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From: 060001A November 1944.To: 062400A November 1944.

In	Out	Ser. No.	Time dated	Message, incident, order, etc.	Action Taken
1130		19	1200	551st S-2 Periodic Report No. 65.	Staff, S-2 file.
1130		20	1200	551st S-3 Periodic Report No. 87.	Staff, S-3 file.
1330		21		551st contact patrol reached 550 CP at 061330A.	S-3.
1430		22	1430	Patrol No. 43 - contact patrol to 509th in at 061430A. Contacted 509th - no ey activity noted.	Staff, S-2 file.
1500		23	1445	Patrol No. 14 in at 061400A. No Ey activity reported.	S-3.
1600		24	1600	Patrol No. 42 in 061600 - No ey seen in area.	S-3.
1645		25	1645	Patrol No. 45 in at 1645A. Report no one in San Grato. Civilians reported in that area a few days ago have evacuated.	S-3.
1700		26	1700	Patrol No. 46 reported in at 061700A. Report seeing small number of enemy in vicinity of Col de Raus. No other ey sighted. Visibility excellent.	S-3.
1730		26	1715	Fire possibilities chart from 509th Combat Team. - S-3 509th C. T.	Staff, S-3 file.
1820	1900	27	1900	SITREP for 061900A Nov 44 - All patrols in stop observed eny in Col de Raus area. Tank Destroyers fired on ey gun position at (768-126) at 1700A. S-3 550th.	By radio to G-3 - 1st ABTF.
1900		27	1900	Tank Destroyers (1st plat., Co B, 645th Bn) fire sixty rounds on target (768126) from 1645 to 1705.	S-3.
	2000	28	2000	ISUM for 062000A Nov 44 - Ey activity noted around Col de Rau (728145) between 1200 and 1400. No ey patrol activity observed. No arty or mortar fire in our area during period. - S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2 - 1st ABTF.

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Place: Lantosque, France.

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	0700	1	0700	Weather report for 070700A Nov 44 - Clear and cool; visibility unlimited. No wind.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
0800		2	0700	Tank Destroyers fired on target at (749098) at approximately 0600A. Approximately 45 rds. Results unobserved.	S-3.
0800		3	0745	Allied planes over B Co position 7 Nov 44. OP patrol out 0730 back 1645. Telephone reports to S-2 550th. Contact patrol to circus (509th) out 1300A in at 1445A. No ey action observed in this sector. This report covers period 060800A to 070800A Nov 44. Operations Sergeant Co B - Sgt Hoke.	S-3, Staff, S-2 file.
0800		4	0800	Patrol No. 14 daily contact patrol from A Co to go out 7 Nov 44.	S-3.
0800		5	0800	Patrol No. 42 Recon patrol of six men from A Co out 070800A.	S-3.
0800		6	0800	Patrol No 43 contact patrol of four men from B Co to contact 509th at Baiss de Turini. Out at 070800A Nov 44.	S-3.
0800		7	0800	Patrol No. 45 - Recon patrol to San Grato to observe. Out 070800A.	S-3.
0800		8	0800	Patrol # 46 - Recon patrol of fourteen men from A Co with SCR-300 out at 070800A to reconnoiter for mortar position to fire on Col de Raus.	S-3.
0800		8	0800	Patrol # 52 - Recon patrol of 4 men from B Co out at 070730A.	
0830		9	0830	Patrol No. 53 - Recon patrol, six men from S-2 section to observe area around Fort la Ferce.	S-3.
0900		10	0900	Two men from S-2 section 550th to check on reported light signal atop hill (639103).	S-3.
0900	0900	11	0900	SITREP for 070900A Nov 44 - Six patrols out today. No ey activity last nite. Weather clear; visibility good. - S-2 550th.	By radio to G-3, - 1st ABTF.
1000	1000	12	1000	ISUM for 071000A Nov 44 - No ey activity reported during nite. Weather clear; visibility good. - S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-3, - 1st ABTF.
1015		13	1200	509th S-3 Periodic Report No. 87.	Staff, S-3 file.
1015		14	1200	509th S-2 Periodic Report No. 82.	Staff, S-2 file.
1015		15	1800	G-2 ISUM No. 99 and 100 - G-2 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
1027		16		Overlay showing progress of 7th army since D day to D plus 30.	Staff, S-3 file.
1030		17		Paraphase of Scheaf message, message on ey markings of mine fields.	Staff, S-3 file.

