

ANNEX NUMBER ONE * * * * *

Operations Instructions

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OPERATION ORDER }
NUMBER 4 }

Headquarters
Allied Armies In Italy
28 November 1944

INFORMATION.

1. The enemy continues to contest every inch of the ground and although he could shorten his front considerably by withdrawing his left flank to the VALLI DI COMACCHIO, he shows no signs of doing so except under heavy pressure, much less of carrying out any general withdrawal voluntarily, though plans and preparations for such action have probably been completed.

2. It is appreciated that the enemy will continue to carry out a fighting withdrawal with his left wing until he has been forced back to the position he has selected as his main line of defense connecting his present positions southeast of BOLOGNA and the VALLI DI COMACCHIO; that thereafter he will give battle with all his available resources in the hope that he will be able to wear down our offensive in those positions and so retain his hold on BOLOGNA.

3. As regards our own troops Eighth Army have sufficient resources to continue offensive operations for another 3-4 weeks according to the intensity of the fighting. Fifth Army will be ready to resume the offensive after 7 December but their offensive capabilities will be limited to about 15 days intensive fighting.

INTENTION.

4. To afford the greatest possible support to the Allied winter offensives on the western and eastern fronts by bringing the enemy to battle, thereby compelling him to employ in ITALY manpower and resources which might otherwise be available for use on the other fronts.

METHOD.

5. Eighth Army will:
- a. Continue their present operations to drive the enemy west of the SAN-TERNO, and secure bridgeheads over that river; and thereafter
 - b. Develop their main thrust on the general axis IMOLA—BUDRIO;

with a subsidiary thrust on FERRARA by ARGENTA, if the condition of the ground on that axis is found favourable.

The date on which operations westwards from the SANTERNO are to begin will be left to the discretion of Commander Eighth Army. HQ, A.A.I., and Fifth Army will be given as much notice as practicable of the date selected.

6. Fifth Army will:

a. Develop operations on their right flank to assist Eighth Army's advance to the SANTERNO and subsequent thrust on BUDRIO. Detailed arrangements for these operations will be made by direct liaison between Eighth Army and 13 Corps, Fifth Army being kept fully informed.

b. Plan and prepare their main thrust on BOLOGNA by the axis of Route 65. This operation to be ready to be launched on order of C-in-C A.A.I. at three days notice from 7 December 1944.

7. Conditions for attack.

In view of the limited offensive capabilities of both armies it is particularly important that all attacks are launched under the most favourable conditions possible at this time of the year. Full account will therefore be taken of the condition of the ground and the weather, and no attacks will be launched unless the ground and weather conditions are favourable.

8. Air Support.

Fifth and Eighth Armies will continue to be supported by XXII TAC and DAF respectively as heretofore. In addition CG MATAF has agreed to arrange additional support by medium bombers, and if necessary heavy bombers as well, when the armies are actually attacking and the targets are suitable. Armies will continue to submit their requests for air support of all natures to their respective supporting Air Force, and will also notify HQ A.A.I. of any special requests. In case of conflicting requirements priorities will be decided by C-in-C A.A.I.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

9. The instructions contained in this order involve no change in existing administrative arrangements.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

10. HQ A.A.I. will remain in its present location until the new 15 Army Group HQ has been formed and is in a position to undertake the day to day conduct of the battle.

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Lieutenant General
Chief of General Staff

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
29 November 1944

1. Since the beginning of the operations of Allied Armies in Italy, the mission has been to destroy the enemy forces in this theater. That mission remains unchanged, but in addition, it is imperative at this time that operations be executed immediately to engage the enemy forces to prevent the withdrawal of any part of these forces to strengthen the German defenses against the major Allied offensives on both the Western and Eastern fronts in Europe.

2. Eighth Army continues its attack generally NW along Route 9. If weather conditions are reasonably favorable, it is estimated that it will reach the SANTERNO River about 7 December.

3. On or about 7 December, exact date to be determined by the advance of Eighth Army and predicted weather conditions, Eighth Army and Fifth Army will launch a major offensive to capture BOLOGNA.

4. Fifth Army operations will be divided into phases as follows:

a. Phase I — Objectives.

Phase line and boundary, see overlay.

b. Phase II.

See overlay for direction of principal efforts of Corps. Phase lines and objectives later.

c. Phase III.

The objective of this phase will be the capture of BOLOGNA. Details of execution will be issued later.

5. 13 Corps will:

a. Assist the advance of Eighth Army as follows:

1) As soon as possible launch an attack astride the CASTEL DEL RIO—IMOLA Road directed on IMOLA.

2) After the attack on IMOLA has been launched be prepared on Army orders to launch an attack generally astride the S. CLEMENTE—CASTEL S. PIETRO road directed on CASTEL S. PIETRO.

b. Capture objectives shown on overlay.

c. Maintain close contact with Eighth Army. Direct communication between 13 Corps and Eighth Army is authorized.

d. Protect right flank of Fifth Army.

6. II Corps will:

a. Capture objectives shown on overlay.

b. Initially hold 85th Division in reserve.

c. Hold one infantry regiment 88th Div in reserve; not to be employed unless released by this Headquarters.

d. Maintain contact with 13 Corps.

7. IV Corps will:

a. Capture objectives shown on overlay.

b. Maintain contact with II Corps.

8. 92d Division (less one RCT) will:

a. Maintain pressure against enemy forces in its sector.

b. Maintain contact with IV Corps.

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Headquarters Fifth Army
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Traversa, Italy
23 December 1944

1. Mission.

a. IV Corps will:

- 1) Hold present positions at all costs.
- 2) Intensify patrolling and make maximum improvement of existing defensive positions.
- 3) Prepare plans for employment of 339th RCT:
 - a) To protect the flank and rear of 6 S A Armd Div.
 - b) To defend the CUTIGLIANO (L 4006) Valley. Necessary reconnaissance will be completed and plans submitted to this Headquarters.
- 4) Aggressively execute present plans for attack as prescribed in O.I. No. 36, Headquarters, Fifth Army, dated 29 November 1944.

b. 92d Inf Div will:

- 1) Hold present positions at all costs.
- 2) Intensify patrolling and make maximum improvement of existing defensive positions.
- 3) Prepare plans for employment of 337th RCT and 8 Ind Div (-):
 - a) To repulse any enemy attack in the SERCHIO RIVER valley.
 - b) To repulse any enemy attack in coastal sector. Necessary reconnaissance will be completed and plans submitted to this Headquarters.
- 4) Aggressively execute present plans for attack as prescribed in O.I. No. 36, Headquarters, Fifth Army, dated 29 November 1944.

2. Command.

- a. On completion of movement in accordance with verbal instructions of the Commanding General, Fifth Army, units will be commanded as follows:
339th RCT detached 85th Inf Div and attached IV Corps.

337th RCT detached 85th Inf Div and attached 92d Inf Div.
8 Ind Div (less 1 Brigade Group) under operational control CG, 92d
Inf Div.

Reinforcing transportation will be returned to parent units upon completion of movements.

b. No units listed in *2a* above, will be committed without the personal approval of the Army Commander.

c. Commanding General, 92d Inf Div retains command of the present sector.

d. It is expected that the 337th RCT and 339th RCT will be available for operations with the 85th Div as contemplated in O.I. No. 36, Headquarters, Fifth Army, dated 29 November 1944.

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Headquarters Fifth Army
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Traversa, Italy
28 December 1944

1. The enemy situation on the Fifth Army front has necessitated changes in the dispositions of our troops and a further postponement of planned operations pending clarification of the situation on the west flank.

2. The Army will maintain present dispositions prepared to carry out the previously planned attack on (9) nine days' notice. To accomplish this, it is directed that:

- a. 13 Corps will:
 - 1) Continue present mission to assist the advance of Eighth Army; plans to be coordinated directly with Eighth Army.
 - 2) Prepare plans to release the remainder of the 8th Indian Division [17 Ind Bde and affiliated divisional artillery] as soon as the situation permits for use with division in holding role if required by the subsequent situation.
 - 3) Be prepared to resume the attack on (9) nine days' notice.
- b. II Corps will:
 - 1) Hold present positions.
 - 2) Hold major portion of one division in Corps reserve if this can be accomplished without jeopardizing plans for the offensive.
 - 3) In view of changes in our own and enemy troop dispositions reconsider plans for the offensive to insure best use of available means.
 - 4) Be prepared to resume the attack on (9) nine days' notice.
- c. 6 South African Armoured Division will:
 - 1) Hold present positions.
 - 2) Be prepared to resume the attack on (9) nine days' notice.
- d. IV Corps will:
 - 1) Protect the theater supply base in the LEGHORN area at all costs.

- 2) Prevent enemy interference with the vital LEGHORN—LUCCA—PISTOIA supply route.
 - 3) Hold the enemy north of the general line VIAREGGIO (U 9884)—BORGO A MOZZANO (Q 2494)—SAN MARCELLO PISTOIESE (L 4301).
 - 4) Prepare plans for offensive action to clear the SERCHIO Valley to CASTELNUOVO (L 1508), and to clear the coastal area as far north as LA SPEZIA (P 6510).
- e. 1st Armd Division (-) will:
- 1) Remain in Army reserve, to be employed only on Army order.
 - 2) Prepare plans for offensive action in accordance with instructions to be issued by Commanding General, IV Corps.

3. Aggressive patrolling on all fronts will be initiated at once. It is especially important at this time that identifications and early warning of enemy activity be obtained. Commanders will therefore insist that prisoners are taken daily.

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION
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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
5 January 1945

1. Fifth Army regroups in preparations for future operations.
2. Missions.
 - a. IV Corps will:
 - 1) Move 135th RCT from present location to vicinity LOIANO (L 8623) commencing 051200A January. Effective upon arrival, unit is detached IV Corps and reverts to 34th Infantry Division control.
 - 2) Relieve 8th Indian Infantry Division (-17 Indian Brigade), upon arrival of 365th RCT (see par. 2b(1)). When relief is completed assemble 8th Indian Division (-17 Indian Brigade) in suitable rest area vicinity LUCCA (Q 1978)—PISA (Q 0966).
 - 3) Hold 85th Infantry Division in present locations for time being. Employment probable in near future pending decision from 15th Army Group.
 - 4) Move 86th Mountain Infantry Regiment from QUERCIANELLA (Q 0637) to IV Corps area at once. Unit attached IV Corps effective 051200A January. Commence relieving TF 45 morning 8 January.
 - b. II Corps will:
 - 1) Move 365th RCT, commencing morning 6 January, from present location to IV Corps area (vicinity LUCCA Q 1978). Effective upon arrival, unit detached II Corps and reverts to 92d Infantry Division control.
 - c. 1st Armd Division (13th Tk Bn and 68th Armd FA Bn) remain in present location.

3. The 3d Bn, 370th Infantry Regiment, will be returned to parent unit control by Army orders as soon as practicable.
4. 13 Corps and 6 South African Armoured Division will continue present plans for reorganization and local reliefs.
5. Further instructions pending decision 15th Army Group.

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION
NUMBER 2

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
9 January 1945

1. The decision has been made to postpone the resumption of a large scale offensive by 15th Army Group, until a date to be announced later.
2. Factors which influence this postponement of the offensive are:
 - a. The expected arrival of fresh units: British, U. S. and Italian.
 - b. The build up of necessary ammunition reserves.
 - c. The difficulty in predicting weather conditions during the winter season.
 - d. The necessity for regrouping and resting divisions for an all-out attack.
3. Fifth Army will at once assume an active defense of the present front with minimum forces in order to rest and train in preparation for a resumption of large scale offensive operations on or about 1 April, or as directed by the 15th Army Group. However, the Army must be prepared at any time during this period to regroup at short notice, should the enemy situation so dictate, and pass to offensive operations.
4. In order that all troops of Fifth Army be given the maximum time for rest and preparation for an offensive, it is directed that:
 - a. II Corps:
 - 1) Hold present front with three divisions in line and one in reserve.
 - 2) Be prepared to receive one additional division on or about 1 March for employment in the M. GRANDE sector, and a second division on or about 15 March. Revert one division to Army reserve on each of the above dates.
 - 3) Plan limited objective attacks in each division sector to improve positions, with particular attention to M. GRANDE, which must be held at all costs.
 - b. 6 South African Armoured Division:
 - 1) Hold present front.

2) Be prepared to revert to Army reserve vicinity LUCCA on or about 1 March.

c. IV Corps:

1) Hold present front with BEF, the equivalent of one RCT and the 92d Division.

2) Plan and be prepared to launch limited objective attack with troops now available in order to improve positions, particularly in the 92d Division sector. In addition to the troops for these attacks, certain troops held in Army reserve will be made available for specific operations to be prescribed by Army in the Brazilian sector of the line.

3) 8th Indian Division revert to Army reserve on arrival in rest area vicinity PISA. On completion of 30 day rest period, this division will be available for employment on Army order.

d. 1st Armored Division: Continue in Army reserve prepared to relieve 6 South African Armoured Division in present sector on or about 21 February.

5. *a.* Plans required by pars. 4*a* 3) and 4*c* 2) above, including ammunition requirements, are to be submitted to this Headquarters for approval prior to 20 January 1945.

b. The present front line will be held, and any portion thereof lost as the result of enemy offensive action will be restored instantly by strong counterattack.

c. Reliefs within divisions will be arranged as Corps Commanders desire. However, interchange of complete divisions will be made only on the approval of this Headquarters.

d. Owing to the difficulties of the terrain and the time required for reliefs, divisions should maintain their positions in the line a minimum of 4 weeks, and longer periods can be accepted, provided there is sufficient rotation within the divisions.

e. In any event, the effectiveness of the army defenses must not be jeopardized by too frequent reliefs of major units.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
APO 464 US ARMY

22 January 1945

SUBJECT: Training.

TO: Corps and Division Commanders.

1. The training mission of the Fifth Army during the current period is the thorough preparation for an all-out offensive operation by 1 April 1945. Throughout the period concurrently with training a constant state of readiness for combat will be maintained.

2. The aim of this headquarters at this time is to allocate to each unit of the Army a period of four weeks during which it will be out of the line. This period will be primarily one of intensive training for offensive combat. Of this entire period not more than a total of one week may be devoted by any one unit to rest, rehabilitation and assimilation of replacements.

