From: Headquarters AFHQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
No: No # 20 May 1944

To AGWAR eyes only for Marshall and to Freedom eyes only for Wilson from FAIRBANKS from Devers.

No change in the 8th Army front. This Army is poised to drive to the northwest Sunday AM.

The French Corps has detachments across the Ponte-Corvo-Pico line and are close to Pico.

The 2nd Corps was pushing rapidly toward the west sparked by its Corps Commander Keyes. The 88th Division has 1 Battalion 2 miles beyond Fondi and holds Mount Passignano north of Fondi. The 85th Division was pushing up on its left with the 91st Reconnaissance Unit 3 miles northwest of Sperlonga. The airfield at Lenclo has been abandoned by the enemy.

The Tactical Air Force has been particularly effective in supporting the advance of the 5th and 8th Armies. I saw Saville 2 miles southeast of Fondi at 1400 hours this afternoon coordinating his command efforts.
From: Headquarters AFHQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
No: No # 20 May 1944

While stiff resistance has developed in front of the 1st Army and the French Corps the outlook is exceptionally optimistic.

No Sig

ACTION: Gen Handy
TFO: Gen Arnold
Gen Bissell

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-5-72
BY DRB, DATE
MAY 21 1973
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

FROM: G 2 A.F.H.Q. Algiers
TO: War Office
AGWAR (BAS pass)
Rptd: G.H.Q. Middle East
FAIRBANKS
NORBS
FARO (For MACFARLANE)
SHAEB
PENBASE (For CAVE)
SOMTO

NO: F48551

May 20, 1944.

Signed Wilson cite FHGBI

G 2 Summary

ONE: Last special Summary 18 May.

TWO: V CORPS SECTOR. No ground indications departure
305 Infantry Division thought
possible in view identification elements TYRRHENIAN front.
Only reasonable replacement in view commitments other
enemy divisions in West would be 278 Infantry Division
from ISTRIA. RECOCE reports MT and marching columns
moving South below RIMINI. Enemy generally quiet.

THREE: 8 and 5 ARMY SECTORS. No offensive activity on
114 JAEBER, 5 mountain or
44 Infantry Division Sectors. In one parachute and 90
PG Division Sectors enemy has fallen back to general line
CASTROCELE-PONTECORVO and how manning Hitler Line.
Prisoners reported considerable disorganization there
May 18 but Allied probed met with sharp reaction on
following day. South of LIRI resistance fairly stiff on
approaches to PICO but otherwise little opposition reported
West of line CAMPODIMELE-ELENA. In PICO Area are presumably
the various units used to stop rot of 71 Infantry Division
such as 200 PGR (90 PG Division) and 9 PGR/25 PANZER Division.
Former known to have had heavy losses and probably lost
bulk of a Battalion in ESPERIA battle. Latter represents
en inroad on Bridgehead reserves. An ABTEILUNG of 93 Artillery Regiment (26 PANZER Division) also believed in support and 26 RECCE Unit also now on battle front further South supporting 94 Infantry Division and the attached elements of 15 FG Division. Latter now split up between 90 FG and 94 Infantry Divisions, 305 FUSILIER (RECCE) Battalion also contacted after ESPERIA battle. This may indicate intention take more risks in ADRIATIC and provide some stuffing for Central and Western Sectors of Hitler Line which must be very inadequately manned from P100 Westwards. Appreciate enemy will endeavour make some stand on most heavily defended part of line, MONTE CAIRO-F100 but be must consider danger of turning movements from South a very real threat. In any case is likely use what respite can be gained to undertake hasty re-grouping especially of mobile forces which would be much needed as rear guards if general retirement become necessary. Enemy's disorganization certainly considerable. Aggregate casualty estimates NOT available. Total Prisoners of War known to exceed 5000.

T.O.O. 201930

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CC/S CGAEP ODP Col Park Log

CM-IN-16556 (22 May 44) 1255Z mln

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-5-72
BY DELE DATE
MAY 21 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: AFRQ Adv CP
To: War Office (For Lord Burnham)
AGWAR (For General Sirles BAS Washington pass)
Rptd: AFRY (For General Gammell)

Number: B12694
May 19, 1944

From General Rooks signed Wilson cite FHSC.

GENERAL SITUATION

EIGHT ARMY. The Polish Corps in the north and east made advance of about 1000 yards and joined the British along Highway 6, about 21/2 miles west of Cassino.

During the night and early morning the British made advances up to 3000 yards, and succeeded in penetrating the Adolph Hitler Line, about 3 miles north of Pontecorvo but were stopped by very stiff resistance and were forced to withdraw. Infantry supported by tanks are now operating against the Hitler Line in that area.

South of the British, the Canadians penetrated the Hitler line, about 1 mile south of Pontecorvo, but were last reported operating against the line all along their front.

FIFTH ARMY. The French Corps south of the Liri River continued its advance to the northwest and west meeting stiff resistance in the north from the vicinity of Pico and the high ground east of Pico. Gains in the north were from 1000 yards to 3000 yards but in the mountains to the south advances up to 7000 yards were made against mild resistance.

Advance elements are 1000 yards west of the Itri-Pico road about 4 miles north of Itri.

The American 2nd Corps made gains averaging about 6000 yards. Mopped up the town of Formia, continued on to the west, captured Itri, and secured the high ground 1 mile northwest of Itri. At present they are cleaning out the area of the Gaeta peninsula.

CM-IN-15200 (20 May 44)
GENERAL PICTURE

Good progress was made along the entire front. British and Canadian forces are now held up generally along the Hitler Line. There is evidence of some confusion behind the enemy line. Much artillery, ammunition and food were abandoned in the French zone.

T.O.O. 192300 B

ACTION: CPD

IMPO: CCS
General Arnold
General Bissell
Colonel Park
General Surles
LOG

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER. 7-5-72
BY DSS. DATE

CM-IN-15200 (20 May 44) 18222 eJV MAY 21 1973

SECRET

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT
FOR GENERAL MARSHALL'S EYES ONLY
CORRECTED COPY

From: Hq. AF Command Post, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
No: B12695

19th May 1944
B12695 to ADWAR for Marshall for his EYES ONLY from Fairbanks from Devors.

The battle continued to develop quite favorable through the day 19th May.

The Polish Corps on the north joined with the British along highway 6 about 2½ miles west of Cassino. On its extreme north flank it made advances of about 1000 yards, capturing Passocono, 0 8024 and Villa B Lucia 8023, and pushed patrols into Piedmont 7922 for which fighting was in progress in the afternoon.

During last night and today the British 13th Corp advanced northwest approximately 3000 yards and reconnaissance elements succeeded in penetrating the Adolph Hitler Line in the vicinity of Aquino 7421 but met with stiff resistance and were forced to withdraw. Infantry and tanks are now confronting the Hitler Line in that area. Strong enemy resistance encountered. The 12th Brigade of the 4th British Division is now attached to 78th Division. The 10th Brigade and the 1st Guards Brigade reverted to command of the 6th Armored Division. The remainder of the 4th British Division has been withdrawn to east of Cassino for movement to rest area. Elements of the 8th Indian Division have entered the lines and are protecting the north flank of the 13th Corps.

CM-IN-14903 (20 May 44)

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER.7-5-72
BY DSS. DATE
MAY 21 1973

SECRET EYES ONLY
COPY No. 15

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94
From: Eq. AF Command Post, Caserta, Italy
No: B12695    19th May 1944

The 1st Canadian Corps advanced generally north-west and succeeded in pushing reconnaissance through the Hitler Line about 1 mile south of Pontecorvo 7217 but were last reported operating against the Line along their entire front. Enemy resistance strong.

South of the Liri the French Corps made good progress initially to the northwest and west, gaining the crest of Mont Del Mandrone 6914, meeting strong resistance from direction of Pico 5316 and from the high ground at Monte Leucio 6417. The GUAMS now hold Monte Fontanino 6212 and Monte Croce 6111. Camp Dome 6009 was captured with 100 prisoners. The 4th Div was on Monte Vale 5905 moving north.

In the Second Corps the 88th Division has captured Monte Grande 5900 and Itri 6096. The 85th Division has mopped up Formia 6094 and has captured Monte Dragnea 6193, Monte Coma 6393, Monte Cefale 6095 and is pushing reconnaissance to the west, meeting only slight resistance. They are clearing out the area of the Gaeta Peninsula.

In the 6th Corps activity was limited to patrolling. Movement of the 36th Division to the bridgehead continued.

No Sig.

Corrected copy of CM-IN-14804 (20 May 44) Gen Handy

ACTION: Gen Handy
INFO: Gen Arnold
Gen Bissell
Col. Park
Log

CM-IN-14903 (20 May 44) 07432 1s
Eighth Army. In that part of their zone west of Monte-Cassino the Poles made very slight advances against stubborn resistance. However, in the eastern part they scaled the heights, captured the Monastery, moved on Cassino from the North and by 1300 hours were in control of the town. By 1430 all resistance in the town had ceased. To the south and west of Cassino the British made only small gains except in the centre of the Itri Valley where gains up to 2500 yards were made, placing them in position along the railroad between Cassino and Piedmonte. South to the British the Canadian Corps made advances averaging about 2000 yards against weakening resistance. They are now holding positions some 3000 yards from the Adolph Hitler line in the vicinity of Pontecorvo.

Fifth Army. South of the Itri River the French continued their advance to the west and north. During the night they captured Monte Di Oro and continued on to the northwest about 3000 yards before being stopped. They are now on the southern flank of the Hitler line. In the mountains to the southwest of Monte Di Oro operations consisted principally of consolidating and straightening the line with gains in the south up to 3000 yards placing them within 1000 yards of the Itri-Pico Road, with patrols on the road. The American 2 Corps continued its advance westward making gains averaging about 2500 yards against spotted resistance. Their most advanced elements on the north are within 800 yards of the Itri-Pico Road one mile.

CM-IN-14399 (19 May 44)
north of Itrium along the coast advanced elements are about
1000 yards west of the town of Formia having passed north
of the town. Formia appears to be unoccupied.

General picture.

Progress during the day has been very satisfactory over all
of the front, the capture of the Monastery Cassino, and Monte
Di Oro being the outstanding accomplishments. Except in
the extreme northern zones of the Polish Corps evidences
of withdrawals and weakening resistance are apparent along
the entire front.

No Sig
T.O.O. Nil

ACTION: OPD
INFO : CC/3
  Gen Arnold
  Gen Bissell
  Col Park
  Gen Surles
  Log

CM-IN-14399 (19 May 44) 1612Z mlc

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-8-72
BY DRS, DATE
MAY 21 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
W A R  D E P A R T M E N T
C L A S S I F I E D  M E S S A G E  C E N T E R
INCOMING  M E S S A G E

SECRET

From: A PHQ
To: AGWAR (OPD)
TOOPERS (MO5)

Rptd: HQ MAAF (CASERTA)
MIDEAST
AAI
FAIRBANKS

Number: P 47255 Undated

SIGNS: Wilson cite PHCCT.

Fairbanks' weekly planning telegram number 36.

Para 1. Planning during last week has been concentrated principally on reexamination of various alternative amphibious operations which may be feasible and desirable with the increased allocation of assault shipping and craft provided for in COSMED 106. It is clear that our policy must be to hold plans, in as great detail as possible, for a considerable number alternatives. We can thus implement selected project with minimum delay. Obviously not possible at this stage to make firm decision as to best project considerably later in summer. It is however certain that unless shipping is arranged now we shall not be able to seize our opportunities when they occur.

Para 2. Other matters under examination have included sub-para A. Certain measures to stimulate Partisan activities, sub-para B. Rankin planning.

T.O.O. NIL.

ACTION: OPD

CM-IN-13957 (19 May 44) 0213Z ejv

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-8-72
BY DBS, DATE
MAY 21 1972

COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/84
From: O-2 AFHQ Algiers
To: War Office
AGWAR
Information Middle East
SHARF
Somto (War Office pass)
Fairbanks
Penbase for cave
Fargo for MacParlane

No: F47748
Signed: Wilson cite PHOBI

1. Last special summary May 16.
3. 8 and 5 Army sectors. No activity rea 114 Jaeger Division. Sharp reaction to Allied probing patrols on fronts of five Mtn and 44 Infantry Divs. In Cassino area one parachute Div continued stubborn defence Cassino Beatin and ridges to west during 16 and 17 May but pulled out evening 17 highway 6 having been cut further west during day. Enemy continues to resist in Liri Valley where 90 PG Division showing considerable resource organizing battle gps with own and miscellaneous units using many 8P and anti tank weapons but suffering casualties in prisoners, wounded and dead. Some evidence concern for Southern flanks as result French successes and crossing of Liri. Resistance reported east of Monticelli but none yet encountered south of oliva. 200 pgr evidently suffering seriously in battle for Esperia but still proping remnants 71 Division. In coastal sector 94 Division continues slow withdrawal under pressure now supported by two of three battalions believed with 15 PG Division at Fondi.

Third. Probably sent to assist Esperia situation two days ago. Consider enemy must now concentrate on getting into

CM-IN-14415 (19 May 44)

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
No: P47748 May 12, 1944 Page two

Hitler line and fight to avoid encirclement try turn threat in Liri Valley from East and South. No evidence arrival any strategic reserves and tactical resources all employed.

4. Bridge head area. Enemy alert, artillery showing some jumpiness.

No Sig
T.O.O. 181900

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CC/S CQAAP OPD Col. Park Log

CM-IN-14415 (19 May 44) 1707" jb

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: CG, Allied Force HQ, Command Post, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
Hr: B 12683
18 May, 1944

B 12683 to ADWAR for General Marshall for his eyes only from Fairbanks from Devers.

The battle continued to develop favorably today 18 May. As had been indicated for the past 48 hours the German Parachute Division withdrew from Cassino and Monte Cassino, which positions were occupied by the Allies during the day. The Allies have, however, made no progress in their advance on highway 6 through the mountains west and northwest of Monte Cassino.

In the Nera Valley elements of the British 4th and 78th Divisions occupied positions along the railroad near highway 6 between Cassino and Piedmont. On their left the Canadians have advanced to within 3,000 yards of the Adolph Hitler Line in the vicinity of Pontecorvo.

The French continue to make splendid progress to the northwest. At last report as of 1500 hours advanced elements after capturing Monte Di Gro had reached and captured San Oliver, a key point in the Adolph Hitler Line, as well as other points to the northeast and southwest of that place. This advance is directed on Fico which I am very hopeful they will take, thus placing themselves well beyond the Adolph Hitler Line and in position to swing northeast to cut the enemy's main line of communication.
From: GH, Allied Force HQ, Command Post, Caserta, Italy

To: E 18633

18 May, 1944

The Liri Valley. Still farther to the west the 8th Mountain Division reinforced by the Greeks were reported in positions within 600 yards of the highway which leads north from Itró to Fico.

In the 2nd Corps elements of the 88th Division as of noon were likewise reported to have reached positions within 600 yards of the highway about 2,000 yards north of Itró, their objective being the high ground to the northwest of Itró. Orders have been issued for the 88th Division to pinch out the 85th, which, however, continued to make small advances during the day. Some elements having captured Formia and the high ground 2,000 yards to the northwest of that place. Only weak resistance was encountered in this area.

The 36th Division is now moving in small increments into the beachhead, so as not to reveal the movement. It is now quite firm that the breakout from the beachhead will be directed on Valmontone, but the time is still uncertain. I ask Eames today and I understand that Truscott will be down for a conference with Clark tomorrow. Eames is confident of success.

Definite figures are not available, but it is certain that more than 3,000 German prisoners have been taken. I feel that it is safe to say that at least 3 enemy divisions have suffered so heavily as to have lost their

OM-IN-14129 (19 May 44)
effectiveness and I estimate that the Germans will have extreme difficulty in finding the means to hold the Adolph Hitler line, even though he should bring down the 26th Panzer Division in addition to the 25th Panzer Division which has already appeared in the line.

No Sig

ACTION: Gen. Handy
INFO: Gen. Arnold
      Gen. Bliss
      Col. Park
      Log

CM-IN-14129 (19 May 44) 0610Z

TOP SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

From: General Rooks, Advance CP AFAQ, Algiers
To: War Office for Lord Burnham and AGWAR for General
Surles (BA Washington pass)
Rptd: AFAQ, Algiers for General Gammell

Number: B12670

Signed Wilson cite PHDC.

General situation. Para eight Army in the zone

EIGHT ARMY. In the zone of the Polish Corps north and
northwest of Cassino slight gains have been made against
stubborn resistance. South and west of Cassino the
British have advanced some 1000 yards and have cut the
railroad and highway number 6 about 1½ miles southwest
of Cassino. In the Liri Valley north of the Liri river
the Canadian Corps inserted on the left of the British
has gained up to 2000 yards and is now within four miles
of Pontecorvo, a strongly fortified town on the so-called
"Hitler Line". Cassino and the Monastery to the northwest
are still strongly held but appear in imminent danger of
being surrounded and isolated by our troops.

FIFTH ARMY. Just south of the Liri river the French Corps
has continued its advance to the west against a weakening
but still determined enemy leading elements have advanced
2000 yards and are at present meeting strong opposition
along the eastern slopes of Monte Di Oro dominating

T.O.O. 172215B

ACTION: General Surles

INFO: General Arnold, OPD, General Bissell, Col. Park

CM-IN-13995 (19 May 44) 02092 ejv

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-6-72
BY DBR, DATE
MAY 21 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE
MOST IMMEDIATE
May 17, 1944

From: AGHQ Adv Cp
To: AGWAR
No: B 12670

2nd part of message.

From General Rocke signed Wilson.

Terrain feature four miles due South of Pontecorvo.

South of Monte Di Oro the town of Esperia has been captured and fighting is in progress for the town of Monticelli on the Western slopes of Monte Di Oro. French troops have encircled that feature to the South, In the mountains to the South mountain troops have advanced 8,000 yards and are firmly established on dominating terrain features. South of the French, the American 2 Corps has made some small advances against stiffening opposition. General picture gains along the entire front have been satisfactory, particularly in the zone of the French. Resistance in the Eighth Army zone appears to be weakening somewhat although it is still very determined. In the French zone of the 5th Army, resistance has weakened somewhat, but along the coast in the 2 Corps zone it has strengthened.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFO: Gen Arnold
Gen Bissell
Col Park
Log
CM-IN-13593 (18 May 44) 1618Z Jb

3. do Italy

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
WAR DEPARTMENT  
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER  
INCOMING MESSAGE  
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY  
EYES ONLY FOR MARSHALL

From: CG AFRQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
No: B-12671 17 May 1944

Top Secret. B-12671 to AGWAR for Marshall for his eyes only from Fairbanks from Devers.

Battle continues satisfactory. Salient features of todays action were attack by Polish Corps at 0700 hours, 17th May, which succeeded in capturing and holding against 3 counter attacks high ground northwest of Monte Cassino overlooking highway 6. Fourth British Division cut highway 6 due south of Monte Cassino while 78th British Division advanced to positions near railroad at 82 North-South grid. Still further to the south in Liri Valley, First Canadian Corps which was inserted on the left over 13th Corps, advanced to within 4 miles of Pontecorvo.

In 5th Army zone French continue to have outstanding success. At last reports 3rd Algerian Division which passed through 2nd Moroccan was heavily engaged against stiff resistance on the eastern slopes of Monte Di Oro while other elements of this same Division had encircled that mountain to the south and west attacking Monticelli at its western base. In the mountainous country to the south French Goums followed by the French Fourth Mountain Division have secured positions from 3 to 5000 yards east of the highway which leads north from Itri and were interdicting that road with Artillery fire.

CM-IN-13260 (18 May 44)
From: CG AFHQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
No: B-12671  17 May 1944

The 88th Division appears to have made but little progress during the day. At 1500 hours its leading regiment was reported about 4000 yards east of Itri moving west. Resistance seems also to have stiffened on the front of the 85th Division, which, however, made slight advances in the direction of Formia, leading elements at last report being about 3000 yards from that place.

There are now indications of a thinning out in the Cassino and Liri Valley areas, and I look for an early withdrawal back to the Adolph Hitler line. I am still optimistic that the French will maintain their impetus and carry on to positions west of Monticelli from which to penetrate and work the Adolph Hitler line. Decision as to movement of 36th Division still pending and probably will not be taken until further advances are made up the Liri Valley and the reaction of the enemy's 2 reserve divisions, the 26th and 29th Panzer Divisions, is apparent.

ACTION: Gen. Handy

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

CM-IN-13260 (18 May 44) 0402Z

DECLASSIFIED
DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
No: P46743
Date: 16th May 1944

Part 2 of G2 summary APHQ P46743 16th May 1600EB.

11 Bn 115 FGR 115 Recon Bn 33 Eng Bn 191 Gr 171 Fusilier Bn and following attached and fighting forward of Esperia 200 Fgr (detached from 80 Fg Div) 516 Mountain Engineer Bn and following on Axis Ausonia Esperia 194 Gr and 113 Fusilier Bn. 94 Inf Div with 211 Gr of 71 Inf Div now withdrawing on its Axis 267 274 and 276 Gr 11 Bn not definitely located 194 Fusilier Bn and 194 Engineer Bn Spigno to coast. 15 Fg Div (less scattered elements already mentioned with various subordinations) with 104 Fgr Area Itri-Fondi 3.

Enemy situation. Enemy attacked in Orsogna area 14th May in Bn strength. First Allied counter attack repulsed but lost ground later regained. Consider probably intended by enemy as spoiling attack as evident Allied offensive operations anticipated. South of Migiella to Cassino area no enemy movements of note. Stiff resistance on ridges west of Cassino continues and enemy virtually in positions as held 12th May. Between highway 6 and Liri River enemy resistance now more coordinated but ground yielded to roughly road Cassino-Pignataro. Appreciate elements 90 Fg Div likely to be committed here shortly. Enemy's original reserves this area now used up. Enemy probably at present considers threat developing south of Liri more serious and

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER 2-374
BY DECR. DATE
MAY 21 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94
From: Allied Force Headquarters Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
No: F46743

16th May 1944

elements 90 Pz Div already engaged in Esperia Area. Intention no doubt to ensure withdrawal much scattered 71 Div and prevent flank threat into Liri Valley from developing. As result French advance enemy now forced draw back left wing of forces in coastal sector and 94 Div with elements 71 Div now generally west line Spigno to sea. Commitment 90 Pz Div appears indicate intention continue oppose Allied advance forward of Hitler line and should general withdrawal to this position become necessary to ensure orderly retirement. This means virtually no forces waiting on line itself. No indications more reinforcements from bridgehead or from north of Rome an consider uncertainty as to Allied intentions elsewhere likely influence decision not to make further moves at present. meantime enemy taking familiar stop gap measures to fill line by switching units from less active sectors. FW by 15th May reported to exceed 3000.

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/3
CG AAP
OPD
Col Park
Log

CM-IN-12290 (17 May 44) 0156Z

bjm

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-3-73
BY DBS. DATE

COPY NO.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY
FOR GENERAL MARSHALL'S EYES ONLY

From: CG, Allied Air Force Headquarters Command Post
Caserta, Italy.

To: War Department.

No: B 12656 16 May 1944.

B 12656 to AGWAR for Marshall for his eyes only
from Fairbanks from Devers. TOP SECRET.

The general picture of the attack follows the same
pattern as yesterday. The Poles are still poised to attack
on 6 hours notice but will not go forward until the 78th
Division on their left has cut highway 5 East of Fiedmonte.
South of Cassino the 78th Division, after being delayed
in reaching its position, attacked at 0900 hours this
morning 16th May gaining about 1000 yards against very stiff
resistance. This leaves them about 2500 yards from their
objective. On the left of the 78th Division, the 8th
Indians made considerable progress against slightly lesser
resistance and have now advanced up the Liri Valley with
their left in approximate contact with the French in the
vicinity of San Giorgio. The Canadian Corps is moving across
the Rapido to relieve the Indians continuing the attack up
the Liri Valley.

The 5th Army continues to make good progress. At
last report the 2nd Moroccan Division was reported to have
advanced from San Giorgio as far as Esperia where they
were attacking strong resistance. On their left the Guoms
followed by the 4th Mountain Division after scaling the
escarpment north of Spigno were reported to have advanced
westward in 3 groups from 3000 to 5000 yards into the
mountains, exact location unknown. The 2nd Corps likewise
made considerable gains to the westward in the area south
of Spigno. At last reports leading elements of this Corps
had reached a general north-south line about 3500 yards east

EYES ONLY

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED JCS LETTER, 7-3-73
BY DBS, DATE 5/21/73
COPY No. 15
From: CG Allied Air Force Headquarters Command Post
Caserta, Italy.

No. B 12659 16 May 1944 Page 2-

of Formia and were continuing to advance against only weak resistance.

The general picture is that of continued strong resistance and slight gains on the front of the 8th Army with steadily lessening resistance on the front of the 5th Army. It would be premature to forecast that this advance will carry beyond the Adolph Hitler Line but there is reason to hope that this may occur. While we are of course tempering our official reports with caution, I feel that there is good reason to believe that we shall end by using up the enemy's reserves and breaking through.

The decision as to the ultimate movement of the 356th Division, whether to the beachhead or by exploit the success of the 5th Army, has not been taken. Alexander appears to be deferring decision pending the commitment of the German 26th and 29th Panzer Divisions.

No Sig.

ACTION: Gen. Handy
INFO: Gen. Arnold
Gen. Bissell
Col. Park
C of S

CM-IN-12392 (17 May 44) 0508E

EYES ONLY

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-S-77
BY DSS, DATES
MAY 21 1973

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 6/1/94

COPY No. 15
From: CO Allied Forces Hq Command Post, Caserta Italy
To: War Department
Mr. B12641 15th May, 1944

B12641 AWARE for General Marshall for his eyes only from FAIRBANKS from Devers. Deputy Commander

After 3 days of heavy fighting general picture is in my view most satisfactory, even gratifying.

Polish Corps north and northwest of Cassino after making only small gains and suffering a slight setback, has reorganized and is poised to renew its attack to cut highway 6 east of Fledimonte, but Leese has decided that its renewed effort must meet with success and it will not therefore again advance until 13th Corps on its left has cleared the way for it by approaching highway 6 from the south. This corps has suffered something in excess of 1000 casualties but Anders, its Commander, whom I saw today, is determined and hopeful of success.

Thirteenth Corps in Liri Valley has established bridgeheads across Rapido varying from 2500 yards on the north to 3500 yards on the south. Eight bridges have been constructed. At dawn this morning 15th May 8th British Division passed through 4th British Division with orders to cut highway 6 at 82 north-south grid but latest reports this evening indicate enemy has reinforced this area and temporarily succeeded in stabilising front. On its left 5th Indian Division has likewise failed to make any considerable advance. At dawn tomorrow 10th May 8th Indian Division will be passed through by 1st Canadian Division. I have no reports of casualties in this corps but believe they have not been heavy. The relief

CM-IN-11577 (16 May 44)
are intended to maintain momentum by substituting fresh troops before relieved units approach exhaustion. Losses in the leapfrog divisions frequently and counts on relieved units again being ready to enter battle after 48 hours rest. Artillery is displacing west of Rapido.

Fifth Army attack has succeeded everywhere beyond expectations, particularly French Corps which has had outstanding victory. We appear to have gained complete tactical surprise on this front where enemy did not expect an attack of such strength through the mountainous terrain. After overrunning and throwing enemy resistance into disorganization French captured key point of Monte Majo, Ausonea, and high ground south of Liri Valley as far west as San Giorgio. Today GUNS have scaled the escarpment north of Spigno and at last report were advancing west through the mountains towards key point of Monte Di Oro, exact locations unknown. Losses in this corps appear to have been quite heavy, approximating 2000 according to unconfirmed report. Clark and Jinn are pushing this attack with all vigor.

The 2nd Army after bitter fighting has likewise gained its objectives, the high ground in the vicinity of Spigno and to the south of that place. At last report at 1500 hours today 85th Division attack was going well to southwest of Spigno, having just bagged some 60 prisoners. I am particularly pleased with the work of these 2 inexperienced divisions whose losses according to unofficial reports are about 800, including about 300 missing who may later be accounted for.

