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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W388/42503
24 January 1944.
From AFRHQ to Troops AGWAR for OPD No W388/42503
24 1300 Jan.

ORBAT 26 shows position as known at Yje Ikweto hrs

1. (A) AFRHQ 1st Br Arm Division
   2nd Arm Bde
   10 Inf Bde
2nd Br Arm Div
   26th Arm Bde
   1st Gds Bde
   21 Indep Tank Bde
   22 Indep Tank Bde

   Hq 7th U.S. Army
   9th US Division
   350, 351 R.O.T's
   105 US Division

   357, 333, 339 - French formation in
   North Africa 9th French Colonial Division
   4, 16, 13 R.T.A.
   7th Algarian Division
   1st AGD 9 R.T.A.
   4th Zouaves

   1st AGD 9 R.T.A. 4th Zouaves
   1st French Mtn Division 1st, 2nd, and
   4th Bdes.
   1st Moroccan Mtn Division 1st 2nd and
   6th R.T.M.
   1st French Arm Division
   2nd and 5th R.C.A., 2nd Zouaves
   2nd R.C. 2nd French Arm Division

CH-IN-16232 (25 Jan 44)
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Algiers
To: WAR
No. W938/42508

24 January 1944

12 RCA
12 RC
501 R. CHAR
1st R.M. De TOHAD.
5th French Armored Division
1st and 6 R.C.A. 1st RC, and 1 R.M.L.
3rd French Armored Division
4th and 6th RC
4th RCA
1 Zouaves

2. Hq North Africa District
57 (Br) Division
170, 171, 172 Bdes.

3. Hq Allied Central Mediterranean Force

4. Hq No 1 District 40 (Br) Division 119, 120, 121
Bdes. Sabieja Italian Division, 45 and 46 Italian Inf Regiments.

5. Hq No 2 District.

6. Hq No 3 District. (At present with 2 district.

7. Hq 5th (US) Army
1st US Armored Division
1st Armored Regt
6th Armored Inf Regt (Less Det)
45 US Division, 157, 179, 180 Regts.
1 Special Service Force
1st 2nd 3rd Regts
456 Pecht P.A. Bn
1st Italian Mtz Gp
67 Inf Regt

CM-IN-16232 (25 Jan 44)
WAR DEPARTMENT
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From: Algiers
To: WAR
No. W988/42508

24 January 1944

51 Bersaglieri Regt
113 Regt (Mantova Division).
2 S. S. Bde Hq II US Corps- 34 US Division
133, 135, 168 Rcs.
36 US Division
141, 142, 143 Rcs.

Combat Comd B.
13 Arm Div.
Det 6 Arm Inf Regt.

Hq VI US Corps- 3rd US Division
7, 15, 30 Rtr
1 (3rd) Division
2 AFD 3 Inf Bdes
24 Ods Bde.
1st, 3rd, 4th & 504 Prch Rct.
509 Prch Inf Bn.

(End of first part; second part follows.)

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1st part of CM-IN-16121 (25 Jan 44) OPD

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: O-2
CG AAF
CGS (Capt Royal, USN)
WHITE HOUSE
STATISTICS

CM-IN-16232 (25 Jan 44) 0712Z mca
We desire to terminate in the near future the work our Secretariat is doing for the Committee of Combined Boards and the Combined Committee for French North and West African Civil Affairs (C C N A). Through Army Communication facilities and a small staff of military personnel, secretarial services for these committees have been furnished by C C S since their inception. For Eisenhower Freedom Algiers, W A N 207, from the Combined Chiefs of Staff. In view of the President's directive to the Secretary of State, dated 3 June, the responsibility for furnishing such secretarial services appears to rest with the State Department's Office of Foreign Economic Coordination. It seems in order, therefore, to ask the State Department to take over such work.

It is recognized that this move should be made only after collaboration with A F H Q. Probably the most discernable deciding factors are to be found in Algiers. Furthermore, a similar transition may be in order in that theater whereby the U S side of N A E B becomes a civilian activity under an economic area director appointed by the State Department. If possible, a definite date on which the transition should take place together with the change in channels of communication from the War Department to the State Department should be set. What is your recommendation? If a date cannot be set now, what is your best estimate?

