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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 187 30 September 1944

187. MILID Washington.

German traffic Schaffhausen 19 to 25 Sept:

East 78 trns various freight evacuated Alsace and 56 empty,
West 93 freight 31 coal 47 empty.
19 to 25 passed Waldshut 12 trp trns 30 freight for west front,
3 SS and 2 wounded from west front.

26th.

26 to 27 Sept passed Innsbruck for Italy 6 trns arty tnaks and trps from Rosenheim.

28th.

2 Bns of 97th Inf Div and arty detach with 30 guns arrived Argenta.

22nd.

Above B 2 Source 4064 following C 3.

Bn with 37 heavy tanks of Wuppertal Div arrived 21st Castel Bologne Sept 16 fighter and transport planes on

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To: War Department

Nr: 187 30 September 1944

Malalbergo field between Bologna and Ferrara big underground gasoline dump between Gozzano and Bolzano Novarese.

3000 WOP Militia fr m Lodi Milan moved Piacenza destined Bologna.

From untested source SS Div for Vosges and Belfort crossed Rhine at Strassburg and Neubreisach.

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LT. COMDR. EARLE REQUESTS DELIVERY TO NAVAL AID TO PRESIDENT.

ONLY HOPE LEFT GERMANS OF EVEN COMPROMISE PEACE IS FRICTION BETWEEN ANGLO SAXONS AND RUSSIANS. EXPULSION OF AMERICAN AND BRITISH MISSIONS FROM SOFIA TREMENDOUSLY BOLSTERS GERMAN MORALE AND RESISTANCE. THIS ACTION WILL COST TENS OF THOUSANDS OF LIVES AND PROLONG THE WAR. CANNOT SUCH USELESS AND TERRIBLE SACRIFICES BE AVOIDED IN FUTURE.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1784

28 September 1944

Msg srl nbr 1784.

Correction page 1 line 4.

Fortifications being erected this sector and numerous AT gun emplacements being prepared.

From September 20th all non SS units in sector Lure Mont-Beliard Damvant Switz will be strengthened by shock SS Detachments independent of SS Totenhopf Div. September 18 20th numerous transports of trps arty and war materiel (about two Porte Inf Regts 77 MM Hd Field guns.

End

FOOTNOTE: Supplement to CM-IN-24622 (26 Sep 44) G-2

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

To: War Department.

Nr: 1797. 27th September 1944.

1797 message number. MILID.

Crippling Boche RR traffic caused 20 trns which left Liegnitz area with Pz Div units 11th Sept not to reach Rhine until 16, 26 trns with elements two Inf Divs which left Danzig 8th Sept to reach Siegen 12th Sept.

Since 13 concentration rolling stock Munich-Salzburg area for transport five divisions incl one Pz, one air via land shut to Essen.

Betw Prague and Dresden 5400 rail cars ordered for 18th to 20th Sept.

13th to 20th Sept 32 materiel 14 trp trns left Danzig for Rhine.

For 25th complete inventory rolling stock Germany and occupied countries.

Switz refuses to let French, Belgian Luxemburg cars leave.

T vvis traffic 3rd to 10th Sept south 46 trns incl 130 tank cars mostly for Udine 260 incl 25 cars AA guns from Milan.

11th Pz Div (probably 14th meant as we of opinion remnants 11th incorporated that unit) left Montbeliard for Cologne, relieved by 227th Mtz Div.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

Nr: 1797. 27th September 1944.

Regrouping Belfort area probably because pending departure Luftwaffe Feld Div.

Para above B-2 source 3068 following C-3.

2nd Inf Div B arrive Karlsruhe 15th to 20th Sept.

Grenz Schutz Regt from France being reorganized Rastatt.

23rd.

War materiel Belfort being evacuated, road and bridge demolitions prepared.

Trps incl armored units left Belfort Dele area for Altkirch 17th and 18th Sept.

At Delle few trps some SS.

General impression Boche will soon retreat to Rhine.

From 25th passive defense personnel Loerrach area must carry gas masks, same instructions to schools in area.

Trps Brenner (betw Sackingen and Rhinfelden) left 22nd great precautions protection barrage Schluchsee (north of Waldshut) factory.

24th.

Manufacture inflammable gas being started several Wop factories, protection by special mortars and from

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air (We have had various vague reports about such gas being shot into air then exploded incendiary shell. Another report from untested source speaks of inflammable gas dropped from air which carbonizes everything within certain radius).

Brenner traffic 3rd to 10th Sept south 69 trns incl 90 tank cars 800 cars munitions and explosives north 2265 cars, 11th to 17th Sept south 65 trns incl 300 cars munitions 205 trucks for Bologna, north 68 trns almost all furniture.

Fortifications Tirano-Edolo-Grossoto area speeded.

At Rovereto tank traps and ditches.

12th.

From untested source movement reported to be three divisions from Balkans Kranj-Klagenfurth-Munich.

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Subject GERMAN-CONTROLLED SHIPPING NORTH OF DOVER - 1 SEPTEMBER 1944
(Nation reported on) (Main title as per index guide) (Subtitles) (Make separate report for each title)

BRIEF.—(Here enter careful summary of report, containing substance succinctly stated; include important facts, names, places, dates, etc.)

NEARLY 3 1/3 MILLION TONS SHIPPING ESTIMATED TO BE SERVICEABLE... OVER 1 MILLION TONS DAMAGED OR LAID UP...EFFECTIVE SERVICEABLE TONNAGE MAY NOT EXCEED 1,655,093 TONS DUE TO OIL SHORTAGE... SWEDISH SHIPPING REMOVED FROM GERMAN TRADE...GERMAN-CONTROLLED VESSELS EXCLUDED FROM SWEDISH PORTS...BULK OF FINNISH SHIPPING PROBABLY ESCAPED SEIZURE...OIL SHORTAGE HITS NORWEGIAN TRAFFIC.

NEARLY 3 1/3 MILLION TONS OF SHIPPING BELIEVED SERVICEABLE NORTH OF DOVER

1. To cover commitments extending from North Sea ports to the Kirkenes, from North Sea to Baltic ports, and for evacuation of troops and materiel from Baltic States, Germany has available 1018 ocean going vessels representing approximately three and one-third million tons of serviceable shipping. This estimate is based on identified shipping 1,000 g.t. and over and includes known Army and Navy requisitions for use as troop ships, naval tankers, and supply vessels. Analyzed by type, Germany's position is as follows:

Type Vessel	No.	G.T.
Freighter	793	2,113,485
Passenger cargo	137	785,616
Tanker	49	335,168
Other a/	39	89,619
Total.....	1,018	3,323,888

a/ Includes icebreakers, ferries, large trawlers, and sailing vessels.

MOST SHIPPING UNDER GERMAN, DANISH, AND NORWEGIAN FLAGS

2. With the capitulation of Finland, Danish and Norwegian shipping represent the largest groups of foreign flag vessels under German control (see table on following page). Finnish shipping is included because exact number of ships seized by Germany is not known (see paragraph 12), while all vessels reported to be laid up in Swedish ports have been excluded in arriving at tonnage totals.

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DISTRIBUTION OF GERMAN CONTROLLED SERVICEABLE TONNAGE BY FLAG - 1,000 G.T. AND OVER - 1 SEPTEMBER 1944

Flag a/	No.	G.T.
Belgian	1	1,147
Chinese	1	5,710
Danish b/	116	289,279
Dutch	17	83,540
Estonian b/	19	31,263
Finnish b/c/	134	276,602
French	20	55,603
German	599	2,272,026
Italian	6	31,122
Latvian	9	19,004
Norwegian b/	93	245,873
Polish	1	1,386
Turkish	2	11,333
Total.....	1,018	3,323,888

a/ Based on present flag and not on previous registry.
b/ Excludes vessels laid up in Swedish ports.
c/ Shows situation prior to Finnish-Soviet armistice.

AVAILABLE SHIPPING EXCEEDING 4 1/3 MILLION TONS REDUCED BY CASUALTIES

3. Although Germany has only three and one-third million tons of serviceable shipping North of Dover, there is available in this area more than four and one-third million tons of ocean going vessels, including 238 vessels, grossing more than a million tons, which have been reported to be either laid up or damaged, as shown by the following table:

GERMAN CONTROLLED SHIPPING NORTH OF DOVER - 1,000 G.T. AND OVER a/
1 SEPTEMBER 1944

Flag b/	Serviceable		Laid up or Damaged		Total	
	No.	G.R.T.	No.	G.R.T.	No.	G.R.T.
Belgian	1	1,147	1	4,162	2	5,309
Chinese	1	5,710	-	-	1	5,710
Danish c/	116	289,279	25	100,697	141	389,976
Dutch	17	83,540	14	43,724	31	127,264
Estonian c/	19	31,263	8	11,913	27	43,176
Finnish c/	134	276,602	7	19,424	141	296,026
French	20	55,603	2	18,812	22	74,415
German	599	2,272,026	134	699,466	733	2,971,492
Italian	6	31,122	1	4,404	7	35,526
Latvian	9	19,004	1	3,077	10	22,081
Norwegian c/	93	245,873	41	126,485	134	372,358
Polish	1	1,386	1	1,080	2	2,466
Swedish d/	-	-	1	5,542	1	5,542
Turkish	2	11,333	2	9,120	4	20,453
Total	1,018	3,323,888	238	1,047,906	1,256	4,371,794

a/ Includes known Army-Navy requisitions.
b/ Based on present flag and not on previous registry.
c/ Excludes vessels laid up in Swedish ports.
d/ All Swedish shipping under charter to Germany except tanker, SIGRID REUTER, last reported damaged at Hamburg, understood to have returned to Swedish ports.

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50 PER CENT OF SERVICEABLE SHIPPING OIL FIRED OR MOTOR VESSELS

4. The utility of Germany's serviceable shipping North of Dover is further limited by the fuel oil situation in this area which is reported to be very poor, particularly along the Norwegian coast. If fuel oil situation further deteriorates, Germany's effective shipping North of Dover may not exceed 1,655,093 tons. On the basis of fuel used Germany's serviceable shipping 1,000 g.t. and over is as follows:

Type Fuel	No.	G.R.T.
Coal	699	1,655,093
Oil fired or motor	319	1,668,795
Total.....	1,018	[redacted]

PRINCIPAL CONCENTRATION OF MERSHIPS AT GERMAN BALTIC PORTS

5. Heavy concentrations of enemy shipping are reported to have occurred at the east German ports of Stettin, Gdynia and Danzig, although the greatest volume during August was sighted at Hamburg, with considerable tonnage at Copenhagen and Rotterdam.

6. All ports were not covered during the past month and information on Norwegian ports is incomplete. Available information is as follows:

CONCENTRATION OF ENEMY SHIPPING PRINCIPAL PORTS NORTH OF DOVER - AUGUST 1944*

Port	G.T.*	Port	G.T.*
BELGIUM		NETHERLANDS	
Ostend	nil	Amsterdam	56,428
Zeebrugge	nil	Delfzijl	10,417
Antwerp	36,938	Rotterdam	122,869
DENMARK		GERMANY - western	
Aarhus	35,700	Emden	57,100
Aalborg	8,000	Wilhelmshaven	35,250
Copenhagen	229,000	Bremen	89,900
Frederikshavn	14,625	Bremerhaven	98,000
		Cuxhaven	4,500
		Hamburg	270,575
		Kiel	Not available
NORWAY		GERMANY - eastern	
Oslo	80,000	Stettin	147,163
Kristiansand (N)	Not available	Gdynia	211,910
Kristiansand (S)	21,050	Danzig	167,533
Stavanger	35,100	Swinemunde	49,305
Bergen	40,775	Flensburg	43,750
Bodo	Not available	Konigsberg	43,125
Trondheim	40,700	Lubeck	22,375
		Rostock	10,500

* Estimates based on photo intelligence

7. Shipping at Antwerp can be presumed lost, and that at Dutch ports is now threatened by invasion.

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NORWEGIAN SHIPPING HIT BY SHORTAGE OF FUEL OIL [redacted]

8. Reports received to date indicate that the oil situation in Norway is serious and that critical shortages are hampering German operations. Many motor barges are understood to have been laid up for lack of fuel, with those in operation being towed by smaller boats. Instances have been reported where ocean-going vessels also have been forced to lay over awaiting bunkers.

SWEDISH VESSELS REMOVED FROM GERMAN-SWEDISH TRADE

9. The Swedish War Insurance Board in discontinuing hull insurance to German ports has progressively deprived Germany of the use of Swedish vessels in covering its economic needs. Insurance was first refused in 1943 on vessels going to Rotterdam. Early in August 1944 this policy was broadened to include German North Sea ports, and by the latter part of the month was extended to Baltic ports.

10. Representations from ship owners and crews, who had found risks excessively high owing to increasingly frequent bombings of German ports, were stated to have influenced the government in this matter. However, this action deprived Germany of about 160 Swedish ships (grossing over 400,000 tons), representing approximately one-half the number of ships engaged in traffic between Sweden and Germany.

GERMAN-CONTROLLED VESSELS EXCLUDED FROM SWEDISH PORTS

11. Not only have Swedish vessels been removed from German-Swedish trade by cancellation of hull insurance, but by decree effective 27 September, all Swedish ports in Gulf of Bothnia and the Baltic have been closed to foreign vessels. Thus German-controlled shipping has been deprived of the use of Swedish ports for the loading of iron ore and other products essential to the war machine.

NOTE: Excluded from Swedish ports, Germany can be expected to attempt increasing iron ore shipments out of Narvik. This adds to importance of Germany's Norwegian traffic - already its largest merchip commitment North of Dover.

FINNISH ARMISTICE DEPRIVES GERMANY OF FURTHER SHIPPING

12. As of 31 August 1944, Finnish government ordered all Finnish vessels in the Baltic to return to port immediately. The number which were successful in returning is not known, but as of 1 September, it is understood that only about 28 vessels were to be found in German-controlled harbors and some of these managed to leave. The 30 small Finnish ships which are in Norwegian ports have undoubtedly been taken over by the Nazis.

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

To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta Italy

NR: FWD 15823, 26th September 1944

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Following latest morale picture.

1. Enemy has recovered his stability after period of collapse and although still confused is showing more spirit in his fighting. This due to three factors:

A. Enemy has now more cohesion on his front than he had at any time since Allied break out in Normandy.

B. He is defending the Fatherland, in many cases in good defensive positions or in the prepared west wall positions.

C. New divisions or units formed in some cases from recent comb out and employment of scratch units from GAF training units etc contain proportion men with good spirit. These make up for their lack of skill by aggressiveness.

D. Some new divisions have fought very well

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notably 553rd, 559th and the battalion under 176th Division.

3. No evidence of any signs of collapse and in present circumstances of fighting consider this unlikely.

4. No noticable change in attitude of prisoners after capture and they still show readiness to talk. Majority glad to be out of war and now plain that great majority of senior officers consider war is lost. Junior officers generally still exude an air of optimism based apparently on faith in Hitler and their views are quite illogical.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

No: PACOW 39473 24 September 1944

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Belfort area and Alsace between Sept 18-19. One detachment of 1750 Pz Gren arrived in Belfort area from Germany via Mulhouse and is to be engaged in defensive sector Lure-Dericourt. Source 33011 detachment of 1220 SS trps (of which 140 belong to SS Hohestaufen and 320 reserves of SS Totenkopf) passed through Mulhouse towards Belfort. One RW Bn arrived at Offemont Barracks near Belfort from Mulhouse. One Marine Bn arrived Belfort in evening of 19th from Colmar one Engineer Bn and one Smoke-Trp Co arrived at Valdoie (NW Belfort) betw Sept 18-23d 23 Field Guns FAS 77 MM, one Btry of 150 MM howitzer and 31 heavy trench mortars arrived Belfort 17 RR cars containing land mines are stationed in narrow gauge line from Belfort to Gravanche (NNW Belfort) 41 medium tanks are camouflaged in the woods between * and Perouse. 210 MM RR Btry (2 guns) stationed on Belfort-Mulhouse line near Danjoutin left on night of * feet 2-22 towards Mulhouse. 188 MM AA Btry plus three smaller cal AA Btry are in position in region Dannemaris viaduct (1783) (Commersdorf-Kagenbagh-Dammerkirch-Artz Waller) to be continued.

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, Advanced 6th Army Group

Nr: FWD 15477 23 September 1944

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For the first time. Nothing to report from rest of front.

2. Movements. Nothing to report.

3. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total captured up to 24 hours 17 September (including 21st Army Group figures): 384269.

4. Miscellaneous. Documentary evidence shows that Field Marshall Von Rundstedt took command as C in C west on 6 September.

5. General. Evidence that in the south enemy has no intention of withdraving to

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INFORMATION: CC/S
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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward, Versailles, France

To: War Department
CG, Advanced 6th Army Group
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main, London, England

Nr: FWD 15477 23 September 1944

Last part of FWD 15477 DTG 222200.

Siegfried line except under pressure: He is continuing to expend valuable armour in expensive counter-attacks and svenattacks. In Holland main effort is a determined drive north of Eindhoven to cut right through the Allied line of communication: But unless reinforcements are diverted from the Aachen sector, forces in Holland are too motley to achieve any real success or keep up struggle for long. In north, ferrying across Scheldt will probably soon come to an end: Estimated over 80,000 troops ferried over.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

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

DTG: 21/1721A 21 September 1944

Part 4 of AGSRG dtg 201410A.

