

Field Order

No. 3



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HQ, 658TH AMPH TRAC BN
MINDORO, P.I.
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CHANGES 1 TO FO #3.

1. Par 3 c) is changed as follows:
 3. c) After completing mission with RCT 19, seven (7) LVT's will be atchd 24th Rcn Tr to proceed by land and/or water on rcn mission to vic PARANG.
2. Par 3 f) 1) is changed as follows:
 3. f) 1) Co "A" to Hq Co:

Fourteen (14) LVT's w/crews.
3. Par 3 f) 2): Delete.
4. Par 3 f) 5) is changed as follows:
 3. f) 5) Three (3) Radio Operators.

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- 4 CG, 24th Inf Div
- 3 CO, 19th Inf Regt
- 3 CO, 21st Inf Regt
- 1 CO, 24th Rcn Tr
- 1 CO, 658 Amph Trac Bn
- 1 S-2, 658 Amph Trac Bn
- 1 S-3, 658 Amph Trac Bn
- 1 S-4, 658 Amph Trac Bn
- 4 CO, Co "A", 658 Amph Trac Bn
- 2 CO, Hq Co, 658 Amph Trac Bn
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MAP REFER: 1:250,000 Mindanao Series, Lake Balut.
1:250,000 Mindanao Series.

1. a) Intelligence Annex.
b) 24th Inf Div (reinf), a part of I Corps, lands on R-Day, H-Hour on beaches RED, WHITE and BLUE, vic MALABANG, MINDANAO. Initial objective to secure MALABANG airdroms, the town of MALABANG, and reconnoiter BANGO IS. By R / 2 to secure the area south to include PARANG and POLLOC HARBOR by land and/or amphibious assault. By R / 5 to secure the COTABATO area and RJ Hiway #1 and #5. Air support: 0600 to 1900 hrs daily R to R / 3.
2. This Bn (less Det) will:
 - a) Transport assault elm of RCT 21 to Tractor Line WHITE beach (See Operations Map #1).
 - b) Transport assault elm of RCT 19 to Tractor Line BLUE beach (See Operations Map #2).
 - c) Operate det with elm 24th Rsn Tr to reconnoiter beach area to vic PARANG.
 - d) Be prepared to land by amphibious assault at GREEN beach on Div orders.
 - d) Rear ech to land administratively on GREEN beach R / 10.
3. a) Prov Plat, Hq Co (20 LVT's) to land BLT 21/1 on WHITE beach H-Hour, R-Day and move inland to Tractor Line before debarking trs.
b) Prov Plat, Co "A" (19 LVT's) to land BLT 19/2 on BLUE beach H-Hour, R-Day and move inland to Tractor Line before debarking trs.
c) Det 7 LVT's, Co "A", atchd 24th Rsn Tr to proceed by land and/or water movement on recon mission to vic PARANG.
d) Ln Team atchd Hq Co to report to CP, 21st Inf Regt on far shore.
e) Ln Team atchd Co "A" to report initially to CP, 19th Inf Regt on far shore. Report to CP, 24th Inf Div when est on far shore.
f) Attachments:
 - 1) Co "A" to Hq Co:
Eight (8) LVT's w/crews.
 - 2) Co "B" to Hq Co:
Nine (9) LVT's w/crews.

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3. f) 3) Med Det to Hq Co:

Two (2) Aidmen.

4) Bn Hq to Hq Co:

One (1) Radio Operator.

One (1) Ln Team of 1 Officer, 2 EM w/necessary trans.

One (1) EM Personnel.

5) Hq Co to Co "A":

One (1) LVT w/driver and one (1) mech.

Two (2) Radio Operators (to accompany 24th Recon Tr).

Two (2) Aid Men (Med Det).

One (1) Ln Team of 1 Officer, 2 EM w/necessary trans.

x) 1) Veh transporting BLT 21/1 and BLT 19/2 to move to rallying pos on respective beaches after debarking trs and prepare to accomplish additional missions assigned.

2) Veh revert to Regtl control upon returning to rallying pos.

3) Veh (less 7 of Hq Co and 6 of Co "A") to revert to Div control upon arrival of Div Hq on far shore. Excepted veh (7 of Hq Co and 6 of Co "A") to remain under Regtl control until otherwise ordered.

4) All reports from Cos to higher Hq to be submitted thru respective Ln O for distribution.

5) Operational Maps #1 and #2.

6) Annex #1.

7) Sketches #1, 2, 3, and 4.

4. Adm O #3 to Accompany FO #3.

5. a) Radio

1) Nets:

(a) Sketch #5.

(b) Stations open as veh launch from LST's.

(c) Ln O to Co CP open continuously.

2) Call Words:

(a) Hq Co: JOT HOW followed by veh number.

(b) Co "A": JOT ABLE followed by veh number.

(c) Ln O, White Beach: JOT HOW 60.

(d) Ln O, Blue Beach: JOT HOW 61.

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5. a) 2) (e) Net Call: JOT

3) Code:

(a) Brevity Code: Issued separately.

(b) Authentication Code: Issued separately.

(c) Code Names: Issued separately.

b) Signals:

1) Distress: Red flag waving.

2) Air Raid: By AAA - Three (3) shots by AAA Gun.
By Units - Three (3) blasts of whistle.

3) All Clear: By AAA - One (1) shot by AAA Gun.
By Units: One (1) long blast of whistle.

4) Gas: Repeated sounding of percussion instrument.
All Clear - One (1) blast of whistle.

c) Time:

1) ITEM time (I) will be used.

2) Synchronize watches with ship's time two (2) hours before debarkation.

d) CP's:

1) Near Shore - Blue Beach, Mindore, P.I.

2) Afloat - LST 462.

3) Far Shore - Blue Beach, Mindanao, P.I.