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ORIGINATOR: CC/5
INFORMATION: OPD

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By RT, NLR, Date: May 17, 1974

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FROM: COMNAVNAW

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DATE: 21 AUGUST 1943

TOR CODES: 1815/20

DECODED BY: DUMMIT

PARAPHRASED BY: MORRIS

ROUTED BY: VAN GROOS

ASTERISK (*) M A I LGRAM ADDRESSES

COMMCH VICE CNO

COMLANCRBN AW

PRIORITY: RARR

DEFERRED: 

INFORMATION

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16...23...OP-O5...I0...NAVALDE...2OP...CNO...

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(COMNAVNAW ORIGINATES ACTION TO COMINCH VICE CNO INFO COMLANCRBNAW.)

AIR RAID AT BIZERTE NIGHT OF 17TH CONSISTING OF 50 PLANES RESULTED IN SINKING OF LCI(L)2 ENTIRE CREW RESCUED. 8 PLANES DOWNGOING PLUS 3 PROBABLY MINOR DAMAGE PT BASE. ANOTHER AIR RAID NIGHT OF 18TH AT BIZERTE 50 PLANES NO KNOW DAMAGE TO U.S. NAVAL SHIPS. LIPARI ISLANDS CAPTURED BY U.S. NAVAL FORCES.

COMINCH...ACT

16...23...OP-O5...I0...NAVALDE...2OP...CNO...

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NLR 101
By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
FROM COMNAVNAW. ACTION COMINCH.  

BIZERTE AIR RAID NIGHT 6/7 ESTIMATED 30 PLANES. 

12 NAVY ENLISTED PERSONNEL MINOR WOUNDS FROM SHRAPNEL. SOME ITALIAN NIGHT CRUISER SORTIES IN TYRRHENIAN LAST 2 NIGHTS. OUR FORCES ENDEAVORING TO BRING TO ACTION.

Between Italy & Sardinia

Date: 12-23-71

Signature: RAP
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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W 6451/7425 3rd Aug 1943

(To Troopers AGWAR from Freedom no W6451/7425 3rd Jul n1 signed Eisenhower cite FNGCT/130/ORG 3.

AFHQ. HQ 46 (Br) Inf Div, 128 Inf Bde, 138 Inf BDE, 139 Inf Bde.

HQ 5th (US) Army. 1 (US) Tk Gp, HQ VI (US) Corps. HQ 1 (US) Arm Div, 1 Arm Regt, 13 Arm Regt, 6 Arm Inf Regt. HQ 34 (US) Inf Div. 133 RCT. 135 RCT, 138 RCT. HQ 36 (US) Inf Div. 141 RCT. 142 RCT. 143 RCT.

HQ Tunisia Dist. HQ 1 (Br) Inf Div. 2 Inf Bde, 3 Inf Bde. 24 (GD) Bde. HQ 1 Arm Div, 2 Arm Bde, 7 Motor Bde. 1 (GD) Bde.

HQ 5 (Br) Corps. HQ 4 (Br) Mixed Div, 10 Inf Bde, 12 Inf Bde, 21 Tk Bde, HQ 6 (Br) Arm Div, 26 Arm Bde. 25 Tk Bde.

HQ L of C.

HQ 15 Army Gp. Army Gp Tps. HQ 1 (Br) Airborne Div, 1 Para Bde, 2 Para Bde. 4 Para Bde, 1 Airlanding Bde.


II (US) Corps. HQ 1 (US) Inf Div, 16 RCT. 18 RCT

(CCWD 4 Aug 1943)

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From: WAR
To: WAR

No. W 6451/744 3rd Aug 1943

26 RCT. HQ 3 (US) Inf Div, 7 RCT, 15 CT, 30 RCT, 39 RCT, 47 RCT, 60 RCT.


8th Army.

HQ 13 (Br) Corps. 4 Armd Bde. 1(CDN) Tk Bde. HQ 5 (Br) Inf Div, 13 Inf Bde, 15 Inf Bde, 17 Inf Bde. HQ 50 (Br) Inf Div, 69 Inf Bde, 151 Inf Bde, 168 Inf Bde.

HQ 30 (Br) Corps. HQ 51 (Br) Inf Div, 152 Inf Bde, 153 Inf Bde, 154 Inf Bde, HQ 78 (Br) Inf Div, 11 Inf Bde, 36 Inf Bde, 38 Inf Bde. HQ 1 (CDN) Inf Div, 1(CDN) Inf Bde, 2 (CDN) Inf Bde, 3 (CDN) Inf Bde. 23 Armd Bde. 231 Indep. Inf Bde. Cancel ORBAT 8 of 22 July.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen Diane (CCS)
Statistics

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From: Algiers
To: War
No. 782/8489, 15 July 1943.