3. Training will be planned, conducted and supervised by division and separate unit commanders. All training will be conducted and actively supervised by officers.

4. Training throughout will be objective with the end the attainment of the highest standards of discipline, physical conditioning, use of weapons and the technique of combat with emphasis on small unit action.

a. The development of leadership in all echelons will be stressed.

b. Individual initiative in all ranks will be encouraged; to foster this, superiors must be tactful in their correction of honest mistakes.

c. Lessons learned in recent combat will be applied and training will be designed to prevent any repetition of past mistakes.

d. A proportionate part of the time available will be devoted to training in night operations.

e. Short daily periods of close order drill conducted by officers will be held.

f. Throughout the entire period the highest standards of dress, deportment and conduct will be observed.

g. All training will be participated in by every officer and man present for duty.

5. Divisions in the line will carry out training in conjunction with operations. Such training will be scheduled and planned so as not to jeopardize operational missions. Emphasis will be placed on commissioned and noncommissioned officer schools, weapons training and other special training that combat conditions permit.

6. Corps Commanders, within the scope of their office and in addition to their operational duties, will supervise training and will assist by contributing their knowledge and experience and by making available personnel and facilities under their immediate control.

7. This headquarters may be called upon for whatever assistance may be needed or for any facilities which may be required and are not available to units.

By command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:

EDWARD J. McALLISTER
1st Lieutenant, A.G.D.
Assistant Adjutant General

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION }
NUMBER 3 }

Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
26 January 1945

1. In order to deceive the enemy and to instill nervousness into his mind as to our future offensive intentions in an effort to prevent him from withdrawing units from the front, the following measures will be taken in coordination with letter, this headquarters, dated 22 January 1945, Subject "Training":

a. Units in line will be as aggressive as possible by active patrolling, raiding, and similar measures. Attention is directed to paragraph 3, Operations Instruction No. 38, this headquarters, dated 28 December 1944, which requires frequent raids to take prisoners for identification purposes. It is essential that the taking of prisoners be continued in connection with the aggressive action prescribed herein.

b. Troops will be informed that the offensive is only called off temporarily and will be resumed at an early date.

c. There will be no decrease in radio activity in forward areas. ASC will continue radio activity over its network in conformity with this plan insofar as operational and rest conditions permit. Units out of the line will operate radio networks for training in accordance with radio activity charts published from this headquarters.

d. Leave periods for individuals will be allotted to units both in and out of the line insofar as possible in such a manner as not to provide evidence that certain units are resting.

e. Units will be rotated in and out of the line so as to provide rest or training periods as nearly equal as practicable.

f. Unit command post and directional signs which have already been displayed in forward areas will be left in place when units are relieved from the line for at least two weeks.

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See letter attached to R-8723-A*

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OPERATIONS INSTRUCTION

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
16 February 1945

1. See attached G-2 estimate.
2. Fifth Army will launch an attack to seize high ground along line M. BELVEDERE—M. DELLA TORRACCIA—M. GRANDE D'AIANO—M. DELLA CROCE—M. CASTELLANA—CASTELNUOVO in order to improve positions west of Highway 64. In order that a regrouping of strong enemy reserves in this sector may not jeopardize other plans, this operation will be executed in phases, each of which will be conducted as a separate operation. Phase II will be initiated only after troops are firmly established on Phase Line I and if the enemy situation warrants. D Day, Phase I, is announced as February 20.
3. Missions (See Operations overlay).
 - a. IV Corps will:
 - 1) Attack D Day in accordance with approved plan (ENCORE), to seize and establish a firm line along the high ground M. BELVEDERE (L 5217)—M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L 5520)—M. CASTELLO (L 5719) employing the 10th Mountain Division and the 1st Infantry Division (BEF).
 - 2) Be prepared to continue the attack on Army order to seize and establish itself firmly on that part of Phase Line II in its sector.
 - b. II Corps will:
 - 1) Maintain contact with IV Corps.
 - 2) Be prepared on Army order to seize and establish itself on that part of Phase Line II in its sector.
 - c. 6 South African Armoured Division will assemble in Army reserve in LUCCA area prepared to counterattack any penetration in 92d Division sector.

4. Boundary II—IV Corps:
 - a. Present temporary boundary from point at L 6721 to North on 67 Easting is rescinded upon initiation of Phase II.
 - b. New boundary: From point on existing boundary at L 6721 thence along RENO River.

5.
 - a. Each objective will be carefully consolidated before proceeding to next.
 - b. Every effort will be made to conceal from the enemy the scope of the operation in order to prevent build-up of enemy strength in the area.

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ANNEX NUMBER TWO * * * * *

Statistics

A

CASUALTIES, U. S. FORCES

16 DECEMBER 1944-31 MARCH 1945

	Killed in Action	Wounded in Action	Missing in Action	Total
16 December	5	43		48
17 »	2	14	2	18
18 »	1	15	1	17
19 »	5	26		31
20 »		16		16
21 »	4	21		25
22 »	11	18		29
23 »	5	13	3	21
24 »	1	13		14
25 »		8		8
26 »	26	49	30	105
27 »	20	56	19	95
28 »	15	35	12	62
29 »	17	35	45	97
30 »	5	51	1	57
31 »	2	22	10	34
1 January	2	27	7	36
2 »	11	13		24
3 »	4	27	1	32
4 »	1	35		36
5 »	2	19		21
6 »	10	12		22
7 »	3	10	1	14
8 »	15	21		36
9 »	1	10		11
10 »	4	6		10
11 »	3	6		9
12 »	6	11	2	19
13 »	3	16		19

	Killed in Action	Wounded in Action	Missing in Action	Total
14 January	4	6		10
15 »	4	16		20
16 »	2	11	1	14
17 »	3	9		12
18 »	3	18	2	23
19 »	2	16	6	24
20 »	4	25		29
21 »	5	13	1	19
22 »	6	21	1	28
23 »	6	20		26
24 »	3	10		13
25 »	2	15	1	18
26 »	3	13	5	21
27 »	3	12	1	16
28 »	2	9		11
29 »	2	11		13
30 »	3	13	8	24
31 »	2	14	2	18
1 February	5	12		17
2 »		18	1	19
3 »	3	11	3	17
4 »	3	20	1	24
5 »	27	123	10	160
6 »	19	67	3	89
7 »	5	61	3	69
8 »	63	240	18	321
9 »	23	211	15	249
10 »	37	190	27	254
11 »	15	88	11	114
12 »	2	44	1	47
13 »	2	12	6	20
14 »	1	36	17	54
15 »	2	13		15
16 »	2	12		14
17 »	4	17	2	23
18 »	2	7		9
19 »	6	33		39
20 »	108	334	3	445

	Killed in Action	Wounded in Action	Missing in Action	Total
21 February	43	177	2	222
22 »	25	74	1	100
23 »	18	60	9	87
24 »	16	107		123
25 »	13	37		50
26 »	4	41		45
27 »	3	27	9	39
28 »	10	65	1	76
1 March	4	27		31
2 »	4	31	1	36
3 »	55	240	2	297
4 »	31	147		178
5 »	36	88	3	127
6 »	10	89	2	101
7 »	13	62	2	77
8 »	6	33		39
9 »	8	59	2	69
10 »	3	37		40
11 »	8	31	1	40
12 »	4	28	1	33
13 »	3	16		19
14 »	1	15		16
15 »	6	22		28
16 »	4	29		33
17 »	3	19		22
18 »	2	28	2	32
19 »	4	36	11	51
20 »	4	27		31
21 »	5	29		34
22 »	6	20		26
23 »	2	15	1	18
24 »	7	27	4	38
25 »	7	32	8	47
26 »	1	14	9	24
27 »	2	10	2	14
28 »	1	15		16
29 »	3	12		15
30 »	2	13		15
31 »	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>25</u>
Total	956	4,305	357	5,618

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TOTAL CASUALTIES, STRENGTH, AND PRISONERS OF WAR

1. *BATTLE CASUALTIES.*

9 SEPTEMBER 1943-15 DECEMBER 1944

	Killed in Action	Wounded in Action	Missing in Action	Total
American	18,939	67,433	12,293	98,665
British	6,191	28,162	10,656	45,009
Brazilian	103	544	70	717
Italian	220	611	504	1,335
French	<u>5,241</u>	<u>20,847</u>	<u>1,583</u>	<u>27,671</u>
	30,694	117,597	25,106	173,397

16 DECEMBER 1944-31 MARCH 1945

American	956	4,305	357	5,618
British	313	1,421	213	1,947
Brazilian	112	653	137	902
Italian	<u>35</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>83</u>
	1,416	6,423	711	8,550

2. *PRISONERS OF WAR CAPTURED BY FIFTH ARMY.*

	9 SEP. 1943- 15 DEC. 1944	16 DEC. 1944- 31 MAR. 1945	9 SEP. 1943- 31 MAR. 1945
American	44,373	3,411	47,784
British	7,598	253	7,851
Brazilian	282	308	590
Italian	9	9
French	<u>8,367</u>	<u>....</u>	<u>8,367</u>
Total	60,629	3,972	64,601

3. *STRENGTH OF COMMAND.*

	Effective Strength		Replacements
	15 DECEMBER 1944	31 MARCH 1945	9 SEPTEMBER 1945- 31 MARCH 1945
American	144,476	176,392	134,873
British	152,190	45,108	66,313
Brazilian	13,078	14,243	2,558
Italian	<u>21,739</u>	<u>30,770</u>	<u>13,753</u>
Total	331,483	266,513	217,497

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MEDICAL STATISTICS

I. DISEASES IN FIFTH ARMY, 1944.

(All rates on basis of 1,000 per annum)

Month	Hepatitis		Trench Foot (†)		Malaria		Venereal	
	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate	Cases	Rate
January	892	57	1,490	17.3	845	53	2,216	190
February	606	36	1,805	18.4	986	60	2,181	126
March	525	23	779	9.4	1,908	87	2,398	108
April	204	11			947	85	1,499	83
May	220	12			1,032	56	1,555	85
June	172	7			2,099	95	1,162	51
July	155	12			1,024	83	914	74
August	121	11			817	70	946	81
September	311	23			701	52	1,142	84
October	323	30	258	3.0	601	56	706	66
November	966	87	282	3.2	509	46	832	76
December	2,250	162	305	3.7	392	28	1,199	86

2. CLASSIFICATION OF WOUNDS IN FIFTH ARMY, 1944.

TYPE OF WOUND

	Incidence per 1,000 wounds
<i>Bullet</i>	
Rifle	52.0
Machine gun	38.8
Unclassified	<u>77.2</u>
	168.0

(†) Trench foot figures on basis of combat divisions.

High Explosive

Shell fragment	659.4	
Mine	61.4	
Blast	33.0	
Bomb	28.9	
Booby trap	2.9	
Hand grenade	2.3	
Unclassified	<u>44.1</u>	832.0
		<u>1,000.0</u>

LOCATION OF WOUND

Lower extremity	388.0
Upper extremity	271.0
Chest	87.2
Head	70.5
Maxillo-facial	58.6
Abdominal	40.5
Spine	9.7
Others	<u>74.5</u>
	<u>1,000.0</u>

3. *ADMISSIONS FIFTH ARMY HOSPITAL, 1944.*

(Rates based on 1,000 men per annum)

Month	Battle Casualties	Injuries	Diseases	Total
January	320	163	1,175	1,338
February	440	95	835	1,370
March	125	100	825	1,050
April	118	115	715	948
May	445	165	720	1,320
June	485	190	800	1,475
July	515	200	1,000	1,715
August	70	155	860	1,085
September	445	178	870	1,493
October	765	200	1,140	2,105
November	195	165	900	1,260
December	100	145	950	1,195

4. *NEUROPSYCHIATRIC CASES IN FIFTH ARMY, 1944.*

Month	Admissions	Returned to Duty by Divisions	Returned to Duty by Hospitals		Evacuated to Base	Ratio to Battle Casualties
			Class A	Class B		
January	1,154		276		270	1:4.3
February	2,071		402		1,508	1:3.6
March	1,001	58	215		837	1:2.9
April	759	100	148		457	1:2.6
May	1,812	283	437		1,054	1:4.5
June	1,672	429	454		767	1:6.5
July	1,601	378	487		744	1:3.9
August	632	105	159	95	415	1:1.7
September	1,693	722	293	151	359	1:3.6
October	2,249	617	705	450	377	1:3.8
November	970	243	336	291	128	1:2.2
December	879	228	256	348	74	1:1.3

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MAJOR ORDNANCE LOSSES⁽¹⁾

26 NOVEMBER 1944-30 MARCH 1945

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE LIST GROUP A

Gun, 37-mm, M3A1, w/carriage M4A1	38
Gun, auto., 40-mm, M1, w/carriage M2	3
Gun, MG, cal .30, M1917A1	182
Gun, MG, cal .30, M1919A4 & M1919A6	1,397
Gun, MG, cal .50, M2, HB	912
Gun, MG, cal .50, M2, WC	3
Gun, sub MG, cal .45, Thompson, M1928A1, M1 & M1A1, M3	2,010
Mortar, 60-mm, M2	198
Mortar, 81-mm, M1	131
Rifle, auto., cal .30, Browning, M1918, A1 & A2	527

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE LIST GROUP B

Bayonet, M1905, M1917, M1	9,049
Carbine, cal .30, M1 & M1A1	4,631
Knife, trench, M1, M2, M3, M1918	4,948
Launcher, grenade, M1	476
Launcher, grenade, M7, M8	2,958
Launcher, rocket, 2.36-inch, M9 & M9A1	389
Launcher, rocket, AT, M1, A1 & A2	1,688
Pistol, auto., cal .45, M1911 & M1911A1	1,043
Pistol, pyro, AN, M8, w/mount	27
Pistol, pyro, M2	61

⁽¹⁾ Totals indicate losses due to combat and also reflect the replacement program designed to improve the efficiency of Army equipment for the spring campaign.

