

In the field
30 Apr 45, 1600

Annex BAKER to 6th Mar Div Opn O No 49-45

MOVEMENT PLAN

1st Ech - 2 May

Adv Ech 6th MT Bn

Adv Ech 6th Ser Bn

Co C 6th Engr Bn

Initial Point 0716X (South End NAGO)

Rate of March: 12 MPH

Serial	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	No Trucks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
1	6th Ser Bn	0617I - IP - Route A (Note 1)	Route B (Note 2)	0515	0530	20	12	32
2	6th MT Bn	0418L - IP - Route A	Route B	0530	0600		20	20
3	Co C 6th Engr Bn	0817A - IP - Route A	Route B	0615	0630	18	9	27

2d Ech - 3 May

Adv Ech 6th Tank Bn

29th Mar

H&S Bty 15th Mar

Adv Ech 4th Bn 15th Mar

Adv Ech 3d Bn 15th Mar

Adv Ech 2d Bn 15th Mar

Adv Ech 1st Bn 15th Mar

H&S plus Fld Hosp, 6th Med Bn

Co C 6th Med Bn

1st Armd Amph Trac Bn

4	Adv Ech 6th Tank Bn	0727X - NAGO -IP-Route A	Route B	0645	0800	26	0	26
5	H&S Fld Hosp 6th Med Bn	0716 - IP - Route A	Route B	0725	0730	5	20	25

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Serial	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart IP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
6	H&S Btry 15th Mar	0920 Y - IP - Route A	Route B	0515	0530	3	33	36
7	Adv Ech, 4th Bn, 15th Mar	1322 X - IP - Route A	Route B	0530	0630	8	57	65
8	Adv Ech, 3d Bn, 15th Mar	0517 F - IP - Route A	Route B	0530	0600	8	56	64
9	Adv Ech, 2d Bn, 15th Mar	0417 C - IP - Route A	Route B	0515	0545	8	55	63
10	Adv Ech, 1st Bn, 15th Mar	2634 N - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Route B	0445	0700	8	55	63
11	H&S Co, 29th Mar; Wpns Co 29th Mar; 3d Bn 29th Mar	0529 R - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Route B	0630	0800	65	80	145
12	2d Bn 29th Mar	0725 X - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Route B	0700	0830	45	0	45
13	1st Bn 29th Mar	9724 R - AWA - - IP - Route A	Route B	0745	0845	45	0	45
14	Co C 6th Med Bn	0528 S - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Route B	0745	0900	3	9	12
15	1st Armd Amph Trac Bn	0318 E - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Route B	0900	0915	0	24	24 124

Adv Ech Hq Bn and Div Hq (less Adm Sec)

4th Mar

Adv Ech 6th Trk Bn

2d Ech, H&S Btry 15th Mar

Co B, 6th Engr Bn

Co A 6th Med Bn

2d Ech, 1st Bn 15th Mar

2d Ech, H&S Btry 15th Mar

Co B, 6th Engr Bn

Co A 6th Med Bn

2d Ech, 1st Bn 15th Mar

Serial	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
16	H&S Co 4th Mar Wpns Co 4th Mar	1622 L - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0400	0500	20	75	95
17	Hq Bn	0717 J - IP - Route A	Route B	0530	0545	8		
18	1st Bn 4th Mar	1622 L - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0430	0530	45	0	45
19	2d Bn 4th Mar	1412 A - KOCHIYA KANNA - ISHIKAWA Route A	Route B	0500		45	0	45
20	3d Bn 4th Mar	2522 H - NAKAOSHI NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0430	0700	45	0	45
21	Co A 6th Med Bn	1622 W - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0615	0715	3	14	17
22	Co B 6th Engr Bn	1019 F - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0645	0730	15	16	31
23	Adv Ech 6th Tank Bn	0727 X - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0645	0800	53	20	73
24	2d Ech H&S Btry 15th Mar	1020 G - NAGO - IP Route A	Route B	0810	0830	0	39	39
25	2d Ech 1st Bn 15th Mar	2634 S - NAKAOSHI - IP - Route A	Route B	0630	0900	0	51	51

Serial	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Serial
26	2d Ech Div Hq (CG Sec)	0717 J - IP - Route A	Route B	0915	0930	9		
27	3d Ech Div Hq (ADC Sec)	0717 J - IP - Route A	Route B	1245	1300	9		
4th Ech - 5 May								
22d Mar 2d Ech, 6th Tank Bn			Co B, 6th Med Bn		Co A, 6th Engr Bn 2d Bn, 15th Mar			
28	Co A, 6th Engr Bn	0921 U - IP - Route A	Route B	0430	0500	15	16	31
29	2d Ech, 2d Bn 15th Mar	0418 X - IP - Route A	Route B	0430	0445	0	49	49
30	2d Ech 6th Tank Bn	0727 X - NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0415	0515	26	22	48
31	H&S Co, 22d Mar; Wpns Co 22d Mar	2835 B - NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0345	0615	20	75	95
32	1st Bn, 22d Mar	2835 U - NAKAOSHI IP - Route A	Route B	0430	0600	45	0	45
33	2d Bn 22d Mar	3651 W - NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0430	0900	45	0	45
34	3d Bn 22d Mar	2733 C - NAKAOSHI IP - Route A	Route B	0300	0530	45	0	45
35	Co B 6th Med Bn	2836 V - NAKAOSHI IP - Route A	Route B	0400	0630	3	14	17
36	6th Tank Bn	0727 K - NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0300 (6 May)	0700 (6 May)	0	53 Trks	53 Trks

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2d Ech Hq Bn

2d Ech 6th Ser Bn

Hq Co 6th Engr Bn

2d Ech 3d Bn 15th Mar

2d Ech 6th MT Bn

2d Ech 4th Bn 15th Mar

	6th Med Bn	2050 V - NAKAOSHI IP - Route A	Route B	0400	0630	3	14	17	126
36	6th Tank Bn	0727 K - NAGO - IP - Route A	Route B	0300 (May)	0700 (May)	0	53 Trks	53 Trks	

2d Ech Hq Bn

Hq Co 6th Engr Bn

2d Ech 6th MT Bn

2d Ech 6th Ser Bn

2d Ech 3d Bn 15th Mar

2d Ech 4th Bn 15th Mar

Serial	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgn Vehicles	Total Serial
37	2d Ech 6th Ser Bn	0617 N - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0555	0600	8	12	20
38	2d Ech 6th MT Bn	0318 O - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0600	0630	0	30	30
39	2d Ech 3d Bn 15th Mar	0517 B - NAGO - - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0545	0615	0	51	51
40	2d Ech Hq Bn	0717 O - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0635	0645	32	45	77
41	2d Ech 4th Bn 15th Mar	1322 R - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0645	0730	0	51	51
42	Hq Co 6th Engr Bn	0921 U - IP - Route A	Corps Trks to ONNA	0630	0700	12	22	34

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Note 1 - Route A:

NAGO (south end) - CHUDA - NAKAMA - ONNA - NAKADOMARI - YOMAGUSUKU - HIZAONNA - INUBI

Note 2 - Route B:

INUBI - HIZAONNA - ISHIKAWA - YAKA - KIN - KAMA - KOCHIGA - CHUDA - NAGO

EP - Entrucking Point

IP - Initial Point

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6th Mar Div
In the field
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Opn O
No 50-45

Task Orgn

a. 4th Mar (Reinf)

Col SHAPLEY

4th Mar
Co A 6th Med Bn
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col SCHNEIDER

22d Mar
Co B 6th Tank Bn
Co B 6th Med Bn
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
2d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO
2d Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal

c. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col WHALING

29th Mar
Co C 6th Tank Bn
Co C 6th Med Bn
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co

d. Div Arty

Col LUCKEY

15th Mar
Co E 6th Med Bn

e. 1st Armd Amph Bn

LtCol METZGER

f. Tank Gp

LtCol DENIG

6th Tank Bn (less Cos B & C)
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

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g. <u>6th Engr Bn</u>	Maj SACKETT
h. <u>6th MT Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol GOULD
i. <u>6th Ser Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol ENTRINGER
j. <u>6th Med Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtComdr COWAN
k. <u>Div Hq Trs</u>	LtCol STEPHENSON

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
- b. (1) Air and NGF Spt available on call.
(2) 10th Army will continue the Atk to seize Army Objective Line, with Corps abreast, III Phib Corps on the right, XXIV Corps on the left.
(3) III Phib Corps will attack to seize Army Objective Line within its Z of action.
(4) 1st Mar Div on the left of the III Phib Corps will Atk to seize Army Objective Line within its Z of action.
(5) 10th Army Arty and III Phib Corps Arty will Spt Atk by delivery of prearranged fires and fires on call.
2. Commencing 0500, 8 May, 6th Mar Div moves by motor and marching to Z of action of 1st Mar Div, relieves designated elements of that Orgn, prepared to resume Atk to the south. See Annex Able, Opn overlay, and Annex Baker, Movement Plan.
3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Commencing 0630, 8 May, move by motor to Z of action of 1st Mar Div, detrucking at 8078 QUEEN. Thereafter move by marching to Z of action of 1st and 7th Marines. Relieve elements of those units within 6th Mar Div Z of action prior 1600. Organize and defend lines held, prepared to Atk on order. See Annex Able, Opn overlay, and Annex Baker, Movement Plan.
- b. 29th Mar (Reinf): Commencing 0630, 9 May, move by motor to Div Z of action, detrucking at 8078 QUEEN. Thereafter move by marching to Bn assembly areas to be designated. Prepare plans and dispose troops to oppose counterlandings in assigned sector. See Annex Able, Opn overlay, and Annex Baker, Movement Plan.
- c. 4th Mar (Reinf): Remain present position, prepared to move on 12 hours notice.

- d. Div Arty: Commencing 0730, 8 May, move Regtl Hq and 1 Bn by motor to assigned positions. See Annex Able, Opn overlay, and Annex Baker, Movement Plan. Reconnoiter possible position areas for remainder of Div Arty. Prepare to Spt Atk of Div.
- e. 1st Armd Amph Bn: Commencing 1030, 8 May, move to designated area. Dispose Wpns for defense against counterlanding. See Annex Able, Opn overlay and Annex Baker, Movement Plan. Be prepared to Spt Atk of 22d Mar with 1 Co, by direct fire from reef any time after 0700, 9 May. For position area and Zs of defensive fire see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
- f. Tank Gp (less Dets): Commencing on 9 May rendezvous in designated assembly area. Prepare to Spt Atk of Div. See Annex Able, Opn overlay, and Annex Baker, Movement Plan.
- g. 6th Engr Bn (less Dets): Remain in present positions. Prepare to Spt Atk of Div. Reconnoiter for assembly area in Div Z of action.
- h. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Remain present position. Execute normal missions. Be prepared to move on 24 hours notice.
- i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Remain present position. Provide trucks for troop movement in accordance with Annex Baker, Movement Plan. Reconnoiter for assembly area in Div Z of action.
- j. 6th Med Bn (less Dets): Remain present position, prepared to move on 12 hours notice.
- k. Div Hq Trs (less Adm Gp, Hq Co): Commencing 0500, 8 May, move by motor to designated assembly area in 3 Echls. Execute normal missions. Provide MPs to assist in traffic control on route of march, in accordance with 10th Army instructions.
- x. (1) Relief by 22d Mar will be effected when 2 Bns of that Regt are in front line positions. CG 6th Mar Div assumes responsibility for assigned Z at that time.
(2) Truck transportation will be provided each Inf Regt in accordance with Annex Baker, Movement Plan, on the afternoon of the day preceding the scheduled move.
(3) All motor movement will be by convoy. Vehicles on road maintain 40 Yd interval. Subserials not to exceed 20 vehicles.
(4) Each vehicle maintain antiaircraft sentinels.

- (5) Upon arrival at assembly areas, units other than those on front line go into bivouac. Individuals dig foxholes and employ all possible Cam measures. All key CP installations will be dug in.
 - (6) Old bivouac areas will be carefully policed, and upon being vacated will be inspected by Div Inspector.
4. a. Normal combat uniform and equipment.
 - b. Prior 1800, 10 May, Div QM and Div Ord Officer establish 5-day levels classes I and III and 2 units class V in assigned dump areas, for units south of Div rear boundary.
 - x. (1) Excess equipment to Div QM storage area, TA 9090L.
5. a. CPs and axis Sig Com:

Div CP	8989 D	8178 G
Div Adv Msg Cen	8178 G	
4th Mar	9292 S	To be reported
22d Mar	9191 X	7777 M
29th Mar	9289 D	To be reported
15th Mar	8991 S	8178 G
1st Armd Amph Bn	8480 H	To be reported
Tank Gp	9290 Y	To be reported
6th Engr Bn	9090 F	To be reported
6th Ser Bn	8989 D	
6th Med Bn	9089 L	
 - b. (1) Frequency plan in accordance Sig Memo dated 6 May 45.
 - (2) Units maintain radio contact with Div Hq on Div Comd net Able (CW) while on march.
 - (3) 22d Mar establish Com on Div Comd net Charlie (Voice) upon completion relief of 1st Mar Div.
 - c. III Phib Corps MARSOI Index 2-10 effective.

