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PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department

Nr: FX 43285 NAF 881 14 March 1945

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1. Subject is possible employment of Turkish forces on Italian front. My FX 37500 of 4th March, not to Combined Chiefs of Staff, refers.

2. I appreciate of course that any approach of Turks requesting that their armed forces take an active part in war against Germany must be the subject of high policy decision on Allied Governmental level. In the meantime, however, I have had preliminary study undertaken here with view to determining from purely military aspects whether there is in fact scope for advantageous employment of Turkish forces on Italian front.

3. Information available here on state and capabilities of Turkish forces is scanty. Such information as we have tends towards conclusion that some considerable time would be required for Turks to organize a suitably equipped force capable of maintaining itself in Italy without undue burden on Allied administrative resources. On the other hand, military value of even 1 or 2 divisions is not negligible, provided these could arrive by the end of May.

4. Apart from other factors speed with which a Turkish

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force could operate in Italy will depend on willingness and full cooperation of Turks. This cannot be ascertained unless a formal approach is made to them. Since speed is an all important factor at this stage of war, I recommend that if not already done a decision be taken now as to whether or not Turks are to be formally approached. If it is decided to do so, I further recommend that I be authorized to dispatch in conjunction with Mideast, a small Anglo American Military Mission to Ankara to examine the matter with Turkish General Staff and British and American Military Attaches.

End.

ACTION: CO/S

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
Gen Hull
Gen Bissell
Adm King
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CINCPOA PEARL SENDS ACTION COMGENPOA COMSOPAC INFO CG FMF PAC COMINCH CNO CINCPOA ADV HED. THIS IS TOP SECRET.

COMSOPAC 100428 NOT TO ALL PASSED RICHARDSON'S R 55098 TO GILBREATH TO CINCPOA PEARL. REQUEST THAT ARMY POA CONFERENCE

BEING CALLED BY COMGENPOA BE GOVERNED BY ASSUMPTIONS AND PLANS SET FORTH HEREIN.

ASSUMPTIONS. (A) THAT PHILIPPINES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR POA DIVISIONS UNTIL AN INDEFINITE FUTURE DATE.

(B) THAT ARMY DIVISIONS REDEPLOYED TO POA FROM ETO AND FOR WHICH SPACE IS NOT AVAILABLE IN HAWAII, PHILIPPINES OR ON

OBJECTIVES, WILL BE HELD ON WEST COAST FOR DIRECT SHIPMENT TO TARGETS.

(C) THAT EMPLOYMENT OF DIVISIONS IN POA WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ALTERNATE PLAN CHART NO. 2 OF CINCPOA SERIAL 0005026 OF

28 FEB.

CHART NO. 2 CINCPOA SERIAL 0005026 CONSIDERED FIRM RELATIVE

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FUTURE USE SOPAC REHABILITATION FACILITIES AND MOVEMENT OF DIVISIONS THEREFROM WILL BE APPROXIMATELY AS FOLLOWS:

(D) 27TH DIV MOUNTS FOR ICEBERG (SEE MYDIS 261950 DECEMBER) 28 MARCH REAR ECHELON TO MOUNT FOR ICEBERG AS SOON THEREAFTER

AS TRANSPORTATION AND LANDING ECHELONS PERMIT.

(E) 81ST DIVISION TO REMAIN IN NEW CAL AS AREA RESERVE ICEBERG (SEE MYDIS 032309 DEC) UNTIL NEED THEREFOR IS TERMINATED

THENCE TO HAWAIIAN AREA BUT NOT BEFORE 5 MAY. IF 81ST DIV REQUIRED IN ICEBERG REAR ECHELON TO MOUNT AS SOON THEREAFTER

AS SHIPPING PERMITS FOR ICEBERG OR HAWAII TO BE DETERMINED AT THAT TIME.

(F) IF PREPARATIONS FOR OPERATIONS IN NORTH PACIFIC SHOULD BE DIRECTED IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO SEND 98TH AND 81ST

DIVISIONS TO ALEUTIANS FOR ACCLIMATION.

(G) 3RD PHIBCORPS TROOPS AND 1ST AND 6TH MARDIVS MOUNT FOR ICEBERG 12 MARCH REAR ECHELONS TO GUAM AND HAWAII IN ACCORDANCE

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12 March 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR GENERAL TANSEY

SUBJECT: Ratio of United States and British Forces in ETO.

1. Ground:

a. By 1 May 1945 it is estimated that US and British Forces other than air forces will be deployed in ETO (excluding UK) as follows:

	US	British	Ratio (US to British)
Divisions	61	15	4 to 1
Total Strength	2,424,000	810,000	3 to 1

b. The comparison in a above does not include British Dominion Forces nor Allied Forces which may be operating under US and British Command by the spring of 1945. The inclusion of these forces would alter the comparison as shown below:

	US	British	Ratio (US to British)
Divisions	61 (US)	15 (British)	
	(a) 11 (French)	5 (Canadian)	
		(b) 1 (Polish)	
Total	72	21	3.4 to 1
Total Strength	2,740,000	1,010,000	2.7 to 1

- (a) Does not include 5 additional French Divisions whose operational status by 1 May is uncertain.
- (b) Does not include an additional Polish Division whose operational status by 1 May is uncertain.

2. Air:

a. By 1 May 1945 it is estimated that US and British Air Forces will be deployed in ETO (including UK) as follows:

	US	RAF	Ratio (US to British)
Squadrons	401	301	1.3 to 1
Total Strength	(a) 490,000	(b) 940,000	(c) 1 to 2

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- (a) Includes 40,000 in French air force.
 - (b) Includes 76,000 in Dominion and Allied units.
 - (c) The 2 to 1 strength ratio in favor of the British is due to the fact that the strength figure includes all British air units in UK many of which are on 21 type duty. In this connection the AAF units in the US total 1,187,959.

3. General:

The above figures do not include conversion of separate units to divisions and squadrons as it would not alter the ratios to any appreciable extent. These separate units are reflected, however, in the total strength figures.

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Lt Colonel, GSC

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30,000 REPLACEMENTS MENTIONED YOUR 081942 DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:
2,500 TO EACH OF 6 DIVISIONS AND MOUNT OUT WITH THEM; 5,250

DIVERTED SECOND MP BATTALION, FIRST MARDIV, SECOND MARDIV, SIXTH
MARDIV AND PEARL TO BRING ORGANIZATIONS TO T/O PLUS APPROXIMATELY

4% PRIOR MOUNTING AND ACCOMPLISH ROTATION; 3,750 NOW GUAM AS
OPERATIONAL RESERVE DETACHMENT; 5,000 IN DRAFTS 39, 40, 45, 46

TO GUAM OPERATIONAL RESERVE PHASES 1 AND 2 ICEBERG.

TO ACCOMPLISH ROTATION THIRD MARDIV 3,750 NOW GUAM PLUS RETURNABLE
CASUALTIES AND 2,500 PRESENTLY ATTACHED THAT DIVISION REQUIRED.

TO COMPLETE ROTATION FIFTH PHILCORPS UNITS OTHER THAN DIVISIONS WILL
REQUIRE ADDITIONAL 1,500 OVER AND ABOVE ALL CURRENT REQUISITIONS.

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DESTINATION PEARL. CONSIDER THIS DISPATCH AS FIRM REQUEST THIS PURPOSE.

MY 010151 GIVES FIRM REQUEST FOR BATTLE REPLACEMENTS MOUNT OUT WITH FIFTH PHIBCORPS THIRD PHASE ICEBERG AND IS CONFIRMED BY

YOUR 081942.

NECESSARY EVACUATE MAXIMUM WOUNDED FROM MARIANAS PROVIDE SPACE ICEBERG CASUALTIES. HAVE REQUESTED CINCPAC ADV HQ EXPEDITE

EVACUATION MAXIMUM NUMBER FOURTH AND FIFTH DIVISION RETURNABLE CASUALTIES TO PEARL FOR RETURN TO THOSE DIVISIONS. APPLICATION

OF LTR OF INSTR NO 762 WILL RESULT IN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF EVACUEES. BEST ESTIMATE AVAILABLE 5000 REPLACEMENTS MY 080011 REQUIRED TO

REHABILITATE 4TH AND 5TH DIVISIONS OVER AND ABOVE RETURNABLE CASUALTIES. 2500 BATTLE REPLACEMENTS MOUNTED OUT EACH THESE

DIVISIONS ALREADY ABSORBED ON TARGET.

INTENTION TO CHANGE AS REQUIRED DESTINATION AND EMPLOYMENT

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OF REPLACEMENTS OTHER THAN THOSE SCHEDULED DIRECT TO DIVISIONS MY 010151.

CONSIDER REVOCATION PRESENT PLANS 2 YEAR ROTATION 3RD MARDIV AND OTHER 5TH PHIB CORPS UNITS ONLY ALTERNATIVE IF YOU CAN NOT

COMPLY MY 080011.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION OUR FIGURES INDICATE 899 OFFICERS 14,854 ENLISTED NOW ATTACHED 3RD PHIBCORPS WILL HAVE COMPLETED

24 MONTHS OVERSEAS BY 30 JUNE AND WILL REQUIRE REPLACEMENTS IN ADDITION TO BATTLE CASUALTIES UPON WITHDRAWAL PHASE 1 AND 2

ICEBERG TO CONFORM ROTATION POLICY. FORCE TROOPS NOT NOW ATTACHED EITHER CORPS AND SUPPLY SERVICE DATA NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE

FIGURES.

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(COMGEN FMFPAC SENDS TOP SECRET ACTION CINCPAC ADV HQ. INFO CINCPAC PEARL MARCORPS CO FWD ECH FMFPAC.)

REQUEST YOU HOLD 3RD MARDIV RETURNABLE CASUALTIES DUVA AND DIRECT THEIR RETURN TO REAR ECH THAT DIV. REQUEST EXPEDITE EVACUATION TO FRAY RETURNABLE CASUALTIES 4TH AND 5TH MARDIVS FOR RETURN TO REAR ECHS RESPECTIVE DIVS.

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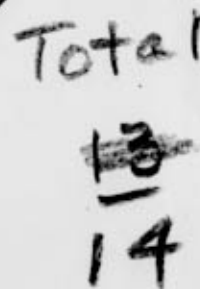
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EXPLAIN REQUEST URDIS 080011. 15,000 BATTLE REPLACEMENTS
FURNISHED EACH CORPS PRIOR TO DETACHMENT. LATEST CASUALTY
FIGURES 5TH CORPS APPROXIMATELY 14,000. 7500 BATTLE RE-
PLACEMENTS READY 1 APRIL FOR 5TH CORPS. 5,000 REPLACEMENTS
PLANNED FOR ARRIVAL TRANSIENT CENTER, FWD ECH, GUAM, 1 JULY.
CAN RETURNABLE WOUNDED OF 5TH CORPS BE TRANSFERRED TO 3RD
CORPS AT GUAM TO ALLOW DIVERSION OF 39TH, 40TH, 45TH AND
46TH REPLACEMENT DRAFTS TO HAWAIIAN AREA AND CANCELLATION
OF REQUEST URDIS 080011.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Areas,
Advanced Echelon, San Miguel, Luzon

To: War Department

Nr: CA 50826

4 March 1945

From Adv Ech GHQ sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff
War Department cite CA 50826. TOPSECRET.

The Dutch Security Battalions, replying your
W 46421 2nd, under the approved arrangements apparently
fall under the control of the Australian Military Forces.
Only such Australian forces come under my own operational
control as are deemed pertinent by Australian authorities
and are specifically assigned to the Southwest Pacific
Area by them. Of the entire Australian Army only six com-
bat divisions and two armored brigades and supporting troops
are assigned to the Southwest Pacific Area, the remainder
having no connection with this command. It is believed
that the fifteen Dutch Internal Security Battalions, under
the terms of the approved agreement, should be provided for
in the same way as that portion of the Australian Army that
does not come under my control.

Cargo shipping which is assigned to this area is
already insufficient to support the operations which are
under consideration and no added burden however small can
be assumed under such conditions.

