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117th Air Div

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FROM: 010800 DEC 1944  
 TO : 011900 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MSCS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0800		"Voodoo Magic" password from 011700 Dec. to 021200 Dec. 1944
0900	①	C.P. 30TH INFANTRY DIVISION OF UNIT POSITIONS.
	1615	COL. JOHNSON, AND S-2 OUT TO DIV HQ.
	1145	S-3 OUT TO 1ST BN.
1227		THREE ENEMY PLANES (FW190) FLEW OVER REGTL. AREA, STRAFED AND DROPPED ONE BOMB NEAR BROICHWEIDEN. ONE EN. PLANE SHOT DOWN BY S-31 AMM.
	1230	S-3 NOTIFIED G-3 ABOVE EN. PLANES.
1530		COL JOHNSON IN.
1840	②	Overlay of 117TH INF. Positions 12-1-44
1900	③	LETTER FROM 30TH DIV REGARD. SELF-PROPELLED MORTAR CARRIER.

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FROM: 021030 DEC 44  
 TO : 022240 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MESS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1030		G-3 INFORMS S-3 CANNON CO CANNON <sup>CO</sup> BACK TO REST AREA WITH 118 <sup>TH</sup> F.A. BN. TOMORROW.
	1300	S-3 OUT TO 1ST & 3RD BNS.
1600	'	S-3 IN FORM BN'S.
1615	①	G-2 REPORT, XIX CORPS.
1825	②	Overlay of 117 <sup>TH</sup> INF. positions 12-244
2130	③	Overlay of 1st & 9th Armies positions 12-244
2210		1st Bn. 3 notified S-3 that air bursts were falling near Warden.
	2215	S-3 relayed above message to Div. counter battery.
2220	④	Div. F.O. 55 and accompanying overlay
	2240	S-3 notified all Bn. C.O.'s to be present at Regt. C.P. tomorrow 0930

FROM: 030850 DEC 44  
 TO : 031115 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0830	①	Sectional Map of Germany used for operations from Sept. 18 to Nov. 16, 1944.
0925		LT. COL. McDONNELL & MAJ. AMMONS IN.
0930		LT. COL. FRANKLAND IN.
	0930	118TH F.A. LN. LINE OUT FOR 2 DAYS.
	1300	1st. BN. OUT BY WIRE.
1310		1st. BN. IN BY WIRE
1320		G-2 SAYS UNCONFIRMED REPORT STATES 100 ENEMY PLANES WILL BE OVER OUR AREA THIS AFTERNOON.
	1320	ALL BNs GIVEN ABOVE INFORMATION.
	1420	COL JOHNSON - S.2 - S.3 OUT TO DIV.
1710		Col. Johnson, S.2 and S.3 back in C.P.
1715	②	Overly to accompany F.O. 55 12-3-44

FROM: 041020 DEC 44  
 TO : 042000 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1020		S-3 NOTIFIES ALL BNS & 119TH INF OF UNIT C.O.'S MEETING AT 1300 AT 1ST BN C.P.
1030		"FEIRCE FIGHT" PASSWORD UNTIL 054200 DEC 44
1250	①	OVERLAY SHOWING FRONT LINES 1ST DIV
1250	②	OVERLAY - 30TH & 29TH DIV FRONT.
1315		COL JOHNSON AND S-3 OUT TO 1 <sup>st</sup> BN.
1345		S-2 OUT TO DIV.
1410		2 <sup>nd</sup> BN OUT BY WIRE.
1415		2 <sup>nd</sup> BN IN BY WIRE
2000	③	Positions of 29th Div. 12-4-44
1630		COL JOHNSON & S-3 IN FROM 1ST BN -
1630		S-2 IN FROM DIVISION -

FROM: 050830 DEC 44  
 TO : 052100 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0830		"Wagon Wheel" password from 1200 Dec. 5 to 1200 DEC. 6. 1944.
1115	①	OVERLAY. C.P. 30TH INF. DIV.
	1230	COL JOHNSON OUT TO DIV HQ
	1400	S-3 OUT TO BN'S
1430		COL JOHNSON IN.
	1440	COL. JOHNSON OUT TO BN'S
2100	②	Message from Div. of mine field at 013588. 12.5.44
1620		S-3 IN FROM BNS.

FROM: 060900 DEC 79  
 TO : 061600 DEC 79

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0900		Gen. Harrison in.
	1000	GEN HARRISSON OUT WITH COL. JOHNSON TO 1ST BN.
1135		COL. JOHNSON IN
1320		118 FA LN "O" CHECKED IN
1430		ENGR LINE IN.
	1430	COL. JOHNSON OUT.
1500		CANNON CO CLOSES BACK INTO AREA FROM BAST CAMP.
1600		COL. JOHNSON IN-

FROM: 070945 DEC 44  
 TO : 07 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0945		G-3 TO S-3 - RELIABLE SOURCE STATES ENEMY AIRCRAFT IN STRENGTH MAY BE USED AGAINST US TODAY. YOUR UNITS SHOULD BE ALERTED
	1950	ALL BNS NOTIFIED OF ABOVE MESSAGE
	1000	S-3 OUT.
1030		S-3 IN.
	1400	S-3 OUT TO 1ST BN.
	1500	COL JOHNSON OUT.
1630		COL JOHNSON IN.
1635		S-3 IN FROM 1ST BN.
		<del>G-3 TO S-3 - 30</del>



FROM: 081230 DEC 44  
 TO : 081900 DEC 44

JOURNAL

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1230		G-3 TO S-3 - 30-50 ENEMY PLANES EXPECTED OVER LINNICH & JULICH.
	1230	ABOVE INFO. GIVEN TO ALL ISNS.
	1300	COL JOHNSON, S-2, S-3 OUT TO DIV.
1625		COL. JOHNSON, S-2, S-3 IN FROM DIV.
1900		① Overlay of 117th INF. positions.

FROM: 090930 DEC 44  
 TO : 092100 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	0930	1ST BN LINE OUT.
	0938	S-3 ASKS G-3 ABOUT DOTTED AREA ON OVERLAY. G-3 SAYS IT IS POSSIBLE DANGER AREA DURING ROCKET FIRING DEMONSTRATION & THAT OUR TROOPS IN THAT AREA SHOULD BE EVACUATED BETWEEN HOURS OF 1200 TO 1800.
	0940	S-3 GIVES 2ND BN. 6 ABOVE INFO, & HE SAYS HE WILL EVACUATE TROOPS FOR STATED PERIOD.
	0945	① OVERLAY SHOWING DANGER AREA DURING ROCKET FIRE DEMONSTRATION
	0950	S-3 NOTIFIES ALL BN. C.O.'S THAT THEY CAN ATTEND ROCKET DEMONSTRATION AT 1430 AT (900489).
	1302	1ST BN. LINE IN.
	1355	COL. JOHNSON AND <sup>S-2 AND</sup> S-3 OUT TO DEMONSTRATION OF ROCKETS.
	1530	COL JOHNSON - S2-S3-IN.
	1900	② Overlay of positions of 9th ARMY 12-9-44
	2140	413th INF. notified S-3 they will fire 60mm mortars tomorrow at 960500 to 960504.
	2145	S-3 relayed above message to 2nd Bn. 3
	2200	③ Overlay showing area for demonstration of anty. firing.

FROM: 10 0900 DEC 44  
 TO : 10 2100 DEC 44

JOURNAL

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0900		"GOLF-WIDOW" PASSWORD FROM
		1200 10 DEC TO 1200 11 DEC 44
1035		S-3 OUT TO 3RD BN.
	①	INFO. OVERLAY 30TH INF. DIVISION.
1310		COL. JOHNSON OUT.
1445		S-3 IN FROM 3RD. BN.
1340	②	REGUL. TNG. SCHEDULE FOR 11 DEC 44
1350		COL. JOHNSON IN.
2100	③	Div. letter of instructions 12-10-44

FROM: 111100  
 TO : 112100

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1100	S-2 & S-3 OUT TO ARTY DEMONSTRATION.
1400		GEN HOBBS AWARDED THE DISC, SILVER STAR, AND BRONZE STARS TO OFFICERS AND MEN OF 117TH INF.
	1425	GEN HOBBS OUT
1600		S-3 AND S-2 IN FROM ARTY
1815		S-2 back in C.P.
2100	①	C.P. 30TH DIV. INFO. OVERLAYS 12-11-4

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FROM: 120855 DEC 94  
 TO : 121910 DEC 94

TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC.	Action Taken
0855				G-3 notified S-3 that rockets will be fired Dec 15th from 0800 to 1200 and to notify units to keep out of danger area.	
0855				Col. Purdue C.O. of 110th INF. IN.	
0900				Gen. Harrison IN.	
		0930		GEN HARRISON OUT	
		0945		COL JOHNSON OUT TO 1ST BN.	
		1000		S-3 TO CREW-2 NOTIFIED THAT ROCKETS WILL BE FIRED FROM 0800-1200 ON 15 DEC 94. KEEP PEOPLE OUT OF DANGER AREA. SEE OVERLAY THAT WAS SENT DOWN A COUPLE DAYS AGO.	
1020				CREW-2 TO S-3 THE OUTFIT SOUTH OF US IS FIRING BAR AND MG THROUGH "G" Co AREA.	
		1021		S-3 TO G-3 NOTIFIED ABOUT THE 104TH DIV FIRING INTO 2d BN.	
1035			①	INFORMATION OVERLAY FROM DIV S-3 TO G-3: 3RD BN CLOSED INTO REST AREA AS OF 1030	
		1045		COL. JOHNSON IN.	
1125			②	OVERLAY OF 3d BN IN REST AREA.	
1200		1200		S-3 OUT TO 1ST BN.	
1900			③	105 Engrs. Rd. Clear + Barr. Rpt. No. 60	
1905			④	30TH DIV. INFO. Overlay 12-12-94	
1910			⑤	30th DIV. OPER. MEMO. No. 1 12-11-94	

FROM: 130800 DEC 44  
 TO : 131630 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0800		"SCORE PAD" PASSWORD FROM 1200 DEC. 13 TO 1200 DEC 15, 1944
	1030	COL JOHNSON OUT TO 30TH DIV. DEMONSTRATION AT ST. JORIS
	1030	S-2, S-3 OUT TO 2ND ARMED DEMONSTRATION AT ALSDORF.
1510		S-2, S-3 IN FROM ALSDORF.
	1550	BOTH CUSTOM LINES OUT.
1600		COL. JOHNSON IN FROM ST. JORIS
1630		CUSTOM LINES IN.

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FROM: 140930 DEC 44  
 TO : 141830 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	0930		COL JOHNSON, S-3 OUT TO DIVISION
	1120		S-3 TO G-3 - REPORTS 3RD BN CLOSED INTO ASSEMBLY AREA AT 1000 2ND BN CLOSED INTO REST AREA AT 0930.
1640			S-3 IN FROM DIVISION
RJB			3RD BN 3 TO S-3 FRIENDLY MINE FIELD (UNMARKED) AT (953522) ON ROAD BETWEEN LAURENCEBURG & LURKEN.
	1815		ABOVE INFORMATION GIVEN TO G-3 BY S-3
	1820		S-3 COMMUNICATES ABOVE INFO TO 1ST TH ENGRS & THEY SAID THEY WOULD REMOVE MINE FIELD.
1830			COL. JOHNSON IN.

FROM: 150930 DEC 44  
 TO : 151610 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0930			3d BN GIVEN PROMISION TO FIRE "BAZOOKA'S" INTO SLAG PILE BY 5-3
<del>1140</del>	1135		BOTH DIV LINES OUT
1142			DIV LINES BACK IN
	1230		COL JOHNSON OUT.
1340			COL JOHNSON IN.
	1500		<sup>DIV</sup> CUSTOM 101 LINE OUT.
1555			AT C. IN BY WIRE.
1610			<sup>DIV</sup> CUSTOM 101 LINE IN



FROM: 161025 DEC. 1944  
 TO : 162000 DEC. 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0630		G-2 TO S-2 - 30 JU 88 <sup>2</sup> AND JU - 52'S WERE EXPECTED AT 0600 TODAY. WE HAVE NOT CITED ANY AS YET.
0730		COL. JOHNSON OUT ON LEAVE TO LONDON.
1025		2ND BN. 2 TO S-3 - WE HAVE CLOSED INTO AREA FROM REST CAMP
1028		ABOVE INFO. GIVEN TO G-3 BY S-3
1250		<sup>S-3</sup> MA OUT TO A.T. CO.
1300		G-3 TO S-3 - MEETING TOMORROW AT 170900 AT DIVISION C.P.
1400		GEN. HOBBS IN TO AWARD SILVER & BRONZE STARS TO MEN OF THIS REGT.
1430		GEN. HOBBS OUT.
1450		S-3 IN FROM A-T CO.
1720		ENEMY PLANE OVERHEAD. DROPPED TWO BOMBS AT (92.7-52.1) NEAR WARDEN, AT 1720.
1730		ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO DIV. BY S-3
2000	①	Div. letter of instructions 12-16-44

FROM: 17 0350 DEC 44  
 TO: 17 1350 DEC 44

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TIME	SER. NO.	Action
IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0350		G-3 informed S-3 there is a possibility that 50 JU-88 and 90 JU52 planes will be in Aachen area between 0230 and 0500 this morning.
0355		2 enemy planes appeared over regtl. area. No bombs were dropped.
0530		G-3 notified S-3 that XIX Corps reports probability of paratroopers in vicinity of Bardenburg (858-505).
0552		G-2 informed S-3 that 6 paratroopers were picked up at above coordinates this morning and to alert <del>all</del> units of <del>mess</del> this fact.
0555		S-3 relayed above message to 1st Bn. 3, 2nd Bn. 3, 3rd Bn. 3, Hq. Co. Cn. Co., 118th F.A. Ln. Co., 105th Engrs.
0840		S-3 out to meeting at DW.
1100		SITREP CALLED TO G-3 - NO CHANGE
1140		G-3 TO S-3 - ALERT YOUR UNIT TO MOVE <sup>SOUTH</sup> WITHIN 6 HOURS. QUARTERING PARTY TO BE ALERTED TO MOVE IN TWO HOURS.
1148		ALL LN O's OF COMBAT TEAM UNITS NOTIFIED OF ABOVE INFORMATION. G-3 TO S-3 - GEN. HARRISSON WILL MEET YOUR QUARTERING PARTY ON WURSELEN ROAD AT 1400.
1240		S-3 NOTIFIES ALL MEMBERS OF QUARTERING PARTY TO BE AT CP AT 1320.
1250		G-3 TELLS S-3 TO HAVE GUIDES <sup>(908304) AT 1400</sup> AT <del>ROTTEN</del> TO MEET TRUCKS TO BE USED IN CONVOYING TROOPS.
1300		S-3 NOTIFIES ALL UNITS OF ABOVE MSG.