Pistol, Very, 10 Gauge, Mk. III, IV & V	36
Projector, pyro, hand, M9	404
Projector, signal, ground, M4	74
Revolver, cal .45, M1917	61
Rifle, US, cal .30, M1903, M1903A1, & M1903A3	5,478
Rifle, US, cal .30, M1903A4, Snipers	190
Rifle, US, cal .30, M1	25,798

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE LIST GROUP C

Gun, 57-mm, M1, w/carriage M1A1 & M1A2	30
Gun, 3-inch, M5, w/carriage M1	17
Gun, 90-mm, M1 & M1A1, w/carriage M1 & M1A1	17
Gun, 155-mm, M1, w/carriage M1	4
Howitzer, 75-mm, M1 & M1A1, w/carriage M1, pack	17
Howitzer, 105-mm, M2A1, w/carriage M1A1, M2, A1, & A2	11
Howitzer, 105-mm, M3, w/carriage M3 & M3A1	8
Howitzer, 155-mm, M1, w/carriage M1	13

STANDARD NOMENCLATURE LIST GROUP G

Ambulance, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, Dodge	129
Car, armored, light, M8	31
Car, armored, utility, M20	38
Car, half-track, M2	103
Car, 4 × 2, light, sedan, 5-passenger	13
Car, 4 × 2, medium, sedan, 5-passenger (Packard)	3
Carriage, motor, 75-mm howitzer, M8	14
Carriage, motor, 76-mm gun, M18	7
Carriage, motor, 3-inch gun, M10	31
Carriage, motor, 105-mm howitzer, M7	48
Carriage, motor, multiple gun, M15	15
Carriage, motor, multiple gun, M16	15
Carrier, cargo, light, M29	23
Carrier, 81-mm mortar, half-track, M4	13
Carrier, personnel, half-track, M3	134
Motorcycle, chain driven, Harley-Davidson	61

Semitrailer, 6-ton, 2-wheel cargo, van (10-ton gross)	6
Tank, light, M5 & M5A1	150
Tank, medium, M4, M4A1 & M4A3 (75-mm gun)	226
Tank, medium, M4A3 (76-mm gun)	30
Tank, medium, M4A3 (105-mm howitzer)	4
Trailer, ¼-ton payload, 2-wheel cargo	140
Trailer, 1-ton payload, 2-wheel cargo	1,014
Trailer, 1-ton, 2-wheel, water tank, 250-gal.	18
Trailer, armored, M8	10
Tractor, medium, M4, high-speed, 18-ton	29
Tractor, heavy, M5, high-speed, 13-ton	33
Truck, ¼-ton, 4 × 4, amphibian	14
Truck, ¼-ton, 4 × 4	2,140
Truck, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, C & R, w/winch	41
Truck, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, C & R, wo/winch	180
Truck, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, WC, w/winch	146
Truck, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, WC, wo/winch	470
Truck, ¾-ton, 4 × 4, carry-all	7
Truck, 1½-ton, 6 × 6, cargo, w/winch	62
Truck, 1½-ton, 6 × 6, cargo, wo/winch	131
Truck, 1½-ton, 4 × 4, dump	23
Truck, 1½-ton, 4 × 4, panel	5
Truck, 1½-ton, 4 × 4, ordnance shop	2
Truck, 1½-ton, 4 × 4, tractor	20
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, amphibian	139
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, LWB, w/winch	1,222
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, LWB, wo/winch	1,961
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, SWB, w/winch	181
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, SWB, wo/winch	119
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, dump	357
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, 700-gal. water tank	8
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, auto repair, MB, load A	3
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, COE, 15-foot special body	2
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, machine shop, M16	6
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, welding, M12 & M12A1	1
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, 750-gal. gas tank	3
Truck, 2½-ton, 6 × 6, van body	3
Truck, 4-ton, 6 × 6, SWB, cargo	89
Truck, 4-ton, 6 × 6, wrecker	44

Truck, 4-ton, 4 × 4, tractor	32
Truck, 5-6-ton, 4 × 4, tractor	6
Truck, 6-ton, 6 × 6, prime mover	75
Truck, 7½-ton, 6 × 6, prime mover	17
Truck, 10-ton, 6 × 6, wrecker, heavy	54
Truck, 12-ton, 6 × 4, M20 (tank transporter)	11
Truck, tractor, M26 (tank recovery)	1
Truck, bridge ponton, 6 × 6, Brockway	3
Vehicle, tank recovery, T2	27

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QUARTERMASTER SUPPLY

DECEMBER 1944-MARCH 1945

CHART I. TONNAGE ISSUED

	<i>Class I</i> ⁽¹⁾	<i>Class II & IV</i>	<i>Class III</i> ⁽²⁾	<i>Total</i>
December	17,677.70	2,212	41,298.91	61,188.6
January	18,253.40	2,110	46,793.53	67,156.9
February	17,646.87	1,867	42,223.24	61,737.1
March	19,836.06	2,494	43,545.53	65,875.6
	73,414.03	8,683	173,861.21	255,958.2

CHART II. RATION ISSUES (*individual*)

	<i>December</i>	<i>January</i>	<i>February</i>	<i>March</i>
B	5,355,336	5,480,934	5,220,809	5,947,542
C	211,344	320,538	402,858	377,399
D	15,786	1,721	5,520	822
K	96,228	31,572	131,904	33,404
U	552,410	502,569	381,778	406,173
American Total . . .	6,231,104	6,337,334	6,142,869	6,765,340
Av. Am. Daily Issue .	201,003	204,430	219,388	218,237
Brazilian	556,773	611,307	561,087	726,025
Italian	840,369	963,071	924,695	1,080,319
Grand Total	7,628,246	7,911,712	7,628,651	8,571,684

(1) Includes only rations. Class I tonnage is based on the gross weight of each ration.

(2) Tonnage factors used are: 300 gallons-1-ton gasoline.
250 gallons-1-ton diesel, kerosene, and oils.

CHART III. OTHER CLASS I ISSUES

	<i>Tobacco</i>	<i>Toilet Arts.</i>	<i>Candy</i>	<i>Soap</i> (pounds)	<i>Bread</i>	<i>Meat</i>	<i>Butter</i> (issues)
December	6,185,654	6,185,654	6,185,654	409,507	3,124,302	32	27
January	6,419,651	6,419,651	6,419,651	649,092	3,215,330	28	30
February	6,097,832	6,097,832	6,097,832	678,826	3,179,545	28	28
March	6,896,942	6,896,942	6,896,942	745,737	3,616,819	19	19

CHART IV. PETROLEUM ISSUE (all in gallons except grease in pounds)

	<i>V-80</i>	<i>Diesel</i>	<i>Kerosene</i>	<i>Lubricating Oils</i>	<i>Greases</i>
December	10,229,360	1,183,805	339,630	265,535	90,327
January	11,106,130	1,734,875	436,885	259,310	97,642
February	10,143,290	1,576,340	266,560	247,840	98,626
March	10,753,320	1,424,642	189,210	294,685	133,805

ANNEX NUMBER THREE * * * * *

Fifth Army Staff

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GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER 183



Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
16 December 1944

ASSUMPTION OF COMMAND

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-20 and in compliance with Letter Orders, Headquarters MTOUSA, 14 December 1944, the undersigned assumes command of the United States Fifth Army, effective at 1200A hours, 16 December 1944.

LUCIAN K. TRUSCOTT, JR.
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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GENERAL ORDER
NUMBER 184



Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
16 December 1944

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

BRIGADIER GENERAL DON E. CARLETON, O₁₅₄₁₅, GSC, is announced as Chief of Staff, this Headquarters, vice MAJOR GENERAL ALFRED M. GRUENTHER, O₁₂₂₄₂, GSC, relieved.

By command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:

DON E. CARLETON
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff

Official:

M. F. GRANT
Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General

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GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER 186



Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
18 December 1944

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENTS

1. COLONEL JOHN F. CASSIDY, O12718, GSC, is announced as Deputy Chief of Staff, this Headquarters, vice COLONEL CHARLES E. SALTZMAN, O275984, GSC, relieved.

2. COLONEL EDWARD M. DANIELS, O7589, GSC, is announced as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, this Headquarters, vice COLONEL WILLIAM C. McMAHON, O5300, GSC, relieved.

3. COLONEL BEN HARRELL, O19276, GSC, is announced as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, this Headquarters, vice BRIGADIER GENERAL DONALD W. BRANN, O14592, GSC, relieved.

4. COLONEL EDWARD J. O'NEILL, O15952, GSC, is announced as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4, this Headquarters, vice BRIGADIER GENERAL RALPH M. TATE, O11949, GSC, relieved.

5. COLONEL KENNETH F. ZITZMAN, O18694, Signal Corps, is announced as Army Signal Officer, vice BRIGADIER GENERAL RICHARD B. MORAN, O5399, USA, relieved.

6. LIEUTENANT COLONEL RAYMOND C. BRISACH, O18202, GSC, is announced as Secretary of the General Staff, this Headquarters, vice LIEUTENANT COLONEL IRA W. PORTER, O349700, Infantry, relieved.

7. LIEUTENANT COLONEL LABAN P. JACKSON, O354373, Infantry, is announced as Headquarters Commandant, this Headquarters, vice COLONEL C. COBURN SMITH, JR., O18434, Field Artillery, relieved.

By command of Lieutenant General TRUSCOTT:

DON E. CARLETON
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Chief of Staff

Official:

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FIFTH ARMY STAFF

15 MARCH 1945

Chief of Staff	Brig. Gen. Don E. Carleton
Deputy Chief of Staff	Col. John F. Cassidy
Secretary, General Staff	Lt. Col. David F. Brown
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1	Col. Edward M. Daniels
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2	Brig. Gen. Edwin B. Howard
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3	Col. Ben Harrell
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4	Col. Edward J. O'Neill
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5	Brig. Gen. Edgar E. Hume
Adjutant General	Col. Melville F. Grant
Antiaircraft Artillery Officer	Brig. Gen. Aaron Bradshaw, Jr.
Artillery Officer	Brig. Gen. Guy O. Kurtz
Chaplain	Col. Patrick J. Ryan
Chemical Officer	Col. Walter A. Guild
Engineer Officer	Brig. Gen. Frank O. Bowman
Finance Officer	Col. Harold F. Chrisman
Inspector General	Col. Peter J. Lloyd
Judge Advocate General	Col. Albert W. Johnson
Medical Officer	Brig. Gen. Joseph I. Martin
Ordnance Officer	Brig. Gen. Urban Niblo
Quartermaster	Brig. Gen. Joseph P. Sullivan
Signal Officer	Col. Kenneth F. Zitzman

ANNEX NUMBER FOUR * * * * *

Examples of Staff Reports

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
23 February 1945

G-1 DAILY CASUALTY REPORT

	Reported as of 22 Feb.	Previously Reported	Total
American Forces: (as of 2359 hrs)			
Killed	43	19,802	19,845
Wounded	136	70,046	70,182
Missing	3	10,487	10,490
Total battle casualties	182	100,335	100,517
Nonbattle casualties	351	230,066	230,417
R.T.U.'s. [Returned to units]	388	196,059	196,447
Replacements received	184	130,217	130,401
Hospital evacuees awaiting return	0		
Axis prisoners captured	69	46,029	46,098
Combined assgd. strength combat divs.	100,492		
Combined eff. strength combat divs.	99,535		
Combined T/O strength combat divs.	95,484		
Assigned strength of command	169,378		
Effective strength of command	167,766		
T/O strength of command	166,170		
	Reported as of 20 Feb.	Previously Reported	Total
Italian Forces:			
Killed	0	252	252
Wounded	0	639	639
Missing	0	508	508
Total battle casualties	0	1,399	1,399
Nonbattle casualties	0	2,845	2,845
R.T.U.'s.	0	703	703

Replacements received	0	11,919	11,919
Axis prisoners captured	0	9	9
Effective strength	31,102		

	Reported as of 22 Feb.	Previously Reported	Total
Brazilian Forces: (as of 2359 hrs)			
Killed	3	161	164
Wounded	36	847	883
Missing	0	160	160
Total battle casualties	39	1,168	1,207
Nonbattle casualties	23	3,738	3,761
R.T.U.'s.	24	3,087	3,111
Replacements received	0	2,218	2,218
Axis prisoners captured	12	331	343
Effective strength	14,559		

	Reported as of 22 Feb.	Previously Reported	Total
British Forces: (as of 0600 hrs)			
Killed	0	2	2
Wounded	0	69	69
Missing	0	5	5
Total battle casualties	0	76	76
Replacements received	12	1,459	1,471
Axis prisoner captured	0	22	22
Effective strength	41,072		

(British figures since 20 January only)

Grand Total Battle Casualties: 221

E. M. DANIELS
Colonel, G.S.C.
A. C. of S., G-1

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
FROM: 222400A Feb 1945
TO: 232400A Feb 1945

G-2 REPORT

No. 537

Maps: GSGS 4164, Italy, 1/100,000; GSGS 4229, Italy, 1/50,000.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD.

a. Enemy front line and forward elements. See overlay.

b. Units in contact.

1) Identifications.

a) Fifth Army.

1st Parachute Division

1st Parachute Regiment

10th Company at M-003325.

157th Mountain Division

296th Mountain Regiment

8th Company vicinity the 80 easting.

b) Eighth Army.

42d Light Division

25th Light Regiment

8th Company at M-483497.

98th Grenadier Division

290th Grenadier Regiment

3d Company at M-362348.

2) Organization and strength.

A study of the Volksgrenadier division and other recent organizational developments in the German infantry is attached as Appendix A [omitted].

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD.

a. General Summary.

1) Fifth Army.

The enemy continued to offer resistance from scattered positions on the east slopes of M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L-5520) and launched one small counter-attack towards L-556199. There were no further counterattacks in the previously contested PIZZO DI CAMPIANO (L-4817) area. Our combat patrols in the II Corps sector found the enemy particularly sensitive in the left subsector where their probing involved them in brisk fire fights at L-846303, L-814282, and L-702259. Artillery activity in the IV Corps sector continued to center chiefly on the M. DELLA TORRACCIA—M. CASTELLO (L-5619) area. In the II Corps sector, there was a temporary increase in shelling between the 98 and 96 eastings and in the L-7827—L-7726 area at the close of the preceding period. Movement in the rear areas was virtually back to normal, with centers of activity, however, in the MASSA LOMBARDA (M-2741)—MEDICINA (M-1245) and BAZZANO (L-6850) areas.

