: FREEDOM signed Alexander

To: British Chiefs of Staff

Info: Joint Staff Mission for U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff

Nr: FX 48061 MEDCOS 242 22 March 1945

1. Time is approaching when weakening and withdraval of Germans on Italian front will offer favourable opportunity for new all-out offensive by 15 Army Group with object of destroying the maximum enemy forces south of the Po. Resting, refitting and regrouping on point of completion; ammunition supply satisfactory because of recent savings; also reinforcement situation favourable.

2. Plan provides preliminary operation on East and West flanks first then on D-Day 10 April 8th Army attacks north of highway 9 towards Argenta and Budrio thence Ferrara. Main attack by 5th Army to follow 8th Army by 4 days or more depending on situation. Fifth Army either take Bologna or by-pass to west thence to Northeast and North towards Po and Ferrara.

3. For D-Day see immediately following cablegram.

4. Further details will be furnished if desired.

End

ACTION: CC/S

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

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PRIORITY

From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward, Rheims, France

To: War Department
CO, Special Signal Office, Air Ministry, London, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
Headquarters 21st Army Group, France
Headquarters 6th Army Group, Main, Vittel, France

No: Fwd 18054, SCAF 241 21 March 1945

To for action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, to for information AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff, SACMED, EXFOR, 6th Army Group from SHAEF Forward signed Eisenhower Forward 18054 this is SCAF 241 TOP SECRET.

It is understood that the Canadian Prime Minister wishes to make public the fact that the Canadian forces recently transferred from Italy are now present on the Western Front. In consultation with SACMED and in view of FAN 501 and FACS 151 of 2d February, it is considered that this information should be withheld for as long as possible.

Request, therefore, that the information should only be made public as each individual formation becomes identified by the enemy.

End

See CM-IN-2583 (3 Feb 45) CCS

ACTION: CC/S
INFO : Adm. Leahy; Gen. Arnold; Gen. Hull; Gen. Bissell; Adm. King; Gen. Surles; C of S

CM-IN-22773 (22 Mar 45) DTG: 212015A ejc

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 582.

(1) GULF OF GENOA. REFERENCE NO. 581. ENEMY FORCE LAID MINES OFF CAPE CORSE. CLEARANCE OPERATIONS ARE IN PROGRESS. SHIPS SUNK ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN ERIDANO AND ARTURO. ESTIMATED NUMBER OF SURVIVORS IS 249. OUR DESTROYER HAD NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES. ENEMY FIRED 6 TORPEDOES AT HMS METEOR.

(2) ADRIATIC. MOTOR GUN BOAT 179 AND MOTOR TORPEDO BOAT 710 HAVE BEEN MINED NEAR GRUICA ISLAND. THERE WAS NO CASUALTY BUT CRAFT HAVE DAMAGED SHAFTS.

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(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 581.

1. GULF OF GENOA ON 15TH HMS MILNE AND HMS MARNE BOMBARDED GENOA NIGHT 17TH/18TH 3 ENEMY DESTROYERS OR TORPEDO BOATS WERE DETECTED BY RADAR NORTH CORSICA HMS METEOR AND HMS LOOKOUT INTERCEPTED AND SANK 2 TORPEDO BOATS.

2. ADRIATIC COASTAL FORCE OPERATING OFF TAGLIAMENTO ON NIGHT 17TH/18TH ATTACKED 2 F LIGHTERS ESCORTED BY 2 E-BOATS 1 F LIGHTER WAS HIT AND BLEW UP. ENEMY OPENED HEAVY FIRE BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

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(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 580.

(1) GULF GENOA. ON 11TH AND 12TH MARCH HMS MILNE TF 84 BASQUE (FS) AND ON 14TH MARCH SIMOUN (FS) BOMBARDED TARGET ON THE FRANCO ITALIAN BORDER. NIGHT 15TH/16TH LANSQUENET ENGAGED 2 GERMAN MTB'S 1 WAS SUNK THE OTHER FLED. LANSQUENET SUSTAINED 10 CASUALTIES.

(2) ADRIATIC NIGHT 15TH/16TH COASTAL FORCES OPERATING OFF CAORLE ATTACKED 5 F LIGHTERS WITH TORPEDOES. ALL ENEMY CRAFT WERE HIT AND SEEN TO SINK. OUR FORCE SUSTAINED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward, Rheims, France

To: War Department
CG 12th US Army Group, Advanced
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG 15th US Army Group.

Nr: FWD 17949 17 March 1945

This is G-2 summary number 76, Part II, dated 17th March 1945 covering period 152400A to 162400A. From Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI ref nr FWD 17949.

Para 1. By Prisoner of War: All 16th March: Identifications:
257th Volksgrenadier: Anti tank Oberhoffen and II/2nd SS Police Regiment.

Order of battle:
Schirrheim (R 1123.) 36 Volksgrenadier: Reconnaissance Q 9537 and II/118th Regiment Q 9131. 16th Volksgrenadier:
Anti tank Bitche Engineers Q 7954 and reconnaissance Q 7842. 17 SS Panzer Grenadier: Battalion Saachsen, train personnel Q 5959. 256th Volksgrenadier: Artillery Reinsfeld (L 3820). 2nd Mountain: 137th Regiment Reinsfeld. 79th Volksgrenadier: II/226th Regiment L 3233. 19th Infantry: Unspecified Rheinbollen (L 9556) state arrived 16th March from Karlsruhe following reformation four weeks ago from remnants other divisions. 6th SS Mountain: 11th SS Regiment Pfaffenheck (L 8482 and III/12th SS Regiment Weiskirchen (L 3306) and reconnaissance and engineers L 8090. 159th Infantry: Engineers L 8489. 9th Panzer: II/11th Regiment F 6930. 326th Volksgrenadier: I/751st Honningen (F 7013) left Neuwied 15th to 16th March to join battle group in that area and other remnants regiment and division still in Coblenz area. 2nd Parachute: BG Vogel F 6930 state formed

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two days ago from train personnel and same area BG Schmidt state formed two days ago from unknown elements this division. 3rd Parachute: BG Rutz Koenigswinter (F 6131). 180th Infantry: (patrol) I/1222nd Regiment A 1935 mission enter Menzelen (A 165360). Parachute Lehr Group II: (Deserter) II battalion area unspecified states unit occupies east bank of river from Walsum (A 2926) to Duisberg in conjunction with Volkssturm. 6th Parachute: I/16th Regiment A 020555 states unit A 0354.

All 15th March: 47th Volksgrenadier: Reconnaissance Q 8929. 17th SS Panzer Grenadier: Anti tank Q 6858. 2nd Mountain: II/136th Regiment L 2939, Engineers L 2909 and artillery L 3114. 560 Volksgrenadier: Reconnaissance L 3130. 159th Infantry: I/1211th Regiment L 7675, I/1210th Regiment L 7271. elements 1209th Regiment L 5972 and reconnaissance L 6468. 9th Volksgrenadier: I/116th Regiment L 5762, and 57th Regiment L 6468. 6th SS Mountain: Replacement unit L 8673 and Arty L 8579. 26th Volksgrenadier: Reconnaissance F 665305-656310. 62nd Volksgrenadier: I/164th Regiment and II/183rd Regiment F 665305-656310. 11th Panzer: Elements 110th and 111th Regiments F 715235. 9th Panzer: II/11th Regiment F 6930.

14th March: 719th Infantry (corpse) reconnaissance Q 2881.

By document: Boundary between LXVII Corps in south and 11th Panzer Division in north on 11 March Rossbach (F 7719) to Leubsdorf. Battlegroups of 272nd and 340th Volksgrenadier

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Divisions under control LXVII Corps undated 159th Infantry Division headquarters Uhler (L 7865.)

By Prisoner of War statement:
16th M arch II/38th SS Panzer Grenadier Regiment 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division pulled out of line to follow III/38th Regiment to L 2203.

559th Volksgrenadier Division left Saarbrucken on 14th March.

Para 2. Movements. 16th March:
Number military trains again present main lateral line Frankfurt-Hannover;
Several departures noted since 15th March;
Bebra remains heavyly loaded including several military trains.

Evidence of past three days suggests possibility of north and southbound movements taking place simultaneously on this lateral line. Slight increase in military traffic observed line Kassel-Giessen.

Considerable number military trains and slight indication westbound movement line Halle-Erfurt-Bebra;
Military traffic present line Erfurt-Schweinfurt-Aschaffenburg.
Halle heavily loaded, contained numerous military

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trains. On the other hand line east from Magdeburg to Brunswick contained little military traffic.

Para 3. Prisoners of War.
G-1 figures 13th March (G-2 figures 15th March):
First French no report (nil) and 5 on 12th March
Seventh United States Army 57 (2051).
Third United States Army 3055 (6619 on 13th March)
By First United States Army 1155 (785)
Ninth United States Army 78 (38)
Second British Army.. Nil (nil)
First Canadian Nil (3)

Para 4. Tanks destroyed.
Tanks destroyed 15th March... 65.

All informed.

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ACTION: G-2

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

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Capt Hendrickson 9485

From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

Nr: 24538 16 March 1945

To MILID serial number 24538.

Foreign Office here believes Greek Plastiras Govt will fall shortly. British think his govt not truly representative as Plastiras appointing friends to responsible positions. Regent and Premier have already clashed over appointments. Plastiras adamant. British believe another clash with regent would force Plastiras out and expect it momentarily. British Govt probably will approve dismissal.

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8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 152400. MINESWEEPING. CAGLIARI. 4 YMS 3 AM. AREA SEAWARD SIDE CHANNELS NOW OROPESA SWEPT 75 PERCENT. 3 MINES 16 OBSTRUCTORS CUT. M/A SWEEP ALONG SEAWARD SIDE EASTERN CHANNEL. BAD WEATHER PREVENTED SWEEPING 3 DAYS.

LEGHORN. 4 AM CONTINUED WIDENING CHANNEL TO WEST OF GORGONA ISLAND CUTTING 9 MINES. TOTAL 35 CUT TO DATE.

AMS TEMPORARILY INACTIVE DUE TO LACK OF SUFFICIENT DEEP DAN BUOY EQUIPMENT.

PT ACTIVITY. 7 PT BASED LEGHORN PATROLLED FERALE ROCK AND SESTRI LEVANTI AREA NIGHTLY. NIGHT 9/10 PTS 304, 308, 313 ENCOUNTERED NORTHBOUND CONVOY OF ABOUT 8 F LIGHTERS OFF MESCA POINT. 8 TORPEDOES FIRED IN 2 ATTACKS. 3 LIGHTERS SUNK 1 PROBABLE. RETURN FIRE CAUSED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTY BUT PT 308 DAMAGED AFT IN COLLISION WITH PT 304. ECD REPAIRS 15 APRIL. 4 PT BASED GOLFE JUAN PATROLLED TO CAPO DI VADH*.

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NIGHT PATROLS CANCELLED 3 DAYS BY WEATHER. 14TH PT 307, 309 FORCED TO WITHDRAW FROM PATROL DUE TO HEAVY FIRE FROM

REPORTED RADAR CONTROLLED SHORE BATTERIES.
DESTROYERS. EMPLOYMENT. 2 DD ASSIGNED AUGMENT GU-UG CONVOY

ESCORT OPERATING UNDER FOGMA. 1 DD TROOPER ESCORT. PARKER ON FLANK FORCE EXPENDED 103 RDS ON 2 MISSIONS 11/12 AGAINST

ENEMY CONCENTRATIONS. 6 DD ENGAGED SQUADRON TACTICS AND GUNNERY ORAN 9/10 IN CONJUNCTION WITH UPKEEP TRAINING PERIOD.

SALVAGE. EXPLOSIVE CUT IN WARDROOM OF USS SWERVE PERMITTED ACCESS BY OTHERS. SEARCHES MADE 2 DAYS WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS.

SEARCH CONTINUES.
LANDING CRAFT STATUS. LST 18 COMMITTED FONAM FOR ARMY LIFTS

LEGHORN TO MARSEILLE. 4 LST RELEASED 15 FOR UPKEEP PALERMO. LST 906 DRYDOCKED LEGHORN. NECESSARY REPAIRS FOR TOWING

PALERMO IN PROGRESS. LST 601 SHEARED OFF PORT PROPELLER MARSEILLE HARBOR. NOW ENROUTE PALERMO ESCORTED BY HOPI*. 1 SEATRAIN.

1 REPAIRS PALERMO LCI(L). 10 COMMITTED FONAM FOR 2 LIFTS LEGHORN MARSEILLE. 3 TG FLAGSHIPS. 5 TRAINING BIZERTE. 3

MAIL AND PERSONNEL SHUTTLE. 1 PALERMO ALTERATIONS. LCT 1 ENROUTE BIZERTE. 32 TRAINING BIZERTE. 1 REPAIRING BIZERTE

MISCELLANEOUS. COM 8TH FLT IN MEMPHIS DEPARTED NAPLES 15 FOR INSPECTION TOUR PT BASE MUDDALENK*. AND NAVAL ACTIVITIES

SOUTHERN FRANCE. TG 89.9 (MORENO AND TACKLE) ARRIVED ODESSA 14. LA PECHERIE TURNED BACK TO FRENCH 7TH WITH US RETAINING

USE OF ALL BERTHS.
INTELLIGENCE. NO COMMENT.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To : War Department

No : FX 43231 13 March 1945

G2 Summary number 190. FX 43231 action TROOPERS and AGWAR information to SHAEF Forward, MIDEAST, SOMTO, LFA, AC, 15th Army Group, 6th Army Group, ACC BulgariaBritish Delegation British Military Attache, Ankara, GREEKMIL, AHQ Greece, 59th Area for 1st Special Force, 15th Air Force, ACC Hungary British Delegation signed Alexander cite PHOBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report

B. Balkans.

(1) Hungary.

1. Enemy continuing attacks northeast and east Lake Balaton. No news available on their progress nor of German Bridgeheads recently established north of Drava.

2. Roumanian GS report 4th Panzer Corps Headquarters Varpalota west Szeresfehervar. This is new identification presumably commanding Armour in present German offensive.

(2) Jugoslavia. According OC harbour police Lussin who recently deserted, 150 Germans and 104 Italians arrived on island some days ago. These believed identical with reinforcements reported landed Cherso (see G2 Summary number 189) and arrival raises total figures for Lussin to

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about 800 men. 180 men also reported landed Krk 9th March with 4 light AA guns thus raising garrison figure to over 800. Korvetten Kapitaen reported with headquarters Cherso exercising authority over whole Quarnero Island Group. In view latters rank and service consider control probably only extends to coast defence batteries which exclusively manned by German Marines.

End.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 579.

NIGHT OF 9TH MARCH OFF MESCO POINT IN GULF OF GENOA 3 PT BOATS MADE ATTACKS NORTHBOUND CONVOY OF ABOUT 8 F LIGHTERS. 8 TORPEDOES WERE FIRED AND RESULTS WERE 2 LIGHTERS SUNK A 3RD HIT AND A 4TH PROBABLY HIT. OUR CRAFT SUSTAINED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTY IN THE ACTION BUT 1 WAS SUBSEQUENTLY BADLY DAMAGED IN COLLISION.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 578.

1. ADRIATIC. COASTAL CRAFT NIGHT OF 9TH MARCH TORPEDOED AND SANK MERCHANT SHIP OF 2000 TO 3000 TONS ESCORTED BY 4 E OR R-BOATS WEST OF ISTRIA. AS ATTACK WAS UNDETECTED THIS INFORMATION IS NOT BEING GIVEN PRESS PUBLICITY.

2. GREECE. GENERAL SITUATION REMAINS QUIET BUT STRIKE AT PATRAS CONTINUES AND CIVIL POPULATION AT KAVALLA ARE RESTLESS STILL ANXIOUS FOR RETURN OF GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES. GERMANS HAVE EVACUATED KHALKIS.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 42506 12 March 1945

G 2 summary number 189. FX 42506 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR information to SHAEF Forward, MIDEAST, SONTO, LFA OCA AC, 15th Army Group, 6th Army Group, ACC Bulgaria, British Delegation, British Military Attache Ankara, GREEKMIL, AHQ Greece, 59th Area for 1st Special Force, ACC Hungary British Delegation HBTSM VWSPT XV Air Force signed Alexander cite FHGBI. See G 2 summary number 188.

A. Italy.

1. Small counterattack on Monte Spigolino L4309 broken up by own artillery. No identification of troops engaged but ELTS 114 Jaeger Div and 4 Mountain Bn previously identified this area. Remainder of front quiet.

2. Long range deserter 190th Arty Regt confirms earlier supposition 90th PG Div in area northeast of Bologna. Division constitutes enemy's only battle-worthy reserve south of Po in some slight indications enemy may be attempting to remedy this by further reshuffle of responsibilities in Adgiatic Sector. Both 4th Para and 362 Divs suspected of extending their sectors but no firm evidence yet what formation if any is to be squeezed out.

3. Northwest Italy. Continued evidence of re-

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From: Allied Force Headquarters,
Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 42506 12 March 1945

placement of units 5th Mountain Div by Monte Rosa Div and assembly of former in area Milan. This possibly preparatory to transport away of 5th Mountain Div, but in view of enemy's evident decision to stand firm on main front and present thinness of his reserves there possibility of 5th Mountain Div appearing south of Po not to be excluded.

4. Balkan.

1. Hungary. Enemy attacks continue northeast of Lake Balaton and according Soviet communique fighting taking place east of Lake. Enemy claims bridgeheads across lower Drava being maintained against strong Russian and Bulgarian attacks. These no doubt identical with recent crossings at Donji Miholjac and Calpovo in which elements 297th Inf and 11th GAF Divisions believed taking part. Pontoon bridges reported established by enemy Donji Miguieac and Ferdynandovac. Latter east of Durdevac.

2. Jugoslavia. According unconfirmed report 1 of 2 battalions 104th Jaeger Division operating under 15th Mountain Corps left Bihac for Sunja. Other battalion remains Bihac. Remainder Division reported area Lake Balaton. Though location not yet established by ground identification recent train movement through Zagreb may have been connected with move. 800 reinforcements reported landed Cherso enroute

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Inesin. Enemy counter attacking east of Sarajevo where Jugoslav forces within few miles of town.

3. Aegean. Night 6/7 March approximately 150 German and Italian troops attempted raid Dimitrkglina village Crete (B 3537) east of enemy perimeter. 4 Greek civilians interrogated as to British strength and food supply on island. Raiding party turned back by andatoes rifle fire.

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To : War Department

No : FX 41242 10 March 1945

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Note: Regret omission number from cable dated 9 March which should have been numbered 186.

A. Italy. No operational activity of note. Elements 94th Inf Div identified west of Vergato in previous area 232nd Div. Therefore possible that latter has been withdrawn from line with exception small elements operating under command 114th Jaeger Div.

B. Balkan.

1. Hungary. For fourth day in succession Russians report German attacks with strong tank forces northeast lake Balaton. These attempting to break through to Danube according communique. No reference made to activity south of lake.

2. Jugoslavia. Jablancia, 8 miles southeast Sarajevo captured by Jugoslavs and latter also attacking north of Gorazde. In Neretva valley fighting continues

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north of Konjic.

Night 8/9 March Allied force eliminated enemy post 20/25 strong on Lussin. 6th Coy 1047th Regiment 237th Infantry Division, identified in this fighting.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 577.

NIGHT OF 6TH MARCH HMS MARNE AND HMS TETCOTT ASSISTED BY AIRCRAFT SIGHTING PREVIOUSLY INTERCEPTED CONVOY OFF PORT OF IMO IN GULF OF GENOA AND FIRED 290 ROUNDS AT 12000 YARDS RANGE. DUE TO HEAVY SMOKE SCREEN LAID BY ENEMY RESULTS COULD NOT BE OBSERVED BUT 1 SHIP MAY HAVE BEEN SET ON FIRE. ENEMY SHORE BATTERIES ENGAGED OUR SHIPS ACCURATELY. HMS TETCOTT WAS NEARLY MISSED BUT HAD NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTY.

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8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY ENDING 824ØØ.

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CATOCTIN DEPARTED NAP SECOND IN GUF 2Ø. MINESWEEPING. LEGHORN. 4 AM CONTINUED SWEEPING AREA NORTH OF EXTENDED ENTRANCE CHANNEL. 11 MINES CUT. BAD WEATHER PREVENTED SWEEPING TWO DAYS. CAGLIARI FOUR MS 2 AM WIDENED EASTERN CHANNEL ENTRANCE SOUTHWEST OF CAP CARBONARA AND CONTINUED SWEEP AREA SOUTHWEST CAP SAINTE ELIA WHERE 32 MINES 43 OBSTRUCTORS CUT. ANZIO. SWERVE LOCATED AND BUOYED. SWEPT AREA WITH 1ØØØ YARD RADIUS ORDIESA AND 15ØØ YARD RADIUS M/A.