As to prospects, even considering that the German is moving reinforcements to meet the threatened front, I think it is not overoptimistic to hope that our superior strength in the Liri Valley will in a few days exhaust the enemy there and that 5th Arm advance will succeed in taking Monte Di Oro and from there push on to gain a position from which to outflank the Adolf Hitler line. Moreover a plan is now under consideration to withdraw the best conditioned of the 2 divisions of the 2nd Corps and move it into the beachhead in addition to the 36th Division, thus assuring strength for a sustained attack from there to cut highway 6 in the vicinity of Valmontone.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: CG Allied Forces Hq Command Post, Caserta Italy
Nr. B12641 15th May, 1944

Unofficial count indicates some 1700 prisoners by 5th Army and more than 800 by 8th Army.
Weather fine and Air force assisting ground with maximum effort.

No Sig.

ACTION: Gen Handy
INFO: Gen Arnold
     Gen Bissell
     C of S

CM-IN-11577 (16 May 44) 0509Z

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER. 7-6-72
BY DBS. DATE
MAY 21 1973
SECRET

WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE
May 15, 1944

From: HQ AAI
To: A.P.H.Q. Algiers
No: 0 2729

Hostel No. 10. Part One.

Personal for Wilson for approval prior to despatch personal to Marshall and Brooks.

Summary report to 1200 hours May 15. Operation DIADEM. The operation to date has gone largely according to plan. Polish Corps has been involved in very heavy fighting north of Cassino and is now reorganized and prepared for a further effort to cut highway 6 in conjunction with 13 Corps. 13 Corps have enlarged the bridgehead across the Rapido and the front-line now runs along the road Cassino-St Giorgio 8011 with the exception of Pignatano village which is still in enemy hands. 78 Div with 26 Arm Bde under command are crossing into the bridgehead preparatory to attacking on an axis between 4 British and 8 Indian Divs and will then swing north to cut highway 6 in conjunction with the Polish Corps attack. Now that the bridge situation permits Cdn Corps is being moved forward and will probably come in on the left of 13 Corps.

5 Army. FEC have been most successful in their advance through the mountains and in conjunction with 2 US Corps on their left have now cleared all enemy organized resistance as far as the road St Giorgio-Forumia as far south as road junction 7597 thence due south. Elements of both these Corps are now west of this road. The intention is to develop 2 thrusts:

(a) from Ausonia over Mt Vammara-Esperia to capture Monte Doro Petrella
(b) from south of Ausonia to Mt Netrelpa 7202 thence northwest.

No parts 2 or 3. This approved by Gen. Wilson T.O.O. 152320

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: Gen Arnold, Gen Bissell, Col Park, Log
ON-IN-12105 (15 May 44) 21452 ss

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER 9-8-72
BY DIA: DATE
MAY 21 1973 35

COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12335, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: AFHQ Command Post Casserta Italy
To: War Department
No: B 12640 15th May 1944

B 12640 to Troopers for Lord Burnham and AGWAR for General Surles (Mil Staff pass) repeated FREEDOM for General Gammell 152130 May from FAIRBANKS from General Rucks signed Wilson cite PHGOC.

This telegram on Italian battle from Casserta in lieu of customary 1 from General Gammell.

Still no major change in general situation.

Eighth Army north and northwest of Cassino, Poles are continuing preparations to renew attack. South of Cassino fresh troops are being put in to overcome reinforced enemy resistance which has succeeded temporarily in stabilizing situation.

Fifth Army. French Corps has maintained its advance some 7000 yards through the mountainous terrain west and northwest of Monte Meajo. Difficulties of terrain and dearth of roads may slow this advance which has exceeded expectations. Second US Corps making slow but satisfactory progress which has gained key point of Spigno and high ground to south of that place.

General picture. Little gain north of Cassino and only small gains in Liri Valley. Good progress through mountains south of Liri Valley.

Enemy appears to have weakened somewhat on front of 5th Army but indications that enemy reserves are moving into this area.

ACTION: BFR
INFO: OC3, CG AAF, OFD, G-2, Col Park, Log.

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-6-72
BY DEP. DATE
CM-IN-1153 (16 May 44) 0440Z wh MAY 21 1973

COPY NO. 58

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/74
PERSONAL FROM GENERAL GUSSELL SIGNED WILSON CITE P raced.

No major change in the general situation.

**Special Item:** On right Polish Corps is reorganizing with objective of moving attack north of Cassino.

To south of Cassino four British and eight Indian Divisions are strengthening their bridgeheads across Rapido successfully and mopping up.

**Special Item:** On right two French Corps have captured town of Monte Rajo and have made further progress North and West. Two American Corps continue to push forward slowly with heavy fighting.

General picture: No appreciable progress North of Cassino. Continued progress elsewhere particularly on French Corps front fighting still heavy no sign of Germans weakening so far.

This is not up-to-date T.O.O. 1465050

ACTION: GEN SURRENDER

INFORMATION: CO/S

GEN ARNOLD

GEN RUSSELL

GEN PACE

G-12-11369 (15 May 44) 92368 pa

DECLASSIFIED

E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

FROM: AHPQ Algiers
TO: War Office AGWAR for OPD (BAS pass)
     Rptd: GHQ Middle East for A Force

IMMEDIATE.

ORBAT 42 shows position as known at 2359 hrs May 13, 1944.
Cancel ORBAT 41 of May 7.

1. A. AHPQ no change from ORBAT 41.
   B. French formation in NA no change from ORBAT 41 except delete 1 French MTZ Div (now in Italy)

2. North Africa district no change from ORBAT 41.

3. Eq Allied Armies in Italy.

4. Number 1 district-40 BN Division 119 Bde (less 30 Scarl)
   120 121 BNs. 5 Airborne Division 8 Para Bde 9 Air Landing Bde. 56 Area 71 garrison. Hq 12 Italian Corps (not complete). Sabauda Division 45 46 Regt one En 518 Pakt.

5. Number 2 District-52 area 60 71 Sub Areas 6 base sub area 67 69 garrisons. 2 BN Bde 29 40 43 Commandos one Bp 10 Commando (all adm only under comd force 266 for Ops). Queens (adm only). 2 HLI (adm only relieves 2/6 Queens under comd force 266 for Ops). 30 Green Howards. 30 Scarl. Johpur Inf (less one coy) hq and two coyas Polish 94 Bn. 20 Beach Group 7 Polish Division 7 and 8 Polish Rifle Bdes. 1 DLI 21 Tk Bde 2 RB. 9 Armd Bde (less 7 Bdes).

OM-IN-11142 (15 May 44)

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER 7-4-44
BY DRS. DATE
MAY 21 1954

COPY NO.
THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
6. Number 3 District - 57 59 are as 94 Sub Area. 30 Cheshire
3 Beach Group. 10 AGRA (adm only).

Fright Inf En 21 Beach Group 36 (US) Division 141 142 143
ROCS. Hq 2 (US) Corps 65 (US) Division 337 338 339 ROCS.
88 (US) Division 380 380 381 ROCS. 2 (US) Corps Arty.
1 Arm Group 795 760 Tank Bns 773 Tank En. Hq 6 (US)
Corps-3 (US) Division 17 15 30 ROCS. 34 (US) Division 133
135 168 ROCS 100 Inf En 45 (US) Division 157 179 180 RCO.
15 R Division 2 13 18 Inf Bdes. 46 Royal Tanks 5 BR Division
A 15 17 Bde. 5 Bdes 5 Recce Regt. 1 (US) Arm Division
1 13 Arm Regts 6 Arm Inf Regts. 191 Tank En 1 SS Force
1 2 3 Regts. 18 FA Bde 751 Tank En. Hq French
Expeditionary Corps-2 DIM 4 5 8 RTM. 3 DIA 3 RSA 3 and
7 RTA 4 RTM 4 DAM 3 4 RSM 1 2 6 RTM. 1 DMI 1 2 4 Inf
Bdes Hq GQUS. 1 3 4 Group Taors 2 Arm Group 755 and 757
Tank Bns 13 FA Bde 9 RTA.

8. Hq Eighth US Army - 6 SA Arm Division (not yet in Army
area) 11 SA Arm Bde less 1 LH/KIM R. 55 56 areas. Hq
1 CIM Corps- 5 CDN Arm Division 5 CDN Arm Bde 11 CDN
Inf Bde. 1 CDN Inf Division 1 2 3 CDN Inf Bdes. 25
Tank Bde. Hq 13 FA Corps- 8 Indian Division 17 19 21
Bdes. 3 BR Arm Division-6 Arm Bde 1 Guards Bde. 4
BR Division 10 12 28 Bdes. 78 BR Division 11 36 38 Bdes.
1 CDN Arm Bde. 1 CDN AGRA. 6 AGRA. Hq 2 Polish Corps-
3 Carpathian Division 1 2 Carpathian Rifle Bdes. 5 Kresowa
Division 5 Wilenska 6 Lwowka Bdes. 2 Polish Arm Bde.
Poiish AGRA Polish Tp 10 Commando. Hq 10 BR Corps- 2 NZ
Division 4 NZ Arm Bde 5 and 6 NZ Inf Bdes 2 Para Bde
Group. 12 SA Motor Bde plus 7 RB and 1 LH/KIM R 24 Guards
Bde Group. 44 Recce Regt. 1 NZ Group 69 Inf Regt 4
Bersaglieri Regt. Homan Force KQG 12 1 2 AGRA.

9. Hq Fifth BR Corps-4 Indian Division 5 7 11 Bdes. One
squadron 40 Royal tanks one sqn 50 Royal tanks. 4/6 RAJ
Rifles. 3/10 Baluch. D Force consisting of HCR CIM 11
KRC 9 Manch. 10 Indian Division 20 25 Bdes. 4C
Royal tanks less one sqn. 7 Arm Bde Group (not yet complete
in corps area).

CM-IN-11142 (15 May 44)
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

F 45738
May 14, 1944
Page three

23 Armored Bde 50 Royal tanks less one sqn 1 AGRA 5
Essex. 51 Sub area. 86 coy Jodhpur Inf.

No Sig
Time of Origin 14120

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CO/S
     CO AAF
     G-2
     Col Park
     Statistics

CM-IN-11142 (15 May 44) 16572 mlc

DECLASSIFIED
JCS Letter, 7-3-72
By Date
MAY 21, 1973

COPY NO.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/84
OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England
No. F 45925, 14 May 1944

Troopers AGWAR info SHARP Mid East SOMTO
HOBBS Fargo for MacFarlande PBN BASE for CAYE Fairbanks from G2 FREEDOM signed Wilson cite FROBI F45925 141930. G2 summary.

1. No special summary since 11 May.

2. V Corps Sector. No enemy action reported but fair amount front line movement areas Tollo and Gradisere. General impression enemy alert and probably anticipating spread of Allied offensive to Adriatic Sector.

3. 8th Army Sector. No enemy activity of note in mountain sector.

Allied attack night 11/12 May evidently achieved some tactical surprise in Cassino and Liri sectors. Relief actually in progress former area. Enemy's initial reaction slow. Resistance stiffened during 12th May on ridge features west and northwest Cassino and counterattacks on 13th May had some success. Between Cassino Highway and Liri River enemy fighting strenuously but giving ground and evidently unequal to task with present resources here. Reinforcements this sector therefore to be anticipated. Information from all sources suggests 1 Para Division engaged both north and south Cassino and all but 2 or 3 battalions committed. Elements 5 Mountain Division 100 Regt also north of Cassino. Of reserve group 15 PG Division only 1 PG Battalion and Tank Battalion

CM-IN-10829 (15 May 44)
SECRET

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

No.  F 45925, 14 May 1944

not yet identified but latter believed also engaged. Most likely reinforcement in Liri Valley part or whole 90 FG Division. Indications also further mountain troops being brought down from 5th Mountain Division.

4. 5th Army Sector. Initial reaction in both 71 and 94 Infantry Divisions sectors fairly strenuous and numerous local counter-attacks on 13th May but general indications some lack of cohesion 13th May on both divisional fronts and 71 Division definitely extricating itself with attached elements 44th Division assisted by elements 15 FG Division from areas S Ambrogio S Andrea and Monte Majo in direction Ausonia. Prisoners state Coreno already evacuated. 94th Division now conforming. Consider probably beginning of move back to intermediate positions between Gustav and Hitler Lines. Reserves estimated consist only 2 FG Battalions of 15 FG Division in Fondo area.


Part 2 follows.

ACTION:  G-2

INFORMATION:  CC/S
CC AAF
OPD
Gol Park
Log

CM-IN-10829 (15 May 44) 0210Z bjm

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-8-72
BY DBR. DATE
MAY 21 1973

COPY NO.
FROM: AFRQ
TO: WO for Lord Burnham
AGWAR for General Surles
No: p 45494

Personal from General Gammell signed Wilson cite FHQGS.

Resistance to the attacks on the fronts of 8th and 5th Armies has been stiff along the whole front and at present enemy shows no sign of weakening. North of Cassino Polish Corps has so far made little progress and fighting has been heavy.

To the South of Cassino 4th British and 8th Indian Divisions have crossed the Rapido on a wide front and are successfully maintaining themselves against counter-attack.

On the front of 2nd French Corps there has been some success but the Key Point of Majo has not yet been taken.

On the front of the 2nd American Corps advances have been made all along the front but here again opposition is severe and fighting heavy.

The general picture so far is therefore of partial success and heavy fighting which is likely to be prolonged.

T.O.O. MIL

ACTION: Gen Surles

INFORMATION: CC/S
Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Col Park
LOG
CM-IN-10840 (15 May 44) 0219Z ss

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-5-72
BY DBE, DATE
MAY 21 1973

COPY No. 24

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/24/74
From: A.F.H.Q. Algiers
To: War Office for Lord Burnham
     British Army Staff Washington for Gen Surles
No: F45023

Signed Wilson personal from General Gammell cite PHOOS.

As yet not received here from Hq AAI on progress of offensive which opened last night. Reference my 41555 dated May 4, not to War Office. This is the first of my daily telegrams.

No sig
Time of Origin 121930B

FOOTNOTE: 41555 is CM-IN-3016 (4 May 44) General Surles

ACTION: General Surles
INFO: General Arnold, CC/S, CPD, General Bissell, Log
Colonel Park

CM-IN-9813 (13 May 44) 1844Z mem

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-8-72
BY 20MAR, DATE
MAY 21 1973

COPY No.

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/1944

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/1944
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

May 11, 1944

From: AAI
To: A.F.H.Q., Algiers
No: 0 2703

WOSTEL 9


Summary report to 1200 hours 11 May.

1st. On all fronts active patrolling continued several clashes resulting in casualties to both sides. Enemy particularly active in 5 Corps sector. On left of 5 Corps front and right of 10 Corps front enemy abandoned his position in Lettopala H 1277 and Palena H 1175. Both places now occupied by our troops also Fallasacco H 1978 Castel Del Guidice H 1961 Taranta H 1479 and Gamberale H 1706. No importance is attached to this move on part of the enemy it represents a local adjustment of the front where his supplies were probably difficult. Front line unchanged except as indicated above.

2nd. 5 Corps. 4 Ind Div carried out inter Bde reliefs between 5 and 8 May 7 Bde relieving 11 Bde in Arielli sector 11 Bde relieving 5 Bde in sector East of Orsogna and 5 Bde relieving 7 Bde Southeast of Guardigliere.

3rd. In 8 Army regrouping and training completed. 12 SA Nct Bde relieved 11 Cdo Bde with Reeves force replacing Corbauld force on right of Bde sector. The 3 Recce Rgt FCCLORPS came into the line relieving Bns. In 13 Corps sector 4 Brit Div took command of Northern sector from inclusive Pt 193 to exclusive La Pista G 8716 with 12 Bde and 28 Bde in the line.

CM-IN-9703 (13 May 44)

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94

DECLASSIFIED
Later 1 Guards Bde of 6 Arm Div came under comd and relieved 12 Bde in Cassino. 8 Ind Div took comd of sector from in-
clusive La Pieta to Army boundary with 19 Bde right 17 Bde centre and 6 left. 78 Div continued training with 16/5
Lancers in the Capu area. 6 Arm Div remains in Piedmonte
D'Alife H 3106.

1 Gds Corps. 1 Gds Div continued training with 25 Arm Div
Bde and 5 Gds Arm Div moved from N 4777 to area Villa Vol-
turmo N 1884. 6 Arm Div less 12 SA Mot Bde continued
training on the Altamura F 1050 area.

4th. 5 Army. By end of period FEC was disposed with
elements 3 divisions (4 DMH 2 DIM and 1 DMN) in Gerigliano
Bridgehead. Remainer of those divisions (less 1 DMN) and
3 DMH assembled in Corps rear areas. 1 and 2 Bdes of 1 DMN
on 2 division front with 88 Div right having all 3 regt in
the line 350 Inf right 349 Inf centre 351 Inf left. 88 Div
front held with 338 Inf right and 339 left. All Infantry
(with exception of 3 bns) now concentrated within bridgehead.
36 US Div less Div Arty reverted to Army reserve on 5 May and
moved to area West of Qualiano N 1257. New boundary between
88 and 88 Div along general line of road 3 Maria Infante
(M798) -- Minturno (M7896). In 6 US Corps sector 15 Bde of
5 Brit Div relieved 17 Bde and 157 Inf of 45 US Div relieved
179 Inf. Effective 081200B boundary between 1 Brit and 5
Brit changed to be inclusive 5 Div RD JUNO P843240 then to
RD JUNO P843298 then to WADI JUNO P843298 -- P843294
then to JUNO with track P843240. 4 Med Regt arrived
Anzio May 4, relieving 78 FD Regt to Naples. All combat
elements arrived and reverted comd 1 US Arm Div May 5.

Part 2.

Futures. AAI intention for campaign is to destroy right
wing of German 10th Army, drive what remains of it and
German 14th Army North of Rome and pursue enemy to Fisa-
Rimini line inflicting maximum losses on him in process.

CM-IN-9703 (13 May 44)
Immediate task of armies.

1st. 8 Army right will break through Gustave line into Liri Valley and advance on general highway 6 on Rome.

2nd. 5 Army will break through Gustave line and capture Ausonia defile and then advance on Axis parallel to 8 Army but South of rivers Liri and Sacco. Will attack from Anzio Bridgehead on general line Cori-Valmontones and out highway 6 thereby preventing supply and withdrawal of enemy opposing main attack.

Task of 5 Corps is to hold present front with minimum number troops harass the enemy and vigorously pursue should he attempt to withdraw.

Method.

8 Army will attack with FOLCORPS right 13 Corps left while 10 Corps holds defensive flank and Cde Corps is held in reserve. Polish Corps will attack with 5 Kreseau Div right and 3 Carpathian Div left. 13 Corps will attack with 4 Brit Div right and 6 Ind Div left with 76 Div and 6 Arm Div in reserve. 5th Army will attack with FEC right and 2 US Corps left. FEC will attack with 1 DMI right 2 DIM centre and 4 DME left 3 DIA in reserve. 2 US Corps will attack with 88 Div right and 85 Div left. 36 (391) Div is held in Army reserve. Attacks by both armies will be simultaneous. Attack from Anzio Bridgehead is planned to take place at most advantageous time from Dplus 4 day.

Air Plan.

12 TAC is in support of both armies. Main weight of air support on 8th Army front will be directed against enemy.
batteries in Atina Valley which cannot be reached by our guns. A large proportion of fighter bomber effort is allotted to this purpose. Main weight of air support of 5th Army front is directed against enemy communications to seal off battle area. Large proportion of medium bomber effort is allotted for this purpose. MAAP is assisting MATA to continue to keep out the main supply routes North of Rome.

Part 3.

Location statement

5 Corps main and rear H 4195
10 Ind Div main C 3512 rear C 3513
10 Ind Inf Bde C 3317
20 Ind Inf Bde C 3113
25 Ind Inf Bde C 3010
4 Ind Div main C 3100 rear C 3201
7 Ind Inf Bde C 2908
11 Ind Inf Bde C 2903
5 Ind Inf Bde H 2999
'D' Force H 2400
23 Arm Div C 3102
8 Army TAC H 0007 main H 2005 rear H 2403
6 SA Arm Div O 1551
11 SA Arm Bde O 1561
10 Corps main H 2234 rear H 3026
Herman Force H 3156
24 Gds Bde H 1935
Italian Nat Gp H 0632
2 NZ Div 0 9827
5 NZ Inf Bde H 0928
6 NZ Inf Bde G 0927
4 NZ Arm Bde N 1396
2 Indep Para Bde H 0330
12 SA Nat Bde 0 9126
2 Polish Corps main G 9915 rear H 0018
5 Kresowa Div main G 9324 rear G 9626

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
BY BRs. DATE

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

CM-IN-9703 (13 May 44)
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

Number: 0 2703 May 11, 1944 Page - 5 -

5 Will Bde G 9724
6 LwM Bde G 8424
3 Carpathian Div main G 9220 rear G 9418
1 Corp Rfnle Bde G 8422
2 Corp Rfnle Bde G 9221
2 Polish Arm Bde N 1714
13 Corps main and rear H 0009
4 Brit Inf Div G 9713
10 Inf Bde G 8917
13 Inf Bde H 2199
28 Inf Bde G 8917
1 Bde Bde G 8822
8 Inf Ind Div main G 9314 rear G 9712
17 Inf Ind Bde G 8915
19 Inf Ind Bde G 8814
21 Ind Inf Bde N 2696
1 Cdn Armd Bde N 1006
6 Brit Armd Div H 3105
26 Armd Bde H 2705
76 Inf Div N 2263
11 Inf Bde N 2386
36 Inf Bde N 2184
36 Inf Bde N 2088
1 Cdn Corps main H 2007 rear N 0899
5 Cdn Armd Div N 1784
5 Cdn Armd Bde N 1867
11 Cdn Inf Bde N 1866
1 Cdn Inf Div N 4176
1 Cdn Inf Bde N 3361
2 Cdn Inf Bde J 0907
3 Cdn Inf Bde N 4277
25 Tk Bde J 0907
5 Army main N 0288 rear N 0787
French Mnt Inf Div G 9206
1 Bde N 8549
2 Bde N 8467
4 Bde G 8703
1 Moroc Inf Div G 9903

CM-IN-9703 (13 May 44)

DECLASSIFIED
E. 0. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/19/64

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-8-72
BY DBS, DATE
MAY 21, 1973
COPY No. 23
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number: 0 2703</th>
<th>May 11, 1944</th>
<th>Page - 6 -</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

| 4 | Moroc Inf G 8907 |
| 5 | Moroc Inf H 0201 |
| 6 | Moroc Inf G 8802 |
| 7 | Alg Inf Div N 0091 |
| 8 | Alg Inf N 0594 |
| 9 | Alg Inf N 0477 |
| 10 | Alg Inf N 0594 |
| 11 | Moroc Moroc Div G 0400 |
| 12 | Moroc Inf M 0856 |
| 13 | Moroc Inf G 0800 |
| 14 | Moroc Inf G 0800 |
| 15 | Goua Hq G 9796 |
| 16 | Gp Tabers M 9747 |
| 17 | Gp Tabers M 9746 |
| 18 | Gp Tabers M 9696 |
| 19 | Arm Glp M 9393 |
| 20 | Corps M 9187 |
| 21 | Div TAC M 8995 main M 9190 |
| 22 | Arm Div F 8923 |
| 23 | Arm Regt F 8923 |
| 24 | Arm Regt F 8920 |
| 25 | Arm Inf F 8823 |
| 26 | Brit Inf Div F 8320 |
| 27 | Bde F 8522 |
| 28 | Bde F 8524 |
| 29 | Bde F 8525 |
| 30 | Bde F 8526 |
| 31 | Brit Inf Div F 8124 |
| 32 | Inf Bde F 8222 |
| 33 | Inf Bde F 8127 |
| 34 | Inf Bde F 7927 |
| 35 | Arm Bde H 9332 |
| 36 | Arm Bde C 3102 |
| 37 | Army Tk Bde J 0907 |

Time of Origin 111815

ACTION: GC/3
INFO: General Arnold, OPD, General Bissell, Colonial Park,
Log

CM-IN-9703 (13 May 44) 16452 mem MAY 21 1973 3

COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN 24-76784 82X

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/1994
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

May 8, 1944

FROM: AFHQ Algiers
TO: TRWAR (OPD) (BAD Washington pass) WAR Office (NO5)
     NO MAAP (Caserta) (Fairbanks pass) HQ Middle East Forces (AI)

NO: P 47903
RIGHT

SIGNED Wilson cite PHOCT.

Weekly Planning telegram Number 35.

1. Assistance to Neptune at critical period. Detailed planning continues. The outline plan covering the threat to be mounted has been completed and will be considered by SAC at an early date.

2. Mediterranean strategy in post Neptune period. Examination continues including the availability of amphibiously trained British forces.


4. Trans Adriatic operations. JCS have examined possible major operations in the Balkans and have reached following general conclusions which have been approved by SAC.
   A. Trieste is the best area for attack.
   B. Such expedition could not be launched before first August and if undertaken should be launched before first September if possible, in view of weather considerations
   C. Such expedition should not be launched in less force than a three division assault and a three division pre-loaded immediate follow up.
   D. This operation considered best if not only feasible means of turning Pisa Rimini line.

CH-IN-6993 (9 May 44)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/44
E. Unless German air force has deteriorated considerably or Allied forces are established either in the Ancona area or the Dalmatian Coast, the operation would be risky and extremely costly in long range fighter effort.

5. RANKIN. A brief for Rankin planning has been approved by SAC which is being used as a basis for all tentative planning here.
INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: Hq AAI
TO: AFRQ Algiers
NO: 02551

Part ONE

Personal for Wilson for approval prior to despatch to Marshall and Brooks.

Summary report to 1200 hours April 20.

FIRST During the period since April 13 regrouping has continued and an active defense maintained. Patrols raiding parties and artillery of both sides have been active. This intention continues whilst training of all formations out of line is being carried out energetically.

SECOND Front line remains unchanged except south of Cassino where it advanced to 0 882135-876135.

THIRD Five Corps. 10 Indian Div began moving from Taranto April 18 and will have relieved one Canadian Infantry Div by April 25. Command passes on April 23. On relief one Canadian Infantry Division will pass to under command one Canadian Corps.

FOURTH Eighth Army. Polish Corps. Command of sector passed to 10 Corps. April 15 and Corps less 12 FOD and 15 FOD Lancers withdraw to rest and train in general areas Sessa H 2737 Caspinone H 2732 Prata H 1715.

Ten Corps. Line now held as follows. From right to left -

CM-IN-17966 (24 Apr 44)
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

No: 02551 April 20, 1944 Page Two

(A) 12 POI Lancers 2nd Guards Brigade 1st Italian Motor Brigade all directly under command 10 Corps

(B) 2 New Zealand Div with under command 2 Para Brigade
11 Canadian Infantry Brigade 23 British Inf Brigade.
5 and 6 NZ Brigades are in reserve. Inter Corps boundary
with 13 Corps now G 5126 8624 9024 9622 H 0121.

13 Corps. 78 Div no change. 6 British Armoured Div. 21
Indian Brigade has relieved 2 PA Brigade. Line now held
from right to left. One Guard Bde with elements 4 New Zea-
land Arm Bde in support 21 Indian Inf Bde 4 NZ Arm Bde
Inter Div bdy 78 Div G 843203 875260. 4 British Div. Div
less 28 Bde moved to vicinity Pietravajno H 1504 for training.
8 Ind Div came under command 13 Corps April 15 and Div less 21
Ind Bde remains in Larino area for training.

FIFTH Fifth Army. FEO sector held north of Garigliano River
by recce group under Corps and on south by 4 DEM. 3 Div train-
ning and in reserve in area Calabritto 003/3 - Cilvegho 004/3 and
Teano. 2 DIM training and in reserve area Mirabella N 8731
Qasq S. Potito N 7358 and Merzamo H 0201.

Two Corps. Sector generally quiet with some patrol clashes.
Arty on both sides active. April 14 377 Infantry completed
relief 351 Infantry to Casano A 9728 and 85 US Div took over
coastal sector. Boundary w/ 88 US Div on right M 864910
842294 - 844933 - 823962 - 824963 - thene along stream to
801007. 338 Inf closed area M 9482. CP 88 Div M 9119/1. 36
US Div training area Formia N 6951.