Amendment 1 to ORBAT 7 dated 11 July. (Troopers, AGWAR signed Eisenhower cite FEBCT from Freedom numbered 782/8489 dated 14th July. Too 150021B Serial 8 adv Eq 3 US Inf Div; 7 RCT; 15 RCT; 30 RCT. Eq 2 US Arm Div; 66 Arm Regt; 67 Arm Regt; 41 Arm Regt. Eq 82 US Airborne Div, 504.

Rif regt, 505.


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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: QPD
            GEN DEANE (CCS)

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18th July 1943
1714Z

From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. 9977/W 4701 12th July 1943

OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: Algiers
To: WAR

Date: 12-23-71

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ORDERS 7 shows posn 11 July 43. Cancel ORBAT 6 of 24th June 43. (Added Troopers AGWAR from Freedom 9977 W 4705 12th July nil) (signed Eisenhower cite
FHHCY) 1 Fifth (US) Army 2 VI (US) Corps HQ 1 (US)
4 Arm Div 1 Arm Regt 13 Arm Regt 6 Arm Inf Regt.
HQ 36 (US) Inf Div 114 RCT 142 (RCT 143 RCT 1 Tg
Op S. Tunisia District. HQ 34 (US) Inf Div 132 RCT
135 RCT 168 RCT. HQ 11 (Br) Inf Div 2 Inf Bde 3 Inf
Bde 24 (Gds Bde 1 Gds Bde. 4. 5 (Br Corps 25 Tk Bde
HQ 4 (Br) Mx Div 10 Inf Bde 12 Inf Bde 21 Tk Bde
HQ 6 (Br) Arm Div 16 (26) Arm Bde. 5. 10 (Br)
Corps HQ 1 (Br) Arm Div 2 Arm Bde 7 Motor Bde HQ 7
Br) Arm Div 22 Arm Bde 131 Inf Bde (lorried).
HQ 56 (Br) Inf dlnvh 167 Inf Bde 169 Inf Bde 8 Arm
Bde 1 French Div 'L' Force 6 L of C 201 Gds Bde
7. 15 Army Gp. Army Gp Tps. HQ 46 (Br) Inf Div 128
Inf Bde 138 Inf Bde 139 Inf Bde 8. Seventh (US) Army
9. 11 (IS) Corps HQ 1 (US) Inf Div 16 RCT 18 RCT 26
RCT HQ 3 (US) Inf Div 15 RCT 30 RCT 7 RCT. HQ 9 (US)
Inf Div 39 RCT 47 RCT 60 RCT HQ 45 (US) Inf Div 187 RCT
179 RCT 180 RCT. HQ 82 (IS) Airborne Div 50. Para
Inf Regt 505 Para Inf Regt 325 Glider Inf Regt. HQ
2 (US) Arm Div 66 Arm Regt 67 Arm Regt 41 Arm Regt
1 (US). Destroyer Co 2 (US) GdK Tk Gp 10. 8th (Br)
Army Army Tps HQ 78 (Br) Div 11 Inf Bde 36 Inf Bde 38
Inf Bde 21 Beach Gp 11. 13 (Br) Corps Corps Troops 4 Arm
Bde HQ 5 (Br) Inf Div 13 Inf Bde 15 Inf Bde 17 Inf Bde
32 Beach Brick 33 Beach Brick HQ 50 (Br) Inf Div 69
Inf Bde 151 Inf Bde 168 Inf Bde 34 Beach Brick HQ 1 (Br)
Airborne Div 1 Para Bde 2 Para Bde 4 Para Bde 1 Air
Landing Bde. 12. 30 (Br) Corps Corps Tps 23 Arm Bde
HQ 1 CDN Inf Div 1 (CDN) Inf Bde 2 (CDN) Inf Bde 3 CDN

CM-IN-84449 (12 Jul 43)

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From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. 9977/W 4705

Inf Bde (1) (CDN) Tk Bde (3) Beach Gp 4 Beach Gp HQ 51
(Br) Inf Div 102 Inf Bde 153 Inf Bde 154 Inf Bde 20 Beach
Gp 13. 231 (Br) Ind Inf Bde Gp 31 Beach Brick.

