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GREEK CABINET HAS APPROVED MOVE TO ITALY. PERSONNEL
ADVISED TO BE READY BY SEPTEMBER 6. BRITISH AMBASSADOR
TAKING 2 ASSISTANTS. AMERICAN EMBASSY WAITING INSTRUCTIONS.
FROM SPENCER. REFERENCE NY 281604.

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From: CG, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt.

To: War Department.

Nr: N 28187 28 August 1944.

JICAME number 251 signed Giles msg number N28187.

Venizelos, Mylonaz, Rendis, Liberal party representatives have resigned from Greek Cairo government. On 27 August resignations accept.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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From: U.S. Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey
To: War Department 345
CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 984
28 August 1944

Ankara to MILID 345 AMSME 984.

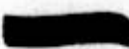
Entire Army and all parties behind King says Rumanian Milattache on basis advice from Bucharest. Some uneasiness felt by Rumanians because Russians have disarmed considerable numbers Rumanian troops since Armistice. MA points out this is to disadvantage of United Nations as troops could be used to fight Germans.

Says Rumanians had 29 Divisions at start of Russian offensive and if provided with captured German arms and equipment have men sufficient for total of 50.

Attache says his Government is anxious for Anglo American Mission to enter Rumania and would much prefer if small body of airborne troops could accompany. Said this would be most reassuring to Rumania where obviously considerable fear of Russians still persists. Rumanian Communist insisted on provisional control of Ministry of Justice.

Decision to effect coup was personal one of King reached suddenly. When Antonescu still hesitated on 23 August and suggested further delay King ordered him arrested and took matters in own hands. Before making dramatic radio announcement King said to have had long conference with De Chastellain British Intelligence Officer who had been

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prisoner in Bucharest. Later De Chastellain came to Turkey in Royal plane bearing message from King presumably from British Government. In Bucharest De Chastellain in uniform is said to have been widely acclaimed by populace.

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

To: War Department

No: N 28201

28 August 1944

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Upon return of Papandreu to Cairo on 26 August from conversations with Churchill in Italy, meeting of Greek Cabinet was scheduled for 28 August. At insistence of certain members special meeting was held on 27 August along following lines:

1. Announcement by Papandreu that full agreement had been reached between Mr. Churchill and himself met with cabinet criticism that his departure without consulting them regarding main points to be discussed was prejudicial to representative expression of government position. (Middle east security considerations dictated this policy according to Papandreu.)

2. On ground that Papandreu was pursuing personal policy generally at variance with his cabinet, Venizelos, Rendis and Mylona tendered their resignations.

3. Cabinet was reportedly generally dissatisfied with proposal to move government to Naples, also announced by Prime Minister.

4. Liberals may return to cabinet (even should Papandreu be retained by King) provided positive guarantee is given that new government will be more consultative.

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5. Besides Liberals (who are maintaining united attitude against Papandreou) several other ministers have decided to withdraw their support. Loss of Liberal members would seriously jeopardize representatives of Greek Cabinet.

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From: US Military Attache, Bern, Switzerland

To: War Department

Nr: 1688

27 August 1944

1688 MILID, Washington

Jews in Hungary appeal through Polish Consul here for aid against daily deportations. 12,000 to extermination camp Auschwitz. Urgently request bombardment rail lines Galanta-Leopoldov and Vrutki-Zilina-Cadca.

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey
To: War Department 343
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 982
DTG: 27 August 1944
Turkey to MILID 343 AMSME 982.

All Rumanian parties are united and army will obey King according Rumanian diplomat also MA. Legation here now in radio contact with Bucharest. King was in Bucharest night of 24-25. Two Antonescus are in Bucharest as guests of King. Mihai is still even doing mild job of advising but they have no authority.

German Generals saw King and agreed to withdraw forces. Short time after they departed Bucharest was bombed by Germans who tried to hit Royal Palace. Rumanians in complete control Bucharest.

Rumanians anxious that Anglo Saxon mission arrive early. They would like small token force to accompany. They are worried over possibility Russians may attempt disarm Rumanian troops instead of letting them go against Germans and point out that this favors Germans. They say some disarming of Rumanian troops by Russians has taken place.

Dispositions on Rumanian front about 20 August as given by Rumanian MA Ankara were: From sea to bend of Knlester north of Bender or Tighina was Rumanian Third Army. From Benm to Pruth was German Army of ten or a dozen divisions. Between Pruth and Sereth was Fourth Rumanian Army.

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From Sereth to frontier was German Army which included three Rumanian Divisions. Four Rumanian Divisions were on line Galati-Poczani. Three Rumanian Divisions were south of Transylvania.

Thus Russian attack easily surrounded German Army around Kishinev. Rumanians say German Carpathian forces can not debouch to south easily because poor communications. They expect German Army will withdraw into Transylvania and defend on Carpathians. Rumanians expect Germans and Hungarians will complete occupation Transylvania.

Rumanian MA still insists that early in August were nine Armored and 27 Infantry Divisions in Rumania but says prior to 21 August eight Infantry and six Armored departed North 22 Divisions of which six badly defeated. Says all German war vessels had left Varna and Burgas and gone to Constanza. Confused fighting at Constanza where German radio reported silenced according British source B 2 who thinks Germans burning codes.

Russian attack precipitated Rumanian decision. Arrangements had been made but Warsaw Affair caused them to hesitate. Finally saw they must act or army would disintegrate.

National bloc of four parties namely National Liberal, National Peasants, Communist and Social Democratic got together some time ago and agreed on plan to expel Germans

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and make peace with United Nations. Minister here makes clear that Rumanians expect to get back Northern Transylvania.

British Intelligence Officer and Rumanian Colonel Niculescu arrived Istanbul from Bucharest in Royal Plane. Understand they going Cairo. British Officer was dropped by parachute in Rumania year ago was captured and has been given special treatment by Rumanians.

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From: CG US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To : War Department
No : N 28170 27 August 1944

To 1200 hours 27th August Ops southeastern Europe
number 285 WSGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles AMSME N 28170.

Part 1. Greece.

Peloponnese (Allied LO report). Reports of German withdrawal from Peloponnese via Corinth D 64 continue. One source considered good by Allied LO giving 8th Sept as date for all German units to be withdrawn from Peninsula. Civilians in Dervení D 27 are reported fleeing to Patras C 68 and Corinth to escape Elás.

Central Greece (Allied LO reports). According to Greek LO on Kefallinia several enemy small craft left Argostolion B 58 on night 23rd/24th August, some guards have been replaced by Italians and further departures from Kefallinia including Gestapo chief were also imminent. Some troops and equipment are believed to have reached Astakos X 12 and Mesolongion X 40. Derailment in Athens area 7th August resulted engine and two cars damaged 30 meters of track out.

Thessaly (BR LO). Four enemy vehicles were surprised at T 18 on 24th August on Ilasón T 16-Kozani N 81 road resulting in 12 Nazis killed and mail and documents seized by mission and collaborating Andarte personnel.

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Epirus (British LO). Culvert demolished 22nd August south of Arta X 79 resulted in 76 civilian hostages being seized by Germans of whom 7 were hanged.

Part 2. Roumania (situation as reported by Allied collaborators in Roumanian capital).

A. Coup as originally organized by King was scheduled for 26th August. An earlier opportunity presented itself and on 23rd August Antonescu and remainder of government were arrested at palace.

B. Nazis occupied Giurgiu XH 58 and Dalati SX 25 post and telegraph offices and established road blocks on Bucharest-Ploesti road at Otopeni XC 65.

C. New premier summoned Gen Hansen to palace at 0200 hours 24th August and stated that unless his forces were withdrawn counter measures would be taken. Hansen reportedly agreed.

D. During 24 August German aircraft operating from Otopeni bombarded Bucharest completely destroying royal palace and immobilizing government. Situation was improving on 25th August with popular feeling running high against Nazis and all military commanders ordered to resist.

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

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From: AFHQ (Signed Wilson)
To: British Chiefs of Staff
Info: JSM Washington For U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff
No: FX 88221 26 August 1944
MEDCOS 175.

Reference para. 1A of MEDCOS 145.

Plans are now nearing completion and target date is as in my immediately following signal. Partisans, supported by BAF, will make the major contribution while raiding forces of LFA and naval forces harass the coast and coastal shipping.

End.

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INFO : ADM LEAHY
GEN ARNOLD
GEN HANDY
GEN BISSELL
ADM KING
MR STIMSON
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From: A.F.H.Q.
To : War Office
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Hr : FX 87416

26 August 1944

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PERIODIC BALKAN REVIEW NUMBER 19.

A. YUGOSLAVIA.

ONE: Continued reports movement troops into ISTRIA believed indicate unidentified GERMAN formation has moved into area.

TWO: SS SKANDERBEG employed new operations SOUTHEAST MONTENEGRO.

THREE: CX states COL GERTLER OC (18 ARTY REGT now acting GOC 118 JAEGER DIVISION.

FOUR: SLAVONIA. Sporadic fighting for possession harvest Believed this also object of move SOUTH-EAST elements 1 COSSACK to DARUVAR.

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FIVE: MONTENEGRO. Enemy attacking NORTH and WEST from KOLASIN also SOUTH from PLEVLJA. Heavy fighting SINUA JEVINA mountains.

SIX: SERBIA. Partisans claim capture ERUS and ALEKSANDROVAC also LEBANE latter intended diversion from KOPAONIK. Also claim large force BULGARS surrounded KURSUMLIJA.

SEVEN: Report withdrawal BULGARS from YUGOSLAVIA NOT confirmed.

B. ALBANIA.

ONE: New heavy GERMAN drive WEST and NORTH from DEBAR. Object probably clear BURELE then MATI river areas.

TWO: Present LNC policy.
(a). To occupy DEBAR, PRESHKOPI, BURELE.
(b). Win over local Chieftains not already compromised.
(c). Make contact with TITO'S forces through KOSOVAR areas.

C. GREECE.

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Nr : FX 87416

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PEEA have withdrawn demand for PAPAN-
DREOU'S resignation and requested arrangements be
made for despatch of their proposed Ministers to
CAIRO.

D. HUNGARY.

ONE: Now apparent that HUNGARIAN DIVS also
involved in recent rail activity in HUNGARY. Probable in-
crease in formations committed EAST front from 17 Divisions
plus 2 Brigades to 20 plus 2 Brigades.

TWO: No change political situation.

E. ROUMANIA.

ONE: Direction RUSSIAN offensive on ROUMANIA
suggests object to drive wedge between ROUMANIAN 4 and GERMAN
8 Armies with intension of destroying the latter.

TWO: No additional information on ROUMANIAN/
surrender.

F. BULGARIA.

ONE: BAGRIANOV's speech clearest indication
yet of BULGARIA's intention of getting out of war. Previous
Ministers responsible for war policy blamed but NO suggestion
of fighting GERMANS or evacuating annexed territories.

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Nr : FX 87416

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Policy of substituting AGRARIAN sympathisers for compromised pro Axis Officials continues. Latest changes include re-organisation of BULGARIAN State Police and abolition Commissariat for Jewish Affairs. ROUMANIAN defection likely accelerate BULGARIAN peace policy and strengthen BAGRIANOV's hand.

T.O.O. Nil

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey
To : War Department
CG US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo Egypt
No : 343 26 August 1944

US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey to MILID 343
AMSME 968.

Outcome in Bulgaria depends on Russia and degree to which it will back first present government and second Bulgar aspirations. Bulgarian government is now playing Russian card strongly.

Tone of speech of Braganov implied considerable degree of understanding with Russia, possibly more than exists. From study of speech Dr Black American expert on Bulgaria believes Bulgargovernment must have had some indication of Russian support. However Moscow radio has been viciously attacking Braganov government and demanding a more democratic regime. Also C 3 report states that understanding between Russians and Bulgarians recently hit snag over unknown cause. In any case this understanding is not complete. Many observers here expect Bulgarian cabinet to fall soon.

Braganov speech believed to have been approved by Bulgar army before it was delivered. Russians also believed to have seen it in advance without offering objections considered serious by Bulgars. Speech commits government to stand for retaining at least some part of Thrace and Macedonia in any negotiations otherwise army must fight or government fall. Apparently Bulgars are playing poker with Allies hoping to keep Macedonia and Thrace by offering

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

No : 343 26 August 1944

to withdrew from Yugoslavia. Government is quite likely bluffing hoping to give impression of strong Russian backing. In this connection Dr Black has predicted that Bulgars in order to gain advantages for selves were likely to try to embroil Russians and British whose interests they think conflict in Balkans.

Turk source C 3 claims Russian agents have recently urged Bulgars to hang on to Aegean coast. Another Turk source C 4 is spreading report that Russians are preparing way for autonomous Macedonia under Russian influence. To be noted that idea of Russians arriving on Aegean coast after being introduced by Bulgaria sold Turk bug bear.

Braganov speech poorly received by Turk press which disliked parts referring to Turkey and failure to promise prompt withdrawal from Thrace. Fall of Braganov cabinet predicted by several papers. Can not confirm Cairo report that Bulgars from Thrace and Macedonia are withdrawing.

Turk Prime Minister professed to be entirely puzzled by Braganov speech. Our Ambassador says he does not understand it either.

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

To: War Department

Rr: N 28135

26 August 1944

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Allied LO reports 2000 Nazis and 800 vehicles crossed Corinth Isthmus 17 August. According to one unconfirmed report 117 Jaeger Div is expected on Bulgar frontier by 9 September. Germans at Patras estimated by LO at 500 hundred marines and 150 soldiers also due Ollaswhere. Replacement of Bulgar troops by security bns rumored in DRAMA area.

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INFO: CG AAF

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal

To: War Department

Nr: 420 25 August 1944

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Hungarian source B 2 reports that following Rumanian events govt decree published Budapest August 24 ordering dissolution all political parties and termination all party activities. Party property is put under sequester by police and sanctions for non compliance are established.

Source comments that this decree applies to all Fascist parties since no other were allowed to subsist since occupation of Hungary by Germs and means that Horthy is clearing decks for peace proposals. Source states ministerial councillor Szentivanyi, now close to regent will play important role in immediate events. He is said to have filled consular position in Chicago and Cleveland in '38 and '9.

For transmittal to Tibor Eckhardt if you so desire is info that his wife is free well and with friends in the country. For identification name of Bazovski may be used.

New subject. Situation in Rumania confused. According to despatches from Budapest Germs announce constitu-

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon, Portugal

Nr: 420 25 August 1944

tion of national govt in opposition to King Michael re my
411.

New subject. Source B 2 reports Germs are expecting
Allied landing in Trieste.

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ACTION: General Bissell

INFORMATION: General Handy
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From: US Military Attache Lisbon, Portugal
To: War Department
Nr: 417 25 August 1944

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New Rumanian Govt composed of Prime Minister Cocourt
Chamberlain General Senatescu, Chief Peasant Party Maniu,
Chief Liberal Party Bratianu, Chief Communist Party Patrasca-
nu, Chief Social Democ Party Titelpetrescu.

Foregoing four without portfolio.

Foreign affairs career diplomat Niculescu - Buzesi,
War General Aldea, Interior Gen Popovicim'hai, Health Gen
Doteumariuscu, Works Admiral Dimitriu, Supplies Admiral
Georgescu, Subsec Interior General Jitianuz, Air General
Gheorghiu, Economy General Potopceanu.

Important posts are filled by men remy 411 Chief
of Staff General Mihail Prefect of Police and Mayor of
Bucarest General Ambrowski. Of source remy 411 latter
is brother in law.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO: CG AAP
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PARAPHRASE OF STATE DEPARTMENT CABLE
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From: Caserta
To: Secretary of State, Washington
No: 170 20 August 1944

Consideration has been given by the Balkan Air Force Policy Committee to a suggestion by the British that AFHQ be advised to order heavy bomb attacks on the bridges and public buildings of Budapest, with a view to paralyzing the nation and producing extreme administrative disorder.

The representative of MacMillan took the view that Anglo-American interest in Hungary over the long run would not be well served by total chaos in that country, while my representative, pursuant to War Department policy, (see my 88 of 9 August) took the position opposed to political bombing. The Committee turned the proposal down, but advised AFHQ that administrative disruption seriously weakening Hungary's worth to Germany might be brought about if large-scale propaganda were combined with heavier bombing of communications facilities under the current target plan.

Murphy (Representative)

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey
To: War Department
CG, US Troops in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
Nr: 327 18 August 1944

[REDACTED] CZI to MILID 327 AMSME 963.

During visit on August 4 and 5 of Marshal Antonescu and Mihaila headquarters of Hitler where they were convoked Rumanians were intimidated by Fuhrer and became convinced they must stick with Germans short while longer according Rumanian diplomat and General Staff officer C 2 who stated they are authorized to speak for Marshal.

Prior to visit Marshal indicated he was now prepared to arrange plans for armed resistance to Germans in collaboration with forces of United Nations. Now Marshal sends word that Germans in Rumania are still too strong for such action at this time to have chance of success without ruining nation. Rumanian Staff claims 35 German divisions and total strength of 780,000 Germans are still in Rumania which figures seem too high. Also claim German dispositions gravely hinder or preclude Rumanian coup at this time which also is doubted.

Rumanians say Hitler convinced Marshal that Germans will remain in Balkans and will not evacuate even though some forces may have been withdrawn. Said troops now there and in Greece will stay. Rumanians privately characterized decision as insane but insist they believe Hitler meant what he said and will act accordingly at least for present.

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

Nr: 327 18 August 1944

Antonescu still sends word that at later date presumably when Germans in some manner become weaker in Rumania he is prepared to exit from war using Rumanian troops in conjunction with those of United Nations to expel Germans from Rumania. Spokesmen of Marshal said he was prepared to leave all peace term questions such as indemnities and territorial matters to be settled by United Nations at Peace Conference. He is reported to be interested only in armistice arrangements and according spokesmen will acquiesce in occupation of all Rumania by United Nations troops.

