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HEADQUARTERS  
643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion

Camp Blanding, Fla.  
11 February 1942

GENERAL ORDER  
NO. ....3

1. Pursuant to the authority contained in 1st Indorsement, Headquarters, Eastern Theatre of Operations, and First Army, dated 31 January 1942, File AT 320.2/250. Subject, "Activation of All Inactive Elements of Tank Destroyer Battalions", and G.O. #6, Headquarters 43rd Infantry Division, dated 10 February 1942, the Pioneer Company, 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion is activated at Cadre strength, T.O. 18-18, effective 9:00 A.M. this date.

2. Lieut Gordon T. Colley, O-412089, is relieved of his duty with Company "C", 643d T.D. Bn., and is assigned as Commanding Officer of the Pioneer Company.

3. The following personnel are transferred in grade to Pioneer Company, 643d T.D. Bn.

St. Sgt. Pike, Theodore (NG), 20132133  
St. Sgt. Gipson, Edward S. (NG), 20144773  
St. Sgt. Russell, Raymond (NG), 20146527  
Sgt. Clukey, Richard T. (NG), 20146959  
Sgt. Desjardins, Adrian (NG), 20146056  
Sgt. Rancourt, Russell L. (NG), 20144874  
Corp. Page, Robert A (NG), 20146583  
Corp. Pitt, Malcolm (NG), 20133002  
Pvt. 1 cl. Austin, Richard R. (SS), 31027313  
Pvt. 1 cl. Osborne, Homer W. (SS), 34100972  
Pvt. Allen, Richard (SS), 20143028  
Pvt. Polello, Louis H. (NG), 20132398  
Pvt. Calarco, Virginio W. (SS), 32036830



4. Commanding Officer, Pioneer Company, 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, will submit an initial roster on W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 309, in accordance with par. 11, AR 345-900, and an initial strength return as called for in AR 345-55, upon completion of organization at strength specified in paragraph 1 above.

By Order of Major REDIHAN:

OFFICIAL: *Maurice A. Pierce*  
MAURICE A. PIERCE  
Captain, Infantry  
Executive

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R E S T R I C T E D

HEADQUARTERS CORPS AREA SERVICE UNIT NO. 1112

Fort Devens, Mass.

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March 21, 1942

SPECIAL ORDER

NO. 68

1. Pursuant to instructions contained in the Corps Area Requisition indicated, the Privates (SS) listed herein are assigned to the station indicated, and will proceed thereto, reporting upon arrival to their Commanding Officer:

Corps Area Requisition #355--643rd Tank Destroyer Bn. CAMP SHELBY, MISS.

From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN	(See NOTE)
A	Beizer, Morris G.	31102128	228	(279)
	Cherlin, Daniel	31102082	521	(316)
	Kuca, Andrew J.	31102131	244	
	Levine, Irving L.	31102099	055	(279)
	Solomon, Jack	31102112	011	(521)
	Strouch, Charles O.	31102126	521	(017)
	Bacheller, John D.	31086065	245	
	Bailey, Ralph T.	31086043	245	(344)
	Blair, Francis C.	31086084	245	(345)
	Bouchard, Henry J.	31086215	245	
H	Burke, George J.	31086079	244	
	Bullock, Frank J.	31086225	244	
	Elias, Manuel F.	31086218	245	
	Farley, James Z.	31086075	055	(405)
	Gianetti, Peter R.	31086095	245	
	Hargraves, William	31086201	186	
	Hennessey, John J.	31086061	245	
	Kapopoulos, Christo	31086197	245	
	Marchant, James N.	31086064	245	(235)
	Powers, Daniel M.	31086048	055	(405)
E	Piretti, Augustine S.	31086092	245	(345)
	Pohl, Robert R.	31086072	245	
	Roberson, Daniel F.	31086042	186	
	Smith, George M.	31086059	055	
	Sullivan, William F.	31086159	055	
	Sullivan, Coleman J.	31086044	055	
	Bouley, Ovid R.	31106960	245	
	Byron, Elmer H.	31106970	014	(012)
	Cole, Henry	31050479	245	
	Ezemoli, John	31086232	245	
C	Gilmette, Hector	31086253	245	
	Mansfield, Winfield V.	31106953	014	
	MacKenzie, John	31106968	245	
	Marsh, Clyde R.	31106976	245	(345)
	Mercer, George W.	31050492	244	
	Sisson, Richard D.	31086264	245	(345)
	Sylvia, Joseph B.	31086263	244	
	Swett, Wilbert M.	31106959	245	(345)
	Acerboni, Leo T.	31102210	245	
	Augustyn, Frank J.	31102187	245	
C	Bonkowski, John S.	31102185	244	(319)
	Crosthwaite, Ralph R.	31102211	245	
	Ferrara, Louis P.	31102221	186	
	Gordon, Malcolm C.	31102220	244	
	Katz, George	31102192	014	(337)
	Lazur, Walter	31102217	244	
	Montineri, Paul	31102159	186	
	Pancierà, George J.	31102202	245	(345)
	Poritz, George J.	31102208	245	(345)
	Roszczewski, Casimir B.	31102229	014	(397)



201-Privates from 643rd Tank Destroyer Bn.

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From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN (See NOTE)
	Arnold, Clarence E.	31073593	245 (344)
	Aurell, Anders V. H.	31073583	521
	Aurelio, Egydio P.	31086489	521 (373)
	Barrett, Russell P.	31073591	521 (323)
	Benoit, Raymond P.	31073621	521 (303)
	Botelho, Christian J.	31086488	521
	Borg, Henry A.	31073633	238 (405)
	Brunette, Edward	31073608	245 (345)
	Cobery, Edward B.	31073606	245
	Currier, Earle M.	31073594	521
	Feeley, John W.	31073588	521 (391)
	George, John J.	31073604	060 (037)
	Granger, Richard	31073636	521 (373)
C	Hallisey, Jeremiah J.	31073601	521 (324)
	Harris, James A.	31073612	521
	Harrison, Craig H.	31086486	521
	Jarvis, Ronald S.	31073628	245 (345)
	LaFosse, Raymond J.	31073631	521 (316)
	Leonardo, Joaquin G.	31086497	521
	Letendre, Moise	31086500	521 (302)
	Leroy, Herbert P.	31073614	521
	MacLean, Bernard H.	31073620	521 (195)
	McCarthy, Callaghan F.	31086490	521 (056)
	McDonald, James E.	31073598	521
	McLaughlin, Peter J. Jr.	31073582	521 (327)
	Perry, Roy C.	31073624	521
	Sallgren, Edwin C.	31073592	521 (144)
	St. Jean, Lee	31086498	521 (017)
	Setterlund, Stanley A.	31073616	521 (255)
	Varao, Joseph S.	31086499	521
	Gendron, Henry L.	31073569	521
D	Korona, Boleslaw	31073577	521
	Provencher, William L.	31073579	521
	Roy, Alphonse J.	31073518	521
	Bigda, Joseph P.	31050490	189 (101)
	DeGroot, Jacob	31106944	245 (345)
E	Dollar, Robert M.	31095711	245
	Frutuoso, Domingos	31050491	245
	Koziol, Walter K.	31095700	021
	Raphael, Anibal	31086252	245 (373)

