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The maps in this volume are essentially reproductions of the Order of Battle maps prepared during World War II by Current Group, Operations Division, WDGS, for the Chief of Staff. The primary purpose of the Order of Battle maps was to show the disposition of Allied troops and the topography of the battle area in a simple form easily explained to civilian officials. To accomplish this conventional military symbols were avoided and units smaller than divisions were seldom indicated. Only secondary attention was given to the disposition of the enemy which was presented more fully to the Chief of Staff by G-2. The indicated enemy dispositions were often obviously incomplete, were not kept rigorously up to date, and many times were entirely omitted.

The situation presented on these maps was obtained from information available in the War Department at 7 a. m. on the date shown on the map. Therefore, it normally represents the condition at an hour on the previous day which was arbitrarily set by the Theater Commander. Daily maps were not prepared during inactive periods when there were no changes reported in the tactical situation or in the order of battle.

The steps by which an Order of Battle map was produced were as follows:

1. Production of a colored plaster relief model, by the Topo-

graphic Models Section, Office of Strategic Services, directed by Major Wallace W. Atwood.

2. Color-photography of the relief model, by the Special Photography Section, Office of Strategic Services, directed by Captain Dudley P. Lee.

3. Application of order of battle data, place names, etc., to the color photographs by Current Group, OPD, WDGS.

These reproductions of the Order of Battle maps were prepared by the Current Group, OPD, in collaboration with Captain Lee's organization, now assigned to the Army Map Service, Corps of Engineers. Certain revisions and simplifications have been necessary to effect clarity and economy in reproduction. Divisions having less than two regiments or the equivalent thereof in the line are normally indicated in reserve by a symbol placed under the name of the unit to which they are assigned or attached, disregarding the actual geographical location of the division. Corps and army boundaries are schematic for the purpose of indicating order of battle and do not necessarily show their accurate locations. The accuracy of the information, as known by the War Department at the time, has been verified.



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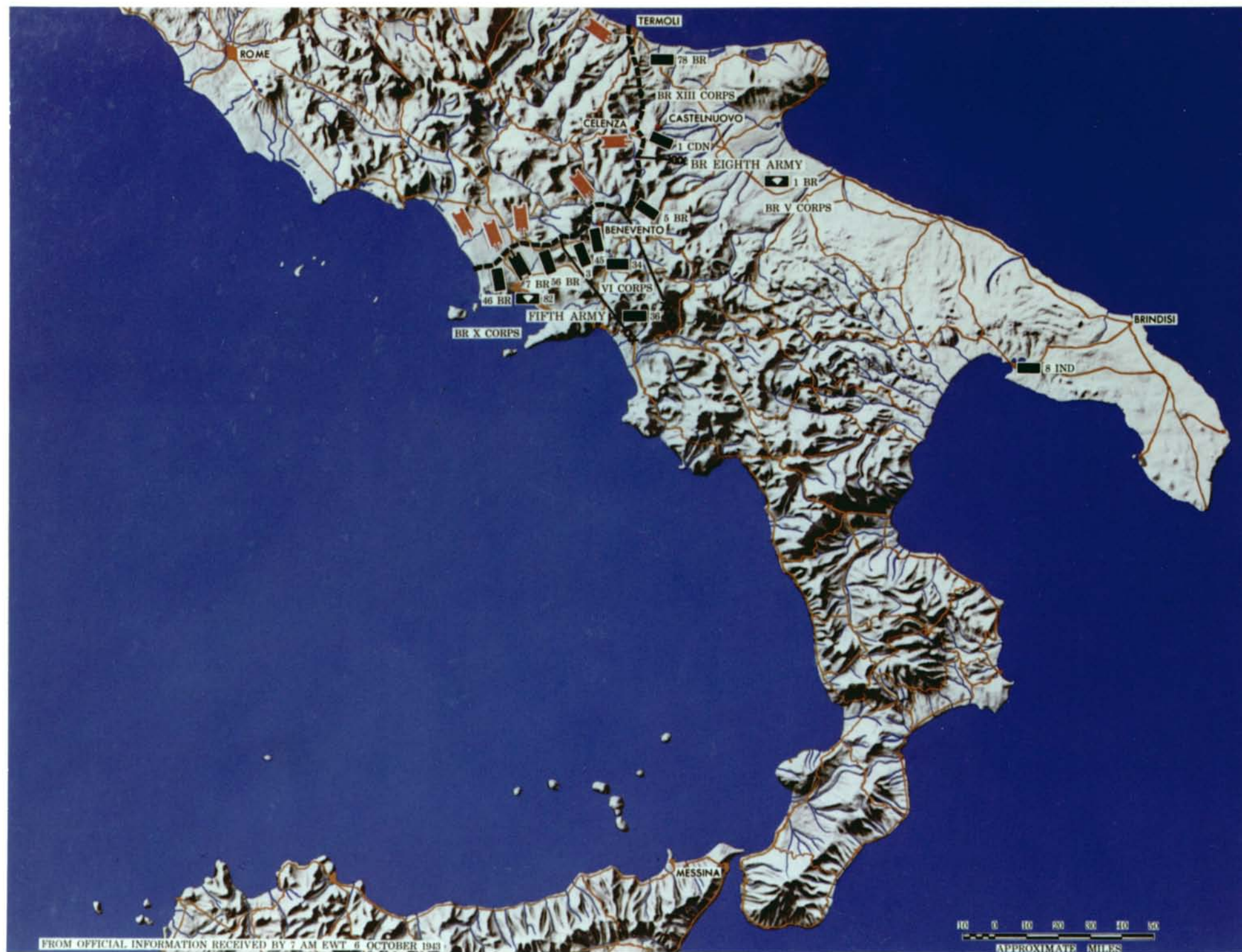


























