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SECRET

LEROS TO 1000 HOURS 13 NOVEMBER. AT 0630 HOURS NOVEMBER 12
TELEGRAM
500 ENEMY TROOPS WERE LANDED FROM 15 LANDING CRAFT N.E. PART OF ISLAND
AND GAINED HIGH GROUND ABOVE DELLA PALMA BAY WHICH THEY STILL HELD AT
1600 HOURS THAT DAY. AT SAME TIME ABOUT 120 TROOPS LANDED FROM 3 LANDING
CRAFT N. OF APPETICE E. OF LEROS TOWN. AT 1430 HOURS ABOUT 1 BN. OF
PARATROOPS WERE DROPPED FROM 39 JU52'S ON RACCHI RIDGE IN THE CENTRE OF
3/4 MI. WIDE NECK JOINING N. AND S. PORTIONS OF ISLAND. ENEMY HELD RIDGE
BUT ARE UNDER FIRE FROM HIGH GROUND. LANDINGS SUPPORTED BY DIVE BOMBING
ATTACKS.

(TO 1600 HRS. 13 NOVEMBER).

IN N. OF ISLAND ENEMY HAS MADE SLIGHT ADVANCES INLAND. IN CENTRE
PARATROOPS HAVE BEEN REINFORCED BY LANDING GURNA BAY AND ENEMY NOW CONTROLS
OF
ALL/THE NECK BETWEEN GURNA AND ALINDA BAYS. ENEMY CAPTURED APPETICE ABOUT
1200 HOURS. BY MIDNIGHT 12 NOVEMBER ESTIMATED 2000 MEN AND 500 PARATROOPS
LANDED. BOMBING HEAVY.

PART III. AIR.

(A) MEDITERRANEAN. 12 NOVEMBER (ADD) MUSTANGS ON OFFENSIVE
SNEEP ROBE AREA DROPPED 7 TONS ROAD JUNCTION ROCCASECCA TOWN AND CEPRANO
AND BRIDGE NEARBY. 12/13 NOVEMBER WELLINGTONS DROPPED 44 TONS PONTASSIEVE
R.R. BRIDGE AND MARSHALLING YARDS BRIDGE DAMAGED.

13 NOVEMBER.

10 B/A BOMBED AREA S. OF VENAFRO RESULTS NOT REPORTED. BOSTONS AND
BALTIMORES TWICE ATTACKED PALENA DROPPING 33 TONS WITH GOOD EFFECT. BOSTONS
DROPPED 16 TONS ATLEA AND WARMANES DROPPED 11 TONS TOWNS OF ROCCA AQUINO
AND DALA AND AIAGIO. BALTIMORES DROPPED 18 TONS VICINITY OF SAN ELIA.
ALLIED A/C MADE 871 SORTIES DROPPING 34 TONS, INCLUDING AREA N. OF ROME AND
RIBETELLO NAVAL BASE. BOTH COASTS WERE SWEEP ALSO BATTLE AREA. 12 NOVEMBER
U.S. A/C ATTACKED MOSTAR (UGOSLAVIA) AIRCROME AND RAIL TARGETS NEAR
OPUZEN. ALLIED HEAVIES ATTACKED AIRCROME AND REFINERY ATHENS AREA AND AN
8-SHIP CONVOY OFF ANTIKYTHERA I. ENEMY AIR SUPERIORITY CONTINUED OVER
LEROS AND MORE THAN 100 ENEMY BOMBER SORTIES WERE REPORTED. NIGHT OF 12/13
NOVEMBER ALLIED BOMBERS ATTACKED AIRFIELDS COS I AND MARITZA AIRCROME.

(B) RUSSIA. 12 NOVEMBER SOVIET A/C STRONGLY SUPPORTED OFFENSIVE
N.W. OF CHER IGOV AND IN THE RECHITSA KIEV AND KERCH AREAS.

M.F.M. (4) PACIFIC. NEW BRITAIN--NEW GUINEA AREA. 11 NOVEMBER ENEMY
5M-743 (1161)
CONVOYS, 3 DESTROYERS, 2 8000-TON TRANSPORTS AND 1 5000-TON CARGO VESSEL
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