

124 Fd Regt RA O.O. No 1.

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Ref Maps:- to be issued later.

31 May 44

INFM.

1. Enemy. See Intelligence Summaries.
2. Own Tps. 21 Army Gp is assaulting Occupied Europe to complete the destructions of the German Armed Forces.

INTENTION.

3. 124 Fd Regt will sp fmns 50 (N) Div as ordered.

METHOD.

4. Preliminary Moves.
Moves from present location to arrival overseas will be controlled by MC. Details of movement - See Movement table at Appx A att. Instrs regarding movement already issued in Adm Orders & Operation Instrs remain in force.
During landing over benches, all tpt will carry Dvrs only; other personnel move besides veh prepared to push if necessary.
5. 489 Fd Bty.
489 Fd Bty is under comd 74 Fd Regt from arrival overseas until arrival RHQ. Residue 489 Fd Bty in serial 8 of Appx A under comd 441 Fd Bty for movement.
6. Regt Recce Party.
Regt Recce Party (CO and Maj Ross) will report to HQ RA on landing.
7. Dets.
 - a. 489 Fd Bty will on landing apply through 74 Fd Regt to HQ RA for the return of the Jeep and dvr on loan to Svy Regt.
 - b. RHQ will apply to HQ RA immediately on landing for return of all dets, i.e.
 - (i) Maj PF Shakerley, RA.
 - (ii) FOOs att 86 Fd Regt (Capt AG Hawkins, Lts Greig & Clarke).
 - (iii) One jeep and dvr (489) on loan to Svy Regt, if not already returned.
8. Concealment & Cam.
Special attention will be paid to track discipline, concealment and cam. Movement by day will be kept to a minimum.
9. Digging.
Ops and CPs will be dug in.
10. Gun Posns.
Btys will always be sited with A tank field of fire.
Guns will be dug in down to the level of the sights in battle and temp posns, provided compatible with A tk role.
11. Meteor.
Meteor can b e expected every 4 hours.
12. C.B.
Corps CB policy is active. Shelreps will be passed to Adjt immediately for transmission (once line comn est) direct to CBO.
13. Engagement of Tgts.
Concs will be most carefully controlled in order to conserve ammo, but effective sp must always be provided.
14. Svy.
One copy of trig data may be available for Svy Pty.
15. A.Gas.
No man will be separated from his personal A.Gas eqpt except when ordered by RHQ for a definite period. Respirators and capes will be carried on the man unless other orders are issued later.
16. Security.
No part of any order which indicates future intentions of 30 Corps or flanking divs will be taken ashore.
17. Air.
Vehs will keep clear of air fds, landing grounds, and landing strips.
Ground-Air recognition, see Appx B (to follow).

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METHOD (CONT'D)

- 18. Preservation of Buildings.
See Appx C (to follow).

ADM.

- 19. Beach Maint Area.
BMA will be know by a Codeword and routes back to it marked with this Codeword.
Codeword will be issued later.
- 20. Road Movement.
a. Rds are narrow and mostly one way. Attention is directed to Regt Standing Orders and Operation Inst No3. Rd movement must be of a very high standard.
b. One copy of the "Michelin Guide" is held by the Adjt for ref purposes.
- 21. Water.
Water pts are being established. Locations later.
- 22. Rec & Repair
30 Corps Tps Gun shop can deal with all types of guns in Div. Initial locn at Drowned Veh Park (DVP) on the beach.
- 23. Laundry.
QM will demand soap for laundry from ADOS Rear 50 Div immediately on arrival overseas. Scale - 2oz per man per 14 days.
- 24. General.
Generally, Adm, Sup & Replenishment will be on normal system. Care of all eqpt, avoidance of waste and the importance of Salvage will be impressed on all ranks; this is most necessary as everything has to be brought in over the beaches. Attention is directed to Regt Standing Adm Instrs.

INTERCOMN.

- 25. R/T - CRAs Net. M.14 of H Sec is using CRAs Recce Code Sign.
CRAs Jeep is using CRAs Recce Code Sign affix A.
Handcart of H Sec is using CRAs Recce Code Sign affix B.
- 26. Arty/R Comns.
Procedure as in WOL 42/Wireless/940 (MT9(A)) of 13 Mar 44 (circulated to Btys). When VHF/HF set is at HQ RA the CRAs Arty/R Code Sign plus affix "4" will be used by the Regts Arty/R Set on the ground net. Affixes 1,2,3 and 5 are used by 74, 86, 90 and 147 Rd Regts respectively.
- 27. Line.
a. Line will be laid and maintained most carefully to avoid damage from the heavy wheeled and tracked traffic in the area. Line will be laid as early as possible as heavy interference on R/T is likely. Lines will be buried 9" as soon as possible and must be labelled.
- 28. Codes.
a. Code Words - will be issued later if required.
b. Place Name Code. - Place names will NOT be used except in code - see Appx D (to follow).
- 29. Time.
Zone B time (i.e. Double British Summer Time) will be used. Time will be synchronised on BBC signals.