End

ACTION: Gen Hull

INFO : C of S

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From: CG, US Army Forces Calcutta, India

To: War Department

Nr: CSEX 2599 2 March 1945

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info only CSEX 2599 from Neyland.

Per request from Adv ALFSEA we are passing to you
Leese radio TAC 3571 this message was sent by ALFSEA also
action to Mountbatten and info Weart Evans and NCAC for
Sultan: " Reference Sultans CHC 1213 and two succeeding sig-
nals.

(1) As I stated at your meeting here I cannot spare
any troops except cadres from NCAC. In accordance with my
directive OP Instr 12 copy sent to you, you will see I have
directed Gen Sultan to operate southwest against Mandalay.
In my opinion he will need all his resources to carry out
this task and I cannot guarantee the success of my operations
if NCAC are not allowed to carry out their allotted part

(2) I believed and hoped that the American and
Chinese forces of NCAC would be under my command until my
approved operations in Burma were completed. There appears
now to have been a complete change of policy of which I had
no previous warning:

(3) Regarding transport aircraft. If any are removed
from this theatre the chances of getting to Rangoon before
the monsoon dwindle to nothing."

End

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ACTION: JC/S

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

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From: SACSEA
To: British Chiefs of Staff
Info: Joint Staff Mission
Nr: SEACOS 322.

1 March 1945

SEACOS 322. Reference SEACOS 319.

I have now received from Sultan an official request for the transfer of certain US forces to China and I am repeating to you separately his telegram CHC 1213 T00 281835.

2. The effects of the removal of the Mars force from South East Asia have been stated in paragraphs 4 and 5 of my SEACOS 319. I have also clearly shown that transport aircraft cannot be spared from my resources since they are a critical factor in the support of operations to capture Rangoon. I shall be grateful for a decision in this matter at an early date if possible before Wednesday 7 March. Meanwhile I have decided to release to China necessary Cadres for training and liaison up to the equivalent of one battalion.

End

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INFO: Admiral Leahy
General Arnold
General Hull
General Bissell
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Fort Shafter, TH

To: War Department
Radio, Guam
General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Areas,
Leyte, Philippines

Nr: RJ 52384

20 February 1945

Action to WDQSA info to CINCPAC Advance Hq and PEARL
and CINCSWPA from Richardson COMGENPOA POWAR RJ 52384.

Look at WARX 38432 dated 16 February 1945. The
following units constituting Army Garrison Force 248 are
to be transferred from USAFPOA to USAFFE:

Hq and Hq Company Army Garrison Force APO 248,
722nd Engr Depot Company (less 3rd Platoon),
Radio Construction Detachment number 5 of 3117 Signal
Service Bn,
480th Amphibian Truck Company,
823rd Amphibian Truck Company,
233rd Army Ground Force Band,
184th Chemical Warfare Composite Platoon,
76th Station Hospital,
165th Station Hospital,
34th Malarial Survey Unit,
66th Malarial Control Unit,
739th Sanitary Company,
00 Veterinary Detachment (Food inspection),
3259th Quartermaster Service Company (less 2d Platoon)
3rd Platoon of 39th Special Service Company,
29th Chemical Decontamination Company,
1st Bn of 1322d Engr General Service Regt,
Hq and Hq Det and Medical Det 167th Ord Bn,
106th Ordnance Company Medium Maintenance,
177th Ordnance Depot Company,
355th Ordnance Company TA
509th Ordnance Company Heavy Maintenance FA

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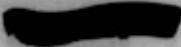
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From: CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas,
Fort Shafter, TH

Nr: RJ 52384

20 February 1945

879th Ordnance Heavy Auto Maintenance Company
Det 331st Harbor Craft Company,
238th Army Postal Unit,
390th Quartermaster Truck Company,
393rd Quartermaster Truck Company,
589th Quartermaster Laundry Company (less 4th platoon)
151st Quartermaster Bakery Co (less 4th platoon)
308th Signal Radar Maintenance Unit Type D.

For your information CINCSWPA has requested concurrence of COMGENPOA in the following action:

Transfer to the Southwest Pacific Area the designation Army Postal Unit 248. Also transfer personnel and equipment only of Army Postal 238 (which was augmented by 1 officer and 16 enlisted men). Army Postal Unit 238 (less personnel and equipment) to remain with USAFPOA. Southwest Pacific Area will request War Department for authority to activate Army Postal Unit 248, soon.

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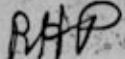
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(TOPSECRET TO CINCPAC FROM CINCPAC ADV HQTRS. COMINCH. CNO COM 7TH FLEET COMGENPOA COMGENFIPAC AND CINCPAC PEARL GET INFO)

DUE TO REVISION OF OPERATIONAL PLANS IT IS NOW CONSIDERED DESIRABLE THAT REHABILITATION AND STAGING FACILITIES IN THE PHILIPPINE FOR

POA FORCES IN ACCORDANCE WITH FILBAS AGREEMENT BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR UNITS AS INDICATED BELOW:

(A) FOR ARMY. ONE CORPS OF 3 DIVS WITH ELEMENTS ARRIVING AS FOLLOWS: CORPS TROOPS AND 2 DIVS ABOUT 1 JUNE. ONE OTHER DIV ABOUT 15 JUNE. ADDITIONAL CORPS OF 3 DIVS WITH ELEMENTS ARRIVING AS FOLLOWS: ONE DIV ABOUT 30 JUNE. 1 DIV BY 10 JULY. CORPS TROOPS BY 15 JULY.

ONE OTHER DIV BY 15 SEPT.

(B) FOR MARINE CORPS. AN AMPHIBIOUS CORPS OF 3 MARINE DIVS WITH ELEMENTS ARRIVING AS FOLLOWS: DEPOTS AND REAR ECHELONS ABOUT 1 JULY.

COMBAT ELEMENTS DURING AUGUST. HYDIS 185740 MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY.

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OPD, WDGS, S & P Group
Policy Section. Lt. Col
Bristol. 71932
[REDACTED]

14 February 1945

Commander in Chief
Southwest Pacific Area
Leyte, Philippines

Number: WAR 40453

[REDACTED] to MacArthur from Marshall.

Combined Chiefs of Staff on October 10, 1944 agreed to formation of 15 Dutch Internal Security Battalions mentioned in your radio CR 50495, 5 October 1944 with the provision that the British assume responsibility for organization and equipment thereof.

Netherlands Naval representative recently stated that Australian Government has agreed to furnish facilities and equipment for organizing and training these units. He proposes sending 4,000 Dutch troops for this purpose from Holland to Australia at once and balance of 9,500 to follow as soon as more of Holland is liberated.

Troop lift from Holland to Australia can be provided outside of your resources. However, no additional cargo shipping can be allotted you for maintenance of these troops.

Request your comment and recommendation on absorbing the 13,500 Dutch troops, 4,000 in near future and balance later in your theater and the feasibility of supporting them logistically, without commitment of additional shipping or United States resources.

End.

FOOTNOTE: CR 50495 is CM-IN-4633 (5 Oct. 44)

ORIGINATOR: Gen Hull

INFORMATION: JC/S; Gen. Arnold; Adm Leahy; Adm King;
C of S.

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

To: War Department

Nr: S 78734 SCAF 208 12 February 1945

From SHAEF Main S 78734 WAR pass to ARGONAUT to
Combined Chiefs of Staff for action and to British Chiefs
of Staff for information signed Eisenhower. TOP SECRET.
This is SCAF number 208.

1. The Netherlands proposal contained in your
FACS 140 has been examined. Estimates of manpower in the
liberated part of the Netherlands indicate that the number
of men available for military employment is not likely to
exceed 35,000. As conscription measures are not at present
in force in the liberated Netherlands the actual numbers
enlisting may not reach the above total. In addition the
effects of malnutrition may also further reduce the numbers
finally found suitable for military service.

2. Taking the above considerations into account,
and basing our action FACS 133 we have submitted to the
Netherlands authorities, as the immediate Allied
Expeditionary Force need, bid for approximately 20,400.
This bid will cover the manpower needed for units which are
currently being raised by the Allied Expeditionary Force,
and also includes the manpower required for certain other
Netherlands units, which are of great assistance to the
Allied Expeditionary Force, though not under its command.

3. The repartition of the remaining 14,600 out of

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Main, Versailles, France

Nr: S 78734 SCAF 208 12 February 1945

the total of 35,000 is being left to the Netherlands authorities to decide and it is considered that out of this number they should be able to raise the necessary number of Netherlands troops for the Far East. This may possibly have to be at the expense of current expansion of the Netherlands Navy, Air Force, and Netherlands contingent with 21st Army Group, for the reasons stated in paragraph 1 above.

4. It is therefore suggested that the Netherlands representative's proposal be approved subject to the condition that, as long as only a limited part of Netherlands territory is liberated, a manpower allocation of 20,000, to meet the minimum requirements of the Allied Expeditionary Force is guaranteed by the Netherlands authorities.

End

Note: No relay action has been taken by the
War Department Code Center.

Footnote: FACS 140 is CM-OUT 33744 (7 Feb 45) CC/S
FACS 133 is CM-OUT 25833 (24 Jan 45) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy, Gen Arnold, OPD, Gen Bissell,
Adm King, C of S

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Joint Chiefs of Staff
W.D. Ext. 77500

8 February 1945

Commanding General
U.S. Army Liaison Section
Kandy, Ceylon

ARGONAUT (2)

Number WARX 34637 HEARTH 195

[REDACTED] from the Joint Chiefs of Staff to Wheeler for action,
to ARGONAUT for information.

This is in reply to your dispatch of 13 January requesting
policy of United States with respect to Dutch participation
in planning.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff view is that Dutch should not
participate until such time as detailed planning is under-
taken for liberation of their former territory.

Above decision is based on fact that security of plans is
inversely proportional to the number of people familiar with
them. If one Ally not concerned with execution of plans
takes part in planning, a precedent would be set for similar
participation by all Allies. The result would be the growth
of cumbersome and insecure planning organizations which could
not fail to detract from efficiency.

End

ORIGINATOR: JC/s

INFORMATION: Adm. Leahy
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CC/S. Col. Epley. 77500

7 February 1945

Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, Main
Echelon, Versailles, France.

ARGONAUT. (2) HEARTH 181

British Joint Staff Mission, Washington, D. C.

Number: WARX 33744

TOPSEC book message to SHAEF Versailles for Eisenhower for
action, to ARGONAUT for information, to British Joint Staff
Mission pass to British Chiefs of Staff for information,
FACS 140 from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Agreement was reached by Combined Chiefs of Staff on 10
October 1944 for British to organize and equip 15 Netherlands
battalions for internal security purposes in Netherlands East
Indies. Total manpower requirement was estimated at 13,500.

Netherlands Naval representative recently proposed that
4,000 Netherlands troops be sent between now and 15 March
from Holland to Australia where they would be organized,
equipped and trained as internal security battalions. The
balance of the personnel for the 15 battalions would be made
available only as more Netherlands territory is reconquered.

In view of FACS 133 and your previous statement of existing
shortage of Dutch manpower for your own needs, request
your comments and recommendations on the above proposal.

End

ORIGINATOR: CC/S

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

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FROM CINCSYPA SGD MACARTHUR TO CINCPA INFO GHQ SWPA CITE CA 50033.

PASSED BY RADIO HONO TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 211207.