However he apparently plans to hold out for American and British participation in occupation even if only on small scale. An all Russian occupation of all Rumania is major point he is not yet ready concede. Rumanians had previously indicated Marshal was ready to take decisive action to get out of war but apparently period of political maneuver continues. State Department representative who saw sources at same time is reporting separately to State Department.

End

ACTION: Gen Bissell

INFORMATION: Gen Arnold
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Summary*

From: A.F.H.Q.

To: War Office
AGWAR
Rptd. SOMTO
HQ AAI
LFA

No: FX 84412

18 August 1944

Signed Wilson cite FHGBI.

Periodical Balkan Review Number 18.

A. Yugoslavia.

1. 927 Landesschutzen Battalion identified paybook Slovenia.

2. Elements one Mountain Division identified Kopaonik and area Prijepolj. Assume next task this division drive Montenegro similar scale and purpose recent drive southern Albania.

3. Reports of movement via Vinkovci and Osijek into southern Hungary in early August by large element 13 S. S. Division indicate that this formation is supplying further drafts to second Moslem Division.

4. KRK Island combed 3/4 August by 200 Ustashi. Allied aircraft inflicted casualties in attacks Polje and Dobrinj. Enemy withdrew afternoon 4 August.

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5. Partisan position deteriorating Eastern Montenegro. Enemy captured Andrijevice and Kolasin while Partisan evacuated Berane. Elements 54 Recce Unit and 14 S. S. Regiment operating South Prijepolje. Enemy attacks from Flevlja and Niksic claimed held.

6. Two Partisan Divisions of Moraca Group crossed Ibar now fighting Kopainik area while enemy employing reinforcements from one Mountain Division attempts check further penetration into Serbia.

B. Albania.

1. Partisans reported hold Debar where Allied air attack caused withdrawal German garrison of barracks area.

2. Partisan drive into Kupa area of Mati has resulted further consolidation of anti-LNC bloc. This fostered by German propaganda and formed of conservative nationalist elements such as Shkoder Catholics, Moslem land owners and Bk.

C. Hungary.

1. According unconfirmed secret source Bakj attempted Putsch end July using Gendarmerie. Further Gendarmerie believed moved from Novi Sad "to deal with rising in Budapest". At MEP meeting 11 August letter from Sztojay read suggesting cabinet changes transitional only. This may indicate possibility of reconciliation between URE moderate elements MEP and MMP.

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2. Unusual loading activity Budapest. Also Szolnok and Miskolc combined with increasing German difficulties all fronts strongly suggests withdrawal German troops from Hungary - probably Hungarian formations as well.

D. Roumania.

According unconfirmed report united political parties have rejected invitation put themselves under Antonescu's orders while latter personally carries out volte face. Some evidence Antonescu may make attempt independently though effect recent interview with Hitler still unknown and cooperation by Maniu or Communists not to be expected.

E. Bulgaria.

Bulgaria seeking closer relations Turkey but latter reluctant incur possible displeasure Britain and Russia. Some increase Partisan activity, though reports of organization and activities Fatherland front not confirmed and leaders not identified. Operations Burgas Hinterland may have Russian backing and supplies. Reliable evidence that some political internees recently released under new decrees have joined Partisans.

F. Slovakia.

Evident that Slovak formations to be used for defence North Carpathians. Slovak Infantry Corps located Presov with 1 and 2 Slovak Infantry Divs subordinated. Latter located

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No: FX 84412

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Giraltovce and Humenne respectively. Independent Slovak
Technical Brigade Medzilaborce Slovakdbech Corps (if forma-
tion completed) area 1 and 2 Divs. Above information from
Slovak Colonel PW deserted Italy of good reliability.

T.O.O. Nil

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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey.

To: War Department 325
CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt. 962

No: 15 August 1944

US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey to MILID 325 AMSME 962

Wide spread reports current that Germans are now
evacuating Lemnos and Chios and Samos and Mytilene. Reports
not confirmed but possible and Jon Papen reported from re-
liable source to have stated this evacuation likely.

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Argian Sea

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INFO : OPD

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Caserta, Italy

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USAF in European Theater of Operations
London, England

Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England

Commanding General
USAF in the Middle East
Cairo, Egypt

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To Wilson for action, SHAEF for Eisenhower, ETOUSA pass to British Chiefs of Staff, and CG USAFIME pass to GHQMEF for information, FAN 394 from the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

1. Chart entitled "Allied Military Headquarters (Balkans)--Channels for Command and Administration" and statement of assumptions contained in your letter of 28 April 1944 have been revised. The revised chart, which is being forwarded by air courier, is based upon following facts and basic assumptions which have been adopted in planning for relief and rehabilitation operations in Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania.

- a. That the participation of the U.S. military in the Balkans is strictly limited to relief and rehabilitation essential to relief in Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania. Relief and rehabilitation is defined to mean relief services such as public health, welfare and sanitation; distribution of relief supplies; rehabilitation of such public utilities, agriculture, industry and transport as are essential to relief; assistance to displaced

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persons and refugees, and matters related to relief.

- b. That the Military Headquarters (Balkans) and the several military liaison headquarters will be combined headquarters only with respect to functions pertaining strictly to relief and rehabilitation essential to relief in Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania.
- c. That the Commander in Chief, Middle East, will be designated as "Commander, Middle East, for Balkan Relief and Rehabilitation" for the performance of his responsibilities in this regard. He will exercise this function as an Allied commander subordinate to the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean only for the performance of his responsibilities for relief and rehabilitation essential to relief for Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania.
- d. That for the function of Balkan civil affairs, the Commander in Chief, Middle East, will have a British general officer commanding as Commander Military Headquarters (Balkans). There will be a U.S. general officer as deputy commander for Balkan relief and rehabilitation, who will have direct access to the Commander in Chief, Middle East, in his capacity as commander for Balkan relief and rehabilitation. In addition, the deputy commander will report to CG, USAFME, on military administrative matters.

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- e. That United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration (UNRRA) will be the agency of military headquarters (Balkans) for the relief and rehabilitation operations set forth in paragraph 2 of the agreement entitled "Participation of United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration in Balkans--Greece, Yugoslavia and Albania--during Period of Military Responsibility," dated 3 April 1944.

2. A further and more precise definition of relief and rehabilitation is in course of preparation and you will be notified in due course. Meanwhile, if you have doubt whether any specific functions at present being planned by Military Headquarters (Balkans) fall outside the definition in paragraph 1a above, you should request guidance from Combined Chiefs of Staff.

End

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PRIORITY

From: CG U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

To: War Department

No: N 27617

14 August 1944

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Correction. Recour N 27569 of 13 August while message to Greeks was apparently withheld, it was not in US code and thus did not require decoding by OSS. It is however local Greek belief that passage to Americans for decoding accounted for delay.

End

FOOTNOTE: 27569 is CM-IN-12324. (14 Aug 44) Gen Bissell
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ACTION: Gen Bissell

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East Cairo, Egypt.
To: War Department.
Nr: N 27569. 13th August 1944.

WDGBI cite MEGBI, Control signed Giles, N 27569.

Recent evidence points to hardened attitude by
British towards EAM.

Delivery of original message from Svilos to Cairo
government offering to participate provided Papandreou re-
signed (recur N 27223 of 4th August) was apparently substantial-
ly delayed by British diplomats and possibly would not have
been delivered had not OSS had copy of same since message was
transmitted in US code.

Greeks, however, appear not to realize attempted
withholding thinking that delay was caused by need for Amer-
icans to decode telegram.

On 9th August, Venizelos Sakalis Mylonas and Rendis
signed message for transmittal to ULCA requesting PEEA to
send their representatives to Cairo in a "Final appeal".
We have no evidence that this message was not transmitted.

August 10th, PEEA requested air transport for their
representatives from Brnlo who is reported to have given the
evasive reply that there was no signal officer in the area
who could arrange for a landing.

Foregoing is based upon information received from
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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt.

Nr: N 27569.

13th August 1944.

OSS and regarded as entirely reliable.

Although we are doubtlessly not in complete possession of facts evidence that communications are being withheld or diverted adds new factor for consideration in evaluating Greek political development.

End.

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DATE <u>12 AUG 44</u>			ROUTINE 3
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12 August 1944

FROM: A.F.H.Q.

TO: British Chiefs of Staff

INFO: J.S.M., Washington, for U.S. Joint
Chiefs of Staff, for action, and to
B.A.F. for information

MEDCOS 145.

Signed Wilson cite PHCIC, FX 82306

1. I have now had 2 conferences with Tito and all military points outstanding for discussion have been amicably settled. In a few cases where political considerations were involved, the questions at issue were reserved for future discussion. The principal fruits of the discussion are:

(A) Tito has agreed to undertake further coordinated attacks on enemy communications on the lines of Bearskin but larger in scope. This new series of operations will be known as RATWEEK and will be closely coordinated with Balkan Air Force who are already making tentative plans.

(B) Balkan Air Force, in conjunction with Tito, will plan the capture of an island or islands in the northern Adriatic for the establishment of an air base.

(C) In order to allay Tito's suspicions that the air supply of his forces is not being efficiently handled, I have agreed to the nomination of a Yugoslav liaison officer to B.A.F. to assist with the dispatch of supplies.

(D) Tito has been asking for the equipment of a complete armoured brigade with light and medium tanks. I have told him that all we can do in the way of armour for him with Mediterranean resources is to equip and train an armoured regiment and an armoured car squadron,

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By RHP, NLR, Date APR 10 1974

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the former with honeys, and that if he wants anything more he must apply in London through Velebit. Tito also asked for field and anti-tank artillery. He was told that all we could spare were 84 X 75 MM Mountain Howitzers, which we are now in process of sending in. His request for more armour is clearly part of his bid for postwar control of Yugoslavia. He seemed quite satisfied with the decision given.

(E) At my suggestion Tito will send out to Italy men to be trained as lorry drivers so that when the Yugoslav coast is accessible to us he can drive away in the vehicles provided by us the material and relief supplies we shall send in.

(F) I have agreed to train up to 150 Yugoslav parachutists to be used in small parties for sabotage operations.

(G) As regards the recruitment by Tito of men of Yugoslav race but Italian nationality, Tito expressed his satisfaction with what has been done for prisoners of war, but raised the question of ex-internees now roaming at large in Italy, and of Italian Slovenes employed as service troops under American command in Corsica. I am establishing report centres in Italy to deal with the former category, but have told him that for operational reasons I can not allow recruitment from the latter category for at least the next 3 months.

(H) Other matters dealt with to our mutual satisfaction included the evacuation and treatment of partisan wounded and the tightening up of security measures in Tito's forces.

2. Tito strikes me as being frank, purposeful and modest and I was impressed by his bearing and ability throughout the discussions, which I feel have been most valuable.

ORIGINATOR: CC/S End
INFORMATION: Gen. Arnold T.O.O. 121630BR
Adm Leahy, Gen. Handy, Gen. Bissell, Adm. King, C of S
CM-IN-13233 (15 Aug 44) 0155Z VG

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From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
Nr: N 27429 9 August 1944

JICAME number 239 for Bissell WDGBI from MEJIC
signed Giles N 27429.

Reliable source indicates Major General Bora
Mirkovich may be nominee to enter Yugoslavia as supreme
military commander and mediator to unite forces in war on
Germans. Believe this partial confirmation policy changes
suggested JICAME report number 8000-44 dated 5 August.
Mirkovich strong colorful leader of March 1941 coup without
political involvements.

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
Col Park

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By *RAH* NARS Date *12-27-72*

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

To: War Department.

Nr: N 27424

9 August 1944

JICAME number 237 for Bissell WDGBI from MEJIC signed
Giles msg nr N 27424.

Source reliable reported that Churchill has wired
personal insistence to Cairo Government that Papandreu re-
main as Prime Minister.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF

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Col Park

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(10 Aug 44) 0236Z amb

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
No: N 27361 8 August 1944
JICAME number 235 for Bissell WDQBI from MEJIC
signed Giles N 27361.

Reported that British Foreign Office has wired
Greek Cairo Government note of confidence in Papandreu
in his current efforts to bring EAM into government.
Situation confused by independent maneuvers of Venizelos
and Tsouderos in their efforts to regain premiership.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG AAF
OPD
Col Park

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FROM ALUSNA	BFYOGLU	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSES	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		CNO	RRRRRR
DATE 8 AUGUST 44			ROUTINE
TON CODEROOM 1839			DEFERRED
DECODED BY MCNEILL			PRIORITY
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ROUTED BY WHITTINGTON			DEFERRED
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LT COMDR EARLE REQUESTS DELIVERY TO NAVAL AIDE TO PRESIDENT.

RUMANIAN LEGATION SECRETARY INFORMS ME GENERAL ANTONESCU
 GONE TO HITLER TO TELL HIM RUMANIAN ARMY "WILL NO LONGER
 OBEY ORDERS. SOURCE ADDS RUMANIANS DESPERATE BECAUSE
 CHURCHILL HAS ABANDONED THEM TO "RUSSIAN BUTCHERS".
 ALSO SOURCE SAYS RUMANIANS GREATEST FEAR IS FROM THOUSANDS
 RUMANIAN PRISONERS SELECTED BY RUSSIANS FOR INTENSIVE
 COMMUNIST TRAINING TO BE RETURNED HOME TO TAKE PART
 IN ADMINISTRATION FOLLOWING RUSSIAN OCCUPATION.

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East Cairo, Egypt
To : War Department
Nr : N 27372 8th August 1944

WDGBI for Lovell from GSI 14 sources cite MEGBI signed
Giles N 27372. Following supercedes or amends our N 26871 of
27th July.

Part 1. Bulgar OB.

A. Fifth Army Corps area believed to include
entire Bulgaro-Yugoslav frontier region to TRN WP 88 or to
NIS WK 24-Pirot WK 71 railroad.

1st Cavalry Regt reported Skoplje QC 70;
2nd Cavalry Regt also Skoplje with elements area
Lisa P 48.

Under 14th Inf Div (Maj Gen Popdimitrov)
51st Inf Regt Skoplje

Under 15th Inf Div (Maj Gen Marinov) add?
55th Inf Regt Ohrid QH 11.
? Inf Regt under 17th Inf Div May be 13th Inf Regt
(7th Div) resorted Strumica QJ 63-Stip QJ 36 area.

New 29th Inf Div probably composed of
41st Inf Regt Vranje
52nd Inf Regt area Vladicki Han WP 37 and possible
55th Inf Regt Pirot.
As depot for latter remains in Ohrid 55 Ind is still
carried under 15th Div.

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East Cairo, Egypt
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B. With departure 1st Inf Div to Turkish frontier First Army Corps (Sofia) is apparently reduced to an administrative and training role. 28th Inf Div Komotini RL 98 may include 58th and 70th Inf Regts and 6th Cavalry Regt (All identified in defense Ovros frontier) and one additional Inf Regt.

13th and 14th Regts recently involved in operations against partisans may no longer belong to 7th Inf Div;

14th Inf may be under 17th Div.

22nd Inf Regt holds former 14th Inf L of C.

39th Inf Regt reported Vrasna QP 404 controlling Orphanou Bay area (unconfirmed).

5th Cav Regt at Melissokhorion QO 805 (also under 7th Div) is new identification.

Khalkidhiki Peninsula QP 00 apparently an independent brigade command (possibly under 7th Div) with Hq at Aromosirtis QP 10.

As previously reported Boydev was succeeded by Stoyanov as V Corps commander. Despite ill health Nakov retains command of I Corps. Lt General Stefanov commands IV Corps. 7th Inf Div under Colonel Rafailov.

Part 2. Roumanian OB.

Single unconfirmed source reports II Corps (Galatz) under command of General Nicoydsou with the previous Commander General Dascalescu commanding a coast defense Hq at Constanta. Some part of Army group south Ukraine may be en route to Slanic, north of Ploesti.

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Part 3. German OB.

8th Fortress Inf Bn 999 Garrison northern Corfu
with Hq villa Nimbylli R 158608.

Armenian reinforcements (totalling 200 to 300)
reaching Corfu in early July are possibly sugges-
tive of 3rd Bn.

Additional guns also arrived.

BAF reports 20 Fortress Inf Bn 999 at Delvine R 48
Albania.

End.

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INFO : CG AAF
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FROM	ALUSLO GIBALTAR	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY	6 AUG 1944	CNO	RRRR
DATE	0232		ROUTINE
TO CODE ROOM	VANDAMENT		DEFERRED
DECODED BY	TURLEY / <i>LS</i>		PRIORITY
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(FROM ALUSLO GIBALTAR TO CNO.

CNO 292025 JULY REFERENCE. STAFF OFFICER INTELLIGENCE STATES THERE WAS NO CASE OF MUTINY ON GREEK SHIPS STATIONED HERE. ONLY TROUBLE WAS THAT OF INSUBORDINATION OF 2 MEMBERS OF ENGINE ROOM CREW ON DESTROYER SALAMIS WHICH HAS BEEN DEALT WITH SATISFACTORILY

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DATE 5 AUGUST 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROM 0400			DEFERRED
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FROM SPENCER

VERY STRONG RESENTMENT AMONG GREEK NAVAL OFFICERS TO EDEN'S SPEECH REFERRING TO MUTINY INTERPRETED AS BRITISH PRESSURE TO PREVENT DEATH SENTENCES BEING CARRIED OUT. TALK OF REFUSAL TO SERVE FURTHER UNDER BRITISH COMMAND AND VIOLENCE AGAINST GREEK POLITICIANS DISCOUNTED BY BRITISH. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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FROM SPENCER)

AM ADVISED (B3) THAT MATILENE WILL BE FIRST GREEK PORT OPENED BY
BRITISH WITH INTENTION OF ESTABLISHING GREEK GOVT THERE. PAPANDREOU
SAID TO HAVE STRONG FOLLOWING ON ISLAND. PRESENT INTENTION TO
HAVE 5 GREEK DESTROYERS FROM PORT SAID RENDEZVOUS OFF PIRAEUS
WITH CAIQUE FLEET FROM TURKISH PORTS CARRYING SUPPLIES AND 1,000
BRITISH TROOPS PROCEEDING TO ATHENS "TO MAINTAIN LAW AND ORDER AND
PREVENT ANY UNLAWFUL GOVT FROM ASSUMING POWER" ON FIRST INDICATION
GERMAN TROOPS WITHDRAWING.

