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Hq. 688TH AMPH TRAC BN
MINDORO, P.I.
2300 3 MARCH 1945

FO #2

MAP REFER: Photomap, Mindanao, Pasananga 1:25,000
Sheets 3731-IV-NS, 3731-IV-NW, 3731-IV-SE, 3731-IV-SW.

1. a) G-2 Estimate, Hq, 41st Inf Div, 26 Feb 45.
b) 41st Inf Div (less one (1) RCT) lands via Zamboanga, Mindanao on 3-15, helicopter one (1) RCT, 24th Inf Div remains in floating reserve initially, Naval support from J-3 to J-4. Air support continues.
2. a) Co "B" (+) with attached transports BLT 162/1 and 162/3 from ship to shore.
b) Upon completion of mission (2a) company assembles and reports for additional missions as directed by Commanding General, 41st Inf Div.
c) Bn Hq and Hq Co (less attachments, lands in objective area 1000 yds from turned ship, etc.
3. a) Troop flat transporting BLT 162/1 lands on Beach Yellow 2, disembarks inf, then assembles in area to immediate left of landing beach. Flat will follow inf adv to left flank until clear of Beach Yellow 1.
b) Troop flat transporting BLT 162/3 lands on Beach Red 2, disembarks inf, then assembles in area to right flank of landing beach.
c) Flats provide flank protection to landing beaches.
d) Co reverts from RCT 162 to Div control H-4 60.
e) Attachments: One Bn Maint veh with five (5) mach,
One (1) Radio Operator - Hq Co.
Three (3) Aid men - Bn Aid Sta.
Liaison party consisting of Bn C-2, Comd G and necessary trans.
f) Detachments: Four (4) LVT's w/drivers, Co Supply Sgt and Co Clerk.
g) One (1) LVT from each Troop flat will be designated to proceed along beach line with red fluorescent panels displayed to mark position of inf adv. for Navy.
h) Liaison Team will report to Cdr, 41st Inf Div on 1st landing.
1. Bn S-2 reports aboard LC 1134 as liaison with Navy during landing phase.
2. Bn Commo reports aboard LC 1133 as liaison with Navy during landing phase.
x) 1. Annex #1.
2. Sketches #1 to 4 incl.
4. Adm C #2 to accompany FO #2.
5. a) Nets.
1) Sketches #1 and 2.
2) Stations open as vehicles launch from LVT's.
3) Co reverts to plan Sketch #1 on orders of Cdr.

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5. b) Call Words.

- 1) Co "B" vehicles - BUSTER followed by vehicle number.
- 2) Net Call - BUSTER.
- 3) Bn Liaison Team - BUSTER 60.

c) Code.

- 1) All messages in clear.
- 2) Code names for O's and EM issued separately.
- 3) Authentication code issued separately.

d) Signals.

- 1) Distress - Red flag waving.
- 2) Air-Ground - If attacked by friendly aircraft display red panel.
- 3) Air Raid - Three (3) long blasts of whistle.
- 4) All Clear - One (1) long blast of whistle.

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DISTRIBUTION:

- 3 41st Inf Div
- 2 162nd RCF
- 1 Bn CO
- 1 Bn S-1
- 1 Bn S-2
- 1 Bn S-3
- 1 Bn S-4
- 5 Co "B"
- 1 Comm O.
- 1 File

