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FROM <u>SHAEF</u>		ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE	OP OP OP OP
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THIS IS 152335B FROM RAMSEY SIGNED EISENHOWER.
COSITINTREP NO 133 NAVCOM LONDON SENDS TO NAVY DEPT
WAR DEPT. CTF 125 CTF 127 AND CG ETOUSA HAVE INFO.

PART NAVAL.

A. GENERAL. AT 1752 AN LST WAS REPORTED MINED.

SOUTH OF ISLE OF WIGHT. AT 1800 A U-BOAT WAS SUNK
1 MILE FROM THIS POSITION.

B. ASSAULT AREA NOTHING TO REPORT.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 14 AUGUST.

	TROOPS	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	772,279	190,069	1,102,856
US	1,057,640	199,381	1,331,366
TOTAL D PLUS			
69	1,829,911	389,450	2,434,222

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A. GENERAL. EARLY YESTERDAY MORNING 2 MTB BRIEFLY ENGAGED R BOATS IN VICINITY BERCK OBTAINING MANY HITS. LAST NIGHT 6 E BOATS APPROACHING CONVOY OFF ORFORDNESS WERE DRIVEN OFF BY WALPOLE AND COASTAL FORCE CRAFT. 1 E BOAT SET ON FIRE. OTHERS HIT.

B. ASSAULT AREA. NOTHING TO REPORT.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 13 AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	768282	189814	1084013
US	1048922	153248	1297332
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SHAEF FORWARD SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE SHGCT AUGUST 152230 ACTION WAR DEPT NAVY DEPT AFHQ SHAEF MAIN 7TH U S ARMY FWD 12904 SECRET. COSITINTREP #133 PART 4. LAST PART 4 ISSUED WAS #129. (CIPHER PART 2 FOLLOWS.)

EXTENSIVE RAILWAY SABOTAGE CONTINUES IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM. RAILWAY BRIDGES REPORTED SUCCESSFULLY ATTACKED AT PONT VERT (LOIR ET CHER), MARBOUE (LOIR ET CHER), NORTH OF VILLE FRANCHE (AVEYRON), AT LAVOULTE SUR RHONE (ARDECHE) AND MORNIMONT (BELGIUM). RAILWAY LINES REPORTED TEMPORARILY CUT INCLUDE PARIS-EVREUX, PARIS-DIEPPE, AMIENS-ROUEN, GIEN-ORLEANS, MONTPELLIER-CASTRES, BELFORT-BESANCON LYONS-BOURG AND BOURG-LONS LE SAUNIER.

THE WIRELESS STATION AT RODEX (AVEYRON) IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN PUT OUT OF ACTION.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department.

Nr: FWD 12904

15 August 1944

From SHAEF Forward signed Eisenhower to War Dept,
Navy Dept, AFHQ, SHAEF MAIN, 7th US Army ref nr FWD 12904,
15th August 1944. Cite SHGCT COSITINTREP number 133, Part
IV. Last Part IV issued was number 129.

Extensive railway sabotage continues in France and
Belgium. Railway bridges reported successfully attacked at
Pont Vert (Loir Et Cher), Marboue (Loir Et Cher), north of
Ville Franche (Aveyron), at Lavouite Sur Rhone (Ardeche),
and Mornimont (Belgium).

Railway lines reported temporarily cut include
Paris-Evreux, Paris-Dieppe, Amiens-Rouen, Gien-Orleans,
Montpellier-Castres, Belfort-Besancon, Lyons-Bourg and
Bourg-Lons Le Saunier.

The wireless station at Rodez (Aveyron), is report-
ed to have been put out of action. Petrol dump has been
blown up at Pouzin Gaon Ardeche. Resistants and special
service troops continue to assist 3rd United States Army
in Brittany, and claim the capture of Chateaubriant, Vendome,
Vasse, La Chartre, Le Lude, and La Fleche.

The Tarantaise region of Savoie is reported to have
been liberated; German prisoners taken causing serious
guarding and feeding problems.

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Casualties reported recently inflicted on Germans
include the following:

87 killed in Loxee, 50 killed and wounded in
Hautes Pyrenees, 103 killed in Basses Pyrenees, 120 killed
in Lot Et Garonne, 40 killed and 20 prisoners in Aveyron,
54 killed in Ardennes, and 40 killed Loiret.

Since 1st Operational Group and 189 tons of arms
and ammunition have been dropped in France from England;
Jedburg team has been sent to France from North Africa.
Totals since D Day, including operations from North Africa,

1203 SAS troops, 39 Jedburgh teams, 9 operational
groups, 41 jeeps and 5972 tons of arms and ammunition and
39 Special Air Service troops, 7 Jedburgh teams.

End

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To: War Department
CG 12th Army Group, France
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England

No. FWD 12895 15 August 1944

SHAEP FWD from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SHGBI
151615 Aug TROOPERS, AGWAR cite WDGBI info 21st Army Group,
AFHQ cite FHGBI, AEAF for Bennett, AFHQ Adv, SHAEP MAIN cite
SHGBI, 9th US Army, First US Army Group, MAIN Hq 12th US
Army Group, Adv Hq 12th US Army Group. FWD 12895.

This is G2 summary number 71. Operations.

In Brittany resistance continues at Dinard Lorusk
and Brest. In Argentan sector enemy withdrawal east reported
increasing in sector between Argentan and Mortain resistance
was in general weak though enemy attempted break through at
Ranes (U10).

Prisoner of War from 9th Panzer Reconnaissance Unit
taken at La Ferte Macé.

End of part one part two follows.

ACTION: G-2

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INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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Second part DTG 151815 Aug FWD 12895

La Ferte Macé (UOO) and prisoner of War from 193rd Security Regt to the West. Prisoners in this area from 18 Divs. Prisoner of War from 2nd Panzer Div area southeast of front States Divs withdrawing 60 kilometres to East. In most westerly corner of pocket enemy has made considerable withdrawal to about six miles east of Mortain and appears still to be retreating. Prisoner of War from 1st SS Panzer Div in Sourdeval area stated his unit moving to new positions 30 kilometres to the East.

Southeast of Vire stronger resistance offered by 34th and 353rd Inf Divs. Though evidence part of latter withdrawn.

(end of cipher part two, part three follows)

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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

No: 12895 15 August 1944

Cipher part three of FWD 12895. 151815 Aug

On Second Army front general thinning out of enemy's
forces under way.

Prisoners of War from 10 SS Anti Tank Battalion
state they were in support 326th and 276th Inf Divs rearwards.

On Canadian Army front very heavy resistance continues.

Identification 344th Arty Regt between 85th Inf and
272nd Inf Div further evidence 344th Inf Div in battle area.

There is evidence that the remnants of Panzer Lehr Div
have been withdrawn to area southeast Lisieux.

2. Movements. Continued movement military trains
Some area apparently heading south. Heavy flak at a number
of detaining stations north of Paris suggest these will
be put to greater use. Evidence of activity in 11th Panzer

(End of cipher part three, cipher part four follows)

ACTION: G-2

End

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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

No. FWD 12895 15 August 1944

Part 4 of FWD 12895. 151815 Aug. 25 July to 3rd
August.

Entraining area and two loaded military trains head-
ing northeast towards Montpellier. Continued evidence move-
ment from areas southeast and southwest of Bordeaux and
heavy activity at Bordeaux itself.

3. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours
14 August: 84,741. Total captured excluding those taken
by Third Army on 1st to 5th August: 113,439.

4. Reinforcements. Following is present state of
intelligence on impending reinforcements:

A. Accepted as coming up to battle area:
344th Infantry Division (left Pas De Calais), 6th Parachute
Division (elements moving)

End of part 4, part 5 follows.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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TO: War Department
CG 12th Army Group, France
CG Allied Force Hqs, Caserta, Italy

NO: FWD 12895 15 August 1944

Part 5 of FWD 12895. 151815 Aug.

West of Paris 11 August, 49th Infantry Division
(left Pas de Calais 3 August onwards), 48th Infantry Division
(left Flanders 10 to 14 August), 338th Infantry Division
(probably left Bouches du Rhone 22 July onwards and preparing
to move from Lyon early August).

B. Sending drafts to battle area:
182nd Training Division (Drafts coming in since early
June), 158th Training division (Drafts coming in since end
July), 165th training Division (Drafts coming in since end
July).

C. Definitely moving but not necessarily to battle
area:
347th Infantry

End part 5 part 6 follows.

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

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Part six of FWD 12895. 151815 Aug

Division (moved 15 July), 712 Infantry Division
(not definitely), 159 Training Division (Began moving about
10th August).

D. Possibly moving but no positive indication:
Antwerp Infantry Division,
Eighteen German Air Force Division,
47th Infantry Division.

E. No indication of movement the 348th Infantry
Division, 245th Infantry Division, Fourteen German Air
Force Division (now known to be still in Norway).

5. Miscellaneous. 1,000 Prisoners of War and
800 dead from 156th Panzer Grenadier Regiment of 116th Panzer
Division are claimed by one Allied Armoured Division alone.

6. General. Bulk of fighting troops of enemy armour
and considerable.

(End of part six, part seven follows) End

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To: War Department
CG, 12th Army Group, France
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No: FWD 12895 15 August 1944
Part seven of FWD 12895. 151815 Aug

Infantry still in Cauldron west of Falaise Argentan Gap, though indications elements including services, etcetera, escaped to east. Chaotic conditions in Cauldron typified by mixed bag identifications all sectors, particularly southern tip.

Appreciate enemy preoccupation now solely extrication of Cauldron Divisions by holding shoulders Falaise and Argentan, overriding former anxiety hold Allied advance southern flank with inadequate forces. Enemy still making desperate efforts to maintain cohesive front in salient but needs of self preservation coupled with crippling supply difficulties now making major withdrawal inevitable.

(This is Part seven and last)

End

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INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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

Nr: FWD 12870 15 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 Aug.

SS Panzer, 17 SS Panzer Grenadier, 3rd Parachute,
708th Infantry, 9th Panzer and Panzer Lehr Divisions identi-
fied, though doubtless some of these identifications are not
significant. From identification 432nd Signal Battalion of
81st Corps in this area assumed it taking control of south-
ern battle.

South of Vire scattered resistance offered by enemy
as he withdraws. On Second Army front enemy made some with-
drawals; our deepest penetration to Proussy area (T 83).

Resistance still met on Canadian Army front with
stiff fighting at Clair Tizon and Tourmebu (U 04).

Movements: Good

(part 3 follows)

Report of move 48th Infantry Division from Ostend
sector into France beginning 10 August. Considerable.

Corrected copy of CM-IN-13388 (15 Aug 44) End.
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INFO : CCS, CG AAF, OPD, ADM KING, COL PARK, LOG
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Cipher part 6 of FWD 12870 dtg 141915 Aug.

And suspected Cossack Divisions: Estimated maximum
140,000 troops (excluding hiwis).

4. Prisoners of War.

Accumulative total passed through reception
camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 12 August 83541.
The grand Prisoner of War total on 9 August excluding those
captured by Third Army from 1 to 5 August inclusive 101226.

5. General.

Although there is no change in Brittany, in-
dications increase west of the Orne of a general enemy with-
drawal from the pocket. Thus still decisive for enemy to
hold firmly north of Falaise, also in Argentan area where
weight of his armour has increased beyond minimum appreciated
in immediately preceding G2 summary. In any case. Part 7
follows.

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15 August 1944

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

Nr: FWD-12870 15 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915.

SS Panzer, 17 SS Panzer Grenadier, 3 parachute,
708 Infantry, 9 Panzer and Panzer Lehr divisions identified,
though doubtless some of these identifications are not
significant. From identification 432 Signals Battalion of
81st Corps in this area assumed it taking control of
southern battle. South of ** draws. On Second Army front
enemy made some withdrawals; our deepest penetration to
Proussy area (T 83). Resistance still met on Canadian Army
front with stiff fighting at Clair Tizon and Tourmebu
(UX 4).

2. Movements.

Good report of move 48 Infantry Division from Oskend
sector into France beginning 10 August. Considerable

Part 3 follows.

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: ~~CG/3~~ CG AAF OPD Adm King
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CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12870 15 August 1944

Part 4 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 Aug.

Panzer Corps since March '44. Extremely brutal, critical and unpopular. As Division Commander all officers at this headquarters applied simultaneously for transfer.

B. 158th Training Division upgraded to 16th Infantry Division from document. Note: This probably an intention only and never effected.

C. Officer Prisoner of War from Panzer Lehr Division states casualties up to 25th July, that is, before American breakthrough, were 5560 killed and excluding all attached troops in action, including 160 officers (4 Regiment Commanders, 5 Battalion Commanders and every Tank and Infantry Company Commander)

D. 29 Russian Battalions identified in Normandy since D day including.

Part 5 follows.

ACTION: G-2

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CG, 12th Army Group, France
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 12870 15 August 1944
Part 7 and last of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 Aug.

Enemy capabilities for protracted defense west of
Seine already weakened and may be further jeopardized by
supply difficulties and inferiority in mobility and air.

End

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Part 3 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 August.

Movement continues lines Bordeaux Bayonne and
Bordeaux Toulouse. Traffic apparently heading Tours. Much
activity lateral line Moulins Tours. Departure Infantry
trains line Abbeville Amiens. Owing to great care taken
by enemy over movements in northeast France difficult to
deduce from air reconnaissance exactly how much movement
is taking place. Unit 6 Parachute Division identified Non-
ancourt (R 24). Said to be going further west 12 August.
This confirms the move down from Somme.

3. Miscellaneous.

A. Commander 47th Panzer Corps now known
to be General of Panzer Troops Hans Freiherr Von Funck age
53. MA in Spain during Civil War. Commanded 7th Panzer
Division after Rommel. Corps Commander since 1942; had 47

Part 4 follows.

ACTION: G-2

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CG, 12th Army Group,
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

Re: FWD 12870 14 August 1944

Cipher Part 6 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 Aug.

And suspected Cossack divisions: Estimated maximum
140,000 troops (excluding Hivis).

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up * hours
12th August 83,541. The grand prisoner of war total on
9th August excluding those captured by 3rd Army from 1st to
5th August inclusive 101,226.

5. General. Although there is no change in
Brittany, indications increase west of the Orne of a general
enemy withdrawal from the pocket. This still decisive for
enemy to hold firmly north of Falaise * , also * area
where weight of his armor has increased beyond minimum ap-
preciated in immediately preceding G 2 summary. In any.

(Cipher *, cipher Part 7 follows).

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INFORMATION: CC/S CG AAF OPD Adm King

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Part 5 of FWD 12870 DTG 141915 August.

3 Georgian 2 Tartar 1 Turkestan 20 eastern
(European-Ukraine) 3 unspecified. In all 20,000 men, of
which German cadres 15%. Nearly 7,000 Russians captured
of which 20% deserters. These figures include auxiliaries
from German units (HIWIS). Eastern battalions fought un-
willingly and badly; minority battalions better, especially
Georgians, and Cossacks not yet encountered reported most
pro German of all. 7 divisions in coastal sectors which
had organic Russian battalions left these behind on pro-
ceeding to battle area. No sign that policy of incorpora-
ting Russian battalions in German divisions is being
abandoned. Total number of Russian battalions identified
in west now 90 together with depot and training organization

Part 6 follows.

End

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XXX Corps. 7th Armd Div now in army res. 43rd Div. During evening, 129th Bde captured PT 190 (9036). 214th Bde cleared Caumettes 9142 and contacted 50th Div on R Orne at 9142. 11th H took over left flank protection from 214th Bde, 130th Bde advanced 0730 hrs and by 1030 hrs had reached Proussy 8935 where many PW taken. Following BDY between VIII and XXX Corps. As before to X rds 706483 thence all excl VIII Corps PT 205 (7245) - Montchamps 7240-Estry 7437-stream at 747364 thence line of stream to 764236 thence incl VIII Corps rd to rd junc 789326 thence all excl VIII Corps PT 210 (789292)- rly br 797267 thence line of rly to Flers thence rd to Le Chatellier 8312.

XII Corps. 15th Div passed to comd from VIII Corps. 46th Bde conc area 9759. 53rd Div. 71st Bde continued adv and PT 210 (0240) was captured. Patrols pushed 1,000 yds south. 1st Bn held up on northern outskirts of Haut D'Augville 0142. 2nd Mon now under comd 71st Bde reached area north of Le Logis 028427. 158th Bde area Fresney 0048-Bois Halbout 0146. 160th Bde in res area 9851. 4th Armd Bde under comd conc area 9857-9856. 59th Div. 1st COY 5th S Staffords have crossed Orne and area on Caumont feature 941438. 56th Bde captured Thury Harcourt and are mopping up town. 2nd SWB have reached 953429. 197th Bde cleared Donny 9843 and are continuing adv.

Following BDY between XII and XXX Corps. As before to rd and track junc 882473 thence all incl XXX Corps La

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Vallee 8847 - rd junc 882463 - corner of wood 883446 - stream
at 885445 thence line of stream to R Orne at 920426 thence
along river to St Maro D' Ouilly 9834 thence line of river
to 099224 thence incl XII Corps La Vieille Habloville 1525.

1st Canadian Army. II Cdn Corps. Regrouping for
operation tractable completed. 3rd Cdn Inf Div relieved by
Polish Armd Div and conc area Cauvicourt 0952-Soignolles 1350-
St Sylvain with under comd 2nd Cdn Armd Bde. 8th Cdn Inf
Bde under comd 4th Cdn Armd Div. 31st Tk Bde under comd
II Cdn Corps. 2nd Cdn Inf Div. 3rd Bde est bridgehead east
of Laize 0643 and 6th Bde east of Laize astride rd area 0643-
0743. 4th Bde moved north from area Tournebu 0444 to area
Gouvix 0651-Urville 0750. 1200 hrs, II Cdn Corps with right
3rd Cdn Inf Div and left 4th Cdn Armd Div attacked SE towards
Laizoson River.

I Corps. Considerable enemy movement reported south
and SW area Vimont-Argences during evening. 146th Bde of
49th Div relieved Bn 152nd Bde Conteville 1257.

Tac Hq 21st Army Gp 618452.

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From 12th Army Group to COSITINTREP addressees ref
no Q-20408 15 August 1944 COSITINTREP no 132 to 1200 hrs
14 August.

Part 1. Land.

Section B. Intelligence. Third Army.

Eastward withdrawal of enemy reported increasing
north of Argenten.

First Army.

Enemy continued to withdraw.

V Corps meeting slight resistance.

VII Corps little resistance. Eastward movement of
armor increasing. By P/W: 4 Coy, 1 SS Pgr, southeast of
Sourdeval, 2 Coy 943 Regt T 6519, 4 Coy 1051 Regt T 6824,
2nd Battalion 983rd Regt on VII Corps front.

Operations.

Command posts as follows:

Third Army.

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XX Corps.
V7478.
XV Corps Z3486.
5th Armd Division Q4430.
2nd French Armd Div U2810.
First Army.
3rd Armd Div Z1187.
1st Division Y9185.
9th Division Y9679.
30th Division T5009.
29th Division T 6128.
2nd Division T 6527.
Others no change.

Front lines as follows:

Third Army
VIII Corps.
6th Armd Division CCBG7220. CCRW5666.
8th Division X7085.
XII Corps.
35th Division V4250.
XX Corps.
7th Armd Division V 7478.
5th Division less 1 rot. V 9278.
XV Corps.
5th Armd Div. CCBU 3415.
2nd French Armd Div U2618.
First Army.
VII Corps.
3rd Armd Division CCAU 1208, CCBZ 1297 and Z2587.

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1st Division Y 9196-U0100.
9th Division Z0184.
4th Division Y7702 and Y6094.
XIX Corps.
2nd Arm'd Div T7904 T6919.
28th Div Vic T6613.
30th Division Vic T6604
V Corps.
29th Division T 6814-T6715-T6720.
2nd Division T7022-T7026.
Others no change.

Third Army.

VIII Corps.

6th Arm'd Div CCB relieved ELMS of 4th Arm'd Div at Lorient. CCA no change. CCR moving to Vennes.

8th Division moved to assembly area VIC 7087.

83rd Division attack on St Malo Citadel continued. Advanced slowly against Dinard.

XII Corps command post moving southeast Le Mans

4th Arm'd Div passed to command.

XII Corps 13 August. Nantes cleared of enemy.

CCA moving VIC St Calais V 7949.

35th Division passed to command XII Corps 13 August. Moved to concentration area southeast Le Mans at VIC 4251.

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XX Corps.

7th Armd Div concentrated VIC V7579.

5th Division. 2nd Infantry remaining at Angers.
Remainder of division closed west of Authon V9278.

80th Division minefields slowed progress north of
Villaines 20675.

1 RCT moving to Angers to be relieved by 2 French
Armd Div. VIC Argentan following attack on city.

2nd French Division pushed into edge of Argentan.

79th Division no change.

90th Division no change.

First Army.

VII Corps.

3rd Armd Div continued rapid advance against moderate
increasing resistance.

1st Division continued attack to northeast against
light resistance.

9th Division elements assembling. VIC 20283.

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XIX Corps.

4th Div assembling.

2nd Armd Division continued attack.

28th Division followed 2nd Armd Division against
light resistance.

30th Division reorganization complete. Also followed
advance of 2nd Armd Div.

V Corps.

29th Division continued attack with 1 RCT advancing
to La Fresne Foret T6717. Another RCT at T6227.

2nd Division continued attack against PBT moderate
resistance to line 500 yards south of road from T6521-T7022.

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To: War Department.

DTG: 142221B. 14th August 1944.

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP
addressees Ref Nr 142221B August 1944. COSITINTREP Nr 132
Part II - Naval.

A. General.

Early yesterday morning, two MTB's briefly engaged
six R-Boats in vicinity Berck, obtaining many hits.

Last night six E-Boats approaching convoy off
Orfordness were driven off by Walpole and coastal force
craft. One E-Boat set on fire. Others hit.

B. Assault Area.

Nothing to report.

C. Unloading figures to PM 13th August.

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British,	768282	189814	1084643
US,	1048922	198248	1297332
Total D plus	68,1817204	388062	2381975.

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To SHAEP info to War Office GHQ Home Forces 21
Army Main and Rear Air Ministry Whitehall War Dept (War
pass to Navy Dept) Admiralty ETOUSA Fifteenth Air Force
USTAFF ANCXF AFHQ 12 Army Group MAAF Adv Hq Seventh Army
from Leigh Mallory signed Eisenhower AI 533 SECRET 15 August
1944. 150200B hours August. COSITINTREP 132.

Part 3. Air. 2100B hours 12 August to 2100B hours
13 August.

Total sorties 2597.

Ninth Air Force 816, Second TAF 1251. ADGB 530.
Airborne operations total sorties 72 38 Group 30.

46 Group 42.

Summary of targets:

2 railway centres, 4 railroad bridges, 4 railway
facilities, 1 gun position, 2 dumps, 16 other targets
principally concentrations of met and tanks.

Claims:

Focke Wulf 190 and Messerschmidt 4 destroyed, 1
probably destroyed, 1 damaged.

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Losses:

14 fighter/fighter bombers destroyed, 1 damaged.
6 bombers destroyed.

Details of operations: Railway centres:

12 Thunderbolts on Louiver 23 by 1000 Gp unobserved:
29 Marauders on Corbeil 227 by 500 Gp excellent.

Railroad bridges:

36 Marauders on Peronne 142 by 1000 Gp excellent:
18 Bostons on Bullens 98 by 500 Gp excellent:
31 Marauders on Cherisy 124 by 1000 Gp good:
29 Bostons on Eeautor 152 by 500 Gp fair to good.

Railway facilities:

12 Lightnings on Epernon (embankment) 24 by 500
Gp good:
8 Thunderbolts on Bourges/Nevers/Orleans 14 by 500
Gp good:
12 Lightnings on south of Paris (embankment) 16 by
1000 Gp fair to good:
7 Thunderbolts on Nantes 7 by 500 Gp good.

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Gun positions:

46 Mitchells and 22 Bostons on St Pierre Sur Dives
72 by 500 L.D. and 38 5 by 500 MC good.

Dumps:

31 Marauders on Les Buissons (oil) 876 by 100 Gp
good:
8 Thunderbolts on Domfront Area (AMMQ) 8 by 500
Gp and 16 by 260 frag. good.

Other targets.

27 Bostons,
50 Mitchells
135 Mosquitoes on Rouen/Paris/Chartres:

Breux (Trains, M/T, bridges etc) 603 by 500 and 570
by 40 unobserved:

8 Typhoons on Falaise/Argentan M/T tanks 64 by 60
Gp good:
35 Bostons on Argentan choke point 132 by 500 Gp
good:
12 Thunderbolts on Domfront area 8 by 500 Gp, and 16
by 500 frag. fair to good:
48 Typhoons on Falaise area tanks M/T 337 by 60 Gp
very good:

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- 8 Typhoons on top tower position not reported 64 by 60 Gp destroyed:
- 171 Marauders and 102 Bostons on Lisiex choke points 2819 by 250 Gp and 405 by 500 fair to excellent:
- 77 Marauders and 45 Bostons on Argentan area highways 720 by 100 delay, 161 by 1000 Gp, 188 by 500 fair to excellent:
- 10 Marauders on Corbeil refueling siding 7 by 500 Gp result not reported:
- 8 Typhoons and 16 Typhoons on Luvigny Chateau Hq 64 by 60 Gp and 32 by 500 F/C good:
- 64 Typhoons on Falaise area M/T and tanks 457 by 60 Gp:
- 24 Thunderbolts on Argentan M/T and guns 52 by 500 Gp unobserved.
- 23 Thunderbolts on Brest block houses 30 by 500 Gp fair.
- 12 Thunderbolts on Carrouges area tanks 8 by 500 Gp and 24 by 260 frag, good.
- 11 Thunderbolts on Conde/L'Aigle M/T and tanks 14 by 260 frag, fair.
- 12 Thunderbolts on Alencon area M/T and tanks, 24 by 500 Gp good.

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Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.

RAFBC. Total sorties A0 02.

Summary of targets. Two airfields, two flying
bomb launching sites, one flying bomb dump, one road junction.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: Nil.

Details of operations. Airfields. Three Mosquitoes
on Juvincourt 9.0 tons fair. Three Mosquitoes on Coulommiers
1.8 tons fair.

Flying bomb modified sites. 20 Halifaxes and five
Mosquitoes on Le Bretteque 69.0 tons fair. 20 Halifaxes and
five Mosquitoes on Le Neuville 74.8 good.

Flying bomb dump. Two Mosquitoes on Trossy St
Maximin 9.0 unobserved.

Other targets. 90 Lancasters, 12 Stirlings, 37
Halifaxes and five Mosquitoes on Felaïse road junction
660.7 tons good.

8th AF. Total sorties 1153 bombers, 844 fighters-
bombers.

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Summary of targets. Two gun position, one bridge,
highways, road junctions, columns of met and rail movements.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: 13 bombers, 13 fighter-bombers.

Details of operations. Gun positions. 34 Libera-
tors on St Malo 136.9 tons very good. Nine Liberators on
Ile De Ceembre 275.0 tons very good.

Bridge. 69 Fortresses on Le Manoir 207.5 tons good.

Battle area support. 634 Fortresses and 347 Libera-
tors on highways 1980.0 tons fair to good. 844 F/B on
Seine area (locos, trucks, M.T., roads) 347.5 tons GP and
5.0 tons FRAG, excellent.

Enemy air operations. Visual sightings for the
period consisted of 22 Focke-Wulf 190 Messerschmidt 109 over
the assault area. Two to six E/A in the vicinity of Anne-
bault and two unidentified E/A over Belgium.

Overall claims for AEF total 4-1-1 air and 3-0-2
ground. According to radar plottings nine E/A operated over
the Abbeville/Amiens and Lille areas. All during the
night of 12th/13th August.

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One E/A was plotted as being active on a reconnaissance patrol north of the Shetlands between 1120/1125 hours.

Flying bomb activity was on a scale similar to that of the previous 24 hour period. From 2100 to 2100 hours 12th/13th August 82 flying bombs were plotted. 35 overland and 15 over Greater London Area.

Claims: Ten to fighters, eight to AA.A fire and one to balloons.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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To: War Department.

Nr: 131

14 August 1944

To WAR, WAR pass to WND ref no Q20379 13th Aug 1944
COSITINTREP number 131 to 1200 13th Aug. Part 1, Section B.

The following is corrected to read:

Page 1, line 6:

1st Army: Domfront-Juvigny sector meeting only
reconnaissance units. TAC/R reports considerable movement
to east vicinity Flers. By document: 158th TNC Div up-
graded to 16th Inf Div. Temporary field hospital of 6th
Front Div located Nonan Court R2040 11th Aug due to move
W next day. By P/W XV Corps front: Elements 156th PGR,
2nd SS Panzer, 17th SS PGR, 3rd Parachute, 708th Infantry,
9th Panzer Lehr Divisions.

End

Note: Supplementary copy of CM-IN-12647 (14 Aug 44) OPD

ACTION: OPD

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Intelligence.

3rd Army. Enemy fighting delaying action vicinity
Argentan. Encountering elements many miscellaneous units.

1st Army: Domfront-Juvigny sector meeting only
reconnaissance units. Tac/R reports considerable movement
to east vicinity Flers. By document: 158th TNC Div up-
graded to 16th Inf Div. Temporary field hospital of 6th
Frcht Div located Nonan Court R2040 11th Aug due PGR,
2nd SS Panzer, 17th SS PGR, 3rd Parachute, 708th Infantry,
9th Panzer Lehr Divisions.

Operations. Command posts as follows:

3rd Army. VIII Corps. 6th Army Division Pontivy
X0454.

XV Corps. Alencon 3383. 2nd French Armd Divisions
Z3379. 90th Division V4383. 5th Armd Division Q4629.
79th Division Q4714.

XX Corps. 7th Armd Division Y994

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1st Army. T4726. VII Corps Y5590. 3rd Armd Division Z7486. 9th Division Y6973.

XIX Corps T56629. Others no change.

Front lines as follows:

3rd Army. XV Corps. 2nd French Armd Division combat command LU2400, combat command VU1815. 90th Division Z3287. 5th Armd Division combat command B Q4236, combat command RQ4145, combat command AU3016. 79th Division Q5514.

XX Corps. 80th Division Z3936; Z1972; Z0775. 35th Division T4703. 03. 7th Armd Division Z0854.