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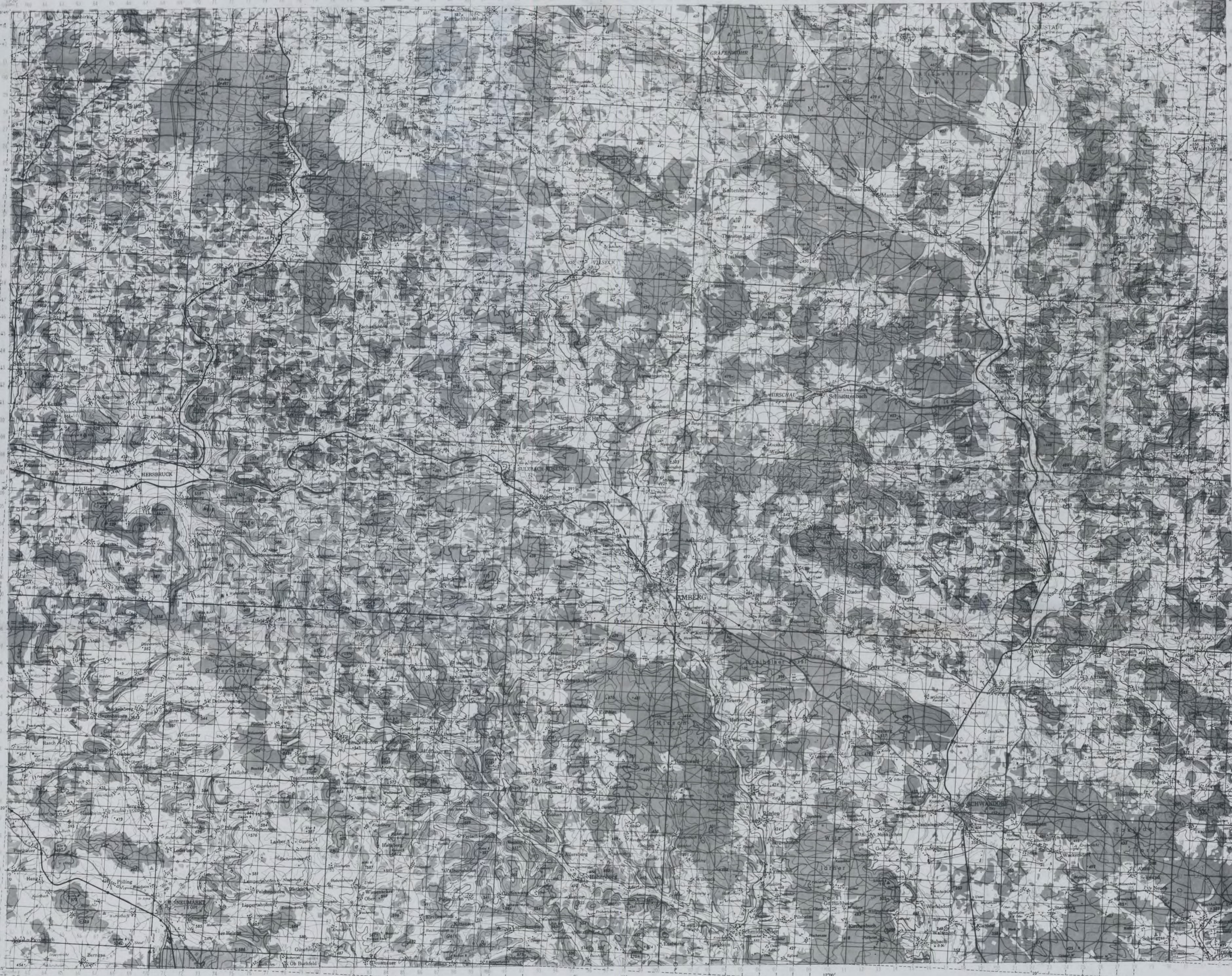
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1 S-3, 658th Amph Trac Bn
1 S-4, 658th Amph Trac Bn
4 CO, Co "A", 658th Amph Trac Bn
2 CO, Hq Co, 658th Amph Trac Bn
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LEGEND

- Contours: 10M Interval, 25M Interval
- Main Roads: 4 lanes, 2 lanes, 1 lane
- Other Main Roads: 1 lane, 2 lanes
- Secondary Roads: 1 lane, 2 lanes
- Other Roads and Cart Tracks: 1 lane, 2 lanes
- Footpaths: 1 lane, 2 lanes
- Railways: Multiple track, normal gauge, with station; Single track, normal gauge; Narrow gauge, tram, or Spur track; Under construction
- International Boundary: 10M Interval, 25M Interval
- Lock, Water gate, Dam, Navigable canal
- Spring, Water cistern
- Church, Chapel, Monument
- Remains of ruins, Tower, Lighthouse
- High tension cable and power station
- Country: Christian and non-Christian
- Woodland, Broadwood
- Forest, Orchard
- Sand, Gravel

CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 METERS CHANGING AT 50 METERS TO 25 METER INTERVAL
 HEIGHTS IN METERS
 POLYCONIC PROJECTION

INDEX TO ADJOINING SHEETS

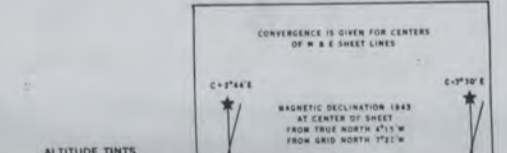
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U-15	U-16	U-17	U-18	U-19	U-20	U-21	U-22	U-23	U-24

AERIAL PHOTO REVISION DIAGRAM

GLOSSARY

Abbreviation	Meaning	Other Abbreviation	Meaning
A-1	airfield	Gr	gravel
B-1	bar	H	harbor
B-2	barrier	K	knock
B-3	barren	L	lake
B-4	barren	N	narrow
B-5	barren	P	pass
B-6	barren	R	road
B-7	barren	S	spring
B-8	barren	T	tank
B-9	barren	V	village
B-10	barren	W	water
B-11	barren	X	crossing
B-12	barren	Y	yard
B-13	barren	Z	zone