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Annexes

- A - Opn overlay
- B - Movement Plan

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Annex BAKER to
Opn O No 50-45'

22d Mar. Reinf

6th MT 3n

MOVEMENT PLAN

1st Ech - 8 May

6th Tk Bn (less Dets)

15th Mar (less Dets)

1st Armd Amph Bn

6th Mar Div
In the field
7 May 45, 0830

IP - 8989K (CHIBANA)

Rate of March: 12 MPH

Serial No	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart IP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
51	1st Ech, Hq Bn	8990X - IP - Route A	Route B	0500	0530	8		
52	2d Bn, 22d Mar	9191D - INUBI - IP - Route A	Route B	0530	0600	40	10	50
53	Wpns Co, 22d Mar; Co B, 6th Med Bn; Adv Ech 1/22 Adv Ech 3/22 2d Ech 2/22	9191S - INUBI - IP - Route A	Route B	0600	0630	0	34 11 1 2 2	50
54	H&S Co, 22d Mar; 2d Plat, Ord Co, 6th Ser Bn; 2d Plat, S&S Co, 6th Ser Bn; JASCO Det; 2d Sec, 3d Plat, 1st B D Co	9191S - INUBI - IP - Route A	Route B	0630	0700	22	21	42

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Serial No	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EF	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
55	3d Bn, 22d Mar	91900- INUBI - IP - Route A	Route B	0700	0730	40	10	50
56	1st Bn, 15th Mar	Note A - IP - Route A	Route B	0730	0800	0	30	30
57	2d Ech 1/15	Note A - IP - Route A	Route B	0800	0830	0	30	30
58	2d Ech Hq Bn	8990X - IP - Route A	Route B	1000	1030	9		
59	1st Armd Amph Bn	8480H - No 30 - No 1	- - - -	1030			20	20
60	Co B, 6th Tk Bn	9290Y - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1030	1100		18Tks 17Trks	18 Tks 17 Trks
61	1st Bn, 22d Mar	9290M - INUBI - IP - Route A	Route B	1130	1200	40	10	50
62	Rear Ech, H&S, 22d Mar Rear Ech 1/22 Rear Ech 2/22 Rear Ech 3/22	Note A - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1230	1300	2 2 2 2		8
63	Co B, 6th Engr Bn 1st Flat, Co B, 6th MT Bn	Note A - IP - Route A	Route B	1300	1330	5 9	14	28
64	3d Ech, Hq Bn	8990X - IP - Route A	Route B	1400	1430	13		135
65	1st Ech, 6th Tk Bn	9290Y - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1430	1500	23	0	23

6th Tk Bn	92901 - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1430	1500	23	0	135 23
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2d Ech - 9 May

29th Mar (Reinf)

6th Tank Bn (less Dets)

Serial No	Unit	Route out	Route Return	Depart IP	Pass IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
66	H&S, 29th Mar; Co C, 6th Med Bn; 3d Plat, Ord Co; 3d Plat S&S Co; 1st Sec, 3d Plat, 1st BDC	9289 D 5 - INUBI - Route A	Route B	0630	0700	15 3	16 8	42
67	Wpns Co, 29th Mar; Adv Ech, 2/29; Adv Ech 3/29; Adv Ech 1/29	9289 D 5 - INUBI - Route A	Route B	0700	0730		21 9 9 9	48
68	2d Bn, 29th Mar	9289 O 2 - INUBI - Route A	Route B	0730	0800	40	5	45
69	3d Bn, 29th Mar	9289 H 3 - INUBI - Route A	Route B	0800	0830	40	5	45
70	Co C, 6th Tank Bn	Note: A - INUBI - Route A	Route B	0830	0900		18 Tanks 5 Trks	18 Tanks 5 Trks
71	1st Bn, 29th Mar	9289 I - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1300	1330	40		45
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Serial No	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	PASS IP	No Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total Serial
72	2d Ech, 6th Tank Bn	Note A - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1400	1430	23	16	39
73	3d Ech, 6th Tank Bn	Note A - INUBI - Route A	Route B	1430	1500	24	15	39
74	1st Plat, Co C, 6th MT Bn		Route B	1530	1600	9		9

Note A - Senior Troop Commander in each serial give prior notice to CO 6th MT Bn of exact location entrucking point for his serial.

Note B - Serials 51, 52, 54 and 55 will be unloaded in not to exceed one (1) hour.

Note C - Route A -
CHIBANA - Route 5 - SUXIRAN - CHATAN - ROUTE 1 to UCHITOMARI.

Note D - Route B
UCHITOMARI - Route 1 - KADENA AIRFIELD - Route 16 - CHIBANA.

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 51-45 X 6TH MAR DIV COMPLETED RELIEF 1ST MAR DIV
ELEMENTS IN ASSIGNED SECTOR AT 1600 X 1ST AM TRAC AND 1ST
TANK BN PROTECTING COASTLINE BETWEEN 7778 ITEM AND 8079 MIKE X
PARA X 6TH MAR DIV DEFENDS LINE 7575 WILLIAM 1 DASH 7774 LOVE 5
AND PROTECTS COASTLINE TO 8383 UNCLE PREPARED TO ATK TO SOUTH-
WARD 10 MAY X CONTINUES MOVEMENT TO DIV SECTOR X FOR DETAILS
OF MOVEMENT AND DEFENSIVE SECTORS SEE OPN O NO 50-45 X PARA X
22D MAR REINF DEFEND LINE 7576 JIG 2 DASH 7774 LOVE 5 X DURING
DAY OF 9 MAY CONDUCT RCN 500 YDS SOUTH OF ASA KAMA ESTUARY IN
ZONE OF ACTION TO DETERMINE NATURE OF ENEMY RESISTANCE IN THAT
AREA X PARA X 3D ARMD AMPH BN PROVIDE DEFENSE AGAINST COUNTER-
LANDINGS BETWEEN 7575 MIKE AND 7778 HOW AND BETWEEN 8383 UNCLE
AND 8381 UNCLE X PARA X 1ST ARMD AMPH BN PROVIDE DEFENSE AGAINST
COUNTERLANDINGS BETWEEN 8079 MIKE AND 8381 UNCLE X PARA X 4TH AM
TRAC BN REMAIN PRESENT POSITION X PARA X 9TH AM TRAC BN REMAIN
PRESENT POSITION X PARA X OTHER UNITS CONTINUE MOVEMENT TO DIV
SECTOR X ALL UNITS IN DIV SECTOR PROVIDE ALL ROUND DEFENSE WITH
PARTICULAR ATTENTION IN REAR AREAS TO POSSIBLE ATTACKS FROM SEA-
WARD X PARA X CHARLIE PETERS 6TH MAR DIV AND DIV ARTY 8178 HOW 3 X
22D MAR REINF 7777 MIKE X PARA X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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Opn 0
No 52-45

6th Mar Div
In the field
9 May 45, 0030

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU-REITO.

Task Orgn

a. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col WHALING

29th Mar
Co C 6th Med Bn
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col SCHNEIDER

22d Mar
Co B 6th Med Bn
Co A 9th Amph Trac Bn
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
2d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

c. Div Arty

Col LUCKEY

15th Mar
Co E 6th Med Bn

d. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol METZGER

1st Armd Amph Bn
3d Armd Amph Bn (less 4 Plats)

e. Tank Gp

LtCol DENIG

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

f. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol COFFMAN

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

Opn 0 No 52-45

Opn O No 52-45 (Contd.)

g. <u>6th Engr Bn</u>	Maj SACKETT
h. <u>6th MT Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol GOULD
i. <u>6th Ser Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol ENTWINGER
j. <u>6th Med Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtComdr COWAN
k. <u>Div Hq Trs</u>	LtCol STEPHENSON

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

l. 4th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res) Col SHAPLEY

4th Mar
Co A 6th Med Bn
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
- b. (1) Air and NGF Spt available on call.
- (2) 10th Army continues Adv to seize Army Objective Line with Corps abreast; XXIV Corps on left. For Army Objective Line see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
- (3) XXIV Corps Arty and III Phib Corps Arty will reinforce fires of 15th Mar on priority call.
- (4) III Phib Corps continues Adv to south, with Divs abreast, 1st Mar Div on left making main effort, and seizes Army Objective Line within Z of action.
2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) attacks at dawn 10 May to seize Army Objective Line and high ground at 7573 ROGER and DOG and 7574 OBOE. Assists 1st Mar Div. Protects Corps right (west) flank. For LD, Bds, and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 29th Mar (Reinf): Continue Def of assigned sector (Opn overlay). Be prepared to move 1 Bn as far south as 7575 JIG, MAN, SUGAR to protect right flank and rear of 22d Mar (Reinf). Coordinate all beach defenses within assigned sector.

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- b. 22nd Mar (Reinf): Move assault units across ASA KAWA Estuary prior to dawn 10 May. Cross LD at first light and, by flanking action from the west, seize high ground at 7573 ROGER and DOG, and 7574 OBOE. Protect own right (west) flank.
- c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and called fires. Be prepared to mass fires and smoke on high ground at 7573 DOG and ROGER and 7673 QUEEN.
- d. Armd Amph Gp: Spt Atk of 22d Mar with 1 Co. Emplace tractors for Beach Def between 7575 ROGER and 8383 UNCLE.
- e. Tank Gp: Be prepared to Spt Atk of 22d Mar with 1 Co. if: Rcn by assault Trs indicates feasibility of tank Opns within Z of action.
- f. Amph Trac Gp: Be prepared to move on order to assembly areas to be designated. Provide logistic Spt as required.
- g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal duties. Develop road from 7575 NAW-5 to 7678 PETER-3. Provide 1 mine lifting team for each assault Co. Reconnoiter ASA KAWA Estuary for possible crossings or bridge sites.
- h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Med Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- l. 4th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res): Remain present bivouac prepared to move on 8 hours notice to Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) or to assume responsibility for all or a part of 29th Mar (Reinf) defense sector.
- x. (1) All units conduct anti-sniper patrols within assigned areas.
(2) Contact left to right.
(3) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bds between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
(4) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.

Opn O No 52-45 (Contd)

4. Adm details no change.
5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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Opn O
No 53-45

6th Mar Div
In the field
10 May 45, 1800

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU-REITO.

a. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col WHALING

29th Mar
Co C 6th Med Bn
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col SCHNEIDER

22d Mar
Co B 6th Med Bn
Co A 9th Amph Trac Bn
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
2d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

c. Div Arty

Col LUCKEY

15th Mar
Co E 6th Med Bn

d. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol METZGER

1st Armd Amph Bn
3d Armd Amph Bn (less 4 Plats)

e. Tank Gp

LtCol DENIG

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

f. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol COFFMAN

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

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g. <u>6th Engr Bn</u>	Maj SACKETT
h. <u>6th MT Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol GOULD
i. <u>6th Ser Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol ENTRINGER
j. <u>6th Med Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtComdr COWAN
k. <u>Div Hq Trs</u>	LtCol STEPHENSON

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

l. 4th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res) Col SHAPLEY

4th Mar
Co A 6th Med Bn
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.

b. (1) Atk will be preceded by Arty, NGF and Air preparation.
Thereafter fires on call.

(2) 10th Army attacks to south with Corps abreast; III Phib Corps on right, to destroy enemy forces in southern OKI-NAWA, enveloping and reducing the SHURI position and seizing the hill masses in the area KARA-KAMIZATO.

(3) III Phib Corps Arty will reinforce fires of Div Arty on priority call.

(4) III Phib Corps will attack to south with 2 Divs abreast making main effort on the left; envelop SHURI hill mass from the west, assist XXIV Corps and seize Army objective within Z of action; thereafter will capture NAHA and ORUKU MURA Peninsula.

(5) 1st Mar Div (Reinf) will attack to south within its Z of action making the Corps main effort and capture the SHURI hill mass within Z of action by enveloping from west; thereafter it will seize that portion of line NAHA 7371 FOX - 7669 LOVE - 7869 GEORGE within Z of action.

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2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) attacks to south within its Z of action to seize O-a, prepared to continue the attack to seize that portion of general line NAHA (7371 FOX) - RJ (7669 LOVE) - RJ (7869 GEORGE) within Z of action; assist 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver; protects Corps right (west) flank; prepared for further advance to seize second Army objective and to capture ORUKU MURA Peninsula on order. GEORGE-hour - 110700. For LD, Bds, and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 29th Mar (Reinf): Defend assigned sector (Opn overlay). Be prepared to Atch one Bn to 22d Mar (Reinf) at 0800 11 May. Coordinate all beach defenses within assigned sector.
- b. 22d Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-a making main effort in direction 7574 YOKE, 7573 ROGER 1. Assist 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver. Protect own right (west) flank.
- c. Div Arty: Displace remainder 15th Mar to assigned position areas on 11 May. Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and called fires. Be prepared to mass fires on 7573 ROGER.
- d. Armd Amph Gp: Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co. Emplace tractors for beach Def between 7575 ROGER and 8383 UNCLE.
- e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 2 Cos. Assemble tanks in vicinity 7575 MIKE, NAN, ITEM, prepared to cross estuary immediately upon completion of bridging.
- f. Amph Trac Gp: Remain present location. Be prepared to provide 1 additional Co for logistic Spt 22d Mar (Reinf) as required.
- g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Erect 35 ton bridge across ASA KAWA Estuary in vicinity 7574 DOG prior 0400 11 May. Provide 1 mine lifting team for each assault Co. Continue development lateral road north of ASA KAWA Estuary for logistic Spt 22d Mar (Reinf)
- h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Med Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- l. 4th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res): Remain present bivouac prepared to move on 8 hours notice to Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) or to assume responsibility for all or a part of 29th Mar (Reinf) defense sector.