TDN FD-1451-P-3-06 A 0410-2. The Quartermaster will furnish the necessary transportation.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel SHRUM:

M. O. WITHERELL

Captain, Infantry

Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

M. O. WITHERELL

Captain, Infantry

Adjutant

DISTRIBUTION "B"

NOTE:

TO: C.O. OF EACH RECEIVING UNIT. It is IMPORTANT to bring this order to the attention of your surgeon upon arrival of the men listed hereon. All Men Except those indicated by asterisks must have their Schick tests read between 11:30 A.M., March 23, 1942, and 11:30 A.M., March 24, 1942:

R E S T R I C T E DHEADQUARTERS CORPS AREA SERVICE UNIT NO. 1112  
Fort Devens, Mass.

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March 20, 1942

SPECIAL ORDER  
NO. 68

## EXTRACT

2. Pursuant to instructions contained in the Corps Area Requisition indicated, the Privates (Rcts.) listed herein are assigned to the station indicated, and will proceed thereto, reporting upon arrival to their Commanding Officer:

Corps Area Requisition #355--643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, CAMP SHELBY, MISS.

From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN	(See NOTE)
	Collins, Francis J.	11065586	521	
	Donahue, George V.	11065587	296	
	Landino, Vincenzo	11065588	345	
	LeBlanc, Ovila E.	11063465	245	
	Mulvey, Joseph P.	11063676	521	
A	Pollitt, James J.	11063459	521	
	Pinger, Brony A.	11039345	521	
	Pinkham, Fred L.	11048984	244	
	Reynolds, James V.	11063675	071	
	Ryan, Frederick J.	11061874	316	
	Crawford, William H. Jr.	11061711	327	
B	Levangie, Thomas F.	11048894	521	
	Parker, John D.	11065401	521	
	Chamberlin, George H.	11065437	350	
C	Longa, James E.	11039342	245	
	McMahon, Joseph	11048903	521	
	Nadelberg, David	11004068	345	
D	Major, Kenneth F.	11061878	373	
	Belrose, Robert L.	11049569	235	
	Cataldo, Dominic C.	11049568	521	
E	Christman, Henry	11049303	373	
	Crowley, James F.	11049564	056	
	DeGrace, Emile F.	11039402	521	
	Gauthier, Lionel	11049290	521	
	O'Neil, Alvan F.	11049560	521	
	Stone, Theodore A.	11049557	345	
	Bacon, Frank C.	63867	067	
F	Chisamore, Ivan B.	6121740	521	
	Cummings, Herbert E.	R-578248	144	
	Adams, Harold S.	11049532	521	
	Beach, James W.	11049548	521	
	Francis, William J.	11049537	245	
	Gilrain, Paul A.	11049539	521	
	Jewell, Joseph J.	11049057	373	
H	Lehan, Robert D.	11049546	014	
	McKenna, Robert B. Jr.	11049543	373	
	Murray, Joseph L.	11049540	521	
	Nickerson, John C.	11049542	339	
	Roche, Leo F.	11048939	316	
	Sagese, Salvatore	11049533	186	
	Page, Lewis W.	11049386	327	
K	Ryan, Thomas	11048960	521	
	Latourelle, Joseph	11063518	521	
L	Mastaka, Anthony	11063488	521	
	Randall, Charles E.	11063519	344	
	Aiello, Angelo M.	11063503	303	
	Goffe, Edwin A.	11063491	521	
M	Kulacz, Emil E.	11061899	296	
	Marsha, Gerald W.	11061898	186	
	Reed, John H.	11061901	345	

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From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN	(See NOTE)
	Butler, David C.	11049494	201	
	Centorino, Joseph	11048510	373	
	Guidotti, Robert E.	11065591	245	
	McCarty, William J.	11049492	017	
A	Sisitzky, Aron	11065377	373	
	Tataro, Joseph A.	11061873	521	
	Vickery, Walter S.	11049036	352	
	Yamonic, Patrick J. Jr.	11065390	037	
B	Ramsden, Harold E. Jr.	11063510	521	
	Smith, George W.	11065400	521	
	Davidson, Myron M.	11064709	373	
C	Orteneau, Arthur G.	11064652	268	
	Sparks, Lawrence G.	11048911	350	
D	Thivierge, Joseph B.	11061879	373	
	Drady, Archibald J. Jr.	11048993	059	
E	Thomas, Bradley A. Jr.	11055875	373	
	Tsitsos, John P.	11039310	406	
	Exner, Paul J. Jr.	11061825	521	
G	Fleming, James F. Jr.	11061804	521	
	Swiatlowski, Frank J.	11061885	373	
	Ursileo, Rudolf V.	11049022	021	
I	Woodward, Berton L.	11048932	373	
	Portrait, Gustave W.	11049208	303	
K	Ropple, William T. Jr.	11049218	521	
	Souza, Antone	11048969	521	
	Banigan, Eugene A.	11063412	373	
	Carter, Edward F.	11063432	245	
	Corwin, Francis M. S.	11049230	327	
	Devine, Thomas J.	11049002	352	
	Hunt, Edward G.	11063400	021	
	Kaplan, Edward M.	11063390	037	
L	Lemora, Samuel D. Jr.	11049261	344	
	Little, Royal J.	11063387	186	
	Musci, Lorenzo	11049262	379	
	Scialo, Vincent	11044387	521	
	Theodhor, John M.	11049006	521	
	Trudell, Levi L.	11063514	373	
	Flynn, James H.	11004066	186	
M	Horton, Bryce V.	11049007	521	
	Winters, Edward F.	11063487	521	

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel SHRUM:

M. O. WITHERELL  
Captain, Infantry  
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

*M. O. Witherell*  
M. O. WITHERELL  
Captain, Infantry  
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Fort Devens, Mass.