Six US Corps. Sector generally quiet with patrol activity
and exchanges of arty fire. Relief of 45 Div by 3 Div com-
pleted April 16. 45 Div in reserve resting and training.

PART TWO
Location Statement

CM-IN-17966 (24 Apr 44)

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/44

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-9-72
BY DDM, DATE
COPY No. 1973

24-7674 1973

238
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

NO: 02551
April 20, 1944
Page Three

5 Corps main and rear H 4175. 1 Cdn Div main C 3512 rear
C 3513 Cdn Inf Bde C 3317. 3 Cdn Inf Bde C 3113 2 Cdn Inf
Bde C 3010. 4 Ind Div main C 3400 rear C 3201. 11 Ind Inf
Bde C 2908. 5 Ind Inf Bde C 2903 7 Ind Inf Bde H 2999. 'D'
Force H 2490. 23 Arm Div Bde C 3102. 10 Ind Div main and rear
07412. 10 Ind Inf Bde 07395. 20 Ind Inf Bde F 7412. 25
Ind Inf Bde F 7412. 8 Army TAC H 0007 main H 2005 rear H 2403.
10 Corps main H 2534 rear H 3026. 24 Gds Bde H 1935. 2 NZ
Div G 9827. 5 NZ Inf Bde H 1431. 6 NZ Inf Bde H 0830. 11 Cdn
Inf Bde G 9126. 28 Br Inf Bde G 8526. 2 Indep Para Bde H 0017.
Ital NDT GP H 0832. 13 Corps main H 0009 rear RH 0708. 78
Inf Div main G 9221 rear G 9517. 11 Ind Inf Bde G 8423. 36 Inf
Bde G 9023 QW KEIT Inf Bde G 9022. 6 Br Arm Div main G 9713
rear G 9813. 1 Gds Bde G 8827. 21 Ind Inf Bde G 8917. 4 NZ
Arm Bde G 9613. 26 Arm Bde H 2705. 4 Br Inf Div H 1503.
10 TIDP Bde H 1004. 12 Inf Bde H 2099. 8 Ind Inf TAC G 9909
main H 7555. 17 Ind Inf Bde H 7555. 19 Ind Inf Bde H 7555.
1 Cdn Arm Bde H 1006 Cdn Corps H 2007. 5 Cdn Arm Div H 9336.
5 Cdn Arm Bde H 9836. 2 Polish Corps main G 9117 rear H 0018.
3 Carp Div H 2732. 1 Carp Div Bde H 3733. 2 Carp Div
Bde H 2737. 5 TID Res Div H 1614. 5 Kres Bde H 1010. 6 Kres
Bde H 1218. 5 Army main N 0268 rear N 0787. FRC M 9492. 2
DIM G 9903. 4 RNM N 8571. 5 RNM H 0031. 8 RNM N 7358 3
RNM G 9505. 3 DIA N 0090. 3 RRT 00945 4 RRT N 0689. 7 RRT
00433 4 RRT G 9400. 1 RRT G 8800 RNM G 8800 6 RNM G 8802.
4 RNM G 9505. 3 GP TABORS G 9125. 4 GP TABORS G 9606. 2
350 Inf Regt M 9790. 351 Inf Regt M 8195. 85 US Div M 8985
337 Inf Regt M 9382. 338 Inf Regt M 9382 39 Inf Regt M 7895.
36 US Div H 6371. 141 Inf Regt N 6350. 142 Inf Regt NS
6151 143 Inf Regt N 6350. 5 Army Adv F 8517. 6 US Corps F
8516. 1 FIF P 9817. 1 Regt SF F 9217. 3 Regt SF F 0122
34 US Div W 9230. 133 Inf Regt W 9025. 135 Inf Regt W 9282.
168 Inf Regt F 9582. 3 US Div F 9120. 7 Inf Regt F 9226. 15
Inf Regt F 9024. 30 Inf Regt F 9325. 45 US Div F 9513. 157
179 180 Inf Regt F 9614. 1 Br Div F 8320. 2 Inf Bde F 8522.
3 Inf Bde F 8420. 18 Inf Bde F 8524. 5 Br Div F 8124. 13

CM-IN-17966

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER 7-30-44
BY DWS. DATE
MAY 21, 1973
COPY No.

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 104
By RT, NARA, Date 4/28/44

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

NO: 02551
April 20, 1944
Page Four

Inf Bde F 7927, 15 Inf Bde F 8222, 17 Inf Bde F 8126, 1 US Arm Div F 8923, 6 Arm Div F 8823, 1 Arm Div Regt F 9823. COB N 0865 13 Arm Div Regt N 0463, 1 Arm Div Op M 9287, 2 Arm Div Op M 9393.

Part THREE
JT Rea.

In accordance with regrouping plan following reliefs due to take place. Five Corps, 10 Indian Div to relieve one Canadian Div 20 to 25 April moves to Larino thence Campobasso, Eighth Army. Ten Corps, Bde of NZ Div to relieve 28 Brigade of 4 Div at present under command NZ Div 13 Corps, 2 Carpathian and 5 Kresows Divs and Polish Arm Div Bde under command Polish Corps take over present 70 Div sector approx 24 to 27 April. Each Polish Div will have one was up. About April 25 Eighth Indian Div assumes command of 6 Armoured Div sector 3 Guards Brigade of 6 Arm Div being relieved by 12 Bde of 4 Div temporarily under command Eighth Indian Div. About April 25 19 Ind Inf Bde relieves 4 New Zealand Armoured Brigade and 6L takes over from French who have filled in the gap North of the Inter Army (8dy) as temporary measure.

Five Army. No immediate change contemplated on FEC and Two United States Corps fronts. COB of 8 United States Arm Div due to move Anzio bridgehead about end April DTE not yet firm.

Part FOUR

Build up.

Following formations due to arrive.

1 DMK arriving now, April 22 6 South African Arm Div, April 25, 25 Army Tank Brigade, May 3 7 Arm Div Brigade 7 H and 9 Arm Bde. Mid May one British Arm Div less 18 Inf.

CM-IN-17966 (24 Apr 44)
Bde Group already in beachhead attached 1 Div. 91 WUH Div has been directed temporarily to North Africa.

No Sig
T.O.O. 202330

ACTION: OPD
INFOR: GC/S
Gen Arnold
Gen Bissell
Col Park
Log

CM-IN-17966 (24 Apr 44) 2049Z

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER 7-8-78
BY: DSS, DATE
MAY 21 1973
COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Nr: P 33782  18 April, 1944

G-2 summary. P 33782 TROOPERS, AGWAR, info SHAEP, Mideast, Fairbanks, Pakir, PENBASE for CAVB, Fargo for MacFarlane from G-2 Freedom signed Wilson cite PHGB.

1. No special summary since 10 April.

2. Adriatic sector (V Corps). Enemy continues normal patrolling and artillery harassing but activity less pronounced than last week. No sign yet that miscellaneous enemy group withdrawn from mountains south of Maella has rejoined parent division, 305th Inf Div, on Adriatic coast. Some activity in enemy lines near Ortona night 14 - 15 April considered likely to be Battalion relief only.

3. Central sector (8th Army). Notable decrease in patrolling and artillery activity. Probable that 114 Jager Division has completed taking over of sector Maella to Alfa Faso, where defenses in depth on high with attacks on railway centers via Bucharest, Floesti and Turnul Severin may well cause Germans considerable supply difficulties in Bessarabia.

ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: CC/3 COAF CPD COL PARK LOG

CM-IN-13108 (18 Apr 44) 1510Z olp

ITALY

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94

COPY NO. 54
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.
To: War Department.

G-2 Summary. P33782 TROOPERS, AGWAR, information SHAPE, Mideast, Fairbanks, Pakir, FENBASE for CAVE, Fargo for MacFarlane, from G-2, Freedom signed Wilson cite FRUBI.

1. No special summary since 10th April.
2. Adriatic Sector (V Corps). Enemy continues normal patrolling and artillery harassing but activity less pronounced than last week. No sign yet that miscellaneous enemy group withdrawn from mountains South of Maiella has rejoined parent division, 305th Inf Div, on Adriatic Coast. Some activity in enemy lines near Ortona night 14-15 April considered likely to be Battalion relief only.

3. Central Sector (8th Army). Notable decrease in patrolling and artillery activity. Probably that 114 Jaeger Division has completed taking over of sector Maiella to Alfadea, where defenses in depth on high ground are reported. No further pressure by 1 Para Div in Cassino area and no apparent change in enemy dispositions.

4. Tyrrenian Flank. Decrease in patrolling and artillery activity. Only elements of 44th Inf Div transferred recently from central sector South to Garigliano sector appear to be 131st Regt and Rence Unit. No other changes apparent.

5. Bridgeshead (6th Corps). Slight decrease in activity but periodic shelling continues. Enemy reacted to our successful raid on 15th April by appearance of a few tanks. These probably part of 26th Panzer Div believed in Army reserve of which small groups reported in 715th Inf Div area. Improvement enemy defenses continues steadily. No change in dispositions.

6. General. General defensive attitude continues but slight decrease in activity on whole front suggests enemy does not consider concerted allied offensive imminent.

ON-IN-13353 (18 Apr 44)
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

CORRECTED COPY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria.
To: War Department

18 April 1944.

7. Pisa-Rimini Line. Recent air cover area north of Lucca shows some defenses in preparation but cover to limited to gauge progress on whole line.

8. Dalmatian Islands. Following liquidation of his garrison at Solta and successful commando raid on Hvar, enemy has made redistribution of garrisons. Now believed 1 battalion Hvar reinforced Battalion Korcula 1 to 2 guys Solta and Mljet. Llagosta not occupied by enemy and Vis remains firmly in allied hands. In north Adriatic Rab and Pag contain each one Coy plus quisling troops. Germans also hold most other islands but some outer islands held by Partisans.

Roumania. Anticipate successful air mining of Danube combined with attacks on railway centers viz Bucharest, Ploestii and Turmal Severin may well cause Germans considerable supply difficulties in Bessarabia.

No Sig.

Corrected copy of CM-IN-13108 (18 Apr 44) G-2

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CC/S
CG AAP
OPD
Col Park
Log

CM-IN-13353 (18 Apr 44) 2318Z bjm

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44

MAY 21 1973
COPY NO.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department

F 30405 10th April, 1944

F 30405 TROOPERS, AMMAR, Info SHREI, GIDEPOST, FAIRBANKS, FAKIR, PENHAE for fate, FAMCO for MacFarland from G2 FREEDOM signed Wilson site PHEBI.

G2 summary:

1. No special summary since 2nd April.

2. Adriatic Sector (5th Corps). Enemy activity largely confined to elaboration of defensive positions and to artillery and patrol activity. Letter now on more extensive scale. Recce patrols giving place to small fighting patrols. Appreciate reason not only improved going but curiosity as to Allied dispositions, identifications and intentions. Evident sensitiveness to possibility some local action by Allies especially in sector Arrielli-Guardiagrele. Miscellaneous enemy group hitherto in mountain sector south of Maiella being relieved and likely to be switched back to parent formation in Adriatic coastal sector. Enemy strength on corps front will thus amount to slightly over 2 divisions (305th and 334th Infantry Divisions) with little depth.

3. Central Sector (8th Army). Enemy patrols fairly active all areas. 114th Jager Division general area Sulmona apparently taking over sector from Laisella to Alfadne. No change 5th Mountain Division front. Some troop reshuffle in Terelle area whence further elements 44th Infantry Division may be transferring to Garigliano sector. Cassino-Liri Valley front still held by 1st Parachute Division and 15th PG. Continued local activity in Cassino where defenders still bent on minor improvements to positions. Over all

CM-IN-7150 (10 Apr 44)

300 Italy

SECRET
MAY 21 COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 1944
BY DBS, DATE

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: CC, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

Enemy strength about five divisions.

4. Tyrrensian Sector (5th Army). Considerable enemy patrolling and increased shelling gave reason to anticipate local attack Mシンプou area. This did not develop. Enemy has been attempting by shelling and flanking mines to destroy Carigliano bridges. Enemy strength 2 to 3 divisions comprising 70th, 80th and elements 6th Infantry Divisions.

5. Bridgehead (6th Corps). No change general defensive attitude. Enemy local attacks continue periodical especially in Capresato-Anna road sector. Perimeter now fairly strongly invested. Enemy strength not more than equivalent 4 divisions. On north flank 4th paratroopers, elements 45th Infantry, 3rd PZ and 362nd Infantry Divisions with 3 independent regiments (304th, 1027th, 1028th). On east flank 715th Infantry Division with possibly 3 Italian battalions under command. Consider continued presence elements Reichsbrunner division doubtful. 26th Panzer Division pressed in immediate reserve. 55th Infantry Division appears to be being squeeved out. Might possibly go to divisional training area at Pirl especially as more of 278th Division to Istrin leaves gap east of Rimini-Pisa line. From CC and other reports 29th and 90th PZ Divisions have possibly drawn away from battle area north and north east of Rome. Still constitute a general reserve. New areas probably more suitable for rest and re-fit.

6. General. Over all impression enemy determined stand on present positions making local attacks where possible meanwhile amassing mobile reserves against eventual renewed Allied initiative. Haught of prisoners.

CM-IN-7150 (10 Apr 44)

DECLASSIFIED
JOB LETTER, 3-5-72
BY OUR DATE
MAY 31 1972
COPY No.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: CO, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
Mr: F 30405 10th April, 1944
recently does not enable any fresh estimate general enemy
feelings and reports.
No Sig.

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CCS
CG AAF
OPD
Vol. Pk
LOG

CM-IN-7150 (10 Apr 44) 2357Z 1s

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: GG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Ref: F 30408 10th April, 1944

From AFRIC to Troopers AGWAR from GG Freedom signed Wilson cite FNGBI. F30408 10183CN.

Miscellaneous Intelligence signal number 7.

1. FW 1086 reinforced Gren Regt (NOT) states his unit originally intended for 29th Panzer Division. No other details.


3. Bn General Zanther reported by FW at Rosta Di Messmo (B1100).

4. Correction to para 3 Miscellaneous Intelligence Signal number 6. Regarding 30 Mobile Brigade location should read Marceilles, not Československa.


6. Bosnia. Bn 22nd Mtn Corps reported at Sarajevo 27th March. This Bn last reported believed leaving Greece.

CM-IN-7281 (11 Apr 44)

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-5-42
BY DSS, DATE
MAY 21

COPY No. 54

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/94
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE
Page -2-

From: CO, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

Mr: F 30408 10th April, 1944

Just prior occupation Hungary. As no indication 5 SS Mtn Corps leaving area Mostar awaiting confirmation before acceptance new location 22nd Corps.

No Sig.

ACTION: G-2
INFO: CC/S
CG AAF
OPD
Colonel Park
LOG

CM-IN-7281 (11 Apr 44) 0340Z med

DECLASSIFIED
JCS LETTER, 7-5-72
BY DBS. DATE
MAY 1 1973
COPY No. 54

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
EO. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Allied Forces Headquarters, Algiers
To: War Department
No: F-26710 2 April, 1944

Action Troopers AGWAR info Mideast Firkakes Fargo for Gen MacFarlane FAKIR SHARP Fokease for Cove from G2. Freedom signed Wilson cite PNGX 2nd Apr 1330 number F26710.

G2 summary.
1 No special summary since 27th March.

2 Adriatic flank. Enemy offensive activity slight enemy still pulling in forward posts in central mountain sector. Ultimate intention may be to abandon Palaena-CrisisADIOV lateral and concentrate on blocking approach to Sulla. This would economize forces and not affect alignment on Tyrrenian flank. Prisoners report defense preparations forward of Sulmona. Known as Siege-fried line. Indications from prisoners and observation suggest fresh forces recently arrived Sulmona area.

3 Tyrrenian flank. En general enemy activity confined to routine patrolling. Enemy has taken advantage of allied withdrawal in Cassino to re-occupy certain points and has been posting in sharp local raids in the station area. The parachutists have not yet been relieved but the impression is that 15th FG Division may be preparing to do so. Possibly part of 20th FG Division may some in north of the Liri. South of the Lidi there now seem definitely to be at least 1, possibly 2 regiments of 4th Infantry Division though the 3rd is still definitely in the Monte Cairo-Terreille area. This move partly due to the return of

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
SECRET
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

Page 2

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers

No: F-06720  2 April, 1944

276th Inf Regt to 94th Infantry Division on the coast where it is lying back restoring to the division its former disposition in depth. What will replace the detached elements of 94th Infantry Division not clear. Possibly Doulla Brigade.

4 Axis bridgehead. No indications any change in enemy general attitude. Perimeter holding may have been thinned down to no more than 5 divisions as no elements SS Reichsartillerie identified for some time. No deserters from 94th Infantry Division lately and good deal of movement behind the front suggest possibly next candidate for rest or relief. No fresh formations believed coming in but prisoners evidence suggest replacements still arriving at satisfactory rate. VI Corps consider these are acculturated very rapidly and quickly gets accustomed to conditions.

No Sig

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

CM-IN-1492 (3 Apr 44)  0132Z  mw  MAY 21 1973  54

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
AIC 387 FROM CINCMED

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 368

ANZIO DISCHARGE FIGURES 28TH MAY 5733 TONS. SLIGHT SHELLING OF PORT AREA DURING NIGHT 27TH/28TH MAY.

(2) F.S. EMILE BERTIN HMS ARIADNE USS MACKENZIE BOMBARDED TARGETS IN SUPPORT OF ARMY LEFT FLANK ON 28TH MAY RESULTS REPORTED EFFECTIVE STARTING FIRES AND SILENCING BATTERIES. N/T WAS ALSO HIT. SLIGHT ENEMY COUNTER FIRE AGAINST USS MACKENZIE CAUSED NO DAMAGE.

(3) NIGHT 27TH/28TH MAY COASTAL CRAFT SANK 3 F LIGHTERS
NEAR MESCO POINT (44°8 NORTH 29°38 EAST) FURTHER NORTH 1
MERCHANT SHIP 1000 TONS AND CORVETTE WERE ENCOUNTERED BOW
WAS BLOWN OFF MERCHANT SHIP AND SHIP WAS SET ON FIRE AFT
SHE PROBABLY SANK. FIRE FROM CORVETTE CAUSED SUPERFICIAL
DAMAGE TO 1 MTB
(4) VAMPIRE REPORTS SINKING 1 SMALL CATIUE OFF VONEMUGSIA
ON 12TH MAY.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

FROM: C. in C. Med
TO: A.I.G. 367
COMMON

No: 291042  29 May 1944

SITUATION REPORT NO. 367

During night 24th/25th May force of landing craft covered by coastal forces proceeded from Corleto and simoultaneously on Civita Vecchia area. U.S. Cruiser Brooklyn and screen acted as bombardment group in support of the operation which was carried out without incident.

(2) 7015 tons discharged Anzio on 27th May. French Cruiser Baie Bertin and U.S.S. Lendrick and U.S.S. MacKenzie gave fire support to army left flank in Anzio area on 27th May.

(3) Coastal force night 26th/27th May engaged Northbound convoy trawlers 2 F lighters and L-boats North Elba gunfire hits were observed. 2 M.T.B.'s some damage. Slight casualties.

T.O.O. 282205B

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CG AAF
G-2
Col Park
Log
CM-IN-22444 (29 May 44)  22072  bem

ITALY

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAVAL MESSAGE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DRAFTER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CODE ROUM</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**PRIORITY**

**ARRRARRARR**

**ROUTINE**

**DEFERRED**

**PRIORITY**

**ROUTINE**

**DEFERRED**

**PAGE OF 2**

**NCR 3664**

---

**AIG 387 FROM CINCMEU**

**SITUATION REPORT NO. 367.**

**DURING NIGHT 24TH/25TH MAY FORCE OF LANDING CRAFT COVERED BY COASTAL FORCES PROCEEDED FROM CORSICA AND SIMULATED ASSAULT ON CIVITA VECCHIA AREA. US CRUISER BROOKLYN AND SCREEN ACTED AS BOMBARDMENT GROUP IN SUPPORT OF THE OPERATION WHICH WAS CARRIED OUT WITHOUT INCIDENT**

(2) **7015 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIO ON 27TH MAY. FRENCH CRUISER EMILE BERTIN AND USS KENDRICK AND USS MACKENZIE GAVE FIRE SUPPORT TO ARMY LEFT FLANK IN ANZIO AREA ON 27TH MAY**

(3) **COASTAL FORCE NIGHT 26TH/27TH MAY ENGAGED NORTHBOUND**

---

**DECLASSIFIED**

E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/24/1944
CONVOY TRAILERS 2 F LIGHTERS AND E-BOATS NORTH ELBA GUNFIRE HITS WERE OBSERVED. 2 M.T.B.S SOME DAMAGE. SLIGHT CASUALTIES.

CLASSIFICATION RAISED FROM RESTRICTED TO SECRET DUE TO CONTENTS.
2 CL UNTIL PHILADELPHIA COLLISION, 12/2 DE, 2 AM, 7 PC, 11 SC, 13 YMS, 17 LST, 31 LOT, 27 LCI.

GUN/FIRE SUPPORT:
19TH BROOKLYN EXPENDED 315 ROUNDS ON DUMPS IN TERRACINA SPERLONGA AND GAETA SETTING FIRES.
23RD BROOKLYN KEARNY AND ERICSSON FIRED 462 ROUNDS KARLEDA AREA WITH GOOD RESULTS. ENEMY RETURN FIRE INACCURATE.
24TH WITH SAME GROUP FIRED 499 ROUNDS VICINITY AREA RCA TROOPS AND DUMPS WITH GOOD EFFECT.
25TH KENDRICK FIRED 331 ROUNDS. ACCURACY ENEMY FIRE INCREASED BUT NO CASUALTIES.

EXERCISES:
CONGRP 2 WITH APS CONTINUING DAY AND NIGHT LANDING ARZER AREA.
5 DD SHORE BOMBARDIMENT.
4 DD COORDINATED ATTACKS WITH 3 TO 6 A/C 24TH.
2 DD FIGHTER DIRECTOR WITH 4 A/C 24TH.
MASS
2 TTY RESCUE AND TOGING 24TH.
6 VESSELS CONDUCTED AQ PRACTICE 6 SC AND 1 AM A/S TRAINING WITH SAME SUB OFF PALERMO.
A/C LAID EXPERIMENTAL SMOKE SCREEN OVER GUS 46 231700 ALGIERS.

MISCELLANEOUS:
5 DD AND 1 AM ESCORT J SHIPS WITH MED CONVOYS.
SC 522 (SO) 576, 638, 676 TASK GROUP 81.12 REPORTED FOTALI TEMPORARY DUTY IN ATRIATIC.
ACTIVITY WITH ENEMY:
5 DD SUB HUNT ORAN AREA. SUB SUNK 19/72 1 MY 19/859 REFERS. SPEED WITH CAS-40 ON 24TH ATTACKED HIGH SPEED RADAR TARGET OFF ORAN BELIEVED E-BOAT. TARGET ESCAPED.
PC 626 CAPTURED ENEMY SPEED BOAT NIGHT 23-24TH OFF ANZIO. NO PRISONERS.
PTS WITH COASTAL FORCES. 5 LANDING PROJECTS 3 SUCCESSFUL.
3 OFFENSIVE PATROLS.
NIGHT 23RD-24TH. VADA ROCKS AREA 2 CORVETTES ATTACKED.
1 SUNK OTHER DAMAGED, 25 PRISONERS. NO CASUALTIES TO 6 PTS INVOLVED.
YMS 36, 251, 355, SWEPT 4 MINES OFF ANZIO 24TH.
POLITICAL SITUATION:
OUTSPOKEN DISSATISFACTION WITH ALLIED POLICY IN OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL FRENCH POLITICAL CIRCLES. THEIR GENERAL FEELING RELATIONS ARE AT WORST HOWEVER THEY HOPE DE GAULLE'S VISIT LONDON WILL IMPROVE SAME. CRITICISM OF COMMITTEE BY GENERAL COUNCIL OF NORTH AFRICAN DEPARTMENTS AND FORMATION OF NEW "REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC LEFT" PARTY COMPOSED OF GENERAL COUNCILLORS AND RADICAL SOCIALISTS EQUALLY CRITICAL OF COMMITTEE INDICATES SAME LOSING PRESTIGE IN NORTH AFRICA. REPORTS CIRCULATING IN FRENCH POLITICAL CIRCLES INDICATE PROMINENT OUTSPOKEN ANTI CAULISTS ESCAPED BEFORE ARREST FROM HERE TO LISBON TO JOIN OTHER NON CAULIST ANTI VICHY PERSONS CAUSING
RESENTMENT AGAINST AMERICANS DUE RUMORED HELP GIVEN BY
U.S. OFFICIAL. POSSIBILITY LOUIS MARIO WILL REPLACE
MASSICHI.
SECRET

COPY DELIVERED TO:

N L Y U . . US & C

SITUATION REPORT 2670:
(2) During the night 23rd/24th PT Boats operating from
Brooklyn and Encinosa gave fire support in the head area
off Santo Attacked 2 convertibles with torpedoes off Vada Rocks
smoked 1 and damaging the other. 19 prisoners taken.

PO 260 captured small coastal craft and 2 prisoners near
Anzio late 24th. 2706 took discharge at Anzio on 24th May.
A 1100 NTTR P 13G C.O. was accorded priority course from Capuino Car
area. kin 1941

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NA.

Date

11/01/44

NAVY MESSAGE

NAVAL

MESSAGE

DATE

RELEASED BY

FROM

GEM

FROM

GEM

INFORMATION

FOR ACTION

ATTACHMENT

MISSION

BEGIN

ACTION

DATE

TIME

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO

FROM

TO
NAVAL MESSAGE

DRATTER: CINCHED

RELEASED BY

DATE: 26 AUG 1944

TOR CORDER: 7311

DECODED BY: DECKMAN/ALTERHOF

PARAPHRASED BY: DORSEY/HURIE

ROUTED BY

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE 813 AS ADMINISTRATIVE.

242138 NCR 1418

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME:

DATE: 26 AUG 1944

TIME: 00:00

ACTON: 21

1. SITUATION REPORT #364.

5446 TONS DISCHARGED ON 22ND MAY AND 2645 TONS ON 23RD MAY. SLIGHT SHELLING OF PORT AREA 22ND MAY. 7 ACOUSTIC MINES SUNK ON 23RD MAY.

2. USS BROOKLYN ENGAGED TARGETS AT ARDEA AND VALLELATA ON 23RD MAY IN SUPPORT OF THE BRIDGE HEAD. RESULTS REPORTED SATISFACTORY.

COPY TO 2OG.

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

242138 SSG Italy

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/84
**NAVAL MESSAGE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAVY DEPARTMENT</th>
<th>DRAFT</th>
<th>EXTENSION NUMBER</th>
<th>ADDRESSEES</th>
<th>PRIORITY</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FROM CLINCHED</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>AIG 387</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>COMINCH</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>23 MAY 1944</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOR CODEWORD</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>SCHULTZ/</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>TRUSSEL/</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>HOOD/JACK/HOCHESTEIN</td>
<td>DEFERRED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUTED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW**

|----------------------|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|

---

FOLEH FORTI FORT CINCIN CA MALTA FOSA FO 15TH C.S.
RCIC ACLERS ADMIRALTY COMMROSEAFRON COMNAVAT COMINCH
R.A. ALEXANDRIAN HLO ACLIF SNO (HAFNA)NCHQ CITO.

AIC 387 FROM CLINCHED.

SITUATION REPORT 363. BY 211914.

2 SS FORT MESSASATE SINK AT 1229/23TH. PRISONERS TAKEN
FROM U-BOAT NUMBER 49 INCLUDE C.O.

(3) HIS TERRIFICANT AND HIS TENACIOUS ON PATROL OFF
ALBANIAN COAST NIGHT 19TH ENCOUNTERED 5 E OR R BOATS.
1 REPORTED DESTROYED AND POSSIBLY 2 DAMAGED.

