

SUBJECT: Administrative Functions, 645th Tank Destroyer Battalion For The Period  
11 May 1945 - 31 May 1945

I. NARRATIVE

1. During this period, the officers and enlisted men of the battalion attended Rest Centers in the United Kingdom, Nice, Riviera, and Paris.

2. The following changes in duties and assignments of officers were made during the month of 11 May to 31 May 45 inclusive:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RLVD FROM</u>	<u>ASGD TO</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
Major JERRY B. MORGAN, O-420941, FA	S-3	Ex.Off.	29 May 1945
Capt RICHARD B KOOS, O-451638, FA	S-2	S-3	29 May 1945
Capt JOHN J SNYDER, O-1165958, FA	Commo.Off	S-2	29 May 1945
Capt CHARLES W LYNCH, O-1168789, FA	LnO	Commo.Off.	29 May 1945
1st Lt JAMES G GAMBLE, O-1822693, FA	LnO	Ex.Off Hq Co.	29 May 1945

3. The following named officers were assigned to the Battalion per S.O.#124, Par 2 Hqs, 71st Reinf Bn, dated 11 May 1945:

- Capt CHARLES W. LYNCH, O-1168789, FA. Primary duty - Liaison Officer, Hqs.
- 1st Lt EDMUND L. OLSZEWSKI, O-1825767, FA(TD) Primary duty - Plat Cndr, Co A.
- 1st Lt WARREN JAMES, O-1826010, FA(TD), Primary duty - Plat Cndr, Co B.
- 1st Lt HARRY B. SEAY, O-1825375, FA(TD), Primary duty - Plat Cndr, Co C.

On 22 May 1945, 1st Lt JAMES was transferred to Reconnaissance Company, as Platoon Cndr.

4. On the 24 May 1945, Capt (Chap) PAUL C LUTZ was attached to the Battalion from the 1st Armored Group for a period of two weeks.

5. Lt Col EDWARD L. AUSTIN, O-311026, Battalion Commander, was relieved from assignment and duty and transferred to the 14th Reinforcement Depot for trans-shipment to the USA. Major PAUL W. PRIOR, O-394217, FA, Executive Officer assumed command of the Battalion.

6. 1st Lt GEORGE R. MORGAN, Platoon Commander, Co A, was relieved from assignment and duty, and transferred to the 824th Tank Destroyer Battalion, per S.O.139, Seventh Army.

7. PROMOTIONS;

The following enlisted men received Battlefield Appointments per S.O. #132, Par 9, dated 12 May 1945, Seventh Army.

- 2nd Lt LAURENCE W. BROADS, O-2014938, FA(TD) off date 4 May 45
- 2nd Lt MILBURN S. LITTLE, O-2014977, FA(TD) off date 7 May 45
- 2nd Lt JOHN F. LONDON, O-2014976, FA(TD) off date 7 May 45

8. Twenty Seven Enlisted Men of this organization departed for the Zone of Interior for discharge under the redeployment policy of the War Department for men over 85 points, between the dates 11 May 45 to 31 May 45 inclusive.

9. Two Enlisted Men were received as reinforcements during this period from the 2nd Repl Depot.

10. Awards and Decorations: See attached Special Orders