

PROJECT:
ATTN: CO, 20th Amph Bn
INFO: a/s LPT, 3-5
DATE: 20 April 1945.

Hq. 720th Amphibian Tractor Bn
OKINAWA JIMA
23 April 1945.

(JOINT MANNING PLAN FOR T-1)

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1. a. (1) Use current intelligence reports and summaries.
(2) Artillery fire received in IV Corps Area indicates possible large caliber guns emplaced on TAJIEN JIMA.
(3) Results of Obs mission on TAJIEN JIMA (TA 0276R, and 027AB)
 - (a) Observed at TA 0276V2 a number of holes in cliff facing west.
 - (b) Observed at TA 0276V3 on top of hill, two camouflaged huts back among brush, one man seen who hid quickly. Other holes camouflaged with brush.
(4) For machine gun field see Opn Overlay.
 - b. (1) 20th Amph Bn will organize Task Force to execute reconnaissance in force of TAJIEN JIMA, mop up and render useless caves and Jap defensive works on the island and destroy enemy encountered; will maintain communications with the VII Corps base station.
(2) CO, 780 Amph Tank Bn (- one platoon) will land in first wave and support the movement south to Phase Line No. 1 (See Opn Overlay). One Platoon CO, 780 Amph Tank Bn will move offshore along western coast of the island and support the land movement by flanking fire and by neutralization of high ground on the southwestern tip of the island.
(3) 536th Amph Trac Bn in area reserve will have available one company for movement to TAJIEN JIMA on two hours notice.
(4) Air cover and strikes will be effected under control of LFAOUL.
2. a. CO, 720 Amph Trac Bn, reinforced by Bn Command, Maintenance and Medical Detachment, operating as part of the 20th Amph Bn Task Force will move by LVT convoy to assembly area MOTOBU SHIMAZU; execute reconnaissance in force of TAJIEN JIMA; mop up and render useless caves and defensive positions; destroy enemy encountered.

b. Movement to assembly area:
 - (1) IF - OR Route No. 1 and Yare Street.
 - (2) Route - Hwy 20, 24, and 16 to Assembly Area TA 0082.
 - (3) Order of March - CO Bn Command; Med Det; Bn Maint.
 - (4) Interval - 50 yards.
 - c. (1) Land on TAJIEN JIMA at H-hour and proceed in LVTs to phase line No. 1 (Opn Overlay) and dismount.
(2) Attack the village of TAJIEN and high ground beyond with two platoons abreast.
 - d. Date of landing: 25 April 1945; H-hour 1000G.

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- 3. a. CO A, 728 Amph Trac Bn will remain present position, continue unloading cargo over beach; defend base station from attack from land, air or water.
- b. CO B, 728 Amph Trac Bn will land on beach with LVTs in second wave, follow and protect Amph Tanks. Disembark at phase line No. 1 and attack, with two platoons abreast, the village of " " and the high ground beyond; mop up and render useless caves and defensive positions and destroy enemy encountered.
- c. Med Det. will follow CO B to Phase Line 1, establish fwd aid station and furnish evacuation LVT.
- d. Am Maint will follow CO B to Phase Line 1, establish maintenance shop.
- x. (1) Air strikes through BN Command.
 (2) CO B will operate mine detectors.
 (3) All troops will reembark before dusk 25 April 65.
 (4) All troops are responsible for their own security.

4. SUPPLY

- a. Class I
 - (1) C & A rations for two days.
 - (2) Water supply for two days.
- b. Class IV.
 - (1) Complete basic load fuel aboard LVTs.
 - (2) Complete basic load lubricants aboard LVTs.
- c. Class V.
 - (a) Two w/f all weapons.
 - (b) Demolitions as provided.

- 5. a. Current CPT
- b. Rear CP with CO A
- Fwd CP afloat with second wave.
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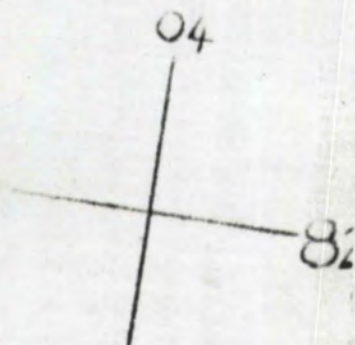
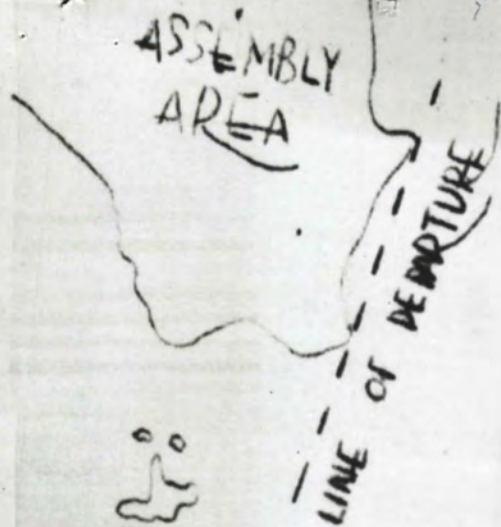
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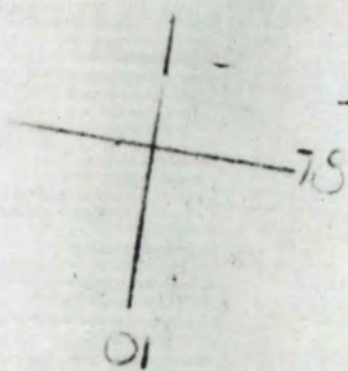
Operations Overlay.

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APR 22 OVERLAY
 745 TO ORDER JNO4
 FIELD 728TH AMTRAC BN
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 DOUGLAS
 S-3 MANN
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