2) Eighth Army.

Enemy patrolling was again on a reduced scale, the only aggressive action being a raid in estimated company strength at M-255266. This was beaten off with the enemy suffering losses in casualties and PWs. A small patrol to M-094207 withdrew when engaged.

b. Operations of Component Elements.

1) Artillery.

a) IV Corps.

Heavy caliber shelling was reported on the right flank during the night, the bulk of it landing vic GAGGIO MONTANO (L-551168). Activity continued to be concentrated chiefly on the eastern flank throughout the day, particularly in the M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L-5520)—M. CASTELLO (L-5619) area. There was also light, scattered shelling in the coastal and SERCHIO valley subsectors.

b) II Corps.

There was an increase in activity towards the end of the preceding period, when 160 rounds fell between the 98 and 96 eastings and 200 rounds in the L-7827 and L-7726 grid squares. Fires during the period were generally slight and harassing.

2) Aviation.

Two enemy aircraft were reported on reconnaissance over the north-east sector of the II Corps area at 222100A.

3) Engineers.

A minefield 50 yards wide and laid out in three rows was reported at L-525189.

4) Infantry.

a) IV Corps.

Resistance continued throughout the period from scattered positions on the east slope of M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L-5520). A counterattack in platoon strength launched towards L-556199 at noon was beaten off after two hours of localized fighting. There were no further counterattacks in the PIZZO DI CAMPINO (L-4817) or the other focal points of our recent advance. Contact elsewhere on the corps front was normal. Mortar and small arms fire was received during the night from L-117034, L-139056, L-140039 and L-141054, and friendly patrols were engaged in fire fights at L-149044 and L-145037. There were also exchanges of small arms on the flanks at U-953966, L-661227, L-641223, L-644222 and L-648218.

b) II Corps.

The enemy continued sensitive to our patrolling in the left subsector. A combat patrol to L-846303 received hand grenades from the objective and fire from four flanking machine gun positions. Our patrol to L-814282 was engaged in a fire fight during which small arms and bazooka fire was received from the objective and machine gun fire from five nearby positions. A raiding party to L-702259 drew heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire. Other patrols were engaged in fire fights at L-704259, L-684238 and L-675233. In the right subsector, a raiding party to M-003325 took a PW from 10th Company, 1st Parachute Regiment. Machine gun fire was received from L-940328 and L-918343. Some heavy mortar fire was received during the day in the left subsector.

c. Miscellaneous.

Movement.

Enemy activity decreased over the past few days to an almost normal state with the centers of activity in the MASSA LOMBARDA—MEDICINA and the BAZZANO sectors. All movement observed was in very small groups and, on most occasions, in both directions with no indicated trend. Night armed reconnaissance operating in good weather did not observe any movement of significance.

3. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. Prisoners of War.

1) PWs received Fifth Army PW cage 202400A-212400A Feb '45: 171.

2) Total Fifth Army: 62,560.

b. Signal Security. (Report from western front.)

A PW from the 340th Volksgrenadier Division gives details regarding a course taught by the Army Signal School V which he attended from 8 December to 15 January at NEUENHAUSEN. He was one of about 100 pupils there at the time. He states that emphasis was placed upon the carelessness of some American Signal personnel, and the advantages to be derived therefrom. The points mainly brought out were as follows: Names of officers frequently mentioned in the clear; references to units by name instead of by code name; artillery observation planes giving coordinates in the clear and designating times at which artillery concentrations were to be laid down; opportunity for German intercept personnel to come to the very front, being thus enabled to pick up messages and conversation at division level. Examples were given to support these claims. In one case a division CP threatened with an artillery barrage scheduled for 1500A, managed to intercept the message of 1230A and had completely vacated the site before 1500A. It was also able to observe the barrage falling on unoccupied ground. (Source: VI Corps G-2 Periodic Report No. 187.)

c. Personalities.

1) Captain MAYER.

Captain MAYER, or MEYER, former IIB (personnel officer) of 1st Parachute Division, will be assigned to the headquarters of I Parachute Corps in the near future. (This officer is known among the enlisted men of the 1st Parachute Division as "Genickschussmeyer," the MEYER who shoots you in the back of your neck, on account of a vindictive nature which prompts him to assign men whom he does not like to "suicide units." He was an officer in the Gestapo in civilian life.) (Source: FAIC IPW Report No. 986.)

2) Reichsmarschall GOERING.

Reichsmarschall GOERING and Inspektor der Jagdwaffe, General GALLAND, have temporarily discarded all their medals. GOERING now only exhibits the Iron Cross First Class he earned in World War I, and his pilot's insignia (FLUGZEUGFUEHRER-ABZEICHEN). According to a rumor current in the 1st Parachute Division, GOERING had decided not to wear his numerous medals "until the day when the GAF has reached again the number of planes it had in 1939." (Source: FAIC IPW Report No. 986.)

d. For these and All His Mercies

A recent deserter from the 276th Grenadier Regiment tells of an Oberfeldwebel who sanctimoniously intones a "HEIL HITLER" before and after meals. When the meals are particularly bad, he adds "We thank our Fuehrer." (Source: 6 South African Armd Div Interrogation Report No. 87.)

e. Effect of Fuel Tank Fire Bomb.

A report of the interrogation of an intelligent Alsatian PW, a former member

of the 51st Army Light Artillery Regiment, who had on several occasions observed the effect of the jettisonable fuel tank fire bomb, is reproduced as Appendix B [omitted].

f. Weather forecast covering period 250001A-252400A February '45.

- 1) Sky conditions:
Scattered low and middle cloudiness.
- 2) Precipitation:
None.
- 3) Visibility:
Six to eight miles in light haze.
- 4) Minimum Temperature: 30° F.

4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES.

No Change. See G-2 Report No. 522.

EDWIN B. HOWARD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
A.C. of S., G-2

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
FROM: 221800A Feb 1945
TO: 231800A Feb 1945

G-3 REPORT

No. 54

1. OUR FRONT LINES: See overlay.
2. LOCATION OF TROOPS: See overlay.
3. INFORMATION OF ADJACENT UNITS AND SUPPORTING TROOPS:

Eighth Army. 5 Corps: Normal patrol and artillery activity continued. 8 Indian Division began relief of 1 Canadian Division. 2 Polish Corps: Enemy raid in approximate company strength vicinity M-255266 was driven off. 13 Corps: Sector quiet with only light enemy shelling. Patrols made no contact.

4. WEATHER AND VISIBILITY: Clear skies and mild day; haze reduced visibility to fair.

5. OUR OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD:

a. II Corps.

1) 85th Division: Enemy artillery and machine gun fire increased during night particularly in 337th Infantry sector but was light during day. Combat patrol to C. RAGGI (M-003325) captured one PW. Company reliefs made in 338th Infantry sector.

2) 91st Division: Sector quiet. Patrols active. Enemy artillery and mortar fire light.

3) 88th Division: Sector quiet. Patrol to C. VALLA (L-811281) had

fire fight and suffered six casualties. Raid on FAZZANO (L-846303) met heavy machine gun fire.

4) 6 South African Armd Division: Heavy mortar and machine gun fire was received on Hill 505 (L-7827) during night. A raiding party of 91st Reconnaissance Squadron reached a point one-half kilometer northeast of VERGATO (L-6925) where heavy mortar, machine gun and small arms fire forced them to withdraw. 11th Armored Infantry Battalion relieved WR/DLR and CCA assumed command of sector at 0600A. At 1200A 1st Armored Division assumed command of 6 South African Armd Division sector and 6 South African Armd Division reverted to Army control.

5) 1st Armored Division: Assumed command of sector at 1200A.

6) 34th Division (-): No change.

b. IV Corps.

1) BEF: 6th Infantry: Patrol to Hill 674 (L-648217) engaged estimated squad of enemy in hand to hand fighting. 1st Infantry: Small enemy pockets of resistance on M. CASTELLO (L-5619) were mopped up and positions were improved. 1st Battalion locations—L-562196, L-569196, L-564192. 3d Battalion locations—L-569192, L-572195, L-574191. 2d Battalion in reserve positions L-565184, L-575182, L-569189.

2) 10th Mountain Division: 85th Mountain Infantry: 2d Battalion continued efforts to clear remaining enemy from M. TORRACCIA area. Intense enemy artillery fire received. Battalion locations—Company E L-555206—L-556203; Company F L-558202—L-562203; Company G L-557201—L-555196. 87th Mountain Infantry: Partisans under control of 2d Battalion occupied ROCCA CORNETA (L-494173) at 2100A. 86th Mountain Infantry: 1st Battalion (-) assembled vicinity GABBA (L-539157). 3d Battalion assembled vicinity L-553185.

3) TF 45: Sector very quiet. Active patrolling continued.

4) 92d Division: Patrol to L-144043 met enemy patrol and engaged in short fire fight. Locations of 1st Battalion, 366th Infantry, L-145043, L-142034, BARCA (L-153057).

c. Army Troops: 6 South African Armd Division: in rest area vicinity LUCCA.

d. CP Changes: CCA, L-741233; 85th Mountain Infantry, L-543187; 86th Mountain Infantry, L-551167.

6. COMBAT EFFICIENCY: Very satisfactory.

7. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Consolidated positions and mopped up enemy in areas of recent gains. Continued patrol activity and reliefs in other sectors.

8. TANK STATE:

- a. II Corps: No change.
- b. IV Corps: fit 102 M, 79 L; under repair 6 M, 4 L; lost 0.

9. CASUALTIES: (As of 21 Feb)

- a. American: Killed 19802; wounded 70046; missing 10487.
- b. British: Killed 2; wounded 69; missing 5. (Since 20 January 1945 only.)
- c. Brazilian: Killed 161; wounded 847; missing 160.
- d. Total: (All nationalities since 9 September 1943)
Killed 32,030; wounded 122,213; missing 23,540.

10. AXIS PRISONERS OF WAR: (As of 21 Feb)

- a. By U. S. Forces: 46029.
- b. Total: 62686. (Includes PWs by British, French, Brazilian, and Italian forces when attached.)

ADAMS
Asst. G-3

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY OUTGOING MESSAGE

REF. NO.: 5840 CLASSIFICATION: Confidential DATE: 1 March 1945

TIME DATE: 011520A PRECEDENCE: See Addresses.

ORIGINATING SECTION: G-3 APPROVED: COLMAN, Lt. Colonel
Assistant G-3

TO: 15th Army Group ("OU")	Eighth Army (Routine)
CG, IV Corps (Routine)	13 Corps (Routine)
CG, II Corps (Routine)	FONAM (Routine)
6 SA Armd Div (Routine)	

CONFIDENTIAL—SITREP No. 67 as of 011500 March 1945.

PART I—II Corps: Enemy plane bombed and strafed vic Hwy No. 65 southwest of M. CANDA at 2200A. 85th Div: Combat patrol to M-005329 received MG and mortar fire enroute but found objective unoccupied. Some increase in arty and mortar fire. Company reliefs made. 91st Div: Patrol skirmish vic L-958327. Increased enemy arty and mortar fire during night. Company reliefs made. 88th Div: Patrol to vic MONTERUMICI L-8329 received mortar and MG fire. Company strength patrol to L-831284 engaged in heavy fire fight. Silenced enemy MGs in caves. 1st Armd Div: 20-30 enemy driven off vic L-794276 by 135th Inf. 2d Bn 135th Inf relieved by 3d Bn 135th Inf and assembled L-7823.

IV Corps: BEF: Some arty and mortar fire received on forward elements 11th Inf and 1st Bn 1st Inf. Small enemy patrol driven off vic L-629219. 10th Mt Div: Scattered arty and mortar fire received. 1st Bn 85th Mt Inf assembled vic L-5418. 2d Bn 86th Mt Inf moved to vic L-5519. TF 45: 2d Bn 365th Inf (-) closed vic Q-3099. Patrolling continued. 92d Div: 3d Bn 473d Inf reld 1st Bn 365th Inf which is assembling vic L-2496. Continued patrol activity on Div front.

PART II—No Change. [Intentions]

PART III—CP changes: 10th Mt Div L-550168, 86th Mt Inf L-553169, 1st Inf Div BEF L-543143, 473d Inf L-176011, 365th Inf L-450002.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: IV Corps PRECEDENCE: Op Urg TIME DATE GROUP: Feb 231600A
REF. NO.: 112 CLASSIFICATION: Conf Clr TIME DATE RECD: Feb 231642A
TO: CG 5th Army, II Corps, 13 Corps, 6 SA Armd Div, BEF, 10 Mtn Div, 92 Div,
62 AAA Brigade, TF 45.
SITREP No. 107, 231200A February 1945.

I. Operations: 1 Infantry Division, BEF: 1st Infantry: platoon strength patrol to M. DELLA CASELLINA (L-576196) occupied the town and have organized it for defense. 6th Infantry: Enemy mortars and machine guns harassed personnel of 2d and 3d Battalions from 0800A to 1110A. Patrol to CA D'ORSINO (L-629221) to investigate presence of enemy, made no contact. Patrol to Hill 674 (L-648217) entered fortified house and engaged approximately one squad of enemy in hand to hand fight using bayonets and hand grenades; two enemy killed and some wounded. Own casualties, two wounded. Patrol returned at 0630A. 11th Infantry: No change. 10th Mountain Division: 85th Mountain Infantry: 2d Battalion renewed its attack at 230905A in M. DELLA TORRACCIA (L-5520) zone to clear remaining enemy from area. 86th Mountain Infantry: No change. 87th Mountain Infantry: improved existing positions. TF 45: Sector very quiet. 2d and 3d Battalions and Antitank Company continued patrolling. 92d Infantry Division: 366th Infantry: patrol to L-144043 met enemy patrol and engaged it in a short fire fight. 1st Battalion has Company A at L-145043, Company B on Hill 437 (L-142034) and Company C at BARCA (L-1505). 370th Infantry: artillery engaged 50 enemy at MARINA DI MASSA (U-8798) at 0708A. Enemy dispersed. Casualties not known. Corps Artillery: 48 missions fired including 24 counterbattery and 18 harassing and 6 on enemy troops.

