

OPERATION 'MARKET'

TOP SECRET.

13 SEP 44.

4 Para Bde O.O. No.1.

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Ref Maps: - HOLLAND 1/25000 Sheets 388, 6 N.W.

INFORMATION

1. Enemy.

As given orally and in Int Summaries already issued.

2. Own Tps.

(a) Under comd 4 Para Bde for Air Movement and after landing:

4 Para Sqn RE
133 Para Fd Amb
2 Para Pl 250 Lt Comp Coy RASC
2 Sec 1 A/B Div Pro Coy
6 A/L LMD

(b) Under comd 4 Para Bde on landing :

2 A/L Lt Bty, less one 17 pr tp
(= 12 x 6 pr, 4 x 17 pr)

(c) In sp 4 Para Bde on landing :

2 A/L Lt Bty

INTENTION

3. 4 Para Bde will occupy a def posn NORTH of ARNHEM.

METHOD.

4. Outline Plan

(a) The Bde lands on one DZ and one LZ by daylight on D + 1 in the Divisional second lift, with some protection during time of arrival from an A/L fmn.

(b) It then moves about 7 miles to its allotted sector (see Trace Q att) being responsible for its own protection against probable hostile interference on the way. Until the arrival of the Div third lift it will be responsible for part of another Para Bde Gp's sector (see Trace Q).

5. Phases.

The Op will be in two Phases :

PHASE I: Reorganisation of Bde Gp on ground and move to def sector.

PHASE II: Occupation of def sector NORTH of ARNHEM.

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PHASE I

6. DZ.

See Traces P and R.

7. DZ RVs and routes to def Sector.

See Traces P and R (Eastern portion of route to def sectors are shown on Trace Q).

8. Other Tps.

7KOSB will be occupying def posn probably in area 662833.

9. Bde Adv Para Gp

See Appx D att.

10. Tasks.

(a) 156 Bn, with, under comd, one sec 133 Fd Amb, will:-

(i) Protect DZ area on WEST until Bde is clear.

(ii) When ordered withdraw by route shown on Trace P and thence along Bde Axis to main posn.

(b) 10 Bn, with, under comd, one sec 133 Fd Amb, will :

(i) Protect rear of Bde from WEST by def posn area 625843.

(ii) When ordered withdraw by route shown on Trace P and thence along Bde Axis to main posn.

(c) 11 Bn, with, under comd, one sec 133 Fd Amb, will :

(i) Form a fir base area 6682 leaving one coy forming firm base in bn RV area 634823 to protect withdrawal of 156 Bn.

(ii) When ordered withdraw along Bde Axis to main posn.

(iii) Be responsible for security of Bde Glider Gp from time of its arrival at Dis P 677817. Tpt should be disposed at discretion OC 11 Bn.

11. Report Lines.

See Traces P and Q.

12. Junc Pts.

See Trace Q.

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13. Arty.

- (a) Fire from 3 Bty Lt Regt will probably be obtainable through FOO with A/L unit (see para 8 above).
- (b) Adv Gp will est contact (see Appx D)
- (c) 2 A/L Lt Bty not yet in action.

14. A tk.

- (a) Allotment of tps 2 A/L A tk Bty :

H tp	:	156 Bn
G tp	:	10 Bn
E tp	:	11 Bn
X tp	:	Bde res
(17 prs)	:	

- (b) On landing Bty will conc in 11 Bn firm base posn, where E tp will come into action under comd 11 Bn.
- (c) H and G tps will stand in readiness either to join Bns when ordered (G tp will be got up to 10 Bn as quickly as possible) or be picked up as units (incl Bde HQ GP) move through 11 Bn posn.
- (d) OC 2 A tk Bty will assume comd of Bde carriers from their arrival at LZ RV until they are dispersed to units.

15. R.E.

- (a) RV as on Trace P att.
- (b) Op as Bde Res until arrival in main def posn, moving in rear of 133 Fd Amb behind Bde HQ.

