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1. With effect from 0001 hours first January the use of the term EASTERN TASK FORCE will be discontinued. At the same time No. 1 L of C Area will come under command Allied Force Headquarters, less certain portions, indicated below, which will remain under First Army (Br) as described.

2. Rear boundary First Army and revised boundaries of L of C Area and sub-areas will, subject to adjustment under paragraph 3 below, be as shown on attached map.

3. As a temporary measure, Headquarters, No. 1 L of C Sub-Area and Headquarters, No. 4 Base Sub-Area are placed under command of First Army for purposes of defence and local administration. General administration remains with Allied Force Headquarters.

4. Also as a temporary measure, Headquarters, No. 2 L of C Sub-Area is placed under command of First Army for such static duties as may be allotted to it by Headquarters, First Army East of the First Army Rear Boundary.

5. The following areas come under command Headquarters, No. 1 L of C Area for all purposes other than General Administration:

No. 1 Base Sub-Area
No. 2 Base Sub-Area
No. 3 Base Sub-Area

6. The area West of the First Army rear defence boundary excluding the above Base Sub-Areas will be administered and protected direct by Headquarters, No. 1 L of C Area.

7. General administration in all sub-areas becomes the responsibility of Allied Force Headquarters.

8. Local minor adjustments of the boundaries defined on the attached map will be made as follows:

- a. Nos. 1 and 2 Base Sub-Areas by Headquarters, No. 1 L of C Area.
- b. Nos. 3 and 4 Base Sub-Areas by Headquarters, No. 1 L of C Area in conjunction with Headquarters, First Army.
- c. No. 1 L of C Sub-Area by Headquarters, First Army in consultation with Allied Force Headquarters.

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Headquarters, First Army and Headquarters No. 1 L of C Area will submit to Allied Force Headquarters for approval by 15th January 1943 the detailed definition of boundaries as above.

9. In considering local minor readjustments to boundaries under paragraph 8 above, individual Base installations now excluded from Base Sub-Areas as generally redefined in the attached sketch may remain located in L of C Area or L of C Sub-Areas. In such cases, responsibility for administration will remain as at present unless specifically otherwise ordered.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

1 Incl. - as listed.

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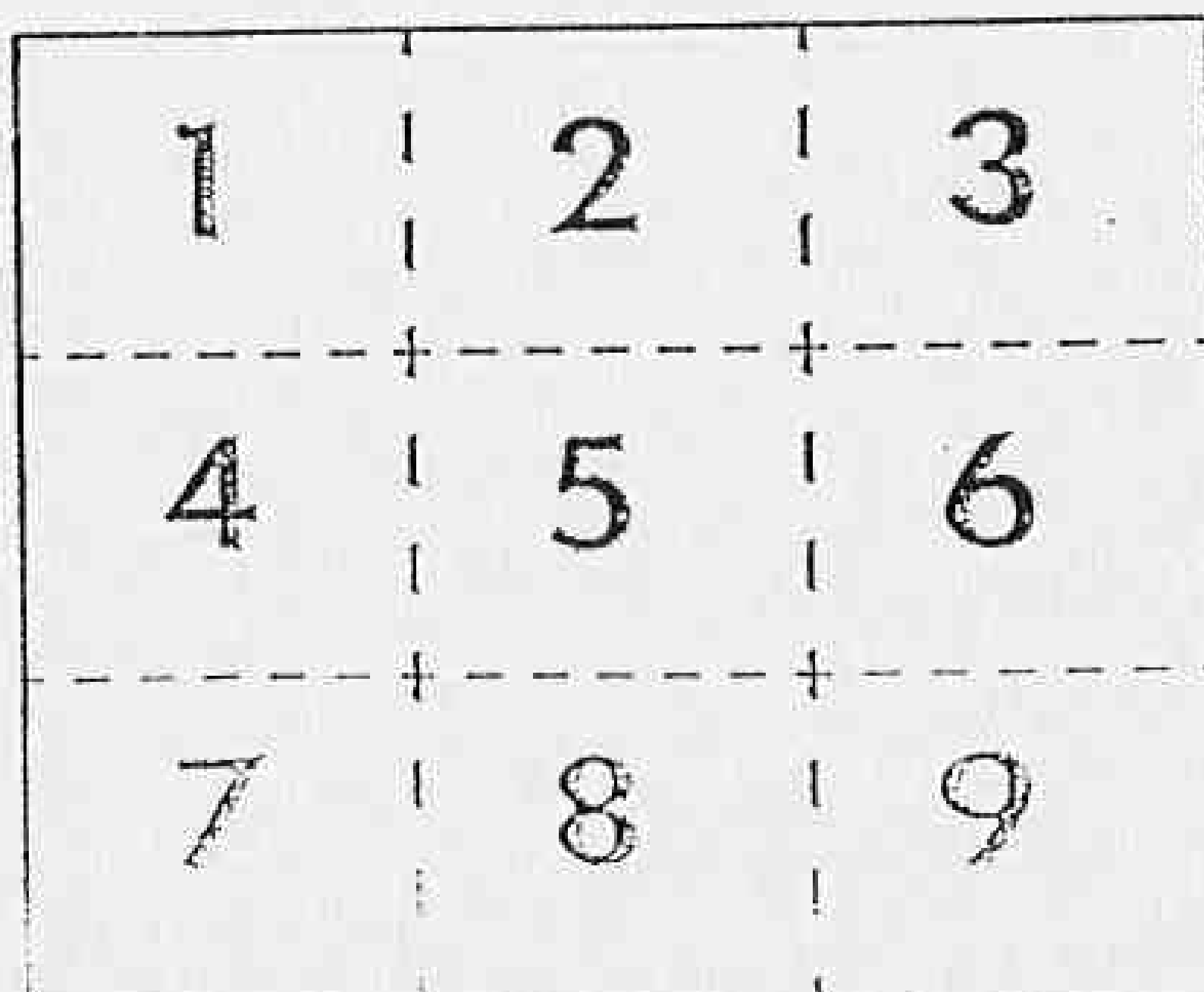
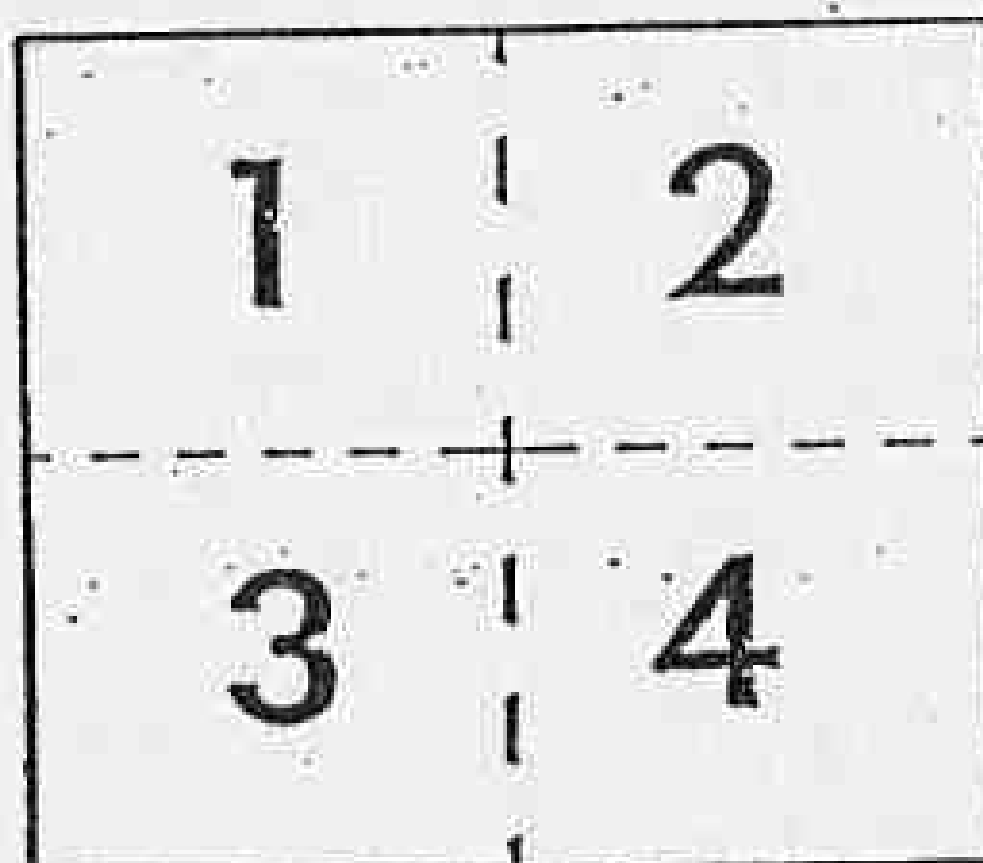
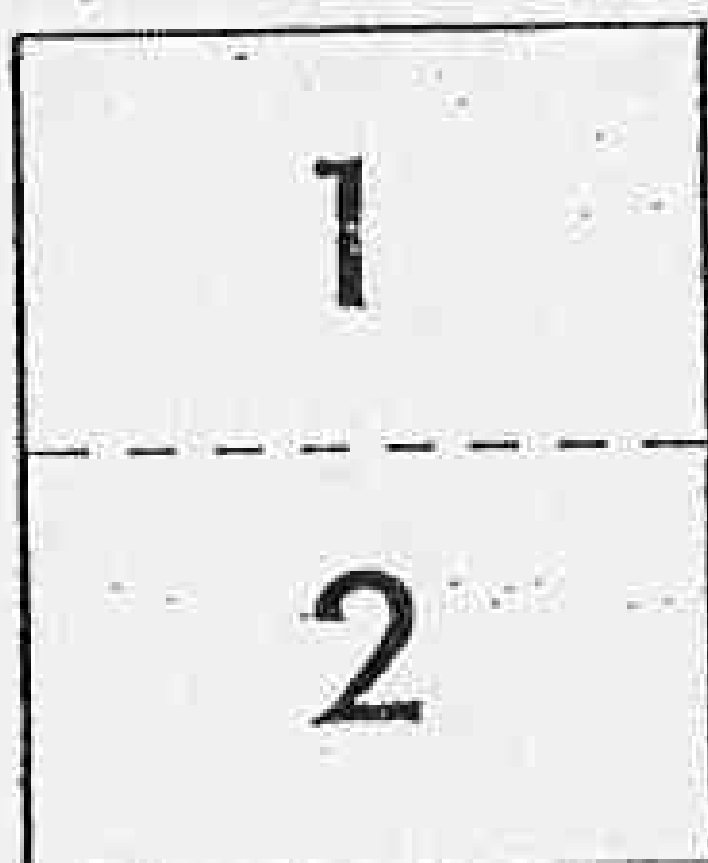
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BASE AND AREA BOUNDARIES

