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**HEADQUARTERS, 3rd TANK DESTROYER GROUP  
 AFG 230**

7 August 1944

**SUBJECT: Action Against The Enemy, Reports After/After Action Report.**

**TO : Adjutant General, Washington, D. C.  
 (Through Channels)**

**1. Tank Destroyer Battalions operating in the V Corps Section during the period 1 July through 31 July 1944 and attachments were:**

<u>TD UNITS</u>	<u>DATES OPERATIONAL WITH CORPS</u>	<u>ATTACHED TO</u>
3rd TD Group	1 - 31 July	V Corps
635th TD Bn	1 - 16 July	1st Inf Division
612th TD Bn	1 - 31 July	2nd Inf Division
702nd TD Bn	1 - 31 July	2nd Armd Division
893rd TD Bn	4 - 31 July	*3rd TD Group
629th TD Bn	4 - 31 July	3rd TD Group
818th TD Bn	16 - 31 July	5th Inf Division
654th TD Bn	28 - 31 July	35th Inf Division
703rd TD Bn	4 - 8 July	3rd Armd Division
116AAA Bn (TD Role)	16 - 31 July	3rd TD Group

\* 893rd TD Bn further attached to 2nd Infantry Division 19-31 July during operations "COBRA".

**2. During the period, no tanks were engaged by direct fire by TD Units in the Corps, since no tanks were encountered. During the period, 52 rounds (16 HE, 31 GP T105, 5APC) 3" ammunition were fired direct fire in close support of infantry attack.**

**Target - enemy OP in Church Tower  
 Result - Two (2) observers killed  
 OP knocked out  
 One (1) SP Gun destroyed**

**3. In the absence of any armored threat, reserve companies of TD Battalions engaged in indirect fire as follows:**

**a. 3" guns in indirect fire:**

<u>GUNS</u>	<u>DATES</u>
12	1 - 5 July, 29 - 31 July
24	6 - 7 July, 24 - 28 July
36	8 - 17 July, 19 - 23 July
48	18 July



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**90-mm (AAA) TD Role Guns in Indirect Fire:**

GUNS

DATES

4  
8

23 - 26 July, 28 - 29 July  
27 July, 29 July

- b. Total Concentrations fired: (1) 3" = 956 rounds  
(2) 90-mm = 34 rounds
- c. Total rounds fired Indirect Fire:  
(1) 3" = 16168 rounds  
(2) 90-mm = 493 rounds
- d. Type of Targets: 75% Interdiction and Harassing  
25% Observed targets of opportunity
- e. Results: Two (2) Enemy OP's destroyed
  - 1 - SP Gun destroyed
  - 1 - Tank destroyed
  - 2 - batteries enemy Artillery silenced
  - 1 - Troop Column dispersed
  - 3 - enemy Vehicles destroyed

4. Units under the control of the 3rd Tank Destroyer Group claim credit for destroying three (3) enemy aircraft during the period.

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