ACK.

HEPTINSTALL Capt RA
Adjt 124 Fd Regt RA

TCShrs

DISTRIBUTION

	O.O.	Appx A
288 Bty	1	1
288 Bty	2	2-3
441 Bty	3	4-5
489 Bty	4	6
RHQ	5	7
Sigs	6	8
LAD	7	9
QM	8	-
MO	9	10
CO	10	11
2ic	11	-
Chaplin	12	12
File	13-14	13-14
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LIST OF APPENICES. Appx A - Movement Table
 Appx B - Air Recognition
 Appx C - Preservation of Buildings
 Appx D - Place Name Code

MOVEMENT TABLE.

OVERLORD TOP SECRET.

Appendix A.

Issued with 124 Fd Regt RA OO No1

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Ser ial	List Index No	Fmn or Grouping For Mores	Conc Area		Sub Unit	Personnel		Vehicles Type	Est date of Sailing	Remarks
			Prelim	Final		March Party	Veh Party			
1	2801/2	151 Bde	South Homes	One	6)1 offr, 4 Ors, 1 Carrier per Bty
	2509/14		Copse	OP)
2	2530	69 Bde	South Homes	per	3	6	Carriers	3)
	2546/7		Copse	Bty)
4					288		1 Offr 2 ORs	Jeep	1	Maj Shakerley
5		231 Bde	Knights Copse B		489		1 OR	Jeep	1	D-Day att 147 Fd Regt for loan to Svy Regt.
6	D.5166	50 (N) Div			489		2 Offrs 4 Ors	Carrier	1	441 Carrier plus Dvr and 1 Sig under comd 489 to Carry CPO and CPOA till arrive serial 7.
					441		2 ORs	Carrier	1	Loaded and shipped as 74 Fd Regt
7	D.7860				RHQ		1 Offr 1 OR			Sigs here use Mob Serial No 24720
					Sig		3 Ors			
					441		1 Offr 2 Ors			Maj Ross, CPA, 1 Sig - carried in 489 15-cwt "H" till arrival overseas.
					489	3 Offr 75 ORs	4 Offrs 80 ORs	Jeep 15-cwt 15-cwt Water 3-ton Tractors Guns Trailers FA M.14	1 8 1 6 10 8 12 1	
					Total Serial 7		78	92	48	
TOTAL SERIALS 1 -7 CARRIED FORWARD					87	110	55			

(Note: Serial 3 has been deleted)

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		Prelim	Final		March Party	Veh Party			
TOTAL SERIALS 1 -7 BROUGHT FORWARD					87	110	55		
8	D.8832			RHQ	1 Offr 6 ORs	6 Offrs 49 ORs	Jeep Cars 2-str Cars 4-str 15-cwt 15-cwt Water 3-ton 3-ton Tech Trls 1-ton Trls 10-cwt Trav P'forms	5 - 2 4 (b) 1 3 1 (c) 2 2 (d) 2	(b) Inc 15-cwt for Padre. (c) 15-cwt Office loaded as 3-ton Tech. Incl 1 OR of 441 and 1 OR of 489. (d) Incl one for LAA Regt
					Sigs 19 ORs	1 Offr 16 ORs	Jeeps 15-cwt W/T 3-ton Trls 10-cwt M.14	4 1 2 2 1	Sigs here use Mob Serial No 15820
				LAD	4 ORs	8 ORs	Jeep 3-ton Breakdown Trls 1-ton	(a)	LAD uses Mob Serial No 24720 (L) (a) May be Car 2-str
					288 65 ORs	1 Offr 122 ORs	7 Offrs Jeep 15-cwt 15-cwt Water 3-ton Tractors Guns Trailers FA Trls 1-ton Trls 10-cwt Trav P'forms M.14 Carrier	3 12 1 7 12 8 16 1 1 2 1 1 1	1 OR att HQ RA
TOTAL SERIAL 8 CARRIED FORWARD					98	207	103		

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		Prelim	Final		March Party	Veh Party			
TOTAL SERIAL 8 BROUGHT FORWARD					98	207		103	
8 (Cont'd)				441	1 Offr	7 Offrs	Jeep	4	1 OR - APTC Instructor att from Div.
					66 ORs	119 ORs	15-cwt	12	1 OR att HQ RA
							15-cwt Water	1	1 OR att RHQ
							3-ton	7	
							Tractors	12	
							Guns	8	
							Trailers FA	16	
							Trls 1-ton	1	
							Trls 10-cwt	1	
							Trav P'forms	2	
							M.14	1	
				288	1 Offr	7 Offrs	Jeep	2	1 OR att RHQ
					65 ORs	122 ORs	15-cwt	4	1 Sgt)
							3-ton	1	1 Bdr) incl in 'Residue'
							Tractors	2	1 Sgt Veh Mech)
							Trailers FA	4	Under comd 441 Bty for Movement
							Trls 1-ton	1	Incl 8 Travelling Platforms
							Trls 10-cwt	1	
							Trav P'forms	2	
TOTAL SERIAL 8					172	355		185	
TOTAL SERIALS 1 -7					87	110			
TOTAL UNIT					259	465		240	Incl 8 Travelling Platforms
					724				

