

HEADQUARTERS 28th INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 28, U. S. ARMY

7 January 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion.

THRU: Commanding General, VIII Corps, APO 308, US Army

1. During the period 15 December to 31 December 1944, your Bn was attached to the 28th Inf Div for operations against the enemy. Due to the nature of the actions, these operations were among the most difficult known to warfare, & they were carried out under the most unfavorable circumstances.

2. During the entire period, your Bn constantly offered faithful & unhesitating obedience to all instructions issued by me, & its conduct reflects great credit upon the Bn & upon you. I hereby commend you for your excellent services.

3. It is with regret on my part that our period of association has ended with your detachment from the Div, & I hope that it will not be long before we will again be serving together.

/s/ Norman D. Cota
NORMAN D. COTA
Maj Gen., USA
Commanding

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(7 Jan 45)

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HEADQUARTERS VII CORPS, APO 308, U. S. ARMY, 17 January 45

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion, APO 403

It is with pleasure & gratification that I forward this well deserved commendation. I desire to add my commendation to that of Commanding General 28th Infantry Division.

/s/ Troy H. Middleton
TROY H. MIDDLETON
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS XXI CORPS
Office of the Corps Commander

10 February 1945

201.22

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion, U.S. Army

1. The operations of the XXI Corps in the COLMAR area have been successfully completed. COLMAR has been liberated & the enemy has been driven to the East of the Rhine.

2. The success of these operations has been due to the loyalty, the gallantry & unselfish devotion to duty of the many thousands of officers, & enlisted men of the units that constitute the XXI Corps.

3. The 630th Tank Destroyer Bn was particularly outstanding in these operations. It performed its assigned missions with great enthusiasm. It completed these missions successfully, contributing materially thereby to the great victory achieved by our units.

4. I wish to commend you, the officers and the enlisted men of the 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion for the superior manner in which they performed during these operations. Their actions were superb, and they reflected the finest traditions of the Armies of the United States.

/s/ F. W. Milburn
F. W. MILBURN
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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1st FRENCH ARMY

CP, 14 Feb 1945

The General
No. 2350/C.A.D.FR

ORDER OF THE DAY NO. 7

TO THE OFFICERS, NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS AND TROOPS OF THE XXI CORPS

The day after the brilliant victory achieved on the plains of Alsace by your Divisions fraternally united with the French Forces on the I & II Corps, I am particularly happy to convey to you my gratitude & admiration.

This battle once again manifested the community of ideals which links us to your noble country.

We shall never forget the magnificent part played by the XXI Corps, under the wing of the 1st French Army, in the deliverance of the most dear of our provinces.

The superb drive & persistence of the 3rd US Inf Div, breaking out into the open, & by an exploit that shall remain legendary, took by assault the old fortress of NEUF-BRISACH.

The chivalrous spirit of the 28th Inf Div, which, after long hard days of combat reached the outskirts of COLMAR, & left the honor of entering the city first to the French tanks.

The courage & firmness of the 75th US Inf Div, withstanding, as first, the attacks conducted against the flank of our principal drive, then worked side by side with the 3rd US Inf Div in the decisive actions.

The offensive spirit of the 12th US Armored Div, the last to be committed to battle, who helped effect the meeting at ROUFFACH with the forces of the I Corps.

Under the authoritative & able command of General MILBURN, & thanks to the precise & methodic work of his staff, & thanks to the indomitable heroism of the troops, you have covered your colors with new glory.

I humble myself in the memory of those of your comrades who have given their lives for France, for their Country, for the Liberty of the World, & I hope, a day will come when once again, side by side, our united armies will achieve final victory.

General d'Armes de LITRE de TASSIGNY
Commander in Chief of the First French Army

Signed: J. de LITRE

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HEADQUARTERS XXI CORPS
APO 101, U. S. ARMY

201.22

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Order of the Day

TO: All Units, XXI Corps

It gives me great pleasure and pride to transmit "Order of The Day No. 7", Headquarters, 1st French Army, to all units that were assigned to or attached to the XXI Corps for the operations in the COLMAR area.

s/F.W. Milburn
T/M. W. MILBURN
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding

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Order of the Day Nr. 7
(See reverse side)

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HEADQUARTERS, 28TH INFANTRY DIVISION, APO 28, US ARMY, 28 Feb 1945

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion

It gives me great satisfaction to be able to publish, to you, this Order of the Day.

NORMAN E. COTA
Major General US
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS 28th INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 28, U. S. ARMY

15 March 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Bn APO 230, US Army

THRU: Commanding General, V Corps, APO 305, US Army

1. The release of your organization from attachment to this Division on 13 Mar 1945 was deeply regretted. During the period your unit functioned as a part of 28th Inf Div the spirit of cooperation has been highly appreciated. It is my desire to commend you on the excellent discipline, training & morale of your unit & also for the courageous attitude displayed by all members of the 630th TD Bn under the many trying circumstances which this division & its attached units have undergone.

2. It is my wish and hope that the 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion will continue to "ROLL ON" as it has in the past.

/s/ Norman E. Cota
NORMAN E. COTA
Major General, USA
Commanding

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(15 March 1945) - Commendation

HEADQUARTERS V Corps, APO 305, 18 March 1945

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion, APO 230, US Army

It gives me a great pleasure to note and transmit this fine tribute for work exceptionally well done.

/s/ C. R. Huebner
C. R. HUEBNER
Major General, U. S. Army
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS 28th INFANTRY DIVISION
APO 28, U. S. Army

11 July 1945

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion, APO 408
U. S. Army

THRU: Commanding General, Fifteenth U. S. Army, APO 408

1. It is with regret that I find our organization & close association of the past severed, due to this Div imminent departure for the US.

2. The superior teamwork, gallantry, resourcefulness & cooperation displayed by your Battalion has been outstanding during your attachment to this organization, both during the difficult period prior to VE Day & in the rather confusing state which existed in the transition period immediately following the surrender of Hitlerite Germany.

3. I wish to commend the superior leadership, initiative & gallantry displayed by yourself & the officers & men of Your Bn. It is, in my opinion a "Crack" outfit & it is hoped that we will again "ROLL ON" together in the very near future.

/s/ Norman E. Cota
NORMAN E. COTA
Major General, USA
Commanding

AG 330.13 GMEB
(11 Jul 45)

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTEENTH US ARMY, APO 408, US Army, 17 July 1945

THRU: Commanding General, Seventh US Army, APO 758

TO: Commanding Officer, 630th Tank Destroyer Battalion

The Army Commander notes and forwards with pleasure this letter of commendation.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ F. J. Hoath
F. J. HEATH
Major, AG
Asst Adj. Gen