16. Pro.

- (a) RV and move with Bde HQ.
- (b) Tasks of Adv Gp Pro personnel as in Appx D att.

17. LAD.

RV and move with Bde HQ.

18. RASC.

2 Para P1 will RV on Bde HQ and will op as Bde Tac Res until RASC duties arise.

19. Medical.

- (a) : 133 Fd Amb RV as shown on Trace P.
- (b) Move, less three secs (with Bns) in rear of Bde HQ, prepared to open if circumstances dictate.
- (c) Axis of evacuation: See Appx B, para 4(c).

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20. Bde Glider Co.

- (a) LZ RV: See Trace R att. This RV will be marked by reps of the Bde Adv Para Gp with BLUE smoke.
- (b) Dis P: See Trace R att (but note also provisions of para 10(c) above).

21. Carriers.

Under comd 2 A/L A tk Bty from time of arrival in 11 Bn def posn until released to rejoin units as in para 14(d) above.

PHASE II

22. Bde sector will be occupied for def as shown on Trace Q att.'

23. 10 Bn.

Will detach one coy in first instance to occupy part of sector of fmn on RIGHT, as shown on Trace Q. When this fmn arrives on D + 2 this coy will come into Bde res area 743796.

24. Fwd Def and Limit of Fwd Patrolling.

As shown on Trace Q.

25. Arty.

Normal allotment of FOOs.

26. A tk.

- (a) A tk tps under comd bns in Phase I now in sp.
- (b) X tp (17 pr) in Bde res.

27. R.E.

- (a) 4 Para Sqn in sp in area 736788.
- (b) On arrival 3rd Lift (D + 2) 4 Para Sqn, less one tp, will revert to comd CRE. One tp will remain in sp 4 Para Bde.
- (c) CRE's RV ARNHEM rly sta 732782.

28. Demolitions.

No brs will be destroyed or prepared for demolition. NO demolitions of any kind will be carried out except temporary minor rail cuts effected for local def purposes.

29. Mincs.

- (a) Mincs will only be laid under RE supervision.
- (b) Own and enemy minfds will be reported through normal channels by quickest possible means. Enemy minfds will also be reported at once to the nearest RE unit.
- (c) 75 grenades may be laid by units but will invariably be guarded and will be removed when the unit leaves the area.

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30. Air Sp

- (a) Direct Air sp will be provided by RAF and possibly by USAAF at a later date.
- (b) All requests for direct air sp will be forwarded to Bde HQ.

31. Bomb Line.

- (a) Until 6 hrs after arrival of 4 Para Bde.

785855 - 768852 - 750846 - 737845 - 730844 - 715845 -
708851 - 695852 - 676853 - 659853 - 639853 - 628853 -
613855.

- (b) From 6 hrs after arrival of 4 Para Bde.

629852 - 629842 - 630821 - 628807 - 623788 - 616772 -
614759.

32. Anti-gas.

Respirators WILL be carried.

Adm.

- 33. See Appx B att.

INTERCOMN.

- 34. (a) Bde Report Centre will be est immediately after landing at 635838 and subsequently at rd junc 672825.
- (b) Axis of Bde HQ movement: Bde Axis, see Traces P and Q.
- (c) Final location of Bde HQ (Phase II) vicinity MONASTERY 747792.

35. Comms.

- (a) RT : Bde net will open on arrival at DZ RVs (details see Appx C).
- (b) Line : Line comn will be est as soon as possible after arrival in main def posn (Phase II).
- (c) No enemy comms, except German Fd Cable, may be destroyed.

36. LOs.

Unit LOs report to Bde HQ report centre at 635838 by D + 45 mins.

37. Recognition.

- (a) Ground to Air.

Yellow smoke, flares, yellow celanese triangles and yellow fluerescent panels, if available. Fwd tps ONLY will indicate their posns thus, unless for some special reason such as imminent attack by own aircraft. All other tps will make their posns known to our A/C by any other means available.