PERSONNEL	WE	Strength
RHQ	61	63
Padre (Ex Dvr)	-	1
Sigs	39	39
LAD	12	12
288	204	203
411	204	203 (incl APTC)
498	204	203
TOTAL	724	724

PRESERVATION OF ANTIQUITIES, PUBLIC
WORKS, ETC.

- (1) Destruction of Public Works, Civil Coms, Installations, Cable and Lines will be avoided as far as possible.
- (2) Particular care will be taken to avoid damage, wherever possible, to hospitals and any medical & monastic buildings suitable for medical purposes.
- (3) If possible, power cables should not be damaged.
- (4) Preservation of antiquities:-
 - (a) The Following are the principle antiquities in 50 (N) Div Sector:-
BAYUEX (i) Cathedral de Notre Dame.
(ii) Maison de Gouverneman.
(iii) Ancien Ereche (Library & Tapestries)
(iv) Palais de Justice - picture gallery.
NORREY - (rd CAEN - BAYEUX) St Pierre Church.
ARGENTAM - St German Church.
ST PIERRE SUR DIVES - Church & Market Houses.
 - (b) There are many other antiquities in the district particularly around CAEN.

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6 Jun 44PLACE NAME CODES

N.B. There are two lists - List B and List C.

Only very brief extracts of the full lists are shown, but they should cover the move fed.

Further copies or extracts will NOT be made except on orders from this HQ or from 74 Fd Regt RA.

On landing, find out which list is in use. Both will probably have been scrapped.

Codeword "SWALLOW" means change to list C.

Codeword "WREN" means stop using List C and fresh list if issued, or Slidex or Mep Ref Code.

Codeword "TWEED" means "Location of CRA" It will be used to denote arrival of CRA at any location.

LIST "B" - DECODE.

Codeword	Place	Map Ref
ACIS	St CROIX GRAND TONNE	8874
ACLAND	CREPON	9083
AENEAS	VALLEE	8846
BALBUS	LANDES	8757
CLAUDIUS	CREUILLY	9080
CORINNA	CONDE-SUR-SEULLES	8373
NARCISSUS	VILLERS BOCAGE	8157
NERO	Mt PINCON (pt 365)	841456
CRESTES	THURY-HARCOURT	9446
PLATO	LA RIVIERE	9386
POMPEY	BAYEUX	7879
PRIAPUS	St LEGER	8675
SAPPHO	PORT-EN-BESSEN	7587

LIST "B" - ENCODE

Place	Map Ref	Codeword
BAYEUX	7879	POMPEY
CONDE-SUR-SEULLES	8373	CORINNA
CREPON	9083	ACLAND
CREUILLY	9080	CLAUDIUS
LANDES	8757	BALBUS
LA RIVIERE	9386	PLATO
Mt PINCON (pt 365)	841456	NERO
PORT-EN-BESSEN	7587	SAPPHO
St CROIX GRAND TONNE	8874	ACIS
St LEGER	8675	PRIAPUS
THURY-HARCOURT	9446	CRESTES
VALLEE	8846	AENEAS
VILLERS BOCAGE	8157	NARCISSUS

LIST "B" - DECODE.

Codeword	Place	Map Ref
CHARYBDIS	St LEGER	8675
CLEOPATRA	PORT-EN-BESSEN	7587
CORVINUS	LANDES	8757
DIOCLETIAN	CREUILLY	9080
ELECTRA	VILLERS BOCAGE	8157
GORGON	CREPON	9083
LEONIDAS	CONDE-SUR-SEULLES	8373
PORSENA	Mt PINCON (pt 365)	841456
RAMESES	BAYEUX	7879
ROMULUS	THURY-HARCOURT	9446
REMUS	VALLEE	8846
SEVERUS	St CROIX GRAND TONNE	8874
TULLUS	LA RIVIERE	9386

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Place	Map Ref	Codeword
BAYEUX	7879	RAMESES
CONDE-SUR-SEULLES	8373	LEONIDAS
CREPON	9083	GORGON
CREUILLY	9080	DIOCLETIAN
LANDES	8757	CORVINUS
LA RIVIERE	9386	TULLUS
Mt PINCON (pt 365)	841456	PORSENA
PORT-EN-BESSEN	7587	CLEOPATRA
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