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1. SUPPLY.

a. Rations.

- (1) All airborne personnel will carry on the person one (1) "K" and two (2) "D" rations.
- (2) All seaborne personnel will carry on the person one (1) "K" and one (1) "D" ration.
- (3) Vehicles will carry two (2) "K" rations for all airborne personnel.
- (4) Vehicles will carry three (3) "K" rations for all seaborne personnel.
- (5) Naval craft will provide rations for all seaborne personnel from time of embarkation until time of debarkation.
- (6) Far air re-supply see Annex No. 1.
- (7) "C" rations will be available for refugees in concentration areas after airborne elements join with ground elements.

b. Special Individual Items.

- (1) A gratuitous issue of one (1) week Post Exchange supplies will be carried on vehicles on seaborne lift for all troops.
- (2) Each individual will carry one (1) bottle of Halazone tablets. Four (4) 1 1/2-ounce Heat Units will be carried as directed by Unit Commander. Each individual will carry one (1) 1/2-ounce can of insecticide.
- (3) Each individual will be permitted to carry two (2) prophylactic devices, mechanical.
- (4) For other individual equipment, see Memorandum, "Uniform and Individual Equipment, Operation NEPTUNE", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 16 April 1944.

c. Gasoline and oil.

- (1) All vehicles except motorcycles will embark or emplane with gasoline tanks filled.
- (2) Each vehicle will carry five (5) quarts of engine oil of proper grade and filled grease guns.
- (3) Each motored vehicle except motorcycles will carry the following quantities of gasoline in five (5) gallon Ameri-cans or Jerri-cans:

Trucks, 1/4-ton, 4 x 4	2 cans
Trucks, 3/4-ton and 1 1/2-ton	5 cans
Trucks, 2 1/2-ton, 5 x 8	10 cans

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- (4) Motorcycles will have gasoline tanks filled to 1/3 capacity.
- (5) For air re-supply see Annex No. 1.

d. Ammunition.

- (1) Basic Load of Ammunition will accompany all troops; reference Memorandum, "Basic Loads of Ammunition", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 10 April 1944.
- (2) One hundred and five (105) tons of ammunition will be carried by attached QM Truck Company 3809.
- (3) The Division Engineer will draw and allocate electric and non-electric blasting caps in sufficient quantity for first four (4) days of operation.
- (4) Units will carry five (5) u/f for each cal. .50 MG (AA).
- (5) For air re-supply see Annex No. 1.

e. Water.

- (1) All canteens will be filled.
- (2) All glider units will carry one (1) five-gallon container of water per glider.
- (3) All parachute units will carry one (1) five-gallon container of water per plane for consumption enroute to objective.
- (4) All water on objective is considered non-potable until treated.
- (5) Units will carry sufficient water cans for normal field maintenance.

f. Individual Clothing and Equipment.

- (1) See Memorandum, "Uniform and Individual Equipment, Operation NEPTUNE", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 16 April 1944.

g. Additional Supplies.

- (1) Each unit will carry on vehicles the following items, as organizational equipment:

Soap, ordinary issue	1/5 lb/man
Brushes, scrub, floor, hand	1/ 50 men
Brooms, cane	1/ 100 men
Matches	1 box/ 10 men
Calcium Hypochlorite	10 ampule/ 10 men
Methyl Bromide	10 ampule/ 10 men
Ten (10) days supply of stationery, forms, and office supplies.	

- (2) Units will carry heater units of range only. They will be left on the continent.

- (3) The Division Quartermaster will carry sets of individual clothing and equipment for one hundred (100) men.

h. Chemical Warfare Service.

- (1) Troops will carry lightweight or assault masks.

(a) In addition to the mask, mask carrier will contain:

Protective covers	2
Eyeshields	4
Anti-dim Sat	1
Sleeves, gas detector	3
Eye ointment, BAL	1
Ointment, protective	1
Pocket reference card	1

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(2) One (1) can impregnate, shoe will be carried by each individual.