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OVERLAY TO ACCOMPANY PD #2

MAPS: PHOTOMAP, MINDANAO, PASONGANGA

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SHEETS 3731-IV-NE

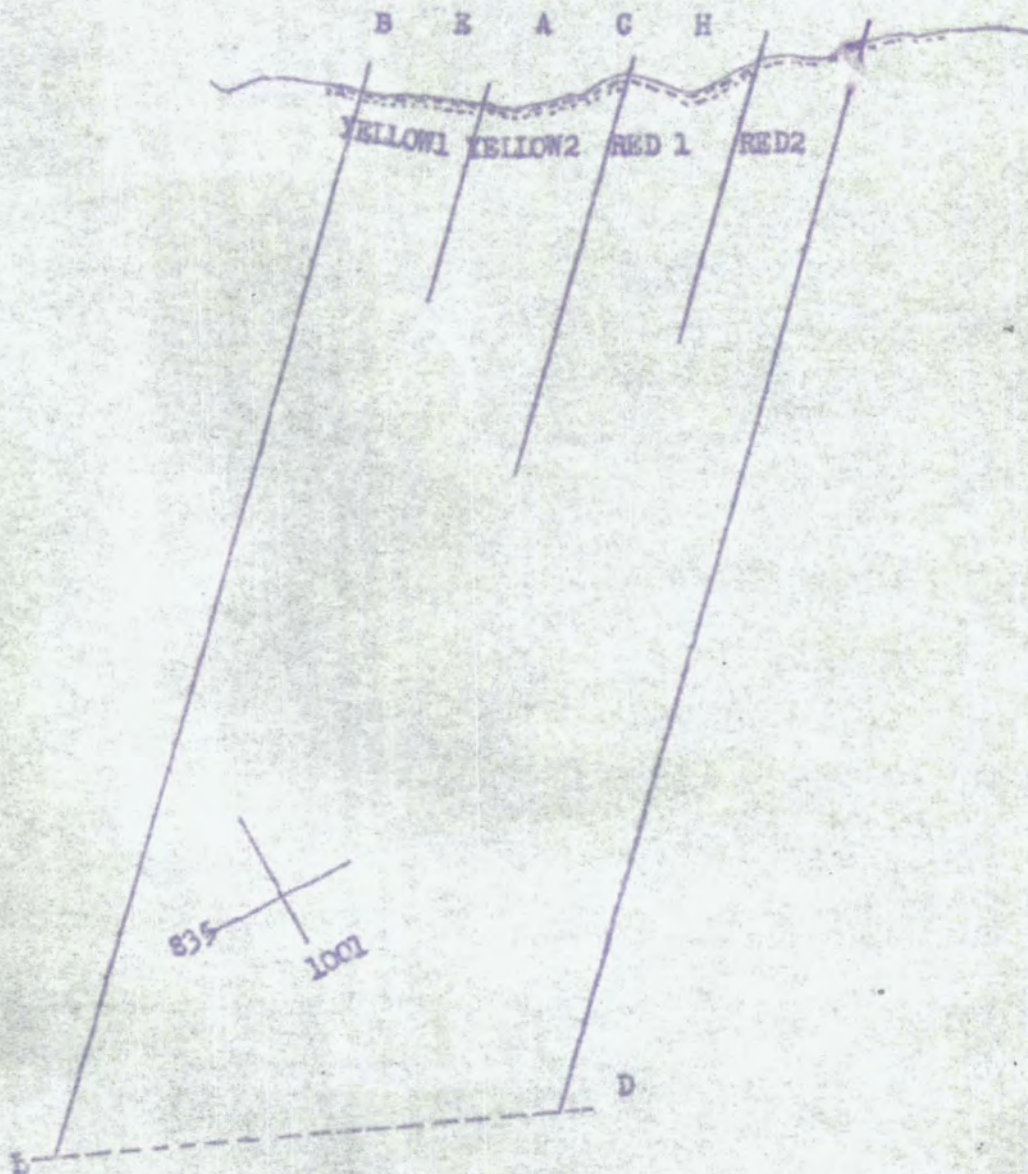
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APPROACH AND LANDING SCHEDULE.

1. BASIC INFORMATION

LD TO BEACH: 3700 yards. Course: Approx 060° Mag Az (Guide on control vessels)

Rendezvous Area to LD: 100 yards.

LST Area to Rendezvous Area: 1700 yards.

H - Hour: 0915

J-Day : 10 March 1945

2. PREPARE TO LAUNCH BY H - 90.

3. APPROACH AND LANDING SCHEDULE:

WAVE	BEACH	AMPH TRAC UNIT	TRANSPORTED TROOPS	TRANSPORT	HOUR TO LV LST	HR TO LV RDV AREA	HOUR TO CROSS LD	HOUR TO LAND	REMARKS
-1	RED 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1st Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/3	LST 578	H - 90	MOVE OUT	H - 27	H	TROOPS COMBAT
1	YELLOW 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 3rd Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/1	LST 630	H - 90	WHEN WAVE	H - 27	H	LOADED BEFORE
2	RED 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 1st Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/3	LST 705	H - 90	NUMBER FLAG	H - 24	H / 3	LAUNCHING FROM
2	YELLOW 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 3rd Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/1	LST 753	H - 90	IS RAISED.	H - 24	H / 3	LST'S.
3	RED 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 2nd Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/3	LST 578 LST 705 LSD 14	H - 90	CROSS LD WHEN FLAG	H - 21	H / 6	
5	YELLOW 2	$\frac{1}{2}$ of 2nd Plat, Co "B"	BLT 162/1	LST 753 LST 630 LSD 14	H - 90	IS LOWERED.	H - 21	H / 6	

