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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

AFO 252
30 June 1944

SUBJECT: Operations Report for Period June 1 - 30 inclusive.

TO : CG, 2d Armored Division (Attn: AG of S, G-3)

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1. The following operations report for the elements of Combat Command "A", Second Armored Division, for the month of June 1944 is hereby submitted:

1 June: Assembled at TIDWORTH BARRACKS, Wiltshire, England. Troops assigned to CC"A":
Hq CC"A"
66th Armored Regiment
3rd Bn, 41st Armored Infantry Regiment
14th Armored Field Artillery Battalion
Co A and 1st Co B, 17th Armored Engineer Battalion
Co A, 48th Armored Medical Battalion
CO A, 2d Armored Maintenance Battalion

At 0813B, the CG, CC"A", with the advance CP left TIDWORTH to join the 9th Infantry Regiment, 2d Infantry Division in the marshalling area at BARRY, WALES, arriving there at 1430B. Remainder of the Combat Command at TIDWORTH.

2 June: Advance CP, CC"A" (5 Off, 8 EM) left marshalling area at 0715B and boarded SS CHARLES SUMNER (IT 206) docked at BARRY. Cast off at 1350B and passed through locks, anchoring in the roads at 1530B. Remainder of the Combat Command at TIDWORTH.

3 & 4 June: Advance CP on SS CHARLES SUMNER at anchor off BARRY, WALES. Remainder of Combat Command at TIDWORTH.

5 June: Advance CP on SS CHARLES SUMNER. At 0815B moved west out of BRISTOL channel bound for rendezvous point off ISLE OF WIGHT via LANDS END. Remainder of Combat Command at TIDWORTH.

6 June: Advance CP on SS CHARLES SUMNER off south coast of England approaching SOUTHAMPTON; Elements of the Combat Command left TIDWORTH for the marshalling area starting at 0930B. (Units marshalling at SOUTHAMPTON, LYMPINGTON, PORTLAND.)

7 June: Advance CP on SUMNER anchored off coast of NORMANDY, vicinity of STE. HONORINE DES PERTES (T7287). Remainder of CC"A" elements in Marshalling areas or at TIDWORTH. CG, CC "A"

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left SUMNER without vehicles, at 1830B and set up forward CP on the beach near Hq. Prov. Eng. Brig. north of ST. LAURENT-SUR-MER at T676900R. Establishing liaison with CG, V Corps.

8 June: Advance CP, CC"A" at T676900. Elements of CC"A" begin loading at 1200B at SOUTHAMPTON on LSTs and LCTs. Liaison maintained with CG, Vth Corps.

9 June: CP at T676900 awaiting arrival of elements of CC"A". Guides and CC"A" markers posted on routes to assembly area. Units landed starting at 1200B and dewaterproofed wherever possible, then proceeded to assembly area. All elements of Second Armored Division under command of CG, CC"A" pending arrival of CG, 2 AD. By 092400B the following elements of the command had unloaded and were in assembly vicinity MOSLES, FRANCE, (T7083), where CP opened 2000B, leaving rear CP on the beach.

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| Advance CP, Hq CC"A" | 5 Off | 8 EM |
| 2 AD Ln party to V Corps | 1 Off | 7 EM |
| 66th AR | | |
| Service Co (-) | 36 Off | 656 EM |
| Maint Co (-) | | |
| Rcn Co | | |
| D Co | | |
| E Co (-) | | |
| Co A, 2 AD Maint Bn | 8 Off | 147 EM |
| Co A, 17th Armd Eng Bn (-) | 5 Off | 188 EM |
| Co A, 48th Armd Med Bn | 12 Off | 117 EM |
| 3rd Bn, 41st AIR (-CO, 1/2 Hq Co, I Co, Med Detach) | 19 Off | 458 EM |

10 June: Operations consisted of unloading and assembling the elements of the command. At 1130B, on order CG V Corps, the 3rd Bn 41st AIR (-) was attached to 29th Inf Div with the mission of securing the bridgehead on the west bank of the VIRE river, vicinity of AUVILLE-SUR-LE-VEY (T4684). Troops in position by 1700B. Rcn/66 sent patrols to south of CC"A" assembly area to contact friendly troops. Troops unloaded and under command of CG, CC"A" by 2200B:

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|------------------------|--------|-------|
| Hq CC"A" (-) | 11 OFF | 87 EM |
| 66th AR (-) | 69 | 1251 |
| 41st AIR (-) | 30 | 818 |
| 17th Armd Eng Bn (-) | 9 | 360 |
| Hq Div Arty (-) | | |
| 82d Armd Rcn Bn (-) | 35 | 512 |
| 14th Armd FA Bn | 40 | 636 |
| Co A, 48th Armd Med Bn | 12 | 117 |
| Co A, 2 AD Maint Bn | 8 | 147 |

11 June: 3/41 (-) attached to 29th Inf at T4684, patrolling to south and west. 82d Rcn patrolling to south of CC"A"

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assembly area in contact with friendly troops. CG 2 AD and advance CP landed and took command. CC"A" reverting to normal composition. CG 2 AD assumed control of route markers from beach to assembly area. Units moved to new assembly area and CP, CC"A" opened at 1700E vicinity LE MARAIS (T6775) (less 3/41 (-) to rejoin CC"A" when released by V Corps). Operations of 3/41: Bn I & R plat moved out at 1030E to reconnoiter south of RR in direction of MONTMARTIN-EN-GRAIGNES (T4681) in conjunction with a patrol from 101st A/B Div. Engaged by enemy MG fire, and 1 plat H Co sent to their assistance. Estimated 15 enemy killed; 5 PWs taken identified from 4th Co, 915th Pz Gr Regt. Our losses: 1 Off & 1 EM killed.

12 June: CC"A" troops continued to unload and move to assembly. 3/41 detached from 29th Inf Div and returned under command CG, CC"A", closing in assembly area at 1400E.

13 June: In assembly vicinity LE MARAIS (T6775). At 0005E, CG CC"A" ordered by CG 2 AD to report to CG V Corps for orders. 3/41 and 2/66 alerted for movement, and moved out at 0315E toward IRIGNY, having been given the mission of securing the bridgehead west of town and cleaning out the Germans to the south thereof. Closed in assembly vicinity LES VEYS (T4685) at 0630E and patrols sent to the south toward the RR and MONTMARTIN (T4681) supported by fire from battleships TEXAS, NEVADA, and ARKANSAS. On order CG 1st US Army, mission was changed and this force attached to 101st A/B Div vicinity CAARENTAN (T3984); remainder of CC"A" ordered by CG 2 AD to move and join forward elements in CAARENTAN area, leaving assembly area at 1030E. Coordinated attack with 101st A/B Div at 1400E by 3/41 and 2/66, and by 1/66 and 101 A/B Div at 1730E, supported by 14th FA Bn. Enemy was driven back with heavy losses. CC"A" elements assembled for the night. Estimated enemy losses - 500 killed, 2 PWs taken. Our losses - Personnel - 2 Off & 6 EM killed; 6 Offs & 39 EM wounded, Tanks - 3 M4, 1 M5 (US). CP set up for the night SW of Town at T388635 in an abandoned house. A/66 securing IRIGNY bridgehead.

14 June: Attack continued at 0530E, and objectives secured by 0900E without resistance. Forward lines taken over by 101st A/B Div and CC"A" assembled south and west of CAARENTAN, with elements of 3/66 east of town protecting the flank and bridgehead. Rcn/66 patrolling left flank. All units searched respective areas for snipers. CP opened at 1000E at T368825. Plat of Infantry and Tank platoon sent to reconnoiter toward LA SAYERIE (35498) to drive out infiltrating Germans, which was accomplished by 1800E and units returned to assembly. Our losses: 1 EM killed, 4 EM wounded.

15 June: Rcn ordered by CG 1st Army to ascertain enemy strength along axis CAARENTAN-PERLERS. CG CC"A" assigned mission to following troops: Rcn Co, 66th AR supported by one tank company, one Infantry company and 14th FA Bn, crossed LD at 0650E and ran into heavy MG and small arms fire at once. Held up by AT guns at 0715E. Elements of 3/41 and 1/66 sent to push rcn forward; troops moved to vicinity of T359802 and upon order CG CC"A" withdrew having ascertained

that the enemy was holding in force. Front lines taken over by 101st A/B and troops reassembled for the night. Enemy losses - unestimated. Our losses - Personnel - 9 EM killed, 4 Offs & 27 EM wounded, 1 Off & 6 EM missing. Vehicles - 1 Assault Gun, 1 Armored Car (US) lost.

16 June: Patrolling to south by Rcn/66. Other units in assembly.

17 June: Detached from 101st A/B except 1st Bn 66th AR and CC"A" moved out starting at 0500B returning to the assembly area vicinity LE MARAIS. CP CC"A" opened at 677751 at 0915B. Maintenance of equipment and personnel.

18 June - 30 June. In assembly vicinity LE MARAIS (66775) 1st Bn 66th AR attached to 101st A/B Div in CALENTAN area until 28 June; then attached to 83rd Inf Div same area. Rcn/66 established listening posts and patrols to the south of assembly area. Alert force set up in case of counterattack. Training conducted with emphasis on hedgerow type of tank-infantry-artillery coordination. Maintenance of men and equipment. CP CC"A" opened at LA CALENTAN (T694755) at 221100B.

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

APD 252
24 September 1944

SUBJECT: Operations Report for Period July 1 - 31 inclusive.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division (ATTEN: AC of S, G-3)

MAPS: FRANCE 1/100,000, Sheet: ST LO, VIRE 6F.

Combat Command "A", 2d Armored Division was located in assembly area east LA CATHERINERIE (T694755), on July 1, 1944 and was engaged in conducting reconnaissance and liaison to the SOUTHEAST in preparation for take-over of the line on the extreme left of the First United States Army. The line then held by the British 7th Armored Division. At 1230B the Combat Command with the 2d Bn, 41st AIR attached, moved by infiltration from the assembly area near LA CATHERINERIE to an area generally located NORTHEAST of CAUMONT (T729639). 2d and 3rd Bns, 41st AIR upon arrival took over from reserve companies of the 7th and 5th Queens Regiments, remainder of relief of these regiments was effected by 0300B, 2 July, 1944. The Infantry took steps to secure their defensive positions and registered in artillery and mortars. Engineers prepared routes by bulldozer so that the Combat Command could meet a counterattack in any direction. Contact was made with CC"B" (1st Bn, 41st AIR) on our right and with the 56th Brigade (British 2d Glosters) on our left. Enemy activity in that sector was quiet.

A patrol from 2d Bn, 41st AIR started at 110B 2 July 1944 to move to the town of BRIQUESSARD (T740597). This town consisted of about ten houses and was located to the front of the 2d Bn, 41st AIR and was reported by the British to be well defended. The patrol received fire short of town and withdrew without loss.

At 022330B July 44, a patrol from Ron Co, 66th AR left our lines and penetrated to T749610, where they located six trip wires leading from edge of orchard across an open field. They withdrew when our friendly artillery fired on the town and returned through our lines at 030530B July 44. 3rd Bn, 41st AIR sent a patrol consisting of 1 Officer and 20 EM through our lines 030800B and penetrated to the northern edge of town of BUCRET (T751609), at which point they were fired on by machine gun, small arms and mortar fire. One EM was wounded. Patrol returned fire and attempted to maneuver but this failed due to volume of enemy fire and the openness of the terrain at this point. Another EM was wounded and it is believed the officer in command was wounded before the patrol could disengage, as he did not return with the patrol. A four man patrol returned before darkness to the spot where the officer was believed wounded and found booby traps and trip wires. They returned without further incident. Enemy known casualties, 1 killed and 2 wounded. The action of this patrol was supported by artillery and mortar fire. Enemy attitude all along Combat Command sector appeared to be to resist any advance by our patrols.

On 4 July 1944, and 5 July 1944, patrolling was carried on by the two infantry battalions and no identifications were received. CP at this time located at T747639. Both battalions of infantry following a rotation plan, relieved one of their line companies with a reserve company. Infantry mortars fired at targets of opportunity, throughout this period. Mortar platoon, 3rd Bn, 66th AR moved into position where they could fire and laid fire on town of BUCRET. 14th AFA Bn fired harrassing and defensive fires during the night 4 July and day 5 July 1944. Air observers were used to great advantage. Co A, 17th Eng Bn worked to improve tank trails in Combat Command area so as to facilitate movement to meet possible enemy attack from SOUTHEAST, SOUTH or SOUTHWEST.

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Enemy laid harrassing artillery fire on 2d Bn, 41st AIR during the afternoon of July 6 1944. 2 EM were killed and 4 EM wounded. Co A, 17th Eng Bn completed laying of minefields in front of 3rd Bn, 41st AIR sector at 2100B. The 2d Bn, 41st AIR sent a small reconnaissance patrol along the OPLR on the morning of July 7 and ran into small arms, machine gun fire and grenades. After exchanging fire through the hedgerows, they withdrew. A combat patrol from the 2d Bn, 41st AIR returned on July 8 to the same location the patrol from the previous day had received fire and attempted to extend the OPL, but met stubborn resistance and withdrew. Co E, 41st AIR relieved Co D, 41st AIR in the 2d Bn sector. At 2030B, 8 July 1944, enemy counterattacked against the 2d SWB (Br). Change in disposition of troops was made so as to give assistance to the British if necessary and to protect the left flank of the Combat Command. No change was made in the infantry defensive sector, nor was any change made in the troops that were to give them supporting fires.

All secure on 2d and 3rd Bn, 41st AIR front on 9 July 1944. Spasmodic harrassing fire from the enemy. Ron Plat, 3rd Bn, 66th AR reconnoitered routes, contacted British elements and reported information obtained from the British sector to this headquarters.

High ground from FORTMALL to LA RUE DE POURFOUR was reconnoitered for positions in event of enemy counterattack. Prepared to move on order of CG, 2d Arm'd Div was the 3rd Bn, 66th AR and Co A, 17th Eng Bn to the EAST or SOUTHEAST to meet an enemy threat in the British sector.

From the period of July 10 to July 16, both 2d and 3rd Bns, 41st AIR received periodic harrassing artillery and mortar fire. Ron Plat, 66th AR maintained close liaison with the British on our left and conducted reconnaissance of area for routes and positions in the event the Combat Command would have to move to this sector to meet any enemy threat. 14th AFA Bn fired counterbattery harrassing and defensive artillery fires during this period and the cub liaison plan proved again to be invaluable. On July 10, 3rd Bn, 41st AIR replaced Co G in the line with Co I, and on July 11, this same battalion engaged area targets with 81mm mortar and assault guns. The 14th AFA Bn, supported the attack of the British 131st Brigade from 0700B to 0735B on 11 July. Light tank personnel of the 66th AR began training in the Medium Tank, M4A1 on 12 July. Co D, 41st AIR replaced Co F in the line on July 13. At 1200B, 10 enemy planes strafed the two infantry battalions and from approximately 1230B to 1330B, enemy harrassing artillery fire fell in the 14th AFA Bn, Ron Co, 66th AR and the Hq CC"A", CP area. Entire Combat Command conducted a showdown of individual equipment at this time. On July 14th, enemy shelled the CP and A Btry of the 14th AFA Bn. 0920B, Btry C, 14th AFA Bn moved to T745625. On July 16, all units of CC"A" prepared to turn-over of sector to relieving unit, 8th Armored Brigade (Br), 50th Division (Br), and prepared for movement to new area.

By 2010B 17 July, CC"A" had been relieved of its defensive sector by the 8th Arm'd Brigade (Br) and had closed in its new assembly area vicinity LA CATHEDRALE. The move made in two groups, 66th AR, D Btry, 195 AAA Bn, Co A, 17th Eng Bn, Co A, 48th Med Bn, and Rear CP, CC"A" being in the first group, 2d and 3rd Bns, 41st AIR, 14th AFA Bn and Ron Co, 66th AR comprising the second group which moved to new Combat Command assembly area upon being relieved, and closed in that area at 0525B 18 July 1944. The two battalions of infantry reverted to regimental control upon closing in the new area. During the period from July 19 to July 26, units of Combat Command "A" followed a schedule which included care and cleaning of weapons and vehicles and personal equipment. 66th AR fired new medium tanks, M4A1 with 76mm gun and camouflage painting of all full-track vehicles was accomplished.

This period was high-lighted by the attachment of the 22d RCT (4th Inf Div) to CC"A", effective 1200B July 19, and their movement into the Combat Command assembly area at 182200B July 44. CP of the 22d RCT was located at T793740. At the same time, the 702d TD Bn (-1 Co), Co C, 17th Eng Bn and Co A, Maint Bn, 2d Armored Division were also attached. The air support party, consisting of 1 officer and 4 EMTs and 1 Medium Tank were attached to CC"A" from the 9th TAC. For the next few days following the attachment to CC"A", the infantry of the 22d RCT trained in combined tank-infantry demonstrations and practical work with the 66th AR. Plans were laid and FO #4, covering operations "COBRA" was drawn up on July 20, 1944. This field order called for the movement of CC"A" upon order of CG, 2d Armored Division on two routes, to seize initially the area LE MESNIL MONTAIN (T4555) - ST SAUVEUR DE BON PUISSE (T4655) - Hill 183 (T4353) and to cover the movement of the 1st Infantry Division and the 3rd Armored Division through the MARGNY - ST GILLES gap, prepared to attack enemy forces approaching from the EAST and SOUTH between COMTE SUR VIRE (T5043) and HAMBYE (T3645). For this move, 32d Recon Bn and 24th Cavalry Squadron moved under control of CC"A". On the 22d of July, entire Combat Command with attachments was alerted for movement on two hours notice, however at 1100B 25 July this status was changed to alert for movement on instant notice. At 1700B this same day, Combat Command on order reverted again to two hour alert status. At 1800B, CC"A" was alerted for movement to assembly area SOUTH of PONT HERBERT (T4769) on order. At 2230B, CC"A" began march in one column to assembly area, vicinity PONT HERBERT and closed into assembly area at 260200B July 44. Unit Commanders reported to CP, CC"A" immediately upon arrival and received verbal orders for the attack. Plan of attack was changed following the information received by combat commander from the forward elements on the ground, and as the plan now stood, the Combat Command would attack with two battalions attacking abreast astride the road. 2d Bn, 63th AR on the right, 3rd Bn, 66th AR on the left, 2 Infantry companies from the 22d RCT with each battalion. The six remaining rifle companies of the 22d RCT would follow 1st Bn, 66th AR. Six battalions of artillery would support entire action of the Combat Command.

CC"A" jumped off in the attack 260900B July 1944 with line of battalions from the LD following the axis previously designated in FO #4 to the indicated objective. Stubborn and heavy resistance was met throughout the day in the form of Mark V tanks supported by infantry and artillery and AT guns along the roads. At approximately 1500B 26 July 1944, CC"A" reverted to original orders (FO #4) and proceeded to objective in two columns over route as planned. At 270200B the Combat Command reached and consolidated its objective and unit commanders reported to the CP, CC"A" for a unit commanders meeting. During the morning of 27 July 1944, MESNIL MONTAIN was secured and mopped up by 2d Bn, 66th AR and Hill 183 occupied and secured by 22d RCT. 702d TD Bn was ordered to move as soon as possible to selected areas in that vicinity to set up road blocks. 22d RCT was to beat the bushes for snipers and German patrols and to generally clean up the area. Recon Co, 66th AR to prepare outposts. The remainder of the Combat Command was ordered into an assembly area awaiting further orders.

At 271600B July 1944, reconnaissance in force moved out in two columns along route LE MESNIL MONTAIN - VILLEBALDON - LA LANDE - TESSY SUR VIRE. West column's furthest point of advance at 2100B was T500445. East column's furthest point of advance at 2100B was T516578. At 2307B, Unit Commanders assembled at CP, CC"A" for meeting and orders for 28 July were issued. The two task forces previously designated were to move at 0630B along the same routes that had been laid down in prior orders, organize ground and hold it. At 280200B July 1944, CC"A" was notified of the attachment of the 113th Cavalry Group and ordered to provide guides for that attachment into the Combat Command assembly area. CC"A" was to be detached from 2d Armored Division and operate directly under XIX Corps.

24th Cavalry Squadron was attached to 113th Cavalry Group. Orders were issued for Combat Command to delay its attack until 1500B, at which time it would advance and secure Corps objective, generally PERCY - High ground SOUTH of LA CHEFRESNE - ST MARIE - VILLEBAUDON which was already secured. 1st Bn, 66th AR on the left was to by-pass any resistance at TESSY - SUR - VIRE and push on to Corps objective. When the Corps objective was secured, the Combat Command moved forward to an assembly area immediately in rear of Corps objective. 113th Cavalry Group after reaching Corps objective conducted reconnaissance to the SOUTH, WEST and EAST to contact the enemy and protect EAST and WEST flank of the Combat Command. Three task forces were set up and all tanks reverted to their parent organization, while the remainder of the 22d RCT was moved forward as a unit.

On 29 July 1944, Combat Command continued its move to the SOUTH in order to secure newly assigned Corps objective along the route VILLEBAUDON - PERCY - MONTERAY - ST SEVER CALVADOS - ST POIS. The force attacking PERCY terminated its attack at 2150B. Another force launched its second attack in the area NORTH of VILLEBAUDON to the EAST, after dissipating what appeared to be a counterattack forming up, consisting of tanks reported as Mark Vs, armored cars and infantry in the general vicinity of T434427. The remainder of the Combat Command remained in reserve in an area between VILLEBAUDON and a point about 2 miles NORTH of that town. All Combat Command artillery supported the action of the two forces. Advance CP of the Combat Command at VILLEBAUDON throughout the day and moved at night with enitre CP to T433466. VILLEBAUDON and the road between that town and PERCY were under fire from anti-tank guns and artillery. From time to time it was observed that enemy was infiltration across the road from EAST to WEST between VILLEBAUDON and PERCY. Hasty enemy road blocks with some anti-tank guns were set up along this road.

On the 31st of July, CC"A" was attached to the 29th Infantry Division and was given a new mission, that of supporting the infantry now engaged in securing left flank of the Corps. Mission of the 29th Infantry Division was to attack to the EAST toward TESSY-SUR-VIRE, seizing the high ground vicinity T495465.

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

APO 888
15 October 1944

SUBJECT: Action against the Enemy, Report After/After Action Report.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division, (ATTN: AS of S, G-1)

The operations of Combat Command "A" for the month of August 1944 can be divided into four phases: The advance from VILLENEUVE to VINE, the attack through SATHING to GEB, the march from LOUVE DU FERRON to ELNEUF and finally the drive which started at MANTES CASSEQUET and carried across the SEINE River and into SFLAUM. Each of these phases was preceded by a movement of the Combat Command into an assembly area as shown on the overlay.

At 0630B 1 August 1944, Combat Command "A", consisting of 66th AR, 14th AFA Bn, 702d TF Bn, 23d BRT, Co A, 17th Eng Bn and Co A, 49th Med Bn, pushed off to support the attack of the 29th Infantry Division from the location vicinity VILLENEUVE (T4346) to secure TROSY-SUB-VINE (T5167). The 3d Bn, 66th AR, after meeting fierce enemy resistance and strong delaying action throughout the whole of the day, and having had their column cut at least twice, moved in and secured TROSY-SUB-VINE in the late afternoon of the same day.

On XIX Corps order, the Combat Command on 3 August 1944 moved SOUTH along prescribed route in the direction of VINE to protect the left flank of the Corps and with the mission of seizing the road junction at T62326 and Hill 218, then continuing on to the Corps objective, which was the high ground generally SOUTH of VINE. At 040000B the Combat Command stopped off and met no resistance for the first 3000 yards. Remainder of the day frequent minefields were encountered extending across the road, and the resistance consisted of stubborn delaying action of tanks and infantry supported by artillery with some AF guns. The column was held up at 1730B at a stream crossing two miles SOUTH of the initial objective. On the 5th of August, CC "A" received a new Corps objective, which called for a continuation of the original mission and further movement to the SOUTH to seize the town of DOURMONT. Combat Command Artillery supported by Corps Artillery shelled VINE heavily during the night. August 6 found the 1st Bn, 66th AR with the 3rd Bn, 116th Infantry Regt occupying Hill 218 and 2d Bn, 66th AR astride the road at T61840. On that day, Colonel John H. Collier assumed control of the Combat Command.

The Combat Command was placed in Corps Reserve 7 August 1944, and during that day and the day following, as much maintenance was done as was possible considering the proximity of the enemy. Task Force "A", consisting of 2d Bn, 66th AR, 14th AFA Bn, 1 Platoon, Co A, 17th Eng Bn, 2d Bn, 41st AIR (-1 Co), 1 Co, 702d TF Bn, Detachment Co A, 49th Med Bn, was organized and given the mission per letter of instruction XIX Corps. On 10 August, TF "A", attacked from vicinity SATHING, EAST along the ridge line to secure Hill 357. The advance was slow over difficult terrain and TF "A" knocked out numerous anti-tank guns with artillery and considerable infantry. 1st Bn, 66th AR was attached to the 29th Infantry Division until darkness of the same day.

At 2310B August 11, remainder of Combat Command "A" was put on two hour alert status to join TF "A". The Combat Command remained in the same status until 121512B August 1944 when they were put on instant notice for immediate movement. CC "A" (-2d Bn, 66th AR) moved out in the attack at 183700B

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along the route B3616285 - SOUHEVAL - ST CLEMENT - B3689215 - GEM. Upon joining 2d Armored Division, Combat Command "A" passed under its control. On the 14th of August, CC"A" continued its attack and was given the mission of seizing and securing Hill 289. CC"A" met numerous anti-tank guns and some light artillery. Upon completion of this mission on 15 August 1944, CC"A" pulled back at first light to new assembly area SOUTHEAST of BARENTON. Combat Command "A" consisting of Tq (C)"A", 88th AR, 14th AFV Bn, 2d Bn, 41st AIR and Co A, 49th Med Bn; all other units having reverted to parent organizations. On the 16th and 17th of August, entire CC"A" was devoted to maintenance of vehicles, weapons and rehabilitation of personnel.

CC"A" marched from assembly area SOUTHEAST of BARENTON, beginning at 180745Z August 1944 over the route ST PATRICE, GARRON, AMERIKESLE GRAND, JAVRON and SENS, thence SOUTHEAST to new assembly area SOUTHEAST of SENS. The following day the Combat Command again moved from assembly area SOUTHEAST of SENS to new assembly area WEST of LOONY DU PERCHE. Movement began at 191045Z August 1944 and was completed at 191820Z August 1944.

On 20 August 1944, CC"A" began advance that continued through 25 August and carried them over a route generally NORTH - NORTHEAST from their assembly area through DANVILLE then almost due NORTH to ELNEUF. During this advance three successive streams were bridged against stiff resistance in the form of infantry and AF guns, and nearing the end of the drive, long range medium artillery was received. The enemy bombed the CP of CC"A" and units of the Combat Command on the road during the night of 23 August 1944. On 24 August the 99th Separate Infantry Bn was attached to CC"A", and together with the 2d Bn, 41st AIR drove on ELNEUF from the SOUTHWEST. The 2d Bn, 88th AR assisted the 109th Infantry Regiment (29th Infantry Division) on securing ELNEUF from the EAST. The town was secured and turned over to the 7th Canadian Infantry Brigade on 261945Z August 44.

Starting at 271815Z, CC"A" moved to assembly area vicinity MANTES GASSICOURT from which it moved out at 300630Z, crossing the SEINE River and advancing rapidly in a NORTHEASTERLY direction, bypassing such resistance as the advance guard could not eliminate.

For the Commanding Officer:



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Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: After-Action Reports.

TO : Commanding General, First U. S. Army, APO 230, U. S. Army.

After-Action Reports of following units of 2d Armored Division transmitted herewith:

14th Armored Field Artillery Battalion - After-Action Report for August 1944.

Combat Command "A" - Journal for August 1944. ✓

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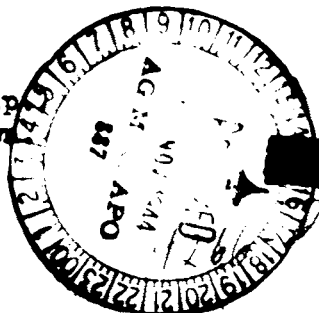
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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

AFD 252

4 November 1944

SUBJECT: Action Against the Enemy, Reports After/After Action Reports.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division (ATTEN: AC of S, G-1)

MAPS: OSOS: 4042, NW EUROPE, SHEETS: LILLE-GHENT, BRUSSELS-LIEGE, AMIENS-MONS.
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PERIOD 1 - 30 SEPTEMBER

The close of the month of August had found the Combat Command "A", 2d Armored Division, after crossing the SEINE River in the vicinity of MANTES-GASSIGNY, FRANCE, advancing in a NORTHEASTERLY direction toward BELGIUM. Resistance was light and the advance was rapid. Combat Command "A" at that time consisted of:

66th Armored Regiment (-1/66*)
2d Bn, 41st AIR
14th AFA Bn
65th AFA Bn
Btry D, 195th AAA Bn (AW) SP
Co A, 17th Engr Bn
Co A, 702d TD Bn
Co A, 48th Med Bn
(*1/66 at that time was in Div Res)

In the morning of the 1st September, the Combat Command moved out in two columns from an assembly area, vicinity MONTDIDIER, to secure a crossing of the SEINE River and continue with its drive to the NORTHEAST. The left column was composed of:

Hq 66th Armored Regiment
3rd Bn, 66th AR (-1 Co)
1 Co, 2d Bn, 41st AIR
1 Plt, Co A, 17th Engr Bn
1 Plt, Co A, 702d TD Bn

The remainder of the Combat Command moved in the right column. 14th AFA Bn, which was reinforced by the 55th AFA Bn, supported the action of both columns. In the subsequent days, the 65th AFA Bn directly supported the left column.

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Severe fuel shortage curtailed the advance of the Combat Command far more than the resistance that was met during this period.

After crossing and crossing the ARRAS-CAMBRAI road in the late afternoon of September, the Combat Command coiled and outposted both columns for the night, and resumed its advance in the same direction the following day.

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On 020941 September 1944, CC"A" entered BELGIUM and assembled in an area across the FRENCH-BELGIAN frontier, astride the ORCHIES-TOURNAI road. During this drive enemy units, attempting to escape, tried to break through from the WEST while the CC"A" columns were heading for the BELGIAN border. These units, which included 2 Mark V tanks, 9 towed AT guns and approximately 170 vehicles were engaged by our tanks and artillery and destroyed. 450 prisoners were taken during this engagement, and the Combat Command "A" had the distinction of being the first Allied column to enter BELGIUM. Road blocks were set up and CC"A" was prepared to defend the position from any direction; though at that time, attention was focused on the WEST as it was expected enemy groups would be attempting to force their way through and rejoin their own forces already withdrawing to the EAST. As it happened, small groups of men were picked up from time to time, attempting to infiltrate through from the WEST, but never in any sizable force after CC"A" had once set up in a defensive position.

On the 4th of September, the entire Combat Command shifted to an assigned area SOUTHEAST of ORCHIES-TOURNAI road to conform with the agreed boundary between the British Second Army and the American First Army. It was at this time that the British Guards' Armored Division passed NORTHEAST on the way to BRUSSELS.

Again pushing out in two columns on 6 September, CC"A" began its march EASTWARD, meeting scattered enemy opposition. Prime concern at this time, as before, was gasoline. The policy as laid down by the Combat Commander was to move as far as possible and still have ten operational miles left when the vehicles were halted for the day. 7th and 8th September found CC"A" continuing its march each day, but veering more to the NORTHEAST and halting for the night in areas as shown on the overlay. The afternoon of the 8th, the Combat Command bivouaced in an area between HEST and HASSELT.

From 8th September to the 12th September, units of CC"A" spent their time knowing that their areas and adjacent areas were cleared of the enemy, and when this was completed, all personnel concentrated on maintenance of weapons and vehicles.

2d Arm'd Recon Bn was attached on 12th September and CC"A" took over their mission; that is, of clearing enemy from the Division Zone NORTH of the ALBERT Canal. After receiving these orders, the CP moved out in the late afternoon and crossed the ALBERT Canal over a previously constructed trestle crossing at 1275665. The 2d Bn, 41st AIR preceded the Combat Command across the canal and halted for the night astride the road NORTH out of HASSELT (see overlay). At this time, all elements of the 2d Arm Bn were on the EAST side of the ALBERT Canal.

The enemy's action in this area had been to hold and fight a delaying action in the area NORTH of the ALBERT Canal from HASSELT to MAASTRICHT on the MAAS River. Enemy units in this area were assorted and unorganized. New identifications included men with physical defects which under ordinary circumstances would have classified them as limited service. These battalions were poorly armed and an ally supporting these units was of ancient vintage. Morale was generally low.

On the 13th of September 44 CC"A" attacked to the EAST in two columns, the 2d Bn, 41st AIR (-1 Co), with Co G, 66th AR attached, forming the right column and moving SOUTH from their location, which was the extent of the advance of the previous day. The 3rd Bn, 66th AR (-1 Co) with D Co, 41st AIR attached constituted the left column by moving across the canal following the route the overlay shows.