REFERENCE YOUR RADIOGRAM 092135, ALL COMBAT TROOPS SOUTHWEST PACIFIC

AREA AT PRESENT IN THE LEYTE AREA ARE EXPECTED TO BE LOADED OUT

FOR OPERATIONS ON LUZON BEFORE THE END OF JANUARY. THE 24TH CORPS

WILL BE THE ONLY COMBATANT UNIT PRESENT, PENDING THE ARRIVAL OF

THE AMERICAL DIVISION, WHICH SHOULD CLOSE IN THIS AREA ABOUT 22

FEBRUARY. UNTIL THEN, THE 24TH CORPS WHO HAVE TO PERFORM PART OF

THE COMBAT MISSION AND WILL ALSO HAVE TO ASSIST IN THE OPERATION

OF THE PORT, INCLUDING WORKING ITS NEW EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

ASHORE. IT WILL BE ASSEMBLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH MY RADIOGRAM CX

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56091 AND REHABILITATION AND REEQUIPMENT WILL BE PUSHED WITH THE GREATEST VIGOR. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE, IT IS BELIEVED THE OPERATIONAL CONTROL OF THIS UNIT SHOULD REMAIN IN THIS AREA UNTIL THE UNIT DEPARTS. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT THE PREFERABLE SYSTEM WOULD BE TO PERMIT FREE CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN THE 10TH ARMY AND 24TH CORPS ON ALL MATTERS RELATING TO REHABILITATION, REEQUIPMENT, AND LAUNCHING OF THIS UNIT. IT IS HOPED THAT CINCPAC WILL FEEL FREE TO SEND OFFICERS OF HIS COMMAND TO VISIT THIS UNIT AND TO OVERSEE ITS PREPARATION WITHOUT FURTHER REQUEST ON THE HEADQUARTERS.

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF HAVE REALLOCATED THE 86TH AND 97TH INFANTRY DIVISIONS TO THE EUROPEAN THEATRE. THESE DIVISIONS ARE THEREFORE NO LONGER AVAILABLE FOR YOUR OPERATIONS.

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BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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28 December 1944

MEMORANDUM

Date- DEC 29 1971

To: Commander J. A. Tyree, Jr., USN.,
(Asst. Naval Aide to the President)

Signature- *R.H. Hillenkoetter*

Subj: Distribution of Naval Personnel Ashore Outside of the Continental Limits.

1. In compliance with your request of 23 December 1944 the following figures are furnished of Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard personnel stationed ashore outside the continental limits of the United States, as of 1 November 1944.

2. Attention is directed to the fact that these figures are classified as secret.

Navy Personnel Ashore

	<u>Navy</u>	<u>M.C.</u>	<u>C.G.</u>	<u>Total</u>
North Pacific	18,979	649	1,869	21,497
Central Pacific	205,936	157,756	2,818	366,510
South Pacific	55,852	59,335	42	115,229
S. West Pacific	100,406	12,541	639	113,586
North Atlantic	37,827	466	996	39,289
Gulf Caribbean	22,005	2,022	959	24,986
South Atlantic	9,150	0	10	9,160
Mediterranean	19,893	49	57	19,999
Total	470,048	232,818	7,390	710,256

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R. H. Hillenkoetter
R. H. HILLENKOETTER,
Captain, U.S.N.
Director of Planning and Control

[REDACTED] ~~Holder for PRCs~~
WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

26 December 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR MAJOR KNIFFIN:

Subject: Strength of U.S. Army Forces in Overseas
Theaters and Commands

1. In accordance with your request, dated 23 December 1944, directed to Lt. Col. R.L. Thomas, herewith latest information on the geographical strength of each overseas theater or command.

Name of Theater or Command

European Theater of Operations	2,661,537
Southwest Pacific Area	737,998
U.S.A.F. in Mediterranean Theater of Operations	508,448
U.S.A.F. in Pacific Ocean Areas	455,918
U.S. Forces in India-Burma & China Theaters	219,319
Caribbean Defense Command	72,449
Alaskan Department	61,536
Persian Gulf Command	28,344
Eastern Defense Command outside United States	26,856 ^a
U.S.A.F. in Middle East	19,394
Northwest Service Command	8,789
U.S.A.F. in South Atlantic	5,991
North Atlantic Wing, Air Transport Command, Army Air Forces	569
U.S.A.F. in Central Canada	526
Total	4,807,674

^a Includes Newfoundland, Greenland, Bermuda and Iceland Base Commands and U.S.A.F. in Azores.

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F. GORHAM BRIGHAM, JR.
Lt. Col. General Staff Corps
Chief, Statistics Branch, G. S.

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20 December 1944

Commanding General
Allied Force Headquarters
Caserta, Italy

Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Forces
Main Echelon
Versailles, France

Commanding General
United Kingdom Base Section
London, England

Headquarters Communications Zone
European Theater of Operations
Main Echelon
Paris, France

Number: WARX 79867

TOPSEC book message to Alexander for action, to SHAEF
Versailles for Eisenhower and to Central District United
Kingdom Base Section London pass to British Chiefs of Staff
for information, FAN 469 from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

The Combined Chiefs of Staff have agreed that the following
be substituted for subparagraph 6 (B) of the directive con-
tained in FAN 418:

"It will probably be the policy to withdraw Dominion forces
as early as possible after the defeat of Germany for repa-
triation at an early date. With the exception of the Canadians
you should not use Dominion troops on occupational duties in
Austria, Greece and Dodecanese, or for internal security duties
in the Middle East. Without prejudice to their early repatria-
tion Canadian troops may be used for occupational duties but
not outside Austria or north-east Italy."

ORIGINATOR: CC/S

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INFORMATION: Adm. Leahy; Gen. Arnold; Gen. Hull; Gen. Bissell;
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CINCPAC SENDS ACTION COMINCH. TOP SECRET.

RICHARDSON'S R-42231 PASSED TO YOU SEPARATELY. REQUEST INFORMATION AS TO POLICY CONNECTION PRESENCE ALLIED OFFICERS IN CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS IN CENTRAL PACIFIC OPERATIONS. CONSIDER POLICY SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED APPLICABLE TO AUSTRALIAN NEW ZEALAND CANADIAN AND UNITED KINGDOM OFFICERS OF ALL SERVICES. IF CANADIAN OFFICERS ARE TO PARTICIPATE IN COMBAT OPERATIONS PRIOR TO ICEBERG THEY SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO FLEET MARINE FORCE. YOUR COMMENTS REQUESTED.

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& OSD letter, 5-8-72

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From: Advanced Echelon General Headquarters South West
Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

To: War Department

Nr: C 54224

2 December 1944

From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur [REDACTED] to AGWAR C 54224

Information requested urad W 64278 dated 17 November follows:

(A) One boat company, Engineer Special Brigade, at Madang and Aitape and one boat company, Engineer Special Brigade, in New Britain are supporting Australian combat forces. Service troops supporting Royal Australian Air Force units cannot be segregated as these air units are employed as parts of combined United States and Australian air garrisons. Throughout the New Guinea axis, United States and Australian service troops support all forces as required.

(B) Estimated dates of withdrawal of United States troops from bases and installations as follows:

- (1) Entire North Solomons axis and New Britain: 1 February.
- (2) Port Moresby: 1 January.
- (3) Withdrawal of United States troops from Milne Bay and Oro Bay, and reduction of Lae was planned for accomplishment in April.

However, reduction of transportation to be available to this theater, is indicated in War Department radio W 67064 May make it necessary to continue Milne Bay and Oro Bay for intermediate storage. Period of this use is indefinite, depending almost wholly on availability of transportation to this theater. All available discharge facilities must

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From; Advanced Echelon General Headquarters South West
Pacific Area, Leyte, Philippines.

Nr: C 54224

2 December 1944

bw utilized without regard to location, for * be reduced
by 1 March to support reduced air activities at Nadzab until
complete transfer of those activities; forecasted date of
closing not practicable at this time.

(5) Reduction of Finschhafen and bases forward thereof must
depend upon occupation of areas in the Philippines and
ability to transfer stocks thereto.

(6) Present plans provide for indefinite occupation of Manus
by Navy. Army installations very minor.

(7) Estimate United States Army supply points will be closed
as follows: Aitape 1 January
Toem 1 February.

(8) Vacation of air facilities at Townsville now under way.
Darwin depends upon developments of the tactical situation.
Australian forces will continue to use Darwin indefinitely.

(9) Australians now occupying North Solomons, New Britain,
Port Moresby and Lae, with principal bases of * Australian
mainland.

(10) Milne Bay, Oro Bay, Finschhafen, Hollandia, Biak are
practically exclusive United States bases. Australians
do not now plan on occupation.

(11) Australians will occupy Aitape.

(12) Australian forces will occupy Morotai upon vacation by
United States forces if planned operations are carried out.

(13) Other United States activities and installations on the
Australian mainland will be maintained only to extent
necessary to carry out procurement, storage and shipment of
supplies and equipment from Australia, which activity it is

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expected will continue indefinitely. Facilities which it
is necessary to * maintain to accomplish the above are
directly affected by availability of transportation to
this theater.

End

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INFO: JC/S (JLPC)

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(TO CINCPDA FROM CINCSOWESPAO INFO COMGENPOA CITE CX-54125)
 CINCPDA PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO AS 252022
 TOP SECRET.

YOUR 272234. THE 24TH CORPS IS NOW FULLY ENGAGED IN COMBAT
 AND IT CAN NOT NOW BE PREDICTED WHEN IT WILL BE DISENGAGED.
 UNDERSTAND YOUR REQUIREMENT FOR CORPS COMMANDER AND STAFF
 BUT OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS WILL PRECLUDE THEIR RELIEF IN
 TIME TO ARRIVE PEARL 10TH DECEMBER. WILL ADVISE YOU FURTHER
 AS CAMPAIGN PROGRESSES.

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 E.O. 11652, Sec. 3(E) and 5(D) or (E)
 OSD letter, May 3, 1972
 By RHP, NARS Date **JAN 3 1974**

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JCS letter, 9-18-73
& OSD letter, 5-3-72
By RHP, NLR, Date JAN 3 1974

GEN HEADQUARTERS SWPA 160017 (CS-52257) REFERS.
TRANSFER OF SOPAC BACOM IN BULK TO SWPA AS PROPOSED BY CINCSOWESPA
NOT CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT RECENT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN
CINCPDA AND CINCSOWESPA. CONTINUED PRESSURE TO ROLL UP ARMY FORCES
AND FACILITIES IN SOPAC AREA IS BEING EXERTED BY CINCPDA AND SOPAC
UNITS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO SWPA AS FAST AS THEY CAN BE RELEASED.
HOWEVER CINCPDA AS AREA COMMANDER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SOPAC
AREA, FOR MAINTAINING AND OPERATION FACILITIES PENDING ROLL-UP,
FOR DISMANTLING AND SHIPPING THEM WHEN NO LONGER NEEDED, AND FOR
MOVING OUT SURPLUS SUPPLIES. IT IS CONSIDERED THAT TRANSFER OF

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SOPAC BACOM EN MASSE TO SWPA WHILE STILL PERFORMING ESSENTIAL SERVICES IN SOPAC IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH CINCPAC AREA COMMAND RESPONSIBILITIES AND IS THEREFORE NOT CONCURRED IN. TRANSFERS OF UNITS SHOULD BE MADE SINGLY OR IN GROUPS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE. HOWEVER I WOULD BE WILLING TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE OF CINCSWPA OR COMJENUSAFFE ESTABLISHED IN HEADQUARTERS COMJEN-SOPACBASCOM TO FACILITATE PLANNING LIAISON CONNECTION ROLLUP AND TRANSFER.

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

To: War Department

Nr: S 67495

19 November 1944

Ref no S 67495 for General Loomis to for action
AGWAR C/O Secretariat, Combined Chiefs of Staff signed
Eisenhower cite SHCCT.

Tentative agreement subject to detailed arrangements
reached with French concerning command of light Infantry
battalions. Further agreed that battalions may provide a
limited number of replacements for French combat units with-
out transfer of equipment.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : Adm. Leahy
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PRIORITY

From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,
Hollandia, New Guinea

To: War Department
Commander in Chief, Pacific Ocean Areas
CG, US Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas,
Fort Shafter, T. H.

Nr: CX 52257

16 November 1944

[REDACTED] From GHQ SWPA sgd MacArthur, Chief
of Staff War Dept for action info CINCPOA COMGENPOA.
CX 52257.

Reference ourad CX 51685, 5th November, CINCPOA by
radio 100718 approved agreements as indicated in subject
radio and as detailed in letter report of conference dated
4th November, enroute to you by airmail.