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RESTORER REMAINS TO SALVAGE. DIVERS REPORT SERVE CAPSIZED AND SUNK INTO MUD OBSTRUCTING HARBOUR ENTRANCE. PT ACTIVITIES. 4 BRITISH BR MTBS AND LCGS CONDUCTED OPERATION AGAINST ENEMY COASTAL TRAFFIC NIGHT OF 4TH. 2 MTB SANK 1 F BOAT. PT 305 AND 307 BOMBED BY FRIENDLY PLANES 071920 WHILE ON PATROL SOUTHWEST GENOA. BOATS NOT DAMAGED 1 MAN WOUNDED. INVESTIGATION ORDERED. DAMAGE. SEATRAIN LST 32 RUPTURED BOTTOM 2ND ON SUNKEN WRECK REGGIO CALABRIA. LST REPAIRED FOR NEXT TRIP. WRECK CLEARED SUFFICIENTLY FOR BERTHING. LANDING CRAFT STATUS. LST. 18 COMMITTED FONAF FOR ARMY LIFT LEGHORN TO MARSEILLE. 1 LEGHORN AWAITING DOCKING. 2 SEATRAIN. REPAIRS 1 PALERMO. LCI. TASK GROUP FLAGSHIPS 1 LEGHORN 1 MARSEILLE. 2 MAINLAND PERSONNEL SHUTTLE. ** PERSONNEL LIFTS. 16 BIZERTE TRAINING. LCT. 33 BIZERTE TRAINING. REPAIRS 1 PALERMO. MISCELLANEOUS. TG 89.9 (TACKLE AND MORENO) DEPARTED NAPLES 071200 FOR ODESSA WITH SUPPLIES FOR US EX POWS. ETA 14TH. INTELLIGENCE. SPANISH MOROCCAN OFFICIALS HAVE NOT YET PERMITTED US EXAMINATION OF MATERIAL TAKEN IN KURT MEYER RAID MY 231400 FEBRUARY REFERS. REPLACEMENT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER ORGAX BY GENERAL VARELA.

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(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 576.

(1) GREECE. THE STRIKE AT PATRAS CONTINUES. IN IONIAN ISLANDS ELAS ARE IN CONTROL AND REPORTED TERRORIZING INHABITANTS.

(2) GULF OF GENOA. 2 MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS FIRED 4 TORPEDOES AT 3 LARGE LIGHTERS NORTHBOUND OFF MESCO POINT AND CLAIM 1 SUNK AND 1 HIT.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 39450 7 March 1945

G 2 summary number 184 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR for info to SHAEF Forward, MIDEAST, SOMTO, LFA, AC, Fifteenth Army Group, Sixth Army Group, ACC Bulgaria British Delegation, British Military Attache Ankara, Greek Mil, AHQ Greece, 59th Area, ACC Hungary British Delegation, 15th Air Force ref nr FX 39450 signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Strong enemy attacks reported repulsed by Russians Northeast and south Lake Balaton. In view recent transfer two divisions to Second Panzer Army and known location considerable armoured elements between Lakes Bulencei and Balaton. Probable that enemy may attempt large scale operations against southern Hungary.

2. Jugoslavia. Confirmation received that bulk 297th Infantry and 11th GAF Divisions transferred to Hungary but element still reported area Virovitica-Osijek.

Small enemy offensive reported area Bihac-Otocac resulting in capture Udbina and Prijeboj. Drive based on Gospic and Donji Lapac with intention preventing Jugoslav north-south move. Attack however too late to prevent this taking place.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 39450 7 March 1945

In area XXI Corps Jugoslav troops nearing approaches Tarcin, only 20 miles west Sarajevo, and Gorazde to southeast in latters hands. Enemy thus steadily reducing perimeter round Sarajevo doubtless as preliminary to withdrawal from whole salient.

3. Aegean. Enemy reported withdrawing garrisons from Kalimnos and Khalki and this largely substantiated by PR of shipping. This suggests that recent annihilation enemy forces Nisiros and Piscopi is dictating withdrawal all small garrisons to larger islands. Probable however that OP being maintained on Alimnia.

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SOUTH AEGEAN

AIG 387 FROM CINCMED. SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 575.

ON NIGHT 26TH FEBRUARY HMS MARNE AND EASTON VECTORED BY AIRCRAFT ENGAGED CONVOY OF 4 BARGES NEAR PORTOFINO. VISIBILITY WAS POOR AND ONLY 3 SALVOS WERE FIRED WITH UNOBSERVED RESULTS. HMS CHIDDINGFOLD AND HMS CLEVELAND FIRED 126 ROUNDS INTO GENOA HARBOR NIGHT FIRST MARCH WITHOUT ENEMY REACTION. RESULT COULD NOT BE OBSERVED.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 574.

(1) GULF OF GENOA. FURTHER SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE BY ALLIED WARSHIPS NEAR ITALIAN BORDER.

(2) GREECE. A MILITARY DRIFTER HAS BEEN MINED BETWEEN SKIATHOS AND MAINLAND. THERE WAS 1 SURVIVOR.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 573.

(1) DODECANESE. A RAIDING FORCE SOME 500 STRONG SUPPORTED BY HMS LIDDESDALE AND BEAUFIGHTERS HAS CAPTURED PISCOPI.

(2) GREECE. EXCEPT AT PATROS AND IN ZANTE (SEE NUMBER 571 PARAGRAPH 3) SITUATION IS QUIET. THE REGENT HAS

VISITED SALONIKA IN CRUISER GEORGIOS AVEROFF ESCORTED BY DESTROYERS NAVARINON AND GS KANARIS.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 37095 3 March 1945

FX 37095 for action to TROOPERS and AGWAR and for info SHAEF Forward, MIDEAST, SOMTO, LFA, AC, 15th Army Group, 6th Army Group, ACC Bulgaria, British Delegation, British Military Attache Ankara, Greekmil, AHQ Greece, 59th Area for 1st Special Force, ACC Hungary British Delegation signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

G-2 Summary Number 180.

A. Italy.

All of 114th Jaeger Division now identified in Monte Belvedere-Monte Torracia area L-51.

721st Grenadier Regiment east of 741st relieved elements of 232nd Div.

Suggest eastward shift of 232nd Div now in progress.

Adriatic front generally quiet except for raid by elements of 162nd Div on Commacchio Isthmus in area M 6255.

B. Balkans.

1. Jugoslavia. According reliable partisan source 31st SS Division believed to have moved to east end February.

Force of 500 Germans which recently landed Pag since returned to Mainland following withdrawal partisans from island.

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Enemy reported gained initiative area Doboj.

PR 1 March showed rail bridge and possibly road bridge across Sava at Brod to have been repaired and considerable activity observed narrow gauge M/Y south of river. Possible therefore that reinforcements from Slavonia brought up to Doboj area.

2. Aegean.

Entire Piscopi garrison surrender to Allied assault force 1 March suffering approximately 20 killed and 100 PW.

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FROM ALUSNO ALEXANDRIA

RELEASED BY

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PISCOPI SURRENDERED TO GREEK AND INDIAN FORCE 5ØØ STRONG EVENING 1 MARCH. ENEMY CASUALTIES 2Ø KILLED 1ØØ PRISONERS APPROX. ALLIED CASUALTIES 1 KILLED 5 WOUNDED. REPORTED FROM MILOS ENEMY OFFICERS DETERMINED FIGHT TO LAST.

PATRAS STRIKE CONTINUES.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 36611 2 March 1945

G 2 summary number 179. FX 36611 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR info to SHAEF Forward, MIDEAST, SOMTO, LFA, AC, GREEKMIL, Fifteenth Army Group, Sixth Army Group, ACC Bulgaria British Delegation, British Mil Attache, Ankara, AHQ Greece, 59th Area, ACC Hungary British Delegation signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Lack of contact with 715th Infantry Division, together with identification regiment of 334th Division in former area 715th suggest latter withdrawn from front lines. Possible 278th Division assuming part of sector. This view supported by lateral movement after relief by 26th Panzer, and indications 992nd Grenadier Regiment in forward area. On other hand reliable report preparations being made latter part February area Bassano-Treviso and northwards for large movement of troops end of month. Suggest therefore 715th Infantry possible candidate for Germany, but so far no concrete evidence this division actually in transit.

Possible signs regrouping observed 90th Panzer Grenadier Division area.

In northwestern Italy evidence accumulating Monte Rosa Division taking over little by little from 5th Mountain Division which has been dribbling down Susa Valley and eastward for several weeks. Report received medium artillery on march to East, and element 100th Mountain Regiment identified Allessandria area by partisans 21 February.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: FX 36611 2 March 1945

B. Balkans.

I. Jugoslavia. Enemy concentration which recently observed east of Zagreb shown by PR 1 March to have moved northeastwards towards Varaxdin. No identification yet received but destination likely to be southern Hungary. Cossack troops occupied Daruaar and Grubisno Polje in Slavonia, presumably with intention opening up lateral communications through this area.

II. Aegean. 14 Germans captured by British Naval Patrol at sea between Rhodes and Piscopi.

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

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FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 571.

(1) ADRIATIC. AFTER ARRIVAL OF REINFORCEMENTS IN PAG ENEMY COUNTER ATTACKED AND DROVE PARTISANS FROM POSITIONS OVERLOOKING TOWN. PARTISANS THEN EVACUATED WITH ASSISTANCE OF COASTAL CRAFT AND UNDER COVER FIRE FROM LANDING CRAFT, GUN AND AIR ATTACK.

(2) DODECANESE. HMS ACTIVE CAPTURED A LANDING CRAFT CONTAINING 14 GERMANS WHILE ON PATROL BETWEEN RHODES AND PISCOPI.

(3) GREECE. STRIKE AT PATRAS CONTINUES. IN ZANTE FIGHTING BETWEEN RIVAL PARTIES IS OCCURRING AND SITUATION IS DESCRIBED AS SERIOUS AND DETERIORATING.

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(4) EGYPT. IN NUMBER 570 FOR MERSA MATRUH READ NEAR ALEXANDRIA. LST 178 HAS BEEN REFLOATED.

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To: War Department
Headquarters 12th Army Group Tactical
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
Headquarters 15th US Army

Nr. FWD 17476 1 March 1945

This is G 2 summary number 60 Part 1 dated 1st March 1945 covering period 272400A February to 282400A February. To for action TROOPERS, AGWAR cite WDGBI, Tac EXFOR, Main EXFOR, Sixth Army Group, Tac Twelfth Army Group, First Allied Airborne Army, SHAEF Main to for info AFHQ cite FHGBI SHAEF Air Rear, Main Headquarters Twelfth Army Group, Fifteenth Army, First Allied Airborne Army Rear from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI FWD 17476.

1. Operations. Rhine sector quiet; increased vehicular activity between Haguenau Forest and Hardt Mountains with extensive enemy patrolling all along Hardt front; enemy sensitive west side of mountains.

Enemy concerned about southern threat to Trier and bolstering line with further good units. Aggressive counter attacks by 2nd Mountain Division at base of northern drive in area 10 at L 2411 repulsed. Allied drive north impeded by anti tank fire and extensive minefields area Pellingen (L 2320) but reached Irsch by last report.

Threat to Trier developing as Allies made more headway south along main Bitburg Trier Road and roughly 10 kilometers from town at end of period. Enemy offered no serious opposition to Allied clearing of Welschbillig (L 1640) Ittelkyll

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(1842) Idenheim (1645) Trimport (1646) Dahlem (1847) Sulm (1647) Scharfbillieg (1548) and Allies within 1/2 mile of Kyll River area L 1847. After Bitburg cleared enemy made little effort to hold Motsch (1 1552). In northern Eifel Kinzerburg bridgehead enlarged to north and Lunebach (L 0072) and Pronsfeld (L 0074) lost by enemy after moderate resistance. North of Prusm enemy counter attack on company strength vicinity L 0983 repulsed; enemy withdrew and resisting in Kleinlangenfeld (L 1086) at end of period. Unsuccessful enemy counter attack in area L 0791 ended in his withdrawing to north of Ormont (0893). Weather dry, visibility good, ground soft.

South of Schleiden report of clearing of Reifferscheid (F 0710) and Oberreifferscheid (F 0806) 27th February retracted. Kamberg (F 0604), Hoenningen (F 0909) and Bueschem (0909) cleared against light opposition: Small counter attack repulsed during morning. Small arms and mortar fire received from Schleiden during morning.

Weather continued overcast with fair visibility on Fifteenth Armys front yesterday. South of Axis, Cologne Julich, enemy succeeded in limiting Allied gains but to North large losses again incurred. Area Nideggen Allied bridgehead continued to worm way southward, reaching Abenden (F 1131) and Berg (F 1432); some stiffening of resistance latter town. Germans holding sector hinging on Kelz (F 1941) driven back yesterday to general line all exclusive Vettweiss (F 1938) western outskirts Gladbach (F 2241) Norvenich (F 2346) and Allies closed in from north west towards Nirvenicher Wald, capturing Bolheim (F 2248). Main Duren Cologne Road now cleared

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of enemy to Modrath (F 2855) on east bank Erft where Allies crossed against small arms and self propelled fire. At Glesch (F 1964) bridgehead, resistance prevented more than minor expansion, but on west bank of canal enemy lost Zieverich (F 2262) and Allies advanced 1/2 mile east of Grouven (F 2060). Allied bridge sites over Erft under considerable enemy artillery fire.

Enemy stubbornly clinging to west bank Erft, between Glesch and Konigshoven (F 1572); Allied patrols to area Millendorf (F 1666) returned completely negative report. Prisoners of War state all troops Konigshoven area under control 11th Panzer Division. Resistance Konigshoven Erkelenz sector feeble and Allies advanced over 9 miles in places between Grevenbroich and Munchen Gladbach. Minor opposition along Grevenbroich Rheydt railroad easily overcome. Allies reached within 1 kilometer of former city, captured Hemmerden (F 1981), cleared Juchen (F 1379), and drove long wedge north to within 5 miles of Neuss, capturing Glehn (F 1886) and Steinhausen (F 1686). Prisoner of War from Artillery Regiment 59th Division stated unit ordered east of Rhine. South of Rheydt, good Allied gain made into Rheydt Odenkirchen; Wichrath (F 0782) cleared and Germans driven from area Wickrathhann (F 0581) Ronnetel (on west outskirts Munchen at F 0689) Birgen (K 9993), all inclusive enemy. Opposition Munchen area mainly from Panzer Lehr. Germans cleared from large part of woods vicinity Wildenrath (K 9281) and Allies moved north to railroad Rheydt Roermond on 1 kilometer front. Northwest of Wassenberg (K 8979) opposition meager and enemy lost effect; Allies reached Herkenbosch (K 8285) and eastern outskirts Vlodrop (K 8483).

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At midday demolitions heard Roermond and enemy seen marching away to northeast, but no other developments along Maas south of Afferden.

Going tougher yesterday against First Parachute Army. Groote Horst (E 8639) fell but enemy held solidly along whole perimeter. Resistance especially stiff between Weeze and Hochwald; heavy counter attacks by 8th Parachute Division at Niers bridgehead (E 9439) and in Hochwald Gap area A 0340. 116th Panzer Division holding Hochwald limited Allied progress to slow, small penetrations.

2. Order of battle. Elements of 16th Volksgrenadier identified in center of Hardt mountains ridge: Comment, not yet clear whether relieving another unit. 340th Volksgrenadier in Waxweiler area. Elements of 18th and 62nd Volksgrenadiers still being identified in old sectors. Elements 189th Division contacted southwest of Munchen Gladbach, and state whole division (Ex Colmar Pocket) coming north. 15th Panzer Grenadier still out of contact.

3. Movement. Trains seen in Kall Area possibly connected with movement of remainder of 3rd Panzer Grenadier. Slight rail activity in upper Rhine area may be further elements of Nineteenth Army moving off.

4. Prisoners of War. (G 1 figures not complete) Prisoners captured 25th February: 4503. Accumulative total since D day: 920837.

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5. General. Enemys situation, around Trier, lamentably weak, and troops showing no spirit. Not anticipated that, in northern Eifel, enemy can now hold on Pruem River any better than he did in southern Eifel.

In Cologne plain, enemy going back all along the line, and Allies broken through sector of XII SS Corps completely, and are fast approaching Neuss and Venlo, by passing Munchen Gladbach. Enemy is pulling out of Roermond salient precipitately. Still fighting back hard in lower Rhine battle, however, with result his forces there now in danger of being cut off, unless left wing quickly withdrawn.

Only reserves now available seem to be remnants of Nineteenth Army, being brough up piecemeal with considerable rapidity, and troops from Holland. Fully possible that troops coming in from Norway or Italy may soon be diverted west, though no division at present believed available from either. No signs at moment of any German intention to withdraw across Rhine north of Dusselldorf.

Prisoners taken during February on Western front 76,000, or over 2700 per day. Nearly 23,000 of these taken in Eifel Trier advances, 14,000 in lower Rhine battle since 8th February and 18,000 in plain of Cologne since 23rd February. Average daily since 23rd February 5308. All informed.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No. FX 35384 28 February 1945

FX 35384 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR info to SHAEF Forward, Mideast, SOMTO, LFA, AC, Greekmil, 15th Army Group, 6th Army Group, ACC Bulgarian British Delegation, British Mil Attache Ankara, AHQ Greece, 59th Area, ACC Hungary British Delegation G2 summary number 177 signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. I SS armoured Corps reported west of Hron River according Roumanian GS. 72 Corps in same area is "Charged with special mission". This possibly refers recent elimination Russian bridgehead west of river but details not known.

2. Jugoslavia. 297th Infantry, 11 GAF and part of 264th Infantry Divisions reported crossed Drava into southern Hungary from Molve (north of Durdevac and south of Nagykanizsa). Future task these divisions not known. Reference to 264th Division presumably denotes independent battle group possibly "Division Stefan". SS Division said to have returned from Virovitica to Papuk.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

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700 enemy troops reported landed KRK Island during last few days from west. At present engaged in mopping up partisans but consider prolonged stay unlikely.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 32981 24 February 1945

G-2 summary number 173. FX 32981 action to TROOPERS AGWAR information to SHAEF-MIDEAST-SOMTO-LFA-AC-15th Army Group-6th Army Group-ACC Bulgaria, British Delegation-British Military Attache, Ankara-GREEKMIL-AHQ Greece-59th Area for 1st Special Force signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy.

1. Operations.

Decreased activity in Monte Belvedere-Monte Torraccia area L 51. On Eighth Army front small enemy counter attack repulsed area Cotignola M 33. Positions north of Comacchio taken over by elts 162nd Division according PW statements which appear reasonable and consistent with earlier reported move eastwards of division.

2. Dispositions.

Considerable movement observed on front of 715th Div suggesting relief in progress.

278th Division believed not to have moved far since recent release from line and may be involved in another reshuffle here.

Some signs of slight eastward shift of responsibilities 232nd and 94th Divisions as result of commitment on 114th Jaeger Div.

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Fr: FX 32981 24 February 1945

B. Balkans. Jugoslavia.

Partisans recaptured Suhopolje and Vocin in area former Barcs bridgehead while enemy from Daruvar captured Pakrac and Lipik. This appears enemy's success against Partisan pocket area Daruvar-Pakrac only achieved at cost of relinquishing some of previous gains in Barcs bridgehead area.

Unspecified enemy reinforcements reported arrived Lussin.

Civilian workers also allegedly imported from Asinello to construct defenses.

Lussin garrison last reported early February 400 strong.

All informed.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 565

1. GREECE

DORO CHANNEL HAS BEEN CLEARED OF ENMMY MINES. 167 WERE CUT.

2. ADRIATIC.

ATMOSPHERE AT SPLIT AND ZARA REMAINS CORDIAL. NIGHT OF 16TH REB A COASTAL CRAFT OPENED FIRE ON KARLOBAG AND FOLLOWING NIGHT 4 MTB'S FIRED 2 TORPEDOES INTO HARBOUR THERE. IN LATTER ATTACK 1 RATING KILLED AND [illegible] WOUNDED AND SLIGHT DAMAGE TO 1 CRAFT.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 562

1. GULF GENOA. BETWEEN SEVENTH AND TWELFTH FEB ALLIED DESTROYERS FIRED 967 ROUNDS IN SERIES SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENTS NEAR FRANCO'S ITALIAN FRONTIER.

2. ADRIATIC.

ATTITUDE PARTISAN AUTHORITIES REMAIN CORDIAL AND *

IVE. AFTER ENEMY ATTACK ON SPLIT 3 PRISONERS WERE TAKEN ENEMY HAVE RAIDED VELIRAT. IN NUMBER 561 FOR MOTOR LAUNCH READ MOTOR TORPEDO BOAT.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 29006 17 February 1945

Action to TROOPERS-AGWAR information to usual addressees ref number FX 29006 G-2 summary number 166, signed Alexander cite FHGBI.

A. Italy. Nothing to report.
B. Balkans.
1. Hungary. Photographic cover still shows considerable activity marshalling yards Gyor 16th February. (CF G-2 summary number 164). Rumanian GS report following formations destroyed Budapest:

IX SS Corps, 271st Infantry Division (less 1 regiment) 13th Panzer Division, 60th Panzer Grenadier Division and 22 SS Cavalry Division. 8th SS Cavalry Division apparently broke out to woods northwest of capital but subsequently believed annihilated.

2. Jugoslavia. Zeljusa and Zvornik reported still in enemy hands 16th February (CF G-2 summary number 165) and enemy withdrawal from southern Bosnia apparently proceeding at leisurely pace. All informed.

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

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To: War Department

Ur: FX 28071 16 February 1945

Action AGWAR for info to TROOPERS London-Com 8th Fleet [redacted]T GOLDFLAKE ref no FX 28071 signed Alexander cite FRTPN FHQDM NATPN reference PHQDM FX 26388 of 13 Feb.

Approaching dates make it necessary that advice be given so that plans for movement of British forces from Naples to Marseilles for GOLDFLAKE may utilize one voyage each of troopers General Black and General Richardson, this will involve six or seven days additional detention within the Mediterraneun. The plan is upon discharge at Naples, vessels will reload for Marseilles, discharge and return to Naples to clear theater of personnel returning to United States.