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and attacking to the EAST. The mission given to the 82d Arm'd Ron Bn consisted of continuing reconnaissance to the front, maintaining contact with the British on the left, and the remainder of the Battalion to be used to clear the area between the columns. Resistance encountered was in the form of infantry, anti-tank guns, and road blocks of trees blown across the road and wired with booby traps. Due to the soft ground the tanks were road bound and this presented a serious problem. Two slag piles located to the front and EAST of the left column overlooked their advance and furnished the enemy with good observation. Both columns however reached the "NORTH-SOUTH" railroad through the town of BERG by darkness, and the infantry set up a defense. At that time the 99th Separate Infantry Battalion was attached and in turn was put under the control of the CO, 66th AR, who took command of the left column. Co D, 41st AIR reverted to 2d Bn, 41st AIR at this time.

The morning of the 14th September both columns as previously constituted attacked EAST (the right column turning to the SOUTHEAST) and met scattered resistance, but delayed mostly by the size of the areas necessary to comb and clean out. 82d Ron Bn protected left flank of CC"A", maintained contact between CC"A" columns and cleared the areas between the columns.

The middle column operated for a short while when the 2d Bn, 66th AR was sent on a parallel road to expedite the advance of the right column. However, shortly after this they rejoined the right column.

CC"A" bivouaced for the night as shown on the overlay and spent 15 September finishing mopping up the area within the Division zone WEST of MAASTRICHT Canal. 1st Bn, 66th AR was attached to CC"A" from Division Reserve 15 September 44. At time of attachment 1st Bn, 66th AR was in an assembly area W of MAASTRICHT.

66th AR (-1st, 2d Bns, Ron & Maint Cos), 99th Separate Infantry Bn, 65th AFA Bn and 82d Ron Bn under the control of CO, 66th AR were detached from CC"A" on 16 September 44 and remained in this area with the mission of attacking to the NORTH, including the area WEST of the MAAS River.

Combat Command "A" organized and moved out on 16 September with three task forces composed as follows:

- Task Force A: 2/66 AR (-1 Co), D/41 AIR, 1 Plat A/17 Engr Bn, 1 Plat A/702 TB Bn
- Task Force B: 2/41 AIR (-2 Cos), 1 Co Med Tank 2/66 AR
- Task Force C: 1/66 AR, Co F 2/41 AIR, 1 Plat A/17 Engr Bn, 1 Plat A/702 TB Bn

Though organized in three task forces, the Combat Command moved through MAASTRICHT, along the route as shown on the overlay, in a single column. 1st Bn, 66th AR joined column at MAASTRICHT.

As a stream crossing at VALKENBURG was strongly defended and supported by artillery fire, and the 2d Bn, 41st AIR in conjunction with 2d Bn, 117th Inf, 30th Inf Div was engaged in securing that crossing most of 17th September, the remainder of the Combat Command went to a forward assembly area near SIEBE, just SOUTH of VALKENBURG. The 2d Bn, 41st AIR was complete at this time; the two previously detached rifle companies having been returned to its control. At the earliest opportunity, the tanks were sent across, and late in the afternoon of 17th September the CP was moved into VALKENBURG. After crossing the two tank battalions the task



Task Force B on the right, forces listed above were reconstituted Task Force A in the center, and Task Force C on the left, continued on to the NORTH EAST.

The Combat Command was given the objective on the 18th of September of securing the main road between GANGELT (K7867) and GIELENKIRCHEN (K8664). Task Force A and C continued their attack and Task Force B (2d Bn, 41st AIR) attacked to the EAST and NORTHEAST forming the extreme right column. The 65th AFA Bn was reassigned and joined. By darkness on the 19th of September, CC "A" had accomplished its mission in spite of fierce resistance and heavy artillery fire. The GANGELT-GIELENKIRCHEN road was secured as far EAST as GILRATH. With the mission of protecting the left (NORTH) flank of XII Corps, the Combat Command set up a strong defense and shortly after pulling into this area the enemy launched a strong counterattack with a battalion of infantry from the 343rd Infantry Regiment and 8 self-propelled guns supported by artillery. By that time, 1st Bn, 66th AR had established an "all-around defense" at GILRATH and the 2d Bn, 66th AR was moving into NIERSTRASS and onto the high ground to the EAST of there. The 14th AFA Air OP spotted the counter-attack developing and by frequent reporting of the enemy's location guided the tanks of the 2d Bn, 66th AR around so they could hit the counterattacking force in the flank and rear. Seven of the SP guns were definitely knocked out and heavy losses were inflicted on the completely disrupted enemy infantry.

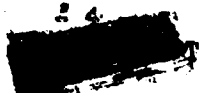
During this advance and the days following through the 19th of September, the Combat Command captured 1119 prisoners and killed approximately 700. Vehicles destroyed included 7 Mark IV and Mark Vs, 52 vehicles, 19 towed anti-tank guns and 21 artillery pieces.

Combat Command "A" held this defense facing NORTH and the SIEGFRIED Line to the EAST from 19 September through the end of the month. The original mobile defense plan (extending in a semi-circle SOUTH on one side and WEST on the other) around the town of GILRATH, once established, was maintained throughout this defensive period. All defensive fires and supporting weapons were registered in, and both field artillery battalions of CC "A" fired harassing and interdiction fires on the critical points and possible enemy assembly areas in front of the positions. The engineers laid mines and booby traps across the possible avenues of approach. Frequent patrols were sent out both day and night, although during the former the patrols received heavy artillery fire which limited their reconnaissance to a minimum.

Enemy action during the remainder of this period until 30 September limited to defensive fires from artillery and small arms. A considerable number of enemy deserters surrendered during this period. Total prisoners taken - 67, killed approximately 220, destroyed 22 vehicles and 12 assault guns. Identifications included 176 Infantry Division and 183rd Infantry Division (Folks Grenadiers).

On 21 September the CP moved to a more central location and the 702d TD Bn (-2 Companies) was attached to CC "A". No material change was effected in defensive dispositions until the 22d of September when the 1st Bn, 41st AIR was attached to CC "A". This battalion was placed in the line in the GILRATH-NIERSTRASS sector, strengthening that sector.

Combat Command "A" formulated plans on the 29th of September for the part they would play in the exploitation of a "breakthrough" in the SIEGFRIED Line, and prepared for a turn-over of their defensive responsibility. The 702d TD Bn (-3 Cos) was relieved from CC "A" on that day.



The 65th AFA Bn, the 1st Bn, 41st AIR and Co C, 17th Engr Bn were detached from CC "A" on 30th September and reconnaissance was made for new assembly areas for units of the Combat Command.

At 2200 on 30 September 1944, Combat Command "A" was relieved of this defensive sector by the 115th Infantry Regiment.

For the Commanding Officer:

Wilson M. Hawkins

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Lt. Col., Cavalry
Executive Officer

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

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SUBJECT: Action Against the Enemy, Reports After/After Action Reports.
TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division, (ATTN: AC of S, G-1)

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PERIOD 1-31 OCTOBER 1944

1-4 Oct 44

At 302200A September 1944 CC"A", 2d Arm'd Div was relieved from holding the line GANGELT (exclusive) - GILRATH - NIERSTRASS - TEVERN by 115th RCT, 29th Division. During the morning 1 Oct 44 the Combat Command moved to an assembly area in rear of the front line vicinity of K753633 (see overlay No. 1 attached) out of contact with the enemy. The troop list of CC"A" on 1 Oct 44 was as follows;

Hq CC"A", 2d Arm'd Div
66th Arm'd Regt (-3rd Bn)
2d Bn, 41st Arm'd Inf Regt
14th AFA Bn (In firing posn under
Div Arty control)
Btry D, 195th AAA Bn (AW) SP
Co A, 17th Arm'd Engr Bn
Co A, 702d TD Bn
Co A, 48th Arm'd Med Bn

FO #29 covering the operations plan of CC"A" for its assigned phase of the forthcoming breaching of the SIEGFRIED LINE was issued to all units on 1 Oct 44. The mission of CC"A" for this operation was to follow CC"B", 2d Armored Division in two columns through breach in the SIEGFRIED LINE created by 30th Inf Div, clear enemy from area in its zone, and secure division objective E of ROER River in zone. The composition of the two CC"A" columns was initially designated as follows;

Ron

Ron Co, 66th AR
(Guide both clms)

Left Column

(Commanded by Col. Collier
CO, CC"A")

Hq, CC"A"
2d Bn, 66th AR w/1 Plat Co A
17th Engr Bn & 1 Plat Co A,
702d TD Bn atchd
2d Bn, 41st AIR (-1 Co)
14th AFA Bn
Co A, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats)
Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats)

Right Column

(Commanded by Lt. Col. Stokes
CO, 66th AR

Hq, 66th AR
1st Bn, 66th AR
1 Co, 2d Bn, 41st AIR
1 Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn
1 Plat, Co A, 17th Engr Bn

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CC"A" CONTROL
 (Remain W of WURM River)
 Maint Co, 66th AR
 Co A, 48th Med Bn

D-Day for the operation was initially set as 1 Oct 44, dependent upon weather conditions and availability of air support for the saturation bombing scheduled to precede the attack on the SIEGFRIED LINE by the 30th Inf Div. Because of unfavorable weather for air operations on 1 Oct 44, D-Day was postponed until 2 Oct 44. From 020900A to 021100A Oct 44, medium and fighter bombers bombed the target area but the effect of the bombing was not good because of the overcast. The 30th Inf Div launched its attack following the bombing. Enemy resistance was extremely heavy and progress was slow. CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div moved 3 Oct 44 into the partial breach in the SIEGFRIED LINE made by the 30th Inf Div and passed through their forward elements, attacking N and NE.

CC"A" remained in assembly area until 5 Oct 44 prepared to move on order CG, 2d Arm'd Div. The period 1-4 Oct 44 was devoted to maintenance of vehicles and weapons, reconnaissance of routes from assembly area to bridge sites over WURM River, and detailed briefing of personnel preparatory to the operation. At 041500A Oct 44, 2d Bn, 41st AIR was detached from CC"A" and attached to CC"B" and moved to reinforce CC"B" elements E of WURM River. At 041830A 3rd Bn, 116th Inf Regt, 29th Inf Div was attached to CC"A". This battalion moved from its bivouac area vicinity VALKENBURG, HOLLAND into CC"A" assembly area morning of 5 Oct 44, closing in area at 1000A. Upon arrival 3rd Bn, 116th Inf (-1 Co) was attached to Left Column (66th AR (-)reinf). One company was attached to Right Column (1st Bn, 66th AR reinf).

65th AFA Bn was attached to CC"A" on afternoon 4 Oct 44, remaining in firing position under Div Arty control.

5 Oct 44

Effective 061000A Oct 44 CC"A" was placed on a 30 minute alert for movement in one column over the bridge at PALENBURG. At 1030A orders were received from CG, 2d Arm'd Div for head of CC"A" column to arrive at PALENBURG Bridge at 1300A. Prior to movement CC"A" plans were changed as follows: To move from assembly area to PALENBURG Bridge in one column instead of two, order of march, Left column, Right Column. Composition of column was changed to be as follows:

Left Column

(Commanded by Lt. Col. Stokes,
 CG, 66th AR)
 66th AR (-) reinf
 Hqs 66th AR
 3d Bn, 66th AR
 3rd Bn, 116th Inf (-1 Co)
 1 Plat, Co A, 17th Engr Bn
 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn

Right Column

(Commanded by Lt. Col. [REDACTED])
 CG, 1st Bn, 66th AR
 1st Co, 66th AR reinf
 1st Bn, 66th AR
 1 Co, 116th Inf
 1 Plat, Co A, 17th Engr Bn
 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn

CC"A" Support

Hq CC"A"
 14th AFA Bn
 Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats)
 Co A, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats)
 Ron Co, 66th AR
 Maint Co, 66th AR
 Co A, 48th Med Bn

66th AR (-) reinf (Left Column) moved out at 1145A, crossed PALENBURG bridge, passed through elements of 30th Inf Div and CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div E of WURM River and advanced to a point 1000 yds E of UBACH by dark 5 Oct 1944 (see overlay No 2 attached). Throughout the day the PALENBURG bridge and the town of UBACH were under heavy German artillery fire. 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf (Right Column) moved forward to a new assembly area W of WURM River in the afternoon, prepared to cross PALENBURG bridge on order. (See overlay No 2 for dispositions of CC"A" elements as of dark 5 Oct 44.) Late in the afternoon Colonel Ira P. Swift reported for duty as Commanding Officer, 66th AR and was placed in command of the Left Column. Btry B, 14th AFA Bn displaced to a firing position E of WURM River late in the afternoon.

6 Oct 44

66th AR (-) reinf continued the attack to the E at 060700A Oct 44. Co D, 66th AR with one company 116th Inf attached under command of Lt Col Stokes advanced and secured the town of BEGGENDORF. The remainder of the force advanced to a position just S of the KARL ALEXANDER Mine W of BAESWEILER.

1st Bn, 66th AR reinf began crossing PALENBURG bridge at 1300A and moved into an assembly area 1000 yards E of UBACH. Upon closing in assembly area, Company I, 66th AR with two platoons Co I, 116th Inf attached advanced to the high ground vicinity K882572 and contacted tank elements of 30th Inf Div on their right.

14th AFA Bn displaced remaining batteries into firing positions E of WURM River and other CC"A" elements moved forward to new assembly areas in vicinity GROTENRATH prepared to cross WURM River on order.

One platoon Co C, 702d TD Bn was attached to CC"A" and in turn attached to Rcn Co, 66th AR.

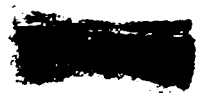
(See overlay #3 for dispositions of elements E of WURM River as of dark 6 October 1944.)

7 Oct 44

Rcn Co, 66th AR with 1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn attached crossed PALENBURG bridge at 0630A and moved into BEGGENDORF relieving Co G, 66th AR reinf from the mission of securing the town. This relief was completed at 0900A.

66th AR (-) reinf attacked BAESWEILER at 0700A, moving into the town from the NW with the force at the KARL ALEXANDER Mine and from the N with Co G, 66th AR reinf. BAESWEILER was cleared of the enemy and secured at 1500A.

1st Bn, 66th AR reinf attacked at 0700A with the mission of seizing and securing OI DTWEILER and utilizing Co I, 66th AR w/1 Plat Co I, 116th Inf attached to seize high ground NW of ALSDORF and from that position support the attack of the 30th Inf Div on ALSDORF. Co I, 66th AR reinf, moving abreast and on left of tank elements of 30th Inf Div occupied the designated high ground without opposition. The battalion less Co I and attached infantry was held up just W of the ALSDORF-OI DTWEILER road by very heavy German artillery fire and AT fire covering the AT ditch from the W edge of OI DTWEILER.



65th AFA Bn displaced to firing positions E of WURM River.

Co A, 82d Ron Bn was attached to CC"A" afternoon 7 Oct 44 and in turn attached to 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf.

(See overlay No. 4 for disposition of elements E of WURM River).

8 Oct 44

1st Bn, 66th AR reinf continued the attack to seize and secure OI DTWEILER at 0745A reinforced by 2d Bn, 66th AR (-2 Cos). 1st Bn moved into the town from W and 2d Bn (-) moved into the town from the N from BAESWEILER. Co I, 66th AR moved to a position across the ALSDORF-OI DTWEILER ROAD and S of OI DTWEILER covering the southern edge of OI DTWEILER by fire. OI DTWEILER was secured at 1500A. An additional platoon Co A, 702d TD Bn was attached to 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf effective at 1300A to reinforce the AT defense in OI DTWEILER Sector.

At 1500A Co D, 82d Ron Bn was attached to CC"A" and placed in BAESWEILER in CC"A" Reserve. At 1830A Co H, 66th AR was attached to CC"A" and closed in assembly area vicinity K884582 in CC"A" Reserve.

At 1700A 1 Plat Co I, 66th AR was detached from 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf and attached to 117th Inf RCT, 30th Inf Div to assist that unit in its attack on SCHAUFENBERG. This platoon reverted to 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf at 2000A.

At dark 8 Oct 44, CC"A" had secured the line BEGGENDORF - BAESWEILER - OI DTWEILER - ALSDORF (exclusive) and its mission was to hold that line and protect left flank of 30th Inf Div. Contact was made with CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div on left and 30th Inf Div on right.

(See overlay No. 5 for dispositions of elements E of WURM RIVER as of dark 8 Oct 44).

9 Oct 44

At 0700A Co I, 66th AR moved N, cut the SCHAUFENBERG-BETTENDORF Road and assisted 117th Inf RCT in attack on SCHAUFENBERG. The town was secured by 1000A and Co I moved into position along the western edge of the town and established contact with 2d Bn, 117th Inf, 30th Inf Div.

2d Bn, 116th Inf Regt, 29th Inf Div was attached to CC"A" and closed in reserve defensive position NW of ALSDORF at 0430A.

Ron Co 66th AR reinf, 66th AR (-) reinf and 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf continued to hold the line BEGGENDORF - BAESWEILER - OI DTWEILER - SCHAUFENBERG (exclusive).

10-31 Oct 44

82d Ron Bn (-Cos A, B and D) was attached to CC"A" and closed in assembly area vicinity K883582 at 101100A Oct 44 in CC"A" Reserve.

Co I, 116th Inf was replaced in the line by Co C, 82d Ron Bn afternoon 10 Oct 44. Co I, 116th Inf was detached from 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf and reverted to 3rd Bn, 116th Inf in reserve for reorganization.



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2nd Arm'd Div
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Second Arm'd Div

CC"A" troop list as of 10 Oct 44 was as follows:

1. MLR

OIDTWEILER SECTOR

1st Bn, 66th AR reinf
1st Bn, 66th AR
Co A, 82d Ron Bn (-1 Plat)
Co C, 82d Ron Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn
2 Plats Co A, 702d TD Bn

BAESWEILER SECTOR

66th AR (-) reinf
Hqs 66th AR
2d Bn, 66th AR
3rd Bn, 116th Inf
1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn
1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn

BEGGENDORF SECTOR

Ron Co, 66th AR reinf
Ron Co, 66th AR
1 Plat, Co C, 702d TD Bn

2. CC"A" Reserve

82d Ron Bn (-) reinf
Hqs 82d Ron Bn
1 Plat Co A, 82d Ron Bn
Co D, 82d Ron Bn
Co H, 66th AR
2d Bn, 116th Inf
Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats)
Co A, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats)

3. CC"A" Control

Hqs CC"A"
14th AFA Bn
65th AFA Bn
Btry D, 195th AAA Bn AW (SP)
Maint Co, 66th AR
Co A, 48th Med Co

2d Bn, 116th Inf was detached from CC"A" and reverted to 116th Inf Regt effective 111200A Oct 44.

Co H, 66th AR was detached from CC"A" and reverted to control of 3rd Bn, 66th AR effective 120920A Oct 44. Co B, 82d Ron Bn was attached to CC"A" and in turn attached to 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf at 121000A Oct 44. Co A, 82d Ron Bn (-1 Plat) was relieved from the line, detached from 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf and reverted to 82d Ron Bn in CC"A" Reserve on afternoon of 12 Oct 44.

One Plat Co I, 66th AR was detached from 1st Bn, 66th AR reinf and attached to 82d Ron Bn (-) reinf in CC"A" Reserve effective 131145A Oct 44.

On the morning of 21 Oct 44 CC"A" was alerted by the CG, 2d Arm'd Div to be prepared for an enemy armored attack against our line. Belgian Intelligence Sources reported that the enemy was planning a three pronged attack to be launched within the next four days against the line held by the 2d Arm'd Div utilizing one Panzer Division and supported by infantry available which was thought to be at least three battalions. One prong of the attack was reported scheduled to be launched SW from IMMENDORF, the second E from ALDENHOVEN and the third W or SW from HÖGEN. A conference of CC"A" unit commanders was held at CC"A" CP 211300A Oct 44. All units were alerted to be prepared for the expected attack. "Stand-to" for all units was scheduled for 0530A at which time all personnel would be at their posts on the alert. CC"A" Reserve was strengthened by the attachment of Co H, 66th AR to CC"A" which closed in assembly area vicinity K878588 at 212320A Oct 44. During the period that followed the only indication of enemy preparations for the attack on the CC"A" front was an increase in traffic, both of wheeled and track vehicles, through and in enemy held towns opposite our front lines and on their close-in supply routes. All traffic movements and vehicle concentrations observed or heard that were within

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range were taken under heavy fire by our artillery. On 25 Oct 44 the expected enemy attack had not developed and there were no indications that such an attack was imminent. Units were released from alert status on that date.

1st Bn, 405th Inf Regt, 102d Inf Div was attached to CC"A" and joined 27 Oct 44. At time of attachment this battalion was assembled in vicinity K791590. Upon attachment, 1st Bn, 405th Inf was assigned the mission of relieving those elements of CC"A" engaged in holding the line in the RAESWEILER - OLTWEILER Sector. A thorough reconnaissance of positions to be taken over was made by officers of the battalion during daylight 27-28 Oct 44. The relief was begun morning 28 Oct 44 with Co D, 405th Inf moving into the sector by infiltration and taking over those heavy weapons positions not under enemy observation during the daylight and the others after dark. The remainder of the battalion moved into the sector beginning 282000A Oct and completed the relief at 282800A Oct 44.

Co A, 82d Ron Bn relieved Ron Co, 66th AR in the BEGGENDORF Sector effective 282130A Oct 44.

3rd Bn, 116th Inf Regt was detached from CC"A" and reverted to 116th Inf Regt upon being relieved from its sector. 3rd Bn, 116th Inf cleared CC"A" sector 290050A Oct 44.

14th AFA Bn, 66th AFA Bn and Btry D, 195th AAA Bn were detached from CC"A" and reverted to control of Div Arty, 2d Arm'd Div effective 291100A Oct 44. 1st Bn, 66th AR was relieved from attached to CC"A" effective 291330A Oct 44 and placed in Div Reserve.

Troop list of CC"A" following the relief of elements from the front line 28-29 Oct 44 was as follows:

1. MLR

Strong Point Between ALSDORF
& OLTWEILER

Ron Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn reinf
Ron Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn
1 Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn
1 Plat, Co A, 17th Engr Bn

RAESWEILER-OLTWEILER SECTOR

1st Bn, 405th Inf reinf
1st Bn, 405th Inf
1 Plat, AT Co, 405th Inf
1 Plat, Cannon Co, 405th Inf
1 Plat, Co D, 82d Ron Bn

BEGGENDORF SECTOR

Co A, 82d Ron Bn reinf
Co A, 82d Ron Bn
1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn

2. CC"A" Reserve

Reserve E of WURM River
Hq CC"A"

3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf
3rd Bn, 66th AR
I Co, 41st AIF
Co B, 82d Ron Bn
Co A, 17th Engr Bn (1
Plat)
Co A, 702d TD Bn (1
Plat & Ron Plat)

Reserve W of WURM River

66th AR (=) reinf
66th AR (=1st & 3rd Bns)
82d Ron Bn (=A & B
Cos & 1 Plat Co D)
Co A, 48th Med Bn

Overlay Nos. 6 & 7 for disposition of CC"A" elements as of 291200A

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Co D, 41st AIR was attached to CC"A" to replace Co I, 41st AIR and closed in assembly area at 301500A Oct 44 in CC"A" Reserve under control of 3rd Bn, 66th AF reinf. Co I, 41st AIR was relieved from attached to CC"A" and reverted to 3rd Bn, 41st AIR effective upon clearing CC"A" sector at 301500A Oct 44.

On 30 Oct 44, Co C, 82d Ron Bn relieved Co B, 82d Ron Bn in CC"A" Reserve E of WURM River, Co B, 82d Ron Bn relieved Co A, 82d Ron Bn in the BEGOFNDORF Sector and Co A, 82d Ron Bn joined the 82d Ron Bn in CC"A" Reserve W of WURM River.

During the period 10-31 Oct 44 enemy action against the CC"A" Sector was limited to harrassing and interditory artillery fire on the front line and occasionally in the rear lines, and frequent small scale night bombing of our front lines and rear areas. Throughout the period our artillery harrassed the enemy's front line troops and forward supply routes. Night reconnaissance patrols probed the enemy's front lines. When available fighter-bombers were used to strike at located active enemy artillery, OPs and armored vehicles.

For the Commanding Officer:

Wilson M. Hawkins
WILSON M. HAWKINS,
Lt. Col., Cavalry
Executive Officer

- ANNEXES: #1 - Ovly #1
2 - Ovly #2
3 - Ovly #3
4 - Ovly #4
5 - Ovly #5
6 - Ovly #6
7 - Ovly #7
8 - Enemy Units contacted, Prisoners Captured & Personnel & Vehioular Casualties Inflicted.
9 - Battle Casualties, CC"A", 2d Arm'd Div.

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ANNEX NO. 8 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-31 OCT 44, HQS CO¹A¹
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ENEMY UNITS CONTACTED, PRISONERS CAPTURED AND PERSONNEL
AND VEHICULAR CASUALTIES INCURRED DURING THE PERIOD
1-31 OCTOBER 1944

ENEMY UNITS CONTACTED:

350th Inf Regt
404th Inf Regt
149th Inf Regt
Elements of 12th Inf Div
47th Fortress MG Bn
52d Fortress MG Bn
54th Fortress MG Bn
771 Guard Bn
219th Artillery Regt
219th Engr Bn
219th AT Bn

Prisoners Taken: 49 (Note: Prisoners taken during breakthrough were
not included among accompanying infantry and no record of the number was kept.)

Enemy Casualties inflicted: Personnel - 250 killed (approx)
Vehicular - 7 assault guns destroyed.

ANNEX NO. 9 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-31 OCT 1944, HQ
CC"A", 2D ARM'D DIV

BATTLE CASUALTIES CC"A" 2D ARM'D DIV

PERIOD 1 - 31 OCTOBER 1944

| UNITS | KIA | | WIA | | MIA | | TOTAL | |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| | OFF | EM | OFF | EM | OFF | EM | OFF | EM |
| Hq Det CC"A" | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| 1st Lt AFA Co | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 2nd Lt Arty's Regt | 2 | 21 | 10 | 146 | 1 | 7 | 13 | 174 |
| (1 Oct to 4 Oct) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| A Co 48th Med Bn | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 1st Lt, 195th AAA Bn | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| A Co 702d TD Bn | 0 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| A Co 17th Engr Bn | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| (1 Oct to 31 Oct) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 19 |
| 1st Lt, 401st Inf Regt | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| (1 Oct to 31 Oct) | | | | | | | | |
| 1st Lt, 115th Inf Regt | 1 | 25 | 3 | 111 | 0 | 8 | 4 | 144 |
| (1 Oct to 29 Oct) | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 3 | 50 | 14 | 304 | 2 | 17 | 19 | 371 |

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OVERLAY NO. 2
CC "A" ASSEMBLY AREA 1-4 OCT. 1944
AND ROUTE TO PALENBURG BRIDGE.

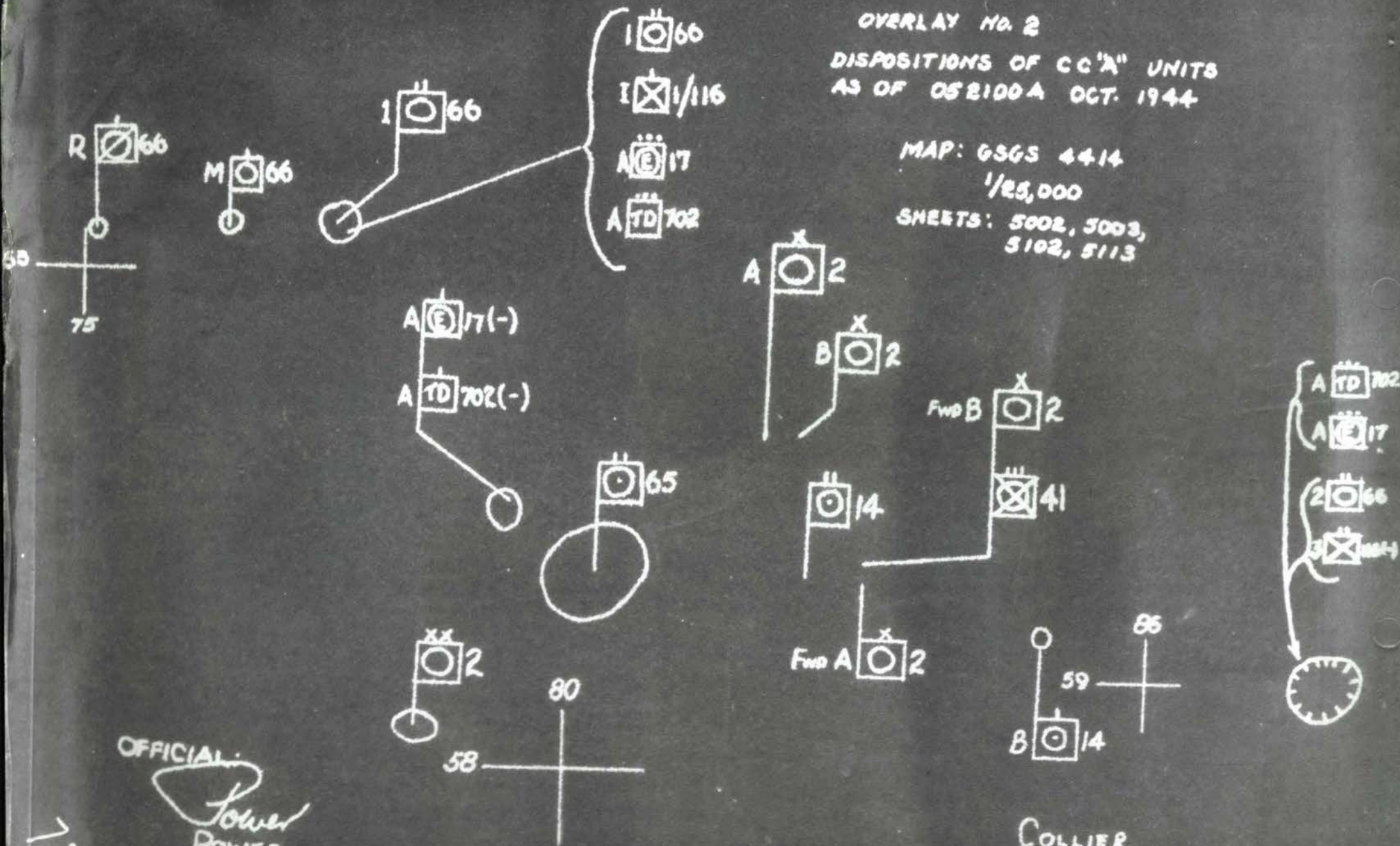
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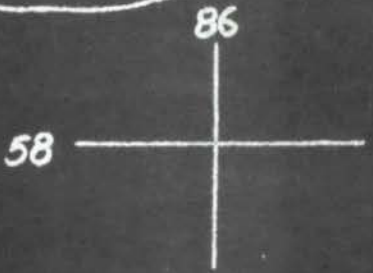
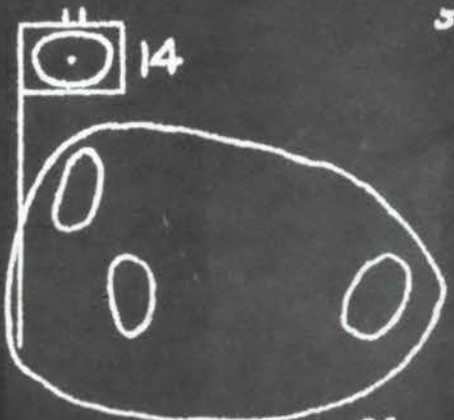
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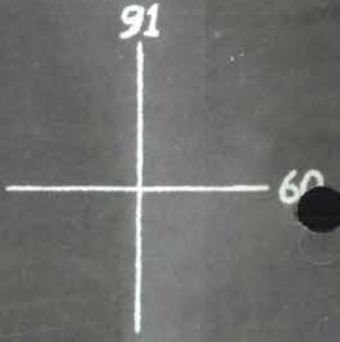
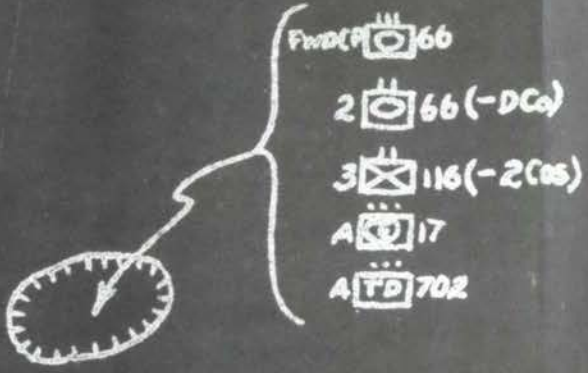
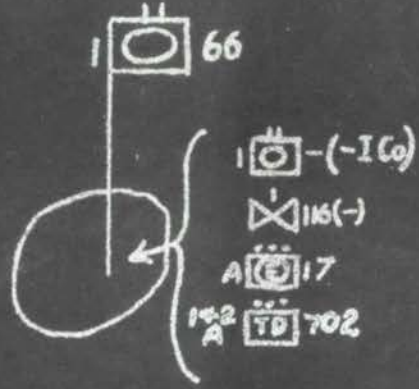
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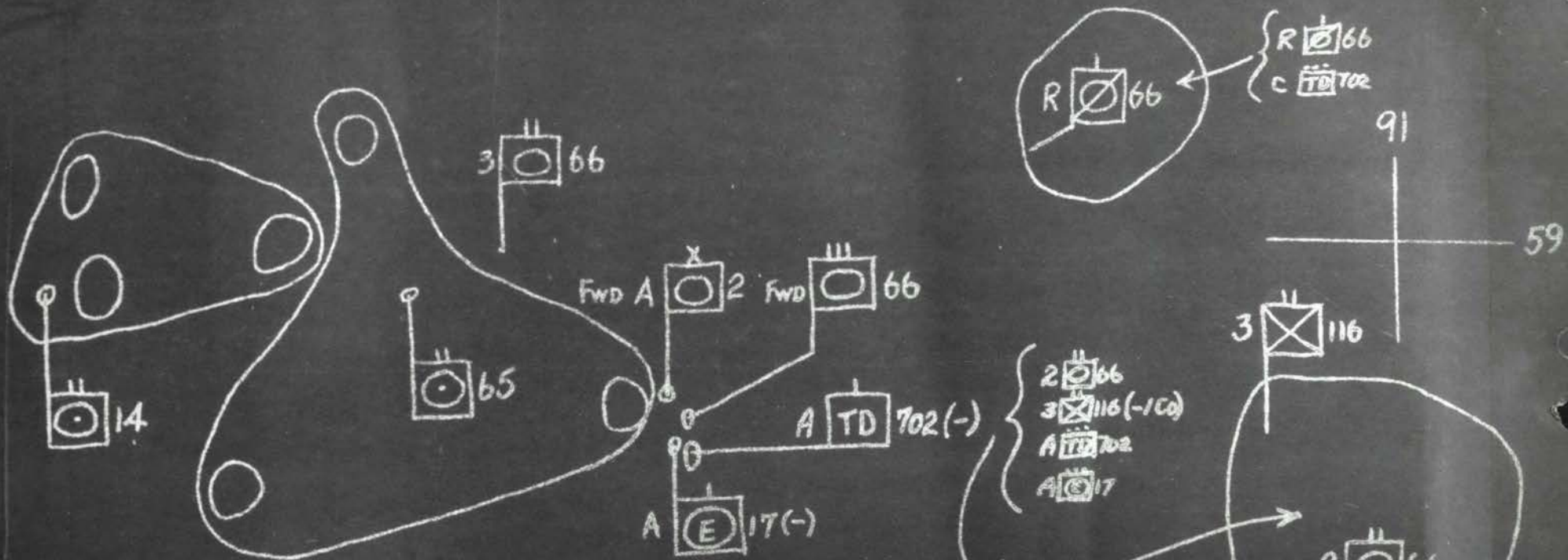
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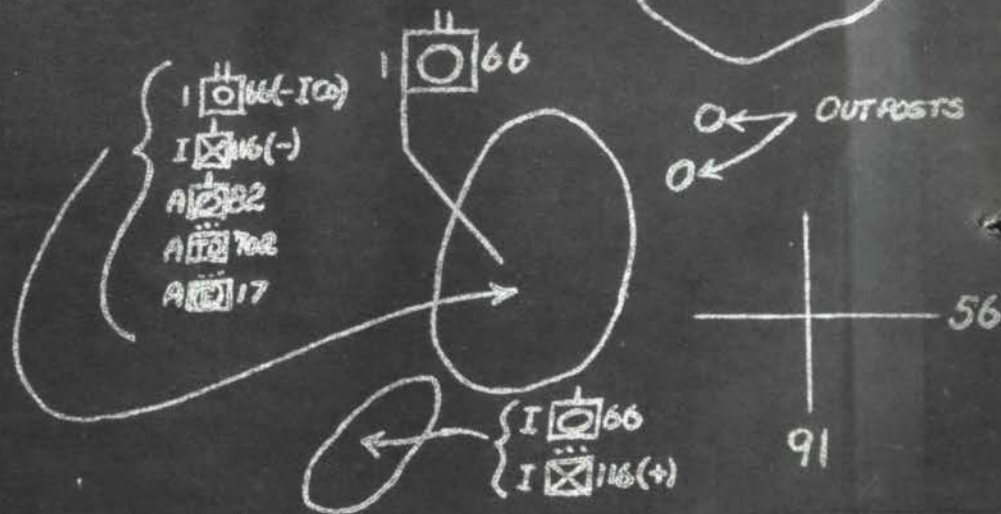
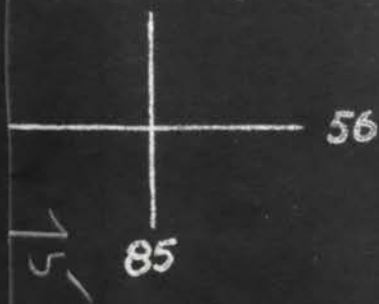
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OVERLAY NO. 4
DISPOSITIONS OF CC "A" ELEMENTS
EAST OF WURM RIVER AS OF
072200 A OCT. 1944