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1045		18	1200	S-2 509th Periodic Report No. 83.	Staff, S-2 file.
1045		19	1200	S-3 Periodic Report No. 88 - 509th.	Staff, S-3 file.
1050		20	1200	G-3 PERIODIC REPORT NO. 88 - G-2, 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-3 file.
1050		21	1200	G-2 Periodic Report No. 74 - G-2 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
1055		22	2400	ISUMS No. 100 and 101 - G-2, 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
1100		23	2400	ISUM No. 102 - G-2, 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
1105		24	1200	551st S-2 Periodic Report No. 66.	Staff, S-2 file.
1105		25	1200	551st S-3 Periodic Report No. 88	Staff, S-3 file.
1245	1230	26	1200	550th S-2 Periodic Report No. 66.	Staff, S-2 file.
1245	1245	26	1200	560th S-3 Periodic Report No. 68	Staff, S-3 file.
1130		27	1103	Four spitfires aircraft over Berthemont at 1100. Flying SE. Five ey seen vic Col de Raus (7214) at 1100A. - G.O. Co A.	Staff, S-2 file.
1500		28	1500	Patrol No. 43 contact patrol to 509th C. T. out 1330A, in 1435A. Nothing to report.	S-3, Staff, S-2 file.
1510		29	1505	Patrol No. 14 daily contact patrol from A Co in at 1300A. No ey seen.	S-3.
1600		30		Patrol No. 42 in 071600A. No enemy observed in area.	S-3.
1600		31		Patrol No. 45 - observed in San Grato area. No ey reported in area. Patrol in at 1600A.	S-3.
1600		32		Patrol No. 46 - Proceed to Col de Raus area to reconnoiter for 81mm mortar position. Good position for mortar but unable to locate place they would not be under ey observation. Sighted approx six ey around Col de Raus position.	S-3.
1630		33		Patrol No. 52 in at 071630A. Observed from Cime de Villiers. Report seeing no ey.	S-3.
1645		34		Patrol No. 53 (S-2 patrol) in at 1630. Proceeded to (717114). No ey observed.	S-3.
1645		35		S-2 patrol of four men to (639103) to investigate report signal lighting coming from that vic. Patrol that went out at 0900A returned at 1100A. Unable to detect anything. Patrol proceeded to top of hill but were unable to locate any such signal light. To investigate further.	S-3.
	1900	36	1905	SITREP for 071900A Nov 44 - All patrols in except number forty six. S-2 patrol number fifty four fired on by ey MG vic (722143) at 1430A. Patrol number forty six received artillery fire vic (711156) at 1515A. Lost radio contact with this patrol. Another patrol out on same route at 1700A. TD's fired on ey personnel vic Col de Raus. Fired on ey gun positions at (764127). - S-3 550th.	By radio to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
	2000	37	2000	ISUM for 072000A Nov 44 - By activity observed in Col de Raus area. Five men in pill position observed. No other activity. S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, 1st ABTF.
2145		38	1245	Paris two reports flare in valley. They are now investigating.	Staff, S-2 file.

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To: 082400A November 1944.

Place: Lantosque, France.

In	Out	Ser. No.	Time stated	Message, incident, order, etc.	Action Taken
0252		1	0252	White flares observed to left of Grey position of Grey position. Believed to be Italian. - Paris.	Staff, S-2 file.
	0700	2	0700	Weather report for 070700A Nov 44 - Overcast; visibility fair. No wind. - S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
07150		3	0700	Patrol No. 14 - contact patrol from "A" Co out 8 Nov 44.	S-3.
0730		4		Patrol No. 42 - recon patrol of six men from A Co out at 080730A to observe area to north.	S-3.
0730		5		Patrol No. 46 out 080730A with one officer and 14 men from A Co, 2 men from C Co to observe Col de Raus.	S-3.
0730		6		Patrol No 52 recon patrol out 080730A, four men from B Co to observe area around Cime de Villieres.	S-3.
0800		7		Patrol No. 45 recon patrol of six men from A Co and two from C Co out 080800A.	S-3.
0830		8		Patrol No 54 - recon patrol of four men from S-2 section to move to Point de Rugger to observe. Out 080830A.	S-3.
0845		9	2400	G-3 Periodic Report No 83. G-3 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-3 file.
0845		10	2400	G-2 Periodic Report No. 75. G-2 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
0845		11	1200	509th S-2 Periodic Report No. 84.	Staff, S-2 file.
0845		12		6th Army Group ltr AG 371.2 - Parole and Countersign list No. 2 covering period 1200A 31 Oct 44 to 1159A 10 Nov. 44. Also list No. 3 for period 1200A Nov 44 to 1159 20 Nov 44.	All units, Staff, S-2 file.
0848		12	2400	G-2 Isum No. 103 and 104. G-2 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-2 file.
0850		13	1200	551st S-2 Periodic Report No. 67.	Staff, S-2 file.
0850		14	1200	551st S-3 Periodic Report No. 88.	Staff, S-3 file.
0850		15	1200	551st S-3 Periodic Report No. 89.	Staff, S-3 file.
0900		16	0900	Sitrep for 080900A Nov 44 - Six patrol out today. Weather overcast; visibility fair.	By radio to G-3, 1st ABTF.
1000		17	1000	Isum for 081000A Nov 44 - No ey patrols activity noted in our sector of responsibility. Weather clear with high clouds and good visibility.	By Telephone to G-2, 1st ABTF.
	1200	17	1200	550th S-2 Periodic Report No. 67.	By L.O. to G-2 1st ABTF.
	1200	18	1200	550th S-3 Periodic Report No. 69.	By L.O. to G-3 1st ABTF.
1245		19	1245	Patrol of four men leaving from (692097) to proceed east up valley. Mission - recon. Expected return 1500. Out 1330A. (OVER)	Staff, S-2 file.