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NOTE: 26388 is CM IN 14681 (15 Feb 45) CC/S

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To: A.F.H.Q.
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Nr: 05190 15 February 1945

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Part three.

First. Regrouping. 8 Ind Div relieves 1 Cdn Inf Div 21-28 Feb. Folgore Gruppo relieves 6 Armd Div 1-6 Mar. 473 Inf Regt formed from disbanded US AAA Bns takes over left sector 10 Mtn Div 22 Feb.

Second. Arrivals. Following units arrive XXIII Corps as shown.

14/20 H 15 Feb Luvat Scouts; 16 Feb 2 HLI and 2 Loyals 20 Feb.

Third. Departures. Cdn formations complete at embarkation ports as follows.

Cdn Corps Hq and Corps Troops Naples 25 Feb,
5 Cdn Armd Div Leghorn 23 Feb.

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From: Headquarters 15th Army Group

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1 Cdn Armd Bde Leghorn about 1 March
1 Cdn Inf Div 8 March.

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ACTION: General Hull

INFO : General Arnold, General Bissell, Colonel Park, Log

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, C serta Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 27779 15 February 1945

FX 27779 action to TROOPERS, AGWAR info to usual addresses signed Alexander cite FHGBI. G-2 summary number 164 A.

A. Italy. 1. Ground source reports three trains containing SS Troops and ATK guns passed through Treviso February 7th. Comment: Probably elements 16th SSPG Division and now accept division as leaving Italy. No evidence of actual move any other formation though rumour rife.

B. Balkans. 1. Hungary. Recent PR shows accumulations of flats loaded with MT and AFV and also unloaded at Gyor, Gyorsabadi, Ersekujvar and Galanta. PR evidence suggests these concentrations caused by arrivals from Reich and not by departures. High proportion of flats may indicate arrival of Panzar or Panzer Grenadier formations.

PW captured in Budapest include commanders IX SS Corps, 1 Hungarian Corps and 12th Hungarian Infantry Division. IX SS Corps presumed in command German Garrison and I Corps of Hungarian contingent. 12th Division previously identified in capital. Commanders 8th and 22nd SS Cavalry Divisions which comprised bulk of Germans defence force identified among dead.

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982nd Reserve Division identified Nyitra in southern Slovakia.

2. Jugoslavia. Enemy evacuation southern Bosnia now apparently in progress and Partisians reported in occupation Mostar, Visegrad and Zvornik. Withdrawal to north of Sarajevo thus appears contemplated.

Enemy operations area XV Mountain Corps (see G-2 cable summary number 162) apparently of purely local significance only with object opening up road Otocac-Bihac.

No futher news on fighting in Siavonia other than capture by enemy of Pozega. All informed.

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To: S.C.A.F.F.
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Nr: FX 27629 NAF 863 15 February 1945

NAF 863, FX 27629, GOLDFLAKE, reference FAN 501.

For your information following policy has been adopted in conformity with Para 7 B of reference cable.

"A. To continue for as long as possible to deny the enemy knowledge that the GOLDFLAKE formations have left the theater.

B. To show the maximum strength in this theatre and keep the enemy in doubt as to our offensive intentions. This policy must be capable of adjustment to meet 15 Army Groups requirements for a cover plan for their spring offensive."

2. End of policy. Colonel Wild from your Hq agrees.

End

NOTE: FAN 501 is CM IN 2583 (3 Feb 45) CCS

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, General Hull, General Bissell, Admiral King, C of S

CM-IN-17294 (17 Feb 45) DTG 152024A m/m

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 25701 12 February 1945

G-2 summary number 161. Action TROOPERS-AGWAR info usual addressees FX 25701 signed Alexander cite FHOBI.

A. Italy.

1. Operations. Local counterattacks continued yesterday in Secchio Valley and western coastal sectors. Nearly 150 prisoners of war taken here mainly Italians of which about half deserters.

2. Dispositions and general. Believe elements 715th Inf Div still in line. PW formerly of 356th Inf Div says he accompanied latter as far as Verona. There he was pronounced unfit for service on east front. Was rejected 23rd Jan by 278th Div on same grounds and finally sent to 305th Inf Div. Comment. 278th Div not identified recently and is as reasonable candidate for Germany as 356th Div but its departure requires confirmation. If it goes, would expect 114th Jaegeo Division to be made available again for front line reinforcement, possibly by bringing across 162nd Div to take on time-honoured coast-watching task.

B. Balkans. Enemy attacks Slavonia have now reduced Allied bridgehead to small perimeter round Barcs. Main partisan force believed escaped to area Pakrac-Daruvar-Dulavec. Presence 7th SS Division confirmed and latter now reportedly located area Vocin. South of Mostar partisans attacking Nevesinje and heights Rox. Northeast Sarajevo.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 25701 12 February 1945

partisan capture of Valmenica followed by that of Han Pijesak thus isolating 22nd Infantry Division in Xvornik-Drinjaca.

All informed.

End.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S
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From: ARGONAUT (2)

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

Nr: ARGONAUT 97 FAN 504 FACS 155 9 February 1945

ARGONAUT 97 TOP SEC to Alexander for action. To Eisenhower, AGWAR (AGWAR pass to AMSSO), and AMSSO pass to British Chiefs for information from Combined Chiefs of Staff. This message is FAN 504 and FACS 155.

Paragraph 4 (C) of the directive issued to you in FAN 501 refers.

The move of two Canadian and three British Divisions should proceed under plans to be agreed between yourself and SCAEF, without awaiting any further instructions from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

End

FAN 501 is CM-IN-2583 (3 Feb 45) CCS

ACTION: CCS

INFO : ADM LEAHY, GEN ARNOLD, GEN HULL, GEN BISSELL, ADM KING, C OF S

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E. O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
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From: A.F.H.Q.

To: BAS Washington
War Office

RPTD: 15th Army Group

No: FX 23889 9 February 1945

GOLDFLAKE personal for Marshall Brooke and Clark WOSTEL NO 50 personal from Alexander signed Alexander cite FHGCT

Part three

Arrivals 23 Feb, 43 CDO and Hq CDO Bde. For 5 Corps 2 CDO on 17 Feb. 1 March Jewish Bde for PolCorps.

Departures from Leghorn. 6 Canadian Armoured Division on 15 Feb, 1 Canadian Armoured Bde on 1 March and on 6 March 1 Canadian Infantry Division. From (??INES) * on 19 Feb 1 Canadian Corps and Corps troops. All above dates approximate. Destination for All-France. No change in intentions.

Regrouping: 1. Relief of 6 SA Armoured Division by 1 US Armoured Division starts 17 Feb.
2. Going 15 Feb are 24 and 1 Guards Bdes to 1 District vicinity SPOLETO for reorganization.
3. 5 Corps 10 Indian Division less 25 Indian Bde 8/15 Feb to 13 Corps. Approximately 15 Feb PolCorps takes over left of highway 9. To 1 District goes 25 Indian Bde 11/12 Feb for rest until 24 Feb. Friuli Gruppo and 3

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From: A.F.H.Q.

Nr: FX 23889 9 February 1945

Carpathian Division complete relief of 5 Kres Division and 10 Indian Division 9 Feb.

4. 1 Canadian Corps. By 23 Feb 8 Indian Division relieves 1 Canadian Infantry Division. 5 Corps to take over 16 Feb.

5. 13 Corps: by 6 March Friuli Gruppo relieves 6 Armoured Division less 1 Guards Bde. To 8 Army goes 6 Armoured Division 78 Division. Relieved by 10 Indian Division with 2 HLI and Lovat Scouts 9/16 Feb. To 5 Corps 9/19 Feb goes 78 Division less 11 Bde. On relief by 25 Indian Bde, 11 Bde moves 24/25 Feb to 5 Corps.

End
T.O.O. 091700A

* Corrupt group

ACTION: OPD

INFO : GEN ARNOLD
GEN BISSELL
COL PARK
C OF S

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PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 23925 9 February 1945

Ref no FX 23925 AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff repeated SHAEF for info, signed Alexander cite FHGDS.

This is NAF 860 filed 092001A.

1. Further to NAF 841 Para 11 and in view agreement in FAN 503 to implementation of proposals in NAF 841 authority for issue of rations from British military stocks for Greek National Forces ceiling 100,000 on following scale is requested.

2. Scale of ration. British Field Service scale amended as follows. Delete sauce and alternatives. P meat reduced to 4 ozs alternatives in proportion. Potatoes fresh reduced to 8 ozs alternatives in proportion. Delete fruit dried as basic item. Delete P meat 1/2 oz (supper element). Tea reduced to 1/3 ozs alternatives in proportion. Sugar reduced to 2 1/2 ozs. Delete curry powder and alternatives. Delete vinegar. Deleted tobacco cigarettes and matches. Delete additional beverages. The calorific value is 3274 calories.

End

Note: NAF 841 is CM-IN-25346 (25 Jan 45) CC/S
FAN 503 is CM-IN-7907 (8 Feb 45) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S
INFO: Adm Leahy; CG AAF; OPD; Gen Bissell; Adm King; Log

CM-IN-9391 (10 Feb 45) DTG: 092001A pa

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PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

Nr: S 78341 SCAF 205 8 February 1945

Ref nr S 78341 TOP SECRET to Allied Force Headquarters for Alexander rptd for info to AGWAR for CCS and AMSSO for BCS from SHAEF Main. *-. For Combined Chiefs of Staff and British Chiefs of Staff. This is SCAF 205.

1. Reference your FX-22925 of 8th February. **- Understand agreed with Mediterranean Allied Air Forces and United States Strategical Air Forces that one Signal Air Warning Battalion will be made available in addition to units listed in paragraph 2 your quoted cable.

3. Please confirm.

4.

End

*--Being Serviced

NOTE: FX 22925 is CM IN 7922 (8 Feb 45) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, General Hull, General Bissell, Admiral King, C of S

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 23377 8 February 1945

Second finpart FX 23377

From FREEDOM February 8th, Nil.

Bombero report 100 rail cars loaded MT West of Treviso area G 3877. This of interest as area in which loading of 356th Inf Div previously reported.

4. Northwest Italy. Usually reliable source reports German evacuation scheme for Peidmont began January 25th and to extend over period 60-90 days. Plan includes substitution of Fascist for German troops with intention of all out defense of Peidmont. Comment. Latter part fits in with professed preparations by Italian High Command for "Colonial type" warfare.

B. Balkans.

1. Yugoslavia. Enemy reported launched substantial attack against Eastern sector Baros bridgehead. Vocin southwest of Glatina already in enemy hands. All informed.

End

NOTE: FX 23377 is CM IN 8349 (9 Feb 45) G-2

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Colonel Park, Log m/m
CM-IN-8418 (9 Feb 45) DTG 082215A

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 23372 8 February 1945

[redacted] Second part of AFHQ FX 23372 Feb 082130.

3. In order to take immediate and full advantage of any enemy withdrawal the employment of FANTAILS is an essential feature of the plans already prepared.

4. An attack in greatest possible strength across Lake Comacchio is an essential and decisive feature of present plans and can only be carried out by employment of FANTAILS.

5. Subsequently in order to make a rapid crossing of the river Po and the intervening marshes it is considered essential that Fifth and Eighth Armies should each have 200 FANTAILS .

6. The number of water obstacles and the nature of their banks make the presence of FANTAILS especially important in this theater.

End

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 23372 8 February 1945

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7th. In order that planning and training may proceed without delay it is considered essential that the firmest possible shipping programme be given and that the assignment of 400 fantails to this theater be confirmed.

8th. Latest shipping information indicates only firm sailings on British account are 41 to arrive by 26th Feb and that 77 are due to load. Understood that 200 on US account should arrive by 3rd March.

9th. Confirmation and clarification of the above points is urgently requested.

10th. For TROOPERS. Ref Parts 3 and 4 of your 66392 SWV 5 of 7th Feb. Paras 1st to 9th of this message will make it clear that the position in light of the new directive has been fully studied and that assignment of remaining 400 fantails is the absolute minimum with which directive can be carried out.

End

NOTE: See CM IN 8422 (9 Feb 45) CC/S.
Relayed to ARGONAUT
ACTION: CC/S
INFO : Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, General Hull, General Bissell, Admiral King, C of S
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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 22946 NAF 856 8 February 1945

AGWAR for CCS and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff repeated SHAEF for information FX 22946 signed Alexander cite FHCOS. This NAF number 856 TOP SECRET-GOLDFLAKE.

Following is para 1 of SHAEF S 78202 of 7th Feb. which was forwarded by our representatives at SHAEF conference and is referred to in our NAF 855 and is sent for your information.

"At meeting held today, agreement reached for movement program as outlines in AFHQ cable FX 20725 (NAF 851) dated 4th February 1945. Following is suggested for, as agreed by SHAEF, for Signal to the Combinsd Chiefs of Staff in answer to paragraph 4 C of FAN 501 of 3rd February 1945. "Reference paragraph 4 C of FAN 501 agreed proposals for movements and priorities as follows:

A Priority
B Formation
C Plan date of completion of move in southern France port.

A	B	C
1	2 fighter groups of 12th Air Force and 1 Service Group	18th February;
2	Hq I Canadian Corps and proportion of Corps troops	25th February;

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

Nr: FX 22946 NAF 856 8 February 1945

A	B	C
3	5th Canadian Armoured Division	3rd March;
4	1st Canadian Armoured Brigade	8th March;
5	5th British Infantry Division	11th March;
6	1st Canadian Infantry Division	23rd March;

Note: Balance of Corps troops will be phased over complete move.

7	46th British Infantry Division	when available;
8	1st British Infantry Division	when available.

" Canadian GHQ and Line of Communications troops to be phased during period of move of formations. Move to be by LST, Liberty-type ship, and personnel shipping with small advanced party by air. It is estimated that movement can be completed within the dates required without increasing the original forecast for intra-Med sailings of 120 February, 120 March, 85 April, 70 May and 60 June, provided Mediterranean shipping authorities can make adjustments between months with proviso total for first half 1945 not exceeded. Personnel shipping can be provided from vessels at present allotted Mediterranean, except that 1 voyage each of General Black and General Richardson between Naples and Marseilles will be required. Request your concurrence immediately to meet proposed agreed schedule."

End.

NOTE: NAF 851 is CM-IN-4216 (4 Feb 45) CC/S.
This message relayed to ARGONAUT (2).

ACTION: CC/S

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

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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

To: War Department

Nr: FX 22925 NAF 855 8 February 1945

To SHAEF repeated AGWAR for CCS, AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff FX 22925 signed Alexander cite FHGCT TOPSECRET GOLDFLAKE. This is NAF 855.

1. Ref your S 78202 of 7 February.
2. We agree with proposed signal to CCS as indicated in para 1, however, we are informed by MAAF that as result of conference between representatives USSTAF, SHAEF and AAF/MTO that following air units were required before the two fighter groups listed as first priority above mentioned signal:

One Ordnance Depot Co.
One Ordnance Maintenance Co.
One QM Company Service Group.
Two Signal Construction Bns (Heavy).
One Photo Technical Unit.
Two QM Platoons Air Depot Group.
One Ser Depot Groups.

3. In addition to the above listed units it was decided to transfer one Aviation Engr Bn from this theater to SHAEF but in view of its present essential employment here this unit would not be asked for until after 1 April.
4. Release of all above listed units MTO to SHAEF is agreed here.
5. In view of above therefore suggest SHAEF and USSTAF confer and establish overall priority and inform us

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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 22925 NAF 855 8 February 1945

accordingly. You alone can establish final overall priority.

6. We agree with foregoing adjustments in priority as furnished in your S 78202. Request you inform us earliest final priority desired by you.

7. To save time suggest you despatch final signal to CCS, info copy here, after adjustments desired by you.

8. Examination being made here to determine effect of additional lift required for above listed units on dates referred to in para one your S 78202.

9. Request General Noce AFHQ party be informed of above.

10. We are repeating this message and para one of your S 78202 to CCS to keep them fully informed.

End

78202 not received by WDCMC this message relayed to ARGONAUT 2

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: GEN ARNOLD
ADM LEAHY
GEN HULL
GEN BISSELL
ADM KING
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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces Main Versailles France

To: War Department

Nr: S 78340 SCAF 204 8 February 1945

From SHAEF Main signed Eisenhower to for action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and AMMSO for British Chiefs of Staff to for info AFHQ for Alexander ref no S 78340 TOP SECRET. This is SCAF 204. With reference to FACS 151 Paragraph 4 C.

1. After consideration of NAF 855 the following is the agreed Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Force/ Allied Force Headquarters proposal for movement and priorities.

Read in three columns:

(A) Priority
(B) Formation
(C) * Date of Completion of move in southern France Port.

(A)	(B)	(C)
1.	Two fighter groups of 12 Air Force and one service group.	18 February
2.	Headquarters I Canadia Corps and proportion of corps troops.	25 February
3.	5th Canadian Armoured Division.	3 March
4.	1st Canadian Armoured Brigade.	8 March
5.	5th British Infantry Division.	11 March

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URGENT

From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces Main Versailles France

Nr: S 78340 SCAF 204 8 February 1945

(A)	(B)	(C)
6.	1st Canadian Infantry Division.	23 March
	Note: Balance of corps troops will be phased over complete move.	
7.	6th British Infantry Division.	When available.
8.	1st British Infantry Division.	When available.

Canadian General Headquarters and Line of Communications Troops to be phased during period of move of formations. Move to be by LST, Liberty-type ship, and personnel shipping with small advanced party by air. It is estimated that movement can be completed within the dates required without increasing the original forecast for intra-MED sailings of 120 February, 120 March, 85 April, 70 May and 60 June, provided Mediterranean shipping authorities can make adjustments between months with proviso total for first half 1945 not exceeded. Personnel shipping can be provided from vessels at present allotted to Mediterranean, except that one voyage each of General Black and General Richardson between Naples and Marseilles will be required. Request your concurrence immediately to meet proposed agreed schedule.

2. This confirms no change in proposal passed to Allied Force Headquarters on 7th February and relayed by them to you.

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main Versailles France

Nr: S 78340 SCAF 204 8 February 1945

3. Units listed in Paragraph 2 NAF 855 will be phased in during programme and details are now being studied.

End

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Note: FACS 151 is CM-IN-2583 (3 Feb 45) CC/S.
NAF 855 is CM-IN-7922 (8 Feb 45) CC/S.
No relay action taken - see CM-IN-8041 (8 Feb 45) CC/S.

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Adm. Leahy
Gen. Arnold
Gen. Hull
Gen. Bissell
C of S.
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To : War Department

No : FX 23372 NAF 857 8 February 1945

TOP SECRET AFHQ to AGWAR for CCS and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff repeated SHAEF and TROOPERS for information signed Alexander cite FHGCT. FX 23372 Feb 082130. 1st cipart. This is NAF 857.

Subject is fantails. Ref FAN 501 of 2nd Feb and FAN 502 of 7th Feb.

1st. Wish to make it clear that in order to carry out tasks given in Paras 7A and B of FAN 501 for absolute minimum requirement is for 400 fantails and that degree of urgency of their delivery remains unchanged.

2nd. Ref FAN 502 Para C both AFHQ and 15th Army Gp have carried out a detailed examination of the method of carrying out the revised directive given in FAN 501.

End

NOTE: FAN 501 is CM IN 2583 (3 Feb 45) CC/S
FAN 502 is CM IN 6876 (7 Feb 45) General Somervell.
Relayed to ARGONAUT.
ACTION: CC/S
INFO : Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, General Bissell, Admiral King, C of S, General Hull
CM-IN-8422 (9 Feb 45) DTG 082158A m/m

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PRIORITY

From: ARGONAUT (2)

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

Nr: ARGONAUT 83 FAN 503 8 February 1945

TOPSEC ARGONAUT 83 for Alexander for action, to Eisenhower, AGWAR (AGWAR pass to AMSSO), and AMSSO pass to British Chiefs of Staff for information, from Combined Chiefs of Staff. This is FAN 503 to Alexander.

Implementation of the proposals in NAF 841 has been agreed to by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

End

FOOTNOTE: NAF 841 is CM-IN 25346 (26 Jan 45) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: ADM LEAHY
GEN ARNOLD
GEN SOMERVELL
GEN HULL
GEN BISSELL
ADM KING
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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Hr: FX 21065 NAF 854 5 February 1945

To AGWAR for CCS and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff repeated SHAEF for information FX 21065. TOPSEC signed Alexander cite FHGCT. This is NAF 854.

In view of directions contained in FAN 501 that Greek Army should be so organized to permit of earliest withdrawal of British Forces now in Greece request earliest reply to NAF 841.

End

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ACTION: CC/S

INFO : ADM LEAHY, GEN ARNOLD, GEN HULL, GEN BISSELL, ADM KING, C of S

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 20965 4 February 1945

AFHQ sgd Alexander cite FHGBI Feb 041930 TROOPERS AGWAR rptd usual addressees first cipart FX 20965. G-2 summary number 153.

A. Italy.

Signs of extension westwards of 4th Para Div sector supports previous evidence of westward move by 90th PG Division. 334th Division has also made slight side-step eastward. Strong presumption therefore that 715th Div is being squeezed out. No further indications of change in 16th SS PG Div sector.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary.

German radio states Budapest garrison reduced to a few troops holding out around Royal Palace in Buda. No further progress by relief force south of capital. In fact Russians.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 20965 4 February 1945

Second finpart FX 20965 of Feb 041930 from AFHQ.

Claim 12 mile advance east and southeast Szekesfehervar on this front.