1st Army. VII Corps. 3rd Armd Division combat command A21792 and Z0384, combat command BY7774. 1st Division Y9084-Y8787. 4th Division Y7792. 9th Division Y6875.

XIX Corps. 28th Division T6015-T6118-T6219. 2nd Armd Division combat command BT7108-T7010-T6710.

V Corps. 29th Division T6320-T6821. 2nd Division T6822-T6824-T7026. Others no change.

3rd Army. VIII Corps. 6th Armd Division combat command A continued.

End

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: 12840 13 August 1944

Sixth part and last of DTG 131715 Aug. FWD 12840

Against our Argentan thrust with maximum two
numbered divs and possibly more, whilst he retains firm
northern flank in Falaise area.

B believed 49th IDf Div started leaving Etaples
are four Rouen on 7th Aug and probably a div from Belgium
started in the same direction on 9th Aug. 81 Corps from
Rouen reported left for battle area.

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Para, Log

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Part four of DTG 131715 Aug FWD 12840

-Epernay-Meaux probably blocked owing cutting of
bridge at Nanteuil and line cuts Epernay. No further
evidence to suggest Inf Div moving from Southwest France in
addition to Nine Panzer by this route.

In Southeast France air reconnaissance 12 Aug reveals
trains at stations between Carcassonne and Narbonne believed
to belong Eleven Panzer Div still present. Consider,
therefore, movement reported in yesterday's G-2 summary
not connected with Eleven Panzer Div bulk of which probably
still in Toulouse area. This substantiated by good source
who reports Div still there with tanks 12 Aug. Further
departures seen area Bayonne-Bordeau-Montauban possibly
connected with 159th Training Div, and

(End of Part Four, Part Five follows)

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: FWD 12840 13 August 1944

Fifth part of DTG 131715 Aug FWD 12840

GHQ units. Line Bordeaux-Saintes-Saumur very
active.

3. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours
12 Aug 82915.

4. Miscellaneous. Good source (graded B2) reports
on 10 Aug Todt Organization commencing construction of
line of defence Soissons-Reims-Chalons Sur Marne-Vitry le
Francois.

5. General.

(A) In Brittany enemy busy reorganizing defence
of Brest for possession of which stubborn resistance likely.
Enemy preoccupation on main front now to prevent encirclement
and keep open Palaise-Argentan Gap. Appreciate armour from
Mortain area likely to be employed in counter attacks.

(End of fifth part, sixth part following)

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End

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Second part of DTG 131715 Aug FED 12840

Casualties north of Barenton (T61) light resistance being offered by 84th and 331st Inf Divs east of Vengeons (T62). After stubborn attempt to hold ground enemy withdrew from La Jouberie (T 73) and La Coquerie (T73) during the night. 229 and St Pierre (T 8640) mopped up. Prisoner of war from 21st Panzer Div states believes general withdrawal begun. Enemy still fighting in Thury Harcourt (T 9546) but our forces hold firm base at Forge A Cambro (T 9648). 271st Inf Div forced back to Bois Halbout (U 014).

End of part 2, part 3 follows.

End

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Part 3 of DTG 131715 Aug FWD 12840.

6) and Fresnal Levieus (U 0048) where he continues to fight. Enemy tank counter attack Bretteville Rabat area (U 0850) repelled with five enemy tanks knocked out. Deserter states Battalion of 85th Inf Div came into line Bretteville Rabat area night 10-11 Aug. Prisoner of war states defense line forming along 44 grid line from U 1044 to U 6244.

2. Movements.

In northwest reconnaissance reveals some rail activity Abbeville-Amiens-Montdidier-Compiègne. Considerable movement on line Reims-Fismes-Meaux. Large number of trains on line Chalons

End of part 3 part 4 follows.

End

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number 69

Operations

In Brittany resistance continues at Dinard, Caxadel
of St Malo, Brest and Lorient. Angers has surrendered. Our
armour has advanced to within four miles of Argentan from
the south with slight harassing opposition from enemy panzer
units. Resistance has decreased in Mortain area with evidence
of enemy withdrawal. Prisoner of war states 10th SS Panzer
Div received many.

End of part 1, part 2 follows.

End

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To COSITINTREP addressees ref no Q 20379 13 August 1944.
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To 1200 13 August.

Part I-Land. Continuation Section B.

Attack against Brest with no gain. CCB moved to Lorient.
CC moving to Vannes. For Armd Div. CCA in position immediately
N of Nantes.

8th Div. No change.

83rd Div. Continued mopping up St Malo and the attack
on Dinard.

XV Corps.

2nd Fr Armd Div. Liberated Carrouges, Z1699. Con-
tinued advance toward Argental.

90th Div. Advanced to area NW of Alencon.

5th Armd Div. Liberated Sees and continued advance
to Non.

79th Div. Continued advance to the Non.

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XX Corps.

5th Div. 1 Rct organized defensive position Vic Angers.
Remainder Division moving toward St Calais V7848.

80th Div. Attacked to Non and W of Selle Le Guillaume
Z1756.

35th Div. Reverted to Third Army control at St Hilaire
T4703 at 1400B.

7th Armd Div. Closed in concentration area Evron Y9554-
Sille Le Guillaume-Rouez Z1752.

XII Corps. No change.

First Army.

VII Corps.

3rd Armd Div. Assembled, then CCA advanced against
light resistance to Z1792 and Z0384. CCB remained at Y7774.

1st Div. Attacked at 0630B progressed 2000 yds to a
line SW of Lassay Y9086.

4th Div. Continued active patrolling.

9th Division. Advanced without contacting enemy.

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Assembling vicinity Y6875.

XIX Corps.

28th Div. Advanced rapidly to S against decreasing artillery fire and light small arms resistance. 30th Div reverted to XIX Corps at 0900B. 2nd Armd Div. Reverted to XIX Corps at 0900B. Advanced E across Valrenne River against light resistance.

V Corps.

29th Div. (Less 116 RCT) reverted with V Corps at 1800B. 116th RCT occupying Vire. Division made slight gain against heavy artillery, mortar and small arms fire.

2nd Div. Continued advance against heavy fire of all types to vicinity T6824.

During yesterday's conference we failed to send you all the 12 Army COSITINTREP.

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To: War Department

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COSITINTREP number 131. Part Naval. NAVCOM London sends to
Navy and War Departments. CTF 125 CTF 127 CG ETOUSA have
info

(A) General. First Pluto this lays between
Nagruville and Sandown Bay was completed 12 August, ends
were connected up today. Ref COSITINTREP 130.

Further investigation shows that the 12th EG
destroyed two trawlers and damaged one merchant vessel which
probably escaped.

Diadem Piorun and Onslow sank a merchant vessel
probably Sperbrecker about 6,000 tons yesterday afternoon.
This had previously been damaged by A/C off Ile Re.

✓ Last night a Sunderland of 19 group sank submarine
U 270 about 60 miles west of La Rochezede, 7 officers and
64 ratings picked up by 11th EG.

(B) Assault Area.

RDV Barcock damaged by explosion whilst weighing
antitorpedo net, four casualties. One fatal. Ref COSITINTREP
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Photographic reconnaissance of Rodney's bombardment shows very good results with probable damage to three of the four guns.

(C) Unloading figures to PM 12th August.

Area	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	760,742	188,258	1,065,292
United States	1,039,543	196,176	1,265,026
Total D plus 67	1,800,285	384,434	2,330,318

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, ASF, G-2, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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From EXFOR Main to COSITINTREP addressees.
COSITINTREP no 131.

To 1200B hours, 13 Aug. Part I Land.

Section A.

Intelligence.

Identifications.

By PW. 12 Para Recce Unit T 692296. Elements 987
GP and 2 COY 276 Signals Bn 8539. 1 Bn 751 Gr 865375. 2
COY 991 GP 933467. 2 and 7 COYS 978 GP north of U0350.
10 COY 1054 GP 1048. 2 Bn 981 GR 1561. 1 Bn 20 Flak Regt
east of Orne.

Operations.

Second British Army.

VIII Corps.

3 Brit Div. 3 Recce Regt patrolled SE during evening
and made contact with enemy cross-rds 692275. During morning

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8 Bde adv to PT 279 6927 and 185 Bde reached 695288 with
patrols just west of stream 701275.

Gds Armd Div report enemy still holding line
712324-722312 Boulay Aux Chats 7331-Pierre 7334.

11 Armd Div. 29 Armd Bde relieved 46 Inf Bde of
15 Div. In ns of court report Lasse 7930 St Vigorades
Mezerets 138 and La Rocoue 7936 clear of enemy.

XXI Corps.

50 Di. 231 Bde completed capture high ground 8637.
151 Bde adv east and captures PT 249 (8938) and PT 222
(9038).

43 Div. 129 Bde relieved 151 Bde and 1 Bn reached
905367. 214 Bde adv SE and captured St Lambert 8841 and
Giley Le Patry 8943.

XII Corps.

Patrols 56th Bde reached north and ne outskirts of
Thury Harcourt which still held by enemy. Bde holding high
ground 943475 wood 959458-PT (9547). Repulsed enemy counter
attack from west. Espins 9848 and Lemoncel 9847 now clear
of enemy 177th Bde captured Uouet 9145 and Les Mayaux 919460.

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53 Div. 158th Bde captured PT 182 (0047) and 71st
Bde passed through meeting strong opposition just north of
PT 205 (9944) and PT 221 (0142). 4th Armd Bde under comd
53rd Div.

First CDN Army.

II CDN Corps.

2nd CDN Inf Div made progress advancing SE along west
bank river Laize. 4th Bde reached PT 151 (0445) and 5th Bde
passed through. By 1200 hours, fwd tps were on outskirts
Clair tison 0643.

I Corps.

6th Airborne Div. Belgian and Dutch contingents hold
extreme left of line. 5th Para Bde in Res.

Following amendment to bdy between Second Brit and First
CDN Armies. As before along line of Laize to all incl first
CDN Army br 030555. Rd junc 028554 track to cross tracks
006507-PT 193 (0248) - East edge of wood 021480- Rd junc
028463-PT 156 (0344)-Rd junc 037438-BR at 048428-Edge of wood
052426-Cross tracks 055416 Lepot 0641-Corner of wood 068404-
Exclusive Le Hamel 0939 northern edge of wood to rd at 120386
thence rd Ussy-Falaise.

ACTION: OPD

End

INFORMATION: CC/S
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ees ref no 130111B 13th August 1944. COSITINTREP no 130,
Part II, Naval.

A. General. 12th Escort Group attacked and des-
troyed three trawlers and one merchant vessel off
Penmarch Point. USS Borum and five PT's engaged
convoy of eight ships off Jersey. One ship believed
damaged by gunfire, results of PT attack not known.
Three MTB's near Cap De La Heve attacked one aux-
iliary escorted 68 or more R boats. It is consider-
ed that auxiliary was hit by torpedoes.

B. Assault area. HMS Rodney bombarded heavy battery
on Alderney with 75 rounds of 16 inch. Results be-
lieved satisfactory but photographic reconnaissance
awaited.

From EXFOR Main GO 25A 12th August 1944 COSITINTREP
no 130 to 1200B hrs 12th August, Part I, Land.

Section A. Intelligence identifications by PW.
Elements 978th Gru 0048. 189th Engr Bn 1050. 1st
BN 25th SSPGR 1153. 10th Coy 1053 Gr 14456. 906th
Coy 857th Gr 143660.

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By deserters. 2nd Bn 991st Gr area T9045. 2nd Coy
858th Gr U1669.

Bty contact. 12th Coy 1053 Gr SE of U1549.

Operations. 2nd British Army. VIII Corps. During
afternoon, 3rd Brit Div continued attack and by
2400 hours 8th Bde on right and 185th Bde on left,
each with 1st Regt, 4th Armd Bde in support reached
PT 272 (6728) and PT 312 (6829) respectively against
resistance. Gds Armd Div advanced on left of 3rd
Div and by 2400 hours fwd tps on general line
Viessix 693-709335-Chenedolle-7233-725345 after
by fighting. Night patrols reported La Joubertie
7031 and La Coquerie 7131 clear of enemy. Main Hq
VIII Corps 685437. XXX Corps. 50th Div. 231st
Bde finally mopped up PT 229 (8539) and St Pierre
8009 at 1200 hours, the Bde advanced to general
line 847380-855380. 69th Bde occupied PT 266 (8840).
At 0715 hours 231st Bde resumed advance and by 1200
hours fwd elements est 885370-400 yds north of PT
255 (8836). 61st Recce Regt and 12th Krcc of 8th
Armd Bde relieved 214th Bde of 43rd Div of respon-
sibility for security of corps right flank.

XII Corps. 53rd Div. 177th Bde captured PT 141
(9246) and reverted to command 59th Div. 71st Bde
conc area 9552. 158th Bde reverted to command from

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59th Div and occupied Bois Halbout 0146 and Fresnay
Le Vie UX 0048 though fighting continues in both
places. 59th Div. 56th Bde now in area Croissilles
9547-PT 168 (9544)-PT 161 (9746)-9648-9749. Patrol
59th Recce Regt reported Thury X Harcourt still
held by enemy. 197th Bde holding firm base forge
A Cambro 9648. Bty between 2nd British and 1st
Canadian Armies. As before along Laize River to
Bretteville Sur Laize thence all incl 1st Cdn Army
Barbery 0349-PT 178 (0347)-Moulines 0446. Thence
all. To Tourneb U 0444-PT 184 (0443)-BR 065434
thence main rd to incl Falaise. Main Hq 2nd Army
Tracy Bocage 7957.

1st Cdn Army. II Cdn Corps. 4th Cdn Div. 4th Cdn
Armd Bde concentrated wood 1055. 10th Inf Bde
relieved by 9th Bde of 3rd Div concentrated area
0593-1st Polish Armd Div relieved by 7th Bde of 3rd
Div Area 1157-Es Trees La Campagne 1249-Soignoles
1350. Polish Recce Gp moved towards La Bu Sur Rouvres
1651 and at 1200 hours were engaged by enemy area
1551. 10th Polish Armd Bde Area 1253-1353. 3rd
Polish Inf Bde area wood 0855-0856. 3rd Cdn Inf
Div. 9th Bde Area PT 180 (0747)-PT 195 (0846)-wood
0847. 8th Bde area Graieville-Langanerie 0949-
Bretteville Le Rabet. 2nd Cdn Inf Div. - 4th Bde
with under cmd 8th Recce Regt and 1st Regt 2nd Cdn
Armd Bde crossed Laize at Bretteville Sur Laize at

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1930 hours and reached Barbery 0349 at 0040 hours.
By 0945 hours fwd tps on high ground 035473-043473.
6th Bde relieved 8th Bde Area Courix 0651-Urville
0750-Haut Mesnil 0832.

I Corps. 51st Div. 154th Bde in area woods 1553-
St Sylvain 1354. 153rd Bde in woods 1053-1054.
152nd Bde area Poussy 1256-Conteville 1257-woods
1058.

6th Airborne Div. Redrouping in progress to absorb
Dutch and Belgian contingents. Sector to be held
from right to left. 4th SS Bde, 3rd Para Bde, 1st
SS Bde, 6th Air Ldg Bde with under comd right Dutch
contingent, left Belgian contingent.

From: 12th Army Group Commander.

Ref: Q-20345 12th August 1944.

OSITIONREP no 130 to 12009 New 12th Aug. Part I,
Lmvi, Section B.

Section 1 - Intelligence.

Third Army. St Malo Citadel continues to hold.
Harassing armor encountered in advance toward
Argentan.

First Army. Resistance decreasing.

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XV Corps sector by P/W: 33rd Tk Regt, 86th Engr Bn,
102nd Arty Regt, 432nd Sig Bn of 81st Corps.

VII Corps by P/W: 2nd Bn 21st Pz Regt, at T6608.

XIX Corps by P/W: 1052nd Regt, 558th Regt.

Section II. Ground operations. CP as follows:

Third Army Y 6255 2nd Fr Armd Div. Z 3668. 90th
Div. V 4380. 5th Armd Div. V 5599. 79th Div.
V 5190. 5th Div. 07080. 80th Div. Z2140.

First Army. Fwd Cpt 4726. Others no change from
lines as follows.

Third Army. XV Corps. To Fr Armd Div CCDZ 3380,
CCLQ 4100, CCVZ 3569. V 4591, V 4395, V 4192.
5th Armd Div. CCAU 3010, CCBQ 5504, CCRQ 4326.
79th Div. V 5090.

XX Corps. 5th Div. 07784 and 08080. 80th Div.
Z 1756, Z 3935, and Z 0047. Y 1653. 35th Div.
T 6900-T 6703- T 6609- T 6110.

First Army. VII Corps. 9th Div. T 5517- T 5519-
T 56619. XIX Corps. 28th Div. T 5719- T 5920-
T 6220. 29th Div. T 6220-T 5320- T 6626. V Corps.

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2nd Div. T 6627-T 6729. Others no change.

Third Army. VIII Corps. Corps task force secured St Michel En Greve T 6526. 6th Armd Div. Repulsed counterattack on left flank at R0202. 4th Armd Div. CCA relieved Inf Bn at Nantes. CCB still containing Lorient. 8th Div. No change. 83rd Div. Continued to mop up St Malo area.

Corps. 2nd Fr Armd Div. Leading elements by-passed Alencon. Div continued advance to N. 90th Div. Following 2nd Fr Armd Div. 5th Armd Div. Continued the attack. 79th Div. Following 5th Armd Div.

XX Corps. 5th Div. Regrouped following liberation of Angers. Moved some advanced elements W of Mayenne R. 8th Div. Elements holding Sille Le Guillaume Z 1756, Evron Y 1653 and Ste Suzanne Z 0047. Other elements holding Le Mans. Remainder of Div grouped E of Le Mans with patrols to NE, E and SE. 35th Div. Reoccupied Mortain. Advanced 1 1/2 miles to E. 7th Armd Div. Leading elements closed in area E of Fougerers.

XII Corps. No change.

First Army. VII Corps. 3rd Armd Div. CCA reverted to div control and assembled vic Y 6879. 1st Div.

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No change. 30th Div. No advance made against determined resistance. Combat Command B 3rd Armd Division attached to division dug in south Mesnil move vicinity T 5516, T 5812 to T 5815. 4th Division consolidated positions and maintained active patrolling. 9th Division enemy resistance decreasing. 8th Infantry Regiment returned to 4th Division. 2nd Armd Division Combat Command B conducted patrolling to north. Repulsed small counterattack in evening after receiving heavy artillery fire. Continued attack at 1100B.

XIX Corps. 28th Division continued attack against light resistance. 29th Division advanced against heavy mortar and artillery fire. 2nd Armd Division Combat Command A no change.

V Corps. 2nd Division advance right flank to area east T 6525 against light fire.

From Hq AEF, Leigh Mallory AI 529 13th August 1944.
COSITINTREP no 130. Part III, Air.

Summary of operations for period 2100B hours 10th August to 2100 hours 11th August 1944.

Total sorties 2650. 9th Air Force 1333. 2nd TAF 716. ADGB 601. Airborne Operations total sorties

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125. 9th TAC 8. 38th Group 1. 46th Group 116.

Summary of targets. Two railway centers, two railway bridges, two railway facilities, six gun positions, one bridge, nine dumps, 21 other targets.

Claims: Six Messerschmidt 109, four Focke-Wulfe 190, three Junkers 88, two Junkers 188, three Heinkel 111, one Dornier 217, and 11 flying bombs destroyed, one Junkers 88 and one Heinkel 111 probably destroyed. One Focke Wulf 190 and five Heinkel 111 damage.

Losses: Three bombers and 11 fighters/fighter bombers destroyed and two bombers and seven fighters/fighter bombers damaged.

Details of operations. Railway centers. 34 Thunderbolts on Montargis 16 by 500 GP good. 36 Mustangs on N. 5650 (near Paris) 46 by 250 GP excellent.

Railway bridges: 21 Marauders on Maximun 40 by 2000 poor to good. 17 Marauders on Fismes 33 by 2000 GP poor to fair.

Railway facilities. 23 Thunderbolts on Leigle/Chartres (locomotives, cars) 30 by 500 GP good. 12 Thunderbolts on Orleans/Melun/Moullins (railway cars, buildings) 44 by 500 GP good.

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Gun positions. 32 Mitchells and 24 Bostons on Oully Le Tesson 342 by 500 good. 32 Bostons and 31 Marauders on Isle De Cezembre (coastal battery) 28 by 2000 GP and 178 by 500 GP good to excellent. 36 Bostons on St Malo 214 by 500 GP poor to excellent. 12 Thunderbolts on T. 288038, 22 by 500 GP good. 12 Thunderbolts on T. 615192/T.610193 21 by 500 GP good. 12 Thunderbolts on T.610195, 20 by 500 GP good.

Bridges. 24 Marauders on Oissel 4 by 500 GP and 47 by 2000 GP poor.

Dumps. Eight Typhoons S.W. of St Pierre (V.2147-ammo) 12 by 500 MC good. 32 Marauders and 35 Bostons on Foret De Roumare (ammo) 798 by 100 GP and 131 by 500 GP unobserved to excellent. 34 Marauders on Montrichard (fuel) 534 by 250 GP excellent. 11 Thunderbolts on R. 66065163/R.073141 (ammo) 22 by 500 good. 12 Thunderbolts on R.078150/R0814 (ammo) (fuel) 24 by 500 GP good. 11 Thunderbolts on Q426446 (ammo) 22 by 500 GP good. Eight Thunderbolts on R.476167 (fuel) 16 by 500 GP good. Eight Thunderbolts on R 474176 (ammo) 16 by 500 GP good. 14 Thunderbolts on T334940 (ammo) 26 by 500 GP good.

Other targets. 13 Mosquitoes on Dreux, Chartres,

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Domfront, Arras Chateau Thiery, Longeuil (harass enemy movements) 50 by 500 MC unobserved to fair. Eight Mosquitoes on Sein area (harass movements) 18 by 500 MC good. 10 Mosquitoes on Arras, Longeuil, Amiens, Rouen (rail road routes) 20 by 500 MC fair. Eight Typhoon on Falaise, Flers, Argentan (M/T) 47 by 60 RP unobserved. Eight Typhoons on Falaise, Flers, Argentan (M/T) 6 by 500 MC fair. 36 Mustangs on River Seine (barges) 72 by 500 MC good. Eight Typhoons N of Falaise (U.1045-Tower) 63 by 60 RP fair. Nine Typhoons SW Argentan (U.1209-houses) 16 by 500 MC good. Six Typhoons E of St Perre (U.1450-tanks) 9 by 60 RP fair. 36 Thunderbolts on Mortain-Ger (road intersection) 71 by 500 GP long delay good. 19 Thunderbolts on Domfront (road intersection) 38 by 500 GP unobserved to excellent. 19 Thunderbolts E of Mayenne (vehicles and road) 38 by 500 GP good. Eight Thunderbolts on Z 370741 (M/T) 16 by 500 GP good. 12 Lightnings on T 015025/T.91707 (tanks) 12 by 1000 GP unobserved. Four Mosquitoes of Bazancourt (tank repair factory) 16 by 500 good. 11 Lightnings on T 915025 (tanks) 6 by 500 GP good. 24 Thunderbolts on Argentan, Sees, Dreux (M/T.) 48 by 260 M 81 FRAG fair. 12 Thunderbolts on 90th and 79th Division area (tanks) 22 by 500 GP good. 13 Lightnings E Domfront (tanks) 25 by 1000 poor. 15 Thunderbolts on Deval, Argentan, Fleurs (highway junction) 29 by 500 GP good.

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26 Thunderbolts on Domfront area (road nests) 47 by
500 GP 6 hour delay and 5 by 500 GP unobserved.
22 Thunderbolts on Vire, Mortain area (road junction)
3 by 500 12 hours, 20 by 500 6 hours and 17 by 500
L (?) hour unobserved.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.
RAFBC total sorties 1025.

Summary of targets. Four railway centers, four
flying bomb targets, one bridge, two dumps and two
other targets.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: Three bombers.

Details of operations. Railway centers. 104 Halifaxes
and 20 Lancasters on Dijon 411 tons very good.
135 Lancasters on Douai 783.3 tons good. 133 Lan-
casters on Lens 740.3 tons good. 142 Halifaxes on
Somain 649 tons good.

Flying bomb targets. Modified sites. 15 Halifaxes
on Le Hieppe 49 tons good. 15 Halifaxes on Ferfay
48 tons good. 15 Halifaxes on Chapelle Notre Dame
50.4 tons good. 15 Halifaxes on Wensers Chappell
51.3 tons good.

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

Nr: AI 529 13 August 1944

Bridge. 49 Halifaxes on Etapple 211 tons good.

Dumps. 96 Halifaxes and 63 Lancasters on La Pallice
(oil dumps and port area) 477 tons fair to very good.
62 Lancasters and five Mosquitoes on Bordeaux (oil)
215 tons good.

Other targets. 41 Lancasters on Bordeaux (port area)
173 tons good. 14 Lancasters and one Mosquito on
La Pallice (port area) 70 tons good.

8th Air Force.

763 bombers and 570 fighters.

Summary of targets. Two railway centers, five air-
field, two fuel dumps, and one other target.

Claims: Five enemy aircraft destroyed by fighters.

Losses: Six bombers and one fighter destroyed.

Details of operations. Railway centers. 76 Fort-
resses on Mulhouse 185.7 tons good to excellent.
76 Fortresses on Belfort 187.5 tons good to excellent.

Airfields. 49 Liberators on Coulommiers 100 tons
good to excellent. 76 Fortresses on Villacoublay

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136.3 tons good to excellent. 45 Liberators on
Toussus Le Noble 110 tons good to excellent. Nine
Fortresses on Orleans/Saren 22.3 tons good to ex-
cellent. 10 Fortresses on Nivelles 30 tons good to
excellent.

Dumps. 36 Liberators on Pacy Sur Armancon (fuel)
104 tons good to excellent. 34 Liberators on St.
Florentin (fuel) 83 tons good to excellent.

Other targets. 275 Fortresses on Brest (23 arsenal
areas, barracks, artillery post) 868.5 tons good to
excellent.

Enemy air operations.

From information not previously reported covering
1100/2100 hours 10th August, some 31 additional
E/A operation south of the battle area for claims
of four E/A destroyed.

On an airstrip at St. Andre D'Leure, 15 Heinkel
111's were strafed in revetments for claims of
3-1-5. During the period, so far reported on,
1800 to sunrise 10th/11th August. There was only

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one sizeable encounter with six plus E/A just off
the beaches. "WINDOW" was used and from a claim
of one Junkers 88 destroyed, it is possible that
these E/A were LRBS.

Overall claims of 12-1- in the air.

Flying bomb activity was on a slightly increased
scale, there being 50 plotted, 39 made landfall and
11 reached the Greater London Area.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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A. GENERAL. NOTHING TO REPORT.

B. ASSAULT AREA. HMS ALBATROSS WAS DAMAGED BY UNDERWATER EXPLOSION 2 MILES OFF COURSEULLES

AT 0650 TODAY. ON THE EVENING OF 9TH HEAVY SHELLING TOOK PLACE OFF THE BEACHES BETWEEN

LYON AND ST AUBIN. 1 HUMAN TORPEDO SUNK 0255 TODAY NO EVIDENCE OF OTHERS.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 10TH AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	751,487	185,229	1020,041
US	1024,532	192,052	1194,315

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

To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No. G 2 Nr 5 12 August 1944

Previous para 1 faith in victory. This is special G-2 summary number 5. To TROOPERS cite DMI 60WAR cite WDCBI for action to AFHQ cite FHCBI FWD 12816 for info from SHAEP FWD from Strong signed Eisenhower cite SECBI following weekly morale picture.

Instances reported in Brittany of German troops surrendering without fighting but these not properly confirmed. Still number who have faith in final victory but this diminishing, particularly among intelligent soldiers. Ordinary man, not appraised of true situation, still sees hope of winning war but how is not clear.

Fanatics such as SS and paratroops think Germany can win. Faith still being pinned by some on secret weapons.

Fighting spirit. Fighting spirit still excellent in SS and paratroop formations and no sign of collapse as yet in ordinary infantry units.

ACTION: G-2

End

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department

Nr: FWD 12801

12 August 1944

Part 3 of retrans of FWD 12801 DTG 121545.

2. movements. Air cover revealed military movement from areas southeast and southwest of Bordeaux. This suggests possible move 11th Panzer Division in addition 159th Training Division.

3. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 11 August 81,757.

4. General. No evidence of any change in general intention to hold fast in all sectors of present uneconomical lines until forced to withdraw. Appreciate, however, enemy becoming increasingly anxious of open left flank and American exploitation. Until further reinforcements available, enemy may be compelled to thin out armour from Mortain area, accepting further withdrawals in this sector if necessary.

End.

ACTION: G-2

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
Forward London England

To: War Department

Nr: FWD 12801 12 August 1944

From SHAEF Forward Strong signed Eisenhower cite
SHGBI 121545 Aug TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI for info to EXPOR
AFHC cite FHGBI ABAF for Bennett AFHQ Adv SHAEF Main cite
SHGBI Ninth United States Army First United States Army Group
Twelfth United States Army Group FWD 12801

Para 1. Operations

This is G-2 summary number 68. In Brittany enemy
still holding out at Brest and Lorient. St Malo being
mopped up. Documentary evidence of Battalion 2 Parachute
Division in fortress. Very heavy fighting continues in
Mortain area. Nine

End of part 1, part 2 follows.

End

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To: War Department

Nr: FWD 12801 12 August 1944

Part two of retrans of FWD 12801 DTG 121545 Aug.

One Panzer Grenadier Regiment of Panzer Lehr Division reappeared in battle southwest of Vire where we drove due south and captured Vengeons (T 62). Further units ~~33~~ 33/33 Infantry Division identified this general area. Northeast Vire on Second Army front we made some progress against heavy opposition. Thury Harcourt now in our hands and 271st Infantry Division to northeast forced out of its salient so line now runs along south edge Foret De Cinglais. 12 SS tanks withdrawn from this sector.

On Canadian Army front enemy resisting hard and making local counter attacks. He still holds Liyx Potigny Maixiere (U 14) with strong anti tank gun screen. Evidence slight move 346th Infantry Division to south. (End of cipher part two part three follows).

End

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PRIORITY

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

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

No: FWD 12816 12 August 1944

Cipher part 2 and last of FWD 12816 DTG of part 1
and 2 121930 Aug.