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From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN (See NOTE)
	Barrett, Frederick E. Jr.	31073611	121 (521)
	Christensen, Maurice	31073632	521
	Constant, Roland P.	31086494	521
	Cunha, Joseph F.	31086487	521
	Hagstrom, Carl R.	31073597	521 (373)
	Isaacson, Henry R.	31073623	521
C	Makela, Karl A. Jr.	31073630	521 (352)
	Mello, Manuel	31086495	238 (373)
	Pereira, Arthur	31086493	521
	Shankle, Milton C.	31073600	521 (022)
	Souza, Julius	31086491	521
	Wright, Morton M.	31073607	521 (302)
	Aubin, Louis L.	31073494	521
	Audet, Joseph W.	31073520	521 (235)
	Arruda, Charles	31086512	521
	Baillargeon, Alfred J.	31073499	238 (521)
	Boulanger, Lorenzo J.	31073519	521
	Caron, Joseph L.	31073497	521
	Chausse, Herimdas J.	31073500	521
	Douville, Leo E.	31073580	521
	Dragomani, Virgil F.	31073572	244 (345)
	Gamelin, Lawrence	31073512	521 (322)
	Heslinga, Peter J.	31073562	521
	Houle, Arthur J.	31073489	521
	Johnson, Robert L.	31073530	521
	Johnson, Norman G.	31073555	521
	Kosciak, Louis A.	31073515	521
	Lariviere, Roland O.	31073554	521
	LaFlamme, Oliva J.	31073498	245
	Lavallee, Paul A.	31073490	309 (341)
D	Leonardo, Raoul C.	31086511	521
	Maloney, John P.	31073532	521
	Mombourquette, Arthur L.	31073568	521
	Myles, James E.	31073507	521 (302)
	O'Brien, Paul F.	31073513	521 (373)
	Parent, Henry J. R.	31073496	521
	Podsiadlo, Henry C.	31073551	521 (291)
	Plante, Alfred A.	31073537	521
	Richards, Gerald F.	31073547	521 (373)
	Rivers, Ernest J.	31073541	521 (235)
	Roberts, Gerald A.	31073566	238 (283)
	Skinyon, Vincent B.	31073501	521
	Sova, Joseph A.	31073508	521
	Sokolsky, Alexander	31073493	060 (521)
	Surdek, Daniel J.	31073564	521
	Tucker, Burtis T.	31073509	238 (521)
	Trasavage, Edward A.	31073495	521 (101)
	Ventura, John Jr.	31086514	014
	Wisnowski, Edward A.	31073531	521
	Yerka, Stephen J.	31073523	245

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Corps Area Requisition #355--643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, CAMP SHELBY, MISS.

From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN (See NOTE)
	Almeida, Roy	31086501	521 (341)
	Albro, Samuel H.	31073622	176 (237)
	Becker, Raymond J.	31073589	521 (383)
	Blomstrom, Carl E.	31073585	521
C	Cronin, John P.	31073587	245 (345)
	Goodney, Francis P.	31073635	521 (373)
	Guyette, Clifton L.	31073613	245 (345)
	Oberist, Stuart C.	31073609	521 (268)
	Quist, Robert E.	31073586	309 (055)
	Silva, Augustus	31086485	225 (123)
	Swanson, Harry A.	31073618	521
	Sweeney, John R.	31073626	521 (390)
	Bardon, Bennie F.	31073516	521 (113)
	Beaudoin, Donat A.	31073578	521
	Brown, Harry C.	31073550	521
	Cadrin, Xavier R.	31073511	521
	Chase, Raymond L.	31073553	521
	Corbeille, George F.	31073534	014
	Corbeillo, Phillippe A.	31073527	521 (316)
	Creighton, Raymond J.	31073522	521
	Deviau, Russell	31073549	014 (341)
	Drudis, Bernard C.	31073559	521
	Emond, Albert J.	31073517	521
D	Gamble, James G.	31073514	521 (356)
	Hill, Thomas J.	31073537	521
	Hogan, Arthur T.	31073560	521
	Jordan, John W.	31073540	521
	Kennedy, Joseph P.	31073542	521
	Lanchansky, Michael B.	31073533	309
	Mathieu, Alphonse J.	31073575	021
	Misch, Matthew J.	31073535	060 (245)
	Mombourquette, Wilfred J.	31073565	521
	Pouliot, Alfred	31073505	521
	Rapoza, Manuel F.	31086513	521
	Rixham, Albert R.	31073558	521 (245)
	Roberts, Raoul A.	31073491	521 (071)
	Salmon, John A.	31073528	521 (345)
	Stockdale, Charles H.	31073545	521 (373)
	Todd, Charles L.	31073492	521
	Zachodnyk, Albert	31073567	521

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By order of Lieutenant Colonel SHRUM:

OFFICIAL:

*M. O. Witherell*  
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Captain, Infantry  
Adjutant

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R E S T R I C T E DHEADQUARTERS CORPS AREA SERVICE UNIT NO. 1112  
Port Devens, Mass.

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March 21, 1942

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From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN (See NOTE)
	Adams, Wilfred J. Jr.	31095729	521 (199)
	Anderson, Stuart L.	31102377	521
	Bagley, James F.	31102392	121
	Behlen, John L.	31102055	521 (345)
	Boyle, John J.	31050446	521 (386)
	Bourassa, Alfred J.	31095743	521
	Butkus, August A.	31102381	521 (245)
	Carmel, William J. Jr.	31095733	521
	Canedy, Paul W.	31095736	521 (235)
	Cross, Harrison R.	31095723	521
	Czelusniak, Thadeus	31095737	521
	Doyle, William F.	31095740	521 (355)
	Dziegiel, Walter J.	31095725	521 (164)
	Farren, Joseph F.	31102380	521
	Fitzgerald, John W.	31102382	521
L	Griffin, John	31095724	521
	Koszelnik, Walter J.	31095735	521
	Kozlowski, William S.	31095726	521
	Kwasniewski, Walter P.	31102390	521 (245)
	Parker, Eugene F.	31095734	014
	Pichulo, Eugene	31102379	521
	Stiller, Julius A.	31102388	521
	Tartaglia, Armand V.	31102373	521 (037)
	Underhill, Walter F.	31102374	521 (302)
	Wandrey, Frank D.	31095721	521 (154)
	Wojtczak, Stanley J.	31102394	521
	Daniels, Leo A.	31073634	521 (144)
C	McLaughlin, Henry J.	31073584	521
	Penan, Jacob	31073629	521 (373)
	Soderman, John R.	31073610	521
	Chrabaszcz, Henry E.	31073563	521 (302)
	Cordeiro, Manuel	31086510	521
D	Finnema, Garry G.	31073524	521
	Konvent, John P.	31073529	521 (268)
	Koehler, Vernon C.	31073548	521
	Lula, William M.	31073543	521
G	Adams, Arthur E.	31085850	521 (345)
	Brigham, Frederick W.	31086374	521
	Carney, Martin F.	31086504	521
B	LeBert, Wesley G.	31086369	060
	O'Brien, Robert J.	31086379	521
	Traynor, Peter	31086334	521 (352)
	Welch, William P.	31086363	521
	Adams, Harold S.	31106926	521
	Anderson, William R.	31086011	521
K	Avery, Amos J.	31106918	309 (195)
	Bertelli, Dino P.	31086035	521 (186)
	Brosseau, Carl J.	31040185	521
	Call, Eugene V.	31040198	521
A	LeBlanc, Alphe	31065131	521 (356)



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Corps Area Requisition #355--643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, CAMP SHELBY, MISS.

