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FO No. 3

MAPS: OKINAWA SHIMA 1:10000
RYUKYU RETTO 1:25000

1. a. See current Intelligence reports and summaries.
- b. (1) 383RD INF in Corps Reserve will defend its sector of the XXIV Corps Service Area (Opn Overlay)
(2) 20TH ARMD GP will defend its sector of the XXIV Corps Service Area against amphibious, airborne and ground attack; will mop up and render useless caves and Jap defense works and destroy hostile infiltrators encountered (Opn Overlay)
(3) 718TH AMPH TRAC BN will defend BEACH PURPLE and assigned sector (Opn Overlay)
(4) 788TH AMPH TRAC BN will defend BEACH ORANGE ONE and assigned sector (Opn Overlay)
(5) 536TH AMPH TRAC BN will defend BEACH ORANGE TWO and assigned sector (Opn Overlay)
(6) 780TH AMPH TANK BN (less Cos A and C) will defend BEACHES BROWN and the area from BEACH BROWN FOUR to the Division's rear boundary inclusive (Opn Overlay)
2. All units within the assigned sector of the 728th AMPH TRAC BN will be coordinated by the CO 728TH AMPH TRAC BN for defense against amphibious, airborne, vertical envelopment, and ground attack or any combination thereof; will render useless all caves and enemy defense works in the immediate vicinity of their Bivouac Area; will mop up and destroy all hostile infiltrators encountered.
3. a. 728TH AMPH TRAC BN will:
 - (1) Defend WHITE BEACHES in the event of an amphibious attack.
 - (2) Occupy MLR in event of enemy ground attack.
 - (3) Be prepared to move one (1) company on thirty (30) minutes notice to any position in the XXIV Corps Service Area.
 - (4) Be prepared to move one (1) company to any position within Bn sector in event of vertical envelopment or airborne attack or combination thereof.
 - (5) Patrol entire sector daily, mopping up and rendering useless all caves and enemy defense works.
- b. 170TH INGR COMBAT BN will:
 - (1) Reinforce 728TH AMPH TRAC BN in defense of WHITE BEACHES in the event of an amphibious attack.
 - (2) Reinforce 728TH AMPH TRAC BN on MLR with two companies, in the event of enemy ground attack.

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- (3) Be prepared to move one company to area B (Opn Overlay No 2) on thirty minutes notice for defense of ammunition dumps in event of vertical envelopment.
- c. BTRY B 504 AAMW BN, BTRY B 485 AA BN and BTRY C 485 AA BN will:
 - (1) Furnish normal AA functions in the event of enemy airborne attack, vertical envelopment or amphibious landing.
 - (2) Employ weapons as AT guns in event of enemy ground attack.
- d. BTRY C 249 AAML BN (one section) will:
 - (1) Perform normal AA functions in event of enemy airborne attack, vertical envelopment or ground attack.
 - (2) Be prepared to illuminate reef on WHITE BEACHES in event of enemy amphibious landing.
- e. Commandant Hq CO XXIV CORPS will furnish local security for the XXIV CORPS bivouac area.
- f. Hq & SV BTRY 145th FA Bn, see par 3x.
- g. 492d QM BN will:
 - (1) Move troops into area A (Opn Overlay No 2) in event of vertical envelopment.
 - (2) Be prepared to displace Bn to reserve positions in Area C (Opn Overlay No 2) in event of enemy ground attack.
- h. 247TH QM CO will protect dumps in its immediate vicinity in the event of airborne attack, vertical envelopment or infiltration.
- i. 474TH QM DUKW CO will:
 - (1) Be prepared to move to reserve position in Area C (Opn overlay No 2) in event of amphibious landing.
 - (2) Be prepared to furnish twenty five DUKW'S on call for movement of troops in event of ground attack.
- j. 827th QM DUKW CO will:
 - (1) Be prepared to move to reserve position in Area C (Opn overlay No 2) in event of amphibious landing.
 - (2) Be prepared to furnish twenty five DUKW'S on call for movement of troops in event of ground attack.
- k. 632d ORD AMCO CO will protect dumps in its immediate vicinity in the event of airborne attack, vertical envelopment or infiltration.
- l. 203D PORT CO; 243rd PORT CO; see par 3x.
- x. (1) Units will not, repeat not, move from prepared positions in their bivouac areas or immediate vicinity unless ordered by this Hq.
 - (2) All units other than AA will employ small arms and grenades for defense of bivouac areas against vertical envelopment and infiltration. Movement will be held to a minimum.
 - (3) Automatic weapons used in perimeter defense will be sited for use on open areas with due regard for adjacent friendly troops and materiel.
 - (4) All units are responsible for local security of their own bivouac areas against any type of attack.