(3) Impregnated clothing: See Memorandum, "Uniform and Individual Equipment, Operation NEPTUNE", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 16 April 1944.

(4) Vesicant, detector kit, will be carried by gas personnel.

(5) Helmets of gas personnel will be painted with LVD paint as prescribed by WD Trng Cir, dated 19 April 1943.

(6) All apparatus, decontaminating, 1½-quart, M2, will be filled.

(7) One (1) vesicant crayon detector will be carried by each unit gas officer and non-commissioned officer.

(8) There will be a team of CWS personnel, one (1) NCO and two (2) privates, at each departure airfield to secure replacements, up to 5% of total authorized, of chemical equipment.

(9) Personnel receiving new masks in the marshalling area will have them fitted and tested in gas chamber.

(10) Gas officers will report any gas attacks to Division Chemical Officer on AGO Form 890 by most expeditious means. Two (2) copies of AGO Form 890 will be carried by each unit gas officer and NCO.

(11) Incendiaries may be used to destroy abandoned enemy or our own equipment when the unit commander believes that capture by the enemy is imminent. Destruction will conform to existing regulations.

(12) For further details see Division SOP for Chemical Warfare and Section XII, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944, and Memorandum, "Uniform and Individual Equipment, Operation NEPTUNE", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 16 April 1944.

1. Supply Discipline.

(1) Full precaution must be taken to insure that clothing, equipment and supplies are not discarded or wasted. Loss of property through negligence or wanton or wilful destruction will be the subject for disciplinary action.

2. EVACUATION.

a. Medical.

(1) Supply.

(a) All units will carry special supplies including blood plasma.

(b) For additional supplies see Section XI, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944.

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(2) Plan of Evacuation.

(a) First Echelon: Casualties will be collected and treated by unit medical detachments.

(b) Second Echelon: Upon arrival of the 507th A/B Medical Company, collecting platoons will be dispatched to the regiments to render medical support and assist in the collection of casualties. Each platoon will establish a collecting point at an area designated by the regiment for the evacuation of unit medical detachments. All collecting points will be camouflaged and 1/4-ton ambulances will display the red cross flag only when authorized by the regimental commander.

(c) The clearing section will establish a central clearing station (See Annex No. 2) for the reception of all casualties. This station will be concealed initially, and will be established on open terrain when the tactical situation permits and only on Division order.

(3) Disease Controls - Target Area.

(a) General: Although there has been a partial failure of public health practices in existence prior to the war, no widespread epidemics of infectious diseases have been reported. Sewage disposal in the area is inadequate, and normal sanitary standards are not maintained. Rural areas resort to privies, cesspools and septic tanks. Human wastes are collected and stored for use as fertilizer, which results in pollution of soil and water.

(b) Diseases of Military Importance.

(1) Enteric Infections (Typhoid fever, dysentery, diarrhea): The entire group is prevalent throughout Europe. Circumstances favoring the spread of these diseases are flies, lack of pasteurization of dairy products, and the pollution of soil and water with human wastes.

(2) Typhus fever will be a serious hazard to military forces operating on the continent. Immunity has been developed artificially by vaccination but does not produce absolute protection. All troops must maintain a high state of personal hygiene and must be very cautious in regard to close contact with civilians and entrance to dwellings.

(3) Venereal Diseases: There has been a marked increase in venereal disease throughout the continent, particularly syphilis. It is probable that these diseases will constitute one of the most difficult control problems to be encountered.

(4) Physical Inspections: All personnel will be given a physical examination within twenty-four (24) hours of departure from the marshalling area.

b. Burials.

(1) Initially by units. A Division cemetery will be established by Division GRSO at the earliest practicable date; units will be notified.

(2) Unit, company or battery commanders will report to Division GRSO, through channels, the pin-point location of all burials.

(3) For details see Sections VII and VIII, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944.

c. Disposition of personal effects of deceased persons.