II. Intentions: No change.

III. CP's: No change.

CRITTENBERGER
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: Main 8 Army PRECEDENCE: Urgent TIME DATE GROUP: 231640A
REF. NO.: U 346 CLASSIFICATION: Conf Clr TIME DATE RECD: 231722A
COSITREP No. 727 1500 Hrs.

5 Corps: Normal patrol and artillery activity continued. 8 Indian Div started relief of 1 Canadian Div. 2 Polish Corps: 3 Carpathian Div: 1 Carpathian Brigade: Enemy raid in approximately company strength area M-255266 driven off. Casualties inflicted on enemy and some prisoners of war taken. 13 Corps: Sector quiet with only light enemy shelling. Patrols made no contact.

AIR: Weather was again suitable for air operations. Over 500 fighter bomber sorties were flown by DAF today. One strong point was attacked on the Polish Corps front with good results. One hostile battery and two occupied houses were engaged in support of 5 Corps. Maximum effort was dispatched to northeastern Italy to attack railway communications and carry out strafing and armed reconnaissance. Medium bombers attacked PONTELONCO sugar refinery G-455301 CASARSA and NEVERSA railway diversions.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY INCOMING MESSAGE

FROM: II Corps PRECEDENCE: Priority TIME DATE GROUP: Feb 231845A
REF. NO.: 3103 CLASSIFICATION: Rest Clr TIME DATE RECD: 231935A
TO: CG Five Army, IV & 13 Corps, 1 Armd Div, 6 SA Armd Div, 34, 85, 88,
91 Divs.

RESTRICTED. Quiet period with slight harassing artillery fires. Small groups enemy vicinity M-049331, M-044305, M-018331 and BURSANO L-9934 taken under fire. Enemy personnel at L-969329 and around house at L-948395. Carts and activity observed L-893352. Dugouts this area occupied and road here is blown. (ISUM No. 631 covering period 231230A to 1231900A to 5th Army from II Corps for G-2.) Dugouts observed on ridge at L-909336. Gun positions at L-835330 and in L-8231 and L-8232 squares taken under fire. Suspected SPs at L-885329 and L-847312 fired on. Some heavy mortar fire fell in left division sector.

CG II CORPS
Greeley, G-2

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
23 February 1945

G-3 SECTION CHIEFS' CONFERENCE

1. Present.
Lt. Col. Colman, Lt. Col. McCall, Maj. Dresser, Maj. Shuppas, Maj. Burnett.
2. Operations.
 - a. Summary of operations (220700A-230700A February).
 - 1) Eighth Army: 22 Regt (Cremona Group) relieved by 12 L and 2 Commando south of BONIFICA CANAL. Enemy patrols driven off by 43 Gurkha Lorried Inf Bde and 2 NZ Div. Enemy patrol of three captured by 2 Carp Bde. Own patrol of 20 Ind Bde of six men had fire fight and killed eleven enemy. Fighter bombers were active.
 - 2) Fifth Army: II Corps: Enemy still using propaganda shells in 85th Div. Patrol of 88th Div. to C. VALLE (811281) had fire fight, own casualties four wounded, two missing. 135th Inf took one deserter. 6 SA Armd Div combat patrol to L-678238 had fire fight and killed two enemy. WR/DLR relieved by CCA and command passed at 0600A.
 - 3) IV Corps: BEF: 1st Inf improved positions and remaining enemy pockets vicinity CASTELLO and VITELLINE (573184) are being mopped up. 10th Mt. Div: 2d Bn 85th Regt continued the attack meeting stiff opposition from enemy in extensive trench system. Our positions were slightly improved. ROCCA CORNETA (494173) was occupied by partisans under control of 2d Bn 87th Mt Inf. 86th Mt Inf now in reserve and 10 AT Bn (+) hold left of sector. Our artillery engaged several parties of enemy in 92d Div sector with good results.
 - b. IV Corps directed to attach 473d Inf to 92d Inf Div in present sector; boundary of 92d Div—10th Mt Div will be present TF 45—10th Mt Div boundary; CG 92d Div will effect necessary reliefs so that 473d Inf is employed in SERCHIO

sector, 365th Inf employed in CUTIGLIANO sector, 366th Inf (-) is assembled in reserve.

3. Organization.

a. Effective 250001A Feb, Cos "I" & "K," 366th Inf detached 92d Div and atchd 39th Engr Regt.

b. Radio to MTOUSA that 2769 Engr Depot Co (Cld) no longer necessary; wish to use personnel for 427 Engr Dump Truck Co. (No colored personnel available for this unit when it is converted from white to colored.)

c. 3917, 3918, 3919, 3920 Sig Insp and Maint Det ordered moved FLORENCE and attached Fifth Army for one month.

d. Following information furnished re-shipment animals for 10th Mt Div:

1) On INDIANA from MARSEILLES is 281 horses. ETA CIVITA-VECCHIA 22 Feb. 400 additional horses will be available southern France 1 March.

2) Movement mules from U. S. starts with Convoy UGS 74 and ends UGS 91. Aboard WILLIAM J. PALMER in UGS 74 are 304 mules. ETA LEGHORN 6 March.

e. Recommended T/O for Field Radar Organization (to Gen Truscott) include a Field Radar Opns Section (Hq and experimental echelon) and two Radar Batteries (two Radar Sections to each Btry). This is a reduction of 5 off and 95 EM from proposed T/O.

f. Weekly ORBAT to 15th Army Group.

g. Fifth Army GO published (dated 21 Feb) directing reorganization MP Plats in all Inf Divisions, activation of two Signal Light Construction Bns and two Signal Opn Bns.

h. Fifth Army GO No. 20 dated 22 Feb published announcing establishment of AFV (U. S.) Section with Col. Willis G. Cronk as Chief of Section; reorganization of 601 and 602 Clearing Cos; reorganization of Armd FA Bns; reorganization of FA Bns in 92d Div.

i. 401st AAA Bn directed to adopt change 3 to T/O & E 44-15 of April 1944. Unit desired to wait for new T/O & E which has not been received in this theater.

j. Attachment order on various service units issued.

4. Training.

a. Repl Command allotted 14 officers and 35 EM to Course No. 14 of Bailey Bridging Course commencing 3 March. Sub-allotted as follows:

II Corps	7 Off & 11 EM
IV Corps	4 Off & 14 EM
107th AAA Gp	2 Off & 8 EM

b. 15th Army Gp requested AFHQ make available one training team for LVT. To report to Fifth Army Rear, G-3 Training.

c. G-3 agreed that 33d and 34th QM War Dog Plats be given three and four weeks training period respectively.

d. IV Corps requested 4 Off and 14 EM for next two Bailey Bridge Courses and 16 Off and 49 EM for next two Mine Courses.

e. Brazilian Replacement Depot students for L & B Course being sent from group at NAPLES.

f. Weekly air exchange made. 5 Off and 2 Sgts from 15th Air Force arrived for TD w/Fifth Army ground forces and 5 Fifth Army officers departed for 7 days TD w/15th Air Force.

5. I & E.

a. Received radio from MTOUSA re purchase of motion picture projectors through PX.

b. IV Corps I & E Officer, Capt. Lentz, visited section to discuss I & E problems.

c. Major Williams, MTOUSA research section, visited section re unit histories.

6. Plans.

a. Nothing to report.

7. British G-3.

a. Lt. Col. Tuff returned to Forward CP.

8. Executive.

a. AG Memo announcing Col. Yarborough as CO of 473d Inf Regt; Col. Cronk assigned Fifth Army Hq for duty with AFV (U. S.) Section.

b. CG letter to Gen. Bowman.

1) Establish on or before 22 Feb "BEAVER Training Center" utilizing area adjacent to ARNO River between PISA and the sea.

2) Purpose: train troops in all phases of assault river crossing employing LCMs, FANTAILS, WEASELS, QUONSET Barges, and other river crossing expedients as may be made available.

3) 39th Engr Regt (-1 Bn) and 755th Tank Bn available as school troops.

4) Must be trained by 21 March so as to receive for combined training in successive 7 day periods one Inf Regt or a combat command (one Tk Bn and 1 Armd Inf Bn of 1st Armd Div).

5) Utmost secrecy required; civilians will be evacuated from area.

See paragraph 3a.

c. Concurred with AA Section that 630th AAA AW Bn personnel should not be used to form 3 MP Cos as this unit is now doing MP work, but has trained, tech-

nical personnel which are readily available to revert unit to AA role. Called attention to fact that 1 MP Bn and 1 MP Co were asked for as first and second priorities in 15 Dec letter to MTOUSA asking for units.

d. Letter to PBS:

- 1) Requesting area be allotted to Fifth Army in PBS area for BEAVER Training School which will last for 6 weeks.
- 2) All civilians to be removed from area.
- 3) Remove Air Corps bomb dump from road along river.
- 4) Place Italian units now working on redeployment area with 338th Engrs on other jobs away from area. 338th Engrs may continue to work in area.
- 5) Fifth Army will furnish and establish guards around area. (See paragraph 3*a.*)

e. Informed Ord and G-4 to issue T-32 37-mm guns each to 10th Mt, 85th, 88th, 91st, and 34th Divisions.

f. Lt. Col. Schleeman, G-2 WD, visited G-3 Section. Interested in Brazilian problem. Will visit BEF 23 and 24 Feb, returning to forward CP 25 Feb.

L. A. HALL
Lt. Col., CAC
Acting Executive G-3

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Headquarters Fifth Army
A.P.O. No. 464, U. S. Army
Traversa, Italy
23 February 1945

TARGET DIARY

SECTION I. *Requests.*

1. II Corps:
None.
2. IV Corps:
 - a. Bridge L 537293
 - b. Command post (Zocca) L 600331
 - c. Armd Recces
 - d. Rover Joe

Rover Joe Alternates

- a. Ammunition dump L 350364
- b. Ammunition dump L 517315
- c. Ammunition dump L 477289
- d. Pavullo bivouac L 478333

SECTION II. *Intentions.*

- 1.* Rover Joe Belvedere area
2. Bridge L 537293

*Rover Joe Alternates

- a. Bivouac area L 4733
- b. Command post and
occupied area L 600331
- c. Ammunition dump L 517315

SECTION III. *Attacks.**Fifth Army Targets*

Time	Aircraft	Requests	Results
0725	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Bombed mortars L 501182. 2 bombs target area. Area well strafed.
0840	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Attacked machine gun nest in hay stack L 498179. 3 bombs target area. Strafed Krauts going into nearby house, 13 runs. 2 hay rakes bombed. Many strikes on buildings. (Ground OP reports excellent results.)
0930	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Attacked 2 houses L 572234. 3 strafing runs. No claims. Strafed guns at L 567233, 5 runs. Concentrated strikes observed.
1030	3 P-40 1 Spit	Rover Joe	Bombed 3 buildings between L 538195-L 539139. All bombs target area. Destroyed 1 building, damaged 1. Area well strafed.
1130	4 Spits	Rover Joe	1 direct hit Command Post L 573231. Area well strafed. Strafed 3 guns vicinity L 571233, observed strikes.
1305	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Bombed village L 550205. 3 bombs target area. Damaged 2 buildings. Strafed area.
1405	3 P-40 1 Spit	Rover Joe	Bombed buildings L 564203. 2 very near misses damaged main building. 2 direct hits buildings east target area. Area well strafed, observed many strikes.
1450	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Bombed guns L 528232. 1 bomb target area. Strafed.

1545	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Bombed south end of town L 546205. 3 bombs target area causing damage. Area well strafed.
1610	4 Spits	Rover Joe	Bombed guns L 571235. 2 bombs target area. Area well strafed, strikes observed. No results observed.
0900	8 Spits	Road bridge L 537293	2 direct hits south end, bridge clean out. 1 motorcycle south of L 260465 destroyed.
1200	4 Spits	Zocca town L 600330	1 bomb target area. Strafed, caused fire and damage.

XXII TAC Target Results by Brazilian Aircraft

0845	4 P-47	Armed Recce Bologna area north	Bombed refinery San Bonifacio F 8749. No claims. Damaged railroad tracks target area, destroyed 3 vehicles vicinity Modena.
1330	8 P-47	Railway bridge B 074208	10 bombs target area, bridge left impassable. Probably cut railroad east and west approach. Destroyed 2 vehicles "F" square. Strafed 2 barracks F 4449, no results observed.