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FROM	ALUSLO ALEXANDRIA (SPENCER)	ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	PRIORITY
RELEASED BY		CNO	RRRRR
DATE	5 AUG 44		DEFERRED
FOR CODEROOM	1153		
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FROM SPENCER.

DESPITE PRESSURE TO RESIGN EXERTED BY KEY NAVAL OFFICERS SUCH AS CINC DIRECTOR GENERAL AND DIRECTOR OF PERSONNEL, GREEK MINISTER OF MARINE HAS WITHDRAWN RESIGNATION AT INSTANCE PRIME MINISTER WHO IS MAKING EVERY EFFORT KEEP CABINET INTACT. APPEARS NAVY CLIQUE WISHES TO COMBINE MINISTRY OF MARINE AND CINC UNDER PRESENT CINC ADMIRAL VULGARIS.Z.

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OBD letter, May 8, 1972
By RHP, NARS Date APR 2 1973

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

To: War Department

Nr: N 27223 4 Aug 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI sgd Giles N 27223.

Svolos has forwarded a message through Elas GHQ
stating PEEA will undertake the fulfillment of the
Lebanon Accord provided a new premier is appointed.
Papandreu has been regarded by EAM as impossibly obstruct-
ionist since the Lebanon conference.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CG AAF
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From: US Military Attache Berne Switzerland
To: War Department
No: 1609 2 August
1609. MILID Wesh D C.

Through intermediary 229 Hungarian Military Attache Rakolcai informs me his immediate departure for Budapest to urge Chief of Staff Voros Hungarian Army should cease aid to Germans. This second trip Budapest within last ten days on same subject. Reported to be close to Voros. States only SS and Gestapo in Budapest.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO: CGAAP
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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

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

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2 August 1944

Ankara to MILIT 308 AMSME 940.

Neutral Minister told by Balabanov, Bulgarian Minister, that Bulgaria was trying to escape from German entanglement. Bulgar G 2 relieved as too Germanophile and replaced by Colonel Jelescov who was Attache at Ankara.

Considerable heavy material reported as having gone across Bulgaria some being from Greece. According Italian source C 3 there are now only 5,000 Germans at Constantza in Rumania where there were 50,000 few months ago.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CGAAF
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PARAPHRASE OF STATE DEPARTMENT MESSAGE FOR
WAR DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

From: Caserta
To: Secretary of State, Washington
No: 46 1 August 1944
See 28 July Greek 239.

On the morning of 1 August the Head of the Balkan Air Force, Air Marshal Elliot, reported that on 23 July the Soviets at Bari had asked permission to carry out from Bari a training flight to a point just in from the coast and opposite Corfu. The alleged reason for this request was to permit a new crew to gain experience by allowing them to go to a point which would be easy to locate in an area free from operational planes. Elliot stated Italians already had used Greece this way as a training ground. Although authorization was given for this flight it had to be postponed until the night of 25-26 July. An examination of the permit for the flight shows definitely no droppings or landing operations were to be made. The Soviets now at Bari admit that certain individuals were landed in Greece on this particular flight.

The particulars of this flight were not reported on by the Russians and when asked to explain, Colonel Sokolov replied he did not consider the nature of the flight had been of enough consequence to be of interest to MAAF. Air Marshal Elliot said he did not get any information out of the Russians as to how or by whom the Soviets were met in Greece at the landing ground. Elliot reported it was difficult to secure any facts during his interview with Colonel Sokolov, Commander of the Russian Air Group in Bari and that the Colonel's account was a strange admixture of prevarication, secretiveness

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and truth, with the Colonel pretending the request for the training flight which had been authorized on 23 July was genuine and that the flight was to have been a reconnaissance flight without landings or droppings. On the basis of the rest of the Colonel's story, Marshal Elliot strongly suspects this reconnaissance flight was to have been a dummy for a later flight when a group would have been dropped, which fact it was intended deliberately to conceal from Air Marshal Elliot. Although the flight was delayed, it did set off apparently for the same destination and the same purpose for which authority had been granted on 23 July. It is obvious, however, the purpose was different, since Colonel Sokolov admitted the airplane carried in addition to a Russian Colonel, seven other Soviet officers, a fact which was not made known to Elliot.

The orders for the flight were given by Colonel Melnikov, the Acting Head of the Russian Mission to Tito. After the departure of the plane, orders were received from Melnikov on Vis to divert the airplane to a point in Greece which was the same as one of the secret landing fields of the British, these orders being transmitted to the plane in flight with the result of 8 Russian officers landed on this secret field. There is no information concerning the reception of the plane and its passengers at the field. The plane returned to Bari when it had completed this mission.

It is true the orders under which the Soviets are operating from Bari do not require the Soviets to report

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particulars of flights, other than operational flights, and inasmuch as Elliot had given permission for this flight as a training flight, no particulars were requested when the plane returned. The agreement by Balkan Air Force with the Soviets, however, does stipulate that complete facts under various headings, will be submitted covering all operational flights.

When Colonel Sokolov was asked why he had not requested the details concerning this particular flight, which did not conform with the flight authorized, he simply stated he didn't consider the change of enough consequence to warrant requesting on it to Elliot. The Colonel did admit Elliot's authority had not been secured for the flight, of which Elliot knew nothing.

When Elliot complained to Colonel Sokolov as to the utter impossibility of working under an arrangement in which there was such complete disregard of the letter and the spirit of the agreement and requested the Colonel to keep Elliot advised of his activities and plans, Colonel Sokolov promised to meet the requests made by Elliot. Elliot, however, places no faith in the promises given by Sokolov but adds he is ensuring that for the future full details of every flight are reported to the Air Marshal.

Murphy (Representative)

FOOTNOTE: See MEDCOS 142 (CM-IN-2607) (3 August 1944) CC/S

ACTION: Gen Bissell

INFO : Gen Arnold, OPD, Col Park, C of S

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FROM ALUSNA CAIRO		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	
RELEASED BY		CNO	PRIORITY
DATE 1 AUGUST 1944			ROUTINE
TOR CODEROOM 111757			DEFERRED
DECODED BY			PRIORITY
PARAPHRASED BY STANFORD/ Parker			ROUTINE
ROUTED BY MORRIS			DEFERRED

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A I R M A I L G R A M

REFERENCE MY SECRET DESPATCH 221721 OF 22 JUNE 1944.
 THE YUGOSLAV GOVERNMENT HAS NOW OFFICIALLY MOVED TO
 LONDON WHERE SCHOENFELD HAS BEEN APPOINTED US CHARGE
 D'AFFAIRES. STATE DEPARTMENT ADVISES AMERICAN EMBASSY
 TO GREECE AND YUGOSLAVIA IN PROCESS OF BEING RELIEVED
 OF YUGOSLAV MISSION. IT IS BELIEVED THAT IT MAY
 BE SOME TIME BEFORE THIS ACTUALLY TAKES PLACE AND
 THAT IN ANY CASE THE DEPARTMENT INTENDS THAT AMERICAN
 EMBASSY GREECE CONTINUE TO KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH
 YUGOSLAV SITUATION

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OSD letter, May 8, 1972

By RHP, NAJIS Date **APR 2 1973**

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England
CG, US Army Forces European Theater of Operations
London, England

No. FX 77637, 31 July 1944

FX 77637 TOP SECRET to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff repeated USFOR information British Chiefs of Staff repeated UNITY and HQ MAAF signed Wilson cite FHGEG this is NAP 755.

GHQ Middle East have informed me that consideration is being given to the conclusion of an agreement with the Greek Government, similar to that concluded with the Norwegian, Netherlands and Belgian Governments, designed to define the status of Allied Military Forces sent into Greek territory after liberation. I have seen the text of the draft prepared by AMLHQ which has now I understand been submitted to US State Dept and British Foreign Office. I presume that this matter will be referred by them to the CCAC and will ultimately be considered by CCS. In that event I should be grateful if you would examine this draft agreement carefully. From the military point of view it would be easier for the commander either of a relief expedition or of a limited military force to proceed by proclamation.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Casserta, Italy

No. FX 77637, 31 July 1944

But if for political reasons an agreement with the present Greek Government is thought necessary too much must not be expected of the military commander (see clause 4 of draft). Moreover the agreement should provide for Allied control and command of all Greek Forces.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Gen Hildring
Adm King
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TO: War Department 301
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East Cairo Egypt 933

31 July 1944

JCZI to MILID 301 AMSME 933

Definitely trying to pull away from German entanglement is Bagrianov Government according to Balabanov Bulgarian Minister to Turkey quoted by C2 source. Minister denies Filovov Bagrianov visited Hitler Headquarters. Also says Bagrianov summoned Chief Rabbi and told him Jews would be slowly reinstated and given full rights of Bulgarian citizens.

Sobrenje did not meet in opinion of Dr Black. British, Turk, French and Italian intelligence now confirm Burgas has been completely evacuated by Germans and Varna is being cleared rapidly.

Reports that we and British are negotiating with Bulgaria with view getting them out of war circulating among local journalists.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CGAAF, OPD, Col Park, Log

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BULGARS HAVE RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM RUSSIA TO RESIST
ANGLO-SAXON ENTERING BULGARIA BEFORE RUSSIANS. THEY
ARE ADVISED CONCENTRATED DEFENSE FORCES ON AEGEAN COAST
FOR THAT PURPOSE. ABOVE FROM LOCAL AGENT

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From: CG, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, Caserta, Italy.
To: War Department
No: BAF 171 29 July 1944

To FREEDOM, AMSSO for British Chiefs of Staff rptd
British Washington for US Joint Chiefs of Staff, SOMTO from
Headquarters Balkan Air Force BAF 171 July 28 [REDACTED]
Reference FX 75678 and MEDCOS 141.

The Hungarian who has been in contact with Head-
quarters Balkan Air Force is Zazlany and not Mr A Lany.

End

75678 is CM-IN-23058 (28 Jul 44) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION:

Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Adm King
Mr Stimson
CofS

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(SENDER ALUSNA GREECE)

RELIABLY INFORMED SECTION OF RUSSIAN MISSION TO TITO HAS LANDED IN GREECE. PURPOSE AND PERMANENCY NOT KNOWN. BARELY POSSIBLE VISIT CONNECTED WITH REPORTED EFFORT OF RUSSIAN EMBASSY TO GREECE TO EFFECT COMPROMISE BETWEEN EAM AND THE GOVERNMENT. EX PRIME MINISTER SOUDEROS SENT LETTER TO PAPANDREOU URGING MODIFICATION HIS ATTITUDE TOWARDS EAM. THIS AND OTHER PRESSURE BELIEVED BEING BROUGHT ON PAPANDREOU MAY BE COUNTERBALANCED BY BRITISH ATTITUDE AS REFLECTED IN EDENS DENUNCIATION OF EAM WHICH BOLSTERS PAPANDREOUS POSITION

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OSD letter, May 3, 1973

By RHP, NARS Date APR 2 1973

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From: A.F.H.Q.
To: War Office
AGWAR
Rptd: SOMTO
H.Q. AAI
Land Forces Adriatic
Nr: FX 76229 28 July 1944
Signed Wilson cite FHGBI.

Periodical Balkan Review Number 15.

A. Yugoslavia.

1. Fresh SPATE reports alleging impending relief of 264 and 118 divisions by 369 373 Germano-Croat Divisions not so far confirmed. These reports probably continuation recent cover plan.

2. In Montenegro expected enemy drive began 18 July 28th attacks with strong air support towards Berane and Kolasin from south and east. Latest reports indicate Partisans with Allied air support holding enemy area road Andrijevica-Pec. Further west enemy drive reported eastward from Trebinje Nevesinje and Stolac. Elements following formations believed involved these operations 369 Division in west 7 SS Division in NW SS Skanderbeg in east and 181 Division in south.

3. Considerable activity in Radan area of Serbia where Partisan situation believed deteriorating in face of drive by strong forces Bulgarians Germans and Quislings.

B. Albania.

1. Lull follows recent activity central Albania but fresh enemy drives believed imminent area between Debar

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Tirana and Elbasan. In south enemy force presumably elements 104 Division moving from Jannina to relieve besieged garrison Argyrokastron.

2. New puppet government formed 18 July under opportunist Figuri Dino influential anti-Partisan chief Debar area. New cabinet only common interest of whose members apparently fear of LNC likely to be more collaborationist than predecessor. CX report early May this year stated Kupa said he would sever all ties with government if Figuri Dino became Premier.

C. Hungary.

Dispute between Imredy and right wing extremists continues. Imredy attacked by National Socialists under Palffy and Hubay also by Arrow Cross under Szalasi. Attacks apparently not concerted secret source states that Ratz Deputy Prime Minister who resigned 20 July intends rejoin Arrow Cross. In event of Putsch by Arrow Cross probable that Imredy would be supported by Germans and by Hungarian Army in stabilizing internal situation or possibly in establishing personal dictatorship.

D. Rumania.

Creditul Minier refinery heavily damaged August 1943 ordered transfer all assembly tools to Vienna. Arsenal and ship yards Galatz reported being dismantled and transferred unknown destination via Danube.

E. Bulgaria.

1. Bulgarian attitude to Germany apparently hardening as result Russian pressure. Unconfirmed report states modified Russian demands for opening skeleton consulates Varna and Burgas and for evacuation by Germans of Black Sea coast

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now accepted. Same unconfirmed source reports Bulgarians no longer pay upkeep German forces in Bulgaria.

2. Bulgarian oil shortage increased by failure Apollo refineries Bratislava to fulfill contract to supply 200 tons motor oil.

End

T.O.O. 28 Nil

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INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAP
OPD
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From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
No: N 26931 28 July 1944

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During night 25 July Soviet Military Mission of 10 persons headed by Colonel landed in Greece near EAM-PEEA Headquarters. They came from Yugoslavia in Russian plane and are part of Soviet Mission to Tito. British Mission was caught completely unawares and are urgently requesting instructions. More moderate elements of PEEA and EAM hope missions arrival will help pacify extremists and lead EAM into participation in united government. Source of unknown reliability states that Svolos was advised by Soviet Minister Egypt that Soviet attitude is to have EAM take part in Papandreu government and settle details later. Arrival of mission plus Eden speech in Commons rapidly precipitating crisis in PEEA.

End.

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

To: War Department

Nr: N 26936

28 July 1944

WDGBI for Lovell, WDOFD for Chaffee from GSI 14 sources
cite MEGBI signed Giles msg N 26936

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Greece. Now apparent that rumor 1st Mtn Div was des-
tined for Yannina to liquidate Xervas was part of deceptive
plan to cover attack on Elas. Elements of 98th and 99th Mtn
Regts involves in these operations in northern Pindus. Event-
ual 1st Mtn Div uncertain. 18th Mtn Police Regt reported
leaving Peloponense 20th July. Captive reports 308 Army ack
ack battery consists of one troop at Igoumenitsa R 53 and other
troops at Sarande R 37 Yannina Agrinion. One and three troops
of 310 Army ack ack battery are reported at Igoumenitsa under
command of 308 Battery according to prisoner. Hq 1007 Fortress
Inv Bn at Corfu was Kinoplastais R 1947 in early July.

Yugoslavia. An unidentified formation in Zagreb area
which has been reported as 96 Jaeger Div may be 98 Inf Div as
it reportedly arrived from the Crimes.

Bulgaria. July reconnaissance has confirmed German
withdrawal from both Varna and Burgas. Their naval craft have
been transferred to Constantia Roumania apparently to avoid
giving any pretext to possible Russian demands on Bulgaria.

Roumania. Elements of seven evacuated Roumanian Divi-
sions are believed being re-formed in Roumania.

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End

INFO : OPD, CoX. Park

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

To : War Department.

Nr : N 26909

27 July 1944

To 1200 hours 27th July OPS South Eastern Europe
number 254 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 26909.

Greece.

General British LO with Elás GHQ. Unconfirmed
report received 25th July from Athens source stating that
group of German officers considering possibility of
remaining behind in Greece during the withdrawal was raided
and shot by Gestapo. Thessaly.

A. Br LO report. Tirnavos T 24 ammunition dump,
reputedly largest in Greece, was set afire 22nd July by
five Andartes formerly employed at dump. This storage
point contained gasoline lubricants artillery ammunition
explosives and bombs; explosions and firing continued when
reported by Br LO 23rd July.

B. Elás communique 24th July. Nine members of
railroad repair gang attacked by Elás in Fanarion S 81
deserted to Andartes and remainder were forced back to
Kardhitsa S 90. Epirus (Elás communique July.) Although
Br LO with Xervas reported attack against NATBANDS by Elás

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Nr : N 26909

27 July 1944

in Ravani (Raben) area R 75 on 22nd July, Br LO with Elas quoted Elas communique of 23rd July claiming that section of Elas was attacked while enroute to Malounion R 64 by group of NATBANDS who made river crossing near Ravani. This clash reportedly continued 21st July. An unconfirmed report has also been received regarding Xervas capture of Matsouki S 23 and Kritharia (north of Praganda S 23). Xervas was then reportedly back across Kalarritikos.

Central Greece (Br LO report).

Contrary to our N 26413 fighting reported in Amfilokhia by Elas 2/39 Regt was aimed at Xervas and not the Germans. Many Elas atrocities against NATBANDS have been confirmed in that area.

End.

ACTION: G-2

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

To: War Department

No. N 26866 26 July 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N26866.

To 1200 hours 26th July OPS Southeastern Europe
number 253.

Part 1.

Greece:

Thessaly (Elas reports):

Liquidation of German garrison claimed at
Kardhitsa 890 where Andartes destroyed radio station and
six trucks. 16 villages in north Pindus recently burnt -
by Nazis besides many others partially burnt. Many Germans
killed four trucks destroyed by Andartes in Volos T70 area.
Andartes attacked Sofadhes T00 station 20th July and demo-
lished track north of Dhomokos Y27.

