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PART ONE: NAVY.

NO REPORT TO THIS HOUR.

PART TWO: ARMY.

(A) MEDITERRANEAN; NO SITREP AS AT THIS HOUR BUT SITMAP TO 0700 HOURS 23 NOVEMBER AS FOLLOWS: VIII ARMY. RAIN HAS HAMPERED ALL ACTIVITY SO THAT NOW PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO MOVE WHEEL OR TRACK VEHICLES EXCEPT ON ROAD. V CORPS. 78 DIV 2 BRIDGES COMPLETED OVER SANGRO. 1 SUITABLE FOR AFVS. 8 IND DIV. FWD PATROLS WELL ACROSS SANGRO. XIII CORPS. 1 CDN DIV STANDING PATROL OF 3 BDE SAN ANGELO WAS ATTACKED IN STRENGTH FOR ABOUT 2 HOURS BUT SUCCEEDED IN FORCING ENEMY WITHDRAWAL. PATROLS ACROSS SANGRO AT ATELETA AND SW OF IT. ANOTHER PATROL REACHED CASTEL DI SANGRO BUT LATER RETIRED. 5 DIV. NOTHING TO REPORT. V ARMY. NO CHANGE SOME PATROL ACTIVITY.

PART THREE: AIR.

(A) MEDITERRANEAN; 19 NOVEMBER. (ADD) OF THE 2 GROUPS LIBERATORS DESPATCHED TO ATTACK AVIONO AIRDROME (N VENICE) FIRST GROUP FOUND TARGET COMPLETELY OBSCURED AND RETURNED WITH BOMBS NO REPORT FROM SECOND GROUP 1 LIGHTNING LOST 2 MISSING. 19/20 AND 20 AND 21 NOVEMBER. 681 MISCELLANEOUS SORTIES REPORTED 51 TONS DROPPED. TARGETS INCLUDED STRONG POINTS NEAR FOSSACESSTA AND LANCIANO. TERNI AND FORT AT GAETA ALSO BOMBED. MERCHANT VESSELS AND RR YARD STRAFFED IN SWEEP ALONG YUGOSLAVIAN COAST AND M/T ATTACKED IN VICINITY OF VORRE (ALBANIA). 20/21 NOVEMBER BOSTONS CONDUCTED RECONNAISSANCE EAST ITALIAN COASTAL ROADS DROPPING 10 TONS. TARGETS WERE PORTO CIVITANOVA ROYD AND RAIL JUNCTION GUILIANOVA AND PEDASO. DIRECT HITS SCORED.

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