XXII TAC Targets by Other Aircraft during Day

Fighter bomber summary. TOT 0745 hours bombed power station L 092315, all near misses, no results observed. TOA 0900 hours cut east approach to road bridge vicinity P 9175, near miss, both ends may have damaged abutments. 6 horse-drawn vehicles damaged vicinity L 095325. 1 electric engine damaged L 248738. Observed great number of people walking into Reggio from southern roads. TOT 0820 hours, 1 cut tracks on railroad diversion B 9900. TOT 0830 hours attacked railroad bridge B 519246, tracks cut east of target and road bed damaged west of target. 2 direct hits on factory in town at west end of bridge, much smoke, damage undetermined. Observed target bridge B 518246 still passable. Moderate vehicle and horse-drawn traffic mostly headed south on roads leading north from Verona—Vicenza highway. Road bridge and railroad diversion bridge vicinity B 990067 appear destroyed. TOT 0185 to 1055 hours. Marshalling yard K 7725 2 cuts

tracks, strafed and rocketed buildings, no results observed. Rail bridge A 746089, 2 hits south approach, 1 crater highway north of bridge; destroyed machine gun pit south of bridge. Observed smoke generator in operation A 7028. Marshalling yard J 8843 3 locos, steam up, destroyed; 5 engines, steam up, damaged; 5 engines still OK; 12 railroad cars damaged, building and tracks scattered about yards. A 7028 many vehicles observed both ways. Nervesa rail diversion both bridges appeared to have been cut previously. 1 dead engine G 4583. 5 boxcars strafed G 5388, 3 damaged. G 3867 10 boxcars strafed, 3 cars damaged. Rail bridge G 539613 no hits. 1 cut south approach, 1 hit cratered highway parallel to bridge. 3 boxcars strafed G 5461 damaged. Calliano rail bridge, 1 cut tracks north of bridge. Ala rail bridge, no hits, 3 cuts south approach 2 hits in town of Ala, no results observed. TOT 1050 hours, 3 direct hits rendered railroad bridge A 915550 impassable. Vehicles destroyed and damaged during morning: destroyed 1 F 2861, damaged 5 vehicles 9 HDV 15 mile radius B 9000, 4 horse-drawn vehicles damaged F 7963. 4 vehicles destroyed vicinity F 7961. Observed railroad and road bridge destroyed vicinity B 990067. TOA 1145 hours bombed bridge W 2605, no damage, tracks cut 1 place. 2 vehicles 2 horse-drawn vehicles destroyed K square. Factory strafed northwest edge Brescia, fires. Vehicle park with 12 plus vehicles across road from factory, 3 vehicles damaged. 1 Me-410 sighted L 5020, chased to K 9550, shot it down. TOT 1510 hours attacked ammunition dump L 604476 destroyed 1 building. Damaged 1 barge L 2698. Damaged 1 tank L 2596. TOT 1410 hours, 2 near misses and 1 probable direct hit railroad bridge B 518246, smoke prevented observation of damage. TOT 1340 hours railroad diversion G 929888 both approaches cut. 6 single-engine, 1 twin-engine aircraft damaged Aviano airdrome. Observed train, 30 white cars facing northeast G 0640. Railroad bridges cut F 7412, G 8673, G 8082. Road bridges cut F 7412, G 8082. Railroad bridge in F 7412. Bombed road bridge L 4455 no results observed. 4 aircraft bombed Zocca town. Bombed road bridge L 6261 2 craters south approach and 1 direct hit probable blockhouse southeast of target; observed bridge being used by horse-drawn vehicles. 1 bomb east end of dump P 746367; destroyed staff car north P 8963. TOT 1235 to 1650 hours. B 241071 railroad bridge 2 hits 2 near misses causing slight damage. Marshalling yard G 1899 30 railroad cars no engine 2 cuts tracks, 3 cars damaged. Observed black smoke to 5,000 feet G 5072. Cittadella railroad diversion 2 cuts south of bridge. 1 railroad cut G 4694. G 4596 12 cars strafed, 5 damaged. G 4597 25 cars 12 damaged. J 8843 marshalling yard 1 building 5 damaged observed smoke to 3,000 feet north end of marshalling yard, 6 passenger cars, 5 boxcars and 1 oil car damaged. K 3219 1 vehicle destroyed. Nervesa railroad diversion 3 cuts on diversion bridge still OK. F 2720 wooden bridge 100 feet long, 1 direct hit, 1 near miss one end. F 2318 2 vehicles strafed, no results observed. F 2817, 3 horse-drawn

transports damaged. L 5382 tank car damaged. Villafranca airdrome 16 bombs on field 1650, enemy aircraft lost in haze. TOA 1515 hours railroad bridge B 518248 cut 3 places. Attacked in air 2 G-55 aircraft, G 183. 1 destroyed. 2 vehicles damaged, 1 destroyed Treviso area; 1 Ju-88 destroyed on ground Aviano airdrome. Observed 3 single-engine, 1 Ju-88 on airdrome. Refinery burning 1530 hrs G 4101. TOA 1630 hours postholed Ghedi airdrome all bombs target area. No observation. TOA 1640 hours postholed Bergamo airdrome some hits runway. No movement seen on either airdrome. 2 vehicles destroyed "L" square. 1 destroyed 1 damaged "F" square. Moderate vehicle movement north from F 9861. 5 vehicles scattered northeast Po valley. Railroad bridge in B 6933.

Night Operations 22/23 February 1945

62d Fighter Wing: 13 missions, 13 sorties. Bombed Modena—Ostiglia highway strafed 20-30 vehicles northwest 1-3 vehicles burning. Observed 1 light vicinity Modena at 0530A hours. 2 vehicles southeast into Bologna vicinity Bologna at 0130A hours. Fire at L 3535 at 0130A hours. Two long tracks near fire. Observed ship west of La Spezia at 0110 hours all lit up. Vectored on 3-4 bogies, no results. 47th Bomb Group: Bombed electric train E 8140, hit railroad power line causing persistent blaze. Arrow shaped stationary lights about 8 miles long between F 7082 to F 8078. Hits among lights. Railroad diversion F 656350 railroad tracks covered by pattern. Road junction F 885257 missed. Railroad diversion F 656350 hit target. Strafed 1 vehicle moving north K 0712 hits and lights went out. Canal bridge L 1787 destroyed. 2 stationary vehicles on secondary road L 1696 hit, road strafed some 2 vehicles hit 1 vehicle. F 656350 town, missed power line hit. Fire railroad L 3373 missed. Borgoforte road bridge pattern over bridge. Road junction L 2190 hit main road. Road junction L 3497 hit power line. Railroad F 885257 no results observed. Roads vicinity Modena strafed also, no results observed. Bergamo airdrome hits on runway. Strafed searchlights Ghedi airdrome 2045A hours. Lights went out. Ghedi airdrome hits and near misses. Villafranca airdrome near misses. Railroad F 656350 direct hit marshalling yard. Suspected barracks F 4355 missed. Approximately 60-foot boat at docks F 3562 white smoke and moderate blue explosion. Strafed dock area with many hits. Highway F 8542 near miss. Road L 3491 power line hit. Highway L 3870 near miss. Bridge F 5164 near miss. Highway L 0189 hits on road and 3 buildings. Road junction F 6028 no results observed. Observation: 7 searchlights airdrome Bergamo. 4 fires P 8185. 2 flares vicinity F 8825. 2 vehicles moving south L 1243 at 2400 hours. 2 searchlights Villafranca airdrome. No movement seen all Po valley 1930A hours. San Benedetto, Ostiglia bridges approaches intact. Many small fires vicinity L 7699. River seems to be flooding north of Parma and area between San Benedetto and Modena.

6 vehicles direction undetermined F 4839 at 2025A hours. 3 vehicles moving south F 4827 at 0130A hours. Large fire at F 4005 at 0140A hours. Haze restricted observation. Bombed. Legnago marshalling yard F 855257 hit east end of yards. Marshalling yard F 656350 hit town and marshalling yard. Secondary road junction L 6365 near miss. Marshalling yard F 885257 no results observed. Road junction K 9770 no results observed. Marshalling yard F 656350 hit Highway 12 south of town. Highway 9 at L 5667 cratered road 2 east of Modena. Railroad bridge K 1782 near miss bridge hit road. Marshalling yard F 885257 very near miss tracks. Legnago railroad station F 885257 hit highway west of town several electric flashes. 1 vehicle light A 9575 near miss. 1 vehicle F 5087 hit road. Borgoforte railroad bridge F 4412 near miss north approach. Road L 2577 direct hit. Marshalling yard F 885257 pattern from center marshalling yard to river. Pontoon bridge L 2697 near miss north approach. 3 stationary lights A 1313 miss. 1 light L 1499 no results observed. Marshalling yard F 885257 hit west edge of town and marshalling yard. Marshalling yard F 656350 hit southeast edge town and marshalling yard. Road L 5167 near miss. Road L 5475 near miss. Road L 6376 near miss. Road L 1686 near miss. Marshalling yard F 885257 hits in center marshalling yard. Marshalling yard F 656350 near miss hits between road and railroad south of town. Road L 1345 hit road junction. Railroad and road vicinity F 6538 no results observed. Fuel dump L 0687 hit road. Possible steam train P 8795 missed. Road K 7900 near miss. Marshalling yard F 885257 direct hits. Highway 9 at L 2577 hit north of road. Marshalling yard F 885257 no results observed. Observation: apparent platform on road bridge K 1624. No movement seen Legnago area 0220A hours. 6 vehicles convoy moving south to Reggio on Highway 63 at L 3284 at 0230A hours. 4 suspected vehicles direction undetermined on secondary road at K 7343 at 0300A hours. No movement seen Isola della Scala area at 0300A hours. Flashing beacon P 4727. Light vehicle moving south between Ora and Trento. 3 vehicles moving northeast F 3474 at 2220A hours. No movement seen Brenner zone at 2400 hours. 10/15 possibly stationary vehicles F 4412 at 2300A hours. No movement seen roads vicinity Modena, Vignola, Bologna, Cento at 2300A hours. 12 stationary lights on north mountain slope vicinity L 4022. 2 fires vicinity G 1413. Railroad and road bridge L 4356 appeared out. 6 vehicles moving east L 2517 at 2300A hours. 2 vehicles moving south F 4830 at 0400A hours. 1 vehicle moving north K 5418 and 2 at K 8725 approximately 0400A hours. Sugar refinery at Legnago on fire at 0435A hours. 5 vehicles moving north vicinity L 2867 at 0500A hours. Possible steam train F 5324 at 0530A hours. Total: 4 missions, 48 sorties.

Summary

Unit	Missions	Sorties
8th SAAF	17	72
57th Group	14	89
350th Group	<u>14</u>	<u>87</u> — including 2 missions, 12 sorties by Brazilian pilots.
Total	45	248

For Fifth Army: 12 missions, 52 sorties.

RONALD W. EVANS
Lt. Col., Infantry
Air Support Control

ANNEX NUMBER FIVE * * * * *

Air-Ground Support

AIR-GROUND SUPPORT

1. *Evolution.* Close air-ground support in the Mediterranean Theater had many ups and downs after a navy dive bomber dropped the first bombs in support of ground operations in French Morocco on 10 November 1942. In general, however, it kept pace with the steady development of aircraft and communication facilities. The virtual destruction of the German Air Force and its fuel supply contributed greatly to the development of closer cooperation between the air and the ground, since by 1944 the United States Air Force, having won its battle against the Luftwaffe, was ready to devote more attention to aiding the ground forces.

It can be said that the turning point in the development of air-ground support occurred during the battle for Cassino in 1944. As a result of this battle, it was fully realized how complete an understanding and cooperation between all echelons, both air and ground, was necessary to bring about a successful, coordinated attack, and it was also realized that unless the attack was thoroughly coordinated the heaviest bombardment from the air would not put the infantry on its objective. After the battle of Cassino a program of exchange of officers between air and ground forces was organized. Officers from bomber squadrons came to visit the ground forces for periods of a week to 10 days, and similar groups from infantry and artillery units temporarily joined air organizations. The pilots accompanied patrols, went with companies and platoons in the attack, and learned the problems of the infantry. They returned to their squadrons with many ideas as to what they could do to help the foot soldiers. Similarly the ground officers accompanied the bombers on their missions and appreciated the difficulties of locating targets and bomb safety lines and of being able to tell the difference between enemy and friendly troops on the ground. Mutual admiration and respect resulted in the friendly, cooperative spirit and the highly developed program of air-ground support in existence in late 1944 and 1945.

2. *Targets.* It was necessary for the ground forces to learn how to select targets for the air corps, and for the air corps to learn to appreciate the value to the ground forces of certain targets that might at the time seem to them inconsequential. The static situation that existed at Anzio and in the Apennines brought about a system of target selection and tabulation by photo interpretation that reached an almost

exact science. By utilizing all the means at the disposal of the G-2 section targets were selected, evaluated, and recorded for attack at the proper time. The target areas were photographed on every possible fair weather day. They were checked by sound and flash, radio locators, tactical reconnaissance, patrols, and espionage agents; every possible means was employed to verify them and determine their value as it affected future ground operations.

The ground forces often were unable to appreciate the effect of strategic bombing far beyond our front lines. In an all-out effort Twelfth Air Force severed all rail lines north of the Tiber River in the spring of 1944 and kept them cut for a period of 60 days so that when the spring offensive began the German armies in Italy were soon so short of food and ammunition that they were forced into retreat. As our troops rolled along the roads in pursuit, the long lines of burned out vehicles and railroad trains, and hundreds of smashed bridges and railway cuts were evidence that our forces could appreciate. Although there was no denying the fact that German ground forces and equipment were very nearly equal to our own, we had complete superiority in the air so that when plans were carefully laid and activity of the air force fully coordinated with the strategic and tactical ground plan, the result was inevitable defeat for the enemy. The enemy could not be shelled into submission; neither could he be bombed into submission; but when the massed fires of our artillery and carefully timed and controlled efforts of our bombers were coordinated with our infantry attacks, our troops overran the enemy and reached their objectives.

The Germans immediately began to organize and develop their defenses whenever the line became static. The longer this situation prevailed the more complete were the preparations, the greater the number of alternate or dummy positions. In order to distinguish the real positions from the dummies, or the occupied from the unoccupied, the target sections of divisions, corps, and armies studied their areas constantly, and every possible scrap of information was evaluated and applied to the problem in order that the commander would have a true picture of the situation on D Day.

Many factors had to be considered in selecting a target for bombardment. For example, reliable information was obtained on the location of an enemy battalion command post. The area was photographed, it was easily located, and obviously active. However, there were many anti-aircraft guns in the vicinity. A successful attack on that command post would disrupt enemy communications, probably kill some personnel, but it also might cost aircraft due to flak. Since we were not going to attack ourselves for some time, we carefully avoided bombing or knocking out this target until such time as the attack was imminent. The area was kept under observation and at the top of the priority list for bombing just before the attack. If the post were bombed before that time, the net result would be that it would be moved to a

new location, communications reestablished, and it probably would not be on the target list at the time of the attack. The same principle was applied to many other enemy installations such as gun positions, pillboxes, and strongpoints. Other located targets which were immediately attacked were vehicle parks, enemy observation posts, and active artillery positions. However, when such targets were within range of friendly artillery, it was preferable to engage them by guns rather than expend bombs or aircraft on them.

On D Day the picture as far as air targets were concerned was radically changed. Fighter-bombers came into the battle area, not on call, but on a regular time schedule. Enemy command posts, artillery positions, and strongpoints, all previously selected targets on which the pilots were briefed before they left their bases, were bombed. As the attack pressed forward, the enemy was forced either to displace his artillery to the rear, fall back to new defense positions, or bring reserves into the area. In either case he presented targets of opportunity for the fighter-bombers of far greater value than could have been previously prepared. It was then that air support was really put to the test.