Further to our W26818 British LO has confirmed
that Greek workers at Dhomokos mine have deserted and
been replaced by conscripts from Lamia Y35. Locomotive re-
ported destroyed Larissa area T33 with use of explosive
coal.

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

No. N 26866 26 July 1944

Central Greece:

Elas claim German commander killed, 63 Italian Fascist prisoners taken in attack on Stilis Y45 harbor 16th July. According to British LO (23rd July) Elas 42nd Regt repelled 120 Germans attacking Parovola X52 despite enemy reinforcements.

Part 2.

Bulgaria (Br LO report).

Fighting continues in Toplica Valley where retreating Bulgars suffered 52 casualties night 15th, 16th July. 2 trainloads of Bulgar reinforcements arrived from Prokuplje WJ93D and assumed positions on north bank of Toplica 16th July.

End.

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

To : War Department

Nr : N 26774

24th July 1944

To 1200 hours 24 July OPS Southeastern Europe number
251 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 26774.

Greece.

Epirus (Br LO report). formation of mixed committee
reported to consider recent conflict between Kervas and Elas
24th Regt. Kervas has asked that meeting be held at Plaisia
S 12.

Macedonia (Elas source). Grevena S 59 reoccupied by
Elas following German withdrawal to Koziani N 81 and Larissa
T 33.

Thesaly (Br LO). Trikokkia S 66 has been occupied by
2 Bns of Nazis. Br LO noted that owing to mission support of
Elas, Andartes were lacking in ammunition and satisfactory
opposition was unlikely.

Peloponnese (delayed Br LO report). German drive in
Tagetos (Talyetos) J 06 and Parnor J 35 districts ended in
mid July. Many atrocities inflicted by 6,000 Nazi and 3500
Rallis troops engaged.

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

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24 July 1944

From: AFHQ

To : WAR OFFICE
AGWAR for info SOMTO
HQ AAI
Land Forces ADRIATIC

No : FX 74233

Undated

Periodical Balkan review number 14.

A. Yugoslavia.

1. Further to review number 13 activity at Zaores confirmed by PR 14 July. Formation this area reported as 98 Jaeger Div: since, however, division known to have arrived from Crimea this considered error for 98 Inf Div. Only evidence of move other than PR contained in one CX report stating Div moving Northwest.

2. Several reports received of troop movement on considerable scale via Vinkovici and Osijek into South-western Hungary, 5 SS Corps being only formation specifically mentioned. Most likely formations concerned are 2 SS Bosnian Division and elements 13 SS SS Division taking part in training and setting up this division. Not yet clear whether whole of 5 SS Corps also moved but appears that at least a part of this HQ is to control the SS units moving into Hungary.

3. Newly identified Srem Command now known to be under Gen Schwarznacker and to control defence of the railway system in area Valpov 5 miles East Brod river: Sava, Danube and Drava.

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4. Hq one Jaeger Res Regt reported Krizevici Command Col Hammerschmied.

5. Both Hq Army Group F and 2 Panzer army have been reported in last few weeks at Zagreb. Seems most improbable Army Group F would move from Belgrade but 2 PZ Army may well have transferred here from Vrnjaska Banja.

6. Number of small island operations recently carried out: destruction to property reported IZ and Hava. On mainland operations of local significance only except in Serbia. Here powerful enemy drive with German, Bulgar, Medic and Bethik troops is closely pressing Partisans in Jasterbao area. Latter have carried out frequent sabotage attacks on Nis-Skoplje line during first two weeks July, while Krusevac-Kraljevo line still unserviceable.

B. Albania.

Partisans North Albania now occupied whole central zone as far North as Burrell-Peshkop. Germans carrying out drive this area and Partisan position serious, British efforts to unite Kupi and LNC against Germans still in progress and major clashes between the two so far averted.

C. Greece and Aegean.

1. Political deadlock continues following on Cairo Governments rejection of PEKA terms.

2. Allied Commando raid on Symi night 13/14 July most successful. Island garrison liquidated, 20 enemy killed, 40 Germans and 75 Italians captured. Shipping and installations destroyed.

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D. Hungary.

1. One Hungarian Cavalry Division identified central front South of Phipet Marshes.

2. Further appeals by authorities for evacuation Budapest and other towns with threat of compulsion if response unsatisfactory.

3. Following break with extreme right lately now trying to win popular support of farmers, small traders etc. and workers generally. This evinced by recent speech.

E. Roumania.

No change in situation.

F. Bulgaria.

1. One Infantry Division from Sofia now accepted Turkish frontier area.

2. Russian pressure now noticeable for first time since formation new government. Results not yet apparent.

3. Government continues measures against Partisans who now appear to be forming cohesive forces in area TRW, Plovdiv, Shumen and Burgas. Elsewhere small bands only and usually unpopular with peasants.

T.C.O. Nil

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department.

Nr: N 26449

16 July 1944

To 1200 hrs 16 July OPS southeastern Europe number
243 WCGBI cite MCGBI signed Giles N 26449.

Greece (Br LO reports).

Central Greece. 2 Andartes killed in successful
railroad sabotage effort night 7th July area Dhonikos Y 27.
Derailment 2 locomotives, damaged track, unconfirmed number
German casualties reported.

Epirus. Zervas has received message from Gen. Von
Lanz stating Nazis could have liquidated Zervas during recent
months. He now asks Zervas to maintain status quo until
"the landings" after which Zervas may act as he chooses.
Zervas is reportedly ignoring German note.

Crete. Field sources state all German engineers are
being withdrawn from island.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
No. G/9065 11 July 1944

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Freedom for action, for information to AGWAR, SHAEP, TROOPERS,
CINCMED, Force 163, 7th Army, Adv AAI, FAIRBANKS, Hq MAAF
and Mid East. SOM Daily SITREP Nr 85.

What follows is a relay paraphrase by Freedom:

I. Air Operations on 9 July.

Pickups:

Successful	Yugoslavia	8
Failed	Yugoslavia	18.

9/10 July.

Successful	Yugoslavia	6
	Bulgaria	2
	Poland	6
Failed	Yugoslavia	11
	Greece	2
	Poland	3
	Italy	1.

See Operations:

Nothing to report.

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II. Reports from the Field.

1. Yugoslavia.

A. Partisans claim to have captured Siroka Kula (WP15) (not on 500,000 map) on 9 July.

2. Albania.

A. 1. Partisans claim to have captured Peshkopi (G87) and taken 9 Gendarmes PW on 6 July.

2. A BLO reports that on July 5 Partisans attacked Gjinokaster (M40) captured several guards and drove the Germans into the Citadel.

3. Italy.

A. 1. A BLO in the Gorda rpt Gorta (?) (C70) area reports that complete agreement was reached at a conference between Italian leaders, Partisans and himself on the subject of future operations. There are now 4 Battalions of Italians in the area who operate into Italian territory from Slovene bases. They are operationally independent of but cooperate within the Yugoslav Partisans.

2. Successful operations against railway and telephone communications in the Treviso area (G67) are reported.

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3. 17 June the Partisans claim to have removed 1000 liters of petrol from a dump at Pinerolo (H70) and on 10 June to have attacked a TR between Milano (E27) and Jondrio (E83) killing 2 Republican Officers and capturing rifles, grenades and boots.

4. 3 Partisan Brigades in Piedmont are now reported to have banded together to form the first Garibaldi Division. They are presently actively supporting strikers in Turin (J03).

End.

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To: War Department

Nr: N 26237

11 July 1944

To 1200 hours 11 July OFS southeastern Europe number
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Part 1. Greece.

Epirus (BR LO report). German casualties in recent fighting with Matbands listed as 250 killed 200 wounded 63 prisoners. Total excludes unknown number lost in German counter attack in Xalonga area 7th July. Zervas lost 30 killed 108 wounded 15 missing.

Macedonia (Elas report 7th July). Kasaris and his PAO followers were attacked by Elas at Yiannitsa 0 46 with assistance local police. Kasaris reported killed his home burned 57 rifles seized.

Central Greece (BR LO). Sabotage attacks planned for Dhomokos Y 27 area were betrayed and had to be cancelled by BR LO.

Peloponnese (BR LO). Elas 12th Regt and new unit called 2nd Ind Bn concentrated about Pyrgos C 32 with apparent intention of capturing town.

General (ELAS GHQ SITREP). Two surprise attacks Lamia Y 35 area resulted 200 Nazi casualties 9 June. 145 Rallis and 32 Andarte casualties reported 20th June 1 Euboea.

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To: War Department
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Part 2. Bulgaria (BR LO reports).

A. As result of offensive in Radan area 6-7000 Bulgar troops have penetrated Albanian frontier.

B. Bulgarian troops presently in Toplica (river) WK 13 with Bulgar column moving 3rd July from Prokuplje towards Jastrebac WJ 95. 30,000 estimated without food owing recent Bulgar drives in Serbia.

Part 3. Roumania (BR source).

A. All german civilians have received instructions from Berlin to leave for Germany.

B. German AA guns being removed from Bucharest.

C. According to one report German ground forces have received warning to prepare to move northwards from Roumania to Hungary and Poland. G-2 comment Roumanian LO report unconfirmed from any other source.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To : War Department
No : G 9058 7 July 1944

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for G-3 Special Ops info AGWAR UNITY Troopers C in C Med
Force 163 7th Army Adv AAI Nr 731 Fairbanks Hq MAAF nr G 533
Mid East. Ref number this message G 9058. SOM daily SITREP
82.

Part 1. Yugoslavia:

1. FXNS claim to have captured Derventa (SG 00) and
to have held it for 36 hours. They burnt the railway station,
blew 9 bridges and inflicted 480 casualties on the enemy.
2. FXNS state that they have now established a beach-
head on east bank of the Lim and hold the village of Obrov
(not on 500,000 map) immediately opposite Bijelopolje (WH 42).
They also claim that the enemy lost 103 killed and wounded
and much equipment.

Part 2. Other countries: There is nothing to report.

1. Air Operations: Nothing to report.

Sea Operations: Nothing to report.

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

To: War Department

Nr. 26046

6 July 1944

WDGBI for Lovell cite MEGBI from GSI 14 sources signed
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Elements 8th Roumanian Cavalry Div and 2nd and 11th
Infantry Divs identified on Russian front by Soviet sources
but latter 2 not accepted by British as on front. Fourth
Roumanian Army commanded by General Rocovitz has HQ at Bacau.

Hungarian Divs on Red Front remain at thirteen.
Second and 3rd Light Divs no longer accepted on front having
been replaced by 5th and 8th Light Divs from Gyor and Szom-
bathely respectively. New 18th SSPG Div believed forming in
Hungary. 724 Jaeger Regt believed returned to normal station;
no information on 1st Mtn Div 104 Jaeger Div believed return-
ing to base.

Cephallonia. Lt Colonel Spittaller commanding 966
Fortress Gren Regt controls battalions at Argostoli, Livatho
B 6694 and Lizourion B 5191. 966 RHQ also identified controls
909 and 910 Fortress Gren Bns and possible 1005 Fortress Inf
Bn. Enemy strength on Cephallonia totalled 3000 22nd June,
20 percent Poles.

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To : War Department

No : N 26035

6 July 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 26035.

Final terms from Greece reached Cairo Leftist Bloc
4th July and were refused by Papandreu Govt 5th July. Leftist
delegates notified arrangements on their return to Greece
are being made.

B. Principal Leftist conditions were:

1. Natbands to return to positions of Plaka Agreement.
2. Denunciation of Rallis Battalions.
3. Personal statement on constitutional issue to be made by King immediately after Leftists join Government.
4. Rectification of statements regarding Elas terrorism.
5. Elas willing to come under United Government C in C provided present character and organization of Elas remain unchanged.
6. Blank acceptable as C in C. Should C in C remain abroad Military Commanding Officer of Andartes to

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No : N 26035

6 July 1944

to be Elas (under Supreme C in C). Should C in C be established in Greece Andarte Chief of Staff will be Elas.

7. Avoidance of all executions of mutineers and granting of amnesty upon completion of government.

8. Representation in five Ministries (including Interior for PERA) and one Under-Secretaryship and one additional Ministry for Democratic Union.

9. Upon assurance that governmental echelons will be sent immediately to Greece PERA and National Council will be disbanded.

10. If these conditions are accepted Leftist Ministers will be sent to Cairo; should they be unacceptable negotiations will cease and delegates return.

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From: CG Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
CG US Army Forces in the European Theater Of Operations
London, England
CG US Army Forces in Caserta, Italy
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
Nr: FX 68627 & NAF 735 5 July 1944

From AFHQ to for action AGWAR for Combined Chiefs
of Staff and to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff to for
info SHAEP AFHQ adv CP FX 68627 signed Wilson cite PHCOS.
This is NAF 735.

Constant efforts have been and are being made to
increase the quantities of seaborne supplies to Marshal Tito's
forces in Yugoslavia. The resources of this theatre however
are now exhausted and I cannot increase seaborne supplies
without affecting other operations.

Seaborne stores can normally only be accepted by the
Partisans in small quantities since they have to be smuggled
inland through enemy-held territory, so that the chief re-
quirement is for small craft. They must either rely on
disguise, or just have a good turn of speed to enable them
to pass through the protective screen of the outer islands,
to unload their stores and to reach the open sea again all
in the hours of darkness.

Commander In Chief Mediterranean informs me that

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From: CG Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

Re: FX 68627 & HAF 735

5 July 1944

he has already requested an allocation of such craft, but that the Admiralty has been unable to arrange for their delivery. I regard it as of the greatest importance that this request should be met, since there is now no other way open to me of increasing seaborne supplies to the Partisans until the enemy withdraws from the Dalmatian Coast.

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFO : CGAAP, OFD, Gen Bissell, Adm King,
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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England.
CG, U.S. Army Forces in European Theater of Operations,
London, England.
CG, Air Force Hq., Advance CP, Caserta, Italy.
No: FX 67972, NAF 733 3 July 1944

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ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Gen Arnold
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From: US Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey
To: War Department 247
CG US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 877
Nr: 1 July 1944
Number MILID 247 AMSME 877.

Estimates of Bulgarian mobilization according Swiss source C3 follow.

Completely mobilized are 5th, 14th, 15th and 17th Divisions. 80 per cent mobilized are 1st, 3rd, 4th and 12th. All rest are only about 65 per cent mobilized.

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO: CGAAR

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No. N 25837 1 July 1944

To 1200 hours 1st July political intelligence
Southeastern Europe number 228 A WDGBI cite MSGBI signed
Giles message number N 25837.

British Liaison Officer attended meeting at
Elas GHQ which included Sarafis and Politis. Liaison
Officer first mentioned failure to apply Flaks agreement
both in disputed area held by 24th Regiment and elsewhere.
Although Zervas had accepted British proposals at Koutsaina
conference Elas had refused Mideast proposals. 2 subsequent
orders from Mideast were also disobeyed. Sarafis disputed
this until Politis produced files that proved such was the
case.

Upon being advised to comply with British request
to withdraw 24th Regiment east of Arakthos river Sarafis
stated Elas would wait and see, hinted darkly at counter-
measures. British Liaison Officer considers attack by
Elas likely unless convinced that Zervas will receive back-
ing by Mideast. In event of crisis British Liaison Officer
will threaten to publish pact made with enemy October 43 by
Elas 8th Division.

G-2 addendum:

British Mideast consider general Elas attack
against Zervas as not unlikely.

ACTION: G-2

End.

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

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

To: War Department

No. N 25783 30 June 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles message number
N25783.

To 1200 hours 30 June OPS Southeastern Europe
number 227.

Greece: (BR LO reports)

Epirus:

Following Zervas attack on Paramytinia R73
(amends our N25753) 27 June EDES occupied town and planned
an attack on Parga 28 June and Igoumenitsa R53. Morale
Zervas Andartes high despite German attacks in Zalonga
area.

Peloponnese:

Complete famine reported in Achia villages.
All food and clothing commandeered by enemy.

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Cairo, Egypt

No. N 25783 30 June 1944

Levkas Island.

ER LO is investigating report that ELAS guerrillas from Kefallinia who landed recently on Levkas were beaten by Levkas Nationalists. Of 200 that landed only 3 returned; remainder reported killed.

End.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.
To: War Department.
CG, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary
Forces, London, England.

Nr: 9043 29 June 1944

From SOMTO to (1) FREEDOM G-3 SPOPS info
AGWAR UNITY TROOPERS CINC Med Force 163 7th Army Adv AAI
(G/721) Fairbanks HQ MAAF Mideast (G/524) reference no this
message 9043 28 June 1944 SOM daily SITREP no 74.

Part I. Air operations.

27 June.

Pickups Successful - Yugoslavia 12
Failed - Yugoslavia 1

27/28 June.

Successful Yugoslavia 49 (Italy 1 plus 1),

Failed Jugoslavia 5 part drop.

Sea operations.

Nothing to report.

Part II. Reports from the field.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.

Nr: 9043

29 June 1944

Jugoslavia.

- A. 1. It is reported that 4000 troops predominantly German are operating from Litija (RD 61) against the partisans who are destroying the line Hrosublje (RD 50) - Noco Mesto (RJ 99).
2. On 13 June a motorized column moved from Ocevje (?) (RJ 67) to Brod (RJ 65). On 18 June the report continues another motorized column moved from Ogulin (RJ 93) - Delnice (PJ 65) - Susak (RJ 33). The partisan report that this column intended to remain in the Dernice area but was unable to maintain a L of C through liberated territory.
3. Locevskareka (RJ 66) (not on 500000 map) is said to have been occupied by the enemy.
4. 13 SS Division BH is reported in the area Tovarnik (RX 26)/SID (RX 36) - Ruma (LX 74?) (YX 74?). The partisans believe that it may move to the Sarajevo area. Comment 13 SS Division is believed to be split into 2 battle gps (bns?) 1 in the Aboc general area and 1 in the Mostar (/4XR 02) Dalmatian coast area.
5. A forward base railway worker from Nis (WK 24) has reported that on 25 June there were

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98 locos in Nis of which 64 are usable, 57 are of German manufacture.