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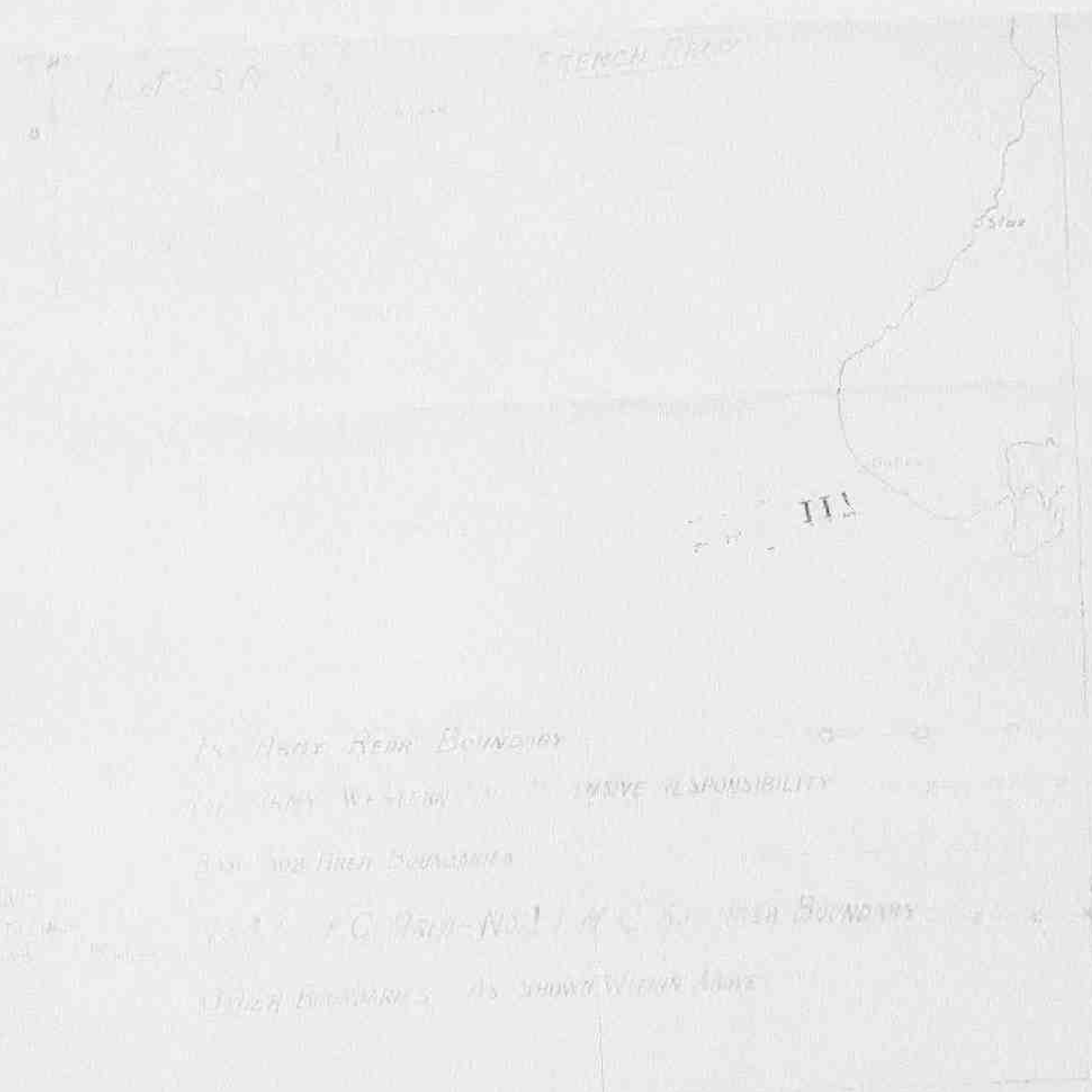
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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 39)

	Section
Awards of Distinguished Service Cross - - - - -	I
Awards of the Purple Heart - - - - -	II
Award, Posthumous, of the Purple Heart - - - - -	III

I. AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-48, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following enlisted men and officers:

REGGIE C. ADAMS, (ASN 14033191), Private First Class, Company * * * *
* * * * For extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of 3 November 1942, during the assault on the * * * * * on the part of * * * * * the platoon of which Private First Class Adams was a member was pinned down by heavy enemy machine gun fire from the high ground east of the barrier of * * *. Private First Class Adams, with utter disregard for his own safety, deliberately stood up from his position, exposed himself to enemy fire, in order to bring more effective fire to bear from his automatic rifle. Private First Class Adams' fire was so effective that he killed one enemy soldier, wounded another, and forced the remaining enemy to abandon their position. This act enabled his platoon to advance and capture three machine guns, one anti-tank gun, and a large supply of ammunition.

LESLIE W. DOOLEY, (G-434363), Second Lieutenant, Infantry, Anti-Tank Company, * * * * For heroism and gallantry in action. On 3 November 1942, at * * * * Lieutenant Dooley, having received information that a gun squad of his company was being threatened by approaching enemy tanks, immediately volunteered to leave his normal position at the company C. P., and rushed to the aid of the vastly outnumbered squad of men. Upon his arrival at the scene of action he found the entire squad pinned out of action. With utter disregard for approaching danger, he seized the gun and continued to fire at the enemy until the gun was disabled and he had received injuries which later necessitated the removal of his left hand. Due to Lieutenant Dooley's gallant actions which were outside the sphere of his normal duties as executive officer of the company, one enemy tank was destroyed and the further advance of the other tanks was greatly delayed. This splendid example of valor and defiance against overwhelming odds reflects the highest credit to the military service.

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II. AWARDS OF THE PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded to the following named enlisted men:

LEONARD F. COWELL, (ASN 20638162), Technician Fifth Grade, Company * * * * *, for wounds received during an enemy air attack on his station in * * * on 26 December 1942.

HARRY Y. SCOTT, (ASN 20638265), Sergeant, Company * * * * *, for wounds received during an enemy air attack on his station in * * * on 26 December 1942.

PAUL R. VIMELAND, (ASN 20650297), Sergeant, Company * * * * *, for wounds received during an enemy air attack on his station in * * * on 26 December 1942.

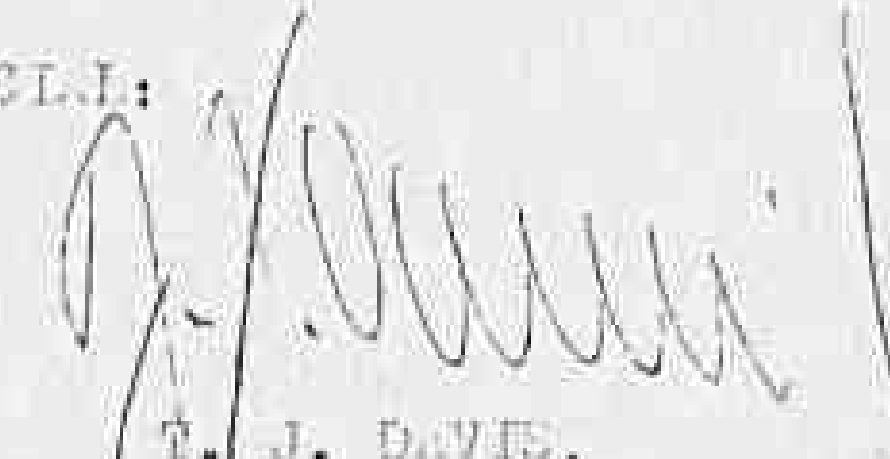
III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF THE PURPLE HEART: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Purple Heart is awarded posthumously to the following named enlisted man:

DELBERT E. GUNDERSON, (ASN 20646297), Private, Company * * * * *, killed during an enemy air attack on his station in * * * on 26 December 1942. Residence at enlistment: Acanto, Wisconsin. Next of kin, Paul Gunderson, father, Rural Route 2, Box 2, Acanto, Wisconsin.