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(b) Ground to Ground.

Yellow celanese triangles.

(c) Civilians.

Friendly Dutch civilians properly enrolled for labour through the Civil Affairs Mission will be issued with blue and white armbands.

38. Light Signals.

(a) Standard Bde Success Signal: RED WHITE RED

(b) Standard Div SOS/DF Signal: RED GREEN RED

39. Codes.

(a) Bde numerical code:

	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0
D + 1	B U R T O N A L E S
D + 2	G E Z I R A C L U B
D + 3	R E D L I G H T O N
D + 4	B L A C K W H I T E

D Day refers to Div D day.

(b) Units will use the following codewords until further orders :-

Offrs	:	PRAWNS
ORs	:	SHRIMPS
Vehs	:	CRABS
Carriers	:	CLAMS
A tk guns	:	LOBSTERS

AMSTERDAM 0723	:	ASHWELL
UTRECHT 2191	:	UPPINGHAM
ARNHEM 7578	:	AYSTON
WAGENINGEN 5877	:	WING
RENKUM 6477	:	RIDLINGTON
DEELEN AURFD 7487	:	DALBY
NIJMEGEN 7162	:	NOTTINGHAM
BENNEKOM 5888	:	BRAUNSTON
SCHAARSBERGEN 7283	:	SAXBY
EDE 5986	:	EXTON
ELST 7071	:	EMPINGHAM
Br 706764	:	LAMBETH
Br 738774	:	PUTNEY
NEDER-RIJN	:	EUPHRATES
WAAL	:	TIGRIS
RHINE	:	JORDAN
Rd ARNHEM-EDE	:	ERMINE STREET
Rd ARNHEM-AP-ELDOORN 7804	:	WATLING STREET
Rd ARNHEM-ZUTPHEN 9208	:	ICKFIELD WAY
Rd ARNHEM-NIJMEGEN	:	FOSSE WAY

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40. Pass Words.

	<u>Challenge</u>	<u>Reply</u>
H hr until 2359 hrs D Day	RED	BERET
2359 hrs D Day until 2359 hrs D+1	UNCLE	SAM
2359 hrs D+1 until 2359 D+2	CARRIER	PIGEON
2359 hrs D+2 until 2359 D+3	AIR	BORNE
2359 hrs D+3 until 2359 D+4	ROBERT	BURNS
2359 hrs D+4 until 2359 D+5	TROOP	CARRIER

41. Synchronization of watches : BEC Time Signal before take-off.

42. ACK immediately by Signal.

Time of Signature 2225 hrs 13 Sep
Method of Issue By hand and DRLS.

Sgd C.W.B. Dawson.
Major, B.M.,
4 Parachute Bde.

Operation 'MARKET'Appx 'A' to 4 Para Bde
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AIR PLAN1 Para A/Q

Unit	No. of A/C or Gliders	Chalk Nos.	Airfield	DZ or LZ	Time of Drop.
HQ 4 Para Bde	8	710-717	SPANHOE	Y	X+12 mins
156 Para Bn	33	601-633	SALTBY	Y	X hr
133 Para Fd Amb	1	634	SALBTY	Y	X hr
2 Para Pl RASC	2	635-636	SALTBY	Y	X hr
10 Para Bn	33	637-705	SPANHOE	Y	X + 8 mins
133 Para Fd Amb	4	706-709	SPANHOE	Y	X + 12 mins
11 Para Bn	33	637-669	SALTBY	Y	X + 4 mins
133 Para Fd Amb	1	670	SALTBY	Y	X + 4 mins
4 Para Sqn RE	9	718-726	SPANHOE	Y	X + 12 mins