Comment. Nis probably includes the nearby loco sheds and marshalling yards at Crveni Krst.

B. 1. The partisans claim to have inflicted the following losses on the enemy in Slovenia so far this month.

(A) Casualties 1578 killed, 1202 wounded, 143 prisoners of war.

(B) Destroyed 6 bridges, 2 power stations, 24 locos, 3 armored trains, 1 passenger train, 47 wagons, 3 tk 7 armored cars, (MT?), and 1 aircraft.

Noco Mesto and area Tovarnik in addition considerable permanent way was destroyed.

(C) Captured 8 guns, 8 mortars, 25 Mgs, 400,000 rounds of ammunition and many small arms.

2. The following further rail successes by the Slovene Fzns are reported:

(A) 14 June 60 metres of track destroyed between Qakek (RJ 29) and Flapina (RK 29).

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- (B) 17, 1 loco and 8 wagons derailed on line Monmalcone (RH 69) - Cervignano (RH 59). Single line traffic resumed after 16 delay, 2-way traffic after 48 hours delay.
 - (C) 17 June, railway bridge between Bled (RD 05) and Jesenice (RD 06) damaged and track torn up between Lesce (RD 15) and Zirovnic (RD 15), both on the line Ljubljana (RD 31), Jesenice. Delay of 20 hours caused.
 - (D) 17 June, an armoured train including locomotive and all wagons was destroyed near Zagogje (RD 72) on the line Ljubljana - Zagreb, delay of 19 hours caused.
 - (E) On an unknown date 3 bridges were destroyed near Kranj (RD 24) on the line Ljubljana - Jesenice.
 - (F) The Stampetov viaduct (RD 20) destroyed 12/13 June was still unserviceable on 20 June though a passenger service was inaugurated on 17 June with a change of trains at the gap.
3. 2 barges are reported to have been sunk at Banostor (RX 66) on 13 June and 2 more 14 June.

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2. Other countries.

Nothing to report.

End

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Rptd: SOMTO
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AFHQ Adv CP for Clarke
LHQ Australia
Adriatic

No: FX 66420 29 June 1944

Periodical Balkan Review No 11.

A. Yugoslavia.

1: No firm indications troops being drawn off from western Croatia reports of movement continue but possible connected with Partisan attacks this area. One regiment Brandenburg, however, reported to have left Skradin area for unknown destination.

2. One Cossack Division confirmed area Zagreb. 92 Grenadier Regiment (MOT) probably Grahovo north of Kotor. One JAEGER Res Regt now reported guarding railway Zagreb-Karlovac. Latter formation and one Cossack Division believed under command 69 Corps at Zagreb.

3. Enemy activity reported at Sjenica and Novi Pazar in northeastern Montenegro. German forces are attacking from these two places towards Brodarevo and Bijelo Polje elements of 14 SS Regt Prinz Eugen being engaged. The object of this operation in which Wedic troops are also taking part is believed to be the clearing of communications through the liberated area between Montenegro and Serbia.

B. Albania.

Report of MT moving south in Jannina road, probably elements of 104 JAEGER Division returning to their normal location. First indications that troop concentration now being dispersed.

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C. Hungary.

1. Two or three light Divisions now no longer accepted on Russian front but total remains the same at 13 Divisions and two Brigades owing to identifications of 5 and 8 light Divisions this area.

2. Hungarian Minister of Interior stressed in recent speech common interest Hungary and Roumania in fight against Bolshevism. Hungary presumably too preoccupied in internal problems to bother with irredentist claims at present. Roumanian views unlikely to alter.

D. Roumania.

1. Shortage of food and other commodities which in past have only applied to Bucharest, now reported to be widespread owing transportation and administrative breakdown.

E. Bulgaria.

1. Following Bulgarian anti-Partisan fighting in the Radan mountains, a small engagement has been reported from the Blace area west of Nis. The relatively minor nature of activity in Serbia largely justifies the departure of one mountain division previously at Leskovac and to some extent the belief that Bulgarians still capable of maintaining order this area.

2. Exchange of greetings between Draganov, Foreign Minister and Sztojay the Hungarian Premier, provides further proof of intention present government to continue pro-Axis attitude of its predecessor.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo Egypt
To: War Department
NR: N 25753, 29th June 1944

To 1200 hours 29th June OPS Southeastern Europe
number 226 WDGBI cite MEDGBI signed Giles Msg Nbr N25753.

Epirus (Zervas report). Nazi force attacked Zervas troops early 26th June in Zalanga-Preverza W88 neck area. Nazis repelled; Matbands holding. Paramythia R73 evacuated by Germans and occupied by Zervas.

Macedonia (British LO report). 1000 Bulgars concentrated 25th June on Bulgar border area F32. These with 500 others at Prasinadha F21 are expected to attack Pefki F22.

Peloponnese (BR LO reports): Increased obstructionism from Elas over employment of Greeks by mission and issuance of passes to Allied personnel reported. Elas believed to have attacked Valtesinikon C92. Rallis garrison and few Nazis were assisted by inhabitants in resisting attackers. Upon capturing village Elas carried out general massacre including women and children. Elas left warning that such reprisals would be repeated when civil population assisted Security Bns. BR LO in Messini H75 accuses Nazis and Security Bns of intercepting Red Cross supplies destined for young children. Part is retained by enemy and further percentage goes on black market.

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NR: N 25753, 29th June 1944

Central Greece (BR LO sources). Reference our
N25699 Elas report half population of Spercheida Y25 were
killed as German reprisal. Further to our N25304 BR
liaison officers report between 600 and 1000 people were
killed at Dhistomon Y40 on 10th June. Action was reprisal
for 21 casualties suffered when enemy surprise attack
against local Andartes failed.

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

To : War Department

No : N 25701 28 June 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 25701.

British LO reports recent meeting of National Council submitted following conditions for supporting Cairo Creek government:

1. Explicit declaration by king (re plebiscite);
2. Representation of PEEA, EAM and KKE;
3. Immediate formation of governing body in Greece;
4. Support of Elass by government.

Bakirdxis further insists Cairo government order withdrawal of Xervas units to "Positions laid down by Plaka agreement", denounce Rallis Bns, and comply with terms of Lebanon agreement. National Council linked Papandreu and Xervas with Germans. KKE secretary produced letter allegedly demonstrating Gestapo-Xervas collaboration. National council to function until all Greece liberated or until dissolved by PEEA or by own action.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
Nr: N 25691 28 June 1944

To 1200 hours 28th June ops southeastern Europe
number 225 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 25691 British
LO reports.

Greece.

Macedonia. Bombing road and railway station near
Ammokhorion N 66 on 17th June 4 unidentified aircraft destroyed
2 locomotives wounded 4 Germans 10 Greeks, and killed 3 Ger-
mans 7 Greeks; then attacked Monastir N 59. Strafing enemy
transport on road Florina N 66 Koritsa N 05 20 planes killed
2 Germans and destroyed 5 trucks. Evening attack by 4 air-
craft destroyed gas drums and killed 6 Germans on Florina
airfield and damaged railway station.

Epirus. Elas reported concentrating areas Tsoumerka
S 22 and Gotista S 15 and conscripting all men possible. 3
Zervas men killed as operation continues against Elas 24th
Regt. On 25th June about 200 Elas remained in south of regi-
mental area. Increase in three months from 70 lightly armed
men to approximately 600 with machine guns and motars shows
24th regt prepared for hostilities. Sarafis letter to Zervas
threatens action if Natbands disregard Elas order to withdraw
from east of road Yannina SO 4 Arta XO 9 and from Arta plain.

Central Greece. 26 old people killed in reprisal
burning of Spercheida Y 25 on 18th June by 200 SS troops.
Antipersonnel mines later removed from village by BR LO.

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

Nr: N 25691

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Angry survivors demanded arms and anti German air raids.
Recent reprisals in Lamia Y 35 railway area has lowered
villagers morale.

End.

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
CG, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary
Forces, London
q CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy
CG, HQ Mediterranean Allied Air Forces,
Caserta, Italy
Nr: G-9036 27 June 1944

From SOMTO to Freedom for G-3 SP OPS nr
information AGWAR UNITY Troopers C in C Med Force 163 7th
Army Adv AAI Fairbanks (10) HQ MAAF Mideast nr G/520 Adv AAI
nr G/718 Reference number this message G 9036 26 June 1944
SOM Daily SITREP no 72.

Part 1. Air Operations

25 June pickups successful Yugoslavia 5 25/26 June
Successful Yugoslavia 49 Greece 1 Albania 1 Italy 4.
Failed Yugoslavia 9 Italy 5.

Sea Operations NTR.

Part 2 Reports from the field:

1. Yugoslavia A (1) 3000 men and 30 tks are re-
ported to have moved from BOS Novi (RK 91) to Bihac (WP 48).

II Operations reported in SITREP 71

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

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A 1 in the Bijelo Polje (WH 42) area continuing Plevlje (WH 26) said to have been reinforced Pzns in Bijelo Polje and NE Berane (WH 50) attacked and shelled by "Elements Prinzeugen and Medic troops" Local Pzn command appreciates object of operations is to make a holding attack to afford flank and rearguard protection north and east of the line Plevlje-Prijepolje (WH 46)-Bijelo Polje-Berane for a possible attack into Serbia. Comment and possibly to deny us the use of Berane LG? Too?

B Pzns claim to have inflicted 170 casualties in the operation reported.

A Phase reported above 21 and 22 June.

C Croat Gov reported to have moved from Zagreb to Djurdjevac (SA 32) Koprivnica (SA 13) and Gola (SA 13) not on 500,000 map where Pavelic and his staff are said to be located.

2 Albania

Acknowledge (1) A German conc of division area reported between the Ftr and Dholiana (R 87) where the division headquarters is said to be located.

II Germans in the Konispol (R 54) area are reported to be taking anti-invasion measures.

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B The Pzns report that following the recent drive Ger-
darmie and Admin posts were set up at Velcan I Mokres
(M 89). They attacked these posts 22 June and took 34 (30)?
Gendarmes PW killed several other whilst the remainder re-
treated to Koritza (NO 5).

3 Italy

A Stores of gas have been reported in the Veron area. No
indications that this is likely to be used have been
reported.

B 1. The Pzns claim to be in control of a stretch of road
between Castel Nuovo Monti (L 14) and Gallagna. (LO 3)
Roads north and east of Spezia (P 61) are also reported as
being attacked.

2 A TR was derailed west of Sabkle (B 80) on 13 June
according to a Pzn report and the line Udine (O 41)-Mestre
(G 65)-Mestre (G 65) was interrupted for 4 days. Comment
the derailment of a train normally causes a delay of hours
rather than days.

2 Pzns on the Beilla (J 38) area are said to be gaining in
strength daily both British and Australian ex PWS are re-
ported to have joined them.

ACTION: OPD

End

INFORMATION: CC/S, CG AAF, G-2, Col Park, Log

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

NR: N 25611, 26th June 1944

To 1200 hours 26th June OPS southeastern Europe
number 223 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N25611. British
LO reports.

Greece.

Thessaly. Demolition of bridges between Elasseon
T16 and Katterini 040 on 22nd June expected to close road
for 1 week. Further to our N25533 railway blocked 34 hours
when 14 trucks blown off track at T5187 on 20th June. Ref
our N25482 German ship sailed northeast after bombarding
area Keramidhi T72 with 20 to 30 rounds from 4 or 6 inch
gun on 22nd June; same date Elas coast artillery in area
scored hits on enemy vessel shelling headquarters of Br
Lo.

Epirus. Further to our N25387 Elas attack from
Vrakhos W79 on Koukouli R70 ceased after few shots; follow-
ing Zervas counterattack Elas held line due east from
Vrakhos to Preveza road. Villagers from Filiates area R54
seek Zervas occupation to eliminate Elas terrorism.

Peloponnese. EAM in area Messini H75 arrested 1
Greek probably 2 working for Allied Mission; strong pro-
test made to Elas Third Div Representative. Germans har-

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vesting all crops vicinity Boukovina C54 and Hani Panopoulou C54.

Macedonia. Elas attempting to intimidate Greeks attacked to Allied Mission: Br Lo threatens to stop supplying Ninth Division unless obstructionist actions satisfactorily explained.

Central Greece. Sabotage totally destroyed 100 ton motor vessel KAL 182 named Katina on 22nd June.

End

ACTION: G-2

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To: Addressees Concerned.
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Filpot pass DCAO.
Force 266 pass copies Balkan Air Force & SOMTO.
BAS Washington for Agwar.
No: 0/15330 26 June 1944

ME BALKAN SITREP NO 223.

One: Int. Nothing to report.
Two: Political. Nothing to report.
Three: Land Ops. Greece, Thessaly, Brit LO reports.
22 June Rd Br blown up between Elassona T 16
and Katerini O 40. Estimated Rd unfit for 7
days.
Athens. Agent reports. 22 June MV Katina of
100 tons sabotaged. Engines and ship destroyed.
Four: Sea Ops. Nothing to report.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG AAF
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From: CG Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
No: G9932 25 June 1944

From Somto of to Freedom for G-3 sp ops information AGWAR UNITY TROOPERS C in C Med Force 163 7th Army Adv AAI Fairbanks Hq MAAF Mideast . Ref no this message G/9932 24 June 1944 Som daily SITREP number 70

Part I Air ops

Reference SITREP 69

5. 23 June pickups successful Yugoslavia 7
23/24 June successful Yugoslavia 13, Greece 15 plus 1
part drop Italy 5 Plus 3 part drops failed Yugoslavia 5
Albania 4 Greece 1 Italy 4.

Sea operations nothing to report

Part II Reports from the FD

1. Yugoslavia

A. (1) A Partisan source stated that 118 and 264 Divisions are to leave Dalmatia for Italy.
Comment: It is unlikely that both divisions will leave. There have been other reports of the impending departure of 264 Division.

(II) A concentration of 3000 Germans was

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reported in Vrnjaka Banja (WJ 48 not on 500,000 map) 21 June.

B. The Partisans are said to have captured Bos Grahovo (WF 81) night 22/23 June

C. Some Partisans who recently left the city state that there is considerable sympathy for their cause in Belgrade. Contact is difficult as it is surrounded by ring of Cetnik villages.

2. Albania

A. Nothing to report

B. (I) Partisans successfully repulsed a German attack on Libohove (R59) on 16 June

(II) A battle in the Nemercke Mtn Area (M60) in which 26 Germans were killed is reported. Date unknown

3. Italy

A. (I) The Germans are reported to be carrying out systematic demolitions in the Ancona (S64) Area.***

(II) 28 Carabinieri are reported to have joined the Partisans in the area (Jgwul area) Sabotage operations are limited owing to lack of material but 3 spies

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are said to have been shot.

(III) Partisans in the Aosta (G80) area claim that if they are given arms they can hold the whole valley including the airdrome dgs are available they are out of plastic and short of money.

(IV) Numerous clashes reported along the Swiss and French borders.

(C) Nothing to report

(D) Following report received fm London NW
Italy

(I) 3 Lanzo Valleys (NNW of Turin) down to junction of plain were reoccupied by Partisans

(II) Val Sesia (W of Lago Maggiore) is now in Partisans hands reorg in this valley also being controlled by Partisans.

(III) The Germans have begun a full-scale attack on the D'Ossola Valley using 1 Battalion of 6th Slovak Division for this purpose. Heavy weapons (arty etc) are being used by the enemy.

(IV) After execution of 21 evaders the Partisans attacked and burnt down Republican barracks at Biella-Piazzo, Germans have now evacuated greater part of Biella Area.

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No: G 9932 25 June 1944

(V) Lombardy Partisans have occupied Coloco

(VI) No Italy skirmishes have taken place in
Val Camonica (N of Lago Iso)

(VII) There have also been clashes with the
enemy in Val Trompia (W of Lago Iseo)

(VIII) In both valleys Partisans have managed to
hold their own.

(IX) In Verona some 200 Italians have escaped
after having been arrested as evaders

(X) W Italy a train was held up on the Parma Spezia
line in Val Mozzola

(XI) The bombing of Parma prison helped some
50 men to escape. Miscellaneous rumors circulated that Germans
are likely to use gas and bacterial warfare.

End

*** Part of text missing. More to follow

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

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From: US Military Attache Ankara, Turkey
To: War Department 238
OG, US Army Forces in the Middle East 865
Cairo, Egypt
25 June, 1944

Number Milid 238 ANSME 865.

View of Doctor Black American expert on Bulgaria is that new Bagryanov Cabinet which many observers consider made up of German stooges is attempting to withdraw slightly from German connections. He emphasizes pro-Bulgarian character of cabinet even more than did our 220. Thinks it will try improve relations with Russia. Will seek strengthen internal conditions by raising prices farm products, increasing wages government employees and seek to stabilize currency.

End

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24 June 1944

From: G.H.Q. Middle East Forces

To : Addressees concerned
Fairbanks for G 2 for Major Rose
A.F.H.Q. Algiers pass C in C MED and 7th
Army (No priority)
H.Q. AAI Pass DCAO
Force 266 Pass copies Balkan Air Force and SOMTO

No : O/14704

ME BALKAN SITREP No. 221.

ONE. INT. NTR.

TWO. Political. NTR.

THREE. Land OPS. Greece. Attica. Brit Lo reports recent ops by ELAS Sabotage SQUAM. 3 Jun train blown up and engine destroyed at MARMOURARACHIA Y 70. 4 Jun engine and two wagons destroyed at MARMOURAPETRA D 79. 5 Jun engine blown up and 8 wagons destroyed with 60 German casualties. 7 June engine damaged and train machine gunned inflicting 95 casualties at RACHI THESSOLY. Brit Lo reports. 20 Jun Allied Mission with Dets of 50 ELAS Regt derailed train carrying trucks petrol and stores East of LITO KHORION T 48.

FOUR. SEA OPS. NTR.

T.O.O. 2419500

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

To: War Department

No. N25533 24 June 1944

WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles message number N25533.