2. Jugoslavia.

Enemy force reported pushing towards Zvornik from Drinjaca in Drina Valley. Possible that elements 22nd Infantry Division concerned. Ultimate object possibly to recapture Drina route to Bijeljina.

All informed.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S
CG AAF
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No: S 77778 4 February 1945

This is G-2 summary number 35 part 1 dated 4 February 45 covering period 022400A to 032400A. From SHAEF Main S 77778, to for action TROOPERS. AGWAR cite WDGBI. TAC EXFOR. Main EXFOR. Sixth Army Group. TAC 12th Army Group. First Allied Airborne Army Main to for info AFHQ cite FHGBI. SHAEF Air Rear. Main Headquarters 12th Army Group. 15th Army. First Allied Airborne Army Forward from Strong sgd Eisenhower. Cite SHGBI

1. Operations.

Colmar pocket held open by less than 8 mile stretch of main Colmar-Mulhouse Road. Advancing from south, Allies reached Ensisheim (V 7118) clearing most of area between Ill and Thur Rivers. Enemy reported withdrawing from Vosges in area west of Munster (V 5538). In northern part of pocket Colmar cleared and Allies pushed down main road to point 2 miles south of Ste Croix. Other Allied Forces reached Herrlisheim (V 6935) Logelheim (V 7636) and Wolfgantzen (V 8236) as enemy withdrew under pressure. Heavy fighting before Neuf Brisach and in Biesheim (V 8538). Heavy eastbound traffic road Appenwihr (V 7836) Neuf Brisach.

On German First Army front rain and poor visibility with flooding in Herrlisheim (R 1214) area. By noon 3 Feb enemy driven from Rohrwiller (R 1217) but north and south of town initially light resistance developed into counter attacks stiffened by armour. Both attacks held by Allies but forward

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elements forced to withdraw. Allied foothold Herrlisheim denied by powerful enemy resistance and waist deep floods which caused withdrawal south of town. German tanks and infantry still hold small section Oberhofen (R 0920). Bischoltz (Q 8533) garrison, surprised by Allied sortie, suffered heavily. Heavy motor activity Rothbach (Q 8424) and Kindwiller (Q 8929). Only moderate opposition to Allied attack area east of Tettinenc (L0402).

In Ardennes German 7th Army Troops cleared from Hosdorf (P 9343). Estimated company enemy encountered at Vianden (P 9049) night 2/3 February. Enemy holding Habscheid (9577). Operations hampered by fog, mud and slush, rain during morning. In Schnee Eifel enemy lost Bleialf (9683) and forced back to Halenfeld (9884). Further north German 15th Army after some rearguard action, lost Weckerath (L 0292) Krewinkel (L 0493) and Losheim (L 0395). Estimated battalion of infantry moving towards Neuhof (F 0402) broken up by Allied artillery in morning.

During afternoon enemy cleared from all pillboxes in west branch of Siegfried defences along east bank of Willsamkyll from L 051988 to F 0402 against light opposition: Entire pillbox crew of 21 men in one case surrendered without resistance. Enemy counter attacks launched in forest area north of Frauenkron (L 0699) at 0830 continued through day to 1500 when enemy force withdrew without gain. Stubborn enemy fighting north of Ramscheid (F 0506) held Allies to small gains. West of Schleiden enemy resistance light to moderate and Bronsfeld (F 0814) Berescheid (0615) Dreiborn (0617) and Dedenborn (0221) cleared; enemy fighting in

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Ettelscheid (0815); Herhahn (0918) and Einruhr (0421) reached.

Remainder of front quiet.

2. Order of Battle.

In northern Alsace 7 Parachute, 21 Panzer, 25 Panzer Grenadier and 256 Volksgrenadier all now definitely withdrawn out of contact and carried unlocated. Not believed that all have necessarily left Army Group G area.

In Ardennes 276 Volksgrenadier moved north and inserted between 26 and 326, replacing much battered 560 Division. 12 Volksgrenadier now firmly in contact in dams area between 62 and 272; both of which are only in light contact. Further elements of 3 Panzer Grenadier now in action south of 62 Division and elements of 9 Panzer have reappeared between 89 Division and 3 Parachute. No sign of 15 Panzer Grenadier or 2 Panzer; Panzer Lehr believed still in Eifel.

3. Movements.

Though considerable scattered activity no very definite trend observed beyond heavy loading in Krefeld area and movement in areas Berlin and Magdeburg, some of which no doubt due to move of 6th SS Panzer Army.

4. Prisoners of War.

A. (G-1 figures not complete) Prisoners captured 31 January 1945: 2063

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B. Accumulative total since D Day: 861,800.

5. General.

No reinforcements for Colmar pocket, and enemy seems resigned to eventual withdrawal across Rhine.

In Ardennes Allied inroads during closing phases of withdrawal into Siegfried line have compelled recommitment of several useful divisions with result that strengthening of Cologne-Ruhr sector will be delayed.

End

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INFO: CC/S
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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 20725 NAF 851 4 February 1945

FX 20725 TOP SECRET signed Alexander cite FHGCT and FMGDM to SHAEF repeated AGWAR for COS WM330 for British Chiefs of Staff and TROOPERS this is NAF 851.

Subject is FAN 501/FACS 151 directive to SACMED and SHAEF S 77719 dated 3rd Feb.

1. A. Following is planning programme for move of three Allied formations mentioned in para 4A in reference signal. Assuming D day is day embarkation starts in Italy following are planning dates on which tails of formations detailed reached Marseilles:

Hq I Cdn Corps and proportion of Corps troops D plus 10,
5th Cdn Armd Div D plus 16,
1st Cdn Armd Bde D plus 21,
5th Br Inf Div D plus 24,
1st Cdn Inf Div D plus 36.

Note: Balance of Corps troops will be phased over complete move.

B. Formations nominated under para 4B of reference signal are 46th Div and 1st Div on relief in MIDEAST by 4th Div EX Greece.

C. Earliest D day is Feb 15th but this date may be varied by your decision in para 3 below.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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2. You should note that above programme takes no account of leave for British divisions which have had long spell of overseas service. Very desirable this should be arranged if at all possible.

3. Confirm 2 fighter groups in para 5 of reference signal are required on higher priority than formations listed in my para 1.

4. Ref para 5 your S 77719 of 3rd Feb agree meeting of interested SHAEF and AFHQ Staffs at earliest possible date essential. Subjects for discussion to include:

A. Order of battle of formations.
B. Date of arrival acceptable from your movement and staging points of view.
C. Priorities and programme of move.
D. Scales of equipment accompanying formations.
E. Administrative arrangements. Owing to time factor and doubtful weather consider essential meeting be held at Marseilles earliest, suggest PM Tuesday 6th Feb. Please confirm.

5. Ref para 3 your S 77719. All possible information will be tabled at meeting. End

Note: FAN 501 is CM-IN-2583 (3 Feb 45) CC/S.
This msg has been relayed to ARGONAUT (2).
S 77719 not identified in WDCMC.

ACTION: CC/S
INFO: Adm Leahy; Gen Arnold; Gen Hull; Gen Bissell; Adm King; C of S

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PRIORITY

From: ARGONAUT

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

No: CRICKET 3 A 2 February 1945

CRICKET 3 A TOPSEC book message for Alexander for action Eisenhower for information AGWAR and AGWAR pass to AMMSO for British Chiefs of Staff, AGWAR repeat to ARGONAUT 2 from Combined Chiefs of Staff. This message is FAN 501 to Alexander and FACS 151 to Eisenhower.

Subject is: Directive to Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean.

1. It is our primary intention in the war against Germany to build up the maximum possible strength on the western front and to seek a decision in that theater. We have, therefore, reviewed your directive and decided as follows:

GREECE.

2. The earliest possible discharge of British obligations in Greece must be your constant aim.

The object of British presence and operations in Greece is to secure that part of Greece which is necessary for the establishment of the authority of a free Greek government.

3. This object must always be regarded in the light of the paramount need for releasing troops from Greece for use against the Germans. You should, therefore, concentrate on building up a Greek force on a national basis as soon as possible.

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From: ARGONAUT

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ITALY.

4. In pursuance of the policy given in Paragraph 1, it has been decided to withdraw from your theater to the western front up to five divisions (of which not more than two should be armored) as follows:

A. At the earliest possible date three Allied divisions drawn from the Allied Armies in Italy.

B. Further complete formations as the forces now in Greece are released from that country.

C. It is intended to withdraw Canadian and British divisions.

The nomination of ground formations to be withdrawn and the arrangements for their transfer will form the subject of a separate instruction. The program will be agreed between you and Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force, and approved by the Combined Chiefs of Staff before the moves take place.

AIR FORCES.

5. Two fighter groups of 12th Air Force will be moved to France at once. Combined Chiefs of Staff intend to move to France in the near future as much of the 12th Air Force as can be released without hazard to the accomplishment of your mission. You should consult with SCAEF

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From: ARGONAUT

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and submit agreed proposals for confirmation by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

6. There will be no significant withdrawal of amphibious assault forces.

7. We recognize that these withdrawals will affect the scope of your operations in the Italian Theater. We, therefore, redefine your objects as follows:

A. Your first object should be to ensure that, subject to any minor adjustments you may find necessary, the front already reached in Italy is solidly held.

B. Within the limits of the forces remaining available to you after the withdrawals in Paragraph 4 above have been effected, you should do your utmost, by means of such limited offensive action as may be possible and by the skillful use of cover and deception plans, to contain the German forces now in Italy and prevent their withdrawal to other fronts.

C. You should, in any case, remain prepared to take immediate advantage of any weakening or withdrawal of the German forces.

ADRIATIC.

8. Subject to the requirements of the Italian Theater, you should continue to give all possible support to the

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From: ARGONAUT

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Yugoslav Army of National Liberation, until the territory of Yugoslavia has been completely cleared. You will carry out such minor operations on the eastern shores of the Adriatic as your resources allow.

End

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INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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

Nr: FX 19070 1 February 1945

FX 19070 February 011900 from AFHQ signed Alexander cite FHGBI action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees. G-2 summary number 150.

A. Italy. Dispositions.

Both infantry regiments of 362nd Division reidentified by PW in line south of 16th SS PG Div. At present therefore, only formation definitely known to have left front additional to 356th Div is 29th PG Div. Latter last located 30 January in general area between Bologna and Modena. This known to be used as rest area but may in this case be concentration area if division is to leave country. No news of 26th Panzer Division since 23 January when ground source reported it in Budrio area. No subsequent evidence that it has moved.

B. Balkans.

Enemy force advancing southwards from Mostar has blown bridges across river Neretva at Capljina and Metkovic, thus strengthening supposition enemy objective

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 19070 1 February 1945

is prevention lateral movement by Partisans round Mostar salient rather than permanent occupation of area.

Recent report states Headquarters 31st SS Division located area Maribor. Division formerly in southern Hungary present subordination not known. All Informed.

End

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

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SITUATION REPORT NO 547.
(1) ADRIATIC. LOCAL AUTHORITY AT ZARA NOW KNOW

EXISTENCE OF NAVAL AGREEMENT BUT HAVE NO KNOWLEDGE OF DETAILS OR INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

(2) GREECE. GENERAL ZERVAS VISITED CORFU WHERE SITUATION IS SATISFACTORY AND WAS GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC

WELCOME.
3. CRETE. FIGHT IS AT PRESENT IN PROGRESS BETWEEN

ELAS MINORITY AND PARTISANS. HARBOUR LABOURERS AT HERAKLION ARE ON STRIKE

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta Italy

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

Nr: FX 18058 30 January 1945

First part FX 18058 action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees date nil from FREEDOM signed Alexander cite FHGBI G-2 summary number 148

A. Italy.

1. No evidence any further developments on front. Long range deserter 305th Inf Div reported as stating he had seen 4th Para Div pass through Imola and 29th PG withdrawing from line. Troops of latter division had said they were going to Germany. Same deserter had also heard that 4th Para Div was to relieve 90th PG Div as well.

Comment: Elements of 90th PG Div still on front but consider division among most likely candidates for return to Germany.

2. Movement.
Heavy road movement reported by intruders eastwards from Milan nights 28th/29th and 29th/30th and some movement northwards on roads east of Lake Galda.

End

ACTION: G-2

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

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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

Nr: FX 18058 30 January 1945

Second part FREEDOM's FX 18058 date nil SECRET G 2 summary number 148.

Not possible at present to connect this with movement any specific formation. PR of railways 28th reveals more than usual traffic northwards on Brenner route. On 29th pronounced increase in rail flats seen at Verona and Vicenza. Of nearly 300 seen at Verona 14 believed loaded with AFVs.

Comment. Consider 356th Infantry Division elements of which reported moving through Udine night 23rd/24th should have cleared Verona before 29th. Concentration of flats and loading seen on 29th likely therefore to be connected with additional move of possibly 29th PG Division.

B. Balkans. 1. Yugoslavia.

Fighting continues area Drinjaca. Outskirts Bijeljina penetrated by Partisans.

End

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

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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

Nr: FX 17358 29 January 1945

FX 17358 action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees Jan 291930 January 1945 from FREEDOM signed Alexander cite FHGBI. G 2 Summary number 147.

A. Italy. No change on front. Further to movements mentioned in G 2 Summary number 146 reliable ground source reports 9 trains passed through Treviso towards Udine on nights 23rd-24th January carrying troops and equipment. Vehicle signs identified 356th Inf Division. Accept therefore departure 356th Div from Italy.

Unidentified movement reported on nights 25th, 26th, 27th probably connected with same division though possibility that another formation concerned not to be excluded.

B. Balkans.

1. Jugoslavia. Further enemy activity area Vlasenica where offensive towards Drinjaca in Drina Valley reported. West of Mostar operations by Croat troops reported near Sirokihbrijeg. All informed.

End

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INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Colonel Park, Log
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To: War Department
Headquarters First French Army
CG 6th Army Group Main, Vittel, France

Nr: O 2073 29 January 1945

Second Cipart O 207 B 291930A from 15th Army Group.

Offensive.

Whereabouts North Emilia OMD and leader Franchi unknown. Units in Vals Nure P 59 and Ceno P 87 completely disorganized.

Remnants Fausto Comd L Div area west Ferriere P 4372.

4,000 Germans and Fascists reported attacking Partisans in Val Sesia D 49.

Alfredo Didio group formed in Val Dossola by combining Val Toce Div civil population, Alto Milanese and small mobile bands totalling several hundred men distributed along Ticino River known as Novara Div. Val Toce Div located area Mottarone D 7014 Omegna D 6714 Lake Orta and commanded.

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

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main, Versailles, France

No: FX 16977 NAF 846 29 January 1945

FX 16977 to AGWAR for CCS and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff, info to SHAEF, sgd Alexander cite FHGCT. TOP SECRET. This is NAF 846.

1. In accordance with the agreement which has been signed with Tito and of which the text was forwarded in MEDCOS 226 and 230, the JANL will be responsible for the defense of the airfield to be established in the Xadar area. It is probable that Tito will ask for clothing, rations, POL and possibly ammunition for the forces allocated by him to this task. It will clearly be desirable to meet any such request to a reasonable extent provided it is not at the expense of stocks required for our own operation in the theater. However it is considered that any supplies and equipment sent should be restricted to the present guerrilla scale. If the situation develops so that heavier equipment is required it can best be met by obtaining Tito's agreement to sending in appropriate British units later.

2. Apart from any request Tito may make for supplies and equipment for JANL forces specifically allocated to the defense of the Xadar base it is clearly to our military advantage to send in such supplies and equipment as are available and will reach any JANL forces actually fighting the enemy. The introduction of such supplies and equipment by sea through Xadar is generally desirable inasmuch as it

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reduces the quantities to be introduced by air.

3. Provision has however already been made through special operational channels for the maintenance of 300,000 JANL on guerrilla scale for the months of January, February and March 1945. As the enemy withdraws in Jugoslavia a proportion of these supplies and equipment will become surplus to the requirement for supply by air to the JANL in enemy occupied territory. It is proposed that such a surplus, the extent of which cannot at present be determined and a proportion of which will be of United States origin procured under lend lease, should be diverted from SOE control so as to reach JANL forces by normal supply methods through Xadar to meet the requirements foreseen in accordance with paragraphs one and two above.

4. Your covering approval is requested for such diversion of SOE stocks as may in this manner become desirable.

End.

NOTE: This message has been relayed to ARGONAUT. Reference not identified in WDCMC.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 16430 27 January 1945

Administrative summary number 46 for week ending 24 Jan. Signed Alexander FX 16430 from AFHQ to for action TROOPERS; AGWAR, rptd ANPB cite FHGDS.

1. Casualty and POW figures cumulative to 22 Jan. Read in five columns: Formation, X killed, Y wounded, Z missing, POW.

Eighth Army:

	X	Y	Z	POW
British and Dominion	13,080	53,578	7,494	27,830
Polish	1,669	6,977	401	3,972
Italian	227	724	131	27
Greek	87	280	Nil	Nil
Total Eighth Army	15,063	61,559	8,026	31,829

Fifth Army:

US	19,322	68,147	10,781	44,772
British and Dominion	6,601	29,863	10,798	7,158
French	5,241	20,848	1,583	8,367
Italian	250	634	508	9
Brazilian	140	736	150	305
Total Fifth Army	31,554	120,228	23,820	60,611.

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MAAF:	X	Y	Z
AAF/MTO	3,194	2,900	12,446
RAF	743	458	1,751
Dominion	373	288	799
Other Allied	28	30	153
Total MAAF	4,338	3,676	15,149.
GREEKMIL	301	1,427	1,251

2. General administrative position remains satisfactory.

3. Data regarding maintenance in Italy as follows:

(A) Forward railheads in operation:
No change.

(B) Forward POL pipeheads in operations:
No change.

(C) Forward ports:
For week ended 20 Jan daily port discharges averaged as follows:
Ancona 3,650 TPD. Leghorn, 6,540 TPD.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, ASF, G-2, Colonel Park, Log

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To: War Department
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Headquarters 6th Army Group, Main, Vittel, France

No: FX 15844 26 January 1945

Second part FRFEDOM'S FX 15844 Jan 261930 45. G-2 summary number 144.

Mountain Division last believed in area north of Bologna has replaced 4th Para Div SW of Bologna and that latter is relieving 29th PG Div on route 9. In view of its strength it seems possible that 4th Para Div will take over responsibilities of 278th Div as well but this at present conjecture only.

3. General. Considerable regrouping now in progress implies more than execution of normal rest refit programme. Extraction of 29th PG Div together with slight evidence forward move of 26th Panzer Div could be interpreted as offensive preparations. Though these cannot be altogether excluded however consider these moves more likely in present circumstances to be connected with contribution from Italy to eastern front.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. German claim to.

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

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No: FX 15844 26 January 1945

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Have retaken Felsogalla northwest of Bicske ind'cates latter still in Russian hands and enemy previously forced carry out slight withdrawal this area. German counter-attack area Szekesfehervar reported reached Danube but attempt drive north towards Budapest frustrated.

2. Jugoslavia. Partisans attacking Bijeljina in some strength 24th and 25th January. Travnik in enemy hands. Elements 724th and 734th Jaeger Regiments 104th Jaeger Division reported in town and appears probable bulk of 104th Division this area.

All informed.

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NO: FX 15844 26 January 1945

First part FX 15844 action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees Jan 261930 Jan 45 from FREEDOM signed Alexander cite FHGBI. G 2 summary number 144.

A. Italy. One. Operations. Enemy activity continues small.

Two. Dispositions. Some evidence of slight forward move by 26th PZ Div. Fresh corpse 956th GR area M 3640 indicates relief of 362nd Div not yet complete. 11th Para Regt (4th Para Div) identified by PW east of Castel Bolognese. Says 11th Para Regt was relieved in old area on 20 Jan by mountain troops and then moved north of Bologna. Believes other regiments of 4th Para Div were withdrawn at same time. Regt arrived at Castel Bolognese 22 Jan and relieved PG units in line. On this evidence appears likely that 157th.

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From: A.F.H.Q. (signed Alexander)

To: War Cabinet Offices for J.I.C.
Rptd: MIDEAST for J.I.C.
AGWAR for J.I.C.

DTG: 261830 FX 91986 26 January 1945

BALKAN REVIEW No. 50

1. Greece and Aegean.

A. Military. 8 JU 52 shown Rhodes by PR 22 January. Believed primarily for evacuating enemy key personnel. On 24th January only 1 of these remaining. Visit of Gradisca to Aegean resulted in evacuation some 250 Germans, but no evidence from subsequent search that hospital ship regulations abused. Ship had expected to be searched. Withdrawal ELAS forces behind demarkation line now completed and general reorganization units and formations engaged recent fighting being carried out. Immediate task to reinforce 2 and 13 divisions (general area Nabpaktos-Carpenision and troops formerly under Athens Corps being used for this purpose. No major changes dispositions which so arranged as to cover demarkation line and control movement across border. Total strength ELAS regular forces at present estimated 40/50,000.

B. Political. Truce continues to be observed. Believe ELAS intend release most hostages many already straggling back. Further developments await outcome conference with ELAS proposed by Greek Government for 25th January. Indication that Greek presumably KKE Mission on way to Serbia. E.A.M. contacts across Northern frontier have in past been with more extreme among local Jugoslav Partisan leaders and are not believed to have had sanction

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of Tito. Potential threat however exists to Greek northern provinces should Tito fail to control more extreme partisans in Yugoslav Macedonia. This not considered likely at present, but threat will tend to increase until Greek Government can assert authority over Northern provinces.