Ossex 9 13 September via Strasbourg.

Towards Colmar and Mulhouse 88 trains carrying Infantry Regiment with motorized equipment, SS Regiment of SS Panzer Division Totenkopf, 1 Panzer detachment of Hermann Goering Division, materisl and munitions.

Comment: Totenkopf and Goering not confirmed by other sources.

Same 13 September 43 flats Colmar for Belfort awaiting loading of 40 Panthers and Tigers and ammunitions: Division in transit from Oldenburg via Frankfurt towards Saarbrucken; 22 trains daily via Ulm towards Freiburg Offenburg and Colmar.

Comment: Duration of latter traffic not stated.

Same 14 15 September Infantry Division expected via Colmar from Strasbourg for occupation Vosges passes.

Same 13 September traffic resumed single track on line Karlsruhe-Basoe.

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[redacted] "REO"

From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

No: 1769 20 September 1944

1769 msg srl nbr. To MILID Washington, D.C.

Barred all freight for Holland (except gasoline from Sassnitz Area and Warnemunde-Gedser). Also shipments for Denmark, Sweden and Norway, except for Army.

September 13.

Above A-1 Source 3062. Following B-2. All available trps Giessen, Eisenach, Gottingen, Aschaffenburg, Esslingen, Heilbronn, Ludwigsburg Areas entrucked Sept 18 for Wesel-Munster Area. All trucks in Baden and Wurtemberg requisitioned. Last few days no more trp transports to Alsace and Vosges but some materiel transports. 150 trucks with arms and munitions passed Czalampe for Vosges.

September 12-18 by road 50 AA guns via Colmer for Vosges.

Belfort organized for protracted street fighting. Among effectives about one SS Div insignia Reich Div. 13 to 15 September 18 trns SS passed Singen for Pforzheim.

12 Pz Gren Regt left Belfort Area for AAchen Sept 16th. At Datch in front of Belfort on line Giromagny-Lachapelle-Evette-Chalonvillars-Buc-Brevilliars-Tretucans-Bourogne-Delle. Elements of 14th Pz Div originally from

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11th (see our 17 47 and 17 57). At Delle, 10,000 men at Giromagy, 25,000 at Belfort, altogether 55,000 in Area. Rail traffic possible at Chevremont. Sailors regrouped at Mulhausen Center and sent (17 69) Belfort after re-armament. No gas masks handed reorganized trps. No trps in area Pfetterhouse-Altkirch (Excel)-St Louis, fortification work in Lrrhue Valley. 17th.

Transports west continue via Augsburg 10 trns daily, especially Mtz Arty, for Strassburg, Karlsruhe, Wiesbaden. 15th.

Following C-3 FA emplaced since 15th betw Loerrach and Schoepfheim. Heavy RR Arty Trn awaited Weil station. Basel-Freiburg rail traffic interrupted. 18th.

Belfort forts hastily strengthened by 25,000 trps from Hanover assembled Munchen-Gladbach Area. One Inf Div in Offenburg Area since 15th, one Inf Regt at Mullheim. 120 trucks with trps, FA Bn and Mtz Arty Bn passed Heitersheim direction Mullheim. 15th.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

No: FX 27643 20 September 1944

Miscellaneous Intelligence signal number 33. TROOPERS pass to MIRS, AGWAR from G 2 AFHQ FX 27643 signed Wilson cite FHGBI

1. Personalities. Prisoners War state Schulz Commanding 1st Para Div now Genmaj. Heidrich back in Germany with higher command. New GOC 29th PG Div Genmaj Pollack former commander AR 29.

2. Losses and reinforcements. Approx 5500 prisoners war Adriatic sector since 26 Aug of which 1800 from 98th Div. 26th PZ and 29th PG Divs both heavy infantry losses. 300 PW from central sector in last few days. According PW 3rd Para Regt 1500 replacements for 1st Para Div arrived 28 August of which 500 at Rovigo to form new 4th Para Regt and remainder training north of Po PZ early Aug 800 replacements for 4th Para Div whose Feld Ersatz Bn identified in action. 1037th March Bn reported by prisoners war 90 percent Poles and Czechs allotted to 26th PZ Div.

3. Identifications. PW taken from 632nd Mar Art Bn and 316th Army A Tk Bn Adriatic sector PZ 45th Engr Bn previously Balkans now engaged Po ferry service.

4. Miscellaneous. PW statement 16th SS Assault Gun Bn left for Prague June ties in with CX reports departure SS troops from Italy. CX reports of continued presence 18th Reserve Mountain Division northeast Italy convirmed by PW who left 137th Res Regt Trieste 22 August.

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[redacted] - IVI

From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

No: 14331 20 September 1944

From Dunn sr nr 14331.

Effective today high command Czechoslovakian armed forces reorganized. Lt General Sergej Ingr resigned as Minister National Defense (portfolio temporarily taken over by Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk) and becomes Command In Chief. Chief of Staff Major General Bohus Miroslav; Colonel Frantisek Moravec today appointed Major General and Deputy Chief of Staff for intelligence and operations; Lt Colonel Emil Strankmuller hitherto Deputy Chief of intelligence appointed G2 and Colonel Vitezslav Rosik appointed G3. Full details and who's who in preparation.

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From: U. S. Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

To: War Department
CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

Nr: 415 18 September 1944

Number MILID 415 AMSME 1056.

Departure of German troops from Samos taking place 16 September. Islands of Kos, Tinos, Siros and Kythnos also empty. Breech blocks taken but guns left. Information comes from excellent Greek and British sources.

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URGENT

FROM: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

TO: War Department

NR: 581 15 September 1944

581 repeated London. MILID Washington.

Germans attacked Finns on Hogland Island this morning according to 266 rated B-2 who states ten German transports sunk. Finns believe situation Hogland under control with Germans under heavy pressure on south end of island.

In North Finland Germans are withdrawing on Kiestinki and Salla fronts. Russians imposed heavy casualties on Germans during withdrawal from Salla.

General situation Finland in next cable.

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URGENT

From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 582 15 September 1944

582 Washington and London. MILID.

Situation in Finland 13 September according to 276 rated B-2 follows:

The Finns have garrisoned the line Oulu-Kontiomaki-Lentua to Russian Border. They are opposed by two German brigades. Finns are prepared to defend this line against intrusion by the Germans and also the sea frontiers south of this line. German evacuation south of this line will be completed by 15 September.

The Germans are establishing a defensive position generally Muonio-Vugtso-Vonlaki-Russo Finn Border. Behind this position they have located supply establishments and new air fields. Regrouping of major forces behind this line appears in progress. 150 fighter planes and two groups of Stukas have reinforced the Fifth Luftflota on new northern fields. Germans self destroyed some supplies in Mid Finland by burning. Rendulics Hdqrs still at Rovaniemi but is expected to move to vicinity of Inari.

On 12 September two Russian divisions advancing west to Nurmitunturi turned south and cut the rail and road connections behind substantial German forces. Nazi situation in this area precarious since a rapid Russian advance to Rovaniemi would cut off large numbers.

All of the above have been generally confirmed by 233 through 86.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

Nr: 582 15 September 1944

Comment. With the changing situation initiative in North Finland has now passed to the Russians. Rendulics future moves will be reactions to Russian action. Faced by difficult physical and time-space factors the Germans will have to contest every delaying position if the Russian advance is vigorous. The defensive position outlined above will not only secure the mineral resources of the northern district but will cover the withdrawal routes to Norway. A stand on such a position therefore appears necessary. With limited roads, repeated ferry crossings, inadequate shelter and fuel enroute etc, the movement of large troop units in this area and in Northern Norway are very time taking. The Swedish General Staff estimates the Germans will require two months to make a clean get away.

Further complicating the general situation in Finland is the possibility that the Russian peace terms offered Finland may be unacceptable in which case the situation again would be altered.

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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

No. 14272 15 September 1944

From Dunn sr nr 14272

Norwegian Intelligence received report from Finland dated 13th Sept indicating following plans German evacuation. German troops northern Norway will be transported probably overland southward for evacuation south Norway ports.

Troops simultaneously will evacuate northern Finland into northern Norway. Report considered reliable by Norwegians and would confirm previously cabled reports from this office regarding German intentions.

Germans expect Allied action against Narvik and Trondheim areas. Communications and weather northern Norway likely to slow up progress evacuation. Additional report to Norwegian Intelligence indicates requisitioning and subsequent cancellation 16 trains per day, period 1 to 9 Sept from Stavanger to Oslo, presumably for evacuation 274th Infantry Div from Stavanger area.

No reports yet indicating evacuation in force of troops southern Norway, but Norwegians concede possibility limited numbers evacuating undirected.

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URGENT

From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 583 15 September 1944

583 London and Washington. MILID.

Later information reference my 581 reports Germans contained on North end of Hogland Island not on South end as reported.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 573 7 September 1944

573 repeated London.

Following from 84 rated B 2. Political. Finnish Armistice Commission leaves tonight for Moscow traveling by auto and train crossing front at Juustila. German Helsinki Legation Staff enroute home expected to arrive Stockholm 8 Sept.

Military. Sturmgeschutz Brigade and 1,000 German Civilians now evacuating south Finland by steamer out of Helsinki and Abo. Selected supplies and service personnel loading at Mantyluoto, Yksipila, Uleaborg and Kemi expected to depart this week for Germany. Three large steamers at Uleaborg. Bulk of German supplies have been prepared for destruction. Relations completely severed but German military personnel conducting themselves stiffly correct. All but Navy men continue to salute Finnish officers. Russian reconnaissance planes effectively active over north Finland as far west as Swedish border but no aggressive air action. Indications are that Germans are endeavoring to detach bulk of troops on Russo Finnish front leaving rear guards in contact Swedish and Finnish General Staffs believe Germans are about to voluntarily evacuate Finland, that 5 or 6 divisions will move overland via the three main routes, that one division from the Petsamo area will cover the withdrawal, another division will protect loadings at Bothnian ports and take a chance departing by steamer later. They believe the German

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

No: 573 7 September 1944

withdrawal can be successful if not impeded by weather due to terrain and communications difficulties preventing fast pursuit. Finns plan to occupy abandoned areas as soon as Germans have evacuated.

Source states one unidentified division moved from Norway via Oslo to Denmark in past few days. Will check.

Comment. The Germans will evacuate Finland. There are no indications here as to Russian intentions regarding pursuit to or beyond the Norwegian-Finn frontier.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 571 4 September 44

571 repeated London. To MILID Washington D.C.

German officer corps now thoroughly disheartened according to 266 who believes main concern of this group now is to save their individual selves. Source adds that the Maginot Line has been stripped of weapons and the Siegfried Line correspondingly weak since material was long ago sent to Atlantic Defenses Rated B3. In any event the will to defend these lines has been dissipated in recent routs and these obstacles will not prove formidable. Source believes acceptable German personality is representative enough or capable of capitulating for Germany therefore the slaughter will probably proceed until fratricide between the Wehrmacht and SS precipitates final chaos.

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PRIORITY

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From: CG, US Army Forces, Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England

To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 13785 4 September 1944

FWD 13785 to TROOPERS for DMI AGWAR cite WDGBI for action to SHAEF Main, AFHQ cite FHGBI for info from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI.

No evidence that enemy forces on mainland are surrendering by units or groups but possible there have been instances of small groups giving in which have not been reported. Previous para one following latest morale picture. This is G-2 special summary number 7.

2. Considerable evidence that enemy has had stuffing knocked out of him and present outlook of soldier is near one of bewilderment and helplessness brought on by our ability to move rapidly and bypass him and fact that divisions generally have lost so much equipment that they have not adequate arms with which to fight. Determination to fight is very lacking particularly among infantry formations but, although there has been collapse in resistance it cannot be said yet there has been complete collapse in morale.

3. Instances reported of isolated cases where troops have fled under great stress particularly during time of battle in pocket. This probably partly due to appalling circumstances particularly continuous air strafing.

4. Great majority of enlisted men now glad to be out

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From: CG, US Army Forces, Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England

Nr: FWD 13785 4 September 1944

of war but young officers generally still believe in possibility of German victory. Most senior officers now realize inevitability of defeat.

5. General position is that morale is now much lower than one month ago and very brittle but discipline is such that enemy still fights and stage not yet reached where it can be stated mass morale collapse is imminent.

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From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

To: War Department

Nr: N 28523 4 September 1944

To 1200 hours 4 September ops southeastern Europe number 293 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles AMSME nbr N 28523.

Part I. Greece.

General.

(LO reports.) Northward withdrawal of Germans in Greece continues. No important identifications so far received north of Yannina-Salonika area.

A. 3000 Nazis reported by guerrillas to have arrived area Drama from Aegean. Bulgars reported unable to disarm these Germans because of prepared trenches and gun emplacements.

B. On first September 500 empty vehicles departed Athens for Peloponnese probably for Tripolis D 10. Two heavy artillery regts reportedly departed northwards. Salamis Naval Base E 14 being evacuated and turned over to Greeks. 1000 Nazis arrived Attica area from islands.

C. Three escort vessels, six lighters, large hospital ship observed in Suda Bay on 31st August. Considerable transport movement towards Suda from east.

D. 117th Jaeger Div reported destined for Yannina. Strength quoted at 22000 men.

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[redacted] "IVI"
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

Nr: W 28523 4 September 1944

E. Constant northward movement of supplies by rail and transfer of German records from Athens to Salonika reported.

F. German field security police on Chios state they are being recalled to Salonika; vessels in harbor unable to put to sea by 4 September will be ordered scuttled.

Macedonia:

(British LO). Nazis attacked Anydros 047 Mandhalos O 27 and possibly Kali O 26 burning some houses and seizing food and livestock. Enroute to disarm Nazis concentrated in Drama area (see above) Bulgars conducted drive against Guerrillas in Rodhopi area F 12 and burnt area between Nestos River F 11 and Drama-Dascestavroupolis railroad.

Epirus (Elas report). RAF sweep along Arta X 09-Komboti X 18 road on 25th August resulted ten German trucks destroyed ten damaged.

Part II. Bulgaria (LO and Guerrilla sources).

German troops and agents still reported in Bulgar capital. Bulk of Nazis have retained arms. Elements nine unarmed German divisions from Roumania reported area Varna.

Bulgar Partisans reported eager to block German escape route via Morava valley. LO points out that recent stoppage of arms to Bulgar Guerrillas is handicap.

Clashes between Germans and Bulgars reported at

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Leskovac WK 20 and Nis WK 24 and disarmament of Bulgars by Chetniks and Nazis reported near Leskovac.

Serb Partisans and Bulgar forces are cooperating against Germans and Chetniks in Jablanica area.

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[redacted] "REO"

From: U.S. Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

No. 1714 4 September 1944

To MILID sr nr 1714.

Transport fortification material to Magyar Border via Arlberg stepped up to 10 trns daily. Traffic to Brenner reestablished 30th Aug. Ten material trns unloaded there daily. Large field fortifications pushed Offenburg-Freiburg-Swiss Border. Eight trns Mtz and Engineer trps and several trns arty destined Alsace passed Arlberg. First intended east front. First.

Goering at odds with Himmler and Goebbels on condemnation officers and use gas. Since 20th Aug tens of thousands democrats especially above fifty arrested. In Italy brushes between Army and SS. Redout in Bavarian Alps being prepared (see our 1624) where hostages various nationalities to be held.

Boche optimistic because excellent results total mobilization. Hope to hold out long enough to:

1. Send to fronts two million recuperated. First convoys these already sent East Front.

2. To arrive at accord one of foes, especially Russia.

Armed opposition reported to use of gas decided on by Nazis. Siegfried Line said equipped gas installations. Boche hope

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No. 1714 4 September 1944

break British and French morale by mass gas attacks on big cities. Hitler has given order treat any capitulation as treason and to fight to last man but army considers necessary to weigh capitulation to save nation realizing mtzd war impossible by lack gasoline and transport. 30 Aug.

Source 5062 Above B 2 following C 3.

Large part 44th Div in Voltri Genoa Area. 25th Aug.

Belfort area occupied by SS Div and trps low morale recuperated total mobilization who easily surrender to Partisans. Third.

End

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GERMANS DEFINITELY THINNING GARRISONS AEGEAN ISLAND AND SOUTHERN PELOPONESUS. STRENGTHENING GARRISONS NORTHERN GREECE ESPECIALLY ALONG BULGARIAN FRONTIER. NO EVACUATION OF THE AREA. INCREASING SIGNS OF PREPARATION FOR DEMOLITION THROUGHOUT AREA BUT NONE YET EFFECTED.

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[redacted] REO

From: US Military Attache, Bern Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr. 1703 1 September 1944

Message number 1703 to MILID Washington, D. C.

Staff 7th Division Tortona, of a spe RR Brigade Clemona. Bn 150 MM guns detrained Cuneo, destination French border.

23d Boche troops on Mt. Cenis reinforced by units WOP Monte Rosa Div between Coldelarche and coast.

Hungarian and Slovak detachments arrived Trieste from Yugoslavia. Boche troops on Gothic line ordered resist to end to permit finishing defense works Venetian and Dolomite Apls.

Material arriving Bologna no longer sent from front. Indications withdrawal left wing on Rimini and of heavy artillery to Alpine foot hills. 24th.