To 1200 hours 24th June OPS Southeastern Europe
number 221

Greece: (British LO reports).

Thessaly. ELAS 50th Regiment cooperated well
with Allied Mission Party in the derailment and track
demolitions at T5187 on 20th June.

Central Greece. ELAS sabotage operations.
Destruction of engine and track caused 11 hour delay
3rd June at Marmourarakhi Y70. Locomotive and 2 cars
destroyed at Marmourapetra D79 on 4th June. 60 German
casualties when 8 cars and engine blown up 5th June.
Engine damaged and train machine gunned with 45 casualties
7th June at Rakhi D79.

Epiris. Further to our N25387, Zervas reported
20 June ELAS attack repelled at Levkas W85. Also advises
2,000 ELAS at Petrinia (Query Petrinon T12) in Thessaly
plus 600 moving toward Grammeno R84 prepared to attack
Natbands.

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

No. N 25533 24 June 1944

Macedonia. Arapis CO ELAS area Kaimazalla N88
recently shot by own sentry for alleged failure to give
proper password. Stathis relieved Niketeras as CO ELAS
30th Regiment area Pajko 037.

End.

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23 June 1944

From: Middle East

To : Addressees Concerned

No : 0/14447

MIDDLE EAST BALKAN SITREP No. 220.

ONE: INTELLIGENCE. Nothing to report.

TWO: POLITICAL. Nothing to report.

THREE: LAND OPS.

GREECE. MACEDONIA. BRIT LO reports. 17 June BLO with party of ANDARTES were surprised at DENDORAKHORI N 34 by 50 GERMANS and 80 COMITADJIS. ANDARTES lost 4 killed 3 wounded and a quantity of explosives and amn. BRIT LO reports 21 June. ELAS reported successful action against GERMANS in GOUMENISSA area O 48. GERMANS lost 30 killed 20 wounded. ELAS cas 3 killed 6 wounded.

FOUR: SEA OPS. Night 20/21 June 87 tons successfully infiltrated on West coast GREECE.

End.

T.O.O. Nil

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CG AAF

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East,
Cairo, Egypt.

To: War Department

No: N 25482 23 June 1944

To 1200 hours 23rd June OFS Southeastern Europe
number 220 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 25482.

Greece. (British LO Reports).

Macedonia. Advance party for operations against
road Koritsa N 05-Florina N66 was attacked 17th June in
Dhendrokhori N 34 by 50 Germans and 80 Comitadjis from
Kastoria N 44. Andarte casualties 4 killed and 3 wounded.

Br LO in command returned to base after losing am-
munition and explosives.

ELAS claim 30 Germans killed, 30 wounded in recent
action, area Goumenissa 0 48; own casualties, 6 wounded and
3 dead.

Small Pomak band area Oraion F 50 reported out to
get Br LOS dead or alive.

Thessaly. Br LO thinks ELAS plan of capturing
Trikkala R 73 aims at strengthening Pees by elimination of
rival organizations in area; believed ELAS cannot hold
Trikkala for long and fears villagers will suffer from
reprisals and loss of crops to ELAS or Germans. ELAS have

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From: CG, U.S. Army Forces in the Middle East,
Cairo, Egypt.

No: N 25482 23 June 1944

avoided discussing operations with Allied Mission and as yet have not requested arms or ammunition. German coastal vessel reported bombarding north Pelion coast in area Polidhendri T 73. 60 ELAS cavalarymen from regt at Arapi 8 77 left for area 1st Div in Pindus.

Euboes. 3,000 German and Rallis troops engaged in systematic campaign against Andartes; also threaten Naval action.

Peloponnese. Achaia mountain area blockaded by Germans who are withholding Red Cross supplies and leaving Andarte villages with little food and no medicine.

End

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From: Middle East

To : Addressees Concerned

No : Q/14051

22 June 1944

ME BALKAN SITREP NO 219

One: Int. Nothing to report.

Two: Political. Nothing to report.

Three: Land Ops. Greece. Macedonia. Brit LO reports
16 June 2 ELOS successfully blew up 42 ft span bridge on
road Drama P99 - Papades K91.

Four: Sea Ops. Nothing to report.

T.O.O. 221900

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CGAAF
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From: CG, U.S. Army Forces, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
Nr: CY 691 22 June 1944

AGWAR from Balkan Air Force CY 691 June 22 reference your T00 220710 Z.

SVC-SYM JJJJ 91 herewith repetition of our T00 192000 B indicator X 4231 begins to Freedom for G 3 Special Ops. Repeated AGWAR Troopers C in C Med Adv AAI Fairbanks Hq MAAF Mideast SOMTO George 49 June 19. Special ops daily SITREP number 65 continued from som daily SITREPS now defunct part 1 AIROPS.

Nil part 2.

Reports from FD. 1. Yugoslavia A1 elements 369th Div reported area Arzano (XQ 35) Studenci (XQ 44) Lovrec (XQ 43). Comment report unconfirmed.

2. Large scale move of units of Prinz Eugen reported northwards from Proxor (XQ 98) Gornji Vakue (XQ 89).

3. Vojvodina. Enemy reported in force east bank Bosut River near junction with Sava. Signs of impending enemy activity. (B 1) On 16th June on road Petrovac (WP 85) Drvar (WP 93) whole of 373rd Div consisting of 16 trucks, 2 tanks, 2 guns, 90 men reported destroyed by FXNS.

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Nr: CY 691

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(2) reported from central Serbia that on night 15/16 June FXNS destroyed cement rly br and wooden rd br near Bresnicic (WJ 83) (not on 500000 map) (C) NTR (D) reported from Slavonia that bombing of Brodav (SG 12) on 10 June destroyed 60 tanks petrol, many barrels petrol. Three trains tankers destroyed at Standard refinery 2. Albania (A) Borsh (QM 20) reported recaptured by Germans after being in FXN hands since early May. Vranishte (QM 01) also taken and coast road Sarabde (QR 38) Borst is reported reopened by them. FXNS outnumbered endeavouring break out encirclement area Kuo (QM 21).

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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From: CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
No: N 25439 22 June 1944

To 1200 hours 22nd June OPS Southeastern Europe
number 219 WDGBI cite MEGBI signed Giles N 25439. British
L O reports.

Greece.

Macedonia.

Night 16th June bridge with 42 foot span blown
up by 2 Br Los between Drama P 99 and Paradhes K 91. Con-
tinued fighting area Borovon K 92; no enemy air activity
last 4 days.

Thessaly.

ELAS 54th Brigade insists orders from GHQ Middle
East be transmitted through ELAS GHQ; otherwise refuses to
evacuate 2 German war prisoners as ordered by Cairo.

Peloponnese.

7 officers of Patras Security Battalions arrested
by Germans on charge of collaboration with Zervas. Internal
EAM ELAS relations believed strained since Lebanon conference.
Former political leader ELAS 12th Regt now on trial, suppos-
edly for support of Papandreou.

Central Greece.

No confirmation but Andartes claim capture of

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

No: N 25439

Amfissa Y 21 and Arakhova Y 40. Following abortive attempt to destroy Aiolos oxygen factory in Piraeus owner advises bombing; says entire production goes to German Navy (especially to submarines).

End

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG/S
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From: Middle East

To : Addressees concerned. Fairbanks for G-2 for Major Rose
AFHQ Algiers pass C in C Med and 7th Army, Hq AAI
pass DOAO. Force 266 pass copies SOMTO and Balkan
Air Force.

No : 0/13774

21 June 1944

ME BALKAN SITREP NO 218.

ONE: INT. NTR.

TWO: Political. Greece. Epirus. Brit LO reports. 19
June 24 Elvas Regt attacked Zervas Forces in Koukoula R71
area at Papdatis R 91 and at two other points. Elvas were
beaten back at all places except Grammeno R 84. Zervas is
counter attacking.

THREE: Land Ops NTR

FOUR : Sea Ops. NTR.

T.O.O. 212019C

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CGAAF

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From: U.S. Military Attache, Ankara
To: War Department 230
CG, US Army Forces in Middle East, Cairo, Egypt 855
21 June 1944
Number MILID 230 AMSME 855.

Holding sector of front in North Rumania are following
Rumanian Infantry Divisions according French source B 2:

1st, 3rd, 4th, with which 24th has been amalgamated,
6th, 7th, 8th, 15th, 18th, 20th and guards also 5th Cavalry
Division. In reserve in North Rumania are 13th and 11th
Infantry Divisions and 1st and 8th Cavalry Divisions.
Armored divisions in reserve at Bacau. 14th and 21st Infantry
Divisions are in reserve behind southern part of front
that is south of Jassy. 5th Infantry Division is on southern
part of front and 9th Infantry Division is in region north of
Constanz and 2nd Division is at Craiova and Dunaro is at
Galati.

About 30,000 Rumanians escaped from Crimea. 18th
Division is now in 4th Corps. 3rd Division in 5th Corps and
4th Division in 5th Corps. 8th Division to 6th Corps
belongs.

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FROM: Hq BAF *Balkan Air Force*
TO : A. F. H. Q. Algiers for G3 SP OPS
Rptd AGWAR
War Office
C in C MED
ADV AAI
ADV CP A.F.H.Q.
Hq MAAF
Middle East

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BAF DAILY SPECIAL OPS SITREP NO 67.

PART ONE

AIR OPS. 20 June.

Pick-ups. Successful.

Yugoslavia four, Greece one.

Night 20/21 June. Successful

Yugoslavia 15, Greece 1 (part drop), Albania 1.

Failed. Yugoslavia 12, Greece 1 (part drop only),
Albania 2.

PART TWO.

REPORTS FROM FD.

1. Yugoslavia

(A) NTR.

(B) Slavonia

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(1) One bde of PZNS 10 Corps attacked Grdevac (SF 39) not OP 500000 MAP 14 June. They killed over 100 enemy took 110 PW incl Deputy Minister Agriculture for Croatia. Captured 160 rifles, 4 lorries, 1 car, 2 MC and 200,000 rds Nauser amn.

Comment. Not specified if enemy German or Croat but probably latter.

(11) Rly Bjelovar (SA 20) - Garesnica (SF 26) now in Pzns hands and being destroyed. Night 15/16 June line between Haniograd (RF 88) and Kriz (RK 97) out in eighteen places.

(C) Serbia.

(1) Reported 19 June Pzn 21 Div out Rly Prokoplje (WJ 93) - Kursumlija (WJ 71) - in 16 places during last few days. Line expected to be out of use for some days.

(11) Allo reported Pzns have out line between Krusevac (WJ 87) and Stlac (WJ 98) in 6 places demolishing two small brs.

(111) Patrols 11 Bde raided Leskovain (WK 20) Rly sta night 16/17 June. German stationmaster killed and damage done.

(IV) Fighting reported past few days area Blace (WJ 74) against Bulgarians. One enemy coln turned back but second with arty penetrated Pzn held territory. Two Bulgarian aircraft reported shot down and five PW inclu 2 offrs taken.

(V) Ambush reported attempted by Cetniks and Nedio tps against Pzns area Popsica (WK 35) 13 June. 120 enemy killed mostly Nedio tps.

2. Albania.

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From: US Military Attache in Ankara, Turkey.

To: War Department

Nr: 229 20 June 1944

Msg Nr 229 re WAR 51316.

Present strength of Bulgarian Army estimated by me at 450,000. This includes air force, 30,000 labor troops and 50,000 gendarmerie.

Turks have promised fuller data but so far have not specified which division was sent to reinforce 5th Army.

From Bulgarian source C3 comes report 6th Division was transferred to 1st Army at end of May and that 7th Division probably will be transferred to 5th Army. Also that 2nd Division will also be transferred to 1st Army and replaced by new division to be formed from reserves of 5th Division.

British source B3 state 2 new divisions are being formed. Reserve battalion of 17th, 33rd and 34th Infantry Regiments have left for Yugoslavia.

Battalion of 24th Infantry Regiment left for Serbia on May 20th according Italian source C3 which also says German source recently put at 21 number of Bulgar divisions of infantry.

ACTION: G-2

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INFO : CGAAP

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19 June 1944

FROM: Balkan Air Force

TO: ?

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War Office
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Adv AAI
Fairbanks
Middle East
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NR: G 49 Special Ops -

Daily SITREP No. 65.

Numbering continued from SOM - Daily Sitreps now defunct.

Part 1. (? ?) Nil

Part 2. Reports from (? ?)

Bone Yugoslavia. A 1

Elements 39 Div reported Area Arzano XQ 35 - Stvdenci XQ 44 -
Lovrec XQ 43. Comment report unconfirmed.

2:

Large scale move of units of Prince Eugen reported north-
wards from Prozor XQ 98 - Cornji Vakuf (*Gyrnji Vakuf)
XQ 89.

3:

Vojvodina. Enemy reported in Force EA Bank Bosut River near
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junction with Sava. Signs of impending enemy activity.

B. 1. On June 16 on road Petrovac W P 85 - Drvar WP 93
Coln of 373 Div consisting of 16 trucks 2 tanks 2 guns 90
men reported destroyed by Pzns.

2:

Reported from Central Serbia that on night 15/16 June Pzns
destroyed cement railway bridge and wooden road bridge near
Bresnicic WJ 83 (not on 500000 Map).

C. Nothing to report.

D. Reported from Slavonia that bombing of Brod - SG 12 on
June 10 destroyed 60 tanks petrol many barrels petrol. 3
trains tankers destroyed at Standard Refinery.

2 Albania:

Borsh (QM 20) reported recaptured by Germans after being
in Pzn hands since early May. Vraniljte (QM 01) also
taken and coast road Sarinde (Q R 38) - Borsh is reported
reopened by Third. Pzns outnumbered endeavouring break
out encirclement area Kug (Q M 21).

End

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T.O.O. Nil

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INFORMATION: CC/S, Gen Arnold, Gen Bissell, Col Park, Log

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

To : War Department

Nr : N 25243 17 June 1944

To 1200 hours 17th June OFS Southeastern Europe
number 214 WDGBI cite MEGOA signed Giles N 25243. See our
N 24482.

Greece (British LO reports).

Central Greece. Railroad Farsala Y 39 Velestinon T60
extensively damaged 7th June by Andarte En. Same force in
2 Ambustas 9th June on Lamia Y35 Dhonokos Y27 road killed
approximately 25 SS troops and destroyed 5 trucks.

Epirus. Elas now protest presence Zervas troops in so
several villages Fanari plain R70 and 2 other villages area
Gotista S 15 despite HATBAND occupation of over several
months. Also object recent Zervas move into 2 villages area
Matsouki S 23. Elas GHQ however apparently desire no clashes
at present. Reference our N 25018 elements from 24th Elas
Regt withdrew from Fanari plain R 70 upon arrival of superior
Zervas forces.

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ACTION: G-2

INFO : CGAAF

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From: A.F.H.Q.
To: British Chiefs of Staff
Info: J.S.M. Washington for U.S.
Joint Chiefs of Staff
No: MEDCOS 130 16 June 1944

Signed Wilson cite PHGCT. 5 18 18. In reply
to COSMED 126.

The course proposed by Foreign Office would involve us in military support of and supply to the (Zogists) whose main characteristics are loyalist Albanian patriotism and antagonism to the Communist Partisans and their "Provisional Government". The latter are rapidly growing in strength and organization and are already an effective instrument for action against the enemy in the south where his main commitments (the defense of vital road communications from Greece) are placed.

Pending a reconciliation between Zogists and Partisans military support to the former would mainly encourage the development of civil war.

Considered therefore that a reconciliation between the two parties is an essential prerequisite before any military aid is given to Zogists.

While any agreement which resulted in combining elements within the country is obviously desirable it is felt that the prospect of Zogists and Partisans agreeing to shelve all political issues and establishing common purpose in actively resisting the enemy is doubtful.

ACTION: CC/S
INFORMATION: Gen Arnold, OPD, Gen Bissell, Adm King,
Col Park, Log.
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PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

To: War Department
Headquarters Mediterranean Allied Air Forces
Caserta, Italy

No. F 60356 16 June 1944

F 60356 TROOPERS, AGWAR, information COMTO, AAI,
AFHQ Adv CP for Clarke from G-2 Freedom signed Wilson
cite FBHBI.

Periodical Balkan review number 95.

Yugoslavia

1. (A) Local fighting continues western Bosnia
where more important communications believed in enemy hands.

(B) Allied party with 475MM guns landed Solta
night 9th/10th June, shelled Ughete, and withdrew with-
out loss before 1st light. Heavy damage German, occupied
area. First employment these tactics to combat recent
enemy policy concentrating inland garrisons in strong
points.

(C) Enemy advance Plevlja across Tara
River Nablak and subsequent withdrawal believed recon-
for Montenegro drive.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

No. F 60356 16 June 1944

(D) In diversionary drive Majevias planning
Partisan communique 14th June claims casualties include
350 of 13 SS Division killed at Iopare.

(E) Albania:

German control area north line Kelseyre-
Permet except pockets resistance east Berat. Successful
Allied air attacks on strong enemy column road Valona-
Tepelene. Enemy attacking Partisan held coast south
Valona where garrison 2,000 Partisans. 1 Mountain Division
moving southwest from Kopitsa.

2. 13th SS Division. Believed part only, possibly
2 Regts, this formation moved southwards in view persistent
reports presence Mostar and further south contrasted with
identification by Partisans in Para 1 (D) above.

3. Location 92nd GR (Mot), 4th Brandenburg
Regt, SS Parachute Battalion 500 not known since participa-
tion cover operations.

4. Headquarters 1st Mountain Division Koritsa
for drive southern Albania.

5. Partisan suggestion Grossdeutschland
Division in Yugoslavia not accepted in view identification
"SS Tank Division Greater Germany" area Jassy supplement
Soviet communique 8th June.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

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B. Hungary

1. Further publicity, believed planted, for alleged resistance movement backed by supporters last government, but no details activities or location.

2. Unconfirmed report states Horthy considers himself equivalent Petain. His 27 public appearances 19th March - 14th May identify him with regime.