FROM: 171310 DEC 44  
 TO : 172135 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1310			DIV LN. O IN WITH INFO THAT WE ARE TO MOVE SOUTH TO VICINITY OF MALMEDY, AND WILL BE IN THE FIFTH CORPS. WE WILL GO TO AACHEN & THEN TO ASSEMBLY AREA IN EUPEN.
1550			COL JOHNSON IN FROM LEAVE.
	1700		S-3 GIVES ROUTE MARCH TO ALL LN. O'S. "H" HOUR IS 1915. I. P. IS AT (9915-5175.) REGIMENTAL CP WILL BE AT WALHDORN.
1800			1ST ARMY PASSWORD "BOARD HAMMER" FROM 1200 171200 TO 181200 DEC 44.
1800			SIX CORPS PASSWORD "OPTIC EYE" FROM 171200 TO 181200 DEC 44.
	1830		COL JOHNSON & S-3 OUT TO FORM LEADING ELEMENT OF MARCH
	1945		OLD CP IN MAXIMURF CLOSED
1945		①	DIVISION ORDER.
2124			MSG FROM V CORPS TO SEND ANOTHER BN TO STAVELOT TO CLEAR TOWN & BLOC ALL OPPOSITION NW & SW FOR II CORPS
2130			GEN. HARRISON STOPPED COL JOHNSON ALONG ROUTE TO GIVE HIM SITUATION & AREA TO TAKE UP DEFENSE AROUND MALMEDY
	2135		SITUATION GIVEN TO 1ST BN, 2ND BN, 3RD BN, F.A., T.D.'S & AT CO. 3RD BN. ORDERED TO LEAD OUT AT 180420 DEC 44. 3RD BN. LEADS, PRECEDED BY 30TH RECON. TRPS. & I & R. PLATOON.

FROM: 180030 DEC 44

TO: 181400 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0030		FLAKES DROPPED BY ENEMY PLANES OVER CONVOY. BOMBS DROPPED TO OUR RIGHT & REAR.
0320	①	MSG. CONCERNING MAKING OF ROADBLOCK AT STAVELOT.
1010		TRUCKS ASSIGNED TO 3RD BN RELEASED AT 1010.
1010		OPENED NEW CP IN MALMEDY AT (788-043). "CO 526TH INF.
1030		OFFICER FROM 9TH INFANTRY REPORTED ENEMY USING LARGE AMOUNT OF ARMOR IN STAVELOT & THAT HIS UNIT <sup>(A CO OF 225TH REGT.)</sup> HAD TO WITHDRAW AFTER KNOCKING OUT 5 ENEMY TANKS.
1040		ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO V CORPS BY COL. JOHNSON. ALSO STATES WE HAVE TWO BNS. MAXIMIZING ON STAVELOT, ONE FROM THE NORTH, AND THE OTHER FROM THE NORTH EAST, SUPPORTED BY ENGRS.
1100		A CO, 526TH INF., REPORTS IT HAS RETAKEN EDGE OF STAVELOT.
1117	②	MSG FROM C.O., 526TH INF.
1120	③	OVERLAY OF ENEMY SITUATION.
1200		3RD BN. REPORTS THEY ARE IN POSITION AS OF 1200.
1230		COL PURDUE, 128TH INF, IN
1245		2ND BN REPORTS IT IS IN POSITION AND ORGANIZING.
1300	④	Info. overlay to accompany F.O. 56
1400		Col. Johnson 01.9 gave 118 Lno. coordinates (72.9-01.9) enemy tanks

FROM: 181405 DEC 49  
 TO : 181700 DEC 49

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
		and inf. to fire mission.
	1405	2nd Bn. reports knocking out 3 enemy tanks.
1416	RADIO	1st Bn. 6 notified Col. Johnson 100 vehicles moving west 2000 yds. S. of objective
1425	RADIO	Col. Johnson checked with 1st Bn. 6 on tanks and they said they were moving east.
1436	③	Overlay of 3rd Bn. positions 2-15-49
1435	RADIO	Col. Johnson requests air strike from V Corps 3rd (18-988) SONAGNE on 100 tracked vehicles moving East. Cannon Co's. position (7750-0554)
1500		
1505	RADIO	Arty. F.O. reports 1st Bn. 15 receiving a counter attack of 10 tanks and infantry.
1515	RADIO	Col. Johnson reports to V Corps, 3 of counter attack on 1st Bn.
1520	RADIO	1st Bn. 6 reports 1st Bn. 15 in STAVELOT and 12 tanks have come into town within the last few minutes.
1520	RADIO	Col. Johnson relayed above message to V Corps, 3.
1525	RADIO	1st Bn. 5 reports that tanks are with the 1st Bn. now.
1540	RADIO	2nd Bn. reports that the air strike is on the target and helping 1st Bn. in its counter attack.
1545	RADIO	2nd Bn. reports that air strike didn't help 1st Bn. in town and 2 planes strafed 2nd Bn. positions
1700	RADIO	1st Bn. to S-3 they have 1/2 of town, have

FROM: 181700 DEC 44  
 TO : 182145 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
		2 cos. in town and having trouble from enemy tanks.
1700	RAD.	Col. Johnson relayed above message to II Corps, 3.
1705	⑥	Overlay of enemy positions 12-18-44
1710		2nd Bn. line out.
1730		Col. Johnson notified 1st BN. 6 to send his recommendation thru LHO how to deploy 3rd BN. tomorrow.
1735	⑦	Overlay of A.T. gun positions.
1740	⑧	OVERLAY SHOWING POSITIONS OF 2 <sup>nd</sup> BN
1740	⑨	OVERLAY SHOWING POSITIONS OF 105 <sup>th</sup> ENGR.
2050		101 and 102 lines in to Division.
2100		2nd Bn. reported to S-3 that they observed 4 paratroopers between 2nd Bn. and Engrs. at 2055
2110		1st BN. requested 101 con. by 118th
2111		S-3 notified 118 LHO to fire 101 mission immediately
2112	⑩	Overlay of 1st BN. positions
2115		1st BN. 6 notified S-3 they are receiving a counterattack
2125		1st BN. 6 informed S-3 that counterattack consisted of 3 U.S. halftracks & 3 jeeps with enemy personnel and T.D.'s destroyed all vehicles.
2135		Col. Johnson relayed above message to G-3
2140	⑪	Overlay of 117th Inf. 12-18-44
2145		Col. Johnson notified 1st BN. 6 to continue attack tomorrow on orders of 1st BN. C.O.

FROM: 19 0050 DEC 44  
 TO : 19 1105 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	0050		101-102 lines out to Div.
0530			1st Bn. 6 called S-3 to inquire of plans for today's mission.
	0535		S-3 called 1st Bn. 6 and told him he should proceed according to his own plan and later more info. will be given him as to the support he will receive on his left flank.
0540			Since 19005 Dec, on the hour the 120th Inf. has been contacted regarding current situation.
0545			Div. 101 and 102 lines in.
0645			Div 101 and 102 lines out.
0740			1st Bn Reports approx. 15 TANKS MOVING West from La Gleize. Unable to identify where they are.
0745			Col. Purdue, 120th Inf. C.O. informed S-3 that one Bn. of 120th has moved into 117th 3rd Bn. area.
0800			1st Bn. 3 informed S-3 of 5 enemy tanks approaching STAVELOT from S.E.
0930			1st Bn. 3 notified S-3 they have repulsed counterattack.
	0935		Col. Johnson relayed above message to G-6
1015			Col. Johnson out to Div. and 1st Bn. C.P.
1020			Div. 3 notified S-2 that 119th Inf. is fighting in Stoumont.
1025			COL. PURDUE IN.
	1100		S-3 TO 1ST BN. 5 - BLOW BRIDGE IN STAVELOT AS SOON AS IT IS CAPTURED
1105	7:		COL JOHNSON TELLS EX 0 - 1ST BN WILL TAKE STAVELOT ALONG 3RD BN WILL MOVE TO VICINITY OF DIV.

FROM: 1110 19 DEC 44

TO : 1640 19 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1110		COL JOHNSON TO EX D - HAVE PLATOON OF T.O.'s, WHICH WERE ATTACHED TO "A" CO OF 105TH ENGRS, REMAIN IN PLACE. THEY WILL NOT ACCOMPANY 3RD BN -
1115		S-3 TO 3RD BN. S-3 GET TWO RIFLE COS & HVY WEAPONS CO READY TO MOVE TO DIV C.P. 10 TRUCKS FROM 119TH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSPORTATION.
1200		COL PURDUE OUT.
1215		S-5 INQUIRED OF 1ST BN. S STATUS OF BRIDGE IN STAUFLOT and he advises Engrs. are now looking it over
1307		REPORT <sup>FROM 1ST BN THAT</sup> LARGE COLUMN OF ENEMY TANKS APPROACHING OUR 1ST BN AT (679005), COMING IN FROM WEST. ABOVE MSG. GIVEN TO DIV. BY S-3
1310		3RD BN. out by wire
1320	①	Info. overlay from 1st DIV.
1400		118TH F.A. CHECKS OUT EX. 8 TELLS HQ CO. C.O. TO START MOVING C.P. PERSONNEL
1425		CANNON CO <sup>(REMARKS)</sup> LOCATED 73560492
1440	②	<del>OVERLAY - 119TH INF. REGT</del>
1510		C.P. IN MALMEDY CLOSED.
1545		NEW C.P. IN FRANCORHAMPS. OPENED AT (755079).
1630		3RD BN REPORTS OBSERVING ENEMY TANKS AT (675032).
1640		3RD BN REPORTS ENCOUNTERING OUTMARK TANK



FROM: 19120 DEC 1941  
 TO : 192140 DEC 1944

JOURNAL

TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1710			1ST BN REPORTS COUNTER-ATTACK FROM REAR. IS GETTING ARTILLERY TO FIRE AT IT. BELIEVES IT IS UNDER CONTROL.
1850			3RD BN REPORTS THEY WILL BUTT UP IN DEFENSIVE POSITION FOR NIGHT. UNITS ARE DISPOSED AS FOLLOWS: C.P. AT MOULIN, DU RUY - "L" CO AT ROANNE - K CO AT COUR - "I" CO AT RUY.
1720			232R TP. REPORTS IS KNOCKING OUT 4 TANKS IN TODAY'S OPERATIONS INCLUDING A "KING TIGER" AND "KING ROYAL"
	1940		S-3 notified all Bns. to be careful in their telephone conversations tonight since 118th F.A., CO. informed S-3 that his Bns. wires were tapped.
2000			1ST BN. 3 notified S-3 that bridge at STAELOT has been blown by 105th Engrs.
	2005		S-3 relayed above message to G-3.
2035			1ST BN. line out.
2035		(2)	Overlay of 1ST BN. defensive positions
2035		(3)	Message from Anty. Team 3 concerning harassing Sines.
	2045		S-3 requested air strike thru G-3 for tomorrow on town of La Gleize
2100			1ST BN. 5 notified S-3 their "A" Co. is receiving a small counterattack.
2140		(4)	Overlay of A.T. Co. C.P. position
2140		(5)	Overlay of A.T. gun positions.
2140		(6)	Info. overlay of 11th positions.

FROM: 192145 DEC 49  
 TO : 192305 DEC 49

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
2145			1st Bn. line in
	2250		2nd Bn. line out.
2250			2nd Bn. 3 informed S-3 their patrol contacted "B" Co. and returned meeting NO enemy.
2300		①	Overlay of obj's for 3rd Bn. 1219-49
2305		⑧	Overlay and letter of operations instructions for 1st Army.