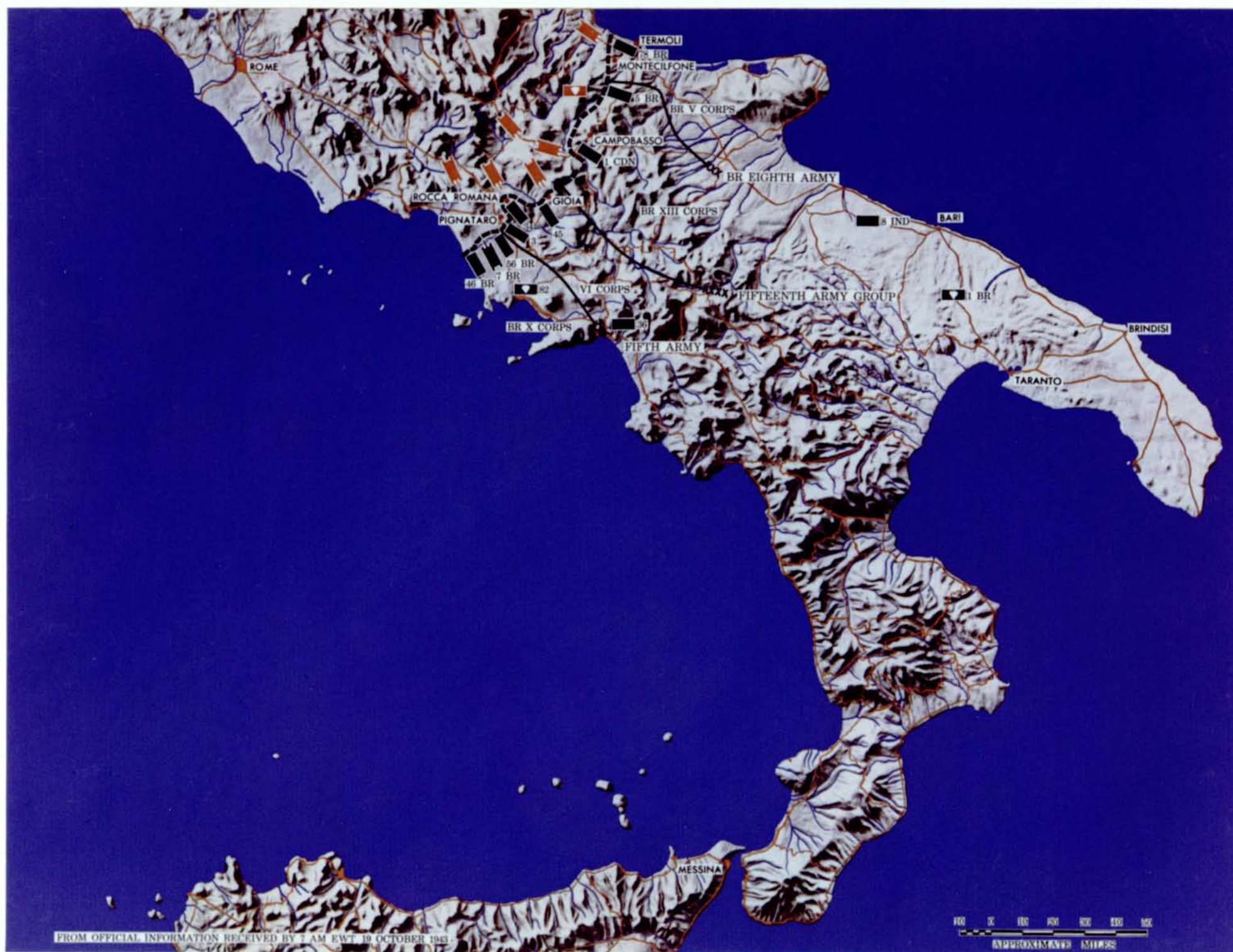