2. Gliders.

HQ 4 Para Bde	8 Horsas	950-957	KEEVIL	X	X + 49 mins
156 Para Bn	7 "	958-964	KEEVIL	X	X + 49 mins
10 Para Bn	7 "	1010-1016	KEEVIL	X	X + 58 mins
11 Para Bn	7 "	1017-1023	KEEVIL	X	X + 58 mins
4 Para Sqn RE	4 "	965-968	KEEVIL	X	X + 49 mins
133 Para Fd Amb	6 "	1024-1029	KEEVIL	X	X + 58 mins
6 A/L L.A.D.	1 "	969	KEEVIL	X	X + 49 mins
156 Para Bn	1 Hamilcar	909	TARRANT RUSHTON	X	X + 40 mins
10 Para Bn	1 "	910	TARRANT RUSHTON	X	X + 40 mins
11 Para Bn	1 "	911	TARRANT RUSHTON	X	X + 40 mins

4 Para Bde Adm Order No.1.APPX 'B' to
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GENERAL.

1. Adm for this Op is, in general, the same as for Op LINNET. All LINNET orders in connection with Pet, Amn, Sups, Water, Requisition Tpt Returns, PW and Postal will apply to this Op.

PET.

2. All jeeps will be loaded with full tanks (topped up if necessary at the last moment) and two full Jericans pet.

RESUPPLY.

3. Automatic supply drop on Div basis as follows :-

<u>Day</u>	<u>No. of A/C</u>	<u>SUP</u>
D + 1	35	LZ 'L'
D + 2	90	SDP 'V' (as shown on Trace P)

MED.

4. (a) Normal allotment of Secs 133 Para Fd Amb to units until arrival in final def sector. DZ cas to RV 133 Para Fd Amb (630833) if possible.
- (b) CCP will be est in hospital 746797 to which secs att to units will be withdraw as ordered by OC 133 Para Fd Amb after units' arrival in final def sector.
- (c) Axis of med evac will be 630833 - rd EDE - ARNHEM to 720793 - rd junc 732801 - rd junc 736791 - rd junc 744793 - CCP.

OPERATION 'MARKET'Signal Instrs.

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1. Comms.

Comms as shown in wireless diagrams att will be est as soon as possible on commencement of various phases of the op shown above the wireless diagram concerned.

2. Codes.

Slidez and Maplay will be issued separately on special nitrated paper.

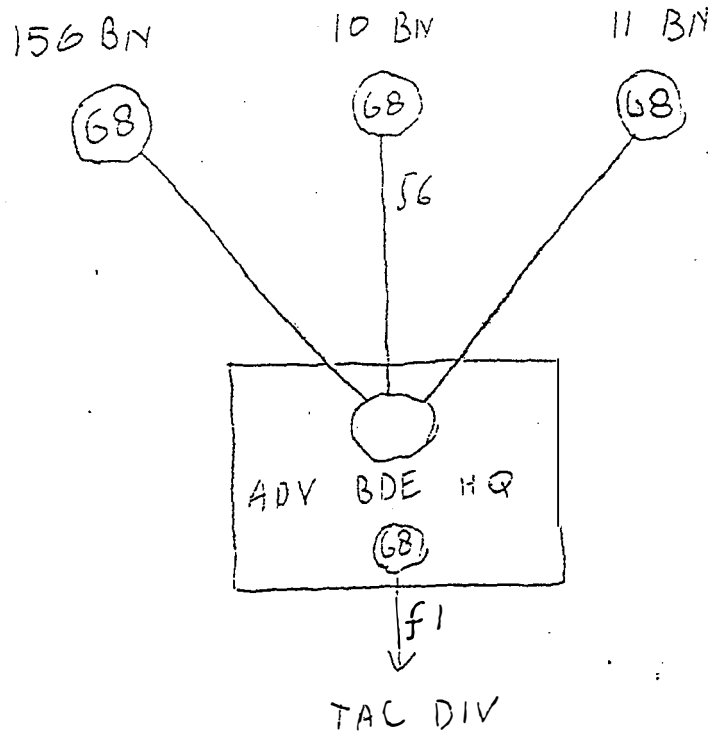
3. Frequencies.