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- (5) Units are responsible for rendering useless all enemy caves and defense works in vicinity of their bivouac areas. Location of enemy ammunition, rations, and material will be reported and destroyed only on orders from 20TH ARMORED GP or higher Hq.
- (6) Units listed in Par 3 will submit copies of their defense plans to this Hq as soon as practicable.

4. Normal.

5. Current SOI

CP - Defense sector at 726th AMPH TRAC BN TS 826743.

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INCLOSURES:

Opn Overlay
Opn Overlay No 2

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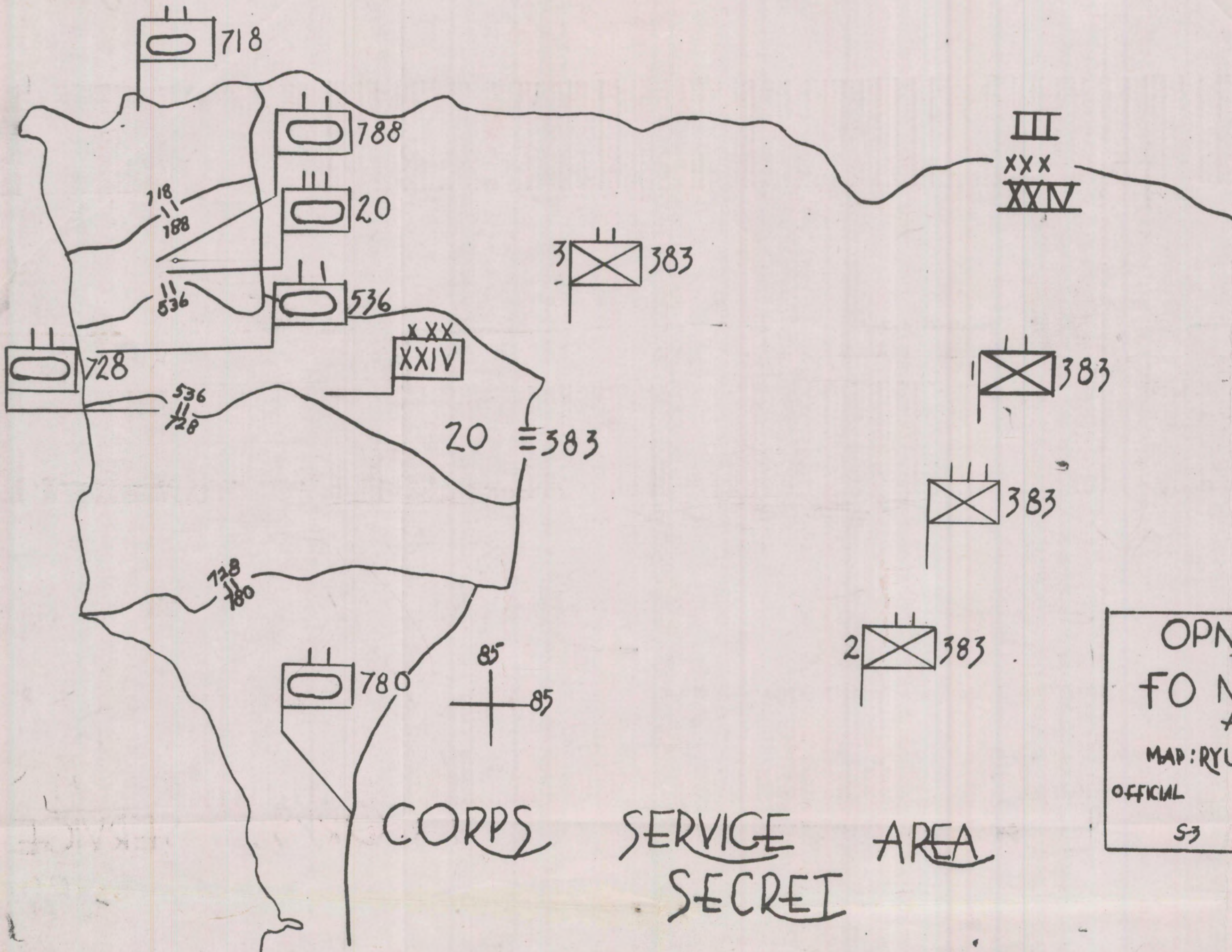
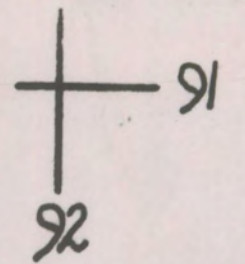
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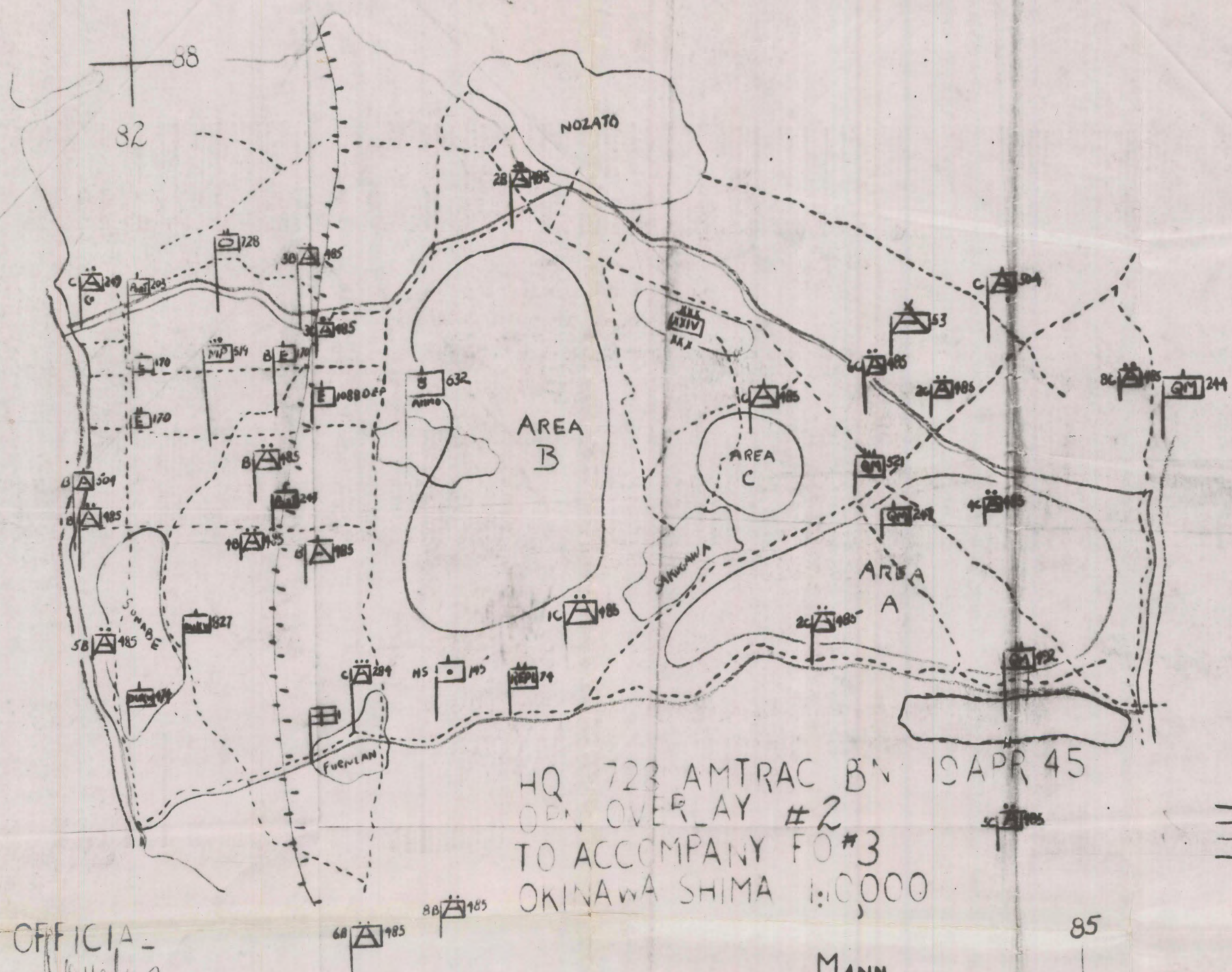


CORPS SERVICE AREA
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OPN OVERLAY
 To ACCOMPANY
 FO No 3-728th
 AMTRAC
 MAP: RYUKYU RETTO 1:25000
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HQ 723 AMTRAC BN 10 APR 45
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 TO ACCOMPANY FO #3
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