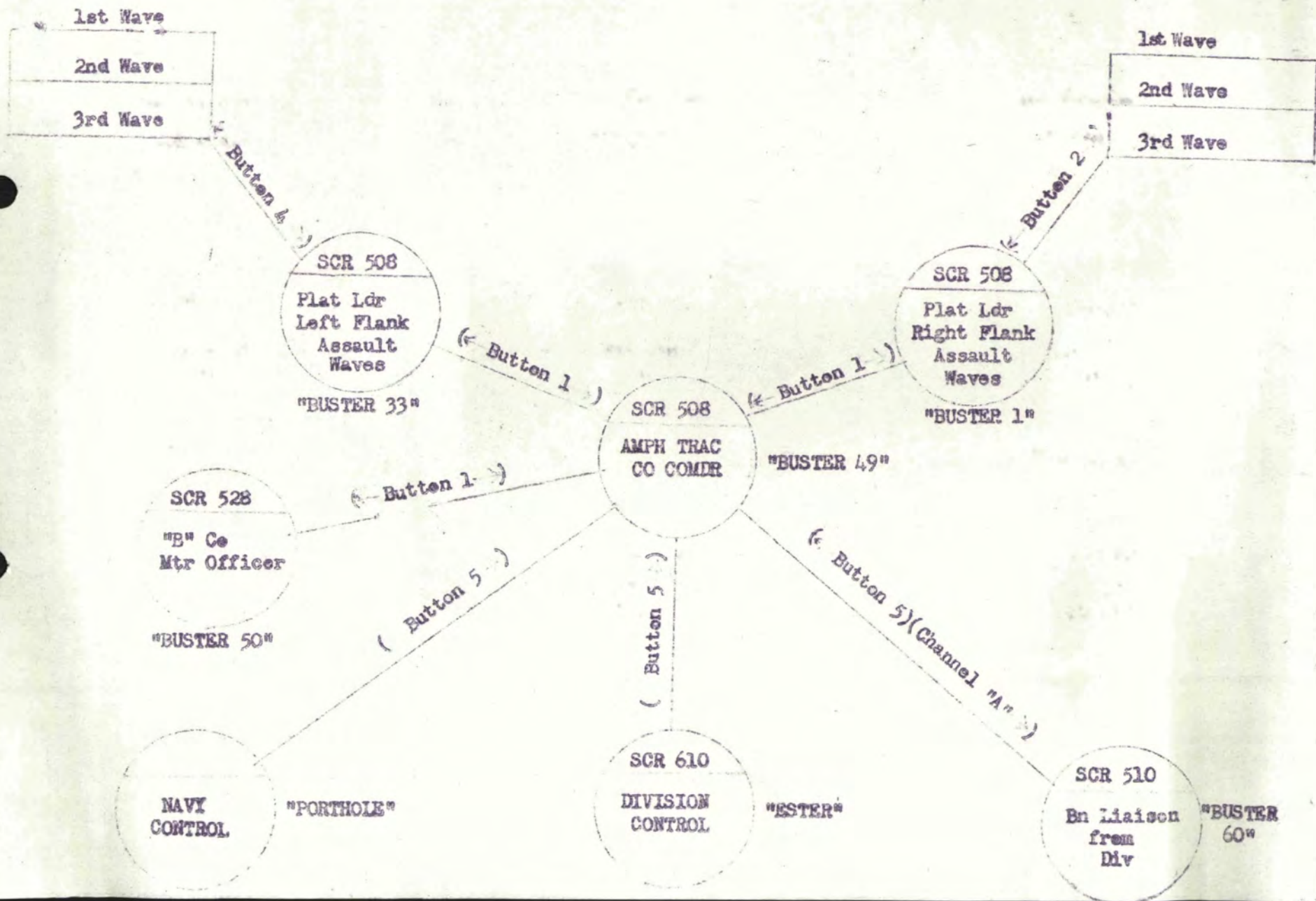
NOTE: Co Comdr and Maint Veh are "free".