From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN	(See NOTE)
	Abele, Wendell M.	31086343	521	(256)
	Altonen, Carl M.	31086331	521	
	Barry, Joseph P.	31086364	521	
	Concannon, Coleman F.	31086323	521	(296)
	DeMello, Ernest	31086509	521	
	Dower, Daniel F.	31086354	521	(355)
	Dulkis, Brownie J.	31086341	521	
	Flood, Thomas J.	31086349	521	(374)
	Hoare, Frederick W.	31086348	521	(345)
	Jones, Frederick J.	31086367	521	
B	Keddy, Earle W.	31086355	521	(186)
	Machado, Frank S.	31086508	521	(373)
	O'Donnell, Martin F.	31086335	521	
	Packard, Robert H.	31086366	521	(411)
	Phillips, Clarence F.	31086376	521	
	Riley, Edward P.	31086360	521	(324)
	Sullivan, William P. Jr.	31086332	521	(283)
	Sullivan, Charles F.	31086346	521	(373)
	Vieira, John R.	31086503	521	(373)
	Watson, Joseph A.	31086359	521	(339)
	Chalmers, James H.	31086465	521	(268)
	Curcio, Vincent C.	31086460	521	(279)
	DeVito, Joseph J.	31086422	521	
I	Estes, Howard E.	31086425	521	
	Gadomski, Joseph A.	31086480	521	(168)
	Hackett, Robert N.	31086447	521	(316)
	Jaranian, Kehan H.	31086463	521	(037)
	Lamego, Antone S.	31086477	521	
	Mabardy, William	31086456	521	
	Thomas, George M.	31086433	521	(316)
	Brastauskas, Peter M.	31102387	521	
	Dooling, Donald F.	31102386	521	
	Downey, Michael G.	31095732	176	(174)
	Evancho, Nicholas G.	31102376	521	
L	Evans, Allen J.	31102391	228	(521)
	Gendler, Samuel	31102393	021	
	Gebauer, Charles H.	31095730	521	
	Hoinsky, Charles W.	31102378	238	(521)
	Shepard, Joseph S.	31095727	521	
	Svenson, Almen E.	31102389	521	(144)

TDN FD 1451 P 3-06 A 0410-2. The Quartermaster will furnish the necessary transportation.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel SHRUM:

OFFICIAL:

*M. O. Witherell*  
M. O. WITHERELL  
Captain, Infantry  
Adjutant

M. O. WITHERELL  
Captain, Infantry  
Adjutant

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Fort Devens, Mass.

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March 21, 1942

SPECIAL ORDER  
NO. 68

## EXTRACT

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5. Pursuant to instructions contained in the Corps Area Requisition indicated, the Privates (SS) listed herein are assigned to the station indicated, and will proceed thereto, reporting upon arrival to their Commanding Officer:

Corps Area Requisition #355--643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, CAMP SHELBY, MISS.

From RRC Co.	Name	ASN	SSN	(See NOTE)
	Coletti, Cesidio E.	31086314	521	
	Cote, Henry R.	31107006	521	(345)
	DeBenedictis, Albert M.	31086412	021	(037)
	DeFlaminis, Angelo	31086318	521	
	Doherty, Thomas J.	31086404	521	(186)
	Edwards, Forrest B.	31086419	521	(373)
G	Hurley, George A.	31086396	521	
	Kehoe, Edward P.	31086413	521	(373)
	Pierce, Carroll E.	31106995	521	
	Ruscetti, Louis W.	31086398	521	(144)
	Spencer, Raymond W.	31106991	521	(345)
	Ward, George S.	31086382	521	(345)
	Elwell, Vernon O.	31095742	521	(345)
L	Kelly, Joseph A.	31095722	521	
	Tillotson, George S.	31095739	521	
	Borges, Louis M.	31086507	021	(128)
	Faccia, Frank A.	31086347	521	(022)
B	Fogwill, Benjamin S.	31086370	521	(274)
	Nevlackas, Philip T.	31086358	521	(252)
	Perry, Joseph	31086506	521	
	Ahearn, Austin L. Jr.	31086469	521	(037)
	Atwood, Clifford K.	31086438	521	
	Bird, William R.	31086484	521	
	Bryant, Edward C.	31086452	521	
	Buonomo, Michael A.	31086482	521	
	Cruz, Manuel S.	31086481	521	
	Devine, John J. Jr.	31086446	521	
	DeWolf, Russell B. Jr.	31086448	521	(344)
	Garrison, Gordon W.	31086455	124	(055)
	Hollis, Arthur L.	31086467	521	(316)
	Johnson, Ernest G. Jr.	31086421	521	
	Johnson, Elmer	31086458	521	
	Kanalski, John F.	31086420	521	
	Kenneally, Timothy R.	31086454	521	(350)
I	Libby, Howard W.	31086440	521	
	Mancuso, Salvatore F.	31086466	521	(022)
	McNeil, Vincent A.	31086442	521	(573)
	Nawazelski, Julius J.	31086430	521	
	Orne, Joseph E.	31086450	521	(168)
	Phillips, Henry V.	31086462	521	(245)
	Pierce, Wilfred C.	31086439	060	
	Polito, Frank	31086432	521	(245)
	Quail, Edward P.	31086476	521	(103)
	Richards, Leslie R. C.	31086474	521	(345)
	Rome, Lester A.	31086454	521	(373)
	Roderick, William P.	31086437	521	
	Rosano, Frank J. Jr.	31086429	521	(245)
	Shea, Edward J.	31086426	521	(334)
	Shiverick, Michael J.	31086483	521	(303)
	Withem, Sidney R.	31086423	521	(345)