Brenner rail traffic interrupted since morning 29th August. Five troop trns from Italy and four material from Landeck, (See our 1697) arrived Alsace 26th.

V-1 ramps being built Belfort and St. Die areas. 18th.

Genoa: Air raid of Aug 2nd, 2 freighters Garibaldi and Maria Pape, 1 coastwise vessel, 6 munition barges sunk

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

Nr: 1703 1 September 1944

freighter Panucce and 2 other ships damaged. Big damage to port. 14th Aug raid 4 small ships destroyed, 1 freighter 3500 tons damaged, medium damage east part port.

9th to 25th Aug quite heavy traffic, coastwise especially evacuation to Germany of Spezzia material and munition and fuel traffic. In port torpedo boat Lampo type, hospital ship Engerle, 1 sub being repaired, Boche mas and vedettes escort sloops.

Center destruction south of Porte Eritres.

26th.
Above B 2, source 4063 following C 3.

Boche Mtn Arty Bn left Turin for Mt. Genevre, Bn 128th Mt. Inf Regt Ventimiglia for Breil.

24th.
10,000 to 12,000 men arrived France-Italian border. Boche reoccupied passes especially Mt. Canis and Travyr Sette. Pz regt from Novara arrived Fossano, 2 Inf regts from Tortona to Carmagnola.

25th
Two Boche Alpine Jager Regts at Savona and Albisola. Fuel depots from coast and French border removed to Genoa.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern Switzerland

Nr: 1703 1 September 1944

26th
Arty regt from Genoa arrived Ventimiglia, armored train from Voltri at Breil. Boche Alpine trps from Aosta shifted to Colditenda.

27th
Daily gasoline need for Italy in July, 5,500 tons. Transports from Germany only 3500 and since 12 Aug down to average 1000 tons. Critical situation may force general withdrawal. Padua Bologna Fidenua and Tortona depots abandoned in favor Rovigo.

New defense line being built along Padua-Vincenza-Verona-Milan road. Trebbia valley defenses finished.

25th.
21-28 Aug, 40 trains fresh trps and 20 materiel passed Singen westward. Three trp trains for Alsace left Bregenz.

26th
Fortifications being built and munitions and materiel dumps established on ridges Vosges and Black Forest. Fortifications between Freiburg and Karlsruhe being put in shape by 20000 workers. 20-26 Aug passed Strassburg westward 7 trp trains, 3 light arty, 3 materiel, 50 heavy guns.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern Switzerland

Nr: 1703 1 September 1944

28th
Boche GHQ west transferred Boulay from Metz.

24th
According to high Boche officer losses Russian front since start summer offensive estimated at 60 divs, Tione west since debarkation 22 divs besides 30,000 foreign auxiliaries. 3 divs from Norway 3 from Balkans and 35 from general reserve sent fronts, majority east.

New general mobilization to yield million and half men second category.

New secret arms expected Nov. 25th

Port of Cherso some light Boche units, fast verdettes and torpedo planes. 18th

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INFO: CGAAF, OPD, Col Park

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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

Nr: 14041 30 August 1944

Sr nr 14041, MILID.

No confirmation current rumors transfer German forces from Balkans Finland or Norway believed may be anticipated near future will report any confirmed movement.

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[redacted]REO

From: US Military Attache in Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1690 28 August 1944

1690 MILID Washington D.C.

2039 MA returning from Budapest Aug 21 22 via Vienna and Innsbruck. Saw no concentration Boche troops enroute and only seven trns miscellaneous troops, trucks, arty, horses, about 50 cars per trn. A-1.

7026 convinced no strategic reserve exists Germany except tired troops from East front with inferior replacements being sent to Vosges hurriedly. He sees collapse near future if we can prevent stabilization. His service very hazy on general situation and in dark on East front.

General Major Von Horn, formerly 196th Div, has replaced Boche MA Von Ilsemann.

End.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1685 26 Aug 1944

1685

Troop concentrations as of 23 Aug. Chateau Thierry Soissons Area: 2 to 3 PZ and MTZ Divs. Transports to this area continuing.

Verdun Area 2 Inf Divs Toul Area 1 Inf Div (These 3 Divs from strategic reserve about to leave).

Source 5301 B-2.

Chaumont Langres Region 13000 second line troops awaiting heavy material from Germany.

Besancon Area 1 Inf Div also 2 Ersatz Div Hqs.

Haute Alsace Region 25000 troops as well as 5000 working on fortifications.

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[redacted] REO

From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1686, 26 Aug 1944

1686

Arty emplacements north of Mercato-Saraceno on Cesena Highway nbr 7 RM 1. At Barrages backed by blockhouses along Ravenna-Bagnacaval-Lo Gwuh-Lugo Highway. Boche troops in Genoa Coastal Sector: 1 Div Ventimigliato Imperia, 1 in Imperoa-Genoa Vasnnervi Sector, 1 in reserve in Acqui-Nassello-Dego Sector. These Divs, effectives especially first two quite low constitue corps, CO of which probably Sasseglo. Apparently no heavy arty. 15th.

16 to 18th Aug 18 to 20 special trns with materiel incl 12 with new tanks all types toward Brenner via Josenheim-Innsbruck. 21st.

V-1 ramps being built in Ardennes and Nancy areas for bombarding Paris in case Boche succeed in establishing self on line approx that of 1918 Front. 17th.

Above B-2 source 7065 following C-3 Gorizia Truck Park of 80 to 100 moved to San Donadi Piave between Mestre and Latisana. Big contingent TODT workers arrived there too. 14th.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

Nr: 1686 26 Aug 1944

German civilians Spezzia evacuating families. Evacuation population Coast Genoa to Spezzia also being prepared. 17th.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1684, 26 August 1944

1684

This continues our 1682. Large SS contingents from cities upper Italy arrived Turin enroute for Modane. Boche reserves North Italy 15,000 in Lombardy and Piedmont plus div and half Venetia and Para Regt at Ferrara. Coastal units Venice and Genoa alerted since 13 Aug. All Boche officials and civilian specialists, Rail Personnel Inc., in Italy. about 5,000, being drafted Army in Genoa, 15th.

Trn with 6 heavy RR guns from Bardonecchia left for Modane. Repatriation Italian units still in Germany, total of 100,000, stopped. Heavy Art. being emplaced Coldesanbar to Lomeo. Upper Stura Valley defenses reinforced by Mtn Arty elements. 24 long range guns arrived Dolo between Venice and Pacua, 36 AA guns and 12 of 140 MM at Canavella Adige. Fortifications facing South West being built Lodi Area. Genoa locomotives taken to Germany 17th. Arrive Rhine depot at Casal Maggiore, Parma Area. 11th. 7 to 13 August, passed Brenner South by transshipment 214 cars inc 75 munitions, 55 explosives, 80 gasoline. 14th. 45 heavy tanks for Prato passed Bologna. Troop transports Cuneo to Ventimiglia Area suspended. Rail line Turin Modane cut by Partisans Susa Area 19th.

Fortifications work in progress in Vosges. Many Alsatian families being deported. Mtz Arty and AA elements

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

Nr: 1684 26 August 1944

arrived Colmar 20th.

8,000 men Inf and Tanks from Tours Bourges and Lyon fell back on Belfort. Access to roads on Crest Vosges and Wesserling Valley barred since 15 Aug.

13 to 20 Aug, passed Strasbourg daily 3 to 4 tons materiel, expecially field arty, four to five hundred trucks with troops for Troyes Reims Area. 200 Gestapo officials arrived Belfort, 2,000 French deported to Germany from there 22nd.

Following B-2 source 1037: Boche Divs sent hastily East and West Fronts not from general reserve but from Divs decimated Russian Front filled from rear services. Combat value low. 85th Assault Div organized Munsingen Camp, 101st Light Div in Kempten Area. Classes 28th and 9 to be reclassified to meet shortage of men. 12th. Morale Boche troops in Italy markedly lowered expecially in units with foreign elements. Grave incidents between fleeing drafted Austrian peasants and pursuing SS. 300,000 Wops now in German Army include 55,000 in PA and Chemical Warfare, 20,000 in combat units France, 40,000 rear services France, 25,000 Combat Units Balkans, 40,000 rear services Balkans, 2,000,000 Wops work in Boche, 40,000 in Wop factories. Since 29 July large elements 16th PZ Div and 123rd Inf Div passed Innsbruck Southward. 70th Assault Div being reconstituted Munsinge. Remnants 3 decimated Boche Divs being transformed there into SPZ RR Division. 15th. Transfer 165th Div to Holland reported but not confirmed.

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Civil Affairs Div Lt Bruno,
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26 August 1944

Commanding General,
Allied Force Headquarters,
Caserta, Italy

Number: WAR 87667

To Devers for Spofford from Hilldring signed Marshall.

For your information, Department of State has received a cable from American Minister at Berne dated 19 August stating that German Legation has asked Swiss to notify United States and United Kingdom legation that German forces have deposited valuable art objects in Villa Reale Poggio a Cajano 5 kilometers northwest of Signa, that no German forces are in the vicinity and that the Villa itself is not being used for military purposes. German government expressed desire to avoid bombardment or destruction of this monument and its contents. Cable states that British legation at Berne notified and information repeated to AMDEL , Rome.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1682 25 August 1944

Msg nr 1682

Traffic to Domo d'Ossola via Switzerland interrupted since 21st. Villa d'Ossola, Pieve'Vergonte and Premosello accessible for freight from Switz. 23rd. Cuneo-Ventimiglia line interrupted between Briga and San Dalmazzo 15th.

Above A-1 source 1062 following B-2.

Detachment 77th Boch Alpine Regt arrived Col Di Tenda, 600 men of 109th Marine Bn at Rosglina. Eight AA guns at Albano Terme. Monteviso Div moving into Dolomites under commanding Boche General. Wop parachute Bn of Folgore Div from Germany arrived Treviso. 16th.

Tarvis traffic: 6 to 13 Aug south 85 trns inc 190 tank cars, 300 cars explosives for Genoa, three tons munitions for Bologna, two Italian troops for Pistoia: North 55 trns inc 20 empty.

600 troops left Milan for Venice area 20th.

Four trns troops from Brenner passed Innsbruck for east front 23rd.

Three trns workers for fortifications arrived Black Forest. Indications of extensive fortification work this area 22nd.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

Nr: 1682 25 August 1944

Two trns Boche reinforcements from Turin and Alessandria arrived Ventimiglia and Grimaldi 16th.

Numerous Boche troops continuing to arrive from Germany on line approximating 1914-18 front. One Inf Div arrived recently Colmar, another Mulhousen, Inf Div on Vosges passes, one Inf Div, one Cossack Div arrived Belfort, heavy PZ concentrations reported plateau Delangres area, Neufghateau Verdun Tonnerre Dijon sector at least one PZ and one MTZ Div.

Following C-3 1200 Boche Alpen Jager at Cuneo. Fortifications in Lago Maggiore area occupied for several days. Armored trn left Spezzia for Voltri to be continued.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department

Nr: 554 22 August 1944

554 repeated London.

Returning from a visit to Goering his Swedish stepson reports to our refugee attache as follows:

Goering is extremely depressed about recent hanging of German Officers, he has intervened in persecution of Jews and others to point of endangering his position in party, his wife and child no longer at Karin Hall which is unbombed, states he will not seek refuge in neutral state but will go down with ship rated F zero.

Possibly reflecting Goering's views stepson regrets his stepfather is sole military figure in party high councils and expressed bitterness toward Himmler as man without soldierly qualities holding great power.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO: CG AAF
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From: US Military Attache, Arkara, Turkey

To: War Department
CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt.

Nr: 332 20 August 1944

JCZI to MILID 332 AMSME 969.

Returned Turkish charge affairs in Berlin. Says German officialdom is in state chaos.

Authorities hard to locate and no one has proper information. Morale of everyone extremely low.

End

ACTION: G-2

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From: US Military Mission, Moscow, Russia

To: War Department

Nr: M-20566 12 August 1944

To WDGBI sgd Deane M-20566

Soviet order of battle officer states there is little if any desertion on part of Germans. Officer morale higher than men's. Where there is enough food, weapons and munitions Germans fight fiercely and undertake strong counterattacks.

They will surrender only when they lack the means to fight. Faith in Hitler and the cause and assurance in eventual victory varies; some PW's believe all is lost while others testify that Hitler and the German Army will win.

This answers your WAR 74036 August 1.

End

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1642 12 Aug 1944

1642. MILID Washington, D. C.

At his request saw subject reference to my cable 1609 last night just returned second trip. States he was directed by "Y" to establish direct contact. Nothing particular to offer except that C of S was ready to act, provided we could give some assurance reference occupation his country. Desired any discussion on military side be between us. No statement or encouragement my part. He will have clandestine radio communication established within a few days. Any special instructions?

Legge

Note: 1609 is CM-IN-2135 (3 Aug 44) G-2

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
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ALUSNA SENDS.

B-2 REPORT FROM BORNHOLM ISLAND.

9 SUBS AT RONNE AND 1 6,000 TON CRUISER AT NEKSO ON 10 AUGUST.

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 533 11 August 1944

533 RPT London

Unusual activity on Rovaniemi-Skibotn Road during the past week according to 84 who reports a column of unidentified small units of mixed compostion animal and truck drawn vehicles and troop units of size of infantry regiment or less moving northwestward. Believed to be separate units and not a division.

Source confirms final departure of Inf Div. 122 with SG4 attached, both left heavy equipment behind. Embarked from Abo and Hango, part to Estonia remainder to German Baltic ports.

Source states a German striking force of 20 divs now being assembled in Lodz area from units collected from Italy France low countries and elsewhere.

Same source rated B 2 adds in Norway no important changes.

Dane underground source reports 12 long troop trains passed thru Aarhus southbound during past 24 hours B 3 evaluation.

Source 140 places Inf Div 122 in East Prussia B 2 evaluation.

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ACTION: G-2
INFO: CGAAF OPD Col Park Log

CM-IN-10974 (12 Aug 44) 1549Z bem

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[redacted]

From: US Military Attache Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

No: 526 10 August 1944

526 MILID and London.

Regular transport ships Norway Denmark Germany remy 462 now returned Oslo presumably in anticipation further withdrawals from Norway. Source 299 B 2 rating. Road improvement North Norway and Finland intensified especially Skibotn area.

Rayens.

FOOTNOTE: 462 is CM-IN-9860 (12 Jul 44) CG AAF

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG AAF
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CM-IN-9761 (11 Aug 44) 1035Z gkc

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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

Nr: 13795 10 August 1944

Serial 13795 see our 13764.

During last few days German troops "estimated 2 Divisions" passed through Skoplije and Nish in South to North direction. Most likely 4th SS Politzei Gren Div which was moving north from Larissa and was most likely one for movement from Greece as it recently received tank battalion and should be good fighting unit.

End

Footnote: 13764 is CM-IN-7484 (9 Aug 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
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CM-IN-9315 (10 Aug 44) 2357Z hrt

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

To: War Department

Nr: 1633 9 August 1944

1633

German Army was to seize power in Paris concurrent with attempt on Hitler. This from trustworthy source of 3065 who classes him B.

Informant saw from window facing court of house occupied by Gestapo in Avenue Dubois at 2330 on July 20 soldiers of Wehrmacht bundle entire Gestapo personnel into trucks to take them to Fresnes. Gestapo Chief Knochen and his assistant who were absent were summoned to Gestapo offices in Rue des Saussaies where they arrived at 0030 July 21. They were seized, beaten, tied up and taken to Fresnes where they were to be shot next day.

Notice of failure of Hitler attempt and dispatch of SS division to Paris resulted suicide attempt General Von Steuben Stulpnagel. Optic nerve severed, he will be blind.

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

CM-IN-9328 (11 Aug 44) 0009Z bjm

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[redacted]

From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

No: 523 9 August 1944

523 repeated London.

Source 299 rated B 3 reports battle order Norway KVD 230 Skoganvarre, Inf Div 702 Alta Area, remainder KVD 270 Rundhaugen, Inf Div 199 Saetermoen, few elements GAF Field Div 14 at Moinrana, remainder Inf Div 295 Dombas, KVD 280 Forde, Inf Div 269 Bergan, Inf Div 274 Gwavanger, Inf Div 710 Arendal. PZ Div Norwegen, which is tank regt with 120 tanks, Gardermoen Area. Doubtful if any these units full strength because of frequent bomb outs.

From 84 rated B 3:

Russians have shifted 5 of 20 Divs opposing Finns on Karelian Isthmus and transferred them to Esthonian front. 90 German operated Stukas withdrawn from Finland to Germany. If Rendulic forced to evacuate will use Barents Sea and Overland Routes over North Norway. Now stocked North Finland are more than one years supplies for his army. Germans will delay in Esthonia and evacuate from Talinn to Baltic ports. Believes Inf Div 710 Norway has departed for East Front. He estimates total German combat planes 9000 of which 5000 fighters, remainder assorted bomber types. United Nations combat planes total 33000 in European Theaters.

Legations refugee at Tache rated B 2 reports Pro German Latvians advised by German authorities their flight to safe havens would not be impeded by Germans provided they could furnish their own boats. Rayens

ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: CG AAF, OPD, Sol Parks, Log

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland.

To: War Department.

Nr: 1630 8 August 1944

MILID Washington DC. Message number 1630.

Battle front France as of August 1st by divisions.