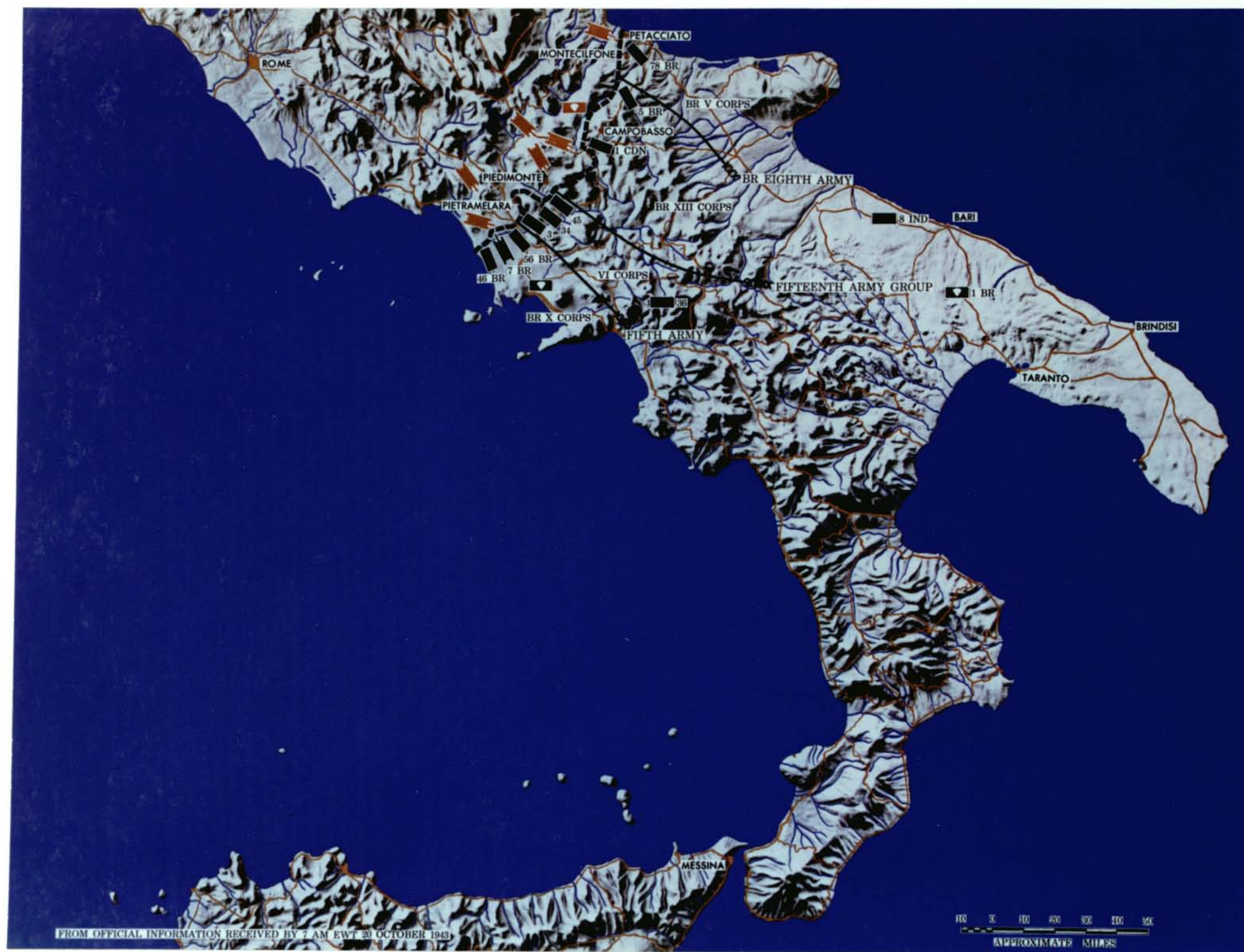