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1330		20	1330	Approx south of our position we can hear MG fire and what sounds like metl and the sound of heavy explosions. It sounds like about tow mountains away and is up high and not in valley. Eagles Nest - Sgt Egan.	Staff, S-2 file.
1330		21		Patrol No. 14 in at 1300A. No ey activity noted.	S-3.
1300		22		Patrol No. 42 in at 1300A. No ey observed.	S-3.
1400		23		Patrol No. 45 in at 1400A. No activity noted.	S-3.
1400		24		Patrol No. 52 in at 1630. Nothing of ey observed.	S-3.
1630		25		Patrol No. 54 in at 1630A. Patrol was fired on by ey MG at (721143) at 1445A. Patrol withdrew Found German propoganda leaflets in La Villeto that were not there on 5 Nov. 44.	S-3.
1903	1903	25	1903	Sitrep for 081900A Nov 44 - All patrols in except number forty six. S-2 patrol number fifty four fired on by ey MG vic (722143) at 1430A. Patrol number ofrty six received artillery fire vicinity (711156) at 1515A. Lost radio contact with this patrol. Another patrol out on same route at 1700A. Tank Destroyers fired on ey personnel vic Col de Raus. Fired on ey gun positions at (764127). S-3 550th.	By radio to G-3, - 1st ABTF.
	2005	26	2005	Isum for 082000A Nov 44 - Ey artillery fire received at Les Contes (715158) from vic St. Clair (765126) at 1515A. Ey MG fire received (721142) at 1430A.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
2100		26	2100	Patrol No. 46 in at 2100A. This patrol moved to OP at 081100A. observed Germans around pill boxes at Col de Raus. arty fired was called for by radio at 1430A. T-D's fired 14 rds on ey emplacements. Got one direct hit on ey pill box and black smoke came out of the pill box. Our OP then started to receive ey arty fire. No cover available in this vic and our patrol withdrew. Received ey arty as far back as Les Contes. Radio operator fell and smashed his radio which put the patrol out of contact with its Co CP. Before the radio wnet out the T-D's were informed of the ey arty fire and they started counter battery fire, firing in vic St. Claire (764127) 96 rds. fire on target. Four members of patrol No. 46 had to wait in vic of OP for darkness before they could withdraw. A six man patrol left Belvediere at 1700A looking for these four men at the OP. All members inat 2100A.	

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In	Out	Seq. No.	Time dated	Message, incident, order, etc.	Action Taken
	0710	1	0710	Weather report for 090700A Nov 44 - Clear, visibility unlimited, no wind.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
0737		2	0737	Positions and situation unchanged. Allied planes over area. OP at Eagles Nest reported they saw two ey at Fort and also arty fire at (712113). No damage to houses. B-Co.	Staff, S-2 file.
0700		3		F.F.I. patrol (rcn) of seven men out 090700A to reconnoiter woods at (705105).	S-3.
0730		4		Patrol # 55 - Recon patrol 10 men from A Co out 090730A to move to high ground to observe Col de Raus.	S-3.
0730		5	0730	Patrol No 52 - Recon patrol of four from B Co out 0730A.	S-3.
0800		6		Patrol # 42 - Recon patrol of eight men from A and C Co's out at 090800A.	S-3.
0800		7		Patrol # 56 - Recon patrol of eight men from S-2 section to reconnoiter wood where MG was reported the 8th.	S-3.
	0900	8	0900	Sitrep for 090900A Nov 44 - Ey activity via Col de Raus (729146). Weather - ceiling and visibility unlimited no clouds and no wind. - S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, 1st ABTF.
	1000	9	1000	Isum for 091000A Nov 44 - Six patrols out today. Will reconnoiter new route to Col de Raus. No ey activity last nite. Weather clear; visibility unlimited.	By radio to G-3, 1st ABTF.
1100		10	2400	G-3 Periodic Report No. 84 - 1st ABTF.	Staff, S-3 file.
1100		10	1200	G-2 Periodic Report No. 75 - 1st ABTF	Staff, S-2 file.
1100		11	1200	S-2 509th, S-2 Periodic Report No. 85.	Staff, S-2 file.
1130		12	1200	551st S-3 Periodic Report No. 90.	Staff, S-3 file.
1135		13	1200	551st S-2 Periodic Report No. 68.	Staff, S-2 file.
	1200	14	1200	550th S-2 Periodic Report No. 68.	By L.O. to G-2 1st ABTF.
	1200	15	1200	550th S-3 Periodic Report No. 70.	By L.O. to G-3, 1st ABTF.
1515		16	1515	Contact patrol to 509th C. T. returned 1515A. No enemy activity reported.	Staff, S-2 file.
1300		17	1530	Patrol No. 52 in at 091300A - No ey contact.	S-3.
1545		18	1535	Patrol No. 55 in at 091500A- sighted ten ey in Col de Raus area.	S-3.
1537		19	1300	Patrol No. 42 in at 091300A - no ey contact.	S-3.
1630		20	1630	Patrol No 65 - in at 091630 reconnoiter new route of approach to COL DE RAUS area. Patrol reports there doesn't appear to be any fortifications to within 550 yds of Col de Raus.	S-3.