Request your approval of this proposed solution
and in order to expedite putting this solution into effect
it is further requested that all the Army Forces South
Pacific designated as SOPACBACOM be transferred to SWPA
at the earliest possible date. This action will serve to
minimize delays and facilitate movement of units as required
by the situation at any given time as well as eliminate
the necessity for handling each individual situation separately.
If required further conferences with representatives of
CINCPOA and SOPACBACOM will be held to determine details
involved in proposed transfer.

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From: General Headquarters, Southwest Pacific Area,
Hollandia, New Guinea

Nr: CX 52257

16 November 1944

Needed from CINCPOA is complete up to date list of all units thus transferred including those previously assigned to SWPA by urad WX 54639, 30th October, as amended by POA-SWPA agreement with specific unit designation, location and date of availability.

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FOOTNOTE: CX 51658 is CM IN 13848 (15 Nov 44) General Hull

ACTION: General Hull

INFO : JC/S, Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, General
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UNITED STATES ARMY FORCES LOCATED ON EUROPEAN CONTINENT
AS OF 15 NOVEMBER 1944

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Source of Data: Theater Report of Strength for 15 November 1944.

	Theater Headquarters	Armies and Corps	Air Forces and Commands	Communication Zone Troops, Replacements, Patients & Misc.	Aggregate
1. Total U S Army Forces	48,846	1,042,338	157,848	605,945	1,854,977
2. Supreme Hqtrs Allied Exp. Forces	3,435				3,435
3. Hqtrs European Theater of Optns., USA	10,992				10,992
4. Total Field Forces	34,072	1,042,338			1,076,410
5. Units Assigned to SHAEF	(2,229)				
6. Units Assigned to ETOUSA	(31,843)				
7. 6th Army Group		(129,318)			
8. 7th Army		(93,785)			
9. 12th Army Group		(33,926)			
10. 1st Army		(312,063)			
11. 3rd Army		(236,780)			
12. 9th Army		(201,707)			
13. 18th Corps Airborne		(34,759)			
14. Total Air Forces & Commands	347		157,848		158,195
15. Units Assigned to United States Strategic Air Forces			(1,051)		
16. 8th Air Force			(1,194)		
17. 9th Air Force			(135,645)		
18. Air Service Command			(10,041)		
19. Eastern Command			(275)		
20. 9th Troop Carrier Command			(9,642)		
21. Air Division SHAEF	(347)				
22. Communication Zone Troops				474,667	474,667
23. Non Operating				125,732	125,732
24. Attached from Other Theaters or the United States				5,546	5,546

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Movements Division, OCT
Maj J A Griffin SPTOM JAG 6060
sfr JCF 73304 DEF 5106 6060

13 November 1944

Commanding General
USAF India Burma Theater
New Delhi, India

Number: WAR 63090

Cite SPTOM 886 DE from Gross signed Somervell pass to
DMOV and PSTO India.

Movement of British personnel from India to Australia
is subject. British have asked US War Dept for blanket
approval to utilize spaces on US vessels not required
for US personnel and for PSTO India to arrange details of
each such move with you. War Dept approves your handling
approval or disapproval of routine movements of British
personnel on US vessels. War Dept may when necessary
order specific moves to be made. Request you include
breakdown of subject personnel in your embarkation cables.
When PSTO India proposes shipment to New Zealand which will
require diversion of vessel it is necessary that you secure
approval from War Dept at least ten days prior to expected
date of embarkation.

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ORIGINATOR: ASF-Trans

INFORMATION: CC/S (B.A.S.); OPD; Navy (OP 39)

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OSD letter, May 3, 1972

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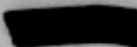
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Signature- *RPH*

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

To: War Department

No. S 66659 13 November 1944

This is SCAF 130. From SHAEF Main S 66659, to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, Allied Force Headquarters, 6th Army Group, info to Central District UK Base for British Chiefs of Staff, Communications Zone MTOUSA Advance, Communications Zone ETOUSA signed Eisenhower cite SHGCT.

Subject is 15,000 Senegalese troops displaced in 1st French Army.

Original desire was to move this personnel to North Africa as it was felt they would become a liability within the AEF zone.

French headquarters for National Defense have assured this headquarters that this personnel will be supplied entirely by French services, and they do not see how the troops could be of any hindrance to AEF operations. This personnel will be used to form one division to be moved to the Far East.

Under the above conditions, this headquarters does not feel that the 15,000 Senegalese will be a burden on Allied supply lines and does not plan to press further for their transfer to North Africa.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Adm Leahy
CG AAF
OPD

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FROM ADV GHQ SWPA SCD MACARTHUR TO CINCPDA FOR
ACTION AND GHQ SWPA HOLLANDIA FOR INFO. [REDACTED]

CITE CAX 11594.

(PASSED TO COMINCH FOR INFO BY CINCPDA AS 101945)

IN VIEW OF CURRENT DEVELOPMENTS WHICH HAVE CHANGED
SOME ASPECTS OF THE SITUATION IT IS REQUESTED THAT IF
POSSIBLE THE 77TH DIVISION BE DIVERTED TO TACLOBAN AREA
WHERE IT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO JOIN ITS CORPS IF REQUIRED
AND AT ANY RATE WILL BEGIN AN ADVANCED STAGING AREA.

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Hollandia New Guinea

To: War Department

Nr: CX 51685 7 November 1944

From CINC SWPA sgd MacArthur to Chief of Staff
Washington action CINCPOA information cite CX 51685
[REDACTED]

1. Matters presented in your WARX-57406 October 5 have been the subject of discussion between POA and SWPA representatives during converence at Hollandia 3 and 4 November to arrange for necessary logistic support of POA Forces in the Philippines. Subject to approval by CINCPOA, agreements have been reached as follows:

(A) SWPA will provide certain services and facilities, including those required to stage through and mount out for operations six POA ~~Marine~~ Divisions and three POA ~~Army~~ MARINE Divisions, plus those for the support of approximately 1/3 of the Pacific Fleet.

(B) Since the establishment of facilities in the Philippine Islands to support Army, Navy, and Marine Corps forces of the POA will permit the abandonment of similar facilities in the SOPAC area, CINCPOA will make available to CINCSWPA the Army Service units now in the SOPAC area, and such of the Marine Corps Ground service units in the SOPAC area as are needed to support Marine Corps installations in the Philippine Islands. In addition, such Naval Service units, now in the SOPAC area, as can be released from the POA to the SWPA will likewise be made available. These units will be made available as soon as practicable consistent with the requirements for the establishment of new facilities in the

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From: General Headquarters Southwest Pacific Area
Hollandia New Guinea

Nr: CX 51685 7 November 1944

Philippines and the continuance of essential activities in SOPAC. The exemption of specific Army units or individuals from this general policy covering Army service units will be made only by mutual agreement between CINCSWPA and CINCPHA.

(C) In the above statements of general policies, consideration has been given to War Department radiogram WX-54639, 30 October which transfers certain SOPAC Army service units to the SWPA upon their departure from SOPAC. Of the units listed in the reference radiogram, CINCSWPA agrees to release the following to CINCPHA:

- 1 General Hospital,
- 2 Signal Service Companies,
- 3 Signal Service Platoons,
- 1 Engineer Construction Battalion,
- 1 Engineer Combat Company,
- 3 Engineer Dump Truck Companies.

(D) CINCPHA agrees to release to CINCSWPA the Army Garrison Force, APO 248, diverted to the Leyte area from STALEMATE II operation, as presently constituted, upon arrival of those units in the Philippine Islands.

(E) In view of the diversion to the Leyte area of all garrison troops previously scheduled for the STALEMATE II operation, CINCSWPA concurs in the use of essential Army Service troops from the SOPAC area in the Palaus for the support of the 81st Division while in that area.

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Hollandia New Guinea

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2. Report of conference follows by mail. You will
be further advised regarding disposition of SOPAC units
upon receipt of CINCPAC comments or concurrence.

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ACTION: General Hull

INFO : JC/S, Admiral Leahy, General Arnold, Admiral King,
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NAVAL, MARINE CORPS & COAST GUARD PERSONNEL OUTSIDE THE
UNITED STATES, OTHER THAN AFLOAT — AS OF 1 November 1944

Central Pacific	366,510	
South Pacific	115,229	
Southwest Pacific	113,586	
North Pacific	21,497	
TOTAL PACIFIC		616,822
North Atlantic*	39,289	
Africa, Mediterranean, Near East **	19,999	
South Atlantic	9,160	
Gulf, Caribbean, Panama	24,986	
TOTAL ATLANTIC		<u>93,434</u>
GRAND TOTAL		710,256

*Includes Northern France and British Isles.

**Includes Southern France.

Source — Reports from the areas.

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From: OCTAGON

To: War Department
CG, United Kingdom Base Section, London, England
CG, Strategic Air Forces in Europe, London, England
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: 12 12 September 1944

OCTAGON 12 book message for Eisenhower, Devers, and Spaatz for action WAR for info from the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

The increasing tempo of the war in the Pacific and the shortage of service units and land-based air units in the Central and Southwest Pacific necessitates the optimum use of all such forces available.

The Joint Chiefs of Staff request that you keep under examination your prospective requirements for such units with a view to the prompt redeployment of U.S. service and air units to the Pacific.

End.