(3) DURING THE NIGHT 21ST/21ST COASTAL FORCES ENCOUNTERED
A LIGHTER AND DROVE IT ASHORE IN FLAME IN
POSITION 42-50 NORTH 17-35 EAST.

(4) ANZIO DISCHARGE FIGURE 21ST 6066 TONS ONLY ENEMY
ACTIVITY A RECONNAISSANCE.

---

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (a) NAVREGS.)

[Signature]

22220

ITALY

DECLASSIFIED
J. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/14
NAVY DEPARTMENT

NAVAL MESSAGE

DRAFTER
FROM
CINCMED

EXTENSION NUMBER
PRECEDENCE
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20

ADDRESSES
ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESS
AIG 387
COMINCH

ROUTINE
ROUTINE
DEFERRED
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

TOR CODEDOM
1031

DECODED BY
SMTTH/PAUL/MCCLELLAN

PARAPHRASED BY
REA/KOTEEN

ROUTED BY

PLEASE OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AS AN ADMINISTRATIVE

PAGE 1 OF 2
1921300
NCR 7043

OFFICIAL BUSINESS ONLY

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME:
PART 1 192107C
NCR 7034
PART 2 192130B
NCR 7043

DATE
ACTION
F-0

TIME
GCT

192

6

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

42

43

44

45

46

47

48

49

50

51

52

AIG 387 - FOLEM; FOTALI; FONIT; CINCEF; V A HALTA; FOGMA;
F O 15TH C S; NOIC ALGIERS; ADMIRALTY; COMHORSEAFRON;
COMNAVNAV; COMINCH; R A ALEXANDRIA MIL ACHF; SNOLA
(HAIFA); RNSGHQ CAIRO.

AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 361.

5526 TONS DISCHARGED AT ANZIO 18TH MAY. ABOUT 20 AIRCRAFT
IN VICINITY ANCHORAGE DURING THE NIGHT 17TH/18TH MAY, SUSPECTED
MINE LAYING, BUT NO DETAILED REPORT. SWEEP ON 18TH MAY.

(2) US CRUISER PHILADELPHIA GAVE FIRE SUPPORT IN GULF OF
GAETA AND HMS DIDO ON 18TH MAY. RESULTS REPORTED SATISFACTORY,
HITS OBTAINED ON ROCS AND GUNS. ENEMY RETURN FIRE SLIGHT
AND IN EFFECTIVE.

(3) U-BOAT LOCATED BY AIRCRAFT WHICH HOMED USS NIBLACK AND
USS LUDLOW. AFTER SERIES DEEP CREEPING ATTACK U-BOAT WAS
FORCED SURFACE AND SUNK BY GUNFIRE AND ANTI-SUB BOMING AT

SECRET

ITALY

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/44
0720 19TH IN POSITION 37-35 NORTH 01-39 EAST. A FEW SURVIVORS PICKED UP. THIS U-BOAT WAS SAME AS THAT WHICH ATTACKED USS ELLYSON ON 17TH MAY MY17246 PARAGRAPH 5 REFERS AND HAD SINCE BEEN CONTINUOUSLY HUNTED BY USS WOOLSEY USS BENSON USS MADISON USS NIBLACK AND USS LUDLOW WITH AIR COOPERATION.

(4) P 224 REPORTS SINKING 3 SMALL CAIQUES IN DORO CHANNEL ON 8TH MAY BOMBARDING RADAR STATION NEAR CANDIA ON 12TH MAY AND SINKING 200 TON CAIQUES BY GUNFIRE IN 36-00 NORTH 25-00 EAST ON 13TH MAY.

1 COPY DELIVERED TO 20G.
NAVAL MESSAGE.

COMNAVNAW

COMINCH AND CNO

CINCLANT

COMDESLANT

CTG 80.6

0640

ROWLAND

RE/A/KOTEEN

PAGE 1 OF 2

190859

NCR 6968

1944

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVRECS.)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44

190859 300 T/A
SEARCH
181000/IN 37-16 NORTH 00-30 EAST. 181245 3 DD PATROLLING ACROSS
TRACK 10 MILES AHEAD EST POS 2 DD PATROLLING ASTERN ADVANCING
ALONG TRACK. 182228 ASV CONTACT IN 37-14 NORTH 01-04 EAST.
NIBLACK AND LUDLOW WENT INVESTIGATE. 190400 NIBLACK AND
LUDLOW MADE ATTACK ON GOOD CONTACT IN 37-22 NORTH 01-30 EAST
CONTINUED ATTACKS UNTIL 190720 WHEN SUB FORCED TO SURFACE AFTER
DEEP CREEPING ATTACK IN 37-35 NORTH 01-39 EAST. SUB FINISHED
OFF BY GUNFIRE. FEW SURVIVORS BEING RECOVERED.

*AS RECEIVED.  
1 COPY DELIVERED TO 20G.
Naval Message

Navy Department

NAV: COMNAV

FROM: COMNAV

RELEASED: 26 MAY 1944

DATE: 5716

CODE NAME: DIESEL

PARAPHRASED BY: DIESEL/ROSLAND

ROUTED BY: COMINC & CHQ

PAGE 1 OF 5

192429* NCR 6992

Originator Fill in Date and Time:

Date: 26 MAY 1944

Time: 1500

Received in 4 Parts: Part 1 = 192429 - NCR 6662

Part 2 = 192429 - NCR 6669

Part 3 = 192429 - NCR 6692

Part 4 = 192429 - NCR 6992

COM 8th Fleet Summary. From COMNAV Action COMINC & CHQ.

TOPSECRET.

COM 8TH FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 2400 16 MAY.

(A) REPORTED. 8TH BEACH BATTALION TO COM ATG ORAN 16TH.

(B) DETACHED. LST 197, 326, 381 DEPARTED ORAN FOR UKAY 18TH. SC 497, 548, 977 TURNED OVER TO FRENCH ORAN 18TH.

(C) ASSIGNED ANZIO NAPLES AREA. 6 DD, 2 DE, 1 NA, 6 PC, 9 SC, 7 YWS, 15 LST, 15 LOT, 8 LCI(L). GUNFIRE SUPPORT GROUP OPERATING GAETA FORMIA AREA. BROOKLYN Kearny Ericsson fired 13TH AND 16TH EXPENDING 591.
6 INCH. PHILADELPHIA BOYLE KENDRICK FIRED 14TH AND 17TH EXPENDING 894 6 INCH. MACKENZIE ORDRAUX SCREENED HMS DIDO FIRING 12TH AND 15TH 1793 ROUNDS 5.25 INCH. SPOTTING AND INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS SLIGHTLY HINDERED BY HAZE. MANY SHORE BATTERIES NEUTRALIZED. ENEMY OPPOSITION SPORADIC WITH INCREASED ACCURATE FIRE FROM UNLOCATED COASTAL BATTERY 16TH. MACKENZIE HAD NEAR MISS 15TH BUT NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES REPORTED. DESTROYERS PATROLLED SWEEP AREA TO OBSERVE ENEMY MINING ACTIVITY.

(D) EXERCISES. COM ATG HELD 2 FULL SCALE NIGHT EXERCISES. SALERNO. TRANSPORTS AND APD'S CONTINUED TRAIN 91ST DIV ARZEN 11TH THROUGH 17TH ALSO HOLDING INDIVIDUAL SHIP BOAT DRILL AND BEACHING. 2 DD'S ASSISTED IN
BEACH NEUTRALIZATION 3 NIGHTS. 12 DD 1 SHORE GUNNERY-ANTI AIRCRAFT SURFACE FIRING M850 RESCUE AND PT FOR TORPEDO PRACTICE 15TH TO 18TH.  
MISCELLANEOUS. CAPTAIN JOHNSON ASSUMED COMMAND TO 624 SPECIAL OPERATIONS MAY 14TH. COMTRANSDIV 13 IN TATTAGLIA PLUS ROPER ARRIVED AJACCIO 15TH. 4 SC WILL BE DESIGNATED FOR OPERATION IN ADRIATIC BASED AT MANFREDONIA YET TO BE ASSIGNED. 2 PT TO BE SAILED TO NAPLES FROM AJACCIO FOR BEACH RECONNAISSANCE OFF CIVITAVECCHIA.  
(E) ACTIVITY WITH ENEMY. SYMBOL ENROUTE BIZERTE FROM ORAN 17/8/54 PICKED UP CONTACT DISCOVERED TO BE RADAR DECOY. NIGHT 11/12TH 3 MTB AND PT 217 ENCOUNTERED SMALL ENEMY DD OFF LECCHRON. TARGET WITHDRAWN FROM APPARENT PATROL SIMILAR PATROLS CARRIED OUT 12TH AND 13TH.
WITHOUT SUCCESS. RIGHT 15TH/16TH 6 PT PLUS 4 D-BOATS COVERED 6 MINE LAYING U/L ON OPERATIONS OFF CASTAGNETO. PC 627 ON PATROL BANK E-BOAT OFF ANZIO 13TH. PC 626 OFF ANZIO ATTACKED ANOTHER BUT RESULTS UNCERTAIN 14TH. 2 SUBS SUNK BY U 8 DD'S IN COORDINATION WITH BRITISH A/C BY 171618 AND 195659 REFERS.

(F) INTELLIGENCE. DE GAULLE REMARKS ABOUT STATUS OF ALARKE DARLAN AGREEMENT NOT BELIEVED TO REFLECT INTENTION TO REPUDIATE. RENEGOTIATION CONTINUES ON BASIS FAVORABLE TO FRENCH. FRENCH NATIONAL COMMITTEE BELIEVE LIKELY TO ACCEPT ASSEMBLY UNANIMOUS MOTION DECLARE COMMITTEE "PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE". THIS EXPECTED TO HAVE LITTLE OR NO PRACTICAL EFFECT. COMMUNIST DEPUTY BERLIOZ AND OTHER LEFT ASSEMBLY ELEMENTS
EXPRESS SOME DISSATISFACTION WITH COMMITTEES AND
ALLIED RELATIONS WITH RESISTANCE APPEARING TO RESENT
ANGLO AMERICAN INFLUENCE FROM LONDON. GROWING SENSE
OF ISOLATION OF ALGIERS PARTLY Owing LONDON DIPLOMATIC
POUCH BLOCKADE.

COMINCH #1 TO #6 INCL.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CUNICEL

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 1 MAY, 1944

TOR CODEROOM: 18-314

DECODED BY: SICKEL/TAULIEL
PARAPHRASED BY: TICASSSO/RIDGE
ROUTED BY: REIL

COVINCH
SEE BELOW*

COVINCH COVEMENT AND EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN FUTALI EWOFT CUNICEL RIGHEI CAIRO VA MALTA FOGNA FQ 19TH CS HICL ALIERS ADMIRALTY COMORSEAFRON CONNAVAFTR R ALEXANDRIA MDG ALCIF ONULA (HAIFA) FROM CUNICED

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 359:

(1) NAPLES AREA HAS ATTACKED BY ABOUT 25 AIRCRAFT NIGHT 13TH/14TH MAY. BOMBS AND CIRCLING TORPEDO AURE DUSED. NO NAVAL DAMAGE 3 AIRCRAFT REPORTED SHOT DOWN (86)

(2) HHS DID CARRIED BOMBARING IN GULF GAETA ON 15TH MAY IN SUPPORT OF THE ARMY ATTACK. GOOD RESULTS REPORTED. ENEMY COUNTER FIRE WAS SPORADIC ON 15TH MAY BUT INCREASED ON 16TH MAY. NO DAMAGE TO OWN FORCES.

(3) 3285 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIO 16TH MAY. NO ENEMY

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (c) NAVREG)

172146 3AS Italy

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/64
ACTIVITY.

(4) MOTOR LAUNCHES COVERED BY MOTOR TORPEDO BOATS AND PT BOATS LAID 32 MINES IN THE VICINITY 43-15N 11-38E DURING THE NIGHT 16TH.

(5) FOLLOWING ATTACK OOS 39 AM 14TH MAY BY 1422P4 PARA 2 REFERS CONDESTON 10 IN USS ELLYSON WITH USS HAMBLETON USS ROCKMAN USS EMONS USS MACDIE USS NELDS AND USS CLEAVES CONVINCED U BOAT HUNT WITH AIR COOPERATION. HUNT WAS MAINTAINED CONTINUOUSLY FOR 9 DAYS UNTIL U BOAT WAS FINALLY BROUGHT TO THE SURFACE AFTER DEEP ATTACK USS HAMBLETON USED 641 FEET SETTING AND BOMB BY TORPFEIRE AT 0828 17TH IN POSITION 37-46N 10-16E 69 PRISONERS INCLUDING CO IN USS ELLYSON WHO WAS UNSUCCESSFULLY ATTACHED 2ND U BOAT AT 1229 17TH IN POSITION 36-48N 10-29W. HUNT CONTINUES.

(6) P 65 REPORTS FOLLOWING GUN ACTIONS DURING PATROL OFF SOUTH COAST OF FRANCE: 22 HITS ON OIL REFINERY AT ONEGLIA ON 1ST MAY 24 HITS ON RAILWAY GOODS OF NAPPOLE AND 23 HITS ON SEAPLANE HANGAR AT HEAD OF GULF FREJUS BOTH ON 4TH MAY.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINCMEQ

RELEASED BY

DATE 17 MAY 1944

TOR CLOUDROOM 0314/17

DECORATED BY MOUNTAIN/BICKEL

PARAPHRASED BY RICE

ROUTED BY PIPP

ADDRESS

ASTERN (**) MESSAGES

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY RRRRR

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY

FOLEF; FOHAL; FOWIT; CIJOMF; VA MALTA; FOGMA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALCIERS;
ADMARLTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAV; COMINC; R.A. ALEXANDRIA; LNO ACFM;
SNOLA(HAIFA); RNC HQ CAIRO

PRIORITY

1. F. BOAT SUNK AND ANOTHER PROBABLY SUNK BY PATROLS OFF ANZIO DURING THE NIGHT 13TH/14TH MAY. SOME SHELLING NIGHT 14TH/15TH MAY. 3962 TONS DISCHARGE 14TH MAY 3757 TBMS 15TH MAY (2) MY 14224

PARAGRAPHS 2 BOTH SHIPS ARRIVED ORAN 15TH MAY

(3) ENEMY AIRCRAFT RAIDED BASTIA NIGHT 12TH/13TH MAY BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE SHIPPING HARBOR (4) DURING NIGHT 13TH/14TH MAY MOTOR LAUNCHES SANK AN "I" BOAT SOUTH OF PELJESEAC PENINSULA (5) HNSP 83 REPORTS SINKING 800 TON SHIP ON 11TH MAY AND DAMAGING 80 TON SHIP WHICH WAS LATER SEEN DEACHED ON 15TH MAY. BOTH ACTIONS OFF CAPE CAMARAT.

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVY REG.)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/1/62

16221$ NOR 4$52

ORIGINATING FILL IN DATE AND TIME:

DATE 17 MAY 1944

TIME TIME

ACTION

21

F-0

23

F-01

24

F-02

25

F-03

26

F-04

27

F-05

28

F-06

29

F-07

30

F-08

31

F-09

32

F-10

33

F-11

34

F-12

35

F-13

36

F-14

37

F-15

38

F-16

39

F-17

40

F-18

41

F-19

42

F-20

43

F-21

44

F-22

45

F-23

46

F-24

47

F-25

48

F-26

49

F-27

50

F-28

51

F-29

52

VCNO
GERMAN A/C TORPEDO PERFORMANCE AND TACTIC SUMMARY

(A) MATERIAL. THE STANDARD A/C TORPEDO IS AN 18 INCH 1 SPEED 45 KNOTS RANGE 35,000 YARDS EXPLOSIVE 450 POUNDS ANGLE AND CROSSHEAD SETTING CAPABLE OF BEING ADJUSTED IN FLIGHT.

(B) THERE IS EVIDENCE TO SUGGEST THAT 21 INCH TORPEDOES ARE NOW BEING USED AND IT IS KNOWN MAGNETIC TYPE NON CONTACT TORPEDOES ARE BEING USED INCREASINGLY. G.A.D. 1655 GIVES SOME DETAILS OF SIDE PISTOL. SHIP DAMAGE CONTROL ORGANIZATION MUST BE PREPARED FOR NON CONTACT DAMAGE FROM ALL ENEMY TORPEDO ATTACKS. TO DATE TORPEDOES HAVE EXPLODED JUST PRIOR TO REACHING CENTRE LINE OF SHIP.

(C) GERMAN FIGHTER A/C MAY ALSO EMPLOY SMALL 16 INCH TORPEDOES WITH RANGE OF 115 YARDS.
(4) The use of parachute circling torpedoes especially against anchorages may be continued. They can be dropped from any bomber by S.G.O. 24 (D) and M.E.D.I. 65 and 72.

(5) Germans are developing Italian radio controlled torpedoes particulars are given in C.B. 1815 April 1944. Creek fluorescent dye is used to make track visible to controlling A/C.

(6) Torpedo carrying aircraft and maximum load with 18 inch torpedoes are Junker 68 2, Heinkel 111, 2, Heinkel 115 1, Heinkel 177 4, Junker 188 2.

(7) Release conditions are flying speed 150 to 175 knots height 130 to 350 feet, range 2200 to 11,000 yards. Torpedoes have been released at shorter ranges and from lower height.

(8) Tactics

(8) In addition to dusk attacks the enemy has been HIGH DEVELOPING NIGHT ATTACKS USING/PATTERN FLARES COLOURED FLAME FLOATS AND OCCULTING LIGHT BUCYS, MED. STATION 665 B REFERS.

(9) Normal low approach is used and aircraft have been observed between column of convoy. Attack may be combined with bombing attack.

COMINC...COG
SUORD...FX37...16...23G...2333333333...NYD WASH'N...
(BOMB DISPOSAL SCHOOL & MINE DISPOSAL SCHOOL)...30...
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCMED
RELEASED BY: 15 MAY 1944
DATE: 15 MAY 1944
TOR CODEROOM: HANSEN/SISCHER/AIGHT/WELTON
DECODED BY: WOODWARD/MCCOMB
PARAPHRASED BY:

TO: AIG 387 COFFIN
ADDRESSED: CINCMED
ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE: CINCMED
PRIORITY: ROUTINE
PRECEDENCE: 1
ACTION: 21
ACTION:

PAGE 1 OF 2
1422548
NCR 2729

PART 1 1421478 NCR 2729
PART 2 1422743 NCR 2729

AIG 387: FOLEM; FOTAL; FOWIT; CINCEF; VA MALTA; FOGNA;
FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALGIERS; ADMIRALTY; CONNWEARF; COMNAVAF; COMINCH; R.A. ALEXANDRIA NDL AQMF; SNOLA
(HAIFA) RANGC CAIRO.

AIG 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 357 CONSIDERABLE SHELLING OF
ANZIO PORT AREA DURING NIGHT 11TH/12TH MAY AND 12TH/
13TH MAY CAUSED NO NAVAL DAMAGE 4137 TONS DISCHARGED
12TH AND 4141 ON 13TH

(2) S.S. GSWALDEN AND FORT FIDDLER IN CONVOY GUS 39
TORPEDOED BY GERMAN U-BOAT AT 444/14TH IN POSITION
36-45 NORTH 16-55 EAST BOTH SHIPS HIT FORWARD AND PRO-
CEEDING UNDER OWN STEAM TO ORAN WITH TUGS STANDING BY
GERMAN U-BOAT HUNT IN PROGRESS.

(3) P 63 REPORTED SINKING 5 CAIQUES BY GUNFIRE NORTH

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

142204
3 ac Italy

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
WEST MELOS BETWEEN THIRD AND FIFTH MAY

(4) AIRCRAFT MINED LAVRION NIGHT 9TH 10TH VELOS PATRAS
SYRA (SYROS) 11TH 11TH AND 12TH 13TH AND NAXOS 12TH 13TH.
SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS)

ON NAVARCH 12/18/48 300 Italy

PART 1
PART 2
PART 3
PART 4

121801 121816
NCR 981 NCR 1008

121832
NCR 1025

121848
NCR 965

COM 3RD FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 2400 MAY 11.
REPORTED FOR DUTY: COMPROV 29 GRAN 3RD TO CTG 30.8
COMMNDIV 18 WITH SHERVE CIB 9TH. ASSIGNED 8TH PHIB.
DETACHED YU 112 TO FRENCH 27 APRIL. OPERATIONAL
CONTROL 8TH FLEET.
SHIPS SUNK: PC 558 ON PATROL PALERMO TORPEDOED BY
SUBMARINE 995558. INVESTIGATING RADAR CONTACT.
CASUALTIES 1 OFFICER 3M MEN.
DAMAGED: PC 556 DAMAGED BY BOMB AIR RAID ANZIO. NO
CASUALTIES. ANZIO ESCORT AND PATROL 5 DD, 2 DE.
6. PC. 12 SC. 13 YMS.

ANZIO MAINTENANCE: 16 LST. 26 LCT. 21 LCI.
ANZIO GUNFIRE SUPPORT: 2 CL WITH 4 DD ESCORT STOOD BY NAPLES.
NO CALLS. HILARY P. JONES, C F HUGHES BOMBARDED 5 ENEMY SUPPLY
JUMPS 15TH. RESULTS SATISFACTORY. 585 ROUNDS EXPENDED.
EXERCISES: 38 VESSELS INCLUDING TF 66 CONDUCTED AA FIRING.
COM ATG HELD 3 FULL SCALE NIGHT EXERCISES INCLUDING SHORE
BOMBARDMENT DD'S ARLEW 8/11. 4 LCVP CONDUCTED SHALLOW SWEEPS
OFF BIZERTE. PC. SC. YMS TRAINING WITH ITALIAN SUB OFF
PALERMO.

MISCELLANEOUS: DUANE WITH CTF 81 ARRIVED NAPLES 15TH.
HACOMB NIELS JOINED 3 DD TF 69 SPECIAL ESCORT 7 M/V
CRIB-ORAN. ARRIVED 9TH. MENGES TOWED ORAN BY ATR-1 DOCKS 14TH.

ACTIVITIES WITH ENEMY:

SUB HUNTS: 2 OFF PALERMO. 1ST STARTED 15/1125 INITIAL SIGHTING
BY AIRCRAFT. 5 DD. 2 PC CONDUCTED SEARCH TIL 172700. HUNT
ABANDONED WHEN CONTACT LOST. 2ND STARTED 9TH AFTER SC 697
PICKED UP RADAR CONTACT 8 BRITISH DD PLUS 1 AM. 2 PC. 2 SC)
2 YMS SWEEPING TILL 11TH. 3 DD'S RETURNED PALERMO ON SHORT
NOTICE. 4 DD ORDERED RETURNED NAPLES NIGHT 11TH. NO DEFINITE
CONTACTS MADE. AREA NOW PATROLLED BY A/S VESSELS. COMDESDIV
21 IN CLEAVES. HACOMB. NIELS AIRCRAFT ASSISTING COMMENCED
HUNT OFF ALBORAN 19TH. INITIAL SIGHTING BY AIRCRAFT. HUNT
ABANDONED 12/846. SOUND CONDITIONS POOR. JAMMER AND AA
ESCORT, BENSON, STEADY SUSTAIN, CALEDON (BR) YGS 40, SEER KM49

Originator: COMMNAVNAV
D/T Group: 4816 YCR
Page 2 Of 3 Pages.
PT OPERATIONS: NIGHT 5/6 SPEZIA LECHORN AREA SIGHTED ILLUMINATED HOSPITAL SHIP. NIGHT 7/8 PT 558, 556, 563 ATTACKED HE SOUND CONVOY 5 MILES EAST CALIARA ISLAND. 3 R-BOATS ESCORTING 2 SMALL CRAFT. 4 TORPEDOES EXPENDED. NO HITS. SLIGHT DAMAGE TO PT 563 NIGHT 9/10 PT 2/3 AND 3 BRITISH VESPIRS ATTACKED 3 F-LIGHTERS EAST OF CROSSETO ROCKS. 7 TORPEDOES FIRED. 2 EXPLOSIONS OBSERVED. 1 LIGHTER EXPLODED. 1 LIGHTER POSSIBLY DAMAGED. PT 556, 559, 563 PROCEEDED CORDOBA 10/13 TO TAKE OVER SMALL GERMAN LANDING CRAFT AND 2 PRISONERS CAPTURED BY AMERICAN SOLDIERS ON ISLAND. 3 MTB, PT 214 INTERCEPTED 3000 TON N/V WITH 5 R-BOATS NEAR VADA ROCKS 10/11. 10 TORPEDOES FIRED. 2 HITS. EXPLOSION RESULTED. 1 R-BOAT DAMAGED. NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES OWN FORCES.

POLITICAL SUMMARY: DERRIEN VERDICT LIFE IMPRISONMENT HARD LABOR. DE CAULLES PRESTICE AS SYMBOL OF RESISTANCE REPORTED STRONG IN FRANCE BUT COMMITTEES ACTIONS AND LEGISLATION ALTHOUGH ONLY INTENDED TO BE TEMPORARY REPORTEDLY RECEIVE LITTLE RESPECT IN LARGE CIRCLES THERE. INCREASED EVIDENCE DISSATISFACTION AMONG COMMITTEE AND ASSEMBLY MINORITY GROUPS TOWARD DE CAULLES DECISION METHODS. UNFORTUNATE EFFECTS OF BOMBINC FRENCH CITIES REPORTED BY OFFICIAL PERSONS. DEISSON RELIABLY REPORTED SEPARATED FROM OTHER POLITICAL PRISONERS.

AS RECEIVED DELIVERED TO 200
AIG 387: FOLEM; FOTALI; FOWIT; CINCEF; VA MALTA; FOQMA; FO 15TH CS; NOIC ALGIERS; ADMIRALTY; CONMORESFORON; CORNAYNAY; COMINCH; R A ALEXANDRIA; NLO ACW; SNOLA (HAIFA); RN GHQ CAIRO.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 355.
3982 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIO ON 9TH MAY AND 2974 TONS ON 10TH MAY. ABOUT 25 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED HARBOUR AND ANCHORAGE NIGHT 9TH/10TH MAY. HMS LOYAL WAS STRADDLED BY BOMBS BUT SUSTAINED NO DAMAGE, PC 556 DAMAGED BY NEAR MISSES NO CASUALTIES. MINES WERE ALSO LAID.

(2) DURING NIGHT 9TH/10TH MAY COASTAL FORCES FROM BASTIA ENGAGED 2 SOUTHBOUND F LIGHTERS EAST OF GROSSETO ROCK. 1 LIGHTER SUNK BY TORPEDO WITH NON CONTACT BUDDUM AND A POSSIBLE HIT REPORTED ON 2ND LIGHTER. ENEMY RETURNED FIRE BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

1 COPY 20-G...SECRET

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINCH
RELEASED BY
DATE 9 MAY 1944
TOR CODEROOM 2043
DECODED BY REA/LYNN
PARAPHRASED BY
ROOTED BY

ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE
COMINCH (SEE BELOW)
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED
PRIORITY
ROUTINE
DEFERRED

PRECEDENCE
1
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20

IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

SITREP NO. 353 9 MAY 1944 NCR 13094

ORIGINATION FILL IN DATE AND TIME:
DATE
TIME
OCT

(RECEIVED FROM ARMY BY PRINTER)

ADDITIONAL ADEES: F O LEVANT AND EASTERN MED., FOTALI,
F O WESTERN ITALY, RNHQ CAIRO, CINCEF, VA MALTA, FOSMA,
F O 15TH C.S., NOIC ALGIERS, ADMIRALT, N.L.O., A.C.M.F.,
COMMORSEAFRON, COMNAVNAV, COMINCH, R.A. ALEXANDRIA.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 353.

1. 3725 TONS DISCHARGED AT ANZIO MAY 5TH AND 2832 ON MAY
6TH, NO ENEMY ACTIVITY. USS HILARY P. JONES AND USS CHARLES
F. HUGHES CARRIED OUT BOMBARDMENT SUPPLY DUMPS AND ASSEMBLY
AREAS ON MAY 5TH RESULT REPORTED SATISFACTORY. ENEMY
RETURNED FIRE, BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

2. COASTAL FORCES OPERATING OFF WEST COAST ITALY NIGHT 3RD,
4TH, AND 5TH, MAY SIGHTED NOTHING EXCEPT ILLUMINATED
SHIP THOUGHT TO BE HOSPITAL SHIP WHICH ENTERED LOGHORN ON
LATTER NIGHT.