FROM: 20 0015 DEC 79

TO : 200055 DEC 79

## JOURNAL

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0015		G-6 gave Col. Johnson permission to move a <del>company</del> <sup>company</sup> "F" <del>from</del> <sup>to</sup> 1st BN area to act as support 1st BN's position. If needed, Col. Johnson to 2nd BN 6 to have "F" Co. recon. area from their position to 1st BN area.
0020		
0025		Col. Johnson asks G-3 to have co. of 12054 to be at 1st BN by 0630 and Lt. O. will meet them <sup>at Div.</sup> at 0530 to guide them.
0035		3RD BN 3 to S-3 that their patrol reached obj. "7" and saw two tanks
0040		S-3 <sup>Patrol</sup> relayed <sup>drawn</sup> above message to G-3
0040		Col. Johnson notified 1st BN 6 that "F" Co. of 12054 INF. will be moved into 1st BN's area tomorrow morning at 0630. G-6 <del>notified</del> <sup>notified</sup> <del>that</del> <sup>Col. Johnson</sup> that this co. will not be committed <del>unless</del> and used only in <sup>an</sup> extreme emergency
0045		S-3 to G-3 (thru Lt. O. on phone) 2nd BN's patrol reached "B" Co. at 2300 and <del>reached</del> <sup>touch</sup> a small stream and not the river.
0045		3RD BN 3 informed S-3 of 4 tanks of 743 TR Bn. in vicinity of "1" Co.
0050		S-3 relayed above message to G-3 and was advised by G-3 that these tanks <del>are attached</del> <sup>are</sup> friendly and are resting in that area and are not to be used by us unless by Div. order.
0055		S-3 notified 3rd BN of G-3 above message

FROM: 200215 DEC 49

TO: 200830 DEC 49

## JOURNAL

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0215		G-2 called S-3 - Cracker reports track Vehicle moving west on Road, S side of river 725006
	0220	S-3 to 1st Bn gives the information received from G-2. 1st Bn notifies Companies of Report. Has heard nothing up till now.
	0225	S-3 to G-2 - Reports 1st Bn <del>reports</del> they hear no movement but still notify G-2 if anything develops.
0240		2nd Bn S-2 to S-3 - I. Co reports they hear 2 Tanks moving north from 669 039 towards BorGoumont
	0245	S-3 to G-3 - reports information from 3rd Bn S-3 & G-3 says he will keep S-3 Posted.
0345		G-3 to S-3 - request check with all <del>7th</del> Bns.
	0350	S-3 to all 3 Bns - all report no activity
	<del>0350</del> 0355	S-3 to G-3 - all quiet with all 3 Bns.
0700		1st Bn. 3 to S-3 that "F" Co. of 120th INF. has arrived in 1st Bn's area and taking up positions in an act of support of 1st Bn.
	0705	S-3 relayed above info. to G-3
0715		G-3 to S-3 that air strike will be placed on obj 8 between 0800 and 0930 this morning.
	0830	S-3 checked with "A" Co. C.O. and was told 2 tanks and inf. are in lower end of town which they are going to get <sup>them</sup> out

FROM: 200830 DEC 44

TO: 201122 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	0830	S-3 talked with 3rd BN.3 and 3rd Bn. moved on obj. "7" at 0800 with combat patrol moving between obj. "6" and "7"
	0835	S-3 gave G-3 above info.
0900		SERV CO REPORTS IT IS GOING TO MOVE TO VICINITY OF HOCK AI.
0920		1ST BN REPORTS ENEMY MOVEMENT S. OF STAVELOT, COMING TOWARD THEM
1020	①	OVERLAY-"F" CO., 120TH INF. POSITIONS
1022		3RD BN REPORTS TASK FORCE ONE OF 3RD ARMD DIV. MOVING IN.
	1025	COL. JOHNSON CALLS DIV & GIVES THEM ABOVE INFORMATION.
	1027	COL JOHNSON TELLS 3RD BN 6 TO ASSEMBLE BN. IN VICINITY OF RUY AFTER 3RD ARMD PASSES THROUGH & OCCUPIES HIS POSITIONS.
1030		3RD BN 6 TELLS COL. JOHNSON ARMD FORCE CANNOT MANEUVER INTO OBJ. "7". COL JOHNSON TELLS HIM TO DISREGARD PREVIOUS ORDER TO ASSEMBLE & TO PROCEED TO OBJ. "7" AS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED.
	1040	COL JOHNSON GIVES ABOVE INFO TO G-3
	1040	AND BN CHECKS OUT WITH DIV. SWITCHBOARD
1100	②	OVERLAY SHOWING ENEMY LINE S. 1ST BN REPORTS ENEMY TANKS & INF. ADVANCING ON "A" & "B" CO'S ON RIGHT FLANK COMING IN SW OF STAVELOT
1122	③	3RD DIV. A.T. DEFENCE OVERLAY
1122	④	OVERLAY OF MINDS OF CO "C" 105TH ENGINES

FROM: 201A 30 DEC. 1944  
 TO : 201225 DEC. 1944

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1130			1ST BN REPORTS ENEMY BUILDING BRIDGE AT (733000Z)
1130			3RD BN REPORTS IT IS IN OBJ "7"
1135	A	(5)	MINE OVERLAY, CO "C", 105TH ENGRS
	1132		S-3 TELLS G-3 3RD BN ON OBJ "7"
1140			CURLEW 6 REPORTS ENEMY TANKS & INFANTRY STILL COMING ON HIS POSITIONS & THAT THEY HAVE LARGE AMOUNT OF STRENGTH. ONE OF OUR TANKS HAS BEEN LOST. WE HAVE BEEN PUSHED BACK 100 YARDS.
	1142		ABOVE INFO. GIVED TO DIVISION BY S-3. ALSO STATES OUR ARTY HAS SLOWED DOWN ENEMY COUNTER-ATTACK BUT IT IS STILL ADVANCING. REQUESTS AIR STRIKE. G-3 SAYS IT CANNOT BE FLOWN UNTIL 1200.
1145			ARTY OBSERVER REPORTS COUNTER ATTACK ON OUR 1ST BN HAS BEEN STOPPED & <sup>ENEMY IS</sup> THEY ARE NOT ADVANCING ANY FURTHER INTO OUR POSITIONS.
1150			2ND BN 6 REPORTS SEEING ENEMY CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS ACROSS BRIDGE SITE IN HIS SECTOR. REQUEST PERMISSION TO PULL <sup>O.P.</sup> BACK AWAY FROM RIVER TO ENABLE OUR ARTY TO NEUTRALIZE ENEMY BUILDUPS. PERMISSION GRANTED BY EX.O.
1220			G-3 TO S-3: HAVE 2ND BN CLEAN OUT THIS SIDE OF RIVER.
	1225		ABOVE INFORMATION COMMUNICATED TO 2ND BN. BY S-3

FROM: 201245 DEC 1944  
 TO :

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TIME IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1245		S-3 TO G-3 - WE CAN <sup>OUTPOST</sup> DEFEND AREA FROM CHALLIS TO CHEVDFOSSE WITH TWO PLATOONS BECAUSE OF BENEFIT OF HIGHER GROUND. R-2 GIVES PERMISSION TO USE TWO PLATOONS.
	1248		S-3 GIVES ABOVE INFO. TO 2ND BN WHICH WILL PROVIDE THE TWO PLATOONS FOR OUTPOSTING.
1250			2ND BN. REPORTS O.P. BACK IN ORIGINAL POSITION NEAR RIVER (NAME OF RIVER IS "L'AMISLEVE")
	1255		COL. JOHNSON ASKS 1ST BN 6 FOR SITUATION. 1ST BN 6 SAYS ENEMY IS STILL STRONG & DETERMINED TO ADVANCE. SAYS <sup>OUR</sup> TANKS ARE BEING WITHDRAWN FOR SERVICING & BELIEVES SUFFICIENT NUMBER SHOULD BE LEFT FOR SUPPORT.
	1300		COL. JOHNSON CALLS 743RD TANK BN. 6 & TELLS HIM TO ACTIVELY SUPPORT OUR INFANTRY <sup>OF 1ST BN</sup> AGAINST THIS MAJOR THREAT TO OUR POSITIONS & TO LEAVE SUFFICIENT TANKS IN POSITION FOR THIS PURPOSE.
	1315		COL. JOHNSON OUT TO DIVISION.
1330			1ST BN REPORTS GERMANS BRINGING UP HEAVY LOGS ON S BANK OF RIVER AT (71950080), EVIDENTLY FOR SKIDGING RIVER AT THAT POINT
	1335		ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO DIV BY S-2, DIV LN 0 IN WITH INFO THAT WE ARE IN XVIII CORPS, I & R LINE IN.
1340			
1345			COL JOHNSON IN FROM DIVISION.
	1350		COL. JOHNSON OUT TO 1ST BN.

FROM: 201440 DEC 44  
 TO : 201640 DEC 44

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TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action
				INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1440				2ND BN REPORTS 2 ENEMY TANKS FIRING ON THEM FROM (730007)
1510				526 <sup>TH</sup> INF. REPORTS RECEIVING COUNTER-ATTACK AT STAVELOT-COMING FROM W & SW ALONG ROUTE 3.
1510				3RD BN REPORTS THEY ARE MEETING STIFF OPPOSITION BY EN. INFANTRY & TANKS AT ROAD JUNCTION N OF LA GLEIZE.
1550				S-3 TELLS 3RD BN G TO HOLD LA GLEIZE WITH "K" CO AFTER IT IS TAKEN BY HIS BN. ALSO TELLS HIM HE WILL PROBABLY HAVE MISSION TO MOVE EASTWARD TO MORROW.
1610				<del>2ND</del> 2ND BN LINE IN. 2ND BN REPORTS <sup>24</sup> A-T MINES AT (732021)
1620				COL. JOHNSON IN FROM 1ST BN.
1625				COL. JOHNSON OUT TO 3RD BN.
1630				2ND BN 3 TO S-3 - WE HAVE CLEARED AREA IN SECTOR UP TO RIVER, OUTPOST IN WITH 2 PLATOONS, SUPPLEMENTED BY M.G.'S. EXISTING BRIDGES ACROSS RIVER AT (729009) <del>FOOT BRIDGE</del> AND (729011). FORMER IS FOOT BRIDGE WHICH WE WILL BLOW TONIGHT. OTHER BRIDGE IS ACROSS SECONDARY STREAM, ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO DIVISION BY S-3. G-3 SAYS TO PREPARE OTHER BRIDGE FOR DEMOLITION
1640				



FROM: 20/1950 DEC 44  
 TO : 20/1955 DEC 44

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TIME	IN	OUT	INCIDENTS, MESS, ORDERS, ETC.	Location
1720			COL JOHNSON IN FROM 3RD BN.	
1740			G-2 to S-2. 120TH captured prisoner who claimed there would be an inf. attack tonight to silence our artillery.	
		1745	S-2 alerted all Bns. of above info.	
1750			(6) Overlay of defensive positions of 2nd Bn.	
		1805	S-3 notified 2nd Bn. 3 that "B" Co. has their O.P. at same place as last night.	
1810			3RD BN-3 to S-3. THE 3RD BN. and task force are at outskirts of La Glizere and are continuing fight into the town.	
		1825	S-3 relayed above info. to G-3.	
		1825	S-3 to 3RD BN. C.O. that in case La Glizere is taken and Bn. moves to Stoumont "I" Co. will have to be moved to La Glizere	
1845			"G" Co. notified S-3 of small arms fire to their front and they sent a platoon out in support of their o.p. also 120TH pulled back their o.p. front that sector	
		1845	Col. Johnson out to Div.	
		1845	S-3 notified G-3 of "G" Co's situation. and also of 120TH o.p. withdrawal.	
1900			2nd Bn. 3 informed S-3 that wooden bridge (724-009) has been blown.	
1910			Col. Johnson back in C.P.	
1940			G-3 informed Col. Johnson that Task Force L is now attached to us.	
1945			(7) Overlay of A.T. guns of 117th.	
1955			G-3 notified Col. Johnson that Co. "E" of 120TH is attached to us & task force	
1955			"G" Co. C.O. informed S-3 that enemy killed their 2 man listening post.	