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Note: ORBAT 6 is CM-IN-15746 (25 Jun 43) G-2

Action: G-2

Information: GFD
Gen. Deane (CC/8)

CM-IN-8449 (12 Jul 43) 1928Z vc
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

FROM: Algiers
TO: War

Number W4445/8959
9 July 1943

927

(from AGWAR for WDGBI Trooper info USFOR HQ
Tunisia Dist 2 Corps Adv NAAF EAC 12 AF MBS ABS
Malta Mid East 5th Army 1st Arm Corps 6th Corps
Force 141 from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite
PRGBI W 4445/8959 9 July

Morning west along North African Coast 1
JU 88 Recce flew and another shot down 1825 Z
33 miles north Algiers. Over Sicilian channel area
during day little activity by twin engined aircraft
and ME 109's. Flying at 30,000 ft JU 88 shot down
into sea off Mateur at 0915 Z. Over Sicilian channel
2 night Recce's, of which 24 ME 109's attacked our
formations 34 to 40 enemy fighters seen by our heavy
and medium bombers on Gerbini Satellites during
morning and afternoon. No enemy aircraft seen by
2 formations B 17's at 1020 Z over numbers 1, 4 and
5 Satellites. Another formation B17 attacked by
20 ME 109's at 1026Z. No enemy aircraft seen by 2
formations medium bombers attacking numbers 6 and 7
Satellites. Details combat unavailable. Foregoing
part 2, Air G-2 report for 24 hours ending 2400Z 8
July.


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Action: G-2
Information: OPD
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

CM-IN-6215 (9 Jul 43)

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R.A. VICTOR reports U-boat on surface and attacked at point-blank range at 061325 in position 36-42 N 01-38 E. U-boat definitely damaged, considered sunk. This is presumed to be U-boat which attacked K.M.S. 18 p.m. 4th.

2. H.M.S. FARNDALE reported U-boat which attacked K.M.S. 18 p.m. 5th July maximum hunt which continued made no further contact.

3. M.T.B.'s sweep were made up coast of Sicily on nights 5th/6th 6th/7th and 7th/8th without results except that M.T.B.'s were attacked by 4 F W 190's p.m. on 5th July. 10 enemy aircraft probably damaged.

4. Situation Report No. 116. DAVIS sank at 051600. Personnel from all ships sunk have been landed.

5. All movements proceeded according to plan.

F.M. C.O.S. 082145
Admiral Plans S.O.(O) Personal
Air Marshal Brigadier Redman (R) S.G.
Gen. Macready N.I. N.M.C.S.
Code Room (2) Lt. Col, Cook C.C.O.R.

Rec'd. P/L from Navy Dept.
From: Algiers
To: War
No. 8321, 7 July 1943

(To AGWAR for WDGC Troopers rptd USFOR Ho Tunisia Dist 2nd Corps Adv NAAF EAC 12 AF MBS ABS Malta Mideast 5th Army 1st Armd Corps 6th Corps Force 141 from Freedom 8321 7th Nil signed Eisenhower cite FGGB1) From Sardinia west along African Coast 1 JU 88 flew morning. Following similar course 1 JU 88 contacted Naval forces about 1700Z off Bougie. No bomber activity reported. With no details medium and heavy bombers attacking aerodromes at Borizzo Gerbini and Biscari met some enemy opposition. Foregoing part 2 Air G-2 report for 24 hrs ending 2400 6th July.

Part 3 Naval. Nothing to report.

Part 1 Land. Nothing to report.

ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: OPD
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

CM-IN-4784 (7 July 43) 1901Z flw
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From: Algiers
To: War

No. 7931, 6 July 1943

Date- 12-23-43
Signature- RAP

Sixty one. Summary of operations 1 to 4 July.
(To Troopers information UKFOR Midest Britian Wash-
ington Arwinda Delhi PAEC Land Forces Melbourne.
Dechief's Pretoria Dechief's Capetown Force Nairobi
from Freedom 7931 5th all signed Eisenhower cite
PHGCT). LINREP).


Para 2. Naval. Our light coastal craft continued
their operations throughout the period. (Action Troopers
pass to HM Ambassador Madrid for US Ambassador Madrid
President Minister Achimota Britmil Ankara for Marshall
Chalkmak Defender Wellington for Puttick) During the night
30 June 1 July offensive sweeps were carried out off the
west coast of Sardinia and off northwestern Sicily. During
the night 2/3 July patrols were carried out off the east
and north west coast of Sicily and on the following night
MGBS operated off Catania. One of our submarines reports
sinking a 2000 ton merchant ship in the Gulf of Genoa.