General impression at moment is troops fighting
hard until situation so bad that they can fight no more.
Only then does he stop. Reaction to capture is one of
apathy and resignation.

3. War Weariness. Considerable evidence of war
weariness after capture, and some SS troops becoming
disillusioned.

4. Desertion. Almost entirely confined to non
Germans, who usually take first opportunity to desert.

5. General. No real change in general morale
picture since last week and the Hitler episode has not had
any real effect on German soldiers' outlook. Although
concrete evidence is lacking morale of soldier appears little
more brittle and severe set back in Normandy might see a
change.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No: FWD 12792 12 August, 1944

From: SHAEF Forward signed Eisenhower. COSITINTREP
addressees. Ref No FWD - 12792, 11 Aug 1944 cite SHGOT.
COSITINTREP No 129. Part IV.

Last part IV issued was number 126.

Considerable railway sabotage reported from PAS
De Calais, Nord, Aisne, Landes, Lot and Ain. Lines reported
temporarily cut include Tours - Vierzon, Vierzon - Orleans,
Gap - Briancon, Berdeaux - Saintes Agen - Toulouse, and
Beziers - Montpellier.

1,500,000 litres of petrol reported burned in Nord.

Resistants reported to have given valuable support
to operations of Third United States Army in Brittany.

With help of special air service troops they have
captured several hundred prisoners, and liberated towns of
Quimper, Hennebont, Sizun, Brasparts, Pleyben, Coray and
Millizac in advance of United States Forces. Resistants
and SAS troops are also carrying out counter scorching tasks,
mopping up by passed areas and guarding the Zone of Communi-
cations. 300 Germans reported killed at Banne (Lozere), and
200 in an attack by resistants on a train near Del Ezet
(Lozerel.)

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

No: FWD 12792 12 August, 1944

Since 9th August 1944. 118 Special Air Service
troops. Three Jedburgh teams and 311 tons of arms and
ammunition have been dropped in France from England. Totals
since D-day, including operations from North Africa:

1,064 Special Air Service troops,
31 Jedburgh teams,
8 Operational Groups,
41 Jeeps and
5,731 tons of arms and ammunition.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S
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Adm. King
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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department

DTG: 11/2231Z August 1944

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower COSITINTREP number
129 part Naval. Action War Dept Navy Dept and CG ETOUSA
who has. Info CTF 125 CTF 127. NAVCOM London sends 112329B.

A. General. Nothing to report.

B. Assault Area. HMS Albatross was damaged by
underwater explosion 2 miles off Courseulles at 0650 today.
On the evening of 9th heavy shelling took place off the
beaches between Lyon and St Albin. One Human Torpedo sunk
0255 today no evidence of others.

C. Unloading figures to PM 10th August read in 3
columns.

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	751,487	185,229	1020041
US	1,024,532	192,052	1,194,315
Total D plus 65	1,776,029	377,281	2,214,356.

ACTION: OPD

End.

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

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

No: FWD 12785 11 August 1944

Part four of FWD 12785 DTG 111915 Aug.

Lack of evidence of any movement eastwards by any of the armoured formations recently involved in the counter offensive towards Avranches point to a reinforcement and regrouping of the five divisions on the enemy's southern flank which suggests the following implications:

That the enemy's counter offensive intentions remain unchanged but that the direction and method of attack may be shifted from a thrust due west with three Panzer Divisions to an enveloping thrust initially southwards eventually involving up to five Panzer Divisions.

While there might have been some hope of seriously disrupting Allied supply lines a week ago, it is now difficult to see how such an attack, thought desperate effort to stabilize temporarily a most parlous enemy position generally, could achieve decisive results at.

End of part four, part five follows.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
(Forward) London, England

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

No: FWD 12785 11 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12785 DTG 111915 Aug.

Division is now identified. To the North Gathemo (T52) captured after very hard fight. In Vire area elements 331st Infantry Division long expected from Pas de Calais now identified after 9 day bicycle ride down.

On Second Army front enemy resisting hard all along line.

In Canadian sector enemy position further strengthened by arrival elements 85th Infantry Division from north of Seine. Remainder said to be following on bicycles. Enemy holding up our southerly advance with anti tank gun screen in general area Potigny (U04) though we are making progress to the east.

2. Movement. Appears to be loading and movement of trains south west of Bordeaux as far as Bayonne. This may be connected with a move of.

End of Part 2, Part 3 follows.

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INFORMATION: CC/S CG AAF OPD Adm. King Col. Park
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

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

No: FWD 12785 11 August 1944
FWD 12785 DTG 111915 Aug.
159th Training Division.

It is not yet possible to determine direction of
move.

Para three, Prisoners of War.

No intake of prisoners. Lieutenant-General Spang
lately commanding 266th Infantry Division now in this
country. Captured 24 kilometers from Brest since he had
refused to withdraw into the fortress thinking order to do
so absurd. Is anti-Bolshevik and anti-party but acknowledges
Fuehrer. Had not told his troops of attempt on Fuehrer. On
hearing of the general hangings, he burst into tears.

Para four, General.

The identification of 10th SS Panzer Division in
the Barenton area just east of 116th Panzer Division,
indications of the relief of 2nd Panzer Division from its
sector north of Mortain, and.

End

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

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

No: FWD 12785 11 August 1944

Cipher part 5 and last of FWD 12785 dtg 111915 Aug

This time especially in view of the dangerous Allied threat North and North East from the Le Mans area. The commitment of 85 Inf Div from north of the Seine has helped to relieve hard pressed armour in the penetration area south of Caen and it is now possible that the bulk of 21st Panzer Div has been entirely withdrawn. Thus milking of forces from channel frontier has not stopped and further formations besides 331st and 85th Inf Div believed en route. In addition to those already identified it is believed that some 5 or 6 divisions might be made available if the enemy is prepared to accept considerable risks as he now must in order to continue the battle in Normandy on terms of some equality.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

To: War Department

No: GO-24A 11 August, 1944

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Part I - Land - Section A.

Section I - Intelligence. Identifications. By PW.
10 Coy 9.

Rifle regt T-677307, 9 Coy 84 Projector Regt
U-0259. 1151 Med Arty Bn (mot) U-0653, 13 Coy 982 Gru - 1254.

NY deserters. 2 Bn 979 GR T-9348.
By corpse. 9 SS Engr Bn T-7233.
By contact. 1 and 2 Bns 977 GR T-9648.

Section II - Ground Operations.

Second Army. 8 Corps.

Attacked Se across rd Vire Conde Sur Noireau
preliminary attack on left flank of Gds Armd Div started 0630
hrs. By 0800 hrs 1 WG were est on high ground 7233. At
0900 hrs main attack began with right 3 Brit Div and left
Gds Armd Div.

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3 Div. By 1200 hrs 8 Bde on right and 185 Bde on left were just short of PT-247 (6629) and PT-262 (6730) respectively. Three recce regt advanced to make contact with Gds Armd Div in area Viessois. 6931 Gds Armd Div advanced against strong enemy opposition with five Gds Armd Bde leading. By 1200 hrs fwd tps reached general line br in Viessocis - south of wood 719325 - PT-242 (7233) - Housse-magne 7334. Fighting still in progress in Chenedolle 7233.

30 Corps.

50 Div. 0800 hrs 231 Bde passed through 69 Bde and by 1200 hrs fwd tps had advanced in face of stiff opposition to south of PT-229 (8539) - orchard 879399. PT-229 still held by enemy but being attacked from south and east 12 Corps.

59 Div. 197 Bde holding firm base area Brius 9651. 56 Bde advancing south breached PT-168 (9544) - PT-161 (9746) with patrols in Espin 9848. 59 Recce Regt reached 939471 Royals patrolled through Foret De Cinglais and reached Barberly 0349. 158 Bde passing through 197 Bde and advancing east.

53 Div. 177 Bde of 59 Div under command in area 9245-9346-9147 with one Bn advancing NE from 9044. Class nine br being built at 931482 following amendment bdy between

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12 and 30 Corps from 934436 along line of R Orne to St
Marc D'Ouilly 9834. Build up. 1 Tk Bde commenced ldg today.

First Cdn Army.

2 Cdn Corps.

4 Cdn Armd Div. Strong enemy resistance prevented
further advance south from PT-195 (0846) on which one Bn
ten Inf Bde now firmly est. Approximately 20 robot tks
launched against this position without casualties to own tps.

3 Cdn Inf Div 0200 hrs 8 Bde attacked Quesnay
Wood 1047. No appreciable progress made in face of very
strong opposition. 7 Bde conc area Bretteville/Le/Rabet.

Polish Armd Div. Soignolles 1350 and sput to
east captured. Enemy counter attack with Inf and Tks
repulsed 2200 hrs and area now firmly held.

1 Corps.

51 Div. 154 Bde attacked woods in area 1553-
1552 early this morning and by 0500 hrs were holding the M
with 2 Inf Bns and 1 Armd Regt. Position counter attacked
at 1150 hrs but is still firmly held. Enemy counter attack
against 153 Bde in St Sylvain 1354 repulsed 152 Bde area
Wood G-1058 Pouassy 1356 - Conteville 1257.

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49 Div. Recce Regt holding gap between right
flank 147 Bde and 51 Div.

From 12th Army Group from Army Group Commander to
COSITINTREP addressees. Ref No Q-20316 11 August 1944
COSITINTREP No 129.

PART I - Land - Section B. Section I - Intelligence.
Third Army: Mopping up of St Malo continues.

First Army: Stubborn enemy defense on VII Corps
front and evidence of regrouping vicinity Mayenne. PW 7
Company 558 Regiment and 3 Company 557 Regiment, 091 POR
on XIX and V Corps front: 1053 and 1054 Regts identified
U front 1053 and 1054 Regts identified U-14. Elements 266
Infantry Division and 2 Para Division contacted near Brest.
100 PW 582 Regt captured Dinard Peninsula.

Section II - Ground Operations.

Command posts as follows:

6 Armd Division Q-9714.
4 Armd Division 2009.
83 Division X-7594.
XV Corps V-5590.
2nd French Armd Division V-4281.
5 Armd Division V-5280.
79 Division V-4972.

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90 Division Le Mans.
XX Corps Y-8144.
Others, no change.

Front lines as follows.

Third Army:

VIII Corps. 4 Armd Division Combat Command AN-
9933. 83 Division elements S-8716 S-7913, remainder no change.

XV Corps. 2nd French Armd Division Combat Command
DZ-3962. Combat Command LV 4687. 5 Armd Division Combat
Command AV-48C1. Combat Command BV - 5577. Combat Command
RV - 5491. 79 Division V-52781 90 Division V-4769.

XX Corps. 80 Division areas Z-2450, Z-0452 and
Z 1837.

First Army.

Corps. 9 Division T-5419 T-5522 T-5622.

XIX Corps. 28 Division T-5622 T 5923. 29 Division
T-612 T-6626. Others no change.

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Rear boundary of Third Army effective 112400
August. (All inclusive to communication zone) Road N-776
Le/Mont/St/Michel T-161 - Pontorson T-1602, road N-176
Pontorson - Pontaubault T-2810, road N-807 Pontaubault -
St/Hilaire/Du Harcouet T-4703, road N 177 St/Hilaire/Du
Harcouet - First Army Boundary.

Third Army. VIII Corps.

Corps task force moved vicinity R-6525 to protect
beaches.

6 Armd Division no change.

4 Armd Division Combat Command A 12 miles south
of Nantes at R-9933.

Combat Command B contains Lorient.

8 Division, no change.

83 Division elements organized to garrison St/
Malo and extended line northeast. Other elements with regi-
ment from 8 Division attached regrouping to attack Dinard.

XV Corps.

2nd French Armd Division Combat Command D and
Combat Command L advanced to north to vicinity Z-3861 and
V-4687.

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90 Division concentrated area west of Savigne
V-4769 prepared to follow 2nd French Armd Division.

5 Armd Division Combat Command A advanced north
to area V-4891.

Combat Command B southwest Bonnetable V-5577.
Combat Command R vicinity V-5491.

79 Division assembling area north of Sille Le
Phillippe V-5277 prepared to follow 5 Armd Division.

XX Corps.

5 Division 1 RCT attacking Nantes. Remainder
of Division attacked resistance remaining in east part of
Angers.

80 Division elements of Votre Z-0452 and Conlie
Z-2449 moving toward Sille/Le/Guillaume Z-1756. Other
elements moving to Le Mans.

35 Division enemy tank attack stopped at T-5911.
Division resumed the attack vicinity Mortain against heavy
resistance.

7 Armd Division landing and concentrating vicinity
L Fougeres.

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XII Corps.
No change.

First Army. VII Corps.

3 Armd Division no change.

1 Division active patrolling along Orne River.

30 Division made little progress against heavy
resistance.

4 Division. 1 Regiment remained vicinity
Le Mesnil Gilbert. 1 Regiment advanced patrols east of Varenne
River with no enemy contact. 1 Regiment attached to 35
Division.

9 Division straightened front lines and consoli-
dated position.

2nd Armd Division (less combat command A) made
little progress but resistance decreasing.

XIX Corps.

28 Division recaptured Gathemo after confused
fighting. Resistance decreased on right flank.

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29 Division no change.

Combat Command A of 2nd Armd Division advanced
on Gathemo - Tinohebray highway to Vengeons T-6022.

V Corps.

2 Division continued attack with good results.
Advance halted on Corps order after 4,000 yards gain as left
flank was uncovered.

Part II- Naval

A. General. Nothing to report.

B. Assault area

HMS Albatross was damaged by underwater explosion
2 miles off Courseulles at 0650 today. On the evening of
9th heavy shelling took place of the beaches between Lyon
and St Aubin. 1 human torpedo sunk 0255 today, no evidence
of others.

C. Unloading figures to PM 10th August.

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British	751,487	85,229	1,020,041
US	1,024,532	92,052	1,194,315
Total D plus 65	1,776,019	377,281	2,214,356

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pass to WND COSITINTREP No 128 Part 1 Land, Section B.
COSITINTREP numbered 121 to 128 inclusive are hereby renumbered
120 to 127 respectively.

Section 1. Intelligence

Third Army

1. Pocket resistance left St Malo. Resistance
continues Lorient and Brest. Nantes clear of enemy. Contact
inside Angers.

First Army. No Change.

Identifications

By FW 10 and 11 PGR vicinity Lemans; all three
regts 319th Infantry Division vicinity St Malo but bulk of
Division still on Channel Islands: 2nd Company 557th Regt
T-6227, 9, 10, 11 companies 21 SS PGR, 13 Company 529 SA
Panzer Recon Battalion at T-6407; 6 Company 1 SS PGR T 6326.

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Section 2. Ground Operations.

Command posts as follows:

6 Armd Division Q-9714.
XV Corps V-4769.
2 French Armd Division Z-3839.
5 Armd Division V-4154.
80 Division Y-8245.
90 Division K-4036.
XX Corps Y-9042.
5 Division 06781
35 Division T-5602.
Others, no change.

Front lines as follows:

Third Army:

XV Corps 2 French Armd Division Z-3950.
5 Armd Division V-5685.
79 Division V-5477.
XX Corps 5 Division 08279 and 0054.

First Army.

VII Corps. 30 Division T-6207 T-5814.

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4 Division T-5414.
V Corps 2 Division T-6528.
Others, no change.

Boundary between Armies:

Previous boundary to Y-5872-thence Mayenne Road to
Mayenne-Y-9381-Z-1599-U-1807.

Between VII and XIX Corps: Previous boundary to
T-6400-16597-17799-U-1807.

Between VII and between Corps: Previous boundary
to T-6400 Y-6597-Y-7799-T-9010.

Between XIX and V Corps: Previous boundary to
T-6625-T-7115-T-7718.

Others, no change.

Third Army.

VIII Corps. The Corps Task Force advanced west
to Vicinity, R-0011.

6 Armd Division. Consolidated positions in area
north of Brest.

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4 Armd Division holding position north of Lorient.
8 Division. No Change.
83 Division. 1 strong point in St Malo continued
resistance.

XV Corps.

2nd French Armd Division. Enroute to vicinity
Le Mans.

5 Armd Division. Elements secured line along
Orne River.

80 Division. Movement to the vicinity of Lemans
continues.

79 Division followed advance of 5 Armd Division.

90 Division. Occupied and mopped up Le Mans.
Moving to follow 2nd French Armd Division.

XX Corps.

5 Division. Elements entered Angers and Nantes.
Report Nantes heavily mined and lightly held.

35 Division. Continued attack at 0800B against
heavy resistance.

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XII Corps. No change.

First Army.

VII Corps.

1st Division. Continued active patrolling.

2nd Armd Division. Enemy counterattack was repulsed
and Division prepared to resume advance against heavy resis-
tance.

30th Division. Continued attack on Mortain
from northwest against heavy resistance. Elements also
pushing from southwest in conjunction with elements of
35th Division.

4th Division. Assembled vicinity Le Mesnil
Gilbert T-5019. Assigned defensive area and prepared
to reinforce 30th Division.

9th Division. Encountered determined resistance
in attack to east.

3rd Armd Division. No change.

XIX Corps. Attack continued to 0600B.

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28th Division (Combat Command B, 2nd Armd
Division attached). Continued attack toward Gathemo T-5623
against heavy resistance. Small gains made northeast and
west of town.

29th Division Advanced against stubborn resis-
tance.

V Corps:

2nd Division. Mopped up Vire. Attack resumed
at south. Made good progress against sporadic resistance.

End.

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Ninth United States Army First United States Army Group
Twelfth United States Army Group FWD 12763. This is G 2
summary number 66.

In Brittany stiff resistance being offered outside
Brest and Lorient, while at St Malo enemy still holding out
in citadel. (Previous para 1 operations).

Further elements of 9th Panzer Division and 708th Infan-
try Division encountered just east of Mayenne where they
reacted sharply to our patrols. In Mortain Sector 116th
Panzer Division apparently relieved by 84th Infantry Division.
End of part 1 part 2 follows.

End

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And transferred to southern flank of 84 Corps.
Large concentration of armour with flak and air support
moving to this area 9 August. 10th SS Panzer Division,
recently withdrawn from line, may possibly be transferring
this area. Southwest of Vire enemy offering stiff defense
to our advance.

On Second Army front heavy fighting continues in
Estry (T 73) sector, just northeast of which enemy counter
attack was broken up by our artillery fire. Enemy counter
attacks on our bridge head in Foret Grimbosq (T 95) slacken-
ed off yesterday morning. In the Canadian sector our ad-
vance encountered strong concentration of guns and tanks

End of Part 2, Part 3 follows.

On River Laison between Potigny and Maixieres (V 14).
Elements.

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INFORMATION: CC/S OPD End
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Part 3 of FWD 12763 dtg 102000 Aug.

12 SS Panzer Division and 101 SS Tank Battalion identified. 271st Infantry Division reported withdrawing with tank support possibly 21 Panzer. 344th Infantry Division identified "East of Orne". Movement into area suggest possible arrival of further division. 8531 Infantry and 18th German Air Force possible candidates.

Reports of 158th Training Division preparing defences Orleans suggests division possibly attempting to fortify the Loire towns and may forecast First Army turning its front north to face along the Loire.

2. Movement. Infantry trains previously observed by air reconnaissance in the northeast appear to have made very little progress. Some suggestion of unloading.

(End of part 3. Part 4 follows).

End.

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INFO : CC/S CG AAF OPD Adm. King Col. Park Log
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To: War Department
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Nr: FWD 12763 10 August 1944

Part 4 of FWD 12763 DTG 102000 Aug.

Of trains held up presumably in order to continue journey by road. Large scale destruction of bridges east and southeast of Paris makes it very difficult to approach nearer than 50 to 100 miles of the city by rail.

Para 3. Prisoners of War. The accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 9 August 78,661.

Para 4. General. Continued heavy fighting on southern flank on which bulk of enemy armoured formations still concentrated indicates no (no) change in counter offensive hopes to split Allied Forces by drive to Avranches. However, shift of 116 Panzer Division to south of Mortain may indicate attempt to outflank stiff Allied resistance which has thus far allowed him scant.

End of part 4. Part 5 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

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

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Part 5 DTG 102000 FWD 12763, part 5 and last.
Gains.

Indications of a move to the southwest possibly involving 10 SS Panzer Div reinforce this view. At the same time bringing up of further elements of 708 Inf Div and nine Panzer Div east of Mayenne suggests enemy now compelled to pay more serious attention to security of deep southern flank and lines of communication.

On the eastern flank the inability of his Inf to stem the Allied drive down the Caen Falaise road has forced the enemy to rush armoured help, both 12 SS Panzer Div and 21 Panzer Div being committed either in this area or to cover the withdrawal of Inf west of penetration.

Despite influx of enemy reinforcements, considered diminishing returns achieved due to generally poorer quality and to decreased effectiveness cause by delayed arrival and piecemeal commitment.

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

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London, England

To: War Department
CG, Strategic Air Forces in Europe, London, England

No: EX 42536 10 August 1944

Info SHAEF signed Eisenhower EX 42536.

Order of Battle, European Theater of Operations,
United States Army as of 31 July 44 as follows:

Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army. Assigned Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army, are 12th Army Group, First United States Army Group, First United States Army, Third United States Army, Ninth United States Army, United States Strategic Air Forces in Europe; 82 (attached Ninth United States Army), 101 (attached Ninth United States Army) and 17 (advanced detachment; attached Ninth United States Army) Airborne Divs; two (attached Ninth United States Army) Airborne Inf Brig; and 56 (advanced detachment) and 74 (advanced detachment) AAA Brigs.

Assigned First United States Army are following:

V Corps, with 1st and 2nd Inf Divs and 2nd Armd Div.
VII Corps, with 4th and 9th Inf Divs.
XIX Corps, with 29th and 30th Inf Divs; 3rd and 7th Armd Divs; 28th Inf Div; 1st, 5th and 6th Engr Spec Brigs; 32nd FA Brig; and 49th AAA Brig.

Assigned Third United States Army are following:

VIII Corps, with 83rd Inf Div.

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XII Corps, with 80th Inf Div and 5th Armd Div.
XV Corps, with 4th Armd Div and 5th (attached First
United States Army), 8th and 35th (attached First
United States Army) Inf Divs.
XX Corps, with 6th Armd Div; 79th and 90th Inf Divs;
one TD Brig; 33rd and 34th FA Brigs; and 38th
AAA Brigs.

Assigned Ninth United States Army are following:

XIII Corps; 94th (advanced detachment) and 95th
(advanced detachment) Inf Div; and 9th (advanced detachment)
Armd Div.

Assigned United States Strategic Air Forces in
Europe are Air Service Command and 8th and 9th Air Forces.

Assigned 8th Air Force are: 1st Bomb Div, with
1st, 40th, 41st, and 94th Comb Bomb Wgs; 2nd Bomb Div, with
2nd, 14th, 20th, 95th, and 96th Comb Bomb Wgs; 3rd Bomb Div,
with 4th, 13th, 45th, 92nd, and 93rd Comb Bomb Wgs; 8th AF
Fighter Comd * ; 8th AF Serv Comd; 8th AF Composite Comd;
and 8th Recon Wg (Prov).

Assigned 9th Air Force are:

9th Bomber Comd, with 97th, 98th, and 99th Comb
Bomb Wgs.
9th Tactical Air Comd, with 70th and 84th Ftr Wgs.
19th Tactical Air Comd, with 100th and 303rd Ftr Wgs.
9th Troop Carrier Comd, with 50th, 52nd, and 53rd

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Trp Carr Wgs.
9th AF Serv Comd.
9th Air Defense Comd, with 71st Ftr Wg, and
9th Engineer Comd.

Assigned Communications * 47th, 50th, 51st, 52nd
54th, and 55th AAA Brigs.

* Being Serviced

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ACTION: OPD

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London, England

To : War Department

Nr : GO-22A AI-544 10th August 1944

Part 1. Land:

From: EXFOR Main signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP
addressees ref no GO-22A 10th August 1944 COSITINTREP no 128
to 101200B.

Section A Section I - Intelligence

Identifications

By PW. 10 Coy 1055 Gr U-077510. 11700 by flak Bn U-0853.
6, 7 and 8 Coys 1053 Gr of 85 Inf Div U-115522.

By deserter. 7 Coy 25 SS PGR of battle group Schrott
T-963528.

Section II - Ground operations

Second British Army

8th Corps.

3rd Brit Div. 9 Bde area 6551-667310 -N-655323.

11 Armd Div taken over area Le Busq 7337 from Gds Armd Div.
Gds Armd Div area 68835-6934-6936-6937. 15 Div enemy
activity area Estry continued.

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30th Corps.

7 Armd Div captured PT-371(8644) and by last light fwd tps had reached 865435.

Mont Pincon feature taken over by 22 Armd Bde from 43 Div. 131 Inf Bde in reserve area north of Valles 8747 on relief by 129 Bde of 43 Div. 43 Div captured Les Hameaux 8343 and Haut Du Roi 8442. 130 Bde moved to area St Jean Le Blanc 8041-Scoumerger 8141-Lenault 8241-Lamoterie 8441. 129 Bde area La Lande 8644-PT- 271 (8644)-Cauville 8742.

50th Div. 69 Bde passed through 151 Bde and by last light were est Se Crapouville 8541 and astride rd 1,000 yds south of Cauville. Enemy resistance determined but many PW taken. During morning 69 Bde captured PT-229 (8539) and PT-266 (8840).

12th Corps.

53rd Div. 71 Bde conc area 9056 and 160 Bde area 9457-9557.

59 Div. 197 Bde enlarged bridgehead during afternoon fwd tps reaching rd Laize La Ville 0157-Thury Harcourt.

138 Bde relieved 176 Bde in bridgehead which now held by right 56 Bde, centre 197 Bde and left 158 Bde. 56 Bde reached gen line Croisilles 9548-Forge A Cambho 9648-Epins 9848. 177 Bde area 8946-9047-9147 176 Bde area 8754.

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First Cdn Army

2 Cdn Corps.

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4 Cdn Arm'd Div. At 1200 hrs 4 Cdn Arm'd Bde area 073474 and St Hilaire 0847. Adv south delayed in area PT-195 (0846) by enemy anti-tk screen. 10 Cdn Inf Bde area Nele Banelet Fontaine 0747-0847-PT-195 (0846). Enemy counter attack with Inf and tks against 0747 from south repulsed.

3 Cdn Inf Div. 9 Bde patrolled west of Laize during night area 0651. 8 Bde took over from 4 Cdn Arm'd Div area Grainville Langannaire 0949- Bretteville Le Rabet.

7 Bde area Cinteaux 0753. 2 Cdn Arm'd Bde under comd 3 Cdn Inf Div.

1 polish Arm'd Div area Cadvicourt 1052 - Renenesnil 1152-1150.

1 Corps.

51 Inf Div and 35 Arm'd Bde reverted to comd from 2 Cdn Corps. 153 Bde firmly est St Sylvain 1354. 154 Bde area Cram-snyl 0856.

49 Inf Div Recce Regt reached 145607. 146 Bde made contact with 147 Bde fwd elements 138615. 147 Bde fwd elements 150612 meeting resistance in Vimont. 70 Bde maintained pressure but report by resistance east of Barnerville 1367.

Hq 1 Corps 083672.

Bdy between 2 Cdn Corps and 1 Corps as before to 092670 thence all incl 2 Cdn Corps rly br 056667- thence rly to bend in rly 069585- rd and track junc 076567 - X tracks 085549-PT-82 (1053) - wood 113525- Soignolles 138509 - Bout Du Haut 1648- thence Laison river to rly br 222556- thence rly to rly br 489855- rly and rd junc 523875.

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Part II. Naval:

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addressees
ref no 102341B 10th August 1944. COSITINTREP no 128.

A. General

During night 8/9 PT boats attacked shipping in Channel Islands area, entering St Helier roadstead to press home attacks. Owing to fog results of torpedo fire were unobserved. Effective gunfire observed on upper works of type M sweepers. One PT lost.

B. Assault area.

MTB's attacked small vessel escorted by 6 R boats off Havre. Vessel was sunk. One R boat probably sunk. One MTB superficially damaged.

Spotting aircraft ex Lee on Solent successfully shot up two enemy vessels.

Store ship Iddeleigh and HMS Vestal damaged by underwater explosions today 10th.

C. Unloading figures to PM 9th August.

British	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	748,626	184,770	1,006,555
US	1,016,806	190,996	1,158,239
Totals			
D plus 64	1,765,432	375,766	2,164,794

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Part III. Air:

From Hq Allied Expeditionary Air Force from Leigh Mallory
signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addressees ref no AI-544 11th
August 1944. COSITINTREP no 128 to 2100 hrs 9th August.

Total sorties	3282
9th Air Force	1105
2nd TAF	1414
ADGEN	763

Airborne Operations:

Total sorties YS	56
38th Group	41
46 Group U	15

Summary of targets:

Two railway centres, ten railway bridges, five gun positions, two bridges, one radar installation, four dumps, 22 other targets.

Claims: One Dornier 217, seven Junkers 88, two Junkers 188, three S/.2 E/A and three unidentified E/A destroyed, one Junker 188, two S/E E/A and two Junkers 88 probably destroyed, one Junkers 188 and one Focke-Wulf 190 damaged,

August 8th add: Two Dorniers 217, three Junkers 88, seven unidentified E/A, five Messerschmidts 109 and one Focke-Wulf 190 destroyed. One messerschmidt 11c and one Messerschmidt 109 damaged.

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Losses: Seven bombers, twelve fighter/fighter bombers,
one transport aircraft destroyed, 21 bombers, four fighters/
fighter bombers damaged.

Details of operations:

Railway centres four. 33 Mitchells and 30 Bostons on
Igoville (S. of Rouen), 380 500 GP, fair GM 5 Marauders on
Compiègne 10 2000 GP, excellent.

Railway bridge. 35 Marauders on Verberie, 68 2000 GP,
good/excellent. 24 Bostons on Chartres, 2 8.75 tons, excellent.
30 Bostons on Chauny, 160 500 GP, fair/good. Six Bostons on
Farbie, 34 500 GP, good. 30 Marauders on Beaumont sur Oise,
120 1000 GP, good/excellent. 25 Marauders on Compiègne, 51
2000 GP, excellent. 23 Marauders on Pontoise, 92 1000 GP, poor/
good. 30 Marauders on Perrone, 60 2000 GP, good/excellent.
25 Marauders on Jussy 48 2000 GP, good. 29 Marauders on
Manteuil, 109 1000 GP, good/excellent.