ACTION: Joint Chiefs of Staff

INFO: Adm Leahy, Gen Arnold, OPD, Gen Bissell, Adm King,
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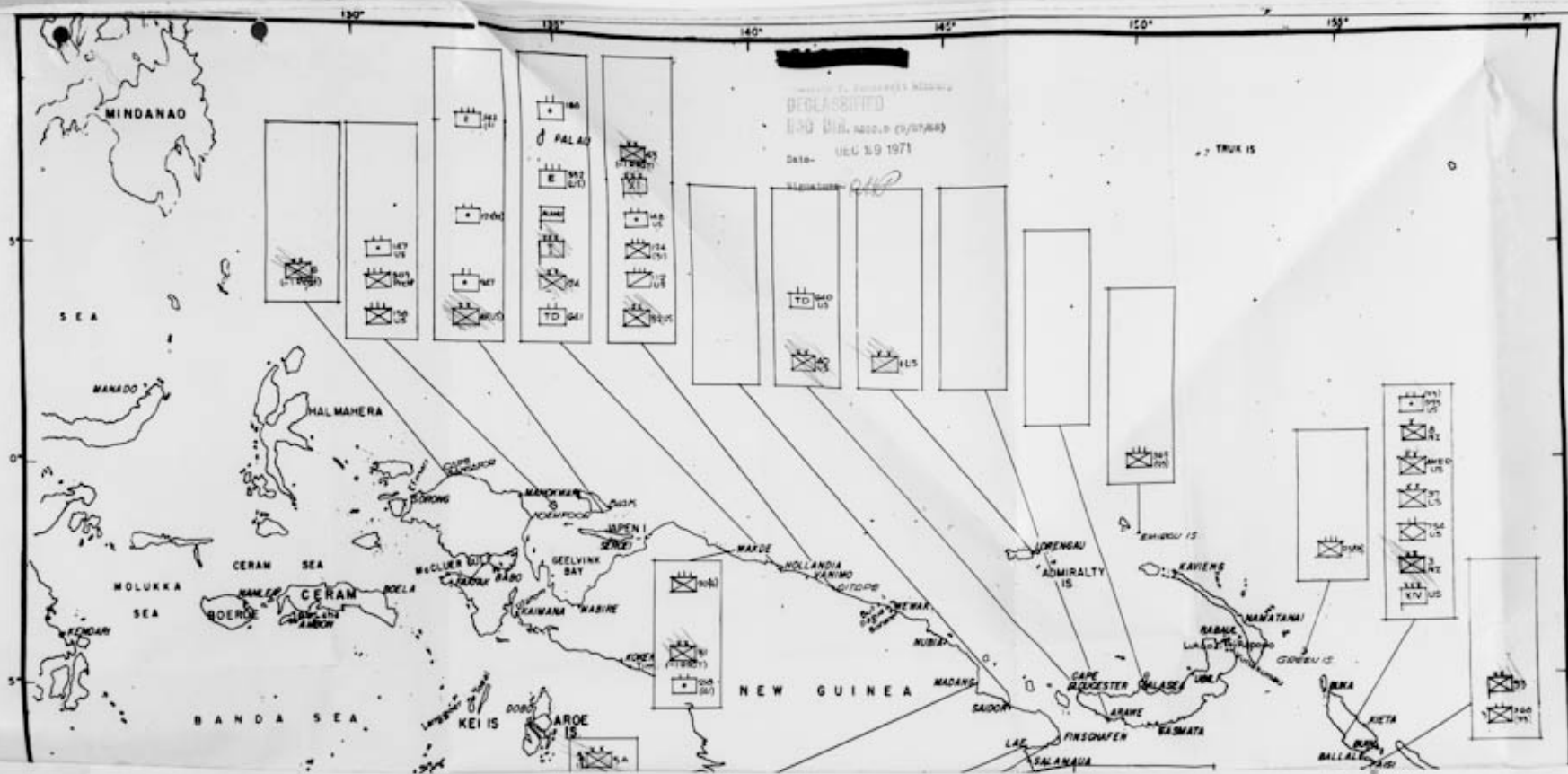
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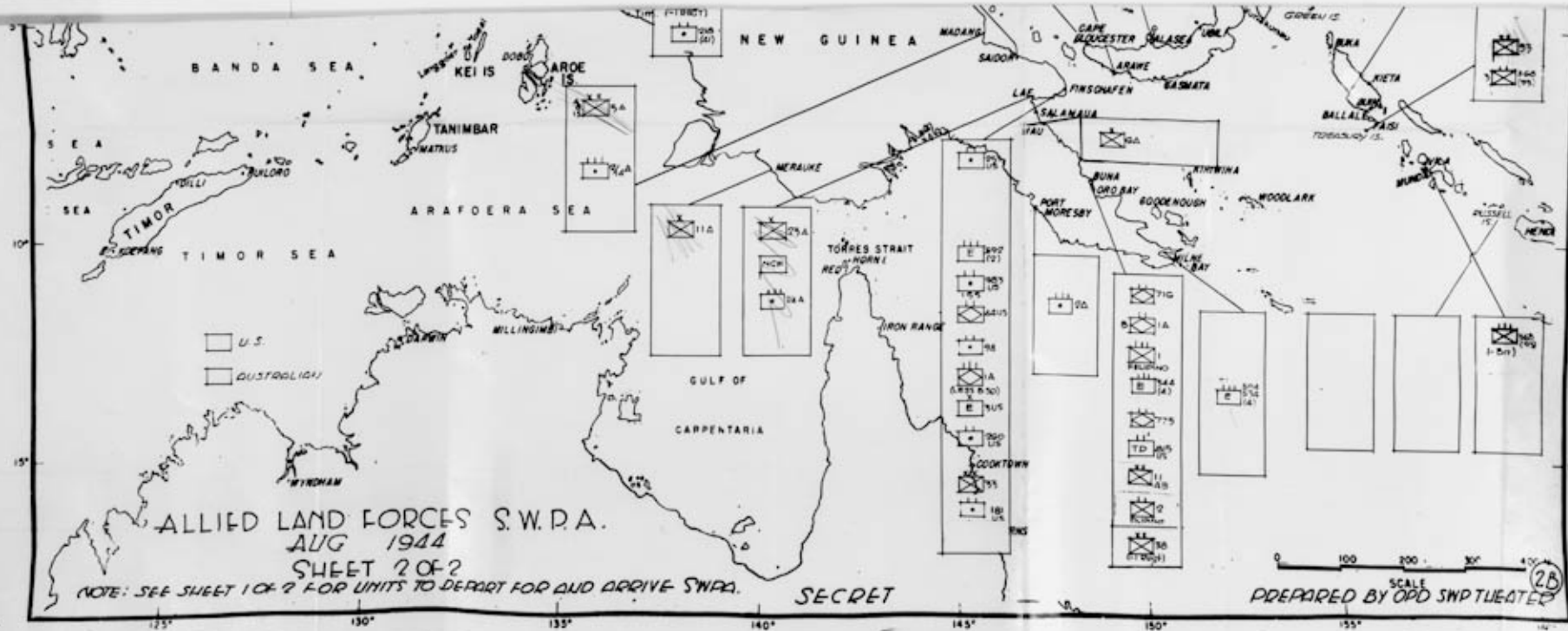
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Brazilian 1st Div, North of Castel DiCasio
US 1st Armd Div, Northwest of GRIZANA
South African 6th Div, Northeast of GRIZANA
US 34th Div, Southeast of GRIZANA
US 88th Div, South of 34th US Div (south of Barga)
US 91st Div, South of LIVERGNANO
US 85th Div, North of MONTERENZO
British 6th Armd Div, FLORENCE
British 1st Div, Southwest of PALAZZOLO
Indian 10th Div, Southwest of FAENZA
NZ 2d Div, due south of FAENZA
Carpathian 3d Div, ROCCA CASCIANO
British 1st Armd Div, South of SOFIA
Cdn 1st Div has started for France, now at CASTEL FACOGNANO
Kresowa 5th Div, North of FAENZA
British 78th Div, RUSSI
British 56th Div, West of CESENA
Indian 8th Div, ALFONSINE
Italian Motorized Div, South of RIMINI at MORCIANO
Cdn ~~XXXX~~, 5th Armd Div, CESENATICO



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Info

From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland
To: War Department
Nr: 1416 28 May 1944
For General Marshall 1416.

Conferred with commander 2nd Polish Div interned Switzerland with 45th Corps in 1940, Maj Gen Prugar-Ketling. He states that after discussion with Swiss he believes they will agree when Allies arrive certain line France to allow div to return France if French govt demands its return as part of 45th Corps all of which has been expatriated. Strength div 10000 men excellent combat record. Secret instruction carried on consistently since interned. Division Brigade and Regtl Staffs intact. Morale high appearance soldiers wherever men seen.

Although greatly dispersed he has been able make periodic inspections and by judicious placing of officers to keep up high morale.

If this div should be able return France while battle joined it could undoubtedly give good account itself.

Gen P informs me he has stressed instruction in radio communications and theoretical instruction in motors in case desired motorized div. While completely uniformed they have no equipment of course as this turned over by Swiss to Germans in 1940. If we can undertake equip this div when it reaches some area in France, Gen P believes it will be ready for action at latest within 3 weeks.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

Nr: 1416 28 May 1944

Further details follow.

I recommend that if possible we give some encouragement to this request as I believe it to be of high importance.

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ACTION: Gen Bissell

INFO : Gen Handy
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Combined Chiefs of Staff

November 4, 1943

CG FREEDOM ALGIERS

Number 1712

CG USFOR LONDON FOR BRITISH
CHIEFS OF STAFF, ENGLAND

Number R-5275

For Eisenhower Freedom Algiers, FAN 265, from the Combined
Chiefs of Staff.

The Combined Chiefs of Staff have agreed that:

Para 1.A. The First British Airborne Division (less the Second Parachute Brigade) and the 82nd U S Airborne Division (less 1 Airborne Artillery Battalion of 2 batteries) will return to the U K as 2 of the 7 Divisions to be withdrawn from the Mediterranean for use in OVERLORD. In arriving at this decision the Combined Chiefs of Staff take note of the fact that there will remain but 1 British Parachute Brigade in the entire Mediterranean-Middle East Region. This Brigade will remain at your disposal but when not required for your operations, may be allotted to the Middle East, for a specific operation when and if approved by the Combined Chiefs of Staff. The British Chiefs of Staff are notifying CINC, Middle East, to this effect.

Developments in Italian campaign may necessitate Airborne Operations. The move of the first British Airborne Division should, therefore, be postponed until the latest possible moment, provided that you agree that its retention in the Mediterranean would serve a useful purpose.

Para B. Four troop carrier groups and 2 small LSI's now projected for movement to the U K for use in OVERLORD will be retained as long as possible in the Mediterranean. The determination of the specific calendar date when these resources will be sent to the U K will be determined by consultation between you and COSSAC or the OVERLORD Commander, when designated. In these deliberations you will be guided by the priority accorded to OVERLORD at Quadrant. (Par 11 C,

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C C S 319/5).

Para 2. The proposed exchange of a Canadian Armored Division plus a Canadian Corps H Q, now in the U K, for a British Armored Division in the Mediterranean, has been approved by the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Para 3. The latest date acceptable for departure from Mediterranean 1 Airborne Div and 7 Armored Div is MKF 28, leaving Mediterranean about Jan 20, arriving U K about Feb 4. Nondivisional units to follow in later convoys.

ORIGINATOR: CC/S (Capt Royal USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
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Gen Arnold
Adm King
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From: Algier
To: War

No: W-3063/428, NAF 481, 21 October 1943.

From FREEDOM action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff US Joint Chiefs of Staff info USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff. CINC Mideast W-3063/428 21 Oct nil. Signed Eisenhower cite FEGCT. TCIS NAF 481 in continuation of NAF 477.

Return of First British Airborne Div to UK. is agreed but it is desired to retain 1 British Parachute Bde in this theatre. General Alexander recommends that 2nd British Parachute Bde be retained and in its place 4th British Parachute Bde, now in Italy and which contains many men who have been abroad for several years be returned to UK. Fourth Parachute Bde had been earmarked for Middle East but having regard to available troop carrier resources being reduced to 3 groups, for the whole Mediterranean, equivalent operationally to lift for 2 Bns, I suggest 1 British Parachute Bde might suffice for both requirements remaining at disposal AFHQ and going Mideast only if not required here for operations and if allotted to Mideast for a specific operation.

Of 82nd Airborne Div I desire to retain only 1 Airborne Artillery Bn of 2 Btrys. This unit is required to reinforce either the separate US Airborne BN or PLOUGH force when used on a parachute operation.

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ACTION: CC/S (Capt. Royal USN)

INFORMATION: OPD
Gen. Arnold
Gen. Strong
Adm. King

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

Date- DEC 29 1971

No. W-2846/9252 NAF 477 19 October 1943

Signature- *RAH*

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, US Joint Chiefs of Staff and personal attention of Major General Walter B Smith and to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower.

So far as can be ascertained here proposed movement of balance of Canadian Corps to this theatre from UK can be accomplished in shipping already scheduled to carry back British and US Divisions without serious dislocation. This is NAF 477. Reference AGWAR 309 of 17th October not to USFOR and COS (W) 873 of 13th October. The dispersal of ships for disembarkation at Mediterranean Ports produces local complications which can however be overcome. While the arrival of these troops at this time is likely to cause us considerable embarrassment General Alexander advised me, and I agree, that, appreciating the political considerations which may be involved, we accept the Canadian Corps Headquarters, Armored Division and non-Divisional Troops. In view of our total build up we shall eventually be glad to have this Headquarters. The aspect which causes me most concern is the pressure I anticipate will be put upon me to get these troops into action at an early date. I cannot guarantee to do this because:

1st, The equipment being released in Sicily by 30th Corps and 50th and 51st British Divisions is already heavily depleted and almost fully mortgaged as reserves for the British Forces now engaged on the Mainland. Who are already drawing upon this supply almost as fast as it can be moved up to them. We are already importing equipment as fast as port capacity will allow and this equipment is earmarked for formations and units already in this theatre. Even on the existing programme we have a shipping backlog which is likely to take many weeks to clear. The additional commitment for re-equipping the Canadians can not therefore be met by additional shipments which would remain in the ports undischarged.

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2nd, A large proportion of the Non-Divisional Troops will have to be disembarked in North Africa for administrative reasons, and will necessarily have to take a low priority in the long list of units to be transported overseas to Italy, since these priorities must be determined strictly on an operational basis. For example, we are now moving forward elements to complete units already in the field, service troops to operate the lengthening L of C and will shortly begin large scale movement of the Strategic Air Force whose medium bombers are now operating at extreme range.

3rd, The equipment of 7th Armored Division does not correspond with that of Canadian Armored Division and a period of training will be essential to accustom the Canadians to new types. This applies particularly to wireless equipment.

I have elaborated these points because, I would like it made clear in advance that necessarily there will be considerable delay in equipping the Canadians and in bringing them into action.