Para 3. Air. During the period military targets
in Sardinia and Sicily were attacked. In Sardinia the
marshalling yards and railway stations at Cagliari and
Olbia were attacked by formations of Wellingtons with
good results. On 3 July the airstune at Chilivani was
attacked by 39 B17's (Fortresses) while the airdromes of
Alghero Milis and Capoterra were bombed by formations of

(CM-IN-5244 (8 Jul 43))

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B25's (Mittschells) and B26's (Marauders) averaging in excess of 30 aircraft. In Sicily the principal target was Trapani where on 4 July 32 Wellingtons attacked military objectives. Marshalling yards at Palermo and Sciacca were bombed by 30 Wellingtons and 12 B25's respectively while the airdromes at Catania and Gerbini were attacked by 48 B17's and 71 B25's respectively.

Para 4. Political. General Giraud has left for the US for a visit of 10 days which indicates the improvement in the French political and military situation. General Juin who represented the French Army at the 4 of July Ceremony at AFHQ temporarily replaces Giraud in French North and West Africa. French Staff reorganization along American Lines is under way.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
Gen Deane (CCS)

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CM-IN-5244 (8 Jul 43) 1118Z ems

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From: AFGHQ North Africa
To: WAR
No. 8037, 6 July 1943

(6 July to AGWAR for WDGBI Troops USFOR Hq
Tunisia Dist 2 Corps ADV NAAF EAC 12 AF NBS ABS Malta
Mideast 5 Army 1 Arm Corps 6 Corps Force 141 from
G-2 Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FHGBI 8037)

Part 1 Land. Nothing to report.

Part 2 Air. G-2 report for 24 hours ending
2400Z 5 July. Along North African Coast morning 1
Ju 88 flew west from Sardinia and afternoon another.
Shipping off Bougie contacted about 1743Z by 3rd
craft. During night 1 Recce aircraft active over
Sicilian Channel. 1 ME 109 Recce over Bone shot
down at 1355Z and 1 ME 109 Recce over Tunis-Bizerta
destroyed at 1630Z. Bizerta raided between 0100 and
0250Z by approx 100 Aircraft. About 70 aircraft
in main attack at 0215Z. Beaufighters claimed un-
confirmed 1 destroyed and AA 4. Reports of damage
not received. Enemy fighter reaction considerable
and determined to our very heavy bomber operations
over Sicily. With only 2 of our formations attacked,
about 110 German and Italian fighters seen during
attack on Gerbini Satellites. Aerial bombing ex-
perienced. 100 enemy fighters over target in further
attacks on Gerbini landing strips reported with many
combat, 3 B-17's missing and 30 enemy aircraft
claimed destroyed.

CH-IN-1941 (6 July 43)
Part 3. Naval. Torpedoed sunk by enemy submarine was MV in convoy off Cape Tedes at 1341Z.

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ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: CEF
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)

CM IN-4241 (6 July 43) 23462 msh.

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/12/44
The document is a classified message from the War Department, dated 6 July 1943. It contains operational priority and includes the following information:

From: Algiers
To: War W4220
Brit War Office 7933

Date: 12-23-43

6 July 1943

Sitrep 253 (URFOR rptd AGWAR Troopers Mideast 5th Army 1st Army Malta Adv NWAAN Fenton from AFHQ signed Eisenhower cte FHGCT W4220/7933 6th July nil) 5th July.

Part 1. Nil.

Part 2.

1. Naval. During night 4/5 July SS City of Venice and SS Zeeylt while in convoy off Tunis were torpedoed by enemy submarine and subsequently sank. No evidence that destroyers search for submarine was successful. During same night coastal craft from Malta operated off Catania.


3. L of C. Nil.

Part 3 follows.

ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2 CG AAF GEN. DEANE (CC/S)
ADM. KING
CM-IN-3972 (6 July 1943)

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By RT, NARA, Date

COPY No. 51
INCOMING MESSAGE

PRIORITY

No. AV 249 6 July 1943.