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1. The Mediterranean Base Section and all service units attached thereto, are hereby detached from the II Corps and will operate under the direct control of this headquarters.
2. The "S.O.S. Task Force A" and all service units attached thereto are hereby detached from the Northern Task Force. The "S.O.S. Task Force A" is constituted and redesignated "The Atlantic Base Section" and will operate under direct control of this headquarters. It will be duly activated by the Commanding General thereof.
3. The Mediterranean Base Section will serve all units of this command West of a general line: Algiers excluded, Blida excluded, Medis excluded, Boghari excluded, and East of a general line Taurirt included, Matarka included, except units of the British First Army and such other units as may from time to time be designated by this headquarters to be served by British L. of C. The facilities of the Port of Algiers are not available to the Mediterranean Base Section without prior approval of this headquarters in each instance. The Mediterranean Base Section is responsible for the provision of stores and equipment of U. S. units in the area of the British First Army, except the Eastern Assault Force, on call from this headquarters.
4. The Atlantic Base Section will serve all units of this command West of a general line Taurirt excluded, Matarka excluded except such units as may from time to time be designated by this headquarters.
5. All intelligence and counter intelligence matters pertaining to Base Sections will be governed by instructions issued by this headquarters.
6. Civil Affairs Section now attached to CTF and WIF are relieved from such attachment and attached to MBS and ABS respectively.
7. The Commanding General, Fifth Army, will review the present assignments and attachments of service units and will after consultation with appropriate Base Section Commanders submit recommendations for reassignment and/or reattachment of these units. Training of Fifth Army service units attached to Base Sections will be provided by mutual agreements.
8. All requisitions for supplies and replacements will be forwarded direct to the appropriate base section without reference to this headquarters. Priorities of supply will be by coordination between the Commanding General, Fifth Army and the appropriate Base Section Commander.

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9. This Headquarters will be the sole activity dealing directly with the War Department and Headquarters European Theater of Operations on matters concerning the Mediterranean and Atlantic Base Sections.

By command of Lieutenant General EISTHOFER:

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COMEDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following citation is published:

CAPTAIN O. R. BENNEHOFF, United States Navy, Commanding Officer, U.S.S. Thomas Stone, Amphibious Force, Atlantic Fleet. For exceptionally meritorious service. On 7 November 1942, the U.S.S. Thomas Stone, bearing an important part of the personnel of the Western Assault Force, was seriously damaged by enemy action off the coast of French North Africa. Captain Bennehoff, fully realizing that this action would leave his ship helpless and without any protection in waters infested with enemy submarines, transferred all the personnel from the damaged vessel to landing craft so that they might proceed to their destination. Due greatly to the courageous action and skill of Captain Bennehoff, the entire unit arrived at Algiers in time to participate in the assault, thus contributing largely to the success of the operation.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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GENERAL ORDERS)

NUMBER 36)

25 December 1942

Announcement of Appointment of Minister.....I
Awards of Soldier's Medal.....II
Award of Distinguished Service Medal.....III

I -- ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT OF MINISTER

Announcement is made of the appointment of Mr. Robert D. Murphy, Chief of Civil Affairs Section of this headquarters, as the personal representative in North Africa of the President of the United States with rank of Minister.

Mr. Murphy will continue to function as Civil Affairs Officer, Allied Force, North Africa.

II -- AWARDS OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named individuals:

DONALD R. KENDALL, (ASN 20714941), Private, Headquarters Battery, 175th Field Artillery Battalion. For extraordinary heroism. At about 1800 hours on 8 November 1942, during landing operations at Beer White Beach, in the initial assault on the City of Algiers, French North Africa, a British sailor working on a landing craft fell into the water between the landing craft and the ship to which it was tied. It was dark, the sea was unusually rough, the landing craft was hitting against the side of the ship and the sailor was believed to have been injured. Private Kendall, notwithstanding the fact that he had no life belt and with utter disregard for his own safety, immediately dived into the water in an attempt to make a rescue. Private Kendall stayed in the water for at least ten minutes in an unsuccessful attempt to rescue the sailor. The bold and fearless actions of Private Kendall at the risk of his own life set a splendid example to all his comrades.

CONRAD V. ANDERSON, 01289494, First Lieutenant, Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 39th Infantry Regiment. For extraordinary heroism. On 9 November 1942, Lieutenant Anderson was ordered to proceed to the town of Ain Taya, Algeria, for the purpose of collecting a squad of men. Upon arrival at the beach at Ain Taya, Algeria, he saw that the sea was filled with men clinging to rafts and life belts and unable to swim ashore due to the heavy surf. These men were survivors from a troop ship which had been torpedoed approximately one (1) mile off shore. With complete disregard for his own safety and exhibiting the greatest courage, Lieutenant Anderson entered the rough water and began to bring survivors safely to shore. Lieutenant Anderson continued to swim back and forth through the

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heavy seas from approximately 1500 hours until he was utterly exhausted at about 1830 hours. At one time an enemy plane strafed the beach with machine gun fire. The bold and courageous action of Lieutenant Anderson resulted in saving lives of approximately thirty (30) men.

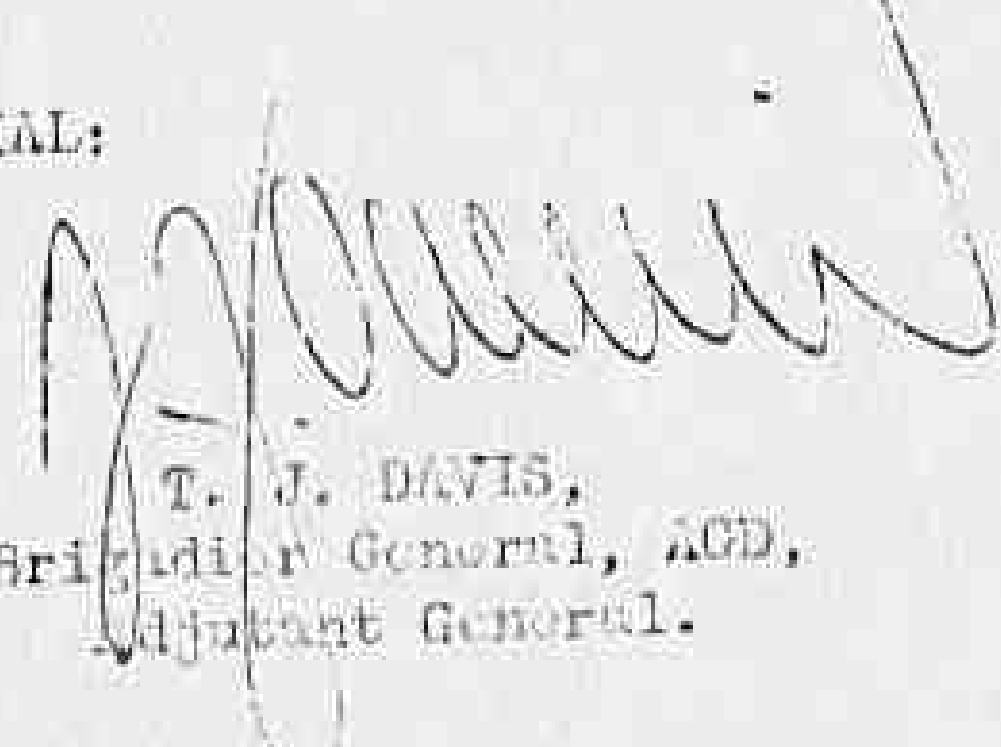
III -- AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL: Announcement is made of the award by the President of the United States of the Distinguished Service Medal (Number 3263), with the following citation:

ADMIRAL SIR ANDREW BROTHIE CUNNINGHAM, Baronet, GCH, DSO, Royal Navy, Naval Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force, North Africa. For exceptionally meritorious service in a position of great responsibility. Admiral Cunningham, with great distinction, rendered an outstanding service to the cause of the Allied Nations by his leadership of the naval forces in the Mediterranean and by his notable demonstration of cooperation as a commander of high position, unselfishly subordinating himself to an Allied Commander-in-Chief. His contribution to the planning of the operation and to its execution contributed in an important degree to the success achieved.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO THE ALLIED FORCES

1. The following special Christmas message is from The President of the United States:

The White House
Washington, D. C.
Christmas, 1942

To our Ill and Wounded Fighters:

On this, another wartime Christmas, I would like to send you a personal message. I shall need your help when the war is over in the hard task of building a better and a freer world.

It is fitting, therefore, that at Christmas time we who are doing things for you who are wounded shall be given the opportunity to fight for a better world in time of peace. As you have fought to save this lesser world in time of war.

God bless you and keep you, for you belong to us and to the future of America.

(signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

2. It is desired that the President's message be brought to the personal attention of all ill and wounded personnel of this command on the evening of December 25.

Dwight D. Eisenhower
Dwight D. EISENHOWER
Lieutenant General, U. S. Army
Commander-in-Chief

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR

1. The following Christmas Message is from Mr. Henry L. Stimson, Secretary of War:

War Department
Washington, D. C.
Christmas, 1942.

To the men and women of the Army:

In the year now drawing to a close your efforts have brought new honor to American arms. You have met the enemy on many fronts. He has tested not only your courage but your military skill, and your conduct in battle has been an inspiration to a grateful nation.

All this I have in mind as I send you my Christmas Greeting; because of your example we may approach this Christmas Season with a firm confidence in final victory. Through your fortitude we may believe that the Star of Christmas will once more shine hopefully over a peaceful world.

(signed) HENRY L. STIMSON

2. It is desired that this message from the Secretary of War be brought to the attention of all members of this Command on Christmas Day.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
Lieutenant General, U. S. A.
Commander-in-Chief

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

I extend Christmas and New Year greetings to all members of the Allied Forces in North Africa. My admiration for your accomplishments of the past six weeks is equalled only by my complete confidence that you will meet every test of the future with the same fortitude and determination. My profound thanks and best wishes go to all ranks in the Ground troops, the Navy, the Air Forces, the Marine Corps, and all Civilian Services associated with the Allied Forces.

Good luck to every one of you!

Dwight D. Eisenhower

DEWIGHT D. EISENHOWER
Lieutenant General, U. S. A.
Commander-in-Chief

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	Section
Awards of Distinguished Service Cross	I
Award of Silver Star	II
Citation of Unit in the United States Forces	III

I. AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named enlisted men and officers:

JOSEPH D. DAY, (AR 20613050), Private, Company "I", 33th Engineers. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 8 November 1942, during the landing of his unit on one of the beaches in the battle of Fedala, French Morocco, Private Day distinguished himself by extraordinary heroic action against an armed enemy. Disregarding his personal safety, he exposed himself to heavy shellfire on five different occasions by entering upon the field of battle to carry back a wounded comrade to a position where medical aid could be administered. His heroic action contributed substantially to the saving of the lives of his comrades at great risk to his own.