MAP: GBGS 4414
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SHEETS: 5002, 5003,
5102, 5103



2. OWN SITUATION:

- a. CC"A", 2d Arm'd Div engaged in defending the line BEGGENDORF - BAESWEILER - OIDTWEILER - ALSDORF (excl) fr 1 Nov to 6 Nov incl. (See Sita Ovly #1 & Tp List for this pd). CC"A" tps in BAESWEILER - OIDTWEILER - ALSDORF (excl) Sector were relvd by 1st Bn, 115th Inf and 1st Bn, 175 Inf, 29th Inf Div at 070800A Nov 44 at which time CC"A" was relvd of responsibility for that sector and the new 2d Arm'd Div - 29th Inf Div bdry became effective. (See Sita Ovly #2 and Tp List). CC"A" tps in BEGGENDORF Sector were relvd by 3rd Bn, 406 Inf (CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div) and CC"A" was relvd of responsibility for that sector effective 072200A Nov 44.
- b. At 081200A Nov 44 CC"A" relvd CC"B" and assumed responsibility for entire 2d Arm'd Div Sector (See Sita Ovly #3 & Tp List). CC"A" continued to defend line WAURICHEN (excl) - BEGGENDORF fr 8 Nov to 15 Nov. (See Sita Ovly #4 and Tp List).
- c. (1) 2d Arm'd Div atkd 16 Nov 44 to seize and secure line IMMENDORF - ASWEILER - GERONSWEILER - EDEREN - MERZENHAUSEN - KOSLAR (excl). CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div atkd 161245A Nov 44 through the line WAURICHEN (excl) - BEGGENDORF held by CC"A" (3rd Bn, 406 Inf). At the time of the atk of CC"B", CC"A" was prepared to follow CC"B" on order with Force "A" and Force "B" (see tp list for composition) to seize and secure the line EDEREN - MERZENHAUSEN - KOSLAR (excl). Ren Co, 66th AR moved into and outposted town of BEGGENDORF afternoon of 16 Nov 44.
- (2) Force "A", CC"A" moved fr fwd assy area W of BEGGENDORF at 170900A Nov 44 via BEGGENDORF - LOVERICH to FUFFENDORF with mission of atkng NE to seize and secure EDEREN. Force "A" atkd 171100A Nov 44 and encountered hvy arty and tank gun fire fr the E and NE. Unable to adv Force "A" consolidated its posn around S and SE edge of FUFFENDORF for the night 17-18 Nov 44. (See Sita Ovly #5). Force "A" remained in this posn until 191500A Nov 44.
- (3) Force "B", CC"A" moved fr fwd assy area SW of BEGGENDORF at 191030A Nov 44. 2d Bn, 119th Inf moved into SETTERICH and relvd 1st and 3d Bns, 116th Inf fr holding the town and a bridgehead across the AT ditch to the E. Remainder of Force "B" moved through the bridgehead and Force "B" assembled and consolidated between AT ditch and DURBOSLAR b. FUFFENDORF rd for the night 18-19 Nov 44. Numerous AT mines were encountered SW of DURBOSLAR - FUFFENDORF rd, otherwise Force "B" was unopposed in occupation of this posn.

Force "A" atkd SE fr FUFFENDORF at 191500A Nov 44 and encountered direct tank gun fire fr cy Mk VI tanks located N and NE of FUFFENDORF, hvy arty fire, and automatic wpsn fire. Force "A" advanced to AT ditch SE of FUFFENDORF where it was consolidated for the night, contact- ing Force "B" across the AT ditch.

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Reg Co, 56th AR moved fr BEGGENDORF to SETTFRICH afternoon 19 Nov 44 to outpost and hold the town.

- (4) (See Sitn Only #6 for the disposition as of 192200A Nov 44).
- Force "B" atkd E and NE at 201000A Nov 44 with mission of seizing and securing MERZENHAUSEN and the high ground W and S thereof. Adv was slow 20 Nov 44 principally because of numerous AP and AP mines encountered and boggy, muddy terrain. Force "B", advd as far E as H-S line through FRIALDENHOVEN and the high ground SE thereof by darkness 20 Nov 44. The atk was continued 210900A Nov 44 and by dark 21 Nov Force "B" had secured high ground S and W of MERZENHAUSEN. Contact was established with 116 Inf (29 Inf Div) on right and Force "A" on left.

Force "A" atkd E and NE at 201000A Nov 44 in continuance of its mission of seizing and securing EDEREN and assisting the atk of CC"B" on GERONWEILLER. Opposition in EDEREN was extremely hvy consisting of numerous German Mk VI tanks and inf. EDEREN was taken and cleared by 201730A Nov 44 and contact was established with CC"B" on the left in vic K948825. On 21 Nov 44 the high ground E of EDEREN was occupied. Force "A" held a defensive line fr K947825 - EDEREN - HILL 97.6 - K956815 as of 212000A Nov 44.

Reg Co, 56th AR moved one (1) plat to HUFFENDORF 20 Nov to clear the town of any cy remaining therein and to outpost and hold the main CR in the SE edge of town. The Co less one (1) plat continued to outpost SETTFRICH.

- (5) (See Sitn Only #7 for dispositions as of 212200A Nov 44).
- Force "B" continued the atk on MERZENHAUSEN at 220900A Nov 44. Resistance was very hvy, consisting of German Mk VI tanks and inf. At 221600A Nov 44 the town was cleared and resistance ceased. During night 22-23 Nov 44 the cy counteratkd with inf and one (1) Mk VI tank, driving elements of Force "B" to the SW edge of the town. Force "B" atkd morning of 23 Nov to clear cy fr the town again, but the cy resisted with extremely hvy arty, mortar, automatic wps fire and tanks. Force "B" was able to retake only one third of the town.

Force "A" continued to defend EDEREN and the high ground E and W thereof until 231400A Nov at which time it was relvd of control and responsibility for that sector by elements of CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div. At this time the new CC"A"-CC"B" bdry became effective. Updn relief of Force "A" at EDEREN Force "A" was dissolved and Force "B" redesignated as 41st AIR (-) relief.

(See Sitn Only #8 for dispositions as of 232200A Nov 44).

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(8) 41st AIR (-) reinf continued to defend entire CC"A" front line until 261900A Nov 44 at which time 3rd Bn, 66th AR and 82d Assn Bn were detached fr 41st AIR (-) reinf and reverted to CC"A" control in their respective sectors. (See Sitn Ovlly #9 and Tp List).

41st AIR (-) reinf atkd at 270715A Nov 44 with 3rd Bn, 41st AIR on right and 2d Bn, 119 Inf on left to seize and secure MERZENHAUSEN, BARMEN and the high ground between KOSLAR and BARMEN. The ay resisted stubbornly with intense arty, mortar and S/A fire and four (4) hvy tanks. By 272400A Nov 44 MERZENHAUSEN, the high ground between KOSLAR and BARMEN had been seized. At 281200A the atk was continued. Co E, 66th AR with Co D, 41st AIR atehd seized the high ground between just W of BARMEN by 281230A Nov 44 and 2d Bn, 41st AIR (-) with Co H, 66thAR (-) atehd seized BARMEN clearing the town by 281500A Nov 44.

82d Assn Bn reinf relvd elements of 41st AIR (-) reinf on the high ground just W of KOSLAR. 82d Assn Bn reinf atkd 281200A and cut the KOSLAR - BARMEN rd. established contact with 116 Inf (29th Inf Div) on right and 41st AIR (-) reinf on left.

1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf atkd 270715A Nov 44 to seize the high ground N of MERZENHAUSEN and to protect the left flank of CC"A". Hill 100.3 was seized and consolidated for defense and contact established with Ren Co, 66th AR on left by 271800A Nov 44. On morning of 28 Nov 44, 1st Bn, 119th Inf extended its line to incl Hill 99.5.

Ren Co, 66th AR maintained contact with 1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf on right and 407th Inf (102 Inf Div) on left during the atk.

(See Sitn Ovlly #10 for dispositions as of 282200A Nov 44).

CC"A" continued to defend the line KOSLAR (excl) - BARMEN - FLOSSDORF (excl) through 30 Nov 44.

82d Assn Bn reinf extended its line to the N and took over that portion of the 41st AIR (-) reinf sector S of BARMEN afternoon of 29 Nov 44.

1st Bn, 41st AIR reinf relvd 41st AIR (-) reinf in the BARMEN Sector afternoon of 29 Nov 44.

2d Bn, 102 Inf reinf (102 Inf Div) assembled in CC"A" area in rear of Ren Co, 66th AR and 1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf sectors night of 29-30 Nov 44, and launched an atk on FLOSSDORF through the line held by 1st Bn, 119th Inf

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reinf at 301100A Nov 44. 1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf maintained contact with 2d Bn, 407th Inf night of 30 Nov 44.

(See Sitn Ovlly #11 and Tq List).

3. ADMINISTRATIVE

a. Not applicable.

b. See Annex #17 atchd.

c. Prisoners captured - 728

d. Evacuation:

- (1) Personnel evacuation normal - Div SOP.
- (2) Vehicular evacuation through normal channels.

e. Supply and Evacuation Establishments:

- (1) Adv Dumps - Cl I-III and V established by Div QM 27 Nov 44. (For losses see Supply Route Ovlly Annex #16).
- (2) Evacuation establishment - Co "A", 48th Med Bn (For losses & dates of establishment see Supply Route Ovlly, Annex #16).

f. Supply:

- (1) All personnel with three days basic loads of rations throughout pd 1-30 Nov 44.
- (2) Water for Div Water Pts. Portable water pt established by Co "A", 17th Armd Engr Bn for use in fwd area. Fwd portable water pt established in SETTERICH 21 Nov 44.
- (3) Fuel & Lubricant: All vehicular tanks and auth gasoline tns full throughout pd 1-30 Nov. Daily gasoline carried sufficient for 150-160 opnl mileage.
- (4) Ammunition: Full basic load of ammunition carried daily, with exception of 81mm mortar, 75mm How and 105mm How ammunition, due to restriction by higher hqrs.

g. Roads: For condtn and circulation of rds see Supply Route Ovlly, Annex #16.

For the Commanding General:

Wilson M. Hawkins

WILSON M. HAWKINS
Lt. Col., Cavalry,
Executive Officer

ANNEXES: 17 - #1 Ey Dumps Ovlly #1
2 " " " #2
3 " " " #3
4 Sitn Ovlly 1
5 " " 2

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#6 Sitn Ovly #3
7 " " 4
8 " " 5
9 " " 6
10 " " 7
11 " " 8
12 " " 9
13 " " 10
14 " " 11
15 Tp List
16 Supply Rte Ovly
17 Casualty Rpt

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- 031500A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detohd Co B, 82d Ron Bn atohd Co C, 82d Ron Bn.
- 070800A " " - 1st Bn, 405 Inf w/AT Plat & Cn Plat, 405 Inf atohd, detohd CC"A" atohd 405 Inf.
- 070800A " " - 2d Plat Co D, 82d Ron Bn detohd 1st Bn, 405 Inf reinf & atohd 82d Ron Bn.
- 070850A " " - (Ron Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn & 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detohd CC"A" Control & atohd Co A, 702d TD Bn.
- 070850A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detohd Ron Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn & atohd Co A, 17th Engr Bn.
- 071600A " " - Co A, 17th Engr Bn detohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atohd CC"A" Control.
- 071630A " " - Co A, 702d TD Bn detohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atohd CC"A" Control.
- 072200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detohd Co C, 82d Ron Bn, atohd Co A, 702d TD Bn.
- 080505A " " - Co C, 82d Ron Bn detohd CC"A" Control atohd 82d Ron Bn.
- 081200A " " - 3rd Bn, 406th Inf atohd to CC"A" Control.

2. PERIOD 8-15 NOV 44.
TROOP LIST 8 NOV 44.

- a. MLR
WAURICHEN (excl) - BEGGENDORF SECTOR
 3rd Bn, 406 Inf
- b. CC"A" RESERVE
Reserve E of WIRM RAYER
 Hq CC"A"
 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf
 3rd Bn, 66th AR
 Ron Co, 66th AR
 Co A, 17th Engr Bn
 Co A, 702d TD Bn
- Reserve W of WIRM RIVER
 66th AR (-) reinf
 66th AR (1st & 3rd Bns & Ron Co)
 82d Ron Bn
 Co A, 49th Med

- 081100A Nov 44 - Ron Co, 66th AR detohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR & atohd CC"A" Control.
- 081200A " " - 2d Bn, 41st AIR atohd to CC"A". Bn (-1 Co) atohd 66th AR (-), 1 Co atohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detohd Co A, 17th Engr Bn atohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detohd Co A, 702d TD Bn atohd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detohd Co A, 17th Engr Bn atohd 66th AR (-) reinf.

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ANNEX NO. 15 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-30 NOV 44, HQS CC"A", 2 A
TROOP LIST

1. PERIOD 1-7 NOV 44
TROOP LIST 1 NOV 44

a. MLR
Strong Point between ALSDORF & OIDTWEILER

Ron Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn reinf
Ron Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn

BAKSWILER - OIOTWEILER SECTOR

1st Bn, 405th Inf reinf
1st Bn, 405th Inf
1 Plat AF Co, 405th Inf
1 Plat Cn Co, 405th Inf
1 Plat Co D, 82d Ron Bn

HEGGENDORF SECTOR

Co B, 82d Ron Bn reinf
Co B, 82d Ron Bn
1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn

b. CC"A" RESERVE

Reserve B of WURM RIVER

Hq CC"A"
3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf.
3rd Bn, 66th AR
Co D, 41st AIR
Co E, 82d Ron Bn
Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-1 Plat)
Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat & Ron Plat)

Reserve W of WURM RIVER

66th AR (-) reinf
66th AR (-1st & 3rd Bns)
82d Ron Bn (-B & C Cos & 1 Plat Co D)
Co A, 48th Med Bn

011150A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detachd Co A, 702 TD Bn atchd. Co B, 82d Ron Bn reinf.
011150A " " - 1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn - detachd CC"A", atchd Co C, 702d TD Bn.
021700A " " - Co D, 41st AIR detachd CC"A" atchd 2d Bn, 41st AIR.
031230A " " - Ron Co, 66th AR detachd 66th AR (-) reinf & atchd 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf.
031245A " " - Co C, 82d Ron Bn detachd 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf & atchd CC"A" control.
031500A " " - Co B, 82d Ron Bn detachd CC"A" control and atchd 82d Ron Bn.

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ANNEX NO. 18 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-30 NOV 44, HQS CC"A", 2 AD
TROOP LIST

1. PERIOD 1-7 NOV 44
TROOP LIST 1 NOV 44

a. MLR

Ferning Point between ALSDORF & OIDTUSILER

Non Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn reinf

Non Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn

1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn

1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn

BARSWELER - OIDTUSILER SECTOR

1st Bn, 405th Inf reinf

1st Bn, 405th Inf

1 Plat AF Co, 405th Inf

1 Plat Cn Co, 405th Inf

1 Plat Co D, 82d Ren Bn

BECKENDORF SECTOR

Co E, 82d Ren Bn reinf

Co B, 82d Ren Bn

1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn

b. CC"A" RESERVE

Reserve E of WURM RIVER

Hq CC"A"

3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf

3rd Bn, 66th AR

Co D, 41st AIR

Co C, 82d Ren Bn

Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-1 Plat)

Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat & Ren Plat)

Reserve W of WURM RIVER

66th AR (-) reinf

66th AR (-1st & 3rd Bns)

82d Ren Bn (-B & C Cos & 1 Plat Co D)

Co A, 48th Med Bn

011150A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detached Co A, 702 TD Bn attached, Co B, 82d Ren Bn

011150A " " - 1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn - detached CC"A", attached Co C, 702d TD Bn.

021700A " " - Co D, 41st AIR detached CC"A" attached 2d Bn, 41st AIR.

031230A " " - Ren Co, 66th AR detached 66th AR (-) reinf & attached 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf.

031245A " " - Co C, 82d Ren Bn detached 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf & attached CC"A" control.

031500A " " - Co B, 82d Ren Bn detached CC"A" control and attached 82d Ren Bn.

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- 031800A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detechd Co B, 82d Ren Bn atehd Co C, 82d Ren Bn.
- 070800A " " - 1st Bn, 405 Inf w/AT Plat & Cn Plat, 405 Inf atehd, detechd CC"A" atehd 405 Inf.
- 070800A " " - 1 Plat Co D, 82d Ren Bn detechd 1st Bn, 405 Inf reinf & atehd 82d Ren Bn.
- 070850A " " - Ren Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn & 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detechd CC"A" Control & atehd to Co A, 702d TD Bn.
- 070850A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detechd Ren Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn & atehd Co A, 17th Engr Bn.
- 071800A " " - Co A, 17th Engr Bn detechd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atehd CC"A" Control.
- 071850A " " - Co A, 702d TD Bn detechd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atehd CC"A" Control.
- 072200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detechd Co C, 82d Ren Bn, atehd Co A, 702d TD Bn.
- 080505A " " - Co C, 82d Ren Bn detechd CC"A" Control atehd 82d Ren Bn.
- 081200A " " - 3rd Bn, 405th Inf atehd to CC"A" Control.

2. PERIOD 8-15 NOV 44.
TROOP LIST 8 NOV 44.

a. MLR
WALRICHEN (excl) - BSGGENDORF SECTOR
 3rd Bn, 405 Inf

b. CC"A" RESERVE
Reserve E of WURM RIVER
 Hq CC"A"
 3rd Bn, 66th AR reinf
 3rd Bn, 66th AR
 Ren Co, 66th AR
 Co A, 17th Engr Bn
 Co A, 702d TD Bn

Reserve W of WURM RIVER
 66th AR (-) reinf
 66th AR (-1st & 3rd Bns & Ren Co)
 82d Ren Bn
 Co A, 48th Med

- 081100A Nov 44 - Ren Co, 66th AR detechd 3rd Bn, 66th AR & atehd CC"A" Control.
- 081200A " " - 2d Bn, 41st AIR atehd to CC"A". Bn (-1 Co) atehd 66th AR (-), 1 Co atehd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detechd Co A, 17th Engr Bn atehd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detechd Co C, 702d TD Bn atehd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 101200A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detechd Co A, 17th Engr Bn atehd 66th AR (-) reinf.



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111130A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn detachd CC"A" atchd Div Res.
 111130A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detachd CC"A" atchd Div Res.
 111130A " " - 3rd Bn, 66th AR detachd CC"A" atchd Div Res.
 111130A " " - Hq & Hq Co, 41st AIR atchd CC"A" Control.
 111130A " " - 1st Bn, 66th AR atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-).
 111130A " " - 2d Bn, 119th Inf atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-).
 111130A " " - Co C, 702d TD Bn atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-).
 111130A " " - Co D, 17th Engr Bn atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-).
 111130A " " - 1 Co 2d Bn, 41st AIR detachd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atchd 2d Bn, 41st AIR.
 111130A " " - Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat) detachd CC"A" Control atchd 66th AR (-) reinf.
 111130A " " - Co C, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats) detachd 41st AIR reinf atchd CC"A" Control.

3. PERIOD 16-26 NOV 44
TROOP LIST 16 NOV 44

a. FORCE "A"

66th AR (-) reinf
 66th AR (-1st & 3rd Bns, Ren & Maint Co)
 2d Bn, 41st AIR
 1 Plat Co A, 17th Engr Bn
 Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat)

b. FORCE "B"

41st AIR (-) reinf
 Hq & Hq Co, 41st AIR
 1st Bn, 66th AR
 2d Bn, 119th Inf
 2 Plats, Co C, 702d TD Bn
 Co D, 17th Engr Bn

c. CC"A" Control

Hq CC"A"
 3rd Bn, 406 Inf
 Ren Co, 66th AR
 Arty (upon being released by Div Arty)
 14th AFA Bn
 65th AFA Bn
 Btry D, 195th AAA Bn (AW) SF
 Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats)
 Co C, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats)
 Maint Co, 66th AR
 Co A, 48th Med Bn

111130A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 66th AR detachd Force "A" atchd 406 Inf
 180230A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 66th AR detachd Force "A" atchd 406 Inf





- 181400A Nov 44 - B Sqdn, 1st Bn Fife & Forefar Yeomanry (-2 Tps) atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd to Force "B".
- 191113A " - 1 Plat Co I, 66th AR atchd CC"A" and in turn atchd to Force "B".
- 201000A " - Co B, 82d Ren Bn atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd Force "B".
- 201500A " - Co I, 66th AR (-1 Plat) detchd Force "B" atchd Force "A".
- 211000A " - Co C, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats) detchd CC"A" Control, atchd Force "A".
- 220930A " - Co I, 66th AR (-1 Plat) detchd Force "A" atchd Force "B".
- 221000A " - 3rd Bn, 406th Inf atchd to CC"A" & in turn atchd Force "A".
- 222000A " - 2d Bn, 41st AIR (-F Co) detchd Force "A", atchd Force "B".
- 222300A " - Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats) detchd CC"A" Control atchd Force "A".
- 230900A " - Co F, 41st AIR detchd Force "A", atchd Force "B".
- 231200A " - Co G, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats) detchd Force "A" atchd Force "B".
- 231200A " - 2d Bn, 66th AR, Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat) & Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-1 Plat) detchd Force "A" & CC"A", atchd CC"B".
- 231230A " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn atchd CC"A" Control fr Div Res.
- 231400A " - 3rd Bn, 406th Inf detchd CC"A" & Force "A" atchd CC"B".
- 231725A " - Co C, 82d Ren Bn atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd Force "B".
- 232020A " - Co B, 66th AR atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd Force "B".
- 240800A " - 1 Plat, Co A, 17th Engr Bn atchd to CC"A" Control fr Div Res.
- 241400A " - 2d Bn, 66th AR atchd CC"A" & in turn to 66th AR (-).
- 241400A " - Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-1 Plat) atchd to CC"A" Control fr CC"B".
- 241400A " - Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat) atchd to CC"A" Control fr CC"B".
- 250800A " - 82d Ren Bn (-Cos B & C) atchd to CC"A" & in turn to 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 251100A " - Ren Co, 66th AR detchd CC"A" Control & atchd to 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 251810A " - 3rd Bn, 66th AR (-Co H) atchd to CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 251700A " - 1st Bn, 66th AR (-Co I & Co G) detchd 41st AIR (-) reinf & atchd to 66th AR (-).
- 251700A " - 1st Bn, 119th Inf atchd CC"A".
- 251900A " - 3rd Bn, 41st AIR atchd CC"A" & in turn atchd 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 251900A " - Co D, 17th Engr Bn & B Sqdn F & F Yeomanry (-2 Tps) detchd CC"A" & 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 261900A " - 82d Ren Bn, Ren 66th AR, 3rd Bn, 66th AR (with Co C, 66th AR atchd) 2d Bn, 41st AIR detchd 41st AIR (-) reinf, atchd CC"A" Control.
- 261900A " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detchd Co A, 702d TD Bn atchd 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
- 271000A " - Co H, 66th AR detchd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atchd 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 271100A " - 1 Plat Co G, 66th AR detchd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atchd 41st AIR (-) reinf.
- 271130A " - Co G, 66th AR (-1 Plat) detchd 3rd Bn, 66th AR, atchd 1st Bn, 119th Inf.
- 271130A " - 1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn detchd 41st AIR (-) atchd 1st Bn, 119th Inf.

4. PERIOD 27-30 NOV 44
TROOP LIST 27 NOV 44

- a. 41st AIR (-) reinf
- 41st AIR (-1st & 2d Bns)
- 2d Bn, 119th Inf



41st AIR (-) reinf (contd)

1 Plat, Co G, 66th AR

Co H, 66th AR

Co I, 66th AR

Co C, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat)

b. 1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf

1st Bn, 119th Inf

Co G, 66th AR (-1 Plat)

1 Plat, Co C, 702d TD Bn

e. CC"A" Control

Hqs CC"A"

82d Ren Bn

Ren Co, 66th AR

66th AR (-3rd Bn, C, I & Ren Co)

3rd Bn, 66th AR (-) reinf

3rd Bn, 66th AR (-G & H Cos)

Co C, 66th AR

1 Plat, Co A, 702d TD Bn

2d Bn, 41st AIR

Co A, 17th Engr Bn

Co A, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat)

Co A, 48th Med Bn

271500A Nov 44 - 1 Plat Co H, 66th AR detachd Co H, 66th AR attachd 82d Ren Bn.
271500A " " - 1 Plat Co A, 702d TD Bn detachd 3rd Bn, 66th AR (-) reinf attachd 82d
Ren Bn.
280910A " " - 2d Bn, 41st AIR detachd CC"A" Control, attachd 41st AIR (-) reinf.
281400A " " - 1 Sect Co C, 702d TD Bn detachd Co C, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat) attachd
82d Ren Bn.
281400A " " - 1 Plat Co H, 66th AR detachd 82d Ren Bn reinf reverted to Co H, 66th AR.
281400A " " - Co I, 66th AR detachd 41st AIR (-) reinf attachd 1st Bn, 66th AR.
281600A " " - Co C, 66th AR detachd 3rd Bn, 66th AR attachd 1st Bn, 66th AR.
281700A " " - 1st Bn, 41st AIR attachd CC"A".
281700A " " - Co E, 66th AR detachd 2d Bn, 66th AR/attachd 1st Bn, 41st AIR reinf.
281700A " " - 1 Plat Co D, 66th AR detachd Co D, 66th AR attachd 1st Bn, 41st AIR reinf.
281700A " " - Co C, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat & 1 Sect) detachd 41st AIR (-) reinf, attachd
1st Bn, 41st AIR reinf.
281700A " " - Co D, 66th AR (-1 Plat) detachd 2d Bn, 66th AR attachd 1st Bn, 119th Inf.
281700A " " - Co G, 66th AR (-1 Plat) detachd 1st Bn, 119th Inf reverted to 3rd Bn,
66th AR.
281700A " " - Co H, 66th AR detachd 41st AIR (-) reinf reverted 3rd Bn, 66th AR.
281700A " " - 1 Plat Co G, 66th AR detachd 41st AIR (-) reinf reverted to 3rd Bn,
66th AR.
281915A " " - 2d Bn, 119th Inf detachd 41st AIR (-) reinf reverted 119th Inf control.



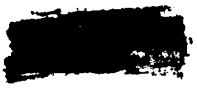
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5. TROOP LIST 302400A NOV 44

- a. 82d Ren bn reinf
82d Ren Bn
1 Sest Co C, 702d TD Bn
- b. 1st Bn, 41st AIR reinf
1st Bn, 41st AIR
Co E, 66th AR
1 Plat, Co D, 66th AR
Co C, 702d TD Bn (-1 Plat & 1 Sest)
- c. 1st Bn, 119th Inf reinf
1st Bn, 119th Inf
Co D, 66th AR (-1 Plat)
1 Plat Co C, 702d TD Bn
- d. Ren Co, 66th AR
- e. CC"A" Control
Ed Bn, 66th AR (-Cos D & E)
Co A, 17th Engr Bn
Co A, 48th Med Bn

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UNIT TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PERIOD 1-30 NOV 44, HQ CC "A", 2 AD

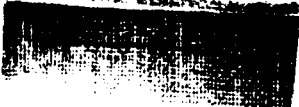
CASUALTY REPORT

| UNIT | KILLED | WOUNDED | CAPTURED | MISSING IN ACTION | SICK AND NON- BATTLE CASUALTY |
|--|--------|---------|----------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 14th APA Bn | 0 - 3 | 3 - 10 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 7 |
| 68th APA Bn | 0 - 1 | 0 - 5 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 14 |
| CC "A" Detachment | 0 - 0 | 0 - 2 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 5 |
| Stry D, 196th AAA Bn | 0 - 0 | 0 - 13 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 2 |
| Co "A", 17th Arm'd Eng Bn | 0 - 0 | 0 - 6 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 16 |
| Co "A", 48th Med Bn | 0 - 0 | 0 - 4 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 2 |
| Co "A", 702 TD Bn | 0 - 3 | 2 - 18 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 7 |
| 68th AR: | 0 - 13 | 4 - 36 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 85 |
| 68th AR (-1st & 3rd Bns) (1-30 Nov) | | | | | |
| 3rd Bn, 68th AR (1-11 Nov) | | | | | |
| 1st Bn, 68th AR (12-28 Nov) | | | | | |
| 41st AIR: | 3 - 26 | 3 - 146 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 53 | 3 - 123 |
| 2d Bn, 41st AIR (8-23 Nov) | | | | | |
| 41st AIR (-1st, 2d & 3rd Bns) (13-22 Nov) | | | | | |
| 41st AIR (-1st & 3rd Bns) (23-24 Nov) | | | | | |
| 41st AIR (-1st Bn) (25-28 Nov) | | | | | |
| 41st AIR (-1st Bn) (29-30 Nov) | | | | | |
| Co D, 17th Engr Bn (12-26 Nov) | 1 - 0 | 0 - 1 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 4 |
| 2d Bn, 118th Inf Regt (12-26 Nov) | 9 | 35 | 0 | 13 | 70 |
| 1st Bn, 118th Inf Regt (27-30) | 1 | 23 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| 3rd Bn, 406th Inf Regt (10-18 Nov) | 0 - 1 | 0 - 1 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 10 |
| Co B, 82d Gen Bn (21-23 Nov) | 0 - 0 | 0 - 3 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 |
| 82d Gen Bn Arm'd (24-30 Nov) | 0 - 5 | 1 - 12 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 10 |
| 1st Bn, 405 Inf (1-8 Nov) | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co B, 7026 Tn Bn (12-30 Nov) | 1 - 3 | 4 - 8 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 1 - 17 |

TOTALS: 5 - 64 20-387 9 - 0 0 - 67 3 - 388

NOTE: No casualties due to Gas for month of November.