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

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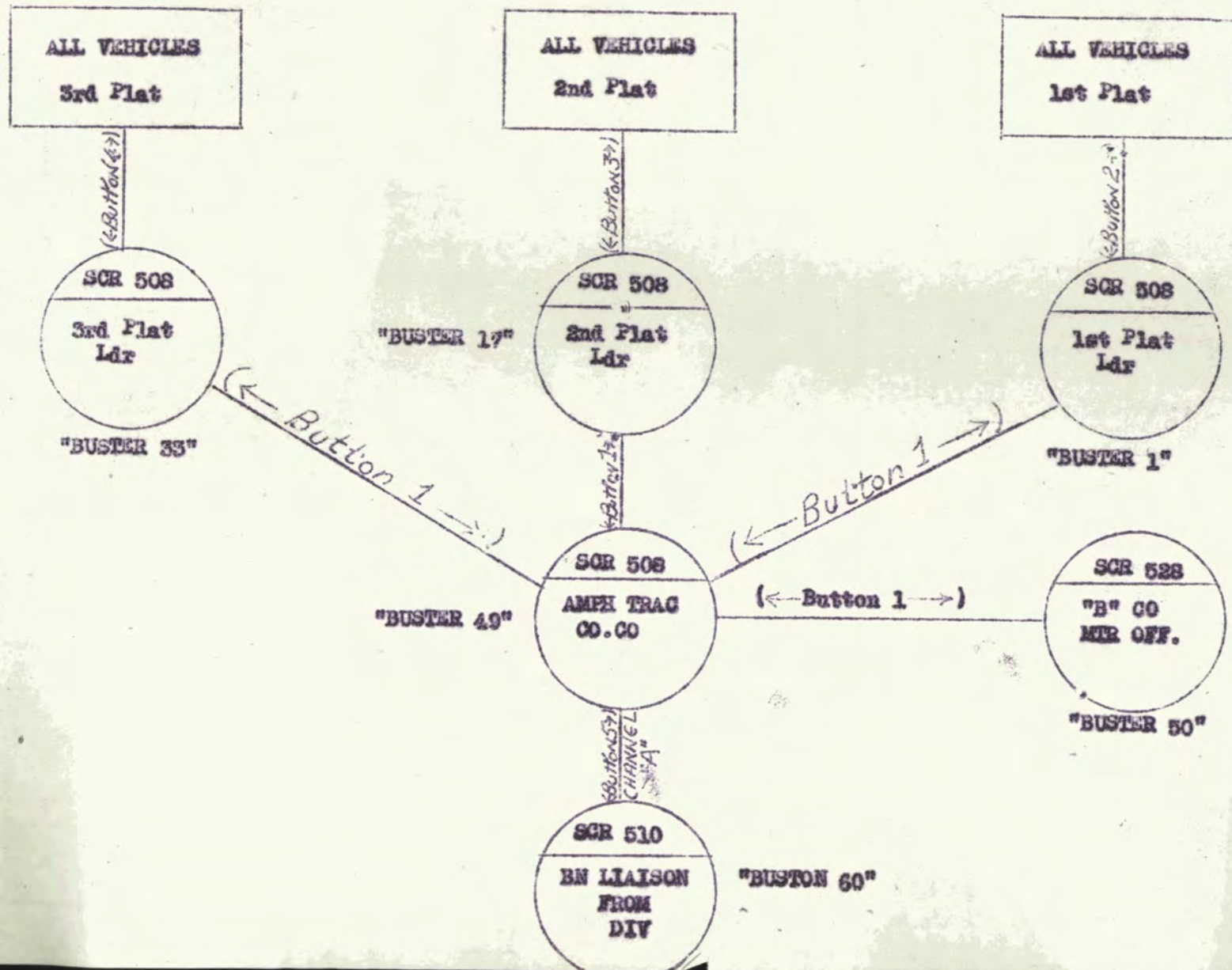
COMMUNICATION PLAN FOR ASSAULT PHASE.



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COMMUNICATION PLAN: AMPH TRAC CO AFTER REVERTING TO DIV CONTROL.