Opn O No 53-45 (Contd)

- x. (1) All units conduct anti-sniper patrols within assigned areas.
- (2) Contact left to right.
- (3) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bds between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
- (4) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
4. Adm details no change.
5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN 0 NO 54-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CEASES ATK 1700 11 MAY X

DEFENDS GROUND HELD X RESUMES ATK 0700 12 MAY TO SEIZE

OBOE DASH BAKER LINE AS FOLLOWS COLON 7673 NAN 4 7672

DOG 3 LOVE 1 KING 1 7573 JIG 5 DOG 5 7573 WILLIAM 5

KING 3 7473 NAN 4 X LD PRESENT FRONT LINES X PARA X 22D

MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH BAKER MAKING MAIN EFFORT

ON THE RIGHT X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 55-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CEASES ATK 1700 12 MAY X
DEFENDS GROUND HELD X RESUMES ATK 0730 13 MAY TO SEIZE
REMAINDER OBOE DASH BAKER LINE X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
PAREN 3/29 ATCHD PAREN ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH BAKER X
ASSIST 1ST MAR DIV ON LEFT BY FIRE AND MANEUVER X CONDUCT
VIGOROUS PATROLLING INTO NAHA TOWN TO DETERMINE NATURE
AND STRENGTH OF ENEMY RESISTANCE X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF
PAREN LESS 3/29 PAREN MOV'T BY MARCHING TO ASSEMBLY AREAS
IN 7675 KING LOVE MIKE AND OBOE 7674 CHARLIE DOG EASY
AND 7675 XRAY YOKE X BIVOUAC AND AWAIT ORDERS X PARA X
4TH MAR REINF MOVE BY MOTOR AND MARCHING TO DEFENSE SECTOR
VACATED BY 29TH MAR REINF PAREN SEE OPN ORDER NO 53-45 FOR
LIMITS OF SECTOR PAREN X OCCUPY ORGANIZE AND DEFEND ASSIGNED
SECTOR X SEE ANNEX ABLE TO BE ISSUED FOR MOVEMENT PLAN X PARA
X 6TH TANK BN SPT ATK 22D MAR REINF X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN SPT
ATK 22D MAR REINF WITH ONE CO X PARA X 6TH MT BN FURNISH
TRANSPORTATION FOR MOVEMENT OF 4TH MAR REINF IN ACCORDANCE
WITH ANNEX ABLE TO BE ISSUED X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO
CHANGE X

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MOVEMENT PLAN
3d Ech - 13 May 45
4TH MAR, REINF

Serial No	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total In Ser	Detruck At
75	1st Ech 2/4	9291 O Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	0900	0930	35	0	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
76	2d Ech 2/4 1st Ech 3/4	9291 O 9291 Y Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B Route B	0930	1000	6 16	13 0	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
77	2d Ech 3/4 1st Ech H&S, 4th Mar 1st Plat, Ord Co, 6th Ser Bn 1st Plat, S&S 6th Ser Bn Det 6th JASCO	9291 Y 9292 W2 Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	1000	1030	25	0 10	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
78	2d Ech, 1&S, 4th Mar	9292 W2 Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	1330	1400	25	10	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
79	1st Ech 1/4	9191 I Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	1400	1430	35	0	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
80	2d Ech 1/4 1st Ech Wpns Co 4th Mar	9191 I Inubi-IP- Route A 9291 D1 Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	1430	1500	6 0	10 19	35	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)

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Opn O No 55-45 (Cont'd)

Serial No	Unit	Route Out	Route Return	Depart EP	Pass IP	Trks Assigned	Orgnl Vehicles	Total In Ser	Detruck at
81	2d Ech Wprs Co, 4th Mar	9291 DL Inubi-IP- Route A	Route B	1500	1530	0	27	38	7978 Oboe (Uchitomari)
	Co. A, 6th Med Bn	9292 W Inubi-IP- Route A				3	8		

Note #1 - Route A Inubi-Route 16 west-Route 1 south-Uchitomari

Note #2 - Route B Uchitomari-Route 1 north-Route 16 east-Inubi

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6th Mar Div
In the field
13 May 45

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Opn O
No 56-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU-REITO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

a. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col Schneider

22d Mar
Co B 6th Med Bn
Co A 9th Amph Trac Bn
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
2d Plat S&S Co (less Dets)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col Whaling

29th Mar
Co C 6th Med Bn
Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co (less 1 Sec)
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
3d Plat S&S Co (less Dets)
Det 6th JASCO

c. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar
Co E 6th Med Bn

d. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol Metzger

1st Armd Amph Bn
3d Armd Amph Bn (less 4 Plats)

e. Tank Gp

LtCol Denig

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

f. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

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g. <u>6th Engr Bn</u>	Maj Sackett
h. <u>6th MT Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol Gould
i. <u>6th Ser Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol Entringer
j. <u>6th Med Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtComdr Cowan
k. <u>Div Hq Trs</u>	LtCol Stephenson

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

1. 4th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res) Col Shapley

4th Mar
Co A 6th Med Bn
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
 - b. (1) Atk will be preceded by Arty, NGF and Air preparation. Thereafter fires on call.
 - (2) III Phib Corps will continue Atk to south with Divs abreast; 6th Mar Div on the right, to envelop the SHURI hill mass from the west.
 - (3) 1st Mar Div will continue Atk to the south within its Z of action, making the Corps main effort, to capture the SHURI hill mass in Z of action by envelopment from west.
2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) continues Atk to southeast to seize O-c, O-d and Corps objective line within Z of action; assists 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver; protects Corps right (west) flank; prepared for further advance to second Army objective and to capture ORUKU MURA Peninsula on order. How-hour - 140730. LD - lines held at How-hour. For Bds and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-c in Z of action. Organize north bank of ASATO River for Def. Conduct active patrolling in NAHA and make preparation for crossing ASATO River. Assist 29th Mar on left by fire and maneuver. Protect own right (west) flank.
- b. 29th Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-c in Z of action, prepared to continue the Atk to seize O-d on order. Assist 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver.
- c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and called fires. Be prepared to mass fires at 7772 U 4.
- d. Armd Amph Gp: Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co. Emplace tractors for beach Def between 8383 U and 7474 J.
- e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk of 29th Mar (Reinf) with 2 Cos. Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co.
- f. Amph Trac Gp: Remain present location. Emplace tractors for beach Def. See Opn overlay.
- g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Spt Atk of 22d Mar and 29th Mar. As soon as Adv will permit reconnoiter upper reaches of ASATO River for possible crossings. Continue development of lateral road net south of ASA KAWA Estuary.
- h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Med Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- l. 4th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res): Defend assigned sector (Opn overlay). Be prepared to move on 8 hours notice to Spt Atk of either assault Regt or to pass to III Phib Corps Res.
- x. (1) 3/29 reverts to parent control 1800, 13 May.
(2) All units conduct anti-sniper patrols within assigned areas.
(3) Contact left to right.
(4) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bds between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.

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(5) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.

4. Adm details no change.

5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 57-45 X LCI BOMBARDMENT OF NAHA 0500 DASH 0600 X AIR
PREPARATION 0630 DASH 0700 X 15 MINUTE NGF AND ARTY PREPARATION
COMMENCING HOW HOUR X THEREAFTER FIRES ON CALL X PARA X 6TH MAR
DIV RESUMES ATK 0800 15 MAY TO SEIZE OBOE DASH CHARLIE LINE X
CONTINUES RCN OF NAHA TO DETERMINE NATURE AND STRENGTH OF ENEMY
RESISTANCE THEREIN X PARA X 22D MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH
CHARLIE IN ZONE OF ACTION X CONTINUE VIGOROUS RCN PATROLLING IN
NAHA SOUTH OF ASATO RIVER X ASSIST 29TH MAR REINF X PARA X 29TH
MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH CHARLIE IN ZONE OF ACTION X
ASSIST 1ST MAR DIV ON LEFT BY FIRE AND MANEUVER X PARA X ALL OTHER
UNITS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 58-45 X LCI BOMBARDMENT NAHA AIRDRONE AREA
0600-0700 X AIR PREPARATION 0630-0700 X 20 MINUTE NGF
AND ARTY PREPARATION COMMENCING HOW HOUR X THEREAFTER
FIRES ON CALL X PARA X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0800
16 MAY TO SEIZE OBOE CHARLIE LINE X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
ATK TO SEIZE OBOE CHARLIE LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA
X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE CHARLIE LINE IN ZONE
OF ACTION MAKING MAIN EFFORT IN CENTER OF REGTL ZONE X
ASSIST ADVANCE OF 22D MAR REINF ON RIGHT AND 1ST MAR DIV
ON LEFT X PARA X 6TH MT BN MOVE BY MOTOR TO NEW BIVOUAC
AREA IN 8178 DOG X PARA X RCN CO ATCHD TO 22D MAR REINF
FOR NIGHT DEFENSE X BIVOUAC DURING DAY IN ASSIGNED AREA X
MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR DAY OR NIGHT RCN IN NAHA X PARA X
ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 59-45 X LCI BOMBARDMENT NAHA AIRDROME AREA

0600-0700 X 20 MINUTE NGF AND ARTY PREPARATION COMMENCING

HOW HOUR X THEREAFTER FIRES ON CALL X PARA X 6TH MAR DIV

RESUMES ATK 0830 17 MAY TO SEIZE OBOE CHARLIE LINE X BDS

BETWEEN REGTS 7672 ABLE 3 FOX 5 KING 5 QUEEN 3 VICTOR 5

7671 BAKER 4 HOW 5 MIKE 5 ROGER 5 WILLIAM 4 X PARA X 22D

MAR REINF REMAIN PRESENT POSITIONS X ORGANIZE AND DEFEND

GROUND HELD X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE

CHARLIE LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS

NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CT III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 60-45 X20 MINUTE NGF AND ARTY PREPARATION COMMENCING
HOW HOUR X THEREAFTER FIRES ON CALL X PARA X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES
ATK 0730 18 MAY TO SEIZE REMAINDER OF OBOE CHARLIE LINE AND TO
CONSOLIDATE PRESENT POSITIONS X BD BETWEEN REGTS 7572 E5 04 T2
7672 U2 7671 H1 M5 R5 W5 7670 C2 N5 X5 X PARA X-22D MAR REINF REMAIN
PRESENT POSITIONS X ORGANIZE AND DEFEND GROUND HELD X PARA X 29TH
MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE REMAINDER OF OBOE CHARLIE LINE AND CON-
SOLIDATE GROUND HELD X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 61-45 X ARTY AIR AND NGF SPT AVAILABLE ON CALL X PARA X ON 19 MAY
6TH MAR DIV CONSOLIDATES POSNS HELD AND REDUCES BYPASSED STRONGPOINTS
PREPARED TO RESUME THE ATK TO SOUTHWARD 20 MAY X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
ADVANCE TO OCCUPY BANK OF ASATO RIVER IN 7572 SUGAR 2 TARE 2 TO CON-
SOLIDATE LINES X BE PREPARED TO LAY DOWN DIVERSIONARY FIRE IN TA 7671
7771 AND 7772 TO ASSIST IN COVERING RELIEF OF 29TH MAR REINF BY 4TH MAR
REINF X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF COMMENCING 0600 MOVE BY MOTOR AND MARCHING
TO RELIEVE 29TH MAR REINF IN ITS ZONE OF ACTION X ROUTE OF MOTOR MARCH
PRESENT POSN VIA ROUTE 1 TO 7575 NAN OBOE TARE THENCE BY MARCHING TO ZONE
OF 29TH MAR REINF X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF DEFEND LINES HELD UNTIL RELIEF
BY 4TH MAR REINF IS EFFECTED X UPON RELIEF MOVE BY MOTOR AND MARCHING
TO DEF SECTOR VACATED BY 4TH MAR REINF X BE PREPARED TO MOVE TO SPT ATK
OF 4TH MAR REINF OR TO PASS TO CORPS RES ON ORDER X OCCUPY ASSIGNED
SECTOR CONTINUE ORGN AND DEF OF GROUND X PARA X 6TH TANK BN REMAIN
RENDEZVOUS AREA X CONTINUE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF VEHICLES X PARA X 6TH
MT BN DISPATCH 40 TRUCKS TO 8079 VICTOR TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN 0830 FOR
TRANSPORTATION OF 1/4 TO 7575 NAN OBOE TARE X PASS INITIAL POINT PAREN
8078 ITEM 5 PAREN 0900 X TRUCKS REMAIN AT 7575 NAN PREPARED TO TRANSPORT
ONE BN 29TH MAR REINF TO 8079 VICTOR UPON WITHDRAWAL FROM FRONT LINES X
PARA X DIV ARTY EXECUTE HARASSING AND SMOKE MISSIONS ON CALL OF 29TH MAR
REINF TO COVER RELIEF X PARA X COMPLETION RELIEF FRONT LINE UNITS UPON
MUTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNITS INVOLVED X 4TH MAR REINF REPORT TIME
RELIEF COMPLETED X 29TH MAR REINF REPORT OCCUPATION ASSIGNED DEF SECTOR X
ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
19 May 45, 1530

Opn O
No 62-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

a. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col Roberts

22d Mar
Co B 6th Med Bn
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
2d Plat S&S Co (less Dets)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 4th Mar (Reinf)

Col Shapley

4th Mar
Co A 6th Med Bn
Co A 4th Amph Trac Bn
1st Plat Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co (less 1 Sec)
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
1st Plat S&S Co (less Dets)
Det 6th JASCO

c. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar
Co E 6th Med Bn

d. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol Metzger

1st Armd Amph Bn
3d Armd Amph Bn (less 1 Co and 4 Plats)

e. Tank Gp

LtCol Denig

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

f. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

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g. <u>6th Engr Bn</u>	Maj Sackett
h. <u>6th MT Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol Gould
i. <u>6th Ser Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtCol Entringer
j. <u>6th Med Bn (less Dets)</u>	LtComdr Cowan
k. <u>Div Hq Trs</u>	LtCol Stephenson

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

l. 29th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res) Col Whaling

29th Mar
Co C 6th Med Bn
Det Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
- b. (1) Atk will be preceded by Arty, NGF and Air preparation. Thereafter fires on call.
- (2) III Phib Corps will continue Atk to south with Divs abreast; 6th Mar Div on the right, to envelop the SHURI hill mass from the west.
- (3) 1st Mar Div will continue Atk to the south within its Z of action, making the Corps main effort, to capture the SHURI hill mass in Z of action by envelopment from west.
2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) continues Atk to southward to seize C-e and Corps objective line within Z of action; assists 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver; protects Corps right (west) flank; prepared for further Adv on order. How hour - 200730. For Ld, Bds and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Continue Orgn and Def of present positions. Maintain physical occupation of north bank, ASATO River; Adv left flank to conform with movement of 4th Mar (Reinf).