SIMON A. BOX, O-472036, Second Lieutenant, C.I.B., Company "A", 1st Engineer Battalion. On 9 November 1942, near Arcole, Algeria, Lieutenant Box distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. When the advance of his Battalion and an attached Artillery Battalion was stopped by determined anti-tank, machine gun, and small arms fire on the outskirts of Arcole, Lieutenant Box without hesitation, of his own volition and at the risk of his life, volunteered to go forward with Lieutenant Victor I. Brosokas, 16th Infantry, in a half-track vehicle. With this vehicle they overran and destroyed with hand grenades two strong enemy machine gun positions flanking the road. They then proceeded through the town machine gunning all resistance encountered and returned, through severe rifle and machine gun fire, to the immobilized column. It was the bold action of Lieutenant Box which contributed largely to the withdrawal of the enemy and permitted the column to proceed.

VICTOR I. BROSOOKS, O-395070, First Lieutenant, Inf., Headquarters Company, 16th Infantry. On 9 November 1942, near Arcole, Algeria, Lieutenant Brosokas distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. When the advance of his Battalion and an attached Artillery Battalion was stopped by determined anti-tank, machine gun, and small arms fire on the outskirts of Arcole, Lieutenant Brosokas without hesitation, of his own volition and at the risk of his life, volunteered to go forward with Lieutenant Simon A. Box, 1st Engineer Battalion, in a half-track vehicle. With this vehicle they

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CHARLES L. DAVIS, 9-411248, First Lieutenant, Cavalry, Company "D", 13th Armored Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 29 November 1942, Lieutenant Davis distinguished himself by extraordinary heroic action against an armed enemy in the vicinity of Djedida, Tunisia. Hostile artillery, emplaced at closer range than reconnaissance had revealed, surprised the assault element with the result that several tanks received direct hits and were set on fire. Lieutenant Davis sensed the situation and the complete superiority of the enemy position. After all members of the crews of the disabled tanks had been removed, he returned to his burning tank and irrespective of the flames removed the first aid kit and all available water, and dismounted the crew machine gun with ammunition. With materials removed from the burning tank, Lieutenant Davis, himself seriously wounded, crawled about the field for hours, where every detected move would draw fire from enemy riflemen and machine gunners, administering first aid and giving instructions for leaving the area after nightfall. The successful evacuation of the wounded under cover of darkness was accomplished under the direction of Lieutenant Davis, passing directly through hostile positions firing from ranges of less than 200 yards. The courage, tenacity, refusal to accept defeat, and heroic saving of life while others had given up in complete despair, reflect the highest qualities of leadership, courage, and traditions of the armed service.

II. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

CARL R. KACZMAREK, (ASN 7074206), Sergeant, Company "C", 16th Infantry. For gallantry in action. Sergeant Kaczmarek distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism on 10 November 1942 at Oran, Algeria, in action against an armed enemy. Although painfully wounded in the head, he returned to his unit after receiving first aid treatment and aided in the advance of his platoon. His tenacity, courage and exemplary action did much to inspire the other members of his organization to exert greater efforts toward the final capture of the objective.

III. CITATION OF UNIT IN THE UNITED STATES FORCES: The Commander-in-Chief is gratified to publish to the command the following citation of Company "B", 701st Tank Destroyer Battalion:

"General Order No. 12, December 15, 1942, General Juin, Commander of the French Army Detachment, cites in Army orders, Company "B", 701st Tank Destroyer Battalion, of the 1st Armored Division:

(Citation)

"A unit of outstanding courage in battle. Under the command of Captain Ellmann, it has accomplished by skillful maneuver and exceptional daring, in less than two days: The recapture of an important

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locality occupied by the enemy; the destruction of a strong armored column which attempted to recapture that locality; and the capture of a motorized column which threatened its flank.

(Signed) JWIN"

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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Section

Award of Soldier's Medal..... I
Commendation for Exceptionally Meritorious Service..... II

I. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

DERMONT C. MINER, (ASN 6930287), Sergeant, Company "H", 26th Infantry Regiment, for extraordinary heroism. On the morning of 3 December 1942, Sergeant Miner distinguished himself by demonstrating extraordinary heroism after an air attack on an ammunition dump at Faid, Tunisia. During the raid, the supplies of .50 caliber and 88-mm anti-tank ammunition were set afire and exploding. Several hundred rounds of 81-mm high explosive shells were in danger of being detonated. Sergeant Miner, totally disregarding his own safety, personally attempted to smother two separate fires, and through his efforts the fire was brought under control and extinguished. The initiative and gallant leadership of Sergeant Miner saved the entire reserve ammunition of the Task Force, and was a great inspiration to the other members of his organization.

II. COMMENDATION FOR EXCEPTIONALLY MERITORIOUS SERVICE: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-55, the following citation is published:

HUMPHREY GILBERT BOYS-SMITH, DSO, RD, Commander, Royal Navy Reserve. For exceptionally meritorious service rendered to the United States Army. On 7 November 1942, a ship loaded with landing craft and personnel of an infantry battalion was disabled due to enemy action. The personnel was transferred to the landing craft and Commander Boys-Smith was ordered to convoy the landing craft to the destination. By skillful maneuver and excellent judgment, Commander Boys-Smith transferred all of the personnel to his destroyer when it became apparent that the landing craft could not proceed and was in danger of sinking due to the heavy seas. Despite these handicaps and delays, through continued skill and intrepidity, Commander Boys-Smith landed the entire unit at Algiers without the loss of a single

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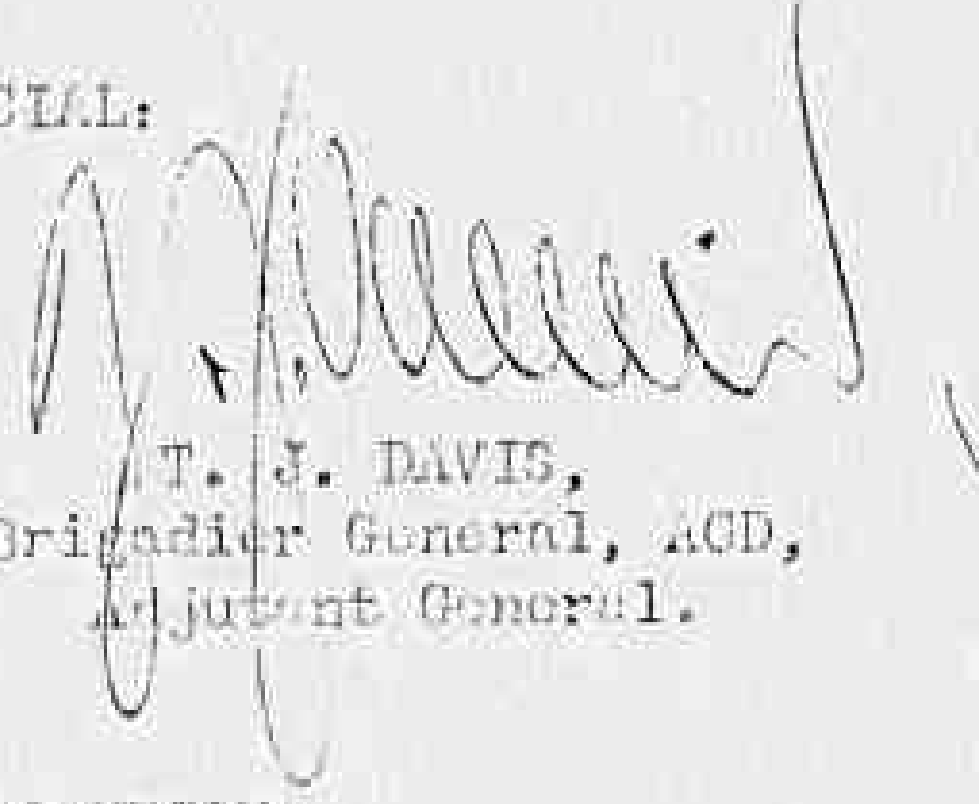
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life and in time to participate in the assault, thus contributing greatly to the success of the operation.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

1. The following Christmas Message is from The President of the United States:

The White House
Washington
Christmas 1942

To the men and women of the Armed Forces:

Happily, the star of Christmas again shines brightly in a world black with war and hate. Never has mankind yearned more for what that star signifies: for peace and honor to men of good will. The way we must travel is yet long.

As you go hopefully forward into the New Year you can be sustained by the thought that you have the most precious gift which is in the power of your countrymen to bestow: their affection and deep gratitude. To this I can only add my very warmest personal greetings to every one of you.

(signed) FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT

2. I desire that this inspiring message from The President be brought to the personal attention of every member of this command on Christmas Day.

W. H. Eisenhower

DUKE D. EISENHOWER
Lieutenant General, U. S. A.
Commander-in-Chief

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I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL: Announcement is made of the Award by the War Department of the Distinguished Service Medal (3257) to Mr. Robert D. Murphy, Foreign Service Officer of the United States and the Department of State, serving with the Army of the United States, with the following citation:

MR. ROBERT D. MURPHY, Foreign Service Officer of the United States and the Department of State for Distinguished Service to the United States, in a position of great responsibility while serving with the Army of the United States. He displayed exceptionally outstanding qualities of leadership, courage, and sound judgment often under extremely hazardous circumstances. Additionally, he rendered outstanding and effective service by assisting in negotiations with French authorities in North Africa by which hostilities locally were ended.

II. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

ROBERT ROONEY, (ASN 20709719), Staff Sergeant, Company "H", 135th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 8 November 1942, in the city of Algiers, Algeria, Staff Sergeant Rooney distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. The troops which had landed in the city were ordered to withdraw because of heavy opposition. Staff Sergeant Rooney's group had to pass a street intersection which was under heavy machine gun fire from two directions. After passing the intersection himself, Staff Sergeant Rooney saw Private Lawrence Pender receive a wound and fall in the danger area. With utter disregard for his own safety, Staff Sergeant Rooney went back, and under heavy fire carried Private Pender to cover. His action probably saved the life of his comrade at great actual risk to his own.

III. AWARD, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is posthumously awarded to the following named enlisted man:

MELVIN A. LEIN, (ASN 20707266), Private First Class, Medical Detachment, 135th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 8 November 1942, in the city of Algiers, Algeria, Private First Class Lein distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy.

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During the initial assault on the city, he was informed of the location of a wounded officer of his organization, but was told he would have to subject himself to heavy machine gun fire in order to reach the officer. With utter disregard for his own safety, he went to the officer and rendered emergency treatment. Private First Class Lein then started back to his post, but was killed by enemy machine gun fire. His valiant action and devotion to duty set a high example to all his comrades.

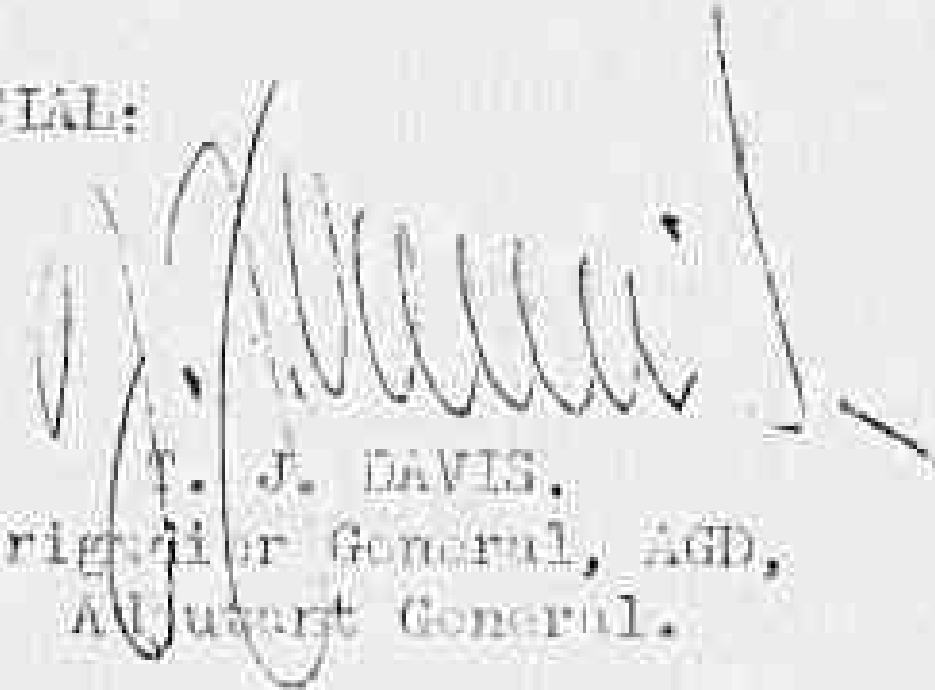
IV. ASSIGNMENT OF PROVOST MARSHAL GENERAL:

Colonel WILLIAM H. HUGLIN, 015812, GMP, is announced as Provost Marshal General, AF, vice Colonel JOHN F. LEE, JR., 015824, Inf., relieved from additional duty.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is posthumously awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

DON E. PASSAGE (ASN 36124648), Private First Class, Company B, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary Heroism in Action. Private First Class Passage distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism on 8 November 1942 at Kasba-Mehdia, French Morocco, in action against an armed enemy. Although under enemy fire from the front and the flank, he kept his machine gun in action, silencing enemy fire and enabling our troops to withdraw to positions from which they could effectively engage the enemy. His heroic actions cost him his life.

CHARLES DUSHANE, C1290919, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary Heroism in Action. On 8 November 1942, at Kasba-Mehdia, French Morocco, Lieutenant Dushane distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. With some enlisted men, he entered the lighthouse on the Kasba after crossing enemy barbed wire entanglements, while under heavy enemy small arms fire, and captured twelve hostile troops who were using machine-guns and rifles. This enabled our troops to take the strategic position commanded by the lighthouse. Lieutenant Dushane later demonstrated coolness and bravery beyond the call of duty when, upon the withdrawal of our troops from the Native Village, he and Corporal Frank L. Czar manned an enemy anti-tank gun in full view of the enemy. Part of the breach of the gun had been removed and Lieutenant Dushane was able to fire the gun only by firing bullets from his sub-machine gun into the base of the anti-tank shell. Meanwhile Corporal Czar aimed the gun. In this manner he destroyed one enemy tank and delayed the enemy attack. It was while operating this gun that Lieutenant Dushane lost his life.

HARRY C. HELLER, C442443, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary Heroism in Action. On 8 November 1942, at Kasba-Mehdia, French Morocco, Lieutenant Heller distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. He advanced alone toward enemy machine-gun emplacements with only his sub-machine gun as a weapon. Lieutenant Heller disarmed and captured seven prisoners, thus silencing the machine-gun and enabling his organization to take the commanding position around the Kasba, which resulted in the complete defeat of the hostile forces. Lieutenant Heller

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continued to fight aggressively throughout the day and his attitude was an inspiration to the officers and men of his organization. While leading his men into the trenches in the Sative Village later that day, Lieutenant Hether was killed by a heavy blast of machine gun fire.

ALFRED T. SHARPE, 01288635, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 8 November 1942 at Kasba Kaddia, French Morocco, Lieutenant Sharpe distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. When the advance of our troops was held up, Lieutenant Sharpe went forward with a runner to reconnoiter enemy machine gun positions. Attaining an exposed vantage position, he sent the runner back with the information obtained and remained in his position, despite being under heavy fire. Although his position was untenable, Lieutenant Sharpe engaged the enemy with fire and created a diversion that enabled our troops to capture the enemy position and take fifteen prisoners. His gallant actions cost Lieutenant Sharpe his life.

GEORGE T. DURNS, 0417649, First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, 60th Field Artillery Battalion. For extraordinary heroism in action. At Kasba Kaddia, French Morocco, on 10 November 1942, Lieutenant Durns distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. Having completed his assigned mission of checking wire communications, Lieutenant Durns volunteered to get information on artillery targets. He went forward to do so, going beyond ordinary limits to find an observation point of vantage. To reach such a point Lieutenant Durns had to pass through enemy small arms and machine gun fire. This he did with complete disregard for his personal safety. He was killed by enemy small arms fire before he could return to the batteries with the information he had obtained.

II. AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS AND Distinguished Service Cross: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, is awarded. A Distinguished Service Cross is awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

GEORGE THELSON (ASN 38105566), Private, Company "C", 1st Armored Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of 10 November 1942, while participating in a tank attack on St. Cloud, Algeria, as an assistant driver, Private Thelson distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism against an armed enemy. Private Thelson was shot through the neck but, without a word as to his injury, he continued to perform his duties, firing the bow machine gun with one hand while he endeavored to staunch the flow of blood with the other hand. Private Thelson succeeded in silencing an enemy machine gun which was firing on our advancing infantry. His courage and fidelity to duty served as an inspiration to the other members of his organization.

JOHN L. FISHER (ASN 25166460), Private First Class, Company "E", 60th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. Private First Class Fisher distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism at Kasba Kaddia, French Morocco on 8 November 1942 in action against an armed enemy. He climbed the walls of the Fort, from this exceptionally hazardous position firing his automatic rifle at the enemy, diverted their attention and enabled our other troops to place in and make entry through the main gates of the Fort. This act aided in the fall of the Kasba and the surrender of many prisoners inside the walls.

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I. AWARDS, POSTHUMOUS, OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross is posthumously awarded to the following named officers and enlisted men:

DON B. PASSAGE (ASN 36124043), Private First Class, Company H, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary Heroism in Action. Private First Class Passage distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism on 8 November 1942 at Kasba-Mahdia, French Morocco, in action against an armed enemy. Although under enemy fire from the front and the flank, he kept his machine gun in action, silencing enemy fire and enabling our troops to withdraw to positions from which they could effectively engage the enemy. His heroic actions cost him his life.

CHARLES DUSHANE, 01290919, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary Heroism in Action. On 8 November 1942, at Kasba-Mahdia, French Morocco, Lieutenant Dushane distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy. With three enlisted men, he entered the lighthouse on the Kasba after crossing enemy barbed wire entanglements, while under heavy enemy small arms fire, and captured twelve hostile troops who were using machine-guns and rifles. This enabled our troops to take the strategic position commanded by the lighthouse. Lieutenant Dushane later demonstrated coolness and bravery beyond the call of duty when, upon the withdrawal of our troops from the Native Village, he and Corporal Frank L. Czar manned an enemy anti-tank gun in full view of the enemy. Part of the breech of the gun had been removed and Lieutenant Dushane was able to fire the gun only by firing bullets from his sub-machine gun into the base of the anti-tank shell. Meanwhile Corporal Czar aimed the gun. In this manner he destroyed one enemy tank and delayed the enemy attack. It was while operating this gun that Lieutenant Dushane lost his life.