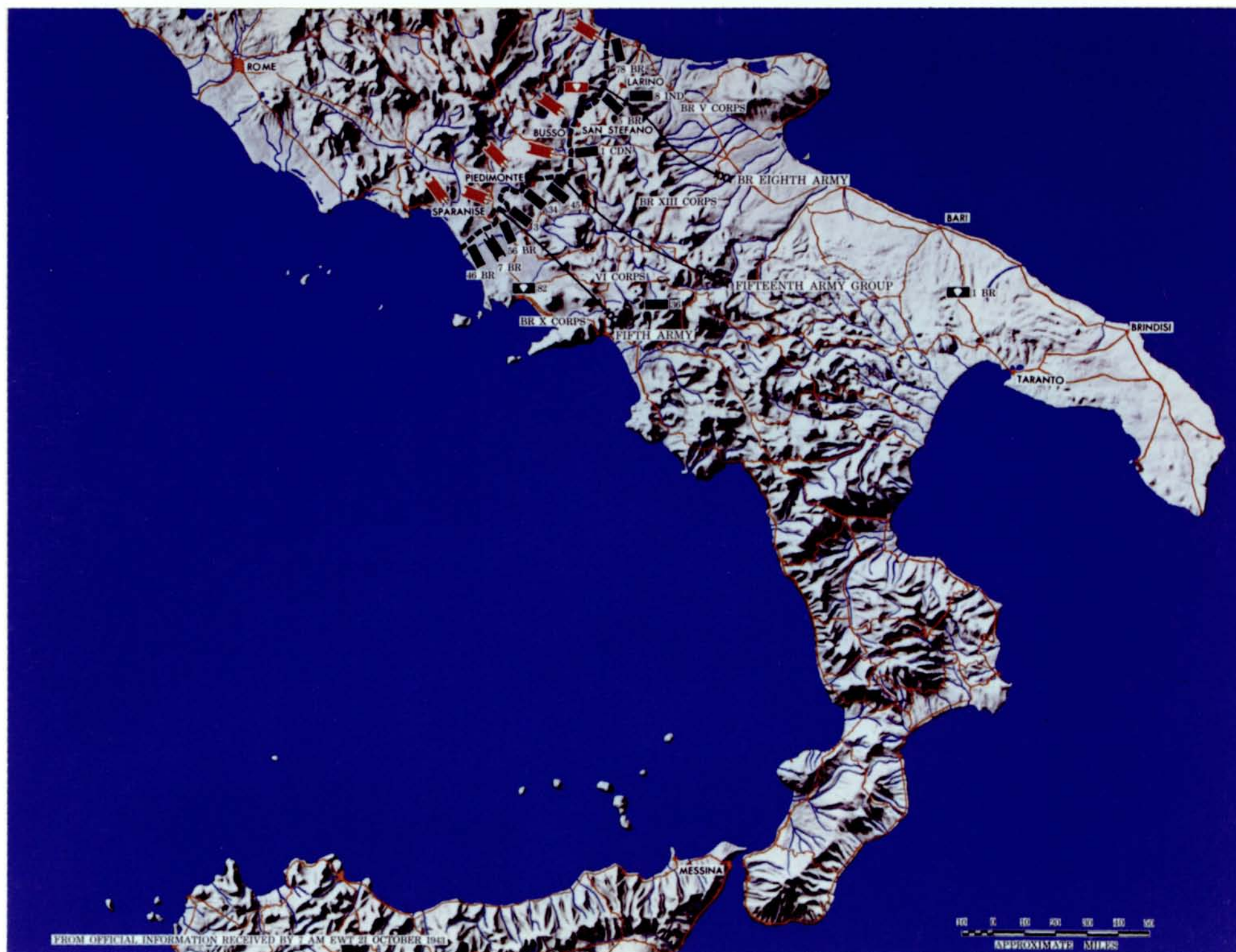