CC "B" 2AD



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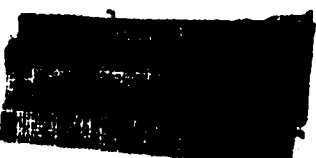
1. a. See G-2 2d Arm'd Div Periodic Report.
- b. 2d Arm'd Div continues the attack 19 Nov 44; CC "A" on right, CC "B" on left, CC "R" prepared to meet an enemy counterattack from the N from assy areas in LOVERICH and BAESWEILER.

2. CC "A", 2d Arm'd Div attacks 19 Nov 44 at H-Hour (not earlier than 0830A, exact time to be annod) to seize and secure FREIALDENHOVEN and EDEREN.

TROOPS

| | | |
|----------------|---|-----------------------|
| <u>Force A</u> | <u>Force B</u> | <u>CC "A" Control</u> |
| No chng | Atchd: Two (2) Tps Fife & Forefar Sqdn | No chng |

3. a. Force "A" continue to hold PUFFENDORF, coordinating with TF #1, CC "B". After Force "B" has secured obj 13, be prepared to move E on order, construct crossings over AT ditch, seize and secure EDEREN.
- b. Force "B", move into SETTERICH as soon as the town is secured by 29th Inf Div, close not later than 190700A Nov 44. Attack H-Hour 19 Nov 44, secure crossing of AT ditch E of SETTERICH seize and secure obj 13. Be prepared to move on order from obj 13 to seize and secure FREIALDENHOVEN.
- c. Ron Co, 66th AR continue to outpost BEGGENDORF.
- d. Artillery
 - (1) 14th AFA Bn in direct support of Force "A".
 - (2) 65th AFA Bn, one (1) Bn 155mm Gun and one (1) Btry 8" How, in direct support of Force "B".
 - (3) Div Arty in general support of Forces "A" & "B".
 - (4) Arty fire plan for attack of Force "B" to be issued separately by Div Arty. Initial preparation H-15 to H-Hour.
- e. Co A, 17th Engr Bn (-2 Plats) continue clearing and improving LOVERICH-SETTERICH road and routes through SETTERICH.
- f. Co C, 702d TD Bn (-2 Plats) remain in present location prepared to move to support either Force "A" or Force "B".
- x. (1) Air strikes are to be scheduled on EDEREN and FREIALDENHOVEN.
- (2) Initial olm cover one (1) sqdn, thereafter one (1) flight of four (4) planes every 20 min.





4. No change.

5. CP, CC"A" no chng, chngs in others to be rptd.

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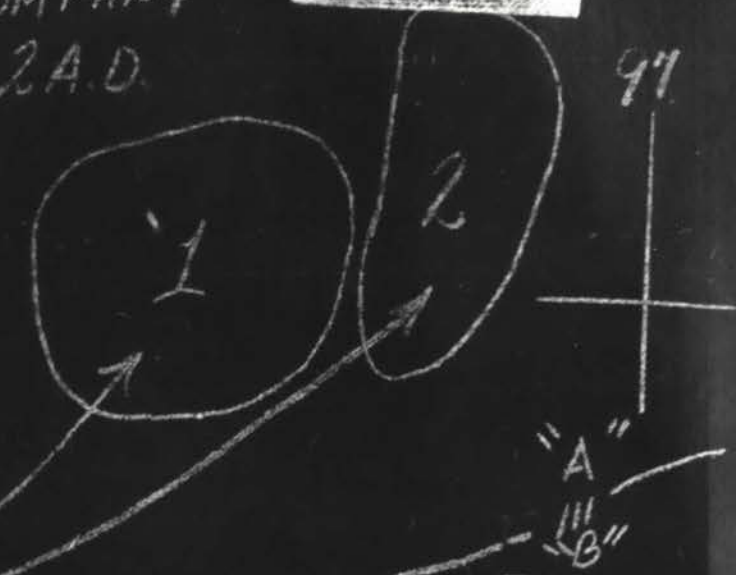
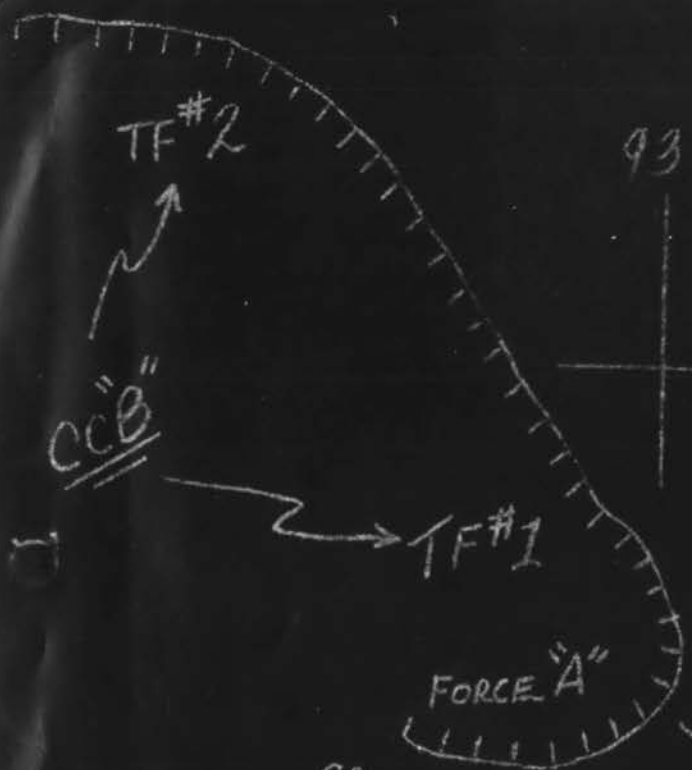
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| 66th AR | -4 | Btry D, 195th AAA Bn | -1 | G-3, 2 AD | -2 |
| 41st AIR | -3 | Co A, 17th Engr Bn | -1 | Hist Sect, 2 AD | -1 |
| Ron Co, 66th AR | -1 | Co C, 702d TD Bn | -1 | 29th Inf Div | -1 |
| 3rd Bn, 66th AR | -1 | Co A, 48th Med Bn | -1 | S-1, CC"A" | -1 |
| 14th AFA Bn | -1 | CC"B", 2 AD | -1 | S-2, CC"A" | -1 |
| 65th AFA Bn | -1 | Div Res, 2 AD | -1 | S-3, CC"A" | -1 |
| Maint Co, 66th AR | -1 | Div Arty, 2 AD | -1 | File | -1 |

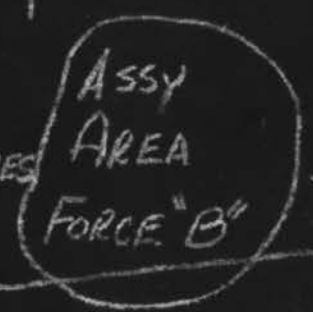


ANNEX No 1 TO ACCOMPANY
FO # 35, HQs CCA, 2 A.D.
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| TIME IN | CUT | SER NO | TIME DATED | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | ACTION TAKEN |
|---------|------|--------|------------|---|--------------|
| 0115 | | 1 | | FR: 1/405 - Shetrap - entry in officers log | Phone |
| | 0115 | 2 | | FO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0115 | 3 | | FO: G-3 - Neg Rpt except A/702d TD (cannot contact) | Phone |
| | | | | all patrols back | |
| | 0125 | 4 | | FO: 3/86 - Patrols are in | Phone |
| | 0125 | 5 | | FO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0130 | 6 | | FO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0135 | | 7 | | FR: 36/AR - To G-3 & AD - 1000 ^W s/a ranges | F |
| 0135 | | 8 | | FR: CC ^A - FO 484 w/ovly | F |
| 0135 | | 9 | | FR: Ren/66 - S-3 Rpt #152 | F |
| 0135 | | 10 | | FR: CG, 2 AD - FO: CG, CC ^B - copy w/ovly to CG CC ^A | F |
| | | | | Letter of inst | |
| 0135 | | 11 | | FR: B/82 - Plat Co C/702d TD relvd fr atchd CC ^A & cleared CC ^A Sector 1115A reverted to Co C, 702d TD Bn | |
| | | 12 | | FR: 657A - S-3 Rpt #148 | F |
| | | 13 | | FR: 41st AIR - Chng PI to F O 425 | F |
| | | 14 | | FR: 82d Ren - S-3 Rpt #144 | F |
| | | 15 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #11 | F |
| 1200 | | 16 | | FR: A/46 - S-3 Rpt #152 | F |
| 1230 | | 17 | | 3rd Plat, A/702d rld at strng pt SW of DUTHEILKE by 1st Plat - A/702d TD Bn at 1240A | F |
| 1245 | | 18 | | FR: 3/86 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| 1245 | | 19 | | FR: S-3 Ovly - Patrols (3) of 1/405 Inf | F |
| 1245 | | 20 | | FR: D/155th - G-3 Rpt #8 | F |
| 1245 | | 21 | | FR: 1/405 - FO #1 with ovlys | F |
| 1245 | | 22 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ops memo - chng in previous Inst. | F |
| 1255 | | 23 | | FO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1304 | | 24 | | FO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1300 | | 25 | | FO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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|------|------|----|--|--|-------|
| | 0100 | 1 | | FO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | |
| | 0515 | 2 | | FO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0630 | 3 | | CO, CC ^A left to visit CP 5/32d Ren | Phone |
| 0830 | | 4 | | FR: 1/405 - S-3 Rpts 3 & 4 | F |
| 0915 | | 5 | | FR: 3/86 - S-3 Rpts #143 | F |
| 0940 | | 6 | | CO, CC ^A returned to CP | F |
| 1030 | | 7 | | FR: 702d TD Bn - After action rpt | F |
| 1040 | | 8 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #1 | F |
| 1050 | | 9 | | FR: 82d Ren - S-3 Rpt #143 | F |
| 1050 | | 10 | | FR: A/46 - S-3 Rpt #152 | F |
| 1045 | | 11 | | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #152 | F |
| 1120 | | 12 | | FR: A/702 - S-3 Rpt #152 | F |
| 1200 | | 13 | | FR: 3/86 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| 1200 | | 14 | | FR: Hq 41st AIR - Ovly - Chng of route FO 484 plan 3 | F |
| 1200 | | 15 | | FO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 1300 | 16 | | FO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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FROM: 020001A Nov 44
 TO: 020400A Nov 44
 PLACE: 8976555

| TIME IN | TIME OUT | SER NO | TIME DATED | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | ACTION TAKEN |
|---------|----------|--------|------------|--|--------------|
| 0820 | | 1 | | FR: 1/405 - S-3 Rpt #8 | F |
| | 0100 | 2 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0300 | 3 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt - few rds arty falling in BA SWELER | Phone |
| 1235 | | 4 | | Co D, 41st AIR relvd fr atchd to CC "A" and reverted to 2d Bn, 41st AIR effective 021700A Oct 44. D/41 remained in same location | |
| 1800 | | 5 | | C/82 has relvd B/82 and has assumed responsibility for the BHOENDEFF Sector effective 031245A Oct 44 | |
| 1300 | | 6 | | Man/86 atchd to 3/86 in CC "A" Resv E of WURN River & closed in assy area via K863682 at 031250A Oct 44 | |
| | | | | C/82 relvd fr atchd to 3/86 at 031245A Oct 44 | |
| 340 | | 7 | | FR: 68AR - Cons for pd 1-31 Oct 44 | F |
| 340 | | 8 | | FR: M6/86 - Veh status rpt | F |
| 350 | | 9 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #2 | F |
| 540 | | 10 | | FR: A/72 - 2d plat fired at & neutralized suspected by CP | F |
| 540 | | 11 | | FR: 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #146 | F |
| 540 | | 12 | | FR: 65FA - S-3 Rpt #181 | F |
| 580 | | 13 | | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #164 | F |
| 605 | | 14 | | FR: Ron/86 - S-3 Rpt #136 | F |
| 605 | | 15 | | FR: 2/41 AIR - Only of patrols | F |
| 015 | | 16 | | FR: B/82 - Closed in assy area w/82d Ron (-) at 1600 | Phone |
| 015 | | 17 | | FR: 3/86 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| | 2100 | 18 | | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| | 0025 | 1 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | |
| | 0030 | 2 | | TO: 14 FA - 82d, 3/86, 1/702 - all our patrols have returned | Phone |
| | 0102 | 3 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0208 | 4 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0310 | 5 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0820 | | 6 | | FR: 1/405 - S-3 Rpt #8 | Phone |
| | 1130 | 7 | | Col Collier departed for 2d AD CP | 020001A F |
| 1350 | | 8 | | Col Collier returned to CP | |
| 1335 | | 9 | | FR: 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #147 | F |
| 1335 | | 10 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #3 | F |
| 1430 | | 11 | | FR: 65FA - S-3 Rpt #182 | F |
| 1655 | | 12 | | FR: 2/41 AIR - Only proposed posns in case of poss extension of sector | F |
| 1630 | | 13 | | FR: 3/86 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| 1645 | | 14 | | FR: Ron/86 - S-3 Rpt #136 | F |

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| | 0010 | 1 | | TO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | |
| | 0500 | 2 | | TO: G-3 & AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0500 | 3 | | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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FROM: 050001A Nov 44
 TO: 052400A Nov 44
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ENCLOSURES, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.

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| 0730 | 4 | FR: 1/405 - S-3 Rpt #7 | F |
| 1035 | 5 | FR: A/702d TD Bn - 3rd Plat of 702d TD will replace 1st Plat A/702 at mine today. | F |
| 1015 | 6 | FR: Air Observer atchd CC "A": At 081015A 36 P47s hit bridge W of Ulich - effect good. | F |
| 1210 | 7 | FR: 2 AD - Div is going to move tomorrow morn or late tonite, some inf from Custom via Alsdorf thru Ubach on to Premium | Phone |
| 1340 | 8 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #4 | F |
| 1435 | 9 | FR: 82d Ron - Only route to fwd assy area | F |
| 1440 | 10 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #153 | F |
| 1445 | 11 | FR: 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #146 | F |
| 1615 | 12 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #156 | F |
| 1725 | 13 | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #137 | F |
| 1825 | 14 | FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt | F |
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| 0045 | 1 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - All quiet as of 2400 | F |
| 0130 | 2 | TO: G-2, 2 AD - All quiet | Phone |
| 0225 | 3 | TO: 14 FA - Shelrep fr 405th Inf | Phone |
| 0230 | 4 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | Phone |
| 0330 | 5 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0630 | 6 | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0950 | 7 | FR: Hq 2 AD - Ltr of Inst Copy #21 | F |
| | 8 | 0900 Mfg of Bn Cdrs 1/405 117th Inf - 175 Inf discuss relief of area | F |
| 1310 | 9 | FR: 82d Ron Bn - S-3 Rpt #149 | F |
| 1405 | 10 | FR: 14 AFA Bn - S-3 Rpt #5 | F |
| 1440 | 11 | FR: 65 AFA Bn - S-3 Rpt #154 | F |
| 1512 | 12 | FR: 41st AIR - TM #84 | F |
| 1815 | 13 | 1 Plat Co C, 117th Inf in position in the gap between BAESWEILER & BEGGENDORF at 1815B - joint post between C Co, 82d Ron & Co C, 117th Inf | Phone |
| 1825 | 14 | FR: 1/405 - Mt plat fr 1/115 are in position & firing - request permission to move our mortars out (permission granted 1827B) | Phone |
| 1825 | 15 | FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| 1940 | 16 | FR: 1/405 - AT plat has been relvd by 1/115 | Phone |
| 1950 | 17 | 2d Plat D/405 rld will move out as soon as rd is is clear | Phone |
| 2012 | 18 | Plat A/17 relvd at strng pt betwn Alsdorf & Dietweiler at 1930A | Phone |
| 2045 | 19 | FR: A/17 - elems are now closed in area | Phone |
| 2150 | 20 | FR: 1/405 - A Co rld off 2150 | Phone |
| | 21 | Lt Col Geo B Robinson O-23428 CO 1/405 Inf | Phone |
| 2210 | 22 | Plat A/17 - closed assy w/Co A/17 2030A | Phone |
| | 23 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 2315 | 24 | TO: G-3 - Limestone & lagoon rd have resumed responsibility for EASEMINE 2340 as of 2245 | Phone |
| 2340 | 24 | 1/115 resumed reports for Baesweiler 2340 | Phone |
| 2345 | 25 | | Phone |

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0035 1 1/405 closed at 0035A Phone

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FROM: 070001A NOV 66
 TO: 070001A NOV 66
 PLACE: 072400A NOV 66
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| TIME | DATE | REF | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | PHONE |
|------|------|-----|--|-------|
| 0035 | 0035 | 2 | TO: G-3, 2 AB - neg rpt | |
| | | 3 | Telephone rec closed in assy area 0620. G-3 notified 0035 | Phone |
| 0710 | | 4 | OVI's - map info (- copies) | F |
| 0850 | | 5 | Plat of A/702 closed in new assy area at 080650A | Phone |
| | 0900 | 6 | Plat of all units at 071000A | Phone |
| 0950 | | 7 | Assn 10/66 AA - [unclear] crossing [unclear] area | |
| | | | assn 10/66 AA - [unclear] 138 | |
| 1030 | | 8 | Assn 06AA - [unclear] in [unclear] crossing [unclear] problem | Phone |
| 1050 | | 9 | Assn 10/195 - [unclear] with [unclear] will be [unclear] & not replaced at present. | Phone |
| 1100 | | 10 | Col [unclear] returned to [unclear] | |
| 1100 | | 11 | Assn 1/66 - closed in area at 1100A | Phone |
| 1115 | | 12 | Assn 1/11 - combat orders for small unit [unclear] | F |
| 1135 | | 13 | Plat of A/702 [unclear] closed in assy area | Phone |
| 1345 | | 14 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] relvd of [unclear] - [unclear] sector as of 070800A | Phone |
| 1420 | | 15 | Assn 62d [unclear] - [unclear] apt 130 | F |
| 1425 | | 16 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] apt 135 | F |
| 1502 | | 17 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] 3/66 - [unclear] 5/66 & 6/66 closed in new area 071000A | |
| 1600 | | 18 | Assn 65 [unclear] - [unclear] apt 150 | |
| 1630 | | 19 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] apt 150 | F |
| 1710 | | 20 | Assn 1/17 - closed in [unclear] assy area via [unclear] at 071000A | F |
| 1720 | | 21 | Assn 1/702 - [unclear] (-1 Plat) closed in assy area via [unclear] at 071630A | |
| 1845 | | 22 | Assn 3/66 - [unclear] apt | F |
| 1910 | | 23 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] priority req has been [unclear] | Phone |
| | 1915 | 24 | TO: 06AA - [unclear] priority req has been [unclear] | |
| 2205 | | 25 | Assn 1/66 & 3/66 - [unclear] has been relvd in [unclear] to 1/66 assumes respons for [unclear] OF sector effective 072400A NOV 66 | |
| | | | 8 NOV 66 071655Z | |
| | 0900 | 1 | TO: G-3, neg rpt | Phone |
| | 0905 | 2 | 1/66 closed in area | |
| 0915 | | 3 | Assn 3/66 - Plat A/702 closed in assy area | Phone |
| 0950 | | 4 | Assn 10/66 - [unclear] apt 139 | F |
| 1000 | | 5 | [unclear] assumed respons for entire [unclear] AD sector relvd [unclear] 3/66 in [unclear] to [unclear] direct 062400A [unclear] now holds line [unclear] (exclusive) - [unclear] [unclear] w/3/66 | |
| 1202 | | 6 | [unclear] assumed respons for entire [unclear] AD sector effective 061200A NOV 66 | |
| 1300 | | 7 | TO: G-3 - (above [unclear]) | |
| 1340 | | 8 | Assn 66AA - [unclear] located at 061600A | |
| 1415 | | 9 | Assn 1st [unclear] - [unclear] apt 139 | F |
| 1415 | | 10 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] apt 139 | F |
| 1425 | | 11 | Col [unclear] [unclear] for [unclear] | |
| 1430 | | 12 | Assn 65 [unclear] - [unclear] apt 150 | F |
| 1450 | | 13 | Col [unclear] returned to [unclear] | |
| 1530 | | 14 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] apt 150 | F |
| 1550 | | 15 | Assn G-3, 2 AB - [unclear] motor uncontrolled [unclear] | F |
| 1615 | | 16 | Assn 1/66 - [unclear] apt | F |
| 2000 | | 17 | Assn 1/11 [unclear] - [unclear] OVI, | F |
| 2010 | | 18 | Assn 1/66 - [unclear] status rpt | F |
| 2015 | | 19 | Assn 1/11 - [unclear] [unclear] for attack | F |

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INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.

| Time | Order/Action | Remarks | Phone |
|------|--------------|---|-------|
| 1415 | 1 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt-patrol 2 has returned | Phone |
| 0130 | 2 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | Phone |
| 0300 | 3 | TO: G-3 Neg rpt | Phone |
| 0415 | 4 | TO: G-3 Neg rpt | Phone |
| 1030 | 5 | Mr. 1st AIA - RO #2 w/ovly | |
| 1100 | 6 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt | |
| 1200 | 7 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt | |
| 1305 | 8 | Mr. 14 FA - S-3 rpt | |
| 1410 | 9 | Mr. 14 FA - S-3 rpt | |
| 1510 | 10 | Mr. 65 FA - S-3 rpt #157 | |
| 1625 | 11 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #160 | |
| 1630 | 12 | Mr. 3/406 - ovly of fire plan | |
| 1900 | 13 | Mr. 3/66 - S-3 rpt | Phone |
| 2028 | 14 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | Phone |
| 2340 | 15 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | |

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| Time | Order/Action | Remarks | Phone |
|------|--------------|---|-------|
| 0020 | 1 | Mr. 4/11 - Ammo allowance | Phone |
| 0500 | 2 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | Phone |
| 0640 | 3 | TO: G-3 - Neg rpt | |
| 1210 | 4 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 1247 | 5 | Mr. 14 FA - S-3 rpt #5 | |
| 1447 | 6 | 4/17 (-2 Plats) closed in new assy area K868587 at 1310A | F |
| | 7 | (1st & 3rd Plats) | |
| 1555 | 8 | Mr. 4/11 - Veh status | |
| 1635 | 9 | Mr. 4/11 - ensure movement to assy area during 2 hr prior to 1-day (revised) | |
| 1610 | 10 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 1610 | 11 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 1635 | 12 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 1650 | 13 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 1655 | 14 | orders to 3/406 to that outfit ordering their move at 1st lite into line of sqd cols in foxholes (for passage of tanks) effect 1st lite 11 Nove | |
| 1655 | 15 | Mr. 65 FA - check sheet completed with except 4/11 2 plat 4/17 closed in 1st | |
| | | 4/11 has covering fire this evening Tr 2340 have given plan to 14 FA (1600) | |
| 1700 | 16 | 3/406 - check list compiled with | |
| 1730 | 17 | Mr. 1st AIA - 14 #55 | |
| 1805 | 18 | Mr. 1/195 - check list compiled with | |
| 1835 | 19 | Mr. 14 FA - S-3 rpt #158 | Phone |
| 1945 | 20 | Mr. 14 FA - S-3 rpt #158 | |
| 1945 | 21 | Mr. 65 FA - check list compiled with | |
| 1945 | 22 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 2025 | 23 | Mr. 4/11 - S-3 rpt #161 | |
| 2135 | 24 | Mr. 3/66 - S-3 rpt | |

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| Time | Order/Action | Remarks | Phone |
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| 0120 | 1 | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0200 | 2 | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0500 | 3 | TO: G-3 - Veh movement checked on - no ey veh movement - our rpt neg | Phone |
| 0625 | 4 | FR: 41st AIR - Route of movement (ovly) | F |
| 0730 | 5 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #158 | F |
| 1130 | 6 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #162 | F |
| 1330 | 7 | A/402 (-1 Plat) attached to 6th AR effective 111330A | |
| | | Nov 44 | |
| 1415 | 8 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #16 | F |
| 1425 | 9 | Mt/66 closed in new assy area at 1415A | Phone |
| 1435 | 10 | Sen/66 closed in new assy area at 1420A | F |

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 PLACE: 112400 Nov 44
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| TIME | DATE | EVENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | STATUS |
|------|------|--|--------|
| 1520 | 11 | FR: 702d TD Bn - Memo - Characteristics of TD Wpn | F |
| 1525 | 12 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #159 | F |
| 1600 | 13 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #162 | F |
| 1655 | 14 | FR: Ron/66 - Rpt of Opnl miles at 1700A - 75 miles | F |
| 1650 | 15 | Vehs are 100% present and operative | F |
| | | 3/66 - 1st Plat A/17 1 Plat A/702 detohd & atohd | F |
| 1830 | 16 | to Div Res effective 111130A Nov 44 | F |
| | | Hq & Hq Co 41st AIR, 1/66AR, 2/19 Inf Regt, C/702 | F |
| 1835 | 17 | D/17 atohd CC"A" effective 111130A Nov 44 | F |
| 1835 | 18 | FR: Mt/66 - S-3 Rpt #142 | F |
| 2025 | 19 | FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| | | FR: 2 AD - Forces on nite of D-Day & D+1 AAAA no | F |
| | | green or red lights or pyrotechnic signals are to | F |
| | | be used by ground. | F |
| 2130 | 20 | Patrol 3/406 returned rpt to follow Polygon notified | F |
| 2300 | 21 | TO: G-3 - One ey Flare 908600 - All else quiet. | Phone |

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| 0737 | 1 | FR: 67AR - Opn Memo w/ovly | |
| 1835 | 2 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #163 | F |
| 1400 | 3 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #11 | F |
| 1405 | 4 | FR: 14 FA - Ovly of location btrys | F |
| 1410 | 5 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #160 | F |
| 1550 | 6 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #163 | F |
| 1635 | 7 | FR: B/66 - S-3 Rpt #143 | F |
| 2220 | 8 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | F |
| 2300 | 9 | FR: G-3 - Opn will not begin at 13 Nov | Phone |
| 2315 | 10 | FR: 702d TD Bn - Assignments as of 23 Nov 44 | Phone |
| 2320 | 11 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | F |
| 2430 | 12 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| 0140 | 1 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | |
| 0218 | 2 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0312 | 3 | TO: G-3 Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1235 | 4 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #164 | Phone |
| | 5 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 1300 | 6 | FR: 14th APA Bn - S-3 Rpt #12 | F |
| 1300 | 7 | FR: 65 APA Bn - S-3 Rpt #161 | F |
| 1637 | 8 | FR: Ron/66 - S-3 Rpt #144 | F |
| | 9 | FR: 2 AD - Cancel prev inst on use of pyrotechnics | F |
| | | on nite D & D+1. Green repeat green signals | F |
| | | may be used. | F |
| | 10 | FR: Ron/66 - 75 mi P&L at 1700. Vehs 100% | F |
| | | operative | F |
| 1812 | 11 | FR: Div Arty - Addtn to arty annex to FO #34 | F |
| 1815 | 12 | FR: CC"EW" - Memo Re: Removal of mines | F |
| 1340 | 13 | TO: All Units, CC"A" - Msg RE: Instructions on | M |
| | | use of pyrotechnics | F |
| 1817 | 14 | FR: 41st AIR - Hng #2 to FO #24 w/ovly | F |
| 2400 | 15 | TO: 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| 0105 | 1 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0217 | 2 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0225 | 3 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0405 | 4 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0520 | 5 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0615 | 6 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1216 | 7 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 1355 | 8 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #15 | F |
| 1440 | 9 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #164 | F |
| 1500 | 10 | Bn Cmdrs mtg at CP CC"A" | |
| 1624 | 11 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #162 | F |
| 1628 | 12 | FR: 48 Med - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 2225 | 13 | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| 0220 | 1 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0320 | 2 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0404 | 3 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0510 | 4 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1205 | 5 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #166 | F |
| 1225 | 6 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 1225 | 7 | FR: 2/41 O Only - Suggested route for 2/41 | F |
| 1345 | 8 | FR: Ren/66 - S-3 Rpt #147 | F |
| 1345 | 9 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #14 | F |
| 1405 | 10 | FR: 2/41 65FA - S-3 Rpt #163 | F |
| 1545 | 11 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #166 | F |
| 1645 | 12 | TO: Div G-3 - Only loc of F&L installations Mt/66 | F |
| 1715 | 13 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1800 | 14 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| 0215 | 1 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0300 | 2 | TO: G-3, 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0430 | 3 | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0520 | 4 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 5 | 0600 CP under arty fire | |
| 0755 | 6 | FR: CO, 2 AD - Ammo allowance | R |
| 0800 | 7 | FR: 2 AD - Ammo allow for pd 160800 to 170300 | R |
| 0845 | 8 | FR: Lt O, 2 AD - H-Hr scheduled for 161245A | F |
| | 9 | 1105 CO, CC"A" left for fwd CP CC"B" - returned 1145A | |
| 1202 | 10 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #67 | F |
| 1235 | 11 | CO, CC"A" left for fwd CP of CC"B" - returned | |
| 1300 | 12 | FR: 3/406 - 2 waves of tks & inf passed thru us. (friendly) | |
| 1400 | 13 | Instructions given to CO, 3/406 | Verbal |
| | 14 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #15 | F |
| 1425 | 15 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #164 | F |
| 1434 | 16 | 15, Force "A" - time for movement 170400A | Verbal |
| 1550 | 17 | 3/406 began assy via 877598 | |
| 1550 | 18 | Ren/66 - began movement into BEGGENDSF to take over & hold | |
| 1600 | 19 | FR: 3/406 - Only assy area of 3/406 | F |
| 1600 | 20 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #167 | F |

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| TIME | NO | DATE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | ACTION |
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| 1600 | 21 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ovly routes & traffic control plan (2 copies) | F |
| 1635 | 22 | | TO: 3/408 - Effective 2400A you are released fr atchd to CC"A" revert to control parent unit. Request you immed return lt tank to this hqs. | Phone |
| 1845 | 23 | | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #148 | F |
| 2005 | 24 | | FR: 3/408 - Closed at 1915A | Phone |
| | 25 | 2230 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 26 | 2240 | FR: CC"B" & 86AR - Ovlys disp of elem at 1915A & 2000A 16 Nov | F |
| | 27 | 2310 | TO G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 28 | 2315 | FR: CC"B" - March table 2d chng dated 121300A Nov 44 & chng to 2d chng dated 181300A Nov 44 | F |
| | 29 | 2400 | TO: 3/408 - Rlvd fr atchd to CC"A" 2400A Rts to parent unit control | Ln O |
| 17 Nov 44 K876583 | | | | |
| 0700 | 1 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0710 | 2 | | FR: Div Arty - Ovly prepon call fires | F |
| | 3 | | Force A closed in fwd assy area an via 800554 at 170300A | F |
| | 4 | 0720 | CO CC"A" left for CP fwd of CC"B" at 0720A | F |
| 0725 | 5 | | FR: CG, 2 AD - FO 85 w/ovly | F |
| 0800 | 6 | | D/17 Engrs closed in assy area via 800554 at 170800 | F |
| | 7 | | FR: 2 AD - Movement orders to move at 0755A move Col Swifts force at 0830A | Phone |
| 0820 | 8 | | Counterattack at 84825 by ey use 14 tks | Phone |
| | (| | FO: CO, 41st AIR - Move force "B" over route prev designated have head of yr olm at PALENBURG bridge at 1100A. Yr Ln O will meet column and desig assy area. | |
| 0837 | 10 | | FR: CC"B" - FO 758 | F |
| 0838 | 11 | | FR: Hq 41st AIR - Signal annex to FO 124 (G-3) | F |
| 0906 | 12 | | 86/AR moving at 0900A | F |
| 0915 | 13 | | FR: CC"B" - Recvng ey counterattack - tks / inf coming fr PUMBERN | Phone |
| | 14 | 0922 | CO CC"A" returned to CP at 0922A | F |
| 1030 | 15 | | FR: G-3 - 15 ey tks at 939609 | F |
| 1050 | 16 | | 2 ey tks knocked out by arty S of PUMBERN - 4 KOI between GERONSWELER & EDEREN | F |
| 1055 | 17 | | CO, CC"A" returned to CP at 1055A | F |
| 1120 | 18 | | C/702 closed in new assy area via 876583 1116A | F |
| 1216 | 19 | | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #166 | F |
| 1245 | 20 | | Force B closed in assy area 800554 at 1230A | F |
| 1300 | 21 | | 12 ey tks moving W fr 806646 | F |
| 1300 | 22 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #167 | F |
| 1315 | 23 | | FR: CC"B" - FO #1 | F |
| 1350 | 24 | | TO: 41st AIR - Institute ron at once in prep for following poss mission: Atk morn 18 Nov seize & secure SETTERICH using two (2) olms one thru BERNSWELER atking fr S & SW - one thru BERGENDORF LOWERICH atking fr N & NW | Megr |
| 1435 | 25 | | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |

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| 1445 | 26 | Intercept msg fr unknown stn that ey planes hedading Radio towards this area | |
| 1500 | 27 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #16 | |
| | 28 | CO, CC"A" returned to CP 1600A | F |
| | 29 | CO, CC"A" left for Hq 2 AD 1650A | |
| 1655 | 30 | FR: 65FA - S-3 Rpt #165 | |
| | 31 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| 1730 | 32 | CO, CC"A" returned to CP 1730 | F |
| 1930 | 33 | FR: 2 AD - German conversation rptd on channel 78 | F |
| 2040 | 34 | FR: Ron/66 - S-3 Rpt #149 | F |
| 2200 | 35 | TO: 2 AD - Task Force "A" rpt continued patrol actvy none on their front | |
| 2300 | 36 | TO: 2 AD - Neg Rpt | Phone |

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1 Plat I/68 detachd fr Force B atchd to 2/116.
Effective 0730A

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| I030 | 2 | FR: D/17 - S-3 Rpt #1 | |
| I035 | 3 | CO, CC"A" returned to CP, CC"A" | F |
| I050 | 4 | CO, CC"A" left for Div CP | |
| I135 | 5 | 6 ey tks spotted in vic R895854 | F |
| I145 | 6 | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| I345 | 7 | FR: CC"B" - Ltr of Inst | F |
| I345 | 8 | FR: 115 Inf - Ltr of Inst #15 | F |
| I350 | 9 | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| I352 | 10 | FR: CC"B" - Ovly of disps as of 172100A | F |
| I400 | 11 | CO, CC"A" left for Div CP to attend mtg | F |
| I445 | 12 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| I510 | 13 | FR: 41st AIR - Rpt recd - Col Etter & his XO killed at 1840 by arty shell | |
| I510 | 14 | pt 2 ey tks KO'd by air at 1500A | Phone |
| I512 | 15 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #17 | F |
| I515 | 16 | FR: 2 AD - Sitrep to Div will be in by 2200 if sitn permits as of now | F |
| | 17 | I525 | R |
| I545 | 18 | CO, CC"A" returned to CP, CC"A" as 1525A | F |
| | 19 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #169 | F |
| I625 | 20 | CO, CC"A" left for CC"B" fwd at 1558A | F |
| I645 | 21 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| I650 | 22 | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #1 | F |
| I655 | 23 | FR: CG 2 AD - Ovly of traffic circ plan | F |
| I655 | 24 | CO, CC"A" returned fr CP, CC"B" at 1655A | F |
| | | B sqdn 1st Bn Rifle & Porfars Yeomanry (-2 troops) atchd to CC"A" & in turn atchd to Force B effective 181400A Nov | |
| 2200 | 25 | 1830 | F |
| | 26 | By planes bombed hutment area | |
| 2330 | 27 | FR: 2 AD - FO #36, Copy #1 w/ovly | F |
| 2400 | 28 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | | FO #36 issued | F |

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 TO: 192400A Nov 44
 PLACE: K876583

| TIME | CHK | SER NO | TYPE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | NOTICE |
|------|------|--------|-------|---|--------|
| IN | | | DATED | | TAKE |
| 0045 | | 1 | | FR: B/17 - Rpt of minefield (4 copies) | F |
| 0650 | | 2 | | FR: Div Arty - Arty plan w/ovly for atk 19 Nov 44 | F |
| 0735 | | 3 | | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| | | 4 | | 2/119 moving into SUTTERICH to take hold | Verbal |
| 1115 | | 5 | | Eff 1115A Plat I Co Detachd fr 2/118 reverted & reattachd to Force B. | Phone |
| 1135 | | 6 | | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 1245 | | 7 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #169 | F |
| 1245 | | 8 | | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #170 | F |
| 1300 | | 9 | | FR: CG, 2 AD - FO #36 | F |
| 1300 | | 10 | | 1/86 is moving as of 191245A | F |
| 1355 | | 11 | | By tks at K864004 - hvy arty being put on them | Phone |
| 1425 | | 12 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #18 | F |
| 1450 | | 13 | | FR: 66AR - Our present locn is K866587 (rear) | Radio |
| 1515 | | 14 | | FR: 66FA - S-3 Rpt #167 | F |
| 1520 | | 15 | | TFA jumped off in atk at 1500A | Phone |
| 1520 | | 16 | | TFB is on obj 13 - no resist so far as of 1425A | Phone |
| 1521 | | 17 | | TFA reoving mg fire fr E | Phone |
| 1530 | | 18 | | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #170 | F |
| 1640 | | 19 | | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #141 | F |
| 1745 | | 20 | | FR: 41st AIR - TFB made contact with TFA (2/41) on obj 13 at 1745A | Radio |
| 1952 | | 21 | | FR: A/17 - Closed in bivouac area at K854354 | F |
| 2220 | | 22 | | FR: CG, 2 AD - Weather forecast | Radio |
| 2220 | | 23 | | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| | 2345 | 24 | | TO: CO, 41st AIR - Msg RE: atk by 9th & 15th Pz units on AD | F |
| | 2400 | 25 | | TO: G-3, Neg Rpt | Phone |

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| | 0125 | 1 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0220 | 2 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0310 | 3 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | | 4 | | CO, CC"A" left for fwd CP 0730A | |
| 0730 | | 5 | | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| 0740 | | 6 | | FR: 2 AD - FO w/ovly | F |
| 0900 | | 7 | | FR: 2 AD - TFB atks at 0930A TFA & CC"B" atk at 1100 | Phone |
| 0907 | | 8 | | By tks spotted at 867614 | Phone |
| 0950 | | 9 | | FR: A/17 - ovly of minefields via FRIEDENHOVEN | F |
| 0950 | | 10 | | FR: 41st AIR - FO #26 | F |
| 0955 | | 11 | | FR: 115th Inf - Ltr of inst #18 | F |
| 1015 | | 12 | | TFB jumped off on obj 8-7-8 at 1010A | F |
| | | 13 | | Force "A" jumped off at 1100A | Radio |
| 1130 | | 14 | | "B" Co, 82d Ron attached to CC"A" eff 201000A & in turn attachd to TFB. | |
| 1224 | | 15 | | FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #171 | F |
| 1410 | | 16 | | FR: 41st AIR - FO #26 | F |
| 1410 | | 17 | | FR: 41st AIR - FO #25 copy #17 | F |
| 1413 | | 18 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #170 | F |
| 1415 | | 19 | | FR: 41st AIR - ovly of disps | F |
| 1508 | | 20 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #19 | F |
| 1515 | | 21 | | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #171 | F |
| 1730 | | 22 | | Moved CC"A" CP fr K876583 to K822595 at 1700A | F |
| 2100 | | 23 | | TO: All Units - FO #37 w/ovly | F |

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FROM: ~~210001A Nov 44~~
 TO: ~~212400A Nov 44~~
 PLACE: ~~KORREK 922592~~

| TIME IN | TIME OUT | SER NO | TIME DATED | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | ACTION TAKEN |
|----------------------|----------|--------|------------|---|--------------|
| | | 1 | | CC"A" jumps off in the attack at 1100A - Not later than | |
| 1000 | | 2 | | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| 1000 | | 3 | | FR: CC"B" - PO #80 w/ovly and chngs #1 to PO #20 | F |
| 1000 | | 4 | | FR: 115th Inf Ltr of Inst #13 w/ovly | F |
| 1005 | | 5 | | FR: 41st AIR - PO #27 w/ovly | F |
| 1005 | | 6 | | FR: CG, 2 AD - PO #33 w/ovly | F |
| 1020 | 1010 | 7 | 1025 | TO: 41st AIR - After taking obj - secure obj #10 | F |
| 1020 | | 8 | | FR: 82d on - S-3 Rpt #164 | F |
| 1020 | | 9 | | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| 1020 | | 10 | | FR: C/17 - Rpts of minefield | F |
| 1120 | | 11 | | Cub has picked up 6 ey tks at 954659 - 3 at 959630 | F |
| 1120 | | 12 | | AT 1120A Co C/702 (-2 Plats) atohd TFA - move to UDFREN | F |
| 1120 | | 13 | | By planes (7) strafed CP area | F |
| 1150 | | 14 | | 1/66 rptd closing on obj #9 at 1130A | Phone |
| | | 15 | | 2/66 rpts recvg hvy arty fire, is making prep for counterattack | Radio |
| 1440 | | 16 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #20 | F |
| 1440 | | 17 | | FR: 41 AIR - S-3 Rpt #171 w/ovly | F |
| 1440 | | 18 | | FR: 41st AIR - PO #21 w/ovly | F |
| 1447 | | 19 | | FR: 41st AIR - vly of disp | F |
| 1645 | | 20 | | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Rpt #167 | F |
| 1645 | | 21 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ovly of Disps as of 211630A | F |
| | | 22 | | Lt C CC"B" rpts small counterattack launched by ey against CC"B" at 954656 at 1815A | Phone |
| 2350 | | 23 | | FR: 2 AD - Traffic circulation plan | F |
| 2353 | | 24 | | FR: Div Engrs - Mine Intell Plan | F |
| | 2353 | 25 | | TO: All Units - PO #38 (CC"A") | F |
| 2355 | | 26 | | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #169 | F |
| 2355 | | 27 | | FR: 2 AD - Hq Co & Bn Hq Mt En now loc K866561 C/rt - 886565 | F |
| 2400 | | 28 | | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| 22 Nov 44 K922592 | | | | | |
| | | 1 | | FR: 41st AIR - PO #21 w/ovly (2 copies) | F |
| 0845 | | 2 | | FR: Div Arty - Ovly - Defensive fire plan | F |
| 0845 | | 3 | | FR: 2/66 - Ovly of posns | F |
| 1235 | | 4 | | FR: 82d Non En - S-3 Rpt #165 | F |
| 1300 | | 5 | | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Periodic Rpt #168 | F |
| 1305 | | 6 | | FR: 2/41 AIR - S-3 Rpt #172 | F |
| 1310 | | 7 | | FR: 41st AIR - PO #28 w/ovly | F |
| 1350 | | 8 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt w/ovly #172 | F |
| | | 9 | | FR: 2 AD - Water pt K112210 closed - Water pt K786575 | F |
| 1432 | | 10 | | FR: 2 AD (correction abv msg) Water pt closed K973594. Water pt K986582 | F |
| 1735 | | 11 | | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #173 | F |
| 1755 | | 12 | | FR: CO, 41st AIR - Rpts his objective is secured | Phone |
| 1945 | | 13 | | FR: Sen/66 - S-3 Rpt #154 | F |
| 1945 | | 14 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #21 | F |
| 2015 | | 15 | | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #170 | F |
| 2030 | | 16 | | FR: Div Arty - Ovly arty fire plan for atk 18 Nov 44 | F |
| 2050 | | 17 | | FR: Div Arty - Ovly arty fire plan for atk of CC"A" & CC"B" 20 Nov 44 | F |

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 TO: 232400A Nov 44
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| TIME | DATE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | TYPE |
|------|------|--|-------|
| 1200 | 1 | Mt/66 closed in new area 1000A | |
| 1200 | 2 | F/41 detached fr Force "A" at 230900A moved to FRIALDENHOVEN | Radio |
| 1200 | 3 | TO: CO, 66th AR - C/702 (-2 Plat) detached fr Force A eff at once. Have it move to FRIALDENHOVEN immed | |
| 1200 | 4 | attached to Force "B". Advise when it leaves | Ln 0 |
| 1200 | 5 | TO: CO, 41st AIR - Move yr right flank fwd to keep abreast of and in contact with 116th Inf on yr right attacking KOSLAR. Have yr FOs place fire to yr front to support this attack. | Ln 0 |
| 1200 | 6 | FR: 2 AD - The following attachmts are attached to CC"B" as of 1230A: 2/66, A/702 (-1 Plat), A/17 (-1 Plat) will probably be in eff until 241800A - Plat of A/702 with Col Stokes goes to CC"A". | |
| 1305 | 7 | FR: Ron/66 - Closed in new assy area at 1100A | Phone |
| 1335 | 8 | FR: G-3 - CC"A" relvd of control & respons for that part of pr zone N of new 406-41st Bndry eff 231400A | Radio |
| 1350 | 9 | FR: 2/66 - C/702 (-2 Plat) has cleared DEREF in route to FRIALDENHOVEN | |
| 1355 | 10 | A/17 (-2 Plat) attached to Force "A" eff 222300A Nov 44 | |
| 1520 | 11 | FR: 66AR - CP closed at 231500A Nov 44 | Radio |
| 1620 | 12 | Hq CC"A" CP closed at 1430A locn K907576 | F |
| 1600 | 13 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #173 w/ovly | F |
| 1600 | 14 | FR: 66AR - Veh status rpt | F |
| 1620 | 15 | FR: CC"B" - Ltr of inst | F |
| 1620 | 16 | FR: 41st AIR - Ovly of disps as of 222200A Nov 44 | F |
| 1625 | 17 | FR: 41st AIR - Ltr of inst w/ovly dated 23 Nov | F |
| 1625 | 18 | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Rpt w/ovly | F |
| 1627 | 19 | FR: A/17 - Mobile WP at K903580 | F |
| 1635 | 20 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #22 | F |
| 1723 | 21 | CC"A" relvd fr respons of zone N of new 308-41st bndry eff 1400 23 Nov 44 | F |
| 1750 | 22 | CO C/824 Ton Bn attached to CC"A" eff 231100A in turn attached to 41st AIR - C/82 now in assy area in ALSDORF | |
| 1750 | 23 | FR: CC"B" - Ltr of inst | F |
| 1820 | 24 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #176 | F |
| 1830 | 25 | CO H/66 AR attached to CC"A" eff 1930A and in turn attached to 41st AIR | |
| | | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #171 | F |

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| 0225 | 1 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | |
| 0315 | 2 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0420 | 3 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0505 | 4 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0750 | 5 | FR: Ron/66 - Ovly showing locn of posn | Phone |
| 0755 | 6 | FR: 41st AIR - Ovly of disps | F |
| 0755 | 7 | FR: 82d Ton Bn - S-3 Rpt #167 | F |
| 0812 | 8 | FR: 41st AIR - H/66 has closed as of 0800A - C/82 is in process of closing now. | Radio |
| 0817 | 9 | Eff 0800A bat Co A/17 released fr attach Div 108A attached CC"A" | |
| 0826 | 10 | FR: CC"B" - Ltr of inst w/ovly (20 Nov) | F |

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 TO: 240000A Nov 44
 PLACE: 242400A Nov 44
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| TIME | DATE | NO | DATE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | PHONE |
|----------------------|------|----|------|--|-------|
| 0900 | | 11 | | FR: 2 AD - Ltr of inst #1 | F |
| 1105 | | 12 | | FR: 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #166 | F |
| 1108 | | 13 | | A/17 (-I Plat) detached fr CC"B" attached to CC"A" & closed in assy area in BAESWEILER at 241100A | Radio |
| 1112 | | 14 | | FR: CC"B" - S-3 Rpt #170 w/ovly of disps | F |
| 1408 | | 15 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #174 | F |
| 1408 | | 16 | | FR: 41st AIR - Relief inst w/ovly | F |
| 1408 | | 17 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ovlly disps | F |
| 1408 | | 18 | | FR: 41st AIR - FO #29 | F |
| 1410 | | 19 | | FR: R/68 - S-3 Rpt | F |
| | | 20 | | FR: 41st AIR - Some arty fire in left sector incl smoke an arrang arty fire to cover smoked area | Phone |
| | | 21 | | FR: A/68 - S-3 Rpt #175 | F |
| 1815 | | 22 | | FR: 41st AIR - Relief schedule 24 to 26 Nov 44 w/ovly | F |
| 1820 | | 23 | | FR: A/17 - Ovlly of minefld (fr) via of Ederan | F |
| 1825 | | 24 | | A/17 det fr CC"B" attached to CC"A" & closed into assy area in BAESWEILER at 241400A Nov 44 | |
| 1825 | | 25 | | A/702 (-I Plat) det fr CC"B" attached to CC"A" & closed into assy area in BAESWEILER at 241400A Nov 44 | |
| 2000 | | 26 | | 82d Ron Bn (-B & C Cos) attached to CC"A" eff 250800 Nov 44 | F |
| 2100 | | 27 | | FR: 65/FA - S-3 Rpt #172 | F |
| | 2105 | 28 | | TO: CO 41st AIR - RE: atk of 29th Div morning of 25 Nov 44 | |
| 2109 | | 29 | | FR: 41st AIR - FO #29 | F |
| 2330 | | 30 | | FR: S-1 - Est Loss Rpt CC"A" | F |
| 2330 | | 31 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #23 | F |
| 25 Nov 44 K907576 | | | | | |
| | 0510 | 1 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | |
| | 0800 | 2 | | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 0800 | | 3 | | FR: 118th Inf - Ltr of inst #17 w/ovly | Phone |
| 0800 | | 4 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ovlly of disps for 24 nov | F |
| 0805 | | 5 | | FR: Lt/68 - Veh status rpt | F |
| 0830 | | 6 | | FR: Lt 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #168 | F |
| 0945 | | 7 | | FR: 41st AIR - 82d Ron Bn (-Cos B & C) attached to CC"A" 0800A closed in FRIEDENHOVEN at 0900A | Phone |
| 0945 | | 8 | | FR: A/17 - Rpt w/ovly of fr minefld | F |
| 0950 | | 9 | | FR: 41st AIR - Relief schedule 24 Nov to 26 Nov w/ovly | F |
| 0955 | | 10 | | FR: 41st AIR - actual inst for relief & defense in TP B area. | F |
| 1000 | | 11 | | FR: 14 FA - Located at K932567 | F |
| 1230 | | 12 | | FR: G-3, 2 AD - By aircraft is expected to be over our area sometime today | Phone |
| 1345 | | 13 | | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #24 | F |
| 1420 | | 14 | | FR: G-3 2 AD - Extract fr G-3 Journal | F |
| 1440 | | 15 | | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #175 | F |
| 1440 | | 16 | | FR: 41st AIR - Ovlly of disps | F |
| 1445 | | 17 | | FR: 41st AIR - Actual inst for relief & def TPB. | F |
| 1520 | | 18 | | FR: CO 2 AD - Near schelon of Powerhouse & DAD loc at K846536 town of Hergysenrath | F |
| 1610 | | 19 | | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #157 | F |

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| IN | OUT | DATE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | REMARKS |
|------|------|------|--|---------|
| 1610 | | 20 | FR: 2 AD - In Hqs K89565 new bivouac | |
| 1610 | | 21 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #176 | F |
| | | 22 | R/66 atchd to 41st AIR eff 251100A | F |
| | | 23 | 3/66 (-H Co) and 1 Plat Co A/702 & Det Hq 66AR relvd fr atchd Div Res atchd CC"A" 1600A | |
| 2100 | | 24 | FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt | |
| 2100 | | 25 | FR: S-1 Est Loss Rpt | |
| 2130 | | 26 | FR: 66 FA - S-3 Rpt #173 | |
| 2130 | | 27 | FR: 66 Mt - Veh status rpt | |
| | | | 28 Nov 44 K907576 | |
| 0142 | | 1 | FR: Div Arty - Dvly Fire plan (2 copies) | F |
| | 0430 | 2 | FR: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| | 0500 | 3 | TO: G-3 - Neg Rpt | Phone |
| 1000 | | 4 | Hq 1/66 & F/66 closed in assy area BASSWILEP at 1000A relvd fr atchd CC"A" reverted to rectrl control | F |
| 1100 | | 5 | FR: 66/Mt - Veh status rpt | F |
| 1105 | | 6 | FR: 2 AD - FO #39 w/ovly | F |
| | 1105 | 7 | TO: 41st AIR - Msg CO 41st AIR re: atk 28 Nov | F |
| 1110 | | 8 | FR: Div Arty - Defensive fire plan ovly (2 copies) | F |
| 1520 | | 9 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #177 | F |
| 1520 | | 10 | FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #176 (w/ovly) | F |
| 1520 | | 11 | FR: 41st AIR - Dvly - patrol route | F |
| 1543 | | 12 | FR: 407 Inf - Disps ovly | F |
| 1540 | | 13 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #177 | F |
| 1735 | | 14 | Closed at new fwd CP CC"A" at 261700A - Loc at K957599 | |
| 1820 | | 15 | FR: A/17 - New CP at K925538 | F |
| 1835 | | 16 | FR: 1/119 - 1/119 Inf closed in assy area at 261830 | Magr |
| 1900 | | 17 | FR: Ron/66 - S-3 Rpt #158 | Phone |
| 1900 | | 18 | Tp list on FO #39 called attack tp list eff 270715A becomes eff as of 261900A | F |
| 1900 | | 19 | The following atchmts and detachmts become eff as of 261900A: 1 Plat G/702 detachd fr 41st AIR (-) reinf & atchd to control CC"A". 82d Ron detachd fr control 41st AIR (-) reinf atchd to CC"A". Ron/66 detachd fr 41st AIR (-) reinf atchd to CC"A". 3/66 detachd fr 41st AIR (-) reinf atchd to CC"A". 3/66 becomes 3/66 reinf, which will consist of the following: 3/66 e/66 detachd fr control 41st AIR (-) reinf & atchd to 3/66 reinf 1 Plat A/702 detachd fr A/702 & atchd to 3/66 reinf. EXCOR 2/41 detachd fr 41st AIR (-) reinf & atchd to CC"A". | |
| 1950 | | 20 | FR: XI Corps - Ltr of Inst #78 | F |
| 2045 | | 21 | 3/51 AIR passed 1st control pt 2045A | F |
| 2026 | | 22 | Plat A/17 w/1 Poser closed in assy area at 2015A | Phone |
| 2115 | | 23 | FR: 3/66 - B/82 & C/82 have moved fwd and now occupy LD. They have contact F & L. | |
| 2220 | | 24 | FR: 3/66 - Co G closed in fwd assy area at 262315A | |

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FR: 41st AIR - 3/41 has closed on LD - have completed digging in, 3rd Co now digging in.

0715

2

1/119 jumped off in atk 270715A

0735

3

Culture has jumped in atk 0715 (2/119)

0750

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2/119 - 1/41 AIR crossed LD at 0715A

0850

5

Non/66 - moved out at 0730A

0910

6

FR: 29 Inf Div - Ltr of 1st #56

7

off 1100A Co G/66 (-1 Plat) detached fr 3/6 attached to 1/119

8

off 0930A 1 Plat Co G/66 detached fr 3/66 attached 2/119

9

Plat C/702 detached fr CC"A" attached 1/19 off 1330A

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2/41 detached fr CC"A" control reverts to regtl control off 1322A

1330

11

FR: 41st AIR - S-3 Rpt #77 w/ovly

12

R/66 closed in assy area in FRIELDEN HWY at 1420A

13

A/702 (-1 Plat) closed 1800A in Frielaldenhoven

14

FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #28

15

FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #175

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FR: R/48 - S-3 Rpt #178

17

FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #159

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FR: 2/41 - S-3 Rpt #177

19

FR: 41st AIR - Ovly disp

20

FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt

21

FR: 2/41 - Ovly - posns to be occupied

22

FR: 82d on Bn - S-3 Rpt #170

23

FR: 3/66 - Ovly - disp of troops

24

FR: 3/66 - Ovly disp of tps

25

FR: 41st AIR - PO #30

26

FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #174

28 Nov 44

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0910

1

CG, 2 AD visited CG left at 0925A

0945

2

FR: 66/Mt Co - Veh status rpt

0955

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TO: All Units - Hr for atk on obj 4 & 8 anned by CG CC"A" - 281200A

1060

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FR: Hq 118th Inf - Ltr of Inst #4 w/ovly

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2/66 began moving fwd 1115A

1310

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FR: 41 AIR - S-3 Rpt #178 w/ovly

1345

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CG 2 AD: Visited CG at 1315A left at 1335A

1715

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FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #179

1715

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FR: Non/66 - S-3 Rpt #160

1830

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FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt

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2/119 cleared 1320

1940

12

CG, CC"A" returned fr visit with CG, 2 AD

2335

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FR: 41st AIR - Disp ovly

2335

14

FR: 41st AIR - Ovly of route to detrucking area

2345

15

FR: 82d Non - S-3 Rpt #172

29 Nov 44

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0905

1

FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #27

0915

2

FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #176

0910

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FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt w/ovly of disp

0910

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FR: 82d Non - S-3 Rpt #171

0910

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FR: 3/66 - S-3 Rpt - pub

FROM: 290001A Nov 44
 TO: 292001A Nov 44
 PLACE: 292001A Nov 44
 8957599

| TIME | DATE | INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. | NOTES |
|----------------------|------|---|--------|
| | 6 | Co A/702 cleared FRIEDLUNDEN VEN enroute to BAESWEILER 1400A. | |
| | 7 | Ron/82 has taken over respons for portion of 41st AIR sector 3 of Barmen off 1630A | |
| 1900 | 8 | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | |
| 2000 | 9 | FR: 82d Ron - ovly showing defenses in sector | F |
| 2142 | 10 | 3/41 closed via NORDSTERN 2130A | F |
| 2200 | 11 | 2/41 closed via NORDSTERN 2200A | |
| 2210 | 12 | 1/41 relvd 2/41 on the line at 1700 | |
| 2210 | 13 | 3/66 (-3 Co) closed in area via BAESWEILER 1800A | |
| 30 Nov 44 K957599 | | | |
| 0950 | 1 | TO: 1/119 - Combat orders: as atk of 2/407 reinf prog into FLOSSDRF send a ombt patrol via BARMEN NW along the W bank of the ROER R clear area between BARMEN & FLOSSDRF of ey estb & maintain contact w/2/407 at FLOSSDRF. When FLOSSDRF is secured employ 1 Co to extend CG "A" line fr BARMEN to FLOSSDRF. | Verbal |
| 1025 | 2 | FR: A/17 - Ovly of friendly minefld CR at K988612 | F |
| 1025 | 3 | FR: 1/41 - Ovly of disps 29 Nov 44 | F |
| | 4 | FR: 407 Inf - Ovly of disps 30 Nov 44 | F |
| 1055 | 5 | FR: 407 Inf - Ovly of disps of tps in front line as of 300730A | F |
| 1100 | 6 | FR: Ron/68 - Ovly of def posns as of 29 Nov | F |
| 1105 | 7 | FR: A/17 - Ovly of frndly minefld at K997607 laid 29 Nov | F |
| 1115 | 8 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #28 | F |
| 1145 | 9 | FR: 41st AIR - Unit rpt (2 copies) | F |
| 1725 | 10 | FR: Mt/66 - Veh status rpt | F |
| 1820 | 11 | FR: 2 AD - Prevention Hq Co & Co C loc K776554. Div combat exhaustion center also this new loc | F |
| 1926 | 12 | FR: 1/41 - Rpt of minefld | F |
| | 13 | FR: 14 FA - S-3 Rpt #29 | F |
| | 14 | FR: A/48 - S-3 Rpt #181 | F |
| | 15 | FR: R/66 - S-3 Rpt #162 | F |
| | 16 | FR: 65 FA - S-3 Rpt #178 | F |
| | 17 | FR: 82d Ron - S-3 Rpt #174 | F |
| | 18 | FR: 102 Div - FO - (extract w/ovly copied by Lt Jameson) | F |
| | 19 | FR: 102 Div - Fire plan | F |
| | 20 | FR: 102 Div - Ltr of inst #15 | F |

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INCL. # 24

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

AGO 252
17 Jan 45

SUBJECT: Action against the Enemy, reports after/after action reports.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division, (ATTN: G-1)

MAPS: USGS: 4040, SHEETS: 91, 105, SCALE: 1/50,000
USGS: 4041, SHEETS: 902, 903, 902, 903, SCALE: 1/25,000
USGS: 4336, SHEETS: 13, SCALE: 1/100,000

PERIOD 1-31 DECEMBER 44

1. ENEMY:

a. Units in Contact:

1. Period 010001Z Dec to 031330Z Dec, patrol contact only with elements of 3d Volksgrenadier Div.
2. Period 071500Z Dec to 212600Z Dec: Not in contact.
3. 212600Z Dec to 312100Z Dec: all elements of 2d Pz Div and 3 Pz Abt and 10 and 11 Pz Gren Regt, 9th Pz Div. (See Annex #1)

b. Enemy Reserves: See Annex #1.

c. Brief Description of enemy activity:

During the period 010001Z Dec to 031330Z Dec the enemy having been decisively defeated W of the ROER R withdrew to the E of the R to reform and consolidate. Activity was limited to light arty fire and patrol activity. On 21 Dec 44 the enemy was continuing his headlong drive toward LIESE R. An enemy element composed of recon elements and arty was sent ahead of the main force of Combat Command "A" in vic of LIESE R and was destroyed. This was the limit of the enemy's adv to the W. The 2d Pz Div which had been spearheading the breakthrough was cut off W of LIESE R and destroyed. Elements of the 9th Pz Div in an attempt to rally the trapped forces were decisively defeated at HAVELDE and HULLIN. The high water mark of the counter-offensive had been reached and now began to recede eastward.

d. Estimate of Enemy Strength:

At the crest of the enemy's counter offensive morale was exceptionally high. All the personnel felt that they were pulling a win from sure defeat. Where the enemy was checked and went into reverse, morale followed suit. Enemy's offensive drive were well equipped and full strength in personnel and materiel.

e. Enemy Casualties:

1. Estimated killed - 650
2. Prisoners - 100 (does not incl rounded up and sent thru med channels)
3. Weapons destroyed (by actual count) - see Annex #6

2. COMBAT SITUATION:

- a. Front lines and best enemy elements - see Annex #1
- b. Location of arty, gas, bombardier, etc - see Annex #2
- c. Location of adjacent units and supporting troops - see Annex #2
- d. Operations (see Annex #3 for tp list)

1. 119 Inf Bn
On 1 Dec 44, 119 Inf Bn was ordered to the line (see tp list) - 119 Inf Bn - all 100.3 - kill 99.5 (see only #1) on 1 Dec 44 with 82 men on main on 14, 1st bn, 41 Inf Bn in center and 1st bn, 119 Inf Bn on L. (see tp list for composition & status).

On 2 Dec 44, 82 men on main extended its line to the R, moving elements of 1st bn, 41 Inf Bn in a one-half of Bn area. 1st bn, 41 Inf Bn sent scout patrols into woods N and NE of Bn area to intercept enemy inf retreating from LIESE R. 1st bn, 119 Inf Bn engaged in clearing.

woods W of BATHAM toward FLESDORF to establish contact with 407
Inf in FLESDORF. (See ovly #2 for dispositions as of 032200Z
Dec 44).

CC"1", 2d Arm'd Div relvd CC"1" fr responsibility of holding line
effective 031300Z Dec 44. Upon relief CC"1" assembled in BATHAM
out of contact with cy.

2. 4-16 Dec 44:

Throughout the period 4-16 Dec 44 CC"1" remained in BATHAM
engaging in rehabilitation of personnel, maintenance of vehicles
and weapons, and individual crew and unit trg.

3. 17-20 Dec 44:

Effective 170000Z Dec 44 CC"1" was placed on six (6) hr alert for
movement. Plans were made for movement with XIII Corps. Plan was
made of routes to assy areas in XIII Corps zone.

Security patrols operated throughout CC"1" area during hrs of dark-
ness as precaution against possible cy paratroop atk.

Trg continued during this period.

4. 21-22 Dec 44:

at 212400Z Dec 44 CC"1" moved fr BATHAM, Germany to an assy area
via two avins, BATHAM prepared to move to counter any cy movement
fr S or SE. CC"1" closed in this assy area 210300Z Dec 44. (See top
list for composition of forces). (See ovly #3 for disps as of 212200Z)

5. 23 Dec 44:

CC"1" recd orders at 1130Z to proceed as quickly as possible to GINNY
to block cy rptd approaching GINNY fr E & SE.

TF"1" moved out with medium tk co leading via route shown on ovly
followed by TF"2" and TF"3" in that order over routes shown.

TF"1" reached GINNY without incident and contacted elements of British
armor in the town. Rd block were established on the outskirts of GINNY
on the BATHAM-GINNY rd and on the high ground SE of GINNY (120900).
2d Bn, 60th Lt (-E Co) continued S fr GINNY on way to LEIDON and
encountered the cy in LEIDON.