(1) American front: Infantry, 21st, 77th, 91st, 116th, 243d, 265th, 266th, 275th, 352d, 353d, 363d, armored Lehr and 17th Parachute 2d, SS 2d, 3d, 5th.

(2) British front: Infantry 271st, 272d, 276th, 277th, 326th, 346th, 711th, armored 2d and 21st, 74th, SS 9th, 10th, 12th, Air 16th.

(3) Not engaged 5th Mezieres, 157th Aix-les Bains, 158th Pontenoy Le Comte, 189th Montpelier, 238th Grasse, 242d Draguignan. 244th Marseille, 273d Libourne, 319th Normandy Island, 343d Finisterre, 344th Mynuil, 349th Ardres 405th Strassburg, 452d Hazebrouck, 570th Langres, 708th Royan, 716th Narbonne, 9th Armored Nimes, 19th Armored Hirson, 14th Antiaircraft Lyon Freiwilligenstamm Lyon.

(4) Not identified divisions Paris, Soissons, Abbeville, Gamaches (motorized) Saigonomer, Arles area Amiens (SS) Aix Provence (antiaircraft) Bordentown.

(5) Marines at Le Havre, Fontainbleau, St Nazaire, Montpelier.

CM-IN-8559 (10 Aug 44)

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland.

Nr: 1630 8 August 1944

Source 6064, following B 2 Battalion of 128th Artillery from Faenza to Colde Casaglia. 30th.

Heavy troop and materiel transports via Arlberg direction Innsbruck since August 1st, 36 trains daily. Because interruption Brenner railway line heavy traffic south by roads. August 4th.

Two German divisions including one with number 18 either armored or motorized recently arrived as reinforcements left southern Finland. August 1st.

Following C-3: Battalion Alpine troops from Modena arrived Colde La Radici, 80 German fighter pilots Reggio Emilia. Big German detachment including two companies flame throwers arrived Genoa small detachment heavy tanks Varazza. 30th.

Brenner traffic July 16th to July 23rd sharply cut because Bologna and Udine bombardment. Total 51 trains for Italy including 420 cars ammunition, 210 cement, 260 armored plates, no gasoline. North, 46 trains including 28 empties, rest food. 26th.

5,000 Italians move headquarters troops Milan, Pavia, Bergamo to the rear of front. German railway men replacing Italians. 4th Inf Regt. arrive Mantua. For transport three divisions to Italy about 100 trains concentrated Furth, Plauen, Eger and Wunsiedel. 31st.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland.

Nr: 1630 8 August 1944

Strategic reserve 1st planned for west. Since July 16th 3rd for west, 2/3 for east front. German High Command had planned send troops from Norway and Denmark to Italy, then changed decision. After loss Galicia, Rumania and Hungary annual gasoline production will still be 5,000,000 tons, but octane 80 instead of 90. 28th.

Two Italian divisions recently arrived at Acqui and Asti. August 1st.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1629 8 August 1944

1629

All dates July. War military manufacture intense Bregenz, Hochst, Dornbirn, Feldkirch, Nenzing, Bludenz Area. At Bludenz Suchard plants requistioned for sanitary material. Another plant there making aluminum wheels about 80 centimeter diameter in large quantities. At Nunzing cartridge cases, wood covering, 80 centimeters long made. Great activity Montafon Valley condition unchanged many workers, mostly prisoners of war, Bussy fortification works and enlargement.

Thenen Power Plant. Much construction materiel all kind sent daily Bludenz to Montafon. 31st.

Source 3064 above C-2 following C-3.

Maybach Motor Works transferred Friedrichshafen to Gottmadingen near Singen. 5 to 6 synthetic gasoline plants underground working full speed in potassium mine Hanover. 31st.

Underground plant: Mayback Works and Thyssen Steel Works. At Fleischwangen and Denkingen wells and underground passages being made, unknown whether for underground plants or depot. 25th.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

Nr: 1629 8 August 1944

B-2: Bugatti spare parts made in 500 square meters underground passage in front Sulzbad Station, north of Molsheim, Alsace. 24th.

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
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NAVAL MESSAGE — NAVY DEPARTMENT

DRAFTER — EXTENSION NUMBER — ADDRESSEES — PRECEDENCE

FROM: ALUSNA STOCKHOLM

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 8 AUGUST 44

TOR CODEROOM: 1911

DECODED BY: FRANTZ

PARAPHRASED BY: PICK / Baker

ROUTED BY: WHITTINGTON

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE

FOR ACTION: CNO

INFORMATION:

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY RRRRRR; DEFERRED; PRIORITY; ROUTINE; DEFERRED

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ALUSNA B 2.

AT Ø419ØØ GERMAN CONVOY 4 TRANSPORTS APPROX 1Ø,ØØØ TONS EACH HEAVILY LOADED WITH TROOPS PASSED HELSINGOR SOUTHBOUND THROUGH ORESUND. NAMES AND DESTINATION UNKNOWN.

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COMINCH.....CNO.....20G.....NAVAIDE....20OP...

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NAVY DEPARTMENT

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FROM LT. COMDR. EARLE (ALUSNA ANKARA(		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
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TO NAVAIDE FROM LT. COMDR. EARLE

VON PAPEN BEFORE DEPARTURE FOR GERMANY SATURDAY NIGHT SENT ME FOLLOWING MESSAGE THROUGH VON LERSNER "AM GOING DIRECTLY TO HITLER AND INFORM HIM GERMAN CAUSE IS HOPELESS AND URGE IMMEDIATE CAPITULATION TO SAVE THOUSAND OF LIVES. I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT HITLER WILL DO WITH THIS PROPOSAL AND WITH ME."

NAVAIDE....ACTION

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7 August 1944

FROM: AFHQ

TO : AGWAR
War Office
SHAEF
Rptd NADIST for SPOC

No : Unnumbered

From G-2 signed Wilson cite FHGBI.

Believe TCO Maiglockchen carried 9 Panzer Division and not 338 Infantry Division as suggested by SHAEF Fwd 12609. Two different sources reported movement:

First source reported movement began July 29 from Sete or beyond proceeding Thouars consisting 40 trains CADENCE 6/24.

Second source reported movement started July 28 area Aix-Cavaillon and by July 30 16 trains had left; 2 carrying motorized equipment and 14 carrying armoured troops. Coupled with SHAEF report that movement carrying "2 armoured divisions" and SPOC report that 1 train of tanks derailed August 1 tunnel Givors all point to movement 9 Panzer Division which we now place Chalon-Dijon area probably moving northwestward. Suggest possibility division directed over 2 routes, 40 trains via Sete Bordeaux-Thouars 16 via Rhone valley. Tank battalion in TCO Mamutaster 12 trains presumed connected 9 Pz Div. Thus total apparently involving this formation 68 trains. In addition heavy road movement up Rhone valley probably concerned same division.

End.
T.O.O. Nil

ACTION: G-2

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

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal

To: War Department

No: 355 7 August 1944

Message srl nbr 355

Baron B. Beck German Mil Attache Lisbon reported B 3 to have relief orders to return home. Making inquiries further to determine cause and other details.

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From: US Military Attache, London, England.

To: War Department

No: 13735 5 August 1944

Dunn serial 13735.

Supplementing my 13724 German intentions in Norway. Unconfirmed report states large numbers troops left Norway via Oslo last 3 days.

From British sources believed reliable, very unusual aircraft concentrations in Norway. Varnes 2 Aug 21 FW 200, 11 JU 88 and 4 miscellaneous against total 6 FW 200 on 7 July.

Gossen 8 ME 110. Garderuoen figure May be smaller than indicated 3 Aug but still substantial. Germans have prepared landing strip at Oyesund near Trondheim and camouflage commenced. Also from British source, very large numbers bicycles sent to northern Norway-figure 5000 is mentioned but not confirmed. Appears to be in connection possible attempt evacuate troops from Finland and northern Norway and aircraft concentration appears to confirm intention protect southbound troop convoys in case of large scale evacuation.

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13724 is CM-IN-2591 (3 Aug 44)
ACTION: G-2
INFO : CGAAF, OPD, Col Park, LOG

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From: OG, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Forward, London, England

To: War Department

Nr. FWD 12615 5 August 1944

FWD 12615 to AGWAR cite WDGBI TROOPERS cite DMI for action from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI.

Still insufficient information to form more than partially complete picture Prisoner of War reactions to attempt on Hitler's life. Following, however, main points from interrogation to date. Reur WX 69947 dated 24 July.

Non-German Prisoner of War learning news after capture expressed pleasure tempered with regret at failure of attempt. Germans and Austrians, showing little enthusiasm for war or sympathy with Nazis, apathetic; convinced Nazis refused to believe story, doubting its possibility. One officer Prisoner of War took line "always people ready to finish war in own way" and thought that if army overthrew party, war would end in administrative chaos. Another officer adopted attitude of "good soldier", emphasizing that he must remain faithful to his oath and that war must go on.

Details of attempted coup not made known officially to troops in line and many completely unaware of plot. Polish Prisoner of War from 326th Division, on other hand, stated before unit was commited, his platoon commander (a senior non-commissioned officer) informed them of attempt on Hitler's life, its failure * situation under control. No comments or background information added. Prisoner of War also heard non-commissioned officers discussing news: Some believed bound by oath to Hitler, others that the General's knew what was best for Germany, which was even more important

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than Hitler. One reporter with 17 years service inwardly approved of attempt at assassination while trying at same time to support established authority.

Prisoners of War state idea of Himmler in control would probably lower morale since few would follow him to the death as they would for Hitler. Expected that since Himmler has non of Hitler's inhibitions in choice of weapons and methods, war would become harsher.

Conclusion. Mental apathy amongst most Prisoners of War prevents violent reaction but little doubt news of attempted coup caused some misgivings to all Germans except most convinced Nazis, knowing things going badly inside Germany as well as outside.

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FROM: ALUSNA STOCKHOLM

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 4 AUG 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 418

DECODED BY: FRANTZ

PARAPHRASED BY: SOERGEL/McSorley

ROUTED BY: READY

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(ALUSNA SENDS)

OSLO 27 JULY REPORT STATES ALL GERMAN TROOP TRANSPORTS HAD LEFT OSLO ALL SOUTHBOUND B 2. MALGACHE ISAR AND MOEROYN BALTIC AFTER 24 JULY PROBABALY FOR EVAC. MONTEROKA BELIEVED IN HAMBURG.

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

To: War Department.
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England.
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12599 4 August 1944

Cipher part 2 of FWD 12599 DTG 041730.

Identified north of 9th SS Panzer Division. Both divisions launched small counter attacks against east flank of our salient. All repulsed and by end of day salient considerably broadened. Only enemy success at Vire which he recaptured.

Northeast of Villers Bocage evidence enemy made a slight local withdrawal. On Canadian Army front evidence that 1st SS Panzer Division taking over part of 9th SS Panzer Division front.

2. Enemy troops in Southwest France. An estimate of the troops of all services remaining in Southwest France is as follows:

Infantry 60,000, including about 40,000 in training formations and 10,000 line of communication troops

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fighting the Maquis: Static troops 40,000. Number of heavy and medium coast guns which are theoretically.

(End of Part 2, Part 3 follows).

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

No. 1613 4 August 1944

To MILID message nr 1613.

15,000 Italians of Montepul, San Marcus, Italia and Littorio Divisions with German equipment and materiel heavy tanks and 88 MM artillery arrived Milan by Brenner Ry July 20 to July 23. Part of these troops left 27th for Fano. Alessandria station completely destroyed but old barracks south it with houses German sector headquarters intact. Traffic to Genoa and Turin out by destruction Milan-Port Romains station. Many rail detours Italy because bombardments: Milan-Genoa via Vigevano, Lomello, Ovada: Milan-Rimini via Crema, Cremona, Parma, Ferrara-Ravenna, Milan-Padua via Crema, Mantua; Verona Bologna via Nogara-Ferrara-Poggiorenatico. Bologna-Preservetoia only line via Montepiano usable. Military traffic especially intense on Parma Staazana line. Milan-Vercelli-Turin line intact. 26th.

81 cars with equipment for Italian Units passed Bologna of these 6 for Reggio Emila 6 Parma 25 Spezzia 15 Savona 4 Ravenna. 23rd.

All freight traffic for Hungary including transients out. Brenner traffic resumed 28th. Six troop trains and materiel Innsbruck for Italy. 29th.

Motorized Division from Rumania Infantry Division and Division of Russian passed Lyon southward. 15th.

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

No. 1613 4 August 1944

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Seventh to July 25 112,000 Italians incorporated German Army. Divisions in Germany for service training. Return Italy of 3 immediately 10 by end of October scheduled. Italian contingent used for defense work in Trentino. Detachment Italian parachutists training at Desenzano, (Lake Garda). Tapevis traffic interrupted since July 19 tramp shipment by truck. German and Hungarian Detachments 28th Armored Division at Rovigo. Demolition experts from Hungary arrived Trieste. Element 5th and 268th Divisions passed Rimini northward. 26th.

3 SS Battalions from Milan-Piacemyoza-Parma area arrived Spezziaas security detachment because removing of 8,000 used defense departed. 27th.

Four batteries 150 millimeter and 6 AA guns on Caprino-Veronese road at Sanzano. Small defense work being erected bank Oglio river mine field between Palazzo and Marcaria. Mountain batteries on Rossignole-Sasselo Road. Heavy batteries and AA batteries on Colde Turchino. Several long range guns at Montaggio on road to Doria. 88 millimeter gun and defense work Coldela Bocchetta, last 3 kilometres of Pontedecino road mined. 150 millimeter guns south of Coldegiovo. 21st.

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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

Nr: 13724 3 Aug 1944

Reur 74025 August 1st from Dunn sr nr 13724.

At the moment no sign of general evacuation from Norway but situation in Finland believed such as eventually to force Germans to at least partial evacuation. It is known that part of ship previously on the Oslo Denmark Germany route have been withdrawn for employment in Baltic. If encouraged by Mannerheim who Norwegians consider Pro Ally, Norwegians believe the Finnish Army would fight the Germans who would then gradually evacuate while fighting. That part of Germans in Finland which could not be evacuated by ships through Baltic has only northern Norway as avenue of escape and following facts indicate evacuation through northern Norway to be an extremely slow operation. There are three roads leading from Finland to Norway-Petsamo to Kirkenes, Ivalo to Lakselv and Karesuvanto to Skibotn, the latter two are one way traffic roads. Leading south to Mosjoen, which is northermost rialroad point and from which only one track leads to Trondheim, the roads would not permit heavy traffic at high speed. Consequently it is believed that all traffic from northern Norway must go by ships to railroad points or to evacuation points in southern Norway. From Trondheim the capacity of railroad is believed only five trainloads per day. Norwegians believe evacuation by ships of large numbers of troops possible only if equipment left behind. At the moment only five ships of considerable size believed in northern waters. Recent report of 30 Heinkel 177 and

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Kondor bombers at Gardermoen may indicate intention to protect troop convoys although Norwegians believe it more likely as evidence of nervousness with regard to Swedens attitude. Germans have also recently concentrated on completion of Haslemoen and Eggemoen flying fields near Swedish border. There has been a distinct tendency to evacutate coastal batteries along Norwegian coast but the real significance is not known. Possibility of evacutation of German divisions presently in southern Norway which eventually could be replaced by units evacuated from Finland or northern Norway should be considered. Norwegians believe one reason for maintaining positions in Norway in addition to being means of evacuating troops from Finland is the need for existing U boat harbors along Norwegian coast. Norwegians believe bombing of troop ships between Oslo Denmark and Germany hitherto almost unhindered would prove very effective in preventing evacuation on a large scale. Up to date maps of road nets in northern Finland and northern Norway being forwarded today.

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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To : War Department

No : 13723 3 August 1944

Sr nr 13723 to WDGBI from Conrad ETGBI.

No confirmed reports on movement of additional divisions out of Norway since departure of 196th Inf Div. There are persistent unconfirmed reports of move of 295th Div. 122nd Inf Div has left Finland through Helsinki probably destined for Sixteenth Army. Reports indicate elements only of 2nd Mtn Div moving into northern Norway. No major units involved but may be forerunner of additional moves on account of political situation in Finland and Russian advance inolating the Eighteenth Army. Our opinion only as situation on other fronts deteriorates move of major elements from Finland and Norway may be expected. Luftwaffe personnel being withdrawn from Finland.

In Balkans 18th Schutzstaffeln Panzer Grenadier Div has moved Budapest to Russian center. No other moves confirmed. War office agrees with us that German evacuation of Balkans less likely now on account of Turkish break and any contemplated moves will be withheld pending developments. Same appreciation applies to Greece and Aegean Islands for the present.

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From: CG US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

To: War Department

Nr: N 27201 3 August 1944

WDGBI recur 74020 cite MEGBI signed Giles N 27201.

Aside from continued indications of withdrawal of artillery from Athens area there has been no fresh evidence of German withdrawal from Greece and the Aegean although a steady general replacement of lower category troops continues. Germans remaining in Bulgaria probably total less than 7,000 troops. Despite recent lower estimates by OSS, British currently list Crete garrison as 31,000 upon recapitulation based on all accepted OB.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department

No: 515 3 August 1944

515 Washington and London.

Conservative 266 for the first time states that war has been irretrievably lost by the Germans, regrets their generals do not stop the slaughter. His personal opinion is that there is a vacuum behind the German West Front and that once the break through comes Allied armor will roll through France as German armor did in 1940.