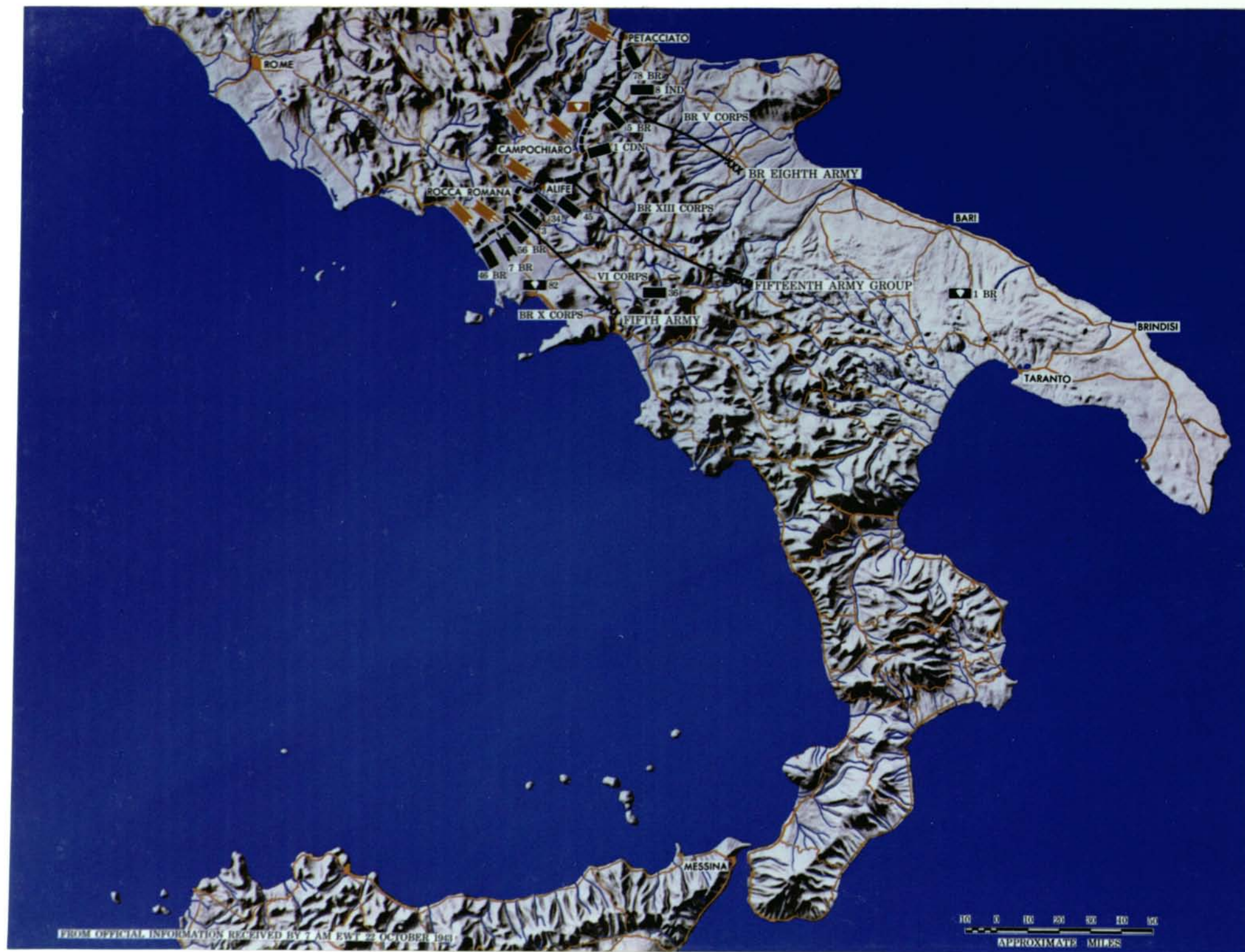