(AQWAR TROOPERS HIGH MIDEAST AFHQ 5TH ARMY FROM HQ WAAF ADY AV 249 Begved Bismarck. Cite FOGS 6 July)


7 Wellingsons dropped 11 tons bombs Villacidro Airdrome. Hits in target area.

27 Wellingsons dropped 49 tons bombs Catania. Haze prevented pin pointing, harbour area believed hit.

1 Wellington missing.

Day 5 July. Gerbini main airdrome and Satellites I, 4, 5, 6, 7 attacked by 103 heavies and 136 mediums which dropped 275 tons of bombs. Targets well covered, many fires started, enemy aircraft destroyed on ground. 3 ME 109's, 2 RE 2001's and 30 unidentified enemy aircraft destroyed in combat by bombers and escort. Cost to US 2 B 17's and 1 P 38 destroyed in combat and 2 B 25's by flak, 1 B 17 missing, 11 B 25's damaged by flak. P 40's shot up Licata Radar station and Marsala Radar Station. NATAF, Day 5 July.

36 B 25's dropped 55 tons bombs Comiso airdrome, well covered.

1 B 25 damaged in combat.

20 B 25's dropped 38 tons bombs Biscari airdrome.

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300 N. Africa
No. 249, 6 July 1943.

fires started NA Coastal AF. Night 4/5 July. Normal submarine hunts and convoy escorts, (end of section 1 section 2 follows.)

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION:
G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)
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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

From: AF HQ North Africa
To: War

No. 7652/W4158 5th July 1943

(Date: 12-23-43
Signature: RHA)

(From AFHQ signed Eisenhower cite FFGCT action USFOR rptd AOWAR Troopers Mideast 5th Army Malta Adv NWAFF FANTO for information 7652/W4158 5 July nil).

SITREP 254, 4 July, parts 1 and 2 SITREPS 251, 252, 253 not issued.

Part 1, nil.

Part 2, Para 1. Naval.
During night 30 June/1 July our coastal craft operated off West coast of Sardinia and Northeast coast of Sicily. On night 2/3 July coastal craft operated off Augusta and Castellammare (Sicily) and during night 3/4 July off Catanina. One of our submarines reports sinking 2,000 ton merchant ship in Gulf of Genoa.

Para 2. Movements completed. Thirty-nine RCT (9th Inf Div) arrived Bizerta Area from Oran Area.


ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, GEN. DEANE (CCS), ADM. KING

CM-IN-3417 (5 July 43) 205S7 mjc

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By RT, NARA, Date 4/1/49
From: Algiers
To: War

No. 7651/W4157 5th July 1943

(Troopers information AGWAR USFOR from AFHQ signed Eisenhower cite FEBCT 7651/W4157 5 July nil).

17th weekly summary. Summary of operations 28 June to 4 July.

1. Ground, nothing to report.

2. Location statement and movements:
   Thirtieth June 4 Div arrived Bougie from Tunisia and 51 Inf Div arrived Sousse from Bougie. Fourth July 39 RCT arrived Bizerta from Oran area.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
SGS
GEN DEANE (CCS)
CM-IN-3539 (6 Jul 43) 0254Z mcs

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Signature - 

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From: Algiers
To: USFOR No #
     Oran No #
     War W- 4177/771

5th July 1943

Will advise our acceptance of British tonnage
desired shipped direct USA this theater in British ships
accompanying UGS convoy 6 action AGWAR for Grens repeat
USFOR for Ross pass to Troopers information CG 906
MATOUSA cite FMDS 550E signed Eisenhower. Reused July
3rd cite SPTOC 237 and 1312 June 27th cite SPTOC 274
and onward W-3859 cite FMDS 551P. British here desire
their supplies come British ships accompanying UGS
convoys loaded and consigned to British ports.

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1212 is CM-OUT-11329 (27 June 43) ASF TRANS
W3859 in CM-IN-402 (1 Jul 43) ASF

ACTION: ASF

INFORMATION: OPD
GEN DEANE (CCS)

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From: C. in C. Mediterranean

Addressed: Admiralty

NAVAL MESSAGE

T.O.O. 042214

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Received: 5th July 43

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SITUATION REPORT No. 115

1. French tanker LOT in Convoy UGS 10 was sunk by U-Boat torpedo 1851/22 June in position 24° 00' N 43° 20' W. 23 casualties.

2. During the night 30th June/1st July coastal craft were on offensive sweep off Cape St. Vito and anti-

E-Boat sweep East of Cape Bon. P.T. Boats from Bone operated off West Coast of Sardinia.

