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C-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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Maps: France 1/50,000. Sheets 106, 107, 121, 122, 136 & 137.

1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- a. Enemy front line - See overlay.
- b. Defensive organization - 3 tanks and 6 enemy observed digging in at (P354438). Bridge blown (P521489). I Bn Volks Arty Corps CP and 3rd Bn, 14 Para Regt in REMOIVILLE (P494484) according to PW statement. General plan of defense is to use high ground with hasty dug in positions.
- c. Units in contact -

(1) Units previously identified:

5 Para Div:

- HQ III Bn, 14 Para Regt - P 23 Dec
- 8 Co, 14 Para Regt vic CHAUMONT (P5149) - P 24 Dec
- 6 Co, 15 Para Regt at MODANCE (P5341) - PW 21 Dec
- 8 Co, 15 Para Regt - P 23 Dec
- Elms, 15 Para Regt at WITRY (P475421) - P 22 Dec
- 1 and 2 Cos, 5 Para Eng Bn - P 23 Dec

11 Para GHQ Assault Gun Bde at FARNACH (P5548) - P 24 Dec

911 GHQ Assault Gun Bn in 26 Div sector - PW 22 Dec

352 Volksgren Div

- I and II Bn, 914 Gren Regt NW EITELBRUCK - PW 23 Dec
- 914 Gren Regt at DISKIRCH (P8742) - P 23 Dec
- CP, 915 Gren Regt in NIEDERREULEN (P785408) - P 23 Dec
- 4 Co, 915 Gren Regt vic BITTBOHN (P707342) - P 23 Dec
- I Bn, 915 Gren Regt in GROSHOUS (P727378) - PW 22 Dec
- 2, 6, 8 Cos, 915 Gren Regt vic (P800382) - P 22 Dec
- I and II Bn, 916 Gren Regt on high ground along ALZETTE River between EITELBRUCK (P8240) and RIESSEN (P7583)
- CP, 352 Eng Bn at DISKIRCH (P8742) - PW 23 Dec
- 5 and 11 Btrys, 1352 Arty Regt - PW 23 Dec

Bn Rolfe, 4 Co at EITELBRUCK (P8420) - P 23 Dec

408 Volks Arty Corps

Hq Btry, I Bn at REMOIVILLE (P4948) - P 23 Dec

(2) New identifications:

5 Para Div:

- 11 Co, 13 Para Regt vic FARNACH (P5548) - P 24 Dec
- 6, 7 Cos, 13 Para Regt vic MODANCE (P5341) - P 24 Dec
- 3, 4, 11, 14 Cos, 14 Para Regt vic CHAUMONT (P5149) - P 24 Dec
- 7 Co, 14 Para Regt vic (P3097) - P 23 Dec
- 5 Co, 15 Para Regt vic MATHLANCE (P5639) - P 24 Dec

352 Volksgren Div

1 Btry, 1352 Arty Regt, P 24 Dec

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"GROSSDEUTSCHLAND" Div

- 15 Co and HQ, I Bn, "Fuhrer Brigade" CD via KIEHMEN (P7846)
PW 24 Dec
- 3 Co, Fus Bn, Fuhrer Brigade CD - PW 24 Dec
- 2 & 3 Cos, "Fuhrer Brigade" CD - PW 24 Dec

79 Volksgren Div

- 2 Co, 226 Gren Regt via KIEHMEN (P7846) - PW 24 Dec
- 11 Bn, 226 Gren Regt (P7846) - PW 24 Dec
- 79 Fusilier Co via KIEHMEN (P7846) - PW 24 Dec

HQ 22 Hvy Proj Regt, 18 Nebelwerfer Bde at ETTLEBRUCK (P8240)
PW 24 Dec

- d. Artillery - Enemy batteries located (P788476), (P797485), (P853435), (P791478), (P788473). A possible NEBELWERFER location at (P611435). 88 mm gun located at (P845412). AA located at (P788470). PW reports 8 - 150mm guns between (P689420) and (P696424). 4 - 120mm guns dug in via ARSDORF (P6442)
- e. Reserves and other forces capable of intervention - Enemy convoy 239 vehicles including tanks and armor moving W. between (P897886) and ST VITH (P860880) at 0550 A. First Army reported large concentration enemy armor and trucks via (P7570) morning 24 Dec. PW states that 352 Volksgren Div is to be relieved by a SS Pz Div. 60 - 70 tanks were reported moving W. via HEIDERSCHEIDERGRUND (P7246) between 232030 and 232330. This might indicate that a new Pz Div, possibly 9 SS Pz is being brought into the line.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

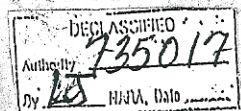
- a. General summary - Enemy continued to offer stubborn resistance throughout period. Scattered resistance from isolated groups was encountered in the center of the Corps zone; however the enemy still maintained an organized and determined effort in the 4th Arm and 80th Div sectors.
- b. Operations of component elements:
 - 1. Artillery - Enemy artillery increased its activity during period. Concentrations fell in area of front line troops. Interdiction of roads in rear area installations was light through period. Heaviest shelling was received via NEIDERMEULEN (P7840), including 105mm and 155mm. There were no concentrations in excess of 15 rounds, the bulk of the fire came from the NE.
 - 2. Aviation - Considerable air activity occurred over the Corps zone during the period. It consisted primarily of single engine fighter bombers, which bombed and strafed units throughout the zone.
 - 3. Infantry - Small arms and mortar fire was received throughout the period. Infantry patrols were active in the vic of CHAUMONT (P5149) and bazooka teams attempted to infiltrate through our lines during the middle part of the period. Snipers were active in the vic of WARNACH (P5542) Resistance S of RAMBOUCH (P6458) was reinforced by an Inf Co during the day. On the 80th Inf Div front considerable small arms fire was received during the period throughout the zone. Several counterattacks were made by Inf supported by tanks. Reports were received that some of the enemy were observed wearing white uniforms.
 - 4. Tanks - Tanks were again active during the period operating in groups of three and four supported by inf.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Weather and visibility - Generally clear throughout period. Ceiling unlimited. Fair to moderate visibility. Max 30, min 20.
- b. Miscellaneous - Radio broadcast believed to be Belgian translation at 1220 and 1430 today warned people in certain towns and areas that the German advance was approaching and that they should evacuate to the W without delay. It is believed that this is a German station with a mission to alarm civilians so that they will interrupt the movement of troops in the rear areas.

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c. Password - BOLSTER reply CANDY from 261200 December to 271200 December 1944.

4. ENEMY CAPABILITIES:

- (1) The enemy may continue his present attack.
- (2) The enemy may discontinue his attack and defend from prepared positions.
- (3) The enemy may withdraw and defend along successive prepared positions to exert maximum delay in an effort to divert large forces of our troops from effecting penetrations into his vital SAAR and RUHR industrial areas.
- (4) In conjunction with (1) the enemy is capable of reinforcing his present forces with one or more of the following divisions: 2 SS Pz divisions (9 SS and 10 SS); 3 Volks Gren divisions (298, 340 and 710); 3 Para divisions (2, 7 and 8); and SS Div Gro sdeutschland.
- (5) The enemy is capable of sporadic paratroop attacks to disrupt lines of communication and to create confusion within our lines.

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