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## G-2 PERIODIC REPORT

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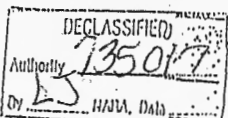
## 1. ENEMY SITUATION AT END OF PERIOD:

- a. Enemy front line - The enemy front line is generally along the S bank of the RUHR RIVER with a pocket of resistance from A5915 to A6214.
- b. Defensive organization - The enemy was establishing a defense line along the high ground S of the RUHR RIVER.
- c. Units in contact - New units identified today were 16th Armd Engr Repl Bn, the 463rd Bn of the 22nd AA Div, 10-483rd Heavy AA Btry, 2nd Engr Bn of the 2nd Para Div and the 23rd AA Regt. The 16th Armd Engr Repl Bn has 3 Cos and latest reports place Co strength at 80 men. The chief task of the Bn is defending road blocks and demolishing bridges. The 463rd Bn consists of the 4th, 5th, 7th batteries plus the 6th battery of the 301st Bn. The 4th battery was blown up and all 70 men were committed as infantry. The 10-483rd Heavy AA Battery was originally the 2nd Battery of the 154th Heavy AA Bn. The 23rd AA Regt consists of Hungarians sent to this area for training purposes but not committed. Locations of units identified thru PWs are listed as follows:

| UNIT                   | LOCATION | STATUS   | DATE   |
|------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| 2nd Para Div           |          |          |        |
| 2nd Regt               | A6320    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 2nd Arty Regt          | A6320    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 23rd Regt              | A6513    | Deserter | 11 Apr |
| 2nd Engr Bn            | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 116th Pz Div           |          |          |        |
| 16th Engr Repl Bn      | A6513    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 22nd AA Div            |          |          |        |
| 463rd Bn               | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 301st AA Bn (6th Btry) | A6320    | PW       | 10 Apr |
| 1st Tech. Repl Bn      |          |          |        |
| Tech Constr Co 13      | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 253rd Trng Regt        |          |          |        |
| CT Feind               | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| CT Hesse               | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| CT Weber               | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| CT Schraam             | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| 4th AA Div             |          |          |        |
| 524th Bn               | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| 471st Bn               | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| 643rd Bn               | A6326    | PW       | 09 Apr |
| 650th Bn               | A6528    | PW       | 10 Apr |
| Reichsarbeitsdienst    |          |          |        |
| 245th Bn               | A6427    | PW       | 10 Apr |
| 206th Bn               | A6427    | PW       | 10 Apr |
| 10-483rd AA Btry       | A6513    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| 23rd AA Regt           |          |          |        |
| (Hungarians)           | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |
| Volkssturm             | A6218    | PW       | 11 Apr |

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- d. Artillery - One gun of undetermined caliber was located vicinity A62031162. The forward areas received sporadic artillery fire during the day.

2. ENEMY OPERATIONS DURING PERIOD:

- a. General summary - The enemy resisted our efforts to rout him from the LINDEN bridgehead with small arms fire and artillery from the S bank of the RUHR RIVER.
- b. Operations of component elements:
1. Artillery - Sporadic artillery fire of estimated 88mm was received in the forward areas during the night. SP fire from the S bank of the RUHR RIVER has been falling among the leading elements of the LINDEN bridgehead.
  2. Aircraft - Two unidentified planes were over the 137th Inf area last night.
  3. Armor - Tanks or other track laying vehicles were heard S of the RUHR RIVER in vicinity of HERBEDE A6813 throughout the night.
  4. Infantry - Enemy was observed digging in S of the RUHR RIVER with much activity reported vicinity of A670132, A672138, A668138, A673136, A679143, and A678144. Light flare activity was reported during the hours of darkness.

3. MISCELLANEOUS:

- a. Prisoners - 118 PWs passed thru Div cage since 1800 yesterday. Total for this operation 3,777. Grand total 20,914. One enemy dead buried.
- b. Estimated enemy casualties 200, 40 of which were killed and 160 long term wounded.
- c. Miscellaneous - French civilian reports bridge at A689145 is mined in two places, with a partial roadblock at one end of bridge and protected by 2 or 3 machineguns. Bridge at A660128 is demolished.
- d. Weather - Fair during early part of period with increasing cloudiness and rain in afternoon.
- e. Password - HAGGLE reply NIGGLE from 131200 to 141200 April 1945.

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| Div Arty     | 6 | PRO (Forward)     | 1 | 654 TD       | 1 |
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| 788 PA Bn    | 1 | Roa Trp           | 1 | PM           | 1 |
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