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S.O. #68, EXTRACT, (Cont'd)

6. Pursuant to authority contained in letter Headquarters First Corps Area, A.G. 327.3, December 27, 1940, and letter Headquarters First Corps Area A.G. 370.5 (SS), January 3, 1941, the following named Officers and enlisted men, now on temporary duty at this station, will proceed to their proper station, Camp Shelby, Miss., conducting the shipment of trainees listed in par. 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 hereof, transferred to that station:

2nd Lt. Mathew H. T. Ferguson, 0409084, 643rd T. D. Bn. Train Commander  
 Lt. Col. William L. Casey, 0125187, M.C., 103rd Inf. Medical Officer  
 Mr. Sgt. Peter Dube, 20131967, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Tech. Sgt. Lester Sitlinger, 20132953, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 St. Sgt. Russell Thackston, 20131968, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 St. Sgt. Walter Kowalsky, 20132372, 643rd T.D. Bn. (Mess Sergeant)  
 Sgt. Daniel Tagliarulo, 20133201, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Sgt. Paul A. Yankowich, 20133228, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Sgt. Marcel J. LaPoint, 20133012, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Sgt. Roger M. Legault, 20125152, 643rd T. D. Bn.  
 Corp. David Kaplan, 31042805, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Corp. Francis Bigart, 31020408, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Corp. John J. Repik, 31042562, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Corp. George W. Crouch, 20132146, 643rd T.D. Bn.  
 Pvt. Peter T. Riso, 37073414, 643rd T.D. Bn. (Cook)  
 Pvt. Charles Burke, 31042599, 643rd T.D. Bn. (Cook)

In accordance with Section #4, Circular #31, War Department, February 2, 1942, 2nd Lt. Mathew H. T. Ferguson, 0409084, 643rd T.D. Bn., is designated Class A Agent Officer to Captain E. S. Garland, F.D., Finance Officer, Fort Devens, Mass., for the movement of the troops quoted in the above named order. The provisions of Paragraph 3-a, AD 35-320 will be complied with.

TDM FD 1451 P 5-06 A 0410-2, (Officers' travel), and FD 1451 P 7-06 A 0410-2, (Enlisted men's travel). The Quartermaster will furnish the necessary transportation.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel SHUM:

M. O. WITHERELL  
 Captain, Infantry  
 Adjutant

OFFICIAL:

*M. O. Witherell*

M. O. WITHERELL  
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HEADQUARTERS  
643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion  
Camp Shelby, Miss.

April 9, 1942

GENERAL ORDER  
NO.....1

1. The undersigned, having reported for duty in compliance with par. 10, S.O. #60, Headquarters IV Army Corps, dated March 23, 1942, hereby assumes command of the 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion.



KIERAN HARFORD  
Lt. Col., F. A.

HEADQUARTERS  
643d Tank Destroyer Battalion  
Camp Shelby, Miss.

28 July 1942

GENERAL ORDER  
NO.....9

1. Under authority contained in 1st Indorsement, Headquarters Army Ground Forces, Army War College, Washington, D.C., 221/5 (R) -GNOPN (6-16-42), July 6, 1942, to War Department Letter AG 221 (6-3-42) EA-M-C, June 16, 1942, Subject: "Allotments of Grades and Ratings and Authorized Strengths to Tactical Units", the following unit of the 643d Tank Destroyer Battalion having received T/O 18-28 on July 27, 1942, is hereby redesignated as listed below, effective this date.

DESIGNATION

Pioneer Company, 643d Tank  
Destroyer Battalion

REDESIGNATION

Reconnaissance Company, 643d  
Tank Destroyer Battalion

By Order of Lt Colonel HARFORD

OFFICIAL:

*Maurice A. Pierce*

Maurice A Pierce  
Captain Infantry  
Adjutant



Maurice A Pierce  
Captain Infantry  
Adjutant

HEADQUARTERS 43D INFANTRY DIVISION

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GENERAL ORDERS)  
:  
NUMBER.....25)

Camp Shelby, Mississippi  
6 August 1942

1. Under authority contained in 1st Indorsement, Headquarters, Army Ground Forces, Army War College, Washington, D. C. file 221/5 (R) GNOPM, dated July 6, 1942, the following unit having received T/O 18-25 on July 29, 1942, the verbal order of the Commanding General on July 29, 1942, redesignating the unit listed below is hereby confirmed and made of record:

<u>Designation</u>	<u>Redesignation</u>
643rd Tank Destroyer Bn (Light)	643rd Tank Destroyer Bn

2. The Commanding Officer of the unit redesignated will submit to this headquarters an initial and final roster on WD, AGO Form No. 309, in accordance with Paragraphs 12 and 13, AR 345-900. Separate Rosters will be submitted for officers and enlisted men.

By command of Major General HESTER:

DANIEL H. HUNDLEY  
Lt. Col., G. S. C.  
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

*Albert Dellay*  
ALBERT DELLAY  
Captain, A.G.D.  
Asst. Adjutant General

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SECTION I

ESTABLISHMENT OF PROVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, THIRD ARMY SPECIAL TROOPS, CAMP SWIFT, TEXAS.

SECTION II

ATTACHMENT OF TROOPS TO PROVISIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT, THIRD ARMY SPECIAL TROOPS, CAMP SWIFT, TEXAS.

SECTION III

REORGANIZATION OF TANK DESTROYER UNITS.

I. a. Effective August 15, 1942 and pursuant to verbal authority of the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces and Army Ground Force letter, 320.2/3 GNOFN/02:87 (5-21-42), May 21, 1942, subject: "Organization of Command of Army and GHQ Troops," Provisional Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Third Army Special Troops; (a sub-section of Third Army headquarters) is established at Camp Swift, Texas.

b. The Post Office address of Provisional Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Third Army Special Troops, is Camp Swift, Texas.

II. Effective August 15, 1942, the following units now stationed at Camp Swift, Texas, are placed under the jurisdiction of Provisional Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Third Army Special Troops, Camp Swift, Texas, for administration and supervision of training:

337th Engr Regt (GS)  
507th Engr Co (L Pon)  
Hq & Hq Det, 18th Ord Bn (Maint)  
510th Ord Co (Hv Maint)  
263d Ord Co (IM)  
Hq & Hq Det, 98th QM Bn (Bkry)  
Co B, 98th QM Bn (Bkry)  
222d QM Co (Mob Shoe & Tex Rep)  
Hq & Hq Det, 248th QM Serv Bn  
48th QM Co (Graves Registration)  
Hq & Hq Det, 2d Bn, 52d QM Regt  
Co G, 52nd QM Regt (HM)  
Co H, 52nd QM Regt (HM)  
59th QM Co (Sales Comm)  
Co E, 59th QM Regt (HM)  
Co A, 64th QM Bn (Ldry)  
Co C, 79th QM Bn (IM)  
\*Hq & Hq Det, 2d Air Base Sec Tng Grp  
\*911th AB Security Bn  
\*912th AB Security Bn  
\*913th AB Security Bn  
\*914th AB Security Bn  
\*915th AB Security Bn

(\*Colored enlisted personnel).