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- b. 4th Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-e in Z of action, prepared to resume Atk on order to cross ASATO River. Assist 1st Mar Div on left by fire and maneuver.
- c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and call fires. Mass fires at 7672 Xray 3.
- d. Armd Amph Gp: Emplace tractors for beach Def between 8383 Uncle and 7474 Jig. Be prepared to provide direct fire Spt to 4th Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co on 1 hours notice.
- e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk 4th Mar (Reinf).
- f. Amph Trac Gp: Emplace tractors for beach Def within assigned area.
- g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Spt Atk 4th Mar (Reinf). Make preparations for establishment of a heavy vehicle crossing over ASATO River at 7572 Yoke 5.
- h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Med Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- l. 29th Mar (Reinf)(Div Res): Defend assigned sector; reorganize and rehabilitate. Be prepared to move on 12 hours notice to Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf) or to pass to III Phib Corps Res.
- x. (1) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bds will be coordinated by this Hq.
(2) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
(3) Contact right to left.
(4) All units continue anti-sniper patrol within assigned areas

4. Adm details no change.

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5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 63-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 21 MAY TO
SEIZE AND CONSOLIDATE REMAINDER OBOE EASY LINE X BDS NO
CHANGE X LD FRONT LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 22D MAR
REINF CONTINUE ORGN AND DEF PRESENT POSNS X MAINTAIN PHYSICAL
OCCUPATION NORTH BANK ASATO RIVER X ADV LEFT FLANK TO CONFORM
WITH MOVEMENT OF 4TH MAR REINF X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE REMAINDER OF OBOE EASY LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PREPARED
TO RESUME ATK ON ORDER TO CROSS ASATO RIVER X PARA X RCN CO
MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR RCN NAHA AREA NIGHT OF 21-22 MAY X
CROSSING TO BE MADE IN VICINITY 7572 MIKE 4 X ADDITIONAL DETAILS
LATER X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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211800

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 64-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES ATK 0730 22 MAY
TO COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF ASATO RIVER LINE TO 7672 VICTOR
AND TO ORGANIZE LEFT FLANK FOR STRONG DEF X BDS NO CHANGE X
LD FRONT LINES HELD HOW HOUR X PARA X 22D MAR REINF CLEAR
REMAINING ENEMY FROM 7572 NAN AND OBOE X CONSOLIDATE ASATO
RIVER LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION. X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE HILL AT 7672 UNCLE X ORGANIZE LINE 7772 FOX 7672 ITEM
DASH MIKE DASH ROGER DASH VICTOR FOR STRONG DEF X PARA X
RCN CO PREPARE TO CONTINUE RCN NAHA AREA NIGHT 22-23 MAY X
PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 65-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONSOLIDATES ASATO RIVER
LINE 23 MAY AND CONTINUES RCN OF NAHA X PREPARES TO
EXECUTE RIVER CROSSING BETWEEN 7572 SUGAR AND 7672 UNCLE
ON 24 MAY X PARA X 22D MAR REINF REMAIN PRESENT POSNS X
CONSOLIDATE ASATO RIVER LINE IN ASSIGNED SECTOR X PARA X
4TH MAR REINF ORGANIZE AND DEFEND PRESENT POSNS WITH PAR-
TICULAR ATTENTION TO STRONG DEF OF LEFT FLANK X CONDUCT
VIGOROUS RCN PATROLS INTO NAHA TO DETERMINE NATURE AND
STRENGTH OF ENEMY DISPOSITIONS X RCN TO BE CONFINED TO
TARGET AREAS 7572 AND 7571 X MAKE PREPARATIONS TO EXECUTE
RIVER CROSSING ALONG GENERAL LINE 7572 SUGAR DASH 7672 UNCLE X
PARA X 6TH ENGR BN MAKE FINAL PREPARATIONS PRIOR 1800 23 MAY
FOR PROVIDING HEAVY VEHICULAR CROSSING OF ASATO RIVER IN
VICINITY 7572 YOKE X PARA X 6TH TANK BN CONDUCT ROUTE RCN
AND PREPARE VEHICLES FOR RIVER CROSSING VICINITY 7572 YOKE
ON 24 MAY X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

SUPPLEMENT MY OPN O NO 65-45 AS FOLLOWS X 4TH MAR PATROLS IN NAHA
WILL BE INITIATED AT DAWN 23 MAY AND RESULTS TRANSMITTED TO THIS
HQ TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN 231000 X IN EVENT RESISTANCE ENCOUNTERED
IS LIGHT 4TH MAR BE PREPARED TO CROSS ASATO IMMEDIATELY WITH 2 BNS
TO SEIZE AND ORGANIZE GENERAL LINE 7572 QUEEN VICTOR 7571 CHARLIE
ITEM JIG 7671 FOX X PARA X 6TH TANK BN BE PREPARED TO ASSIST 6TH
ENGR BN IN ESTABLISHING TANK CROSSING IN VICINITY 7572 YOKE AFTER
231000 X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN BE PREPARED TO ESTABLISH TANK CROSSING
VICINITY 7572 YOKE AFTER 231000 X PARA X 15TH MAR BE PREPARED TO SMOKE
7270, 7370, 7570, 7670, 7770, 7771 ANY TIME AFTER 230600 X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
23 May 45

Opn O
No 66-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

- a. 22d Mar (Reinf) Col Roberts
22d Mar
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
2d Plat S&S Co (loss Dets)
Det 6th JASCO
- b. 4th Mar (Reinf) Col Shapley
4th Mar
6th Rcn Co
1st Plat Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co (loss 1 Sec)
91st Chem Mort Co (Sop) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
1st Plat S&S Co (loss Dets)
Det 6th JASCO
- c. Div Arty Col Luckoy
15th Mar
- d. Armd Amph Gp Maj Werga
1st Armd Amph Bn
3d Armd Amph Bn (loss 1 Co and 4 Plats)
- e. Tank Gp LtCol Denig
6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co
- f. Amph Trac Gp LtCol Coffman
4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn
- g. 6th Engr Bn Maj Sackett
- h. 6th MT Bn (loss Dets) LtCol Gould

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- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets) LtCol Entringer
- j. 6th Mod Bn LtComdr Cowan
- k. Div Hq Trs LtCol Stephenson
 - Hq Bn
 - 6th JASCO (less Dets)

- 1. 29th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res) Col Whaling
 - 29th Mar
 - Det Co C 6th MT Bn
 - 3d Plat Ord Co
 - 3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Soc)
 - Det 6th JASCO

- 1. a. See current G-2 summaries

- b. (1) Arty and NGF will harrass target prior to Atk.

- (2) III Phib Corps will continue Atk to south with Divs abreast; 6th Mar Div on the right, to envelop the SHURI hill mass from the west.

- (3) 1st Mar Div will continue Atk to the south within its Z of action, making the Corps main effort, to capture the SHURI hill mass in Z of action by envelopment from west.

- 2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) attacks 0730 24 May to seize O-f line; assists 1st Mar Div; protects Corps right (west) flank. For LD, Bds and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

- 3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Defend line from 7474 Y, 7473 Y, to 7572 M4 and from 7671 B1 to 7672 I3. Relief of 4th Mar (Reinf) along line between 7671 B1 and 7672 I3 to be completed prior 240800.

- b. 4th Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-f. Opn overlay.

- c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and call fires. Mass fires on 7671 X1. Be prepared to smoke high ground in 7270, 7370, 7369, 7669, 7770, and 7771.

- d. Armd Amph Gp: Be prepared to Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co. Continue assigned beach Def mission.

- e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf) if weather and terrain permit.

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- f. Amph Trac Gp: Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf) as required. Continue execution assigned beach Def mission.
 - g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Install bridge across ASANO River in vicinity 7572 M4 at earliest possible time.
 - h. 6th ME Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
 - i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
 - j. 6th Med Bn: Execute normal missions. Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co.
 - k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
 - l. 29th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res): Remain present bivouac prepared to move on 8 hours notice to Spt Atk of 4th Mar (Reinf), to assume responsibility for all or a part of 22d Mar (Reinf) Def mission, or to pass to III Phib Corps Res.
 - x. (1) Contact right to left.
(2) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bd between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
(3) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
4. Adm details no change.
5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 67-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RELIEF ATTACKS 0730

25 MAY TO SEIZE OBOE FOX LINE X PROTECTS CORPS

RIGHT PAREN WEST PAREN FLANK X LD BDS SCHEME OF

MANEUVER AND OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 68-45 X 6TH MAR DIV DEFENDS LINES HELD 26 MAY

AND CONDUCTS RCN TO THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST X PARA X

22D MAR REINF OCCUPY ORGANIZE AND DEFEND LINE 7473 NAM 4

YOKE 2 7472 OBOE 2 TARE 4 AND LINE 7672 NAM 1 DASH 7671

FOX 1 X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF PAREN 1/29 ATCHD PAREN ORGANIZE

AND DEFEND PRESENT FRONT LINE X PATROL 500 YDS TO FRONT X

1/29 NOT TO BE COMMITTED WITHOUT AUTHORITY FROM THIS HQ X

PARA X RCN CO CONTINUE RCN OF NAHA TO LINE 7472 HOW 3 DASH

XRAY 3 X PARA X 6TH TANK BN REMAIN IN RENDEZVOUS AREA X

REPAIR AND MAINTAIN EQUIPMENT X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN INSTALL

FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS ASATO RIVER IN VICINITY 7573 UNCLE 4 AT

EARLIEST POSSIBLE TIME X ALL OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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261600

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV
INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV
OPN O NO 69-45 X 6TH MAR DIV DEFENDS PRESENT
LINES 27 MAY X CONDUCTS PATROLS TO THE FRONT
X PARA X FRONT LINE UNITS CONDUCT PATROLS 500
YDS TO FRONT X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN CONTINUE OPNS
TO REESTABLISH ROUTES OF COMMUNICATIONS WITH
FRONT LINE UNITS X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO
CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
27 May 45, 1715

Opn O
No 70-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU REMTO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

a. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col Roberts

22d Mar
6th Rcn Co
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
2d Plat S&S Co (less Dets)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col Whaling

29th Mar
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep)(USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
Det 6th JASCO

c. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar

d. 3d Armd. Amph Bn

Maj Parker

e. Tank Gp

LtCol Donig

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat, Ord Co

f. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

g. 6th Engr Bn

Maj Sackett

h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets)

LtCol Gould

i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets)

LtCol Entringer

j. 6th Med Bn

LtComdr Cowan

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k. Div Hq Trs

LtCol Stephenson

Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

1. 4th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res)

Col Shapley

4th Mar
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Plat S&S Co (less PX Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
- b. (1) Arty and IGT available on call.
- (2) III Phil Corps continues Atk to reduce SHURI Posn.
- (3) 1st Mar Div continues pressure on enemy within Z of action and assists XXIV Corps on left in reduction of SHURI Posn by fire and maneuver.
2. 6th Mar Div (Reinf) attacks 0830 28 May to seize O-g line. LD front lines held at H-hour. For Bds and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Atk to seize O-g in Z of action. Assist 29th Mar (Reinf) on left. Protect Div right (west) flank.
- b. 29th Mar (Reinf): Pass 1/29 through right elements of 4th Mar (Reinf) and Atk to seize O-g in Z of action. Commence forward movement of 2/29 and 3/29 by motor and marching prior 280630. Effect relief 4th Mar upon arrival.
- c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and call fires. Mass fires on 7570 G.
- d. 3d Armd Amph Bn: Remain present Posns. Continue assigned beach Def mission. Be prepared to execute indirect fire smoke missions with at least 2 Plats.
- e. Tank Gp: Remain in rendezvous area. Continue maintenance and repair of Wpns. Be prepared to Spt Atk as soon as weather and terrain permit.
- f. Amph Trac Gp: Spt Atk of 29th Mar (Reinf) and 22d Mar (Reinf) as required. Continue execution assigned beach Def mission.