As regards Airborne Forces I shall reply further in a day or 2 after consultation with General Alexander.

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: OPD
General Strong
General Arnold
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Admiral King
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Executive, Operations Division
War Department General Staff

October 17, 1943

COMMANDING GENERAL
FREEDOM, ALGIERS

Number 309

To Eisenhower from Marshall.

Prior to any action by the U S Joint Chiefs of Staff on the plan of the British Chiefs of Staff outlined in Cos (W) 873 of 13 October reference movement British troops from your theater to U K, your comments and recommendations are desired.

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INFORMATION: CC/S (Captain Royal)

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From: Algiers
To: War

Nr: 1704 4th Oct 1943

Action AGWAR information SOS NATOUSA cite FHGDS 1087 cite
FHGCT signed Eisenhower.

Ultimate destination of each division mentioned in
your 9201 of 2nd October referring to our W 1352 cite
FHGCT of 30 September and FAN 241 of 2nd October is Casa-
blanca Area. Reference our W 1809 MAY 436 of 3rd October
in answer to FAN 241 any shipment of troops these two
divisions inside will necessitate a back rail movement to
Casablanca Area.

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W1352 is CM-IN-137 (1 Oct 43) OPD
9201 is CM-OUT-915 (2 Oct 43) OPD

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: GEN DEANE (CCS)
GEN SOMERVELL

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No: W-1609/2788 3 October 1943

Action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff, information
USFOR, for Chiefs of Staff NAF 436 cite FHGDS, FHGCT,
BHTPN, FHGAP 187 P signed Eisenhower.

Shipment of personnel of 2 Divisions referred to
in your 9106 FAN 241 dated 2nd October in freighters
for inside Mediterranean ports must be limited to
vessels for discharge at Oran or Algiers. Otherwise,
personnel aboard vessels for discharge at Bizerte,
Italian or Sicilian ports will either require US to
provide a difficult back haul movement, or stop vessels
at Oran or Algiers to discharge personnel, thereby de-
laying vessels enroute to ultimate destinations. The
latter plan can be worked, but it will cause 5 day
delay in turn around of shipping. Advise on what convoy
1st increments will be shipped this theater.

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ACTION: CCS (GEN. DEANE)

INFORMATION: OPD
GEN. STRONG
GEN. ARNOLD
ADM. KING

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CG, FREEDOM ALGIERS

Number 9106

FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF
USFOR LONDON

Number R 3783

FOR EISENHOWER FREEDOM ALGIERS, FAN 241, FROM THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF.

Combined Chiefs of Staff approve the shipment of 2 additional divisions from U S to North Africa under the following conditions imposed by shipping limitations.

Reference number W-364, 18 September 1943 from Algiers to War.

1st: No troop ships will be available for this movement.

2nd: The accommodations on freighters equipped to carry prisoners of war will be improved to the extent possible, and these vessels will be used for the movement so long as this emergency use of freighters continues to prove practical.

3rd: If unfavorable conditions as to submarine activity arise, or if other conditions make this employment of freighters inadvisable, the movement will be suspended.

4th: It will be necessary for you to arrange for the reception of troops at ports inside the Mediterranean as well as at Casablanca. All equipment can be delivered at Casablanca.

5th: Estimates are based on a total strength for the 2 divisions of about 30,000.

6th: It is estimated that, with all conditions proving favorable, the movement can be completed by the end of January 1944.

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INFORMATION: OPD, General Strong, General Arnold,
Admiral King, Log

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OSD letter, May 8, 1972

By RHP, NARS Date JAN 3 1974

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Combined Chiefs of Staff

September 17, 1943

CG
FREEDOM ALGIERS

Number 7989

BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF
USFOR LONDON ENGLAND

Number R-3225

The Combined Chiefs of Staff have agreed that the First Special Service Force should be assigned to your command without delay. To Eisenhower, Freedom Algiers, FAN 238, from The Combined Chiefs of Staff. This will be accomplished as soon as the necessary details can be arranged.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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17 September 1943

CG FREEDOM ALGIERS

Number 7992

BRITISH CHIEF OF STAFF USFOR LONDON ENGLAND
AND COSSAC STAFF

Number R-3226

For planning purposes you will assume that of the 7 US Troop Carrier Groups now assigned to the Mediterranean area, 4 including Ground Echelons, will be transferred to the United Kingdom in order to arrive there by 1 February 1944. To Eisenhower, Freedom Algiers, PAN 237, from the Combined Chiefs of Staff. The other 3 groups, with Ground Echelons, will remain assigned to the Mediterranean area

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INFORMATION: OPD
GEN STRONG
GEN ARNOLD
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

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By RHP, NLR, Date MAY 15 1974

No. W-88, 15 September 1943

Proposed employment Plough Force in Italy was outlined in NAF 389 Para 1 A. C in C Mideast has now been consulted and considers Force ideal for independent guerilla and sabotage activities in Balkans and for support resistance groups. It could contain enemy forces and interrupt communications at relatively small outlay, besides bolstering Balkan morale. Could be landed amphibiously or parachuted and maintained by air. Thus 2 possible roles exist in Mediterranean, either contributing materially to Allied effort. Choice must depend development situation, but anticipate Force would first be used Italy. Therefore strongly recommend allocation this Theater and shipment North Africa earliest possibility. (AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff, Mideast, signed Eisenhower, cite FHGCT. This is NAF number 404, BIGOT).

Para 2. Reference FAN 200 Para B, situation regarding additional equipment and personnel is:

(A) General purpose vehicles available this Theater to cover operational and administrative needs until arrival unit general purpose and special TA 24 carriers. Request estimate to facilitate advance provision arrangements. In addition special vehicles, unit general purpose vehicles should be shipped earliest TUP to authorized TRA.

(B) Six months normal maintenance stock all items individual and organic equipment peculiar to Plough Force, including carbines, should accompany unit suggest, if feasible in time, consideration be given to substitution of heavier mortars for 60 MM mortars, since unit may be opposed by German mountain troops with heavier armament.

(C) Understand Force has not trained replacements. Therefore, request pool to replace calculated wastage for 4 months operations be formed earliest and

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dispatched this Theater after training.

(D) Estimate transport aircraft commitment for this Force limited in Italy to maintenance single regiments carrying out long distance raids. In Balkans single regiments might be parachuted and thereafter live on country except for ammunition and petrol maintenance by air. Therefore some 30 transport aircraft probable maximum employed at one time. This figure being taken into consideration when reviewing Theater transport aircraft requirements.

(E) Special dropping equipment for use with C-47 aircraft will be required. As planning basis consider provision should be made maintain one Regt by air for 15 days per month commencing January. Request details estimated daily maintenance tonnage required for Force divided into supplies, ammunition, petrol.

(F) Light aircraft component of Force not required.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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Combined Chiefs of Staff

September 11, 1943

COMMANDING GENERAL, FREEDOM ALGIERS

Number 7520

USFOR, LONDON, FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF Number 2977

In view of the urgent importance of buildup for avalanche being as rapid as possible, you are authorized to make use of British personnel shipping from MKF 24 and KMF 24 as suggested to you by British Chiefs of Staff in their Signal of 8 September. To Eisenhower, FREEDOM Algiers, FAN number 226, from the Combined Chiefs of Staff. This diversion is agreed to on the understanding that there shall be no interference in the program for the return of the British and U S Divisions from North Africa to the U K being carried out as now planned.

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ORIGINATOR: CCS

INFORMATION: OPD
Gen Strong
Gen Arnold
Adm King
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From: Algiers
To: War

Signature- *RAH*

No. W-9493 8 September 1943

Wedderburn, Lt Colonel, of Staff Chief Combined Operations, has arrived and discussed the capabilities of the 1st Special Service Force. He spent 6 months with this force during training. Preliminary examination shows:

(A) 1st Special Service Force will prove invaluable for reconnaissance and raiding during methodical winter advance up leg of Italy which German build up will probably force upon us. Area of operations will include snow conditions in which these experienced troops will provide extremely valuable leavening for normal divisions, and will prevent their being dominated and out-flanked by enemy who possess mountain troops trained in snow warfare. Therefore propose using regiments initially as strong reconnaissance units, for flank protection in the Appenines and for raids behind enemy lines. It should prove of greatest assistance possibly in French Alps next spring when mounting our diversion to OVERLORD.

(B) Preliminary estimates indicate that no additional transport aircraft or auxiliary units are required immediately.

(C) CINC Middle East is being consulted as to whether force would be better employed Italy than on Dalmatian Coast. To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff. Signed Eisenhower. Cite FHGCT. BIGOT. This is NAF 389. Reference FAN 200.

Firm request and further details proposed employment will therefore be sent after consultation with Mid-

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To: War
No. W-9493 8 September 1943

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east, but in any case by end September. Meanwhile request preliminary arrangements be made for force to arrive this theater by mid November if allotted.

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NOTE: FAN 200 is CM-IN-18085 (24 Aug 43) CC/S.

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: OPD
General Strong
General Arnold
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Combined Chiefs of Staff

24 August 43

To: CG, Freedom, Algiers #135
USFOR, London, for British Chiefs of Staff
and General Morgan #136
Information WAR #137 W 63

Directed to return immediately to United States from Kiska is First Special Service Force. (Book message from Combined Chiefs of Staff, PAN 200, for Eisenhower, Freedom Algiers, and General Morgan)

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Force should be ready for shipment from U.S. upon return from Kiska. Consists of combat echelon of units

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To: CG, Freedom, Algiers #135
USFOR London, for British Chiefs of Staff
and General Morgan #136
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with strengths as follows: HQ of 12; 3 regiments of 417 each; air detachment of 8; and communications detachment of 4. Also a base echelon service bn as follows: HQ and HQ Co 132; service co 273; maint co 126; and med det of 15.

Unit has had extended mountain, winter and commando type training, and limited amphibious and parachute training. Unit has highest morale and participated amphibiously as a unit in Kiska landings. It is well qualified for guerrilla activities in rugged snow terrain.

Unit is equipped with normal infantry equipment, parachutes for men and equipment, and winter warfare equipment. Unit is authorized 600-24 carriers, which will be available by 1 December. These vehicles are tracked amphibious vehicles capable of operation at moderate speeds over hilly and snow terrain and capable of being parachuted from AC-54 or Lancaster. Unit has as armament rifles, carbines, rocket launchers, light mg's and 60 mm mortars.

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Information: White House
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Adm Cooke

Adm Willson
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INFORMATION: OPD
Gen Strong
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To : BOSCO

No. 161 22 Aug 43

Have notified CINCPAC that I can accommodate
7th Division and provide training facilities (WDCA
from Richardson to Marshall) in accordance with
desires of Joint Chiefs of Staff.

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ACTION : Gen Handy

INFORMATION: White House Gen Wedemeyer
Gen Marshall Col Ritchie

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COMINCH
21 Aug 43

To: Navy

No. 210311Z

Desire following message be sent CINCPAC info COMGEN
WESTDEFENSE Command and Chief of Staff, Army.

Joint Chiefs of Staff consider 7th Division should
be moved from Kiska to Hawaii for employment in Marshall
Island campaign utilizing combat loaders now at Kiska
for transportation. Other troops, except for special
service force already ordered moved, are to remain in
the Aleutians. Number 8 from COMINCH.

Joint Chiefs of Staff have decided Paramushiru
operation probably impracticable before Spring, 1944.

Desire you consult Richardson as to whether
accommodations and training facilities for 7th Division
can be provided until about January 1 when this Division
will be employed. The remainder of the 6th Division is
now scheduled to arrive Hawaii during September. If
Division can be accommodated and trained and you approve
Joint Chiefs of Staff direct you initiate movement
without delay.