Gun positions. 17 Typhoons on U-040455, 18 500, good.
Eight Typhoons on U-042506, 16 500, unobserved. Two Marauders
on O20704/O22703 map 173 flak positions, 40 260 frag, unobserved.
36 Bostons and 28 Marauders on St Malo coastal battery, 192
500 GP, fair and 108 2000 GP, good/excellent. Eight Thunderbolts
on T-6114, 4 500, unobserved.

Bridges. Six Marauders on Beaumont-Sur-Oise, 4 1000 GP,
good. 12 Spitfires on Laigle/Evreux, 6 500 MCN good.

Radar installation. 82 Bostons on ~~Beaumont-sur-Oise~~ ^{Beaumont-sur-Oise}, 324
500 GP fair/good.

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Dumps. 47 Mitchells and 165 Bostons on Foret de Lyons (ammo), 436 500 MC, good. Nine Thunderbolts on Z-164605 (ammo), 18 500 GP, good. Eight Thunderbolts on Z-3284 (fuel) 4 500 GP, unobserved. Eight Thunderbolts on Y-983973 (fuel) 16 500, good.

Other Targets. Seven Typhoons on U-053438 wood, 40 60 RP, poor. 24 Spitfires on Seine River barges, 20 250 and 11 500, good. 17 Typhoons on U-1356 enemy concentration, 34 500 good. Nine Typhoons on U-0351 wood, 16 500, unobserved. 11 Mustangs on Seine barges 22 500, fair. 68 Mosquitoes on Dijon/Vitry: Paris area all movements in these areas, 206 500, unobserved/good. 12 Typhoons on Les Andelys barges, 24 250 and 12 500, good. Four Stirlings on near Bordeaux special operation, six S BC 4 lbs inc, 17 SBC 40 lbs GP and 40 500 MC, successful. 61 Typhoons on Falaise area tanks, 426 60 RP good. 12 Spitfires on Seine barges, 12 500 GP good. 64 Typhoons on battle area tanks, 435 60 RP and 16 500 MC, fair/good. Eight Typhoons on battle area guns, 64 60 4 0 RP, excellent. 12 Typhoons on battle area guns, 93 60 RP, unobserved. Ten Mustangs on R-0450 factory, 20 500 MC good. 12 Thunderbolts on T-554175 and T-554185 tanks and M/T, 15 500, unobserved. Eight Thunderbolts on T-7614 woods, 14 500, unobserved. Eight Thunderbolts on R-4886 flak cars, 8 500, good. Eight Thunderbolts on T-683097 woods flak guns, 14 500, unobserved. 95 Thunderbolts on battle area road, railway M/T, 115 500, fair/good. 161 Typhoons on Falaise area M/T, tanks, woods, guns etc, 832 60 RP and 98 500 MC, fair/good. 24 Spitfires on R-3485 barges, 48 250, good. 12 Mustangs on R-4179 and R-4673 barges, 42 500 MC, fair.

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Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.

RAFBC

Total sorties 620 aircraft.

Summary of targets:

Four flying bombs modified sites, one construction works,
three dumps, one army fuel dump, one port area.

Claims: Nil.

Losses: 4 aircraft.

Details of Operations:

Flying bomb targets modified sites. 21 Halifaxes on
Bois de la Hale, 79 tons, not known. 23 Halifaxes on Coquereaux,
90 tons, not known. 20 Halifaxes N Les Catelliers, 61 tons,
not known. 20 Halifaxes on Les Landes, 75 tons, not known.

Construction works. 15 Halifaxes on Chappelle Notre
Dame, 62.5 tons, good.

Dumps. 50 Lancasters on Aire sur lys (tankage depot),
290 tons, good. 115 Lancasters on Foret de Lucheux (Pol), 401
tons, good. 15 aircraft on Foret de Chantilly (Pol), tonnage
not known, excellent.

Army fuel dump. 160 Halifaxes on Foret de Mormal, 710
tons, good. Port area. 31 Lancasters on La Pallice (nr La
Rochelle), 147 tons, good.

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8th Air Force.

Bombers	824
Fighter bombers	149
Fighters	675

Summary of targets:

Three railway centres, one aircraft engine plant, six cities, three other targets.

Claims: 1-1-1 (air) by bombers, 33-0-10 (air) and 30-0-19 (ground) by fighters.

Losses: 18 bombers, two fighters.

Details of operations:

Railway centres. 181 Forts/Libs on Saarbucken, 376.5 GP and 61.3 IB, fair. 29 Forts on Luxembourg, 55 GP and 12..5 IB, good. 12 Forts on St Vith, 10.8 GP and 21 IB, good.

Aircraft engine plant. 25 Libs on Sindelfingen 68 GP and 3 IB, poor.

Cities. 103 Forts on Firmsens, 110 GP and 149.5 IB, good. 30 Forts on Ulm, 52.5 GP and 27.5 IB, good. 41 Forts on Karlsruhe, 75 GP and 27.5 IB, good. Eight Forts on S Sreicher, 20 GP, good. 12 Libs on Eindhoven, 28 GP, poor. 16 Forts on Aachen, one GP and 37.5 IB, unobserved.

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Other targets. 56 Forts on Elsenborn barracks, 110 GP and 30 IB, good. Three Forts on T/O, 5 GP, unobserved. Seven Forts on 7 T/O, 14.5 GP unobserved.

Enemy Operations:

From information not previously reported covering E/A sightings for 7/8 August shows that E/A operations in waves of 20 plus in the St Malo and Vire areas. Claims are made of 4-0-1.

From 1100 hours to 2100 hours 8th August additional E/A sightings and encounters amounted to 69 plus. Most of these plus E/A were in small groups and tended to bounce our fighters and for the most part suffered losses. There was some large sighting of 25 plus Messerschmidts 109 E of Argentan and when attacked evaded. Claims for these additional encounters are 17-0-1 air and 1-0-0 ground.

During the period 140 plus E/A were sighted and encountered in the air over and south of the battle area, and 30 plus were strafed on a L/F. Four large groups of 25/40 were reported at St Calais, sector 94, and two sightings over Alencon, overall claims for the period are 10-3-2 air and 6-2-0 ground.

Radar plottings indicated that 50 E/A operated over N France and other Dutch Islands. Two groups of 18 and one of nine were plotted in the Evreux area, between 0940 to 1020 hours.

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London, England
Nr : GO-22A AI-544 10th August 1944

Flying bomb activity was greatly decreased over the previous period and of the 34 plotted, nine only reached the greater London area. All activity occurred between 2100/1100 8/9 August. 34 Flying bombs were plotted, 20 overland and nine over greater London area. Claims: Nine by fighters, five by A.A. fire and one by balloons.

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

To: War Department

No. Q-20254, 10 August 1944

From Twelfth Army Group from Bradley signed Eisen-
hower COSITINTREP addressees to, ref no Q-20254, 10 August
1944 COSITINTREP no 126 to 091200B.

Part I

Land. Section B, Intelligence.

Third Army.

Stubborn resistance of St Malo, Brest, Lorient con-
✓tinued.

First Army.

✓ Enemy still holding strongly Mortain sector. Identifi-
cations PW from 3 Battalions 7 Para Regt vicinity St Malo.
PW reports 1 and 2 Battalions in Brest, elements 2 Para Regt
and 2 Para Rengr Battalion vicinity Carhaix. PW from 728
and 748 Regt vicinity Mayenne, Panzer Regt of 116 Panzer
Division and 341 Aslt Gun Battalion location uncertain. 33
Panzer Regt by contact vicinity Mayenne.

Operations Command Posts as follows:

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

No. Q-20254, 10 August 1944

Third Army.

Y-3290. VIII Corps. S-9000. XV Corps. Z-0042.
79 Division. Z-3334. 90 Division Z-1939. XX Corps Y-3451.
80 Division Y-8344.

First Army.

Advanced Command Post T-5334. 3rd Armd Division
Y-7173. others, no change.

Front lines as follows:

Third Army.

VIII Corps. 4 Armd Division Combat Command A G-7527. Combat Command B G-7027. 83 Division S-7607 S-8115. XX Corps. 5 Division O8076-02094. 35 Division T-7002 T-6009. XV Corps. 5 Armd Division Combat Command A V-4562. Combat Command B V-4057. 79 Division Z-3936. 90 Division Z-3936. 2nd French Armd Division K-0325. XII Corps. 80 Division Y-8344.

First Army.

VII Corps. 1st Division Y-8082 Y-8370. 30 Division T-T-6009 T-5810. 4 Division T-5417 T-5520 T-5421. 9 Division T-5624. 2nd Armd Division Combat Command B area T-6708.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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

No. Q-20254, 10 August 1944

XIX Corps. 28 Division T 5826 T-5927 T-6126. 29 Division T-6327. V Corps. 2 Division T-6430.

Third Army.

VIII Corps. Corps Task Force Advanced West of Morlaix to R-3317. 6 Armd Division consolidated position north of Brest. 4 Armd Division attack continued on Lorient. 8 Division 1 Battalion moving to support attack on Brest. 83 Division fighting in outskirts of St Malo. Elements advancing in Dinard S-7614. XV Corps. 5 Armd Division by passed Le Mans to the south and cutting railroads south and east of the city. 79 Division liberated Le Mans. 90 Division leading elements entered Le Mans and will be followed by remainder of division. 2nd French Armd attached to XV Corps. Concentrating southwest of Brulon vicinity K-0226. 80 Division attached to XV Corps. Moving to area east of Laval Y-8344. XX Corps. 35 Division enemy counterattack vicinity Milly T-5206 unsuccessful. Attack resumed north-east toward Mortain met stiff resistance. 5 Division elements advanced towards Nantes. Other elements consolidated positions vicinity Chateauneuf J-8802 and advanced to vicinity Angers.

First Army.

VII Corps. 1st Division consolidated positions.

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Protected crossing Mayenne river and maintained contact by vigorous patrolling. 30 Division heavily engaged north and west of Mortain. Enemy counterattack stopped. 12 Infantry Regt attached from 4 Division met stiff resistance. 9 Division attack to straighten line against strong enemy positions made slight progress. 4 Division maintained defensive position and mopped up resistance vicinity Le Mesnil Tove T-5317. 2 Armd Division (less Combat Command A.) stopped by enemy in morning thus slowing main effort. Moved forward slowly after 0800B. 3rd Armd Division, no change. XIX Corps. Continued attack against strong resistance. 28 Division launched counterattack on Gathemo T-5623. 29 Division mopped up resistance in St Germaine T-6227 and advanced slightly east and south against heavy fire including artillery. V Corps. 2 Division, no change. VII Corps, no change.

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 EISENHOWER COSITINTREP NUMBER 120 PART NAVAL. ACTION
 WAR DEPT NAVY DEPT AND CG ETOUSA WHO HAS. INFO CTF 125
 CTF 127.

A. GENERAL. DURING NIGHT 8TH/9TH PT BOATS ATTACKED
 SHIPPING IN CHANNEL ISLANDS AREA ENTERING ST HELIER
 ROADSTEAD TO PRESS HOLE ATTACKS. OWING TO FOG RESULTS OF
 TORPEDO FIRE WERE UNOBSERVED. EFFECTIVE GUNFIRE OBSERVED
 ON UPPER WORKS OF TYPE M SWEEPERS. 1 PT LOST.

B. ASSAULT AREA. MTB'S ATTACKED SMALL VESSEL ESCORTED BY
 6 R BOATS OFF HAVRE. VESSEL WAS SUNK. 1 R BOAT PROBABLY
 SUNK. 1 MTB SUPERFICIALLY DAMAGED. SPOTTING AIRCRAFT
 EX LEE-ON-SOLENT SUCCESSFULLY SHOT UP 2 ENEMY VESSELS.
 STORE SHIP INDESLEIGH AND HMS VESTAL DAMAGED BY UNDER-
 WATER EXPLOSIONS TODAY 10TH.

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C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 9TH AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	748626	184770	1006555
US	1016806	190996	1158239
TOTAL D PLUS 64	1765432	375766	2164794

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England
To: War Department.
DTG: 10/2240Z 10 August 1944.

NAVCOM London dated 102341B from Ramsay signed
Eisenhower COSITINTREP number 128 part Naval. Action WAR
Dept Navy Dept and CG ETOUSA who has. Info CTF 125 CTF 127.

A. General.

During night 8th/9th PT Boats attacked shipping
in Chenney Islands area entering St Helzer Roadstead to press
home attacks. Owing to fog results of torpedo fire were
unobserved. Effective gunfire observed on upper works of
type M sweepers. 1 PT lost.

B. Assault area. MTB's attacked small vessel es-
corted by 6 R Boats off Havre. Vessel was sunk. 1 R Boat
probably sunk. 1 MTB superficially damaged. Spotting aircraft
EX-Nor-On-Solent successfully shot up 2 enemy vessels. Store
ship Iddeleigh and HMS Oestal damaged by under water ex-
plosions today 10th.

C. Unloading figures to PM 9th August. Read in 3
columns.

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Total D plus 64	1765432	375766	2164794

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EISENHOWER. PART NAVAL. NAVCOM LONDON SENDS TO NAVY
AND WAR DEPARTMENTS. CG ETOUSA CTF 125 AND CTF 127
HAVE INFO.

- A. GENERAL. US M/V EZRA WESTON IN EBC 64 APD ESCORT
REGINA SUNK BY MINES OR TORPEDOES OFF TREVISE HEAD AT
2143/B. CONVOY OF 6 SHIPS HEADING FOR MERSEY ATTACKED
BY 5 US PT RESULTS NOT DEFINITELY OBSERVED OWING/LOW
TO
VISIBILITY BUT EXPLOSION WAS HEARD AFTER TORPEDOES HAD
BEEN FIRED. PT 509 MISSING FROM THE ACTION.
- B. ASSAULT AREA. BAA WAS ATTACKED BY EXPLOSIVE MOTOR BOATS
FROM 0245 TO 0500. NO DAMAGE REPORTED. OVER 40 EMBS*
DESTROYED. MT FORT YALE MINED 1 MILE SOUTH 56H BUOY AT
080900 REMAINED AFLOAT AND WAS TOWED JUNO AREA. HMS

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FROBISHER TORPEDOED AT 090715 WHILST AT ANCHOR OFF *Northbank road*
GOURSEILLES DAMAGED FORWARD PROBABLY CAPABLE 15 KNOTS.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 8TH AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	745835	184179	985569
US	1008369	189232	1051101
TOTAL D+83	1754204	373411	2035670

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PART NAVAL

A. GENERAL. AT APPROXIMATELY 0130/8 HMS RETALICK CONTROLLING 3 US PT BOATS DETECTED 4 R BOATS OFF CAP DANTIFER. THE PT BOATS ENGAGED AT CLOSE RANGE AND HITS WERE OBSERVED. THE ENEMY WITHDREW AT HIGH SPEED. COASTAL FORCE MINE LAYERS ALSO OFF CAP DANTIFER SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THEIR TASK ALTHOUGH SHELLED BY ETRETAT BATTERIES. NO CASUALTIES TO OUR FORCES.

B. ASSAULT AREA. NOTHING TO REPORT.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 7TH AUGUST

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	738015	181502	966694
US	991592	187094	1031311
TOTAL D PLUS 62	1729607	368596	1998005

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To: War Department
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 12733 9 August 1944

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SHGBI August 011615 action TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI info
21 Army Group AFHQ cite FHGBI MAAF for Bennett AFHQ Advance
SHAEF Main cite SHGBI 9th United States Army First United
States Army Group 12th United States Group FWD 12733.
Part One.

Para 1. Operations.

This is G-2 summary number 65. In Brittany previous
resistance crystallizing round main ports. Brest area
held by 2 parachute (2 regiments) bulk of 343 Infantry
Division and remaining elements 266 Infantry Division.
Still heavy resistance at St Malo but enemy being forced
back into fortress area. Fighting stiff north of Lorient
though defences possibly now pierced. Very little opposition
met on road to Angers. Slight enemy effort in Mayenne
presumably because very little 9 Panzer Division yet.

Note: Part two follows.

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

No : FWD 12733 9 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12733 DTG 091615 Aug.

Forward. Southwest of Vire on 363rd Infantry Division front enemy slowing our advance with road and bridge mining and roving self-propelled guns. In second army sector enemy fighting hard northeast Vire and in Mont Pincon area where he gave ground very reluctantly. In our bridgehead over Orne at Grimbois (T95) 12th SS Panzer Division still counter attacking hard. On Canadian Army front 89th Infantry Division has been forced back to Bretteville (V 05) in yesterday's offensive.

Movement. Little paid movement seen north of Saintes and Angouleme up to Loire. In southwest France Lyon and Dijon still active with movement towards Paris. Not sufficiently conclusive to appreciate divisional move in addition to 9 Panzer.

End of Part 2. Part 3 follows.

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

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Part 3 of FWD 12733 DTG 091615 Aug.

Division but possibility not excluded. Movement in
northeast France continues on fairly heavy scale and at
least one divisional move in progress from Pas De Calais
area.

Para 3 Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours
8 August 77830.

Para 4. General. In Brittany enemy being forced to
concentrate in port areas. Not believed Lorient very strong-
ly held. His main effort in Brittany will be to deny 's
Brest. Length of resistance here dependent largely on his
supply situation about which very little known.

On his southern flank enemy still trying to gather
forces to block Allied advance but wide area of Allied ad-
vance making task very difficult. Enemy is obviously at
present pinning his faith in his counter offensive from
area Mortain towards Avranches, which if successful would

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materially improve his position. Divisions involved are 1
and 2 SS Panzer Division, 2 and 116 Panzer Division, ele-
ments of 17 SS Panzer Grenadier Division and part of in-
fantry of 84 Corps on right. Northeast from Vire or Orne
enemy.

End of Part 3. Part 4 follows End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S
CO AAF
OPD
Adm. King
Col Park
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Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

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Retaining cohesion of his front by defence and re-
adjustment of his line. Failure of his counter offensive
in mountain area and of his defensive fighting east of
Orne will necessitate radical readjustment of his position
in Normandy. No signs at moment however, of any intention
to pull back.

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End.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department

Nr: S 57213 9 August 1944

To AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff signed Eisenhower
3 57213 this is USAF number 62.

Intelligence objectives in Soviet Zone of Occupation Germany such as research centers and experimental stations of immediate importance to us in order to utilize any German developments to intensify the attacks upon Japanese. Urgent action also required to forestall destruction of such objectives by Germans. To obtain all available information on new German weapons in all stages of development American and British officers must inspect these objectives on the spot.

Will you therefore cable Military Missions in Moscow instructing them to make following representation to Soviet General Staff immediately. Explain our interest in these objectives and our desire to examine them on the spot. Offer to send list these objectives to Moscow from London. Request permission for American and British officers to visit sites of objectives for thorough inspection and study. Offer to grant every facility to officers whom Soviet General Staff may wish to send to visit important intelligence targets in areas of Germany under American and British control. Since this is matter of greatest military importance to both United States and Great Britain request that Military Missions

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be instructed to handle, request urgently on highest level. |

End

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
CG AAF
OPD

Gen Bissell
Adm King
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To: War Department

No. G-021A 9 August 1944

From EXFOR Main signed Eisenhower COSITINTREP
addressees ref no G-021A 9 August 1944. COSITINTREP No
127, to O91200B.

Part 1. Land.

Section 1. Intelligence.

Identifications. By PW. 6 COY 989 GRT 8948. 1344
Aslt Gun Bn east of Orne. 1 TP 13300 Hy Flak Trg Bn U-065598.
301 Pz Abt (fel) 0756.

Section II Ground Operations.

Second British Army.

8th Corps. 9 Bde of 3 British Div Adv 0600 hrs to
area 655313 - Vaudry 6531-650320. 185 Bde with under Comd 3
Mon of 159 Inf Bde reverted to Comd 3 Brit Div. 15th Div.
Enemy counter attack forming up area 779390 dispersed by
arty fire. Hy fig continued also Estry 7437. Gds Armd Div
relieved. 11 Armd Div area Presles 7135 -7033 - Fongues
6835.

30 Corps. 131 Inf Bde of 7 Armd Div Conc area
Flessis Grimault 8444 preparatory to launching attack. 151

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Bde of 50 Div and 13/18 H of 8 Armd Bde moved area north of Plessis Grimault and took over def of village from 214 Bde of 43 Div. 43 Div continued mopping up area SW of Plessis Grimault. Lequesnes 8144 and village 833444 cleared of enemy by 1200 hrs.

12 Corps. During evening enemy made 2 further counter attacks which were repulsed by 176 Bde. During night bridge-head was reinforced by 197 Bde less 1 Bn, 158 Bde of 53 Div and 153 RAC of 34 Tk Bde. Counter attacks against bridge-head not continued this morning. Bdy between 12 and 30 Corps. As before to river Orne at 934436 thence all infl 12 Corps line of Orne to 982355 thence line of stream to rejoin existing Bdy at 025362.

First Cdn Army.

2 Cdn Corps. Adv continued 1400 hrs supported by serial bombardment and armour passed through Inf.

2 Cdn Inf Div. 6 Bde captured BM Ay sur Orne 0259-Fontenay Le Marmion - Rocquancourt. 4 Bde area Caillouet 0555 - high ground 0655 - Rd June 076560. 5 Bde captured Bretteville sur Laize 0553 and Conc that area.

3 Cdn Inf Div. 9 Bde moved area Urvill 0750- Haut Mesnil 0852 - Gouvik 0651. Div Hq 050605.

51 Inf Div. 153 Bde having captured Secqueville La Campagne 0959 pushed east through woods 1059 - 1159 - 1160 - 1050. Patrols reached Conteville 1257. Patrols reached east

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edge of woods. Woods 1058 occupied and patrols reached Conteville 1257. 4 Cdn Armd Div having passed through 2 Cdn Inf Div captured Cyntheaux 0754 - Haut Mesnil 0852 - Bretteville Le Rabet 1050 - Grainville 0949 - Langannerie 0949. Fwd elements Armour and Inf reached pt 195 (0846) and fighting continues in that area.

1 Polish Armd Div having passed through 51 Inf Div captured woods 1054 - 1055 and Cauvicourt 0952. Armour pushed fwd engaging enemy Armour area 118510. Armd patrols moving towards St Sylvain 1354. Div Hq 057625.

1 Corps. 146 Bde of 49 Div disposed area Bourguebus - Soliers 0762 - Four 0962 - Grentheville. 31 Tk Bde area 146 Bde and 0966 - 1066. Otherwise NTR.

Part II. Naval.

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addressees ref no 092329B 9 August 1944. COSITINTREP No 127.

A. General.

U.S. M/V Ezra Weston in EBD 64 and escort Regina sunk by mines or torpedoes off Trevoise Head at 082143.

Convoy of 6 ships heading for Jersey attacked by 5 U.S. PT, results not definitely observed owing to low visibility, but explosion was heard after torpedoes had been fired. PT 509 missing from the action.

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B. Assault Area.

BAA was attacked by explosive motor boats from
0245 to 0500 no damage reported, over 40 EMB's destroyed.

MT Fort Yale mined 1 mile south 56H buoy at 080900,
remained afloat and was towed Junc area.

EMS Frobisher torpedoed at 090715 whilst at anchor
off Courseilles, damaged forward probably capable 15 knots.

C. Unloading figures to PM 8th August.

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	748,835	184,179	985,569
U.S.	1,008,369	189,232	1,951,101
D. plus 63.	1,754,204/	373,411	2,036,670

End

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INFO : CCS
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To: War Department

Nr: GO 19A AI 540 9 August 1944

Part 1 - Land - Section A.

SHAEP COSITINTREP follows please pass to Navy Dept
from EXFOR Main signed Eisenhower. COSITINTREP addressees
ref no GO-19A 8 Aug 1944, COSITINTREP no 126 to 0812000B.

Section 1 - Intelligence.

Identifications.

By PW. 1 COY 19 SS PGR T-7337. 1 COY 989 GR
9147. 6 and 14 COYS 977 GR 9552. 2 COY 1056 GR U-047602.

Section 2 - Ground Operations.

Second British Army. VIII Corps.

15 Div. 227 Bde containing Bstry 7347. 6 GDS TK
Bde moved area 7543-7642.

3 Brit Div. 9 Bde attacking south met by opposition.
Line of fwd tps wood 665332 thence 33 northing grid.

XXX Corps.

50 Div 69 Bde concentrated area Ondfontaine 7948.

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151 Bde Area PT 138(8151). 231 Bde moving area south of
Robin 7653.

43 Div continued mopping up Montpincon feature.
214 Bde captured Le Plessis Grimault 8444.

7 Armd Div advanced south at first light. Progress
slow owing enemy infiltration back to Le Plessis Grimault
and to pockets enemy on generally east and west through
Les Mazures 8643. By 1200 hrs 2 leading colns had reached
850435 and 864437 respectively. Main Hq XXX Corps 796485.

XII Corps.

1900 hrs 176 Bde strongly attacked by enemy Inf and
Tks. By 2400 hrs situation in hand. 1 Bn 197 Bde and re-
mained 107 RAC moved across river during night. 56 Bde
Agran Le Malherne 8753. During morning 2 further strong
enemy counter attacks made against 176 Bde gained some
local successes on southern flank of bridgehead. Main Hq
XII Corps 883586.

First CDN Army.

II CDN Corps.

Corps with right 2 CDN Inf Div with under Comd
2 CDN Armd Bde and left 51 Inf Div with under comd 33
Armd Bd attacked south at 2330 hrs astride rd Caen-Falaise
preceded by very hy air attack.

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2 CDN Inf Div. 6 CDN Inf Bde captured Fontenay
Le Marçon 0358 at 0500 hrs and Ronquancourt 0558 at 0520
hrs. Strong opposition continues in May Sur Orne 0259.
4 CDN Inf Bde established area Caillouet 0555-high ground
0655 - X rds 076560.

51 Inf Div. 152 Inf Bde finally cleared Tilly
La Campagne 0760 at 1115 hrs after bitter fighting. 154
Inf Bde reached area Gramesnil 0856-Garcelles Suroquville
0858. 153 Inf Bde area Borguebus-Grnet Heville relieved by
146 Inf Bde of 49 Div.

4 CDN Armd Div concentrated area 0560 and Polish
Armd Div concentrated area 0761.

3 CDN Inf Div concentrated area north of Verrieres.
I Corps.

49 Div. 70 Inf Bde extended north to inter div
bdy in relief of 146 Inf Bde.

Build up. Belgians and Royal Netherlands Gps
landing today coming under comd First CDN Army for I Corps.

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Part 2 - Naval

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP
addresses 8 August 1944 COSITINTREP no 126.

A. General

At approximately 080120 HMS Retalick controlling
3 US PT boats detected 4 R Boats off Cap D' Antifer the
PT boats engaged at close range and hits were observed.
The enemy withdrew at high speed.

Coastal force minelayers also off Cap D' Antifer
successfully completed their task although shelled by
Etretat batteries. No casualties to our forces.

B. Assault Area

Nothing to report

C. Unloading figures to PM 7th August

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	738015	181502	966694
US	991592	187094	1,031,311
Total D plus 62	1,729,607	368,596	1,998,005

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Part 3. Air.

Hq ARAF from Leigh Mallory signed Eisenhower to
COSITINTREP addressees. Ref No AI 540, 9 August 1944.
COSITINTREP No. 126 to 2100 hours 7 August.

Total Sorties	2140
IX Air Force	306
Second TAF	1081
ADGB	753

Airborne Operations.

Total Sorties	100
9th TCG	61
38 Group	18
46 Group	21

Summary of targets.

1 railway centre, 3 railway bridges. 5 railway
facilities, 2 dumps, 19 other targets.

Claims: 3 Junkers 88, 1 Junkers 188. 2 unidentified
enemy aircraft and 19 flying bombs destroyed. 1 Junkers 88
damaged.

Losses: 5 Bombers and 9 Fighter/Fighter Bombers
destroyed. 4 Bombers and 13 Fighter/Fighter Bombers damaged.

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Details of operations;

Railway centres: 13 Spitfires on L-970016 by 250
GP, good.

Railway bridges: 36 Marauders on Corbie, 143 by
1000 GP, excellent. 34 Marauders on Nauvy Sur Loire, 259
by 5000 GP, good to excellent. 14 Marauders on Nogent Sur
Seine, 56 by 1000 GP, poor to good.

Railway facilities: 7 Mosquitoes on Dreux/L'Aigle/
Argentan, 28 by 500 MC, unobserved. 15 Mosquitoes on Nevers/
Montargis/Vierzon/Tours, 54 by 500 MC, excellent. 15
Mosquitoes on Paris/Epernay/Chalons/Sezanne/Vitry, 60 by
500 MC excellent. La Rochelle/La Roche/Wanes, 5 Mosquitoes,
10 by 500 MC, unobserved. 8 Typhoons on U-2823, railway
crossing, 14 by 500 GP, unobserved.

Dumps: 35 Mitchells on Livarot ammo dump, 280 by
500 MC, unobserved. 30 Bostons on La Folletierd D'Abenon,
117 by 500 MC, good.

Other targets: 8 Mosquitoes on Bretteville/Flers/
Sees/Lisieux woods, road, rail 32 by 500 MC, unobserved,
22 Mosquitoes on Seine crossing, 86 by 500 MC, good. 12
Typhoons on Vire/Flers/Domfront/Mortain Area tanks and met,
95 by 60 RP, Good. 8 Typhoons on T-5813, tanks and met,
64 by 60 RP, good. 8 Typhoons on Bretteville/Conde/Flers/
Flaise Area scattered met, 64 by 60 RP, fair. 16 Typhoons
on Mortain Area tanks and met, 95 by 60 RP, very good, 23
Typhoons on T-897468, def position 64 by 60 RP and 16 by
500 GP, unobserved. 12 Spitfires on R-080641, bridge, 66 by

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500 GP, fair to good. 10 Thunderbolts on 2-9502, forest, 7 by 500 GP, unobserved. 8 Thunderbolts on Aggers/Loudun/Rours/Lemens air strip K-3315, unobserved. 11 Thunderbolts on O-9076, flak position at L/P, 8 by 500 GP, good. 12 Thunderbolts on Mortain/Fouceres/Rennes/vitre Area, 7 by 500 GP, good. 9 Thunderbolts on R-4423, gun boats and H D artillery and boats, 14 by 500 GP, fair to good. 6 Mustangs and 213 Typhoons on battle front Mortain area tanks, 44 by 60 RP, 1157 by 60 RP, 16 by 1000 MC, 2 by 500 MC, very good. 12 Spitfires on Vire/Fiers/Mortain good trucks, 6 by 500 MC, fair. 36 Mustangs on Seine barges 72 by 1000 MC, good. 30 Typhoons on Mortain Area tanks and M/T, 44 by 500 MC, good.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets.