3. During the night 2nd July/3rd July coastal craft from Bizerta operated off Castellamare and those from Malta off Port Augusta.

4. M.G.B.'s from Malta carried out patrol off Catania during night 3rd July/4th July.

5. H.M.S. UNSPARING reports at 0616/24 off Cape D'Antibes attacked 3000 ton Merchant vessel at long range. Result unobserved one possible hit.


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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Algiers
To: WAR

No. W 4044/7113, 3 July 1943

Date: 12-23-43

Operational Priority

TO AGWAR for WDGBI Troopers USFOR, HQ Tunisian Dist 2nd Corps Adv NAAF HAC 12th AF MBS ABS Malta, Middle East, 5th Army, 1st Arm Corp, 6th Corps, Force 141 from Freedom signed Eisenhower cite FGGBI W 4044/7113


2. Air. G-2 report for 24 hrs ending 2400z 2 July. Afternoon and early evening 3 Recon aircraft over Sicilian Straits. Apparently on shipping search 2 Recons covered similar area night Early evening single engine fighters from Sardinia approached North African coast. Early morning MS 109's from Sicily patrolled Sicilian Straits and also reported in Pantelleria area. No bomber activity reported. Enemy fighter reaction to attacks by B-25's escort by P-40's on Sciana aerodromes fairly heavy. With results combat unknown at least 30 MS 109's and FW 190's encountered over Straits of Messina early evening enemy fighters also met other aircraft. During day intermittent patrolling carried out South of Sardinia.

3. Naval. Genoa. Littorio class battleship left drydock between 27 June and 2 July and went to Spezia. Arrived from Spezia and in drydock is 1 Littorio class battleship. Spezia. Arrived between 29 June and 2 July from Genoa 1 Littorio class battleship and 1 Littorio class battleship departed for Genoa where now in drydock.

ACTION: G-2

INFORMATION: OPD, CG AAF, GEN DEANE (CCS)

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INCOMING MESSAGE

From: 13th Air Force Algiers
To: War
Number 5984 2 July 1943


Ref Mideast CX/263 and Troopers 95165 herewith repeat of our LINREP 59 parts 1 and 2. LINREP 59.


2. Naval. HM Destroyer Wilton reports carrying out a promising attack on a submarine in the Western Mediterranean on 21st June. During night 21st/22nd and 22nd/23rd June coastal craft from Malta and Bizerta operated off the south coast of Sicily. Two nights later similar craft carried out the sweep between Marsala and Mazzara. On night 25th/26th June an MGB was mined off Marsala. There were some casualties and the craft was sunk by our own forces. In an attack made on 1 of our convoys on 26th June by a large number of fighter bombers, 2 aircraft were shot down by our Naval escorts. No reports of damage to the convoy have so far been reported. Our submarines report several successes. One sank a 3,000 ton vessel off Augusta (Sicily) on 14th June, while a second sank a
250 ton schooner and fired 4 torpedoes at a 5,000 ton vessel in Messina channel on 22nd June. Results of this latter attack were unobserved owing to accurate counter attack made by the destructor escort. Same submarine claims a 3,000 ton vessel believed sunk in same area following day. A Polish submarine reports sinking a 4,000 ton vessel north of Messina on 17th June.

3. Air. During the period heavy attacks have been made on railway communications and on other military targets in Italy, Sicily and Sardinia. On the Italian mainland, Barri (northeast of Brindisi) was raided by 22 Wellingtons during night 25th/26th June, when 40 tons of bombs were dropped to good effect. (Second part follows) The following night thirty Wellingtons attacked Marshalling Yards at Naples (SVC 5485 from Freedom second and last part). Marshalling Yards were also attacked in Sicily and Sardinia. In the former, 10 Wellingtons dropped 20 tons of bombs on railway junctions and on nearby industrial areas at Catania during night 23/24 June. The following night a further 19 Wellingtons raided similar targets in Olbia. Heaviest attack of the period was made on 26 June on Messina, when a total of 135 B-17 Fortresses raided the harbour and communication centres. Great damage was done. In Sardinia 40 B26 Marauders dropped 40 tons of bombs on 24 June on railway junctions at Chilivani, while the same day 36 B25 Mitchells attacked the harbour at Colfo Aranci. During this raid 2 merchantmen were hit, 1 of which was set on fire, and harbour installations were damaged. Among other operations, Beaufighters intercepted enemy aircraft attacking our convoy off Cap Bon on 27th June, and shot down 6 without loss.