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FRANK L. CZAR (ASN 33068615), Corporal, Company "B", 80th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. Corporal Czar distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy at Kaste-Mahdia, French Morocco on 8 November 1942. In company with Lieutenant Charles Dushene and two enlisted men, he entered the Lighthouse on the Kasba after crossing many barbed wire entanglements while under heavy enemy fire and captured twelve hostile troops who were holding up our advance. This enabled our troops to take the strategic position commanded by the Lighthouse. Corporal Czar later demonstrated coolness and bravery above and beyond the call of duty when he assisted Lieutenant Dushene in manning an abandoned enemy anti-tank gun in full view of the enemy. Part of the breach of this gun had been removed and the Lieutenant was able to fire it only by firing at the base of the anti-tank shell with his sub-machine gun, while Corporal Czar aimed the anti-tank gun. By this heroic action Corporal Czar assisted in destroying one enemy tank and delaying the enemy attack.

CLARENCE L. SCHLER, (ASN 39678307), Private First Class, Company "B", 60th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. Private First Class Schler distinguished himself on 8 November 1942 by outstanding heroism in climbing the walls of the fortification at Kaste-Mahdia, French Morocco, from this exceptionally hazardous position firing his automatic rifle at the enemy, diverting their attention and enabling our other troops to clear in and make entry through the main gates of the Fort. This act aided in the fall of the Kasba and the surrender of many prisoners from inside the walls.

JOHN L. NICHOLS (ASN 37101302), T/5, Company "C", 1st Armored Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of 10 November 1942, T/5 Nichols distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism against an armed enemy during an attack at St. Cloud, Algeria. A tank driver, T/5 Nichols was wounded about the head and face by a direct hit from an artillery shell on his vision slot. He refused relief and continued to drive his tank through a trap, despite considerable loss of blood. After maneuvering his tank out of the trap, T/5 Nichols persisted in his refusal to be relieved until the action was terminated, at which time he was so weak that he could not leave the tank without assistance. His tenacity and courage were an inspiration to the other members of his organization.

JOHN M. MURPHY, 0394459, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 66th Armored Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of 9 November 1942, Lieutenant Murphy distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action in the vicinity of Port Mahdia, French Morocco. He led his command of three tanks against a superior force of enemy tanks and entrenched infantry, fearlessly attacking two tanks and driving both away. In this attack, his tank was hit three times and his periscope rendered useless. Lieutenant Murphy continued to seek out the enemy, standing in his turret exposed to small arms fire, until the enemy withdrew completely from his sector. The successful thwarting of the attempt by the enemy tanks to drive through to the flank and rear of our infantry was essential to the success of the operation. Lieutenant Murphy's vigor and example contributed in full measure to the results and to the ultimate success of the entire operation.

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ROY J. SMITH, 0122205, Second Lieutenant, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For extraordinary heroism in action. Lieutenant Smith distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against an armed enemy at Port Lyautey, French Morocco on the night of 9 November 1942. With three privates, he crept up under cover of darkness to within thirty feet of a hostile position in the face of heavy fire of small arms and automatic weapons. Lieutenant Smith then shot two of the enemy with his sub-machine gun and destroyed the enemy position with hand grenades, allowing his unit to advance.

An Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded, in addition to a Distinguished Service Cross previously awarded, to the following named officers:

HARRY W. SEWERS, 0900733, Lieutenant Colonel, Cavalry, 60th Armored Regiment. For extraordinary heroism in action. On 9 November 1942, at Port Lyautey, French Morocco, Lieutenant Colonel Sewers distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in the face of an armed enemy. Ordered to guard the flank of a unit in action, with only six light tanks at his disposal, he encountered a force of about eighteen enemy tanks supported by infantry. These were immediately engaged and driven off with a loss of four tanks. Lieutenant Colonel Sewers led this attack and then left his tank to personally direct the disposition of his force, with utter disregard for his own safety.

III AWARDS OF SILVER STAR: Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, a Silver Star is awarded to the following named officers:

EDWARD J. EDWINSON, service number unknown, Second Lieutenant, Cavalry, 13th Armored Regiment, formerly Motor Sergeant, Company "C", 13th Armored Regiment, (ASN 6260453) For Gallantry in Action. On the afternoon of 8 November 1942, Lieutenant Edwinson, while Motor Sergeant, distinguished himself in action against an armed enemy at Mers el Khar, Algeria. Being in a half-track vehicle, Lieutenant Edwinson came upon a road-block defended by light artillery and small arms. He instantly moved the machine gun and, while under continuous and heavy fire, succeeded in disabling a light artillery piece and prime mover. When his vehicle became disabled and it was necessary to abandon it, Lieutenant Edwinson covered the dismounting of the crew by continuing to man the machine gun until they had taken shelter from the enemy fire. His actions were based upon outstanding leadership, courage and care for his crew. Lieutenant Edwinson was promoted to his present rank on the field of battle for his gallantry and courage in action.

EDGAR F. MAHER, 0452004, Second Lieutenant, Cavalry, 13th Armored Regiment. For Gallantry in Action. While commanding a platoon of tanks during an action at Mers el Khar, Algeria, on 7 November 1942, Lieutenant Maher distinguished himself against an armed enemy. Being ordered to attack the town, he led his platoon toward the enemy left flank and destroyed enemy artillery positions. He led his platoon in an immediate assault upon the guns, without hesitation. A direct hit by an artillery shell stopped his tank, killing the driver and seriously wounding Lieutenant Maher. The gallant leadership, initiative and valor displayed by Lieutenant Maher inspired his men throughout the remainder of the operation.

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FREDERICK J. de ROHAN, 04553, Colonel, Infantry, 60th Infantry. For Gallantry in Action. On the morning of 10 November 1942, Colonel de Rohan assumed personal command of the assault force on his combat ship, which captured the strong fortification known as the Bastion at Madaia, Morocco. Colonel de Rohan distinguished himself in action against an enemy, acting with utter disregard for his own safety. Under intense machine gun, mortar and light artillery fire, he coordinated the assault with the use of naval bombardment aircraft and self-propelled artillery. The fortification was taken by storm, thus opening the Gued Sabon.

BY AWARDS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL AND ONE STAR MEDAL: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Medal is awarded to the following named officers:

COMMODORE T. M. TROUBLEDGE, Royal Navy, for exceptionally meritorious service to the United States in a position of great responsibility. Commodore Troubridge commanded the convoy and Royal Navy which transported and then supported the successful landing of troops of the Central Task Force to North Africa. Details of the war zone were planned, organized and executed under the direction of Commodore Troubridge, resulting in the successful landing of American troops to the area assigned to the Central Task Force. The fine support of the Royal Navy during the landing of American troops was a contributing factor in assisting these forces to accomplish their respective missions. This service rendered by Commodore Troubridge was largely responsible for the successful execution of the initial portion of the task assigned to the Central Task Force. It was executed so perfectly that there was not a single loss of personnel or equipment due to enemy action during the entire voyage of the assault convoy of the Central Task Force from the United Kingdom to the Green area.

ADMIRAL SIR HAROLD G. BURROUGH, 7531, CB, DSO, Royal Commander of the Eastern Task Force in the operation against North Africa, for exceptionally meritorious service to the United States in a position of great responsibility. Admiral Burrough commanded a force consisting of elements of the United States Navy, Royal Navy, United States and British armies, and the Royal Air Force, which he successfully conveyed from the United Kingdom through the Straits of Gibraltar and more than 500 miles into the Mediterranean. Due to his careful planning and execution not a single ship was lost, troops were landed at the appointed place in accordance with the plan and without any casualties. Through the ensuing by this Admiral Burrough furnished protection from the sea and effective bombardment and air support. Admiral Burrough's leadership and cooperation with the army forces contributed to the prompt achievement of opening forces with a minimum of bloodshed. Their effort was so disposed and employed his forces as to provide continuous protection to ports and air routes, the use of which was essential to the Allied Forces.

ADMIRAL H. E. HEWITT, United States Navy, for exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. Admiral Hewitt, in his capacity as Commander of the Amphibious Force, Atlantic Fleet, and 1 Naval Task Force No. 34, with the highest type of skill and leadership, conducted his large fleet from the United States through the shoals of French waters, through waters infested with hostile submarines, without loss. Through his own foresight,

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and leadership, the forces he transported were landed 8 November 1942 on a hostile and unknown shore, during hours of darkness, in a heavy sea, at the proper time and places. In subsequent tactical action he handled his forces so as to prevent interference by hostile naval units with the landing of our forces as planned. His services contributed in marked degree to the success of the enterprise.

MAJOR GENERAL MLOYD R. FREEDMAN, 05197, Army of the United States. For exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. General Freedman, commander of the Center Task Force, demonstrated highest qualities of leadership. The capture of the Oita area was vigorously opposed and it was due largely to General Freedman's brilliant leadership and personal force that opposition was overcome so quickly and the surrender of the opposing forces secured. (Serial number 3293)

MAJOR GENERAL CHARLES W. HYDER, 03803, Army of the United States. For exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. General Hyder was responsible for the planning and execution of the attack of the Eastern Assault Force. He demonstrated the highest qualities of leadership in training his troops and in conducting the assault. By his vigorous advances and tactful handling of the negotiations with local authorities he minimized resistance and contributed to the early capitulation of the area of Alibon. (Serial number 3294)

MAJOR GENERAL HERMAN N. HARMON, 03282, Army of the United States, commander of the Second Forward Division, for exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. General Harmon, on 8 November 1942, conducted a rapid attack on the harbor and town of Saff, French Morocco, with complete success. After the town and harbor were captured he continued the attack with dash and drive. This subsequent operation terminated with the forcing of a river crossing, after a ninety mile night march through hostile country. During the entire fight General Harmon demonstrated the highest character of combat leadership. In advancing them across a 300-foot bridge to force the enemy that no resistance existed, he showed devotion to duty and a scorn of danger inspiring the highest command. His initiative and leadership contributed in a marked degree to the successful early termination of resistance and the capitulation of the enemy forces in French Morocco.