TF"2" was moved through GINNY to assy area S of town and blocked to
SW, S and SE, contacting British elements and relvng elements of TF"1".

TF"3" assembled NE edge of GINNY blocking to NE and SE and relvng
elements of TF"1" on high ground at 120900 and extended rd block to
S and SE as far as rd at BATHAM (164094).

S Co, 32d Gen Bn assembled on N edge of GINNY and put rd blocks on
rd S to N and NE. It also patrolled the rd GINNY - BATHAM as far
as BATHAM and found it to be in British possession. It also
patrolled the rd GINNY - BATHAM and found friendly vehicles only on
this rd.

TF"1" attd LEIDON in two cols, one composed of 2d Bn, 60th Lt (-E Co)
attd along the route GINNY-LEIDON; the other composed of the balance
of TF"1" moved via BATHAM (164094) to LEIDON.

LEIDON was seized and cleared.

6. 24 Dec 44:

Orders were recd to 1) hold GINNY at all costs, 2) continue adv SE
fr LEIDON and 3) patrol S as far as BATHAM (0171).

TF"1" was assembled in LEIDON and proceeded without incident through
GILBERTS to a pt 167072 where an cy coln moving N. along the way was
encountered. This coln was almost completely destroyed by TF"1".

TF"B" moved into [redacted] replacing TF"A".

B Co, 02 [redacted] Bn took over rd blocks 3 and SE of CLAY replacing TF"B" and sent one platoon to [redacted] (1150h) with orders to proceed at daylight on rd to [redacted].

At daylight TF"B" moved out in two columns, one through [redacted], another through [redacted] on [redacted].

Platoon B Co, 02 [redacted] Bn moved out at daylight on [redacted] but encountered the [redacted] of [redacted] (0900) and was unable to adv further to the S.

Another platoon, B Co, 02 [redacted] Bn moved on rd [redacted] to [redacted] (0740) then [redacted] but encountered the [redacted] in [redacted] (0737) and was forced to retire to [redacted] by.

TF"A" made slow progress but TF"B" proceeded with both columns along its routes. A considerable number of the [redacted] was caught between TF"A" and TF"B". TF"B" was particularly successful in destroying [redacted] vehicles on the rd SE fr [redacted].

TF"B" secured and cleared [redacted] and placed rd blocks SE of the town.

TF"A" secured and cleared [redacted] (172035) contacting elements of 4 Cav [redacted] at [redacted] (1010).

C Co, 02 [redacted] Bn (-1 platoon) was [redacted] to CC"A" for the purpose of helping to hold CLAY and for patrolling to [redacted]. C Co, 02 [redacted] Bn (-1 platoon) established rd blocks [redacted] and [redacted] of CLAY and patrolled to [redacted]. 1 platoon Co G, 66 [redacted] patrolled the town of CLAY contacting the [redacted] on the SE. A Co, 17 [redacted] Bn (-2 platoons) prepared rd blocks of mines to be placed on rds 3 and 5 of CLAY and named these points.

TF"C" moved into [redacted] after TF"B" moved out and took over mission of blocking to 3 and 5. It placed an outpost of 1 platoon, I Co, 66 [redacted] via [redacted] (1090).

CC"B" relayed CC"A" in the mission of holding CLAY about dark.

TF"A" remained in [redacted]; TF"B" remained in [redacted]; TF"C" moved to vic of [redacted] blocking to 3, 5 and 11 [redacted] CC"A" Co [redacted] 17 [redacted] Bn (-2 platoons), Co [redacted] 702 [redacted] Bn (-3 platoons), and Co [redacted] 02 [redacted] Bn (-1 platoon) moved to [redacted] (2007). [redacted] Co, 66 [redacted] moved into CLAY.

Co [redacted], 02 [redacted] Bn reverted to control of CC"B" upon relief of CC"A".

7.

25 Dec 64

TF"A" [redacted] at 1300 fr [redacted] and [redacted] to clear woods to [redacted] in zone and to seize [redacted] by [redacted] and [redacted] in woods to [redacted] resisted stubbornly. At dark TF"A" withdrew fr woods to a more favorable position for the night. (see [redacted] 4).

TF"B" repulsed an [redacted] attack fr [redacted] launched at 0400 with arty and [redacted] gun fire. Co [redacted], 02 [redacted] Bn with one platoon [redacted] [redacted] at 1510 fr high ground SE of [redacted] to seize [redacted]. This mission was accomplished and the town of [redacted] secured at [redacted].

TF"C" in [redacted] res blocked rds to 3 and 5. One platoon [redacted] Co, 66 [redacted] seized town of [redacted] and established rd blocks to 3 and 5 there.

(see [redacted] 4 for dispositions as of 252200Z Dec 64).

8. 26 Dec 44:
TF¹ attd afternoon 26 Dec 44 seized and occupied high ground via 19800, FRENCH and LAMON.

TF² at 0720a an at force consisting of 19 tk V tks and inf attd the town of HAVILL which was held by Co I, 66 AR Reinf. The atk was repulsed by arty and tk gun fire with a loss of 5 tks for the atk.

TF³ continued in CC¹ zone and maintained rd blocks to S, SE and W. Elements of TF³ took over town of ARLES when it was vacated by TF¹. The plat of non Co, 66 AR Reinf by one plat of med tks fr Co F, 66 AR destroyed several vehicles of an atk moving at fr 0815a toward VASSY.

(See ovly 5 for dispositions as of 262200.)

9. 27 Dec 44:
TF¹ attd S at LAMON in three (3) cols to cut and block L-
ROCHEFORT-VERNE rd in zone. The two S cols secured their obj by 1800a encountering slight opposition. The L col was stopped 1000 yds short of the rd at 1957a by strong at forces well dug in N of ROCHEFORT.

TF² attd S with Co I, 66 AR with Co II, 41 AIR and 1 Plat Co II, 702 TD in atk fr HAVILL to seize the western tip of woods on the high ground immediately N of and overlooking ROCHEFORT. At 1700a this obj was secured. The remainder of TF² assembled in SULLIVAN establishing blocks to the S and SE.

TF³ continued to block to the SE and S and to protect the N flank of CC¹. At tks and inf that infiltrated into VASSY during previous night were driven out by arty and tk gun fire.

CC¹ attd through line held by 4 Cav Gp Reinf at 0600a to seize HILL and the high ground N of ROCHEFORT. The atk resisted stubbornly in HILL and in woods N of ROCHEFORT. By 2400a any resistance in HILL had ceased and CC¹ held the town. At that time the col advancing through the woods to the high ground N of ROCHEFORT was held up 1200 yds N of their obj by at tks and inf in the woods.

4 Cav Gp (Reinf) secured line of departure for atk of CC¹ on HILL and protected L flank of CC¹.

(See ovly 6 for dispositions as of 272200.)

10. 28 Dec 44:
TF¹ held line gained 27 Dec until relvd by elements of 4 Cav Gp Reinf. TF¹ closed in an assy area in vic of FORT at 1925a.

TF² continued to hold HAVILL and that part of high ground N of ROCHEFORT occupied by Co I, 66 AR Reinf until relvd by elements of 329 Inf. TF² closed in assy area vic of LAMON-GATHE at 1615a.

TF³ continued to outpost FRENCH-VERNE rd until passed through by elements of 4 Cav Gp Reinf at which time it moved to an assy area vic of HILL, closing at 1955a.

CC¹ secured high ground N of ROCHEFORT at 0930a. CC¹ was relvd fr holding HILL and high ground N of ROCHEFORT by elements of 329 Inf effective 1700a. CC¹ closed in new assy area and detached fr CC¹ at 1800a.

4 Cav Gp Reinf cleared by fr new CC¹ zone to LAMON and relvd all other elements of CC¹ in zone. Relief was completed at 1500a.

(See ovly 7 for dispositions as of 282200. Sec 44)

11. 22-31 Dec 44:

CC "A" was relv'd fr holding line of L'KAMM II in zone by elements of 1st Brigade (AB) on 30 Dec 44. Relief was completed and responsibility passed at 1050. All elements of CC "A" closed in assy area vic of CHIVILLE at 2030.

31 Dec 44 was spent in maintenance of vehicles and arms and resting of personnel.

(See ovly #8 for disposition as of 31 Dec 44.)

- e. Efficiency:
Efficiency of the cmd during the period was excellent. Morale was high at all times. Losses due to cy action were small. Losses not due to cy action were of a minor nature and chiefly to colds and exposure. Vehicular and equipment losses were small and were replaced almost immediately.
- f. Results of operations:
The operation during the latter part of the period stopped the cy's adv to the " after his breakthrough which started 17 Dec 44. An atk by supporting cy tps was decisively beaten and the cy was forced to begin his withdrawal to the L.

3. Administrative:

- a. Not applicable.
b. See annex #4 atabi.
c. Prisoners captured - 205.
d. Evacuation:

1. Personnel evacuation - normal, div 50%.
2. Vehicle evacuation - through normal channels.

e. Supply and evacuation establishments:

1. Supply camps established by Div 44.
(For locations & dates see Supply route cvlys, annex #5)
2. Evacuation establishments - Co 4, 40 med bn. (For locations & dates see supply route cvlys, annex #5).

f. Supply:

1. All personnel with three days basic load of rations throughout period 1-31 Dec 44.
2. Water fr Div water pts. Portable water pt established by Co 17 near in for tps in fwd areas.
3. Fuel and lubricant: All vehicular tanks and authorized gasoline tns full throughout period 1-31 Dec 44. Daily gasoline carried sufficient for 150-160 opnl mileage.
4. Ammunition: Full basic load of ammunition carried daily with the exception of the following restrictions placed by higher hqs
rd 02000 - 06000 rds per tps 20 rd class 12 - 9 rds class mortar
lvy - 13 rds class mortar 12.

5. Roads: For condition and circulation of rds see Supply route cvlys, annex #5.

4. General:

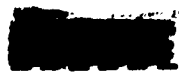
No comments not covered elsewhere.

For the Commanding General:

William R. Hartman
WILLIAM R. HARTMAN
Lt. Col., Cavalry,
Executive Officer

- Attachments: 1- Cvly, by site
2- Cvly 1-6, own tps.
3- Cp list
4- Casualty rpt
5- Cvly, supply installations & routes
6- List of cy equipment destroyed.
7- 1-2 Journal
8- 1-3 Journal

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ANNEX NO. 29 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-31 DEC 44 HQ CC*A 2 AD

The following listed vehicles were destroyed by CC*A during the period 24-28 Dec. 1944. These vehicles are physically present at locations indicated.

| <u>TYPE</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>TYPE</u> | <u>NUMBER</u> | <u>LOCATION</u> |
|---|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <u>TANKS</u> | | | 1 150mm gun | 1 | BUISONVILLE |
| 10 Mk V | 1 | K178841 | 1 105mm gun | 1 | " |
| | 2 | 213817 | | | |
| | 1 | 127867 | | | |
| | 1 | 175838 | <u>72 WHEELED VEHICLES</u> | | |
| | 5 | 210814 | <u>TRUCKS</u> | 1(U.S.) | 128888 |
| 5 Mk IV | 1 | 140817 | Sedans | 2 | 016871 |
| | 1 | 230810 | Command car | 1 | 016871 |
| | 3 | Vic ROUHFORT* | Sedans | 3 | 163871 |
| 1 SP | 1 | 169774 | 1/2 ton truck(U.S.) | 1 | 163871 |
| <u>ARMORED VEHICLES</u> | | | Motorcycles | 3 | 016871 |
| 29 Half tracks | 1 | 013885 | Truck | 1 | 175865 |
| | 1 | 129889 | Sedan | 1 | 181083 |
| | 2 | 163871 | Truck | 1 | 186824 |
| | 1 | 178841 | Truck | 1 | 188821 |
| | 1(U.S.) | 186825 | Trucks | 5 | 198825 |
| | 1 | 194815 | Volkswagon | 1 | 810073 |
| | 5 | 810089 | 1/2 ton truck(U.S.) | 1 | 812071 |
| | 2 | 810090 | Trucks | 3 | 812071 |
| | 1 | 812088 | Trucks | 2 | 810089 |
| | 1 | 807072 | Volkswagon | 1 | 810089 |
| | 1 | 175838 | 1/2 ton truck | 1 | 130820 |
| | 1 | 160872 | Sedan | 1 | 130820 |
| | 2 | 150873 | Volkswagons | 2 | 130820 |
| | 4 | 210814 | Sedan | 1 | 160872 |
| | 2 | 194828 | Trucks | 4 | 160872 |
| | 3 | 205816 | Motorcycle | 1 | 160872 |
| | | | Volkswagons | 3 | 160872 |
| <u>ARTILLERY</u> | | | Sedans | 3 | 150893 |
| 2 75mm AT | 1 | 013885 | Trucks | 9 | 150873 |
| | 1 | 128888 | Volkswagons | 5 | 200822 |
| | 1 | 810089 | Motorcycle | 1 | 200822 |
| | 1 | 154828 | Vehicles | 13 | 194828 |
| 2 83mm towed | 2 | 163871 | | | vicinity |
| * Destroyed by artillery fire (14th F.A. Bn.) | | | | | ROUHFORT* |

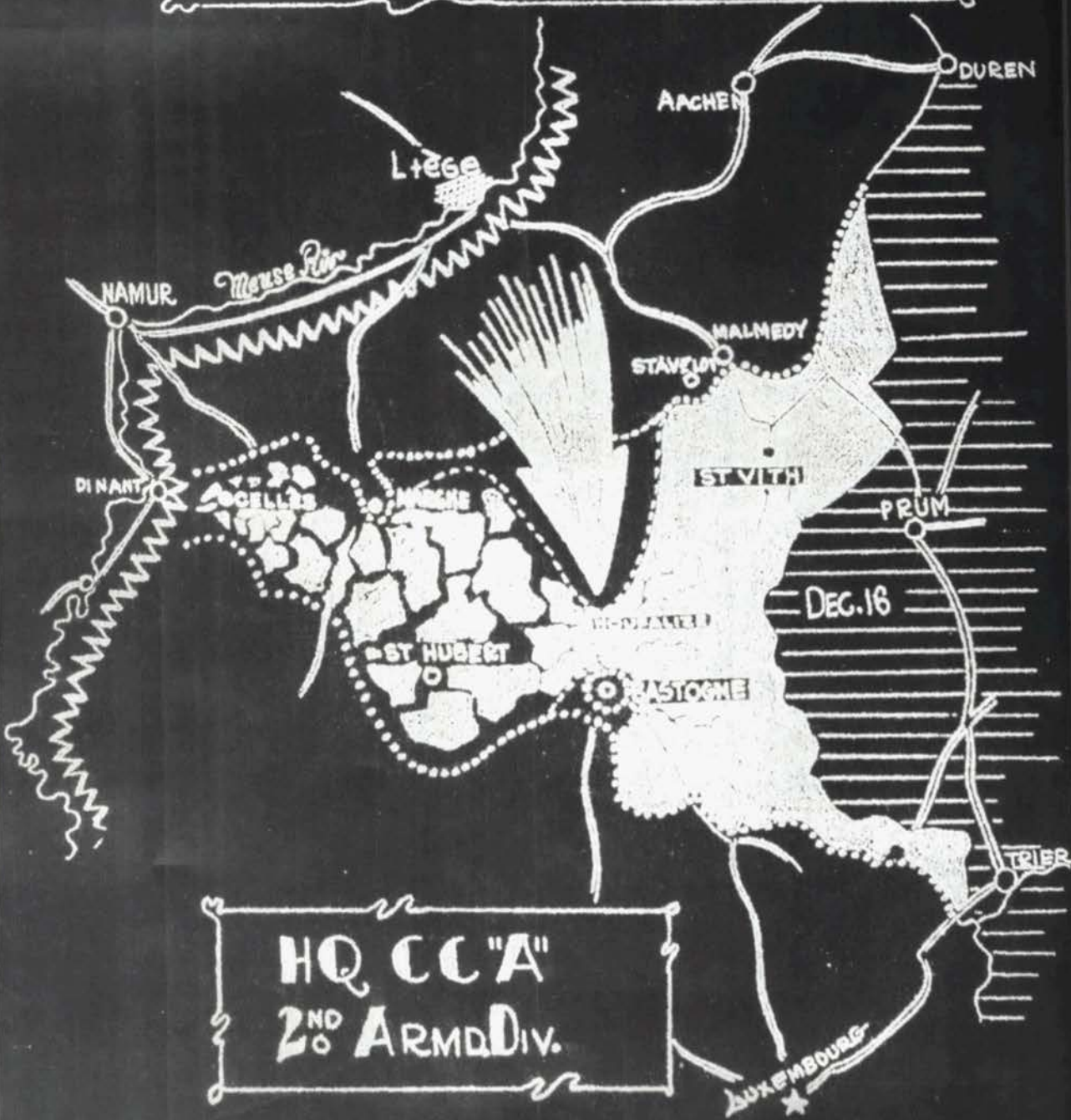
The following listed vehicles were evacuated from the town of Buisonville, Belgium and vicinity by Maintenance Co. 66th Armored Regiment.

| <u>TRUCKS</u> | <u>ARTILLERY</u> |
|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 1 ton Personnel Carrier (C.C.) | 1 88 MM AA |
| 1 1 1/2 Ton Chevrolet Panel Body | 3 150 MM Guns |
| 1 1/2 ton Ford Mack body | 2 105 MM Guns |
| 1 1/2 ton Chevrolet Mack Body | 1 105 MM Anti-Tank Gun |
| 1 3/4 ton Ambulance | 1 76 MM Anti-Tank Gun |
| 1 1/2 Ton Ford Mack body | 1 20 MM AA |
| 1 2 ton Personnel carrier (CC) | |
| 1 2 1/2 ton Cargo | <u>AUTOMOBILES</u> |
| 2 Sellwinds 3/4 ton Per. Car. | 1 Ford Tudor |
| 1 8 wheel armored car | 2 Ford Tudor |
| 1 1 1/2 ton Chevrolet Panel body | 1 Plymouth 4 door |
| 2 1 1/2 ton Trucks | 1 Chevrolet 4 door |
| | 1 Volkswagon |
| <u>TANKS</u> | 1 Ford 4 door |
| 1 Mark II | |



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Headquarters 2d Army Command "A"
Central Postal Directory

AGO 252
31 Jan 45

Subject: Action against the enemy, reports after/after action reports

TO : Commanding General, 2d Army Division (ATTN: AG of S, 0-3)

Refs: G-2: 4040, G-3: 09, 00, 91, 92, 93, 100, 107, G-4: 1/50,000
G-2: 4041, G-3: 9250, 930, 1060E, 1070, G-4: 1/25,000

Period 1-31 January 1945

1. Summary:

a. Units in contact:

1. Period 1-2 Jan 45, not in contact.

2. Period 3-31 Jan 45 (Incl):

2d SS Pz Div "Das Reich"

3rd SS Pz Gren Regt "Deutschland"

4th SS Pz Gren Regt "Der Fuhrer"

6th SS Pz Gren Regt (Abt'd)

500 Volks Gren Div

1500 Ong Arty Regt (Atch'd)

1120 Volks Gren Regt

1129 Volks Gren Regt

1130 Volks Gren Regt

500 AF Bn

110 Pz Div

00 Pz Gren Regt

116 Pz Recon Bn

3. Period 19-31 Jan 45, not in contact.

b. Enemy reserves: See OVI, Annex A1

c. Brief description of enemy activity:

Enemy was caught off balance by our attack the morning of 3 Jan 45. This fact substantiated by G-2 of 3 SS Pz Div, 2 SS Pz Div, who stated that their unit had planned small attack with limited objects that same day. Initial success gained by our surprise attack could not be readily exploited since the nature of the terrain and the prevailing winter conditions afforded excellent defensive opportunities. When the weight and purpose of our attack became evident enemy withdrew his SS Div, leaving the less valued 500 Volks Gren Div and elements of 110 Pz Div, and orders to cover their withdrawal and to delay our advance while the remnants of units in the western section of the German salient withdrew to the E to prevent being encircled by our developing pincer movement. This delay was effected by the employment of road blocks (felled trees and minefields) at critical points, infantry equipped with small arms and bazookas, T guns, submachineguns, artillery, and some tank and AF guns.

When the 2d Army Div, 1st US Army driving from the W and the 11 Army Div, 3rd US Army made contact at METZ (PUL/1) and the gap was closed, although the bulk of the German forces had effected their withdrawal to E, half of the ground gained by the Germans had been regained by the Allies, and any hopes the German may have entertained of renewing his offensive in this sector, were for the time being at least, definitely thwarted.

d. Estimate of enemy strength and morale:

2 SS Pz Div

Although this div had been up to full strength at the beginning of the German offensive, at the time of its initial contact with US 2d Army Div

div (3 Jan 45), its co strength was estimated to range between 20 and 65. For the most part, the officers and NCOs were the fanatical type soldiers which one would expect to find in an SS Div, but a high percentage of the men were Hungarians and Rumanians, and men from the Navy and Air Force, all of whom claimed to have been drafted into the SS. Morale poor.

500 Volks Gren Div

The Div suffered heavy losses prior to and during their engagement with the 2. SS Div. By 11 Jan 45 the remnants of the Div had been org into a Kampfgruppe with an estimated strength of 350 men. All men from the unit were aware that they had been left behind to be sacrificed while the best troops were brought to the rear for reorganization. Morale poor.

e. Enemy casualties:

1. Estimated killed - 1000
2. Prisoners taken, - 557
3. Vehicles destroyed (actual count) - see Annex #2.

2. COM SITUATION:

- a. Front lines and most advd elements - see Annex no. 3
- b. Location of troops, CPs, boundaries, etc - see Annex no. 3
- c. Location of adjacent units and supporting troops - see Annex no. 3
- d. Operations - (See Annex no. 4 for Op List)

1. 1-2 Jan 45

On 1 Jan 45, CC "A" assembled in vic of MIVILLE, BLAGIUM, out of contact with the enemy. (See only #1, Annex #3 for dispositions). At 021200Z Jan 45 CC "A" moved from vic MIVILLE to assy area vic SW, BLAGIUM, closed at 030200Z Jan 45 prepared to attack through lines held by 75 Inf Div at 030030Z Jan 45.

2. 3 Jan 45

TF "A" crossed LD (line held by elements of 75 Inf Div) at 030030Z Jan 45 in two cols. Tanks and M40CMTs were seized without serious opposition and by dark TF "A" occupied high ground NE and NW of SEXTL. Heavy tanks in woods prevented TF "A" from occupying that town on 3 Jan 45.

TF "B" crossed LD (line held by elements of 75 Inf Div) at 030030Z Jan 45 seized and secured the high ground and woods 1200 yds NW of D.V. MIVE by 1015A. TF "B" launched an attack on D.V. MIVE at 1115A and encountered enemy tank gun and automatic weapons fire from woods just N of COMBY and intense artillery fire from S and SE which pinned down attacking inf and stopped the attack. Attack was resumed at 1200A with same results. At 1200A the enemy counterattacked with tanks and inf from woods just N of COMBY. This counterattack was repulsed by TF "B" tanks and by artillery fire and TF "B" consolidated its position on the high ground gained for the night.

TF "C" crossed LD (line at MIVILLE held by elements of 75 Inf Div) at 030030Z Jan 45 and cleared the MIVILLE-D. CHAMPS rd to a point 1200 yds SW of MIVILLE and cleared the woods S of the rd to that point. TF "C" held the bulk of its force in CC "A" was prepared to move to assist TF "A" or TF "B" on order. Road blocks were maintained in MIVILLE on all roads leading from there to the SW, S and SE. Scout patrols operated forward of leading elements in the woods S of the MIVILLE-D. CHAMPS rd.

TF "D" moved to a new assembly area in vic of MIVILLE in CC "A" was and established a road block at COMBY at 141200Z. (See only #2, Annex #3 for dispositions as of 032200Z Jan 45).

3. 4 Jan 45

TF "A" continued the attack 041027Z Jan 45 to seize SEXTL with inf moving from the NE and S and tanks moving from the high ground just NW of the town, supported by tank gun fire from TF "B" from firing positions in edge of woods SW of MIVILLE. SEXTL was seized and secured at 1610A.

TF "B" repulsed by counterattacks of tanks and inf at 0450A, 0015A and 1030A. TF "B" protected L flank of TF "A" and supported its attack on SEXTL with tanks in position in edge of woods SE of MIVILLE. At 1535A TF "B" attacked S, seized and cleared the woods NW of MIVILLE and consolidated its position along the E and SE edge of these woods for the night.

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TF¹C" remained in CC¹A" pos and continued darkd patrols to the SW, S and SE.

TF¹D" maintained contact between TF¹B" and TF¹C", filling the gap between the two forces, and patrolled to the S and SE.

(See ovly #3, Annex #3 for disposns as of 042200Z Jan 45).

4. 5 Jan 45

TF¹A" sent darkd patrols fr DEFFA to vic CONSY during hrs of darkness 4-5 Jan 45. Patrols rptd CONSY and woods to the S thereof held by ey tks and inf. TF¹A" atkd at 1105Z in two cols fr DEFFA. Hvy automatic wps and arty fire fr CONSY and fr the N side of CONSY d fr vic RANBUX and RANBUX pinned the atking forces down. TF¹A" withdrew to DEFFA to reorganize.

TF¹B" supported atk of TF¹A" on CONSY and held the woods and high ground N. of DEFFA.

TF¹C" continued to clear ey fr RANBUX-DOCHERS rd and woods to S thereof. Bulk of force of TF¹C" remained in CC¹A" pos.

TF¹D" maintained contact with TF¹B" and TF¹C" and patrolled into BUI DE TRVE to the S. (See ovly #4, Annex no. 3 for disposns as of 052200Z Jan 45).

5. 6 Jan 45

TF¹A" launched a night inf atk fr DEFFA on astride the rd to seize CONSY. This atk was halted 150 yds short of the rd at CONSY by ey tank gun and automatic wps fire fr CONSY and the N edge of woods N of CONSY. The inf atking force withdrew to DEFFA to reorganize.

After being relvd in DEFFA by elements of 6th Inf Div, TF¹A" assembled at 1130Z fr which posn it atkd SE on the E of TF¹B" and cut the DEFFA-DOCHERS rd in vic of LAID RANBUX. TF¹A" consolidated in woods just N of LAID RANBUX for the night.

TF¹B" moved during hrs of darkness to an atk posn vic ALGICOLA after being relvd by elements of 6th Inf Div in woods N. of DEFFA. At 0630Z TF¹B" atkd S fr vic RANBUX, seized DEFFA, securing and clearing the town by 1200Z.

TF¹C" continued clearing RANBUX-DOCHERS rd and BUI DE TRVE to the S and N thereof and maintaining a res force prepared to move to assist TF¹B" or TF¹D" on order. Fwd elements had cleared rd to the pt R47500 by dark 6 Jan 45.

TF¹D" cleared woods between TF¹A" and TF¹C" and maintained contact between these two forces. (See ovly #5, Annex no. 3 for dispositions as of 062200Z Jan 45).

6. 7-8 Jan 45

TF¹A" continued the atk 070030Z Jan 45 SE fr vic LAID RANBUX. A handfield across the DEFFA-DOCHERS rd at R409030, ey tanks and inf in well chosen posns which commanded the avenue of approach up the defile successfully delayed TF¹A" throughout the two days and little progress was made. At dark 6 Jan 45, TF¹A" leading elements were in vic of 45 miles.

TF¹B" was relvd in DEFFA by elements of 6th Inf Div during hrs of darkness night 6-7 Jan 45. Upon relief TF¹B" assembled E of DEFFA prepared to follow TF¹A". On 6 Jan 45, TF¹B" moved via RANBUX to an easy area N. of DOCHERS.

TF¹C" atkd in force at 070030Z to seize RANBUX. Progress was very slow. Tanks could move only on the RANBUX-DOCHERS rd and only after successive rd blocks were removed fr the rd. By dark TF¹C" fwd elements including tanks were in the N edge of DOCHERS. The atk was continued after dark and by 06500Z Jan 45 TF¹C" had cleared the ey fr the town and had established rd blocks to the N, S and E.

TF¹D" maintained contact between TF¹A" and TF¹C" and cleared woods between the two forces. (See ovly #6, Annex #3 for disposns as of 062200Z Jan 45).

7. 9 Jan 45

TF¹A atkd at 090700 Jan 45 fr vic of LA SALLE through a blinding snowstorm and in conjunction with TF¹B on L seized and secured the high ground between DOCHAMPS and SARRE.
TF¹B atkd at 090730 Jan 45 on L of TF¹A fr an atk posn N. of DOCHAMPS and seized the high ground astride the rd between DOCHAMPS and SARRE. Little opposition was encountered by either TF¹A or TF¹B during this atk because of the limited visibility resulting fr the snowstorm. TF¹A on the obj withdrew to SARRE when TF¹A and TF¹B tks arrived. During the afternoon 9 Jan 45 visibility improved and TF¹A in posn in the N edge of SARRE prevented TF¹A and TF¹B fr continuing their adv.

TF¹C remained in DOCHAMPS in CC¹A pos holding the town.
TF¹D protected a flank of CC¹A and maintained contact with 4th Inf Div.
5th R (see ovly #7, annex no. 3 for dispositions as of 092200 Jan 45).

8. 10 Jan 45

TF¹A atkd at 100730 Jan 45 and seized the W part of SARRE and the N high ground S. thereof by 0900. Resistance was light. TF¹A was relvd by elements of TF¹B during afternoon. Upon relief TF¹A assembled in FRAYELUX, closing at 2220.

TF¹B atkd at 100730 and seized the E part of SARRE and the high ground S. of the town by 0930. No resistance was encountered. During afternoon TF¹B relvd TF¹A in a part of SARRE and on high ground to the S. Upon completion of relief, elc outs of TF¹B in SARRE and vic were detcd fr TF¹B and atchd to 335 Inf Reinf and TF¹C was relvd of responsibility in SARRE.

TF¹C remained in DOCHAMPS in CC¹A pos during the atk. After obj was secured 335 Inf with 2d Bn, 60th At atchd took over and held SARRE and high ground SE and W thereof.

TF¹D protected a flank of CC¹A and maintained contact with 4th Inf Div on R during the atk. After obj was secured TF¹D assembled in SARRE prepared to move to L.

(Upon securin. of SARRE all TFs were dissolved. See Tp list for composition of forces thereafter. See ovly #8, annex #3 for disposns as of 102200 Jan 45.)

9. 11 Jan 45

TF¹A (41 AK (-) Reinf) assembled in SAIS DU PAYS prepared to atk SAIS DU PAYS on the following day.

TF¹B (60 AK (-) Reinf) remained assembled in vic of FRAYELUX conducting maintenance of vehicles and wpns.

2d Bn, 60th At was relvd in SARRE by elements of 4th Inf Div during morning of 11 Jan 45. Upon relief, 2d Bn, 60th At moved to an assembly area in FRAYELUX, closing at 1500.

02 ACN BN (-) Reinf relvd 1st Bn, 41 AK (TF¹A) fr holding line between SARRE and SAIS DU PAYS.

(see ovly #9 for dispositions as of 112200 Jan 45).

10. 12 Jan 45

TF¹A atkd on at 0800 through line held by elements of CC¹B, 2d AK Div, seized Chastelaine and continued S into the SAIS DU PAYS to a pt 200 yds S of Chastelaine. TF¹A held Chastelaine and pt of furthest adv during the night, contacting TF¹B on R and CC¹B on L.

TF¹B assumed control of 02 ACN BN (-) Reinf at 1000. At 1245, 60th At, 02 ACN BN and ACN Co, 60th At seized SAIS DU PAYS. Remainder of TF¹B assembled S of FRAYELUX rd in vic of Chastelaine during the afternoon prepared to continue the adv to S the following day. (see ovly #10, annex #3 for dispositions as of 122200 Jan 45).

11. 13-14 Jan 45

At 1300 Jan 45 TF¹A and TF¹B atkd S through the woods in their respective zones. Resistance was light but the hvly wooded, hilly terrain, covered with snow and ice caused the adv to be slow and

difficult. Both forces advd approx 4000 yds during the day. On 14 Jan 45 the adv was continued. TF"B" atkd and seized the town of [redacted] and the high ground to the S and SE thereof by dark 14 Jan 45. TF"A" advd to the [redacted]-[redacted] rd. (see ovly #11, annex #3 for dispositions as of 142200Z Jan 45.)

12. 15 Jan 45

TF"B" atkd at [redacted], seized [redacted] and high ground to S., meeting little opposition. After constructing a bridge at [redacted], TF"B" continued the adv to the high ground N. of [redacted] and to the [redacted] N. of [redacted]. Co [redacted] relvd TF"A" during early morning hrs 15 Jan 45 and adv abreast and to E. of TF"B" clearing woods in zone. Contact with TF"B" was established at [redacted]. Co [redacted] crossed stream at [redacted] and cleared woods to S to the [redacted].

TF"A" assembled in vic of [redacted] in res.

(see ovly #12, annex #3 for dispositions as of 152200Z Jan 45.)