3. *Control.* Many methods of control for fighter-bombers in close support of ground operations were tried in the Mediterranean Theater. From the beginning the most commonly used system, which proved entirely satisfactory during static periods when the question of mobility of targets was not present, was the use of annotated photographs and the careful briefing of pilots. However, the necessity for some form of forward control successfully to engage targets of opportunity had long been recognized. The biggest handicap in the development of such a system was the reluctance of the air corps to assign qualified pilots to this duty or to permit anyone other than qualified pilots to brief from the ground other pilots in the air. The first step in improving the situation was the assignment by the air corps of a forward control group to a corps or division headquarters making the main effort. This gave the ground forces commander immediate access to the air control officer, permitting him to obtain much quicker action on targets of opportunity, and greatly increased the safety of his own troops through his ability to cancel missions that, due to an advance, might endanger them. The forward controller had direct radio communication with the planes in the air and with the air bases, and was also connected by telephone to landing strips of artillery observation planes and to the G-3 section of the supported command.

This system was applied during the breakout of the Anzio beachhead and functioned as follows: fighter-bomber missions were brought into the area on 15-minute schedules. Before leaving the airfield each mission was briefed to attack a designated target. When each mission approached the battle area the flight leader checked in with the forward ground control so that if a target of opportunity had been seen the

forward controller was able to contact the aircraft in the air and rebrief them onto this new target. In this way several hundred enemy vehicles were destroyed as they attempted to withdraw from Cori to Ardena in the second day of the battle. The system worked well for 3 days, but as soon as the battle lines moved beyond the area over which the pilots had been carefully briefed control was insufficient to take care of the situation. Although the roads north toward Rome were choked with retreating enemy columns and transport, it was necessary to place the bomb safety line along the Tiber to prevent mistaken bombing of our own columns.

It became obvious that this forward control — or “Rover Joe” as he was called — either had to be well forward with the front-line troops or in position where he could observe the advance, and be supplemented by an air observer. This need brought into existence what became known as “Horsefly,” consisting of a Cub observation plane, an air corps pilot with a radio who could talk both to the forward controller and to planes in the air, and an artillery observer whose radio could contact leading elements of ground troops and artillery observers on the ground. This system required much training and practice but rapidly improved. In March 1945 one mission on the Fifth Army front was corrected by “Horsefly,” who adjusted successive aircraft by calling to the pilots as they dived that the bombs that had hit previously were, over, short, right, or left of the target. In another instance, the flight leader had not understood the briefing. When he peeled off his formation at 8,000 feet and started his dive, “Horsefly,” realizing that he was headed for the wrong target, called out to him and he pulled out of the dive, went up again to 8,000 feet, was rebriefed, and then attacked the proper target.

Coordination was properly obtained only when communications functioned normally and when the forward controller, “Horsefly” pilots and observers, and pilots all understood each other and were familiar with the system. Fighter-bomber pilots, through the use of air photographs and mosaic models, constantly studied the area over which they were to operate. There must be landmarks available on which they could orient themselves, and it was desirable that the “Horsefly” plane be characteristically marked so it could be easily picked out by the fighter-bombers when they came into the area.

4. *Air-Ground Recognition.* Yellow smoke and the conventional type panels proved almost useless for air-ground recognition. Troops were extremely reluctant to make use of yellow smoke because it could be seen more easily from the ground than from the air and immediately drew fire from the enemy, or the enemy responded by putting out yellow smoke of his own. The old type panel could not be seen from bomber altitude and the star and circle vehicle marking was of little or no value in preventing our aircraft from mistaking our vehicles for those of the enemy. The fluorescent cerise panel proved effective and quite visible at altitudes up to 10,000

feet. However, the panels were heavy and almost impossible for infantry to carry; one answer was to equip with these panels the lead vehicles in each column following the attack. Orientation beacons, consisting of large panels at least 2 yards wide and 100 yards long forming letters, were spread on the ground near the front. Night beacons, similar in size, were made of cans burning a mixture of oil and sand. Such beacons were useful in static situations where ample time existed in which to place them, and they were of great assistance in keeping pilots oriented. In a fluid situation there were no beacons or reliable landmarks available; then it was the responsibility of the forward controller, "Rover Joe" with his "Horsefly," to make it possible for the combined arms, air and ground, to destroy the enemy.

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Troop List of Fifth Army

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TROOP LIST OF FIFTH ARMY

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FIFTH ARMY TROOPS

Headquarters, Fifth Army

British Increment, Fifth Army

Special Troops, Fifth Army

Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops

Headquarters Company, Fifth Army

7th Information and Historical Service

22d Quartermaster Car Company [-1 Platoon]

33d Finance Disbursing Section

61st Military Police Company (Post, Camp, and Station); *attached:*

356th and 357th Military Police Detachments

523d Quartermaster Car Company [-2 Platoons]

232d and 245th Army Ground Forces Bands

1628th Engineer Service Detachment (Utilities)

6669th WAC Headquarters Platoon (Overhead)

6736th Headquarters Company (Overhead)

Attached to Special Troops:

13th and 49th Finance Disbursing Sections

Italian Units Attached to Special Troops:

Headquarters, 210th Italian Infantry Division

Special Troops, 210th Italian Infantry Division

210th Ration and Clothing Platoon

210th Transport Company

210th Italian Infantry Division Band

525th Italian Training Regiment, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

1st Italian Training Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

1st, 2d, and 3d Italian Training Companies (Pack Mule)

FIFTH ARMY TROOPS (*continued*)

- 2d Italian Training Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 4th Italian Training Company (General)
- 5th Italian Training Company (Convalescent)
- 6th Italian Training Company (Staging)
- 305th Italian Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 310th, 311th, and 313th Italian Quartermaster Service Companies

Adjutant General:

- 34th Postal Regulating Section
- 542d, 543d, and 549th Army Postal Units
- Adjutant General Unit Attached to Fifth Army:*
- 9th and 10th Machine Records Units (Mobile) [from MTOUSA]

Air Corps:

- 3d Depot Unit, Army
- AAF/MTO Unit Attached to Fifth Army:*
- 121st Liaison Squadron [-Detachments and Flights A, B, and D]

Antiaircraft Artillery:

- 630th AAA Automatic Weapons Battalion [-2 Platoons]

Armored Force:

- 6 South African Armoured Division
- Headquarters, 6 South African Armoured Division
- 1/6 and 15 South African Field Regiments [25-pounder]
- 4/22 South African Field Regiment [105-mm Howitzer SP]
- 1/11 South African Anti-Tank Regiment
- 1/12 South African Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment
- 7/23 Medium Regiment [5.5-inch Gun/Howitzer]
- 11 South African Armoured Brigade
- Prince Alfred's Guard
- Pretoria Regiment (Princess Alice's Own)
- Special Service Battalion

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 12 South African Motorised Brigade
 Royal Natal Carbineers
 First City/Capetown Highlanders
 Witwatersrand Rifles/De La Rey
 13 South African Motorised Brigade
 Natal Mounted Rifles
 Royal Durban Light Infantry
 Imperial Light Horse/Kimberley Regiment
Attached to 6 South African Armoured Division:
 4/13 Frontier Force Rifles
 38th Quartermaster War Dog Platoon

Chemical:

- 2d Chemical Maintenance Company
 24th Chemical Decontamination Company

Engineers:

- 2626th Engineer Group (Provisional), Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
 39th Engineer Combat Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Company;
 attached:
 Companies I and K, 366th Infantry Regiment
 1168th and 1338th Engineer Combat Groups, Headquarters and Headquarters Companies
 92d and 175th Engineer General Service Regiments
 Company D, 84th Engineer Camouflage Battalion [-3 Platoons]; *attached:*
 92d Italian Camouflage (Masking) Platoon
 169th, 182d, 185th, and 407th Engineer Combat Battalions
 405th Engineer Water Supply Battalion
 1554th Engineer Heavy Ponton Battalion
 66th Engineer Topographic Company, Corps; *attached:*
 210th Italian Engineer Topographic Company
 217th, 423d, and 425th Engineer Dump Truck Companies
 276th Engineer Depot Company
 383d Engineer Depot Company; *attached:*
 304th, 305th, and 306th Italian Engineer Depot Companies (Provisional)

- 400th Engineer Maintenance Company
- 597th and 2750th Engineer Light Equipment Companies
- 420th Army Service Forces Band
- 1206th Engineer Service Detachment (Fire Fighting)
- 1438th and 1439th Engineer Service Detachments (Searchlight Maintenance)
- 1710th and 1712th Engineer Service Detachments (Map Depot)
- 1980th Engineer Composite Section (Fire Administration and Fire Control)
- 1981st Engineer Aviation Fire Fighting Platoon
- MTOUSA Unit Attached to 2626th Engineer Group:*
 - 1 Section, 1621st Engineer Model Making Detachment
- Italian Units Attached to 2626th Engineer Group:*
 - 210th Engineer Combat Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Company
 - 23d and 103d Italian Engineer Combat Battalions
 - 301st, 302d, and 303d Italian Engineer Depot Companies
 - 301st and 302d Italian Engineer Maintenance Companies
 - 302d and 306th Italian Quartermaster Service Companies

Field Artillery:

- 530th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Gun]
- 765th and 766th Field Artillery Battalions [155-mm Howitzer]

General:

- 21st and 45th Special Service Companies
- 2633d Service Company (Overhead)
- 2619th Aerial Supply Detachment (Overhead)
- 2695th Technical Supervision Regiment (Overhead)
- General Units Attached to Fifth Army:*
 - 108th Replacement Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
[from The Replacement and Training Command, MTOUSA]
 - 509th, 510th, and 511th Replacement Companies
 - 3d Platoon, 37th Special Service Company [from PBS]

Infantry:

- 85th Infantry Division
 - Headquarters, 85th Infantry Division
 - Headquarters, Special Troops

Headquarters Company
785th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company
85th Quartermaster Company
85th Signal Company
Military Police Platoon
85th Infantry Division Band
85th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized
310th Engineer Combat Battalion
310th Medical Battalion
85th Division Artillery [attached to II Corps]
337th Infantry Regiment
338th Infantry Regiment
339th Infantry Regiment
Attached to 85th Division:
85th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

Medical:

161st Medical Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
401st, 402d, and 403d Medical Collecting Companies
601st Clearing Company
Attached to 161st Medical Battalion:
551st Ambulance Company, Motor
162d Medical Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
404th, 405th, and 406th Medical Collecting Companies
602d Clearing Company
Attached to 162d Medical Battalion:
550th Ambulance Company, Motor
152d Italian Medical Collecting Section
525th and 865th Italian Field Hospitals
2d Medical Laboratory
3d Convalescent Hospital
8th, 16th, 38th, and 56th Evacuation Hospitals (750 Bed)
12th Medical Depot Company
15th, 94th, 170th, and 171st Evacuation Hospitals (Semimobile) (400 Bed)
15th Field Hospital
28th Malaria Control Unit
206th Malaria Survey Unit

FIFTH ARMY TROOPS (*continued*)

549th Ambulance Company, Motor
688th Motor Ambulance Company
307th and 308th Medical Service Platoons

MTOUSA Unit Attached to Fifth Army:

2d Auxiliary Surgical Group [–Detachment of headquarters and 28 teams]

Italian Units Attached to Medical Section:

303d and 317th Italian Quartermaster Service Companies
110th, 130th, 211th, and 212th Italian Veterinary Evacuation Hospitals

Military Police:

101st Military Police Battalion [–Company C]
138th Military Police Company
379th Military Police Escort Guard Company

Ordnance:

2660th Ordnance Group (Provisional), Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
53d Ordnance Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
42d Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
8th, 28th, 29th, 94th, and 112th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Companies
262d Ordnance Maintenance Company (AA)
525th Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Company (Tank) [–Detachment]
67th Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
5th, 101st, and 109th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Companies
63d and 100th Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Companies
188th Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
70th, 3459th, 3486th, and 3488th Ordnance Medium Automotive Maintenance Companies
56th Ordnance Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
5th Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
79th, 189th, and 330th Ordnance Depot Companies
411th Ordnance Medium Maintenance Company
73d Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
31st and 83d Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Companies, Field Army
86th, 881st, and 972d Ordnance Heavy Automotive Maintenance Companies

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- 476th and 477th Ordnance Evacuation Companies
- 529th and 991st Ordnance Heavy Maintenance Companies (Tank)
- 87th Ordnance Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 53d, 58th, 236th, 605th, and 684th Ordnance Ammunition Companies
- 55th, 56th, 136th, 137th, 149th, 150th, 152d, 153d, and 154th Ordnance Service Detachments (Bomb Disposal)
- Attached to 2660th Ordnance Group:*
- 160th Ordnance Tire Repair Company [from PBS]

Quartermaster:

- 62d Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 487th, 585th, and 632d Quartermaster Laundry Companies
- 817th and 818th Quartermaster Sterilization Companies
- 822d Quartermaster Fumigation and Bath Company
- 94th Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 102d and 110th Quartermaster Bakery Companies
- 3005th and 3006th Quartermaster Bakery Companies (Mobile) (Special)
- 35th Quartermaster War Dog Platoon
- 204th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 3837th, 3838th, 3839th, 3840th, and 3853d Quartermaster Gas Supply Companies
- Attached to 204th Quartermaster Battalion:*
- 3341st Quartermaster Truck Company (Tank)
- 548th Italian Quartermaster Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 303d Italian Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 309th, 312th, 319th, 320th, and 321st Italian Quartermaster Service Companies
- 304th Italian Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 314th, 315th, 316th, and 318th Italian Quartermaster Service Companies
- 242d Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 3254th, 3255th, 3256th, and 3257th Quartermaster Service Companies
- Attached to 242d Quartermaster Battalion:*