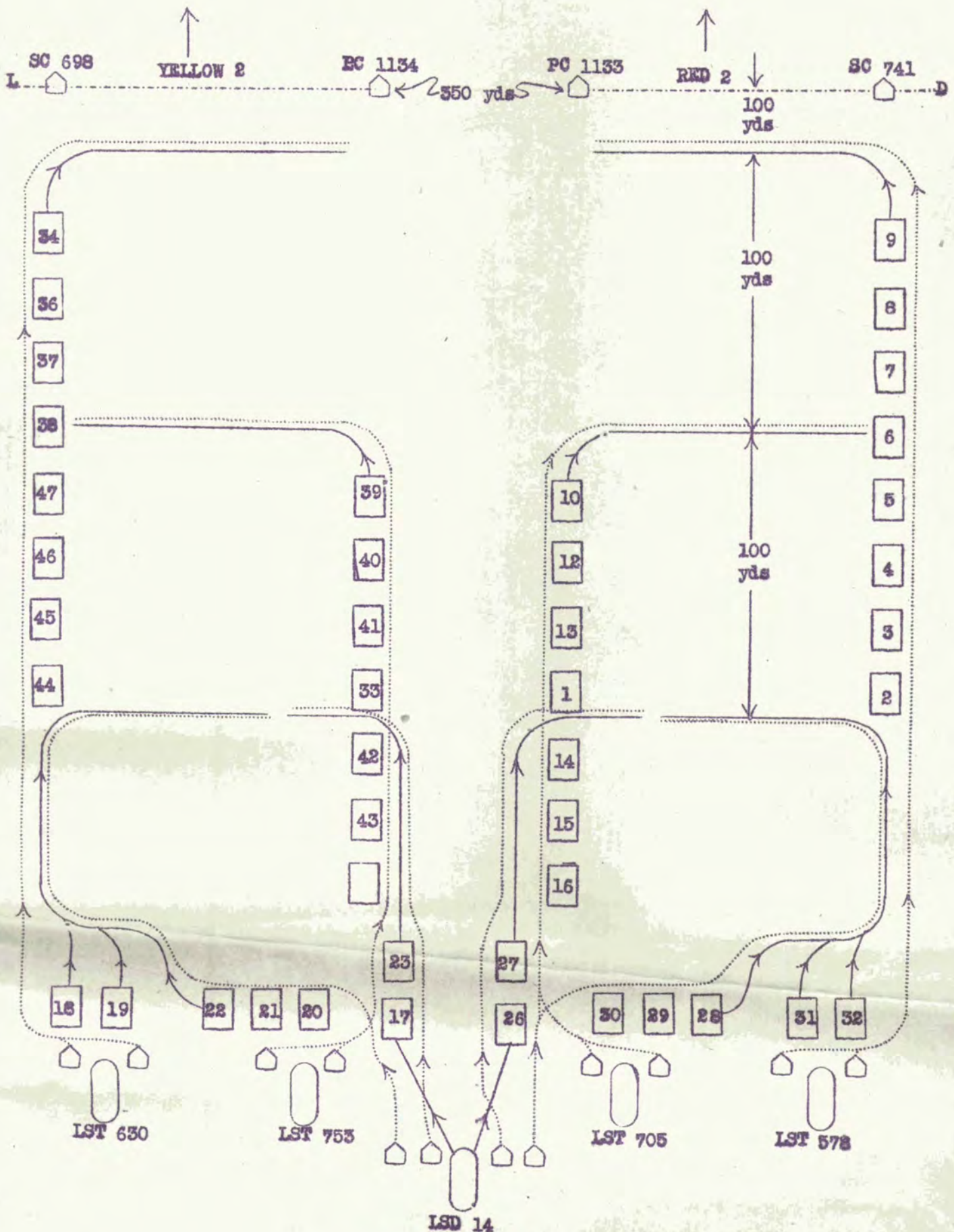
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SKETCH #3 TO ACCOMPANY FO #2

ORDER OF DEBARKATION FROM LST'S AND MOVEMENT TO RENDEZVOUS AREA.

NOTE: LVT's in 3rd wave debarking from LST's idae in vicinity of ship until picked up by guide boat from LSD 14; then follow in order shown.