FROM: 202000 DEC 44  
 TO : 202140 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
<del>2000</del>		(8)	<del>Overlay of Antiqua / 100,000 scale.</del>
2000		(9)	Info. overlay 1/100,000 scale.
2005		(10)	Overlay of 1st Bn. positions.
	2015		S-3 reported to G-3 concerning "G" Co. listening post being knocked out.
	2025		S-3 instructed 2nd Bn. 3 to send out patrols tonight to contact 120 m/MT
	2030		Col. Johnson told G-3 that enemy has surrounded task force (a) in La Gleize. Info. received from 3rd Bn. 6. This includes "K" Co. of 117th INF. which is surrounded.
2035			118th L.O. notified S-3 that 117th has "Codine" unit of 18 guns on M-7 tanks (SP). A L.O. will be with 3rd Bn.
2050			G-3 requested S-3 for coordinates of task force (a) and was giving info. of (678-991).
2105			2nd Bn. 6 notified S-3 that bridge previously reported blown was already blown when they got there (probably by arty.)
2115			3rd Bn. 6 notified Col. Johnson that "K" Co. withdrew N. of La Gleize. Task force (a) also withdrew from La Gleize
	2125		Col. Johnson informed G-3 of above situation and was told to continue plans for attack toward Stavelot tomorrow.
	2135		Col. Johnson notified 3rd Bn. 6 that plans for attack on STAVELOT will stand for tomorrow
2140	<del>21</del>		G-3 informed S-3 that T.F. (a) is attd. to 117th INF

FROM: 202145 DEC 44

TO : 202355 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	"C.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
2145			G-2 notified Col. Johnson that "K" Co. is atchd. to T.F. "M" which task force is not atchd. to us. T.F. "L" is still atchd. to us.
	2150		Col. Johnson relayed above msg. to 3RD BN. 6.
2155			Col. Johnson gave verbal order to Engrs. L.A.O. for the Engrs. to move to Reanne tomorrow at 0800 and establish a road block.
2200	-	(11)	Info. overlay to accompany unit report 12-20-44.
2215			1st BN. 5 notified S-3 that Small fires have broken out in STAVELOT.
2225			3RD BN. L.A.O. will meet trucks at Div. at 0700 tomorrow to take "E" Co. of 120TH to 3RD BN.
2240		(12)	Letter of instructions for tomorrow's operations with overlays.
2340			G-2 notified S-3 to <sup>be</sup> alert for tracked vehicle movement S. and S.E. of 2nd Bn. positions.
	2345		S-3 relayed above msg. to 2nd Bn. 3. to alert his companies.
2345		(13)	Div. F.O. 57 and overlay.
2355			Gen. Hobbs called Col. Johnson to alert us of a possible attack tomorrow to retake Malmedy.
	2355		Col. Johnson alerted 1st BN. 6 of above message. also 3RD BN. 6 and that 3RD BN's plans for tomorrow still go.
	2355		S-3 alerted 2nd Bn. 6 of above msg.
	2355		S-3 alerted 743d Tk. Bn. C.O. of above msg.

FROM: 210030 DEC 44  
 TO : 210840 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0030		2nd Bn. 3 notified S-3 of 4 tracked vehicles and inf. moving W. to E. on Route 4
	0036	S-3 relayed above msg. to G-3
0040		3rd Bn. 6 informed S-3 that an off. of the 82d A.B. Inf. was in his C.P. and said the 82d had crossed the Ambleve River near Trois Ponts.
	0045	<del>G-3</del> S-3 relayed above msg. to G-3
0100		"F" Co. to S-3. Vehicles <sup>moving</sup> on Rt. 4.
	0105	S-3 to G-3. Above msg. trans.
0115		G-3 to S-3. Our arty. will use "DORIT" tonight.
	0120	S-3 trans. above msg. to all Bns.
0555		1st Bn. 5 notifies S-3 of construction to their left front.
	0558	G-2 informed by S-3 of above.
0605		1st Bn. 5 to S-3. Hear continuation of construction and will fire arty.
0400		G-3 to S-3 <sup>120TH INF.</sup> Reports enemy <del>at</del> near Vie of Germant
0650		<sup>120TH INF.</sup> <del>Reports</del> Reports enemy <del>at</del> near Fankot in fire directed at their K Co.
0813		120TH to S-3. Fire fight at (775-038) road block where enemy infiltrated.
	0815	S-3 to 2nd Bn. 3. Be on alert since "K" Co. of 120TH is in fight on your left flank.
8830		120TH 6 reports enemy penetrated at (766-035) with half-tracks and tanks.
0840	RAW	S-3 WARNS 2ND BN OF PENETRATION & TELLS THEM TO ALERT "G" CO WHICH IS IN PATH OF PENETRATION. 2ND BN 6 SAYS HE HAS SHIFTED T.O.'S & WILL BE ABLE TO MEET THREAT.

FROM: 210900 DEC. 1944  
 TO : 211030 DEC. 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0900		ENGRS. REPORT THEY ARE NOW IN POSITION IN ROANNE.
0920		"A" CO REPORTS ENEMY TANKS MOVING EN <sup>SOUTH OF</sup> STACROSS RIVER.
0930		ABOVE MESSAGE GIVEN TO DIV. BY S-3 1ST BN REPORTS TO S-3 THAT EN. INF. ARE SWIMMING ACROSS RIVER TOWARD <del>THE</del> OUR "B" CO & THAT ALL SWIMMERS HAVE BEEN KILLED SO FAR. S-3 TELLS HIM TO WATCH LEFT FLANK AS SWIMMING TRY MAY BE DIVERSION.
0950		3RD BN REPORTS LEADING ELEMENTS ("I" CO) AT (0950200) AND "L" CO AT (690015)
1000		3RD ARMD TASK FORCE "LOVE", ATCH'D TO OUR REGT, REPORTS 2 LEAD TANKS OF A COLUMN OF 6 HIT MINES. 2 REAR TANKS KNOCKED OUT BY ENEMY, WEDGING IN 2 MIDDLE TANKS.
	1000	COL. JOHNSON OUT TO 3RD BN C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" REPORTS THEY ARE TRYING TO ENTER LA GLEIZE FROM THE SOUTH.
1020		
1030		S-3 TO S-3 -- UNCONFIRMED REPORT STATES SOME OF ENEMY IN MEIZ ABOVE MESSAGE GIVEN TO AND BN. 6. HE SAYS HE HASN'T SEEN EN. AS YET, BUT WILL SEND PATROL THROUGH AREA TO INVESTIGATE. HE ALSO STATES 120TH INF IS TAKING OUT ROAD BLOCK AT (738006)

FROM: 211032 DEC. 44  
 TO : 211140 DEC. 44

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TIME		REF.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1032		S-3 GIVES INFORMATION ABOUT ROAD BLOCK REMOVAL TO G-3. G-3 SAYS HE WILL HAVE 120 <sup>TH</sup> REESTABLISH BLOCK
1040			COL. JOHNSON TO S-3; START TASK FORCE "LOVE" MOVING.
	1042		ABOVE ORDER GIVEN TO "TASK FORCE" "LOVE" MOVING
1045	1045		DIVISION NOTIFIED OF ABOVE BY S-3. 2ND BN REPORTS EN. INF. FORMING TO ATTEMPT RIVER CROSSING AT (724009).
1055	1048		115TH F.A. NOTIFIED OF ABOVE BY S-3
	1100	①	OVERLAY - 2ND BN. POSITIONS. S-3 TELLS 1ST BN. 6 THAT CONTACT WAS MADE BETWEEN "F" CO & "D" CO
1110			1ST BN REPORTS THEY HAVE PUT IN MINEFIELDS OF 20 A.T. MINES AT FOLLOWING POINTS: (72160142) (72270139) (72270132) C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" REPORTS TO EX. O HIS LEADING ELEMENTS AT (688001)
1136			3RD BN. 5 REPORTS ENEMY TANKS AT (669029). HE RECEIVED THIS MSG. FROM TASK FORCE "LOVE"
	1135		S-3 TO 2ND BN. 6 -- IF 3 T.O.'S IN YOUR AREA HAVE TO WITHDRAW USE THEM TO SUPPORT YOUR POSITIONS. THIS APPROVED BY G-3
	1140		S-3 GIVES G-3 OUR POSITIONS AS FOLLOWS: "I" CO AT (70000016), "ENGAGED IN FIRE FIGHT THERE; "

FROM: 211140 DEC 1944  
 TO : 211320 DEC 1944

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TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action
(CONT'D)		1140		INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ET J. Taken "L" CO AT (694009) & SO FAR HAVE NOT CONTACTED ENEMY. TASK FORCE "DNE" AT (688001). ALL UNITS ARE STILL MOVING.
1142		1200	105 <sup>TH</sup>	ENGR'S REPORT "TIGER" TANK AT (668037)
1208				1ST BN LINE OUT 120TH INF REPORTS COUNTER ATTACK ON THEIR "K" CO AT 0615 SUEWAN ONE PLATOON AT ROADBLOCK. OTHER TWO PLATOONS HELD & THEY ARE ATTEMPTING TO REGAIN LOST GROUND.
1210			②	30TH DIV A.T. DEFENSE OVERLAY.
1225				3RD BN REPORTS "L" CO ON OBJ. "4"
		1236		S-3 TO G-3: I CO NOW FIGHT- ING IN OUTSIGHTS OF OBJ. "3". TASK FORCE "LOVE" 500 YDS W. OF OBJ. "2"
1230				3RD BN REPORTS THIS NOW ON OBJ 4 AS OF 1215.
		1235		ARRIVE MSG. GIVEN TO DIV. BY S-3.
1310				120TH INF G.O. TO ER. O: DO YOU HAVE TANKS MOVING NE TOWARD MY "K" CO? EX O ASKS 2ND BN ABOUT THIS & HE STATES HIS TANKS ARE NOT MOVING ON THAT ROUTE. THIS INFO TRANSMITTED TO 120TH INF. G.O.
1320				2ND BN. C.O. REPORTS ROAD BLOCK AT (759026) IS STILL IN PLACE, SUPPORTED BY DETACHMENT OF ARMO. INFANTRY. THEY FIRED ON ENEMY & KNOCKED OUT 2 OUT OF 3 TANKS.

FROM: 211330 DEC 1944  
 TO : 211524 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1330	S-3 TO G-3: TASK FORCE "ONE" 500 YDS. W OF OBJ. "ONE"
1335		BT BN LINE IN.
	1350	S-3 ASKS 2ND BN. 6 TO SEND PATROL TO CONTACT "K" CO. 8 TO FIND OUT IF ENEMY IS AT ROAD JUNCTION AT (763032).
	1400	EX O. TO 3RD BN 6: TIGER TANK MOVING TOWARD 2ND BN, 120TH INF. NOTIFY TASK FORCE "LOVE" & SEE WHAT HE CAN DO ABOUT IT.
	1430	ANNOS S-2 TELLS 2ND BN. 3 TO BE SURE PATROL TO ROAD JUNCTION IS SENT OUT & WAITS THERE TO CONTACT PATROL FROM 120TH INFANTRY.
1432		COL JOHNSON TELLS EX O TO HAVE COL. LOVE ADVISE SEND HIS TASK FORCE TO "3" TO ASSIST 3RD BN & THEN CONTINUE TO "ONE"
	1435	ABOVE MSG SENT TO TASK FORCE "LOVE" THRU 3RD BN.
	1450	COL JOHNSON TO S-2 = DISREGARD ORDER TO SEND TASK FORCE "ONE" TO "3". THEY ARE TO CONTINUE TO "ONE" AS SCHEDULED.
	1450	S-2 GIVES ABOVE MSG TO TASK FORCE "ONE"
		EX O TO C.O. REPORTS HIS UNIT KNOCKED OUT <sup>30</sup> AMERICAN M-8'S AND M-10'S MANNED BY ENEMY.
	1524	S-3 NOTIFIES ALL ONS TO NOTIFY US WHENEVER TANKS ARE MOVED TO AVOID FIRING ON OUR OWN MEN.



FROM: 211525 DEC. 1944  
 TO: 211635 DEC. 1

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TIME	SER.	Act. on
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1525		3RD BN REPORTS RECEIVING MORTAR FIRE COMING FROM DIRECTION OF OBJ. "4"
1525		2ND BN. REPORTS THEIR PATROL CONTACTED 120TH INF. PATROL AT ROAD JUNCTION, & FOUND JUNCTION CLEAR OF ENEMY.
1530	(3)	OVERLAY BOUNDARY BETWEEN 117TH & 120TH INFANTRY REGIMENTS C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" TO S-3:
1600		WE ARE ADVANCING OUT OF "2" TOWARD "1" BUT ARE RECEIVING FIRE FROM OBJ. "3"
1612		ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO COL. JOHNSON AT 1ST BN Q.P. BY S-3. S-3 TO C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" COL. JOHNSON SAYS IT IS TOO LATE TO GO TO "1" & TO CLEAN UP "2" ALSO SEND FORCE TO HELP CLEAN UP "3" C.O. SAYS HE WILL TRY TO SNAKE FORCE FOR "3"
1630		3RD BN REPORTS "K" CO AT (667034). THEY ARE GOING TO ESTABLISH PHYSICAL CONTACT BETWEEN INFANTRY & TASK FORCE "MIKE" & WILL GO TO LA GLEIZE TOMORROW. ARMOR AT (668029).
1635		S-3 GIVES ABOVE INFO. TO G-3 ALSO STATES TASK FORCE "LOVE" RECEIVING HEAVY FIRE FROM ENEMY TANKS NEAR R.R. SE OF OBJ. "2"

FROM: 21ND DEC 44  
TO: 21945 DEC 44

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TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1650				S-3 TO G-3: WE HAVE OBJ'S "2", "3" & "4" & WE WILL BUTTON UP THERE FOR NIGHT, RECEIVING MVI FIRE FROM "2"
		1720		S-3 TO TASK FORCE "LOVE" C.O. = REQUESTS TANK SUPPORT OF PLATOON HOLDING OBJ'S "4" TO PREPARE FOR POSSIBLE COUNTER-ATTACK IN THAT SECTOR. C.O. SAYS HE WILL LET S-3 KNOW <sup>LATER</sup> WHETHER HE CAN SPARE TANKS. <del>LATER</del>
1730				Col. Johnson back in C.P.
1830				T.F. Lt. Kessle to Col. Johnson. Task Force "Love" attempted to make obj. "1" got on wrong road and came into "C" Co. of 117th.
		1835		Col. Johnson. to T.F. "Love" C.O. Lt. Kessle's group will be left with 1st Bn. to support them.
1840				Col. Johnson to 1st Bn. Lt. Kessle's group will be atchd. to 1st Bn. Also "Fox" Co. of 120th will probably be withdrawn tomorrow.
1845			(4)	Overlay of new positions for Art. guns of 3rd Bn. to move into.
		1915		S-3 to 118th. ASKS FOR interdictory fire on bridge at (699-996) tonight.
		1925		Col. Johnson to 2nd Bn. 6. Keep cos. alert and fire on any movement of tracked vehicles. Inquires as to activity at (6.5-03.6) Col. Purdue claims it is his unit and Col. Johnson informed 2nd Bn. 6 of same.
1945				T.F. "Love" C.O. to S-3. T.F. "L" made contact with 82nd A.B. and 8th reports #2.