13. 16-19 Jan 45

patrols of TF"B" contacted patrols of 31 Cav, 11 Arm'd Div, Third US Army along [redacted] just W. of [redacted] at 160945Z Jan 45. Co [redacted] patrol contacted patrols of 31 Cav, 11 Arm'd Div at pt [redacted] at 161010Z Jan 45. Co [redacted] relvd TF"B" fr holding that area N. of [redacted] at 161045Z Jan 45. TF"B" assembled in [redacted] upon relief.

CC"B", 2d Arm'd Div relvd elements of TF"B" in town of [redacted] and accepted responsibility for that part of CC"A" zone S of new bdy at 161005Z Jan 45. Co [redacted] (-) continued to outpost and patrol line of [redacted] in CC"A" zone until 191500Z Jan 45 at which time it was detoched fr CC"A" and CC"A" was relvd fr responsibility of its zone.

14. 20-31 Jan 45

CC"A" moved fr [redacted], [redacted] to an area in vic of [redacted], [redacted] on 20 Jan 45. CC"A" closed in new area at 201620Z Jan 45. The period 21-31 Jan 45 was devoted to training and maintenance.

e. Efficiency:

Combat efficiency at the end of the period was excellent. Morale throughout was high. Personnel losses were not excessive and were due principally to continued exposure and extreme cold. Vehicle losses were replaced in kind.

f. Result of operations:

In conjunction with other elements of the 2d Arm'd Div and the VII Corps, CC"A" drove the [redacted] of the [redacted] and [redacted] of [redacted], and effected the junction of the First US Army advng fr the [redacted] with the Third US Army advng fr the [redacted].

3. Administrative:

a. Not applicable.

b. See annex #5 et seq.

c. Prisoners captured -

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d. Evacuation:

1. Personnel evacuation - normal, Div SOP.

2. Vehicle evacuation - through normal channels.

e. Supply and Evacuation Establishments:

1. Supply dumps established by Div [redacted].

(For locations & dates see supply route ovlys annex #5 atchd)

2. Evacuation establishments - Co [redacted], [redacted] [redacted]. (For location & dates see supply route ovly, annex #5 atchd)



- Supply:
- 1. All personnel with three days basic load of rations throughout period 1-31 Jan 45.
 - 2. Water fr div water pts. Portable water pts established by Co A, 17 engr bn (during combat) for troops in fwd areas.
 - 3. Fuel and lubricants: All vehicular tanks and authorized gasoline tanks full throughout period: 1-31 Jan 45. Daily gasoline carried sufficient for 150-100 opnl milage.
 - 4. Ammunition: Full basic load of ammunition carried daily.
 - 5. Roads: For condition and circulation of roads see supply route cvly, attach 5 at end.
- General:
1. Details not covered elsewhere.

For the Commanding General:

Wilson M. Hawkins
 WILSON M. HAWKINS
 Lt. Col., Cavalry,
 Executive Officer.

- 1-1- Cvly by sign
- 2- List of eq equipment destroyed
- 3- Cvly 1-12, Cam tps
- 4- 12 list
- 5- Cvly, Supply Installations & routes
- 6- Casualty rpt
- 7- 1-2 Journal
- 8- 1-3 Journal



REPORT NO. 8 TO ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE FRONT 1-31 JAN 45 HQ USAF SAG

The following enemy vehicles were destroyed by Combat Command "A" during the period 1-17 January 1945.

LESTENYLD IN BLAND,
ALMOUSE AND VICINITY

1 8P gun, Grizzly near
1 8P gun, 76mm
1 gun, 150mm
5 Sedans
1 Sedan - Artillery
1 Car, Ford
1 Car, assault
2 Command Cars
1 Armored Car
2 Volkswagens
2 Pers. carrier & track
2 " " Full track
1 Half track, armored
3 Trucks, 1 1/2 ton
1 Truck, 3/4 ton
1 1/2 Trucks
1 Truck w/ full track
1 Transport, full track
1 Trailer, 4 wheel
4 Mark V tanks
3 Mark IV tanks
1 150mm gun

LESTENYLD IN VICINITY LOUHANFB

6 Amer M4 Tanks
1 Ger M4 V Tank
1 Amer light tank
1 Ger Sedan
1 Ger Truck

LESTENYLD IN AREA NORTH OF WICKIN

2 Amer M4 Tanks
2 Ger Half tracks
1 Ger 150mm Gun

RECAPTURED AMERICAN VEHICLES

Tank, medium M4
Tank, Medium M4
Tank, Medium M4
Tank, Light M5
Armored Car, M5
Car, Half-track, M5
Trailer, Armored, M5

DEASTOYLD VICINITY ALPFB,
GUNBY AND AREA NORTH

6 Mark IV Tanks
1 Mark VI Tank
4 Mark V Tanks
3 M/T Personnel Carriers
3 Assault Guns
2 A/T Guns

LESTENYLD VICINITY LANAREAVE

4 Mark IV Tanks
2 Half Tracks
1 8P Gun
1 AT Gun

LESTENYLD IN AREA NORTH OF LOUHANFB

3 Assault guns
4 Half tracks
3 A/T guns

LESTENYLD IN AREA

1 Mark V Tank
1 Amer Gun Car
1 Amer Peep
1 Amer 2 1/2 ton truck
1 Amer TL
1 Volkswagen
2 Ger Half tracks
1 Amer 3/4 Ton
2 Ger trucks & 1 trailer
2 Ger Sedans
1 Amer Peep
2 Amer M4 Tanks
3 Amer 1 1/2 ton trucks
1 Ger Sedan
1 Amer 3/4 ton
2 Ger trucks

ANNEX NO. 4 TO COMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-31 JAN 45, HQ CO "A", 2AD

TROOP LIST

1. PERIOD 1-10 Jan 45

TF "A"
3rd Bn 66 AR (-Co I)
1st Bn 335 Inf
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF "B"
66 AR (-1st Bn (-non Co) 3rd Bn
Cos F, maint)
3rd Bn, 335 Inf
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF "C"
335 Inf (-1st & 3rd Bns)
1st Bn, 66 AR (-non Co w/ Cos
F & I, Co A attached)
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn

TF "D"
82nd Recon Bn (-Co B, 1 Plat
Co A & 1 Plat Co D)
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-2 Plats)

CO "A" CONTROL

Hq CO "A"
Arty:
1st AFA Bn w/ 1st Plat Btry D, 195 AAA Bn atchd
92 AFA Bn w/ 2nd Plat Btry C, 195 AAA Bn atchd
Co A, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats)
Maint Co, 66 AR w/ Cos. Maint Bn atchd

CHANGES IN TROOP LIST DURING PERIOD 1-10 JAN 45:

- 011200A - 82nd Recon (-1 Co -2 Plats) - 1 Plat for ea co in atchmt) atchd CO "A" control & in turn to TF "D"
- 92nd AFA atchd CO "A"
- 011500A - 3rd Bn 1st AIR detachd CO "A", reverted to control 1st AIR
- 031130A - 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn detachd TF "C", atchd TF "A"
- 031340A - 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn detachd TF "A", atchd TF "C"
- 031340A - 1 Plat Co B, 702 TD Bn detachd Co B, 702 TD Bn, atchd TF "B"
- 032235A - Co I, 66 AR detachd TF "C" atchd TF "A"
- 040240A - Co I 66 AR atchd TF "A", detachd TF "C"
- 101600A - Co I 66 AR detachd 3rd Bn 66 AR atchd 1st Bn 66 AR.
- 111000A - 1st AIR atchd CO "A"

2. PERIOD 11-20 Jan 45.

TF "A"
41st AIR (-2nd & 3rd Bns)
1st Bn, 66 AR
1 Plat, Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF "B"
66 AR (-1st, 2nd Bns, non & Mt Cos)
2nd Bn, 41st AIR
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat, Co B, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat, Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CO "A" RECON.
3rd Bn, 1st AIR reing.
3rd Bn, 41st AIR
2nd Bn, 66 AR
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CO "A" CONTROL
Hq CO "A"
82nd Recon Bn (-) reing
82nd Recon Bn (-Co B, 1 Plat Co A,
& 1 Plat Co D)
non Co, 66 AR

Arty:
1st AFA Bn w/ 1 Plat Btry D 195 AAA
Bn
92 AFA Bn w/ 1 Plat Btry C, 195
AAA Bn
Co A, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats)
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-3 Plats)
Maint Co, 66 AR
Co A, 1st Led Bn

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ANNEX NO. 6 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PERIOD 1-31 JAN 45, HQ CC"A", 2AD.

| <u>ORGANIZATION</u> | <u>CASUALTY REPORT</u> | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | <u>KILLED</u> | <u>WOUNDED</u> | <u>MISSING</u> | | <u>CAPTURED</u> | <u>SICK AND</u> |
| | <u>Off-EM</u> | <u>Off-EM</u> | <u>Off</u> | <u>EM</u> | <u>Off</u> | <u>EM</u> |
| 06 Arm'd Regt. | 8 - 32 | 8 - 85 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 14 - 238 |
| 11th Arm'd Pz Bn | 0 - 0 | 0 - 8 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 27 |
| Hq. CC"A" | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 1 - 6 |
| Co, 40th Med Bn | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 1 - 6 |
| 82nd Air Bn (1-19 Jan) | 0 - 8 | 2 - 25 | 0 - 1 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 3 - 84 |
| Co A, 17 Engr Bn (1-19 Jan) | 0 - 2 | 0 - 5 | 0 - 4 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 21 |
| Co A, 702 TD Bn (1-19 Jan) | 0 - 6 | 2 - 6 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 5 |
| Utry D, 195 AAA (1-19 Jan) | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 4 |
| 355th Inf Regt. (1-10 Jan) | 3 - 52 | 11-441 | 0 - 51 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 2 - 103 |
| 41st AR (11-15 Jan)-2nd Bn (10-19 Jan) | 0 - 8 | 3 - 64 | 0 - 5 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 4 - 228 |
| 92nd AF Bn (4-10 Jan) | 0 - 1 | 0 - 3 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 9 |
| TOTAL: | 11 - 109 | 20 - 607 | 0 - 61 | 0 - 0 | 0 - 0 | 31 - 811 |

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

[REDACTED] 252
7 March 45

SUBJECT: Action against the enemy, reports after/after action reports.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division. (ATTN: SAC of 5, G-3).

INFO: GSOs: 4040, FRANCE & BELGIUM, SHAF: 59, 09, 70, 00, SCHE: 1/50,000.
GSOs: 4507, GERMANY SHAF: 17, 18, 19 SCHE: 1/50,000.

PERIOD 1-28 FEBRUARY 45

1. ANALYSIS:

a. Units in contact:

The only period during the month of February in which this Combat Command was in contact with the enemy was 28 Feb. At this time a boghead had been secured across the MOSEL, threatening the German forces of the 1st SS. At the time of commitment of the Combat Command, the enemy was moving forward all armored units in this area: Volksturm, fortress engineers, SS Bns, police etc, etc., in an attempt to bolster his faltering defenses. The principal, and most organized units in contact at this time were:

11 Panzer Div
59 Inf Div
330 Inf Div

b. Enemy reserves:

Enemy reserves were generally local. These included divisions which were under-strength and had been assembled in rear areas for regrouping. It is believed that the only reserves capable of offering any serious resistance to the accomplishment of our mission were:

130 Pz Lehr Div
116 Pz Div
15 Pz Gren Div (uncommitted elements)

c. Brief description of enemy activity:

At the time of commitment of this Div, enemy activity consisted of fighting a withdrawing and delaying action. Village and dug-in strong points were manned by infantry and covered by anti-aircraft guns and tanks. No offensive action was taken during this period. Enemy activity was generally moderate. Some harassing fire was placed in rear areas by heavy caliber guns.

d. Estimate of enemy strength and morale:

It is impracticable to estimate the strength of enemy forces in this sector. The German forces lacked strength in armor needed for aggressive action. They were committed singly or in small groups in a defensive role. The enemy's morale and will to fight faded rapidly. Army line troops though disorganized, fought well as usual. However Volksturm and less experienced troops usually surrendered when our tanks appeared or after a few well directed rounds of artillery fire.

c. Enemy casualties:

1. Prisoners taken - 201 from following units:

| | | |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| <u>11 Pz Div</u> | <u>130 Pz Div</u> | <u>59 Inf Div</u> |
| 110 PGR | 902 PGR | 159 Arty Regt |
| 111 PGR | 130 AF Gun | |
| 15 Pz Regt | | |
| 11 Pz Mch Bn | | <u>350 Inf Div</u> |

(and assorted units).

2. Vehicles destroyed - 1ks- 2 LK V, 2 LK IV, Arty pieces - 7

2. OWN SITUATION:

- FRONT lines and lost adv'd elements: See Ovly #5, Annex #1.
- Location of Tps, Cps, Boundaries, etc: See Ovly #5, Annex #1.
- Location of adjacent units and supporting tps: 29 Inf Div on L, Q "B" on R.
- Operations: (See Annex #2 for Tp List)

1. 1-2 Feb 45

CC "A" assembled in vic of LES FORGES, BELGIUM, out of contact with cy. (See Ovly #1, Annex #1, for dispositions). Period devoted to tng, maintenance and rehabilitation of personnel.

2. 3 Feb 45

CC "A" moved to vic of LES FORGES, BELGIUM, to asy area vic of LES FORGES, BELGIUM, closed at 032300 Feb 45, prepared for further ops on order. (See Ovly #1, Annex #1 for route of march and new dispositions).

3. 4-22 Feb 45

CC "A" conducted tng, maintenance, rehabilitation of personnel, and rd repair necessitated by rain and thawing of frozen ground. Route was initiated and plans were drawn up for movement to vic of JULICH, GERMANY, for further ops. Bad soil and rd trafficability and flood stage of ROER R prevented further ops.

4. 22-26 Feb 45

CC "A" reconstituted (see par 2, Annex #2) and moved to vic MACHEN, GERMANY, (see Ovly #2, Annex #1, for routes and dispositions) closing at 241000 Feb 45.

5. 26 Feb 45

By 240150 Feb 45, balance of units comprising Hq CC "A", Co A, 17 Engr Bn, Mch Co, 06 M, 2d Bn, 41 M, 2 Co A, 40 M Bn completed move to MACHEN, GERMANY (see Ovly #3, Annex #1 for route and dispositions), and prepared for further ops on order.

Task Forces were constituted by 262300 Feb 45 (see Tp List, Annex #2)

6. 27-28 Feb 45

On 27 Feb 45, CC "A" moved fr MACHEN, GERMANY to vic MERSCH, GERMANY and closed at 271205 Feb 45, (see Ovly #4, Annex #1 for route of march and new dispositions). See Tp List, Annex #2.

7. 29 Feb 45

See Annex #2, for Tp List, Ovly #5, Annex #1, for routes and dispositions). CC "A" moved fr MERSCH, GERMANY and crossed LD (Grenzflus, GERMANY) at 280700 Feb 45, atk in zone, see below:

CC "A" crossed LD at GLENNELT, GERMANY at 280700 Feb 45, atk in zone, seized and secured successively obj 1, (WALDSTADT) Bass (JULICH) Obj 2 (HERBERTH) Obj 7 (RHEIN), Obj 8 (STRESSER), Obj 9, (WALDSTADT), Obj 11, (woods NE of MERSCH) and HEDDICK, (High ground S. of GLENNELT), GERMANY.

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TPUB" atkd in zone and seized and secured successively objs 4, (WELLSBROOK), Obj 5, (KEY), Obj 6, (ROBERTS), Obj 10, (SERRICH), Obj 12 (STEINROTH) and Obj 13 (SCHLICK), GERMANY.

CCAA" RES supported action of CCBA", maintaining contact between TPBA" and TPBB" and relvng TPBA" and TPBB" successively on obj shown above until relvd in turn by CCBA", 2 AD.

arty: 14 AFN Bn and 65 AFN Bn (in direct support), supported action of CCBA" in zone.

1. Efficiency:

Great efficiency throughout the period was excellent. Morale throughout was high.

2. Result of Operations:

CCBA" moved fr vic of LES FORGES, B HILL, to LAITZELER, GERMANY, atkd in zone and seized and secured successive objs and established posns shown (see Cvly #5, Annex #1), prepared to continue the atk in zone.

3. Administrative:

a. Not applicable.

b. See Annex #4 atchd.

c. Prisoners captured - 201

d. Evacuation:

1. Personnel evacuation - normal, Div SOP.

2. Vehicle evacuation - through normal channels.

e. Supply and Evacuation Establishments:

1. Supply dumps established by Div #1.

2. (For locations and dates, see Annex #3, atchd.)

2. Evacuation establishments - Co A, 40 Mod Bn (for location and dates, see Annex #3 atchd.)

f. Supply:

1. All personnel with three days basic load of rations throughout period 1-26 Feb 45.

2. Water fr div water pts. Portable water pts established by Co A, 17 AFN'd Engr Bn (during cnbt) for tps in fwd areas.

3. Fuel and lubricants: All vehicular tanks and authorized gasoline tns full throughout period 1-26 Feb 45.

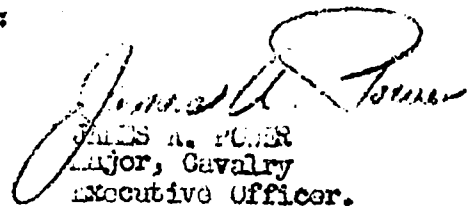
4. Ammunition: Full basic load of ammunition carried daily.

5. Roads: For condition and circulation of roads, see Annex #5 atchd.

4. Comments:

No comments not covered elsewhere.

For the Commanding General:


JAMES A. POWER
Major, Cavalry
Executive Officer.

REFERENCES: 6- #1- Cvly #1-5 Incl, Own Tps.

2- Tp list.

3- Cvly #1-4 (incl) supply installations & routes.

4- Casualty rpt

5- s-2 Journal

6- s-3 Journal

7- Combat orders.

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ANNEX NO. 2 TO AGOULPALLY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-20 FEB 45, II. CC "A", 2AD

TROOP LIST

1. PERIOD 1-22 FEB 45

Hq CC "A", 2 AD
66 AR
Co A, 48 Lcd Bn

CHANGES IN TP LIST DURING PERIOD 1-22 FEB 45
091230A Feb 45 - Co A, 17 Engr Bn atchd CC "A".

2. PERIOD 23-25 FEB 45

Hq CC "A", 2 AD
66 AR (-1st Bn)
2d Bn, 41 AIR
14 AFA Bn w/Btry C, 195 AAA Bn (-1 Plat) atchd.
Co A, 702 TD Bn
Co A, 17 Engr Bn
Co A, 48 Lcd Bn
1 Plat, Btry C, 195 AAA Bn

3. PERIOD 26-28 FEB 45

TF "A"
66 AR (-1st, 3rd Bns, Hon, Serv
& Maint Cos)
2d Bn, 41 AIR (-3 Co)
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CC "A" Res
Hon Co, 66 AR
1 Plat, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat, 17 Engr Bn

TF "B"
3rd Bn, 66 AR
D Co, 2d Bn, 41 AIR
1 Plat, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat, 17 Engr Bn

CC "A" Control
Hq CC "A"
14 AFA Bn, w/Btry C, 195 AAA Bn
(-1 Plat) atchd.
Co A, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats)
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-3 Plats)
Lt Co, 66 AR, w/Dot Lt Bn C
1 Plat, Btry C, 195 AAA Bn
atchd.
Co A, 48 Lcd Bn

CHANGES IN TP LIST DURING PERIOD 26-28 FEB 45
271300A Feb 45 atchd 1 Plat, Co A, 739 Tank Bn (Med) (spec Linc-Explosor) to Co A,
17 Engr Bn (-3 Plats).
280300A Feb 45 Serv Co., 66 AR detchd CC "A", atchd Div Trs, 2 AD.



ANNEX 10. 4 TO ACCOMPANY ACTION REPORT, PERIOD 1-20 FEB 45, HQ, USMA, 2 AD.

CASUALTY REPORT

| <u>ORGANIZATION</u> | <u>KILLED</u> | | <u>WOUNDED</u> | | <u>MISSING</u> | | <u>IN ACTION</u> | | <u>CAPTURED</u> | | <u>SICK AND</u> | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> | <u>OFF-EN</u> | <u>ON-EN</u> |
| 66 Arm'd Hqgt | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 90 |
| Hq Combat Command "A" | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Co A, 48 Lnd Bn | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| 14 MPA Bn (28 Feb) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co A, 17 Ingr Bn (10-20 Feb) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Co A, 702 TD Bn (28 Feb) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Sty C, 195 MIA Bn (28 Feb) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2d Bn, 41 AIR (24-28 Feb) | 0 | 5 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| TOTALS: | 0 | 5 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 121 |



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INCLOSURE #7

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

APO 252
24 Apr 45

SUBJECT: Action Against the Enemy, Reports After/After Action Reports.

TO: Commanding General, 2d Armored Division (ATT: AC of S, G-3)

MAPS: GSGS: 4507, SHEETS: 17, 18, 19, SCALE: 1/50,000.
GSGS: 4416, SHEETS: P1, P2, P3, SCALE: 1/100,000.

PERIOD 1-31 MAR 45

1. ENEMY:

This rpt covers the pds 1-5 Mar 45 and 30-31 Mar 45. During the pd 6-29 Mar this cmd was not in contact with the ey.

a. Units in contact and description of action:

1 Mar 45, the second day of CCMA commitment the unity of ey divnl forces appeared to be shattered. No full divs were encountered, rather the Germans following their regular policy, threw all available miscellaneous personnel plus a few battle gps into the line while attempting to withdraw and reorg their shattered fighting gps. Small gps fr all units of 130 Pz Lehr Div were encountered along with 31 Para Bn ZEV. Heaviest prisoner toll came fr 338 Arty Regt which was overrun.

2 Mar 45. During the night 1-2 Mar the ey launched 1 local counteratk on our posns at OBERBANK (1694) using mainly tks fr 130 Pz Lehr Div in an apparent effort to escape the trap at MÜNGHEM-GLADEBACH. Approx 5 Mk 7 tanks and 200 Inf participated. This atk was stopped, all inf and 1 tk were accounted for. During the day the ey fought a delaying action while org posns to protect HERFELD and BERLINGEN. 130 Pz Lehr Div was again in contact, with 13 Arty Regt, which was overrun, furnishing the largest number of prisoners. Volksturm fr city of HERFELD were encountered but surrendered with practically no resistance. Considerable resistance was offered by 686 AA Bn (88mm guns) and by 27 Para Arty Regt. Both of these units were overrun and destroyed.

3-4 Mar 45. The ey strongly defended in the vic of KALMEN-MAUSEN (2411) with tks, inf, and dual purpose anti-aircraft guns. Large numbers of Volksturm were encountered but offered no serious resistance. Large numbers of anti-aircraft guns (88mm) fr 31 AA Regt (Wtz), 315 AA Bn (GHQ) 890 AA Bn, and 401 Hvy AA Bn were destroyed. Tks encountered were fr 15 Pz Gren Div and inf was identified as 23 Para Regt.

29-30 Mar 45. This cmd crossed RHINE R and was committed in a breakthrough made by XVIII AB Corps. There was practically no contact in the first two days of this opn. Approx 150 prisoners representing many various and scattered units were taken. There was no orgd resistance. Civilian population made no unbecomg acts. No resistance was encountered in the Volksturm.

b. MISCELLANEOUS:

(1) Casualties:

Personnel:

Was incl those evacuated through medical channels-1692.

Estimated killed and wounded - 1235.

Material:

| | | |
|----------------|-------|---------------|
| AAA's vehicles | ----- | Mk V-----5 |
| | | Mk IV-----6 |
| | | SP guns-----7 |
| | | 81's-----7 |
| | | Truck car-12 |

| | | |
|-------------|-------|-----------------|
| Guns (Arty) | ----- | 170mm-----9 |
| | | 105mm-----11 |
| | | 88mm LP-----32 |
| | | 75mm AA PAK-25 |
| | | 20 & 40mm AA-26 |

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|----------|-------|-------------------------|
| Vehicles | ----- | Trucks (misc) ----- 105 |
| | | Motorcycles ----- 20 |
| | | Street car ----- 1 |

Small arms ----- 2700

Basecocks ----- 315

1. REAR AREA and West Adv'd Elements: See only 4, Annex 1 etchd.

2. REAR AREA, Tns, Cps, Companies, etc: See only 4, Annex 1,

3. REAR AREA of adjacent units & supporting Regs: See only ,

4. Operations: (See Annex 4 for Ty Miss)

(a) 1st Mar 45: (See only 1, Annex 1, for routes and dispositions).

Units sthd in zone, seized and secured successively obj's 16 (HILBERSHOE), 17 (ROTTES), 21 (CANAL CROSSING K171030), 24 (HOVENHEID), 26 (STREIKHOFF), Fern (OSTERBATH), on 1 Mar 45; Franz (FISCHER) on 2 Mar 45 consolidating there until rel'd at 0530G Mar 45 by COB" when it became obj's, 2 AB. On 5 Mar 45 moved to CO"A" in easy area via KORSCHENBRONN, GERMANY (See only 2, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions).

Units sthd in zone and seized and secured successively obj's 15 (RF K175889), 19 (RF K171010), 20 (OR K156924), 22 CANAL CROSSING R 160933), 23 (SCHLEIBAU), 25 (MILLICH) on 1 Mar 45; 27 (VILLAGE K210030), on 2 Mar 45; obj's 30 (ROFF), 31 (KREFFELD-VEITBERG) and 33 (VIERTEL STRASSE) on 3 Mar 45 consolidating there until moving 5 Mar 45 to easy area via KORSCHENBRONN, GERMANY (See only 2, Annex 1 for route and dispositions).

COB" Reg supported action of CO"A" in zone, maintained contact between T"A" and T"B" and seized and secured successively obj's 14 (KORSCHENBRONN), 14 (KORSCHENBRONN), on 1 Mar 45; thereafter supported action of CO"A", maintaining contact with adjacent units and rel'ng T"A" and T"B" on obj's until in turn rel' by CO"B" on 5 Mar

45 moved to assy area vic KORSCHENBROICH, GERMANY (See ovly 2, Annex 1 for route and dispositions).

2d Bn, 379 Inf (Reinf) atchd to CC"A" on 2 Mar 45, moved to obj 27 (VILLAGE K210030) atkng in zone and securing successively obj 28 (KUNLESHUTTE - DIESSEN RR CROSSING) and 29 (KREZFELD-UERDINGEN RD) on 3 Mar 45. Detchd fr CC"A" on 3 Mar 45 and atchd 379 GBT (-) (Reinf).

379 GBT (-) (Reinf) atchd CC"A" on 3 Mar 45, moved to obj 30 (ROTT) and was detchd fr CC"A" on the same day.

CC"R" atchd to CC"A" on 3 Mar 45 moved to obj 30 (ROTT) and atk'd in zone, seizing and securing obj 34 (KALDEN-DAUM-EE) on 4 Mar 45, established security in sector, contact with adjacent units and 95 Div on R and OPLR along southern bank of SCHRAFHEIMER-BRUCH-KENDEL CANAL.

On 4 Mar 45 moved to assy area vic KORSCHENBROICH, GERMANY and was detchd fr CC"A" on the same day (see ovly 2, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions).

CC"A, 82 Recon Bn atchd to CC"A" 4 Mar 45, cleared woods N of obj 33 (VIERFELDSHEIDE) and established OPLR along the northern bank of the SCHRAFHEIMER-BRUCH-KENDEL CANAL. Maintained contact with adjacent units and 84 Div on L until 5 Mar 45, when moved to assy area vic KORSCHENBROICH GERMANY (see ovly 2, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions) being detchd fr CC"A" upon closing the same day.

(2) Period 6-26 Mar 45:

During this pd CC"A" spent the time in vehicle and wpt maintenance, rehabilitation of personnel and vng.

(3) Period 27-31 Mar 45:

On 27 Mar 45, CC"R" moved fr vic KORSCHENBROICH, GERMANY to new assy area E of RHINE R vic HUNXE, GERMANY in two ams beginning 272030A Mar 45 crossing the RHINE R over the WESSEL bridge and closing in new area 281020A Mar 45 (See ovly 3, Annex 1 atchd for routes and dispositions). At 281900A Mar 45 CC"A" moved fr vic HUNXE, GERMANY in one aim to new area N of LIPPE R vic HUNXE, GERMANY closing 290400A Mar 45 (See ovly 3, Annex 1 atchd for routes and dispositions). For balance of period forces operated as below:

Recon Co, 66 AB executed route recon, clearing initial route through woods NE of WELFEN to LD for Cmbt Cmd vic CR 635537 on the DULMEN-HALTERN rd. Proceeded TP"B" to DORTMUND-EMS canal, recon bridges and bridge sites in zone, thereafter proceeded TP"A" and TP"R" on sagd routes in zone executing fwd and lateral recon missions.

TP"A" moved fr assy area vic PEDDENBERG, following TP"B" to RJ 830570 turning E to HEART route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 atchd) and atkng E in zone seizing and securing OTMARSBOCHOTT and DAVENBERG on 30 Mar 45, after a 2 mi adv fr the LD. Continued atk E in zone at 310001A Mar 45 without rest. Seized and secured successive obj's in zone. Followed TP "Warren" from vic OELDE

along autobahn in rapid adv to seize and secure the LAMERSHAGEN pass through the TEUTOBERGER WALD in the HARZ mountains in adv of the bal of CO "A". By 312400A Mar 45, seized and secured the pass after advng 50 mi in 24 hrs and was atkng against hvy resistance to secure route to axis E of pass (see ovly 4, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions).

TF "B" moved fr assy area vic PEDDENBERG, GERMANY beginning 300600A Mar 45 crossing LD vic DULMEN-HALBERN rd and atkng E in zone on CLUB route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 atchd). Seized and secured crossings over DORTMUND-EMS canal vic 790590 and advd rapidly to E in zone, seized and secured ASCHENBURG on 31 Mar 45 after 21 mi adv fr LD. Continued atk E in zone beginning 310001A Mar 45 without rest, seizing and securing successive objs. Secured high ground vic OELDE after a 25 mi adv by 312400A Mar 45, orgd TF "Warren" consisting of Co D, 66 AR, Co C, 377 Inf (mounted on tks and TDs) Btry A, 65 APA Bn, 1 Bact Co A, 702 TD Bn which preceded entire Cmbt Cmb for 25 mi along autobahn fr vic OELDE to LAMERSHAGEN pass through the TEUTOBERGER WALD in the HARZ mountains, seizing and securing the pass and atkng E against hvy resistance without pausing to secure routes E of the pass by 312400A Mar 45. (See ovly 4, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions)

TF "R" followed TF "A" fr assy area vic PEDDENBERG, GERMANY moving E in zone over CLUB route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 atchd) clearing resistance bypassed by leading elements in zone. Orgd TF "Zeien" consisting of 1st Bn, 66 AR (-F & C Cos) + 1 Plat Co C, 66 AR, 1 Co 377 Inf, 1 Plat 802 TD Bn, which relvd TF "B" in action at DRENSTEINFURT, permitting TF "B" to disengage and continue rapid adv E in zone. TF "Zeien" secured DRENSTEINFURT. TF "R" continued adv in zone securing CLUB axis vic ENNIGERS-EL OELDE by 312400A Mar 45. (See ovly 4, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions).

Co A, 702 TD Bn (-) supported action of CO "A" in zone following CLUB route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 atchd for routes and dispositions).

Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-) constructed bridge over DORTMUND-EMS canal vic 790590 and supported action of CO "A" in zone on CLUB route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 for routes and dispositions).

Co A, 48 Med Bn supported action of CO "A" in zone following CLUB route (see ovly 4, Annex 1 atchd for routes and dispositions).

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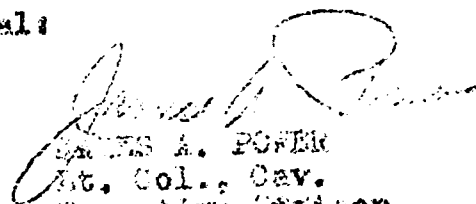
Maint Co. 66 AR reinf supported action of CC"A" in zone following CLOB route (see evly 4, Annex 1 atchd for routes and dispositions).

3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- a. Not applicable.
- b. See Annex 4 atchd.
- c. Prisoners: Captured - 1692
- d. Evacuations:
 - (1) Personnel evacuation - Div SOP.
 - (2) Vehicle evacuation - through normal channels.
- e. Supply and Evacuation Establishments:
 - (1) Supply dumps established by Div QM (For locations and dates see Annex 5 atchd).
 - (2) Evacuation Establishments - Co A, 48 Med Bn (For location and dates see Annex 5 atchd)
- f. Supply:
 - (1) All personnel with three days basic load of rts throughout pd 1-31 Mar 45.
 - (2) Water fr Div WF. Portable water pts established by Co A, 17 Engr Bn (during cmbt) for tps in fwd areas.
 - (3) Fuel & Lubricants: All vehicular tks and authorized gasoline tks full throughout pd 1-31 Mar 45.
 - (4) Ammunition: Full basic load of ammunition carried daily. Following ammunition authorization rds per wpn as set by higher nos - Pd 3106000 - 0640 Apr.
 - 42 rds 81mm Mortar Lt
 - 42 rds 81mm Mortar Hvy
 - 21 rds 81mm Mortar WP
 - 540 rds 105mm How M3 (M) Entire allocation for
 - 54 rds 105mm How M3 (M) 377 RCT.