3. Purpose mid-May has further raw material for Hungarian textile factories believed to draw out hoarded stocks.

C. Bulgaria.

12th June Draganov (Foreign Affairs) and Slaveiko Vasile (Public Works) appointed Bagrianov cabinet. Draganov pro-Allied former Minister Madrid while Vasilev prominent pro-German and President of Reserve Officers Association. Explanation apparent contradiction these appointments may be further effort please both Axis and Allies.

D. Roumania.

1. No official reaction yet to second front. Press expose German morale while German communiques recognize Roumanian military contribution.

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2. Success Danube mining indicated by report
Resitza works in difficulties due shortage coke most of
which previously supplied by Germany via Danube.

E. Turkey.

German vessels have continued pass through
straits. In view British protest possible that Turks
will devise means delay transit pending settlement.

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INFO : CCS
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From: US Military Attache, Ankara
To: War Department
CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
No: 220 15 June 1944
Number MILID 220 AMSME 846.

Changes in Bulgarian cabinet seem marked concession to Germans. It is now composed largely of men who have been associated with German Alliance and have expressed pro German sentiments. However they are primarily Bulgarian Nationalists interested above all in preserving Bulgarian independence. Cabinet will attempt almost impossible task of maintaining national unity while clinging to German Alliance at least for a while longer.

A statement of policy of cabinet made by Premier on June 3 was notable for fact it made no reference to Germany, Axis, Boris or New Order. Declared fate of Bulgaria rested entirely in Bulgarian hands and Bulgaria must find her place in new world which is coming into being as result of war. This announcement caused some observers to believe that cabinet while outwardly sticking to Germany anticipated German defeat and its policy actually was directed away from Germany. Certainly it was keeping door open to Russia. Apparently Germans had something of same impression and forced changes. In view Allied successes in France even revised cabinet may not play German game whole heartedly it is pro Bulgarian first of all.

Replacement as Minister of Agriculture of Kostov

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who was friendly to Russia is marked concession to anti Soviet element. New Minister of Justice Alexander Staliiski is strong supporter of Fascist concept of state and is generally considered quite pro German. New Minister Public Works is Slaveiko Vasilev president of powerful union reserve officers. This has great influence on public policy and likely reason for including him in cabinet is hope he will bring to government support of this organization. He is pronounced Nationalist, defender of independence of unified Bulgaria and anticommunist. New Minister of Foreign Affairs is Purvan Draganov. He was minister to Berlin until 42 when transferred to Madrid. Generally regarded as pro German but primary reason for his transfer to Madrid is said to have been German complaint that he was lukewarm re Bulgarian Alliance with Axis.

Russia likely to view changes with strong disfavor. Increased disaffection to army and general instability and insecurity to be expected. Further cabinet changes likely before long.

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URGENT

From: CG, Allied Armies in Italy.

To : War Department.

DTG : 151410B

15 June 1944.

This is a paraphrase by CRYPTO Freedom of SOM daily SITREP no 61. From SOMTC to Freedom for G-3 SP OPS information AGWAR, UNITY TROOPERS Q, CINC MED, Force 163, Seventh Army, AAI, Fairbanks, HQ MAAF, Mideast.

Operations in the air. Part 1. Yugoslavia 38 successful, Albania 2 successful, Italy 6 plus 5 parts drops. Failed Yugoslavia 4, Italy 5 plus 1 part drop. Nothing to report for sea operations. Reports from the field. Part 2.

1. Yugoslavia.

(A) 1. In the area Krusevac (WJ 87) airfield, 200 unassembled planes or gliders are said to have arrived by truck.

2. From the Majevica area the Partisans are being forced to withdraw southwest by counter attacks.

Comment: This may be connected with reports that at least elements of 13 SSBH have returned to the Tazla (XM 70 or XM 76) area.

(B) 100 loaded pack horses were captured June 10th by the Partisans on road Celic (RW 92) - Sopare (Lopare). RW 91 not on 500,000 map.

2. These reports on railway damage were received.

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From: CG, Allied Armies in Italy.

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(A). On May 30th 100 killed and 150 PW when train blown up between Kostajnicar (RK 93 or RF 93) and Bosnovi (RK 90).

(B). On May 31st train was derailed on line Dnurdjenovac (SG 17) Donjimitolac (SG 29).

(C). On line Pleternica (SF 93) - Jaksic (SF 94) a train was derailed May 31st.

(D). 4 bridges were blown and the line Jelovar (SA 20) Krizevci (RE 915) was out in 233 places on May 21st and 22nd.

2. Albania.

(A) 1. A further German force was brought from Delvine (R 48) to Sarande by 60 MT 1 June 11th and returned June 12th. Extensive demolitions in the harbour were carried out by 200 Germans who were said to have landed from 2 sailing ship at Sarande (R 38) on June 11th.

2. Reported to have reached Lepenica (MO 2) were Germans driving south from Valona.

3. Seen moving south from Borsh (M 20) June 12 were 3 small sailing vessels believed to be German reconnaissance.

(B) Nothing to report.

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(C) Reported in Partisan hands is Balkan Betar leader Bismail Golemia.

3. -UIMALS.

(A) 1. In Lucca (Q 27) area said to be elements of the "Goering Division".

2. In the Lucca area whole units of the Republican Army are reported to be going to the side of the Partisans.

3. From 1400 hours until dawn there is curfew in the Macerata (S 53) area.

(B) 1. Before and after the retreating Germans on the road Amandola (B 49- Macerata S 53) the Partisans have blown bridges. In the mountains south west of Ancona heavy fighting is reported.

2. Through indirect channels, the ensuing reports of recent operations have been received:

A, Piedmont. Near Canasir (Canavehe) a railway bridge was blown. For 6 hours an electric railway was interrupted at Busto. Between Ivrea - Aosta and Sosta - French Border communications were interrupted and high tension cables were out. Out of action for approximately 6 months is the power station.

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B. Tuscany. Through cutting of telephone and telegraph railway traffic dislocation occurred. In 3 places the Florence - Rome was blown. 1 train blown at Bbata. One train carrying explosives was derailed between Lucca and Sanaguiliann when railway line was blown. Between Sorane and Pittigliano a bridge was blown and telephone wires removed.

C. Veneto. Also interrupted were railways Trencisco - Susegano and Castelfranco Monte Vellana. Carrenedo and Conegline the railway Nestre - Trieste was blown. Between Udine Gorizia a convoy of German vehicles was shot up. Railways and factories were put out of action by high tension cables being cut.

D. Emilia. Result of a group separate attack railway traffic interrupted for total 170 hours.

E. Marche. For several hours the railway Fano - Pesaro was interrupted.

F. General. Sulphur refinery factories and mine 40 out of action. 1,000 Fascist soldiers dispersed after attack with machine guns and grenades going south at Albecina. Falcociara - Rome supplied by power station blown at Genoa (Ancona).

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4. Other countries. Nothing to report.

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From: CG, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces
Caserta, Italy

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

DRG: 160121Z 15 June 1944

SOM daily SITREP number 62 dated 151700 B from SOMFO
to Freedom for G-3 Special Operations information AGWAR
SHARP TROOPERS CINC Med Force 163 Seventh Army AAI Fairbanks
HQ NAAF MidEast.

June 14 successful Yugoslavia 4, Greece 2, failed
Yugoslavia 1.

June 14/15 successful Yugoslavia 22, Albania 1, Italy
2, Greece 1, Crete 1, failed Albania 1, Yugoslavia 18, Italy
3.

Above is part 1 air operations.

Part 2 reports from the field.

1. Albagna.

(A) At MCG nite (M77 not on 500000 map) on June
3rd 1 MTH Division identified in action.

(B) 1. By majority of newly formed 12 Brigade
Partisan Forces in the BRHD reinforced.

2. By heroic defence Germans being held
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outside BRHD perimeter.

3. Other countries nothing to report.

2. Yugoslavia.

(A) For the first time since recent mine laying the Danube was reported open to traffic in the Fojvodina Sector on 13 June.

(B) 1. Enemy column moving from KNIN (W Unit 79)- Petrovac (WP 85)- BI HAC (WP 48) Partisans attacked 13 June. Details will follow.

2. On 10 June Partisans broke up enemy drive south from Prijepolje (WT 46). One hundred enemy killed and 150 wounded. Three MT destroyed 15000 rounds SAA, captured were 2 mortars and 4 W/T sets.

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East Cairo, Egypt.
To: War Department.
Nr: 30GY 14 June 1944.

See Ambassador MacVeaghs telegrams to state numbers Greek 191 and 192 of June 13th. For Bissell from Larrabee 30GY.

Yesterday first meeting new Greek Cabinet unanimously declared King George should not return Greece before plebiscite and this decision King has accepted. This removes ostensible objection made by EAM and Communists to joining new Government, and they may now have to do so or reveal true reasons. These are suspected as unwillingness to see guerrilla bands amalgamated national army as proposed by government and desire not to share responsibility coming courts martial recent mutineers. An informed Porphyrogenis, representative EAM at Lebanon conference, may leave here tomorrow consult his principals, with offer from Prime Minister of 5 or possibly 6 cabinet posts including finance communications labour national welfare and possibly interior. Government tentatively proposed appoint Lieut General Dimitri Othonos former regular Army Corps Commander during Albanian campaign as Commander in Chief National Forces in Greece. Othonos now in Athens and reputed not politically inclined. However situation may be complicated by telegram 12th June from Wilson to Paget opposing national army plan on grounds disbanding present guerrilla organizations would lead chaos jeopardizing Allied Military Missions.

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From: CG, US Army Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt
To: War Department
Hr: 25403 14 June 1944

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Papandreou Govt apparently feel strong enough to complete cabinet without EAM representation. Although declaration re King 12 June not entirely satisfactory and regarded by Leftists as political finesse, Leftist leader considers this a basis for agreement and is sending Porfyrogennis (Secretary General EAM Central Committee) to Greece to clarify position unless Leftist bloc submits nominees for vacant posts within few days, Papandreou prepared to complete cabinet basis present representation.

End

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From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
No. G/9011 13 June 1944

SOM Daily SITREP number 60 from SOMTO to
Freedom for G-3 SP OPS, for information to AGWAR, UNITY,
TROOPERS, CINC Med, Force 163, 7th Army, AAI, FAIRBANKS,
HQ MAAF and Mideast. Reference number this message is
G/9011.

I. Air Operations. June 12th:

1 successful pickup Yugoslavia (part operation)

Night 12th/13th June:

Successful:

Yugoslavia	19
Albania	1
Italy	8 (plus 4 part drops)

Failed:

Yugoslavia	27
Albania	4
Italy	1 (part drop)

II. Reports from the Field:

1. Yugoslavia

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From: OG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
No. G/9011 13 June 1944

A. Reported being engaged by Partisans are 2 enemy columns moving from Hreljin (RJ74) and Susak (VJ54) towards Delnic (RJ94).

B. Partisans have repulsed enemy columns operating from Teslic and Dobo. Partisans reported attacking enemy formation in area Babin Potok (WP23 or 28) and in area Jablonca (XR06).

Comment: All above apparently isolated clashes of only local significance. Main Belgrade-Zagreb line reported out of action 10th June. During period 7-10 June no trains ran. During period 1-6 June 8 trains ran.

2. Albania.

A. On 12th June large German column reported on road Kelyre-Tepelene.

B. Partisans attacked small German MT convoy near Himara (M10) on 9th June. 1 truck captured and 20 Germans killed. Partisan forces of 6th Brigade totaling about 2,000 men still hold bridgehead in area south of Valona. Heavy Nazi attack against perimeter at Vund (M10), Gjkrmi (M10) Dhemblan (M23) and Shendeli (R28). BLO and party have arrived Borsh (M20). In contact Commander 6th Partisan Brigade. Organizing reception of further stores and defense of bridgehead area.

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3. Italy.

A & B. In Lombardy and Piedmont clashes reported between workers and fascist patrols. Fighting between German troops and Partisans in Reggio Emilia. Luftwaffe subsequently bombed village. According to newspaper report 1st June train attacked near Cuzago southeast of Fremosello by some 50 Partisans. The Fascist guard killed, several wounded.

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From: Joint Staff Mission, Washington
To: British Chiefs of Staff
Rptd: Middle East for Commanders-in-Chief
and A.F.H.Q. for General Wilson
No: J.S.M. 97

Reference COS (M.E.) 4 of 12th June.

We have no evidence that there has been a leakage concerning Tito's present whereabouts but cannot guarantee that this has not occurred.

End

T.O.O. 122209Z

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Gen Arnold
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From: Chiefs of Staff
To: Mideast
Rptd: A.F.H.Q. and J.S.M., Washington
No: COS (M.E.) 4 12 June 1944

Following for Commanders-in-Chief, Mideast please pass. Repeated General Wilson from Chiefs of Staff.

We have received information via S.O.E. sources that prior to recent attack on Tito's headquarters, information of location of headquarters obtained by Colonel Knezevic, Yugoslav Military Attache in the United States, cabled by him to Mihailovic's representative in Cairo.

Yugoslav Military Attache has since passed to Cairo information that location of Tito's new headquarters is Sator.

Action being taken to trace source of leakage in America. We have asked Joint Staff Mission if there is any evidence of leakage of information concerning Tito's present whereabouts and to repeat their reply to Mideast and A.F.H.Q. *see attached*

Request you investigate possibility of leakage of information from Mihailovic's representative in Cairo to the enemy.

End

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INFORMATION: Gen Arnold
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From: Chiefs of Staff
To : AFHQ
Rptd: J.S.M. Washington
Whe : COSMEX 128

10th June 1944

H.M. Government attach great importance to safety of Tito. We consider definite limit should be placed to his sojourn in Vis where his presence must sooner or later become known to the enemy.

2. We suggest a time limit of 2 to 3 weeks. In the meanwhile we must ask you to accept responsibility for all measures to preserve secrecy and to secure the safety of Tito. It is essential that no risk be taken.

T.O.O. 101120Z

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ACTION: CCS

INFO : General Arnold
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General Bissell
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From: U.S. Military Attache, Ankara.

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

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10 June 1944

Number MILID 213 AMSMB 838.

In opinion of Bulgarian Minister here, new cabinet of Bulgaria is essentially as described in our MILID 196 AMSMB 826 according source B2. As usual Russia was kept in mind when ministry was formed even though it seems more pro German than predecessor. Russia most important element in Bulgarian foreign policy. Bulgaria would like to get out of war but cannot just now. Everything would change if Russians approached Bulgarian frontiers.

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INFORMATION: OPD
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From: AFHQ
To : Chiefs of Staff
Info: Joint Staff Mission for
U.S. Joint Chiefs of
Staff and HQ MAAF

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F57297. Signed Wilson cite FHGCT. Ref COSMED 125. *attached*

All available information concerning the attack on Brac is contained in Parts 4 COSITINTREPS 329 - 331 June 3rd to 5 inclusive and No. 335 of June 9, except that included in those missing are Lt Colonel Churchill (COMD 2 CDO) and Lt Colonel Manners (COMD 40 CDO) both probably prisoners.

End

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

To: War Department

Hr: G/187

8 June 1944

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AGWAR, Troopers, AAI, SOE Troopers pass MAAF, Moscow MAAF
pass Mideast. C in C Med, Fairbanks, London from SOM TOOS
TOPSEC BIGOT

Further our TOO 041200B.

1. 2(2) R destroyers landed Marshall Tito and
approximately 100 others, including representatives of
Russian and * in Vis night 6/7 June.

2. Arrangements for establishing the Marshall's
headquarters proceeding.

End

* Being Serviced

Note: Reference is CM-IN-3678 (5 June 44) General Bissell

ACTION: General Bissell.

INFO : CG/S

General Arnold

General Handy

Col. Park

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From: Chiefs of Staff
To: A.F.H.Q. Algiers
Info: Joint Staff Mission
No: COSMED 126 8 June 1944

Following from Chiefs of Staff.

As a result of exchange of telegrams with Resident Minister at Bari, Foreign Office have approached us with reference to possibility of stimulating Zogist Party in Albania to undertake active resistance against the Germans.

Proposal is for King Zog to send Abas Kupi, leader of Zogist Party, a personal telegram urging full collaboration with Allies and with British liaison officers in Albania.

Past experience of Albanian resistance makes us doubtful if any increased activity resulting from above proposal would in fact be on a sufficient scale to kill Germans or assist Zeppelin.

Moreover if plan were put in train we should have to send supplies and equipment to Zogist faction which might be more profitably used elsewhere.

S.O.E. who have been consulted here consider best policy is to continue support of L.N.C. organization. This policy has in the past produced certain minor successes.

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We should be grateful for your views.

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Gen Arnold
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8 June 1944

From: G2 Algiers

To : War Office
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SOMTO (ADV CP AFHQ pass)
ADV CP AFHQ For OLARKE
AAI For Airey

No : F56808

SIGNED WILSON CITE PHGBI

PERIODICAL BALKAN REVIEW NUMBER EIGHT

A. HUNGARY.

ONE: Location 20 and 27 LIGHT INFANTRY DIVS RUSSIAN FRONT confirmed. Making total HUNGARIAN FORCES on FRONT 13 DIVS and TWO MOUNTAIN BRIGADES.

TWO: Reports of formation by supporters last Government including KALLAY of resistance movement aiming at BRITISH support believed inspired by REGIME as form of re-insurance in order interest BRITISH sympathies in possible post-war alternative which should have for present REGIME virtue of NOT being LEFTIST in sympathy. In this way REGIME may hope to secure lead for such a movement to disadvantage of any genuine LEFTIST resistance Group which might arise. NAJE IVAN HEJJAS. Notorious white terrorist 1918-1921 and ante semite mentioned as leader of resistance movement.

THREE: Extremists of IMRADY'S party have severed their connection with him. Latter now closer to MEP and his press sharply criticizes extremists and attacks against JEWS. Segregation of LAFTER causing severe shortage of skilled workers.

