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SUBJECT: Chemical Warfare Training and Equipment.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Reference is made to Training Memorandum Number 3, this headquarters, dated 2 April 1944, subject: "Chemical Warfare Training".

2. Information has recently been received from various sources that the enemy is vigorously engaged in training in protection against chemical agents and is continuing the manufacture of agents and munitions. Anti-gas measures are being instituted in numerous civilian industrial areas. Development work is in progress, indicating the possible use of new agents and munitions. It has been suggested that the enemy may resort to use of chemical agents as a response to future Allied offensive thrusts. While it is not considered that use of gas in this theater is an imminent enemy intention, his activities are vigorous enough to warrant that all commanders concerned be reminded of the importance of the following:

- a. Gas discipline.
- b. Detection of gas in the field.
- c. Individual and collective protection.
- d. Decontamination.
- e. Use, care, and maintenance of protective equipment.
- f. Duties of unit gas officers and gas non-commissioned officers.

3. Pertinent essential information in following publications should be reviewed and put into practice by all concerned as directed in current administrative orders and memoranda:

a. U.S. Publications.

- FM 3-5, "Tactics of Chemical Warfare"
- FM 21-40, "Defense Against Chemical Attack".
- TM 3-22C, "Decontamination".
- TM 3-250, "Miscellaneous Gas Protective Equipment".
- TM 8-285, "Treatment of Casualties from Chemical Agents".

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b. British Publications.

Gas Training (1942)
Advanced Gas Training (1943)

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

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8 June 1944

Subject: Support of Our Armies in Italy.

To : Chiefs of all General and Special Staff Sections, this Headquarters,
and Commanding Officers of all Assigned and Attached Units of the
Peninsular Base Section.1. The following paraphrased message dated 7 June 1944, is transmitted
at the request of General Alexander, Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy:

"In the preparation for which you played an important part,
we have won a victory. Above everything else the exploitation
of this victory depends upon the development and repair of ports,
railways, pipelines, roads, signal lines and other means of en-
suring that the pursuit is unchecked and to our advancing troops
the flow of supplies is maintained. This is your task. Officers
must ensure that materials for repair come forward as they are
wanted, that work is well organized and that full use is made of
every hour in the twenty four. Every ounce of skill and energy
they possess must be put into their work by all ranks. I call on
you for the best that is in you."

2. All units and personnel of the Peninsular Base Section will make every
effort to ensure they continue their maximum effort so that we give unfailing
support to our Armies in annihilation of the enemy.*Arthur R. Wilson*
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Major General, U. S. Army
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