Released by Admiral Cooke

ORIGINATOR : COMINCH

INFORMATION:	Adm Cooke	Gen Handy
	Adm Willson	Gen Deane
	Adm Leahy	Gen Wedemeyer
	White House	Gen Kuter
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From: Alaska Defense Command
To: Chief of Staff 547
WDC 125

20 August 1943

Ninety Seventh Engineers subject DeWitt sending. All Engineer units General Service and other types in rear areas are being and will be moved to Westward as rapidly as essential construction these areas completed. Question of ceiling is not involved as determination this question rests on action Joint Chiefs of Staff on recommendations contained my letter to Chief of Staff of July 30th subject plan for suggested operations in Northwestern Pacific. Reconsideration is requested as this Regiment is immediately available and subject to prompt movement but any other colored regiment that can be made available promptly will be satisfactory.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: GEN DEANE (JC/S)

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PARA 1. NUMEROUS INSTANCES HAVE BEEN BROUGHT TO MY NOTICE WHERE NAVAL COMMANDERS OF JOINT FORCES HAVE PRESCRIBED THE "HOW" AS WELL AS THE "WHAT" FOR DETACHMENTS (LARGE AND SMALL) OF OTHER SERVICES. WHERE THIS HAS OCCURRED IT HAS BEEN DONE IN VIOLATION OF SOUND PRINCIPLES OF COMMAND JOINT AGREEMENT, AND, I MAY ADD, AT VARIANCE WITH THE WELL KNOWN CONVICTIONS OF COMINCH.

PARA 2. I REQUIRE NAVAL COMMANDERS OF ALL JOINT FORCES TO SEE TO IT THAT NOT ONLY DETACHMENTS (LARGE AND SMALL) OF OTHER SERVICES WHETHER ARMY OR MARINE CORPS BUT NAVY AS WELL ARE LEFT FREE TO ACCOMPLISH ASSIGNED TASKS BY THE USE OF THEIR

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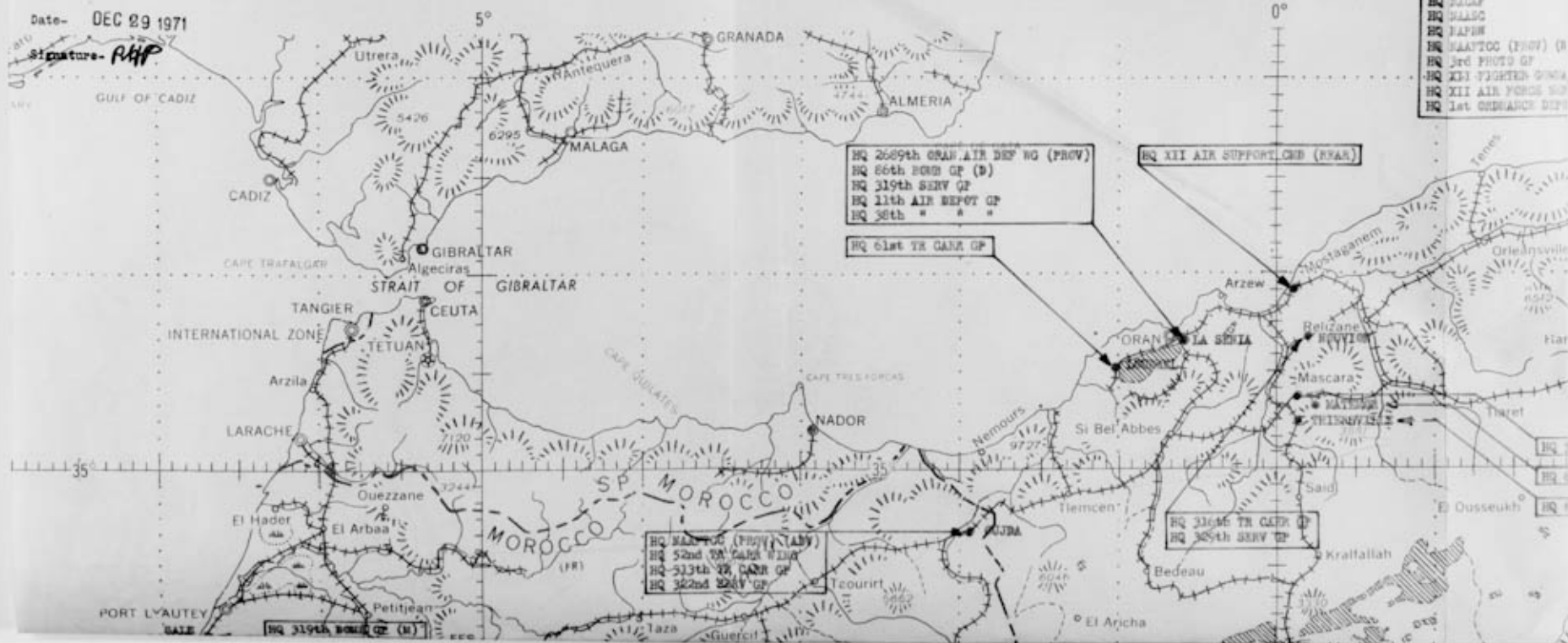
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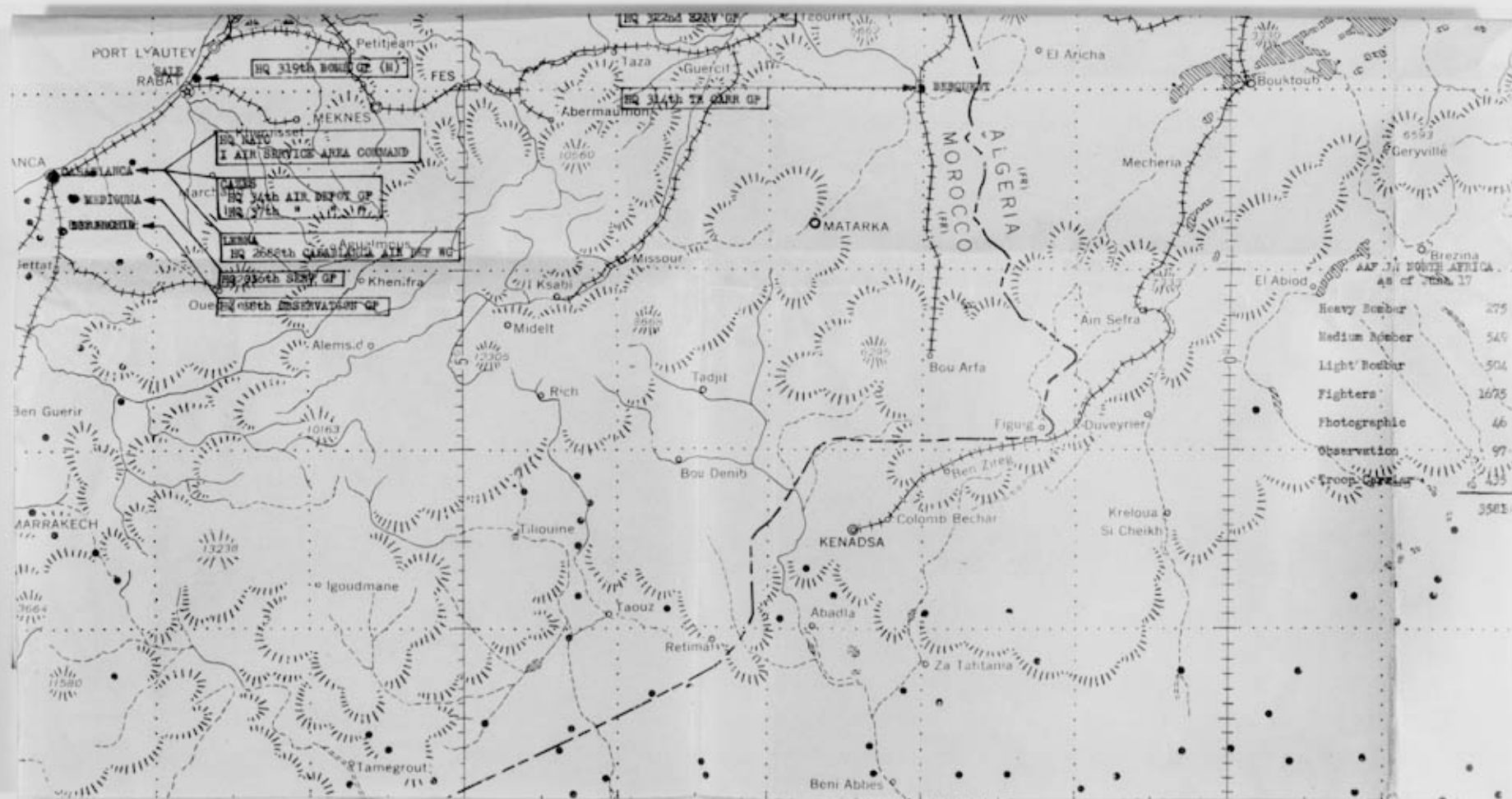
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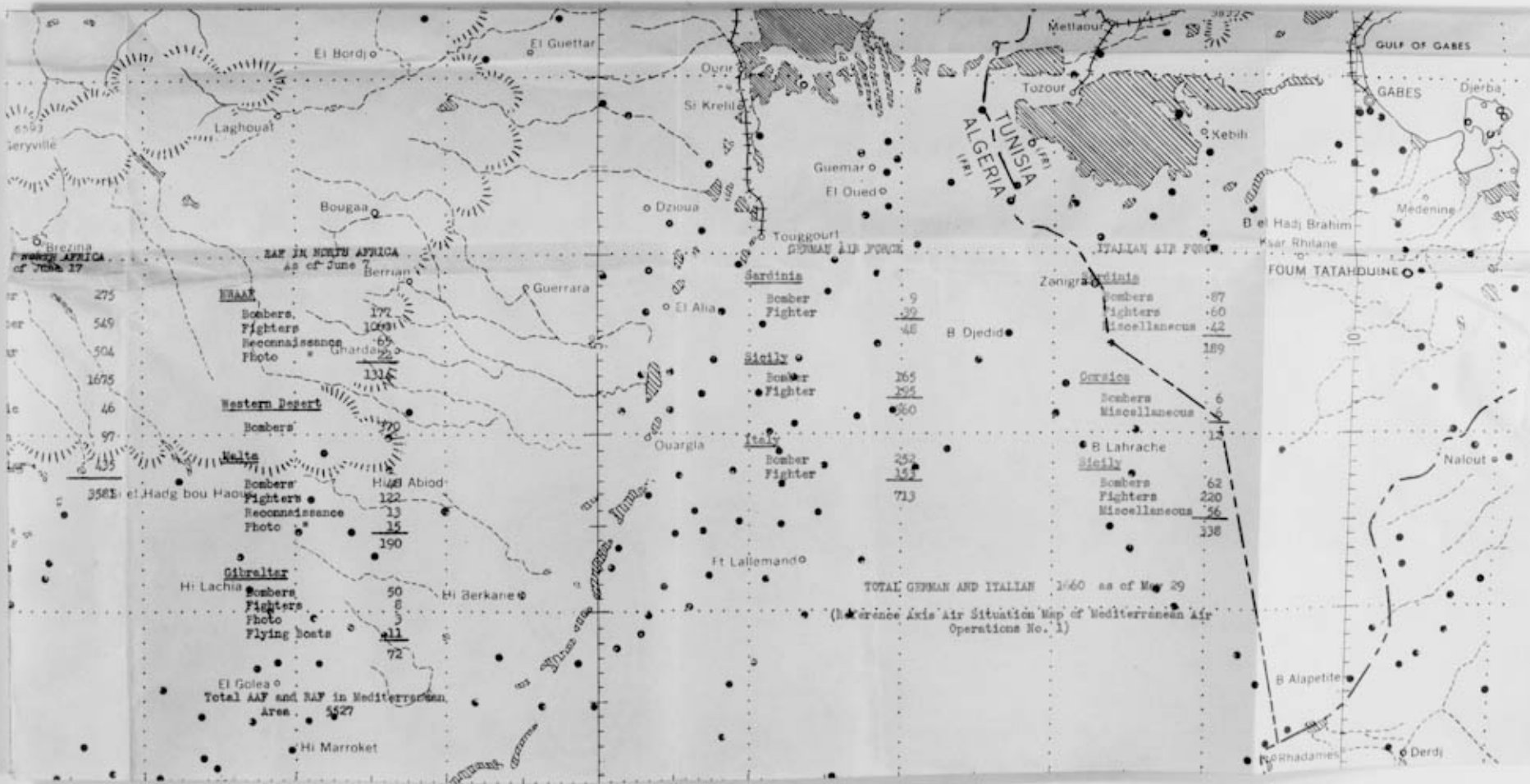


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RAF IN NORTH AFRICA
as of June 17

275
549
504
1675
46
97
435
3581

RAF IN NORTH AFRICA
as of June 17

RAF
Bombers 177
Fighters 1069
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Western Desert

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Gibraltar

Bombers 50
Fighters 8
Photo 11
Flying Boats 72

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GERMAN AIR FORCE

Sardinia
Bomber 9
Fighter 39
48

Sicily

Bomber 265
Fighter 254
519

Italy

Bomber 252
Fighter 151
713

TOTAL GERMAN AND ITALIAN as of May 29

(Reference Axis Air Situation Map of Mediterranean Air Operations No. 1)

ALGERIA
TUNISIA

ITALIAN AIR FORCE

Sardinia
Bombers 87
Fighters 60
Miscellaneous 42
189

Corse

Bombers 6
Miscellaneous 13

B. Lahrache

Sicily
Bombers 62
Fighters 220
Miscellaneous 56
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TEXT ARMY GROUND AND ARMY AIR FORCES ADDITIONAL TO THOSE PRESENT AND ENROUTE AS OF MARCH 8TH ARE TO BE MOVED TO THE SOUTH PACIFIC AND SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SCHEDULE GIVEN IN FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS.

