CONCERNING PRISONERS IN SICILY FOLLOWING IS PARAPHRASE OF MESSAGE RECEIVED. (TO AGWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF AND TO USFOR INFORMATION BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FHMG S HAT 23).

PRISON INSTITUTIONS HAVE BEEN INSPECTED INCLUDING ALL LARGE PRISONS. A HIGHER STANDARD THAN HAD BEEN EXPECTED WAS FOUND. SANITATION GENERALLY WAS NOT OF HIGH STANDARD BUT IMPROVEMENTS ARE BEING MADE IN THOSE PRISONS STILL OPEN. PRISONS ARE BEING CLOSED IF OF NO REAL SERVICE. FOOD STANDARD WITHIN PRISONS WAS LOW BUT WILL BE IMPROVED. PRISON GUARDS ARE GENERALLY OF POOR QUALITY BUT SOME OF THE SUPERIOR OFFICIALS ARE IMPROVING UNDER SUPERVISION AND IN VIEW
OF INTEREST TAKEN BY AMG. CONSIDERABLE AND CONSTANT
SUPERVISION WILL BE NECESSARY AND CONSIDERABLE CHANGES
IN RANKINGS OF PRESENT PRISON OFFICIALS WILL HAVE TO
BE MADE. REPAIRS ARE PROCEEDING TO WAR DAMAGE AT
PALERMO PRISON BUT OTHER WAR DAMAGE TO PRISONS WAS
NOT EXCESSIVE. TREATMENT OF PRISONERS HAS BEEN FAIR
EXCEPT AT IFAVIGNANA AND INTERNEES PRISON AT ISOLA
DI'JUSTICA. BOTH LATTER PLACES NOW CLOSED AND PRE-
VIOUS HISTORY A SUBJECT OF INQUIRY WITH VIEW TO DIS-
CIPLINARY ACTION. WITH REGARD TO ADOLESCENT INSTI-
TUTIONS THESE GENERALLY GIVE GOOD IMPRESSIONS BUT CAN
BE IMPROVED.

NO SIG.

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From: Algiers
To: WAR
NR: 56
5 September 43

(COSINTREP No. 56 Part 2 COSINTREP from C in C Med).

1. A commando force was landed at Bagnara at 0430 4th September without opposition.

2. The ferry service of landing craft across the straits of Messina continued on 4th September ahead of schedule for the build up of operation Baytown.

3. During the night 4th September/5th September destroyers carried out patrol off the Calabrian coast covering the operation.

5. The 1st convoy of 1 N/T ship and 3 coasters is expected to enter Reggio at 2030 5th September.

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ACTION: OPD
INFORMATION: G-2
CG AAF
WHITE HOUSE
GEN. DEANE (CC/S)
ADM. KING

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Situation Report 169. Part I.

1. During the night 1st Sept/2nd Sept, H.M.S. OFFA LOYAL and O.R.P. PIGRUN operated Southeast of Straits of Messina, and coastal forces operated off Vibo Valentia. No incidents reported.

2. H.M.S. WARSPITE and VALIANT carried out bombardment of targets in Cape Dell Armi area at 1000 Sept. 2nd.

3. Air attack by about 9 aircraft at both Catania and Augusta afternoon 2nd Sept. No casualties or damage at either place.

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Parts 2 & 3 of above distributed as 031919.

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Number RF/166, September 2, 1943

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012158B begins.

From 15 Army Group TOO 012100 to COSINTREP addres­sees. Number 1049 most secret. COSINTREP nbr 54 to 1600B hrs 1st September. Part I begins.

Section 1. Intelligence. Nothing to report.

Section 2. Ground Operations. The following are locations of 8 Army Units as of 1800 hours 30th August 43.

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ACTION: OPD

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CG AAF
General Deane (CCS)
Admiral King

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY

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To: WAR

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No 52 Part 2.

1. HMS Nelson and Rodney bombarded coast
defence batteries North East of Reggio 1000 31st
August. Spotting aircraft reported targets well
covered and at least one gun knocked out. Good fires
apparently from ammunition explosion in one fortifi-
cation. Battleships, cruiser and destroyers also
engaged batteries in Cape Pallaro area which offered
ineffective opposition. Signed Eisenhower cite PHGCT.

2. Operation by Coastal forces off Vibo
Valentia and Calabrian coast were continued during
night 31st August/1st September. No incidents re-
ported. Part 2 follows.

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

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1. HMS NELSON AND RODNEY CARRIED OUT SUCCESSFUL BOMBARDMENT OF 2 COAST DEFENCE BATTERIES NORTH EAST OF REGGIO AT 1000/31. SPOTTING AIRCRAFT REPORTED BOTH TARGETS WELL COVERED AND AT LEAST 1 GUN KNOCKED OUT. GOOD FIRES WERE OBSERVED APPARENTLY FROM AMMUNITION EXPLOSION IN 1 FORTIFICATION.

BATTLESHIPS, ORION AND DESTROYERS ALSO ENGAGED BATTERIES IN CAPEPELLARO AREA WHICH OFFERED INEFFECTIVE OPPOSITION.

2. COASTAL FORCES CONTINUED OPERATIONS OFF VIBO
VALENTIA AND CALABRIAN COAST DURING NIGHT 31
AUGUST/1ST SEPTEMBER. NO INCIDENTS REPORTED.
3. 2 FIGHTER BOMBER ATTACKS ON AUGUST 30TH AUGUST
AT 0655 AND 0855. NO DAMAGE OF CASUALTIES DESPITE
NEAR MISSES ON LANDING CRAFT. 1 LST ATTACKED AT
SEA BY AIRCRAFT RETURNING TO BASE.

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