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BRIGADIER GENERAL DOUGLAS K. TRUSCOTT, JR., 37096, Army of the United States, commander of one of the sub-Task Forces of the Western Task Force, for exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. General Truscott organized a wholly strange command, trained it, and planned operations in a manner that demonstrated organizational and administrative ability of the highest order. His conduct of the landing operations of his command, on 6 November 1942, as a part of the Western Task Force, resulted in the capture of Fort Lynabey, with its harbor, against superior enemy opposition. He exhibited tireless activity and devotion to duty and complete scorn of personal danger to which he was incessantly exposed. The success of that operation was largely due to his professional ability and brilliant battle leadership.

MAJOR GENERAL LUTHERFORD A. OLIVER, (then Brigadier General) 0-2556, Army of the United States, while in command of Combat Command "B" (Armored Force) of the Center Task Force, for exceptionally meritorious service in a position of great responsibility. This officer formulated excellent plans for the solution of his tasks even though the situation was obscure and it was not possible to make preliminary reconnaissance of any portion of the field of action. But more notably, this officer when confronted with the situation, which were then involved the strength of his force, was able to alter his plans and carry them into execution. His response to orders was immediate and effective. The action of General Oliver materially assisted in accomplishing the mission of the Center Task Force. His force specifically captured and held the Tiferron Air Field and assisted in the mopping up of other stubbornly held centers of resistance. Later, he rapidly reorganized his force and then called upon in an emergency, conducted them in a minimum of time over 600 miles into a new battle area. There, from the moment of his arrival, General Oliver has been conspicuous by reason of his skillful battle leadership.

An Oak Leaf Cluster is awarded, in addition to a Distinguished Service Medal previously awarded, to the following special officer:

MAJOR GENERAL GARRETT S. BATTEN, JR., 32605, Army of the United States, for exceptionally meritorious service in a duty of great responsibility. General Batten, commander of the Western Task Force, was responsible for the planning and execution of the attack on French Morocco. He not only demonstrated organizational and training ability of the highest order in planning the operation, but also communicated his driving force and vigour to all elements of his command. The latter resulted in the maximum dash and offensive spirit in the execution of the assault, which contributed greatly to the early overcoming of opposition and the surrender of the opposing forces.

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V. AWARD OF SOLDIER'S MEDAL: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Soldier's Medal is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

10. W. ODOM (ASN 6971890), First Sergeant, Company "F", 503d Parachute Infantry, for extraordinary heroism. On the morning of 2 December 1942, in the headquarters of the 2d Battalion, 503d Parachute Infantry, a hand grenade (British type) complete with detonator fell to the floor, the safety pin came out and the handle came off. Sergeant Odom immediately dove at the grenade, covered it with his body and shouted "Live Hand Grenade." No explosion ensuing, Sergeant Odom directed the other five enlisted men present to leave the room and then departed himself. Later examination disclosed that the detonator of the grenade was defective; had it not been, Sergeant Odom's action could undoubtedly have resulted in the loss of his life in an attempt to protect the other men in the room.

By command of Lieutenant General HENRY H. HARRIS:

W. H. SMITH
Major General, G. S. C.
Chief of Staff

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Brigadier General, GDS,
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Announcement is made of the assignment of Brigadier General LOWELL W. ROCKS, 05602, GSC, as Assistant Chief of Staff G-3, vice Brigadier General LYMAN L. LEHNITZER, 012687, AGS, relieved.

By command of Lieutenant General MICHAEL:

M. P. SMITH,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Brigadier General, A.C.D.,
Adjutant General.

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Announcement is made of the appointment of Captain IVAN E. FRANKS, O.B.E., R.N., Ministry of Home Security, as Chief advisor to the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Force, on all matters pertaining to Passive Air Defense and Civil Defense. His duties will include the coordination of all matters relating to Passive Air and Civil Defense under the control of Allied Force Headquarters.

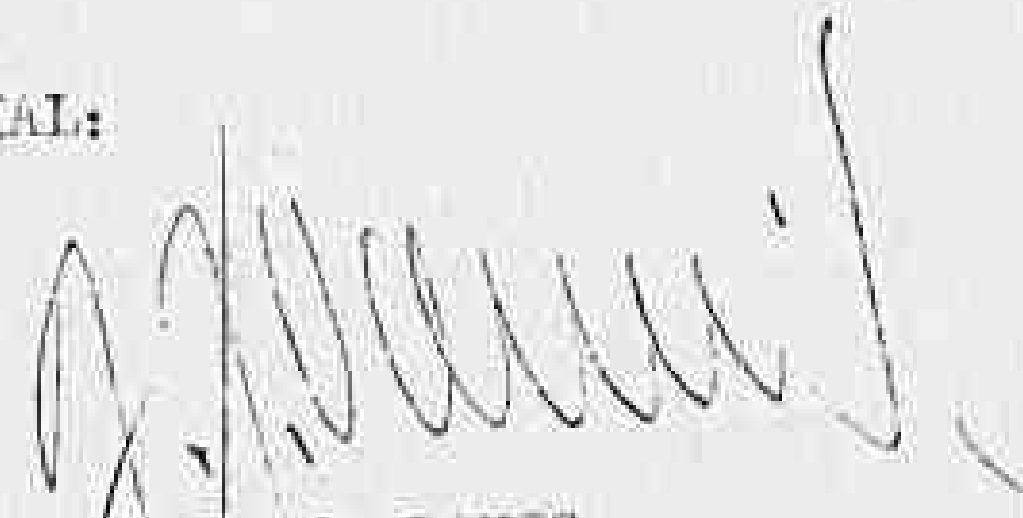
II. RESPONSIBILITY FOR PASSIVE AIR DEFENSE AND CIVIL DEFENSE, ALLIED FORCE

The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3, this headquarters, is charged with the primary interest and General Staff responsibility for all matters relating to Passive Air Defense and Civil Defense, Allied Force, North Africa.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W. B. SMITH
Major General, GSC
Chief of Staff

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AWARD OF AWARD, SILVER STAR

1. AWARD OF SILVER STAR: Under the provisions of Army Regulation 600-45, as amended, Silver Star (15826) is awarded to the following named officer.

EDSON D. RAFF, (19261, Colonel (then Lt. Col) 503d. Parachute Inf. for gallantry in action. Despite injuries incurred in a parachute jump, 8 November 1942, in action against the enemy, Colonel Raff led his Battalion to its objective. On 17 November 1942, following another parachute jump, Colonel Raff succeeded in reaching the objective with a force from his battalion. Colonel Raff's actions and decisions, without regard to personal safety, have evidenced gallantry in action which has been a source of inspiration not only to his own troops but to others with whom he has worked.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W. G. SMITH,
 Brigadier General, GSC,
 Chief of Staff.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Brigadier General
RONALD L. DAVISON, C-3783, C. E., as Engineer Officer, Allied
Force.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

M. B. SMITH
Brigadier General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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Colonel,
Assistant Engineer.

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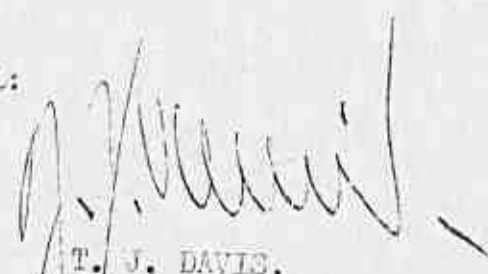
ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Major General Carl Speatz, 03706, USA, Commanding General, Eighth Air Force, as Acting Deputy Commander-in-Chief for Air, Allied Force, in addition to his other duties.

By command of Lieutenant General GUSTAFSON:

W. R. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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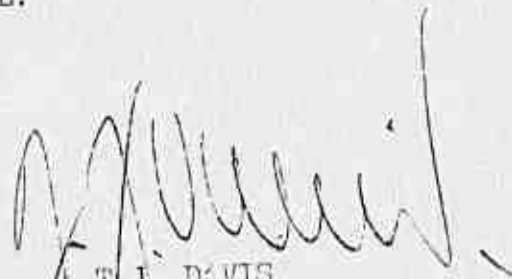
APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PROVOST MARSHAL

Announcement is made of the appointment of Colonel JOHN W. RAMSEY JR., 015824, Infantry, Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, as Acting Provost Marshal, Allied Force, in addition to his regular duties.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W.B. SMITH
Brigadier General, GSC, Chief of Staff

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF AWARD, D.S.M.

I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL:

Announcement is made of the Award by the War Department of the Distinguished Service Medal (3249) to Lieutenant General Mark W. Clark, Deputy Commander-in-Chief, Allied Force, with the following citation:

"MARK W. CLARK, Lieutenant-General (then Major-General) Army of the UNITED STATES, as Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the Allied North African Force, he rendered distinguished service to the United States Army in connection with the planning and organization for the operations in Africa. As Deputy Commander of the Allied North African Force he carried out a vitally important and hazardous mission to Algiers by submarine and conducted with conspicuous success important negotiations with French officials. In all of these duties he displayed outstanding characteristics of leadership, sound judgment and soldierly qualities to the honor of the Army of the United States".

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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Colonel, A. G. D.,
Adjutant General.

W. B. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC,
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NUMBER 20)

MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY OF STATE

1. The following message from the Secretary of State to the Chief of Staff and transmitted to the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Force, is published for the information of all concerned:

"The planning and launching of the North African Campaign constitutes one of the most brilliant chapters in our military history and I extend to you and to the army personnel participating my sincere congratulations on a job well done. This highly successful operation is a real contribution toward final victory."

2. The foregoing message from the Secretary of State will be brought to the attention of all members of this command.

By command of Lieutenant General WICKHAM:

W. P. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC, Chief of Staff

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Colonel, A.G.D.
Adjutant General.