RAFBC

Total Sorties 164.

Summary of targets.

1 railway facility, 1 flying bomb dump, 1 dump, 1 other target.

Claims: Nil

Losses: 1 Stirling lost.

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Details of operations.

Railway facilities: 50 Halifaxes, 6 Lancasters
markers on Hazebrough, 206 tons, good.

Flying bomb dump: Foret De Nieppe, 4 Mosquitoes, 4
tons good.

Dumps: 4 Lancasters on Bois De La Houssiere Ammo.

Other targets: 29 Lancasters and 3 Mosquitoes on
Keroman near Lorient Port Area, 148 tons, good.

VIII Air Force.

Total Sorties	1652
Fortresses	559
Liberators	333
Fighters	750

Summary of targets.

1 railway bridge, 2 bridges. 10 dumps and 3 other
targets.

Claims: 1-0-3 air and 0-0-1 ground by Fighters.

Losses: 5 Fighters lost.

Details of Operations.

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Railway bridges: 15 Liberators on Frevent, 60 tons,
good.

Bridge: 36 Fortresses on Nantfull, 106.5 tons, unknown.
37 Liberators on Doullens, 147.5 tons, very good.

Dumps: 12 Fortresses on St Ouen fuel, 22.8 tons,
unknown. 25 Fortresses on St Florentine fuel, 62.2 tons,
unknown. 34 Fortresses on St Loubes fuel, 84.3 tons, unknown.
71 Fortresses on Nontbartier fuel, 177.5 tons, unknown. 26
Fortresses on Sens Pol, 64 tons, unknown, 24 Fortresses on
Dugny oil, 72 tons, unknown. 23 Fortresses on Bourron Mariotte
oil. 56.6 tons, unknown. 9 Liberators on Langeburgee oil, 23.3
tons, good. 11 Liberators on Riems Estveld oil, 26 tons, good.
23 Liberators on Reques S/Course fuel 69 tons, good.

Other targets: 24 Liberators on Saleux tanks, 75.5
tons, very good. 112 aircraft on 10 T/O, 285.3 tons,
unobserved to good. 271 Thunderbolts on N and E Paris rail
transport, 207 by 250 GP and 105 by 500 GP, unobserved.

Enemy air operations.

From incomplete reports. Sightings were very meagre
with only 1 large sighting of 27 Fockewulf 190's at Chartres
A/F where our Fighters claimed 3-0-0. Overall sightings
amounted to 34 plus E/A for claims of 7-0-1, all in the
air. Radar plottings indicated 1 patrol of 6 E/A in the
Amiens area shortly after 1500 hours.

Flying bombs were active only from 2100 hours to
1100 hours and of the 91 plotted only 16 reached their intended

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London, England

No. AI-540 9 August 1944

designations 91 flying bombs were launched, 47 made landfall
and 16 penetrated to the greater London Area.

Part IV.

No. FWD-12719, 9 August 1944

From SHAEF FWD signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP
addressees. Ref no FWD 12719, 9 August 1944 cite SEGCT
COSITINTREP No. 126 to 082100B August. Last Part IV issued
was number 122.

Sabotage of munitions train reported at Lalque
(Landes) on 22 July, 1944. 22 trucks of explosives blew
up destroying 47 other coaches. Railway lines reported
temporarily cut include Capdenac - Toulouse, Chalons -
Rheims, Brioude - La Puy Limoges - Montauban, Besancon -
Belfort and Besancon - Dole. Line Besancon - Vdsoul reported
officially closed by Germans following the derailment of 5
trains at Auxon on 20 July, 30 petrol tank wagons reported
successfully attacked in Jura, and 40 in Haute Saone.

Marne- Saone canal reported out of action following
destruction of lock at Maxilly. Sabotage of telecommunica-
tions continues throughout France. French forces of the
Interior report capture of 2,280,000,000 Francs belonging to
Banque de France in an attack on a train in Dordogne.

Since 4 August 1944, 171 Special Air Service Troops,
3 Jedburgh teams, 2 operational groups, 14 Jeeps and 396
tons of arms and ammunition have been dropped in France from

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England. In addition, 1 Jedburgh team and 21 Commando troops have been sent from North Africa. Totals since D-D including operations from North Africa:

946 Special Air Service Troops
28 Jedburgh Teams
8 Operational Groups
41 Jeeps, and
4,420 tons of arms and ammunition.

From 12th Army Group from Bradley signed Eisenhower to COSITINTREP addresses Q-20122 9 August 1944. COSITINTREP No. 127

Part I. Land. Section B 081200B August. Intelligence.

Third Army. Heavy resistance north of Lorient. No organized resistance advance toward Angers. Elements 851 Regt reported vicinity Commana W-3599 and 852 Regt north of Brest.

First Army. German armored counterattack contained and little enemy resistance encountered Mayenne. Two SS Panzer Regt, 304 Panzer Gren Regt, 2 Panzer Regt contacted Mortain vicinity. 728 Regt northeast Mayenne.

Operations.

Third Army. Command Posts as follows.

VIII Corps. 6 Armd Div R-1418. 4 Armd Div H-2509.
83 Division S-8607. XV Corps. 5 Armd Division Y-8332. 79
Division Z-0832 90 Division Y-8748.

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No. Q-20122 9 August 1944

XX Corps. 5 Division Y-3346.

Third Army. Front lines as follows:

VIII Corps. Task force leading Elms R-6013.

XV Corps. 5 Armd Division Combat Command A at KK-2222.
Combat Command B at K-2328. 90 Division to vicinity Z-1545
and Z-0148.

First Army.

VII Corps. 30 Division T-6605 - T-5910 - T-5810 -
T-5814 - T-5615. 4 Division T-5615 - T-5417 - T-5520. 9
Division T-5520 - T-5523 - T-5624.

VI Corps. 28 Division T-5624 - T-5826 - T-6028.
29 Division T-6227 - T-6429

V Corps. 2 Divisions leading elements in Vire.

Third Army

VIII Corps. 6 Armd Division advance continued west
and turned south to area St Renan Q-8505 - Guipavas R-0204
north of Brest. 4 Armd Division advanced through Landevant
G-9121 and Plouay W-7639 towards Lorient.

8 Division. 1 Battalion ordered to Brest. 83 Division
continues advance toward Dinard S-7513. Leading elements
outskirts of St Malo S-7814.

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XV Corps. 5 Armd Division continued advance in two columns on Le Mans Z-4036. 79 Division continued advance to east and reached vicinity Loue Z-1435. 90 Division Forward Elements moved east through Torce - EN - Charnie Z-0647.

XX Corps. 35 Division advancing east from vicinity St Hilarie Du Tarcourt T-4703. Forward Elements at T-6600. 5 Division closed in area south of Vitre at Y-3239. Elements advanced to west of Angers O-7880. 2 Frence Armd Division remained at vicinity St James Y-3098.

XII Corps. 80 Division enroute to area vicinity Vitre Y-3553.

First Army.

VII Corps. Bitter fighting against strong enemy armored forces continued. 1st Division consolidated positions Mayenne area and conducted vigorous patrolling to secure crossing on Mayenne river. 30 Division continued to occupy high ground east and west of Mortain T-5810 against heavy resistance. Combat command B 2nd Armd Division advanced on Gert - 6913. 3rd Armd Division elements occupied hill vicinity T-6709. 9 Division continued to repulse small enemy counter attack and reorganize positions. Attack resumed at 1100B. 4 Division no change.

XIX Corps. Continued advance to the south. 28 Division repulsed strong counter attack during the night. 29 Division advanced against moderate resistance. 2nd Armored Division enroute to Barenton T-6605.

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V Corps. 2nd Division elements relieved 29 Division
in Vire.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CC/S
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To: War Department.
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.
Nr: FWD 12701 8 August 1944

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SHGBI 081700 Aug 4th to TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI for info
EXPOR AFHQ cite FHGBI AEF for Bennett AFHQ Advance SHAEF
Main cite SHGBI Ninth United States Army, First United
States Army Group, Twelfth United States Army Group FWD 12701.
This is G-2 summary number 64.

Operations. In Brittany resistance still mainly in
form mining and demolitions. St. Brieu, Vannes and Cancale
reported entered without encountering enemy.

Enemy still offering strong resistance St Malo.
Elements 2nd Parachute Division identifies Vitre (Y 35).
Mayenne area 9th Panzer Division identified. In Mortain
sector enemy launched strong counter attack with at least
1st SS Panzer, 2nd SS Panzer, 2nd Panzer and 116th Panzer
Divisions in.

(End of Part 1, Part 2 follows).

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S OPD
CG AAF Adm King

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

No: FWD 12701 8 August 1944

Part 2 of FWD 12701 DTG 081700 Aug.

Determined effort to reach sea. Attempt failed badly and sizeable elements trapped area Juvigny Rherence Lu Mesnil (T51). Air forces claim 80 tanks plus self propelled guns destroyed. Mortain now in Allied hands again containing other enemy elements cut off.

On 2nd Army front enemy fallen back from his salients at Aunay and northeast of Vire in spite of fierce counter attacks. Line considerably straightened. Our troops on Orne extending bridgehead across river in forced grimost in face counter attacks from 12 SS Panzer Division. On Canadian Army front enemy Infantry reacting strongly to our thrusts south of Caen. Evidence stronger elements 711 Infantry Division. Reinforced 272nd Infantry Division which has moved into sector vacated by 12.

(End of Part 2, Part 3 follows).

End

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

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Rr: FWD 12701 8 August 1944

Cipher part 3 of FWD 12701 DTG 081700 Aug.

SS Panzer Division.

Prisoner of War stated attack from Mortain area due to begin 2300 hours 6th August but could not start owing non arrival tanks. Attack to be resumed today with 1 SS and 116 Panzer Divisions and 2 Infantry Divisions.

2. Movement. Air reconnaissance north of Seine shows movement towards battle area continues. One movement suggests 18 German Air Force Divisions might be involved. Movement from southwest France decreasing. Very little now available from this area to come.

3. Channel Islands. Garrison of Channel Islands under Major General Von Schmeltow, GOC 319. Infantry Division, estimated as follows:

Jersey 10,500, Guernsey

Part 4 follows.

ACTION: G-2

End

INFORMATION: CC/S Adm King
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No: FWD 12701 8 August 1944

Part 4 of FWD 12701 DTG 061700 Aug.

13,500,
Alderney 4500,
Total 28,500.

Breakdown of figures for 3 islands in above order:

Elements 319 Infantry Division	3600, 6500, 1000;
Attached combatant units, Engineers, etcetera	1000, 1000, 900;
Coast Defence artillery	1500, 2500, 600;
Flak	2000, 2000, 1500;
Naval and Radar	600, 700, 500;

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No: FWD 12701 8 August 1944

Russians 1800,
800,
Nil.

Coast defence guns heavy
and medium 21,
40,

Light 15;
20,
30,

Heavy Flak Guns Nil;
30,
36,
24.

(End of Part 4, Part 5 follows).

End

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INFORMATION: CC/S Adm King
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Part 5 of FWD-12701 DTG 081700 August.

No signes enemy intends evacuation of islands and
at present owing lack of shipping he is more or less marooned
there.

4. Prisoners of War.

A. Accumulative total passed through reception
camp and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 7th August 76954.

B. Prisoners of War from 363rd Infantry Division
very poor type and division stated to consist of 30 percent
foreigners.

5. General. Our mobility in Brittany Peninsula
has resulted in enemy nests of resistance being by passed.
Enemy is evidently now trying to concentrate his forces in
northern half of peninsula for defense of Brest. Perimeter
likely to be held by equivalent about 2 divisions, combatant
troops with other oddments. Enemy efforts to.

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

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Part 6 of FWD 12701 DTG 081700 Aug.

Form blocking conditions on his southern flank be-
ginning to take shape with presumably 265th Infantry Division
elements covering St Nazaire and Nantes, then battle group
of elements of various divisions driven back from Avranches
Area south of Renneo, 708th Infantry Division evidently strike
Laval with 9th Panzer Division coming up into position to
block our eastward drive from Mayenne. These forces very
scattered and insufficient to halt our progress. Majority
lack mobility. On main battle front enemy main object to cut
across from Mortain to Avranches with strong forces frustrated.
Probable efforts will be continued but enemy will be forced
to watch his immediate left flank in this area and cannot
afford to risk.

End.

End of part 6. Part 7 follows.

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INFORMATION: CC/S
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Part 7 of FWD 12701 DTG 081700 Aug. Part 7 and last.

Strong Allied Forces operating beyond Doyfront.
Failure of his counter attacks will mean readjustment and
withdrawal in this sector. Only Mobile Reserve believed
to exist on main front is 10 SS Division, and part 12
SS Division which probably all now committed. Evidence
of strained supply situation particularly certain types of
ammunition.

End

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To : War Department.

Nr : Q 20103 8 August 1944

From Twelfth Army Group from Bradley signed Eisenhower
COSITINTREP addressees ref nr Q-20103, 8 August 1944.

COSITINTREP no 126 Part 1 - Land, Section B
Intelligence

Organized resistance in 8 Corps sector at
Huelgoat (W-4991) and St Malo continues. No enemy reported
St Brieuc, Vannes, Cancale. 1000 Naval Troop Regements,
2 Para, 343 Infantry, 266 Infantry Divisions believed in
Fortress of Brest. Elements of 17 SSPG, 2 Panzer, 2 SS
Panzer, 116 Panzer and 1 SS Panzer division counter attacked
against Mortain - T-5520 in VII Corps sector. 10 P G Regiment
of 9 Panzer Division identified southwest Mayenne.

Operations

Third Army

Command posts as follows

VIII Corps S-9000.

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6 Armd Division W-6290.
4 Armd Division H-1707.

XV Corps Y-5552.

5 Armd Division J-7028.
79 Division Y-5656.
90 Division Y-6572.

XX Corps Y-4199.

5 Division Y-3239.
35 Division T-4800.
2 French Armd Division T-3101.

VII Corps T-2325.

Third Army

Front lines as follows

VIII Corps.

6 Armd Division. Combat Command A R -3901.
Combat Command B R -0918.
4 Armd Division. Combat Command A H -1012.
Combat Command B W -9737.
83 Division S-8212 - 8416.

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XV Corps.

5 Armd Division. Southeast Laval Y-6946.
79 Division Laval Y-6946.
90 Division elms at Y-7262 - Y-7760 - Y-8853.

XX Corps.

5 Division Y-3239.
35 Division T-4800.
2 French Armd Division, T-3101.

First Army.

VII Corps.

1 Division Y-8472 - Y-8476 - Y-8082.
30 Division Y-6008 - T-5811 - T-6012.
4 Division north and west Le Mesnil Tove
T-5216.
9 Division T-5123 - T-5525 - T-5527.

XIX Corps.

28 Division T-5525 - T-5929.
29 Division T-5929 - T-6131 - Vire T-6331.
Second Armd Division area T-4516.

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V Corps.

2 Division area North Vire.

Third Army.

VIII Corps.

6 Arm'd Division Combat Command A continued advance to the west. Combat Command B advanced to outskirts Lesneven R-0918.

4 Arm'd Division Combat Command A advancing west from Vanes toward Lorient G-7221. Combat Command B continued advance to west reaching area northwest Baud W-9933.

8 Division no change.

83 Division continued attack on St Malo.

XV Corps.

5 Arm'd Division by passed Laval Y-6845 blocking exits and approaches. All elms east of Mayenne River.

79 Division followed 5 Arm'd Division into Laval. Crossed Mayenne River at change Y-6749 and Laval.

90 Division. Moving in 2 column across Third Army boundary.

XX Corps.

5 Division moved south to concentration

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area, south of Vire.

35 Division continued movement south and
reached concentration area.

2 French Armd Division reached concentration
area.

VII Corps.

80 Division continued unloading.

First Army.

VII Corps.

1 Division. Advanced southeast with
Combat Command A,

3 Armd Division attacked. Liberated Ambieres-
La-Grand Y-8082 without meeting organized resistance. Elms
advanced east to T-8476.

30 Division, Combat Command B
3 Armd Division attacked 0730B. Division re-
lieved 1 Div vicinity Mortain at 1800B. Enemy counterattack
from east occupied Mortain. Division still holds high ground
north, west and east of the town. Heavy fighting vicinity
Barenton T-6505 with confused situation existing west of
Mortain to area T-5317.

3 Armd Division (less combat command B) no
change.

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4 Division moved from assembly area to a
defensive position.
9 Division continued attack against
stubborn and sporadic resistance. Advanced slowly to area
east of T-5324. St Pois T-4922 liberated.

XIX Corps.

28 Division advance continues against
moderate fire of all types.
29 Division attacked at 1800B liberated
Vire.
2 Armed Division (less Combat Command A)
attached to VII Corps at 1000B.

V Corps.

2 Division pinched out by 29 Division and
regrouping area northwest Vire.

End.

ACTION: OPD
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August COSITINTREP number 125.

Part I. Land, section B.

1. Intelligence.

Advances continued on all fronts. Resistance still strong vicinity St Malo but disorganized on remainder Third Army Front. Stubborn sectors using extensive mining tactics. P/W from 2nd Battalion 748 Regt taken at Laval. P/W from 1st and 2nd Bn 1051st Regt captured VII Corps Front.

VIII Corps identified 11th Panzer Ersatz Battalion, 919th Anti-tank Battalion, 2nd Para Repl Battalion, 602nd OST Battalion, 375th and 406th Ersatz Battalion and 49th Ersatz

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MTW Infantry Battalion.

Operations. Third Army. VIII Corps.

Sixth Armd Division Command Post W 7876.
CCA Gourin W 5866.
CCB Hoelgoat W 091.

Fourth Armd Division CCA Vannes H 1707.
CCB H 6606.

Eighth Division Recce Troop at Chateaubriant Y 2108.

Fifth Armd Division Command Post Y 6273.
CCA closed in area southeast of Vitre Y 3653.
CCB no change.

XV Corps.
79th Division Command Post Y 5557.
90th Division Command Post Landivy Y 5092.

XX Corps Command Post T 4099.
Corps concentrating vicinity Vitre Y 3653.

Second French Armd.
Moving south to vicinity Les Lyges T 2658.

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First Army. VII Corps.
First Division closing on Mayenne Y 8171.
Ninth Division front line 5418-5020-5425-5527.
Thirtieth Division assembling vicinity Mortain T 580.

XXIX Corps.
Twenty-eighth Division front line 5527-5828-6029.
Twenty-ninth Division front line 6130-6331.
Army Group boundary revised and extended as follows:

RJ at T 6434-Vire (T 6331)-Tinchebray (T 7424)-St Clair Dhalouse (T 8213)-Le Chateaillier (T 8512) (both to 21st Army Group)-La Coulonche (T 9509)-Ranes (U 1207)-Sees (Q 4328)-Moulins La Marche (Q 6632) all to 12th Army Group-Verneuil (R 0038)-Dreux (R 3235)-Mantes Gassicourt (R 6061) all to 21st Army Group.

Boundary between armies extended as follows:

Le Mans Z 3937-Montmirail V 8469 (both to Third Army)-Brou W 1278-Chartres R 3902 (both to First Army).

From the capture of Mayenne by Third Army the following temporary boundary will be in force:

Savigny Le Vieux Y 5097 (to Third Army)-La Doree Y 5688-Lavare Y 5985-Brece Y 6982-Chatillon Sur Colmont Y 7176-RJ at Y 8474 (all to First Army.)

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Upon relief by elements of the First Army, Third Army troops will promptly move south of permanent boundary. For the capture of Le Mans by Third Army the following temporary boundary will be in force:

Montsurs Y 8452 (to Third Army) Parennes Z 1249 (to First Army)-Tennie Z 2048 (to Third Army)-Conlie Z 2449-Jous L'Abbe V 4173 (both to First Army). Upon the capture of Le Mans the permanent boundary becomes effective.

First Army rear boundary revised as follows:

Road N 172 from boundary between armies-St Lo T 4962-Army Group boundary.

Third Army. VIII Corps.
Sixth Armd Div. Continued advance to west.
CCA to Gourin W 5866.
CCB to Huelgoat W 5091.

Fourth Armd Div CCA at Vannes H 1707.
CCB at H 6606.

J 2108. Eighth Division forward elements reached Chateaubriant
Eighty-third Division leading elements at S 8812.

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A task force captured Chateauneuf S 8505 driving north and advance to S 8910 and S 8497.

XV Corps.

Seventy-ninth Division elements advance to Laval Y 6945 followed by remainder of Division moving southeast from Fougeres Y 3818.

Fifth Armd Div no change.

Nintieth Division no change.

VII Corps.

Eightieth Division unloading.

XX Corps no change.

First Army. VII Corps.

St Pois T 5022 liberated.

Fourth Division mopped up isolated resistance.

Ninth Division advanced against increasingly strong resistance.

Third Armd Div no change.

XXIX Corps.

Second Armd Division CCB advanced against stiff resistance on the corps right followed by the 28th Division.

Twenty-ninth Division and CCA 2nd Armd Division continued attack on Vire against strong resistance, attack slowed by heavy minefields covered by enemy arty and mortar

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fire.

Twentieth-eighth Division no change.

V Corps being pinched out by attack on 29th Corps on Vire from the west.

Second Division still in the line.

Thirty-fifth Division moving to vicinity T 3629 and to control of Third Army.

End

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CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, 12th United States Army Group

No : FWD 12671 7 August 1944

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Group 12th United States Army Group FWD 12671. This is
G 2 summary number 63.

In Brittany and in Laval Mayenne area battle
still fluid though enemy now trying to collect himself.
(Previous para 1 operations). Hard fighting in progress for
St Malo. Our troops entered Pontivy, Carhaix, Vannes and
Redon. Identifications include 708th Infantry Division
elements at Laval. Rest of division said to be coming up.
Units 158th Training Division in Brittany. Exact area not
known but believed Chateauneuf.

(End of cipher part 1 part 2 follows).

End

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INFORMATION: CC/S OPD Col Park
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CG, 12th Army Group
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No: FWD 12671 7 August, 1944

Part two of FWD 12671 DTG 071830 Aug.

(S80). East of Mortain enemy attempting to prevent our progress while he straightens his line to the northeast. Two SS Panzer Corps reluctant to give ground east of Vire.

89th Infantry Division identified east of Orne between 271 and 272 Infantry Divisions, thus presumably releasing one SS Panzer Division for more mobile operations. Enemy guns east of river reported to be pulling back and he is hanging on Thury Harcourt, north of which we are across Orne. Enemy defense line forming along high ground northeast from Thury Harcourt Bretteville (V05) St Silvain (V15) thence river Guance.

2. Movements. Continued activity on line

End of Part two part three follows.

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Cipher Part 3 of FWD 12671 DTG 071830 Aug.

Amiens Montdidier possibly connected with move down of Infantry division from Pas De Calais or further. Heavy traffic continues north from Lyons Dijon probably 9th Panzer Division. Military trains on line Bordeaux Saumur possibly connected move 708th Infantry Division and other from southwest. Decreased activity Nimes Avignon.

3. Age groups SS Divisions in Normandy. Analysis of prisoners of war from 6th SS Panzer/Panzer Grenadier Divisions in Normandy shows in all divisions 75 to 80 per cent under 21 years old except in 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Division where percentage 66 per cent. All have 80 percent unseasoned troops except 9 and 10 SS Panzer Divisions where most personnel saw 3 weeks.

End of Part 3, Part 4 follows.

End

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CG, 12th Army Group.
CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, Caserta, Italy.

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Part 4 of FWD 12671 DTG 071830 Aug.

Fighting at Ternopol last spring. Percentage of foreigners very low except in 2 SS Panzer (Alsations) and 17 SS Panzer Grenadier (Rumanians). Divisions well equipped and have fought well, though 2 SS Panzer and 17 SS Panzer Grenadier probably superior to the others, and 17 SS Panzer Grenadier now in very reduced state. Divisional commanders extremely young, youngest 32 and oldest 38.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours 6 August 74487.

5. General. In Brittany. Enemy carrying out policy of delaying action and denial of ports.

(End of part 4 part 5 follows).

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CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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In hope counter action by his main forces further east will rectify situation, but lack of mobility making this task difficult. Appreciate hard fighting for ports. On his open flank in area Mayenne Laval enemy attempting to form blocking positions to prevent our advance east and south. For this purpose 708th Infantry Division thrown into breach and presumably 9th Panzer Division not far off. Relief of Armour in area southeast of Caen suggests enemy has more important tasks for part at least of 1 SS Panzer Corps, but still necessary for enemy to hold firm right flank in order to safeguard his whole position.

Probable at least 2 more Infantry Divisions on their way from north of Seine, with possibly more to come. Enemy regards present battle in Normandy as decisive and probably prepared to take considerable risks in other areas to provide reinforcements.

End

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Part I Land:

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Section I. Intelligence.

Identifications.

By PW 2 Coy 959 GRT 617342, 6 Coy 9 SS PS
Regt 7240, Elements 21 SS PGR 6934, 6 Coy 751 GR 7944.

326 Pd Reinforcement Bn 8042, 5 Coy 986
GR 825484, 8 Coy 991 GR 9351, 1056 GR U-047602, 3 Bn 711
GR U-1161, 5 Coy 731 GR 1465, 3 Coy 346 Engr Bn 143709,
by deserters.

3 and 4 Coys 989 GR T-8747, 7 and 8 Coys
857 GR U-138740 by contact.

2 Bn 959 GR 5933 6 Coy 977 GR west Foret De
Grimbosq by undated captured document 4 Coy 9 SS PZ Regt T-7038.

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Second Brit Army. 8 Corps.

11 Armd Div 1930 hrs enemy counter attacked from south in direction of Burcy 6934 and gained initial success. Ground lost has been retaken.

GDS Armd Div. 1600 hrs 5 Coldm GDS attacked and captured Le Busq 7337 in face of heavy opposition.

15 Div 227 Bde continued attack on Estru 7437 against strong opposition. Enemy still holds southern half of village 46 Bde crossed river and occupied high ground 7940 and captured Lassy 7939.

3 Brit Div attacked south with 9 and 185 Bdes supported by 4 Armd Bde and reached La Londe 6333 - 6733 and Le Croisel 6933 - Le Bas Ferrier 7233 respectively 6 8 Bde conc area La Bistiere 6637.

30 Corps.

43 Div 129 and 130 Bdes supported by 8 Armd Bde continued adv on Mont Pincon 8345 against heavy resistance. By 2100 hrs and after heavy fighting 13/18 H were established on feature followed by 4 Wilts of 129 Bde mopping up continued during night, during the morning 214 Bde relieved 129 Bde. Enemy still hold eastern slopes of Mont Pincon La Tourpiniere. 8246 - Camesnil 8147.

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7 Armd Div attacked south at 0330 hrs by
9030 hrs 131 Inf Bde reached escarpment south of Mallee 8747
and pt-331 (8646).

12 Corps.

1845 hrs 176 Bde attacked across Orne.
By last light 2 Bns were across river. By 0700 hrs the whole
Bde across and counter attack repulsed 1 sqn tks adv across
river and Br established 951520 by 0830 hrs 177 Bde attacked
south against enemy west of Thury Harcourt but little progress
made in face of strong opposition. 197 Bde area St Agnan
Le Malherbe 8753 Hq 59 Div 878543.

First Cdn Army. 2 Cdn Corps.

4 Cdn Armd Div relieved by 51 Inf Div and
conc area Vaucelles 0466. 153 Bde relieved 10 Cdn Inf Bde
area Borguebus - Grentheville 154 Bde area 0565. 33 Armd Bde
under comd 51 Div. Hq 51 Div 053642. 2 Cdn Armd Bde under
comd 2 Cdn Inf Div.

1 Corps.

31 Tk Bde under comd 49 Div conc area
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Part II. Naval.

From Ramsay signed Eisenhower. Ref No 072333B August
1944.

A. General:

MTBS referred to in my COSITINTREP No 124
off St Malo sank one trawler and one TLC which was left
burning, is believed to have blown up.

B. Assault Area:

The hospital carrier Amsterdam was sunk
by mine 4 miles NNE of Arromanches at 0747 today while
returning to UK 74 personnel unaccounted for.

On the night 5th/6th, MTB'S damaged 2 R-boats
south of Cap La Heve.

Mines were laid by enemy aircraft on a small
scale.

C. Unloading figures to PM 6th August:

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	732823	179595	942597
US	978067	185779	996307
Total D plus 61	1710890	365374	1938904

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Part III. Air.

From HQ AEAF. Leigh Mallory signed Eisenhower.
Ref No. AI 538, 7 August 1944. From 2100 hrs 5 August 59
2100 hrs 6 August.

Total sorties:	1934
9th AF:	103
2nd TAF:	1096
ADGB:	735
Airborne:	109
38 Group:	76
46 Group:	36

Summary of targets:

1 bridge, 1 ammo dump, 10 other targets.

Claims: 2 Dornier 271, 3 Focke-Wulf 190, 2
Messerschmidt 109 destroyed; 1 Dornier 217, 1 Focke-Wulf 190
damaged.

Losses: 2 bombers, 8 Fighter/fighter bombers
destroyed, 1 Fighter/fighter bomber damaged.

Details of Operations:

Bridges: 12 Spitfires on Q-7858006 500 MC poor.

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Dumps: 19 Mitchells on Livarot (Ammo) 152 500
MC unobserved.

Other targets:

24 Typhoons on Seine barges 40 5 good,
8 Mustangs on R-3083 barges 32 500 MC good.
62 Mosquitoes and 16 Bostons on Le Main/
Tours/Anger/Laval enemy movements 173 500 MC, 20 500 MC
and 494 40 is good,

14 Typhoons on Bretteville/Falaise/Fliers
M/T 94 60 RP fair,

32 Spitfires on Falaise/Argentan/Bernay/
L'Aigle/Alencon M/T 30 500 MC good,

80 Typhoons on Army support guns, tanks,
batteries, 396 60 RP, 46 500 and 4 1000 MC fair/good,

23 Mustangs on Mezidon M/Y trucks lines
46 1000 MC fair/good,

36 Mustangs on Seine barges 70 1000 MC and
2 500 MC good,

54 Mitchells on S of Thury Harcourt (T-9841)
tank harbour in wood 404 500 MC good,

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8 Thunderbolts on armoured cover M/T tanks
18 500 GP good.