2. Albania.

A. Military Nothing to report.

B. Political. Probable that Hoxha will reconsider his arbitrary rejection on 12th January of ML relief scheme for Albania in view of successful conclusion Yugoslav relief agreement in Belgrade 19th January and of increasing Albanian comment on continued absence Allied relief. FNC press 22 January stressed Albanian need for Allied resistance in National reconstruction and stated government had decided to request aid from UNRRA. Independent source reports Hoxha is sending formal written request to UNRRA. Hoxha has presented formal request for recognition of his government to both American and British Diplomatic authorities in Italy.

3. Yugoslavia.

A. Military. Expected enemy offensive in Slavonia launched 18 Jan. attacks delivered along whole front from Warcs (Barcs) bridgehead to Pijeljina but these apparently most violent around Virovitica and south Vukovar. In latter area enemy advanced some 20 miles to East recapturing Sid and greater part of former defence line Bukovar-Sid-Drina mouth. 3 Divisions involved these attacks

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namely 117 Jaeger 41 Fortress and 7 SS but no recent identification infantry div. According one source continued existence of latter uncertain. Enemy operations area Virovitica apparently less successful than those in Srem and following initial advance forced to give ground. Partisans apparently reinforced from Serbia and with Russian artillery support succeeded in recapturing Pitomaca railway station. Enemy attacks this area now subsided, but in view successful outcome from fighting possible that reinforcements may be brought up from latter area and offensive renewed. Rearguards Army GHUQQC(E) now general area Visegrad-Rogatica but owing heavy snow partisans having difficulty maintaining contact. With arrival enemy troops on lateral road Sarajevo-Visegrad most difficult phase of withdrawal completed and further movement presents only minor problems. At present however, no indication that total withdrawal from area Visegrad-Sarajevo-Mostar areas contemplated.

On contrary Croat operations plus reported arrival reinforcements Mostar salient suggest enemy intends remaining this area for present. Defence likely to be entrusted to 21 Corps Sarajevo with 369 German-Croat division plus 181 and/or 22 Infantry Divisions, but one of latter 2 formations could probably be released if necessary in near future. Permanent retention southern Bosnia would however appear to possess few advantages for enemy and requirements of other fronts may well before long dictate a further withdrawal.

Travnik now in enemy hands and elements both regiments 104 Jaeger Div. reported in town. Not yet apparent whether intention is to open up route through to Jajce and beyond or merely to maintain blocking position for protection Brod-

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Sarajevo L. of C. Recent reports indicate some reinforcement arrived Cherso and probably also KRK making total Garrison strength for Zara-Fiume Island group some 3,000 men. Further reinforcement possible, but total unlikely to exceed equivalent 2 regiments in strength since hitherto enemy has preferred to rely on more economical method of holding chief counter attack force on mainland.

B. Political. Partisan authorities seemed reassured by Churchill's speech 18 January did not wish to disregard King's attitude completely and were still ready to negotiate with Subasic. Yugoslav press is again stressing unofficial Yugoslav claims to Trieste and Venezia Giulia. Local Slovene partisans appear to regard union of these areas (including area between Isonzo and Tagliamento rivers) as certain. But Smodlaka (Tito's Foreign Minister) recently stated that Yugoslav claims would be to Isonzo river and deprecated wider claims of local Slovene Irrelentists. Italian partisan committee of National liberation in Venice has denounced Yugoslav Territorial claims and advocated establishment of autonomous Venezia Giujia within Italian State.

4. Hungary

A. Military. Despite progress of events elsewhere on eastern front still no evidence repercussions on enemy policy in Hungary. Intention to relieve Budapest garrison apparently unchanged, but following failure to break through from West main effort now switched to attacks from South. Some initial success achieved with recapture Szekesfehervar and subsequent breakthrough East of Lak

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Velencei to Danube. No information available on northward progress, but Russians claim attacks in this direction repulsed and appear to have regained some ground northwest of Bickske. Latter now appear to be on defensive in Hungary and no other advances recorded during past week. Moreover Roumanian GS report southern portion Russian line on Myitra opposite Komarom withdrawn some miles to East. Significant fact that no major advance by Soviet troops in Hungary since opening main offensives further north. Appears likely that Russian intentions for time being limited to reduction Budapest and maintaining present positions. On left flank Army Group south in Slovakia Kosice and Presov now in Russian hands, but withdrawal this salient is logical outcome of Soviet advance in southern Poland.

B. Political. By Armistice of 20 January Hungary has undertaken to evacuate Czechoslovak, Roumanian and Yugoslav Territories occupied by her since 1937. Consider however that terms will not exclude Hungary from raising territorial claims at peace conference.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces,
Main, Versailles, France

Nr: FX 91225 NAF 841 25 January 1945

Signed Alexander cite FHGCT. FX 91225 addsd AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, rptd AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff, SHAEF. This is NAF 841.

1. If the withdrawal of British armed forces from Greece is to take place expeditiously it is essential to render assistance to the Greek Govt in forming their army so that they may take over responsibility for internal security within Greece without delay.

2. Proposals for the organization of the Greek National Forces have been examined with great care and set out in paras 3 to 13 below are the recommendations which it is considered are the minimum which will allow the BR armed forces now in Greece to be withdrawn.

3. Final organization will be an army of three FD service divisions plus Grn tps on National Gd Bn basis.

4. Role of FD divs is to provide Greek Govt with mobile reserve for internal security with National Gd Bns as garrison tps for internal security duties in cities and towns.

5. Recommend that FD divs should be developed from cadres drawn from Greek Mountain Bde and Sacred Regt and other units which have already been formed and have operated in Mideast and Italy. Divs would then be brought up to strength

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by transfer of best material from Greek National Gd Bns which would be replaced in the latter by further call up.

6. Field force divs to be organized armed and equipped on simplest possible lines to carry out their role. Each div would consist of approx 10,000 all ranks, 30 armd cars, 24 FD guns and 770 vehs. Inf Bns to be armed on small arms basis plus 3 inch mortars and small number of Piats. Technical vehs and eqpt to be kept to a minimum. Animal tpt considered most desirable in lieu proportion mt but resources non-existent after meeting present commitments.

7. National Gd Bns to be under comd Static Hqs set up at appropriate centers and woven into eventual general military administrative organization of country which will probably be on a territorial basis. Anticipate 15 Static Hqs will be required each of which will comd 3 to 7 bns according to territorial area under their control. Minimum number of National Gd Bns required is 60. Each bn will be some 550 all ranks strong equipped with 3 armd cars and armed on a small arms basis. Total National Gd commitment will be approx 40,000 all ranks, 180 armd cars and 500 vehs. Vehs to latter number essential owing to complete absence of local resources.

8. Base and trg units will require approx 200 vehs.

9. To summarize the total commitment for divisions and National Gd organization and to cover base and reinforcement and training establishments will be about 100,000 all ranks, 300 armd cars, 80 FD guns and 3000 vehs. Against this

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existing Greek units have some 900 vehs and 24 FD guns.

10. Propose implementing this in 3 phases.

First phase. Build up of National Guard to ceiling of 80,000 on bn basis. Formation of cadres for 3 FD Divisions from Greek Mtn Bde, Sacred Regt and existing artillery units. Organization of country into military districts and setting up Static Hqs in each district.

Second phase. Progressive build up and training of 3 FD Divs by transfer of personnel from National Guard. Replacement these personnel in National Guard units by further call up. Completion military district organization aid final allocation National Guard units.

Third phase. Completion organization and training 3 FD Divs.

11. If you approve proposals difficulty not anticipated in meeting phased requirements clothing arms equipment and vehicles from British resources in Mediterranean and dues in over next 3 months except in 3 inch mortars rifles and B vehicles for which extra provision by you will be necessary. Must stress necessity replacement of all issues from Mediterranean stocks and dues in. Your instructions re rations for Greek Army will also be required on which commitment separate signal is being sent.

12. In early stages of formation of Greek Army BR assistance in shape of liaison personnel must be on a generous scale if Greek forces are to replace British tps in Greece at early date, but such liaison should be scaled down

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FX 91225 NAF 841 25 January 1945

rapidly as soon as Greek Army can stand on its own feet. Initial estimate approx 300 offrs and 1000 Ors.

13. Emphasize that keynote of organization will be simplicity and directly related to tasks, terrain and Greek way of life.

14. Request your earliest approval to these proposals as rapid relief of British troops in Greece is essential for success of future operations in Italy.

15. Cable regarding Greek policy being despatched separately today.

End.

"This message has been relayed to ARGONAUT (1)".

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Adm Leahy
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From: Headquarters, 15th Army Group

To: A.F.H.Q.
War Office
BAS Washington

No: O-5113 25 January 1945

WOSTEL nr 48. Personal for Alexander Marshall and Brooke. [redacted]

Summary report to 1200 hrs 25 January.

Part 1.

Quiet period on both army fronts with severe weather conditions restricting all activity.

8th Army.

Cdn Corps with under command right Cremona Crutto with NIH in support left 1 Cdn Inf Div with 9th Armd Bde and 21st Tk Bde less NIH. 5th Cdn Armd Div in corps res.

V Corps with under command from right to left 56th Div with Bays 2 NZ Div 10 Ind Div 5 Kres Div. 7th Armd Bde in general support and 43rd Ind Bde in Corps res.

XIII Corps with under command right 6th Armd Div, left 78th Div with 1st Cdn Armd Bde in general support.

8th Army Reserve.

II Polish Corps with under command 3rd Carp Div and 2nd Polish Armd Bde. 2nd Armd Bde less two regts.

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5th Army.

II Corps with under command from right to left 85th, 34th, 88th US Divs 6th SA Armd Div. 91st Div in corps res.

IV Corps with under command from right to left BEF TF 45 commanding 85th and 86th Mtn Inf Regts 92nd Div. 10th Mtn Inf Div less two regts in corps reserve.

5th Army Reserve. One US Armd Div and 8 Ind Div.

Part 2. Locations.

Eighth Army Main	M 6007
Rear	M 5906
1st Cdn Corps Main	M 5637
Rear	M 5637
Cremona Group	M 5638
21st Regt	M 4947
22nd Regt	M 5450
1st Cdn Inf Div	M 4333
1st Cdn Inf Bde	M 3935
2nd Cdn Inf Bde	M 4946
3rd Cdn Inf Bde	M 3538
9th Armd Bde	M 4838
5th Cdn Armd Div	M 9291
5th Cdn Armd Bde	M 6820

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11th Cdn Inf Bde	R 9987
12th Cdn Inf Bde	X 2494
21st Tank Bde	M 4925
V Corps Main	M 3612
Rear	M 4710
56th Inf Div	M 3123
167th Inf Bde	M 4416
169th Inf Bde	M 3428
2nd NZ Div	M 3421
4th NZ Armd Bde	M 4316
5th NZ Inf Bde	M 3124
6th NZ Inf Bde	M 3024
10th Ind Inf Div	M 2621
10th Ind Inf Bde	M 4318
20th Ind Inf Bde	M 2419
25th Ind Inf Bde	M 2520
43rd Ind Inf Bde	M 4818
5th Kres Div	M 2117
5th Wilno Bde	M 2117
6 Lwow Bde	M 3511
7th Armd Bde	M 5309
XIII Corps Main	Q 8793
Rear	Q 9690
6th Brit Armd Div	L 9609
1st Gds Bde	M 0421

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78th Inf Div	L 9723
11th Inf Bde	L 9926
36th Inf Bde	Q 9487
28th Inf Bde	L 9728
1st Cdn Armd Bde	Q 9390
Army	
X Corps Main	S 5513
Rear	S 5513
26th Armd Bde	S 6120
II Polish Corps Main	S 1281
Rear	S 1281
3rd Carp Div	R 2290
1st Carp Bde	M 3703
2nd Carp Bde	R 3286
3rd Carp Bde	M 3803
4th Wolynska Bde	R 4944
2nd Armd Bde	S 1281
12th AA Bde	M 4315
8th Army Group RE	M 4417
86th Bde	M 8597
5th Army Main	L 8206
Rear	Q 7670
II Corps	L 8612

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35th Div	L 9623
337th Inf	L 9828
338th Inf	Q 8395
339th Inf	L 9719
34th Div	L 9020
133rd Inf	L 9227
135th Inf	L 9030
168th Inf	L 9428
88th Div	L 8622
349th Inf	L 8721
350th Inf	L 8627
351st Inf	L 8627 (check reads L 8617)
91st Div	Q 8192
361st Inf	L 8727
362nd Inf	L 9021
363rd Inf	L 8626
6th SA Armd Div	L 7418
11th SA Armd Bde	L 6743
12th SA Mot Bde	L 7423
24th Gds Bde	L 7623
IV Corps	Q 1978
1st Div REF	L 5812
1st Inf	L 5916
6th Inf	L 6319
11th Inf	L 5715
TF 45	Q 4999

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86th Mtn Inf	L 4301
83* Mtn Inf Adv	L 4400 (*check reads 85th)
87th Mtn Inf	Q 1185
92nd Div Adv	Q 2597
Main	U 9783
365th Inf	Q 2098
370th Inf	U 9979
371st Inf	U 9792
366th Inf	Q 1396
1st US Armd Div	Q 1179
CC "A"	Q 1380
CC "B"	Q 1078
2nd Armd Gp	Q 3468
8th Ind Div	Q 1568
17th Ind Bde	Q 1270
19th Inf Bde	Q 1270
21st Ind Bde	Q 1270
107th AAA Gp	Q 3867

Boundaries.

1st. V Cdn Corps and V Corps. No change.

2nd. V Corps and XIII Corps. No change.

3rd. Inter Army boundary.

Incl 5th Army M 050340- M 030320 - M 000310- south along stream to L 994287 - thence along stream to L 992242 thence southwest to road L 983228 - thence north along road to road junction L 990200 - L 974180 - M La Mine

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L 9515- L 941130 thence incl 8th Army Firenzuola L 9006 thence jointly south along road to cross roads at Q 859901 -

Thence all incl 8th Army south to River Sieve at Q 860897 thence east along river to Costellina Q 875889 - thence in straight line to road junction Q 852845 - road junction Q 845823 - Q 840790 - Q 838776 - junction with Florence command northern boundary at Q 835730 - Q 842725 - Q 840715 - incl 5th Army route 67 at Q 871678 - thence route 67 to Pontassieve incl 5th Army - junc with No 1 District boundary at road junc Q 945682.

4th. II Corps and IV Corps. No change.

5th. Rear Army boundaries.

8th Army with No 1 District. Incl 8th Army Fano S 2173 thence excl 8th Army route 3 to junc with route 73 at R 9956 - thence route 73 to R 800553 - thence incl 8th Army north along 80 easting to road at R 800700--

Thence Montfcerignone R 7273 - Secchiano R 6483 - road junction R 578852 (check reads 678852) - thence road to Mercato R 5586 - thence route 71 to road junction R 375772 - thence road Mortano R 3286 - Galbata R 3291 - Rocca S Casciano R 2799 - thence route 67 to junction with inter Army boundary at road junction Q 945682.

6th. 5th Army with No 1 District. All excl 5th Army from a point on the inter Army boundary at road junction Q 945682 - thence route 70 to road junction Q 9768 - thence road to cross roads R 0363 - R 018600 - thence due west along 60 northing to route 2 at Q 752600.

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7th. 5th Army with PBS. Excl 5th Army route 2 at Q 752600 - thence due west along 60 northing to route 67 at Q 375600 - thence incl 5th Army route 67 to road junction Q 235595 thence excl 5th Army north bank of river Arno at Q 275600 - thence westerly along north bank to Q 1567 -

Thence due west along the 67 northing to coast at Q 001670. Front line now runs from the Adriatic at M 637530 to R Reno at M 6055 thence along the south bank of the Reno to M 5051 - M 476480 - thence along east side of Fosso Vetro to M 455451 - to the R Senio at M 4345 thence along the east bank of the Senio to M 222242 - M 225217 - M 197220 - M 162217 thence general line - M 122198- Borgo Tossignano M 0773 - C Penzola M 052239 - M Delverro M 0425 - M Spaduro M 0326 - M Cerere M 0031 - M 000334 - L 992334 - M Fano L 9532 - M Belmonte L 9033 -

Thence along general line to R Setta at L 8027 thence to R Reno at L 729273 - Stanco L 7021 - L 6722 - L 6221 thence general line to L 4815 - Cutigliano L 4006 - L 3707 - Q 2999 - I 2102 - L 1906 thence general line L 1201 - Q 0299 - P 9800 - U 9495 along general line to sea at U 914944.

End

ACTION: Gen Hull

INFO : Gen Arnold, Gen Bissell, Col Park, Log.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

To: War Department
Headquarters 6th Army Group Vittel France
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditonary Forces
Main Versailles France

Nr: FX 90841 24 January 1945

Final Part FREEDOM's FX 90841 Jan 242200 G-2 summary number 142. From all formations in Italy.

On 7 Jan division left Verona for Treviso.

Comment: Tentatively accept 155th FD Training Div this area. Earlier reports placing 20th GAFFD Div area Treviso suggest that it is contributing to formation of the new division. Several reports from NW Italy mention hurried German preparations for evacuation. Evidence however as yet remarkably unspecific.

3. Conclusions. State of reports and rumours regarding divisional moves and general evacuation to be expected at this time. Nothing concrete has yet emerged. In any case consider enemy will postpone to last moment any decision involving radical change in policy. Consider his present position would allow him to dispense with at least two divisions immediately without affecting his holding in Italy.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Enemy recaptured Szekesfehervar in course of operations to relieve Budapest from south. One Panzer Division reported engaged this fighting.

2. Jugoslavia. West of Barcs Partisans retaken Pitomaca railway but reported to have lost Grubisno CM-IN-23887 (25 Jan 45)

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Polje. In southern Bosnia enemy driven Partisans from Jablanica presumably to prevent latter from encroaching on road Sarajevo-Visegrad. All informed.

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From: A. F. H. Q.

To: Chiefs of Staff
Rptd: Joint Staff Mission for US Joint Chiefs of Staff.

DTG: 231045A 23 January 1945

[redacted] MEDCOS 237 FX 89784 signed Alexander.

In reply to COSMED 205 the following points are submitted in amplification of MEDCOS 228.

1. Until our formations have been rested and while the Germans retain their present strength and positions in Italy, no combat fit Allied troops can be released from the Mediterranean without risk of a serious Allied reverse on the Italian front.

2. By carrying out the programme which has now been prepared for rest and training, all divisions in the Mediterranean, except 2, should be fit for offensive operations by the second half of April.

3. If by then the enemy is still in roughly the same strength and positions in Italy, he will offer a profitable target for major offensive operations, which if successful should lead to the destruction of substantial enemy forces.

4. If for any reason the Germans are forced to withdraw north of the Po, the prospect of profitable large scale offensive operations in Italy will no longer exist, and a strategic reserve of 5 to 7 divisions could be formed.

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5. Operations on the Dalmation coast and in Northern Jugoslavia during the next few months should be restricted to air action and harassing activities by land forces. If it is decided that the strategic reserve when formed could most profitably be employed in Jugoslavia, increased shipping and port and communication facilities will be required.

Details of these requirements are being examined and will be submitted later if needed. An overall agreement with Marshal Tito will also be necessary.

End

T.O.O. 231045A

FOOTNOTE: MEDCOS 228 is CM-IN-8315 (10 Jan 45) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

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

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

To : War Department

No : FX 90136 23 January 1945

[redacted]Reference TROOPER'S 61599 MO 5 of 21 January not to AGWAR for action to TROOPERS for information AGWAR ref no FX 90136 signed Alexander cite FHGCT.

1. Headquarters land forces and military liaison, Greece (General Scobie) is responsible to Supreme Allied Commander for operations in Greek mainland, islands in the approaches to Athens, Ionian Islands and Crete. The only exception to this is Attica Mil Comd which is responsible to Greek Government.

2. Military Command Athens, ie, Headquarters X Corps (General Hawkesworth) is responsible to General Scobie for operations on the mainland of Greece. With effect from 17 January, Attica Military Command which is Greek was set up and is the first step in handing over to the Greek Government responsibilities for the maintenance of law and order in Greece. Eight Greek National Guard brigades passed to command of Attica Military Command for this purpose. The area of its responsibilities includes Athens, Piraeus and surrounding villages. As time goes on, the area of its responsibilities will be extended. British troops are stationed within the area of the Attica Military Command and are available to support the Greek Government at any situation which gets beyond control of Attica Military Command.

3. All forces with the exception of Sea Force in Crete,

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are being abolished. 46th Div, although operating as a normal div, has been redesignated BREWFORCE for security reasons.

4. The organization of command is as follows:

LF and ML Greece commands Military Command Athens, 40th Commando in Corfu and Sen Force in Crete. Military Command Athen Commands 4th British Division, 4th Indian Division, 46th British Division, 23rd Armored Brigade, 2nd Para Brigade, all on mainland of Greece.

5. Your Para 3. General Hawkesworth's command is still called Mil Comd Athens.

6. Your Para 4. BREWFORCE (46th Div) is responsible to General Hawkesworth (Mil Comd Athens).

7. Your Para 5. General Hawkesworth through 4th Ind Div is responsible for troops in Volos.

End

ACTION: Gen MacFarland (CC/S)

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

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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

Nr: FX 90259 23 Janury 1945

Second part FX 90259 from Allied Force Headquarters January 23rd, nil. Further to G2 summary number 138.

148th Div.

Movement of Alpine "Division" into Belluno area reported almost complete by 21st January. No further evidence as to identity these troops but suggest number exaggerated and likely to refer to training drafts rather than complete formation.