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1647		21	1200	Paroles and Countersign List No. 3 from 6th Army Group, dtd 30 Oct 1944.	Staff.
1700	1700	22	1600	Paroles and Countersigns for period from 101200A Nov 44 to 1159 13 Nov 44.	To A,B,C, Hq. Hq Co's of 550th and 550th Med. Det.
	1900	23	1900	All patrols in. No ey action in this sector. Nine ey observed in vicinity Col de Raus (728-145). S-3 550th.	radio By telephone to G-3, 1st ABTF.
	2000	24	2000	Isum for 092000A Nov 44 - No ey patrols encountered. No ey arty fire in this sector. Nine ey observed in vic Col de Raus fort (728145) during period. S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, 1st ABTF.

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In	Out	Ser. No.	Time dated	Message, incident, order, etc.	Action Taken
	0700	1	0705	Weather report for 100700A Nov 44 - Clear and cool, visibility unlimited. Strong Southwest wind. S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
0735		2	0735	Contact patrol to 509th went out yesterday. OP at Eagles Nest reported no ey activities yesterday. They seen allied aircraft over front near 509th sector. Situation unchanged. - Operations sergeant company "B" 550th.	Staff, S-2 file.
0800		3		Patrol No. 14 - daily contact patrol of four men from A Co to go today.	S-3.
0800		4		Patrol No 60 - observation patrol of three men out at 100800A. Three men from A Co.	S-3.
0800		5		Patrol No. 58 - ren patrol of ten men from A Co out 100800A.	
0800		6		Patrol No. 59 - Ren patrol from A Co of eight men out at 100800A.	
	0900	7	0900	Five patrol out today. No ey activity noted last nite. Weather clear; visibility good. Strong wind from SW. Sitrep for 100800A Nov 44 S-3 550th.	By radio to G-3 1stABTF.
	1000	8	1000	Isum for 100800A Nov 44 - No ey patrol activity or arty fire in this sector during nite. S-2 550th.	By Tele. to G-2 1stABTF.
1115		9	1200	509th S-2 Periodic Report No. 86.	Staff, S-2 file.
1116		10	1200	1stABTF G-2 Periodic Report No. 77.	Staff, S-2 file.
1117		11	2400	1stABTF G-3 Periodic Report No. 85.	Staff, S-3 file.
1118		12	1200	509th S-3 Periodic Report No. 88.	Staff, S-3 file.
	1200	13	1200	550th S-2 Periodic Report No. 69.	Staff, S-2 file, G-2 1st ABTF, A,B,C, & Hq. Co. and 1st plat Co B 645th T-D's.
	1200	14	1200	S-3 Periodic Report No. 71 550th.	Staff, S-3 file, G-3 1st ABTF, A,B,C, & Hq. Co's 550th, and 645th T-D's.
1300		15		Contact patrol to 509th C. T. at Baisse de Turini out at 101315A.	S-3.
1415		16		Contact patrol to 509th C. T. Out at 1245A, in at 1415A. No ey action noted on way.	S-3.
1500		17		Patrol No. 60 in at 1500A. Observed ey around pill boxes in Baisses de Verant (782137) area.	S-3.
1500		18		Patrol No. 58 in at 1500A. Saw one ey in vicinity of Col de Raus.	S-3.
1600		19		Patrol No. 59 in at 1600A. No ey contact.	S-3.

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	2000	20	2000	Isum for 102000A Nov 44 - Patrols to Col de Raus area (728145) and OP party to CIME de Vallieres (679115) observed no enemy activity. S-2 550th.	By telephone to G-2, - 1st ABTF.
	1900	21	1900	Sitrep for 101900A Nov 44 - Patrol all returned. No enemy fire received in our sector for period. S-3 550th.	By radio to G-3, - 1st ABTF.

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