CH-IN-4190

SECRET

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

USNAVY-SCB-15

300 Italy
NAVAL MESSAGE

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DRAFTED</th>
<th>EXTENSION NUMBER</th>
<th>ADDRESSES</th>
<th>PRECEDENCE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FROM: ZINC LED FLT</td>
<td>COUNCIL (SEE BELOW)</td>
<td>353</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>DEFERRED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
<td>2 MAY 1944</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TMD CODEROOM: 93</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY: LUCHE/JOURNET=4 (C)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY: LUCHE-SARJEN/BERNER</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUTED BY: HARRIS</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

MAI ( autocomplete to MAI )

BUDDY

-------

CQO (GOO)

----------

OVER/OUT COUNCIL ( CAN BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ROUTINE WITHOUT RISK )

IF OPERATIONAL CHECK BELOW

9721253 NOR $485

ORIGINATION: FILL IN DATE AND TIME. DATE: 2 MAY 1944

ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

SECRE

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

072125 Italy

PUBLIC

DECCLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

(f0 levant and eastern mediterranean coast) fo west ern

italy right cairo ding ef va alta forza fo 15th sb

no10 aliners admiralty pb alc scn boreafro comm nav

hale coffin ra alexandria from ding led ft )

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 353

(1) 3725 tons discharged at anzio 5th may and 2932 on

6th may. no enemy activity. uss hilly p johns and uss

charles f. hughes carried out bivouac and assembly area

on 5th may. result reported satisfactory.

enemy returned fire but caused no damage or casualties

(2) coastal forces operating off west coast italy nights

3rd 4th and 5th may sighted nothing except illuminated

ship thought to be hospital ship which entered leghorn on latter night
ANZAC DISCHARGE FIGURE 4TH MAY 3624 TONS. NO ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY BUT SOME SHELLING OF PORT AREA.

2. DURING NIGHT 2ND MAY/3RD MAY LE FANTASQUE AND LE MALIN CARRY OUT SHEEP IN SOUTHEAST AEGEAN AND BOMBARD KOS HARBOUR NO OPPOSITION NO SHIPPING SEEN.

3. HIS LAUDERDALE AND HIS EGGESFORD NIGHT 2ND/3RD MAY SHELL COASTROAD IN VICINITY MARETIKA (42-1°N 19-37 E) WHERE TRAFFIC WAS OBSERVED NO SHIPPING SIGHTED DURING PATROL.

SECRET
SAME NIGHT ITALIAN DESTROYER GRANATIARE AND ORIANE HAD SHORT ENCOUNTER WITH 4 E-BOATS AND SHORE BATTERY OFF MEDITERRANIAN POINT NOTHING ELSE SEEN DURING NIGHT.

4. SHIPS ESCORTING CONVOY (US 39) TORPEDOED BY U-BOAT IN POSITION 26°17' N 02°49' W AT 0446/4TH AND SUBSEQUENTLY SANK 3RD/4TH MAY. MISSING HUNT IN PROGRESS.

5. HMS P49 REPORTS IN ADDITION ACTION IN MY 32155 PARA 5, ATTACK 2500 TON ESCORTED MERCHANT SHIP AND OBTAINING 1 POSSIBLE HIT ON LEADING ESCORT ON 17TH APRIL.

6. AIRCRAFT MINED KHALKIS NIGHT 1ST/2ND MAY AND RHODES NIGHT 3RD/4TH MAY.
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>NAVY DEPARTMENT</th>
<th>NAVY DEPARTMENT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DRAFTER</td>
<td>COMNAVNAD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>EXTENSION NUMBER</td>
<td>COMVINCH AND CHO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ADDRESSES</td>
<td>COMVINCH AND CHO</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PRIORITY</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUTED BY</td>
<td>DEFERRED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
<td>6 MAY 1944</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOR CODE ROOM</td>
<td>2346/46</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY</td>
<td>McCOMB</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY</td>
<td>KURTZ/GOODHARD</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ORIGINATOR</td>
<td>PAGE 1 OF 3</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CHECK BELOW</td>
<td>351721</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NCR 5882</td>
<td>01/12/44</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

(COMNAVNAD ORIGINATION FOR COMVINCH AND CHO ACTION.)

COMM 8TH FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 24TH MAY 4.

REPORTED FOR DUTY:

APD'S TATTNALL ROPER DARRY GREENE ORAN 30TH.

USS 39 ASSIGNED CONTRANSPORTS.

DD'S ELYSON HAMBLETON RODMAN EMMONS McCOMB WOOLSEY.

LUDLOW EDISON NIBLACK BENSON CLEAVES ORAN 1 MAY.

PARKER LAUB MCLANAHAN BOYLE CHAPLIN HENDELS.

ORDRONAUX ORAN 2ND MAY. ALL TO CTC 86.6 CAPTAIN CLAY.

DETACHED FROM 8TH FLEET:


SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS)

051701 30/4/44

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
219, 221, 290, 333 SAILED ORAN 30TH TO UK.

ANZIO MAINTENANCE AND BUILD UP.
10 LST, 12 LCI, 15 LCT.

ANZIO ESCORT AND PATROL.
3 DD, 1 DE, 5 AM, 8 PC, 8 SC, 12 YMS.

ANZIO GUNFIRE SUPPORT.

BROOKLYN KEARNY ERICSSON RELIEVED PHILADELPHIA. DEPARTED
PALERMO AND REPORTED CS 15 NAPLES 4TH.

EXERCISES. AA TRAINING AMPHIBIOUS FORCE ACCELERATED
50 TRAINEES ASSIGNED MAATC IN LST 394 OPERATING PALERMO. 30
VESSELS CONDUCTED AA FIRING INCLUDING TF 66. COMEXTC AT
ARKEN* 2 NIGHTS SHIP TO SHORE EMPHASIZING TACTICAL USE LCC
AND BEACH OBSTACLE DEMOLITION WITH 91ST DIVISION. SCS AND
LCVP'S EXPERIMENTED WITH SKIN SWEEP.

MISCELLANEOUS.

8 PT'S MTBRON 22 6 PT'S MTBRON 29 PROCEEDING MADDALENA VIA
BIZERTE. 2 LST 4 LCT FERRY SERVICE TO PORTO VECCHIO. 2 LCT
ONWARD Routed TO AJACHIO. *

ENGAGEMENTS.

D-BOATS AND 1 PT LAID DELAYED ACTION DEPTH CHARGES SOUTH OF
VADA ROCKS NIGHT 1/2. PT BOATS CARRIED OUT PATROL FROM GENOA
WESTWARDS. NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS EITHER CASE. VOSPERS
HIGGINS BOATS AND 1 PT CARRIED OUT PATROL IN CAPRAIA CORCONA
AREA AND PT BOATS PATROLLED MONTECRISTO COSQUETTO ROCKS AREA
ON NIGHT 2/3. NO SIGHTINGS OR CONTACTS. CDS 14 WITH C F HUGH
S EBERLE PATROLLED BETWEEN MONTECRISTO AND CICLIC. ASLANTS SWEEP PROCEEDING TO AREA. COASTAL FORCES OPERATED TO WESTWARD. NO CONTACTS.

MINING ACTIVITIES ANZIO.

YMS SIEVES DETONATED MAGNETIC MINES. BELIEVED DROPPED BY AIRCRAFT. 1 28TH, 3 29TH, 11ST. SPECIAL AA AND JAMMER ESKORTS. MADISON NSW-6NF 21. STEADY KMS 48 GUS 38. HERBERT C JONES AND SUSTAIN UGS 39.

POLITICAL SUMMARY.

DERCIEN TRIAL ANNOUNCED FOR 19 MAY BELIEVED IN CAMPO WITH US OBSERVER PERMITTED. 3 SPECIFICATIONS. GIVING INFO ENEMY PRIOR TO AFRICAN LANDINGS; HANDING OVER 32% TONS SHIPING AT TIME OF LANDINGS; HAVING DRAWS UP PLANS FOR TOULON SCUTTLINGS.

RESIDENT CONTINUES OVER BRITISH QUESTION DIPLOMATIC POUCHES. DUE RESISTANT OPERATIONAL DIFFICULTY SINCE RESISTANCE IN FRANCE OPERATES FROM BRITAIN WHILE FRENCH GOVERNMENT IS HERE.

SUBSURFACE OPPOSITION CONTINUES CONCERNING POSSIBLE IMPLICATIONS OF 14 MARCH DEGREE. REELECTION COULD PRESIDENCY OF CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY ONLY ON 2ND BALLOT MAY BE RESULT OF RESISTANCE GROUPS PREVIOUSLY RUMORED DESIRE FOR CONTROL. REPORTS RECEIVED ON POSSIBLE SOVIET PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES IN SOUTHERN ALGERIA BY TURKESTAN MOSLEM AGENTS.

* AS RECEIVED
SITUATION REPORT #351. BY #32155.
U-BOAT SURFACED AT #352 4TH AND WAS ENGAGED BY
SENECALIS WHO FORCED U-BOAT TO DIVE. U-BOAT THEN
TORPEDOED SENECALIS. HMS BLANKNEY AND US SUSTAIN
GAINED CONTACT AND CARRIED OUT DEPTH CHARGE ATTACKS.
U-BOAT SANK AT #445 4TH IN POSITION 36-59 N 56-34 E.
49 PRISONERS TAKEN INCLUDING CO OBER LEUTNANT
ZURZEE FENSKI. SENECALIS ARRIVED DJIDJELLI IN TOW.
HUNTING FORCES CONSISTED OF US J E CAMPBELL, USS
PRIDE, USS SUSTAIN, HMS BLANKNEY, F.S. SENECALIS,
L'ALCYON WITH AIR COOPERATION.

2. 3903 TONS DISCHARGED
ANZIO 3RD MAY. 2 SHARP AIRRAIDS DURING NIGHT 2ND MAY/3RD MAY FELL DAMAGED IN HARBOR & CLAIMED SHOT DOWN. SLIGHT SHELLING P.M. 3RD MAY.

3. H.M.S AJAX CARRIED OUT BOMBARDMENT OF RHOODES TOWN AND HARBOUR DURING NIGHT 2ND AFTERNOON 3RD MAY FIRING 3.7 ROUNDS AT TARGET AREA. NO EFFECTIVE OPPOSITION.

4. COASTAL FORCE LAID DELAYING ACTION DEPTH CHARGE SOUTH OF VADA ROCKS DURING NIGHT 1ST/2ND MAY.
SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 350.

1. **3658 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIO 2ND MAY. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY.**

2. **USS HENDES ESCORTING CONVOY GUS 38 TORP DOED AFT BY U-BOATS AT 0142 3RD IN POSITION 37-01 N 05-29 E.**

3. **SHIP NOW IN TOW PROCEEDING ALGIERS. U-BOAT HUNT IN PROGRESS SOME ATTACKS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT.**

4. **ITALIAN DESTROYERS GRANATIERE AND ORIANI DURING SWEEP OFF DALMATION COAST NIGHTS 1ST/2ND MAY HAD INCONCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT WITH 2 E-BOATS OFF MENDERS POINT SHELLED BARTOWN AND HARBOUR.**

5. **COASTAL FORCES SANK 3 I-BOATS OFF GRAC ISLAND.**

*(FOLEM FOTALI FOWIT CINCEF VA MALTA FOGMA F015TH C.S. NOIC ALGERS ADMIRALTY CONHORSEAFRON CONNAVNAV COMICH R A ALEXANDRIA NLO ACMF SNOLA (HAIFA) RINGHQ CAIRO FROM CINCHED)*
During night 1st/2nd May, 1 MGB damaged 2 ratings wounded.

5. P-49 reports sinking 3, 30 ton caiques between 19th and 21st April during Aegean patrol.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: CINCMED

RELEASED BY: 3 MAY 1944

TO: CHEROKEE

DECODED BY: ELY/DIEBEL

PARAPHRASED BY: 

ROUTED BY: 

ATTACHMENT:

SECRET CYCIPHER. AIC 387 FROM CINCMED.

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 349.

(1) DISCHARGED AT ANZIO 1831 TONS 30TH APRIL 2295 TONS 1ST MAY 1 PLANE SHOT DOWN OF 3 REPORTED OVER PORT AREA DURING NIGHT 29TH/30TH APRIL NO DAMAGE.

(2) PS9 REPORTS OBTAINING 1 HIT ON UJ BOAT OFF TOULON ON 27TH APRIL AND 1 HIT ON 2400 TONS MERCHANT SHIP OFF PORT VENDRES ON 1ST MAY BOTH DELIEVED SUNK.

DELIVERED TO 20-G

SECRET

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/44
SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 348:

ANZIO DISCHARGE FIGURE 28TH APRIL 4101 TONS, 29TH APRIL 3039 TONS. 1 RECONNAISSANCE SHOT DOWN PM 28TH APRIL. ABOUT 30 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED BEACH HEAD AND HARBOUR AREA ABOUT 2300 28TH. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPPING. 9 CLAIMED SHOT DOWN. MINES BELIEVED LAID. 3 DETONATED IN ANCHORAGE. (2) P-229 REPORTS ATTACKING HEAVILY ESCORTED 5000-TON MERCHANT SHIP OFF CANDIA AT 1635 28TH. 1 POSSIBLE HIT.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMMNAVNAV (RG ALGIERS)

RELEASED BY:

DATE: 29 APR 1944

TO CODEROOM: 1227

DECEDED BY: SCHNEIDER

PARAPHRASED BY: SCHNEIDER/MONTGOMERY

ROUTED BY:

SECRET

Page 1 of 4

COMNAVNAV SENDS ACTION COMINCH AND CH0.

COM 8TH FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 27 24-44.

REPORTED PYCYC ARRIVED ORAN FROM UK 25TH. ASSIGNED TRANSPORTS 8TH PHIBFLT. ANZIO MAINTENANCE AND BUILD-UP. 12 LST. 19 LCT. 11 LCT. ANZIO ESCORT AND PATROL.

3 DD. 1 DE. 6 AN. 18 MS. 7 PC. 12 SC. GUNFIRE SUPPORT ANZIO. PHILADELPHIA ESCORTS KENDRICK MACKENZIE STOOD BY PALERMO. NO MISSION CALLED. MISCELLANEOUS.

COM STIPHB AND STAFF EMBARKED IN DUUNE 26TH. ADMIRAL ROGERS COM TRAINING GROUP WITH STAFF EMBARKED IN BISCAYNE 27TH. HERBER C JONES AUGMENTED ESCORT CUS 37 BIZERTA ORAN ARRIV ED 25TH. 3 LST. 3 SC FROM SALERNO TO PORTOVICCHI ARRIVED 24TH WITH ARMY LIFT. RETURNED TO NAPLES ARRIVED 27TH. MINING ACTIVITIES.

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Roger Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)
2 separate sweeps off Anzio 19th by 2 groups 3 YMS each. YMS 18 and 13 BCTH detonated 1 mine. Dextrous sank 1 mine same day off Anzio. Seer detonated 1 on 20th same area. Livermore en route with special H/V convoy sank floating mine 20th, north of Palermo.

Weight sent to assist British H/S mined off Anzio 23rd. Activities with enemy. F C Davis shot down 1 aircraft Anzio raid 21st. Abortive attacks by Italian torpedoes 21st, off Anzio. PC 556 sank 2 at 0750 and 0840. PC 626, SC 651 sunk 1 H/M each at 1033 and 1033. 1 beached. Intact. 4 German survivors captured. Milardi P, Konep and C F Puches conducted sweeps in Tyrrhenian Sea nights of 25th and 26th. No results. Coastal forces including US PTs from Bastia operated off Port Baratti night 24/25 destroyed convoy of 3 F

SECRET
**LIGHTERS 1 TUC AND 3 ENEMY LCC. 1 ENEMY LCC ALSO DESTROYED OFF VADA ROCKS. 12 PRISONERS TAKEN. 2 ENEMY DD'S OPERATING WEST OF CAPRIATA SAME NIGHT DAMAGED IN BATTLEFIELD. PT'S AND AIRCRAFT LATER ATTACKED AND DESTROYED 1 CORVETTE TOTING 1 OF THESE DD'S. NO CASUALTIES REPORTED TO OUR FORCES. POLITICAL NOTES: APPOINTMENT OF FORMER MINISTER PUCHEU TO TRIBUNAL AVIATION GENERAL GABRIEL COHET AS FRENCH LIBERATION COMMITTEE MILITARY DELEGATE FOR LIASON WITH ALLIES IN MEDITERRANEAN THEATER UNDER DEGREE OF 14 MARCH WAS ANNOUNCED PUBLICLY TODAY. LIBERATION COMMITTEE AND ASSEMBLY Support of General De Gaulle Non Reported Solid in Spite of Recent Unrest Over Removal of Giroud and Delegation of Powers Under March 14 Decree. However Unconfirmed**

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 78 (d) NAVREGS.

**SECRET**

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
RUMORS INDICATE RESISTANCE MEMBERS OF ASSEMBLY WILL ATTEMPT TO CONSOLIDATE THEIR POSITION BY ELIMINATION FROM THAT BODY FORMER 3RD REPUBLIC LEGISLATORS. ALSO UNCONFIRMED ARE REPORTS EFFORTS WILL BE MADE IN ASSEMBLY TO MODIFY REGIMES PROGRAM OF POLITICAL INTERVENTION. NO FURTHER INFORMATION PLANS FOR TRIAL ADMIRAL DERRIEN.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM CINC 
Released By CINC 
Date 29 April 1944 
TOR CodeRoom 443 
DECODED BY MEYER/BRUSSELL 
PARAPHRASED BY DMIT/BERNER 
RouTED BY 

A1G 397 (SEE BELOW) 

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 347:

2979 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIC ON 26TH APRIL AND 2187 TONS ON 27TH APRIL. NO ENEMY ACTIVITY ON EITHER DAY. (2) CREEK SHIP PIPINGS REPORTED SINKING CATUE BY RAMMING NORTH OF SUDBAY ON 13TH APRIL. 1 PRISONER TAKEN.

1 CCY CP-206

SECRET

Declassified
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 6/18/64
### Situation Report Number 346

1. **2858 tons discharged at ANZIO on 24th April and 2700 on 25th April. No air activity some shelling on 25th April.**

2. **Air raid on Naples by 30 to 40 aircraft P.M. 24th April. No naval damage or casualty. 4 aircraft claimed shot down by AA Fire.**

3. **LCGs and coastal forces from behind operating off Port Barat (43° 00 North 10° 30 East) during night 24th/25th April report destroying southbound convoy of 3 "F" lighters and a tug and 3 enemy LCG northbound.**

1 enemy LCG also destroyed off VAOA ROCKS. 12 prisoners.
TAKEN. NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES.

(4) 2 ENEMY DESTROYERS OPERATING WEST OF CAPRAIA DURING NIGHT 24TH/25TH APRIL BELIEVED DAMAGED ON MINE FIELD LAID BY SIRIO. FORCE WAS LATER ATTACKED BY COASTAL FORCE AND AIRCRAFT AND 1 SHIP WAS SEEN TO BLOW UP AND SINK.

1 COPY DELIVERED TO 20G.
**SECRET**

**SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 345.**

**CONSIDERABLE SHELLING ARIZIO PORT AREA DURING NIGHT 22ND, 23RD CAUSED NO NAVAL DAMAGE. 3936 TONS DISCHARGED 23RD. DURING SHEEP OPERATION ON 23RD 6 MINES DETONATED AND 1 CUT OUT. ALICE WASH DAMAGED AFT BY MINE. 6 WOUNDED. SHIP IS PROCEEDING NAPLES IN TOW.

(2) COASTAL FORCE OPERATE. GENOA AREA NIGHT 19TH, 20TH AND 21ST BUT MADE NO SIGHTING.

(3) NIGHT 22ND, 23RD LOG COVER BY COASTAL FORCE CARRY-

---

**NAVAL MESSAGE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DRAFTER: CINCEHD</th>
<th>EXTENSION NUMBER: AIC 387*</th>
<th>PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY:</td>
<td>R: GH C COMINCH</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE: 25 APRIL 1944</td>
<td>NCR 6885</td>
<td>DEFERRED</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOR CODEROOM: 9736</td>
<td>NCR 6884</td>
<td>PRIORITY</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY: DECKMAN/SCHREIB</td>
<td>NCR 6883</td>
<td>ROUTINE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY REA/DECKEN</td>
<td>NCR 6884</td>
<td>DEFERRED</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**ORIGINATING FILL IN DATE AND TIME:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>PART 1</th>
<th>242154</th>
<th>NCR 6885</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>PART 2</td>
<td>242263</td>
<td>NCR 6884</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

AIC 387 RN GH C FROM CINCEHD.

**SITATION REPORT NUMBER 345.**

**CONSIDERABLE SHELLING ARIZIO PORT AREA DURING NIGHT 22ND, 23RD CAUSED NO NAVAL DAMAGE. 3936 TONS DISCHARGED 23RD. DURING SHEEP OPERATION ON 23RD 6 MINES DETONATED AND 1 CUT OUT. ALICE WAS DAMAGED AFT BY MINE. 6 WOUNDED. SHIP IS PROCEEDING NAPLES IN TOW.

(2) COASTAL FORCE OPERATE. GENOA AREA NIGHT 19TH, 20TH AND 21ST BUT MADE NO SIGHTING.

(3) NIGHT 22ND, 23RD LOG COVER BY COASTAL FORCE CARRY-

---

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

OPNAV-NCS-45/345

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/74
ING SWEEP NORTH LEGHORN BUT ENCOUNTERED NOTHING.  
(4) COASTAL FORCE IN PARAGRAPH 2 NG 242203 MADE NO CONTACT BUT SCOUTING FORCE RETURNING CAPE SERRAT OPERATION IN PARAGRAPH (3) ABOVE CHASED ENEMY UNTIL DAYLIGHT. SWEEP OF APPROACH CHANNEL TO BASTIA ON 23RD WAS NEGATIVE RED.  
RN CHC CAIRO IS ADDED A1G 387 ADMIRALTY IS REQUESTED TO AMEND 85.  
1 COPY DELIVERED TO 2FG.

---

**SECRET**

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

**OPNAY-NCR-15**

---

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4  
NLR 101  
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
AIG 387 FROM CINMED.

*FIC 387 - FDLMc; FOTAL; FOWIT; CINCEF; V A MALTA; FOCMA; F 0 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALGIERS; ADMIRALTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAVNAWA; COMINCH; R A ALEXANDRIA; NLO ACMF; SNOLà (HAIFA)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 344.

(1) 3189 TONS DISCHARGED AT ANZIO ON 22ND APRIL. INTERMITTENT SHELLING. ABOUT 15 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED PORT DURING NIGHT 22ND, 23RD APRIL. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPPING REPORTED.

(2) ENEMY SURFACE FORCES ASSISTED BY AIRCRAFT FLARE BOMBARDED BEHIND DURING NIGHT 22ND/23RD APRIL NO DAMAGE TO HARBOR. ANOTHER ENEMY FORCE SUSPECTED OF MINELAYING. COASTAL FORCE PROCEEDED TO INTERCEPT RESULT NOT YET RECEIVED.
(3) DUTCH SUBMARINE, DALFJUN ON RETURN FROM AEGEAN PATROL REPORTS SINKING 3½ TON CAIQUE AND A 6½ TON CAIQUE. BOTH OFF HELOS ON 17TH APRIL.

1 COPY DELIVERED TO 2FC.
CONFIDENTIAL

COINNAVAM AS 2116476 FOR THE INFO OF COUNAVMA.

PASSED BY COINNAVAM AS 2116476 FOR THE INFO OF COUNAVMA.

CONOB PALERMO SETS PASS INFO TO CO/SAL For MED.

CONOB PALERMO SETS PASS INFO TO CO/SAL For MED.

SR (95169A).

ALL SHIPS REFERRED TO ARE SINK. PURPOSE OF INTENDED SALVAGE IS TO OPEN HARBOR FOR USE.

20 OF WHICH INCLUDING rapid BARGES MINE SLEEPERS BARGE TUGS AND SMALL BOATS. MOST PROBABLY REPAIRABLE. ITALIAN NAVY ARRANGING SALVAGE BY CARGO VESSELS TRAPANI 1 SCHUYLER MARSHAL NOT KNOWN WHETHER GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE MAY BE."
CONTRACTS AND EXPEDITE WORK RECOMMEND AUTHORIZE ITALIAN NAVY TO DISPOSE OF ALL VESSELS TRAPANI MARGALA AIGARA. OTHERWISE NECESSARY AGREE TO REIMBURSE FOR EXPENSE INCURRED IF VESSELS DESIRED FOR ALLIED ACCOUNT. PRIVATELY OWNED ITALIAN VESSELS 27 FEVALHY summarizes others have been raised by and for owners. LETTER Follows AIRMAIL.

CONFIDENTIAL
SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 341:

COASTAL FORCE OPERATING FROM BASTIA NIGHT 18TH/19TH APRIL ENGAGED SOUTHBOUND CONVOY NORTH OF SPEZIA. TORPEDOES WERE FIRED AND 1 POSSIBLE HIT OBTAINED ON A Trawler. (2) SHELLING OF ANZIO PORT AREA WAS ON INCREASED SCALE ON 18TH APRIL AND 19TH APRIL, BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE. DISCHARGE FIGURE 18TH APRIL 393 TONS; 19TH APRIL 937 TONS. AIR ACTIVITY SLIGHT. 4 MINES DETONATED ON 18TH APRIL AND 2 ON 19TH APRIL. (3) USS EBERLE ON PATROL OFF ANZIO ENCOUNTERED 3 OR 4 E/BOATS NIGHT 19TH/20TH APRIL. 1 PROBABLY SUNK BY CARRIERS AND 1 PROBABLY DAMAGED, BUT RETURNED TO TIBER.

1 COPY OP-23G

SECRET
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM: COMNAVNAV

RELEASED BY: 21 APRIL 1944
DATE: 1615
TOR CODEROOM: MC SORLEY
DECODED BY: REA/ROYAL
PARAPHRASED BY: CINCLUC
ROOTED BY: CTF 86

ADDRESS:

FOR ACTION: CINCHED
INFORMATION: CTF 86 COMINCH FOWIT

PRECEDENCE:

PRIORITY:
ROUTINE:
DEFERRED:

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
SITUATION REPORT RECONNAISSANCE REPORT 348.

19 April in Gulf of Naples. Former returned harbor under own steam, latter taken in tow and beached.

2. 1007 TONS DISCHARGED AT ANZIO 17TH APRIL ONLY 2 LIBERTY SHIPS PRESENT. NO AIR ACTIVITY, INTERMITTENT SHELLING, 5 MINES DETONATED.

3. MOTOR LAUNCHES ATTACKED 250 TON MERCHANT SHIP NORTH KOS NIGHT 16TH/17TH APRIL. SHIP BLEW. SAME NIGHT MTB'S HAD ENGAGEMENT WITH PATROL VESSEL OFF KOS. DAMAGE TO ENEMY UNKNOWN 1 MTB SUFFERED SOME DAMAGE.
4. P-34 FROM AEGEAN PATROL REPORT SINKING 2 30 ION CAIQUES BOTH BY GUNFIRE OFF CRETE.

5. AIRCRAFT MINED MILOS NIGHT 15TH/16TH APRIL.

Br. Submarine
AIG 387: FOLEV; FOTALI; FOWIT; CINCEF; VA MALTA; FOGWA; FO 15TH C.S.; NOIC ALGIERS; ADMIRALTY; COMMORSEAFRON; COMNAYNA; COMINCH: R.A. ALEXANDRIA NO NO ACMF; SKOLA (HAIFA.)

AIG 387 FROM CINCUED.

SITUATION REPORT NO 339.