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- g. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Continue improvement of lines of communications within Div Z and development of crossings over ASATO River.
- h. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions. Provide 35 trucks at 8078 O prior 280600 to transport elements of 29th Mar (Reinf) to 7575 Y. Upon completion of movement of 29th Mar (Reinf) vehicles available to 4th Mar (Reinf).
- i. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Med Bn: Execute normal missions. Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co and 29th Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co.
- k. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- l. 4th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res): Remain present Posns until relieved by elements of 29th Mar (Reinf). As units are relieved withdraw to Div rest area at 7778 R. Upon completion movement of 29th Mar (Reinf), trucks available to move 4th Mar (Reinf).
- x. (1) 1/29 reverts parent control 272000.
(2) Contact right to left.
(3) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bd between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
(4) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.

4. Adm details no change.

5. a. For CPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Ablo, Opn overlay.

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In the field
28 May 45, 1010

Opn O
No 71-45

NAHA Defense Plan

Task Orgn

a. NAHA Def Gp

Maj Walker

6th Rcn Co
2 Plats, 3d Armd Amph Bn
1 37mm Plat, Wpns/29
1 37mm Plat, Wpns/22
Det, 6th MT Bn

1. a. Enemy infiltration or counterlanding into NAHA area may be expected at any time.
2. 6th Mar Div defends NAHA area against enemy counterattack.
3. a. NAHA Def Gp: Organize NAHA coast line from 7472 E - 7371 K to 7371 T for Def by establishment of strong-points at key localities along coast. Conduct anti-sniper patrols within assigned areas during daylight as necessary.
 - x. (1) Calls for Arty Spt direct to 15th Mar FDC.
 - (2) Task Orgn attachments effective 281600.
4. Dp distribution from Div Dp 7574 G.
5. a. (1) Sig Co install and maintain wire Coms.
 - (2) Establish Div Rcn net (2142 KCS).
- b. Beach Def Gp CP to be reported.

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In the field
28 May 45, 1500

Opn O
No 72-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO, Contour Revised.

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
b. (1) Arty and NGF available on call.
(2) III Phib Corps continues Atk to reduce SHURI Posn.
(3) 1st Mar Div continues pressure on enemy within Z of action and assists XXIV Corps on left in reduction of SHURI Posn by fire and maneuver.
2. 6th Mar Div resumes Atk at dawn 29 May to seize O-h line. For LD, Bds and scheme of maneuver see Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 29th Mar (Reinf): Atk 0700 and making main effort on the right seize O-h in Z of action.
b. 22d Mar (Reinf): Cross NAHA Canal under cover of darkness and Atk at dawn to seize O-h in Z of action. When physical contact has been established between 29th Mar and 1st Mar Div, withdraw 3/22 from present defensive Posn.
c. Div Arty: Spt Atk by execution of prearranged and call fires. Mass fires on 7669 B.
d. 3d Armd Amph Bn: Remain present Posns. Continue assigned beach Def mission. Make visual Pcn preliminary to supporting Atk on OMO YAMA Island.
e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk of 22d and 29th Mar insofar as weather and terrain permit.
f. Amph Trac Gp: Spt Atk of 29th Mar (Reinf) and 22d Mar (Reinf) as required. Continue execution assigned beach Def mission.
g. NAHA Def Gp: Continue Orgn and Def of assigned sector.
h. 6th Engr Bn: Execute normal missions. Continue improvement of lines of communications within Div Z and development of crossings over ASATO River and NAHA Canal.
i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
j. 6th Ser Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
k. 6th Med Bn: Execute normal missions. Spt Atk of 22d Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co and 29th Mar (Reinf) with 1 Co

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1. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions.
- m. 4th Mar (Reinf) (Div Res): Remain present Posns. Continue rest and rehabilitation. Be prepared to pass to III Phib Corps Res.
- x. (1) Contact right to left.
- (2) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bd between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
- (3) Smoke missions other than for local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
4. Adm details no change.
5. a. For OPs and axes Sig Com see Annex Able, Opn overlay.

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 73-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES ATK 0730 30 MAY TO SEIZE
REMAINDER OF OBOE DASH HOW LINE AND NORTH BANK KOKUBA GAWA IN
ZONE OF ACTION X LD FRONT LINES AT HOW HOUR X BD BETWEEN REPTS
7571 PETER 4, 7570 NAN 1 TARE 5, 7669 ABLE 5 GEORGE 4 MIKE 5 X
PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE REMAINDER OBOE DASH HOW LINE
AND NORTH BANK KOKUBA GAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X MAINTAIN CONTACT
WITH 1ST MAR DIV ON LEFT X PARA X 22D MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE
DASH HOW LINE AND NORTH BANK OF KOKUBA GAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X
PROTECT OWN RIGHT SOUTHWEST FLANK X PARA X DIV ARTY SPT ATK BY
EXECUTION OF PREARRANGED AND CALL FIRES X MASS FIRES ON 7769 PETER 1 X
PARA X TANK GP SPT ATK OF 22D AND 29TH MAR INSOFAR AS WEATHER AND
TERRAIN PERMIT X PARA X NAHA DEF GP CONTINUE ORGN AND DEF OF ASSIGNED
SECTOR X MAKE PREPARATIONS FOR RCN IN FORCE OF ONO YAMA ISLAND
AT DAWN 30 MAY EMPLOYING ARMD AMPHIBIANS FOR TRANSPORTATION AND
SPT X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN INSTALL BAILEY BRIDGE AT 7571 CHARLIE 1 X
MAKE PLANS FOR BRIDGING KOKUBA GAWA X PARA X 708TH AMPH TANK BN
OCCUPY BEACH DEF POSNS BETWEEN 7574 BAKER AND 7371 FOX X PARA X
OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

MODIFICATION NO 1 TO OPN O NO 73-45 X INSERT

THIRD SENTENCE AS FOLLOWS QUOTE BD BETWEEN DIVS

7671 HOW 5 WILLIAM 5 7770 HOW 4 NAN 2 OBOE 4 7870

PETER 5 TO RJ AT 7869 ABLE 4 X UNQUOTE

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301700

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 74-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES ATK 0730 31 MAY TO SEIZE
REMAINDER OF OBOE DASH HOW LINE AND OBOE DASH ITEM LINE X LD
FRONT LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X BD BETWEEN REGTS 7571 VICTOR 2
WILLIAM 3 7570 DOG 5 JIG 5 7670 KING 2 LOVE 4 ROGER 5 XRAY 2
7669 EASY 5 7769 FOX 5 LOVE 5 QUEEN 2 X OBOE DASH ITEM LINE AS
FOLLOWS COLON 7569 BAKER 5 CHARLIE 5 DOG 5 7670 PETER 5 MIKE 4
ITEM 4 EASY 1 X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE REMAINDER
OBOE DASH HOW LINE AND OBOE DASH ITEM LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION X
MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH 1ST MAR DIV ON LEFT X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH HOW LINE AND OBOE DASH ITEM LINE IN ZONE
OF ACTION X PROTECT OWN RIGHT SOUTHWEST FLANK X PARA X DIV ARTY
SPT ATK BY EXECUTION PREARRANGED AND CALL FIRES X MASS FIRES ON
7769 PETER 1 X PARA X TANK GP SPT ATK BY ALL POSSIBLE MEANS X
PARA X NAHA DEF GP CONTINUE ORGN AND DEF OF ASSIGNED SECTOR X CON-
TINUE PREPARATIONS FOR RCM IN FORCE OF ONO YAMA ISLAND X PARA X
OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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312100

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 75-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES ATK 0730 1 JUNE
TO SEIZE LINE OF NORTH FORK KOKUBA RIVER IN ZONE OF
ACTION X LD FRONT LINES AT HOW HOUR X BDS UNCHANGED X
PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE LINE OF NORTH FORK
KOKUBA RIVER IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
ATK WITH MAIN EFFORT ON THE RIGHT TO SEIZE KOKUBA RIVER
LINE IN ZONE OF ACTION X ASSIST 29TH MAR X PROTECT OWN
RIGHT PAREN SOUTH PAREN FLANK X PARA X TANK GP SPT ATK BY
ALL POSSIBLE MEANS X PARA X NAHA DEF GP CONTINUE ORGN
AND DEF OF ASSIGNED SECTOR X MAKE ALL PREPARATIONS FOR
RCN OF OROKU PENINSULA NIGHT 1 DASH 2 JUNE IN GENERAL
AREA 7171 7271 7170 ABLE BAKER CHARLIE DOG EASY 7270
ABLE BAKER CHARLIE DOG EASY ITEM X PARA X OTHER UNITS
NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

WARNING ORDER X 6TH MAR DIV PREPARES TO EXECUTE AMPHIBIOUS
LANDING ON OROKU PENINSULA X TENTATIVE KING DAY 4 JUNE X
PARA X 4TH MAR REINF PREPARE TO EXECUTE DAWN ASSAULT LANDING
AND TO SEIZE AN INITIAL BEACHHEAD TO INCLUDE GENERAL AREA
7171 7271 7170 7270 X TRS AND MATERIAL TO BE EMBARKED IN LVTS
AND LCTS IN VICINITY PRESENT BIVOUAC X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF
PREPARE FOR RELIEF ON PRESENT POSN AND WITHDRAWAL TO ASSEMBLY
AREA EAST OF NAHA CANAL PREPARED TO EMBARK IN LVTS AT MOUTH
ASATO GAWA ON KING DAY AND TO LAND AND EXPLOIT BEACHHEAD X
PARA X 6TH TANK BN INSTALL DEEP WATER FORDING EQUIPMENT ON
2 COS X PREPARE TO LOAD ON LCTS IN VICINITY PORT LOOMIS ON
KING MINUS ONE X PARA X 3D ARMD AMPH BN PREPARE TO SPT ATK
WITH 1 CO PRECEDING LEADING LVT WAVE AND REMAINING TO PROVIDE
DIRECT FIRE SPT ON CALL X PARA X 15TH MAR PREPARE TO CONDUCT
PREPARATORY FIRES AND CALL FIRES IN SPT OF THE ATK X PARA X
22D MAR REINF UPON RELIEF ON PRESENT FRONT LINE WITHDRAW
TO ASSEMBLY AREA EAST OF NAHA CANAL TO BE DESIGNATED X PREPARE
TO SPT ATK OF 4TH AND 29TH MAR OR TO PASS TO CORPS RES X PARA X
ADDITIONAL DETAILS LATER X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 76-45 X 6TH MAR DIV DEFENDS PRESENT
LINE 2 JUNE X CONDUCTS PATROLS TO FRONT TO
DETERMINE NATURE AND STRENGTH OF ENEMY RESIST-
ANCE X PREPARES FOR RELIEF OF FRONT LINE UNITS
BY ELEMENTS OF 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X 29TH MAR
REINF ORGANIZE AND DEFEND PRESENT FRONT LINE X
CONDUCT PATROLS 500 YDS SOUTH OF NORTH FORK
KOKUBA RIVER IN ZONE OF ACTION X PREPARE FOR
RELIEF BY ELEMENTS OF 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X 22D
MAR REINF ORGANIZE AND DEFEND PRESENT FRONT LINES X
CONDUCT PATROLS SOUTH OF KOKUBA RIVER AS FAR AS
7668 BAKER CHARLIE DOG X PREPARE FOR RELIEF BY
ELEMENTS OF 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X NAHA DEF GP CON-
TINUE ORGN AND DEF ASSIGNED SECTOR X PARA X OTHER
UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
2 June 45, 1640

Opn O
No 77-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

a. 4th Mar (Reinf)

Col Shapley

4th Mar
1st Plat Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
5th Prov Rocket Det
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co (less 1 Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

b. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col Whaling

29th Mar
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co

c. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar

d. 6th Rcn Co

Maj Walker

e. 3d Armd Amph Bn

Maj Parker

f. Tank Gp

LtCol Denig

6th Tank Bn
Tank Maint Plat Ord Co

g. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

h. 6th Engr Bn

Maj Sackett

i. 708th Amph Tank Bn (USA)

LtCol Rossing

j. 6th MT Bn (less Dets)

LtCol Gould

k. 6th Ser Bn

LtCol Entringer

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Opn O No 77-45 (Contd)

1. 6th Med Bn LtComdr Cowan
m. Div Hq Trs LtCol Stephenson
Hq Bn
6th JASCO (less Dets)

n. 22d Mar (Reinf) Col Roberts
22d Mar
Det Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
Det 6th JASCO

1. a. See current G-2 summaries.
 - b. (1) Arty, Air and NGF will conduct destruction and neutralization missions on OROKU Peninsula prior to Atk.
 - (2) III Phib Corps drives SE converging with XXIV Corps in vicinity of TERA (7968); secures NAHA port and airfield; seizes the CHIKUTO (7466) TOMUSU (7866) hill mass; and continues Atk to S coast of OKINAWA to destroy remaining enemy in its Z of action.
 - (3) 1st Mar Div will relieve elements of 6th Mar Div within Z of action; and making the Corps main effort drive SE and seize the hill mass N of TERA (7968) and CHIKUTO (7466) - TOMUSU (7866) hill mass in Z of action; maintain contact with 6th Mar Div and continue Atk to S coast of OKINAWA destroying remaining enemy within its Z.
2. 6th Mar Div executes amphibious landing on OROKU Peninsula; seizes O-j and O-k, prepared to resume Atk to seize remainder of Peninsula in order to secure NAHA Harbor and NAHA Airfield. King Day - 4 June. Tentative H-hour - 0530. For LD, objectives and scheme of maneuver, See Annex Able, Opn overlay.
3. a. 4th Mar (Reinf): Land H-hour with 2 Bns in assault on designated beach and seize O-j. Thereafter be prepared:
- (1) To continue Atk to seize O-k; or,
 - (2) For passage of 29th Mar (Reinf) through left elements, and thereafter to continue Atk to seize O-k with Regts abreast.