Source believes Russians would be wise to grant Finn armistice to permit Mannerheim to eject 20th Army. If Rendulic evacuates Finland, of which there is no present indication, believes route will be via North Norway. Expects Germans to hold Osel, Dago, Aland Islands covering line and believes Nazi navy capable of preventing Russians gaining immediate mastery of Baltic Sea. Hopes Mannerheim will move strong force to Alands without delay to prevent Nazi occupation.

Believes Sweden now has nothing to fear from Germany. Too thoroughly occupied elsewhere. Discredits current rumors of German concentration in Narvik area with implied threat in direction Kiruna.

The opinions expressed by 266 are interesting because he is Military Advisor, confidant and companion of principle members Swedish cabinet. Minister requests State inform.

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FROM: US Military Mission, Moscow, Russia

TO: War Department

NO: M 20437 3 August 1944

To Bissell, WDGBI from Crist signed Deane M 20437 reur WAR 74036.

German Prisoners of War captured by Russians were questioned by U.S. Army observation party July 23rd. Names:

Lieutenant Colonel Von Trescau, Chief Operations Section, 206th Infantry Division, captured July 11th southwest Minsk.

Lieutenant Colonel Von Vaussenheim, Operations Section, 31st Infantry Division, captured July 17th.

Lieutenant Colonel (name unknown), captured July 9th.

Composite information follows. Division strengthbefore encirclement 8,000. Normal strength 10,000. Russian attack expected but surprised by speed of advance, amount of artillery and motor equipment. Divisions receiving 250 men per month reassigned after recuperation from wounds. Believe unlikely Germany would win. Do not believe a series of German defensive positions exist on east front. Sucess of Putsch in Germany would depend on leaders' purpose and demands. Believed an offer of quick end of war would be popular and believed Germany could not win war.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 512 2 August 1944

512 repeated London.

Confirming departure ID 122 informant 86 rated B 1 reports remaing elements of div now embarking Helsinki destination unknown and that all German aircraft B 3 evaluation south Finland have been withdrawn.

Source believes army group north will make determined effort to cling on to Baltic area.

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TOR CODEROOM: 0207

DECODED BY: ROGERS

PARAPHRASED BY: RODGERS

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MINE MISSION OBSERVER REPORTS INTERESTING GERMAN INSTALLATION ON QUARANTINE MOLE ODESSA CONSISTING OF

4 DOUGHNUT SHAPED PITS EACH 9 YARDS IN DIAMETER AND 1 YARD DEEP WITH CORE OF EARTH 7 FEET IN DIAMETER

LEFT IN MIDDLE. CENTERS OF PITS ARE SEPARATED BY 17 21 AND 25 YARDS RESPECTIVELY. IN EACH PIT THE

LOWER HALF WAS FILLED WITH A COIL OF HEAVY STEEL STRANDED ARMORED CABLE CONTAINING CORES OF INSULATED

MULTIPLE COPPER CONDUCTORS. THE UPPER HALF OF EACH PIT HELD A CONCENTRIC COIL OF LIGHTER SIMILARLY

ARMORED CABLE CONTAINING ONLY A SINGLE COPPER CONDUCTOR. APPARENTLY EACH TOP PIT CONTAINED A DIFFERENT

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5 INCHES IN DIAMETER AND WITH CONDUCTORS FROM 7 TO 12

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WHEN GERMANS REALIZED RUSSIAN RECAPTURE OF ODESSA WAS INEVITABLE. SOVIET SCIENTISTS ARE STUDYING THE

INSTALLATION BUT AS YET THERE IS NO KNOWLEDGE OF ITS POSSIBLE USE. SOVIET AGENTS WHO REMAINED IN CITY

THROUGHOUT PERIOD OF GERMAN OCCUPATION SAID THIS WAS A CAREFULLY SECRET. IF SIMILAR INSTALLATIONS HAVE BEEN

FOUND ELSEWHERE PERHAPS IN NORMANDY AND THEIR USE KNOWN THIS INFORMATION IS REQUESTED FOR TRANSMISSION TO SOVIETS

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

No. 1610 2 August 1944

To MILID, message number 1610.

Last 5 weeks following German preparation for leaving France:

Administrative Services Paris to Nancy, special police detachments arrived Nancy to guard population in view evacuation Paris Staff.

July 14, 1400 German women left Paris for Germany, 6000 trucks requisitioned Paris in column of 150 to 200 for evacuation, 1000 German railroad workers arrived Paris to assure traffic to Belfort, Metz, Strasbourg, Givet. Locomotive depots decentralized in Eastern France and Rhineland, small station group of 4 or 5.

TODT Hqs left Bordeaux, July 15, and several trains fortification materials for Paris.

Staff of Traffic Specialist arrived Lyon to study evacuation via Dijon and Besancon.

Work on Mediterranean Coast as far as Avignon occupied but work further north dropped. Sospel Fort reconditioned.

Digne-Castellane fortifications lack arms.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

No. 1610 2 August 1944

Most Pioneer Officers from Cote D' recalled to Paris.

July 25th above 8033, B-2.

Following 6066, C-3.

Following passed Bolzano station 10 to 19 July from Brenner and Dobiacco:

10 Mountain Troops,
8 trains,
2 horses,
4 gasoline,
9 ammunition for *

6 Air Troops,
1 tank,
2 ammunition,
8 gasoline for Ferrara.
35 ammunition,
2 gasoline,
4 tanks for Bologna.

3 ammunition,
11 gasoline,
2 artillery for Ostiglia.

2 artillery,
4 coal for Brescia.

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4 gasoline,
14 coal for Mantua.

4 gasoline Domegliana.

2 trains Isola Della Scala.

5 tanks Reggio Emilia.

6 coal Milan.

6 coal Marghera.

Same period north via Bolzano 207 trains various material or empties. July 24.

German Divisions July 15:

France	57
Belgium	6
Holland	4
Denmark	5
Norway	9
Finland	8
Russia	190
Balkans & Aegean Sea	18
Italy	25.

In Italy 20 in line including 2 armored, 3 motorized,

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2 mountain, 1 parachute, averages effective 9000.

In Germany 15 Divisions.

Strategic reserves Mainz, Stuttgart, Ulm, Nuremburg Quadrangle beside 600,000 to 700,000 men in training.

From July 1 to July 25, 5 Divisions sent to West Front.

German Allies:

Finland, 14 Divisions and 1 Cavalry Brigade
Hungary, 19
Rumania, 12 plus large contingents training
Slovakia, 3 Divs (many German cadre)
Bulgaria (they may be of older classes in Serbia)
10 Infantry, 2 Motorized Brigades and 1 Artillery Division of Russian type.
Italy, 4 Divisions training in Germany.

German artillery formations put at Hungary disposition recalled.

German Engineers and Signal Specialists recalled from Norway and Balkans.

Germans organizing Brenner fortification lines Tirano-Breno-Idro-North of Verona-Schio-North of Bassano-Piave Valley east of Venice.

* Being serviced Legge.

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INFORMATION: CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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DATE 1 AUGUST 1944			
TOR CODEROOM 011048			
DECODED BY MCKENNA	INFORMATION	ARCHANGEL	PRIORITY ROUTINE DEFERRED
PARAPHRASED BY STANFORD/ Pitts			
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(ACTION CNO COMNAVEU INFO ARCHANGEL)

THIS AMPLIFIES AST KLUSNA ARCHANGEL [illegible] JULY.
GERMAN CONCENTRATING SUBMARINES AND [illegible] VESSELS
NORTHWESTERN NORWAY SO SAY SOVIETS. RED NORTH
FLEET OPERATING AGAINST CONVOYS WITH AIRCRAFT AND
TORPEDO BOATS CLAIMS ENEMY SUSTAINING HEAVY LOSSES

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[redacted]

From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department.

Nr: 509 1 August 1944

MILID Wash. Message nr 509.

In connection with Legations 2876 August 1st to State, see my 268 particularly that part which reads, "With the Russians in Riga, etc,". Foreign Office spokesman opined privately today that Germans would not now withdraw Baltic UM Army units to Finland but instead would endeavor to evacuate them to German ports. Paragraph 278 reports rated B 2 (credit 229) 122nd Infantry Div embarking Finnish port today Germany enroute.

Rayens

268 is CM-IN-12983 (18 Apr 44)

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CG AAF
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~~COL PARK~~
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From: US, Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

To: War Department 302
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 934

Ankara, Turkey to MILID 302 AMSME 934.

All Germans have left Bulgaria according Bulgarian Minister Balabanov. We have had numerous reports Germans have evacuated Black Sea Ports and several reports from various sources that Germans expect to leave Bulgaria but this is first claim they have all gone and requires confirmation.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CGAAF
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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 504 31 July 1944

504 MILID and London.

Canvas of Neutral and Axis opinion here can be summed up in the following analogy by 105.

Germany is like a sick man dying of cancer. The doctors know the patient is doomed but when the end will come they cannot say.

Other than in words this opinion is expressed as follows. Refugees in some cases are relinquishing long term leases anticipating return to homes this fall, a Nazi Finn police official seeks refuge here for his small son, Norwegian and Danish police battalions training in Sweden are completing final phases so as to be ready by 1st August, lesser German diplomats are privately courting personal or business men presumably for credit in darker days ahead. German Minister to Copenhagen visiting here sends word to American wife of former Italian First Secretary that here winter flight across the Kattegat in an open boat was quite unnecessary that he would have protected her etc.

The reasons supporting the opinion can be summarized as follows-Germany cannot regain the initiative. Even though a Nazi offensive sustained for want of military and industrial support. Inferior in the air, outnumbered on the ground, opposed by limitless and improved equipment, faced

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

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with the problem of declining manpower and production, housing the Trojan Horse, confronted by an alliance whose solidarity has been tested and found real, these reasons added together make the Nazi position hopeless and signal the end.

Again comes the warning from respected sources to be prepared for desperate measures in the last throes. Humane considerations will not enter into Nazi calculations.

I concur in the above and repeat the sentiments expressed in my 95 of 10 March namely the German crackup will come only after the Allied Armies have pummled Nazi fanaticism out of the German Army.

Rayens.

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TOR CODEROOM: 1447

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PARAPHRASED BY: VEROSKY/SOERGEL/

ROUTED BY: MORRIS

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RED NAVY CHIEF OF STAFF HERE SAYS THAT ACTIVITY GERMAN AVIATION NORTH NORWAY VERY MUCH REDUCED NOW. GERMANY NOT REPLACING PLANE LOSSES LAST MONTH AND MANEUVERING AIR FORCES FROM 1 FIELD TO ANOTHER EXPECTING SOVIET ATTACK.

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From: CG, US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To : War Department

Nr : 1597 30th July 1944

Continuing our cable 1594:

German requisitioning Italian grains sending Germany unmilled July 20th.

Battalion hvy Howitzer emplaced Suzzara south of Mantua. Ferrara barracks 349th Artillery Alpen Jager Regiment as reinforcements 5th Mountain Div July 21st.

SS Troops strength of div arrived from Yugoslavia in Verona-Brescia area. Motorized art unit with 36 guns 88 MM. 30 heavy tanks arrived Levanto area Laspezzia. All Italian effectives mobilized within year all war materiel to be incorporated German Army end of July. Many officers sent Germany for training July 19th.

Two long range batteries on south slopes Colde Melogno west Genoa. Field artillery battery in position two kilometres northeast of Voghera. Fortifications Verona-Rovere area provided with armament. AA emplaced south of Vicenza on Montiberici. Two batteries of 150 on Vincenza road 600 meters from Lerino. Many battery emplacements been prepared upper Venetia. Submarine minefields from Chioggia to Point Sabbioni. Defense works and mine fields been preparod on Trieste-Fiume highway. AA Battery 15 kilometres north of Reggio Emilia. 17th all source 3016 C 2.

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From: CG, US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland
Nr : 1597 30th July 1944

300 tons munitions reported stocked in cellar Strassburg Cathedral 6th.

No serious incidents south Germany following Hitler bomb. Sabotage railroad line Nancy area sharply cut Karlsruhe departure. By road 300 carriers with troops, 300 guns, 100 trucks with arms and munitions. Many workers sent Munich to fortifications workshops Poland. Much sabotage south German railroad lines 23rd.

Five submarines being completed in Caproni plant Milan. Series named D C B 4. They are of 30 ton, 14 meters long, two torpedo tubes, one gun 20 millimeter Diesel engines and electric motor, 12 knots two way radio. Some of these submarines to be sent Rovereto to be equipped motors gambinitul. Speed in test said to be considerable 21st.

Following from 7307: 273rd and 276th Divs occupying sectors Dax-Pau-Tarbes-Auch-Bordeaux left by railroad via Bordeaux-Angouleme-Chateau du Loire and arrived sector Lemans-Alencon-Laval July 12th July 18th.

15 troop trains, Belfort from Mulhouse for Besancon July 17th.

Mesirey deposited here important materiel dump for plane engines and V 1 parts. July 19th one train left Mesirey for Hagondage bearing V 1 materiel arrived from Hare Holland.

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From: CG, US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland
Nr : 1597 30th July 1944

Cases containing V 1 Materiel bear insignia: I and V under winged black box white triangle with DOT in center.

One inf div (age 35-48) one art div and one SS Regt passed Brenner toward Milan then Parma and Novara July 14th to July 20th.

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From: US Military Mission Moscow, Russia

To: War Department

Nr: M 20335 29 July 1944

To Bissell from Crist signed Deane M 20335 reur WAR 69175 July 22.

While attempted Hitler assassination and great defeats on central and southern sectors have lowered morale of German soldier leadership is still high, combat efficiency has not deteriorated, they continue to counter-attack strongly, and there are no mass desertions from the front. The German Army is still strong. This from Soviet order of battle officer.

End

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

No: 500 29 July 1944

500 repeated London

SAF informed Air Attache yesterday that three robot bombs landed in Bleking Eland 27 July of which two have been located. Unconfirmed reports indicate these of same type landing in England. Will follow up and inform you of developments.

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From: US, Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey.

To: War Department 292
OG, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt. 923

27 July 1944

JCZI to MILID 292 AMSME 923.

Majority members German Embassy in Turkey seemed pleased and hopeful upon hearing of attempt against Hitler according Swiss source C3. Italian source C3 says Papen, First Secretary of Embassy, and wife of counselor who is sister of Ribbentrop admit privately and for first time that Germany has lost war irretrivably.

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey.

To: War Department 293
CG, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt. 924

27 July 1944

JCZI to MILID 293 AMSME 924.

Members German Embassy in Turkey gravely worried by internal events Germany, Russian advance and Turk situation according French source B2. Several including Papen and Rohde feel there are germs of grave dissension in German Army. Many embassy members lukewarm on Nazis but feel obliged to continue supporting Hitler otherwise they fear Germany would collapse entirely. Instead of being C3 data from Swiss source on this subject in our MILID 292 and AMSME 923 should C4 have been rated.

End

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

To: War Department 294
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 925

27th July, 1944

JCZI to MILID 294 AMSME 925.

Relations of Bulgaria with Russia are now good says Balabanov Bulgarian Minister who has just returned Ankara from Bulgaria. This according French source B2. Balabanov said that as result of Russian pressure Bulgaria asked Germans to give up offensive base on Black Sea Coast such as Burgas and Varna that Germans agreed.

This ties in with observed movements of Germans out of Varna and Burgas. French source considers Germans do not oppose Russian Bulgar approachment hoping this will prevent Anglo Saxon or Turk attacks in Balkans.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland.

To: War Department.

Nr: 1584 26 July 1944

MILID Washington, D. C. Message nbr 1584.

For protection Bucharest area Germans frequently assemble from 400 to 500 hangars on Bucharest airfields when lull at front. Farm 150. Source this report separate cable. Number of small refineries Ploesti not yet out but almost all hit. 30 refineries working partially. Germans attempted to combine these into ten refineries. Our pilots flying took advantage.

OB Divisions at present stations Rumanian Infantry 8000, 5th Cavalry 3000, one tank, 60 type 4 German tanks. Three mountain brigades, 7000, 22 German Infantry divisions 8000. On July 18th six Panzer (100 tanks) two about to leave for north. Source has offered collaboration, has gone back.

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

To: War Department 289
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 920

Nr: 26 July 1944

Msg Nr. MILID 289 AMSME 920

Further reports received that Burgas and Varna are being evacuated by Germans. British who at first were without information on this now say they also are hearing that Germans being removed from these two Bulgarian ports and that Burgas of Germans is now bereft.

According Bulgarian source only 15,000 Germans left in all Bulgaria also that Germans plan to get out of country entirely. Action of Sobranye now reported meeting may clarify. Covernment has less reason than ever for playing German game.

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INFORMATION: CG AAF
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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department.

Nr: 490 25 July 1944.

Message serial number 490. To MILID.

Lacking reliable information, military circles here are divided in opinion as to the nature of last weeks reported aborted revolt. Puogl Group believes the attempt was real, the other suspects the incident was staged.

84 pinch hitting for 105 represents the first group. He believes the external manifestations were limited to those reported in the German communiques, that the situation is now under control, that Colonel Von Stauffenbert and 40 to 50 others (are still unknown), were executed, that Fromm and Keitel were not active members of the plotting group although Fromm now in arrest. Von Stauffenberg was Fromm's Chief of Staff. Therefore 84 assumed that the plotters were represented in all echelons of the Heimwehr.