B. Balkans.

1. Hungary. Reports continue of enemy attacks in area Szekesfehervar and Lake Velencei. According Roumanian GS Russian line west of Garam river passes southwest Batorkesz to Danube one mile east of Satto. If confirmed this appears indicate local withdrawal by Russians from east bank Vityina river.

2. Yugoslavia. Heavy troop movement reported by rail Zagreb- .

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

Nr: FX 90259 23 January 1945.

Third, Fin Part FX 90259 from Allied Force Headquarters January 23 nil.

Varazdin. This probably accounted for by departure 118 Jaeger Division. Above information additional to that in our FX 89053 of 21 January. Rearguards XCI Corps believed between Visegrad and Rogatich. Some reinforcement reported Cherso and Krk. Present strength garrisons this area believed as follows. Krk-600. Cherso-1000. Lussin-250. Rab-800. Pag-450.

Three. Aegean. PR 22 January shows 8 JU 52 arrived Rhodes. Whether these to be used for evacuation or inter island garrison reshuffle not known. All informed.

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INFORMATION: CC/S Col Park
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Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main, Versailles, France

Nr: FX 90259 23 January 1945

To TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees January 23rd nil from Allied Force Headquarters cite FHGBI signed Alexander FX 90259. G-2 summary 141. First part.

A. Italy.

1. Whole front generally quiet. Defensive preparations continue along lower Senio including demolitions at Algonsine and Lugo.

2. Identifications. Two corpses on 4th Para Div front, preliminarily identified as 15th PGR (29th Div) now believed to have been transferred to parachutists. In western coastal sectors normal identifications of 148th Inf Div.

3. Rear areas. PW 906th Fortress Battalion states his unit had exchanged sectors with unit from Genoa. Appears therefore possible that elements of 135th Fortress Brigade replaced 285th GR when latter rejoined.

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(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 541.

1. GREECE. ALL QUITE.

2. ADRIATIC. PARTISANS MORE FRIENDLY AT SPLIT (SPALATO). GERMAN FORCE REFERRED TO IN NUMBER 540 PARAGRAPH 2 CONSIDERED TO CONSIST OF 2 LARGE AND 4 SMALL MAS BOATS AND 2 SMALL MOTOR BOATS CARRYING TORPEDOES. ENEMY SIGHTED FIRST BY 2 MOTOR LAUNCHES AT WHOM THEY FIRED 7 TORPEDOES BEFORE RETIRING. TORPEDOES RAN ASHORE AND EXPLODED. ATTEMPTED INTERCEPTION OF ENEMY FAILED. THE 2 SMALL MOTOR BOATS ATTEMPTED TO CLOSE ZARA HARBOUR AND IT WAS 1 OF THESE WHICH

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3. ALGIERS. 2 ITALIAN LANDING CRAFT AT BARCELONA AND A MOTOR BOAT AT PORT MAHON HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM INTERNMENT AND REACHED ALGIERS.

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(COM 8TH FLT SENDS ACTION COMINCH AND CNO INFO CINCLANT COMPHIBS 8TH FLT.)

8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 182400.

ARRIVALS. MEMPHIS ARRIVED NAPLES 16 AND COM 8TH FLT SHIFTED FLAG FROM CATOCTIN NOW OVERHAULING PALERMO. PARKER KENDRICK CHAMPLIN NIELDS ORORONAUX ARRIVED MED 16TH WITH UGF 19 TO RELIEVE 5 DD FOR RETURN US WITH GUF 19

SHIPS TO FRENCH. GUYANDOT TURNED OVER 121600.

DAMAGE. F/S D 202 EX YMS 77 MINED AND SUNK 25 OCTOBER 10 MILES SOUTHEAST PORT DE BOUC. 6 SURVIVORS. F/S LENGUE EX PC 482 SUNK 11TH BY PROBABLE TORPEDO 10 MILES NORTH TAUT NO SURVIVORS. BLACKHEATH (BR M/V) TORPEDOED 10TH 6 MILES NORTHWEST CAPE SPARTEL. BEACHED. BROKE IN HALF 16TH.

HM FORMERLY US LST 4 STRUCK MINE OFF CAPE TURIO BUT REACHED PIRAEUS UNDER OWN POWER 16TH. ENVELOPE DAMAGED. P 58J

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BOAT EXPLODED LEGHORN 130930. BELIEVE BILGE FUMES IGNITED.
11 USN PERSONNEL INJURED. LST 906 REFLOATED 17TH. PRELIMINARY
DOCKING LEGHORN. THEN REPAIRS PALERMO.
MINESWEEPING. GULF OF CAGLIARI. 2 YMS EMPLOYED TILL 16TH THEN
2 AM'S ADDED. 2 OPERATIONAL BRITISH DANLAYERS ASSISTING. BLF
PRESENT. FORWARD AREA. 4 AM EMPLOYED. RESWEDC TOPESA*AREA 2 MILES
WIDE OFF ENTRANCE NOUNCO HARBOR.
LANDING CRAFT STATUS.
LST. 1 MALTA LIFT. 5 NAPLES. 1 LEGHORN TO DOCK. PALERMO 3 OVER-
HAULING 12 TRAINING.
LCI. 16 NAPLES FOR LEGHORN LIFT. 2 MAIL PERSONNEL SHUTTLE. 3
PALERMO TRAINING. 1 NAPLES DRY DOCKED.
LCT. PALERMO 2 REPAIRING 32 TRAINING.
ORGANIZATION. COM 8TH FLT IN MEMPHIS DEPARTED NAPLES 18TH FOR
PALERMO. DUANE WITH CTF 81 ARRIVE PALERMO 15TH.
ENEMY ENGAGEMENTS. PT 313 AND 1 BRITISH MTB ON PATROL OFF POINT
MESCO CONTACTED 5 FLAK LIGHTERS 152230. 1 SUNK 1 DAMAGED.
INTELLIGENCE. FS FORTUNE ATTACKED BY 2 EXPLOSIVE BOATS 10 JANUARY.
1 SUNK BY GUNFIRE OTHER DISAPPEARED. SINKING OF BRITISH SS NARVA
OFF BENGHASI 15 JANUARY BELIEVED MIGHT HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY BOMB
IN CARGO LOADED AT NAPLES. BEING INVESTIGATED.
SITUATION IN SICILY STILL UNEASY WITH MINOR UPRISINGS IN CALTANISETTA
PROVINCE. PATROL OFF EASTERN FLANK SOUTHERN FRANCE SANK 4 DRIFTING
MINES.

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To : War Cabinet Offices for J.I.C.

Rptd: AGWAR for J.I.C.

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Balkan review number 49.

Greece and Aegean:

1. A. Military. Ground sources report 200 Germans landed Stampalia 14th January looted food and still present 16th January. 5/600 men with ammunition and equipment reported in course of transfer Leros to Cos. So far at least 140 arrived, including raiding personnel. Completion of transfer would raise Cos Garrison to 1500 Germans and reduce that of Leros to 2500. Of 3 ELAS Divisions involved in fighting in capital, 2 and 13 withdrawn to areas Itea, Amphissa and Kastelli-Lamia respectively, while 3rd Division returned Peloponnese. I Athens Corps probably largely dissolved but elements believed withdrawn in direction Lamia. Owing heavy casualties suffered in Athens - Piraeus fighting and subsequent loss of stores in retreat from Attica renewed attacks by ELAS in southern Greece or Peloponnese unlikely from military standpoint alone for some time to come.

B. Little political development during past week. ELAS apparently carrying out agreed withdrawal without incident. In some areas they find difficulty in complying with time limit. Little further evidence of effect of secession of SKE and EKD from EAM but probable that KKE now forced increasingly to assert its own identity within EAM Demonstrations

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Athens 14th January which celebrated truce included representatives right wing organizations.

Albania:

2. A. Military. Nothing to report.

B. Political. Despite unconfirmed reports still consider not likely that FNC has officially aided ELAS. In view of previous Albanian tendency to follow Jugoslav Partisan line, believed that Hoxhas recent rejection ML relief scheme will be influenced by outcome of Jugoslav relief talks Belgrade.

Jugoslavia:

3. A. Military. With Handover command V SS to XXI Corps latters withdrawal commitment presumably taken on by XCI Corps Rearguards this formation now north of Bejelo Braf between Priboj and Nkukyprwa-Nkuttion with road Uzice-Visegrad-Sarajevo. Partisans have lost contact owing heavy snow. Destination V SS Corps still unknown but unlikely further tasks available in Yugoslavia since 7 SS Prinz Eugen is sole remaining SS Division. Further withdrawal supplies and transport reported from Mstar area though no troops mentioned in connection with move. Possible however surplus stores and equipment already being withdrawn from this salient. On axis Serajevo-Brod 104th Division still appears mainly involved east of Travnik and no confirmation of reported

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arrival elements this formation in Srem. Reinforcements of battalion strength arrived Banja Luka possible therefore that further attempt contemplated using forces from this area to open up road via Travnik through central Bosnia. New formation Hq XXXIV Corps identified Mostar. This believed identical with and controls same area as former corps Mueller. Subordinate formations disposed with 11 G.A.F. Division on Drava flank, 117 between Drava and railway Brod-Belgrade, 41st Fortress Division between railway and Sava, and 7th SS Division area Bijeljina-Bdoko where lively guerilla activity reported. 264th Infantry Division not recently identified and 118th Jaeger believed in transit toward Zagreb. Further reinforcements from 1st Cossack Division arrived West Beros bridgehead in area Bjelovar from Banova Jaruna. Partisans claim heavy attacks now in progress along whole Srem front. Report unconfirmed but may indicate opening of German push to clear up position south of Drava.

B. Political. Following announcement 11th January by King on Tito-Subasic agreement demonstrations 14th January Belgrade and elsewhere denouncing King and dynasty have not since been continued presumably on Tito's orders. Partisans feel declaration has strengthened (the opposition?) at expense of King's. Tito expressed willingness to maintain agreement if King persuaded to accept.

Hungary:

4. A. Military. Novaidl activity sector Second Panzer Army nor any recent identifications from this area.

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Whole Soviet weight apparently concentrated central and northern Hungary. No major change reported latter areas but evident that Budapest garrison being rapidly overpowered and all relief attempts must be considered hopeless. Whole of capital now in Russian hands except for small perimeter in Buda. Russians still held up on east bank Myitra but small gains reported area Esztergom south of Danube. In view of failure to reach Budapest probable that German salient this sector will soon be adjusted to conform with line north of Danube. Moreover major Russian break through central front may well dictate withdrawal of substantial proportion Panzer Division at present located Hungary. Number of latter increased to 10 by arrival 3rd and 6th Panzer Divisions exact date of transfer however not known. Other reinforcements reported are 711th Infantry Division edge Holland to Hungary and 14th SS Division to Slovakia. Uncertain whether latter in Army groups able or south. Northeast of capital Losonez captured by Russians and further gains recorded beyond this town. Possibility of deliberate withdrawal from eastern Slovakia in view Russian advances to north and south of country cannot be excluded.

B. Political. Russian porposal to appoint Voroshilov , Chairman A.C.C. Hungary suggests they attach special importance to satisfactory settlement in Hungary.

Bulgaria:

5. A. Military. Nothing to report.

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B. Political. Signs that Bulgarian contact with Turkey less close than formerly. Turkey fears possibility of Jugoslav/Bulgar federation dominating Balkans under ultimate Russian director. Tito has recently stated time not ripe for federation.

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1. Summary report to 1200 hrs 18 Jan.

Eighth Army. Quiet period with increased enemy patrol activity on front of Cdn Corps towards end of period. I Cdn Corps with under command right Cremona Gruppo with NIH in support left 1 Cdn Inf Div with 9 Armd Bde plus 9L 12L 27L holding a sector. 21 Tk Bde in general support and 5 Cdn Armd Div in corps res. V Corps with under comd from right to left 56 Div with Bays 2 NZ Div 10 Ind Div 5 Kres Div with 4 Polish Armd Regt. 7 Armd Bde in general support and 43 Ind Bde in corps res. XIII Corps with under comd right 6 Armd Div left 78 Div with 1 Cdn Armd Bde in general support.

Eighth Army Res. II Polcorps with 3 Carp Div and 2 Polish Armd Bde less one regt 2 Armd Bde less two regts 26 Armd Bde less two regts.

Fifth Army. Deep snow restricted operations to patrolling. II Corps with under comd from right to left 85 34 91 Divs 6 SA Armd Div. IV Corps with under comd right 1 BEF centre TF 45 commanding 86 Mtn Inf left 92 Div.

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Fifth Army Res. 1 US Armd Div 8 Ind Div.

2. Locations.

Eighth Army Main	M 6007
Rear	M 5906
I Cdn Corps Main	M 4925
Rear	M 5637
Cremona Group	M 5638
21 Regt	M 4947
22 Regt	M 5450
1 Cdn Inf Div	M 4333
1 Cdn Bde	M 3935
2 Cdn Bde	M 3838
3 Cdn Bde	M 4635
9 Armd Bde	M 4838
5 Cdn Armd Div	M 6820
11 Cdn Bde	R 9987
12 Cdn Bde	S 5513
21 Tank Bde	M 4316
V Corps Main	M 5109
Rear	M 4710
56 Div	M 3123
169 Bde	M 3428
167 Bde	M 4416
2 NZ Div	M 3421
4 NZ Armd Bde	M 4316
5 NZ Bde	M 3124
6 NZ Bde	M 3024

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10 Ind Div	M 2621
10 Ind Bde	M 4318
20 Ind Bde	M 2419
25 Ind Bde	M 2520
43 Ind Bde	M 4818
5 Kres Div	M 2117
5 Wilno Bde	M 2117
6 LWOW Bde	M 3511
7 Armd Bde	M 5309
XIII Corps Main	Q 8893
6 Br Armd Div	L 9609
1 Gds Bde	M 0421
61 Bde	M 0521
78 Div	L 9723
11 Bde	L 9922
36 Bde	Q 9685
38 Bde	L 9728
1 Brit Div	L 9623
2 Bde	Q 9394
3 Bde	Q 9087
66 Bde	L 9728
1 Cdn Armd Bde	Q 9391
II Polish Corps Main and Rear.	S 1281
3 Carp Div	R 2290
1 Carp Bde	M 3703
2 Carp Bde	R 3286
3 Carp Bde	R 4944
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X Corps Main and Rear	S 5513
26 Armd Bde	S 6120
2 Armd Bde	S 1281
Fifth Army Main	L 8206
Rear	Q 7670
II Corps	L 8612
85 Div	L 9623
337 Inf	Q 8396
338 Inf	Q 8490
339 Inf	L 9222
34 Div	L 9020
133 Inf	L 9227
135 Inf	L 9030
168 Inf	L 9428
91 Div	L 8622
361 Inf	L 8627
362 Inf	L 8621
363 Inf	L 8626
6 SA Armd Div	L 7418
11 SA Armd Bde	L 6713
12 SA Mot Bde	L 7423
24 Gds Bde	L 7623
88 Div	Q 4082
349 Inf	Q 8695
350 Inf	L 9428
351 Inf	L 9222
IV Corps	Q 1978
1 Div BEF	L 5812
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6 Inf	L 6319

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TF 45	Q 4999
86 Mtn Inf	L 4301
92 Div Adv	Q 2597
Main	U 9783
365 Inf	Q 2298
370 Inf	Q 1396
371 Inf	U 9792
366 Inf	Q 1396
1 US Armd Div	Q 1179
CCA	Q 1380
CCB	Q 1078
2 Armd Gp	Q 3468
8 Ind Div	Q 1568
17 Ind Bde	M 1017
19 Ind Bde	Q 2099
21 Inf Bde	Q 2597
107 AAA Gp	Q 3468

Boundaries

First. I Cdn Corps and V Corps. No change.

Second. V Corps and XIII Corps. No change

Third. Inter army boundary. Q 945682 along route 67 to Q 831678-Q 840715-Q 842725-Q 835730-Q 845823 to road junction Q 852845 to inclusive XIII Corps Costellina Q 875889 thence north bank river Sieve to Q 860897 to cross roads

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Q 859901 to inclusive XIII Corps Firenzoula L 903067 to M La Fine L 955155 L 990200 thence all inclusive II Corps along road to L 983228 - L 992242 along stream to L 994287 - M 000310 - M 030320- M 050340.

Fourth. II Corps and IV Corps. From L 632093 line of Torrente Limantra and Torrente Reno to L 780334 - L 772338. Front line now runs from Adriatic at M 642560 - thence along line of River Reno M 527525 - M 495512 - M470461-M440459 to river Senio at M 395443 thence line of River Senio to M 120191 thence no change to L 210028 - L 195065 - L 155040 - Q 108985 Q 027995 - L 010002 - P 988006 - U 968978 thence general line to sea at L 913945.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 539.

(1) 1 CRUISER 3 DESTROYERS AND 1 TORPEDO BOAT OF ITALIAN NAVY HAVE BEEN RELEASED FROM INTERNMENT AT PORT MAHON AND HAVE ARRIVED AT ALGIERS

(2) COASTAL CRAFT ON PATROL IN ADRIATIC FOUND 3 E BOATS STRANDED ON UNIE ISLAND. 2 WERE DESTROYED BY FIRE AND THE THIRD DAMAGED BEYOND REPAIR BY TORPEDO AND GUNFIRE.

(3) SS NARVA SANK IN POSITION 33-21 N 19-27 E 2 MINUTES AFTER AN EXPLOSION AT 1530 ON 15TH JANUARY. SURVIVORS WERE PICKED UP

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BY SS DUNERA AND HMS PHEASANT. LATTER STATES THEY CONSIDER SHIP WAS NOT TORPEDOED. SEA AND AIR SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE U-BOAT IN PROGRESS AND SHIPPING HAS BEEN DIVERTED

(4) REFERENCE NUMBER 535 PARAGRAPH 4. HMS TREERN WAS MINED AND SUNK 1 MILE EAST OF CAPE GRIVA IN TRIKIRI CHANNEL. THERE IS BELIEVED TO BE ONLY 1 SURVIVOR.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 537.

(1) GREECE. IN NUMBER 536 PARAGRAPH 2 FOR KHALKIS READ KHALKIA AND DELETE "ISLAND". NIGHT OF 12TH JANUARY 2 MOTOR LAUNCHES ENCOUNTERED 2 P LIGHTERS OFF KALYMNOS AND OBTAINED HITS IN ENSUING ACTION IN WHICH ONE OF OUR CRAFT SUFFERED SUPERFICIAL DAMAGE. HMS MUSKETEER CAPTURED 2 LARGE CAIQUES AND A M/B AT PORT VATHOUOHI AND AFTER BRISK OPPOSITION A MOTOR LAUNCH SANK 2 ELAN CAIQUES AT LIMNI. ELAS ARE REPORTED EVACUATING KHALKIS IN CAIQUES WHICH IT

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IS HOPED TO INTERCEPT. TOWNSPEOPLE AT PATRAS AND SALONIKA ARE REGAINING CONFIDENCE, AT VOLOS SITUATION IS FRIENDLY AND ALL REMAIN QUIET AT KAVALLA.

(2) ADRIATIC. A NUMBER OF FOLBOATS AFTER BEING DRIVEN ASHORE BY BAD WEATHER HAVE BEEN CAPTURED BY PARTISANS IN ZARA AREA.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 85937 NAF 837 16 January 1945

For COS and to AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff repeated SHAEF for information signed Alexander cite FHCEC this is NAF 837. FX 85937

1. In view of recent events in Greece and in view of the contents of your TAM 416 of January 6, it has been decided strictly to limit the functions of Military Headquarters (Balkans) to those of relief and rehabilitation as defined in your FAN 394 of 16 August. There will therefore in future be no distinction or difference between the respective roles of the British and United States components of Military Headquarters (Balkans) or of Military Liaisons (Greece), (Albania) and (Yugoslavia).

2. This involves certain adjustments in the existing situation:

A. Miltiary Headquarters (Balkans) is being moved to Italy whence General Hughes and General Sadler will be able more effectively to supervise the operations of the Three Military Liaison Headquarters.

B. The majority of the Staff of Military Headquarters (Balkans) is being concentrated as a Rear Echelon under direction of G-5 section at AFHQ, thus relieving General Hughes and General Sadler of routine and technical matters and leaving them free to initiate policy and supervise and direct the main operations of relief whenever and wherever circumstances may demand.

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SACMED will continue to rely upon their joint advice in all policy matters. At the same time G-5 section is being instructed to make direct contact, through the Rear Echelon of Military Headquarters (Balkans) attached to them for that purpose, with the Three Military Liaison Headquarters over all routine and technical matters of business, of which General Hughes and General Sadler will be kept fully informed.

3. General Sadler will continue to be the Deputy Commander to General Scobie in Greece on all matters affecting relief and rehabilitation essential to relief and to occupy the position of Deputy for similar purposes in any task force which may be considered in connection with either of the other two countries, thus preserving satisfactory control from the US viewpoint.

4. These modifications are being reported to you in accordance with your wishes. It is considered that none of your existing directives are violated, and that the true interests of relief and rehabilitation will be the better served.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters Caserta Italy

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

Nr: FX 85477 15 January 1945

FX 85477 January 151900 from AFHQ Second Fin Part.

No new identifications central front and consider enemy probably less apprehensive of Allied attack there and prepared to compensate for departure of 42nd Jaeger by stretching divisions already in line. Enemy reserves now 157th Mount Div, 26th Panzer, 98th Inf and 114th Jaeger Divisions. Last named probably still in poor shape but 26th Panzer and 98th Inf should be nearly operational again.