Opn O No 77-45 (Contd)

- b. 29th Mar (Reinf): Assemble vicinity 7571 A B C F G H; on order embark in LVTs released by 4th Mar (Reinf); land on designated beach prepared:

(1) To assemble in Res in vicinity 7171 H I M N; or,

(2) To pass through left elements of 4th Mar (Reinf) and continue Atk to seize O-k with Regts abreast.

- c. Div Arty: Deliver 15 minute preparation on ONO YAMA Island commencing 040445. Deliver 30 minute pre-landing preparation commencing on Sig 4th Mar (Reinf). Thereafter execute fires on call.

- d. 6th Rcn Co: Land in Armd Amphs on ONO YAMA Island 040500. Secure island and cover bridging Opns thereon.

- e. 3d Armd Amph Bn: Spt Atk with 1 Co. Precede landing LVT wave by 50 Yds. Neutralize beach area during approach. Upon landing execute direct fire missions; enter 15th Mar FO net.

- f. Tank Gp: Spt Atk with 2 Cos. Embark vehicles in LVTs at Port Loomis prior 2330 King minus 1. Land How plus 30. Move maintenance material to Peninsula in second LVT trip.

- g. Amph Trac Gp: Embark 4th Mar (Reinf) at present bivouac area prior How minus 2 hours. Land on designated beach in accordance with 4th Mar (Reinf) landing plan. Upon release by 4th Mar (Reinf) assemble at mouth of ASATO River. Embark 29th Mar (Reinf); prepared to land as directed. Thereafter shuttle supplies in accordance with Adm instructions.

- h. 6th Engr Bn: Spt Atk. Initiate construction on bridges across NAHA Harbor at earliest possible time after H-hour.

- i. 708th Amph Tank Bn (USA): Emplace tanks for beach Def between 7474 E and 7271 J. Provide 2 Plats to transport and Spt 6th Rcn Co landing on ONO YAMA Island.

- j. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions. Reconnoiter for motor park site in NAHA area. Be prepared to displace forward on order.

- k. 6th Ser Bn: Execute normal missions.

- l. 6th Med Bn: Spt Atk with 2 Cos. Reconnoiter site for Div hospital in NAHA area. Be prepared to displace forward on order.

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- m. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions. Sig Co establish LD flank beacon at H minus $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Maintain until daylight.
- n. 22d Mar (Reinf): Bivouac vicinity 7471 A B F H M N Q V, as Corps Rcs. Reorganize and rehabilitate.
- x. (1) Direct Ia between supporting and supported units.
(2) All attachments to 6th Rcn Co revert parent control '030800.
- 4. Adm details by dispatch.
- 5. a. Assault Regts establish Com on Div Comd nets A and C.
b. Rcn Co establish Com on Div Rcn net.
c. Sig Co lay wire to assault Regtl CPs on OROKU Peninsula at earliest practicable time.
d. CPs locations (see Opn overlay).

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A - Opn overlay.

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 78-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 5 JUNE TO
SEIZE REMAINDER OBOE DASH KING AND OBOE DASH LOVE LINE X
BD PRESENT BD CONTINUED TO 7368 QUEEN 3 VICTOR 5 7367 HOW 3
SUGAR 3 XRAY 5 7466 KING 5 X LD FRONT LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X
OBOE DASH LOVE LINE 7568 ABLE 4 GEORGE 3 PETER 3 7467 ITEM 4
SUGAR 5 ROGER 3 PETER 3 7367 ROGER 2 PETER 1 7267 SUGAR 2
VICTOR 5 7167 XRAY 3 X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE
DASH KING AND OBOE DASH LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PROTECT OWN
RIGHT PAREN WEST PAREN FLANK X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE OBOE DASH KING AND OBOE DASH LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION X
MOVE REMAINDER OF REGT TO OROKU PENINSULA EARLIEST POSSIBLE
TIME X PARA X 6TH RCN CO REMAIN PRESENT POSNS X PARA X AMTRAC
GP PROVIDE 35 TRACTORS TO TRANSPORT REMAINDER 29TH MAR REINF
TO OROKU PENINSULA X THEREAFTER EXECUTE SUPPLY MISSIONS IN AC-
CORDANCE WITH ADM INSTRUCTIONS X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN CONTINUE
CONSTRUCTION OF BRIDGES ACROSS NAHA HARBOR X PARA X 708TH AMPH
TANK BN EMPLACE TANKS FOR BEACH DEF BETWEEN 7474 EASY AND 7470
SUGAR X PARA X CONTACT RIGHT TO LEFT X PARA X OTHER DETAILS NO
CHANGE X

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051530

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 79-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 6 JUNE TO
SEIZE OBOE DASH LOVE LINE X BDS NO CHANGE X LD FRONT LINES
HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK WITH MAIN EFFORT
ON THE RIGHT TO SEIZE OBOE DASH LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION X
PROTECT OWN RIGHT PAREN WEST PAREN FLANK X PARA X 29TH MAR
REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X
AMPH TRAC GP EXECUTE SUPPLY MISSIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ADM
INSTRUCTIONS X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN CONCENTRATE EFFORT ON IMPROVE-
MENT OF ROUTES OF COM AND REMOVAL OF MINES ON OROKU PENINSULA X
PARA X 1/22 PAREN DIV RES PAREN OCCUPY AND DEFEND GENERAL LINE
7569 YOKE 7567 TARE TO PROTECT GAP BETWEEN 1ST MAR DIV RIGHT
AND KOKUBA RIVER X CONDUCT PATROLS 500 YDS WEST AND SOUTH OF
FRONT LINE X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO
CHANGE X

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061730

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 80-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 7 JUNE TO
SEIZE OBOE DASH LOVE LINE X BDS NO CHANGE X LD FRONT
LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE HILL 47 AND OBOE DASH LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION MAKING
MAIN EFFORT ON THE RIGHT IN GENERAL DIRECTION 7267 KING,
7368 UNCLE X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH
LOVE IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 22D MAR REINF OCCUPY AND
DEFEND GENERAL LINE ALONG BD BETWEEN DIVS TO PROTECT GAP
BETWEEN 1ST MAR DIV RIGHT FLANK AND KOKUBA RIVER X CONDUCT
VIGOROUS PATROLS 500 YDS WEST OF FRONT LINE WITH PARTICULAR
ATTENTION TO HILL 103 X REPORT NATURE AND STRENGTH OF ENEMY
DEFENSES, ENCOUNTERED WITHOUT DELAY X PARA X 1ST ARMD AMPH
BN RELIEVE 708TH AMPH TANK BN OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR DEF
OF COAST LINE FROM 7474 EASY TO 7470 YOKE PRIOR 071800 X
PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN 0 NO 81-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 8 JUNE
TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X
BD BETWEEN 4TH MAR AND 29TH MAR UNCHANGED X BD BETWEEN
4TH MAR AND 22D MAR PRESENT OBOE DASH LOVE LINE X LD
FRONT LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK
TO SEIZE HILL 47 PAREN 7368 UNCLE PAREN MAKING MAIN
EFFORT IN GENERAL DIRECTION 7267 KING DASH 7368 UNCLE X
PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 58 PAREN 7368
SUGAR PAREN MAKING MAIN EFFORT ON THE LEFT X PARA X 22D
MAR REINF CONTINUE OCCUPATION AND DEF OF LINE ALONG BD
BETWEEN DIVS X ADVANCE TO WEST COAST IN ZONE OF ACTION X
ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH 4TH MAR REINF X
CONDUCT VIGOROUS PATROLS TO HIGH GROUND IN VICINITY OF
7367 OBOE AND 7467 ROGER X PREPARE TO ATK IN GENERAL
DIRECTION ZAHANA DASH TOMIGUSUKI ON 8 JUNE X PARA X
1ST ARMD AMPH BN PAREN 3D ARMD AMPH BN ATCHD PAREN EMPLACE
TRACTORS FOR BEACH DEF ALONG WEST COAST OF PENINSULA WITH-
IN DIV ZONE OF ACTION X DEFEND COAST LINE AGAINST ENEMY
SEABORNE ATK X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS
NO CHANGE X

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081830

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 82-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 9 JUNE TO
DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X FOR
BDS AND SCHEME OF MANEUVER SEE OVERLAY X LD FRONT LINES
HELD AT HOW HOUR X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 47
PAREN 7368 UNCLE PAREN AND HILL 58 PAREN 7368 HOW PAREN X
PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 53 PAREN 7368
BAKER PAREN MAKING MAIN EFFORT ON THE RIGHT X PARA X 22D
MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 28 PAREN 7367 QUEEN PAREN AND
HILL 55 PAREN 7467 OBOE PAREN X ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN CON-
TACT WITH 4TH MAR REINF X PARA X RCN CO CONDUCT RCN OF
REEF APPROACHES LANDING BEACHES AND FORESHORE OF SENAGA
SHIMA DURING PERIOD 082300 DASH 090100 X PARA X ASSAULT
UNITS EXERCISE ALL POSSIBLE CARE TO COORDINATE MOVEMENTS
AND PREVENT FIRING OF FRIENDLY TROOPS X PARA X OTHER UNITS
NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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091830

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV
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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV
OPN O NO 83-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730
10 JUNE TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN
ZONE OF ACTION X BDS NO CHANGE X LD FRONT LINES
HELD AT HOW FOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE HILLS IN 7368 TARE AND 7368 HOW X PARA X
29TH MAR REINF ATK WITH MAIN EFFORT ON THE RIGHT
TO SEIZE HIGH GROUND IN 7369 VICTOR AND 7368 EASY X
PARA X 22D MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 28 PAREN
7367 QUEEN PAREN AND HILL 55 PAREN 7367 OBOE PAREN
X PARA X RCN CO CONTINUE PREPARATIONS FOR ATK ON
SENAGA SHIMA 12 JUNE X PARA X ARMD AMPH GP EMLACE
TRACTORS FOR BEACH DEF ALONG COAST BETWEEN 7474 EASY
AND 7364 ABLE X DEPLOY ONE CO ON NAHA AIRFIELD FOR DEF
AGAINST AIRBORNE ATK X PARA X ASSAULT UNITS EXERCISE
ALL POSSIBLE CARE TO COORDINATE MOVEMENTS AND PREVENT
FIRE ON FRIENDLY TRS X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X
OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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101930

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN 0 TO 84-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 11 JUNE TO
DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X BD
BETWEEN 4TH MAR AND 22D MAR PRESENT BD TO 7367 EASY 5
7468 UNCLE 5 VICTOR 2 ROGER 5 NAN 1 ITEM 5 EASY 1 X BD
BETWEEN 4TH MAR AND 29TH MAR PRESENT BD TO 7368 JIG 2
7468 ABLE 4 BAKER 5 7469 WILLIAM 5 XRAY 1 X LD FRONT LINES
HOLD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HIGH
GROUND IN 7468 PETER QUEEN AND 7468 HOW X ASSIST 22D MAR
REINF ON RIGHT X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF ATK WITH MAIN EFFORT
ON THE RIGHT TO SEIZE HIGH GROUND IN 7369 VICTOR WILLIAM
AND 7368 EASY X PARA X 22D MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HILL 62
PAREN 7468 SUGAR TARE PAREN AND HILL 53 PAREN 7568 FOX
PAREN X PARA X RCM CO CONDUCT RCM SEMAGA SHIMA NIGHT 11-12
JUNE TO DETERMINE NATURE AND STRENGTH OF ENEMY DEFENSES
THEREON X PARA X ASSAULT UNITS EXERCISE ALL POSSIBLE CARE
TO COORDINATE MOVEMENTS AND PREVENT FIRE ON FRIENDLY TRS X
PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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121800

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 85-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730
13 JUNE TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN
ZONE OF ACTION X BDS UNCHANGED X LD FRONT LINES
HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF ATK TO
SEIZE HIGH GROUND IN 7468 HOW AND SOUTH BANK
KOKUBA ESTUARY IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 29TH
MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE SOUTH BANK KOKUBA ESTUARY
IN ZONE OF ACTION X NOMINATE ONE BN TO SEIZE AND
OCCUPY SENAGA SHIMA 14 JUNE X TASK ORGN TO BE AN-
NOUNCED X PARA X 22D MAR REINF DESTROY POCKETS
OF ENEMY RESISTANCE REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X
PARA X INF REGTS TAKE ALL POSSIBLE STEPS TO ELIMI-
NATE SNIPERS HARASSING NAHA AREA FROM OROKU PENIN-
SULA X MAINTAIN CLOSE LIAISON TO COORDINATE ADV
ALONG BDS AND TO PREVENT FIRE ON FRIENDLY TRS X
PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO
CHANGE X

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121800

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 86-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 13 JUNE
TO DESTROY ENEMY FORCES REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X
BDS UNCHANGED X LD FRONT LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X
4TH MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE HIGH GROUND IN 7468 HOW AND SOUTH
BANK KOKUBA ESTUARY IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 29TH MAR
REINF ATK TO SEIZE SOUTH BANK KOKUBA ESTUARY IN ZONE OF
ACTION X NOMINATE ONE BN TO SEIZE AND OCCUPY SENAGA SHIMA
14 JUNE X TASK ORGN TO BE ANNOUNCED X PARA X 22D MAR REINF
DESTROY POCKETS OF ENEMY RESISTANCE REMAINING IN ZONE OF
ACTION X PARA X INF REGTS TAKE ALL POSSIBLE STEPS TO ELIMINATE
SNIPERS HARASSING NAHA AREA FROM OROKU PENINSULA X
MAINTAIN CLOSE LIAISON TO COORDINATE ADV ALONG BDS AND TO
PREVENT FIRE ON FRIENDLY TRS X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X
OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
13 June 45, 2200

Opn 0
No 87-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO, Contour Revised.