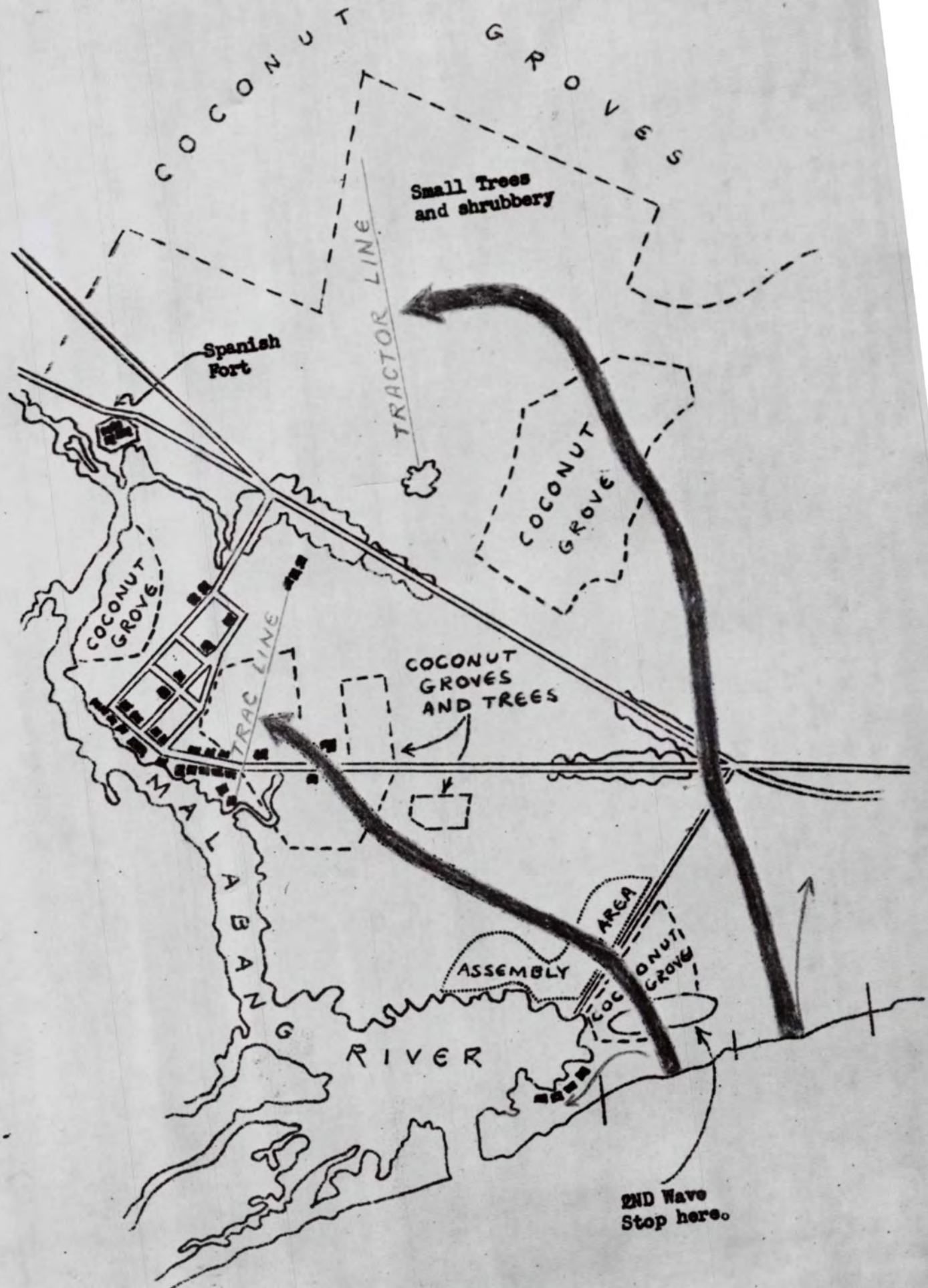


ALTITUDE TINTS

Altitude (Meters)	Tint
0 - 50	White
50 - 100	Light Green
100 - 150	Green
150 - 200	Dark Green
200 - 250	Light Brown
250 - 300	Brown
300 - 350	Dark Brown
350 - 400	Black

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 Source Authorities:
 Compiled by the Army Map Service (AMS), U. S. Army, Washington, D. C., 1943.
 From German General Staff maps of Germany,
 Scales 1:50,000 1926-1927; 1:100,000 1938, and 1:200,000 1911-1912.
 Partly revised from 1942 aerial photography.
 Road widths shown by figures between wadges from Stassfurt.
 1:200,000 German General Staff 1938.
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OPERATIONS MAP #2 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.
 SCHEME OF MANEUVER - BLUE BEACH.
 SCALE: 1:9662.

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ANNEX #1 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.

APPROACH AND LANDING SCHEDULE.

1. BASIC INFORMATION:

LD to WHITE Beach: 2000 yds. Course: Guide on control vessels.
 LD to BLUE Beach: 2000 yds. Course: Guide on control vessels.
 Rendezvous Area to LD: 100 yds.
 LST Area to Rendezvous Area: 700 yds.
 H-Hour: 0745.
 R-Day: 17 April 1945

2. PREPARE TO LAUNCH BY H - 60.

3. APPROACH AND LANDING SCHEDULE.

WAVE	BEACH	AMPH TRAC UNIT	TRANSPORTED TROOPS	TRANSPORT	HR TO LV LST	HR TO LV RDV AREA	HR TO CROSS LD	HD TO LAND	REMARKS
1	White	13 Veh, Prov Plt, Hq Co	BLT 21/1	IST 775	H - 50	MOVE OUT WHEN WAVE NUMBER FLAG IS RAISED. CROSS LD WHEN FLAG IS LOWERED.	H - 15	H	
2	White	7 Veh, Prov Plt, Hq Co		IST 717	H - 50		H - 12	H / 3	
1	Blue	13 Veh, Prov Plt, Co "A"	BLT 19/2	IST 614	H - 50		H - 15	H	
2	Blue	6 Veh, Prov Plt, Co "A"		IST 462	H - 50		H - 12	H / 3	
2	Blue	7 Veh, Prov Plt, Co "A"	Plt, 24 Rcn Tr	IST 462	H - 50		H - 12		

NOTE 1: Assault troops to be loaded before launching from LST's.

NOTE 2: Co Comdr and Maint Veh are "free".

NOTE 3: "Free" veh to be marked with large "zero".

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SKETCH #1 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.