(1) Every precaution must be taken to secure and protect the personal effects of deceased persons. It is the responsibility of officers in

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charge of battlefield burials to insure that all personal effects of deceased persons are securely placed in a "Personal Effects Bag" and that the name, rank, and serial number followed by the word "deceased" are clearly marked on the bag. After making sure that all the bags containing personal effects have been properly marked, they will be forwarded by the officer in charge of the burial party to Division Headquarters. Personal effects of the deceased which are found at rest stations, bivouacs and home station will be disposed of by the commanding officer of the station. Prompt disposal of effects will be the rule.

d. Salvage and captured materiel.

(1) All captured and salvage materiel will be evacuated through proper Division Supply Service. Captured Materiel Reports will be rendered daily by the most expeditious means available, in duplicate, one copy to the A C of S, G-4, and one copy to the A C of S, G-5.

(2) Captured and salvage materiel which cannot be moved will be reported to appropriate Division Supply Service, giving type and quantity of materiel and exact location.

(3) Captured gasoline will not be used except in captured vehicles until tested and authorized by Army Quartermaster Petroleum Testing Laboratory.

(4) Captured materiel is not to be stripped of identification marks or equipment or documents to be taken by souvenir hunters or for use on other equipment until clearance is given by the proper headquarters.

(5) Captured food will be used to maximum to feed refugees and prisoners.

(6) Captured medical supplies will be utilized for treatment of enemy wounded or ill.

e. Prisoners of War.

(1) Evacuated to PW enclosure. See Annex No. 2.

(2) Prisoners of War will be handled as directed in Sections IV and V, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944.

f. Refugees.

(1) Unit commanders will restrict uncontrolled movement of refugees within their areas of responsibility and concentrate them in locations affording greatest security, reporting number and location to this Headquarters at earliest opportunity.

(2) Division Refugee Routes and Control Points will be announced on establishment of Division CP.

(3) Positive control over refugees will be maintained at all times to prevent infiltration of disguised enemy military personnel and subversive civilians.

(4) Division Memorandum, subject "Refugee Control in Combat Areas", (to be issued) will govern.

3. TRAFFIC.

a. General.

(1) All vehicles will drive on right side of the road.

b. Restriction.

(1) Only blackout marker lamps will be used until otherwise

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(2) Service tail and service stop lights will not be used.

g. Control.

(1) The Division Provost Marshal will control traffic at all critical road junctions, etc. See Annex No. 2.

(2) Units will prepare and have immediately available CP, DP, direction markers, and other necessary signs. See Operations Memorandum No. 15, HQ FUSA, dated 15 April 1944 and Circular No. 26, HQ ETOUSA, dated 12 Mar 1944.

(3) The Division Engineer will be responsible for mine clearance and marking, and for essential reconnaissance and maintenance of roads and bridges.

4. PERSONNEL.

a. Stragglers.

(1) Stragglers will be returned to units as soon as practicable through Military Police installations at traffic control points. See Annex No. 2. Unit commanders will plan to prevent straggling and provide collecting points initially.

(2) Straggler lines and collecting points will be announced on establishment of Division CP.

b. Mail.

(1) Collection and delivery will be suspended, effective D minus one

(2) For details on mail service see Section VI, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944.

c. G-1 Reports, Morning Reports and Casualty Reports will be rendered in accordance with Sections E, XIII and XIV, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944.

d. Daily "Estimated Loss Reports", as of 2359 will be forwarded by most expeditious means to reach this Headquarters by 1000 the following day. Reporting code will be announced at a later date.

e. Replacements: None in combat area.

f. Surplus baggage and supplies will be stored in present area as planned by Unit Rear Echelon Commanders. For details see Memorandum, "Uniform and Individual Equipment, Operation NEPTUNE", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 16 April 1944.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. Reports.

(1) Captured Materiel - See Annex No. 3.

(2) G-4 Periodic Report - See Annex No. 4.

b. Rear Echelon of Headquarters: Base Headquarters will be designated "Base Headquarters, 82d Airborne Division, (UK)."

c. Administrative Matters: The subjects listed below are covered in "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures", Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 Apr 1944:

- (1) Awards, Decorations and Citations.
- (2) Officer Promotions (Battlefield and Regular).
- (3) Appointments, Battlefield.
- (4) Demotion and Reclassification of Officers.