The revolt was dependent upon the successful obliteration of the party chiefs, when the plot failed in its effect the plan whatever it might have been was not put into execution so that only a limited number of conspirators were exposed and punished.

266 also on vacation. His substitute and colleagues believe the job was staged as an **excuse** for a purge. He maintains that judging from the photograph of the room where the bomb exploded that no one could have emerged alive,

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

Nr: 490 25 July 1944.

that the situation could not have been gotten in hand in the short time claimed, etc. He had no answer as to why under his theory the party would find it necessary to announce to the world disaffection among the sacro sanct officer class.

From the limited information on hand my theory is that the party had advance inkling of an army officer plot which was watched but which possibly got out of hand, that an incident minor or major did occur under such public circumstances that it was judged better to announce than to conceal it, that it was quickly snuffed out and that the party used it to regain prestige, to serve as an excuse for a purge, and to give Himmler control of the Heimwehr.

The announcements by the party chiefs will further contribute confusion, unrest, bewilderment among the people and increase suspicion in official quarters. The effect large or small eventually will be communicated to the front. In the meantime Himmler emerges as the strong man as Hitler retires into the role of spiritual figurehead and front.

My comments are without foundation in fact. I will continue to probe.

Rayens.

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From: US, Military Attache Lisbon, Portugal

To: War Department

No: 364 23 July 1944

Lisbon 364 rptd Madrid signed Solborg

Drawing on info here coupled with scant reports from Germany following analysis may be of interest: we are witnessing today in Germany commencement of dissolution of partnership whose only link was a temporary coincidence of interests between Nazi party and Officer Corps. Had venture proved success partnership would have survived until later date and since it is failure Officer Corps has no longer any interest in it.

From now on interests diverge: Officer Corps wishes to survive so brains and records can be saved to use for next war. They also wish to make peace with army in field undefeated to their lights knowing full well that a political maniac surrounded by a party can always be found in Germany when appropriate time comes for action. Hitler and his gang conscious of foregoing wish to engulf in their downfall all remaining vestiges of German organized force.

I feel we are entering upon first fundamental phase of drama but am not suggesting German military effort is terminated or even that it approaches its exhaustion.

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From: US Military Attache, Berne, Switzerland

To: War Department

No: 1569 23 July 1944

To MILID, message nbr 1569

Ninety-five Troop and material (especially AA and motorized artillery) trains passed Namur June 21 June 23 toward Givet for France.

Following bombing of Point Du Luxemburg on 3rd June it took 23 days to build temporary lines toward Givet.

SS AD Hitler Division July 9 Bruges Area (last previous report, our 1454 placed it at Nimes).

Above from 8316. Following all 5303:

19th Pan Division being reformed Avicourt. Has received Artillery Regiment, Infantry Regiment and Reconnaissance Battalion 13th.

Large troop concentration Metz Region July 7 identified arrivals since July 10:

Motorized Division with headquarters Mersch from Goltal (TCO Fredegonde) Infantry Division with fresh troops Diedenhofen (TCO Franziska).

Infantry Division 5000 men being reformed at Lure 17th.

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Infantry Division from Germany via Belfort to Gray 24 troop trains, 1 with Tiger tanks (41 cars) for Vesoul 22 troop trains June 19 June 24.

Rommels headquarters since July 1 Chateau du Sautdescure between Gerardmer and Orbey.

Following sections Paris subway line with equipment requisitioned for use as underground workship for General Flugzeugmeister: Line 2:

Liberte to Pyrenees including these and intermediate stations:

Section between line 3 and b: Porte des Lilas (shuttle station) Voie des Fetes (station single line) Voie de Lanavette (single line) station Mairie Divery.

Stock of reserve bridges in South France 18 of 33 meter, 5 of 22 meter length.

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PARAPHRASED BY MARZOLF Hutchinson			ROUTINE
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ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

JAPANESE AMBASSADOR AND NAVAL ATTACHE HERE STATED TO SHARK THAT TOKYO BELIEVES WE ARE NOT MAKING SERIOUS EFFORT IN FRANCE BUT ARE WAITING FOR RUSSIAN ADVANCE ON GERMAN FRONTIER WHERE RESISTANCE WILL BE FORMIDABLE; THAT GERMAN PREPARATIONS FOR THIS DRIVE INCLUDE WITHDRAWAL FROM EAST PRUSSIA; THAT RUSSIANS WILL NOT ADVANCE AGAINST GERMAN FRONTIER BUT WILL DRIVE THROUGH A AND OCCUPY BALKINS ABOUT SEPTEMBER IF WE HAVEN'T RELIEVED PRESSURE AGAINST THEM IN EAST BY THEN.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1562 22 July 1944

Message number 1562

Staff of air group from Balkans arrived Treviso, 16th Field Artillery detachments with anti tank guns from Pavia 318th Artillery Voghera Division Headquarters at Belluno 2,000 Alpine Italian troops for incorporation German Army at Gorizia 12th.

Compensated only following non brigading Italy 22,500 German service troops and recuperated. 14,000 Italian Soldiers, 17,000 foreigners in police or defense works following constituted in Pioneer Units 12,000 Germans 12,000 foreigners, 55,000 Italians. 2,000 Germans and 165,000 Italians civilians in other forces, 18,000 Italians and 4,000 Germans mobilized for rail service 15,000 men from German strategic reserves 6,500 Germans, 12,000 Italians fortress troops in Charlotte works Alpine River bank from Bologna, reserve regiments of the 4th Parachute Division from Fenza and infantry regiments from Fano left for Bagno di Romagna.

Railroad Bordeaux-Nantes made strategic line for German troops only 16th.

German situation Spezzia most unstable, strong partisan groups at Col de la Cisa. Defenses Magra River mouth stronger than that Spezzia point of Porto Venere

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

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occupied by detachments 92nd Infantry but no strong defense workr. La Spezzia forts no guns larger than 210 caliber 71st Division being regrouped Spezzia 131st and 132nd Regiment Infantry 65th Division and four armored battalions in reserve in Lerici-Zarzana-Massa area. 188th Mountain Division occupies Col de Cerretto and Fort * ne 19th.

Daily locomotive production greater Germany Italy France Belgium 20, just covering losses Boorsig, Florisdorf-Vienna, Jung and Schmick service squadrons near Prague plants working full blast. Krupp output nil, Thathenvel production very low lubricants reserves exhausted, machine oil replaced by Ersatz consisting of 90% cellulose paste and 10% linseed oil. This Ersats good for only some hours 16th.

All above 3062 B2 following C3. Defenses and mine fields on right bank river between Rimini and Penablli. Karmala field artillery detachment at pass between Forli and Florence. Fortifications workshop on Trento-Padua road in Morian section. * Cartarolio. Heavy artillery motorized emplaced in Brenta Valley.

Defense work on left bank lower Adige River completed German mountain artillery at Belluno at Conegeliano Pass inundation Cerrvia-Revenna area Reno mouth.

On Po, lower Adige Rivers Brenta pontoons elements to replace rapidly bridges destroyed by raids. 17 such

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makeshift bridges between Pavia and Pontela Goscuro and two bridges on rafts below 10th.

Radio telegraph post 300 meters north of prison northeast exit Genoa another in Padua barracks 13th.

Italian Alpine detachment left Chiavari to occupy fortified position Col de Bocco. Defense works Col de Turchina. Six batteries 104 and four heavy anti aircraft batteries Col de Cadibone. At Col de Bracco naval guns 220. On Brascia Lake Garda road 88s 11th.

100 German Fighters arrived Berg. 12th Torpedo planes being built Sesto Calende. 30 recently sent to France Baltic and East Prussia being evacuated.

Ten trains left Liban, Reval, 50 Riga, 455 Koenigsberg with civilians war material and workers. 180 trains Koenigsberg to Francfort Oder and Breslau with Slav recruits 11th.

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From: US Military Attache, London, England.

To: War Department.

Nr: 13619 21 July 1944.

Serial number 13619. To MILID.

MO-MI meeting War Office today results following opinions concerning attack on Hitler.

MD War Office unable identify officer alleged to have attempted assassination, believe attempt did take place and that assault was well organized and not whim individual.

Reasons for such wide German publicity may be, first, creates public impression that Fuerher is undergoing danger as are front line soldiers; secondly, may be move initiating new purge; thirdly, high command may be using this means arrest growing revolt.

Name home Army not identifiable and assumed all military and police forces Germany proper constitute Himmler's new command. Increases in Himmler's powers add to his likelihood becoming successor to Hitler if necessity for such arises.

Air Ministry states General Stumf has for some time been leader Luftwaffe within Reich.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England

Nr: FX 73876 21 July 1944

From AFHQ to AGWAR, TROOPERS, SHAEF ref no FX73876 signed Wilson cite FHGPI.

French report 14th July arrival 198th Infantry Division including 235th Engineer Battalion area Narbonne. Comment: Propose to accept and equate with unidentified division carried Narbonne. Responding to our query same French source reports 148th Reserve Division still at Grasse 3rd July.

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21 July 1944

From: Bern

No: 4691

Info: War Dept

At 2 plenary sessions of "Reichs Verteidi-Gungsrat", presided over by Hitler prior to July 7, there was deliberated German defense strategy resulting from front developments and by shortages of men, airplanes and motor fuel. The semi-final decisions were reached July 7 at another meeting of Defense Council:

(A) Nazi reserves now amount to only 25 divisions. (See my July 20 telegram, no.4653).

(B) Dwindling supplies of motor fuel and men necessitate greater concentration of present widely dispersed forces through withdrawals from 1 or more fronts.

(C) Large scale withdrawals from Italy and Southern France being prepared. Troop and materiel transports to Italy to stop July 12 where Germans ordered deliver determined rear guard actions to prepare for positions in the Alps. The South France evacuation will start at once by terminating German civil and other administrative functions at Toulon and Marseille. The transfer of military and civilian offices from Paris toward Germany will be accelerated.

Despite Hitler's strongly opposing the foregoing program, he finally acquiesced after it had been described as imperative by all his experts.

Note evaluation

A trustworthy informant says the foregoing (C-0) is from an unidentified source, presumably the same as given in my 4653 telegram.

Signed Harrison
American Minister

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From: U.S. Military Attache in Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department

Nr: 483 21 July 1944

483 MILID and London.

Facts regarding Hitler episode have not reached 84 who promises to notify me promptly anything worth while received. 84 substituting for 105 who is on vacation. While interviewing him he called press chief who had nothing authentic. Please notify State. Following culled from conversation with 84. Telephone service Germany Sweden reopened at 15 hours today. Lufthansa promises renewed service starting 22 July. Confirms arrival Finland of Sturmge Schutz Brigade reported in my 477. Total 7 German Divs now in Norway with redistribution in process in area evacuated by 196 and 295 Inf Divs. Total of 6 divs in Denmark including 2 second rate. Our forces Normandy opposed by 25 picked German Divs. 84 recently returned from Finland where he reports strong trend for peace and hints that favorable developments along this line are not unlikely.

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FROM: US Military Attache, Beyoglu

TO: War Department

NO: 36089 20 July 1944

Msg 36089 MILID

Eye witness arrived 18th from Bulgaria reports two train loads German troops going west from Varna. Says tone of press changed, German propagenda being conspicuously less prominent. Other reports indicate growing anti-German policy of Bulgarian Government. C3 source reports antagonism between regents. Prince Kyril backed by Mihov said to be accusing Filov of retaining pro-Germanism too long.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 479 20 July 1944

479 repeated London.

Another 100 trains requisitioned in addition to 80 mentioned my cable 462 according to 299 rated B 2, who believes entire 196 Division now left Norway. Total troops departed Oslo from 1 May to 10 July, 22,000. Practically no German troops remaining Ostfold and Osterdalen, only 100 men at Terningmoen. 2 to 3,000 men arrived Lyngen from Finland recently.

200 German planes at Vaernes rated C 5 by 200 from Swedish sources.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 477 19 July 1944

477 MILID and London

Yesterday 278 interviewed 255. The latter reviewed the Western Front situation as follows:

30 Allied Divs in Normandy opposed by 40 German Divs. Montgomery has 5 Divs in reserve in Southeast England. Another Allied grouping of 16 Inf and 7 Tank Divs in England is poised for early 2nd invasion between the Somme and Seine, the old and new forces to advance east and envelop Paris. In addition in UK are three Divs Scotland; four Inf, one Paratroop and one Tank Div opposite Ireland; two Inf, two Paratroop, one Tank Div UK unlocated. Two US Divs arrive UK monthly. July arrivals will be one Inf and one Tank Div. Questioned about this previous estimate see my 309 and 255 blandly stated he was wrong that occasion. Queried relative his recent trip Norway 255 stated he believed there were 13 German Inf and one PZ Div there, claims reports of recent German withdrawals were due to Swede official releases to Swedish press. 255 said Swedish Intelligence was very weak and unreliable and that his information came from a current German operation map. 278 got the impression that 255 was endeavoring to convince him prior to his early departure for Helsinki that the Germans are stronger than they are and the Allies weaker than they are. 255 also stated East Front situation serious; he expects Soviets to occupy Balticum this month and reach the Reich Selin early fall.

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden
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278 also commented on conversation with members of a pro German Finnish Army Supply Committee lately arrived in Stockholm enroute home from Berlin. In marked contrast to previous reports by same group are the following observations:

All Germany depressed by implications behind large scale civilian evacuation of East Prussia. Recent rail travel restrictions due to diversion rolling stock that area. At begin of year Germans reduced Finn quota liquid fuel but have now promised to restore old quotas which may be bluff altho this promise actually capable of fulfillment since liquid fuel exports to Finland constitute drop in bucket compared to overall Nazi requirements. German Oil Official Griebel says production of oil reduced 40% but new bomb proof storage facilities and conservation measures will correct situation. German political official states liquid fuel situation serious because considerable reserve stocks destroyed and only 25% production capacity remains. Supply General Beckers Chief of Staff admits East Front situation hellish and that the facts being withheld from populace who nevertheless sense critical situation. German armament expert predicts bright prospects for anti-tank rocket now in experimental stage. German Bazooka excellent against all types tanks, anti-tank defense now superior to offense.

278 rated B3 states another Sturm Geschutz Brig now enroute Finland. Believes Russian raid on Kotka with 118 bombers was aimed at these reinforcements. Floating anti-air platform was sunk and not the Vainam Oinen as reported by press. Now present in Abo (Turku) Waters are the Vaina Moinen, Hipper, and Prinz Eugen. Germans have promised Finns

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden
Nr: 477
19 July 1944

more 88 MM AT and AA equipment. Doubtful ability to furnish sufficient ammunition limits value of offer since Finn factories not prepared to manufacture this type ammunition.

Transports Remy 468 docked at Aarhus and are believed to have discharged troops enroute to Germany.

Credit 229 who arranged interview and notify his office.

Rayens

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1543 17th July, 1944

1543.

Shortage German railroad cars and locomotives about 25 percent. Ten divisions from Strassburg 8 from local reserves on Russian front. Hundreds of thousands will undertake fortification east front. Inundation being prepared especially on Vistula and in Oderbruck. Decision made to defend German terrain even with gas if necessary (no confirmation on this). For west front strategic reserve cavalry drawn on for 2 infantry I armored divisions. 183 locomotives lost first half 1944 July 7.

20,000 evacuated East Prussia expected Tyrol. Office War Minister transferred Kummersdorf Camp. July 11.

Caproni plant Milan completed in June A 1 submarine 12 meters , B 2 submarines 35 meters 1 of these shipped direction Verona June 30. Specifications:

A. Diesel and electric engine 2 torpedo tubes 12 knots plunging depth 35 meters crew 2.

B. Motor same 4 torpedo tubes plunging depth 40 meters 12 knots crew 5 mine planter.

Since June 11th absolute ban on freight shipments France, Germany and Balkans to Italy except trains coal only, gasoline only for Trieste via Tarvis, war materiel in special cars. South of line Savona-Alessandria-Piacenza-Mantua-Padua-

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

Nr: 1543 17th July, 1944

Venice war materiel only in complete trains. Because Munich raid July 14 Arlberg traffic almost exclusively troops and war materiel. July 14 4 trains heavy artillery unloaded Landeck and Innsbruck. Brenner traffic intense both road and railway latter normal since July 10. Starting July 17 travelers admitted to Germany only to stations more than 100 KM from border.

All above B 2 source 1062 following from untested sub source. As of June 1st in Italy 2265 tanks including 380 tigers. On that date losses were 782 destroyed 853 damaged. Existing reserve of 400 drawn on for 162. 6th.

C 3 Lorraine and Luxemberg steel mills output dropped at least 50 percent shortage 1944 gasoline production estimated million tons. Germans using 80 octane gasoline in airplanes now reducing ceiling 20 percent. 13th.

Legge.

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INFORMATION: CGAAF
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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 474 17 July, 1944

474 repeated to London.

