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The Joint Chiefs of Staff

February 23, 1943

COMMANDING GENERAL
U.S. ARMY FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST
ANSME CAIRO EGYPT

Number 3524

Request information as to whether you approve
(for Brereton from the Joint Chiefs of Staff)
and British Concur in OSS Program for Middle East
listed in your ansme 4680 February 15, 1943.

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ORIGINATOR: J/CS (Gen Deane)

INFORMATION: OPD

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From: Madrid
To: Milid

No. 12, January 13, 1943.

Through high Arab sources including Brother Caliph Spanish Morocco Brig Beder who has long maintained closest contact is advised and believes that prior Feb first Rommel will make defensive stand two hundred kilometers east of Tripoli and Axis will launch sudden violent attack Northern Tunisia its limited objective to take advantage our alleged disorganization at same time greatly intensifying submarine activity off Northwest Africa. Same Arab sources criticize our North African administration a

Stephens

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From: Cairo
To: AGWAR

No: AMSME SVC 39 January 8, 1943

Enemy losses during retreat from El Agheila and up to ten hundred hours 2 December two seven herewith revised figures by British: prisoners Italian seven six enlisted men four officers, German two officers one nine six enlisted men. Tanks Mark thirteens twelve. Eleven of these either captured or destroyed (Marshall from Andrews) also destroyed two Mark threes, one Morris three special and one M four special. This paraphrase part one AMSME three five zero nine twenty eight December last year.

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By RHP, NARS Date FEB 20 1973

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OSD letter, May 3, 1972

P R I O R I T Y

By RHP, NARS Date FEB 20 1973

From: Cairo
To: AGWAR

No. AMSME 3751, January 8, 1943.

My thirty five ninety eight was apparently mis-understood. Will clarify with Hull who arrives today, including matter of four antiaircraft regiments. Agree that task of Ninth Air Force should be primarily in support of Eisenhower operations and in present phase, although under strategic direction of Middle East Royal Air Force, practically all air operations of the United States Forces are in support of Eisenhower's operations, either indirectly through attack of Rommel or on Tunisian communications. Not only am I in accord with this present use of the Ninth Air Force but believe that its future operations should be in furtherance of North African Theater Mission. In this present phase however due to air supply and base situations believe Ninth Air Force operations can better be conducted from Middle East boundaries (for Marshall from Andrews citing twenty seven thirty nine) for next phase after Axis is driven out of North Africa, Ninth Air Force can be operational under Eisenhower either by changing boundary as suggested in my radio five nine eight or when conditions permit by physical removal to North African Theater. Difficult to make definite recommendations on this or other matters without knowing Allied strategic plans for the Mediterranean for nineteen forty three. Also not informed of Eisenhower's plans but expect to establish in near future better liaison with his Headquarters.

Chief, European Theater Operations Div. Gen'l Staff.

Andrews

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