LANDING DIAGRAM AND APPROACH TO LD -

W H I T E B E A C H

WHITE BEACH

600 yards

2000 yards

LCI(R)
226

LCI(R)
72

LCS(L)
43

LCI(R)
74

LCI(R)
337

200 yds

SC
748

Line of Departure

SC
749

100 yds

50 yds

Plt
Ldr

Plt
Ldr

LCVP

35

36

37

14

13

16

11

12

5

4

3

2

1

LCS

H

LCVP Guide Boat
2nd Wave

Maint

3

17

2

1

C.O.

11

15

Maint

7

H / 3

LST
775

LST
717

Note 1: 1st Wave follows LCI(R)'s at 200 yards.

Note 2: Load LVT's so that the center LVT of ea wave launches first, other vehicles launch in order, alternately to left and right of center LVT. Move in wedge formation to rendezvous area behind LD.

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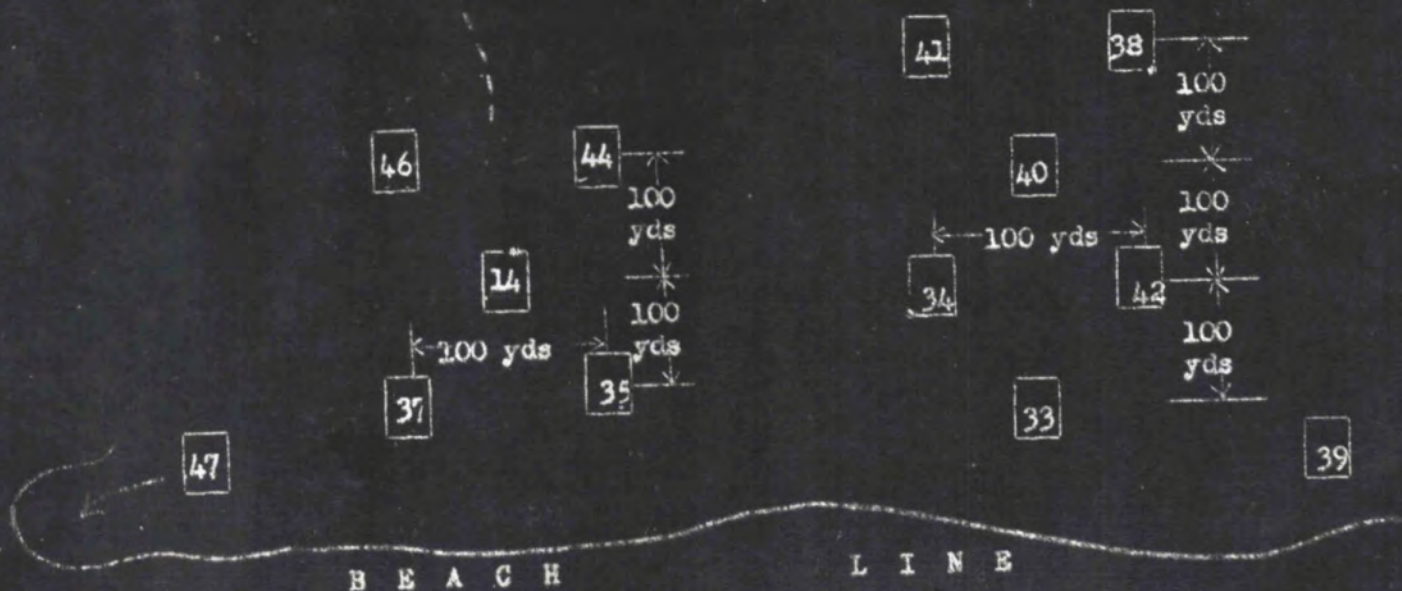
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SKETCH #3 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.

FORMATION FOR MOVEMENT FROM BEACH TO TRACTOR LINE - BLUE BEACH.

To Tractor Line - Malabang Town.

To Tractor Line - E of Malabang.



NOTE 1: LVT 47 moves to left down beach to reconnoiter point of land at mouth of MALABANG RIVER. Upon completion of mission radio for further instructions.

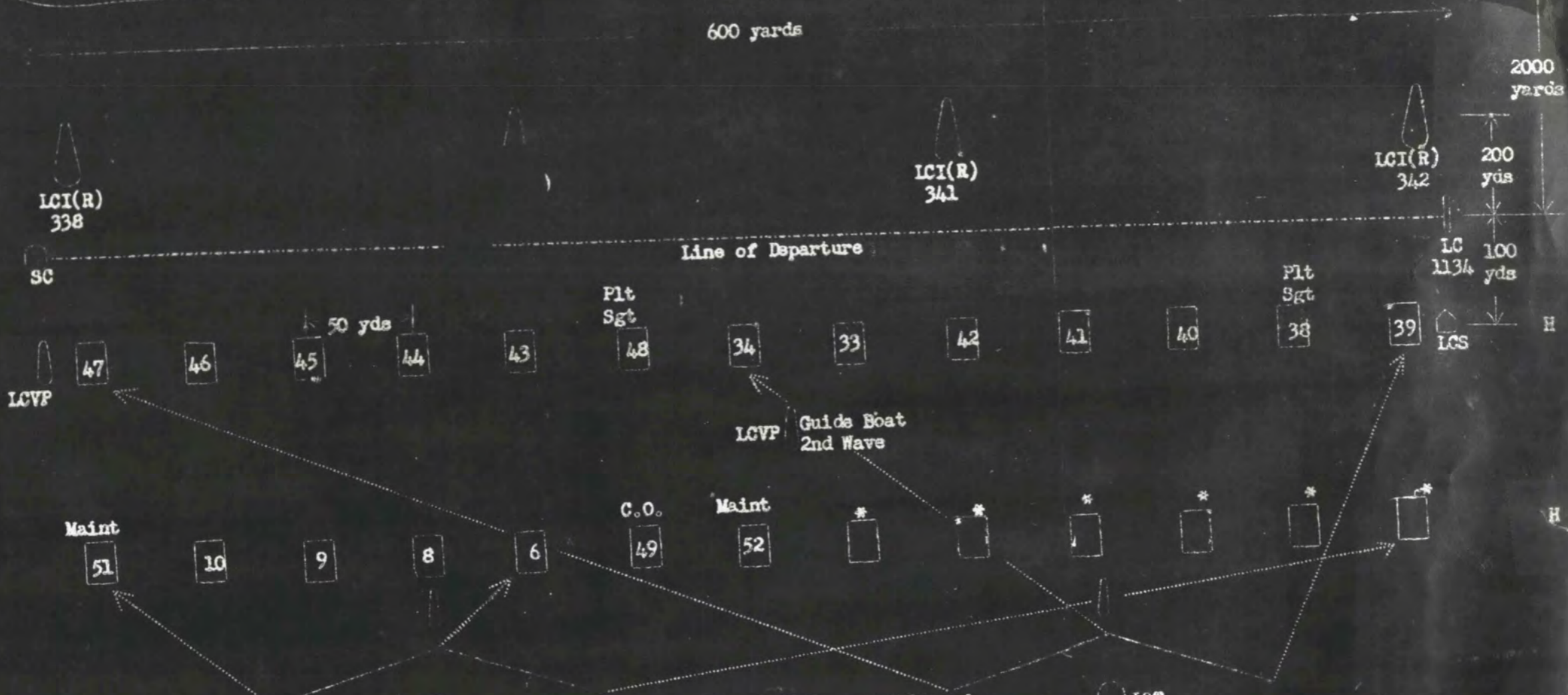
NOTE 2: LVT 39 moves to rear and right of six (6) vehicle group as flank protection.