Task Orgn

a. 6th Rcn Co (Reinf)

Maj Walker

6th Rcn Co
Co C, 29th Mar
1st and 2d Plats, 1st Armd Amph Bn
Det, 4th Amph Trac Bn
Demolition Team, 6th Engr Bn

1. a. Enemy forces on SENAGA SHIMA estimated between 75 and 200 AA and garrison Pers.
b. (1) Arty will execute 30-minute preparation prior How hour.
(2) Corps Arty will be prepared to execute direct fire destruction missions on call.
2. 6th Mar Div seizes SENAGA SHIMA to secure W coast OROKU Peninsula for coastwise small craft traffic. Mike Day - 14 June. How hour - 0500.
3. a. 6th Rcn Co (Reinf): Land on SENAGA SHIMA How hour, Mike day, destroys enemy forces thereon.
x. 29th Mar, less Co C, maintain 1 Co in readiness to Spt Atk if required.
4. Adm details by dispatch.
5. a. 6th Rcn Co (Reinf) establish Com on Div Rcn net prior 140100.
b. CPs no change.

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV
INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV
OPN O NO 88-45 X 6TH MAR DIV ATKS TO SEIZE SENAGA
SHIMA 14 JUNE AND DESTROYS ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE
OF ACTION X PARA X 6TH RCN CO REINF ATK 140500 TO
SEIZE SENAGA SHIMA IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPN O NO 87-
45 X PARA X INF REGTS DESTROY ENEMY REMAINING IN
ZONES OF ACTION X REST AND REHABILITATE X PARA X
15TH MAR COMMENCE DISPLACEMENT TO SELECTED POSNS
PREPARED TO SPT OPNS SOUTHERN OKINAWA X PARA X
OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV
INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV
OPN O NO 89-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES OPNS TO
DESTROY REMAINING ENEMY ON OROKU PENINSULA 15
JUNE X REORGANIZES AND PREPARES FOR FURTHER OPNS
ON ORDER X PARA X INF REGTS PATROL ASSIGNED
SECTORS X ELIMINATE ENEMY REMAINING THEREIN X
PARA X 6TH TANK BN RECONNOITER FOR NEW RENDEZVOUS
AREA SOUTH OF LINE ZAHANA DASH CHIKUTO X BE PRE-
PARED TO DISPLACE FORWARD ON ORDER X PARA X 6TH
MED BN RECONNOITER FOR NEW ASSEMBLY AREA SOUTH OF
THE LINE ZAHANA DASH CHIKUTO X BE PREPARED TO DIS-
PLACE FORWARD ON ORDER X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF AVAILABLE
AS CORPS RES X WILL NOT BE COMMITTED WITHOUT CORPS
AUTHORITY X PARA X ONE PLAT COMPANY BAKER 713TH TANK
BN DETACHED 6TH TANK BN 141455 X PARA X ALL UNITS
CONTINUE REHABILITATION X PREPARE FOR FURTHER FUR-
THER OPNS ON ORDER X

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151845

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 90-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES OPNS TO DESTROY
ENEMY REMAINING ON OROKU PENINSULA 16 JUNE X REORGANIZES
AND PREPARES FOR FURTHER OPNS ON ORDER X PARA X 4TH MAR
REINF PATROL ASSIGNED SECTOR X ELIMINATE ENEMY REMAINING
THEREIN X PARA X 22D MAR REINF COMPLETE PREPARATIONS FOR
MOVEMENT TO SOUTHERN FRONT 17 JUNE X DETAILS ON MOVEMENT
AND TIME OF RELIEF LATER X DIRECT LIAISON WITH 1ST MAR DIV
UNITS AUTHORIZED X PARA X 6TH TANK BN CONTINUE FORWARD DIS-
PLACEMENT X PARA X 6TH MED BN ESTABLISH ONE COMPANY VICINITY
ITOMAN AIRFIELD TO HANDLE AIR EVACUATION X BE PREPARED TO
DISPLACE REMAINDER OF BN FORWARD ON ORDER X PARA X 6TH RGN
CO WITHDRAW FROM SENAGA SHIMA 16 JUNE X BIVOUAC VICINITY
7167 OBOE X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF DIV RES RELEASED FROM
AVAILABILITY AS CORPS RES 170600 X PATROL ASSIGNED SECTOR X
ELIMINATE ENEMY REMAINING THEREIN X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO
CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
15 June 1945, 2345

Opn O
No 91-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO.

Task Orgn

a. 22d Mar (Reinf)

Col Roberts

22d Mar
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
2d Plat Ord Co
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
5th Prov Rocket Det
Det 6th JASCO

b. 4th Mar (Reinf)

Col Shapley

4th Mar
Det Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Mar War Dog Plat
Det 6th JASCO

c. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col Whaling

29th Mar
Det Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
Det 6th JASCO

d. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar

e. Tank Gp

LtCol Denig

6th Tank Bn
1 Plat, Co B, 713th Tank Bn (USA)
Tank Maint Plat Ord Co

f. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol Metzger

1st Armd Amph Bn
708th Amph Tank Bn (USA)

g. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn
9th Amph Trac Bn

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h. Engr Gp

Maj Sackett

6th Engr Bn
6th Pion Bn (less Co B)

i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets)

LtCol Gould

j. 6th Ser Bn

LtCol Entringer

k. 6th Med Bn

LtComdr Cowan

l. Div Hq Trs

LtCol Stephenson

Hq Bn (less Dets)
6th JASCO (less Dets)

m. 6th Ren Co

1st Lt Christie

1. a. See current G-2 summaries and periodic reports.
- b. (1) 10th Army will continue the Atk to complete destruction of enemy forces in southern Okinawa.
- (2) III Amph Corps will Atk to the S, capture all enemy Positions and complete the destruction of enemy forces in Z of action.
- c. 1st Mar Div (Reinf) (less 1st Mar) will seize Hill 79, (7559 L), MAKABE Town (7558), and the IBARU - KOMESU hill mass.
- d. Air and NCF Spt available on call.
2. 6th Mar Div passes through elements 1st Mar Div in Z of action, Atks to seize KUWANGA ridge, ridge at 7457 and KIYAMU GUSUKU hill mass; completes destruction of enemy forces in Z of action; maintains contact with 1st Mar Div on left and protects Corps right (W) flank. Time of Atk - 170730. LD, front lines held at How hour. For Bds, objectives, and scheme of maneuver see Annex A, Opn overlay.
3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Move assault elements to assembly area vicinity TERA (7461 B) prior nightfall 16 June. Pass through elements of 1st Mar Div in Z of action prior H - hour and Atk with main effort on the left to seize O-a. Maintain contact with 1st Mar Div on left; protect Corps right (W) flank.

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- b. 4th Mar (Reinf): Patrol designated sector (Opn overlay). Eliminate enemy remaining therein. Be prepared to move on 12 hours notice to Spt Atk on southern front.
 - c. 29th Mar (Reinf): Patrol designated sector (Opn overlay). Eliminate enemy remaining therein. Be prepared to move on 24 hours notice to Spt Atk on southern front.
 - d. Div Arty: Spt Atk by prearranged and call fires as directed.
 - e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk
 - f. Armd Amph Gp: Spt Atk with 1 Co, prepared to execute direct or indirect fire missions as required.
 - g. Amph Trac Gp: Move vehicles to MACHINATO area for repair and maintenance. Be prepared to move 1 Co to Spt Atk on 12 hours notice.
 - h. Engr Gp: Spt Atk. Assign mine lifting teams to assault units as required.
 - i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
 - j. 6th Ser Bn: Execute normal missions.
 - k. 6th Med Bn: Spt Atk. Establish Div hospital vicinity 7361 O.
 - l. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions. Maintain strict MP control on route 38 to insure expeditious movement of essential traffic.
 - m. 6th Rcn Co: Patrol designated sector (Opn overlay). Eliminate enemy remaining therein.
 - x. (1) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bd between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.
(2) Smoke missions for other than local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
(3) Assault units cross Bds as required by tactical situation. Coordinate movements directly with other units concerned.
4. a. For Dp locations see Annex A, Opn overlay. Dp distribution to all units.

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5. a. For CPs and axes of Sig Com see Annex A, Opn overlay.

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Opn O No 91-45

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OP

171815

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 92-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0400 18 JUNE
TO SEIZE OBOE DASH BAKER LINE X LD FRONT LINES HELD AT
HOW HOUR X PARA X 22D MAR REINF ATK TO SEIZE OBOE DASH
BAKER PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN X MOP UP MEZADA RIDGE IN
ZONE OF ACTION AND PREPARE FOR PASSAGE OF LINES BY 4TH
MAR REINF THROUGH LEFT ELEMENTS PRIOR DAYLIGHT 19 JUNE
X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF MOVE TO ASSEMBLY AREA NORTH OF
MEZADA RIDGE PRIOR DARKNESS 18 JUNE PREPARED TO PASS
THROUGH LEFT ELEMENTS 22D MAR REINF PRIOR DAYLIGHT 19
JUNE X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF PATROL ASSIGNED SECTOR X
ELIMINATE ENEMY REMAINING THEREIN X PARA X 6TH RGN CO
PATROL ASSIGNED SECTOR WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO
LOW GROUND IN 7266 AND 7366 X PARA X ARMD AMPH GROUP BE
PREPARED TO PROVIDE VEHICLES FOR COAST DEF NIGHT 18 JUNE
AS FAR SOUTH AS 7259 OBOE X PARA X RESPONSIBILITY 4TH
MAR DEF SECTOR PASSES 29TH MAR 181000 X PARA X ASSAULT
UNITS MAINTAIN CLOSE LIAISON TO COORDINATE ADV ALONG
BD X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO
CHANGE X

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6th Mar Div
In the field
18 June 1945, 1615

Opn O
No 93-45

Map: (a) 1:25,000 RYUKYU RETTO.

Task Orgn

a. 22d Mar (Reinf)

LtCol Larson

22d Mar
1st Plat Co B 6th MT Bn
2d Plat Ord Co
1st Sec 3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co
Det 6th JASCO

b. 4th Mar (Reinf)

Col Shapley

4th Mar
91st Chem Mort Co (Sep) (USA)
1st Plat Co A 6th MT Bn
1st Plat Ord Co
1st Mar War Dog Plat
5th Prov Rocket Det
3d Plat 1st Bomb Disposal Co (less 1 Sec)
Det 6th JASCO

c. 29th Mar (Reinf)

Col Whaling

29th Mar
1st Plat Co C 6th MT Bn
3d Plat Ord Co
Det 6th JASCO

d. Div Arty

Col Luckey

15th Mar

e. Tank Gp

LtCol Denig

6th Tank Bn
1 Plat, Co B, 713th Tank Bn (USA)
Tank Maint Plat Ord Co

f. Armd Amph Gp

LtCol Metzger

1st Armd Amph Bn
708th Amph Tank Bn (USA)

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Opn O No 93-45 (Contd)

g. Amph Trac Gp

LtCol Coffman

4th Amph Trac Bn

9th Amph Trac Bn

h. Engr Gp

Maj Sackett

6th Engr Bn

6th Pion Bn (less Co B)

i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets)

LtCol Gould

j. 6th Ser Bn

LtCol Entringer

k. 6th Med Bn

LtComdr Cowan

l. Div Hq Trs

LtCol Stephenson

Hq Bn (less Dets)

6th JASCO (less Dets)

m. 6th Rcn Co

1st Lt Christie

1. a. See current G-2 summaries and periodic reports.

b. (1) 10th Army will continue the Atk to complete destruction of enemy forces in southern Okinawa.

(2) III Phib Corps will Atk to the S, capture all enemy Posns and complete the destruction of enemy forces in Z of action.

(3) 1st Mar Div (Reinf) will continue Atk to the S to destroy enemy forces in Z of action.

c. (1) NGF will execute 15 minute bombardment of ridge in 7457 N O 7557 F and K commencing on Sig of CO 4th Mar (Reinf).

(2) Air and NGF will maintain continuous neutralization and destruction Atks on KIYAMU-GUSUKU hill mass.

2. 6th Mar Div resumes Atk 0730, 19 June to seize KIYAMU-GUSUKU hill mass and destroy enemy forces within Z of action; maintains contact with 1st Mar Div (Reinf) on left and protects Corps right (W) flank. LD front lines held at How hour. For scheme of maneuver see Annex A, Opn overlay.