CONVOY UGS 37 WAS ATTACKED BY U-BOATS AT 1830/16TH IN POSITION 32-51 NORTH 25-07 EAST. SS MEYER LONDON WAS SUNK AND SS THOMAS C WASARYK SET ON FIRE. HUNT IN PROGRESS

(2) 2838 TONS DISCHARGED ANZIO ON 16TH APRIL. W/S OPERATIONS CONTINUE. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY AND SHELLING SLIGHT

(3) PROGRESS 23 MINES SWEPT BY 16TH W/S FLOTILLA IN STRAITS OF BONIFACIO BETWEEN 11TH AND 16TH APRIL.

SECRET

1721398 NCR 1730

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94
THIS IS COMNAVAM. INFO COMINCH CINCINNATI COM 12TH FLEET.

FROM F C DAVIS REPORT OFBombing Attack amZio 16 APRIL accompanied by jamming and use of Window following is extracted for your information:

*Type SCR 584 Radar continues to be effective against both jamming and Window when operated by skillful personnel. SCR 545 also very good but is slightly less effective against jamming.
NAVAL MESSAGE

FROM

CINCHED

RELEASED BY

BAKER/KARABINUS

DATE

15 APRIL 1944

TOR CODEROOM

9917

DECODED BY

Baker/Karabinus

PARAPHRASED BY

DOSEY/FISHER

ROUTED BY

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS Dispatch WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE AND AS ADMINISTRATIVE.

1422158

NCR 9074

ORIGINATOR FILL IN DATE AND TIME:

DATE

TIME

PART 1 1422158 NCR 9057

PART 2 1422158 NCR 9074

(FOLEM, FOTALI, FOWIT, CINCED, VA MALTA, FOGMA, FO 15TH C.S., NOIC ALGIERS, AMIRALTY, COMINCH, COMORSEAFRON COMNAVNAE, R.A., ALEXANDRI A HLO ACOF, SNOLA (HAIFA) FROM CINCHED)

SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 337.

(1) MY 132215 Paragraph 2 Convoy consisted of 3 Small Schooners, 1 I Boat and 2 Small M.B. 1 M.B and 2 Schooners Tor Back to VIs. 35 German Prisoners Taken. 1 M.B Suffered Superficial Damage.

(2) Operation Shingle. 3814 Ton Discharged on 13th. Air Activity Over Beach Head Night 12th/13th April Caused No Naval Damage. Shelling on Increased Scale Also Ineffective. HmS Undine gave Fire Support in Anzio Area on 12th April.

(3) HmS P 53 Report Sinking 1 280 Ton 1 138 Ton and 1 60 Ton Caique by Gunfire in Bay St. Nikolo (Thera) on 3rd April

PAGE 10F 2. [SECRET]

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/1948

ITALY

142215
AND SINKING A 40 TON CAIQUE BY GUNFIRE IN 36-49 N 23-17 E ON 4TH APRIL. ON 6TH APRIL SHE SANK A 50 TONS CAIQUE IN PORT KYPARISI BY GUNFIRE AND A 40 TONS CAIQUE CARRY PETROL BY GUNFIRE IN 37-01 N 23-59 E ON 7TH APRIL SHE SANK A 200 TON ARMED PETROL CAIQUE BY TORPEDO IN 36-40 N 23-02 E.

COPY TO 26 G.
COM 8TH FLT SUMMAFY WEEK ENDING 132400.

REPORTED 8 LST'S WITH 8 LCT (6)'S DECK LOADED. ASSIGNED 8TH PHIB. DETACHED. LST 16 IN MKS 45 TO REPORT 12TH FLEET.

SHIPS AND CRAFT DAMAGED. LCT 34 UNDERWATER. DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES SHELL-FIRE ANZIO 6TH. PC 550 STRUCK SUB/MERGED OBJECT ORAN HARBOR 10 2400 DOCKING. 4 LCT'S REMAIN BROACHED 2 ANZIO 2 NAPLES. EMPLOYMENT. ANZIO MAINTENANCE AND BUILD UP. 9 LST 24 LCI 22 LCT. ESCORTS NAPLES ANZIO AREA. 3 DD 1 DE 3 AV 7 YMS 6 PC 65C. ANZIO AREA GUNFIRE SUPPORT.

BROOKLYN WITH ESCORTS KERNY AND ERICSSON STOOD BY PALERMO BUT RECEIVED NO CALL. HILARY P JONES FIRED 262 ROUNDS ON ENEMY POSITIONS NEAR ANZIO 9TH RESULTS NOT REPORTED. UNDER REPAIR.
ORAN. CATOCTIN PHILADELPHIA KENDRICK MACKENZIE EXTRICATE
PREVAIL HERBERT C JONES 2 LST'S 1 PC. PALERMO. PIONEER
CONASAUGA 1 PC 1 SC 1 YT 1 LCI 7 LST 16 LCT. BIZETTE. 1 YMS
1 PC. NAPLES 7 LCT'S. UISC. PHILADELPHIA ESCORTED BY KENDRICK
AND MACKENZIE TRAINING EXERCISES OFF ORAN 12TH. 3 AP
ORAN TO NAPLES 12TH WITH TROOP LIFT. POLARIS ESCORTED BY
LIVERMORE AND MADISON ARRIVED ORAN FROM NAPLES 12TH.
PILOT SAILED IN GUS 36 FOR REPAIRS IN US. 4 YMS NIGHT
SLEEPING EXERCISES OFF PALERMO 12TH. ENGAGEMENTS WITH ENEMY.
CHARLES F HUGHES BOMBED BY JU 88 OFF ANZIO 12TH. 2 BOMBS
300 YARDS OFF QUARTER NO DAMAGE. F C HALLS SHOT DOWN 1 ENEMY
PLANE DURING 2 BOMBING AND 1 TORPEDO ATTACK ON ANZIO ANCHORAGE
NIGHT 11TH. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPS. SWAY ON PATROL ANZIO SHOT
DOWN JU 88 082155. PT 292 PT 288 WITH 3 BRITISH D BOATS
ENCOUNTERED 3 PROBABLE ENEMY LCGB OFF SAN VINCENTO 100350.

SECRET

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/44
ENEMY FIRE HEAVY BUT NO DAMAGE OUR BOATS. GUS T 7 WITH LANDSDALE ADDITIONAL ESCORT ATTACKED BOMBS AND TORPEDOES EAST OF ALGIERS NIGHT 11/12. HOLDER TORPEDOED WHILE LAYING SMOKE AHEAD OF CONVOY AND WAS TOWED INTO ALGIERS. 4 ENEMY AIRCRAFT CLAIMED DESTROYED. PT'S. 4 MISSIONS FROM BASTIA. DISTRIBUTION BASTIA 6 PADDLETON 7 BIZERTE 4. PT'S 265 OUT OF COMMISSION ECD 1 JUNE. INTELLIGENCE: ATTACK ON CONVOY NIGHT 11/12. BRIGHT MOONLIGHT ENEMY PLANES 1ST DROPPED RANDOM FLARES OVER LARGE AREA FOLLOWED BY HEAVY CONCENTRATION OVER CONVOY. PLANES ATTACKED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS INCLUDING FROM DIRECTION OF MOONLIGHT. BOTH BOMBS AND TORPEDOES. SOME RDI CONTROLLED SIGNALS HEARD. NO GLIDER BOMBS REPORTED SEEN. SUBMARINES NOT RECENTLY LOCATED BELIEVED OPERATING THIS WEEK 2 OFF NORTH AFRICAN COAST 1 IN TYRRHENIAN SEA.

POLITICAL NOTES NOT BELIEVED GIRAUD ACTION WITH RESPECT
RECENT ORGANIZATION CHANGES LIKELY PRODUCE SERIOUS REPERCUSSIONS. RUMORS THAT TRIAL ADMIRAL DERRIEN TO COMMENCE NEXT WEEK AND MAY BE SECRET. SENIOR FRENCH NAVAL OFFICERS SERIOUSLY CONCERNED ABOUT DERRIEN TRIAL AND OBJECT TO JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURT. REACTION TO SECRETARY HULL SPEECH SUPERFICIALLY FAVORABLE IN ALL GROUPS BUT RECEIVES WIDELY DIFFERENT INTERPRETATIONS. CONSERVATIVES SEE MEANS OF CONTINUING IN OFFICE MAJOR PART PRESENT LOCAL ADMINISTRATION IN LIBERATED FRANCE WHILE LEFTIST ELEMENTS SEE APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP IN CARRYING OUT WHOLESALE CHANGES.

COPY TO 25 G.
SITUATION REPORT NR. 336

1. OPERATION SHINGLE 30-50 PLANES APPROACHED ANCHORAGE P.M.
   12TH APRIL BUT TURNED AWAY IN FACE OF HEAVY A/A FIRE. NO
   DAMAGE CAUSED.

2. ENEMY AIRCRAFT CERTAINLY DESTROYED. DOCKING SHIPS 42 TONS
   DISCHARGED DURING DAY.

3. CONVOY OF 6 SMALL CRAFT DESTROYED BY MOTOR GUNBOATS OFF
   LURTER ISLAND NIGHT 11TH/12TH APRIL. ON SAME NIGHT HMS
   LAUDERDALE AND HMS ZETLAND SHELLED PORT GRUZ AND SEARCHLIGHT
   POSITION ON LOKRUM ISLAND.

4. H.L. FLOTILLA 3RD SIEZY CHANNEL BETWEEN KORCULA AND ULJET
   ISLAND NIGHT 10TH/11TH AND 11TH/12TH APRIL. 7 MINES CUT
   CHANNEL CONSIDERED ONLY SAFE FOR COASTAL AND LANDING CRAFT.

SECRET
4. **HMS P-59 returned** from patrol off South Coast France reported obtained 2 torpedo hits on 5000 ton merchant ship on 11th and 2 torpedo hits on 1500 ton merchant ship on 12th April.
SITUATION REPORT #335.

(1) OPERATION SHINGLE 2797 TONS WERE DISCHARGED ON 10TH AND 3306 TONS ON 11TH APRIL. 22 AIRCRAFT ATTACKED ANCHORAGE NIGHT 10TH/11TH BUT CAUSED NO DAMAGE. PROSPEROUS AND USS DAVIS EACH CLAIM 1 AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN. SHORE AA CLAIM 2 DESTROYED.

(2) UCS 37 ATTACKED BY BOMBER AND TORPEDO CARRYING AIRCRAFT NIGHT 11TH/12TH APRIL IN 37-01 N 03-56 E NO MERCHANT SHIP DAMAGED BUT US DESTROYER HOLDER TORPEDOED AND TOWED INTO ALGIERS BY VINDFUL. 4 AIRCRAFT DESTROYED BY FIGHTERS 3 GERMAN AIRCRAFT PICKED UP.

(3) 69 GERMAN MINES SWEEP BY MINESKIPING FLOTILLA 13TH BETWEEN 4TH AND 10TH APRIL IN STRAITS OF BONIFACIO.
(4) ITALIAN MINELAYER SIRIO COVERED BY COASTAL FORCES SUCCESSFULLY LAID MINE FIELD OFF SOUTH WEST COAST OF CAPRAIA NIGHT 10/11 APRIL.
SITUATION REPORT 334:

(1) OPERATION SHINGLE. USS SHAY SHOT DOWN JU 88 PH 8TH APRIL. LIGHT SHELLING OF ANCHORAGE CONTINUED ON 8TH AND 9TH APRIL. USS HILARY P JONES BOMBARDED ENEMY SHORE POSITIONS ON 9TH. 500 TONS UNLOADED ON 8TH AND 2111 TONS ON 9TH APRIL.

(2) 2 ITALIAN WATS WITH BRITISH OFFICERS EMBARKED PATROLLED OFF GROSSETO ROCKS NIGHT 7TH/8TH APRIL BUT SIGHTED NOTHING. COASTAL FORCE ON PATROL OFF SAN VINCENZO NIGHT 9TH/10TH APRIL HAD INCONCLUSIVE ENGAGEMENT WITH 3 ENEMIES, PROBABLY LCS. NO DAMAGE OR CASUALTIES TO 1ST FORCE.

1 COPY OP-20G
SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Office in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
**SECRET**

BERMER 821348 NCR 4983

PART 1 821278 NCR 5464
PART 2 821348 NCR 4983

**SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 333:**

(1) 5417 TONS WERE DISCHARGED ANZIO ON 7TH APRIL IN PERFECT WEATHER CONDITIONS. OCCASIONAL SHELLING. NO DAMAGE, NO AIR ACTIVITY.

(2) DURING THE NIGHT OF 6TH/7TH HMS TERNAGANT AND HMS TENACIOUS SHELLED BAR TOWN AND HARBOUR, THE RADAR STATIONS ON BERNETT POINT AND BINECUNJ. NO SHIPS AREA WITHIN A RADIUS OF DESTROYER PATROL OFF CAZZA ISLAND. MTR GUNBOAT CAPTURED 300 TON SCHONER OFF WURTER ISLAND WHICH THEY TOWED TO VIS.

Page 1 of 2

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/94
(3) BRITISH MANNED CAIQUE CAPTURED 129 TON CAIQUE NIGHT 3RD/4TH AND 76 TON CAIQUE NIGHT 5TH/6TH SOUTH MITYLENE.
(4) HMS P-229 REPORTS SINKING 49 TON CAIQUE BY GUNFIRE ON 28TH MARCH DURING AEGEAN PATROL AND 29 TON MOTOR LIGHTER ON 31ST MARCH NORTHEAST KITHEIRA ISLAND. 8 GERMAN PRISONERS TAKEN.
(5) AIRCRAFT MINE KHALKIS NIGHT 5TH/6TH APRIL.
SITUATION REPORT NR. 332.

1. OPERATION SHINGLE 2 LCT NEAR MISSED DURING SHELLING OF HARBOUR ON 6TH APRIL AND SUFFERED SOME DAMAGE AND CASUALTIES. 5306 TONS DISCHARGED DURING THE DAY. HMS UNDINE BOMBARDED SHORE TARGET IN ANZIO AREA ON 4TH APRIL.

2. DURING NIGHT 5TH/6TH APRIL MTB'S CAPTURED A SCHOONER CARRYING CRAIN OFF MURTER ISLAND AND TOWED IT TO VIS. 1 GERMAN KILLED 1 GERMAN AND 4 ITALIANS TAKEN PRISONER.

3. MTB'S AND PT'S OPERATING FROM BASTIA SAME NIGHT SANK AN E-BOAT AND DAMAGED A FLAK SHIP BY GUNFIRE OUR FORCE SUFFERED LIGHT DAMAGE AND NO CASUALTIES.

SECRET
THIS IS COMNAVWAR. ACTION COMINCH. INFO COM 8TH PHIB.

COM 8TH FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 862458.

REPORTED AKA ANDROMEDA ARCTURUS CEPHEUS OBERON ON 5TH ASSIGN-
ED TRANSDIV 09. LST FLOT 4 WITH 18 LST AND 18 LCT (6) OF
LCT FLOT 20 ARRIVED IN UGS 36 REPORTED COM 8TH PHIB BIZARTE
3RD.

DETACHED SC 567 ON 27TH AND SC 520 ON 31ST TURNED OVER TO
FRENCH AT CASABLANCA.

SHIPS AND CRAFT DAMAGED PC 621 SLIGHTLY BY AERIAL LINE AT
ANZIO NIGHT 2/3. YT 277 SLIGHT BY NEAR MISS ENEMY SHELLING
ANZIO NIGHT 3/4. LST 386 AND LCI 47 NEAR MISSES ENEMY
SHELLING ANZIO 81/2 PERSONNEL CASUALTIES 1 DEAD 7 MOURNED.
EMPLOYMENT ANZIO MAINTENANCE AND BUILD UP 16 LST 24 LCI PLUS
6 STANDBY 15 LCT PLUS 3 STANDBY. ANZIO-NA PLES ESCORT AND

SECRET

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room War Bulletin in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVRELS.)

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/44
** MESSAGE **

** NAVY DEPARTMENT **

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>DRAFTED</th>
<th>EXTENSION NUMBER</th>
<th>ADDRESSES</th>
<th>PRECEDENCE</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>FROM</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOR CODE ROOM</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECoded BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

** ROUTED BY **

** unless otherwise indicated this dispatch will be transmitted with deferred precedence if as administrative. **

** 71926 NCR 4437 **

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ORIGINATOR</th>
<th>FILL IN DATE AND TIME</th>
<th>DATE</th>
<th>TIME</th>
<th>QCT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

** PATROL. 3 DD 1 DE 3 AM 7 YMS 5 PC 10 SC. ANZIO AREA GUNFIRE SUPPORT. BROOKLYN WITH ESCORTS KEARNY AND ERICSSON NO CALLS. EBERLE BOMBARDED ENEMY POSITIONS NEAR ANZIO 98 ROUNDS 30TH. RESULTS NO REPORTED.**

** UNDER REPAIR.**

** ORAN: CATOCTIN PHILADELPHIA KENDRICK LAMISDALE MACKENZIE RESTORER DEIGHT PREVAIL ATR-1 1 PC 1 SC 2 LST PALERMO: PILOT PIONEER CONASAUGA 2 PC 2 YMS 1 YT 2 LST 4 LCT 1 LCI**

** NAPLES: 13 LCT FERRYVILLE EDENSHAW IN DRYDOCK**

** MISC. 3 AP ORAN TO NAPLES 6TH WITH TROOP LIFT. POLARDA ESCORTED BY HILARY P JONES AND C F HUGHES NAPLES TO BIZERTE 6TH. BISCAYNE WITH CTF 81 ARRIVED BIZERTE 4TH. MORENO ARR NAPLES 4TH WITH 250 TON PONTOON DOCK. NARRAGANSETT TOWING LCT 265 BIZERTE FOR NAPLES 6TH. 5 YMS NIGHT SLEEPING EXERCISES OFF**

** PAGE 2 OF 4 **

** SECRET **

Make original only. Deliver to Code Room Watch Officer in person. (See Art. 76 (4) NAVREGS.)

OPNAV-NCR-13
PALERMO 31ST. 4 LCI 1 LST, SG 1 PREFIRING PRACTICE AT TOVED SLEEVE OFF BIZERTA.

**First Engagement with Enemy.**

UGS 36 by Enemy Air 010355 to 010425 off Algiers by approx 10 thin engine bombers. US LST claim 2 shot down. Radar antenna LST 526 knocked off by wing of enemy plane. PT 281 and PT 262 with 3 British D-boats encountered E-boat and Flak ship south south vada rocks 0630. E-boat sunk by gunfire. PT's attacked Flak ship with torpedoes without result. Flak ship later exploded from gunfire damage. Forces shelled by shore batteries. No damage of Casualties.

**Intelligence.** In attack on UGS 36 enemy employed new Flares including type which dropped rapidly exploded on striking Eater into multiple flares providing illumination side area for 5 or 6 minutes. Occulting float flare also reported.
ASSUMED TO BE TOP SECRET.

POLITICAL NOTES: FRENCH LIBERATION COMMITTEE PROGRAM FOR GOVERNMENT LIBERATED FRANCE CONSTRUED AS DECLARATION INDEPENDENCE AND ATTEMPT TO FORCE DEFACTO RECOGNITION DE GAULLE REGIME. COMMUNIST AND EXTREME LEFT INFLUENCE CONSIDERABLY INCREASED IN CONSULTATION ASSEMBLY AND ON COMMITTEE BY RECENT REORGANIZATION. ADMIRAL DERRIEN TREASON TRIAL ANNOUNCED FOR END OF MONTH.

DELIVERED TO ZIG.
**Situation Report 331:**

1. **Operation Shingle.** 5534 tons discharged on 5th April. No shelling or air activity during day.

2. **Destroyers sighted nothing while patrolling off VIS night 4th/5th April.** Coastal forces on same night captured 2 small schooners off Murter Island (43-48 N 15-35 E) with cargo arms and ammunition and towed them to VIS. 2 German and 7 Italian prisoners taken.
FOLEM, FOTALI, FORIT, NLO 8TH ARMY, CINCEF, VA MALTA, FOGMA, FO 15TH CS, NOIC ALGiers, ADMIRALTY, COMLA, COMHORSEAFRON, COMNAVAL, COMINCH, RA ALEXANDRIA. FROM CINCHOMED.

SITUATION REPORT 330:

(1) OPERATION SHINGLE. UNLOADING FIGURE ROSE TO 5633 TONS ON 4TH APRIL WITH IMPROVED WEATHER. INCREASED SHELLING RESULTED IN SOME DAMAGE TO CRANES NIGHT 3RD/4TH APRIL. APPROXIMATELY 9 PLANES ATTACKED HARBOR AND DROPPED MINES NIGHT 2ND/3RD APRIL. NO DAMAGE TO SHIPPING. PC 621 DETONATED MINE CLOSE TO SHIP ON 3RD APRIL SUFFERING SOME DAMAGE.

(2) 18 GERMAN Y TYPE MINES SWEPT BY MINESWEARING FLOTILLA 13TH DURING OPERATIONS OFF HAMALENA BETWEEN 2ND AND 4TH APRIL.
(3) AIRCRAFT MINED RHODES ON 30TH MARCH; SYRA, NAXOS AND CANDIA ON 2ND, AND KALYMNOS ON 3RD APRIL.

1 COPY OP-28G

PAGE 2 OF 2
SITUATION REPORT NUMBER 329.

(1) OPERATION SHINGLE 4781 TONS DISCHARGED 3RD APRIL.

(2) DESTROYER HAD BLANK PATROL OFF VIS NIGHT 30TH/31ST, 31ST/1ST APRIL AND 2ND/3RD APRIL, WEATHER PREVENTED OPERATION NIGHT 1ST/2ND APRIL.

(3) MTB HAD GUN ACTION AND DAMAGED 1 BOAT OFF JELSA HVAR NIGHT 2ND/3RD APRIL 1 OFFICER KILLED. DURING SAME NIGHT COASTAL FORCE CAPTURED ENEMY SCHOONER IN DALMATIA ISLAND.

(4) HMAS P31 CLAIMED 16 GUN HITS ON 5000 TON TANKER IN
On Helai (northeast of Cressa)

ONEGLIA HARBOUR (43-53 N 38-03 E).

DELIVERED TO 2º-G.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MESSAGE</th>
<th>NAVY DEPARTMENT</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>DRAfter</td>
<td>EXTENSION NUMBER</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FROM</td>
<td>ADDRESSES</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RELEASED BY</td>
<td>ASTERISK (*) MAILGRAM ADDRESSEE</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATE</td>
<td>FOR ACTION</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOR CODEROOM</td>
<td>INFORMATION</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DECODED BY</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PARAPHRASED BY</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ROUTED BY</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED THIS DISPATCH WILL BE TRANSMITTED WITH DEFERRED PRECEDENCE (X) AS ADMINISTRATIVE.

Ô51Ô51B  NCR 2396

ORIGINATOR: FILL IN DATE AND TIME: DATE: TIME: GCT: ACTION:

ON OUTGOING DISPATCHES PLEASE LEAVE ABOUT ONE INCH CLEAR SPACE BEFORE BEGINNING TEXT

2º-G.
FOLEH, FOTALI, FORIT, NLD 8TH ARMY, CINFED, VA MALTA, FOGMA, PO 15TH CS, NOIC ALGIERS, ADHIRALT, COMRA, COMNERSEARFION, COMNAVNAK, COMINCH, RA ALEXANDRIA FROM CINCHED.

SITUATION REPORT 328:

OPERATION SHINGLE. 4559 TONS AND 4575 TONS UNLOADED ON 1ST AND 2ND APRIL. ANTI-PERSONNEL BOMB AND MINE DROPPED NIGHT 1ST/2ND APRIL. NO CASUALTY. 8 ACOUSTIC MINES SWEPT ON 2ND APRIL. MINING BY AIRCRAFT ALSO SUSPECTED NIGHT 2ND/3RD. SMALL NUMBER OF CASUALTIES IN LCT(L) DUE TO SHELLING ON 1ST APRIL.

(2) COASTAL FORCE IN AEGEAN REPORT CAPTURING SMALL CAIQUETE A HIGEROS.

(3) COASTAL FORCE PATROLLED OFF CIVITÀ VECCHIA NIGHT 31ST MARCH/1ST APRIL AND OFF SPEZIA NIGHT 1ST/2ND BUT SIGHTED NOTHING.

1 COPY CP-24G
SITUATION REPORT #327.

(1) OPERATION SHINGLE. HEAVY SWELL REDUCED UNLOADING ON 31ST MARCH TO 1919 TONS. SHELLING ON REDUCED SCALE. WINELAYING BY AIRCRAFT SUSPECTED NIGHT 31ST/1ST APRIL.

(2) UGB 36 ATTACKED BY APPROXIMATELY 15 TORPEDO AND BOMBER AIRCRAFT AT O357 1ST APRIL IN 36-46 N 01-14 E SS JONATHON INGERSOLL HIT AND SET ON FIRE BUT REACHED ALGIERS IN TOW OF MINDFUL. FIRE EXTINGUISHED 1 ENEMY AIRCRAFT SHOT DOWN BY A/A FIRE AND 1 CLAIMED DAMAGED FIGHTERS.

*CORRECTION AUTHORIZED BY CINCMED'S #209428, NOR 97.*
8TH FLEET SUMMARY WEEK ENDING 30244. REPORTED NOE.
DETACHED BY TURNING OVER TO FRENCH AT ORAN YTS 298
ON 27TH, CASABLANCA YTS 298, 212 ON 26TH, PC 519 ON
27TH. CRAFT REMAIN UNDER OPERATIONAL CONTROL 8TH
FLEET. SHIPS OR CRAFT SUNK: 9. DAMAGED: LCT 24 BY
NEAR MISS SLIGHTLY DAMAGED AIR RAID ANZIO 261730.;
PT 297 SLIGHT DAMAGE BY ENEMY GUN ACTION 26TH; PC 624
AGROUND AT PALERMO; 8 LCT BROACHED 5 AT ANZIO 3 AT
NAPLES. SALVAGE AT ANZIO SLOW BECAUSE OF WEATHER AND
ENEMY GUNFIRE. EMPLOYMENT. ANZIO MAINTENANCE AND
BUILD UP. 14 LST, 40 LCI, 15 LCT. ANZIO NAPLES ES-
CORT AND PATROL. 5 AM, 10 YMS, 8 PC, 8 SC, 1 DE, § DD.

SECRET
ANZIO AREA GUNFIRE SUPPORT PHILADELPHIA WITH WACKENZIE AND KENDRICK ESCORTS STOOD BY. NO MISSIONS CALLED. LIVERMORE 182 ROUNDS AT GROUND TARGETS ANZIO 28TH. RESULT NOT REPORTED. ESCORT CONVOY ROUTES. 2 DD, 1 DE, 1 AW, 1 YMS, 7 PC, 6 SC. UNDER REPAIR. ORAN, CATO TIN, HILARY P JONES, LANSDALE, ATR 1,1 YSS, 1 PC, 1 SC, LST 381, BIZERTE, 1 PC, 1 SC, PALERMO. STEADY PILOT HOP I 2 PC, 2 YMS, TUNIS 1 PC, 2 LCI, WISC. CTF 81 VISITED ANZIO AREA INSPECT USN ACTIVITY 29-30TH. BROOKLYN WITH ESCORTS ERICSSON AND KEARNY CARRIED OUT EXERCISES OF ALGIERS NIGHT 27/28 TO TEST COUNTERMEASURES AGAINST NIGHT AIR ATTACKS. LANSDALE SHORE BOMBARDMENT EXERCISES ORAN NIGHT 25TH. HUGHES AND HILARY P JONES ESCORT POLARIS FROM UGS 30 AT EUROPA.
Point to Naples. 8 LSTs Special Left Naples to Aja-Criolo 24th to 28th. Engagements to ENS Enemy. Ericsson and Kearny with PCs 626, 556, 558 and 4 British DD commenced sub hunt 30 miles NE Palermo AM 29th. U-boat sunk by gunfire combined forces 300130. 26 prisoners. PT 297 and 4 British PT's intercepted 4 F Fighters off Levanto Night 26/27. Torpedo attack not success but damage by gunfire claimed. PT 297 slight damage. AT 272330 4 US PT's, 3 British LCG, 4 British D-Boats encountered southbound convoy 6 lighters 11 miles south Vado Rocks. Convoy destroyed by LCG gunfire. PT's engaged enemy escort claiming possible damage. 2 US wounded and 1 PT slightly damaged.