B. Balkans. Nothing to report.

All informed.

End

NOTE: See CM IN 14516 (16 Jan 45) G-2

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 536.
1. ADRIATIC. SITUATION REMAINS UNCHANGED BUT AT SPLIT (SPALATO) SLIGHTLY FRIENDLIER.
2. GREECE.

HMS WOLBOROUGH INTERCEPTED A CAIQUE WITH 80 REFUGES FROM KHALKIS WHO STATE GERMANS INVADED ISLAND 4 DAYS AGO. THIS IS NOT CONFIRMED BY AIR AND SURFACE SEARCH. ALL IS QUIET AT INTERVALS. COASTAL CRAFT REPORT

ELAS WITHDRAWN FROM ALL PORTS IN THE MOREA.

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From: War Cabinet Offices.

To: A.F.H.Q.
Rptd. Joint Staff Mission

Nr. COSMED 204 14 January 1945

Following for SACMED from Combined Chiefs of Staff. COSMED 204.

The Combined Chiefs of Staff are considering the issues raised in your MEDCOS 228 (Operations in Italy) and meanwhile have taken note of the decisions in Paragraph 3 of that telegram.

End

Footnote: MEDCOS 228 is CM-IN-8315 (10 Jan 45) CC/S

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8TH FLT WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 112400.
1. SHIPS TO FRENCH. YTL 132, 143, 157, 185 TURNED OVER 5TH

REMAINING TO BE TURNED OVER. 2 AOG, 2 YO, 2 YTL.
2. DAMAGES. SS DOYAC SCELBY WAS MINED AT 061540 AND

BEACHED NEAR CAPE CIRCSO. ALL MEMBERS OF CREW ABANDONED SHIP. NO CASUALTIES. AN ITALIAN SCHOONER P-215 SUNK IN

COLLISION WITH PC 1173 ABOUT 052330 IN GULF PALERMO. NO CASUALTIES. NO DAMAGE TO PC 1173. INVESTIGATION ORDERED.

LST 906 STILL AGROUND. REFLOATING AWAITS BLASTING SMALL SECTION ROCKLEDGE AND SUITABLE SWELL CONDITION.

3. MINESWEEPING. GULF CAGLIARI. BAD WEATHER CURTAILED SWEEPING 3 DAYS. FOUR AM 2 YMS EMPLOYED TILL 9TH WHEN

4 AM PROCEEDED PALERMO FUEL AND PROVISION. EXPLORATORY M/A 80 PERCENT COMPLETED AREA OUTER SIDE WESTERN CHANNEL

TO CENTER GULF. 1 DRIFTING MINE SUNK SOUTH CAP SPARTIVENTO LIGHT. NUMEROUS MINES SIGHTED ON BEACH SOUTHWEST OSTIA

TOWER. FORWARD AREA. 4 AM RETIRED MAKING SMOKE FROM POINT 3 MILES SOUTH CAP MARTIN WHEN ENEMY BATTERIES OPENED FIRE.

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2 MILES TO EASTWARD. AREA BOUNDED BY NICE SWEPT CHANNEL AND

100 FATHOM CURVE BETWEEN CAP FERRAT AND CAP D'ANTIBES COMPLETED.
4. LANDING CRAFT STATUS. LST. 3 BASTIA-NAPLES LIFT. 1 NAPLES.

2 BIZERTE FOR LIFT TO NAPLES. PALERMO 11 TRAINING 3 OVERHAULING.
1 ENROUTE ORAN TO BIZERTE. 1 LEGHORN AGROUND. LCI(L). 15

BASTIA-NAPLES LIFT. 2 MAIL PERSONNEL SHUTTLE. 5 PALERMO TRAINING.
LCT. 34 PALERMO TRAINING.

5. ORGANIZATION. DUANE WITH CTF 81 ARRIVES NAPLES 12TH.
AMPHIBIOUS BOAT POOL DECOMMISSIONED 10TH.

6. INTELLIGENCE. REBELLION IN RAGUSA PROVINCE CONSISTING SEIZURE
RAGUSA COAIRO AND VITTORIA WITH RIOTING AND DISARMING POLICE AND

LOCAL TROOPS HAS COLLAPSED. ALL SICILY QUIET. PRELIMINARY
INTERROGATION OF ARRESTED REBELS INDICATES INSTIGATORS.

-FASCIST USING MILITARY CALL UP AS EXCUSE FOR UPRISING. ON
EASTERN FLANK SOUTHERN FRANCE DUE TO ROUGH WEATHER ONLY 4

FLOATING MINES SUNK.

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1. GIBRALTAR A MERCHANT SHIP IN CONVOY HAS BEEN TORPEDOED IN POSITION 35-49 N 06-03 W.

2. ADRIATIC SITUATION IS EASIER AT BOTH SPLIT AND ZADAR.
3. GREECE AT CORFU NO CHANGE IN SITUATION. GREEK REINFORCEMENTS HAVE ARRIVED PATRAS WHERE MARTIAL LAW DECLARED AND AS RESULTS OF MILITARY ULTIMATUM ELAS HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM TOWN. AT KAVAALO APART FROM ANTI-PLASTIRAS DEMONSTRATION ALL IS QUIET.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 533.

(1) GIBRALTAR SS BLACKHEATH TORPEDOED IN CONVOY AT 1605 10TH IN POSIT 35-49 NORTH 06-03 WEST.

(2) ADRIATIC SITUATION AT ZARA AND SPLIT IS EASIER.

(3) GREECE NO CHANGE AT CORFU. MARTIAL LAW DECLARED AT PATRAS WHERE GREEK REINFORCEMENTS ARE ARRIVING AND ELAS HAVE LEFT TOWN AS RESULT OF UNCONDITIONAL ULTIMATUM. ALL QUIET AT INTERVAL EXCEPT FOR ANTI- PLASTIRAS DEMONSTRATION. SITUATION UNEASY AT SALONIKA.

(4) DARDANELLES HMS ACUTE REFLOATED AND IS SEAWORTHY.

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To: War Cabinet Offices, for J.I.C.

Info: MIDEAST for J.I.C. and AGWAR for J.I.C.

No. FX 83732 12 January 1945

Balkan Review Number 48.

1. Greece and Aegean.

A. Military. Fortress zone Crete reported divided up into 2 brigade areas with boundary running West of Canea. Western area said to be under command Colonel Barke, and eastern under Colonel Pange. A newly identified personality. Above reorganization presumably to facilitate defensive measures should fortress be attacked. Following collapse ELAS resistance area Athens-Piraeus, British patrols have taken up pursuit beyond capital. Khalkis, Levadeia and Corinth Canal reached without opposition being encountered. Also no contact made in Peninsula southeast of Athens. Appears ELAS have evacuated in 2 main directions. 2 and 13 Divisions with remants Athens Corps retired to Lamia and northwards while elements 3 Division withdrew to Canal Zone and now probably located Corinth. This substantiated by reports small arms fire from latter town. In addition some elements returned home or dispersed in hills around Capital. Some units believed left behind in Amfiklia area to carry out harrassing raids. If so supply problems may force withdrawal at later date. 3/4 thousand ELAS estimated Patras area but according latest report town and immediate vicinity evacuated in response to British ultimatum.

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From: AFHQ (JIC signed Alexander)

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Retreat from Athens likely to increase this figure owing arrival elements 3 Division. Possibility also exists of reinforcements being ferried across from southwest Greece. No indications this yet being done but unconfirmed report arrival Ares to take command in Peloponnese. If true hardening attitude to be expected. No significant developments reported from other areas.

B. Political. Main developments of past week following military success have been formulation of policy by Plastiras Government, showing (? isolation) of Communists by withdrawal of SKE (Socialist Party) and ELD (Union of Popular Democracy) from EAM and approach of fully accredited EAM Delegation to General Scobie to receive new terms. Government's programme is to include reorganization of national army. Punishment of collaborators, revival of economic life and holding of elections at earliest in presence of Allied observers, composition of new government which excludes Ministers recently compromised politically seems on the whole well fitted to carry this out. Condemnation by SKE and ELD of Civil War, latter's denunciation KKE and fact that this secession from EAM apparently began in Macedonia increased chances of eventual political solution of situation outside Athens. Nevertheless KKE has in past provided the organization for EAM and until General Scobie's terms have been accepted and implemented KKE will be in position to direct guerilla war at least in full.

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2. Albania

A. Military. Nothing to report.

B. Political. Still no evidence of official help from FNC to ELAS though EAM officers and delegates believed held conferences with FNC General Staff early December. Majority of Greek Albanian refugees from Greece have now moved North of Gjinokaster. FNC statements have recently guaranteed private property and businesses but have repudiated foreign concessions. Letter from Hoxha addressed to British and U.S. Governments requesting recognition his regime which recently appeared Albanian press has apparently not yet been formally presented.

3. Jugoslavia.

A. Military. 21 Corps now clear of Montenegro with rear guards reported Prijepolje. Partisan interference appears less effective than before and despite heavy losses in MT from air attacks enemy must consider progress generally satisfactory. Reported departure 5th S.S. Corps from Sarajevo to Brod suggests 21 Corps has taken over latter's commitments since HQ previously located near Sarajevo 1st January. Further North enemy attempts to force way through Travnik meeting no success. Troops engaged this fighting include oddments 104 Jaeger Division of which units also reported Brod. Div will soon be available for reallocation of duties but no indications what these may be. 41 Fortress Div last reported South of Brod also becoming

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available and some suggestion that elements already being committed in area immediately North of Sava. Further enemy activity reported this sector where attempts made to cross to East bank of Bosut River, so far however no progress recorded. Enemy intention still appears to be preparation for attack on Barcs bridgehead although advance beyond Pitomaca by Croat and Cossack Forces pushed back by Partisan units with Russian artillery support. To East of bulge troop movement continues and 117 Jaeger Division, previously believed disbanded, identified area Sotin-Otok. Other forces involved, presumably 11 GAF Division with units from 264, 181 and 297 Infantry Divisions. Enemy apparently in considerable strength and able to release one formation from this area for alternative employment, namely 118 Jaeger Division. Latter reported 30 December entraining Vinkovci for Germany and regiment formerly Mostar said to be destined Zagreb. Since division not known to have suffered heavy casualties, Army Group South appears more probable destination. Report of unidentified reinforcements arriving Vihac suggests troops finally allotted 15 Corps to safeguard latter's threatened communications and more aggressive policy to be expected in future. RECCE reports show Pag Island still occupied thus indicating enemy much alive to flank threat by possible Allied landings and his determination to maintain strong point garrisons in forward positions despite weak hold on mainland.

B. Political. Jugoslav Partisans have supported FNC Government's recent request to Allied nations for recognition referred to in para. 2(B). Kardelj, close adviser of

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Tito, attended Macedonian Council late December presumably to impose Belgrade policy. He confirmed that Jugoslav Macedonia was federal unit within Jugoslavia, advised moderation and urged no territorial claims outside present Jugoslav frontiers. Authorities apparently respect jurisdiction of Hungarian provisional government across frontier in Hungarian Baranva, despite certain local Jugoslav alterations thereto. Meanwhile Hungarian minority in Jugoslavia apparently well treated. Partisan authorities have cooperated well with ML observers accompanying emergency relief supplies to Split, but overall agreement on relief still pending.

4. Hungary.

A. Military. Nothing to report sector 2 Panzer Army German troops in Budapest fighting losing battle with over two thirds of city now in Russian hands. Enemy counterattach between Balaton and Danube achieved initial success at considerable cost, owing arrival 3 and 5 SS Panzer Divisions from Central Front. No further progress report however in last few days and attack apparently brought to halt after German capture of Esztergor, and at outskirts of Bicske some 20 miles short of Budapest. Meanwhile Russian advance from Hron bridgehead made considerable progress and was successfully carried forward to East bank River Nyitra. Immediate objective this drive probably Komarom. Latter town not immediately threatened since it lies on Western bank River Vah which together with Nyitra forms natural obstacle to further advance. In addition recent report

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claims defence line under construction Vah Valley which would thus appear to be one of main blocking positions covering Bratislava. Enemy's present predicament extremely critical however in view exposed L of C of relief drive to Budapest and necessity of weakening forces North of Danube to mount this attack. Therefore unless relief column meets with success in near future enemy may well feel obliged to cut his losses and concentrate on defence of Vah-Nyitra position.

B. Political. Provisional government's apparent readiness to implement declared policy by legislation should strengthen its position in Hungary and abroad. Russian propaganda continues to advocate Hungarian national unity but on 5th January blamed the Hungarian Feudal Regime for the alliance with Germany and stated that Hungary was to pay for damage to Russian but might earn right to re-emergence as a nation on a new basis.

C. Economic. Presence of oil barges at Komarom end December and air cover of refinery at Almasruzito on 5th Jan suggest that this refinery still active.

Pet refinery also thought working end Dec. Oilfields still in German hands. Russian entry into Komarom means loss to Germany of most important communications centre in Northwest Hungary.

5. Bulgaria.

A. Military. Nothing to report.

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B. Political. 30 December Jugoslav economic delegation arrived Sofia and Bulgar economic delegation left for Russia. Both probably concerned with problems affecting Bulgaria's armistice obligations. Police messages suggest that Russians will deport from Bulgaria for forces labour persons of German and Austrian origin irrespective of nationality. Same age groups affected as in Roumania Some indication that unpopularity of (RAR?) far beyond Bulgarian frontiers, in Bulgaria has affected morale of Bulgar troops actually engaged and strengthening of pro-Russian and Communist elements in Bulgar High Command apparently designed to counteract this.

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From: A.F.H.Q.

To : BAS Washington
War Office

Rptd: 15th Army Group

No : FX 83521 12 January 1945

Personal for Marshall, Brooke and Clarke. WOSTEL No 46, Part 3. Personal for Alexander. TOP SECRET.

Arrivals. As soon as possible after 15th Jan 17/21 Lancers from heel and from under command AFHQ to rejoin 26th Armd Bde. 25th Jan for final 4 weeks training under Eighth Army Command FOIGORE and LGENANO GRUPPO arrive ASCOLI - TERAMO B 75 and RADDA Q 83 areas respectively.

[redacted]

Departures. On 13th Jan for Greece under AFHQ command 46th Div less 139th Bde completes heel.

Regrouping. 85th US Div to relieve 1st British Div by 18th Jan when sector passes to II Corps.

Not prior to 15th Jan 26th Armd Bde less 1 regt moves to join XIII Corps from Eighth Army. Night 11/12th Jan when relieved by 61st Bde 17th Ind Bde rejoins 8th Ind Div. Under command Eighth Army comes XIII Corps on 18th Jan. During period 15/20th Jan FRIULI GRUPPO comes under command V Corps. Canadian Corps regrouping immediately with 1st Cdn Inf Div on left to point M 3844 opposite Fusignano 9th Armd Bde in centre and on right in sector east of highway 16 the CREMONA GRUPPO.

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Intentions. To proceed with regrouping of forces to permit withdrawal of maximum number of formations from contact for rest reorganization and preparation for future operations.

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T.O.O. 121345A

ACTION: General Hull

INFO : General Arnold, General Bissell, Colonel Park, Log

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ALUSNA SENDS FOR MILAT. NAVCOM PASS TO MILID.

SCOBIE ELAS (FOR BISSELL FROM LARRABEE). "HAVE ARRANGED CEASE HOSTILITIES AS OF 15 JANUARY. ARMISTICE TERMS FOLLOWING IN REPORT".

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FOR ACTION: CNO

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SENIOR BRITISH NAVAL OFFICER GREECE AUTHORITY FOR FOLLOWING.

AT 0001B 15 JAN TRUCE BETWEEN ELAS AND GOVT FORCES WILL BECOME EFFECTIVE. HOSTILITY TO CONTINUE UNTIL THEN. ELAS WILL THEREAFTER WITHDRAW UNDER BRITISH CONTRO TO AREAS AS YET UNSPECIFIED. KAVALLA AND KALAMATA WILL BE IN ELAS TERRITORY. PATRAS SALONIKA AND KHALKIS WILL BE BRITISH HELD. EFFORT TO BE MADE T SEIZE ALL ELAS SHIPPING BEFORE HOSTILITIES CEASE

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(REC'D BY HAND FROM BAD)

FOLLOWING EMEMY NAVAL UNITS NOW IN -

(A) GULF OF GENOA. - 1 DESTROYER, 2 T.B.'S 4 ESCORT VESSELS, 5 MTB'S 15/20 HEAVILY ARMED F. LIGHTERS, (T.L.C.), 10 R BOATS.

(B) NORTHERN ADRIATIC - 1 DESTROYER, 4 T.B.'S, 30 35 MTB'S, 5 R M.F.

(C) CRETE & BOSNIA - 5 ARMED WOODEN DRIFTERS, 1 ARMED TRAWLER, 18 ARMED LAUNCHES.

2. MIDGET SUBMARINES, HUMAN TORPEDOES AND EXPLOSIVE M.B.'S ARE KNOWN TO BE ACTIVE IN AREA (A) AND (B).

3. THIS CANCELS 2968. T.O.O. 081515 DECEMBER.

*BAD HAS PASSED TO CINCLANT AND BRLO'S NORFOLK, NEW YORK, CHARLESTON, BOSTON, BALTIMORE.

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 532.

(1) FREE FRENCH SHIP ENJOUE ESCORTING GC 107 BLEW UP AND SANK WITHOUT SURVIVORS IN POSITION 35-56 N 05-49 W (WEST END ST. of GIBRALTAR) AT 1715 A ON 9TH JANUARY. FOGMA CONSIDERS SINKING TO HAVE BEEN DUE TO TORPEDO. SEARCH S/M IN PROGRESS.

(2) RM COMMANDO HAS RETURNED TO CORFU WHERE SITUATION IS UNCHANGED.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 531.

(1) HMS ACUTE IS AGROUND IN BESIKE BAY AT ENTRANCE TO DARDANELLES SHIP IS UNDAMAGED. PRINCE SALVOR AND A TURKISH SALVAGE STEAMER PROCEEDING TO ASSIST.

(2) PIRAEUS MAIN W/T STATION IS AGAIN OPERATING ELAS TROOPS APPEAR TO BE WITHDRAWING FROM KAVALLA.

(3) SITUATION IS QUIET AT HERAKLION.

(4) ANOTHER BODY HAS BEEN FOUND AT MULAT NUMBER 529 PARAGRAPH (1) REFERS.

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(5) 2 MOTOR LAUNCHES RAN AGROUND IN CINTA COVE NEAR ZARA BOTH HAVE BEEN REFLOATED.

(6) SITUATION SPLIT DIFFICULT AND AT ZARA LOCAL AUTHORITIES OBSTRUCTIONISTIC.

(7) FURTHER SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENTS MADE BY ALLIED WARSHIPS NEAR FRANCO ITALIAN FRONTIER.

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 530.

(1) WESTERN ITALY USS WOOLSEY AND HMS LOOKOUT HAVE EFFECTIVELY BOMBARDED ENEMY POSITIONS NEAR MASSA IN GULF OF MAGRA.

(2) ADRIATIC. AT SPLIT IT IS APPRECIATED THAT PARTISAN ATTITUDE IS STIFFENING AND THAT AS A RESULT HMS FOLEY WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE.

(3) GREECE. ALL QUIET AT KAVALLA. SITUATION AT PATRAS STILL VERY TENSE. 6 CAQIQUES REPORTED TO HAVE ARRIVED PISCOPI WITH GERMAN REINFORCEMENTS FROM RHODES BUT AIR AND SEA SEARCH SHOW NO SIGN OF THEM.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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

No: FX 82764 10 January 1945

FX 82764 action TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees date nil, from FREEDOM signed Alexander cite FHGBI. G-2 Summary Number 129.

A. Italy.

Enemy patrols active generally throughout front. No other activity.

Documents dropped by party shot up area L 9033 identify 305th Arty Regiment. Party presumably an arty OP and suggests 305th Inf Div reentering line probably is relief to 362nd Inf Div.

If this is case, recovery of 305th Inf Div has been comparatively rapid and argues enemy's replacement situation generally satisfactory.

Surprising that fresher 157th Mountain Division reliably reported in close reserve to Bologna front has not been given opportunity for blooding in this relatively quiet sector. General appreciation enemy intentions unchanged.

B. Balkans.

Jugoslavia.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: FX 82764 10 January 1945

(1) In Slovenia enemy columns reported moving out from Novo Mesto Grosuplje and Kocevje presumably to carry out reprisals for Partisan attack on Obcina northwest of Novo Mesto.

(2) Headquarters V SS Corps reported moving Sarajevo - Brod on 5 January. Since Headquarters XXI Corps was reported 1 January not far from Sarajevo it appears likely that latter has taken over command from V SS Corps.

(3) 845th German Arab Battalion formerly in Greece reported operating with units 104th Jaeger Division area Travnik.

All informed.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CC/S
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R.A. Alexandria
S.B.N.O. South Aegean

DTG: 082155A 8 January 1945

Situation Report Number 530.

(1) Western Italy. USS Woolsey and H.M.S. Lookout have effectively bombarded enemy positions near Massa in Gulf of Magra.

(2) Adriatic. At Split it is appreciated that partisan attitude is stiffening and that as a result H.M.S Foley will be asked to leave.