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Section II Cont'd:-

\*916th AB Security Bn  
\*917th AB Security Bn  
\*918th AB Security Bn  
\*919th AB Security Bn  
\*920th AB Security Bn


→ III. Under the provisions of War Department letter, file AG 320.2 (5-29-42) MR-M-GN, subject: "Reorganization of Tank Destroyer Units", all Tank Destroyer units are now organized as Heavy, Self-Propelled, and will be designated simply as Tank Destroyer Battalions.

(\*Colored enlisted personnel).

By command of Lieutenant General KRUEGER:

GEORGE HOMMEN,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

  
W. W. CARR,  
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department,  
Adjutant General.

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GENERAL ORDERS )

NUMBER 98 )

Headquarters IV

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San Antonio, Texas,  
September 1, 1942.

SECTION	I - Relief from assignment of Infantry Unit.
SECTION	II - Attachment of Tank Destroyer Units.
SECTION	III - Attachment of Medical Unit.
SECTION	IV - Attachment of Tank Destroyer Unit.
SECTION	V - Attachment of Units during IV Corps Maneuvers.
SECTION	VI - Attachment of Units during IV Corps Maneuvers.
SECTION	VII - Attachment of Engineer Units.
SECTION	VIII - Assignment of Units.
SECTION	IX - Amendment of so much of Section X, General Orders, Number 92.
SECTION	X - Activation of Infantry Unit.
SECTION	XI - Attachment of Chemical Unit.

I. RELIEF FROM ASSIGNMENT OF INFANTRY UNIT. Pursuant to instructions contained in War Department letter, AG 320.2 (8-21-42) MR-M-CN, dated August 24, 1942, subject: "Constitution, Assignment, and Relief from Assignment of Certain Units", the 156th Infantry is relieved from assignment to the 31st Infantry Division. For the present this unit will be under direct control of Third Army.

II. ATTACHMENT OF TANK DESTROYER UNITS. Effective upon arrival at Camp Livingston, Louisiana, the following units are relieved from all previous attachments and are attached to 3d Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops, Third Army, Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, for administration.

822d TD Bn  
823d TD Bn

III. ATTACHMENT OF MEDICAL UNIT. Effective upon arrival at Camp Carson, Colorado, the 2d Platoon, 1st Veterinary Co (Sep) is attached to the 4th Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops, Third Army, Camp Carson, Colorado, for administration.

IV. ATTACHMENT OF TANK DESTROYER UNIT. Effective this date, the 643d Tank Destroyer Battalion, Camp Shelby, Mississippi, is relieved from attachment to the 43d Infantry Division and is attached to IV Corps for administration and supervision of training.

V. ATTACHMENT OF UNITS DURING IV CORPS MANEUVERS. Effective September 14, 1942, the following units will pass from control of the IV Corps and will be under direct control of Third Army for administration and supervision of training during the period of IV Corps maneuvers:

UNIT	STATION
*46th FA Brigade	Camp Livingston, Louisiana
85th Infantry Division	Camp Shelby, Mississippi

(\*Colored enlisted personnel)

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VI. ATTACHMENT OF UNITS DURING IV CORPS MANEUVERS. Effective September 14, 1942, the following units are relieved from attachment to IV Corps for the period of IV Corps maneuvers and are attached to Third Army for administration and supply only. The Airborne Command will continue to direct and supervise the training of these divisions:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>
82d Airborne Division	Camp Claiborne, Louisiana
101st Airborne Division	Camp Claiborne, Louisiana

VII. ATTACHMENT OF ENGINEER UNIT. Effective this date, the following units are attached as indicated:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>	<u>ATTACHED FOR ADMINISTRATION</u>
*364th Engr Regt (Gen Serv)	Camp Swift, Texas	5th Hq & Hq Det
479th Engr Maint Co	Camp Shelby, Mississippi	1st Hq & Hq Det

VIII. ASSIGNMENT OF UNITS. Effective this date, the following units are assigned to the X Corps:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>
49th Engr Regt (C)	Camp Carson, Colorado.
Co B, 76th Ord Bn (MM) (Q)	Camp Gruber, Oklahoma

IX. AMENDMENT OF SO MUCH OF SECTION X, GENERAL ORDERS, NUMBER 92. So much of Section X, General Orders, Number 92, this headquarters, dated August 18, 1942, as reads "Camp Swift, Texas", is amended to read: Camp Berkeley, Texas.

X. ACTIVATION OF INFANTRY UNIT. Pursuant to instructions contained in Army Ground Forces letter, 320.2/67 (R)-GNGCT (8-22-42), August 22, 1942, subject: "Activation of Additional Divisional Units", the following unit is activated September 20, 1942, as indicated. Upon activation this unit will be assigned to the 31st Infantry Division.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>
154th Infantry (less band and Cannon Co)	Camp Bowie, Texas

XI. ATTACHMENT OF CHEMICAL UNIT. Effective this date, the following unit is attached as indicated:

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STATION</u>	<u>ATTACHED FOR ADMINISTRATION</u>
*34th Cml Decon Co (*Colored enlisted personnel)	Camp Claiborne, Louisiana	3d Hq & Hq Det

By command of Lieutenant General KRUEGER:

GEORGE HONNEN,  
Colonel, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

*W. W. Carr*  
W. W. CARR, *A. T. W.*  
Colonel, Adjutant General's Department,  
Adjutant General.

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GENERAL ORDERS )  
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NUMBER 120 )

San Antonio, Texas.  
November 12, 1942.

SECTION I - Activation of Unit.  
SECTION II - Attachment of Unit.  
SECTION III - Attachment of Unit.  
SECTION IV - Change in attachment of unit.  
SECTION V - Designation and Redesignation of Provisional Units.