Intelligence. Night 29th Enemy Air Attack on convoy.
OFF DELLS ABORTIVE. DID NOT CONTACT CONVOY. USED
FLARES OVER CONSIDERABLE AREA. AT LEAST 2 ENEMY PLANES
BROUGHT DOWN BY BEAUFIGHTERS. ENEMY SUBS ESTIMATE 1
REMAINING TYRRHENIAN SEA POSSIBLY 1 NORTH AFRICAN
COAST PROBABLY 1 ENTERED MED. ENEMY AIR ATTACKS ON
ANZIO SHIPPING REDUCED SCALE SLIGHT DAMAGE.

POLITICAL NOTES. CONSIDERABLE DEPRESSION REPORTED
FRENCH CIRCLES OVER COURSE DERGE TRIALS AND STATEMENTS
CONCERNING ROLE OF COMMITTEE OF LIBERATION IN LIBERATED
FRANCE. REPORTED OPINION OFFICER CORPS AND MODERATED
INCREASINGLY UNIFIED AGAINST POLICIES FRENCH COMMUNISTS
LEFT MAJORITY CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEFTEST RESIST-
ANCE GROUPS. IN ITALY BELIEVED RUSSIAN RECOGNITION HAS
RESULTED IN INCREASED SUPPORT OF BARDOGLO REGIME BY
COMMUNISTS AND A NOTICEABLE STEADYING OF SITUATION.

SECRET
May 27, 1944

FROM: APHQ Algiers Signed Wilson cite Field
TO: War Office AGWAR (BAS Washington pass)
NO: F 51340

Administrative Summary No 11 for week ending 23 May.

One: Casualties and POW - read X killed, Y wounded, Z missing, and POW. Cumulative totals to 23 May for British and 22 May for American and Allied. Read in five columns. (1) formation (2) X (3) Y (4) Z (5) POW.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Army</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Five Corps</td>
<td>287</td>
<td>1330</td>
<td>172</td>
<td>77</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eighth Army</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British</td>
<td>4365</td>
<td>17011</td>
<td>2776</td>
<td>5521</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>POLES</td>
<td>622</td>
<td>2615</td>
<td>337</td>
<td>60</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ITALIAN</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>74</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Eighth Army</td>
<td>5004</td>
<td>19900</td>
<td>3117</td>
<td>5584</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fifth Army (incl bridgehead)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>US</td>
<td>8957</td>
<td>33497</td>
<td>8416</td>
<td>8817</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BRITISH (inc NZ)</td>
<td>4707</td>
<td>22151</td>
<td>9353</td>
<td>4748</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
### WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>May 27, 1944</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>FRENCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>3048</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>12792</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>1020</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>3865</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>D</td>
<td>ITALIANS</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>186</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>413</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>483</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Fifth Army</td>
<td>16798</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>68853</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>19272</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>17439</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Allied Bridgehead Forces.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>US</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2763</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>10238</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>3857</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2276</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A</td>
<td>BRITISH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1627</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>7556</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>4554</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1402</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B</td>
<td>Total Allied Bridgehead Force</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>17794</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>6411</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>3678</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**AIR FORCE.**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>AAF/RAF</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1051</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1078</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>5462</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>RAF</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>266</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>191</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>525</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Dominions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>134</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>138</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>316</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>FRENCH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Other Allied</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>15</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Air Force</td>
<td>1470</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1420</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>6310</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Personal convoys. No US military casualties during past week.**

**TWO: General ADM position remains satisfactory.**

**T.O.O. 271300**

**ACTION:** OPD

**INFO:** OC/S, OGAAP, G-2, Col. Park, LOR

**DOD DIR. 8500.9 (6/27/62)**

**Date:** DEC 9 1971

**Signature:**

---

**DECLASSIFIED**

**E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4**

**NLR 101**

**By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/94**

---

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Nr: F-50324 24th May 1944

F 50324 to AGWAR for CCS and to USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff repeated to SHAPE, HQ MAAF and AAC Main, Fairbanks, UNITY London, for information signed Wilson cite PHAIR. This is NAF 709. Your FAN 358.

1: Air CINC Mediterranean considers that the Italian Air Force can make a worthwhile contribution to the war against Germany if it is equipped and organized as below.

2: The IAF can maintain the following squadrons:

A. Fighters: on allied types -3 squadrons, on Italian types -3 squadrons.

B. Light bombers: on allied types - 2 squadrons. All the above on British war establishments of 16 US aircraft.

3: In addition the transport and seaplane wings can continue to operate on Italian types for some time but cannot be maintained longer than their present equipment will last.

4: Air CINC proposes to reequip the fighter-bomber squadrons selected for Allied types as detailed in para 2 above with P-39's and Baltimores respectively. These are both types which are in course of being superseded in US

CM-IN-18563 (25 May 44)
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
Fr: F-50324 24th May 1944

and British squadrons in this theatre and the necessary stocks and spare parts to maintain the squadrons on these types are available in the theatre. This reequipment will begin as soon as the necessary arrangements for training, conversion and maintenance are complete.

5: All Italian Air Forces units will operate under the operational control of the appropriate formation headquarters of MAAP. The Air Officer commanding the Air Forces Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission will continue to be responsible for their administration, organization, training, maintenance and supply of equipment other than Allied Types.

6: It will be made clear that this decision is wholly without prejudice to any eventual decision about the status of the IAF after the end of the war.

No Big

ACTION: CC/3
INFO : CGAAF OPD
      Gen Bissell
      Adm King
      Col Park
      Log

CM-IN-18563 (25 May 44) 0151Z Fb
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT
MARSHALL AND WILSON EYES ONLY

From: AFRIC Command Post in Caserta, Italy
To: War Department

No. R12710

22 May 1944

To AFRIC for Marshall for his eyes only and to
FOSSOM for Wilson for his eyes only from Fairbanks from
Devers. Message ref nr is R12710.

No change in front of Eighth Army.

On the French front the French have pushed west
of Pontecorvo, have captured Ficco and control firmly
the Iti-Picco road.

The Second Corps continued to push across the
mountainous country to the west. The 351 Infantry is
on Mount Chiavino; the 349 on Monsicardi; the 350 Infantry
is on Mount Calvo and Mount Marino; the 339 is approaching
Mount Dalle Fale; the 337 holds Mount Copioe and the
338 Infantry Mount Biscego with patrols 3 or 4 miles
north of Terracina. Terracina is held lightly by the enemy.

The Eighth Army and the bridgehead forces are
poised for a major attack tomorrow. The French Corps and
the Second Corps have been pushing steadily across the
mountainous country to the west and northwest. There are
indications that the enemy is withdrawing under this
pressure. Tuesday morning a critical stage in the battle
is at hand and there is every chance to believe that with
the vigor with which the troops are moving the German
Army in this theater will be so depleted by night tomorrow

CM-IN-17009 (23 May 44)
From: AFEQ Command Post in Caserta, Italy

To: B12710

Date: 22 May 1944

that it will be unable to stand south of Rome. This is probably an optimistic view but it is inspired by the high confidence of the French Corps and the tireless energy of the Second Corps, whose divisions are up to full strength and who apparently are as fresh as the day they jumped off, while the Eighth Army has all its strength ready to smash forward. The Tactical Air Force in spite of bad weather has put enemy planes into the air in the late evening and tonight to rake the roads leading toward Rome. The Strategic Air Force has also put out a maximum effort which bodes no good to the enemy. Late this afternoon our new 8 inch guns started registering on Saza. The attack Tuesday morning will take place at 0630 hours preceded by a 90 minute preparation and has for its object the destruction of the German Army.

No sig.

ACTION: Gen Handy
INFO: Gen Arnold
Gen Bissell
Col Park
Log

CM-IN-17009 (23 May 44) 0236Z
From: CG APhQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
No: B-12705 21 May 1944

B-12705 to AGWAR for Marshall for his eyes only and to Freedom for Wilson for his eyes only from FAIRBANKS from Devers.

Polish Corps advanced just beyond Piedimonte with their right on Mount Cora. 21st Brigade of 6th Indian is on their left extending the line just east of the Aquno airstrip. 78th Division is pushed back west of the Aquno airstrip and covering line to the Aquno River. Canadian Corps extends the line to the Liri east of Pontecorvo.

The French Corps is west of Pontecorvo and is across the Pontecorvo-Pico road but is meeting strong resistance in the vicinity of Lenola. In the 2nd Corps the 349th Infantry of the 88th Division holds Mount Passignano, the 350th Infantry Mount Cassaruccio and the 337th Infantry Mount 9 Bisigio, while small patrols from the 91st Reconnaissance Squadron are in Terracina. The 85th Division is advancing across the low ground between Fondi and Terracina.

General: Situation on the right flank has stabilized temporarily; in the center is stiffening; is still fluid.
From: CG AFHQ Command Post, Caserta, Italy
No: B-12705 21 May 1944

On the left flank, Clark goes to the bridgehead. All of 36th Division in bridgehead. 8th Army and 6th Corps poised for coordinated attack on the 23rd with the French and 2nd Corps continuing pressure to the northwest.

No Sig

ACTION: Gen Handy
INFO: Gen Bissell
C of S

CM-IN-16253 (22 May 44) 0151Z jb
From: Hq Allied Armies in Italy.

To: War Department.

No. 0-7746

20 May 1944.

Part 4 HQ AAI COSINTREP No. 316 May 202230.

M Luccio at 571-184 Mass Della Selva (663202).

Casualties to 18 May:

American Killed: 8769
Wounded: 32959
Missing: 8342

British Killed: 4754
Wounded: 21947
Missing: 9298

French Killed: 2742
Wounded: 11349
Missing: 909

Italian no change.

Total: 102042.

CM-IN-15565 (21 May 44)

[Signature: Colonel Park]

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>American Killed</td>
<td>2742</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>10112</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>3823</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British Killed</td>
<td>1594</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>7352</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>4499</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>30122</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

FW. By American: 8326
By British: 4744
By French: 3270
Fifth Army AEF:

From: HQ Allied Armies in Italy.
No. 3/2746
20 May 1944.

Page-2-

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

COPY NO. 56
From: Hq, Allied Armies in Italy.
No. 0,2746. 20 May 1944

UNCLASSIFIED

SECRET

INFORMATION: CC/B

CC AAF

G-2

Col Park

Log

ACTION: OPD

PART FIVE

unchanged. POLICRPS, Bn Op 5 Kresowa Div reached Villa Lucia 8023 taking FW yesterday. 6 Armld Regt Op moving up to 3 Lucia to attack Piedmonte which is held by enemy. Our tps captured pt 893 614247 yesterday but (Passo Corno) held by enemy. Today patrols reported Pt 553 799239 clear but enemy established in area 794243. 13 Corps. 78 Div. 36 Bde 3P by the attacked yesterday Hitler Line.

(Part five follows).

No Sig.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

DECLASSIFIED

D60 1111 00000 (6/27/68)

Date: DEC 68 1971

Signature: AHP

CM-IN-15565 (21 May 44) 04422

56

COPY NO.

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED

E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 8/12/94
EXTRACT OF TELETYPE CONFERENCE BETWEEN GENERAL BAKER, CASERTA
AND GENERAL GILES, WASHINGTON

20 May 1944.  1430 Z

Gen. Baker:  I

FIRST SUBJECT: THE CURRENT BATTLE

It begins to look like the enemy defenses, which have been
static and impregnable for so long, are beginning to break up.
Yesterday I visited one of our fighter-bomber groups. The
group commander had just returned from a mission and he told
me the situation on the roads and behind the battle-front was
beginning to look very much like the late days in the Tunisian
and Sicilian campaigns. The German seemed to be in great con-
fusion and was milling and he was not using his normal pre-
cautions on highways. The group, led by Colonel Martin, had
just found 40 trucks on the highways in one convoy and had
bombed and beat it up with good effect.

This morning the infantry officer presenting the ground situ-
aton in our war room indicated that the ground people feel
very much the same way. Whereas it was expected the enemy
would stand again firmly on the Adolph Hitler line, it was
pierced yesterday in several places and completely turned on
the north. We shall, of course, have the answer in a few days.

If this forecast is correct, it will be due in no small degree
to the heavy air attacks on communications and, in particular,
to the continued attacks on his headquarters in all echelons.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: AFEQ Algiers
To: War Office
AGWAR (BAS Washington Pass)
No: F 48279 May 20, 1944
Signed Wilson cite PHDS

ONE. Administrative summary number 10 week ending 16 May.
Casualties and POW - read (X) killed (Y) wounded (Z) missing
and POW. Cumulative totals to May 16 for British and May 15
for Americans and Allied. Read in five columns. (1) Formation
(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) POW.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ARMY</th>
<th>(1)</th>
<th>(2)</th>
<th>(3)</th>
<th>(4)</th>
<th>(5)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>V Corps.</td>
<td>249</td>
<td>1211</td>
<td>169</td>
<td>73</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

EIGHT ARMY

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>(1)</th>
<th>(2)</th>
<th>(3)</th>
<th>(4)</th>
<th>(5)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>British</td>
<td>3912</td>
<td>15674</td>
<td>2935</td>
<td>3955</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Poles</td>
<td>317</td>
<td>1375</td>
<td>400</td>
<td>60</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Italians</td>
<td>11</td>
<td>61</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Eighth Army</td>
<td>4240</td>
<td>17310</td>
<td>3336</td>
<td>4018</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

FIFTH ARMY (Including Bridgehead)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>(1)</th>
<th>(2)</th>
<th>(3)</th>
<th>(4)</th>
<th>(5)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>U.S.</td>
<td>8603</td>
<td>32189</td>
<td>8186</td>
<td>7991</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British</td>
<td>8746</td>
<td>21500</td>
<td>9295</td>
<td>4744</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CM-IN-16551 (22 May 44)

30s Italy
War Department
Classified Message Center
Incoming Classified Message

Page 2

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>(1)</th>
<th>(2)</th>
<th>(3)</th>
<th>(4)</th>
<th>(5)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(C) French</td>
<td>2523</td>
<td>10381</td>
<td>671</td>
<td>2134</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(D) Italians</td>
<td>185</td>
<td>406</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Fifth Army</td>
<td>16057</td>
<td>68876</td>
<td>18636</td>
<td>14878</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Allied Bridgehead Force.

| (A) U.S. | 2728 | 10040 | 3815 | 2249 |
| (B) British. | 1584 | 7305 | 4497 | 1398 |
| Total Allied Bridgehead Force | 4312 | 17345 | 8312 | 3647 |

Air Force

| AAF/NATO | 986 | 940 | 5179 |
| RAF | 230 | 182 | 544 |
| Dominions | 126 | 130 | 310 |
| French | 2 | 5 | 5 |
| Other Allied | 15 | 8 | 2 |
| Total Air Force | 1359 | 1274 | 6040 |

Personnel Convoys
No U.S. Military casualties during past week.
Two S Г F1, 4.2 inch chemical N O R - SHEL HE and 57 MM HE are in short supply in 5 Army otherwise the General ADM position remains satisfactory.

T.O.O. 201440

Action: OPD
Info: CC/S, CG AAF, G-2, Col Park, Lou

CM-IN-16551 (22 May 44) 12392

Date: DEC 29 1971

Signature: 

The Making of an exact copy of this Message is forbidden.
From: CG Mediterranean Allied Forces in Caserta, Italy.
To: War Department

Nr: 02729 18 May 1944

Part 6 of number 02729 of COSINTREP number 313 172230.

Patrols active. En relief. Corps and Div arty fired heavy concs 0440 B to 0455 B Boundary change. 88 and 85 Divs. 740000- 680000- 650990.

Casualties to 15 May.

- American killed 8603, wounded 32189, missing 6185.
- British killed 4744, wounded 21879, missing 9295.
- French killed 2523, wounded 10381, missing 671.


5th Army ABF.

- American killed 2728, wounded 10040, missing 3815.
- British killed 1584, wounded 7284, missing 4477.

Total 29948.

CM-IN-13356 (18 May 44)

[DECLASSIFIED]

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

Date: DEC 28 1971

Signature: [Signer]

Copy No. 56

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN.

DECLASSIFIED

E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/18/64
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

URGENT

From: CG, Allied Armies in Italy
To: War Department
No: 0.2722 16th May, 1944

Part 3 Hq AAI COSINTREP no. 312 0.2722 May 162235.

Dark. Advance continued and general line Trivio 7098 thence along Aqua Traversa River to coast has been reconnoitered. Third En 339 Inf occupied Mt Sasuri 740945 and 1st En 339 Inf occupied Sasuri town without opposition. 91 Ron temporarily held up by blown bridge 746952.

Fifth Army AFD. 6th US Corps. Little activity. Corps and Div arty fired heavy coordinated programme 160210 B to 160225 B.

Casualties to 14th May.

American:
- Killed: 8526
- Wounded: 31804
- Missing: 8172

British:
- Killed: 4737
- Wounded: 21855
- Missing: 9296

French:
- Killed: 2472

NM-IN-12406 (17 May 44)

300 Italy

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
**WAR DEPARTMENT**

**CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER**

**INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE**

---

**From:** GG, Allied Armies in Italy

**Mr:** 0.2722  
**16th May, 1944**

**wounded**  
10186

**missing**  
669.

**Italian:**

**No change.**

**Total**  
98801.

**FW by American**  
7842

**by British**  
4744

**by French**  
1634

**by Italian**  
9.

**5th Army ABF to 14th May.**

**American:**

**killed**  
2710

**wounded**  
10000

**missing**  
3812.

**British:**

**killed**  
1576

**wounded**  
7070

**missing**  
4497.

**Total**  
29865.

**FW by American**  
2249

**by British**  
1398.

**3rd. Eighth Army.**

**CM-IN-12406 (17 May 44)**

---

**THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN**

---

**DECLASSIFIED**

E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4

NLR 101

By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: CG, Allied Armies in Italy
Nr: 0.2722 16th May, 1944
18th Corps. Patrol activity only.
2nd Polish Corps. NFR.
13th Corps. 4 Brit Div. 10 Bde consolidated positions.
No change. 12 Bde now (part 4 follows)

No Sig.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CC/S
CG AAF
0-2
Col. Park
Log

CM-IN-12406 (17 May 44) 05412 vkm

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED
DOH DIA. 820.9 (8/27/68)
Date - DEC 89, 1971
Signature -

COPY NO.
THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/94
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Hq Allied Armies in Italy
To: War Department
Nr. 02718 15th May, 1944

Part 5 of COSIMINTREP no 311 from Hq AAI.

During the day and now established on line 841162 to 833159.

Nineteen Ind Bde no change.

Twenty-one Ind Bde advanced to cross Rds 826159-829148.

Six L with left of river Liri advanced to 88135.

Seventy-eight Div has 38 Bde 1 Gudermy Yeo 142 Sp
Regt across with 11 Bde in process of crossing. Corps has 10 bridges constructed of which 9 are in use.

Casualties to 13th May.

British
Killed 3607
Wounded 13455
Missing 2263
FW 3195

Polish
113
934
315
29

Italian
7
46
0
3

Total 20740.

CIN-EN-11474 (16 May 44)

3 to Italy

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: Hq Allied Armies in Italy
Nr. 02718, 15th May, 1944
Section 3. Air.

First night bombers reported 40 MT moving from Valmontone G. 15 to Frosinone G. 43 at 0030 hrs and heavy movement SE from Perentino 034 at 0240 hrs. A concentration of MT was.

End part 5 part 6 follows.

No Sig.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED
DGS D... 8200.9 (8/21/68)
Date: DEC 89 1971
Signature: -

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: COG
CG AAF
G-2
Cox Park
Log

GW-IN-11474 (16 May 44) 0247Z bws

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Allied Force Headquarters Algiers Algeria
To: War Department
    CG U.S. Forces in the European Theater of Operations
    London England
    Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces
    London England

Nr: NAF 697
    15 May 1944

NAF 697, signed Wilson, cite FGCT reference number
P your 6366 TOP SECRET BISOT ANVIL. Added for action AGWAR
for the Combined Chiefs of Staff rptd USFOR for the British
Chiefs of Staff, UNITY, HQ MAAF, CINC Red Naples Fairbanks
for information.

This is the monthly progress report on operations in the
Mediterranean Theatre covering the period from 16th April
to 15th May 1944.

1. Current operations. The Allied Armies in Italy
are now engaged in offensive operations. The extent and re-
sults of these operations cannot as yet be properly evaluated.

2. Build up of formations. The US Division mentioned
in last month's report has closed in MtO. The refitting of the
2 British Divisions sent to Hiceast from Italy is progressing.

3. Preparations for future operations. Planning for
alternative operations in the South of France continues. Plans
for operations to take and hold the island of Elba are now
well advanced.

4. Service Troops. The Training of Service Units
which are now in the theatre and scheduled for ANVIL, is
proceeding.

5. Supplies. Essential supplies for the initial
phases of operations subsequent to ANVIL are in the theatre
or enroute.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED 17-49-71

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 04/21/1994
From: Allied Forces Headquarters Algiers Algeria

Nr: NAF 697

15 May 1944

6. Air offensive P the heavy bombers of the Mediterranean theatre have concentrated on bombing transportation centers in the Balkans in support of Russian operations: Floesti, Bucharest, Brasov and Turnu-Severin have been major targets. During the period covered by this report approximately 34,000 tons of bombs have been dropped by MAF on targets in Germany, Austria, Italy, France and the Balkans.

No Sig

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Gen Arnold

OPD

Gen Bissell

Adm Kirp

Col Park

Log

CM-IN-11539 (16 May 44) 060492 by 140000
From: A.F.H.Q. Algiers
To: War Office
AGWAR (BA5 Washington pass)
No: F 44986

Signed Wilson cite PRDS.

Administrative summary number 9 for week ending 9 May.

ONE. Casualties and POW read X killed Y wounded Z missing and POW. Cumulative totals to 9 May for British and to 8 May for American and Allied. Read in five columns. (1) Formation (2) X (3) Y (4) Z (5) POW.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Army</th>
<th>X</th>
<th>Y</th>
<th>Z</th>
<th>POW</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Five Corps</td>
<td>210</td>
<td>992</td>
<td>113</td>
<td>71</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Eighth Army</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A. British</td>
<td>3458</td>
<td>12685</td>
<td>2189</td>
<td>3191</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B. French</td>
<td>64</td>
<td>377</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>C. Italian</td>
<td>46</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>3</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Eighth Army</td>
<td>3528</td>
<td>13108</td>
<td>2198</td>
<td>3223</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fifth Army (incl Bridgehead)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A. US</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>B. British (incl NZ corps and ten corps for period when under Fifth Army)</td>
<td>4711</td>
<td>21739</td>
<td>9290</td>
<td>4739</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CM-IN-10654 (14 May 44)

300 Italy

COPY NO. 54
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>French</th>
<th>Italians</th>
<th>Total Fifth Army</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Q.</td>
<td>2255</td>
<td>185</td>
<td>15536</td>
<td>646</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>8422</td>
<td>406</td>
<td>60463</td>
<td>483</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>655</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>17572</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1250</td>
<td></td>
<td>13329</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Allied Bridgehead Force**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>US</th>
<th>British</th>
<th>Total Allied Bridgehead Force</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>A.</td>
<td>2660</td>
<td>1551</td>
<td>4211</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>9829</td>
<td>7144</td>
<td>16973</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>3809</td>
<td>4491</td>
<td>8300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2230</td>
<td></td>
<td>3623</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Air Force**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>AAF/WAC</th>
<th>RAF</th>
<th>Dominions</th>
<th>French</th>
<th>Other Allied</th>
<th>Total Air Force</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>940</td>
<td>214</td>
<td>114</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>1285</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>877</td>
<td>162</td>
<td>120</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>1170</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>4706</td>
<td>511</td>
<td>294</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>5518</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Personal convoys:**

No US military casualties during past week.

**TWO.** General adm position remains satisfactory.

**ACTION:** OPD

**INFORMATION:** CG/5, CG AAF, G-2, Col Park, Log

**CM-IN-10634** (14 May 44) 2044Z bjm
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department

Ref: P 44593, 11 May 1944.

P 44593 relayed and paraphrased by Freedom for action to Troopers and AGWAR, for info to SHARP, Mideast, SONTO, MORBS, PARCO for MacFarlane, PENBASE for Cave, Fairbanks, from CG Freedom signed Wilson cite PENBASE.

This is CG summary. Since 3rd May no special summary.

A. 5th Corps sector. Local front line activities have been continued by enemy, main object of which apparently still information. According to recent enemy leaflets the indications are that own order of battle this sector now reasonably accurately known. Enemy strength roughly 2 Divisions, 305th Infantry (less Bode Group, I.E., 576th Or and possibly 305th Engr Bn) and 334th Infantry Divisions. No reserves of note.

B. In Palena Area, enemy recently shifted forward positions on 8th Army right flank. This withdrawal considered local adjustment only and not wholly unexpected. On River Bank south of Cassino enemy is falling trees. Dispositions from Palena Area to Cassino: 114 Jaeger Division, 5 Mountain Division, 2 or 3 Regiments of 44th Infantry Division/1 Para Division, latter apparently with only 1 Regiment forward remaining 2 Regiments presumed in reserve, though no recent trace from any source. From Cassino to Liri is mixed force equivalent 1 weak Division, mainly 15th PG Division (less equivalent 1 Regiment Group).

CM-IN-8453 (12 May 44)

DECLASSIFIED
DOD CHC 8000.9 (9/97/84)

Date: DEC 29 1971

Signature: RAP

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/8/94.
with under command Bode Group from 305th Infantry Division (see sub-para A) and probably 276th Gr from 94th Infantry Division. This force partly forward, partly in reserve generally are Fico-Pontecorvo.

C. 5th Army Main Sector. Enemy generally quiet. Following are dispositions: 71st Infantry Division (plus 3rd Regt 44th Inf Division) and 94th Inf Division (less probably 1 Regt, see sub-para B). In reserve is Regimental Group of 15th Pz Div Area fondi. Latters task is possibly counterattack mobile role in coastal defense in event allied landing in rear main line.

D. 6th Corps Sector. Enemy front line activity somewhat less marked. West of Anzio Road fresh mine laying reported. Enemy generally alert. Stiff re-action to allied movements. Enemy ready exploit any occasion improve own defensive line. Dispositions unchanged generally: 715th Inf Div (with possibly 4 Italian Battalions and 1028 Gr to assist in holding long east flank and compensate for heavy battle losses earlier), 362nd Inf Div (with 1027th Gr), 3rd Pz Div (with 309th PzR), 65th Inf Div, and 5th Parachute Division. 86th Panser Div in reserve. Bulk 90th Pz Div between bridgehead and Tiber but 200th PzR still conducting anti-guerilla operation generally north of Piglio. 29th Pz Division general area Civitavecchia with prime task presumably defense against allied landing north of Rome.

Estimated available tank strength. With 10th Army 40, with 14th Army 250, possible reserves in Central and Northern Italy 90. After recent relative inactivity serviceability should be some 80%.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Er. P41042

03, May 1944

02 summary. P41042 Troopers, AGWAR, info Middle East, SHAEF, Field Staff, Panbase for Cape, Fargo for Mac-Farlane from G2 FREEDOM signed Wilson cite WORC.

1. No special summary since 25 April.

2. 5th Corps front. Enemy continues show considerable local inquisitiveness especially during allied reliefs making local raids and attacks in about platoon strength. Although anxious not to be misled by allied intentions enemy evidently prepared take risks in coastal sector as most units being used in line and 2 battalions possibly already regularly incorporated into 305th Infantry Division. Also 305th Corps group of this division has evidently not returned to parent formation after relief in Alfadena sector.

3. 8th and 5th Army fronts. Little activity in mountain sector. Enemy carrying out readjustment of forward units in Cassino and Liri sectors. 15th PO Division evidently now in reserve but not concentrated an elements probably detached in Pondi area to give depth on coast. Some possibility 1 Para Division which for some time has had only one regiment in line may also be going into immediate reserve. These moves possibly to be followed by spreading out of other formations in line. Elements 5 Mountain Division believed detached to come in at Cassino where Bode group of 305th Infantry Division. Also believed available. In sector from Liri to see no major changes but
enemy showing interest in allied intentions.