Killed along with Dietl in 23rd June air accident was Genl Clseer CG 18th GEB Korps whose replacement is Genl Thochbaum. General Rossi CG Div Rossi also killed now replaced by Gen Maj Vonderhoop. No new German troops Finland thru 13th July but more materiel and 5000 additional Nazi bazookas sent since my 461. Rumored that new troops arrive from Hamburg and Stetin. From 233 via 86B 2 evaluation no signs German evacuation Finland, instead Germans contracted for new air field at Kaamanen and for 14 prefabricated hangars to be shipped to Kirkenes. Since these actions long range proposition, may be attempt deception. Soviet Forces Viborg Area reinforced by 6 divs past week, including Inf Divs 124 and 224, Marine Brig 260 all from Narva Front. Finns believe purpose bridgehead established by Soviets to North East is to secure their right flank while they drive for Helsinki via Viborg Bay Islands which entirely in their hands and upon which they have landed some armor.

Rayens.

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal

To: War Department

Nr: 348 17 July 1944

That Germs are preparing to evacuate all of French territory south and west of Loire is B2 report. Unconfirmed report C4 has it that Algiers is endeavoring obtain from Petain transfer of powers to De Gaulle so that legitimacy so dear to French hearts may be maintained. Serial 348 here.

End

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

To: War Department.

Nr: 1541. 17 July 1944.

1541.

PO line fortifications extended towards east, fixed fortifications being constructed between Chivasso and Casale, battery of 88's being emplaced at Montcalvo.

Tanks dug in on banks of Olio in Pontevico area.

Defensive work being constructed on Padua-Vicenza road.

Special obstacles installed on Polisella-Rovigo road.

AAA arrived Monselice.

The remaining obstacles and mine fields on Adriatic coast area in **.

Machinery in Nocenti plant Milan being evacuated to Germany.

Reports as * 18,000 Italian workers or recruits left Milan for Germany.

Disguised air field:

Orio-Bergamo, 70 bombers,
Venegono, 30 Italian training planes,

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

Nr: 1541. 17 July 1944.

Castanoprimo, 22 torpedo bombers,
Mirafiori * 441 fighters,
Lomate-Pozzolo, 37 torpedo planes,
Cameri, 15 undesignated,
Cascinavaga, 38 fighters,
Desenzano, 15 bombers, also Italian torpedo planes,
Bresso, 24 bombers.

Intensive work at Malpen Sabine Pass and San Maria (Cerviniamoebano).

Fighters from Vienna arrived Treviso by rail July 6.

Source 7063 all C-3 July 3 July 10 left Karlesruhe for Nancy eight troop trains, 60 tanks, 300 light guns, two ammunition trains:

For Metz, eight troop trains, 50 tanks, 150 light guns, one hospital train for * - Florence, eight ammunition trains but no troops, no materiel,

Lublin via Cracow, many trains of medium tanks.

Very severe gas mask inspection interior Germany.

July 10.

Modane-Turin line traffic:

Three trains daily each direction.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

Nr: 1541. 17 July 1944.

12 tanks* rounds St Jean de Maurienne to Turin.

Nice-Cuneo traffic lively.

July 2.

German gasoline production estimate 43 percent of that used.

Reserves in Cororina mountains in northeast Slovakia drawn upon for first time. Since July 1, Roumanian gasoline delivery in Switzerland stopped.

Mentality.

Runways Montpelier airdrome badly damaged raid of June 25 but no planes hit. Still 40 torpedo planes. All planes left Marignane for Milles.

At Istres, 50 fighters,
Berre, 30 torpedo planes,
Luynes and Lacalade, 380 MM guns, at
Salona, 150 bombers.

Rail traffic Sainte Marie aux Mines-Provencheres suspended * 1,200 workers preparing installation factories in tunnels.

Alsatian traffic normal, no sabotage.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

Nr: 1541. 17 July 1944.

Marne-Rhine canal cut at *ville, Houville * at Saargemund, July 6.

From untested 25,000:

Three infantry divisions left Stuttgart-Ulm areas for Normandy,

One infantry division Helberg Camp for Italy.

Donaueschingen and Villingen completely empty.

Large SS elements arrived in Black Forrest, July 7.

Legge

* Being serviced.

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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From: CG, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

DTG: 16/1600Z 16 July 1944

PWE/PID London attention Balfour OWI London for Hamblett. Air Min Kingsway pass Brigadier Sachs. PWB Bari for Cairo. Balkan Air Force pass, AFHQ for PWB attention Radford, 10th Signal Centre pass, RAFDEL for OWI Washington attention Thompson from PWB Italian Theatre Headquarters, encyphered by 14th Signal Centre, RAF cable number 74 July 15th.

Mussolini's Diary. Chief editor of Das Schwarze Korps Berlin, confidential adviser Gunther D'Alquen. To Heinrich Himmler and commander of the SS propaganda Kompagnie, told his friends on a visit to Rome last April: When in September parachutists and SS men liberated Mussolini from imprisonment, they found his private diary.

Oberturnbannfuhrer Skorzeny, who commanded the unit which liberated Mussolini read the diary. Considering some of the items highly important he had a photostatic copy made of the document which he handed then to Heinrich Himmler. Mussolini not aware of this. Himmler showed it to Hitler in order to inform him of Mussolini's real feelings as set forth in his diary. One of the passages contained in the document was written on July 19th 1943 after the Allied air raid on military targets in the Rome area reads:

"Poor unhappy Rome. You too have become a victim of the fury of war. One drawn into the dreadful machine of Prussian Militarism, there is no other choice but to destroy or to be destroyed."

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From: CG, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, Caserta, Italy

DTG: 16/1600Z July 1944

The diary also contained similar entries after Mussolini's fall on July 25th 1943. Hitler's feelings for Mussolini are supposed to have cooled considerably as a result of reading this diary. This story reported from source close to Von Langin, Director German Press Service Reischachdienst and Folkeswortsgruppenleiter NSDAP Rome who heard it from D'Alquen.

End

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

DTG: 150350Z July 1944

To MILID, Washington, D.C.

Families of German officers and functionaries evacuating Paris. Many archives transported to interior of Germany. French Ambassador left Paris for military transport July 4th.

1000 German soldiers arrived Susegana near Treviso via Tarvis. Battalion heavy naval AA at Cesena. German Corps Staff arrived Portogruaro with a Rumanian Liaison Officer July 5th.

30 Fighters arrived Bergamo July 9th.

Slovak troops now 2 Divisions interior 2 North Italy 1 at Carpathia. German troops in Finland increased at most 2 Divisions recruited from Baltic Countries. German gasoline reserves placed at 2 months at present consumption July 4th Source 3061 all B-2 since start invasion only 1 express train daily on big lines of communication, slow trains reduced 50% and purely local traffic entirely out July 9th total effectives transported from Vienna Munich area to Normandy 21 to June 28 placed at 100,000. Big troop and panzer materiel total to Italy via Brenner 6 to July 10 from July 10 traffic down to 5 trains daily. Gasoline allotment postal and railway services cut daily. Strategic reserves in Salzburg Area heavily drawn upon

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland
DTG: 150350Z July 1944

troops sent to Italy via Brenner July 8.

20 Troop trains stalled in Macon Area station, numerous gasoline, munition and troop trains in stations between Dijon and Paris. Troops sent Normandy as reinforcements detrained Paris number unknown, some detachments at Metz these proceeded by road. Trucks of Reich, Adolf Hitler, Hohenstaufen units noticed passing Paris July 10 all private gasoline reserves Paris blocked yielding it 1,500,000 liter. Materiel of Caudron Aviation Plant evacuated to Germany June 30 Paris Military School now sorting station for badly wounded. Very heavy concentration materiel in Saint Cloud and Meudon Forest. 44 trains motorized troops Bayonne to Thouars June 25, 30 trains motorized troops and tanks Nice to St Lo June 23, 22 trains tanks Perigueux to Thouars June 18 advance notice June 28 arrival 20,000 men at Versailles 60 troop trains from Belgium detrained Corbie June 23, 100 troop trains Sete to Bordeaux June 21 destruction of Marseille port especially gasoline pumps begun June 30 small passage Toulon obstructed by scuttled "For all purposes onne" large area mined June 18 recently sunk in Marseille Harbor Marguerite Eyy, Tarn, Capitaine Domiani, Chateau Larose Medjerda, Stahlen June 24 sunk in Toulon port Italian liner Virgilio, freighter Strabon. Torpedoed before Capaat Colon Fallas and Cap Blanc June 27 Toulon arsenal almost destroyed completely, pyrotechnic badly damaged raid of July 5. La Seyne unusable.

ACTION: G-2 Legge

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From: U S Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

To: War Department

Nr: 1539 15 July 1944

1539

Only 1 Infantry Regiment between Nice and Imperia. Train with 8 guns 150 in tunnel between Imperia and Diano and radio detection at Imperia. At Albenga 30 tanks, at Sportono armored train with 8 guns, Savona 12 tanks, 2 Infantry Battalions of which 1 Polish. 5000 soldiers including Italians and foreigners passed Genoa on way Voltri to Nervi. At Voltri railroad artillery train. Russian element of 303rd Infantry Division at Alessandria and reserves of 4th Parachute Division at Parma and Fidenza July 5.

At Faenza 1500 men of Herman Goering Division July 9.

Motorized artillery and light tanks at Marcaria-Mantlia. Hungarian Cavalry arrived southeast of Pistoia July 6 source 9062 C 3. Several ammunitions dumps at Ailla north of Spezzia. Mine fields being laid Magra Valley. Many work-shops for fortification recently opened entire area Trento, Dolomites, Friolil July 4.

4 batteries emplaced Bordighera-Dolceacqua road and 2 batteries between Albenga and Ceriale. Defensive work under way north of Savona:

1500 workers on Cols Giovo and Cadibone.

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From: U S Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland.

Nr: 1539 15 July 1944

99 railroad cars with 88 millimeter guns from Verdello factories arrived Genoa. July 5

Large materiel convoy under SS escort Milan to Albenga. Military traffic intense on Fidenza-Sarzana line. July 9.

Germans preparing destruction 4 big tunnels through Appennines. July 2.

Majority Spezzia effectives (3000 men and 60 guns) left for Pisa. Anti tank defenses being constructed on Forli -Dicomano line. Field artillery emplacements on Sieve River between Dicomano and San Pietro. Artillery ammunition dump at Montliolo 5 kilometers west of Lucca. Battery heavy artillery long range 6 kilometers south of Via Reggio. July 6.

To be continued.

Legge

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal.

To: War Department.

Nr: 343 14 July 1944

MILID Washington, D. C. Message number 343.

Likelihood Germans receiving petroleum products reur 63926 from Portugal exceedingly small. Portugal supplied by Allies has less than requirements and severely controls distribution. Possibilities of leakage to Germs is thru smuggling of black market products and no indications exist of this traffic. Germ Legation Airline and Mines import petroleum products from France for use here.

When and as Germ Atlantic Coast submarine bases are taken by Allies sub packs will be driven other fuelling bases and this peninsula may be tried. This fact and Germs heavy petroleum losses by bombing make next 90 days critical period and close watch on oil question here being kept.

That Germs are short fuel is born out by A 1 eye witness report of recent parade in Champse Elysees, Paris of 210 millimeter batteries pulled by gasogene vehicles.

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MOST IMMEDIATE

14 July 1944

From: AFHQ Adv CP

To : AGWAR Washington (BAS Washington please pass)
War Office
Rptd: AFHQ Algiers

No : BX 13765

For General Surles for Lord Burnham. Signed Wilson cite FHDSC.

There have been some advances but the general situation remains unchanged on the front of the 8th Army the Polish Corps occupied Cingoli and met resistance about one mile north of the town. On the right of the X Corps zone reconnaissance units have patrolled north of the Fabriano Fossato Di Vico-Gubbio road and have occupied Gubbio. In the valley of the Tiber River Indian troops have advanced two miles and are now two miles south of Citta Di Castello. Other X Corps troops after an advance of about two miles against moderate resistance are on a line extending west south west from a point about two miles west of Citta Di Castello.

On the XIII Corps front there was no change in the situation. On the 5th Army front the French Corps followed up an enemy withdrawal and advanced from one to two miles in the western part of their zone. Heavy artillery and many demolitions were encountered. IV Corps troops advanced from one to two miles throughout their zone capturing the town of Chianni. Resistance was moderate to heavy.

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From: HQ AA I Adv

To: A.F.H.Q. Algiers

No: 03833 13 July 1944

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Personal for Wilson for approval prior to dispatch personal to Marshall and Brooke.

Summary Report to 1200 hours 13 July.

Part One:

Enemy continues to defend Ancona-Arezzo-Poggibonsi and Leghorn with great determination. 10 Corps in centre and 4 Corps on coast after heavy fighting have made most important gains during period.

Eighth Army. POL CORPS with under Comd Three Carp Div Five Kres Div Two Pol Armd Bde CIL seized Osino at secured left flank on line river Musone preparatory to attack to seize Ancona. 10 Corps with under Comd right 10 Ind Div left 4 Ind Div 9 Armd Bde and 8 Ind Div in Res made substantial progress West of river Tiber. Mountain sector on right of 10 Corps still covered by Armd car units. 13 Corps with right 6 Br Armd Div centre 4 Inf Div and 1 Cdn Armd Bde left 6 SA Armd Div have encountered strong enemy resistance and made no appreciable gains. 2 NZ Div now concentrating in area West of Cortona R3711 complete 16 July for 13 Corps. 1 Cdn Corps with under Comd 1 Cdn Inf Div 5 Cdn Armd Div 21 Tk Bde remaining Res Trg in general area Pied Monte D'Alife H3205. 25 Tk Bde remains in Nahni area in army res.

Fifth Army: FEC with under Comd right 2 DIM and left 4 DMM have advanced against strong rearguards in conformation with 4 Corps. 4 Corps with under Comd right 88 Inf Div centre 91 Inf Div left 34 Inf Div after very heavy fighting have obtained firm foot-hold in hills north of Rosignano Q 1430 and Castellina Q2230. 442 RCT and 1 US Armd Div are now in Corps Res. 85 Inf Div now concentrated Roccastrada in army Res. 5 Corps with under Comd 1 Brit Div 1 Brit Armd Div 1 Brit Inf Div

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7 Armd Bde remains under OP Comd AAI and under Eighth Army for Trg. Approx front line now runs Gumana S6935 - S Paterniano S5436 - S5032 - S4427 Trobiggiano S4021 - S3013 - (Chiaravadie) S1815 - S1113 - Gubbio R8519 - R6626 - R6022 -R5622 - Monte San Maria R5129 - 4027- R3221 - Lignano R2826 - R2129 - R1729 - R0626 - Q9629 - Q9025 - Q8230 - Q7432 - Q6633 - Q5735 - Q5035 - Q4139 - Q3538 - Q3137 - Q2638 - Q2036 - Q1732 - Q1434 - Q0932 Boundaries no change.

Eighth Army. POLCORPS no change.

10 Corps. 8 Ind Div to 13 Corps 18 July. 13 Corps. To take over FEC sector with 8 Ind Div 20-22 July when Arezzo sector will pass to 10 Corps new boundary not yet decided. 4 Corps - FEC boundary North to river Arno will become inter army boundary. 46 Div concentrates Massa Martana A7964 in army Res by 24 July.

Fifth Army. 4 Corps no change.

AAI Reserve. 56 Div from ME concentrates Tivoli by 26 July. Withdrawals for Anvil. 2 DIM and 4 DMM begin withdrawal from 5 Army 18 July. 2 Para Bde has passed to Comd APHQ. Moves EX Italy. 78 Div sails ME 18 July.

Part Two: Intentions. Eighth Army. POLCORPS

To attack on Axis Aguguano S5039 - Chiaravadie S4526 after main thrust by 13 Corps and capture Ancona probable date 18 July.

10 Corps. To thrust forward vigorously to gain high ground between road Umbertide - Sanse Pulcro and Arezzo.

13 Corps. To make main army thrust to break enemy defences in Arezzo area probable date 14/15 July.

Fifth Army. FEC until relieved. To conform with advances by 4 and 13 Corps.

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4 Corps. To capture high ground South of Arno from S [redacted] Q4660 to Colle Salvetti Q1551.

Grouping.

Part Three: Locations.

