

The facts regarding reinforcements

1. The need for reinforcements is based upon the rate of casualties; in other words, upon probabilities.
2. The probabilities of casualties are based upon:
 1. past experience,
 2. probable course of future operations.
3. The provision made for casualties in Italy has been satisfactory up to the present.

In over-all numbers, the provision of reinforcements for Northwestern Europe has also been adequate.

The difficulty has arisen because infantry casualties were under-estimated and casualties in other arms over-estimated.

4. The former Minister reported that probable casualties for October, November and December would total _____ of which _____ would be infantry casualties.
5. To replace these casualties, it was reported that _____ would be available, of which number _____ would be adequately trained infantry casualties.