4. VI Corps front. Increased activity on both sides Anzio highway. Strong enemy reaction to allied moves and local enemy attacks to improve positions. General easing eastwards of divisional frontages on main front has somewhat reduced long commitment of 715th Infantry Division on eastern flank and enabled it to be supported by one independent regiment. Enemy evidently concerned at possibility allied sortie on this flank. Overall dispositions unchanged and 26 Panzer Division still in reserve. 90th PG Division now possibly generally south west of Rome.

5. Summary of dispositions. Main front 8 divisions, 1 in reserve. Possible intention to have 2 in line 2 reserve. Bridgehead 5 Divisions in line, 1 in immediate reserve plus 1 south west of Rome. North of Rome 29th PG Division general location unchanged.

6. General. Enemy appreciating allied attack more probable in west than on Anzio. Making local adjustments accordingly including precautions against landings on coast between main front and bridgehead. In latter area basic posture defensive and forces disposed to hold allied threat, counterattack if penetration likely and to guard against landings north of bridgehead either south or north of Tiber.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: APHQ
To: Chiefs of Staff
Info: Joint Staff Mission, HQ, MAAP, C-in-C Med.
Number: MEDCOS 103
Reference COSMED 94.
Signed Wilson. Cite FHGOT.

1. Code name threat to Southern France my immediately following cable. VENDETTA

2. Your para 2(A) noted. Difficulties may now in fact be even greater than first thought and it may be necessary to modify some of the supporting measures outlined in para 6 of MEDCOS 94. This is being examined further and will report how far effectiveness of threat may diminish.

3. Your para 2 (B). This will be most welcome assistance if it can be arranged. C in C Med will be signalling Admiralty about this.

4. Your para 2 (C). As delay of VICTORIOUS in Mediterranean is unacceptable it would seem best that she should not pass Gibraltar after May 19th. Else report of her departure through Suez Canal might reach Germans at time when threat is mounting and so reduce its effectiveness. Should circumstances develop so as to permit delay of VICTORIOUS departure from UK, her passing Gibraltar in period 12-15 June would be of very great value to threat.


T.O.O. 010830

MEDCOS 94 is CM-IN-12248 (17 Apr 44) CCS
COSMED 94 is CM-IN-21411 (29 Apr 44) CCS

ACTION: CCS
INFO: Gen. Arnold, OPD. Gen. Bissell, Adm. King,
Col. Park, C of S

CM-IN-780 (2 May 44) 001252 eJV COPY No.

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/3/64

THE MAKING OR DISTRIBUTING OF A CLASSIFIED MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
24-75724
To: British Chiefs of Staff
Info: Joint Staff Mission, Hq, MAAP
C-in-C Med, Naples
From: APHQ
Number: MEDCOS 104

May 1st, 1944
F 39873. Cite PHOT. Signed Wilson.
Reference MEDCOS 103, para 1. Word is Vendetta.

T.O.O. 01095B

ACTION: CCS
INFO: General Arnold
OPD
General Bissell
Adm. King
Ool. Park
C of S

CM-IN-761 (2 May 44) 02202 ejv

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/9/94

DECLASSIFIED
**INCOMING MESSAGE**

**IMMEDIATE**

April 22, 1944

To: Chiefs of Staff

Rptd: Joint Staff Mission, Washington for U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff, Hq. MAAP

From: FREEDOM MEDCOS 97

Signed Wilson cite FRICHT, F36190.

Ref: OCMED 86, para 3 and further to MEDCOS 88.

1. Following formations have moved or are planned to move within period April - June.

2. April Movements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IE Serial</th>
<th>Formation</th>
<th>From</th>
<th>To</th>
<th>Estimated Date Operational</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(A)</td>
<td>Tenth Ind Div</td>
<td>ME</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Now</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(B)</td>
<td>Second Polish</td>
<td>ME</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>1 May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Armoured Brigade</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>1 June</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(C)</td>
<td>1st DMI</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Mid May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(D)</td>
<td>8th Ind Div</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Early May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(E)</td>
<td>25th Tank Bde</td>
<td>ME</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>1 June</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(F)</td>
<td>9th Armld Bde</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Mid May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(G)</td>
<td>52nd AA Bde</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Mid May</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(H)</td>
<td>7th Armld Bde</td>
<td>ME</td>
<td>Corsica</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(I)</td>
<td>9th DIO</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

3. May Movements.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>IE Serial</th>
<th>Formation</th>
<th>From</th>
<th>To</th>
<th>Estimated Date Operational</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(A)</td>
<td>21st Tank Bde</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Initial non-operational</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>(B)</td>
<td>Remainder 1st British Armld Div</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>Late June</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CM-IN-17329 (23 Apr 44)

**COPY No.** 29

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
INCOMING MESSAGE

IMMEDIATE

HEDOOS 97

April 22, 1944

Page two

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>TR Serial</th>
<th>Formation</th>
<th>From</th>
<th>To</th>
<th>Estimated Date Operational</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>(C)</td>
<td>23rd Arm Bde</td>
<td>Italy</td>
<td>ME</td>
<td>End July</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

June Movements:

(A) 91st US Div
(E) 46th Div (to relieve tired British Div)

5. During period 1st Greek Brigade may also move ME to Italy
the exchange of 4th Indian Div with 6th Indian Div ex FAIC is
also under consideration.

6. In addition to the above a large number of ancillary units
are being moved during the period from NA and ME to Italy as
they become available.

No Sig

T.O.O. 222045B

FOOTNOTE: HEDOOS 86 is CM-IN-8458 (12 Apr 44) CC/S.

CM-IN-86 is CM-IN-7637 (11 Apr 44) CC/S.

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Gen Arnold
      Gen Rissell
      Gen King
      Col Park

CM-IN-17329 (23 Apr 44) 2057Z

DEC 8 1971

Signature: [Signature]

DECCLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/2/44
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
No: SWC 1406
22nd April, 1944

Secret of OOSITINTREP Nr 287 part 2 signed

Wilson cites FERRA.

About 25 aircraft attacked convoy DGS 38 off Cape Bengut PM of 20th April. USS Lansdale and SS Paul Hamilton were sunk and Royal Star was hit and sank later. Samite and Stephen Austin damaged and have since reached Algiers. Fighters claim 2 aircraft destroyed.

Also attacked the same time by enemy aircraft was convoy QAP 31 at a point about 50 miles north of Nougie. SS El Biar was hit by torpedo and subsequently sank. Antiaircraft fire claim 3 aircraft and fighters claim 1 probable and 3 damaged.

Considerable shelling of Anzio Port Area on 20th April with increased accuracy. No damage to shipping however. Reports indicate attempted attack by human torpedoes which was drawn off.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: CG AAF
Col. Park
Log

CM-IN-15892 (22 Apr '44)

DECLASSIFIED
FDR Library

DATE: 2/28/45

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/44
URGENT

From: CO, Allied Armies in Italy
To: War Department
No.: 0-2556, 21 April 1944

Part 2, 0-2556, 212120B from Eq AAI.

Area shelled and mortared. Local relief's carried out 6th Ind Bde. Enemy patrol strength 1 Pl success- fully engaged by mortars.

Notice board caption Britons salute our fasher knocked down by arty 7 Ind Bde.

Local relief carried out, D Force. Enemy mines laid area 2074 enemy strength 1 Pl attacked house at 1856136 driven off by arty fire. Patrol clashed 183977 and 187978.

5 Corps casualties to 19 April:

Killed 101, wounded 351, missing 58 & 30.

2. 8th Army.

10th Corps. 15 Pnncn recce Recl reverted to command 2 Polish Corps. 24 Gds Bde enemy shelling on Hill 145 silenced by own arty It Not Op. Patrols made no contact. 21 Div. 2 Para Bde. 6 NZ Bn relieved 1 Para Bn and reverted to command 6 NZ Bde. 26 Bde. 26 NZ Bn relieved 2/4 Hamco and command sector passed to 5 NZ Bde. 26 Bde Eq and 2/4 Hamco to area 11507 under command 4 Brit Div.

CM-IN-16265 (22 Apr 44)
From: CO, Allied Armies in Italy
No. CO-2558, 21 April 1944

13th Corps. Normal mortar and arty fire both sides. 78th Div. Local reliefs carried.

* Being serviced.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CO/3
CO AAF
G-2
Col Park
Log

CM-IN-16265 (27 Apr 44) 1504Z bem

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/74
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

URGENT

From: CG Allied Armies in Italy
To: War Department
No. None, 21 April 1944

Fourth and last part of GOBINTREP number 287 from HQ AAI. Signed Wilson site FROOT and FMIBI.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>killed</th>
<th>wounded</th>
<th>missing</th>
<th>FW</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>American</td>
<td>7904</td>
<td>27122</td>
<td>6488</td>
<td>8320</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British</td>
<td>4608</td>
<td>21314</td>
<td>9122</td>
<td>4788</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>French</td>
<td>2207</td>
<td>6179</td>
<td>651</td>
<td>1243</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Italian</td>
<td>185</td>
<td>484</td>
<td>483</td>
<td>9</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

5th Army AEF.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>killed</th>
<th>wounded</th>
<th>missing</th>
<th>FW</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>American</td>
<td>2288</td>
<td>8052</td>
<td>4601</td>
<td>2196</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British</td>
<td>1414</td>
<td>6456</td>
<td>44480</td>
<td>1367</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Section 3.

Air. First. Night bombers operating between 2100 and 2400 hrs reported heavy movement on the following roads.

CM-IN-15943 (22 Apr 44)
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: OB Allied Armies in Italy

Unnumbered, 21 April 1944

Vetralla A31 south east of Rome Civita Castellana A61 south to Rome. Avazzano G58 west to Tivoli G07. Isola G64 north to Avazzano Ospino G52 north west to Rome. Considerable movement was also reported into Avazzano from east and west proceeding to Sora G64 and Cassino area increasing towards 2330 hrs.

Second. Bomb Line. No change.

Section 3 ends.

No Sig

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED
BIB 28-1690-3009. (6/27/68)

ACTION: OPE
INFO : CC/8
     CG AAF
     G-2
     Col. Park
     Log

CM-IN-15943 (22 ApR 44) 0433Z wh

COPY No. 56

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
TO: A.F.H.O. Algiers
Rptd: Joint Staff Mission
From: British Chiefs of Staff
Dated: 19th April, 1944

COSMED 90

Following directive to Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theatre has been approved by Combined Chiefs of Staff.

BEGIN. The directive issued to you in FAN 283 is cancelled and the following substituted.

OBJECT

1. To give the greatest possible assistance to OVERLORD by destroying or containing the maximum number of German formations in the Mediterranean.

METHOD

2. (a) Launch as early as possible an all-out offensive in Italy.

(b) Develop the greatest possible threat to contain German forces in Southern France. This threat should be fully developed by OVERLORD D-5 and fully maintained for as long as possible after D day. Process of building up the threat should not start before D-31.

(c) Make plans for the best possible use of the amphibious lift remaining to you either in support of operations in Italy or in order to take advantage of opportunities arising in the South of France or elsewhere for the furtherance of your object and to press forward vigor-
OUSLY and whole heartedly with all preparations which do not prejudice the achievement of the fullest success in (a) above.

COMMAND AND CONTROL OF FORCES OPERATING IN FRANCE

3. If in the course of operations you should establish forces in France you will continue to exercise operational control of these forces until the Supreme Commander Allied Expeditionary Force can assume this responsibility.

4. Instructions in respect of co-ordination with Supreme Commander Allied Expeditionary Force on operational administrative civil affairs and S.O.E./S.O. matters will be transmitted to you by him.

ENDS,

T.O.O. 191212Z

FAN 283 is CM-IN-3958 (6 Dec 43) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S

INFORMATION: Gen. Arnold
Gen. Bissell
SOG
Adm. King
Col. Park

CM-IN-13977 (19 Apr 44) 1947Z lee

COPY No.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: CG Mediterranean Allied Air Forces Caserta, Italy
To: War Department
Nr. MAAF 14454

Date: DEC 29 1944
Signature: AHP

To General Arnold from Eaker cite MAAF 14454, Four
WAX 23498.

The number of B-25C and D airplanes damaged by Vesuvius eruption was 50, not 82. Twenty of these aircraft are readily repairable by the 12th Air Force in their own limits in the Service Command. Forty will require depot repair by Air Service Command.

These airplanes were damaged on the night of 22nd March during the period when Vesuvius was most active by a rain of cinders and clinkers.

Vesuvius initially began its current eruption Saturday 18th March 1944. This eruption consisted of great masses of molten lava which inundated several villages and threatened to overrun the Cercola Flying Field. Preparations were made to evacuate this flying field. At this time there was no immediate danger to the Pompeii Flying Field as the flow of lava was not coming down that side of the mountain. At approximately 0215 hours, 22nd March Vesuvius began erupting violently, throwing cinders and clinkers over Pompeii Flying Field. This violent eruption con-
timed almost constantly. Clinkers varied from the size of a pea to 6 inches in diameter, covering the entire airfield area to a varying depth of from 12 to 24 inches. Fabric covered surfaces of all airplanes were torn to shreds and plexiglass broken. It was not ash which fell at this time which damaged the airplanes. It was clinkers. Personnel on Pompeii Flying Field had to wear steel helmets in order to avoid being injured by falling clinkers. By daylight, 22nd March none of the airplanes was in flying condition and the field was covered to a depth of approximately 6 inches. Had the planes been in flying condition, it would have been impossible to have flown them out during the rain of clinkers or even to have taxied them. The only possible way to move the planes was to tow them out of the area. This was done as soon as a road could be made to a zone free from the clinkers. It is interesting to note that Pompeii Flying Field is 5 miles from the cone of Mount Vesuvius. In 79AD Vesuvius destroyed Pompeii by burying and smothering it in ashes. This time it rained clinkers. With only ashes it would have been practicable to remove airplanes from the danger area. With clinkers, it was impossible. The type of eruption which damaged the airplanes was sudden and unpredictable. It had not occurred for many years, not within the century. Definitely, therefore, no blame can attach to the Air Force commander and his group commander for failure to move those aircraft out of the danger zone or for failure to interpret their location as a danger zone.

New Subject: Bartron and all other Air Force Commanders receive regularly and promptly weekly messages of estimate of supply of aircraft, crews and equipment as contained.

*Being Serviced.
INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY
CORRECTED COPY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

To: War Department
Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, London, England
Headquarters Mediterranean Allied Air Forces Caserta, Italy
CG Peninsula Base Section, Naples, Italy

No. F 32956, 16 April, 1944.

F 32956 TOP SECRET NAF 672 to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff repeated USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff, UNITY, HQ NAAF and CINC Med Naples. BIGOT ANVIL signed Wilson, cite PHQCT.

This is the monthly progress report on operations in the Mediterranean theatre covering the period 16 March to 15 April 1944.

1. Current operations. At present AAI is regrouping in preparation for renewed offensive. The current aerial offensive against communications in Italy is progressing satisfactorily.

2. Build up of formations:

One US Division is expected to arrive in the MTO in the near future.

Two tired British Divisions have been moved from Italy to the Mideast and are being replaced by fresh divisions.

CM-IN-11908 (17 Apr 44) DECLASSIFIED JCS 29-71

The making of an exact copy of this message is forbidden.
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
No. F 32956, 16 April, 1944.

3. Preparation for future operations. Planning for operation ANVIL continues and is being adjusted to meet recent developments.

Planning has been undertaken for an operation to capture and hold the Island of Elba.

4. Service Troops. The build up of administrative troops for ANVIL is progressing satisfactorily. Sixty administrative units have been formed from a former cavalry division in this theatre.

5. Supplies. Equipment and general supplies in the theatre are satisfactory. Platted cargoes and certain other supplies required for ANVIL have begun to arrive in the theatre.

6. Major Air Raids. Since 15 March a total of 7 major bomber attacks have been made against Bucharest, Vienna, Steyr, Sofia and Budapest. A total of 10,500 tons of bombs have been dropped on Balkan targets. In addition large fighter bomber raids have been carried out against targets in the Balkans.

No Sig

Corrected copy of CM-IN-11726 (16 Apr 44) CC/S

ACTION: CC/S


CM-IN-11908 (17 Apr 44) 0015Z

DECLASSIFIED 3CS 2S-71

RAP 5-25-71

34

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/44
WAR DEPARTMENT  
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER  
INCOMING CLASSIFIED MESSAGE

From: CO, Allied Armies in Italy  
To: War Department  

EQ No 1 District Catania, Sicily  

No. #  
14th April 1944

3rd and last part of COSINTREP No 280 from EQ  
AAI April 142035. Signed Wilson cite PHQCT and PHQEB.


5th Army AFB: 6 Corps: Sector generally quiet Routine  
inter battalion reliefs.

5th Army casualties main front to 12th April.  
American killed 5598, wounded 19015, missing 1887.  
French killed 2192, wounded 8112, missing 651.  

5th Army AFB to 11th April.  
American killed 2228, wounded 7712, missing 4589.  
British killed 1369, wounded 6245, missing 4445.

Section 3:  
Air first. Bombers at 1300 hrs reported over 60  
MT moving mainly north  
CM-IN-10447 (15 Apr 44)

Co. Park

ITALY

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: CG, Allied Armies in Italy
No. # 14th April 1944
Second. Bombline. No change on coastal roads
Leghorn: Area other wise NTR.
(Section 3 ends).
No Sig
ACTION: OPD
INFO : CC/S
CG AAF
G-2
Col Park
Log

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED
DOD DIR. 8400.2 (9/27/68)
Date- DEC 2 9 1971
Signature- AC

CM-IN-10447 (15 Apr 44) 0203Z ejm

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
From: AFHQ
Addressed: British Chiefs of Staff J.S.M., Washington
for U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff
UNITY
HQ MAAP
Force 266
AAT
C IN C MED. NAPLES
Mideast
FAIRBANKS FOR BROWN F31189

MEDCOS 91.

Signed Wilson cite PHICT.

Further to MEDCOS 66 of 11 March para 6,
change over of command takes place with effect from
today's date, 12 April, 1944. Location of HQ Special
Operations, Mediterranean Theater, will be Palazzo
Alberotanze, Mola Di Bari.

T.O.O. 121200

ACTION: CCS
INFO: Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
ADM King
Col Park
C of S

CM-IN-8801 (13 Apr 44) 0228Z amr

As Italy

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/4/44
FROM: CG, Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria

TO: War Department

No. F 29683, NAF 668, 9 April 1944

From G4 Freedom to AGWAR for Combined Chiefs of Staff and USFOR for British Chiefs of Staff info UNITY, London, AAI and FLAMBO cite P.O.G.S. PROCT signed Wilson P29683 TOPSEC 8 April. This is NAF 668.

This is an interim report on your directive in FAN 331 regarding Italian military forces.

1. We are now studying the recommendations of AAI as to the number of effective Italian troops and will submit our recommendations in the near future. The following general classification of troops are included:

   A. Italian units employed by Allies as service troops.
   B. Italian combat division as recommended in NAF 642.
   C. Italian divisions for internal security.
   D. Italian administrative troops.
   E. Italian Navy.
   F. Italian Air Force.

CM-IN-6502 (9 Apr 44)

For Italy

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44

COPY No. 34
In considering the number of effective Italian troops we are proceeding on the assumption that authority will be granted for issue of certain individual and organizational equipment to Italian units employed by Allies as service troops. As stated in paragraph 3 of NAF 642, the issue of certain additional equipment is necessary in order to make these Italian troops effective as service units. Any supplies required in addition to the 4 items authorized in PAN 338 will be issued from British sources for Italian units serving under British commands and from U.S. sources for Italian units serving under U.S. Command. All Italian troops which you may approve as effective will be supplied the 4 items listed in PAN 338 on an international basis. The items to be issued to the proposed Italian combat division depends on your answer to NAF 642.

2. The scale of supply for the items authorized in PAN 338 is being prepared and will be recommended in the near future.

3. We are designating an agency in Italy to be responsible for requirements, issues and record keeping. On all supply matters this agency will operate directly under headquarters AAI although certain liaison functions involving the Italian Government will be handled through the Allied Control Commission. The authority for approval of requirements and issuance of supplies will be fixed at Headquarters AAI with a designated representative of the country of ownership concurring in requirements and issues of subsistence, clothing and medical supplies.

4. The term "Fuel" as used in PAN 338 is interpreted.

(Part 2 follows).

FAN 338 is CM-OUT-10903 (25 Feb 44) CC/3
NAF 642 is CM-INA-7487 (11 Mar 44) CC/3

ACTION: CC/3
INFO: Gen Arnold, OPD, Gen Bissell, Adm. King, Col Park, Log
Gen Whiting
CM-IN-6502

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
34-77784-850-953
April 5, 1944

To: British Chiefs of Staff for action

Wptd: Joint Staff Mission, Washington for U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff
HQ MAAF
C in C Med Naples (MAAF please pass in clear)

From: AFHQ signed Wilson cite FHQCT

No: MEDCOS 84

For information F28176. Subject is plans for future operations in Italy.

Further to MEDCOS 76.

1. General Alexander's plan for future operations in Italy was formulated and announced at a conference on 2nd April. The objects of his offensive are, first to effect a junction between the bridgehead force and Fifth and Eighth Armies and second, to drive the enemy north of Rome following this junction.

2. The offensive will start with simultaneous attacks by Fifth and Eighth Armies on or about Y minus 22. The bridgehead force will be held ready to open attack on or after D plus 4 at 24 hours notice.

3. Tasks of Armies. Eighth Army - to break through the enemy main front into the Liri Valley and advance astride highway 6 on Valmontone. Fifth Army -

   (a) To secure the Ausonia Defile and advance via Esperia to the south of the Liri and Sacco Rivers.

   (b) To break out of the Anzio bridgehead and advance on Valmontone.

CM-IN-4031 (6 Apr 44)
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

Number MDCCOS 84
(5 Apr 44)

Page 2

V Corps - To hold its present front with the bare minimum of troops and to follow up vigorously any withdrawal by the enemy.

4. Air operations are being conducted against enemy lines of communication and supply installations, reaching their peak at about D minus 14 at which time sabotage operations will also be launched against hostile lines of communication by special operations personnel. This latter will be limited in extent because of lack of air lift to implement a full scale program.

5. Regrouping to implement this plan is now underway. The time required for regrouping, and for training preparation and rehearsals by Eighth Army are the governing factors in the selection of D day. The balance of first U.S. Arm Div. will be put into the bridgehead at the latest possible date. No rpt no additional infantry divisions will be put into the bridgehead at present. However, 36th Division will be held in readiness in Fifth Army area to be put into the bridgehead at short notice.

6. The naval implications of the change from the April 15 date to present target date are as follows -

(a) Maintenance of the Anzio bridgehead will be required for an extra month. However, the reserve situation is now reported as very satisfactory and it is considered that the daily tonnage required from now until the offensive starts can be met by liberty ships. This at present involves the use of about 30 LST, but their replacement by "Z" craft and lighter is being pressed forward.

(b) The ability to carry out an amphibious operation in conjunction with the offensive will be drastically reduced if 26 more LST are ordered to proceed to U.K. as foreshadowed in COSMED 73.

(c) By this date also the reduction in numbers of Fleet and hunt destroyers will mean that the support of any such operation will make heavy cuts in existing commitments for which there is little to spare.

CM-IN-4031
(6 Apr 44)
7. The present plan envisages the possible use of LST for landing reinforcements through the Anzio bridgehead during the course of the offensive. This would absorb for a short time all the LST remaining on the station if COSMED 73 is implemented.

8. Given reasonable favorable weather conditions for air operations and for the conduct of the land battle, it is believed that there is better than an even chance of breaching both the Hitler and Gustave lines and effecting a junction between our separated forces by 15th June.

T.O.O. 051930

FOOTNOTE: MEDOS 76 is CM-IN-19614 (28 Mar 44) CC/S.

ACTION: CC/S

INFO: Gen Arnold
OPD
Gen Bissell
Adm King
Col Park
C of S

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library

DECLASSIFIED

SM 52.2-71

Date: DEC 29 1971

Signature: BHP

CM-IN-4031 (6 Apr 44) 1442Z add

DECCLASSIFIED E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4 NLR 101 By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

URGENT

From: Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy—DEC 29 1944
To: War Department

No. 2433 3rd April 1944

Part 4 and last of COSINTNTRIP No 269 orig No 2433
dtg 032100E from AAI.

Patrol attacked area 0513 by 30 men and withdrew
at 00310 hrs 12 enemy A/O believed a engaged raided port
area. FET dump hit. A claims 2 destroyed CP change 3
Dia Casale 0090 casualties 5 Army to 31st March. Bridge-
head 30th March. Main Front.

US killed 5555 wounded 18843 missing 1875 FW 6011
British no change.

French killed 2148 wounded 7917 missing 649
FW 1208
Italian no change.

Allied bridgehead force.

US killed 2093 wounded 7215 missing 4545 FW 2098
British killed 1299 wounded 5807 missing 5489
FW 1361

Section 3.

Air. 1st. Heavy traffic was observed during the day
between 08357 Albano 08843 and Velletri 094. In addition
medium bombers reported 150 to 200 NY moving south at 1045

CM-IN-2267 (4 Apr 44)

3 CO Italy

COPY No. 56

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
WAR DEPARTMENT
CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER

INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy
No. 2433 3rd April 1944
hrs and 50 MT moving west between Q5227 and 6730 at 6015
hrs.
Second. Bompline no change.
Section 3 ends.

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CC/B
       CG AAF
       G-2
       Colonel Park
       LOG

CM-IN-2267 (4 Apr 44) 04032 med

DECLASSIFIED
E.O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/4/94

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN

DECLASSIFIED
PRIORITY

From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers, Algeria
To: War Department
Number P 26095, 2 April 1944

F26095 April 011500A to Troopers information AGWAR from AFWQ signed Wilson site SHUDS.

Administrative Summary number 3 for week ending 1800 hours, 26 March.

1. General Administrative position remains satisfactory with continued build up of reserves in the Allied bridgehead. British and American LST tonnage discharged at bridgehead averaged 5,474 tons per day during past week. 81 MM mortar ammunition still remains in short supply on main 5th Army Front.

2. For Troopers. Have decided to omit details of casualties and POW from our weekly Administrative Summary as confusion has arisen with AGWAR over numbers reported in daily C0GITHMREP not agreeing with those reported in weekly Administrative Summary.

3. For AGWAR. Reference casualties and POW see our F25254 of March 30.

ACTION: OPD
INFO: OOS
CG AAF
G-2
Col Park,
Log

CM-IN-1226 (2 Apr 44) 16412 ms

No Sig.

Franklin D. Roosevelt Library
DECLASSIFIED
DOC DIA 62200.9 (8/27/93)
Date: DEC 29, 1971
Signature: R.W.

COPY No. 54

DECLASSIFIED
E. O. 12356, Sec. 3.3 or Sec. 3.4
NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/13/94

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
**WAR DEPARTMENT**  
**CLASSIFIED MESSAGE CENTER**  

**INCOMING MESSAGE**

**URGENT**

**From:** Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers  
**To:** War Department  
**Date:** DEC 29 1944  
**Signature:** [Signature]

1st April 1944

Fourth and last part of COSIT No 267 signed Vilacon.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Site</th>
<th>PHOM and PHOSBI</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>18806</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1874</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>6009</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Killed</td>
<td>3193</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>14847</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>4573</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>French:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Killed</td>
<td>2121</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>7859</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>648</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FW</td>
<td>1201</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Italian N/C: 5 Army AEF:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>American:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Killed</td>
<td>2070</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>7135</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>4542</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FW</td>
<td>2097</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>British:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Killed</td>
<td>1280</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wounded</td>
<td>5715</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Missing</td>
<td>5485</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

CM-IN-960 (2 Apr 44)

[Signature]

**ITALY**

**COPY No. 56**

THE MAKING OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS MESSAGE IS FORBIDDEN
From: Allied Force Headquarters, Algiers 1st April 1944

British FW no report.
Section 3. Air. 1st. MTR.
2nd. Bombline no change.
(Section 3 ends).

No Sig

ACTION: OPD
INFO: CC/B COAAF G-2 Col. Park Log

CM-IN-960 (2 Apr 44) 0546Z jb