I. Pursuant to instructions contained in Army Ground Forces letter, 320.2/95 (QM) -GNGCT (10-31-42) October 31, 1942 subject: "Activation of 304th QM Sterilization Battalion," the following unit is activated as indicated:

UNIT	STATION	DATE	ASSIGNED	ATTACHED FOR ADMINISTRATION AND SUPERVISION OF TRAINING
*304th QM Bn Sterilization	Camp Shelby, Mississippi.	11/20/42	AGF Unit	1st Hq & Hq Det

II. Effective November 11, 1942, the 643rd TD Bn, Camp Shelby, Mississippi, is attached to 1st Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops, Third Army, Camp Shelby, Mississippi, for administration and supervision of training.

III. Effective upon arrival at Camp Berkeley, Texas, the 435th Coast Artillery Battalion (AA) (A Wpns) is attached to the 90th Motorized Division for administration and supervision of training.

IV. Effective this date the following units, temporarily stationed at Camp Livingston, Louisiana are relieved of attachment to VIII Corps and are then attached to 3rd Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Special Troops Third Army, Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, for administration and supervision of training.

Hq & Hq Det 68th Ord Bn (MM) (Q)  
Co B, 68th Ord Bn (MM) (Q)

V. The following Headquarters and Headquarters Detachments, Special Troops, Third Army are designated and/or redesignated as indicated and are authorized strengths and grades in accordance with Inclosure 1, letter Army Ground Forces 322.7/4 (R) GNGCT (10-19-42), October 20, 1942, subject: "Organization of Command of Army and General Headquarters Troops."

1st Hq & Hq Det, Sp Trs, Third Army, Camp Shelby, Mississippi.  
Redesignated Type B

2nd Hq & Hq Det, Sp Trs, Third Army, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana.  
Designated Type B

3rd Hq & Hq Det, Sp Trs, Third Army, Camp Beauregard, Louisiana.  
Designated Type B

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4th Hq & Hq Det, Sp Trs, Third Army, Camp Carson, Colorado.  
Designated Type A

5th Hq & Hq Det, Sp Trs, Third Army, Camp Swift, Texas.  
Redesignated Type B

By command of Lieutenant General KRUEGER:

G. HONNEN,  
Brigadier General, General Staff Corps,  
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

  
W. W. CARR,  
Colonel, AGD,  
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Commanding Officer, Camp Swift, Texas.

HEADQUARTERS  
613D TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

Camp Shelby, Miss.  
December 2, 1942.

MOVEMENT BY RAIL

WARNING ORDER

1. Upon receipt of movement orders this Battalion will move without delay to new station. Movement will be by rail. Battalion and company SOP for rail movement will govern. The movement will be non-tactical.

2. Anticipatory planning by company commanders will be based on the following tentative plans:

- a. Destination, Camp Hood, Texas.
- b. Loading of box cars will commence December 8th.
- c. All T/BA equipment on hand will be taken. Other, and organizational equipment, SOP.
- d. Personnel will be prepared to entrain December 11 or early December 12. Exact hour later.
- e. Location of entraining point later.
- f. Instructions for quartering party, and its composition, later.

3. Loading details will include spanner or guide detail to guide vehicles over ramps and spanning equipment. Plan of loading will be furnished by Rail Transportation Officer and this plan will be followed or modified to meet existing conditions, length of cars furnished, and other details subject to last minute change. Kitchen cars will be built by R.T.O. Companies will furnish kitchens when called for. Battalion T.O. will prepare and accomplish shipping tickets. Companies are responsible for loading own equipment.

b. Trucks will be prepared for shipment by taking down and securing all tops. Bows will be removed and lashed together in rear of cab. Exceptions to this ruling are maintenance trucks on which tops will be securely fastened. C & R cars, and  $\frac{1}{4}$  Ton 4 x 4 cars will have tops off and windshields down and secured. Old canvas will be used for protection.

c. Trucks may be fully gassed, ready to roll. Radiators will not be drained. Motor officers will personally check each radiator for anti-freeze solution. Guards will be furnished for equipment transported on flat cars. Details later.

d. Entraining of personnel by company. Two troop trains will be furnished. Train No. 1, Train Commander, Major Maurice A. Pierce, Battalion Headquarters, Headquarters Company, Companies A and B. Other details later. Train No. 2, Train Commander Captain Clair H. Thurston, Company C and Reconnaissance Company. Other details later.

4. a. Plans and instructions regarding use of truck transportation by loading details at entraining point will be coordinated by S-4.

b. Plans for supply during movement will be made by S-4.

c. Blocking and securing material will be arranged for and delivered at required points through transportation officer.

d. For further administrative details see Annex No. 1.

*Kieran Hartford*  
KIERAN HARTFORD  
Lt. Colonel, F. A.,  
Commanding.

HEADQUARTERS  
643D TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

ANNEX NO. 1 TO WARNING ORDER.

Camp Shelby, Miss.  
December 2, 1942.

MOVEMENT BY RAIL

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 1.

1. a. Dishes and kitchen equipment will be left in kitchens, in piles or multiples of ten. Dishes may be piled. Like items together to facilitate counting.

b. Beds will be stacked in piles of ten or multiples thereof in day rooms. Mattresses will be piled in tens with mattress covers on. Surplus covers in tens or multiples of ten. Footlockers will be stacked in dayroom. Fire extinguishers will be collected and stored in dayroom.

c. Stoves will be left erected. Electric light bulbs will be left in sockets.

d. Blocking will be provided by Camp Transportation Officer.

2. a. Train No. 1 will have kitchen car with ten kitchen units. Four units from Headquarters Company, three from "A" Company, and three from "B" Company. The train commander will designate a Mess Officer who will coordinate the mess. Train No. 2 will have kitchen car with six kitchen units. The Train Commander will designate a Mess Officer to coordinate the mess.

b. Four days rations will be placed on each train before leaving. Sufficient water will be carried in bidons for the trip. Four days rations to include Nescafe will be issued to guards on flat cars.

c. Trucks will be made available to transport personal baggage and personnel to entraining points. Details of time and place later.

d. Battalion surgeon will arrange for the release of personnel in hospital who are fit to travel and for the care of bedridden patients.

e. One medical officer and medical detachment detail will accompany each troop train.

3. a. Train Quartermasters: 1st Train, Lt. V. C. Miller. 2nd Train, Lt. H.C. Trumble. See Memo. on duties of Train Quartermaster.

b. Transportation Officer will check blocking and will supervise unloading of freight train.

c. Ammunition and flashlights will be issued to guard detail on freight train.

4. a. Showdown inspection of individual equipment will be held in company areas at 2:00 PM December 2.

b. Showdown inspection organizational equipment will be held on Friday and Saturday, December 5 and 6.