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28 November 1942

Section

Award of, Distinguished Service Cross I
Award of, Distinguished Service Cross II
Award of, Distinguished Service Cross III

I. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross (8213) is awarded to the following named enlisted man:

Sanford L. Forbes (Army Serial Number 70335636), Corporal, Headquarters Company, 1st Infantry, for extraordinary heroism in action. On the morning of 8 November 1942, at Fesala, French Morocco, Corporal Forbes voluntarily chauffeured for Colonel William H. Wilbur, with full knowledge of the great risk involved. Under fire from naval weapons, tanks, machine guns and rifles, he drove Colonel Wilbur from Fesala to Casablanca, Morocco, through country occupied by enemy troops, on a mission of vital importance. At the conclusion of this mission, Corporal Forbes again demonstrated the greatest possible personal bravery when, equipped only with a Thompson Submachine Gun, he voluntarily drove his unarmored 1/4 ton Reconnaissance Car into action toward an enemy battery which was doing heavy damage to our landing boats.

II. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross (8251) is awarded to the following named retired officer of the Royal Navy of Great Britain:

P. T. Peters, BSO, DSO, Captain, Royal Navy, Retired. For extraordinary heroism in action. While in command of the ship carrying Landing Forces of the United States Army into the harbor of Oran, Morocco, in the early morning of 8 November 1942, Captain Peters distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism against an armed enemy during the attack on that port. He remained at the bridge in command of his ship in spite of the fact that the protective armor thereon had been blown in by enemy shell fire and was thereby exposed personally to the withering cross fire from shore batteries. He accomplished the berthing of his ship, then went to the forward deck and assisted by one officer secured the forward mooring lines. He then with utter disregard of his own personal safety went to the quarter-deck and assisted in securing the aft mooring lines so that the troops on board could disembark. At that time the enemy coast gun in Oran and very shortly thereafter exploded and the ship turned up its 93 and sank.

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III. AWARD OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, a Distinguished Service Cross (8247) is awarded to the following named officer:

William L. Hoir, O-321379, Captain, Medical Corps, 2nd Bn. 503rd Parachute Infantry, For extraordinary heroism in action. While acting in the capacity of Platoon Leader for a flight of three gliders transporting personnel of his battalion in the early morning of 8 November 1942, which was participating in the combined operations of the Center Task Force, was suddenly shot down by attacking enemy planes in the vicinity of the southwest end of the Gran Sasso, Gran, Morocco. During the attack in the air and the ensuing struggle on the ground following the crash landing of the three air transports, Captain Hoir distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism against the armed enemy by his inspiring administration of medical attention to the wounded personnel before he gave any attention to himself, despite several severe wounds to his head and back. Captain Hoir's display of ability to carry on regardless of immediate circumstances exemplified the type of devotion to duty which won commendation for his entire battalion.

By command of Lieutenant General WISEBOWER:

W. B. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Adjutant General.

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18 November 1942

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Col MAURICE J. MEYER, 0206740, JAG, as CHIEF, Special Service Section, this headquarters, vice Col GEORGE E. BERRY, 0146348, 25, relieved.

By Command of Lieutenant General RICHARD W.:

T. B. TETH,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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s/ T. J. DAVIS,
t/ T. J. DAVIS,
Colonel, AGD.,
Adjutant General.

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WILLIAM J. MCCORD, JR.
1st Lieutenant, AGD.,
Asst. Adjutant General.

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Paragraph 2, Section II, General Order Number 1, this headquarters, 12 September 1942, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

1. The Postal Address for official and private correspondence addressed to British personnel of this headquarters outside the U.K. will be:

Allied Force Headquarters
APO 4520

2. This will not apply to British personnel assigned to this headquarters and stationed within the U.K. The address for such personnel will continue to be:

Allied Force Headquarters
AFHQ 1

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

T. B. WITT,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

s/ T. J. DAVIS,
t/ T. J. DAVIS,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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WILLIAM J. MCCARE, JR.
1st Lieutenant, AGD,
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ANNOUNCEMENT OF APPOINTMENT

Announcement is made that Brigadier General W. B. SMITH, 010197,
U. S. Army, has this date appointed 2d Lieutenant JAMES J. ROBINSON, 0885436,
AUS, as his aide.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W. B. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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Colonel, A.G.C.,
Adjutant General.

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ARREST AND CUSTODY

1. British Service authorities may arrest and hold in custody members of the U. S. Forces alleged to be guilty of desertion, absence without leave, or other offenses punishable under the law of the United States of America.
2. United States military authorities may arrest and hold in custody members of the British Forces alleged to be guilty of desertion, absence without leave, or other offenses punishable under the law of the United Kingdom.
3. In general, and except in cases of the alleged commission of serious crime, or in the case of grave disorder and in the absence of the forces responsible for the restoring of order, British Service personnel will not be arrested by members of the U. S. Army or vice versa, other than the Military Police.
4. An officer in to whose custody a member of the U. S. or British Forces is handed over in arrest will ascertain whether the British or U. S. authorities as the case may be have been informed of the arrest. If they have not been informed, notification will be sent by telegram or telephone to the nearest U. S. or British unit or to the nearest U. S. or British Provost Officer. Within forty-eight (48) hours of receiving notification of arrest, an escort from the U. S. or British Forces, whichever may be concerned, will take over the accused.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

OFFICIAL:

T. G. Davis
T. G. DAVIS
Colonel, A.G.D.
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NUMBER 13)

MEDITERRANEAN BASE SECTION, SOS

1. Pursuant to authority contained in secret cable, 1 November 1942, the Mediterranean Base Section, SOS, is constituted.
2. Brigadier General THOMAS B. LARKIN, O-3785, is designated Commanding General, Mediterranean Base Section, SOS.
3. The following named units are constituted and will be activated by the Commanding General, Mediterranean Base Section, SOS:
 - Headquarters Mediterranean Base Section, SOS
 - Headquarters Company, Mediterranean Base Section, SOS
 - Headquarters Special Troops, Mediterranean Base Section, SOS
 - Medical Detachment, Special Troops, Mediterranean Base Section, SOS

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

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24 Oct 1942

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

1. Announcement is made of the assignment of Colonel
GEORGE E. RAY, O106948, CG, as Chief, Special Service Section,
this Headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General HISENBERG:

W. D. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC, Chief of Staff.

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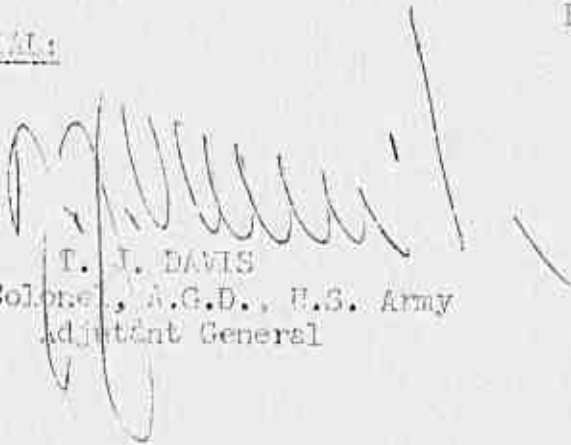
ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENTS

1. Announcement is made of the assignment of Brigadier J. F. M. WHITLEY, General Staff (British Army) as Deputy Chief of Staff, Allied Force Headquarters, vice Brigadier C. S. SUDEN (British Army), relieved.
2. Announcement is made of the assignment of Colonel WILLIAM G. STIRLING, M.A. (British Army), as British Military Assistant to the Commander-in-Chief.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER

W. B. SMITH
Brigadier General, C. S. C. U. S. Army
Chief of Staff

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Brigadier C. S. SUGDEN, (British Army), as Deputy Chief of Staff, AFHQ, vice Brigadier G.F.M. WHITLEY, (British Army), relieved.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

A. B. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC, U.S.A.,
Chief of Staff.

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Colonel, G.S.C., U.S.A.,
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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Mr. H. Freeman Matthews as Acting Chief, Civil Affairs Section, this headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W. B. SMITH
Brigadier General, GSC., U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
T. A. DAVIS
Colonel, A.G.D., U.S.A.
Adjutant General.

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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ANNOUNCEMENT OF ASSIGNMENT

Announcement is made of the assignment of Mr. H. Freeman Matthews as acting Chief, Civil Affairs Section, this headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

W. B. SMITH,
Brigadier General, GSC., U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

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Colonel, A.G.D., U.S.A.
Adjutant General.

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Section

Constitution and Activation of Allied Force Headquarters and
Headquarters Command, Allied Force -----

I

Postal Designation -----

II

I--CONSTITUTION AND ACTIVATION OF ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS AND HEAD-
QUARTERS COMMAND, ALLIED FORCE. Allied Force Headquarters and Head-
quarters Command, Allied Force, are hereby constituted and activated.

II--POSTAL DESIGNATION. 1. a. The postal address of this headquarters
and for personal mail originating in the United States will be as follows:

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
A. F. O. 512
c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

b. In order to avoid confusion between the U. S. Army Postal
Service designation and similar designations of the British and Canadian
Army Postal Services, U. S. Military and Naval personnel assigned to this
headquarters will advise correspondents located in the United Kingdom to
place "U.S.A." immediately after APO 512, e. g. - APO 512 U.S.A.

2. The postal address for British personnel assigned to this head-
quarters will be as follows:

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
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3. Personnel of this headquarters will inform their correspondents
of the changes in postal addresses indicated above.

By command of Lieutenant General EISENHOWER:

A. D. GRUENTHER,
Brigadier General, General Staff Corps,
Acting Chief of Staff.

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F. J. DAVIS,
Colonel, A.G.D.,
Adjutant General.

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