2. SOUTH PACIFIC ST. A. SECOND QUARTER: AIR FORCES - INCREASE BOTH HEAVY BOMB GROUPS TO 4 SQUADRONS 12 PLANES, EACH, INCREASE MEDIUM BOMB GROUP TO 57 PLANES, 2 TROOP CARRIER SQUADRONS 13 PLANES EACH, INCREASE PHOTO SQUADRON TO 13 PLANES.

B. THIRD QUARTER: AIR FORCES - INCREASE NIGHT FIGHTER DETACHMENT TO SQUADRON 12 PLANES, 1 OBSERVATION SQUADRON 21 PLANES.

C. FOURTH QUARTER: AIR FORCES - INCREASE BOTH FIGHTER GROUPS TO 4 SQUADRONS 25 PLANES EACH, 1 PHOTO SQUADRON 13 PLANES.

3. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC.

A. SECOND QUARTER: GROUND FORCES 1 DIVISION INFANTRY (FIRST CAVALRY), AIR FORCES - INCREASE MEDIUM BOMB STRENGTH

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TO 2 GROUPS 57 PLANES EACH, BRING LIGHT BOMB GROUP TO 57 PLANES, INCREASE NIGHT FIGHTER STRENGTH TO 2 SQUADRONS 12 PLANES EACH, INCREASE PRESENT TROOP CARRIER STRENGTH TO 3 AND ONEHALF GROUPS 52 PLANES PER GROUP.

B. THIRD QUARTER: GROUND FORCES 1 INFANTRY DIVISION, AIR FORCES - 1 HEAVY BOMB GROUP 48 PLANES, 1 MEDIUM BOMB

GROUP 57 PLANES, 1 LIGHT BOMB GROUP 57 PLANES, 2 FIGHTER GROUPS 75 PLANES EACH, 1 TROOP CARRIER GROUP 52 PLANES,

INCREASE PRESENT OBSERVATION STRENGTH BY 1 GROUP OF ABOUT 84 PLANES, INCREASE PHOTO PLANE STRENGTH TO 1 GROUP.

C. FOURTH QUARTER: AIR FORCES - 1 LIGHT BOMB GROUP 57 PLANES, 1 FIGHTER GROUP 75 PLANES.

4. IN ADDITION TO INITIAL EQUIPMENT PRESCRIBED ABOVE, A DEPOT RESERVE OF 25 PER CENT IN THE AREA IS PLANNED. REPLACEMENT AIRCRAFT FOR ATTRITION IS PLANNED AT 20 PER CENT OF INITIAL EQUIPMENT PER MONTH EXCLUSIVE OF TRANSPORTS. ACTUAL TRANSPORT LOSSES WILL BE REPLACED.

5. DISTRIBUTION OF GROUND FORCES INDICATED ABOVE BETWEEN SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST PACIFIC IS TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO

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POSSIBLE READJUSTMENTS. IN ADDITION TO MAJOR UNITS NOTED HEREIN, THE MOVEMENT OF SUPPORTING AND SERVICE UNITS AND REPLACEMENTS TO SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST PACIFIC IS PLANNED.

6. FOLLOWING TOTAL SHORE AND TENDER BASED NAVAL AIRCRAFT SQUADRONS TO BE DEPLOYED IN SOPAC BY END OF PERIODS INDICATED:

A. SECOND QUARTER - MEDIUM BOMBERS 2, LIGHT BOMBERS 10, FIGHTERS 9, TROOP CARRIERS 3, PATROL PLANES 6, PHOTO 2, OBSERVATION 12.

B. THIRD QUARTER - MEDIUM BOMBERS 4, LIGHT BOMBERS 10, FIGHTERS 10, TROOP CARRIERS 4, PATROL PLANES 7, PHOTO 3, OBSERVATION 12.

C. FOURTH QUARTER - MEDIUM BOMBERS 6, LIGHT BOMBERS 12, FIGHTERS 12, TROOP CARRIERS 4, PATROL PLANES 8, PHOTO 3, OBSERVATION 12.

6. SOUTHWEST PACIFIC:

A. SECOND QUARTER - PATROL PLANES 2, OBSERVATION 1.

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- B. THIRD QUARTER - PATROL PLANES 4, OBSERVATION 1.
- C. FOURTH QUARTER - PATROL PLANES 6, OBSERVATION 1.
8. SQUADRON STRENGTH 18 PLANES EXCEPT MEDIUM BOMBERS TROOP CARRIERS AND PATROL PLANES 12, PHOTO AND OBSERVATION
6. PATROL SQUADRONS SOPAC INCLUDE LAND TYPE.
9. AFTER CONFERENCE WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF CINCPAC COMSOPAC AND COMSOWESTPAC AREA DECISION HAS BEEN MADE TO
- ISSUE A DIRECTIVE TO COVER EXECUTION OF OPERATIONS GENERALLY CONTEMPLATED UNDER TASK TWO OF JULY SECOND DIRECTIVE, COMINCH
022100. DEPARTURE FROM WASHINGTON OF STAFF REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL COMPLETION OF THIS DIRECTIVE.
10. IN CONCURRENCE WITH THE UNANIMOUS RECOMMENDATION OF STAFF REPRESENTATIVES JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF DESIRE THE EARLY DEVELOPMENT OF AIR BASES ON KIRIWINA AND WOODLARK ISLANDS. SOUTH PACIFIC AND SOUTHWEST PACIFIC STAFFS AGREE THAT AIR BASE CONSTRUCTION ON WOODLARK SHOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED BY CONSTRUCTION BATTALIONS FROM SOUTH PACIFIC AND AIRCRAFT COMPLE-
MENT FOR THIS BASE BE PROVIDED BY COMSOPAC.

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11. PREVAILING OPINION HERE INDICATES DESIRABILITY OF DEFERRING PROJECTED MUNDA OPERATION OR OTHER MAJOR OPERATIONS IN NEW GEORGIA UNTIL AFTER ESTABLISHMENT AIR BASE ON WOODLARK AND POSSIBLY AFTER SEIZURE OF LAE AND HUON PENINSULA HAVE BEEN EFFECTED. COMMENTS OF THIS DEFERMENT DESIRED FROM ACTION AND INFORMATION ADDRESSEES.

12. CINCPAC'S COMMENTS ALSO INVITED REGARDING REDEPLOYMENT OF PACIFIC FLEET UNITS IN EVENT OF PROTRACTED DEFERMENT OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS IN THE SOLOMONS.

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Number 2226

Army Ground and Army Air Forces additional to those present and en-route as of March 8th are to be moved to the South Pacific and Southwest Pacific Areas in accordance with schedule given in following paragraphs:

Book message for Cinopac Ocean Areas and Supreme Comdr Southwest Pacific Area and Info Comsopac from the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

2. South Pacific:

A. 2nd quarter: Air Forces-increase both heavy Bomb Groups to 4 Squadrons 12 planes each, increase Medium Bomb Group to 57 planes, 2 Troop Carrier Squadrons 13 planes each, increase Photo Squadron to 13 planes.

B. 3rd quarter: Air Forces-increase Night Fighter Detachment to Squadron 12 planes, 1 Observation Squadron 21 planes.

C. 4th quarter: Air Forces-increase both Fighter Groups to 4 Squadrons 23 planes each, 1 Photo Squadron 13 planes.

3. Southwest Pacific:

A. 2nd quarter: Ground Forces 1 division Infantry (1st Cavalry), Air Forces-increase Medium Bomb strength to 2 groups 57 planes each, bring Light Bomb Group to 57 planes, increase Night Fighter strength to 2 squadrons 12 planes each, increase present Troop Carrier strength to 3 and 1/2 groups 52 planes per group.

B. 3rd quarter: Ground Forces 1 Infantry Division, Air Forces-1 Heavy Bomb Group 48 planes, 1 Medium Bomb Group 57 planes, 1 Light Bomb Group 57 planes, 2 Fighter Groups 73 planes each, 1 Troop Carrier Group 52 planes, increase present Observation strength by 1 group of about 84 planes, increase Photo Plane strength to 1 group.

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C. 4th quarter: Air Forces-1 Light Bomb Group 57 planes, 1 Fighter Group 75 planes.

4. In addition to initial equipment prescribed above, a depot reserve of 25 per cent in the area is planned. Replacement aircraft for attrition is planned at 20 per cent of initial equipment per month exclusive of transports. Actual transport losses will be replaced.

5. Distribution of Ground Forces indicated above between South and Southwest Pacific is tentative and subject to possible readjustments. In addition to Major Units noted herein, the movement of supporting and Service Units and replacements to South and Southwest Pacific is planned.

6. Following total shore and tender Based Naval Aircraft Squadrons to be deployed in Sopa by end of periods indicated:

A. 2nd quarter- Medium Bombers 2, Light Bombers 10, Fighters 9, Troop Carriers 3, Patrol Planes 6, Photo 2, Observation 12.

B. 3rd quarter-Medium Bombers 4, Light Bombers 10, Fighters 10, Troop Carriers 4, Patrol Planes 7, Photo 3, Observation 12.

C. 4th quarter-Medium Bombers 6, Light Bombers 12, Fighters 12, Troop Carriers 4, Patrol Planes 8, Photo 3, Observation 12.

7. Southwest Pacific:

A. 2nd quarter-Patrol Planes 2, Observation 1.

B. 3rd quarter-Patrol Planes 4, Observation 1.

C. 4th quarter-Patrol Planes 6, Observation 1.

8. Squadron strength 18 planes except Medium Bombers Troop Carriers and Patrol Planes 12, Photo and Observation 6. Patrol Squadrons Sopa include land type.

9. After conference with representatives of Cinopac, Comsopac and Comoswestpac Area decision has been made to issue a directive to cover execution of operations generally contemplated under task 2 of July 2nd directive, Cominch 022100. Departure from Washington of Staff Representatives will be deferred until completion of this directive.

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10. In concurrence with the unanimous recommendation of Staff Representatives Joint Chiefs of Staff desire the early development of Air Bases on Kiriwina and Woodlark Islands. South Pacific and Southwest Pacific Staffs agree that Air Base Construction on Woodlark should be accomplished by construction battalions from South Pacific and Aircraft complement for this base be provided by Comsopac.

11. Prevailing opinion here indicates desirability of deferring projected Munda operation or other major operations in New Georgia until after establishment Air Base on Woodlark and possibly after seizure of Lae and Huon Peninsula have been effected. Comments on this deferment desired from action and information addressees.

12. Cinopac's comments also invited regarding redeployment of Pacific Fleet Units in event of protracted deferment of offensive operations in the Solomons.

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