FROM: 21/1945 DEC 99  
 TO : 212350 DEC 99.

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
		enemy inf and armored E. of Trois Ponts
1945		Col. Johnson to G-2. Asks for permission to have 120TH "F" Co. to clean woods near Stavelot in morning.
1945	⑤	Overlay of def. pos. of 1st Bn.
1950	⑥	Overlay of def. pos. of 2nd Bn.
2000		S-3 to 120TH. 3. We will exchange patrols tonight with our 2nd Bn.
2005		S-3 to 2nd Bn. 3. 120TH will exchange patrols with 2nd Bn. tonight.
2005		Msg. from 1st Bn. "F" Co. atchd, has a mine field along path leading into woods at (7126-0238)
2110		Capt. Rice to S-3. Lot of commotion by enemy E. of La Glorie.
2115		S-2 told G-2 of above msg.
2025	⑦	Overlay of 105TH Engrs. positions.
2225	⑧	Div. letter of instrn. to overlay
2225	⑨	Div. A.T. def. positions overlay.
2350		2nd Bn. 3 notified by S-3 that 120TH patrol will contact 2nd Bn. patrol and take them back to contact point.
2350	⑩	Overlay of wooded area to be mopped up tomorrow by "I" Co.

FROM: 220125 DEC 49

TO : 220910 DEC 49

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TIME		REF.	Action
IN	OUT	S.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0125			2nd Bn 3 notified S-3 that 100m patrol met "E" Co. and encountered no enemy.
0145			2nd Bn to S-3. Movement of track vehicle on Rt. 9 moving west.
			Fire arty. G-2 notified.
0245			2nd Bn to S-3 10 tanks moving past stopped near Ladomay. Arty fired. G-2 notified.
	0245		G-3 to S-3 S.A. fire against "K" Co. of 120. Gas dump near 9th INF. to be destroyed if penetration. to be moved by Army in morning. 2nd Bn notified of above msg.
0700			2nd Bn 3 to S-3. At 0645 convoy of trucks moved E. on Rt. 9. At 0700 another convoy was seen. Arty. fired on both groups. G-2 informed of same.
0710			During period 0601 to 0600 Dec. 27 hr buzz bombs passed over Regth. C.P.
0745	0750		2nd Bn reported 2 tanks moving E. on Rt. 9. Col. Johnson talked with 3rd Bn 6 and was told 8th Bn received mortar fire into obj. "2" & "3" last night. 3rd Bn moved on obj. "1" before daylight and was stopped by heavy fire. Col. Johnson informed G-3 of above.
0820			1st Bn 6 to S-3 "A" Co will push toward obj. "1" and place roadblock. Col. Johnson to 1st Bn 6 to push to crossroads and hold if possible.
	0830		Col. Johnson to G-2 that 1st Bn will do house-to-house fighting for obj. "1".
0900		①	120TH O.P. OVERLAY
	0910		S-3 TELLS C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" TO SEND 4 PATROLS TO RAILROAD

FROM: 220955 DEC. 1944  
 TO : 221245 DEC. 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0455		823RD T.D. REPORTS THEY HAVE KNOCKED OUT 14 GERMAN TANKS SINCE START OF PRESENT OPERATION
1008		1ST BN REPORTS AS CO PATROL CONTACTED 2ND BN. NO ENEMY OBSERVED.
1020		COL JOHNSON REPORTS ATROCITY SLAYING OF CIVILIANS IN RENARD- MONT TO B-5. STATES MANY WERE SHOT IN THEIR BEDS AS THEY SLEPT. REQUESTS PHOTOGRAPHER BE SENT TO TAKE PICTURES OF EVIDENCE
1030		2ND BN. REPORTS OBSERVING 6 TANKS, <sup>7</sup> HALF TRACKS, VEHICLES, MOVING TOWARD STAVELOT. <sup>FROM</sup> <del>2ND BN</del> <sup>2ND BN</sup> KNOCKED OUT ONE HALF TRACK & ONE TANK & IMMOBILIZED SEVERAL OTHERS.
1032		ABOVE INFO. GIVEN TO DIV. BY S-3
1045		TASK FORCE <sup>"LOVE"</sup> REPORTS ENEMY O.P. AT (678989)
1110		OFFICER FROM INSPECTOR GENERAL'S DEPT IN FOR INFO. ON ATROCITIES IN OUR AREA. S-3 TELLS 2ND BN. EX O ENERS WILL BE THERE SHORTLY TO PREPARE EXCESS FUEL FOR DEMOLITION TO DISPOSE OF IT IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY/ 2ND & 1ST BNS
1245		COL JOHNSON OUT TO STAVELOT.
1245		743RD <sup>TANK</sup> BN. REPORTS ENEMY INF. COMING OUT OF WOODS, ATTEMPTING TO ENTER BOGOMONT, WHERE OUR "K" CO IS IN POSITION

FROM: 221310 DEC 44  
 TO : 221550 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1310		C-3 TO S-3: 300 INFANTRY, SUPPORTED BY 4 TANKS AT (660038) ADVANCING ON BUR GOMONT, MOVING IN NORTHEASTERLY DIRECTION. ABOVE INFO GIVEN TO 105TH ENGINEERS WHO ARE IN <sup>NEARBY</sup> <del>BUR</del> <sup>ROANNE</sup> GOMONT. INFO. ALSO GIVEN TO TASK FORCE "LIVE" 1ST BN REPORTS "A" CO. HAVING TO KNOCK DOWN HOUSES TO CLEAR AREA OF STAVELOT THEY ARE FIGHTING FOR. <del>HOUSE TO HOUSE.</del>
1415		O.P. REPORTS KING TIGER TANK AT (6618-0386) NEAR ROANNE.
	1420	ABOVE MSG. GIVEN TO ARMY. THEY ARE ASKED TO FIRE ON IT BY S-3.
1440		O.P. REPORTS 3 MEN GOT OUT OF ENEMY TANK & THAT TANK HAS STOPPED. G-3 TO S-3 - BRIDGES AT PETIT COO & GRAND COO WILL BE AHEAD IF THEY ARE FIT FOR CROSSINGS BY ENEMY TANKS.
		S-3 TO G-3: WE NOW HAVE OBJ. "ONE". OUR ROAD BLOCKS ARE RECEIVING HEAVY FIRE FROM (685000) & WE ARE TAKING SOME OF FORCE FROM OBJ. "2" TO CLEAN OUT ENEMY AT THAT POINT. G-3 SAYS TASK FORCE "HARRISON HAS CAPTURED STAVMONT. (686003)
1550		TASK FORCE "LIVE" REPORTS ROAD SE OF ROADBLOCK ONE HAS BEEN CUT BY EN.

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 FROM: 1600 DEC 1944  
 TO 22 1830 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1600		S-3 ORDERS 105 <sup>TH</sup> ENGRS TO SEND 1 PLATOON OF MEN TO REINFORCE ROADBLOCK ONE IN VICINITY OF DETIC CO. <sup>OF 3RD BN</sup>
1610		S-3 TO 6 <sup>TH</sup> SEND 4 TANKS THAT WERE SENT TO YOUR AREA TO OBS. "4" AS THEY ARE RECEIVING FIRE THERE.
1620		TASK FORCE "LOVE" REPORTS 6 TANKS & INFANTRY MOVING N TO STAVELOT AT (665996)
1624		COL JOHNSON IN FROM RNS. S-3 TO 3RD BN. 6
1645		BT BN LINE. OUT
1715		COL JOHNSON TO 2ND BN CO. AS SOON AS THOSE 4 TANKS FROM KESSEL ARRIVE THEY ARE TO BE ATTEND TO YOU.
1730		1st BN. IN BY WIRE
1730	(2)	Overlay of AT guns of 117th Inf.
1745		1st BN 2 to S-2. "Neberwerfer" fire recd. in Bn area from 2500 mils. 2nd Bn observed enemy's "Neberwerfer" position and placed Div. arty on positions.
1800		G-2 to S-3. Tomorrow 11th mission will be to clear enemy up to the river.
1805		2nd Bn 2 to S-2. Troop carrier flew over Bn area traveling S.W. S-2 notified G-2.
1820		Col Johnson out to Div.
1830		3RD BN. 6 to S-3. <del>From</del> 1st Bn. is in fire fight in STER. S-2 notified G-2. Co. "L" is moving to STER.

FROM: 22 1845 DEC 1944  
 TO : 22 2025 DEC 1944

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1845		S-3 to 1st Bn 3. Send follow msg to 2RDBN 6 "Send one platoon of "Item" Co down to Parfondruy.
1935			Col Johnson in from Div
	1935		S-3 to 1st Bn 6 "Fox" Co of 120TH is coming back to your command now. Also relay following msg to <del>Col Kessel</del> CO. of TF "Love" "Send these tanks back to STER" at once"
	1950		Col Johnson to 1st Bn 3 Locate Lt Kessel and tell him to call me.
	1950		Capt. Rice to S-3. T.F. "Love" plus Enges atk and recaptured aid station Argent de Curo
	1955		Col Johnson to CO. TF "Love" "Enges are not to be used as atk troops" Also communicate with Lt Kessel and tell him to move to STER with 3RD BN
2000			G-2 to Col Johnson. 300 paratroopers will be dropped in this area tonight with obj STAVELOT. Msg. relayed to all Bns. and Capt. Rice, Hq. Co. Cannon Co
	2000		3RDBN 6 to S-3 "L" Co. is in STER and buttoned up.
2015	<del>2015</del>		Lt. Kessel to Col Johnson. Instructions were given to Kessel to get out to town of STER immediately.
	2020		Col Johnson to 1st Bn 5 Lt. Kessel has taken off for STER. Also enemy planes are dropping anti-personnel bombs on 1st Bn.
	2025		S-2 to G-2 Bombing on 1st Bn area.



FROM: 22 2030

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TO : 22 0300

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	2030	S-3 requested 118th FA to fire T.O.T on (6840-9926) and (6992-9960)
	2030	1st BN (ONE) LINE OUT
2035		2nd Bn 2 to S-2. Enemy patrol was between 1st BN and "Fox" Co - captured one PW.
2040	(3)	Overlay of 1st BN positions.
2045		2nd Bn 2 to S-2. If visibility is good have everyone going to 2nd BN go East route since enemy has observation on West route
2100		Capt. Rice to S-3. "E" Co is on its way to relieve the Engrs.
2110		2nd Bn to S-2. PW picked up at 2035. was a straggler and not from a patrol G-2 notified of above
2115		2nd Bn 2 to S-3 12074 patrol contacted "K" Co. at 2050.
	2120	Col Johnson to 3rd BN 6 and Kessel's tanks have not arrived as yet.
	2125	Col Johnson to 1st BN 6. Situation in 1st BN is quiet except for some "neberwerfer" fire.
2210		1st BN msg rec'd "15 AT mines laid in R.B. at (7094-0033) To (7098-0032)
2215		1st BN 6 notified Col Johnson that Lt. Kessel's tanks had arrived in STER.
2220		3rd BN 3 to S-3. Tanks are now in Parfondruy.
2225	(4)	Info. overlay of <del>on</del> XVIII Corps positions
2300	(5)	Letter of instructions 12-22-49
2300	(6)	Overlay of 119th positions.
2300	(7)	Overlay of 120th positions.
2300	(8)	Overlay of def. positions to be taken upon completion of mission. 12-22-49
2300	(9)	overlay letter of instructions 12-22-49