F1	2096 kcs	Crystal
F2	2504 kcs	Crystal
F6	2296 kcs	Crystal

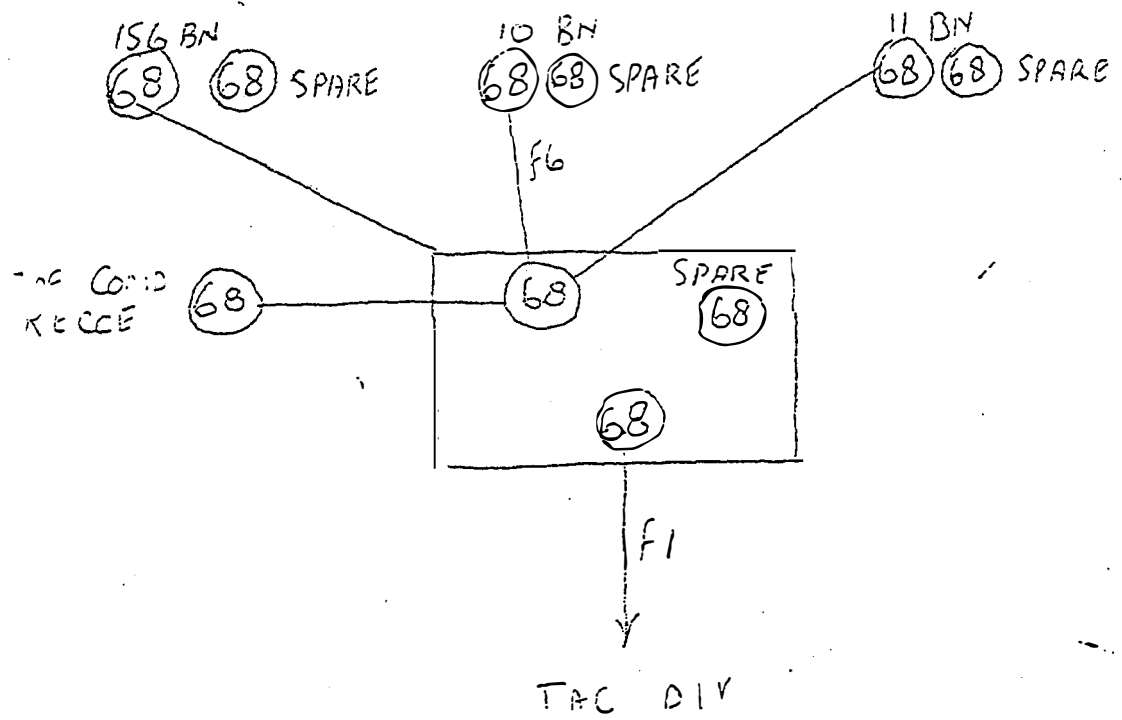
4. Callsigns.