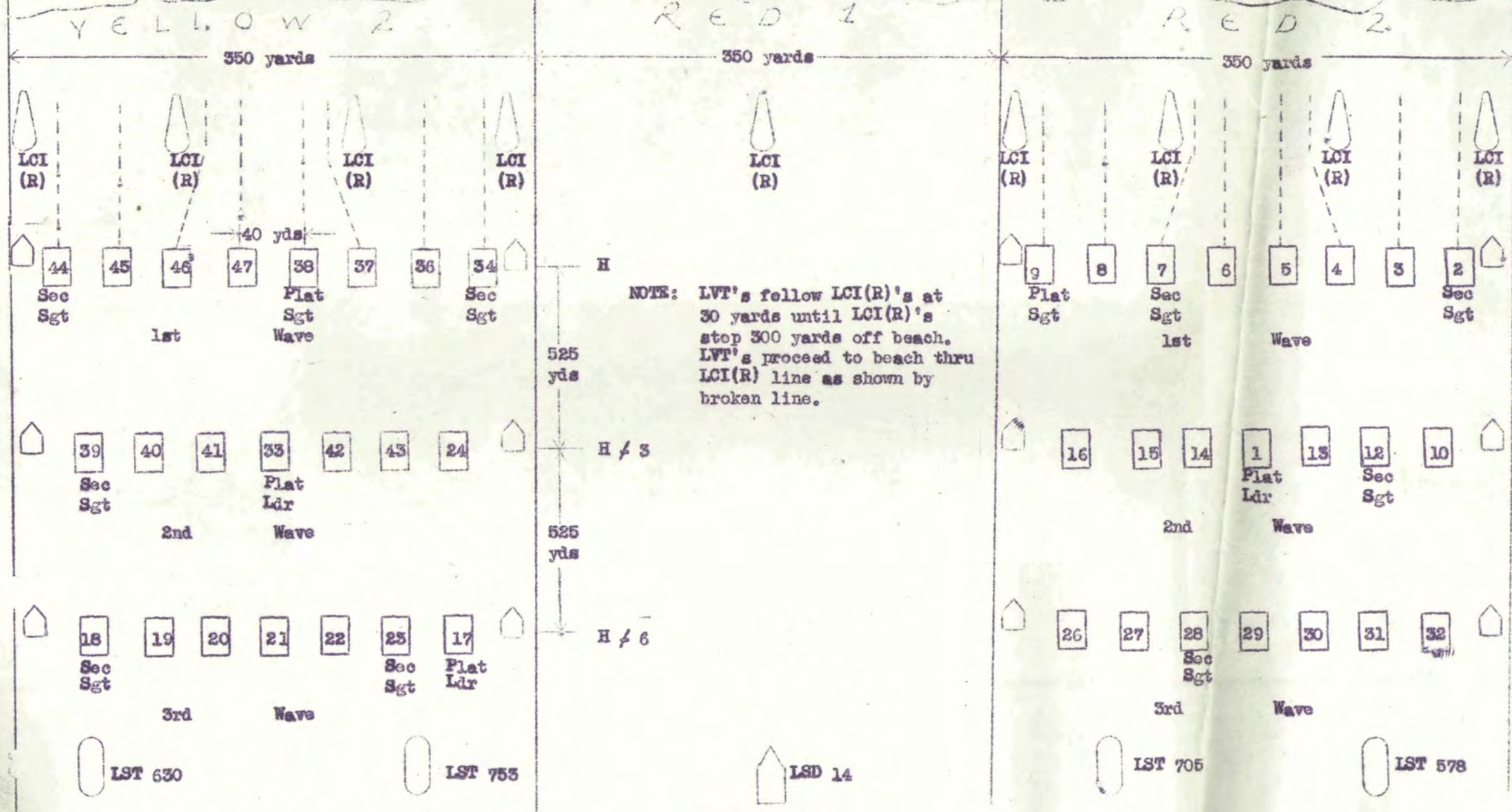
NOTE: When LVT's are in position, guide boats take up positions on flanks of each wave.



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SKETCH #1 TO ACCOMPANY FO #2
LANDING DIAGRAM

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MAPS: PHOTOMAP, MINDANAO, PASONANCA, 1:25,000.
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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 En S-4.

b) Levels.