FROM: 230220 DEC 49

TO : 231115 DEC 49

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TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action
				INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0220				2nd Bn. 3 to 5-3. Truck movement on Rt. 4 in front of 2nd Bn. positions
0230				G-2 to 5-3. G.I. dressed enemy have job to infiltrate and destroy arty. 3 Bns notified.
0445				1st BN 3 to 5-3. Two civilians were evac. thru medics who escaped German firing squad yesterday afternoon.
0450				2nd Bn. 3 to 5-3 "E" Co reports receiving fire from N.E. 120TH sent out patrol to investigate
0715				120TH lat to 5-3. "K" Co of 120TH sent patrol to 2nd Bn of 117TH and found no enemy
0830				3RD BN 6 to 5-3 "L" Co moved out at 0825 on today's mission. G-3 notified by 5-3
0920				"STRIP TEASE" PASSWORD FROM 1200 23 DEC TO 1200 24 DEC 1949.
0940				3RD BN. 6 REPORTS GERMAN INF. OBSERVED MOVING SOUTHWEST OF HIS POSITIONS TOWARD AREA NO. 2. HE IS ADJUSTING MORTAR FIRE IN THE
1005				"E" CO REPORTS THEY ARE ON PL. 10.
		1008		ABOVE MSG GIVEN TO CUSTOM. <sup>DIS.</sup> 5-3 TELLS G-3 THEY ARE RUNNING INTO A LITTLE FIRE ON RIGHT.
		1100		S-3 TELLS 1ST BN 6 TO DEMOLISH BRIDGE AT (699896) TONIGHT IF HIS MEN CAN GET TO IT.
1115				TASK FORCE LOVE <sup>REPORTS</sup> HIGHWAY BRIDGE AT ROAD BLOCK "4" IS OUT

FROM: 23 1115 DEC 1944  
 TO : 23 1425 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1115		TASK FORCE "LOVE" REPORTS THEIR TANKS AT ARRET DE COO.
	1140	COL JOHNSON OUT TO DIVISION.
1235		COL JOHNSON IN FROM DIVISION.
1240		TASK FORCE HARRISSON REPORTS IT IS AT EAST EDGE OF LA GLETZE
	1300	S-3 REPORTS TO G-3 THAT OUR "L" CO IS ON P.L. 9. ALSO THAT "E" CO OF 120TH INF. IS ENGAGED IN FIRE FIGHT IN ARRET DE COO.
1305		2ND BN. REPORTS BVRZ BOMB HIT HOUSE IN THEIR AREA AT 1215. 12 MEN WERE IN HOUSE. IT IS BELIEVED NO CASUALTIES RESULTED.
1315		3RD BN REPORTS THEY ARE RUNNING INTO OPPOSITION <sup>IN WOODS</sup> AND OBSERVE NUMBER OF ENEMY. NECESSARY TO KILL ALL ENEMY AS THEY WONT GIVE UP EASILY.
1320		COL JOHNSON SENDS I & R PLATOON TO RECONNOITER EDGE OF WOODS BETWEEN STAVELOT & ROANNE TO CLEAN UP STRAGGLERS & FIND OUT STRENGTH OF ANY ENEMY PRESENT.
1320		120TH INF. REPORTS 75 ENEMY VEHICLES APPROACHING THEM FROM (815011), AS OF 1300.
1420		3RD BN. REPORTS TO COL. JOHNSON HE OBSERVES ENEMY TANKS NEAR P.L. 7.
	1422	S-3 REQUESTS TASK FORCE "LOVE" TO SEND TANK COMPLEMENT TO ROAD BLOCK "ONE" TO AID 3RD BN.
	1425	3RD BN. 6 NOTIFIED OF ABOVE REQUEST.

FROM: 23/450 DEC 1944

TO : 23505 DEC 1944

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TIME IN	OUT	SER. NO.	Action INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1430			C.O. OF TASK FORCE TO COL. JOHNSON: ENEMY MINE FIELD AT (680597) <sup>1000 YARDS</sup> <del>PARSO</del> OBSERVE ENEMY BUILDUP ACROSS RIVER AT (685994), AND SO FAR HAVE LOST 3 TANKS FROM MINE FIELD & BAROOKA <sup>AREA</sup>
1440			COL. JOHNSON CALLS G-3. REPORTS E CO. OF 120 <sup>TH</sup> INF. AT (686009). G-3 SAYS THERE ARE ABOUT 16 TIGER TANKS IN LAGLETZE. TASK FORCE "HARRISON" MOVING E ON TOWN. TASK FORCE "MIKE" MOVING W ON TOWN.
1445			3RD BN REPORTS "L" CO AT (689008) & REPORTS ENEMY BETWEEN "L" CO & TOWN OF STER.
1450			S-3 CALLS 3RD BN 6 FOR SITUATION. 6 SAYS THEY ARE UP AGAINST VERY STIFF OPPOSITION IN WOODS AND PRECEDING ARTY & MORTAR FIRE.
1500			3RD BN 6 TO COL. JOHNSON: REPORTS HE CAN COPE WITH EN. SITUATION WITHOUT HELP OF TANKS FROM TASK FORCE "LOVE"
1505			S-3 TELLS C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" TO HAVE "E" CO OF 120 <sup>TH</sup> <del>INF</del> <sup>PARSO</sup> MAKE CONTACT WITH "L" CO AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
1515			G-3 TELLS S-3 TO USE "F" CO TO HELP "E" CO MAKE CONTACT WITH "L" CO.
1520			C.O. OF TASK FORCE "LOVE" NOTIFIED THAT "F" CO, 120 <sup>TH</sup> INF IS NOW ATTND TO HWY & WILL ARRIVE BY TRUCK IN "E" CO AREA.

FROM: 231530 DEC 1944  
 TO: 231710 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1530	3	PATROL FROM <del>C</del> BN REPORTS THEY WERE FIRED ON BY TANKS ACROSS THE RIVER.
1535		COL. JOHNSON TO <del>COA</del> <sup>TANK FORCE</sup> <del>LADE</del> <sup>MOVE</sup> ANOTHER CO IS ON THE WAY TO YOU - YOU TAKE OVER THE TANKS AND COL. CANTI <sup>2ND BN, 120TH INF. C.O.</sup> WILL COMMAND THE INF. - MOVE THE TANKS UP WITH THE INF.
1540		COL STEVENS <sup>G-3</sup> NOTIFIED THAT WE ARE SENDING "F" CO TO HELP <del>AT</del> CLEAN OUT AREA.
1555		COL JOHNSON TO <del>CO</del> <sup>2ND BN, 120TH.</sup> <del>LADE</del> - GET DOWN WITH "L" CO AT LEAST AND BUTTON UP FOR TONIGHT.
1610		2ND BN LINE OUT
1620		LINE TO 4th Co's IN.
1622		COL JOHNSON TELLS <del>CO</del> <sup>2ND BN.</sup> <del>LADE</del> 120TH, THAT "L" CO WILL BE ATCHD TO HIM.
1624		3RD BN C.O. NOTIFIED OF ABOVE MSG.
1630	1630	G-3 TO S-3: ALL TROOPS IN OPERATIONAL AREA WILL CARRY THEIR GAS MASKS AT ALL TIMES
1635		S-3 TO 1ST BN-3 NOTIFIED ABOUT TROOPS TO CARRY GAS MASK.
1640		CO COA, 105 ENGRS NOTIFIED ABOUT MEN CARRYING GAS MASK.
1645		CO 3D BN NOTIFIED ABOUT MEN CARRYING GAS MASK
1705		3RD BN forward line out.
1710		3RD BN. 6 to S-3 "L" Co. receiving fire from front and rear.

FROM: 23 1715 DEC 44

TO : 23 1910 DEC 44

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TIME		C.	Action
IN	OUT		INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1715		S-3 to Col. Lovelace. <del>Give</del> <sup>Send</sup> msg to Col. Canty "117th L" Co receiving fire from rear and it may be from 120th "E" Co
	1925		S-3 to 2nd Bn 3. Men must carry gas masks in operational areas.
1950			120th 2nd Bn 2 to S-3. THEIR "FOX" Co is now tied in with "E" Co
	1950		S-3 to 1st Bn 3. Send msg to 3rd Bn 6 that 120th "Fox" Co is trying to make contact with your "L" Co.
	1955		Col Johnson to Capt Rice concerning 14R platoon. Still have not made contact with 14R platoon. Alerts 3rd Bn forward line in.
1800	1800		3rd Bn 3 tells S-3 they have not contacted 14R platoon as yet.
1805			H. McClanahan reported to Col Johnson that 14R platoon made his reconnaissance and neither saw or heard any enemy.
1805			3rd Bn 6 to S-3. Our artillery is falling short on obj. "4". S-3 notifies 118th FA
	1815		S-3 to <del>118th FA</del> Col Johnson out to Div.
1845			Col Johnson back in C.P.
	1855		Col Johnson notified Col Canty that "G" Co of 120th would be moved near Stavelot <del>to night</del> TO NIGHT.
1900		①	Overlay of 117th AT gun positions
	1900		S-3 asks 118th FA to fire TOT on (687-993) where Col Canty has heard vehicular movement
	1905		Col Johnson asks Col Lovelady and Col Canty to report to Regt'l C.P.
	1910		G-3 informed Col Johnson T.F. "L" will be pulled back and replaced 743d T.K. Bn.

FROM: 23 1930 DEC 44  
 TO : 232236 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, ISSS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1930		Col Duncan of 743d TK Bn in CP along with Col Canti and Col Lovelady, for conference on tomorrow's operations.
	1955	Col Johnson explains to G-2 the situation in connection with withdrawal of TF "Love"
	2010	Col Johnson to G-2, receiving another platoon of 743th Tanks for tomorrow's operations.
2100	(2)	Div letter of instruc. No 169
2105		Col Johnson to 3d Bn 6 IF plan "A" is executed have a guide at your CP at 0800 to guide 743d Tanks into position and TF "L" out.
2200	(3)	Plan "A" for tomorrow's operations
2220	(4)	Overlay of harassing fires for tomorrow's operations.
	2225	Cols Canti, Duncan and Lovelady out of CP after conference.
2230	(5)	Harrassing fires overlay
2230	(6)	Overlay of objectives for tomorrow.

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FROM: 240610 DEC 44  
 TO: 291045 DEC 44

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0610		1st Bn reported to S-3 enemy inf & tanks in front of A Co. Tanks driven back by arty.
0730		1st Bn 6 REPORTS 3 ENEMY TANKS & 2 COMPANIES OF INF OBSERVED BY O.P. TANKS ON OTHER SIDE OF RIVER. INF: ON THIS SIDE OF RIVER & CROSSED BRIDGE AT (699996)
0910		TASK FORCE "HICKORY" (E, F, G CO'S OF 120th INF, & OUR "L" CO.) DUMPS OFF ON TIME AT 0900.
0915		CO2 JOHNSON TELLS 2ND BN 6 TO GET HIS MORTARS FIRING IN SUPPORT OF T.F. "HICKORY"
0915		S-3 TO G-3 -- ASKS ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF AIR MISSION. G-3 SAYS ONE WILL PROBABLY BE FLOWN AT 1000 TO FIRE ON TARGETS S OF STAVELOT.
1000		ENGR OBSERVER REPORTS 90MM GUN KNOCKED OUT TIGER TANK AT LAGLEIZE AND OUR MEN ARE MOVING INTO THE TOWN FROM THE N
1030		1ST BN REPORTS 3 ENEMY TANKS HAVE CROSSED BRIDGE ACCOMPANIED BY 1 1/2 COMPANIES OF INFANTRY.
1030		G-3 TO S-3: OUR TASK FORCES HAVE TAKEN LAGLEIZE WITH 200 PRISONERS. ALSO RECAPTURED 200 OF OUR OWN MEN PREVIOUSLY TAKEN PRISONER BY THE GERMANS.
1045		G CO OF T.F. "HICKORY" REPORTS GERMAN TANKS <sup>SHOOTING</sup> AT (698002) WHERE THEY ARE AT PRESENT.



FROM: 241050 DEC 1948  
 TO : 241230 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	1050	112TH F.A. 6 REQUESTS HIS UNIT PLACE INTERDICTIONARY FIRE AT ROAD AT (694992)
1100	①	30TH DIV. A.T. DEFENCE OVERLAY
1100	②	OVERLAY-ENGR. ROAD & BRIDGE RECON. DATA.
	1100	COL JOHNSON TELLS G-3 "G" CO OF T.F. "HICKORY" REC'G FIRE FROM TANKS IN WOODS BUT CANNOT LOCATE THEM & ARE HELD BACK.
1100	③	OVERLAY-DIV. A.T. DEFENCE
1100	④	XVIII CORPS BARRIER REPORT & OVERLAY.
1100	⑤	OVERLAY-A.T. ROAD BLOCK PLACED BY CO. "B." 307 AB ENGRS.
1100	⑥	HQ. TF HARRISON - CONFIRMING ORDER & ACCOMPANYING OVERLAY.
1100	⑦	XVIII CORPS ENGR BARRIER & DEFENSE PLAN & OVERLAY
	1145	S-3 REQUESTS G-3 SEND AIR MISSION ON (69509996). TARGET IS ENEMY DUG IN TANKS & INFANTRY
1150		2ND BN REPORTS AIR STRIKE GOING ON IN FRONT OF THEM WITH OUR PLANES STRAFING ENEMY.
1200		ARMY <sup>AIR O.P.</sup> REPORTS AS ENEMY TANKS AT (685993). AIR STRIKE WILL BE PLACED THERE INSTEAD OF ON PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED TARGET.
	1230	G-3 TO S-3: 150 ENEMY AIRCRAFT HEADED IN YOUR DIRECTION. ALL UNITS NOTIFIED OF ABOVE INFO.