SKETCH #2 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.

LANDING DIAGRAM AND APPROACH TO LD - BLUE BEACH

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BLUE BEACH



LST 462

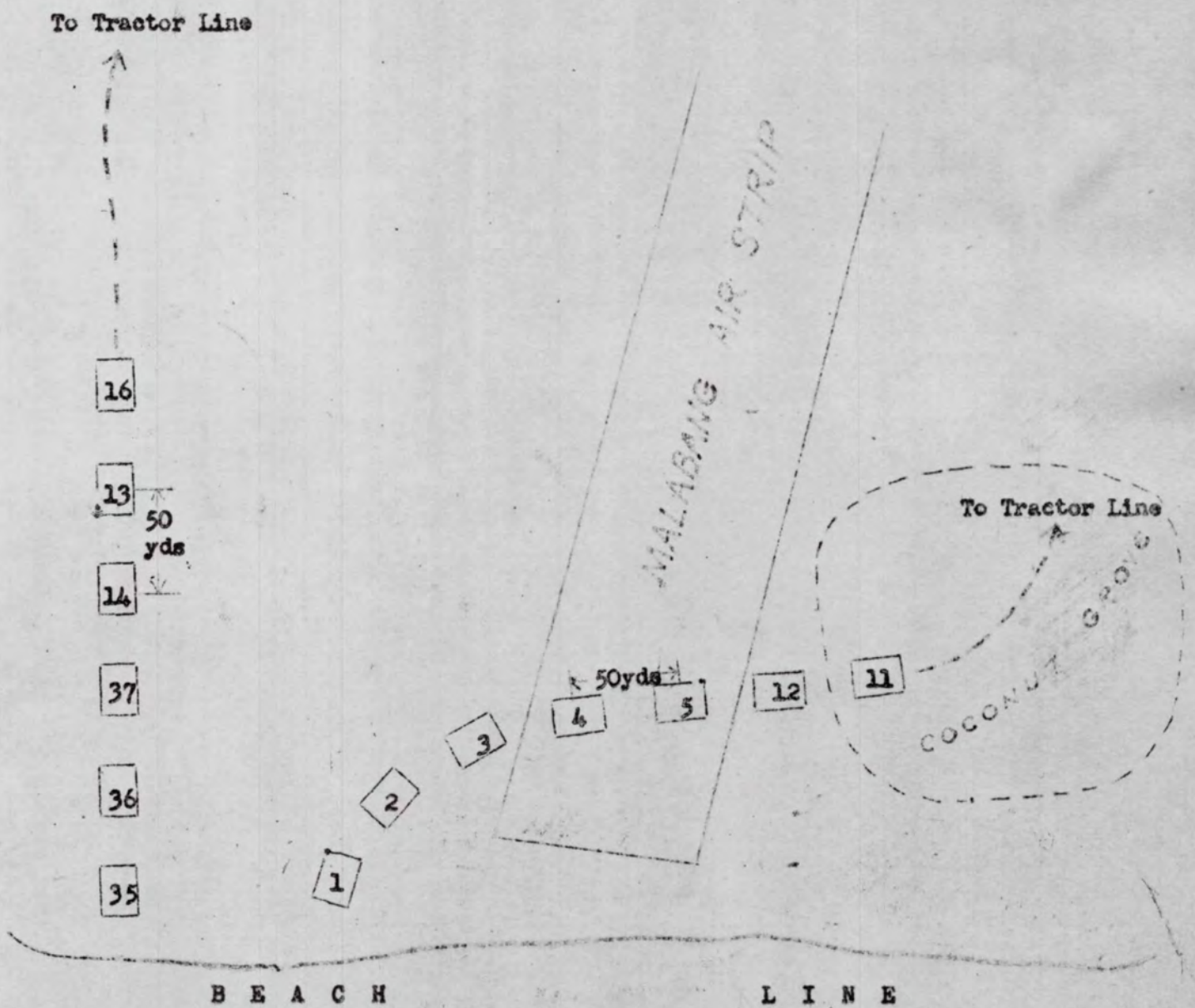
- Note 1: 1st Wave follows LCI(R)'s at 200 yards.
- Note 2: Load LVT's so that the center LVT of ea wave launches first; other vehicles launch in order, alternately to left and right of center LVT. Move in wedge formation to Rdv Area behind LD.
- Note 3: LVT's atchd 24th Ren Tr cross LD, then flank to right and continue on rcn mission.
- Note 4: * Numbers of LVT's not available at time of issue.

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SKETCH #4 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3.

FORMATION FOR MOVEMENT FROM BEACH TO TRACTOR LINE - WHITE BEACH.