- 4522d Quartermaster Railhead Company
- 249th Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 3278th, 3280th, and 3281st Quartermaster Service Companies
- Attached to 249th Quartermaster Battalion:*
 - 1st Platoon, 3298th Quartermaster Service Company
 - 20th Italian Pack Mule Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
 - 4th and 5th Italian Pack Mule Battalions, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachments
 - 67th Italian Quartermaster Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
 - 301st Italian Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
 - 301st and 304th Italian Quartermaster Service Companies
 - 302d Italian Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
 - 308th Italian Quartermaster Service Company
- 263d Quartermaster Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
- 4062d, 4063d, 4064th, and 4065th Quartermaster Service Companies
- 47th Quartermaster Graves Registration Company
- 85th Quartermaster Depot Company
- 86th, 90th, and 98th Quartermaster Railhead Companies
- 230th Quartermaster Salvage Collecting Company
- 280th Quartermaster Refrigeration Company
- 299th Quartermaster Salvage Repair Company
- 4th Platoon, 498th Quartermaster Laundry Company
- 3298th Quartermaster Service Company [-1 Platoon]

Signal:

- 3142d Signal Service Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Company
- 51st, 63d, and 229th Signal Operations Battalions
- 102d and 103d Signal Light Construction Battalions
- 128th Signal Radio Intelligence Company
- 180th Signal Repair Company
- 196th Signal Photo Company
- 209th Signal Pigeon Company [-3 Detachments and 1 Section]
- 212th Signal Depot Company

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2688th Signal Detachment (Overhead)
3133d Signal Service Company
3203d Signal Service Section
3326th Signal Intelligence and Monitoring Company
32d Signal Center Team

Attached to 3142d Signal Service Group:

3200th Signal Intelligence Service Detachment (Type A) [from MTOUSA]
Detachments B-3, C-16, C-17, and MT-2, 2603d Film and Equipment
Exchange (Overhead) [from MTOUSA]
3917th, 3918th, and 3920th Signal Maintenance Units, 3141st Signal
Service Group [from MTOUSA]
54th Signal Radar Maintenance Unit (Type C) [from PBS]
55th and 57th Signal Radar Maintenance Units (Type A) [from PBS]
3225th Signal Service Detachment [from Signal Corps Photo Center]
1st and 2d Italian Wire Recovery Companies

Transportation:

21st Traffic Regulating Group, Transportation Corps; *attached:*

26th Quartermaster Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
52d Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters
Detachment
3333d, 3334th, 3335th, 3336th, and 3606th Quartermaster Truck Com-
panies
56th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters
Detachment
3373d, 3374th, 3375th, and 3376th Quartermaster Truck Companies
70th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters
Detachment
3505th, 3506th, 3507th, and 3508th Quartermaster Truck Companies
115th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters
Detachment
3332d, 3404th, 3562d, 3567th, and 3592d Quartermaster Truck Companies
235th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters
Detachment
3605th, 3637th, 3638th, 3639th, and 3640th Quartermaster Truck Com-
panies

FIFTH ARMY TROOPS (*continued*)

468th Quartermaster Battalion (Mobile), Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

3641st, 3642d, 3643d, and 3644th Quartermaster Truck Companies

Italian Units Attached to Transportation Section:

307th Italian Quartermaster Service Company

1022d Italian Quartermaster Truck Company

AFHQ Units Attached to Fifth Army:

Company G, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (United States Component) (Overhead)

Combat Propaganda Team, 2679th Headquarters Company, Psychological Warfare Branch (Overhead)

MTOUSA Unit Attached to Fifth Army:

305th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment

II CORPS

Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Air Corps:

Flight B, 121st Liaison Squadron [-Detachment] [from AAF/MTO]

Antiaircraft Artillery:

71st AAA Brigade, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

71st AAA Operations Detachment

Attached to 71st AAA Brigade:

209th AAA Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

105th and 432d AAA Automatic Weapons Battalions (Self-Propelled)

Battery B, 360th AAA Searchlight Battalion; *attached:*

1st Platoon [-2 Sections], Battery C, 360th AAA Searchlight Battalion

401st AAA Gun Battalion (Type A)

403d AAA Gun Battalion (Type B)

231st Army Ground Forces Band

II CORPS (*continued*)

Armored Force:

752d and 757th Tank Battalions

1st Armored Division

Headquarters, 1st Armored Division

Reserve Command

1st Armored Division Trains, Headquarters and Headquarters Company

123d Ordnance Maintenance Battalion

47th Armored Medical Battalion

Military Police Platoon

1st Armored Division Band

81st Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron, mechanized

16th Armored Engineer Battalion

1st Armored Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
27th, 68th, and 91st Armored Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm How-
itzer SP]

6th, 11th, and 14th Armored Infantry Battalions

141st Armored Signal Company

1st, 4th, and 13th Tank Battalions

Combat Command A, Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Combat Command B, Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Attached to 1st Armored Division:

501st Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

Cavalry:

91st Cavalry Reconnaissance Squadron

Chemical:

100th Chemical Mortar Battalion

172d Chemical Smoke Generating Company

Engineers:

19th Engineer Combat Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Company

1st Platoon, Company D, 84th Engineer Camouflage Battalion

401st, 402d, and 643d Engineer Combat Battalions

1755th Engineer Treadway Bridge Company

Field Artillery:

- II Corps Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
- 15th Field Artillery Observation Battalion
- 77th, 178th, and 423d Field Artillery Groups, Headquarters and Headquarters Batteries
- 178th, 248th, 631st, and 936th Field Artillery Battalions [155-mm Howitzer]
- 173d and 985th Field Artillery Battalions [155-mm Gun plus one 8-inch Howitzer]
- 527th and 536th Field Artillery Battalions [8-inch Howitzer]
- 85th Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
- 328th, 329th, and 910th Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm Howitzer]
- 403d Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]
- British Units Attached to II Corps:*
- 11 Battery, 54 Super Heavy Regiment [-1 Section] [8-inch Gun]
- 61 Heavy Regiment [7.2-inch Howitzer; 155-mm Gun]

Infantry:

- 34th Infantry Division
- Headquarters, 34th Infantry Division
- Headquarters, Special Troops
- Headquarters Company
- 734th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company
- 34th Quartermaster Company
- 34th Signal Company
- Military Police Platoon
- 34th Infantry Division Band
- 34th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized
- 109th Engineer Combat Battalion
- 109th Medical Battalion
- 34th Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
- 125th, 151st, and 175th Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm Howitzer]
- 185th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]
- 133d Infantry Regiment
- 135th Infantry Regiment
- 168th Infantry Regiment
- Attached to 34th Division:*
- 34th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

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88th Infantry Division

Headquarters, 88th Infantry Division

Headquarters, Special Troops

Headquarters Company

788th Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

88th Quartermaster Company

88th Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

88th Infantry Division Band

88th Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized

313th Engineer Combat Battalion

313th Medical Battalion

88th Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

337th, 338th, and 913th Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm Howitzer]

339th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]

349th Infantry Regiment

350th Infantry Regiment

351st Infantry Regiment

Attached to 88th Division:

88th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

91st Infantry Division

Headquarters, 91st Infantry Division

Headquarters, Special Troops

Headquarters Company

791st Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

91st Quartermaster Company

91st Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

91st Infantry Division Band

91st Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized

316th Engineer Combat Battalion

316th Medical Battalion

91st Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

346th, 347th, and 916th Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm Howitzer]

348th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]

361st Infantry Regiment

362d Infantry Regiment

II CORPS (*continued*)

363d Infantry Regiment

Attached to 91st Division:

91st Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

Legnano Combat Group [Italian]

Headquarters, Legnano Combat Group

Legnano Ordnance Field Park

Legnano Mechanical Workshop

34th and 51st Carabinieri Sections

51st Supply and Transport Company

51st Engineer Battalion

51st Medical Battalion

52d British Liaison Unit

244th and 332d Field Hospitals

11th Artillery Regiment

68th Infantry Regiment

1st, 2d, and 3d Infantry Battalions

405th Mortar Company [3-inch]

56th Antitank Company [6-pounder]

69th Speciale Infantry Regiment

1st Bersaglieri Battalion

2d and 3d Alpini Battalions

15th Mortar Company [3-inch]

16th Antitank Company [6-pounder]

Medical:

54th Medical Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

379th, 380th, and 381st Medical Collecting Companies

683d Clearing Company

33d Field Hospital

Military Police:

Military Police Platoon, II Corps

202d Military Police Company

Ordnance:

151st Ordnance Service Detachment (Bomb Disposal)

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Quartermaster:

33d and 34th Quartermaster War Dog Platoons
1st and 3d Platoons, 523d Quartermaster Car Company

Signal:

53d Signal Battalion
MTOUSA Unit Attached to II Corps:
3915th Signal Service Company (Radio Intelligence)

Tank Destroyer:

804th and 805th Tank Destroyer Battalions (Self-Propelled)
Reconnaissance Company, 701st Tank Destroyer Battalion
Reconnaissance Company, 894th Tank Destroyer Battalion

Transportation:

3591st and 3422d Quartermaster Truck Companies
Italian Units Attached to II Corps:
2d Pack Mule Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
2d, 13th, and 21st Pack Mule Companies
3d Pack Mule Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment
1st, 9th, and 16th Pack Mule Companies
11th, 15th, and 19th Pack Mule Companies

MTOUSA Units Attached to II Corps:

30th Finance Disbursing Section
202d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment

IV CORPS

Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Air Corps:

Detachment, Flight B, 121st Liaison Squadron [from AAF/MTO]

IV CORPS (*continued*)

Antiaircraft Artillery:

Battery C, 360th AAA Searchlight Battalion [-1 Platoon (-2 Sections)]

1st Platoon, Battery D, 630th AAA Weapons Battalion

British Units Attached to IV Corps:

62 Anti-Aircraft Brigade

Headquarters, 62 Anti-Aircraft Brigade

26 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment [-1 Battery]

76 Heavy Anti-Aircraft Regiment

Armored Force:

751st and 760th Tank Battalions

Brazilian Expeditionary Force:

Graves Registration Platoon

1st, 2d, and 3d Medical Groups

1st Brazilian Infantry Division

Headquarters and Headquarters Company

Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

1st Quartermaster Company

1st Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

1st Brazilian Infantry Division Band

1st Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop, Mechanized

9th Engineer Combat Battalion [-3 Companies]

1st Artillery Regiment, Headquarters

4th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]

1st Medical Battalion [-3 Companies]

1st Regimental Combat Team

1st Infantry Regiment

1st Field Artillery Battalion [105-mm Howitzer]

1 Company, 9th Engineer Combat Battalion

1 Company, 1st Medical Battalion

6th Regimental Combat Team

6th Infantry Regiment

2d Field Artillery Battalion [105-mm Howitzer]

1 Company, 9th Engineer Combat Battalion

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- 1 Company, 1st Medical Battalion
- 11th Regimental Combat Team
 - 11th Infantry Regiment
 - 3d Field Artillery Battalion [105-mm Howitzer]
 - 1 Company, 9th Engineer Combat Battalion
 - 1 Company, 1st Medical Battalion
- Attached to Brazilian Expeditionary Force:*
 - 107th AAA Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

Chemical:

- 84th Chemical Mortar Battalion
- 179th Chemical Smoke Generating Company

Engineers:

- 1108th Engineer Combat Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Company
- 235th, 255th, and 337th Engineer Combat Battalions
- 1029th Engineer Treadway Bridge Company
- 3d and 4th Platoons, Company D, 84th Engineer Camouflage Battalion

Field Artillery:

- IV Corps Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
- 424th Field Artillery Group, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery
- 633d Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Gun]
- 1125th Armored Field Artillery Battalion [105-mm Howitzer SP]
- British Units Attached to IV Corps:*
 - 7 Army Group Royal Artillery, Headquarters
 - 2 Medium Regiment [4.5-inch Gun]
 - 17 and 178 Medium Regiments [5.5-inch Gun/Howitzer]
 - 111 Field Regiment [25-pounder]
 - 8 Survey Regiment

Finance:

- 48th Finance Disbursing Section

Infantry:

- 442d Infantry Regiment; *attached:*
 - 232d Engineer Combat Company

206th Army Ground Forces Band
473d Infantry Regiment

10th Mountain Division

Headquarters, 10th Mountain Division

Headquarters, Special Troops

Headquarters Company

710th Mountain Ordnance Maintenance Company

110th Mountain Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

10th Mountain Quartermaster Battalion

10th Mountain Cavalry Reconnaissance Troop

10th Mountain Infantry Antitank Battalion

126th Mountain Engineer Battalion

10th Mountain Medical Battalion

10th Mountain Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

604th, 605th, and 616th Field Artillery Battalions [75-mm Pack Howitzer]

85th Mountain Infantry Regiment

86th Mountain Infantry Regiment

87th Mountain Infantry Regiment

Attached to 10th Mountain Division:

10th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

92d Infantry Division

Headquarters, 92d Infantry Division

Headquarters, Special Troops

Headquarters Company

792d Ordnance Light Maintenance Company

92d Quartermaster Company

92d Signal Company

Military Police Platoon

92d Infantry Division Band

317th Engineer Combat Battalion

317th Medical Battalion

92d Division Artillery, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery

597th, 598th, and 599th Field Artillery Battalions [105-mm Howitzer]

600th Field Artillery Battalion [155-mm Howitzer]

365th Infantry Regiment

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370th Infantry Regiment

371st Infantry Regiment

Attached to 92d Division:

92d Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment [from MTOUSA]

366th Infantry Regiment [-Companies I and K]

758th Light Tank Battalion

Medical:

163d Medical Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

671st, 672d, and 673d Medical Collecting Companies

615th Clearing Company

32d Field Hospital

Military Police:

Military Police Platoon, IV Corps

Company C, 101st Military Police Battalion

Ordnance:

148th Ordnance Service Detachment (Bomb Disposal)

Quartermaster:

37th Quartermaster War Dog Platoon

2d Platoon, 22d Quartermaster Car Company

Signal:

62d Signal Battalion

MTOUSA Unit Attached to IV Corps:

3916th Signal Service Company (Radio Intelligence)

Tank Destroyer:

679th Tank Destroyer Battalion [Towed]

701st and 894th Tank Destroyer Battalions [-Reconnaissance Companies]

Italian Units Attached to IV Corps:

1st Pack Mule Battalion, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment

5th, 10th, and 17th Pack Mule Companies

12th, 18th, and 20th Pack Mule Companies

MTOUSA Unit Attached to IV Corps:

204th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment

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