- 1) To accompany trs to objective area.
 - (a) Class I - 15 D/S as follows:
 - 5 D/S "B" w/ce kib.
 - 7 D/S "10 in 1" w/Div QM
 - 1 D/S "D" w/Div QM
 - 2 D/S "K" w/ind.
 - (1) One (1) case type "C" will be loaded on each LVT for emergency.
 - (b) Class II and IV (Ordnance).
 - (1) Org spare parts.
 - (2) 30 L/S C&P material.
 - (c) Anti-Malaria Supplies.
 - (1) In possession of individuals:
 - Repellent, insect, 2 oz btl 1
 - Atabrine Tablets, 0.1 gram (1½ grs) 30
 - (2) With each organization:
 - Repellent, insect, 2 oz btl 400 per 100 men.
 - Atabrine Tablets, 0.1 gram (1½ grs) 3000 per 100 men.
 - Insecticide, freon-aresol, 1 lb disp 30 per 100 men.
 - Sprayer, oil, knapsack type 1 per 100 men.
 - Malarial oil, (or diesel oil), 50 gal dr.1 per sprayer.
 - (d) Class III.
 - (1) 10 D/S bulk loaded plus 50% G.P. #2 stowed in each LVT.
 - (2) LVT's will embark with tanks full less 2 gals plus an additional two (2) drs to be mobile loaded on each LVT for emergency

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1. b) 1) (d) (3) Two (2) drs OE 50 to be carried in each Maint LVT.
 - (e) Class V.
 - (1) Organic Loads.
 - a. 120 rds per Carbine, Cal. 30 M1
 - 3000 rds per MG, Cal. 30 M1919A4.
 - 40 rds per Pistol, Cal. 45
 - 1000 rds per MG, Cal. 50 HB M2
 - 12 rds per active Launcher, Rocket 2.36".
 - 12 Grenades, rifle, per active Launcher, M8.
 - 7 Grenades, hand, frag, MKII per LVT.
 - b. One (1) U/F will be maintained in objective area.
 - c) Installations and dumps (Location and time of opening to be given later).
 - d) Water: Org water cans and ttrs will be filled prior to embarkation and refilled prior to debarkation.
2. RE-SUPPLY.
 - a) After arrival in objective area, requisitions will be submitted to Bn In Team initially.
 - b) Water.
 - 1) Local sources. All water will be chlorinated sufficiently to indicate a strong chlorine content at the end of thirty (30) minutes. Inds will chlorinate water in canteens by using four (4) halazone tablets per canteen.
3. EVACUATION
 - a) Casualties will be evacuated to nearest Aid Sta.
 - b) Burials: See "Quartermaster Plan" and "Standard Administrative Procedure" Hq, 41st Inf Div, dtd 18 Feb 45. One (1) officer, three (3) NCO's to be familiar with above.
 - c) Salvage: Salvageable materials will be evacuated to next higher echelon.
 - d) Prisoners of War: See "Standard Administrative Procedure", Hq, 41st Inf Div, dtd 18 Feb 45.
4. TRAFFIC.
 - a) On water, other landing craft will have right of way over LVT's.
 - b) On land, circulation restriction and control later.
5. PERSONNEL.
 - a) Mail.
 - 1) Upon arrival in objective area, 658th Amph Trac Bn will use APO 70 as their address.

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6. MISCELLANEOUS.

a) Periodic Reports.

- 1) S-1 Daily Strength Report to Bn Ln Team by 1100 hrs daily covering preceding 24-hr period.

b) Morning Reports.

- 1) "B" Co to Bn Ln Team by 1100 hrs daily. (Original and one (1) tissue copy).
- 2) Hq & Hq & Sv Co and Med Det to S-1.

c) S-4 Period Reports to be submitted in accordance with form attached as Incl #1 to reach Bn Ln Team by 1600 hrs daily.

d) Ammunition Status Report will be submitted on form attached as Incl #2 to reach Bn Ln Team by 1100 hrs daily.

e) Equipment.

- 1) Vehicles and weapons moving by amphibious craft will be waterproofed and vehicles will be equipped with tow chains and tire chains. Vehicles will be serviced with full tank less two (2) gals prior to loading aboard ship.
- 2) An extra canteen with cover (less cup) will be carried by each ind of assault trs.
- 3) Trs will embark wearing HBT's impregnated with dimethyl phthylate.

f) Conservation of Supplies.

1) Co Comdrs will -

- (a) Provide adequate guards for all supplies within their organization.
- (b) Insure that unserviceable vehicles are not dismantled.
- (c) Insure that rations, clothing and other supplies are not given to civilians by soldiers.
- (d) 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 a time.

(3) So far as possible, ammo will be kept dry and free from dirt.

2) (a) All tentage for "B" Co will be folded and brought forward by the Bn Rear Echelon.

(b) A list of "B" Co equip to be brought forward by the Bn Rear Ech will be submitted to Bn S-4 prior to embarkation.

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Incl #1 - S-4 Periodic Report

Incl #2 - Ammunition Status Report

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