Summary of other commands on OVERLORD targets:

R.A.F.B.C: Total sorties: 264

Summary of targets: 2 flying bomb dumps.

Claims: nil

Losses: 4 bombers.

Details of operations:

105 Halifaxes, 8 Lancasters and 5 Mosquitoes
on Foret De Nieppe 394.5 good,

99 Lancasters, 5 Mosquitoes, 1 Lightning on
Bois De Cassan 218.5 good.

During the night of 5/6 August, 4 E/A were
sighted over the beach head area.

14 E/A were reported as having been encountered
during the day of 6 August, principally in the Argentan area.

Overall claims of A.E.A.F. Total 11-0-8.

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According to radar plottings, 1 E/A operated east of Flushing on a defensive patrol, and 1 E/A was on a reconnaissance patrol north of the Shetlands.

Flying bomb activity was on a greater scale than in the previous 24 hour period. As has been the case in the past, a larger number were destroyed before reaching their intended destinations.

Flying bombs: 130 plotted, 87 overland, 32 over greater London area.

Claims: 41 destroyed by fighters, 15 by AA fire, 4 by balloons.

8th A. F:
Total sorties: 1872 (568 Fortresses, 536 Liberators, 768 Fighters).

Summary of targets: 2 modified sites.

Claims: 0-2-6 by bombers, 3 1-0-5 air by fighters, 2-0-5 ground by fighters.

Losses: 17 Fortresses, 11 Liberators, 8 Fighters.

Details of Operations: Modified launching sites; 11 Liberators on Mont Couvaire 26.5 tons poor, 13 Liberators on St George-sur-Fontaine 31.5 tons good.

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Enemy Air Operations from 2100 hours 5 August to 2100
hours 6 August 1944.

Visual sightings from 1600.2100 hours 5 August
indicate that an additional 1⁵ E/A were active over
Avranches-Bricy and the Mayenne area.

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"FOLLOWING SUMMARY NAVAL RECON PARTY FOR GRANVILLE-ST MALO COMPOSED 60 OFFICERS AND MEN WITH CAPTAIN NORMAN S IVES IN CHARGE. ENTERED GRANVILLE WITHOUT INCIDENT 1 AUGUST ARMY HAVING BY PASSED. DEPARTED GRANVILLE 021200 HAVING RECEIVED WORD THAT ST MALO HAD FALLEN. 5 MILES WEST PONTORSON ENCOUNTERED 2 GERMAN INFANTRY/MEN/CONVOY STOPPED ADVANCED PARTY DEPLOYED ALONG FRONT WITH ADEQUATE CONCEALMENT BUT NO COVER. FRONTAL AREA EXTENDED 200 YDS EACH SIDE OF ROAD. DEPLOYMENT FOR PURPOSE PREVENTING SURPRISE ATTACK AND PROVIDE COVER FOR MAIN BODY WITHDRAWAL.

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From 12th Army Group from Bradley signed Eisenhower
to COSITINTREP addresses, passed to WAR by SHAEF. Ref No:
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Part I. Land. Intelligence.

Advances continue on all fronts. Resistance still
strong vicinity St Malo but disorganized on remainder Third
Army Front. Stubborn sectors using extensive mining tactics.

P/W from 2nd Battalion 748 Regt taken at Laval.
P/W from 1st and 2nd Bn 1051 Regt captured VII Corps
front.

VIII Corps identified 11th Panzer Ersatz Battalion,
919 Anti-tank Battalion, 2nd Para Repl Battalion, 602 Ost
Battalion, 375 and 406 Ersatz Battalion and 49 Ersatz Mtn
Infantry Battalion.

Operations Third Army VIII Corps.

Sixth Armd Division Command Post W 7876. CCA Gourin
W 5866. CCB Hoelgat W 091. Fourth Armd Division CCA Vannes
H 1707. CCBH 6501 Eighth Division Recce Troop at Chateaubriant
Y 2108. Fifth Armd Division Command Post Y 6273. CCA closed
in area southeast of Vitre Y 3653. CCB no change.

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XV Corps. 79th Div Command Post Y 557. 90th Div
Command Post Landile Y 5092.

XX Corps Command Post T 4099. Corps concentrating
vicinity Vitre Y 3653. 2nd French Arm. Moving south to
vicinity Les Lopes T 2658.

First Army. VII Corps.

First Div closing on Mayenne Y 8171. 9th Div front
line 5418-5020-5425-5527. 30 288-889. -3 Bling vicinity
Mortain T 580.

XXIX Corps. 28th Div front line 5527-58286029. 29th
Div front line 6130-6331. Army group boundary revised and
extended as follows:

RJ at T 6434-Vire (T 6331)-Tinchebray (T 7424)-St
Clair Dhalouse (T 8213)-Lechateillier (T 8512) (Both to
21 Army Group)-La Coulonche (T 9509)-Ranes (U 1207) -Sees
(Q 4328)-Moulins La Marche (Q Y6632) all to 12th Army Group-
Verneuil (R 0038)-Dreuc (R 3235)-Mantes Gassicour (R 6061)
all to 21st Army Group.

Boundary between Armies extended as follows:

Le Mang Z 3937-Montmirail V 8469 (both to Third
Army)-Brou W 1278-Chartres R 3902 (both to First Army).

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From the capture of Mayenne by Third Army the following temporary boundary will be in force:

Savigny Le Vieux Y 5097 (to Third Army) - La Doree Y 5688-Lavare Y 5985 - Brece Y 6982 - Chatillon Sulvolmont Y 7176-RJ at Y 8474 (all to First Army). Upon relief by elements of the First Army, Third Army troops will promptly move south of Permane to boundary.

For the capture of Lemans by Third Army the following temporary boundary will be in force:

Montsurs Y 8452 (to Third Army) Parennes Z 1249 (to First Army) - Tennie Z 2048 (to Third Army) - Conlie Z 2449-Joue Labbe V 4173 (both to First Army).

Upon the capture of Le Mans the permanent boundary becomes effective. First Army rear boundary revised as follows:

Road H 172 from boundary between Armies-St Lo T 4962; -Army Group boundary. Third Armored VIII Corps. 6th Arm'd Div. Continued advance to West. CCA to Gourin W 5866. CCB to Buelcoat W 5091.

4th Arm'd Div CCA at Vannes H 1707. CCB at H 6606.

8th Div forward elements reached Chateaubriant J 2108.

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83rd Div leading elements at S 8812. A Task Force captured Chateaufort S 8505 driving north and advance to 8919 and S 8497.

XV Corps. 79th Div elements advance to Laval Y 6845 followed by remainder of division moving southeast from Fouge Y Y3818.

Fifth Armd Div no change.
90th Div no change.
XII Corps.
80th Div unloading.
XX Corps. No change.

First Army. V Corps.

St Pois T 5022 liberated. 4th Div mopped up isolated resistance. 9th Div advanced against increasingly strong resistance. 3rd Armd Div no change.

XXIX Corps.

2nd Armd Div CCB advanced against stiff resistance on the Corps right followed by the 28th Div.

29th Div and COA 2nd Armd Div continued attack on wire against strong resistance, attack slowed by heavy minefields covered by enemy arty and mortar fire.

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28th Div no change.

V Corps being pinched out by attack on XVII
Corps on Vire from the west. 2nd Div still in the line.

35th Div moving to vicinity T 3629 and to control of
Third Army.

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(A) GENERAL.

DURING NIGHT 5TH/6TH THORNBOROUGH AND RETALICK WERE ATTACKED BY TORPEDO BOMBERS WHILST PROCEEDING TO PATROL OFF CAP D'ANTIFER. 8 ATTACKS WERE MADE AND SIX TORPEDOES WERE SIGHTED. LATER THORNBOROUGH AND US PT'S ENGAGED E BOATS OFF CAP D'ANTIFER WITHOUT KNOWN RESULT. NO DAMAGE TO OWN SHIPS OR CRAFT. FORCE 26 CONSISTING OF BELONA TARTAR HAIDA ASHANTI AND IROQUOIS CONTACTED ENEMY CONVOY OFF THE DE YEU. IN ACTION WHICH FOLLOWED AT LEAST 7 ENEMY SHIPS WERE DESTROYED. LATER FORCE 26 ATTACKED ANOTHER CONVOY OFF ST NAZAIRE BUT IT ESCAPED INTO HARBOUR DAMAGED. HAIDA SUFFERED SUPERFICIAL DAMAGES MTB'S ENGAGED WITH

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GUNFIRE CONVOY OF ABOUT 5 SHIPS OFF ST MALO RESULTS UNKNOWN.
SLIGHT DAMAGE TO MTB.

(B) ASSAULT AREA.

ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY DURING NIGHT 4TH/5TH WAS SLIGHT. COASTAL
COMMAND AIRCRAFT OPERATED AGAINST E BOATS OFF CAP D'ANTIFER.
BAD VISIBILITY INTERFERED BUT HITS WERE SCORED ON GROUP OF
CRAFT. CIRCLING TORPEDOES AND VARIOUS TYPES OF MINES HAVE BEEN
FOUND FLOATING IN BAA.

(C) UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 5TH AUGUST.

PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH 725366	177805	923111
UNITED STATES 968777	183196	970952
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6 August 1944

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125 and CTF 127 have info. This is COSITINTREP no 124
part Naval.

A. General. During night 5th/6th Thornborough and
Retalick were attacked by torpedo bombers whilst proceeding
to patrol off Cap D' Antifer. Eight attacks were made and
six torpedoes were sighted. Later Thornborough and US PT's
engaged E boats off Cap D' Antifer without known result.
No damage to own ships or craft. Force 26 consisting of
Belona Tartar Haida Ashanti and Iroquois contacted enemy
convoy off De Yeu. In action which followed at least seven
enemy ships were destroyed. Later force 26 attacked another
convoy off St Nazaire but it escaped into harbor damaged.
Haida suffered superficial damage, MTB's engaged with gun-
fire convoy of about five ships off St Malo results unknown.
Slight damage to MTB.

B. Assault area. Enemy air activity during
night 4th/5th was slight. Coastal command aircraft operated
against E boats off Cap D' Antifer. Bad visibility inter-
fered but hits were scored on group of craft. Circling

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torpedoes and various types of mines have been found
floating in Baa.

C. Unloading figures to PM 5th August. Read in
three columns personnel, vehicles, stores.

	Personnel	Vehicles	Stores
British	725366	177805	923111
United States	968777	183196	970952
Total	1694143	361001	1894063
D plus 60			

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S
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To: War Department
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Nr: FWD 12645 6 August, 1944

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AFHQ cite FHQBI AEAF AFHQ Advance SHAEF MAIN cite SHQBI
Ninth United States Army 1st United States Army Group 12th
United States Army Group FWD 12645. This is G-2 Summary #62.

Paragraph 1 - Operations. In Brittany enemy
resistance light in north and center except for pocket
still holding out at St Malo

1. South coast enemy forces withdrawing into
fortress of Lorient and St Nazaire. Elsewhere delaying
movements back to fortress Brest where 343rd Infantry
Division, 2nd Parachute Division, elements 266th Division
((Part 1 ends Part 2 follows)) and miscellaneous.

End

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Part 2 of FWD 12645 dtg 061900 Aug 1944.

Refugees from remainder of peninsula expected to
make stand.

In east Brittany still no crystallization south of
Mortain - Domfront as Allied elements now in Domfront and
approaching Mayenne and Laval.

Enemy armour resisting strongly on flanks of 84th
Corps to protect withdrawal from Vire - St Pois pocket to
east of Vire. Evidence 363rd Division still arriving from
Prisoner of War who states his unit arrived from Rouen
night 4th - 5th August.

On remainder of front enemy completed withdrawal
to general line Vire - Thury Harcourt and then east bank of
Orne and showing signs of resistance in this new position.

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Orne. 271st Infantry Division now established east of

Indications.

(End of part 2, part 3 follows)

End

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CG/S
CG AAF
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To: War Department
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, 12th Army Group

Nr: FWD 12645 6 August 1944

Part 3 of FWD 12645 DTG 061900 Aug 1944. End of part 3
part 4 follows.

Enemy thinning out forward positions east of Orne
but no evidence of general withdrawal.

2. Movement. Increased activity along line Lille-
Amiens-Abancourt. Large number trains in stations. Empties
moving north. Activity Boulogne-St Omer-Lille and Staples-
St Pol lines, east bound traffic. Movement north from Nimes
area on reduced scale. Large concentration rolling stock
Connantre. Air cover Narbonne area does not support possible
move 11 Panzer Division back to Bordeaux. Cover line Dijon-
Culmont-Chaumont shows number loaded trains suggest 9 Panzer
Division.

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S
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CG, 12th Army Group.
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Operations, Caserta, Italy.

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Part 4 of FWD 12645 DTG 061900 Aug 1944.

Moving by this route.

3. Strengths. Further estimates of enemy strength
in Brittany supplement to SHAEF G2 summary number 59. Break-
down of 75,000 garrison as follows:

- A. Static: Naval, 17,000; Air Force, 5,000;
flak (air and Naval), 14,000; Coast Artillery (Army
and Naval, 5,000; line of communication troops,
5,000; total 46,000:
- B. Infantry: 2nd Parachute Division, 9,000;
Remainder 343rd, 365th, 366th Infantry
Divisions, 20,000 (including 7,000 Russians);
Total 29,000: Also some

(End of Part 4, Part 5 follows).

End

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INFORMATION: CC/3, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log

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2000 on Islands, not including Channel Islands.

Coast Defense Artillery 220 guns of which under 100
heavy or medium caliber and over 100 theoretically mobile.

Garrison of fortress Brest maximum 19000, of which
9000 Navy, 4000 flak and Coast Defense Artillery, 6000
Infantry. 10000 more Infantry and Air Force might fall in.
Artillery 50 Coast Defense guns, 120 heavy flak guns.

Garrison of fortress Lorient maximum 10000, of which
5000 Navy, 3000 flak and Coast Defense Artillery, 2000
Infantry. 5000 more Infantry and Air Force might fall in.
Artillery 40 Coast Defense guns, 100 heavy flak guns.

End of part 5 part 6 follows.

End

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INFORMATION: CC/S

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

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Part six of FWD 12645 DTG 061900 Aug.

Garrison of St Nazaire possibly 7,000, of which
3,000 Navy, 3,000 flak and Coast Defense Artillery, 1,000
Infantry. Artillery 30 coast defense guns, 120 heavy flak
guns.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1500 hours
5 August, 72553.

5. General

In Normandy improbable that enemys sensitive
right flank will contribute more armour to weakened centre
or exposed left flank, but attempts doubtless being made to
constitute some mobile tactical reserve this sector which
will require more Infantry from across Seine. Inasmuch as
84th Infantry Division now in action further formations
same category.

End of Part 6 Part 7 follows.

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ACTION: G-2
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Part 7 of FWD 12645. From SHAEF FWD to TROOPERS AGWAR
info 21st Army Gp AFHQ AEAF 061900 Aug. Part 8 follows.

Also likely to appear. Withdrawals of enemy infantry
in centre and on left from 2 pocket salients fairly success-
fully covered by armour, but here again some regrouping and
constitution. Mobile Reserves point need of more infantry
especially in view allied thrust to Domfront which is not
under control at moment.

In Brittany considered that enemy will attempt
evacuation key naval and air personnel via south coast
road or by sea with only serious stands probably to be made
at Lorient and especially Brest, where some 30,000 men
likely to end up in fortress area. Expected arrival of
708th Infantry Division and.

End

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Part 8 and last of FWD 12645 DTG 061900 Aug.

9th Panzer Division probably too late to affect
developments in peninsula.

The hurrying of infantry across Seine on foot and
immediate commitment to battle indicative of enemy intent-
ion to form line in Normandy rather than new line along Seine
and thus regain some measure of initiative. Also evident
that present emergency in battle area to some extent overrides
threat of further landings.

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To: War Department

Nr: GP-011 6 August 1944

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addresses ref no GP-011, 6 August 1944 COSITINTREP no. 124,
to 061200B.

Part one. Land. Section A.

Section one. Intelligence identification.

By PW. 3 Coy 276 fd rft Bn 7951. 8 Coy 10 SS Panzer
Regt 8251. 11 Coy 2 SS PGR U-0260. 5 Coy 1 SS PGR 057570.

By deserter. 7 Coy 21 SS PGR T-780504. HQ Coy 990
GR 323596. 2 Coy 988 GR 83398. 2 Bn 1055 GR of 89 Inf Div
U-062604.

By enemy dead. 2 Coy 10 SS Panzer fd rft Bn T-779504.
By captured document of 3 Aug, 654 A BK Bn T 6955
503 Hy Tk Bn 7852.

Section two. Group operations. Second Brit Army.

VIII Corps.

GDS Armd Div patrols report area Montchamp 7240-
L'ecrivain N-7339-LaTrib Ondiers 7338 clear of enemy and
Le Busq 7336 lightly held. 3 IG 32 GDS. Inf Bde occupied
Les Ecoublets 7339 and woods 7439.

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15 Div. 227 Bde passed through 44 Bde to area 7541-7741. During morning 2 Gordons encountered stiff opposition at Estray 7437 and 10 HLI by-passed village. Bad going and determined resistance met by 46 Bde in area 801404. 2 Glas H established area 785407, 6 GDS Tk Bde in support 15 Div areas Estray and 8040. Main HQ VIII Corps 663534.

XXX Corps.

43 Div. 129 Bde unable make progress during night in attack on Mont Pincon owing to determined enemy resistance in area Vahintere 8144.

7 Armd Div. During evening 11 H found Aunay-sur-Odon clear of enemy but heavily mined and cratered. 1 Regt 22 Armd Bde reached pt 245 (8850). During night Div concentrated south and east of Courvadon 8752-1/7 Queens of 131 Bde captured Vallee 8747 while 1 R Tks reached Valcoo-grain 8747 and found village held by enemy. By 1200 hours 5 DG reached La Roque 8947-reece indicates enemy position on this front follows general line Monceaux 7943 - Quesnee 8144-Rogderie 8146-Rouchamps 8347- fwd edge wood 8547-8747-rd 400 yards south of Vallee 8846-pt 172 (8946)- Main HQ XXX Corps 749549-XII Corps.

53 Div patrol east of Orne report east bank appears lightly held as far south as 960554.

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59 Div encountered probable enemy L flankguard general line pt 172 (8946) - pt 152 (9147) - enemy Inf in La Metairie 9348 - Div HQ 877543. Main HQ XII Corps 900663.

First Cdn Army. II Cdn Corps.

2 Cdn Inf Div. At 1300 hrs 1 Bn 5 Bde moved south from St Andre-sur-Orne 0161 and by 2000 hrs had reached 023603. At 2100 hrs another passed through and by 2400 hrs had reached general line 014612-024602 May-sur-Orne 0259 strongly held by enemy and no further progress made.

4 Cdn Armd Div. Small Inf and Tk attack made on La Hogue 0960 at 1930 hrs but unable occupy village which strongly held by enemy. 1 Bn 10 Inf Bde advanced south to Tilly-la-Campagne at 2300 hrs but unable capture village owing very stubborn enemy resistance with many MG's and dug in tks.

I Corps.

31 Tk Bde under comd. Otherwise NTR.

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A. GENERAL. HMS STAYNER DESTROYED U BOAT 20 MILES SOUTH OF BEACH HEAD AT 0300/3 2 OFFICERS AND 4 RATINGS

TAKEN PRISONER.
B. ASSAULT AREA. CLEARANCE OF BERTS AT CAEN COMPLETED

ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY IN B AA INCREASED NIGHT OF 3RD/4TH OVER ANCHORAGE AND BEACHES WITH SOME BOMBING. NO

DAMAGE REPORTED. 2 CIRCLING TORPEDOES FELL ON LAND AT BANVILLE. 4 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY FIGHTERS.

SPORADIC SHELLING OF LANGRUNE AREA REPORTED 3RD AUGUST LAST PHOENIX FOR MULBERRY. ARRIVED 4TH AUGUST.

C. UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 4TH AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
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051200B AUGUST COSITINTREP NUMBER 124 PART 1 LAND SECTION B

1. INTELLIGENCE. ADVANCES ON ALL FRONTS WERE MADE AGAINST SPORADIC AND ISOLATED POCKETS OF RESISTANCE. 3RD ARMY

CAPTURED P/W FROM 77 INF DIV, 13 AND 15 REGTS OF 5 PARA DIV 897 REGT OF 266 INF DIV IN VICINITY OF RENNES. P/W

REPORTS 584 GREN REGT OF 319 INF DIV IN ST MALO. REMAINDER OF DIV ON CHANNEL ISLANDS. 1ST ARMY IDENTIFIED 957 REGT

AREA 5129, 958 REGT AT 5834, 959 REGT AT 5933. BRITISH REPORT LATTER AT 6935. 851 REGT IDENTIFIED 7 CORPS SECTOR.

2. OPERATIONS. 3RD ARMY. 8 CORPS. 6 ARMD DIV. CP W 8075. CCA

PONTIVY X 0554. CCB 3 MILES WEST ROSTRENE W 8075. 4 ARMD DIV. CBA GILATNE R FROM H 9922 TO RENNES.

CCB H 9922 TO REDON, 83 DIV. CP X 9096. ELMS AT X 8698-S 9704. 8 DIV. CP Y 0661. DIV CONCENTRATED AREA

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TO: War Department
Supreme Hqs Allied Expeditionary Air Forces London, Eng.
Supreme Hqs Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England
Allied Force Hqs, Caserta, Italy

NR: FWD 12624 5 August 1944

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SHGBI 051615 August TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI info EXFOR AFHQ
cite FHGBI AEAFF AFHQ Advance SHAEF main cite SHGBI Ninth US
Army First US Army Group Twelfth US Army Group. FWD 12624.
This is G2 summary number 61.

1. Operations in Brittany position extremely fluid
but no identifications received and form of opposition not
known. Enemy offering only spasmodic resistance to our
advance. Hard fighting in Mortain area where enemy has
rushed up Luslier Battalion of 84th Inf Div to plug gap.
Remainder Div reported to be following on foot from Rouen
area. North of St Pois elements 2 SS.

End of part 1 part 2 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

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

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Part two of FWD 12624 DTG 051615 August

Panzer Div, Panzer Lehr Div and 17th SS Panzer Grenadier Div fighting hard to prevent us from cutting across to Vire. From Vire to Villers Bocage enemy armour steadily giving ground but 9th SS Panzer Div making great effort to help save formations on its left. Enemy pulled out of Villers Bocage and Evrecy and general tendency is withdrawal this area towards Orne. No indication enemy intentions east of Orne.

Two GHQ artillery in battle area. Estimated that enemy has so far used in battle in West Normandy following GHQ artillery excluding coast defense artillery and flak:

450 projectors

(end Part two, Part three follows)

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Adm King Col Park, Log

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To: War Department
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London, England
CG, Allied Expeditionary Air Forces,
London, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserte, Italy

No: FWD 12624 5 August 1944
Part three of FWD 12624 DTG 051615 August

(Werfers) calibre 15 centimetre or above, 250
medium and heavy guns calibre 12.2 centimetre or above
practically all medium foreign howitzer equipments, 150
more heavy anti-tank guns calibre 7.5 centimetre than
8.8 centimetre.

Training of artillery and especially anti-tank units
inadequate and personnel inferior. Several units formed by
directly incorporating whole of personnel at a school.
Ammunition for foreign equipments short especially Italian.

3. Movements. Isolated northward movement seen
in Marseilles area. Very little cover elsewhere owing
weather.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to.

(end of part three, part four follows)

End ✓

ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Adm King, Col Park, Log
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To: War Department
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Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
CG Allied Force Headquarters Caserta, Italy

Nr: FWD 12624 5 August 1944

Part four of FWD 12624 DTG 051615 August.

1800 hours 4 August 71213.

5. General.

In Brittany enemy strength insufficient to hold up even temporarily our rapid advance. Enemy intentions this area not clear but presumably he will to best of his ability delay our advance towards Brest and eventually try to deny us the ports. Movement north from First Army not traced beyond Nantes but likely to be used to form some sort of line north of Loire with view to preventing Allies carrying out wide sweeping movement to East, thus endangering his whole position west of Seine. Enemy must be rueing his lack of mobility this sector. In main battle area general. (End of Part 4, Part 5 and final follows)

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OFD, Adm King, Col Park, Log End.

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Forces, London, England
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Air
Forces, London, England
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

No. FWD 12624 5 August 1944

Part 5 and final of FWD 12624 DTG 051615 August.

Tendency is for enemy to withdraw slowly straighten-
ing out his line in endeavour to shorten Divisional front-
ages.

Arrival of 84th Div may be followed by others of
similar class from north of Seine. Enemy has clearly not
yet given up hope of being able to stabilize his front and
no indication of his initiating a major withdrawal towards
Seine.

Nothing further on movement of armour believed to
be taking place from Lyons area.

End.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OFD, Adm King, Col Park, Log.

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Operations, London, England

To: War Department

No: EX 41710 5 August, 1944

G2 daily cable August 50600 hours to WDGBI from
ETGBI. From Conrad signed Eisenhower EX 41710.

Insert the following on Page one Line 12:

Total casualties, (From Conrad signed Eisenhower
EX 41710), reported 16 fatal 49 seriously 118 slightly
injured.

Page one Line 19:

Total casualties 5016 killed 32,972 injured.

Page two Line two:

August 10 long range 5 Tactical Recon normal flights
over usual sea areas.

End

Supplement to CM-IN-4504 (5 Aug 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CC/S, CGAAF, OPD, Col. Park, JEIA, LOG

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To: War Department

Nr: Q 20048

5 August 1944

Ref number Q 20048 from HQ 12th Army Group to SHAEP
info to the Admiralty the War Office the Air Ministry the War
Department, The Navy Department 21st Army Group the Home
Forces ANXF AEAFF ETOUSA AFHQ HQ 7th Army USSTAF from Bradley
signed Eisenhower. COSITINTREPS number 1 and 2. Hereby re-
numbered 121 and 122 respectively.

041200B August COSITINTREP number 123 part 1. Land.
Section B.

1. Intelligence.

3rd Army: Elements of 2SS PZ 1733PG 5.

75 Inf, 91 Inf, 243 Inf, 352 Inf Divs identified on
front. No known organized defense line located.

First Army: 2 P/W reports 84 Inf Div Bon Bn arrived
between Domfront and Mortain by bicycle. Remainder of Div
on the way by foot and expected to make contact within a
day.

2. Operations, 3rd Army, 8th Corps.

CP 2401 6 Armd Div. CCA Loudeac 2166. CCB 5474.

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4th Armd Div Montbeley CCA 0038. CCB 1400. 8th Div Elms
Rennes remainder Div St. James 2998. CP 2202. 83rd Div
Elms 0202 remainder of Div Pontorson. 15 Corps Cp Les
Cheris 3510. 79th Div Elms in Fougeles remainder vic 3683.
Cp 3585. 5 Armd Div. CCA 3599. CCB 4000. 90th Div Des
Loges Marchais-Ste Hilaire Due Harquet-6508.

20th Corps Cp 3432. 12 Corps no change.

1st Army. 7th Corps front lines 1 Div 6207-5418-
4619. 4th Div 5022-4727. 9th Div 4730-5132. 19th Corps.
Front lines 28 Div 5232-5734. 29th Div 5735-5836. 5th Corps.
Front lines 35th Div 5936-6135. 2nd Div 6236-6435.

12th AG boundary extended Sees 4328 incl boundary
between 3rd and 1st Armies extended Refeuville 4513-St
Germain Le Guillaume 6561-Neuville en Champagne 2345 incl to
3rd Army Le Mans 3937 to both armies.

3rd Army rear boundary effective 040600 road GC
44-Pasaus 1256-Agon-1356-Coutances 2456-road N172 from
Coutances to the boundary between 1st and 3rd armies. Both
road incl to 3rd Army.

3rd Army. 8th Corps. 6th Armd Div. CCA advanced to
Mauron 5553 during the afternoon then to Loudeac 2166 in
the morning. CCB advanced to Broons 5979. 4 Armd Div.

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Nr: Q 20048

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CCA at Bain de Bretagne 9723 by nightfall thence to Vic
Montheley 0038 in the morning. CCB advance to Derval 9904.
8th Div. 13th Inf attached to 4th Armd Div attacked and
captured Rennes in the morning. Remainder of Div Vic St
James. 83 Div. 330th Inf and Tank force attacked at
1000B from 0202 to capture St Dalome 329th Inf in assembly
area near Pontorson. 331st Inf clearing Avranches en route
to Pontorson. 90th Div established a line and advance
elements made contact across interarmy boundary with one
Div elements near Mortain.

20th Corps. 2 French Armd Div closing in concen-
tration area north of Lessay.

1st Army. 7th Corps. 1 Div continued to mop up
resistance points by passed by the armor. Mortain occupied
at 1800B. Continued 25910 and pushed ELMS to Barenton 8705.
Positions consolidated and patrols pushed south and east.
Patrols from 4th Cav also operating in its front. 4th Div
cleaned out pockets of resistance northwest of St Pois.
Attack gained 1000 yards against heavy small arms and some
artillery fire.

9th Div encountered strong resistance after 5000
yard advance. Attack resumed southeast in morning and met
only slight resistance in Foret Due St Sever.

19th Corps. Light resistance in its front. CCB 2nd
Armd Div ELMS entered St Sever Calvados 5132 but held up

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east of town by minefields. GCB 2nd Armd Div also held up at Choisel 6035 by minefields. 28th Div no change. 29th Div astride St Sever Calvados-Landelles Et Coupigny road. 30th Div no change.

5th Corps. 35th Div advanced 4000 yards against moderate resistance. 2nd Div engaged against enemy infantry along entire front but no artillery. Advanced 2000 yards. 5th Div detached from Corps control and moving to assembly area 3831.

End.

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From: Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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To: War Department

Nr: GO 03A 5 August 1944

Signed Eisenhower. WAR pls pass to Navy Dept.
GO 03A. COSITINTREP number 122. WJXL 012200BN. 2?