4. Political. Since the compromise solution of the question of French High Command, the situation has settled considerably. The permanent War Committee has not yet met formally, but preliminary informal conversations have been held and a general disposition is noted to settle specific problems in a spirit of cooperation. The question of restoration of Army cadres remains difficult. The Committee for national liberation has examined the problem of finding a successor for Governor Boisson of French West Africa, who appears to
have maintained his decision to resign. It is said that he will nevertheless continue in office until such time as a successor has been designated.

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ACTION: OPD

INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, GEN DEANE(CC/S) LOG

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USFOR xptd AFWAR (W 391) TROOPERS Mideast 5th Army
1st Army Malta Adv NWAFF Pantex5587 1st July Mil)

1. Naval.
During night 26-27 June coastal craft from Bizerte
carried out patrol off Southwest Sardinia. On 27 June
our tanker Abbeville was torpedoed 60 miles West of
Algiers. Ship was taken in tow but arrived Algiers
using own engines. No evidence that subsequent hunt
for submarine was successful. During night 27-28
June coastal craft from Malta patrolled off South
cost of Sicily and from Bizerte off Castelammare
(North West Sardinia). MTBS were again off Castelammare
night 28-29 June. During night 29-30 June MTBS from
Malta on patrol off East coast of Sicily attacked the
village of Marina Davula. Only ineffective rifle fire
encountered.

2. Movements completed.
4 div arrived at Bougie from Tunisia. 51st Inf
Div arrived at Soumela from Bougie.

3. L of C.
Bone was raided by approximately 40 enemy aircraft
during night 29-30 June. 8 bombs were reported. 1 sold-
ier injured sight interruption of telephone communications.
3 enemy aircraft were destroyed by night fighters. (Part
3 follows.)

NOTE: Corrected copy of CM-IN-792 (2 Jul 43) OFD.
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INFORMATION: G-2, CG AAF, Gen Deane (CCS), AAF King.
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OPERATIONAL REPORT NO. 3 (9/27/43)

From: Algiers
To: War
No: W 3885/6455 1st July 1943

(WDGBI) Troopers USFOR HQ Tunisian Dist 2nd Corps Adv NAAF EAC 12th AF MBS ABS Malta Mideast


2. Air. G-2 report for 24 hours ending 2400Z 30 June. From Sardinia 1 Ju 88 on recce of Algerian coast contacted shipping at about 1800Z off Djidjelli. Sicilian channel patrolled early morning by 1 heavy fighter. At about 2200Z 1 night recce in Sicilian channel area apparently less active than normal were ME 109s. Off Kelibia early morning 1 aircraft contacted shipping. No bomber activity reported. Reaction to our attacks on targets in Western Sicily very slight. Our bombers attacked at 2335Z 29th June by 9 to 12 enemy fighters over Siclaca. At Milo Bocca Di Falco and Bo Rasso aerodromes few very brief encounters took place.

3. Naval. Arrived Spezia between 27 and 29 June 3.3 inch Regolo class cruiser which left Taranto between 25 and 26 June. Moved from Marsala jetty to protected anchorage near outer breakwater was damaged Littorio class battleship.

ACTION: G-2
INFORMATION: OPD, CGAAF, Gen Deane (CCS)

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5th Army, No.
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Malta, No.
12th AF, No.

1 July, 1943

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To USFOR rptd AGWAR (W 391) Troopers Mideast 5th Army
1st Army Malta Adv 1st July nil. Sitrep 250, 30
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Part 1, nil.

Part 2. Naval. During night 26 27 June
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taken in tow but arrived Algiers using own engines.
No evidence that subsequent hunt for submarine was
successful. During night 27 28 June coastal craft
from Malta patrolled off South coast of Sicily and
from Bizerte off Castellamare (North West Sardinia).
MTBS were again off Castellamare night 28 29 June.
During night 29 30 June MTBS from Malta on patrol.

CM-IN-792 (2 Jul 43)
INCOMING MESSAGE

From: Algiers
To: WAR, Nr. W 391

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L of C, Bone was raided by approximately 40 enemy aircraft during night 29-30 June. 8 bombs were reported. 1 soldier injured slight interruption of telephone communications. Enemy aircraft were destroyed. (part 3 follows) by night fighters.

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Action: OED

Information: G-2
CG AAF
Gen. Deane (CC/S)
Adm. King

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