AAI Adv A 360445 Main Rome. 5 Corps H5427. 11 Ind Inf Bde H530125 move under Comd 8 Army 15 July. 7 Armd Bde H0320. 1 Lt Inf Div F759483. 2 Bde F771547. 3 Bde F754461. 18 Bde F640548. 1 Br Armd Div P004535. 2 Armd Bde P007426. 46** Div Pignatoria. 128 Bde Pignatoria. 138 Bde Pignatoria. 139 Bde Pignatoria. 56 Div Taranto. 167 Bde Taranto. 168 Bde Taranto. 169 Bde Taranto. 8 Army Tac R410026 Main W 451890 Rear A785385. 25 Tk Bde Narni A7837. 2 NZ Div W4387. 1 Cdn Corps H209058. 21 Tk Bde H059072. 1 Cdn Inf Div H297061. 1 Cdn Bde H318053. 2 Cdn Bde H328017. 3 Cdn Bde H357013. 5 Cdn Armd Div N247972. 5 Cdn Armd Bde N242972. 11 Cdn Bde N 299912. 2 POLCORPS Main S654187. 2 Pol Armd Bde S642282. 3 Carp Div S661242. 1 Carp Bde S5835. 2 Carp Bdes S628307. 5 Kres Div S544247. 5 Wilen Bde S542332. 6 Lwow Bde S525256. Cil S4922 Nembo GP S472266. 10 Corps R674165. 4 Ind Div R627147. 5 Ind Bde area Andrea R5512. 7 Ind Bde R523180. 10 Ind Bde under Comd 4 Ind Div R581140. 9 Armd Bde GP under Comd 4 Ind Div R560154. 8 Ind Div A974832. 17 Ind Bde A9783. 19 Ind Bde W891832. 21 Ind Bde W890808. 10 Ind Div R654134. 20 Ind Bde R667194. 25 Ind Bde R939179. 13 Corps R217178. 4 Pr Div R1518. 10 Bde R217225. 12 Bde R149186. 28 Bde R2123. 1 Cdn Armd Bde R210139. 6 Br Armd Div R3412. 26 Armd Bde R317159. 1 Gds Bde GP R3413. 61 Inf Bde R307123. 6 SA Armd Div R9720. 11 SA Armd Bde Q997190. 12 SA Mot Bde R028181. 24 Gds Bde GP Q970249. 5 Army Maine E6177. 1 US Armd Div Castagneto Q2402. FEC Q865049. 2 DIM Q925035. 4 DMM Q655280 4 Corps Q372292. TF Ramsy Q599240. 34 Div Q234248. 133 Inf Q236275. 135 Inf Q135279. 168 Inf Q237275. 442 Inf Q193307. 88 Div Q368278. 349 Inf Q410347. 350 Inf Q405298. 351 Inf Q369297. 91 Div Q300298. 361 Inf Q252319***. 363 Inf Q259336****. 2 Corps E493903. 85 Div E658903. 337 Inf E802392. 338 Inf E623475. 339 Inf E628481.

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INFO: CC/S, Gen Arnold, Gen. Bissell, Col. Park, Log.

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

To: War Department

Nr. S 55480 13 July

To TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI for action to EXFOR FUSAG AFHQ cite FHGBI AEAF for Bennett SHAEF forward FAIRBANKS for info from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI S 55480.

G2 summary number 38.

1. Operations. Enemy withdrawing under pressure along whole base of Carentan Peninsula and readjusting his line. South of Carentan using groups of 1 to 2 tanks and 30 Infantry as rearguards.

East of St Lo resistance weak. 9 Parachute Regiment (3 Parachute Division) apparently withdrew in considerable disorder and had to be relieved.

2. Movement. Reports of troops detraining Seine interieure and movement across ferries at Caudebec and Duclair suggests possibly 89 Infantry Division arriving north of Seine and either proceeding itself to Normandy or releasing 17 German Air Force to move across. Latter considered more likely and supported by unconfirmed identification of 17 German Air Force Bretteville (U 05).

Loaded trains seen north of Lyons suggests parts of 271 Infantry Division delayed by bombing of Dijon. Division apparently routed to Somme Seine area but ultimate destination not yet clear and may yet be switched to Normandy front.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

Nr. S 55480 13 July 1944

3. Tank losses. 1st United States Army claims for tanks knocked out between 110900 and 120900:

2 mark VI, 13 mark V, 14 mark IV, 6 unspecified.

4. Prisoners of War. No increase in last 24 hours. Accumulative total of foreign Prisoners of War received in United Kingdom up to 1800 hours 11 July 5965. This 13% of total intake excludes those in hospitals. Total includes:

Russians	2722,
Poles	2385,
Italian	460,
Jugoslavs	153,
Czechs	120,

5. General. Once again enemy needs more Infantry urgently and losses inflicted on enemy in last few days on 1st United States Army front has resulted in the armour which has hurriedly switched from 2nd British Army sector being put into line where it will probably have to remain for time being. Not certain whether 2 SS Panzer Division is fully committed but probable it will appear again shortly. Weakest sector at moment is St Lo area and this will require plugging. Something may arrive from Brittany. Against 2nd British Army enemy is fanatically opposing our approach to Orne crossings south west of Caen and he is also endeavouring to reduce our bridgehead east of Orne. Only armoured reserves believed to

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exist to Caen sector are 12th SS Panzer Division and possibly part of 9th SS Panzer Division. No sign yet of 272nd Infantry Division in line.

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CORRECTED COPY

From: U. S. Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden.

To: War Department

No: 462 12 July 1944

462 Washington and London.

Entime 196 Division alerted for departure to Germany on short notice according to report dated 4 July to 299 from Namdalen rated B 2. Germans state they are leaving for south Norway then to Germany and they don't beleive new troops will arrive. The Hird, Legion and NS members have received German uniforms and weapons but no ammunition at present. They expect to be called in for guard duty in German establishments and munitions depots. Oslo report dated 5 July to same source rated B 2 states that 80 trains have been requisitioned for Mosjoen. Another report states rated B 2 that military personnel on leave in Germany from Norway ordered report to designated replacement centers on termination of leave instead of returning to Norway. Regular transport ships between Norway-Denmark-Germany transferred early this month to Konigsberg presumably to transport troops from the Baltics to Finland, are now reported returning to Oslo most likely in connection with above movement.

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NOTE: Corrected copy of OM-IN-9860 (12 Jul 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CGAAF
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OM-IN-10898 (14 Jul 44) 0222Z bem

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To: War Department

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461 repeated to London.

Intelligence Karelian Isthmus front. German forces:

ID 122, CG Gen Major Von Brusing, and assault gun brigade possibly reinforced by PZ Regt forming a provisional PZ Div,

CG Gen Maj Cadenius. Finn forces:

6 Inf Divs, 1 PZ Div, 1 Cav Brig, and 2 Coast Defense Brigades.

Finns now reorganized and under unified command. Above listed German and Finn troops command by Gen Lt Oesch and situation this area now stabilized. Finn losses present Russ offensive thru 7 July estimated 7,000 to 10,000 dead, 15,000 to 18,000 wounded, 1,000 to 1,500 prisoners war.

Finn Air Force same period flew 1,000 sorties lost only 24 ships but claims heavy Soviet air losses.

German aid to date in addition to troops consists of

50 medium and heavy tanks without personnel,

3 air geschwader totalling 230 planes - including

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

Nr: 461 12 July 1944

Stukas equipped with 237 MM antitank guns, all types and caliber ammunition,

6,000 Nazi Bazookas 20 to 30 meter range considered excellent against all types Soviet tanks.

Materiel comments:

German 75 MAT gun of which 75 percent of total lost intact thru Russ concentric tank attacks found ineffective against Red 85 ton tank which only 88 MM dual purpose weapon can stop.

Soviet flame throwers and Stalin tank upon which same also mounted very demoralizing effect upon Finn troops.

Contents this message from 86 reporting 233 rated B 2. Red radio discipline remarkable for silence-surprise purposes.

Red Navy estimated capable of transporting 30,000 to 35,000 troops for possible amphibious operation.

Gen Friessner is new Heeres Gruppe Nord Commander.

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INFO : CG AAF, OPD, Col. Park, Log

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ssumably to transport troops from the Baltics to Finland, are now reported returning to Oslo most likely in connection with above movement.

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DATE: 11 JULY 1944

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457 REPEATED LONDON TO MILID WASHINGTON DC.

IN AN INTERVIEW 7 JULY, PERSONALITY 188 A CHARTER MEMBER OF STOCKHOLM GERMAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SINCE RESIGNED BUT RETAINING CONNECTIONS WITH LOCAL GERMAN COLONY, COMMENTED AS FOLLOWS RATED B-3:

GERMAN COLLAPSE WILL COME IN THE FIELD THIS YEAR, THE HOME FRONT CONTINUES TOO WELL CONTROLLED TO REVOLT, POLITICAL REFUGEES HAVE NOT YET STARTED TO DESERT THE SHIP.

SOURCE QUOTES JUNE 4TH INTERVIEW WITH HAMBURG INDUSTRIALIST PERMITTED TO TRAVEL BY MOTOR OUT OF ALTERNATE OFFICE IN HARTZ MOUNTAINS RATED 3. THIS INFORMANT DECLARED NATURAL AND SYNTHETIC OIL REFINERIES IN GERMANY, AUSTRIA, HUNGARY, AND ROUMANIA BADLY EFFECTED BY ALLIED BOMBING, THAT HE HAD SEEN VISIBLE EVIDENCE OF THIS AT THE LEUNA WORKS IN MERSEBURG, THAT OIL SHORTAGE WOULD

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SOON PROVE CRITICAL , THAT INSIDE GERMANY THERE WAS A GROWING BITTERNESS TOWARD THE PARTY AND THAT THIS TENDED TO OVER SHADOW HATRED AGAINST BRITAIN AND AMERICA, THAT IF THE ALLIED INVASION IN THE WEST MATERIALIZED AND DEVELOPED STRENGTH, GERMAN RESISTANCE IN THE FIELD WOULD BREAK. COMMENT. THE ABOVE IS BELIEVED TO BE AN EXAMPLE OF THE KIND OF REPORTS RECEIVED HERE BY THE GERMAN COLONY, AND THEIR REACTION THERETO. MINISTER REQUESTS CONTENTS TO STATE BE GIVEN.

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From: US, Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 457 10 July 1944

457 repeated London to MILID Washington DC.

In an interview 7 July, Personality 188 a charter member of Stockholm German Chamber of Commerce since resigned but retaining connections with local German Colony, commented as follows rated B-3:

German collapse will come in the field this year, the home front continues too well controlled to revolt, political refugees have not yet started to desert the ship.

Source quotes June 4th interview with Hamburg industrialist permitted to travel by motor out of Alternate office in Hartz Mountains rated 3. This informant declared natural and synthetic oil refineries in Germany, Austria, Hungary and Roumania badly effected by allied bombing, that he had seen visible evidence of this at the Leuna Works in Merseburg, that oil shortage would soon prove critical, that inside Germany there was a growing bitterness toward the party and that this tended to over shadow hatred against Britain and America, that if the Allied invasion in the West materialized and developed strength, German resistance in the field would break.

Comment. The above is believed to be an example of the kind of reports received here by the German Colony, and their reaction thereto. Minister requests contents to State be given.

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INFO : CGAAF, OPD, Col. Park, Log

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From: US, Military Attache, Berne Switzerland

To : War Department

Nr : 1523 9 July 1944

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158 Div Cp Pontendy Lecomte comprises reserve Gren Regts 18, 213, 225, Res Arty 18 Res Pioneer Bn 213 Schnelleabt 608 PZ Jaeger Co Recon Sq and Signal Co all 1058 Coast Arty Regt 1280 plus Commandoes islands Noirmoutiers, Yeu, Re, and Oleron. Total effectives about 10,000. 26th

Above A1 source 7062. Following B2

Trieste 3 small freighters 1 auxiliary vessel 1 torpedo boat 1 vedette repair 22

Monfalcone work suspended on imperooncarour recovery work 3 subs 250 tons 2 freighters being built. 2 destroyers 2 torpedo boats in repair. 23

Venice 2 vedettes also torpedo manufacture. 24

La Spezzia animosity between Boche and Wop crews 1 destroyer 3 Wop subs 6 vedettes 2 disarmed torpedo boats. 30th

Genoa 3 chasers 6 vedettes 6 German subs 250 tons 3 small freighters. July 1st

La Pallice 3 subs destroyed Leopard. Sub supply ship and mine layer 953 left 29 May. 13 June

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From: US, Military Attache, Berne Switzerland

Nr : 1523 9 July 1944 Page 2

Following C3 Trieste very young elements of SS Div. La Spezzia trps being regrouped in area to cover hills. 168 and 188th Divs. Rest of 71 and 92nd, 131st Inf Regt of 44th Div and 22nd Arty Regt. Genoa Ukrainian SS Div. No more trps arriving in Italy 1st July

Machinery Fiat plants Turin being installed at Hardon Lake Constance. At Genoa Ukrainians dismantled Ansaldo machinery. 50% of materiel of San Giorgio plants and Multedo plants and machinery for tank building requisitoned by Boche. July 2nd

Large elements Gross Deutschland Div concentrated at Marley (Seine and Oise) and Paris. 12 to 16 June Pz Div effectives about 6000 arriving St Florentin (Yonne) from Belfort by road. 23rd

All TODT personnel left Mediterranean coast. All contracts broken. French personnel requisitioned but leaving for Maquis. Marine bauamt left Toulon. 20th

About 3 divs left Wurtemberg sector for west front. Only small SS contingents left in Baden. 5th

At least 8 divs sent to west front some of them still on way. Western command can put in line about 35 of its own effectives. Reinforcements sent are all classes 95 and 27. No German div has been withdrawn from Russian front for West

German high command hopes to block bridgehead until new secret weapons can be employed. Reserve and strategic reserves not to be used until later. In case this fails Boche will fall back on interior lines in France held by Elite trps. 2nd

5 German div sent Finland. Came from Baltic countries mostly natives that region. 2nd

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From: AFHQ Algiers

To : SHAEF
War Office
AGWAR

No : FX 69089 Undated

Signed Wilson cite FHGBI.

France report movement July 2-8. On July 4 stated 30 trains had already left from Cerbere Port Vendres Perpignan La Nouvelle Riv Saltes Narbonne via Toulouse and Agen destination Langon and further north.

Comment - Accept departure 272 Infantry Division on this movement.

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal

To: War Department

Nr: 329 6 July 1944

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Same source cited my 328 who is familiar with manufacture of gas masks claims that Germs will not resort to use of gas due to their shortage of suitable masks. He states that Germs were so certain of repulsing first wave of invasion that no troop movements were noticed northward until Bayeux was occupied.

Source opines that Germs will concentrate on defense in west even at risk of stripping east of their best troops. According to source Germs prefer to abandon terrain to Russians put every ounce of available strength into defeating Anglo Saxons on the theory that if successful they can make arrangements with Russia on their own terms. If they fail to defeat our forces their plan would be to yield Europe to Communism retain their General Staff and bide their time until another opportunity for domination presents itself. Source declares that our bombing is often inaccurate and causes useless victims He cited Rouen Marseilles and Chambery but adds that destruction of railroad yards has completely disorganized traffic throughout France. He states that judging by supplies known to him of materials for construction of aircraft and relative inactivity of Luftwaffe during last two years strategic force is being built up some where but it is not in France.

Is skeptical as to termination of hostilities this

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon Portugal

Nr: 329 6 July 1944

year as he says German troops morale still good and reserves available. On his way to Spanish border about June 15 when passing Cete he observed German troops on the alert due to reported Allied invasion on southern coast.

End.

ACTION: GEN BISSELL
INFO : GEN ARNOLD
GEN SOMERVELL
OPD
COL PARK
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From: US Military Attache, London, England

To: War Department

Nr: 13499 6 July 1944

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Red Army deceived Germans in launching Summer offensive in White Russia according to War Office. Enemy expected attack South Pripet Marshes and had made major preparations there including most GAF strength on Eastern front. Russians concentrated large armored force on White Russian front but whether they transferred much from Ukraine not certain.

Communiques and orders of day mention Armored Force commanders known to be formerly on Southern front but this may mean they are commanding units already in White Russia. Naming these commanders tends to confuse enemy further about Soviet battle order and dispositions. German reserves considered inadequate and if units are shifted to protect east Prussia Russians will probably attack south of Pripet.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CGAAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm , Sweden

To: War Department

Nr. 448 6 July 1944

448 for Conrad repeated to Washington.

American charge d affairs for Finland Gullion arrived Stockholm 5 July. He states reur 13493 that Finnish foreign office denies any formal agreement with Ribbentrop concerning number of troops, equipment etcetera that Germany will send to Finland. However sources rated B 3 gave him information that Germans have promised immediate dispatch of 6 divisions, 500 air planes, 400 tanks and 400 guns majority of which are to be antitank. As 4 July a minimum of 1 division plus 1 brigade and maximum of 3 divisions have arrived Finland. Another division expected to disembark today. Between 250 and 300 planes of Stuka and fighter types have arrived plus some few Italian planes with personnel totalling approximately 100. Number of tanks arrived unknown however 15 now recovered were on transport which recently capsized in Sandviken Harbor. Combat personnel of 122d Division appeared satisfactory to Gullion, however, service troops and transport are described as unbelievably poor. Service personnel includes Esthonians, Latvians, Ruthenians and Ukrainians many accompanied by women. Transport delapidated with antiquated carts and unfit horses.

Rayens

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
~~Col Park~~
Log

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By RHP, NARS Date MAY 21 1973

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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department
US Military Attache, London, England

Nr: 445 5 July 1944

445 Wash and London.

Reporting on the situation as of yesterday 278 states he believes the Karelian front stabilized for the time being but that the general withdrawal on the East Karelian fronts continues. The Russians did not attack at Kandalaksha as reported by press. They did attack further south on the Louhi-Kiestinki sector where patrols infiltrated behind the German positions. Rated B-2. Russians are expected to use four divisions when this attack fully develops Credit 229. German ground reinforcements actually in south Finland total only one Inf Div and one PZ Brig. Finns claim 540 Russian tanks and 769 aircraft destroyed since June 9 and also that Russian infantry losses have been very heavy. 278 states main concern now is to hold Isthmus front. He maintains faith in the Finnish people forcing a sensible solution and adds the trend is that way.

Rayens

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CG AAF
OPD
~~Col. Park~~
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From: US Military Attache, Stockholm, Sweden

To: War Department

Nr: 448 4 July 1944

448 repeated London.

Most relisble source states ten German divisions have been relieved from Roumanian front rated A 2 and are being shifted north for defense of east Prussia.

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By RHP, NARS Date MAY 21 1973

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CG AAF
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COL PARK

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