Part 1. Land. Section A. Period to 011200B.
Intelligence. Identifications. *

1 BMN125 PGR Estry T7537. Elements 21 SS PGR 764503.
3 Coy 989 GR Noyers 8862. 2 and 7 Coys 977 GR Esquay 9460.
5 Coy 975 GR U0061. By deserters. 3 Coy 989 GR Noyers T8862.
7 Coy 990 GR 9061. By contact. 2 Bn 15 Para Rifle Regt 7038.
326 Arty Relo Aret 7131. 9 Coy 751 GR 751516. 1 Bn 125 PGR
Jurques 7551. 2 Bn 987 GR south of Amjve 7657. 753 GR 7654.
477 Sigs Bn of 48 Pz Corps and 3 Coy 651 A Tk Bn Second Army
Front.

Operations. Second Brit Army. 8 Corps.

By last light 11 rmd Div with 185 Bde under comd in
Arda Burcy 6931 Presles 7135 Iessoix 6931 with elements 1500
yes East. During morning 11 Armd Div continued clear up
pockets of enemy holding out on flanks.

GDS Armd Div. During evening 44 Bde attacked and
captured high ground south of Arclais 7244 at first light
44 Bde captured high ground 7142 7242 and at 1000 hrs were
advancing to pt 283 (7345). 32 GDS Inf Bde mopped up Courtacon
7141. 4 Armd Bde under comd 3 Brit Div. 30 Corps. 43 Div.

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Enemy counter attacked with Inf and Tks area Lischniere 749 against 130 Bde. 214 Bde held up by strong opposition incl Tks area Brency 7248 Les Maishne 7348 during morning 214 Bde captured Le Maison and advanced towards Les Meuil Auzouf 7446. During 3 Aug 7 Armd Div unable to mke further progress against determined enemy def in most difficult country. Enemy made 3 determined counter attacks against a Bn of 131 Inf Bde. 188 (7951) From East and SE. Enemy cleared from wood 7753.

During morning 2 Armd Bde capture query 7755 and are pushing on Hermilly 7955. 50 Div patrols report enemy in area pt 174 (7957).

Main HQ 30 Corps. N746369. 12 Corps 59 Div 197 Bde moved fwd in contact with enemy and by last light were EST on gen line Villy Bocage 8199 along north side of rd to incl Haut Nsur 8661. By 1200 hrs 197 Bde reached pt 213 (8359) Sour Deval R8761. 53 Div. 71 Bde advanced by last night to Gen Line Exolinyers-Missy Church 8960 Nonceaux-br 905615 many mines reported.

By 1200 hrs 53 Div reached Le Locheur 8959 wood 915590 Evrecy 9259-Bas D'Equay ~~copy~~ pt 112 (9561) -968618-Fuegerolles Sur Orne 9961 adv continues.

First Cdn Army. 51 Inf Div and 33 Armd Bde under

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comd 2 Cdn Corps. Otherwise N T R. Tac HQ 21 Army Gp
635692. Main HQ 21 Army Gp 7074.

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US	95197Ø	179266	944576
TOTAL D	58 16647Ø9	354363	1832635

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PART NAVAL.

A. ASSAULT AREA. DETERMINED ATTACK WAS MADE ON BAA BY E/BOATS, EXPLOSIVE MOTOR BOATS AND HUMAN TORPEDOES. ALLIED LOSSES AND DAMAGED WERE QUORN AND LCG 764 SUNK, 2 MT SHIPS, 1 MTB AND 2 SUNKEN CORNCOBS DAMAGED. ENEMY ESTIMATED LOSSES: 20 EMB'S, 30 HUMAN TORPEDOES, 2 CAUGHT IN NET, 1 E/BOAT SUNK AND 1 DAMAGED, 31 PRISONERS FROM HUMAN TORPEDOES AND EMB'S.

B. UNLOADING FIGURES:

	TROOPS	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	701516	173242	869348
US	945714	177618	929540
TOTAL:	1647230	350860	1798888

British assault area.

(LCT with 2 5" guns)

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1. INTELLIGENCE. ON 3RD ARMY FRONT RESISTANCE WAS SPORADIC AROUND RENNES AND DINAN. ATTEMPTS BY GERMANS TO REGROUP

ELEMENTS SOUTH OF ST JAMES. ON 1ST ARMY FRONT 7 CORPS; LITTLE OPPOSITION TO 4TH INFANTRY DIVISION BB 37 PANZER GREN REGT AND

4TH PANZER GREN REGT. BATTLE GROUP. ELEMENTS OF 2 SS PANZER DIVISION, PANZER EEHR DIV AND 17 SS PANZER DIVISION RESISTING

STRONGLY NORTH OF ST POIS 5022. V CORPS ADVANCED SOUTH OF VIRE RIVER WHERE 2 PANZER DIVISION ENCOUNTERED ON RIGHT FLANK AND

376 INFANTRY DIVISION ON LEFT. P FLASH W REPORTS MISSION OF 326 TO DIG IN UNTIL PANZER ELEMENTS ARRIVED. ADVANCES MADE

19 CORPS FRONT AGAINST LIGHT RESISTANCE.

2. OPERATIONS. 3RD ARMY. COMMAND POST 6TH ARMORED DIVISION ON 9179. 4TH ARMORED DIVISION 0466. 79 DIVISION 29 WLJJ* 8. 8TH DIVISION 2725. 1ST ARMY. COMMAND POST

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4359. 7 CORPS FRONT LINES 1ST DIVISION 4216-5709-5815-4523.
4TH DIVISION 5024-4426-4234. 9TH DIVISION 4433-4635.

19 CORPS FRONT LINES 28TH DIVISION 4836-4837-5038.
29TH DIVISION 5137-5340-5441. COMMAND POST 2ND

ARMORED DIVISION 4143. V CORPS FRONT LINES 30TH 5TH DIVISION
5942-6338. 3RD ARMY. 8 CORPS. 6TH ARMORED DIV. CCA ADVANCED TO

QUEDILLAI 6771. CCB PASSED THROUGH DINAN TO 7492. THEN TURNED
SOUTH TO LONGAULNAY 8276. 4TH ARMORED DIVISION CCA ADVANCED TO

HERMITAGE GDSU* 055. CCB NORTH OF RENNES AT 6566. 83 DIVISION
TYP* 30 IN ADVANCED TO PONTORSON. ANOTHER TASK FORCE ADVANCED TO

0202. REMAINDER OF DIVISION MOVING TO ASSEMBLY AREA VICINITY
PONTORSON. 79TH DIVISION MOVING TOWARD FOUGERES WITH LEADING

ELEMENTS AT 3783. 8 DIVISION. OQC* 3 INFANTRY RELIEVED ELEMENTS
4TH ARMORED DIVISION AT RENNES. REMAINDER OF DIVISION AT 3609.

15 CORPS. 90 DIVISION ASSEMBLING IN AREA 4110. 1ST ARMY. 7
CORPS. 1ST DIVISION WITH CCA 3RD ARMORED DIVISION ATTACHED

ATTACKED IN 2 COLUMNS BOTH HEADED BY ARMOR. INFANTRY OF BOTH
COLUMNS ENGAGED IN SEVERE FIGHTING AT LES MESNIL APELEE* 4917.

ARMOR REACHED DIV OBJECTIVE VICINITY MORTAIN AND INFANTRY MOPPED UP
BY PASSED AREAS. 4TH DIVISION WITH CCB 3RD ARMORED DIVISION

ATTACHED ATTACKED AGAINST LIGHT RESISTANCE TO THE LINE 4726-4923.
9TH DIVISION FACED BY LIGHT RESISTANCE ADVANCED TO THE EAST-WEST

ROADWAY THROUGH BELSON 4433. ENEMY WITHDREW DURING THE NIGHT. 19
CORPS. 28 DIVISION TEMPORARILY STOPPED IN THE AFTERNOON BY HEAVY

RESISTANCE BUT LITTLE STRENGTH OPPOSED ITS MORNING ATTACK AND THE
LINE MORIGNY 5137-LE COSTI 5240 WAS REACHED. CCB 2ND ARMORED

DIVISION STOPPED IN THE AFTERNOON BY DUGIN TANKS AND ARTILLERY AT
4438. OUR ARTILLERY REGISTERED ON THIS STRONG POINT WITH EXCELLENT

RESULTS. ADVANCED IN THE MORNING TO RAILROAD CROSSING 1000 YARD
NORTHWEST ST SEVER CALVADOS. V CORPS. 35TH DIVISION CROSSED

SOULEUVRE RIVER AND ADVANCED 3000 YARDS SOUTH AGAINST LIGHT RESISTANCE.
2ND DIVISION ALSO CROSSED THE RIVER AND REACHED ETOXVY* 6337 AGAINST

LIGHT OPPOSITION
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London, England

To: War Department

DTG: 042351B 4 August 1944

This is From Ramsay signed Eisenhower. COMGEN ETOUSA has.
042351B COSITINTREP 122 part Naval.

A. General. Nothing to report.

B. Unloading figures to PM 3rd August.

British personnel 712,739 vehicles 275,097
stores 888,059

U S personnel 951,970 vehicles 179,266
stores 944,576

Total D plus 58 personnel 1664,709 vehicles
354,363 stores 1832,635.

End

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INFO: CC/S
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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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Operations, London, England
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, US Seventh Army
CG, US Air Service Command, USSTAF Hq London England
Navy Department

DTG: 042100B August 1944

This part 1 of 2 parts FWD 12604 part 2 follows

Out of action on 1st July reported still unservice-
able on 31st July. Two docks on canal between Blain and
Port Surerdre (Loire Inferieure) reported blown up.

In Brittany, 500 Germans at Plesidy and 400 Germans
at Plevin (Cotes Du Nord) reported killed.

High ground north of Vannes occupied by special air
service and resistance forces, acting under the coordination
of 12th Army Group.

On 1st August 192 aircraft of 8th U. S. Air Force
dropped 288 tons of arms and ammunition in France on a day-
light operation. In addition, since 1st August, 63 special
air service troops, one operational group and 246 tons of
arms and ammunition have been dropped in France from England.
One Jodburgh team, one operational group.

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To: War Department
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CG, US Army Forces in the European Theater of
Operations, London, England
CG, US 7th Army
CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy
Navy Department

Nr: FWD 12604 5 August 1944

COSITINTREP part 4 number 122. Last part 4 was
number 119. Forward 12604 to COSITINTREP addressees from
SEARF signed Eisenhower cite SHGCT. This part 2 and last
of FWD 12604.

In Belgium, 74 locomotives reported put out of
commission, and numerous railway lines cut. Important rail-
way lines reported cut in France include:

Paris-Diembte;
Gray-Auxonni;
Toulouse-Beziers;
Nantes-La Rochelle;
Redon - Rennes.

Bridges reported and 21 French Commando Troops were sent
from North Africa to France. Totals since D day, including
operations from North Africa; 775 special air service troops,

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24 Jedburgh teams, 6 operational groups, 27 Jeeps and 4954
tons of arms and ammunition.

End

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INFORMATION: CC/S
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CG, Seventh Army, Italy
Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
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No. Q20028 4 August 1944

For action to SHAEF. For information to the Ad-
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ment, The Navy Department, 21st Army Group, GHQ Home Forces,
ANXF, ARAF, ETOUSA, AFHQ, Hq 7th Army, USSTAF from 12th Army
Group signed Bradley reference number Q20028. 0312008
August COSITINTREP Number 2.

Part 1. Land

Section B.

1. Intelligence.

On Third Army front resistance was sporadic around
Rennes and Dinan. Attempts by Germans to regroup elements
south of St James.

On First Army front VII Corps:

Little opposition to 4th Infantry Division by

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37th Panzer Gren Regt and 4th Panzer Gren Regt. Battle groups elements of 2nd SS Panzer Division, Panzer Lehr Div and 17th SS Panzer Division resisting strongly north of St Pois 5022.

V Corps:

Advanced south of Vire River where 2nd Panzer Division encountered on right flank and 376th Infantry Division on left.

P/W reports mission of 326th to dig in until Panzer elements arrived. Advances made XIX Corps front against light resistance.

2. Operations.

Third Army.

Command Post 6th Armored Division 9179.

4th Armored Division 0466.

79th Division 2998

8th Division 2725.

First Army.

Command Post 4959

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VII Corps front lines, 1st Division 4216-5709-5815-4523.

4th Division 5024-4426-4234.

9th Division 4433-4635.

5038.

XIX Corps front lines, 28th Division 4836-4837-

29th Division 5137-5340-5441.

Command Post 2nd Armored Division 4143.

V Corps front lines, 35th Division 5942-6338.

Third Army.

VIII Corps. 6th Armored Division.

CCA advanced to Quedillac 6771.

CCB passed through Dinan to 7492. Then turned south to Longaulnay 8276.

4th Armored Division.

CCA advanced to Hermitage 9055.

CCB north of Rennes at 6566.

83rd Division 330 in advanced to Pontorson.

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Another Task Force advanced to 0202. Remainder of Division moving to assembly area vicinity Pontorson.

79th Division moving toward Fougères with leading elements at 3783.

8th Division. 13th Infantry relieved elements 4th Armored Division at Rennes. Remainder of Division at 3609.

XV Corps. 90th Division assembling in area 4110.

First Army.

VII Corps. 1st Division with OCA 3rd Armored Division attached attacked in 2 columns both headed by Armor. Infantry of both columns engaged in severe fighting at Les Mesnil Adeelee 4917. Armor reached Division objective vicinity Mortain and Infantry mopped up by passed areas.

4th Division with CCB 3rd Armored Division attached attacked against light resistance to the line 4726-4923.

9th Division faced by light resistance advanced to the east - west road through Belson 4433. Enemy withdrew during the night.

XIX Corps. 28th Division temporarily stopped in the afternoon by heavy resistance but little strength opposed its morning attack and the line Morigny 5137 - Le Costi 5240

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was reached.

CCB 2nd Armored Division stopped in the afternoon by dug in tanks and artillery at 4438. Our artillery registered on this strong point with excellent results. Advanced in the morning to railroad crossing 1,000 yards northwest St Sever Calvados.

V Corps. 35th Division crossed Scullievre River and advanced 3,000 yards south against light resistance.

2nd Division also crossed the river and reached Etouvy 6337 against light opposition.

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TO: War Department

No: S 56855 4 August 1944

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The following casualties sustained by the Allied
Expeditionary Force from June 6 when the assault was launched
to include July 20 were announced today by Supreme Head-
quarters:

British:	
Killed	5,646
Wounded	27,766
Missing	6,182
Total	<u>39,594</u>

Canadian:	
Killed	919
Wounded	4,354
Missing	1,272
Total	<u>6,545</u>

United States:	
Killed	11,156
Wounded	52,710
Missing	6,143
Total	<u>70,009</u>

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No: S 56855 4 August 1944

These figures include the following casualties sustained by the United States Army during pre-invasion exercises the latter part of April when enemy E boats attacked a convoy:

Killed in action	130
Wounded in action	41
Missing in action	312

Above release will be made here at 1700Z 5th August. Office War Information should be informed at once of coming release.

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

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Group AFHQ cite FHGBI AEAFF for Bennett AFHQ Advance SHAEP
Main Ninth United States Army First United States Army Group
Twelfth United States Army Group FWD 12599.

G-2 summary number 60.

1. Operations:

On enemy left flank situation still confused but
fighting reported in Rennes and Dinan. No identifications
received.

First Army front enemy forced off high ground east
of Mortain. Some self propelled guns encountered but no
fire from them. Also tanks apparently self destroyed.

Our reconnaissance as far as Barenton 6604 without
opposition but enemy thought to have some troops on high
ground in vicinity. (End of part 1, part 2 follows).

On Second Army front 10 SS Panzer Division.

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

No : FWD 12599 4 August 1944

Part 3 and last of FWD 12599 dtd 041730.

Moveable is about 100 and of heavy flak guns about 250.

Three. Movement. More activity observed on line
Amiens Montdidier. No evidence of division concerned. Heavy
traffic continues reported on line Dijon, Lyons to north west
Rolon 9 Panzer on the way up. Good evidence received that
Tank Battalion recently entrained Mailly for unknown destination.
No cover flown of west coast move but assumed to be continuing;
move from 708th Infantry Division area northwards reported
in addition to above. 158th Training Division likely already
on its way north on foot.

Four. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up till 1800 hours
3rd August 68586.

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To: War Department

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

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

Nr: 12573 3 August 1944

SHAEP forward from Strong signed Eisenhower cite
SHGBI. 031745 August for action TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI
info 21st Army Group APHQ cite PHGBI AEA for Bennett APHQ
Advance SHAEP MAIN Ninth United States Army First United
States Army Group Twelfth United States Army Group FWD 12573.
G-2 Summary number 59.

1. Operations. Still a complete void on enemys left
flank except for odd pockets of about company strengths.
Organized resistance starts just west of Juvigny 5315 with
battle groups composed of remnants of 17th SS and 2nd SS
Panzer Divisions supported by elements of 116th Panzer
Division.

Enemy still hold salient all exclusive Villedieu
Tessy Vire and 2nd Panzer Division reinforced with remnants
of 3rd Parachute Division resisting stubbornly in attempt
to hold high ground. (End of part 1, part 2 follows)

ACTION: G-2 End.

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

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From: Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
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To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
CG Services of Supply in North African Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy

Nr: 12573 3 August 1944

Part three of FWD 12573 DTG 031745.

266th Inf Div probably intermingled on north coast and of 343 and 265th Inf Divisions intermingled on west and south coasts total 30,000. Static troops 45,000. Believed at time of American break in all four divisions strung out along coasts mainly in port fortresses with only flak troops available inland. Flak in Brittany estimated about 30 battalions three quarters Naval with some 400 heavy guns of which at least two thirds static. Attempts probably being made too late to release Infantry from garrison duty. 319 Inf Div still on Channel Islands.

Three movement. Continued movement up west coast. Possibly 158 Training Division going up to man crossings of Loire.

11th Panzer Division now thought definitely moved to.

End of Part Three Part Four follows.

ACTION: G-2 ^{End}
INFO : CC/S, CG AAF, OPD, Col Park, Log
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To: War Department
CG, Supreme Hq, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England
CG, Allied Force Hq, Caserta, Italy

No: FWD 12573 3 August 1944

Part 4 and last of FWD 12573 DTG 031745

Mediterranean Sete Area.

Continued evidence that 9th Panzer division moving
up from Dijon to battle area.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800
hours 2 August 67810.

5. General. Appreciate move of considerable
elements II SS Panzer Corps westwards represents maximum
enemy effort to prevent front crumbling further and to
extricate invaluable forces now in Salient West of Vire.
Enemy unable, however, to strip Caen sector further without
Infantry reinforcements. Unlikely, therefore, that enemy
will be able to do more than compromise on continued
general withdrawal to southeast.

End

ACTION: G-2
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To: War Department
CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12563

3 August 1944

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031215 August TROOPERS cite DMI AGWAR cite WDGBI info AFHQ
cite FHGBI FWD 12563.

Special G2 summary number 4.

1. Following late morale picture obtained from
prisoners of war passing through Kempton and Devixes.

A. Kempton. After 7 weeks during which almost every
type of prisoners of war interrogated, clear that morale,
on the whole, has not deteriorated much since D day. Prison-
ers of war fall into 2 categories, those who believe in
German victory, secondly, those who do not. Very few have
no idea. Believers have blind faith in Fuehrer. Majority
however are from non-believer class increasing number prison-
ers of war wish to dissociate themselves from Nazi policy
and party.

Comment. Probably .

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CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy

No: FWD 12563 3 August 1944

SHARF Forward 031215 August TROOPERS, AGWAR info
AFHQ Part 2 of FWD 12563.

Consciousness of impending defeat. Many prisoners
of war have still not heard from German sources of recent
"Putsch" and are inclined to dismiss it as propaganda.
Those who have heard it from German sources either regard
generals as traitors or if they consider Germany is de-
feated regret it was not more successful.

B devices. Attitude of German soldiers best
summed up in composite statement on following lines:
"I fought as hard as I knew how and as well as I knew until
I could fight no longer and saw that it was useless. I
obeyed my

(End of Part 2, Part 3 follows).

End

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CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.
No: 12563 3 August 1944

SHAEF FWD 031215 Aug TROOPERS AGWAR info AFHQ part
3 and final of FWD 12563.

Superiors as I have been told even though I know the cause
may be in vain. Though I am reasonably sure that this
war is lost for us I cannot stop fighting before I am per-
sonally licked because I am a German soldier."

2. General. From above difficult to draw conclu-
sive picture as to degree of slackening morale. Discipline
is so inherent in the true German that they continue to
fight hard against great odds although many are war weary
and do not believe in final victory. Fighting spirit is
therefore good. Desertions still confined mainly to non-
Germans. The German soldier in real adversity has not
yet been seen on this front and our recent breakthrough
may see a change in next batch of Prisoners of War.

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

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From: CG Cherbourg Combined Signal Center

To: War Department
CG US Air Service Command USSTAF Hq London England

No: Q 20014 3 August 1944

Ref number Q 20014 from Hq 12th Army Group
to SHAEF info to the Admiralty the War Office the Air
Ministry the War Department the Navy Department 21st Army
Group GHQ Home Forces ANXF AEAFF ETOUSA AFHQ Hq Seventh Army
USSTAF from Bradley signed Eisenhower.

021200B August COSITINTREP number 1 part 1-Land
Section B.

1. Intelligence.

On Third Army front enemy holding up our advance east
of Dinan with heavy mortar and artillery fire. Little re-
sistance to our columns at Combourg and Rennes. Enemy
offering strong opposition vicinity Villedieu. Air recon-
naissance reported enemy tank column moving northeast to
Rennes vicinity Y-0458 at 012036; subsequent reconnaissance
during period revealed no further tank movements towards
Rennes Area. 30-40 enemy tanks reported moving northwest
toward Mortain vicinity T-6006 at 012000.

No new identifications. Third Army reports scattered
and unorganized resistance.

2. Operations.

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12th Army Group and Third Army became operational 011200B. Third Army assumed command of VIII Corps. 12th Army Group Cp 2565. Third Army Cp 2832. VIII Corps Cp 2223. CCA 4th Armd Div moving southwest from Rennes. CCA 6th Armd Div at 0092 at 0830B. CCB 6th Armd Div 0298 at 0730B. XV Corps Cp 0594. XX Corps Cp 1596. 2 French Armd Div Cp opened at 2079. XII Corps Cp 0807. First Army Cp 4363. VII Corps Cp 3448. XIX Corps Cp 4559. V Corps Cp 6869.

Boundary between Army Groups: 7077-6870-6769-6767-6667-6665-6765-6561-6556-6655-6250-6148-6147-6440-6536-6331-7422-7621-8015-8214-9011-0010-1907.

Boundary between Armies: 3669-3638-3833-4130-4320.

Third Army.

VIII Corps exploiting breakthrough of armor south and west of Pontorson 1602 with all armor meeting only slight resistance. Armored columns continuing advance. Fighting taking place in city of Rennes. 796 following 6 Armd Div 8 Div following 4 Armd Div.

XV Corps. Moving south to go into line on left of VIII Corps. 83 Div moving to vicinity of St. James 2998. 90 Div enroute to area along Selune River at 3604. 5 Armd Div moving south from vicinity Periers 2772.

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First Army.

VII Corps.

1 Div advanced to Djijythes-Mortain road from 4214 to 4413. This division still operating in Third Army Sector. 4 Div with CCB 3 Armd Div attached mopped up Villedieux and advanced to the line 4826-4131. 9 Div advanced 4000 yards against light resistance to the line 4437-4237-4136. 3 Armd Div (less CCB) in Corps reserve.

XIX Corps Cp 4559. 28 and 29 Divs advanced 3500 yards against very light resistance to the line 4538-4540-4741-4943-5045. 30 Div assembled in vicinity Tessy Sur Vire.

V Corps Cp 6869. 2 and 35 Divs advanced rapidly to Vire River only snipers and patrols encountered. 2 Div front lines 5944-6044-6046-6143-6243. 35 Div front line 5443-4543-5543-5742-5842. 5 Div assembled in vicinity St Symphorien-Les-Buttes 6251.

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To: War Department
DTG: 032246Z 3 Aug 1944

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Eisenhower COSINTREP number 121 part Naval. Action War
Dept Navy Dept and CG ETOUSA who has info CTF 125 CTF 127.

A. Assault area.

Determined attack was made on BAA by E boats ex-
plosive motor boats and human torpedos. Allied losses and
damaged were Quora and LCG 764 sunk. 2 MT shipel MTB and
2 sunken CORNCOBS damaged. Enemy estimated losses. 20 EMB's
30 human torpedos 2 caught in net. 1 F boat sunk and 1
damaged. 31 prisoners from human torpedos and EMBs.

B. Unloading figures. Read in 3 columns.

	Troops	Vehicles	Stores
British	701516	173242	869348
U S	945714	177618	929540
Total	1647230	350860	1798888

ACTION: OPD

End.

INFO : CC/S, CG AAP, ASF, G-2, Log

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COSITINTREP NUMBER 120 PART NAVAL. ACTION WAR DEPT NAVY
DEPT AND CG ETOUSA WHO HAS. INFO CTF 125 CTF 127.

1. (A) ASSAULT AREA. 24 HOURS ENDING 2300 HOURS 1ST.
A QUIET AND UNEVENTFUL DAY WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS REPORTED BY
ALL LINES'KEEPING FLOTILLAS.

2. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY SLIGHT RAF CLAIMED 1 JU 88 DESTROYED
AND 1 POSSIBLE ON THE NIGHT 31ST/1ST. 3 AIRCRAFT WERE DESTROYED
DURING THE DAY.

(B) UNLOADING FIGURES TO PM 1ST AUGUST.

	PERSONNEL	VEHICLES	STORES
BRITISH	687771	172759	652501
US	933169	174543	898053
TOTAL D PLUS 56	1620940	347302	1750554

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3 August 1944

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Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England

Number: WAR-75165

TOPSEC to SHAEF London for Eisenhower, FACS 50 from the
Combined Chiefs of Staff.

The Combined Chiefs of Staff approve your request for the
allocation of 194 MT ships at least up till D plus 60.

We stress the importance of your reducing your requirement
to the approved 70 MT ship allotment as soon as possible in
order that the deficits created in civil and military pro-
grams by this approval of your request may be compensated for.
It is noted that the retention of MT ships beyond agreed num-
bers is in large measure responsible for the shortage of ship-
ping needed to meet your full requirement for August sailings
in support of U. S. Forces in the European Theater of Opera-
tions.

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INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
OPD
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To: War Department

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Part 1. Land Section A. Period to 031200B.

Intelligence Identifications. By PW:

503 by Tk Bn 6747
20 S PGR 7034
19 SE PGR 7138
8 Coy 9 SS PS Regt 7036
7 Coy 1 SS PGR U 0760

By deserter:

5 Coy 978 GR 003630.
Para Demonstration Regt 1164.

By captured documents 31 July:

2 Coy 1 SS Assault Gun Bn 022607
3 Coy 1 ES A Tk Bn 052634

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Operations:

Twelfth US Army Gp now dispatching COSITINTREP direct
to SHAEF with copy this HQ.

21 Army Gp COSITINTREP will in future cover operations
of First Cdn Army and Second Brit Army only.

Second Brit Army: VIII Corps:

3 Brit Div and 4 Armd Bde now under comd. By last
night 29 Armd Bde of 11 Armd Div had reached rd Vire-Conde
Sur Noireau and 2 Hor and 2 N YEO picketed rds into Vire from
north.

During morning 11 Armd Div with 185 Inf Bde of 3 Div
under comd involved in confused fighting with enemy tks and
Inf particularly in area Beaulieu 6839-Preseles 7135.

Indications of increased enemy activity south of RD
Vire-Vassy and 12 tks in this area.

GDS Armd Div engaged in Hy fighting particularly in
area high ground 7242. Enemy also hold Montchamp 7240 and
Le Busq 7336.

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15 Inf Div:

44 Bde moving area Beny Bocage under comd GDS Armd
Div. 227 Bde area pt 238 (6848) - pt 244 (6947).

2 N YEO maintaining observation towards Vire from
west of Div area.

HQ VI Corps Area 6653. XXX Corps. 7 Armd Div:

Elements 131 Inf Bde adv during night and by 0200
hrs were est on high ground 8051.

22 Armd Bde adv against Hy opposition during morning
to pt 138 one mile NW of Aunay Sur Odon and 774562.

43 Div:

During evening 130 Bde reached L Oismeniere 7749
against strong opposition but no progress possible this
morning.

214 Bde moved fwd during night to pt 301 (7449).
By 1200 hrs fwd tps had reached rd Junc 746479.

50 Div:

During evening 69 Bde occupied Amaye feature and
were in contact with 7 Armd Div pt 198 (7656). No further
progress reported this morning on Div front.

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XII Corps. 59 Div:

During night 71 Bde took over eastern part of 177 Bde
from from Bas Des Forges 8962 along stream to 9061. Patrols
area X rds 855615 found no enemy 177 Bde Conc area west of
Tessel Wood 8665.

53 Div patrols found Missy 893620 unoccupied.
Hq 31 tk Bde 844667.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO: CC/S
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To: War Department

No. GO 385A 3 August 1944

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Department, 022200B. COSITINTREP number 120.

Part 1. Land. Section A.

Period to 021200B. Intelligence.

Identifications:

By PW. 3 Coy 326th FUS Bn T737527.
10 Coy 751st Gr Bricquessard T7459.
13 Coy 753rd Gr T 745551.
9 Coy 753rd Gr T 751567.

By deserters. 8 Coy 986th Gr T855634

By contact. 9th SS Pz. Recce Unit T6738
1 Bn 125th PGR Le Beny Bocage T6738.
Elements 192nd PGR T6846
Elements 22nd PZ Regt Area T6846
5 Coy 192nd PGR T745523
2 Bn 125th PGR Bois Du Homme T75.

By undated captured map. 9 10 and 12 Tps 326th
Arty Regt T7352 7854 7552 respectively.

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Operations:

Twelfth US Army Group assumed command First and
Third US Armies under operational control this Headquarters
011200B.

Headquarters Twelfth Army Group 263655.

VIII Corps:

Passed to command Third Army from First Army.
Owing failure comms following information will be classified
unconfirmed pending receipt SITREP from Twelfth Army Group.

6th Armd Div advanced west and captured Portorson
1602 and Dol 9802. Forward elements reported area St Malo.

4th Armd Div advanced south and are fighting
in area Rennes and elements are reported south of town.

First US Army.