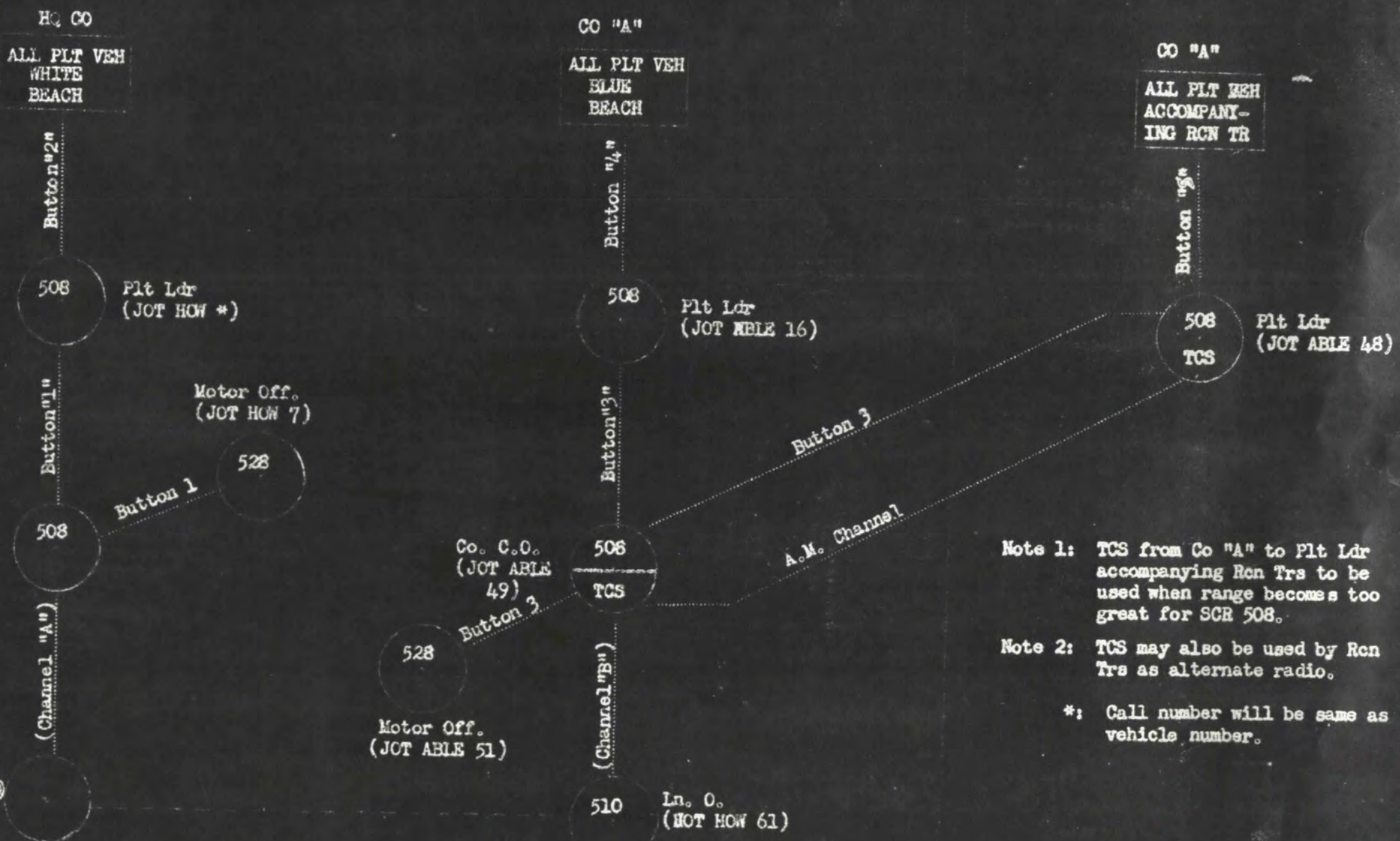
NOTE 1: LVT's of 2nd Wave to follow right flank group of 1st wave.

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COMMUNICATION PLAN.

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Note 1: TCS from Co "A" to Plt Ldr accompanying Rcn Trs to be used when range becomes too great for SCR 508.

Note 2: TCS may also be used by Rcn Trs as alternate radio.

*: Call number will be same as vehicle number.

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INTELLIGENCE ANNEX TO FO #3

MAPS: 1:2,000,000 Special Map Philippine Area - South.
1:500,000 Philippine Islands, A.M.S. (DAVAO NB51-3)
1:250,000 MINDANAO Series. (LAKE BALUT Sheet)
1:50,000 MINDANAO Series.

1. SUMMARY OF THE ENEMY SITUATION:

a. Enemy activities and Identification in Forward Areas.

(1) Ground:

(a) In general: Disposed in the MINDANAO area (exclusive of ZAMBOANGA Peninsula) are an estimated 36,000 enemy Trs located principally in the following areas:

DAVAO Area:	18,000
CAGAYAN Area:	5,500
VALENCIA - MARAMAG Area:	3,500
COTABATO - DULAWAN Area:	3,000

The principal combat trs have been identified as follows:

Elas 30 Div (principally 74th Inf Regt):	7,000
100 Div	9,000

(b) Enemy Dispositions and Activity: In the MALABANG-COTABATO area, there are an estimated 2300 to 2600 enemy trs, principally the 163rd and 166th Ind (Independent) Inf Bns and, possibly, the 353rd Ind Inf Bn of the 100th Div. The bulk of the 54th IMB (Independent Mixed Brigade), which was believed to have moved to this area, has been identified in the ZAMBOANGA area, although GR indicate the presence of at least elements of this IMB in the COTABATO area.

MALABANG is defended by an est 500 to 700 enemy trs concentrated around Fort CORCUERA, on the NE side of the city along the MALABANG R, and along road leading to A/F. The A/F defenses are reported abandoned. No enemy trs reported in LANAO Prov N of MALABANG. Guerillas claim to control MALABANG - PARANG road, isolating the MALABANG force.

PARANG is garrisoned by an est 150 enemy trs with another 1,000 distributed between PARANG and COTABATO.

An est 200 enemy trs are reported in COTABATO City with an unknown no of evacuees to the E along the MINDANAO R. 500 Japs are reported S along the COTABATO - NURO road.

(c) Artillery: GR unknown no of 75 mm guns along MINDANAO R E of COTABATO. Coastal defense guns reported at POLLOC town and TIMACO HILL, GR arty and coastal guns located in the DAVAO and SARANGANI BAY areas, and possibly a FA Bn in the KABAGAN area.