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## d. Fiscal Policy.

(1) See Section IX, "Standard Operational Administrative Procedures" Hq 82d A/B Div, dated 13 April 1944; Annex No. 5 to this Order; and SOP No. 10, "Procurement Regulations in Occupied and Liberated Territories", HQ ETOUSA, dated 1 April 1944.

## e. Red Cross Supplies.

(1) Additional comfort items such as cigarettes, shaving equipment, candy, etc. will be carried with seaborne lift.

f. Civil Affairs: Administration of Civil Affairs will follow procedures indicated in Memorandum, this Headquarters, subject "Administration of Civil Affairs" (to be issued).

## g. Vehicles.

(1) Vehicles to be a part of the seaborne movement will be water-proofed to wading depth of not less than 3'6" in accordance with instructions in Par. 83, 84, 86, 87, and Table I, Appendix K, POM-SSV, dated 10 Jan 1944.

(2) All vehicles will remain on the continent in event the Division is returned to the UK.

(3) The vehicles of the attached 3810 QM Truck Company and 14 vehicles of the attached 3809 QM Truck Company will transport to the continent the organizational equipment, rolls, mess gear, PX rations, "K" rations, etc. of the units to which assigned. Thirty (30) vehicles of the 3809 QM Truck Company will transport Division reserve ammunition to the continent. Upon being unloaded in unit areas all QM Truck Company vehicles will revert to Division control, under the Division Motor Officer. Units using the above vehicles will provide one (1) enlisted man for each vehicle to accompany it from home station to unit area on the continent.

(4) Marking of all motor vehicles will be in accordance with Section II, Cir No. 47, HQ FUSA, dated 16 April 1944, and ETO-POM-SSV, 10 Jan 1944.

(5) Vehicles in the seaborne echelon will move across the beaches with reduced tire pressure as directed in Cir No. 51, HQ FUSA, dated 21 April 1944.

## h. Use of Geneva Red Cross.

(1) Only Medical personnel will display the Geneva Red Cross. When used it will be displayed prominently and "layout" will not be like a tactical "layout". When not used dispersal is required.

## i. Enemy Underground Cables.

(1) Enemy underground cables (there is one (1) in our area) will not be cut, but enemy service will be interrupted by opening the terminals.

i. Unit commanders will be responsible that all instructions in ETO-POM-SSV, HQ ETOUSA, dated 10 Jan 1944, are complied with for all seaborne personnel and equipment.

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Annex No. 1 - Air Re-supply Plan.  
Annex No. 2 - Overlay.  
Annex No. 3 - Ordnance.  
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12	CWS O	1	61	101st A/B Div	1
13	Hq Comdt	1	62	4th Inf Div	1
14	Provost Marshal	1	63	9th Inf Div	1
16-16	CG, Div Arty	2	64	4th Cav Group	1
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19-20	325 Glider Inf	2	66	6th Armd Group	1
21-22	505 Precht Inf	2	67	1st TD Group	1
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25-26	508 Precht Inf	2	69-70	IX TCC	2
27-28	504 Precht Inf	2	71	50th TC Wing	1
29-32	Div TSC File	4	72	52d TC Wing	1
33	319 Glider FA Bn	1	73	53d TC Wing	1
34	320 Glider FA Bn	1	74-75	Army Gnd Forces	2
35	376 Precht FA Bn	1	76-77	C & GS School	2
36	456 Precht FA Bn	1	78-79	Inf School	2
37	307 A/B Engr Bn	1	80-100	DIV TSC Reserve	21
38	80 A/B AA Bn	1		Total	100
39	Hq Co 82d Div	1			
40	Hq Btry Div Arty	1			
41	407 A/B QM Co	1			
42	307 A/B Med Co	1			
43	782d A/B Ord Co	1			
44	82d A/B Sig Co	1			
45	Tr B 4th Cav Sq	1			
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