FROM: 241240 DEC 1944  
 TO : 241630 DEC 1944

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1240			ENGRS. REPORT ENEMY PLANE SHOT DOWN AT (683008)
	1300		COL JOHNSON TO 117TH F.A.G. REQUEST YOU FIRE ON (685993) WHERE 25 EN. TANKS ARE REPORTED.
1315		(8)	105TH ENGR. LIST OF FRIENDLY BARRIERS
1320			3RD BN REPORTS HEAVY TRAFFIC OF MIXED EN. VEHICLES (ABOUT 50 IN NUMBER) AT (710967) & (698974).
	1328		S-3 REQUESTS G-3 SEND AIR MISSION AT ABOVE TARGETS.
	<del>1328</del>		AIR MISSION GRANTED.
1340			ARTY OBSERVER REPORTS TANKS AND ARTY MOVING BETWEEN (710967) & (698974) IN NW DIRECTION.
	1425		3RD BN FWD LINE OUT.
1430			G-3 TELLS COL JOHNSON TASK FORCE "HARRISSON" IS GOING TO ROAD BLOCK "3"
1600			G-3 TELLS S-2 AIR MISSION WILL BE OVER (685993) TO ATTACK EN. TANKS WE REPORTED THERE.
	1615		S-3 REQUESTS G-3 TO RELIEVE OUR "K" CO. IN LA GEEZE. G-3 GIVES PERMISSION. "K" CO WILL ASSEMBLE IN MOULIN D'ARVY
	1630		COL JOHNSON TO C. & OF <sup>T.F. (LOW)</sup> <del>REARRANGE</del> DO NOT REMOVE ROAD BLOCKS WITH OUT GETTING CLEARANCE FROM <sup>ME</sup> <del>THEY</del>
1630			OVERLAY-DISPOSITION OF 117TH A.T. GUNS.

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TIME	IN	OUT	SER. NO.	INCIDENTS, NEWS, ORDERS, ETC.	Action Taken
		1640		COL JOHNSON ASKS G-3 IF HE GAVE ORDERS TO TAKE OUT ROAD BLOCK 3. G-3 SAYS "NO." COL JOHNSON SAYS HE WILL HAVE BLOCK RECONSTITUTED, USING 2 SQUADS OF "K" CO. G-3 SAYS 743RD TANK BN. WILL RELIEVE TASK FORCE "LOVE" IN PRESENT POSITIONS.	
		1720		3rd BN 5 to S-3. "K" Co is now at RB 3 and S-3 instructs him to stay there and await further orders for disposition of his BN.	
		1730		Col Johnson spoke with Gen Harrison and was told 790th Tk Bn is at RB 4 and that Col <sup>T.F. "Hickory"</sup> Cantani is under his command. "K" Co is attd to Col Cantani, T.F.	
		1735		S-3 informed 743d Tk Bn 3 to disregard orders to relieve RB 4.	
		1740		Col Johnson told G-3 about Gen Harrison's instructions.	
		1745		1st Bn laid 15 mines at (725-011)	
		1750		Col Johnson to 3d BN 6 that 743d Tk Bn will be into "I" Co to relieve TF "Love" in about one hour.	
		1755		Col Lovelady to Col Johnson that TF Harrison hasn't relieved RB 4. Col Johnson explains that Col <sup>T.F. "Hickory"</sup> Cantani is now attd to TF "HARRISON"	
		1800		Col Johnson out to Div	
		1845		S-3 explained situation to Col Cantani <sup>C.O. T.F. "Hickory"</sup> that he is now attd to Gen Harrison	
		05		2d BN 6 to S-3 Enemy patrol hit "G" Co at 1500. Two of "G" Co's men are missing. Col Johnson in from Div	

FROM: 24 1930 DEC 99  
 TO : 242340 DEC 99

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1930		2nd BN 6 to S-3 reports very heavy vehicular movement moving E. on road to their front Div notified along with Col Pardue of 120th
1950		S-3 to 3rd BN 5 to keep "K" Co at present position
1950		Col Johnson to 1st BN 6 to send at least a plat. down to river to check on bridge since it is his mission to blow the bridge.
2015	(9)	Overlay of TF Harverson's plan of attack 12-25-44
2030		Col Johnson to 1st BN 3 place mines in front of bridge to your BN front.
2130	(10)	Div. letter of instr. No 110 and overlay
2130	(11)	Overlay of disp. of 1st BN
2130	(12)	Overlay info. on disp of armies.
2130	(13)	Info overlay of def positions
2340		2nd BN 6 to S-3 observes vehicular movement in front of their positions moving W to E. G-2 notified of same.

FROM: 250105 DEC 44  
 TO : 251430 DEC 44

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0105		1st BN reports AT mines at (718-007) (7092-0019) and (7094-0032)
0200		1st BN to S-3 direct fire received from 2 or 3 tanks toward bridge. Unable to place AT mines.
0500		3rd BN to S-3. Tracked movement from S to W to 3rd Div's front.
0850		1st BN 2 to S-3 reports nebelwerfer fire at 0840 Div arty notified.
0905		3rd BN to S-2. Observed co of inf moving from Assomant to Wanne and a tank at (698-972) moving into woods.
1045		I & R PLATOON REPORTS 2 EN. TANKS & CO OF INF MOVING E AT (695979)
1100		3RD BN 6 REPORTS EN. HALFTRACKS & OTHER VEHICLES ACCOMPANIED BY BN. OF INF. MOVING SE IN GRID SQUARE 7096. REQUESTS AIR MISSION ON IT.
1110		S-2 GIVES ABOVE INFO. TO G-2. ASKS G-3 FOR AIR MISSION ON GRID SQUARE 7096. G-3 SAYS HE WILL LET S-2 KNOW IF AIR MISSION IS GRANTED.
1300		G-3 TO EX.O. - CLEAN OUT THAT NECK AT (703994) AND DESTROY BRIDGES BY TONIGHT. 2ND BN OF 120TH TO BE WITHDRAWN & WILL BE REPLACED BY YOUR 3RD BN.
1310		1ST BN C.O. NOTIFIED OF ABOVE INFORMATION. S-3 TELLS HIM TO CLEAN OUT AREA REFERRED TO IN ABOVE MESSAGE.
1430		① DIV. A.T. DEFENSE OVERLAIN.

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 TO: 251805 DEC 1944

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1530		COL JOHNSON OUT TO 1ST BN.
TIME	SER.	-Action
IN	OUT	NO. <del>INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken</del>
1600		GEN. HARRISSON TO S-3: ONE BN OF 119TH WILL BE LEFT AT LA GLEIZE & WILL PATROL EAST DOWN TO US. ANOTHER BN OF 119TH (LANEY'S BN) WILL REMAIN IN POSITION AT GREUX UNTIL WE GET OUR OWN PEOPLE IN THERE & CONSOLIDATE OUR POSITIONS. GEN HARRISSON BELIEVES BN LEFT AT LAGLEIZE WILL BE UNDER OUR CONTROL.
1650		118TH FA. BN. REPORTS THEIR AIR O.P. FOUND NO BRIDGE AT (699996) & SAY IT IS A FORD INSTEAD.
1652		1ST BN. NOTIFIED OF ABOVE INFO.
1710		3RD BN. G REPORTS "L" CO AT (695001).
1712		ABOVE INFO. RELAYED TO COL. JOHNSON.
1720		S-3 TELLS 3RD BN. 3 TO HAVE "L" CO GET ON OBJ. & SUTTON UP FOR NIGHT. EITHER "G" OR "I" CO WILL RUN PATROL TO THEM TONIGHT.
1740		Col Johnson to S-3. Have 1st BN send patrol to (701-997) dig in and hold. S-3 notified 1st BN <sup>3</sup> and S-3 was told a patrol just returned and claims a bridge is at (701-997) with an enemy tank and inf dug in at that point. Also "L" Co should send patrol and dig in at (699-006) and "I" Co send patrol and dig in at (705-000). S-3 sent 3RD BN. HQ to deliver above msg from Col Johnson.
1805		S-2 informed G-2 that bridge exists in front of 1st BN. at (694-997)

FROM: 251815 DEC 49  
 TO : 252300 DEC 49

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, ISS IS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1815		S-3 explains to Col Johnson observation of 1st BN patrol
1820		1st BN 3 to S-3. 1st BN patrol observed following (705-994) <sup>first</sup> <del>bridge</del> <sup>ford</sup> (702-989) en. CP (702-988) (698-984) vehicular movements. (703-993) bidge and unoccupied positions
1825		Col Johnson to S-2. Have plat of 743d TK Bn move to RB "3" and plat leader report to Col Canty at RB "1"
1830		S-3 to 3d BN 6 to have plat push to the road with patrols and dig in.
1855		S-3 requested 118th FA to place TOT on enemy installations
1910	(2)	Overlay of 2nd Bn changes in def pos.
2000	(3)	Div letter of instruc No 111
2050		Col Johnson inquired of 2nd BN 6 situation and he said his Bn. is all buttoned up
2130		3rd BN 6 to Col Johnson. Keep "K" Co in pos and you will be notified when they are released from Col Canty's command.
2155		Col Johnson to G-3. Engrs are attempting to destroy bridge. Basekamen on patrol found no enemy tanks "1" Co moved down to RR tracks "2" Co moved to edge of woods
2240		1st BN 3 to S-3. Engrs went down to the river and couldn't find bridge. They found a bridge over a small stream in front of the river. S-3 notified G-3 of same.
2300		1st BN 3 to S-3. A white light appeared across river and after firing arty, it turned red and continued to shine. G-3 notified of same.

FROM: 252315 DEC 49  
TO : 252350 DEC 49

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TIME			Action
IN	OUT	C.	INCIDENTS, REGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
2315			2nd BN 3 to S-3. About 15 rounds of arty of 150-210 caliber fired at (745-032)
2350			1st BN 3 reported to S-3 vehicular movement in front of "B" Co. S-3 ask USM FA to fire interdictory fire.



FROM: 260100 DEC 44  
 TO: 260950 DEC 44

REPORT

TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0100		Col Cant. to S-3. Half track on other side of bridge. Section of bridge gone in middle.
0315		"E" Co 119th to S-3. Patrolled to bridge with no incident encountered.
0600		G-3 to S-3 and told all quiet.
0625		Col Cant. to S-3 that they are in contact with 82d AB and have wire communication. G-3 notified.
0805		Gen Hobbs to Col Johnson. Situation of bridges and observation of last night's patrol explained.
0830		COL JOHNSON TELLS COL CANTI TO KEEP ENEMY ON OTHER SIDE OF RIVER USE MORTARS IF NECESSARY TO KEEP THEM OUT.
0830		3 <sup>rd</sup> BN FORWARD OUT BY WIRE.
0835		C.O. 3 <sup>rd</sup> BN TOLD BY LNO TO GIVE C.O. & Co <del>117</del> <sup>117</sup> ORDER TO PERSONALLY TAKE A PATROL TO CONTACT "E" Co 119 <sup>th</sup> .
0840		S-3 NOTIFIES ALL BN'S THAT FRIENDLY AIRCRAFT WILL BE WORKING TODAY AND AS A SAFETY PRECAUTION TO WAY OUT A FEW PANELS.
0920		<sup>44120 TANK BN. REPT. POINTS</sup> TANKS ARRIVED AT ROAD BLOCK 3 AT 0900
0930		3RD. BN. FORWARD. LINE IN
0950		FRIENDLY P47'S DROPPED 2 BOMBS & STRAFED IN OUR C.P. AREA. 1 KILLED, 3 WOUNDED. CASUALTIES NOT IN OUR REGT.

FROM: 261000 DEC 44  
 TO : 261648 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1000			COL. CANTI CALLED EX D & ASKED FOR PERMISSION TO START RELOAD OF 119TH ISN.
1030		①	LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS FROM 119TH IAF.
1145		②	MINIFIELD OVERLAY FROM 2d BN.
1220			82 <sup>ND</sup> REPORTED IN TROIS PONTS
1230			2ND BN REPORTS ENEMY INF. ACTIVITY EAST OF RD. BU.#1.
1235			2 <sup>ND</sup> BN REPORTS ABOVE ACTION WAS 120TH ZEROING IN WEAPONS. - S-3
			NOTIFIES THEM TO STOP.
1255			2 <sup>ND</sup> BN NOTIFYS S-3 THAT IT WAS NOT FRIENDLY FIRING - IT WAS A 5 MAN GERMAN PATROL - LAST SIGHTED AT 763028 - ONE OF THE PATROL WAS WOUNDED.
1440			2ND BN OF 129TH RLD FROM ATCHMNT THIS REGT EFF PRESENT TIME
	1630		S-3 TELLS 2ND BN OF 120TH TO BLOW UP R.R. BRIDGE IN THEIR SECTOR & NOTIFY HIM WHEN BRIDGE HAS BEEN BLOWN.
1632			GEN. HOKKS CALLS COL. JOHNSON & TELLS HIM TO HAVE R.R. BRIDGE AT (677990) BLOWN UP AT ONCE.
	1635		COL JOHNSON TELLS COM 2ND BN, 120TH INF. TO BLOW BRIDGE REFERRED TO IN ABOVE MESSAGE & INFORM HIM AS SOON AS IT IS DONE
	1648		COL JOHNSON TELLS CO OF ENGR DET. TO BLOW UP BRIDGE AT PETITE DE COU.