VII Corps:

1st Inf Div and CCA 3rd Arm Div advanced south of
Brecy to Heffuvette 4513 and SE to western edge of Juvignyle
Tertre at 515142.

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CCB 3rd Armd Div advanced to northern outskirts St
Pois 397230.

4th Inf Div, NE Villedieu on general line of
road Villedieupont Percy 5242. Villedieu now in our hands.

XIX Corps:

28th Div captured Percy and advanced 3 miles
SE on road to St Sever Calvados.

29th Div captured Teasy Sur Vire.

V Corps:

35th and 2nd Divs advanced south to general
line of River Souleuvre from Pleine Oeuvres 5443, PT 204
(6243).

5th Div now in Corps res.

Second British Army:

VIII Corps:

11th Armd Div has continued advance SE from area
Beny Bocage and by 1200 hours forward troops 29th Armd Bde
reached general line 6934, Presles 7135.

159th Bde following in rear of 29th Armd Bde.

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No. G0385A 3 August 1944

Rece elements of 2 HCR at Laritiere 6831.

Gds Armd Div continued advance through close
country against considerable opposition.

Armd Recce Regt reached Courtell 7040 and 7243
by 1200 hours and remainder Div organized into three battle
groups each of 1 armd regt and inf bn on Axis St Martindes
Besacks, Catholles 7044, Courtell.

15th Div holding firm base in area PT 309 (6951)
- PT 223 (6952) - PT 226 (7153).

3rd British Div moving from I Corps to under
command VIII Corps.

XXX Corps:

43rd Div. During evening 214th Bde captured
PT 361 (7250) and repulsed enemy counter-attack.

During morning 130th Bde advanced and by 1220 hours
had captured La Bigne 7650 and were approaching Loissoniere
7749. Jurques 7451 was cleared of enemy.

7th Armd Div made some progress against determined
opposition in difficult country. Forward elements 22nd Armd
Bde reached area Le Butterie 7854 and Bassieux 7851.

131st Bde area Robin feature 7653.

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50 Div. 56th and 231st Bdes advanced to general
line 770590-797595-810598.

XII Corps:

Intense shelling and mortaring on 53rd Div
front during evening. Patrols 197th Bde reached La Vallee
8462 and 177th Bde report Lendelles 8862 occupied by enemy.

Tac Headquarters Second Army 682639.

First US Army.

4th Cdn Armd Div. 1 Bn 10th Inf Bde launched
silent attack on Tilly La Campagne 0760 at 0030 hours. No
progress made in face of very strong opposition. Bn now
area Borguebus with det holding br 069611, forward troops
5th Inf Bde of 2nd Cdn Div 062605.

End.

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S SGS
CG AAF Adm King
ASF Col Park
G-2 Log

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

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944

From SHAEF forward from Strong signed Eisenhower cite
SHGBI 021700 Aug TROOPERS AGWAR cite WDGBI info 21 Army
Group AEA for Bennett AFHQ cite FHGBI AFHQ advance SHAEF
main First United States Army Group Ninth United States
Army Twelfth United States Army Group. FWD 12548. G2 summary
number 58.

One operations. Resistance on enemy left wing still
very weak and front is entirely fluid. Heavens firmly in
our hands. After fierce fighting in Villedieu, Percy and
Tessy enemy driven out of all three.

Prisoners of War from 2nd Panzer Division captured
west of Beny Bocage stated they were cowherds looking after
company's cows and got left behind when division moved.
Bulk of Division further west.

Our drive through Beny Bocage being opposed by 21st
Panzer Division propping up remains of 3rd Parachute Division.
30 tanks.

Note: (Part 2 follows).

ACTION: G-2 End ✓
INFO : CCS, CG AAF, OPD, ADM KING, COL PARK, LOG
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To: War Department.
CG, Allied Expeditionary Air Forces,
London, England.
CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944
Part 2 of FWD 12548 dtd 021700.

Of 21st Panzer Division claimed knocked out by air
and artillery. Further east 326 and 276th Infantry Divisions
withdrew in front of our advance.

2. Movement. Indications there may be three sep-
arate East to West train movements in progress, one origina-
ting from Amiens-Abbeville area, one from Hazebrouck-Laon
area, and one from Belgium. Size of all three somewhat
uncertain. Possibilities are 6th Parachute, 331st and 347th
Infantry Divisions.

Report that elements of 2nd Parachute Division in
St Malo area 20th July.

Rail movement in progress from Bordeaux to Nantes
originating from Montpellier said to be carrying a "Light

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Forces, Forward, London, England.

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944

armored division". No such division available, but may be
infantry with some general headquarters units.

3. Tank strength. Estimated
(Part 3 follows).

End

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CCS
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LOG

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To: War Department.
CG, Allied Expeditionary Air Forces,
London, England.
CG, Army Air Forces, Mediterranean Theater of
Operations, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944
Part 3 of FWD 12548 dtd 021700.

Total enemy tank strength 300 opposite United States
Army (including 160 for 116th Panzer Division which may in
fact not yet have come up) and 500 opposite British and
Canadian Armies (including 70 for 1st Battalion SS Totenkopf
Tank Regiment, which has not been identified by contact).

Total in battle area 800 tanks (230 in units not
yet contacted) including 100 PZKW VI, 400 PZKW 5, 300 PZKW
IV. Assault guns in battle area estimated 300. Remainder
of west estimated 50 Pzkr ZKW VI, 250 PZKW V,

(Part 4 follows)

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CCS
CG AAF
OPD
COL PARK
LOG

End

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

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944
Part four of FWD 12548 dtd 021700.

150 PZKW IV, total 450 tanks and 50 assault guns.
Grand totals for West 1250 tanks including 150 PZKW VI,
650 PZKW V, 450 PZKW IV and 350 assault guns.

4. Prisoners of War. Accumulative total passed
through reception camps and base hospitals up to 1800
hours 1 August 65821. Total for current operation 18,000.

5. General. Enemy disorganization on his left
complete and no known formations present in Rennes Area
with which to stop our drive. Appreciate enemy must now
regard Brittany Peninsula as lost and only course open
is to carry out delaying action to deny ports in this
area. Effective (part 5 follows).

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CCS
CG AAF
OPD
ADM KING
COL PARK
LOG

End

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

Nr: FWD 12548 2 August 1944
Part five of FWD 12548 dtd 021700.

Forces in area amount to slightly over two divisions. Combatant strength estimated at 30,000 with total forces, all services, approximating 80,000. Enemy still attempting to carry out orderly withdrawal northwest and west of Vire but position not happy in view our threat to Vire. Essential for future of his defensive front west of Seine to save two SS, 116 and two Panzer and 363 and three Parachute Divisions from complete destruction. Although indications part of nine SS Panzer Division may be moving west enemy still retaining firm front southeast of Caen. Possible two or three divisions moving from north of Seine and size of train movements suggests parts of divisions at least. (part 6 follows).

End

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INFO : CCS

CG AAF

OPD

ADM KING

COL PARK

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

Nr : FWD 12548 2 August 1944
Part six and last of FWD 12548 dtg 021700.
Probably doing the usual bicycle marathon to the
front.

Confusion of rail movement in south and southwest
France such that clear picture impossible but activity north-
east from Dijon may indicate nine Panzer Division moving
north. Weight of evidence suggests 11 Panzer Division trans-
ferred recently to Mediterranean area.

End.

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CCS
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LOG

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CG US Army Forces, European Theater of Operations,
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CG US Army Services of Supply in the British Isles,
London, England.
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.
CG, 7th Army in Italy.

Nr: FWD 12543 2 August 1944

SHAMP (Forward) from Chief Signal Officer signed
Eisenhower 2 August CINC 21st Army Group, CG 1st Army Group,
CG 12th Army Group, CG Communications zone, CG Canadian Military
Headquarters, Allied Naval Commander Expeditionary Force
(21st Army Group please pass), CINC Portsmouth, CINC Plymouth,
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of Signal Department), Air CINC AEAF, The Under Secretary of
State for Air, Air Ministry (Director General of Signals Plans),
Chief Signal Officer War Department Washington DC, CG ETOUSA,
The Under Secretary of State War Office. Director of Signals,
C in C Home Forces, (Chief Signal Officer War Office Signals,
Chief Signal Officer Southern Command for Commander Force
135), C in C SAC MED, C in C SAC MED for CG 7th Army. FWD
12543. TOP SECRET.

Main headquarters 21st Army Group opens on the
continent 1800 hours 4th August 1944 area Le Tronquay T6974
thereby bringing into force at that time and date OVERLORD
Signal instruction part 2A as amended by Signal order no 11

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dated 28th July 44 to limited number of addressees. Part
2A will supersede NEPTUNE Signal instruction part 2.

End.

ACTION: GEN SOMERVELL

INFO : GEN ARNOLD
OPD
GEN BISSELL
ADM KING
LOG

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To: War Department

No. FWD 12538 2 August 1944

FWD 12538 to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff
info War Office DIM DTG 012000 B signed Eisenhower. This is
SCAF number 59.

1. Proposed scale of operations by resistance groups in France requires very much larger quantity of equipment than originally planned. Main source of supply to date has been British. War Office state increased requirements for certain weapons can only be met at expense of British Field Forces.
2. Equipment for OSS recently released by War Department is not expected to be available for use in the field until October earliest. Therefore propose using captured enemy weapons to relieve supply position.
3. British Chiefs of Staff stated in May 1944 that they considered it very undesirable that captured enemy equipment should be issued to liberated forces.
4. Appreciate this point of view, but consider it operationally essential to equip the maximum number of resistance groups on basis of present plans.
5. Captured enemy equipment involved limited mainly to quantities of small arms which it is proposed

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to withdraw later as our advance progresses and resistance
personnel are reorganized into formed bodies within our
lines.

6. In view of limited supply position request your
agreement to above proposal.

End

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ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy Adm King
CG AAF Log
OPD
Gen Bissell

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To: War Department

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information Wer Office DLM DTG 012000B signed Eisenhower,
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ment is not expected to be available for use in the field
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End.

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INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
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OPD
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Adm King
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From: CG Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
London, England

To: War Department

Number S 56667 *[Handwritten scribble]* ? August 1944

From Eisenhower to CCS and General Marshall.
S 56667. Top Secret. BIGOT.

Effective with this message, I will have my staff draw up a suitable weekly appreciation for the Combined Chiefs of Staff.

My current and personal appreciation follows:

I omit any detailed review of developments up to the present because I assume that the Chiefs of Staff are aware of the major factors that have been involved. However, I should like to make it clear that when we found in the early days of the operation that the enemy was rushing the major portion of his mobile forces into the Caen area, I personally approved Montgomery's policy of taking a firm defensive and containing action in that region while we secured Cherbourg in the west and then turned United States forces southward to roll up the enemy forces. From the beginning, Montgomery, Bradley and I have agreed that we should attempt to maneuver and attack as to pin down and destroy substantial portions of the enemy in our immediate front so as to have a later freedom of action. The alternative would be merely a pushing back with consequent necessity for slowly battling our way

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toward necessary geographical objectives. One of these objectives is the Brittany Peninsula, which we must have quickly. The other is more elbow room in the east. Storms at sea and bad flying weather slowed up our projected schedule, but in general that policy has been faithfully pursued ever since. The first purpose of the attack at Caen was to get the bottleneck of the Orne crossing behind us rather than in front of us, and to take advantage of any break that might occur in the German line to exploit rapidly to the southward into good tank country. A complete break-through was not accomplished but the first portion of the objective was secured at the same time that we were carrying on offensive operations in the west. Bradley's offensive was set up to drive rapidly toward the Avranches area and to secure an open flank if we possibly could so as to be free to operate both into the Brittany Peninsula and to roll up the German line. Supporting this attack the Second Army was to act aggressively throughout its front and to be ready to seize any favorable opportunity that might develop for a major offensive. As Bradley's attack gained some ground it appeared that his opportunity had occurred in the region of Caumont and Second Army attack was rapidly mounted to take advantage of that opportunity.

At this moment, the enemy is bringing up such reinforcements as he can gather from within France to bolster up his lines and to establish a defensive position that will prevent us breaking into the open. We are attacking viciously in an effort to accomplish our purpose before the enemy can be successful in establishing new and strong lines.

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Future prospects must therefore be gauged by the varying degrees of success that we may achieve in the battle now raging. The first and most favorable prospect is that both our major attacks will enjoy a great degree of success. Should the Second Army succeed in getting firm hold of Vire while Bradley makes good his seizure of the Avranches area and then both forces operate toward the rear of that portion of the enemy now heavily engaged between those two attacks, we should not only gain a real tactical victory but should destroy so many of his troops west of Vire that we will have created practically an open flank. In this event I would consider it unnecessary to detach any large forces for the conquest of Brittany and would devote the great bulk of the forces to the task of completing the destruction of the German Army, at least that portion west of the Orne, and exploiting beyond that as far as we possibly could.

If a lesser degree of success attends our current attacks, we may expect the enemy to establish in some strength a defensive line stretching from Caen to Avranches, possible south of Vire. At that point, the enemy would be extended but on the other hand, our troops would probably be quite tired. We could expect that if the enemy succeeds in doing this he will have done it by stripping to some extent the areas south of Caen where he has shown the greatest anxiety to prevent any advance. If he does this, Montgomery will immediately thrust forward again in that region. The task of gaining Brittany will then require another major thrust by Bradley on his right flank and the rapid conquest of Brittany may require more troops than under the more favorable

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contingency discussed above. In this event our immediate effort along the general front would be somewhat less ambitious and would be limited to finding favorable opportunity for attack.

You will note that in both these conceptions the rapid occupation of Brittany is placed as a primary task, the difference being that in one case we believe it would be rather easily done and in the other we would have to fight through the defensive line and commit more forces to the job.

Finally, if the enemy should succeed in blocking our land advance on the line Avranches-Caen (which I do not for a moment believe he can do) then we would set up a special operation called "SWORDHILT" to capture Brittany. It would be a combined amphibious-airborne operation, striking somewhat to the east of Brest, on the north coast. The garrison of the peninsula has been much reduced and an operation of this kind would have real chance of success. You will note this is a final alternative and we do not believe we will have to mount it.

It is my hope that once we have secured the Brittany Peninsula we will find that our total capacity for receiving and maintaining additional divisions has been increased and that we can absorb all that can be brought in to us. If this should prove to be the case, then anything extra that can be brought to Europe should come in here rather than through the gateway in the Mediterranean. The next step would be aggressive action toward the northeast to destroy the bulk of the German mobile forces, all generally located along our present front and stretching up to include Pas de Calais.

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In any event, and regardless of the completeness of victory in the current battle, this command will continue to maintain the offensive to the absolute limit of his power. On this point all my commanders are in complete agreement with me. I personally believe that if we could be fortunate enough to have a period of ten days to two weeks of really good weather we can secure a most significant success. Even without such weather, I believe we are in good shape to reach the geographical objectives both on the east and west that we must obtain and that, in the meantime, we may do far more than this.

It is apparent that for the moment the enemy continues to regard his extreme eastern flank as his most sensitive one. This is unquestionably due to the fact that he still fears an invasion to the north of the Seine and feels that he must therefore block the direct and open approach toward Paris or toward the region of the Pas de Calais.

Personally, I am very hopeful as to immediate results, and believe that within the next two or three days we will so manhandle the western flank of the enemy's forces that we will secure for ourselves freedom of action through destruction of a considerable portion of the forces facing us.

ACTION: CC/S

End

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy SGS
Gen Arnold Adm King
OPD Mr Stimson
Gen Bissell CofS

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To: War Department
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Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy
CG, US Army Forces in European Theater of Operations
London, England
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
CG, Seventh Army (US)

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Is reported.

4. 1,400 Germans now estimated killed in Brittany
since D day. Enemy have captured almost the whole of the
Bercors from the Maquis.

5. Since the 28th July, 38 Special Air Service troops,
six jeeps and 284 tons of arms and ammunition have been
dropped in France from England. Totals since D day, includ-
ing operations from North Africa, 712 Special Air Service
troops, 23 Jedburgh teams, four operational groups, 27 jeeps
and 4,333 tons of arms and ammunition.

End

ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CC/S, Gen Arnold, Gen Somervell, Gen Bissell,
Adm King, Col Park, Log.

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Paris-Berlin cable is reported cut.

4. 1,400 Germans now estimated killed in Brittany
since D day. Enemy have captured almost the whole of the
Bercors from the Maquis.

End

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: CG/S, Gen Arnold, Gen Bissell, Adm King, Lt Library
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Combined Chiefs of Staff
77500

1 August 1944

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Supreme Headquarters
Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England

Number: WAR 74380

TOPSEC to SHAEF London for Eisenhower, FACS 49 from The Combined Chiefs of Staff.

Reconstituting and equipping armies of liberated nations is subject. Reference is SCAF 51 and letter SHAEF/17253/OPS, dated 9 March 1944, and paragraph 3 of letter SHAEF/17245/6/2/OPS (C) dated 27 June 1944.

1. You should be guided by the following policy:
 - a. Equipment for patriot forces in your sphere, including southern France, should be provided for.
 - b. Planning for arms and equipment for forces formed from manpower liberated by the operations of SCAEF to be on the assumption that military units not larger than battalions and totalling not more than 172,000 men, will be formed by D plus 300 for the purpose of internal security and garrisoning liberated areas. It is understood that you consider equipment for the difference between 172,000 and the 211,000, stated as your total requirement, can reasonably be furnished from captured equipment. It is recognized that this arrangement for use of captured equipment may be of a temporary nature.

2. There is no objection to liberated units manning Allied antiaircraft equipment on a temporary basis at your discretion. The establishment in the United Kingdom of French

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replacement training centers is a matter which should be handled through diplomatic channels. In this connection The Combined Chiefs of Staff have approved provision of equipment for French replacement training centers in the North African Theater of Operations for the purpose of training replacements for French Expeditionary Forces only.

3. Allied military missions concerned should be informed that any requests which you consider to include, in effect, requirements for post-war armies should be taken up as between governments and not on the military level.

ORIGINATOR: CCS

INFORMATION: Adm Leahy
Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Adm King
CofS

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

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

Nr: FWD 12527 1 August 1944

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Army Gp 12th United States Army Group AFHQ cite FEGBI
AEAF for Bennett SHAEF Main AFHQ Advance Ninth United
States Army. FWD 12527.

G-2 summary number 57.

Operations. First Army, In coastal sector enemy
resistance still disorganized. Loss of equipment, especially
artillery, very heavy and over 2500 prisoners of war taken
in this sector alone yesterday.

Enemy still hold Villedieu and regiment of 363
Infantry Division identified here. Prisoners of war state
entire division in arms and equipment complete.

Main resistance between inclusive Percy and
inclusive Troisgots 5251 where elements of both 116
Panzer and 2 Panzer Divisions (part two follows).

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG AAF End
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To: War Department
CG Supreme Hqs Allied Expeditionary Forces
London, England
CG Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

Nr: FWD 12527 1 August 1944
Part 2 of FWD 12527 dtg 011630 Aug.
Identified.

Further east 326th Infantry Divisions front broken and
battle group of 21st Panzer Division rushed to avert break
through.

Identification of regiment of 272nd Infantry Division
southeast of Caen indicates division has relieved 21st Panzer
Division this area. Twelve remote controlled tanks used in
9th SS Panzer Divisions front. Five knocked out by our tanks,
1 destroyed itself, rest withdrew. Allied attack east of
Orne produced violent reaction from enemy.

2 Movement. Ground reports concerning 11th Panzer
Division very conflicting there being indications division
may have moved southeast towards Toulouse and beyond. If
so, presumably intention is to take over 9th Panzer Division
Area latter having moved north. No conclusions possible yet
and.

(part 3 follows)

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG AAF
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End.

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CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

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Part 3 on FWD 12527 dtd 011630 Aug.

Still possible division will appear in Normandy.

Photographic reconnaissance reveals evidence of activity at five crossing points over Seine. Enemy also reported to be sending large quantities of supplies down river from Paris. Both types of traffic likely to increase in proportion to demands of Fifteen Army for reinforcements for battle area.

Indications that some formation followed on heels of 363 Inf Div, but not clear yet from where movement originated.

3. Strength.

Now 13 enemy divisions (nominal) opposite United States Army. Estimate these true equivalent of not more than six (3 Panzer and 36-Bn Inf). Also 13 nominal divs opposite British and Canadian Armies. Estimate these true equivalent of not more than

(Part 4 follows)

End.

ACTION: G-2
INFO : CG AAF
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CG Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy.

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Part 4 of FWD 12527 DT 011630 Aug.

8 (3 SS Panzer and 56th-Battlaion.Infantry). Total
26 nominal Divisions (10 Panzer or Panzer Grenadier and 16
Infantry true equivalent of 14 (6 Panzer and 8 Infantry).
Propose eliminate following 7 as divisions, though small
battle groups survive and attempts may be made later to
reform some of these formations, particularly 5 parachute
and Panzer Lehr Divisions:

77/91
243
275
353
16 German Air Force

5 Parachute, Panzer Lehr. Total thus reduced to

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19 nominal divisions. Nine Panzer, 1 SS, 2 SS, 9 SS, 10 SS,
12 SS, 17.

Part 5 follows.

End.

ACTION: G-2

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

Nr : FWD 12527 1 Aug 1944

Part Five of FWD 12527 dtd 011630 Aug.

SS, second Panzer, 21st Panzer, 116th Panzer and
9th Infantry, Third Parachute, 271, 272, 276, 277, 326,
346, 352, 363, 711.

4. Prisoners of war. Accumulative total passed
through receptions camps and base hospitals up to 1800 hours
31 July 64411.

Miscellaneous. Following reports apparently
connected with attempted assassination of Hitler 21 July.

A. General Stulpnagel reported attempted suicide
in Verdun 21 July.

B. SS General Obert, Chief of Police in France re-
ported arrest in Paris 20 July and shortly afterwards set
free.

5. General. Enemy now. Part 6 follows.

ACTION: G-2

INFO : CG AAF, OPD, COL PARK, LOG
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London, England
CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Caserta, Italy

Nr : FWD 12527 1st August 1944

Part 6 and last of FWD 12527 dtd 011630, Aug.

Attempting to form firm flank South of Avranches to prevent allied entry into Brittany, and may scratch up equivalent of slightly more than two divisions for this purpose including the elusive 2nd Parachute Div. Enemy still pivoting Villedieu Percy Tassy and offering stubborn resistance this area. Advance by Second Army south from Beny Bocage will however necessitate withdrawals in this sector and best enemy can hope for is to form cohesive front running northeast from Ducy to Vire. He cannot risk annihilation of armour opposite First United States Army and this line represents his last chance of economically holding the lodgment area and is therefore decisive battle for him. No sign yet enemy transfers of SS Divisions from Caen sector.

End.

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From: CG US Forces in European Theater of Operations,
London, England
To: War Department
No. E-40981 1 August 1944

E-40981 signed Eisenhower. From Betts cite Com-
bined Repatriation Committee for Personnel Division G-1
General Staff.

Supplementing cable E-40313 July 28th ETOUSA to
AGWAR, it is informally understood that SHAEF and British
Chiefs of Staff here have approved exchange at Gothenburg
September 8th. It is also informally understood that Ad-
miralty has proposed a route to Cominch and has suggested
that safe conduct be requested.

British authorities are awaiting approval of
American authorities before proposing date and place to
German Government. Response to cable noted above therefore
requested as soon as possible, assuming that SHAEF and
British Chiefs of Staff here will give formal approval.

END

FOOTNOTE: 40313 is CM-IN-23833 (28 Jul 44) G-1

ACTION: G-1
INFO : CC/S CG AAF ASF OPD G-2 (State) Adm. King
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CG, US Army Forces in European Theater of
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Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces,
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CG, Seventh Army US

Nr: FW 12537 1 August 1944

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Last part 4 issued was number 112.

Para 1.

Railway bridges reported successfully attacked on
lines Montfort-Bonfleur, Auch-Toulouse. Other lines reported
temporarily cut involve Montargis-Paris, Albi-Rodex, Gap-
Briancon, Toulouse-Montreseau.

Para 2.

The Loire and Nivernais canals reported success-
fully attacked. The water level of the Saone River lowered
three metres as a result of the destruction of the Mulatiere
dam.

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Para 3.

Widespread sabotage of telecommunications
continues. The Paris-Berlin cable.

(Part two follows this)

End

ACTION: OPD

INFO : CCS
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To: War Department

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Part 1. Land.

Section A. Period to 011200B. Intelligence.

Identifications:

By PW. Elements 957th Gr of 363rd Inf Div
T3936. 2nd Para Recce Unit area T4141. 2 Bn 752nd Gr
T688490. 2 Coy 751st Gr Briquessard T7359. 5 Coy 751st GR
St. Germain T 7762Z. 2 and 8 Coys 753rd Gr T 759566J.
2 Bn 988th Gr SE of St Germain T7762. 5 and 8 Coys 987th
Gr T7962 1 Bn 987th Gr T 8363. Coy 21st SS Pgr T9662.

By deserter. 7 and 14 Coys 986th Gr T8464.

By contacts. 2 Coy 980 Gr U1366.

Operations:

First U S Army.

VIII Corps:

6th Armd Div completed mopping up coastal area

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between Granville and Avranches.

4th Armd Div exploited south of Avranches and some resistance encountered north of Portabault 2809. Elements 4th Armd Div secured dam on Selune River at 366039. Other Elements reported at Ducey 3208 Montgotheir 3910 and 1000 yds south of Marcilly at 365110.

Headquarters VIII Corps 228232.

VII Corps.

Continued advance south. 1st Inf Div on right by passed Villedieu to south.

Task Force X with elements 26th Inf reached Brecy 4220.

Task Force Z at La Faverie 3726 with elements 18th Inf La Trinite 3727.

Task Force Y 2000 yds SW of Villedieu.

4th Inf Div on left met stiff resistance. 12th Inf had 1 Bn at 393335 and 2 Bns at Les Costils 3831; 8th Inf had forward Bn 1000 yds west of Percy.

Headquarters VII Corps 348483.

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XIX Corps.

30th Div with right 117th Inf and left 120th
Inf advanced west of Drome River to Fervaches 4949.

29th Inf Div with right 115th Inf centre 175th
Inf and left 116th Inf advanced east towards Tassy Sur Vire
to general line 440430 - 465440-460465 - Lesserid 4748.

28th Div with 110th and 112th Inf just north
of Periy where hy resistance continues.

2nd Armd Div under comd XIX Corps.

V Corps:

35th Div with right 137th K Inf centre 134th
Inf and left 320th Inf occupied Torigny and advanced south
to general line along stream - Cretteville 5350 - 587505.

2nd Div with right 381st Inf centre 9th Inf left
23rd Inf advanced to general line Guilberville 5948 - 618480.

5th Div. 2nd Inf crossed Sou Leuvre River 6-3433-
646436 and 11th Inf now on road north of Foret Levque
630500 to 641503.

Body between First US Army and Second British
Army, as before to 640400 - 650360 - excl Second British

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Army Vire 6331-650310 incl Second British Army Tinchebray
7422-760210 incl Second British Army Foret De Halouze
8015-820140-900110- U 000100 - 190007.

Second British Army.

VIII Corps:

After capture of St Martinbesaces 6750 at
311430B, 11th Armd Div made good progress on right and by
last light forward elements were across the Soulvre River
on high ground PT 205 (6542).

During morning 29th Armd Bde moved east and captured
Beny ~~le~~ Bocage 6742 and PTS 222 and 243 to the north. 159th
Inf Bde took over PT 205.

Gds Armd Div began advance south from Caumont
at 311700B. By last light elements reached high ground
PT 238 (6848) by 011200B 5th Gds Armd Bde holding line
stream 689496 - PT 238, excl PT 192 (6748) - stream 669498.

32nd Gds Inf Bde are now moving forward.

15th Inf Div reorganized on high ground 6951 and
repulsed enemy counter-attack during morning from area Galet
6950.

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XXX Corps:

By 311600B 130th Bde of 43rd Div had captured
Cahagnes 7356.

214th Inf Bde passed through and by last light
were in area Centeloup 7354 - St Pierre Fresne 7353 during
morning 43rd Div continued to clear ground both sides of
road Caumont - Robin 7454.

7th Armd Div moved forward assembly area
east and SE of Caumont.

50th Div improved their positions and 56th
Inf Bde captured. Launay 7661 while 231st Bde attacking area
Lictot 7861 - Fedgerolles Sur Seullles 7961.

First Cdn Army.

II Cdn Corps:

5th Cdn Bde of 2nd Cdn Div attacked Tilly La
Campagne 0760 at 010230B. Hy fighting continued in area
throughout morning.

4th Cdn Armd Div. Forward elements 10th Cdn
Inf Bde at PT 63 (0760).

I Corps:

49th Div assumed Comd of Sannerville - Troard

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Sector with 146th Bde area Cagny - Grenouville. 7th Bde
area Emie Ville. 146th Bde area Sannerville. 33rd Armd
Bde area Demouville. 6th Armd Div assumed Comd southern
Bois De Bavent Sector with 4th SS Bde area Salonelles
Brevils. 6th Air Ldg Bde area Le Mesnil 1372. 1st SS Bde
east of Escoville. 3rd Para Bde area north of Touffreville
and 5th Para Bde in res area Ranville.

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1 August, 1944

Supreme Headquarters,
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Number: WAR 73929

To Eisenhower from the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

State Department has requested views of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on proposal of International Red Cross for the creation of sanitary and security zones in Allied occupied metropolitan France. Your views on this proposal are requested.

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1. ON THE EVENING OF 29TH JULY A FEW SHELLS ESTIMATED AS 11 INCH FELL NEAR LANGRUNE. THESE WERE FOLLOWED BETWEEN 0300 AND 0600 30TH JULY BY 15 TO 20 ROUNDS FROM A HEAVY CALIBER GUN. ALL OF WHICH FELL IN THE COURSEULLES AREA. NO SERIOUS DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES HAVE BEEN REPORTED. 2 BATTERIES NEAR HONLGOATE WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SHELLING WERE LATER ENGAGED BY HMS EREBUS. HMNS FLORES ALSO CARRIED OUT A SHOOT AGAINST BATTERY AND MORTAR POSITIONS AND MT CONCENTRATIONS.

2. IN THE MORNING OF 30TH JULY USN HMS 304 WAS SUNK WHILST WINE SWEEPING IN THE APPROACH CHANNEL TO ST VAAST. 17 SURVIVORS WERE PICKED UP BY AIR SEA RESCUE HSL.

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