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3. a. 22d Mar (Reinf): Eliminate remaining enemy in vicinity Hill 69. Protect Div left (E) flank by advancing units as necessary to maintain contact between 4th Mar (Reinf) and 1st Mar Div on left.
- b. 4th Mar (Reinf): Atk with main effort on the left to seize high ground in 7457 N O 7557 F K and the eastern end of the KIYAMU-GUSUKU hill mass. See Opn overlay.
- c. 29th Mar (Reinf): Move to assembly Posns in vicinity of TERA commencing morning 19 June. Be prepared to pass through right elements of 4th Mar (Reinf) and continue the Atk with Regts abreast on 20 June.
- d. Div Arty: Deliver 15 minute preparation on ridge in 7457 N O, 7557 F K to commence on Sig of CO 4th Mar (Reinf). 1/15 direct Spt 4th Mar (Reinf). 4/15 direct Spt 22d Mar (Reinf). Remainder 15th Mar Gen Spt.
- e. Tank Gp: Spt Atk.
- f. Armd Amph Gp: Spt Atk with 1 Co, prepared to execute direct or indirect fire missions from Posns on reef. Emplace tractors as far S as 7360 U for beach Def.
- g. Amph Trac Gp: Be prepared to move 1 Co to Spt Atk on 12 hours notice. Reconnoiter for possible rendezvous area along coast between OROKU Peninsula and ITOMAN.
- h. Engr Gp: Spt Atk. Assign mine lifting teams to assault units as required.
- i. 6th MT Bn (less Dets): Execute normal missions.
- j. 6th Ser Bn: Execute normal missions.
- k. 6th Med Bn: Place 1 Co in direct Spt 4th Mar (Reinf). Place 1 Co in direct Spt 22d Mar (Reinf).
- l. Div Hq Trs: Execute normal missions. Maintain strict MP control to prevent congestion in forward areas where enemy snipers may be active.
- m. 6th Rcn Co: Patrol designated sector (Opn overlay). Eliminate enemy remaining therein.
- x. (1) Supporting fires and Air strikes close to Bd between Divs will be coordinated by this Hq.

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- (2) Smoke missions for other than local Opns will be coordinated by this Hq.
 - (3) Assault units cross Bds as required by tactical situation. Coordinate movements directly with other units concerned.
4. a. No change.
 5. a. For CPs and axes of Sig Com see Annex A, Opn overlay.

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Opn O No 93-45

OP

191920

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 94-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 20 JUNE TO
SEIZE ARA SAKI POINT AND REMAINDER OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA
IN ZONE OF ACTION X BDS NO CHANGE X LD FRONT LINES HELD
AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF PAREN FOX SLANT 22
ATCHD PAREN ATK TO SEIZE ARA SAKI POINT AND REMAINDER
OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 22D MAR
REINF PAREN LESS FOX SLANT 22 PAREN REMAIN PRESENT POSNS X
CONTINUE TO MOP UP KUNISHI MEZADO AREA X PARA X 4TH MAR
REINF ATK TO SEIZE ARA SAKI POINT AND REMAINDER OF SOUTHERN
OKINAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X
OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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201930

FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 95-45 X 6TH MAR DIV RESUMES ATK 0730 21 JUNE TO
SEIZE REMAINDER OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X
ED BETWEEN REGTS PRESENT ED TO 7356 YOKE 2 7455 ABLE 5
GEORGE 2 HOW 5 THEM 5 JIG 4 7555 FOX 4 LOVE 1 X LD FRONT
LINES HELD AT HOW HOUR X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF PAREN GEORGE
SLATE 22 ATCHD PAREN ATK TO SEIZE ARA SAKI POINT AND RE-
MAINDER OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA IN ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X
4TH MAR REINF ATK WITH MAIN EFFORT ON THE LEFT TO SEIZE
KIYAMU GUSUKU RIDGE AND REMAINDER OF SOUTHERN OKINAWA IN
ZONE OF ACTION X PARA X 22D MAR REINF PAREN LESS GEORGE
SLATE 22 PAREN REMAIN PRESENT POSNS X CONTINUE TO MOP UP
KUNISHI-MEZADO AREA X PARA X ARMD AMPH GROUP SPT ATK BY
EXECUTION OF DIRECT FIRE MISSIONS ON CAVES ALONG SOUTHERN
COAST AS REQUIRED X COORDINATE ACTIVITIES WITH ASSAULT
REGTS X PARA X ALL UNITS INITIATE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO BURY
ENEMY DEAD REMAINING IN ASSIGNED AREAS X PARA X OTHER
UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 96-45 X 6TH MAR DIV SEARCHES OUT AND DESTROYS ENEMY
REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 22 JUNE X COORDINATES ACTIVITIES
WITH 1ST MAR DIV ON LEFT AND PROTECTS CORPS RIGHT PAREN WEST
PAREN FLANK X PARA X INF REGTS SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY
REMAINING IN ASSIGNED SECTORS PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN X PARA X
ARMD AMPH GROUP ASSIST MOPPING UP OPNS BY EXECUTION OF DIRECT
FIRE MISSIONS ALONG SOUTHERN COAST AS REQUIRED BY INF REGTS X
EMPLACE TRACTORS FOR BEACH DEF ALONG ENTIRE COASTLINE IN DIV
ZONE WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON AREA SOUTH OF 7258 GEORGE X
PARA X TANK GP SPT MOPPING UP OPNS AS REQUIRED X PARA X AMPH
TRAC GROUP PROVIDE LVTS AS NECESSARY TO ASSIST IN EVACUATION
OF POWS AND CIVILIANS X PARA X 6TH RCN CO SEARCH OUT AND ELIMI-
NATE ENEMY REMAINING IN ASSIGNED SECTOR PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN
X COMMENCING NIGHT 21 JUNE OCCUPY AND DEFEND HIGH GROUND VICINITY
7368 EASY X PROVIDE SECURITY FOR WATER POINT AT 7370 SUGAR DASH
ONE X PARA X ALL UNITS CONDUCT SYSTEMATIC SALVAGE AND POLICE
OF ASSIGNED AREAS X SALVAGED MATERIAL TO DP AT 7370 GEORGE X
BURY ENEMY DEAD X SEAL ALL TOMBS X PARA X ALL OTHER UNITS NO
CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 97-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUCTION
OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 23 JUNE X COOR-
DINATES ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X INF REGTS
SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAINING IN ASSIGNED
SECTORS X PARA X 22D MAR REINF AND 4TH MAR REINF COORDINATE
ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X ALL UNITS PLACE ALL
POSSIBLE EMPHASIS ON CONTINUATION OF SALVAGE AND POLICE
PROGRAM WITH PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THE ASSEMBLY OF
WPNS AND AMMUNITION X INF REGTS REPORT DAILY NUMBER OF
CAVES SEALED X STRICT SUPERVISION WILL BE EXERCISED ON
THE PART OF ALL COMDRS TO PREVENT PROMISCUOUS FIRING X
OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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OPN O NO 98-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUC-
TION OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 24 JUNE X
COORDINATES ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X
INF REGTS SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAIN-
ING IN ASSIGNED SECTORS X PARA X 22D MAR REINF AND
4TH MAR REINF COORDINATE ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR
DIV X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS
NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 99-45 X III PHIB CORPS WILL COMMENCE NORTH-
WARD SWEEP BETWEEN PHASE LINES ONE AND TWO TO DESTROY
ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION X PHASE LINE ONE
COLON HAGUSUKU DASH 7458 BAKER DASH 7558 EASY X PHASE
LINE TWO COLON 7361 GEORGE 7461 JIG 7662 QUEEN X PARA
X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY REMAINING
IN ZONE OF ACTION 25 JUNE X COORDINATES ACTIVITIES
WITH 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X 4TH MAR AND 29TH MAR REINF
SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAINING IN ASSIGNED
SECTORS X PARA X 22D MAR REINF COORDINATE ACTIVITIES
WITH ADV OF 1ST MAR DIV FROM PHASE LINE ONE TO PHASE
LINE TWO X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS
NO CHANGE X

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 10045 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DES-
TRUCTION OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION
26 JUNE X COORDINATES ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR
DIV X PARA X INF REGTS SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY
ALL ENEMY REMAINING IN ASSIGNED SECTORS X PARA
X 10TH MAR REINF MOVE ONE BN TO ASSIGNED REHABIL-
ITATION AREA BY MOTOR AND MARCHING X PARA X 22D
MAR REINF COORDINATE ACTIVITIES WITH ADV OF 1ST
MAR DIV FROM PHASE LINE ONE TO PHASE LINE TWO X
PARA X 6TH MT BN PROVIDE 30 CARGO TRUCKS AT
7457 SUGAR TO TRANSPORT ONE BN OF 4TH MAR TO RE-
HABILITATION AREA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER
DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV

TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 101-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRU-
TION OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 27 JUNE X
COORDINATES ACTIVITIES WITH 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X
INF REGTS SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAINING
IN ASSIGNED SECTORS X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF MOVE ONE
BN TO ASSIGNED REHABILITATION AREA BY MOTOR AND MARCH-
ING X PARA X 22D MAR REINF COORDINATE ACTIVITIES WITH
ADV OF 1ST MAR DIV FROM PHASE LINE ONE TO PHASE LINE TWO
X PARA X 6TH MT BN PROVIDE 30 CARGO TRUCKS AT 7457 SUGAR
AT 0730 TO TRANSPORT ONE BN OF 4TH MAR TO REHABILITATION
AREA X PARA X STRICT SUPERVISION WILL BE EXERCISED ON
THE PART OF ALL COMDRS TO PREVENT PROMISCUOUS FIRING X
PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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OPN O NO 10245 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY
REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 28 JUNE X CONTINUES MOVEMENT TO
REHABILITATION AREAS X PARA X 4TH MAR REINF MOVE REMAINDER OF
REGT TO ASSIGNED REHABILITATION AREA X CONDUCT PATROLS IN
OROKU PENINSULA PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN X SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY
ALL ENEMY REMAINING IN THE AREA X PARA X 22D MAR REINF MOVE ONE
BN TO ASSIGNED REHABILITATION AREA X CONTINUE PATROL AND SALVAGE
ACTIVITIES IN MEZADO DASH KUNISHI AREA WITH ONE BN X CONDUCT
PATROLS NORTH OF PHASE LINE TWO IN COORDINATION WITH MOVEMENT
OF 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF CONTINUE ACTIVE PATROLLING
IN ASSIGNED SECTOR PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN X SEARCH OUT AND
DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAINING THEREIN X PARA X 6TH MT BN PROVIDE
30 CARGO TRUCKS AT 7457 SUGAR AT 280730 TO TRANSPORT REMAINDER
OF 4TH MAR REINF TO REHABILITATION AREA X PARA X 6TH ENGR BN
CLEAR REEF OF MINES IN DESIGNATED AREAS PAREN OPN OVERLAY PAREN X
MARK LANES CLEARLY X PARA X ALL VEHICLES WILL REMAIN CLEAR OF
REEF UNTIL FURTHER ORDERS X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS
NO CHANGE X

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INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 103-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUCTION
OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 29 JUNE X CON-
TINUES MOVEMENT TO REHABILITATION AREAS X PARA X
4TH MAR REINF CONDUCT PATROLS IN ASSIGNED SECTOR X
SEARCH OUT AND DESTROY ALL ENEMY REMAINING IN AREA X
PARA X 22D MAR COMPLETE MOVEMENT TO ASSIGNED REHABILI-
TATION AREA X CONTINUE PATROL AND SALVAGE ACTIVITIES
IN MEZADO DASH KUNISHI AREA WITH ONE BN X CONDUCT
PATROLS NORTH OF PHASE LINE TWO IN COORDINATION WITH
MOVEMENT OF 1ST MAR DIV X PARA X 29TH MAR REINF CON-
TINUE ACTIVE PATROLLING IN ASSIGNED SECTOR X PARA X
OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO CHANGE X

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TO: 6TH MAR DIV

INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV

OPN O NO 104-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DESTRUCTION
OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION 30 JUNE X 4TH
MAR REINF CONTINUE PATROLLING IN ASSIGNED SECTOR X
PARA X 22D MAR REINF CONTINUE PATROLLING IN ASSIGNED
SECTOR EMPLOYING ONE BN IN MEZADO DASH KUNISHI AREA X
PARA X 29TH MAR REINF CONTINUE PATROLLING IN ASSIGNED
SECTOR X PARA X ALL UNITS INTENSIFY POLICE AND SALVAGE
ACTIVITIES X PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS
NO CHANGE X

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FROM: CG 6TH MAR DIV
TO: 6TH MAR DIV
INFO: CG III PHIB CORPS, CG 1ST MAR DIV
OPN O NO 105-45 X 6TH MAR DIV CONTINUES DES-
TRUCTION OF ENEMY REMAINING IN ZONE OF ACTION
1 JULY X CONTINUES POLICE AND SALVAGE OF AS-
SIGNED AREAS X PARA X INF REGTS CONTINUE PA-
TROLLING IN ASSIGNED SECTORS X SEARCH OUT AND
DESTROY ALL ENEMY STRAGGLERS REMAINING THEREIN X
PARA X OTHER UNITS NO CHANGE X OTHER DETAILS NO
CHANGE X

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