By order of Lt. Colonel HARFORD:

FREDERICK J. FORSTALL  
1st Lt., F. A.,  
Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

*Alexander M. Burgin*  
ALEXANDER M. BURGIN  
1st Lt., F. A.,  
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR NCO IN CHARGE FREIGHT TRAIN

1. The object of the guard is to protect Government property from sabotage, theft, or malicious damage. The utmost care will be exercised in this important duty. From the moment the guard is posted until it is relieved no one will be permitted to approach the train except the regular train crews. The post of the guard will be stationery, otherwise the general orders for sentinels on post will govern.

2. COMPOSITION: The guard will be composed of One Sgt., One Corporal, and ten privates. The guard will be posted along the train at points designated by the Sergeant of the Guard. One NCO and five privates will be on duty at all times.

3. POSTS: Each post shall be manned by two men, the sentinel and his relief. The men will be so located that they can see the limits of their posts from one position. These positions will be so located that there will be no danger of the sentinel falling from the moving train as a result of sudden halts, curves, etc. The utmost care will be exercised by sentinels relieving each other. This should be done, preferably, at a stop for water, or a stop for other purposes.

4. AMMUNITION: Each sentinel will be issued ten (10) rounds of ball cartridge, .30 cal. NCO's will be issued a similar amount of .45 cal. ammunition. The Sergeant of the guard will be responsible for the issue and collection of this ammunition, and will account for any ammunition consumed.

5. MESSING: Four B rations supplemented by fruit, fruit juices, or vegetable juices will be issued. Initial issue of water will be taken. Soluble coffe will be part of the ration. Hot water can be obtained from engine crew at stops for the making of coffee. Containers large enough for 12 pints of coffee will be taken.

6. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: To insure safety of life and limb the following precautions will be taken and their violation is strictly prohibited:

a. No man will detrain while train is in motion.

b. No man will detrain or leave his post at a stop if on duty. The sentinel not on duty will not leave the train at a stop except in an emergency or at mess time.

c. Men are prohibited from walking on flat cars while train is in motion; from riding dangerously near side, or on the ends of flat cars.

d. Men are prohibited from extending heads, legs, hands or arms beyond edge of flat cars.

e. Men will be prohibited from throwing from cars lighted cigars, cigarettes, matches, garbage, or other dangerous or unsightly articles.

7. GENERAL: The value of the cargo in transport will be several hundred thousand dollars. It must be guarded and kept intact. Carelessness or lack of caution that would cost a man his life or loss of a limb is too high a price to pay for this duty. While every care must be made to protect the property, every precaution must be made to avoid accident. To make the enemy die for his country, we must live for ours.

TAKE CARE OF OUR EQUIPMENT AND TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF.

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KELVIN HANFORD  
Lt. Colonel, F. A.

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HEADQUARTERS  
643D TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

Camp Shelby, Miss.  
December 7, 1942.

MOVEMENT ORDER)

NUMBER 1)

1. Upon authority of 1ST HEADQUARTERS SPECIAL TROOPS, THIRD ARMY, AG 370.5 GFMCL, December 7, 1942, letter AGF and 1st Ind., Third Army, thereto, the organization will be prepared to move to new station by rail on or about December 11, 1942.

2. The utmost precaution in the maintenance of secrecy will be exacted.

3. Date and hour of entraining will be announced in oral orders. Uniform: Woolen OD, w/o neckties, to include overcoats, helmets, leggins, web belt, sidearms and wool gloves. Caps may be worn on the train, but not en route. Recruits will wear cap, garrison in lieu of helmet.

4. Loading of vehicles on flat cars will be accomplished after freight loading. Loading of supply vehicles of Mqrs. Company will be planned to facilitate supply to the last hour of loading.

5. Storage of post, camp and station property will be as planned by supply officer, modified by existing conditions, and will be coordinated between Bn. S - 4 and Camp Supply Officer. Police of area by company. Inspection of area by company commanders and battalion inspecting team. Companies will not clear area until cleared by S-4 and battalion inspecting team.

By order of Lt. Colonel HARTFORD:

MAURICE A. PIERCE  
Major, Infantry  
Executive.

OFFICIAL:

*Edward N. Silver*  
EDWARD N. SILVER  
Captain, F. A.,  
S - 3.



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1ST HEADQUARTERS  
SPECIAL TROOPS, THIRD ARMY

Camp Shelby, Miss.,  
December 7, 1942.

AG 370.5  
GNMCL

SUBJECT: Transfer of 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion to Camp Hood, Texas.

TO : Commanding Officer, 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

1. PIC AGF ltr, file 370.5/82 (TD) (R)-GNMCT (11-28-42) dated November 28, 1942, subject: "Transfer of 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion to Camp Hood, Texas," and 1st indorsement thereto, Headquarters, Third Army, dated December 3, 1942, the 643rd Tank Destroyer Battalion, will move at existing strength, so as to arrive on December 14, 1942, at Camp Hood, Texas.

2. This is a TEMPORARY change of station.

3. All officers and non-commissioned officers of the unit will exact the utmost precaution in the maintenance of secrecy. Every individual will be imbued with the necessity of secrecy and will refrain from writing letters, sending telegrams or radiograms, or making telephone calls wherein the contemplated movement is discussed. Attention is invited to the provisions of FM 30-25 and Section VIII, AR 380-5.

4. Movement will be by rail, except that a few motor vehicles may be sent overland to facilitate the move. The QMC will furnish the necessary transportation. Elements moving by rail will be under the control of the Commanding General, Services of Supply, for the rail movement, to include entrainment and detrainment.

5. Equipment:

a. Only T/BA equipment on hand will be taken.

b. Unit will arrive at destination with:

- (1) One (1) days rations.
- (2) Oil and grease and cleaning and preserving materials for five (5) days.
- (3) Initial stock of spare parts for 1st and 2nd echelon repairs.

6. Reports:

The Commanding Officer will report to this headquarters by telephone prior to departure, the date and hour of departure, strength, mode of travel, and expected date and hour of arrival.

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370. Transfer of 643 T.D. to Camp Hood

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(Ltr, Order, 1st Hq, Sp Trs, 3rd Army, 12-7-42, Cont'd.

7. The provisions of paragraphs 12 and 18, AR 345-800, Military Records--Report of Change, July 1, 1942, will be complied with where applicable.

8. Upon arrival at Camp Hood, Texas, this unit is relieved from attachment to Third Army and is assigned to the Tank Destroyer Center.

9. TDN. FD 34 P 434-01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 07, 08 A 0425-23.

By command of Lieutenant General KRUEGER:



R. J. ARCHIBALD,  
Captain, A. G. D.,  
Adjutant General.

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