(3) Greece. All quiet at Kavalla. Situation at Patras still very tense. 6 Caiques reported to have arrived

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Piscopi with German reinforcements from Rhodes but air and sea search show (?no) sign of them.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, G-2, Colonel Park, Log

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From: AFHQ

To: Chiefs of Staff

Rptd: Joint Staff Mission, for US Joint Chiefs of Staff

No: FX 81059 8 January 1945

FX 81059 signed Alexander, MEDCOS 228.

1. The Primary object of my operation in Italy is to contact the enemy forces confronting me and to this end I was directed in COSMED 198 to capture Bologna. In face of continued offensive operations the enemy shows no intention to withdraw to a shorter or more easily defended line in order to release divisions for employment elsewhere and in fact only yields ground under heavy and determined attack. Moreover he continues to send substantial reinforcements in men and material to his armies in Italy. Thus my primary object is being achieved.

2. Developments on the Italian front during the past month and current conditions have however necessitated modification of my previous intentions and plans. The main features of the present situation are:-

(a) On the right the 8th Army offensive has not achieved the success for which I had hoped. This is due to several reasons of which the chief is the difficulty of carrying out offensive operations over unfavourable terrain in adverse winter conditions. These severely reduce the advantage which would otherwise be conferred by my superiority in armour and in the air.

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(b) In the centre the enemy has extensively developed his field defenses protecting Bologna. These are now organized in great depth and form a strong fortress area from which I am unlikely to succeed in driving the enemy in winter with the resources at my disposal.

(c) As a result of his skillful development of field defenses and our lack of sufficient preponderance of force to press home an attack, the enemy has created a reserve of some four divisions. This is available either to meet any new offensive or to launch a counter offensive should a favourable opportunity occur. In present circumstances it is beyond the capabilities of 15th Army Group to create any equivalent reserve and at the same time to maintain an offensive.

(d) The available artillery ammunition will only permit full scale offensive operations by 15th Army Group in January for about 15 days. Once this ammunition is expended my continued ability to carry out my primary object of containing the enemy's forces in this theatre would be seriously impaired. 15th Army Group would have to revert to the defensive while ammunition stocks were being rebuilt. During this period 15th Army Group would be unable to follow up any enemy withdrawal (should this be initiated) aggressively and relentlessly and their ability to deal a heavy effective blow at an enemy counterstroke would be severely handicapped.

(e) The urgent need for major reorganization in certain British, Dominion and Indian Divisions and the Polish Corps materially limits the offensive capabilities of 8th Army. It is therefore important that the seven divisions involved be withdrawn from the line as soon as practicable in order to effect reorganization and carry out subsequent training to make them again fit for battle.

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3. In the foregoing circumstances I have decided to pass temporarily to the offensive-defensive in Italy and I have instructed 15th Army Group to organize a winter line forthwith. This will afford an opportunity to build up ammunition stocks and by making full use of field works will enable 15th Army Group to create a central reserve through which formations can be rotated for rest, reorganization and refit in preparation for the renewal of a major offensive. At the same time 15th Army Group will be ready to leap to the offensive with all available strength to follow up an enemy withdrawal. During this period 15th Army Group will also undertake certain minor offensive operations designed to improve our positions and in conjunction with a cover plan to keep the enemy in doubt as to our intentions. Air operations will continue in accordance with air directive issued 1 January of which copy sent you. Fresh plans will be made for the resumption of the offensive as soon as we have built up our strength and other conditions are favourable these plans will be concerted with SHAEF and the Deputy Supreme Allied Commander will be visiting General Eisenhower at the first convenient opportunity to confer with him on the matter.

End

Note: COSMED 198 is CM-IN-2920 (3 Dec 44) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
Gen Hull
Gen Bissell
Adm King
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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main, Versailles, France

No: FX 81521 8 January 1945

Signed Alexander cite FHGBI from AFHQ to TROOPERS AGWAR rptd usual addressee, FX 81521, 8 Jan nil, First and Second Parts.

G-2 summary number 127.

A. Italy.

1. Operations.

Front generally quiet and no positional changes of note. Small enemy parties reported still south of Reno on Adriatic coast.

2. Dispositions.

Further prisoners taken from 3rd Battalion, 740th GR (710th Inf Div) on recce area M 6354. State remainder of Regt along north shore lake Comacchio and between lake and Po River.

114th Jaegar Division shows signs of restlessness indicating probable relief.

No other changes evident in enemy layout on battle front. From ground reports believe 162nd still general area Piacenza and did not move northeast as suggested earlier.

From statement of PW and ground sources place 157th Mountain Division in area north of Bologna.

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3. Defences.

Captured document dated 22 November shows defence line Gengis Khan under construction along River Idice northwest of Budrio and noted as winter line.

Defence works here confirmed by PR.

4. Miscellaneous.

Captured new year message signed by Kesselring stated, "I am leading you in the battles of 1945".

5. Intentions.

Enemy undoubtedly anxious generally about east flank and particularly sensitive to threat to Ferrara.

Not yet clear what formation is to relieve 114th Jaeger Division. Consider

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

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COMINCH RA ALEXANDRIA SBM SOUTH AEGEAN

AIG 387 FROM CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT NO. 525

(1) ADRIATIC.

SEARCH PARTY HAS RETURNED FROM VULAT ISLAND. NUMBER 528 PARAGRAPH 1 REFERS. 3 BODIES FOUND INCLUDING THAT OF C.O. FORE PART HARBOUR DEFENCE MOTOR LAUNCH 1163 STILL AFLOAT AND ANCHORED. WEATHER TOO ROUGH TO BOARD.

GREECE.

(A) MORPHIA. ELAS REFUSE TO RELEASE 2000 ITALIAN

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PRISONERS OF WAR.

(B) PIRAEUS. ELAS ARE RETREATING NORTHWARD AND FIGHTING HAS CEASED IN ATHENS/PIRAEUS AREA. LARGELY STORES ARMS, AMMUNITION AND FOOD STUFF DISCOVERED.

(C) SPETSAI. ISLAND CAPTURED. NUMBER 528 PARAGRAPH 2 (E) REFERS.

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 528.

(1) ADRIATIC.

RELATIONS WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES AT ZARA UNCHANGED.

SEARCH FOR POSSIBLE SURVIVORS OF HDML 1163 CONTINUES.

GREECE.

(A) SITUATION AT CORFU STABILIZED BY ARRIVAL OF WARSHIPS. ZERVBC HAS ABOUT 6500 TROOPS IN MATANE ISLAND BUT THERE IS SHORTAGE OF TRANSPORTATION, AMMUNITION AND CLOTHES WHICH IS BEING REMEDIED. DEFENCE PLANS MADE AND TROOPS ARE MOVING INTO POSITION.

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PLAN WILL NOT BE FULLY OPERATIVE FOR 1 WEEK.
NAVAL PATROLS ESTABLISHED. CHANNEL SWEPT THROUGH SOUTHERN APPROACHES IN VIEW PROBABILITY ELAS WILL ATTEMPT TO CONTROL ENTRANCE NORTHERN CHANNEL WITH GUNS FROM MAINLAND.
(B) GENERAL SITUATION AT PATRAS UNEASY AND ELAS ATTACK THREATENED. REINFORCEMENTS OF OUR TROOPS NOW INTENDED NOT EVACUATION.
(C) S.S. BERGENSFIORD ARRIVED VOLOS TO EVACUATE ITALIAN P.O.W'S WHICH ELAS STATE HAVE ALL DISPERSED INLAND. NEGOTIATIONS PROCEEDING.
(D) COASTAL CRAFT AND ARMED CAIQUES CAPTURED ELAN CAIQUES IN ERGASTERIA BAY NIGHT OF 4TH JANUARY.
S.A. FIRE FROM SHORE BUT NO CASUALTY.
(E) SMALL FORCE GREEK NATIONAL GUARD COVERED BY COASTAL CRAFT AND ARMED CAIQUES HAS BEEN SENT TO CAPTURE AND THEN GARRISON SPETSAI ISLAND.

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AIG #387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 527.

(1) GREECE. SITUATION AT PATRAS STILL VERY TENSE AND EVACUATION OF OUR TROOPS MAY BE NECESSARY. ALL QUIET AT KALAMATA. AT KAVALLA AN ELAN CAIQUE BROUGHT TO BY SHOT ACROSS HER BOW. NO REPERCUSSIONS SO FAR AND SITUATION QUIET. NO OTHER REPORTS OF INTEREST RECEIVED.

DURING PERIOD NIGHT OF 4TH JANUARY COASTAL CRAFT FIRED 4 TORPEDOES AT 3 UNIDENTIFIED ENEMY CRAFT OFF PARENZO BUT WITHOUT RESULT. ARMED TRAWLER ML 1163 BLOWN UP BY ENEMY TORPEDO IN BRGULJE BAY MULAT ISLAND. NO SURVIVORS FOUND

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SO FAR. SHE WAS APPARENTLY ATTACKED WHILE PATROLLING MAKNARE CHANNEL BY 4 ENEMY CRAFT. ENEMY FORCES FIRED 2 TORPEDOES INTO PORT LUCINA BUT NEITHER DETONATED.

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To: A.I.G. 387

Nr: 529 7 January 1945

Situation report no 529.

1. Adriatic

Search party has returned from Mulat Island number 528 Para. 1 refers. 3 bodies found including that of C.O. Fore part of harbour defense motor launch 1163 still afloat and anchored. Weather S.W. too rough to board.

Greece

(a) Morphia. ELAS refuse to release 2,000 Italian prisoners of War.

(b) Piraeus. ELAS are retreating Northward and fighting has ceased in Athens/Piraeus area. Large stores arms, ammunition and food stuff discovered.

(c) Spetsai. Island captured. Number 528 Para 2 (e) refers.

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INFO: CC/S; CG AAF; G-2; Col Park; Log

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 80476 7 January 1945

Allied Force Headquarters, First Part FX 80476, 7th Jan nil to TROOPERS, AGWAR, info usual addressees. Signed Alexander cite FCHBI. G-2 summary number 125

A. Italy

One. Operations.

In Adriatic sector little resistance encountered by own troops in continued advance to southern tip Valli di Commacchio. Some enemy however, still reported area Porto Corsini.

Two. Identifications.

710th Infantry Division identified by PW 3rd Bn 740th Gr north of Ravenna.

According to prisoners of war battalion had been first to leave Norway at beginning December. Arrived north of Po just before Christmas and then moved to town Commacchio M 5669. Had no knowledge of whereabouts remainder of division.

GOC Gen Major Licht.

Three. From preliminary interrogation of.

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FROM COM 8TH FLEET ACTION COMINCH AND CNO INFO COMPHIBS 8TH FLEET CINCLANT.

8TH FLEET WEEKLY SUMMARY PERIOD ENDING 042400.

MED DEPARTURES. FOR U.S. FROM ORAN 30TH. HILARY P JONES, CHARLES F HUGHES, MADISON, JOUETT.

DESTROYER EMPLOYMENT. 3 DD ASSIGNED FOR DUTY WITH FONAF ARE ALLOCATED 1 FLANK FORCE OFF FRANCE-ITALIAN BORDER

2 STANDBY LEGHORN. 5 DD UNDER AVAILABILITY UPKEEP AND TRAINING AT ORAN.

MINESWEEPING. GULF CAGLIARI. BAD WEATHER CURTAILED SWEEPING 4 DAYS. 4 AM'S 2 YMS EMPLOYED. ENTIRE AREA ABOUT 26% COMPLETED. FORWARD AREA. 2 AM SWEPT AREA 2 MILES SEAWARD OF 100 FATHOM CURVE FROM CAP FERRAT TO CAP D AIL. FOR OPERATION

INSHORE 100 FATHOM CURVE BETWEEN CAP FERRAT AND CAP D'ANTIBES 2 AM COMPLETED ORAPESA 1½ MILES TO WESTWARD OF NICE SWEPT

CHANNEL. NEGATIVE RESULTS BOTH SWEEPS.
LANDING CRAFT STATUS. LST 906 STILL AGROUND BUT SHIP

BUOYANT EXCEPT STARBOARD QUARTER. 3 KASTIA NAPLES LIFT. 1 KASTIA MARSEILLE LIFT. 2 WESTERN MED LIFTS. PALERMO

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3 TRAINING PALERMO. 3 MAIL PERSONNEL SHUTTLE. LCT: ALL 34 TRAINING PALERMO.

ORGANIZATION AT 312359. COMPHIBS 8TH FLEET ADMIN MOVED ABOARD PLANE. COM 8TH FLEET RETURNED NAPLES 31ST FROM CASA. COMPHIBS

8TH FLEET RETURNED BIZERTE FROM WASHINGTON 31ST.
INTELLIGENCE. DURING WEEK ENDING 28 DECEMBER PATROL CRAFT

ON EASTERN FLANK SOUTHERN FRANCE SANK 22 DRIFTING MINES.
EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO PORT DE BOUC TOWN WAS CAUSED BY AMMUNITION

FIRE UNKNOWN ORIGIN 31 DECEMBER. NO U.S. NAVAL CASUALTIES.

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From: C. in C. Med.

To: A.I.G. 387

DTG: 062322 January 1945

SITUATION REPORT number 528.

1. ADRIATIC

Relations with local authorities at Zara unchanged. Search for possible survivors of H.D.M.L. 1163 continues.

GREECE

(A) Situation at Corfu stabilized by arrival of warships. ZERVBC has about 6500 troops in Matane Island but there is shortage of transportaion, ammunition and clothes which is being remedied. Defence plans made and troops are moving into position. Plan will not be fully operative for 1 week.

Naval patrols established. Channel swept through southern approaches in view probability ELAS will attempt to control entrance northern channel with guns from mainland.

(B) General situation at Patras uneasy and ELAS attack threatened. Reinforcements of our troops now intended not evacuation.

(C) S.S. Bergensfieord arrived Volos to evacuate Italian P.O.W.'s which ELAS state have all dispersed inland negotiations proceeding.

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(D) Coastal craft and armed caiques captured ELAN caiques in Ergasteria Bay night of 4th January. S.A. fire from shore but no casualty.

(E) Small force Greek National Guard covered by coastal craft and armed caiques has been sent to capture and then garrison Spetsai Island.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S; CG AAF; ASF; G-2; Adm King; Col Park; Statistics; Log

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TOR CODEROOM 1548			
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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 525

(-) DISPOSITIONS ARE BEING MADE TO PREVENT ELAS INFILTRATION INTO OR INVASION OF CORFU. THE SITUATION AT LEMNOS IS THREATENING. ALL IS QUIET AT PERAEUS EXCEPT FOR SPORADIC MORTARING. THE HARBOUR IS NOW OPEN FOR ALL TYPES OF SHIPPING. SITUATION AT MAVALLA AND MYTYLENE CLASH ALSO QUIET. ISLAND OF ZANTE IS IN

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ELAS NAVAL HQ'S LEDBURY HAS BOMBARDED POSITIONS AT LIVADIS OR PISCOPI. SWEEPING OF DARDANELLES APPROACH PROGRESSES SATISFACTORILY. Reports

(2) 654 TROOPS 3233 REFUGEES 958 PRISONERS (MAJORITY ITALIAN) 3,[illegible] MULES 75 VEHICLES AND 4[illegible] TONS STORES WERE EVACUATED FROM PREVEZA. NO CIVILIANS WHO WISHED TO LEAVE WERE LEFT BEHIND.

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FROM: ALUSNA GREECE

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 4 JAN 1945

TOR CODEROOM: 1345

DECODED BY: OLEARY

TYPED BY: BACH

ROUTED BY: VOSBURGH

FOR ACTION: JICA MI CAIRO
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FROM ALUSNA GREECE..

GENERAL PLASTIRZS ATTEMPTING TO FORM NON-POLETICAL GOVERNMENT AFTER FAILURE OF SOPHOUL IS TO RECRUIT. CABINET PERSONNEL EXPECTED TO BE ANNOUNCED TONIGHT. TRUCE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN ELAS AND SCOBIE AT STANDSTILL. RELIABLY REPORTED HOSTILITIES HAVE BEGUN IN PATRAS

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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 79310 4 January 1945.

TROOPERS AGWAR info usual addressees from AFHQ signed Alexander cite FHGBI FX 79310 January 042200A G2 summary number 123. First Part.

A. Italy.

1. Operations. On Adriatic light opposition only encountered by our troops advancing to M5450 and enemy reported to be withdrawing this sector over temporary bridge at M5252. In area Alfonsine enemy this morning launched four unsuccessful counterattacks. Four battalions believed to have been involved mainly from 16th SS PG Division but including recce unit of 26th Panzer Division. Local activity only on remainder front.

2. Dispositions. Carry main body 26th Panzer Division area southeast of Ferrara, though AC R results today suggests part of armour moving belatedly southwards to support this morning's counterattacks.

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

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SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 524.

(1) LEVKAS. ZERVAS TROOPS HAVE NOW ALL WITHDRAWN TO SOUTHERN HALF OF ISLAND. THERE IS LITTLE CHANCE OF EVACUATING THEM AS HM SHIPS CANNOT ASSIST DUE TO MINES AND CAIQUES ARE NOT OBTAINABLE.

(2) KAVALLO. SITUATION QUIET. CAIQUES' MOVEMENTS SLIGHT.

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FROM CINCMED. AIG 387: FO LEVANT AND E. MED. FOTALI FOWM FO WESTERN ITALY NLO 8TH ARMY CINCEF VA MALTA. FOGMA FO 15TH CS RNGHQ CAIRO ADMIRALTY COMLA COMMOROCCANSEAFRON COMNAVNAW COMINCH RA ALEXANDRIA

SITUATION REPORT NO. 523.

(1) VERY ROUGH WEATHER IS BEING EXPERIENCED THROUGHOUT MEDITERRANEAN.

A DREDGER BEING TOWED BY H.M. RT HENGIST FROM ORAN TO SFAX HAS CAPSIZED: A LIBERTY SHIP HOLED ABOVE WATER LINE IS HOVE TO SOUTH EAST OF THE BALEARIC ISLANDS WITH ALLIED WARSHIPS STANDING BY: AND LST H.M.S. BRUISER HAS LOST A BOW DOOR 60 MILES SOUTH OF TARANTO WHERE SHE IS SLOWLY PROCEEDING STERN FIRST WITH H.M.S. CLEVELAND AND A TUG IN ATTENDANCE.

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(2) BNLO PREVEZA IS NOW ESTABLISHED IN PANTHER (G.S.) AS NOIC CORFU.

SITUATION AT LATTER PLACE IS QUIET.

ROYAL MARINE COMMANDOS HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN.

(3) ZERVAS TROOPS AND LEVKAS ARE SPLIT INTO TWO PARTIES.

THE FIRST OF THESE IS IN CITADEL NORTH OF TOWN.

G.S. THEMISTOCLES AND LANDING CRAFT ARE STANDING BY TO EVACUATE THIS PARTY BUT SECOND PARTY WHICH IS IN SOUTHERN HALF OF ISLAND CANNOT BE TAKEN OFF BY HMS DUE MINEFIELDS.

CAIQUES ARE HOWEVER BEING ARRANGED.

(4) HUNDA AGROUND AT MUDROS HAS BEEN REFLOATED.

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AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 522.

(1) SICILY. REFERENCE 260521.

2. IT IS NOW ESTABLISHED THAT ONLY 2 LIVES WERE LOST. ALL SURVIVORS ARE NOW IN MALTA.

(2) PREVEZA. EVACUATION COMPLETED WITHOUT INCIDENT.

(3) PATRAS. SITUATION IS TENSE BUT GIVES NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

(4) PIRAEUS / SITUATION QUIET. CLEARANCE OPERATIONS PROCEEDING SATISFACTORILY.

(5) LEVKAS. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO EVACUATE ABOUT 500 ZERVAS TROOPS.

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(6) KAVALLO. HMS CALEDON IS SUCCESSFULLY CONTROLLING CAIQUE TRAFFIC. ALL QUIET.

(7) KALAMATA. EA M GOVERNMENT BECOMING INCREASINGLY UNPOPULAR.

(8) SALONIKA. NOTHING TO REPORT.

(9) MITYLENE. SITUATION CALM. LIBERTY MEN HAVE BEEN LANDED AND HAD GOOD RECEPTION.

(10) CRETE. ALL QUIET AT HERAK LION WHERE ELAS HAS BEEN ENDEAVOURING TO MAKE TROUBLE WITHOUT SUCCESS.

(11) PATRAS. NO CHANGE IN ATTITUDE OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

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(AIG 387 FROM CINCMED) SITUATION REPORT #521.

(1) GULF OF GENOA. PERIODICAL BOMBARDMENTS CONTINUE TO BE CARRIED OUT BY ALLIED DESTROYERS NEAR FRANCO ITALIAN BORDER.

(2) SICILY. NUMBER OF MISSING FROM RYNS KUMANOVA IS NOW ONLY 7.

(3) PREVEZA. FINAL EVACUATION OF GREEK TROOPS AND CIVILIANS GUARDS EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED TODAY SATURDAY WITHOUT SERIOUS INTERFERENCE.

(4) LEVKAS. ELAS HAVE STARTED ATTACK AGAINST LEVKAS AND HAVE TAKEN MEGANISI. ENDEAVOR WILL BE MADE TO

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EVACUATE ZERVAS TROOPS BUT NOT CIVILIANS

(5) CRETE. ALL QUIET AT HERAKLION.

(6) MITYLENE (LES VOS). STRIKE ENDED AND SITUATION IMPROVED.

(7) SYMI. WIRELESS STATION ESTABLISHED. UNLOADING OF STORES WELL AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

(8) PATRAS. SITUATION OUTWARDLY CALM BUT TENSION CONTINUES.

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