B. YUGOSLAVIA.

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ONE: On 31 May and first days June enemy raided DOGI ATOK KORNAT and OLIS. Believed purpose dislocate infiltration PARTISAN supplies and raiding parties now withdrawn. Strong ALLIED FORCE landed BRAC night of 1/2 June and withdrew 5/6 June. Identifications elements II and III BNS 738 JAEGER REGT and elements 668 ARTY REGT. Enemy casualties SELCAS 130 killed 100 captured. Full details lacking.

TWO: Return end May of "513 DIV" believed cover name for one BRANDENBURG REGT, to DRNIS area clears up uncertainty location this unit. This move may be connected operations Western BOSNIA.

THREE: 13 SS DIV reported area MOSTAR-CAPLJINA. Move of this formation from BRCEO and concentration enemy Troops areas FLEVLJE-PRIZEPOLJE and PODGORICA-CETINJE suggest GERMAN drive imminent MONTENEGRO.

FOUR: Enemy concentration Southern ALBANIA now include 2000 troops area SARANDE-DELVINO. Believed these being 104 JAEGER DIV and will attack Northwards towards GJINOKASTER.

C. BULGARIA.

ONE: Three weeks GERMAN pressure has produced "Satisfactory" BULGARIAN Government with BACRIANOV as Premier and Foreign Minister. Latter is ex Minister of Agriculture. Basis of policy likely to be improved conditions of peasants, with whom he is popular. Increased PARTISAN activity probable as result omission opposition representatives from new Government. Relations with RUSSIA certain to deteriorate. BACRIANOV in first public statement stressed BULGARIA a SMALL Country seeking only satisfaction just rights.

TWO: Reports of GERMAN infiltration NOT confirmed. Unconfirmed report states that GERMANS, realizing impossibility of using BULGARIAN Troops against RUSSIANS, intend employ them increased degree in GREECE and YUGOSLAVIA.

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D. ROUMANIA.

ONE: As yet NO reactions to two-way bombing proving close co-operation RUSSIA and Western ALLIES.

TWO: Cancellations by BUCHAREST firms in late April and May of orders placed by them in GERMANY apparently due air-raid damage.

T.O.O. 081930B

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No. N 24765 7 June 1944

British SITREP reference 204, WDOBI cite MBGBI
signed Giles N 24765.

To 1200 hours 7th June Operations Southeastern
Europe.

Greece.

General (British LO report).

Independent sources in Olympus and Karpenisi
376 report ELAS moves towards the Pindus with the object
of destroying Zervas.

Epirus. (Zervas report of German conference at
Yannina).

Zervas reports meeting of German generals in
Yannina was continued for several days and the effects of
the Lebanon Conference and the position of ELAS and Zervas
forces considered. Decisions reached:

(1) Zervas must be liquidated as only force
likely to assist a British landing.

(2) Edeas collaborators must be arrested but
pending preparations for dealing with Hatbands pro-Zervas

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Cairo, Egypt

No. N 24765 7 June 1944

propaganda must be continued for purposes of deception.

(3) 2 Divisions should be used to attack and
1 to maintain order. With operations to occupy but
20 days these forces would be available.

Comment:

Zervas considers report is trustworthy and that
no landings are expected by Germans in June. British LO
is doubtful of authenticity because of large forces pro-
posed.

Sabotage group.

Further to our N24703 after destroying the en-
gines the sabotaged MVPI 195 was sunk.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: OC/S
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From : Chiefs of Staff
To : AFHQ, Algiers
Info : Joint Staff Mission

Number: COSMED 125 7th June, 1944

Please telegraph most immediate report on operations on Island of Brac.

T.O.C. 071740Z

End.

ACTION: CCS

INFO : Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Adm King
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Signature- *RLH*

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WAR DEPARTMENT
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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.
To: War Department.
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England.
Fr: G/183 5 June 1944

This is a FREEDOM paraphrase of 30M daily SITREP number 52. Reference number is G/183 dated 6 June 1944. Addressees are as follows FREEDOM G 3, SP OPS, AGWAR, SHAEP, Troopers, CINC MED, Force 163 and 7th Army, AAI, Fairbanks and Headquarters MAAF, Mideast, COMNOB please pass to Seventh Army.

1. Operation of the Air;

5 June.

Pickups successful Yugoslavia 12 CS night of 5/6 June. Successful Yugoslavia 42 Greece 4 (plus 1 part drop), Italy 5, Failed Yugoslavia 5, Albania 3 Italy 3.

Sea operations;

Nothing to report.

2. Reports from FD;

Yugoslavia: Germans are reported to have evacuated Dugi Island by CCOF. There are still some in Kormat (German concentrations Podgorica WH 06, VLJA (WH 26) and

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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.

Nr: G/183

6 June 1944

Pilgopolje (WE 46). Comments; possibly intended to prevent westerly movement of Partisan groups in Montenegro. Slavonia extensive demolitions on 40 miles stretch HRY Bugo Selo (RE 79 Novaka) SF 34 reported, stated that enemy defenders kept to pill boxes and inflicted only a few casualties on Partisans. Albania ack; Germans concentrations in strength reported at Ojorcucut Episkop (R 58) Xuvjan (49) Voshtina (R 69) Stavroskiad (R 79). Drive expected towards Gjinokaster (40). Partisans report 2000 Germans from Greece missing at Delvine (R 48) Sarande (R 38).

Comments; in anti Partisan drive south Albania are presumably all elements 104 Jaeger Division. Germans and Ball Kombetar attacked Partisan 27 May at Lapharde (M37) but forced to withdraw to Mavrova (M 04). 120 Germans fm Himara (M 10) unsuccessfully attacked Partisans at Pijjuri (M 10). Peshkope (G 88) reported now garrisoned by Reichs-deutsche NB several localities not on 500000 map.

3. Other countries. Nothing to report.

End

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URGENT

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

To: War Department

Fr: 180

5 June 1944

[REDACTED] ref nr 180 of June 4 SOMTO to Freedom
for G 3 SP OPS repeated AGWAR SHARP Troopers CINC MED for
163 7th Army repeated AAI Fairbanks Hq NAAF Midwest. SOM
daily SITREP number 50.

Field reports which is part 2 of SOM daily SITREP
number 50.

Albania. Of the German drive in south we have no
further news.

Yugoslavia. A. Further identifications on ERAC. Elements
2 Battalion 738 Jaeger Regiment and 668 Arty Regiment. Not
yet known relative strength 2 and 3 Battalions.

B. Slavonia. Between May 26 and June 1 PIN3 reported
destroyed 46 waggons, 5 locos and killed 150 enemy.

Montenegro. 180 enemy killed and 2 locos 30 M38
captured in recent fighting in area Trebinje SA 56.

Nothing to report from other countries.

Part 1. Air Operations.

Night June 3-4 successful Yugoslavia, 24 Greece,
1 Albania, 2 Italy. 7 (plus one part drop) failed Yugoslavia
22 Italy 2.

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From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

Nr: 180

5 June 1944

Three June (?) operations successful Yugoslavia 6,
Greece 1, 4 failed Yugoslavia.

Nil were the sea operations.

End

ACTION: Gen. Bissell

INFO: Gen. Arnold

Gen. Handy

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From : A.F.H.Q.
To : COSITINTREP Addressees
Number: F 55320 5 June, 1944
Signed Wilson cite FHGCT.
COSITINTREP number 331 part 4.

The attack on Brac continues. Partisans with British artillery support cleared a German position west of Selca on the eastern end of the island. Fifty enemy were killed and 38 captured. Partisans intend to attack enemy who hold fortified positions in Selca area. Hard fighting continues in the hills SE of Weresisce in the center of the island. Evacuation of British began 4 June. Partisans intend to remain another 30 hours. Our wounded to 1200 hours 4 June approximately 250 of which 20 are British.

T.O.O. NIL.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CCS
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No. R24647 5 June 1944

British SITREP reference 202 WDGBI cite MEGBI
signed Giles, R24647.

To 1200 hours 5th June OPS Southeastern Europe.

Part 1. Greece.

General (Elas communique 1st June).

As result of recent Elas attacks Nazi columns in
Thessaly western Macedonia and Epirus suffered heavy losses.
Arms ammunition telegraph material taken besides prisoners.
7 car train demolished near Devell. 2nd train blown up at
Tithrea.

Part 2. Albania.

RAF support requested to relieve pressure on
following:

(A) 6th Partisan Brigade reports Nazis advancing
northwards from Gjashte R3887, Shian R3585 and Banatat
R3887. Fighting at Shenvasil R3089 and along Kalases Valley

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

No. N24647 5 June 1944

R3095 reported.

(B) 15th Greek Regiment reports 2 German forces totaling 1300 operating against Andartes areas Khani Delvinakion R7279 and Khani Tseravinas R7779.

Part 3. Yugoslavia (recently returned Ops Officer)

British appreciation of effect of recent Allied air support to Tito.

1. Partisan morale improved. Anglo American prestige higher than ever before.

2. GAF activity nullified long enough for Partisans to collect essential supplies and make successful break through 30th May.

3. Considerable (but as yet unestimated) material damage inflicted on enemy.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG AAF
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From: Force 266

To: AFHQ Algiers for G 3 SP OPS

Rptd: AQWAR
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Fairbanks

No: Unnumbered

4 June 1944

(Enciphered at AFHQ Algiers).

✓ One: Marshall Tito British and Russian Missions evacuated night 3/4 June from area ZLOSLA XQ 49. Marshall Tito used Russian aircraft.

Two: Evacuation carried (query) out to facilitate re-building of Partisan signal network.

Three: 3 American sorties evacuated 51 Partisans 14 Russians 4 British Missions and 5 RAP. Number evacuated by 2 Russian sorties unknown but estimated at 30.

Four: Partisan staff intact except for 3 officers killed during retreat. Tito intends to set up Headquarters on VIS.

✓ Five: Tito requests that this evacuation be treated with greatest secrecy and that no information whatever be released unless and until he approves.

Six: Request for evacuation was only received at 1400 hours 3 June.

T.O.O. Nil

End

ACTION: Gen. Bissell

INFO: CG/S, Gen Arnold, Gen Handy, Col. Park, C of S

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From: AFHQ

To : COSITINTREP

Nbr : F-54608

Undated

Signed Wilson cite FEGOT.

COSITINTREP NUMBER 329 PART FOUR.

Parts Four COSITINTREPS 325 to 328 not issued.

During night 1/2 June an assault force consisting of 1000 British Troops, 100 US (OSS) Troops and 2500 Partisans landed on the Island of Brac off the Dalmatian Coast. Fighting in Bol Area concluded. 9 US (OSS) wounded. 500 Germans in Supetar Area surrounded by Partisans.

Fighting is in progress between Partisans and enemy southeast of Metkovic. No further details are available.

T.O.O. Nil

ACTION: OPD

INFO : OCS, CGAAF, G-2, Col Park, LGO

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No. H 24589 3 June 1944

British SITREP ref 200 WDCBI cite HEGBI signed
Giles message number H24589.

To 1200 hours 3rd June OPS Southeastern Europe.
Greece.

Epirus (British LO from "Reliable" Zervas source)

Conference attended by senior German Commanders
of Northwestern Greece and Southern Albania involving Von
Lans ended 29th May. According to Zervas agent, Nazis dis-
cussed drive on Zervas territory to occur before next moon
period. They regard invasion of Greece as unlikely
before then.

Peloponnese (British LO report 1st June).

Pyrgos 032, security Bas received 8000
leaflets from Andartes urging their desertion. Many EAM
prisoners are held in Pyrgos by security Bas as hostages.
Propaganda campaign has so far been without effect.

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INFO : CG/3 Col McFarland

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2 June 1944

From: Middle East
To: Addressees concerned
Re: 0/07831

RE Balkan SITUATION No. 192

ONE Int
Nothing to report.
TWO Political
Nothing to report.
THREE Land Ops
Greece. Peloponnese.

Brit LO reports small ELAS ops. 11 May br
blown up between Plozo D53 and Vello D53. 13 May
train attacked at Khilliondion D63 and 9 Germans
captured. 15 May German post attacked at Andravida
D25 and train attacked at Noutai H98. 16 May train
attacked at Miloi D40.

FOUR Sea Ops
Nothing to report.

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T.O.O. 0220000

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From: U S Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

To: War Department
CG, U S Forces in the Middle East, Cairo, Egypt

2 June 1944

Number MILID 194 AMSME 821

> New Bulgarian Cabinet seems more Pro German than predecessor.

Premier Ivan Bagrianov is largest land owner in Bulgaria.

Alexandro Stanicheff, Interior and Hygiene, is out and out Pro German.

Is Macedonian in close contact with Imro?

Michael Arnaudoff is Public Instructor.

Dmitri Savov is Finance.

Lt General Russi Russev Minister National Defense.

Christo Vasilieff Commerce and Public Works.

Doitcho Kostov Agriculture.

Boris Kotehev Communications.

New Chief Staff also regarded as German Ophite.

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From: U S Military Attache, Ankara, Turkey

2 June 1944

Russians have been exercising strong pressure on Bulgaria to break away from Nazis and seems to have failed at least temporarily. Now break of relations between Russia and Bulgaria is distinct possibility. One report says Filov came back from Hitler Headquarters with demand for break with Soviets and fuller collaboration with Germany also Russia might take initiative of break if she considers new government is too Pro Nazi. Such break would cause greatest concern to Bulgarian people and probably intensify armed opposition to government.

Thursday before composition new Bulgarian Cabinet was announced Turk Foreign Minister commented that he did not expect major change as result ministerial crisis.

Also said Turkey had no intention of breaking relations with Germany under existing conditions.

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From: US Military Attache, Lisbon Portugal
To: War Department
NR: 273, 2nd June 1944
Mag number 273.

Jugoslav Charge D Affaires here told me he will soon be relieved by Markovitch brother in law of Kotcha Popovitch who is Titos deputy. Markovitch said to be graduate of Moscow Military College. Source states that Port Govt after two refusals consented to assignment under British pressure. Norweb told.

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INFO : OPD
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From: SOWTO

To : AFHQ ALGIERS FOR 03 SP OPS
Rptd: Agvar (BAS pass)
Shaefer
War Office
C in C Med Force 163
7 Army
AAI
Adv C.P. AFHQ
HQ MAAF
Middle East

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SOWTO INT SITREP NO. 45.

PART ONE

AIR OPERATIONS

ONE 29 May pickups successful YUGOSLAVIA two (plus six part OPS) failed YUGOSLAVIA one.

TWO 29/30 May successful YUGOSLAVIA 32 POLAND two failed YUGOSLAVIA 11 POLAND one ITALY one. Sea operations nil.

PART TWO

REPORTS FROM FIELD.

ONE

YUGOSLAVIA

(A) Reports from Partisan GHQ indicate situation WEST BOSNIA has deteriorated. POTOCI (XL14) (NOT on 500000 map) threatened by three column from PRUKAJA (XL02) VRBJANI (XL23) and KLJUC (XL25). Drive from BOS-GRAHOVO (WP91) has been held. Allied attacks had considerable success and stimulated partisan morale. Comment. Following German formations probably involved. Airborne. 33 Para Bn KRALJEVO and elements 4 Regiment BRANDENBURG. Ground. From area BIHACBA one Regt 373 incl GR (Met) remainder 4 BRANDENBURG. From area JAJCE 13 SS Mtn Regt of PRINZ EUGEN. From LIVNO Corps tps 599 Mtn Corps and possible elements 118 Jaeger Div. From

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area KNIN possibly 893 Regt of 264 Inf Div.

- (B) Stretch of line reported destroyed recently on line DOBOJ (XM28) - TUZLA (XM76) involving 170 enemy casualties. Partisan Adv in progress on line SREBANIK (XM 68) CELIC (WMO2) BIJELJINA (RX22). Further South Germans have withdrawn from VLASINICA (WB96) to SOKOLAC (WB83) and ROGATICA (WB91).

TWO ITALY.

- (A) Reported that much tp carrying traffic moving on line TRENTO via VERONA to BOLOGNA and MILAN. Comment. Insufficient information available to account for these tps movements over BRENNER.

THREE OTHER COUNTRIES.

Nothing to report.

T.O.O. NIL

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PART 1.

Air Operations. 30 May successful pickups GREECE

1 YUGOSLAVIA 1.

Para OP 30/31 May

YUGOSLAVIA 52 ALBANIA 2

HUNGARY 1 POLAND 11

Failed YUGOSLAVIA 3 Poland 3

Sea Operations NIL.

Reports from Field. PART II

1: YUGOSLAVIA

A. 1. Little change reported in general situation West
BOSNIA. Triple drive on POTOCI continuing. 2000
troops with tanks and artillery advance direction

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TICEVO from GRATOVO (VP 91) thrown back late on 28 May.

2. Reported from VIS that 2000 USTASHI concentrated at PAG town (WO 84) possibly for attack on OLIB island.

Comment. Reports from other forces of troop and shipping concentrations coast North DALMATIA CROATIA suggest imminence minor operations in Northern islands.

2. 4. ITALY.

1. Reported that circular received at GERMAN HQ VICENZA (RG06) stated it was intended to use TOXIC and asphyxiating gases from aircraft and ground in event of ALLIED land on continent. Circular stated that offensive and defensive material were to be overhauled. Comment confirmation of this report has been requested pending the arrival of which it is being treated with considerable reserve.

2. Reported from area SAN GIORGIO (WS89) that infantry and horsed artillery totalling one division moved down coast road and railway and along road SAN GIUSTO (WS60) FERMO (WX79) during week ending 27 May.

Comment. Undoubtedly connected with move 278 division from ISTRIA ADRIATIC sector of Italian front.

3. Other countries.

NIL. correction.

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ONE. INF. MFR

TWO. Political. MFR

THREE. Land Ops. Greece. Peloponnese. Brit LO reports
28 May. Rly br at ALFIOU on FERROS 0 38 Hyarissia 0 57
rly blown up. Extent of damage not known.

Thessaly. Brit LO reports. 2 Rly lowries destroyed
by mines on rd Blason T 16 Kozani N Gl.

FOUR. Sea Ops. MFR.

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