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ANNEX NO. 6 (ARTILLERY) Revised Copy
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to
FO NO. 6 (Revised)

MAPS: FRANCE, 1/25,000 GSGS 4347
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1. a. Annex No. 1 to FO No. 6.
- b. See par 1b, and par 2, FO No. 6, Revised.
2. The 82d A/B Div Arty (less 376th Prcht FA Bn and seaborne elements) lands by prcht and glider before and after dawn of D Day, South of STE MERE EGLISE in accordance with revised Annexes 2 and 3, FO No. 6 revised, Hq 82d A/B Div, AIR MOVEMENT TABLES, and supports the div. It will be prepared to mass the bulk of its fire on CR 267935, CR 259952, RJ 259963, RJ 260981, and the bridge at ETIENVILLE.
3. a. Hq and Hq Btry, 82d A/B Div Arty, will land by prcht and glider on DZ N and LZ W.
 - (1) The prcht element will:
 - (a) Establish com with bn areas.
 - (b) Identify Div Arty check points.
 - (c) Make rcn of bridges 315957 and 321930 and furnish latest information on their usability to Bn COs when latter land.
 - b. 319th Glider FA Bn will land by glider on LZ W.
 - (1) Mission: Direct support of 508th Prcht Inf. It will be prepared to mass its fire on bridge 308911 (by at least one btry), bridge 269927, CR 267935, CR 261938, RJ 250951, RJ 238948, CR 241954, CR 229954, CR 259952, RJ 259963, RJ 260981.
 - (2) Contingent zone: Zone of action 507th and 505th Prcht Inf Regts.
 - (3) Ln will be maintained with 505th Prcht Inf to provide available personnel to conduct fire.

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- (4) Position areas: See overlay, Annex No. 5, Revised.
(See also subparagraph 3x).
 - (a) Route to position West of MERDERET RIVER: Use CHEF DU PONT Bridge.
 - (5) OPs: See overlay, Annex No. 5, Revised.
- c. 320th Glider FA Bn will land by glider on LZ W.
- (1) Mission: Direct support of 507th Prcht Inf. It will be prepared to mass its fire on Bridge 269927, CR 267935, CR 259952, CR 219962, RJ 259963, RJ 251971, RJ 225979, RJ 260981, RJ 253983, CR 237981, Bridge 255993.
 - (2) Contingent zone: Zone of action 508th and 505th Prcht Inf Regts.
 - (3) Position Areas: See overlay, Annex No. 5, Revised.
(See also subparagraph 3x).
 - (a) Route to position West of MERDERET RIVER. Use LA FIERE Bridge.
 - (4) OPs: See overlay, Annex No. 5, Revised.
- d. 456th Prcht FA Bn.
- (1) Bn (less det) lands amphibiously, assembles, and proceeds to join the Div as directed by CG Force "C".
 - (2) Mission (on arrival): General support.
 - (3) Position Area: Will be assigned on arrival.
 - (4) Det of 456th Prcht FA Bn (Two how sections) atchd to 505th Prcht Inf prior to departure. This det will revert to Bn control on Div order.
- e. Naval Shore Fire Control Party, consisting of an officer and 2 EM rad oprs, atchd to 505th Prcht Inf prior to departure, for conducting naval fire.
- x.
- (1) Firing chart 1:25,000 map.
 - (2) Registration (a) HB if night occupation. Register on BP on first light.
 - (b) Div Arty check points - on order.

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- (3) Survey: By Bn. Location Div Arty check points by Div Arty.
- (4) Reserve 40 rds/gun (2 rds Smoke, 18 rds HE w/M48, 20 rds HE w/M54 for fire on call by Div Arty.
- (5) Smoke will not be fired unless authorized by Div Arty Comdr.
- (6) No restrictions on time of opening fire.
- (7) Positions.
 - (a) Positions as indicated East of MERDERET RIVER will be occupied if bridges to West are impassable.
 - (b) Positions as indicated will be selected to permit firing effectively in zones of action of 507th and 508th Prcht Inf Regts. Other positions, if necessary, to permit fire in the zone of action of the 505th Prcht Inf, will be selected and prepared. Alternate positions will be selected for each btry.
 - (c) Bns will be prepared to go into position near LZ on landing in support of 505th Prcht Inf in northern part of its sector, if so ordered at that time.
- (8) S-3 Periodic Reports to be submitted daily in duplicate as of 1800, to reach Div Arty Hq by 1900.

4. a. Supply.

- (1) Ammunition.
 - (a) As soon as practicable after landing, units will dump a minimum of fifty (50) rounds per howitzer at btry positions. Bn dumps will be established as early as possible.
 - (b) One thousand (1000) rds each of 105mm and 75mm will be carried by atchd QM trk cos.
 - (c) For air re-supply (See Annex No. 1, Adm O No. 1, Hq 82d A/B Div).
 - (d) Organic seaborne echelons will carry additional arty am as space permits.

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b. Personnel.

(1) Evacuation.

(a) Prisoners of War will be evacuated to nearest regtl or div PW enclosure.

c. Miscellaneous.

(1) Reports: All reports required by Adm O's of 82d A/B Div will be sent through 82d A/B Div Arty.

(2) Rear echelon of Hq will be designated "Base Headquarters, 82d A/B Div Arty (UK)".

(3) Fiscal Policy: All Procurement will be effected through Purchasing and Contracting Officer of this Hq or adjacent inf regt.

d. For further adm instructions See Adm O No. 1, Hq 82d A/B Div

5. a. Current SOI Index No. 1-101.

b. See overlay, Annex No. 5, Revised.

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