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TIME	SR.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1700		Effective today the 30th Div is in the First Army.
	1725	Col Johnson receives report from Col Cantu that RR bridge (677-990) and bridge at Pettit de Coe both have been blown.
	1728	G-3 notified of same by Col Johnson.
1810		2nd Bn 2 reported to S-2 that an en. patrol of 10-men hit at (753-016) at 1655, G-2 notified of same.
1815	(3)	Overlay of 82d AB Div positions
2030		2nd Bn to S-3. Enemy activity in front of "E" Co near bridge.
2100	(4)	Overlay 2nd Bn 120 Inf fire plan
2100	(5)	Overlay 2nd Bn 120 Inf tank pos
2100	(6)	S-3 Rpt. 2nd Bn. 120 Inf.
2130	(7)	Overlay of 3d Bn disposition.

FROM: 270375 DSC

TO : 27150Z DE-14

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
	0325	1st BN wires out
	0345	3rd BN forward wires out
0430		3RDBN. <sup>LINE</sup> WIRE 14
0440		3RD BN rear <sup>LINE</sup> WIRE LN
0635		G-3 to S-3. Was contact made with the unit on our right? Colcanti reported they had by patrol and believes no enemy is between the two units. Request for air strike should be made before 0800. Any captured material or equipment subject to en. attack should be evac. or destroyed. Army Ord. units are available to Div and Corps to assist. Include pocketed equip. on S-3 Report.
	0750	S-3 requested G-3 for air strike today on road into Aisamont R41. (697-974) to (709-968)
1020		GEN. HARRISSON IN-
	1030	<del>GEN. HARRISSON OUT.</del>
	①	105TH ENGRS. ROAD CLEARANCE & BARRIER #61.
1130		G-3 TO S-3: AIR STRIKE ON WAY TO ATTACK AISOMONT & WANTING
	1132	S-3 NOTIFIES 3RD BN OF ABOVE MESSAGE & ASKS HIM TO OBSERVE RESULTS
1140		② OVERLAY-FRIENDLY-ENEMY LINES.
	1240	COL JOHNSON OUT TO DIVISION
1300		③ 30TH DIV. AT DEFENSE OVERLAY.
1415		COL. JOHNSON IN FROM DIV. WITH NEW C.O. OF 119TH INF (COL BARETT)
1500		C Co 823RD TD. LINE IN

FROM: 271545 DEC 44  
 TO : 270325 DEC 44

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ME	SER.	Action
N	OUT NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1545		BN. C.O.'S IN FOR MEETING WITH COL. JOHNSON & ARE INSTRUCTED CONCERN IN SHIFTING OF BN. POSITIONS.
1700	(4)	OVERLAY TO ACCPY F.O. 58
1800	(5)	Info overlay to accompany unit rpt. 12-27-44 Col Johnson inquired of S-3 concerning co of 4.2 mortars in our sector and was told they are atchd to arty and at our disposal
1840		
2045		S-3 alerted all Bns. of rpt. of PW taken claiming en. will attempt an atk by tomorrow morn somewhere in our Regtl sector. Also en crossing river to E at Trois Ponts were fired on by 120TH.
2045	(6)	Info overlay and unit rpt from 120TH 2nd Bn
2045	(7)	Div F.O. 58
2045	(8)	Info overlay of disp of troops on 1st + 3d Army Fronts. 12-27-44
2045	(9)	Info overlay 2nd Bn 505
2245		Gen Hobbs to Col Johnson. Higher hdqrs expects a counterattack tonight or tomorrow morning in our sector
2250		Col Johnson alerted 1st Bn 6. Alerted 2nd Bn 6 and told him to hold up on relief until we see what develops and Col Johnson tells you to make relief. 3rd Bn 6 also alerted of Gen Hobbs msg.
2255		S-3 alerted Cn. Co. C.O. of expected atk
2320		S-3 alerted 120TH 2nd Bn 3 of expected atk and also that relief of our 2nd Bn would not take effect until Col Johnson gives the order
2325	(10)	Overlay and msg "C" Cos patrol

FROM: 280015 DEC 98  
 TO : 281100 DEC 99

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT- NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0015		"G" Co of 120TH reports vehicular movement to their front. Arty was fired. G-3 notified of same
0045		"E" Co of 120TH patrolled down to the river and met no opposition
1000		"G" Co reports sn attempted to remove a mine field. "G" Co fired on them. G-2 advised of same
0745		Mine field at (687-963) at underpass
0745		S-3 notified 2nd Bn. 5 that Col Johnson wants the relief to take place as planned.
0745		S-3 also notified 120TH 2nd Bn 3 of above msg
0840		G-3 also notified by S-3
0840		COL JOHNSON TO 2ND BN. 6: FIND OUT IF EN. HAS CROSSED BRIDGE IN YOUR SECTOR. IF SO, BRIDGE WILL BE DEMOLISHED FURTHER
0840		ALSO REQUESTS 6 TO NOTIFY HIM WHEN HIS BN. HAS CLOSED INTO NEW AREA.
0900		GEN. HOBBS TO COL JOHNSON: REQUEST YOU SEND PATROLS ACROSS RIVER TO CAPTURE PRISONERS & FIND OUT ENEMY SITUATION.
0930		COL JOHNSON OUT TO 2ND BN.
1000		S-2 INSTRUCTS 1ST, 2ND BNS, & I & R PLATOON TO SEND OUT PATROL. PATROLS WILL PASS FROM STAVELOT S & SW TO TROIS PONTS. PATROLS WILL GO OUT TONIGHT.
1010		S-2 OUT TO 1ST BN
1045		2 DIVISION DIVISION LINES OUT.
1100	①	119TH INF. F.O.#38 & ACCEPTING OVERLAY
1100	②	30TH DIVISION ANNEX TO F.O.#58
1100		2 DIVISION LINES IN.

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 TO : 28 DEC 1944

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TIME	OUT	SER. NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC.	Action Taken
1110			G-3 NOTIFIES S-3 CORPS C.G. WILL VISIT 1ST BN. THIS MORNING.	
1120			1ST BN. 6 NOTIFIED OF ABOVE INFO.	
1145			2ND BN REPORTS THEY HAVE CLOSED INTO NEW POSITIONS.	
1146			S-3 NOTIFIED G-3 THAT 2d BN HAD CLOSED INTO NEW AREA.	
1150			S-2 IN FROM 1ST BN	
1240			3RD BN REPORTS ABANDONED TIGER TANK IN RUNNING CONDITION AT (701001)	
1245			COL. JOHNSON IN FROM 2ND BN.	
1430			1ST BN LINES OUT	
1440		AR016	Col. JOHNSON TO 3RD BN 6: HOLD "L" CO. IF IT HASN'T ALREADY MOVED, UNTIL YOU RECEIVE FURTHER ORDERS.	
			2ND BN REPORTS RECEIVING SOME MORTAR & DIRECT FIRE IN THEIR AREA	
1600			S-3 TELLS 3RD BN TO HAVE "L" CO MOVE BACK TO FORMER AREA & THAT PRESENT AREA WILL BE OUTPOSTED FOR TONIGHT.	
1602			ABOVE INFO. GIVEN TO G-3 BY S-3	
1645			1ST BN LINES IN	
1720			3d bn forward line out	
1800		(3)	Overlay of AT gun pos.	
1830		(4)	Overlay of 1st BN fire plan.	
2000		(5)	Overlay 2d BN prepared 4.2 fires	
2100		(6)	Changes in Div AT defenses.	
2245			2d BN 3 to S-3. Patrol heard convey moving N to Staelet at 2215 on Rt 4. G-2 and 1st BN 2 notified of above.	

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TIME			Action
IN	OUT	C.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0200			I & R PLATOON RETD & REPORTS MUCH ACTIVITY ACROSS RIVER (702-987)
	0202		S-3 NOTIFIED G-2 OF ABOVE INFO.
	0945		COL JOHNSON OUT TO 1ST BN.
1030		①	BOTH DIV. A.T. DEFENSE.
1040			COL JOHNSON IN FROM 1ST BN.
	1045		S-2 OUT TO 1ST BN.
1145			S-2 IN FROM 1ST BN.
1230		②	OVERLAY-POSSIBLE COUNTER-ATTACK PLANS OF 3RD BN, 119TH INF.
1530			3RD BN ← 119TH INF.
1700		③	Overlay of patrols of 119th Inf.
	1930		S-2 notified 2nd Bn 2 of Div arty observing Enemy moving NW out of Asomont at 1707. 2nd Bn 2 reported an en patrol in front of "E" Co's position
2000		④	Overlay "I" Co pos.
2000		⑤	Overlay "I" Co fire plan
2100		⑥	Info overlay of 117th pos.



FROM: 30 0015 DEC 44

TO : 30/520 DEC 44

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TIME IN	OUT	GR. NO.	Action INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0015			1st BN 2 informed S-3 that patrol from their Bn. and 3 1/4 R men found all en pos occupied <del>last</del> <sup>of DEC 28</sup> night to be deserted tonight, Dec 29th.
0600	0040		S-3 notified G-2 of above msg and Adv to S-3 "E" Co <sup>patrol</sup> no contact at "G" Co <sup>patrol</sup> contacted en. at river and held at 0100. G-2 notified.
0615			G-3 to G-3. No change in situation.
0825			O.P. line in.
1100			OVERLAY- POSITIONS OF 119TH & 120TH INF
	1200		1ST BN & 3RD BN <sup>FWD.</sup> LINES OUT.
1204			G-3 TO EX. 0; ALERT ALL UNITS FOR POSSIBLE ENEMY AIR OR PARACHUTE ATTACK.
	1206		ALL UNITS NOTIFIED OF ABOVE BY S-3
	1230		2ND BN FWD LINE OUT
	1234		C CO 823RD <del>ENEMY'S</del> LINE OUT
1220			G-3 TO S-3, OUR AIR FORCE <del>PREVIOUSLY</del> <del>ROMPED</del> MALMEDY ABOUT AN HOUR AGO WITH 24-HOUR DELAYED ACTION BOMBS. NOTIFY ANY OF YOUR UNITS NEAR THERE.
	1320		S-3 NOTIFIES ALL ENTS. OF ABOVE MSG.
1330			Let 2ND & 3RD BN. FWD LINES IN.
	1340		COL JOHNSON OUT.
1500			C CO 823RD T.O.'S IN.
1500			COL. JOHNSON IN.
1520			1ST BN TO S-2 - CIVILIAN REPORT HE KNOWS POSITION OF LOGS AT LAMISLEVE RIVER.

FROM: 310200 DEC 44  
 TO : 31 DEC 44

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TIME		SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO.	INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
0700			1st BN V to S-3 reports patrol held with 3 PW's.
	0905		S-3 notified G-V of above.
0920			2nd BN V to S-3 their patrol didn't get across river since evening was there. They were not fired on.
0846			O.P. CHECKS IN.
0845			"BLIZZ-BOMB" PASSWORD FROM 1200 31 DEC 44 TO 1200 1 JAN 45.
	1140		CN CO LINE OUT.
1110			CN CO LINE IN.
	1210		3RD BN FWD LINE OUT
1230			3RD BN FWD LINE IN
	1300	①	OVERLAY SHOWING PATROL ROUTES TONIGHT.
	1325		S-2 OUT TO 2d BN.
	1345		COL. JOHNSON OUT TO DIV HQ.
1410			1ST BN LINE IN.
1440			COL. JOHNSON IN.
1525			S-2 IN FROM 2ND BN.
			PASSWORD COMPROMISED. ALTERNATE "THOROUGH-JOB" TO BE USED FROM 1200 31 DEC 44 TO 1200 1 JAN 45
	1730		3RD BN FWD LINE OUT.
	1900		Col Johnson suggested to 1st Bn Co. 2nd Bn Co and 3rd Bn Co to review XIX Corps Memo. 62 on "Attack thru Woods" and to have their Cos work on methods of fighting in woods, also to have reserve cos train each day in surrounding woods.
	2140		1st BN V to S-3 10 men in patrol at 1200 "B" Co sent out patrol to contact

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 TO : 30 DEC 1944

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TIME	SER.	Action
IN	OUT	NO. INCIDENTS, MSGS, ORDERS, ETC. Taken
1540		3RD BN <sup>6</sup> REPORTS <del>ROBOT BOMBS HIT</del> <sup>LARGE SHELL</sup> HIS O.P. NO CASUALTIES RESULTED.
1600	①	Overlay AT gun pos.
1800	-	G-3 to S-3. Report of delayed action bombs falling in Malmedy was false. They were "duds".
1900	②	Info overlay of disp of Allied troops.