4. GENERAL: No comments not covered elsewhere.

For the Commanding General:


JAMES A. POFFEN
Lt. Col., Cav.
Executive Officer

- ANNEXES: 7 -
- 1. Evly 3-4, Own tps
 - 2. Tp List
 - 3. Evly 1- Supply Installations & routes
 - 4. Casualty Rpt
 - 5. 1st Journal
 - 6. 2nd Journal
 - 7. Cmbt orders.

ANNEX 2 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PD 1-31 MAR 45, HQ CC"A", 2 AD

TROOP LIST

I. PERIOD 1-5 MAR 45:

TF"A"
66 AR (-1, 2 Bns, Rcn, Maint &
Sv Co)
2d Bn, 41 AIR (-3 Co)
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn

CC"A" Res
Rcn Co, 66 AR
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF"B"
3rd Bn, 66 AR
D Co, 41 AIR
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CC"A" Control
Hq CC"A"
14 AAA Bn (w/Btry C, 195 AAA
(-1 Plat) atchd)
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-3 Plats)
(w/1 Plat Co A, 739 Tk Bn (Med)
(Special Mine Exploder) atchd)
Co A, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats)
Co A, 48 Med Bn
Maint Co, 66 AR (w/Det Saint Bn
& 1 Plat., Btry C, 195 AAA Bn
atchd)

CHANGES IN TROOP LIST DURING PD 1-5 MAR 45:

020900Z Mar 45 --- Rcn Co, 66 AR released fr CC"A" Res, atchd TF"B",
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-3 Plats) released fr CC"A"
Control, designated CC"A" Res. 1 Plat Co A, 17
Engr Bn & 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn atchd Co A, 17
Engr Bn (-3 Plats).

021035Z Mar 45 --- 2d Bn, 379 Inf (Reinf) atchd CC"A".

021125Z Mar 45 --- 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn detachd Co A, 17 Engr Bn
(-2 Plats) Reinf & atchd 2d Bn, 379 Inf (Reinf)

030100Z Mar 45 --- 379 RCT (1 Bn) (Reinf) atchd CC"A".
2d Bn, 379 Inf (Reinf) detachd CC"A" atchd 379 RCT
(-1 Bn) (Reinf).
TF"A" detachd CC"A", reverted Div Control 2d AD as
Div Res.

CC"RV", 2d AD atchd CC"A"

CC"RV"

41 AIR (-1, 2 Bns & R Co)
Co B, 702 TD Bn (-1 Plat)
Co C, 17 Engr Bn (-1 Plat)
1st Bn, 66 AR

031220Z Mar 45 --- 1 Plat Co A, 739 Tk Bn (Med) (Special Mine
(Exploder) detachd CC"A", revert Co A, 739 Tk Bn
(Med) (Special Mine Exploder)

031220A Mar 45 --- 379 RCT (Reinf) detachd CC"A", revert Div Control
2d AD. 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn detachd 2d Bn, 379
Inf (Reinf) atchd Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-2 Plats)

- 040650A Mar 45 -- Co A, 82 Rcn Bn atchd CC"A".
- 051400A Mar 45 -- 14 AFA Bn (w/Btry C, 195 AAA Bn (-1 Plat) atchd) detchd CC"A" and revert Div Arty, 2d AD.
- 051545A Mar 45 -- Co D, 41 AIR detchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, revert 41 AIR (-1, 2 Bns & H Co).
- 051745A Mar 45 -- Rcn Co, 66 AR, 3rd Bn, 66 AR, Maint Co, 66 AR (w/det Maint Bn & 1 Plat Btry C, 195 AAA Bn atchd) released fr CC"A" revert 66 AR.
- 051745A Mar 45 -- 66 AR (-1, 2 Bns & Sv Co) atchd CC"A". 1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn & 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn released fr 66 AR and revert 17 Engr Bn & 702 TD Bn respectively.
- 051750A Mar 45 -- 1st Bn, 66 AR released fr CC"B" & revert 66 AR 41 AIR (-1, 2 Bns & H Co) + D Co detchd CC"A", revert Div Control 2d AD.
- 051750A Mar 45 -- Co B, 702 TD Bn (-1 Plat) and Co C, 17 Engr Bn (-1 Plat) detchd CC"B", revert 702 TD Bn and 17 Engr Bn respectively.
- 052000A Mar 45 -- Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-1 Plat) detchd CC"A" revert 17 Engr Bn
- 052007A Mar 45 -- Co A, 82 Rcn Bn detchd CC"A", revert 82 Rcn Bn

2. PERIOD 6-26 Mar 45:

Hq CC"A", 2d Arm'd Div
 66 AR (-2d Bn & Sv Co) w/1 Plat Btry C
 195 AAA Bn & Det Maint Bn atchd
 Co A, 48 Med Bn
 Co A, 702 TD Bn (-1 Plat)

CHANGES IN TP LIST DURING PD 6-26 MAR 45:

- 060200 Mar 45 -- Co A, 702 TD Bn (-1 Plat) detchd CC"A" revert 702 TD Bn
 2d Bn, 66 AR revert 66 AR.

3. PERIOD 27-31 MAR 45:

CC"A"
 3rd Bn, 66 AR
 2d Bn, 41 AIR
 14 AFA Bn
 1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
 1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CC"B"
 377 RCT (-1 Bn)
 1st Bn, 66 AR (-F Co)

CC"B"
 66 AR (-1st & 3rd Bns, Rcn Sv & Maint Cos)
 3rd Bn, 41 AIR
 65 AFA Bn
 2 Plats Co A, 702 TD Bn
 1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

CC"A" Control
 Hq CC"A"
 Rcn Co, 66 AR
 Co A, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats)
 Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-2 Plats)
 Maint Co, 66 AR w/Btry C,
 195 AAA Bn (-1 Plat) & 1 Co
 66 AR atchd
 Co A, 48 Med Bn

CHNGS IN TP LIST DURING PD 27-31 MAR 45:

291245A Mar 45 -- 2d Bn, 377 Inf Reinf detachd TF"B", atchd TF"B".
1 Plat Co 1, 702 TD Bn detachd TF"B" atchd Co A.
702 TD Bn (-)
3rd Bn, 41 AIR detachd TF"B".
1. Plat 802 TD Bn detachd TF"B".
301530A Mar 45 -- Co E, 82 Ren Bn atchd CC"A". Atchd TF"B".
311100A Mar 45 -- Co B, 82 Ren Bn detachd TF"B", detachd CC"A".

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ANNEX A TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PERIOD 1-31 MAR 45, HQ CC "A"

CASUALTY REPORT

| <u>ORGANIZATION</u> | <u>MISSED</u> | | <u>WOUNDED</u> | | <u>MISSING IN ACTION</u> | | <u>CAPTURED</u> | | <u>SICK AND NON-BATTLE CASUALS</u> | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|------------------------------------|------------|
| | OFF | EM | OFF | EM | OFF | EM | OFF | EM | OFF | EM |
| 55 AM (1st Bn) (1-5 Mar) 25 18 (1-31 Mar) | 3 | 15 | 5 | 36 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 80 |
| Hq CC "A" | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co A, 25 Med Bn | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Co B, 17 Amer Bn (1 Mar 5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Co C, 102 TB Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 22 |
| Co D, 21 Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 11 | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |
| Co E, 1st Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Co F, 101st ABN Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Co G, 1st Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Co H, 1st Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 33 |
| Co I, 1st Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| Co J, 1st Bn (1-5 Mar, 27-31 Mar) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 3 | 17 | 5 | 65 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 116 |



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AFTER ACTION REPORT
FOR PERIOD 1-30 APR. 45

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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

APO 252
2 May 45

SUBJECT: Action Against the Enemy, Reports After/After Action Reports.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division (ATT: AC of S, G-3)

MAPS: GSGS: 4416, **SHEETS:** P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, N4, N5, N6
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Period 1-30 April 1945

1. ENEMY:

a. Units in contact:

No divn'l units opposed us throughout the entire opn. As our adv plunged through the heart of Germany's tng & replacement system, one ersatz unit after another, as well as assorted AA Bns, Policemen, and airport tps, was tossed into the line to provide local defenses. Of the misc tps opposing us the closest to org'd resistance was provided by members of:

OCS Course 6, DETMOLD
Kampfgruppe SCHOENWALD
SS Pz Tng & Repl. Bn
48 Fortress Regt.

b. By res during this pd were practically non-existent.

c. Brief description of enemy activity:

Except for certain natural defense lines provided by the DORTMUND-EMS Canal, the ridge of the TEUTOBURGER WALD, the WESER R, and finally the ELBE, plus occasional futile efforts to turn towns into bastions, ey activity showed virtually no evidence of orgn.

At the DORTMUND-EMS Canal resistance consisted of blown bridges, inf with Panzerfausts, and random tks. Tps here consisted chiefly of hard fighting, young officer candidates fr the DETMOLD school.

The pass through the TEUTOBURGER WALD at AUGUSTDORF was defended stubbornly by SS Tng units fr SENNELAGER, and at OERLINGSHAUSEN by Kampfgruppe SCHOENWALD consisting of misc repl and tng personnel held together by the leadership of Captain SCHOENWALD. Here the ey took full advantage of the terrain in deploying inf armed with automatic wps and panzerfausts. Some few SP guns were also employed in this area. They were also able to mount several limited-obj counter atks, supported by some armor previously used for tng purposes by the SS Pz. Repl & Tng Bn. In neither counter-atk did the strength exceed two cos.

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At the WESER R more blown bridges and inf with Panzerfausts were encountered, but the speed of our adv had been too rapid for any real resistance to be org'd.

The next resistance of any importance was encountered in the area of the HERMAN GOERING WORKS, in and around IMMENDORF. These important factories had been hvly protected by AA guns incl 88mms, and 105mms mounted on rlwy cars. Many were in concrete emplacements. These guns were all depressed for AT and arty purposes. Here they held out for one day and after several of their guns had been KO'd by counter-btry fire and air atks, most of the personnel fled or surrendered. Those who fled destroyed their equip before leaving.

The final phase of the opn was the short siege and assault of MAGDEBURG. Most of the garrison had no desire to put up a fight, but Gen. REGENER, former Cmdt at KUSTRIN and wearer of the Knight's Cross, kept his subordinates in line so that all negotiations for the surrender of the city failed. Gen. REGENER went so far as to attempt a raid on the rear of our bridgehead at SCHOENBECK using tks, scout cars and inf.

When our assault on MAGDEBURG was launched the defense of the city consisted of perimeter rd blocks manned by repl and tng tps, labor service personnel, and Volksturm, orgd into or operating under the 48 Fortress Regt. In our sector there were perhaps 1500 men armed with panzerfausts, automatic wpns and machine guns, plus approx 16 88mm guns, a btry of 3-150mm Italian Hows, about 21-105mm Hows, and about 12 hvly AA rlwy guns. Gen REGENER'S orders were to defend to the last man, but after the perimeter rd blocks had been cleared resistance practically ceased, and the remainder of the defenders surrendered almost by cos. Gen. REGENER fled to KOENIGSBORN to direct defenses on the E side of the ELBE.

Upon withdrawing to the W, CC"A" encountered a threat on the N flank fr a task force of Div Von Clausewitz, a hastily orgd formation that had the mission of disrupting our communications in rear areas, and finally breaking through to the HARS mountains. No CC"A" units ever made cmbt contact with this task force which was defeated and dispersed before reaching our sector.

1. Estimate of Enemy Strength and Morale:

With the exception of the DETMOLD Officer Candidates and General Regener, the fighting spirit of tps encountered during the month was virtually non-existent. Most of them were rear-echelon tps not interded for cmbt, and the officers taken did not bring up the average of the morale since they as well were largely finance, induction-center, QM and other desk-job soldiers. [REDACTED]

e. Enemy Casualties:

- (1) Estimated Killed - 650
- (2) Prisoners taken - 7674
- (3) Vehicles destroyed (actual count) - See Annex 1.

2. OWN SITUATION:

- a. Front Lines & Most Adv'd Elements: See Annex 2.
- b. Location of Tps, CPs, Boundaries, etc: See Annex 2.
- c. Location of Adjacent Units & Supporting Tps: See Annex 2.
- d. Operations:

(1) 1-18 Apr 45: (See Annex 3 for Tn List, Annex 2 for routes & dispositions).
TF"A" with sub-force "Warren", was hvly engaged in the LAMERSHAGEN pass in the TEUTOBERGER WALD in the HARZ mountains until relvd by CC"R", 2d AD on 2 Apr 45. On the night of 2-3 Apr 45, TF"A" atkd through CC"R", swung behind the force opposing TF"R" at OERLINGHAUSEN and atkd E in zone securing LAGE on night 3 Apr 45. Atk was continued without pause and by night of 4 Apr 45, TF"A" was one (1) mi fr the HAMELN bridge over the WESER R having advd over forty mi against resistance and defended rd blocks. After having cleared the W bank of the river in zone, TF"A" crossed the WESER and by night of 5 Apr 45 was in HASTENBECK fr whence the atk was continued without rest. On 7 Apr 45, TF"A" reached the line of the LEINE and INNERSTE Rs at SARSTEDT. Crossings were secured, sector cleared and on 9 Apr 45, TF"A" atkd E and then N in zone on R of 5 AD. The atk being cancelled by receipt of new zone and new mission TF"A" disengaged, moved into assy area vic SARSTEDT, and sent an adv element into new sector SE of HILDESHEIM to clear its assy area W of the LD. TF"A" atkd 10 Apr 45 in zone and on 11 Apr 45 had seized and secured city of WOLFENBUTTEL. The numerous important installations to be guarded and the problems arising fr a large civilian population and thousands of Allied PWs and Displaced Persons, freed political prisoners and criminals occupied TF"A" until relvd by elements of TF"R" on 12 Apr 45. TF"A" then cont'd the atk in zone advng to line of ELBE R N of MAGDEBURG. On 14 Apr 45, TF"A" became CC"A" Res and remained in that status through 18 Apr 45.
TF"B" cont'd atk E in zone fr OKLDE on 1 Apr 45 without pause and was hvly engaged in the AUGUSTDORF pass through the TEUTOBERGER WALD in the HARZ mountains that night. TF"B" cont'd its atk and secured the pass on 3 Apr 45. On 4 Apr 45, TF"B" participated in a converging atk against the built up area E of the pass and N of DETMOLD with TF"R", reformed and atkd E in zone advng over thirty mi by dark to GR BERKEL on the W bank of WESER R where rd blocks and blown bridges caused a slight delay. Overcoming these obstacles and continuing the atk TF"B" made the initial bridgehead over the WESER, releasing its inf to TF"R" upon

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arrival of the latter for the expansion of the bridgehead. When the bridgehead was completed the tks of TF"R" were crossed and then TF"B", with its inf returned, was investing the city of HAMELN E of the WESER R fr the S by dark on 5 Apr 45. Upon relief by TF"R", TF"B" cont'd the atk E in zone without rest and seized and secured a bridge over the LEINE R N of HILDESHEIM in the vic of SCHULENBERG by dark. The atk was cont'd and a crossing secured over the INNERSTE R. On night of 9 Apr 45 a new mission and a new sector cancelled these opns and TF"B" moved SE of HILDESHEIM to atk E in the new zone, reaching the S edge of SALDER where it was hvly engaged by dark on 10 Apr 45. Continuous atknng brought TF"B" to the W bank of the ELBE R just N of MAGDEBURG on 12 Apr 45 where posns were consolidated in preparation for the final assault on the city. Forces were re-grouped on 16 and 17 Apr 45.

TF"R" moved fr vic OELDE on 1 Apr 45 and by dark was hvly engaged in the OERLINGHAUSEN Pass in the TEUTOBERGER WALD in the HARZ mountains. On 3 Apr 45 the pass was secured and on 4 Apr 45, TF"R" made contact with CC"R" E of the pass, participated in a converging atk on the built up area N of DETMOLD with TF"B", re-grouped and cont'd the adv E in zone, moving to ARLEN near the WESER R by dark. By dark on 5 Apr 45 an initial bridgehead over the WESER had been secured by TF"B". TF"R" took cmd of all inf of both TF"R" and TF"B" and expanded and completed the bridgehead. After TF"R"'s tks were crossed, the TF"B" inf was released and the armor of TF"B" crossed and TF"R" was assembled in TUNDERN. TF"R" relvd TF"B" S of HAMELN and when relvd in turn, cont'd the adv E in zone, reaching SCHULENBERG on the LEINE R on 7 Apr 45. On the night 8-9 Apr 45, elements of TF"R" crossed the INNERSTE R and secured the town of HARSUM. A new mission and new zone cancelled these opns and on 10 Apr 45, TF"R" moved SE of HILDESHEIM and atkd E in zone reaching vic of BARBECKE by dark. On 11 Apr 45 IMMENDORF and the HERMANN-GOERING WERKE were occupied by TF"R" which relvd TF"A" in WOLFENBUETEL on 12 Apr 45. By 14 Apr 45, TF"R" was relvd in these areas and moved E in zone consolidating posns just W of MAGDEBURG in preparation for the final assault on the city. Forces were re-grouped on 16 and 17 Apr 45.

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1st Bn, 119 Inf (Reinf) atkd MAGDEBURG in zone on 17 Apr 45 advng against stubborn resistance and strongly defended rd blocks. On 18 Apr 45 the limit of adv was reached and secured and 1st Bn, 119 Inf Reinf consolidated its posns.

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20 Bn, 41 AR (Reinf) atkd MAGDEBURG in zone against
stubborn resistance and strongly defended rd blocks.
On 18 Apr 45 the limit of adv was secured and posns
were consolidated.

Rcn Co, 66 AR performed rcn missions in zone, clearing
lateral routes and patrolling flank areas in zone.

Co A, 702 TD Bn (-) supported the action of CC"A" in
zone.

Co B, 702 TD Bn (-) supported the action of CC"A" in
zone.

Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-) supported the action of CC"A" in
zone, bridging the WESER R at OHR on 5 Apr 45 and
performing other engr missions.

Co A, 48 Med Bn supported action of CC"A" in zone.

Maint Co, 66 AR (Reinf) supported action of CC"A" in
zone.

- (2) 19-30 Apr 45: (See Annex 3, for Tp List, Annex 2 for
routes, dispositions, etc).

CC"A" consolidated posns and executed occupation
duties in zone MAGDEBURG until relvd by elements of
30 Inf Div 20 Apr 45. CC"A" then moved to present
area where the pd was devoted to maint of vehicles and
wpns, rehabilitation and tng of personnel and
occupation duties.

- (3) General:

An action of particular note occurred 4-5 Apr 45 on
which dates CC"A" committed two forces in a converging
atk and a third force in a separate atk along a
deferent axis, regrouped the forces involved and
atkd on two axes for a distance in excess of forty mis
miles and secured a bridgehead over the WESER R in
a twenty-six (26) hr pd. Within twelve hrs fr the
completion of the bridges two entire Cmbt Cmts com-
plete with service tns were crossed over the WESER R.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE:

a. Not applicable.

b. See Annex 4, atchd.

c. Prisoners: Captured - 7674

d. Evacuation:

(1) Personnel evacuation - Div SOP.

(2) Vehicle evacuation - through normal channels.

e. Supply and Evacuation Establishments:

(1) JM Supply dumps established by Div OM (For locations
and dates see Annex 4 atchd).

(2) Personnel - Co A, 48 Med Bn (For location and dates
see Annex 4 atchd).

f. Supply:

(1) All personnel with three days basic load of rat plus
two adtnl days opnl rats.

(2) Water fr Div WPs. Portable WP established by Co A,
17 Engr Bn (during cmbt) for tps in fwd areas

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(3) Fuel & Lubricants:
All vehicular tks and authorized gasoline tks full throughout pd, 1-30 Apr 45.

(4) Ammunition
Full basic load of ammo carried daily. Following ammo authorization, rds per wpn as set by higher hqs.

Period 030600-040600
9 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
9 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
4 rds 81mm Mtr WP
100 rds 105 How M3HE) 119
10 rds 105 How M3WP) RCT

Period 040600 - 050600
9 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
9 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
4 rds 81mm Mtr WP
100 rds 105 How M3HE) 119
10 rds 105 How M3WP) RCT

Period 060600 - 070600
3 rds 81mm Lt
3 rds 81mm Hvy
1 rd 81mm WP

Period 080600 - 090600
5 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
5 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
2 rds 81mm Mtr WP

Period 130600-140600
12 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
6 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
6 rds 81mm Mtr WP
135 rds 105 How M3HE)119
14 rds 105 How M3WP)RCT

Period 150600-160600
9 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
9 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
4 rds 81mm Mtr WP
180 rds 105 How M3HE)119
18 rds 105 How M3WP)RCT

Period 160600-170600
8 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
8 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
8 rds 81mm Mtr WP
120 rds 105 How M3HE)119
12 rds 105 How M3WP)RCT

Period 190600 - 200600
10 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
10 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
5 rds 81mm Mtr WP
160 rds 105 How M3HE)119
16 rds 105 How M3WP)RCT

Period 220600-230600
6 rds 81mm Mtr Lt
6 rds 81mm Mtr Hvy
2 rds 81mm Mtr WP

4. GENERAL: No comments not covered elsewhere.

For the Commanding General:

JAMES A. POWER
Lt. Col., Cav.,
Executive Officer.

- ANNEXES: 8
1. List of Ey Equip Destroyed
 2. Ovly 1-2, Own Tps
 3. Tp List
 4. Ovly, Supply Installations & Routes.
 5. Casualty Rpt.
 6. S-2 Journal
 7. S-3 Journal
 8. Cmbt Orders.

ANNEX NO. 1 TO ACCOMPANY ARTLE ACTION REPORT FOR THE PERIOD 1-30 APRIL 1946, HQ CC¹A² AD

The following enemy vehicles and material were destroyed or captured by Combat Command "1" during the period 1-18 April.

VEHICLES DESTROYED

Tanks - 24

King Tigers - 2
 Mk VI - 1
 Mk V - 6
 Mk IV - 8
 SP guns - 7

ARMORED CARS

8 wheeled - 7
 Half tracks - 62

Trucks - 396

Autos - staff - 51

Misc. Vehicles - 215

Railroad trains - 11

4 Mks
 2 Ammo
 3 Supply & Equip.
 2 Tanks
 14 Locomotives

GUNS - 268

88mm AA/AT - 36
 105mm AA - 20
 120mm AA (Rail) - 12
 40mm AA/AT - 12
 20mm AA - 17
 170mm Rail - 3
 105mm Hows - 12
 75mm AT - 29
 Nebelwerfers - 27

AIRCRAFT - 44

ANNEX 3 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PERIOD 1-30 APRIL 45. HQ CC"A"

TROOP LIST

1. PERIOD 1-18 APR 45:

TF"A"
3rd Bn, 66 AR
2d Bn, 41 AIR
14 AFA Bn
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF"B"
66 AR (-1st, 3rd Bns, Ren,
Sv & Maint Ccs)
2d Bn, 377 Inf Reinf
65 AFA Bn
1 Plat Co A, 702 TD Bn
1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF"R"
377 RCT (-2 Bns Reinf)
1st Bn, 66 AR (-F Co)

CC"A" Control
Hq CC"A"
Ren Co, 66 AR
Co A, 702 TD Bn (-2 Plats)
Co A, 17 Engr Bn (-2 Plats)
Co A, 48 Med Bn.
Maint Co, 66 AR (w/Co F,
66 AR atchd)

CHNGS IN TP LIST DURING PD 1-18 APR 45:

- 020600B Apr 45 - 377 RCT (-1 Bn Reinf) detchd CC"A"
1st Bn, 377 RCT (-3rd Bn Reinf) atchd CC"A"
2d Bn, 377 Inf (Reinf) detchd 66 AR (-) and revert
to 377 RCT, 2d Bn, 119 Inf (Reinf) detchd 119 RCT (-)
& atchd TF"B". 119 RCT (-2 Bns Reinf) + 1st Bn, 66 AR
(-F Co) now designated TF"R".
- 030110B Apr 45 - 1 Plat Ren Co, 66 AR detchd Ren Co, 66 AR and atchd
3rd Bn, 66 AR.
- 030230B Apr 45 - 1 Plat Ren Co, 66 AR detchd Ren Co, 66 AR and atchd
66 AR (-).
- 051400B Apr 45 - 14 AFA Bn detchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, and 65 AFA Bn detchd
66 AR (-) & detchd CC"A", reverted Div Arty, 2 AD.
- 061125B Apr 45 - 14 AFA Bn & 65 AFA Bn detchd Div Arty, 2 AD, atchd
CC"A". 14 AFA Bn atchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, 65 AFA Bn
atchd 66 AR (-).
- 071500B Apr 45 - 14 AFA Bn detchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, 65 AFA Bn detchd
66 AR (-), 197 FA Bn detchd 119 RCT (-) and detchd
CC"A", revert Div Arty, 2 AD.
- 081200B Apr 45 - Co A, 702 TD Bn detchd CC"A" and Co B, 702 TD Bn
atchd CC"A". 2 Plats Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd Co B,
702 TD Bn. 1 Plat 702 TD Bn atchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR,
1 Plat 702 TD Bn atchd 66 AR (-).
- 100030B Apr 45 - Co A, 823 TD Bn detchd 119 RCT (-), revert to 30
Inf Div. 1 Plat Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd Co B, 702
TD Bn (-) and atchd 119 RCT (-).
- 140800B Apr 45 - 2d Bn, 119 Inf detchd CC"A", atchd TF"R", (-)
- 141545B Apr 45 - 2d Bn, 41 AIR detchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, atchd 66 AR (-).
Co B, 119 Inf detchd 119 RCT (-) and atchd 3rd Bn,
66 AR.

- 141950B Apr 45 - 3rd Bn, 119 Inf atchd CC"A", atchd 119 BCT (-).
- 150930B Apr 45 - 1 Plat Co B, 119 Inf detchd 3rd Bn, 66 AR, atchd Hq 2 AD.
- 170700B Apr 45 - 2d Bn, 66 AR detchd CC"A" and atchd 30 Inf Div. 1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn detchd 66 AR (-) atchd 2d Bn, 41 AIR.
- 170800B Apr 45 - 119 BCT (-1st Bn) detchd CC"A", revert 30 Inf Div. 1 Plat Co A, 17 Engr Bn detchd fr Co A, 17 Engr Bn, atchd 1st Bn, 119 Inf.
- 171000B Apr 45 - 65 AFA Bn detchd fr CC"A" and revert to Div arty, 2 AD.
- 180700B Apr 45 - 1st Bn, 41 AIR atchd CC"A".
- 181115B Apr 45 - 82 Rcn Bn detchd fr CC"A".
- 181500B Apr 45 - 1st Bn, 41 AIR detchd CC"A", revert CC"B".

2. PERIOD 19-30 Apr 45:

TF"A"
 Hq & Hq Co, 66 AR
 3rd Bn, 66 AR
 82 Rcn Bn
 2d Bn, 41 AIR (-1 Co)

TF"B"
 1st Bn, 66 AR
 Co A, 17 Engr Bn

TF"C"
 2d Bn, 66 AR
 1 Co, 2d Bn, 41 AIR

CC"A" Control
 Hq CC"A"
 Rcn Co, 66 AR
 14 AFA Bn
 Co B, 702 TD Bn
 Co A, 48 Med Bn
 Maint Co, 66 AR

CHNGS IN TF LIST DURING PD 19-30 Apr 45:

- 211105B Apr 45 - 82 Rcn Bn detchd CC"A" revert Div Control.
- 212200B Apr 45 - 2d Bn, 66 AR atchd 66 AR (-). 1 Plat Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd Co B, 702 TD Bn, atchd 1st Bn, 66 AR. 2 Plats Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd Co B, 702 TD Bn, atchd 66 AR (-).
- 231135B Apr 45 = 1 Plat Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd 66 AR (-), atchd 2d Bn, 41 AIR.
- 241500B Apr 45 - 2d Plat 524 MP Co atchd CC"A".
- 241645B Apr 45 - Co A, 82 Rcn Bn atchd CC"A".
- 250800B Apr 45 - 702 TD Bn (-B & C Cos, 2 Plats Co A, & 1 Plat Rcn Co) atchd CC"A", atchd 66 AR (-).
- 260800B Apr 45 - 1 Plat Co B, 702 TD Bn detchd 1st Bn, 66 AR, atchd 2d Bn, 66 AR. Co B, 702 TD Bn (-3 Plats) atchd 2d Bn, 66 AR.

ANNEX 5 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT FOR PD 1-30 APR 45, HQ CC"A".

CASUALTY REPORT

| <u>ORGANIZATION</u> | <u>KILLED</u> | | <u>WOUNDED</u> | | <u>MISSING</u> | | <u>IN ACTION</u> | | <u>CAPTURED</u> | | <u>SICK & NON-</u> | |
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| 66 AB | 2 | 7 | 7 | 56 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | 37 |
| Hq CC"A" | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 |
| Co A, 45 Med Bn | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | 4 |
| 14 AFA Bn | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 |
| Co A, 17 Engr Bn | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 10 |
| 24 Bn, 41 AIR | 1 | 14 | 5 | 69 | 0 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 31 |
| Co A, 702 TD Bn (1-7 Apr) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 1 |
| Co B, 702 TD Bn (8-30 Apr (+1 Plt Recon Co)) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 3 |
| 377 Inf Regt (1 Apr only) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 2 |
| 119 Inf Regt (2-19 Apr) | 2 | 13 | 10 | 139 | 1 | 45 | 0 | 0 | 2 | | | 24 |
| 65 AFA Bn (1-17 Apr) | 0 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 2 |
| 197 FA Bn (2-19 Apr) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | | 0 |
| TOTAL | 5 | 41 | 22 | 283 | 2 | 57 | 0 | 0 | 4 | | | 156 |



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HEADQUARTERS COMBAT COMMAND "A"
SECOND ARMORED DIVISION

APO 252
1 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Action Against the Enemy, Reports After/After Action Reports.

TO : Commanding General, 2d Armored Division (ATT: AC of S, G-3).

MAPS: GSGS: 4416, **SHEETS:** N4, N5, P4, P5; **SCALE:** 1/100,000.

1. Not in contact.
2. **OWN SITUATION:** (See Annex No. 1 for Tp List).

Period 1-8 May 45:

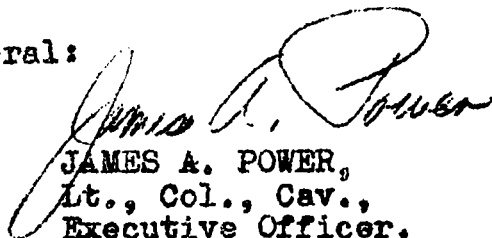
CC"A" performed maintenance of vehicles and weapons, training and rehabilitation of personnel and military occupation duties. See Annex No. 4 for shipments of Eastern and Western Nationals from area of responsibility. (See Annex No. 2 for Dispositions of Troops.)

Period 9-31 May 45:

CC"A" responsible only for supervision of training and supervision of preparations for further operations of units (See Annex No. 1 for Tp List). Units performed maintenance of vehicles and weapons, training and rehabilitation of personnel and reinforcement training in accordance with Directives, 2nd Armored Division.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE: Not applicable. Not in contact.
4. GENERAL: No comments not covered elsewhere.

For the commanding General:


JAMES A. POWER,
Lt., Col., Cav.,
Executive Officer.

- ANNEXES:** 7 -- No. 1. Tp List.
2. Ovly, Own Tps.
3. Ovly, Own Tps.
4. Shipments of DP's & PW's.
5. S-2 Journal.
6. S-3 Journal.
- [REDACTED]
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ANNEX NO. 1 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT, 1-31 MAY 1945:

TROOP LIST

1. Period 1-8 May 1945:

Hq. CC "A", 2nd Armored Division
66th Armored Regiment
2nd Bn, 41st AIR
14th AFA Hd
702 TD Bn (-Co "C")
Co. "A", 17th Engr Bn
Co. "B", 852 Aviation Engr Bn
Co. "A", 48th Med. Bn.
2nd Plat., 524th MF Co.
Co. "A", 82nd Rcn Bn.

2. Period 9-31 May 1945:

Hq. CC "A", 2nd Armored Division
66th AR (for supervision only)
82nd Rcn Bn (for supervision only)
702 TD Bn (for supervision only)



ANNEX NO. 4 TO ACCOMPANY AFTER ACTION REPORT, 1-31 MAY 1945:

| DATE | FRENCH | | BELGIUM | | DUTCH | | RUSSIAN | |
|---------|--------|------|---------|------|-------|----|---------|----|
| | DP | PW | DP | PW | DP | PW | DP | PW |
| 1 May | 800 | | 500 | | 1000 | | 990 | 20 |
| 2 May | 3050 | 300 | | 100 | | | 1000 | |
| 3 May | | | | | | | 1000 | |
| 4 May | | | | | | | 2040 | |
| 5 May | | | | | | | 1000 | |
| 6 May | | 1200 | 210 | | | | | |
| 7 May | | | | 1126 | | 23 | | |
| 8 May | | 1220 | | | | | | |
| 9 May | 231 | 976 | | | | | | |
| TOTALS: | 4081 | 3696 | 710 | 1226 | 1000 | 23 | 6030 | 20 |