	D	D+1	D+2	D+3	D+4	D+5	D+6	D+7
Main HQ 1 Airborne Div	NDB	GVZ	GFE	WXL	GNJ	PUV	MTJ	ZEC
1 Para Bde Main HQ	CNL	TJB	KOF	BXP	AHW	YTR	RPQ	OJJ
1 A/L Bde Main HQ	YYX	PPW	NZT	IBJ	BIC	RUL	DGK	RFZ
1 A/L Recce Sqn Rear Link	DSM	ATS	NMV	RCH	ALY	WOE	YRE	AVP
1 A/L Recce Sqn	ANW	VXN	OCS	DWA	SMR	ODT	SSM	YBH
1 A/L Lt Regt	IQL	XLL	HJG	ANN	CWA	NFE	RRR	GUM
1 A/L Lt Bty	KGQ	JOL	VPW	TXH	XCS	CWB	WQH	IJC
2 A/L Lt Bty	WJY	DWJ	OAZ	HPL	HXX	YEK	KVD	KZO
3 A/L Lt Bty	CAB	ITE	EAI	NVZ	RRW	YDG	OFH	IPL
2 A/L A tk Bty	SSN	IAR	AVS	DFI	CLG	OPL	WFS	RXB
2 A/L A tk Bty Rear Link	MSH	CTI	BFT	ATK	ACS	KFF	BUY	DDE
FOO 4 Para Bde	HQM	TTS	TLO	EAX	DIL	MST	NUU	WMZ
4 Para Bde Main HQ	EMP	OJT	ILV	PIE	FTK	ELF	STU	OKP
Bde Comb's Recce	TAO	IVU	UGP	SLA	VWZ	WUG	GGD	FNH
Bde Rear HQ	UNA	OYH	HTG	VVC	VJI	HCZ	ZDH	EHC
Bde SDZ	MIV	KZG	IDD	UCZ	FHR	MCQ	GHU	UZW
10 Para Bn	VVA	MYK	TCL	ADT	GDC	XAY	MSA	EZT
11 Para Bn	OTY	UTE	OYN	PUN	CEP	GQH	VGT	KMQ
156 Para Bn	JOW	CIX	PCG	FVO	TYY	PUE	SPZ	IID
133 Para Fd Amb	AJN	XVN	IKB	OQX	TVN	JKG	EQK	PFV
4 Para Sqn RE	LUY	BAE	JVK	SVV	ZFA	EKQ	FQC	DOU
Spare 15	ASQ	FSY	MDH	OPI	AHT	PNU	JFJ	ELD
Spare 16	ZII	XGF	PSV	GIO	GFZ	KED	IVA	DTQ
Spare 17	UCR	VGQ	KED	HMU	FPG	PCN	FJL	TXB