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(d) Armor: The only report of tks on MINDANAO was a GR of 15 Feb stating that 1 tk was at COTABATO. As noted above, however, a Special Tk Unit of Co size is included in the 100 Div.

(e) Defensive Installations: Photo Interpretation locates a defense system, consisting of gun pits, trenches, and a possible pillbox in the N revetment area at MALABANG A/F, but area appears abandoned. GR no beach defenses between MALABANG and PARANG and that bay and wharf are not mined.

(f) Supply Dumps: GR of 3 Mar states that large quantities of sup are located on the beach S of MALABANG R. Amm and Sup are located in old stone fort and water tower at PARANG. GR many barge hideouts along MINDANAO R which is one of major enemy sup routes.

(2) Air: As of 16 Mar, total of 17 aircraft reported on MINDANAO (AAF Summary). COTABATO A/F is reported serviceable. No aircraft have been obs on MALABANG field; GR of 25 Feb states 3 single-engine fighters operating daily from COTABATO strip.

(3) Naval: The enemy navy appears to have abandoned the Philippine and South China Sea waters, except for shipping runs along the China coast. His major fleet units are believed to have withdrawn to the Empire.

Since 15 Feb, enemy subs have been reported near MALABANG, in CORONADO BAY (W coast ZAMBOENGA), and on SAMAL I, DAVAO GULF. No "Q" boats have been reported.

Near DAVAO, there have been GR of mobile platforms for launching torpedoes from shore.

(a) Activities in Rear Areas: On the basis of GHQ Intelligence, it is not believed that reinforcements will arrive in the objective area from bases outside the island of MINDANAO.

(b) Terrain and weather as they affect operations:

See the following:

AGS Terrain Study No. 98.

AGS Terrain Handbook No. 55.

During the period of the initial operation, the sun will rise at approx 0630 and set at approx 1850. The moon will rise at approx 1050 and set at approx 2340. The new moon is visible 12 Apr and the first quarter visible 19 Apr.

RED Beach: This is only beach suitable for LST's. Exit from the beach is over a low bank and through open swamp 50 - 100 yards wide; this swamp does not appear to be a difficult obstacle for foot troops. Only a very narrow section in the center of the beach appears to be suitable for exit of vehicles.

WHITE Beach: A dry landing is unlikely due to sandbars about 30 ft off-shore. Only suitable exit for vehicles to the A/F appears to be at N end; rest of beach has a swamp and tidal lagoon 50 - 100 yds wide paralleling the beach as far S as the MATALING R.

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BLUES Beach: A steep portion of approx 1000 yds near the center of this beach suitable for landings. Exit for vehicles to Hwy #1 appears most suitable just S of the MALABANG R. The S end of the beach is swampy in places.

GREEN Beach: Dry landing for small craft appears possible. Native shacks fringing the entire coast should not prove a difficult obstacle. N end of beach presents only possible exit to PARANG and Hwy #1.

2. MEASURES FOR HANDLING PW, CAPTURED DOCUMENTS AND MATERIEL.

a. PW

(1) Ref: "SOP Processing Prisoners of War", Hq, 24th Inf Div, 21 Mar 1944.

(2) 24th Div PW Coll Pt (See Adm O #3)

(3) Company Commanders will instruct their unit personnel the importance of taking and protecting prisoners, that the information provided by PW's is vital to the operation and that precautions should be taken to prevent prisoners of war from committing suicide.

(4) All Jap civilians will be handled as PW's.

(5) Forwarding of PW's to higher Hq will be accomplished with the least possible delay.

b. CAPTURED MATERIEL.

(1) Ref: Cir No. 9, Hq, 24th Inf Div, 21 Feb 45, "Disposition of Captured Enemy Equipment and Documents".

(2) Captured Enemy Equipment Dp (See Adm O).

(3) All documents and enemy materiel of military value will be turned in to the Bn S-2.

3. MAPS AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

a. MAPS.

(1) Place names given on the 1:50,000 topographic maps will govern regardless of variance from other maps. In the event that a map other than the 1:50,000 map is used, it will be described.

(2) Re-supply of maps in this operation will be very difficult. Initial issue of maps should be carefully conserved.

4. COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE.

a. Dissemination. - Prior to embarkation, dissemination of information concerning the opn will be limited to THAT INFORMATION WHICH THE PERSON CONCERNED MUST KNOW IN ORDER TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES PROPERLY.

b. Identifying Articles. - A final warning will be given forbidding diaries and personal articles marked with organizational designations.

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4. c. Classified Documents. - Aboard ship enroute to objective, Comdrs will keep classified documents in weighted bags for emergency disposal. Classified documents at CPs will be held to a bare minimum and arrangements maintained for their prompt destruction should possibility of capture be imminent. No "SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" documents will at any time be carried forward of CP's of front line regiments.

d. Blackout Discipline. - No lights except authorized signal lights. Precautions will be taken to prevent accidental flashing of flashlights or vehicle lights, or absent-minded lighting of matches or cigarettes.

e. Censorship. - See Cir No. 14 Hq, 24th Inf Div, 12 Mar 45, "Censorship Regulations and Interpretations".

f. Password. - To be announced by 24th Inf Div.

g. Coordinates. - Hq to which Div SOI is distributed will use the method described therein for coordinate map locations requiring encoding.

h. All personnel will be instructed that if captured they reveal only their name, grade and Army serial number.

i. All Japanese civilians will be immediately interned. All German civilians will be interned except those designated by CIC for parole.

(1) Filipino civilians will be denied access to operational sector of all CP's and Hq.

5. REPORTS AND DISTRIBUTION.

a. The following will be reported immediately by URGENT message to G-2: First enemy contacts; new identifications; enemy reinforcement efforts by land, sea or air; use of mechanized elements; and use of chemical agents by the enemy.

b. Periodic reports:

(1) Attached unit S-2's normally will not submit periodic reports, but will comply with Par a above and will report enemy casualties and PW's if applicable. NOTE: (overlays will be the form of periodic reports whenever possible.)

Questionable information will be so indicated.

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MAPS: See Field Order.

1. SUPPLY

a. Bases.

- 1) Initial: Staging Area, Mindoro, P.I.
- 2) Re-Supply:
 - a) Automatic re-supply for ten (10) days, thereafter by requisition through Bn S-4.

b. Levels.

- 1) Class I - 30 D/S as follows:
 - a) All Echelons.
 - (1) One D/S "D" on ind issued aboard ship.
Two D/S "C" on ind issued prior to embarkation.
Two D/S "K" on ind issued aboard ship.
 - b) Trs landing on R-Day.
 - (1) One D/S "C" under Div Control.
Four D/S "10 in 1" under Div Control.
Five D/S "B" under Div Control.
 - c) With trs landing on R / 10.
 - (1) Twenty-Five D/S all types plus fifteen D/S "B" for trs of first ech.
- 2) Class II & IV - Thirty (30) D/S all types.
- 3) Anti-Malaria Supplies.
 - a) In possession of individuals:

Repellent, insect, 2 oz btl	1
Atabrine Tablets, 0.1 gram (1½ gra)	30

b) With each organization.

Repellent, insect, 2 oz btl.-	400 per 100 men.
Atabrine Tablets, 0.1 gram (1½ gra)	3000 per 100 men.
Insecticide, freon-arsel, 1 lb disp	30 per 100 men.
Sprayer, oil, knapsack type	1 per 100 men.
Malarial oil (or diesel oil) 50 gal.	1 per sprayer.

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1. b. 4) Chemical Warfare Equipment.

a) In possession of the individual:

Gas Mask	1/ind.
Eyeshield, M1	4/ind.
Impregnite, shoe M1 (can)	1/ind.
Kit, gas mask, WP M1A1	1/2 ind.
Kit, ointment, protective, M5	1/ind.
Protective Covers	2/ind.

b) With each organization.

(1) T/E CW equipment (less protective clothing).

(2) Expendable Items.

Disinfectant, gas mask, M1	1 btl per co.
Kit, repair, GM Co, M2A1	2 per co.
Crayon, LVD, M6	1 doz per co.
Paper, LVD, M7	1 bk per co.

5) Class III.

a) 15 D/S all types under Div Control.

b) 2 drs 80 oct w/each LVT atchd 24th Rcn Tr.

c) 10 D/S grease all types to accompany trs.

d) Vehicle tanks to be full (less 2 gals). 5 gal containers to be 3/4 full.

6) Class V.

a) Allowances. Three (3) U/F as follows:

(1) 2 U/F mobile loaded for all wpns and trs atchd 24th Rcn. 1 U/F for all others. Balance to complete 3 U/F will be bulk loaded by Bn to arrive on far shore by R / 2.

(2) For number of rds and type per U/F see Cir 73, Hq, Eighth Army, 11 Mar 1945.

7) Water.

a) All water containers will be filled prior to embarkation. In addition, trs will debark with two (2) canteens filled.

b) WP's will be announced later.

c) All water will be chlorinated before drinking.

2. EVACUATION.

a. Pers casualties evacuated to nearest aid sta.

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2. b. Burials: See Cir 42, Hq, Eighth Army, dtd 12 Feb 45, entitled "SOP for Graves Registration" as amended by Cir 91, Hq, Eighth Army, dtd 22 Feb 45. One (1) Officer and one (1) NCO to be familiar with above.
 - c. Salvage: Salvage equipment will be evacuated to next higher echelon. Where stores of enemy supplies are captured, the capturing unit will place guard on such supplies until relieved.
 - d. PW's will be evacuated to next higher echelon or the PW inclosure.
3. TRAFFIC.
- a. Circulation will be controlled by 24th Div MP Plat.
 - b. Restrictions.
 - 1) Blackout lights only will be used after debarking.
 - 2) Assistant driver will dismount and guide vehicles into bivouac area.
 - 3) On water, other landing craft will have right of way over LVT's.
 - 4) LVT's will travel off of hard surface roads where possible.
4. PERSONNEL.
- a. Straggler line initially on beach.
 - b. No personnel other than properly processed casualties will leave the operational area by water or air without written permission from Hq, 24th Inf Div.
 - c. Personnel Reports.
 - 1) Morning Reports.
 - a) Routine to include day of embarking.
 - b) Morning reports to include period enroute plus those thru R / 3 will be submitted to Bn Ln Team by 0900 on R / 4, thereafter submit daily.
 - 2) Casualty Reports.
 - a) Submitted daily as of 2400 hrs to reach Bn Ln Team by 0900 hrs on USAFFE Form A. See form atchd as Incl #3. Negative report not required. Ref: USAFFE Cir 86, dtd 6 Oct 44 as amended by Sec 1, USAFFE Cir 9, dtd Jan 45.
 - d. Personnel requisitions will be submitted on call from this Hq.
 - e. Mail:
 - 1) Official mail for 658th Amph Trac Bn - APO 159.
 - 2) Personal mail - APO 72.

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5. MISCELLANEOUS.

a. Rear Echelon 658th Amph Trac Bn - MINDORO, P.I.

b. Equipment.

- 1) GP Vehicles landing on R-Day subject to deep water immersion will be waterproofed. GP vehicles of all echelons will be equipped with tow chains and tire chains on all wheels prior to embarkation.
- 2) Trs will debark wearing HBT's impregnated with dimethyl phthylate, plus full field equipment.

c. Reports.

- 1) Status report submitted as of 1600 hrs daily to reach Bn Ln O by 1700 hrs. (See form atchd hereto as Incl #1.).
- 2) Daily Ammunition Situation Report as of 0600 to reach Bn Ln O not later than 0700 hrs daily (See form atchd hereto as Incl #2). Active list of wpns will be included under remarks on the above mentioned report.

d. Conservation of Supplies.

1) Co Comdrs will -

- a) Insure that all personnel of his command have been informed of the contents of Articles of War 93 and 96.
- b) Provide adequate guards for all supplies within their org.
- c) Insure that rations, clothing and other supplies are not given to civilians by soldiers.
- d) Insure that unserviceable vehicles are not dismantled.
- e) Insure that economy is exercised in the handling of ammunition.
 - (1) Maximum amounts consistent with the situation will be retained in original containers.
 - (2) Only one (1) ready box per MG will be opened at one time.
 - (3) So far as possible, ammunition will be kept dry and free from dirt.

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