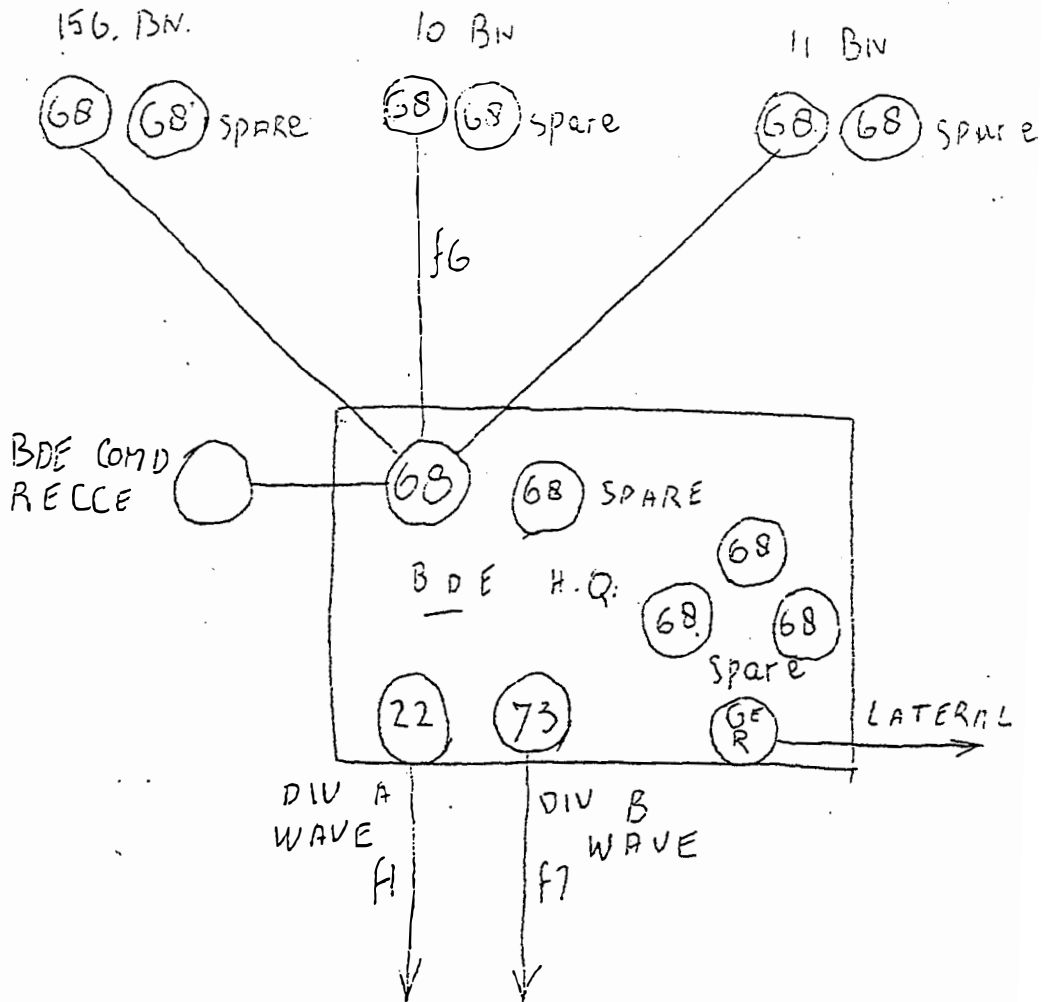
BDE ADV EP WIRELESS NET



WIRELESS NET AFTER LANDING OF MAIN PARA GP



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WIRELESS NET AFTER GLIDERBORNE T.D.T HAS
JOINED



ORDERS FOR BDE ADV PARA GP.

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1. Composition.

- (a) OC Bde Adv Para Gp. : B.M.4 Para Bde.
- (b) Remaining personnel will be detailed by units and sub-units as in Appx D1, coln (2).

2. Take-off Airfd.

Adv Gp will take-off from BARKSTON HEATH. Orders for move to airfd will be issued later.

3. Allotment of a/c.

See Appx D1.

4. Lt Wt M/Cs.

Lt Wt M/Cs may be carried on a/c as follows:

<u>Chalk No.</u>	<u>M/Cs.</u>
144	One Sigs.
	One Bde H.Q.
146	One 10 Bn.
	One 11 Bn.
147	One or two 156 Bn.

5. D.Z.

Adv Gp will drop on DZ "X", see trace 'R' with 1 Para Bde at H + 57 mins on D Day.

6. DZ RV.

SOUTH corner of WOOD 635792.

7. TASKS.

(a) General.

- (i) Mark DZ RVs for main para gps arriving on D + 1.
- (ii) Est wireless comn between DZ RVs of main para gp shortly before the arrival of the latter.
- (iii) Collect all available infm regarding the process of the op up to the time of drop of the main para gps.

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7. Tasks (contd).

(b) Glider Tpt RV Party.

(a) OC : Lt.F.J.de R. LOCKE, OC 2 Pro

(b) Composition. : Three NCOs Pro Sec, two NCOs and eight ORs Bde HQ Def Pl.

(c) This party will :

(i) Mark Glider tpt LZ Rv (see trace R) with BLUE+ smoke.

(ii) Receive, protect and marshall all Bde gliderborne tpt.

(iii) Conduct all Bde gliderborne tpt to Dis P (see Trace R) and report arrival at Dis P to OC 11 Bn.

(c) 2 A/L Lt Bty Party.

Will endeavour to arrange sp for 4 Para Bde, should this be required, from 3 Lt Bty, which will be in action in sp of 1 A/L Bde. Sp may be required from the time of drop of 4 Para Bde Main Para Cp until 2 Lt Bty comes into action.

(d) 2 A/L A.tk Bty Party.

will assist Bty Cmd in ensuring that guns are dispatched to sp Bns as soon after landing as possible.

8. METHOD.

(a) All parties will RV initially at DZ RV

(b) Subsequent action will depend entirely on the progress of the op, though the earliest contact will be made with 7 KOSB which will be defending the rd EDE - ARNHEM facing WEST. Further details will be issued later.

(c) At suitable times on D + 1 parties detailed under para 7, sub-para (b), (c) and (d) will leave the main party and carry out their tasks independently.