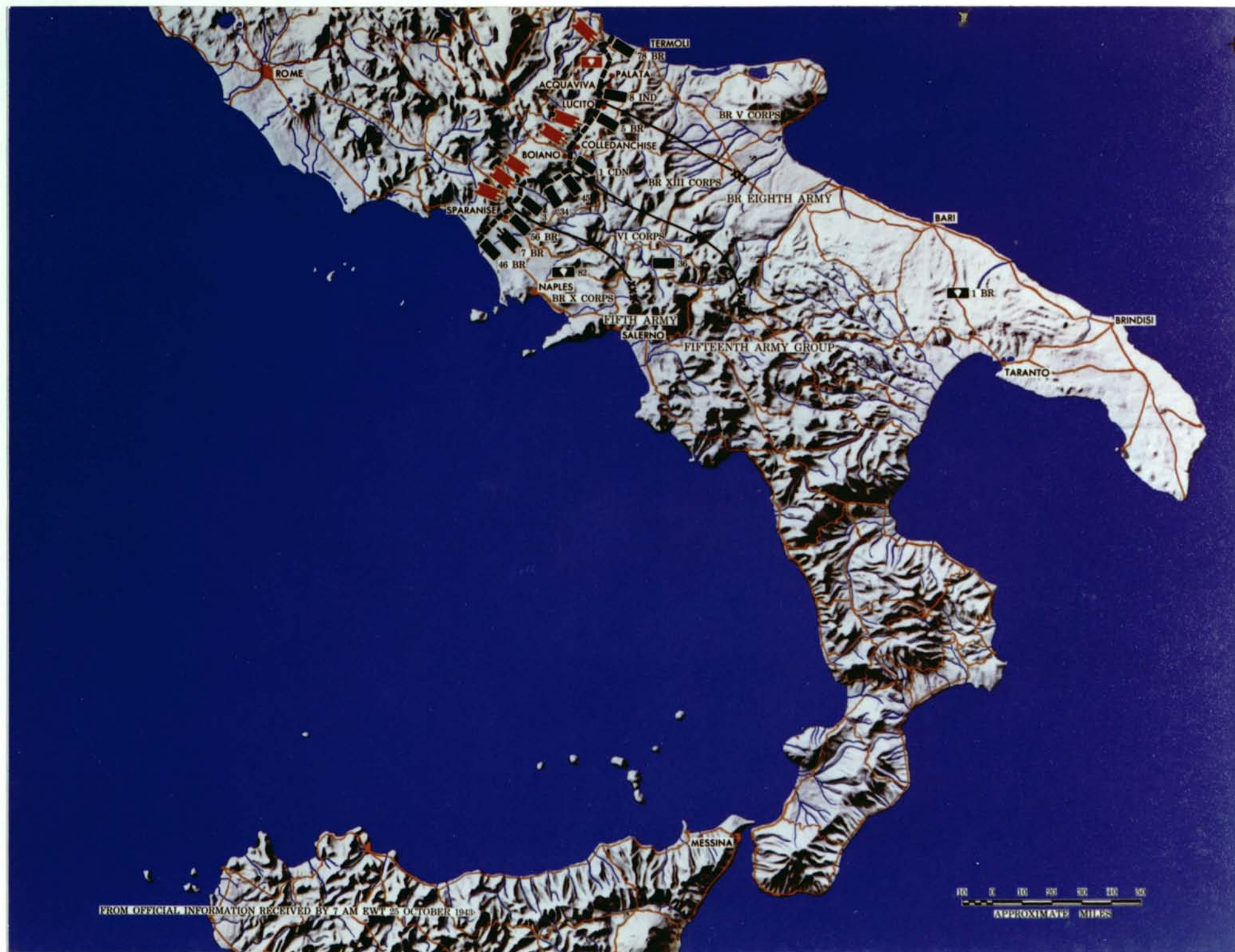




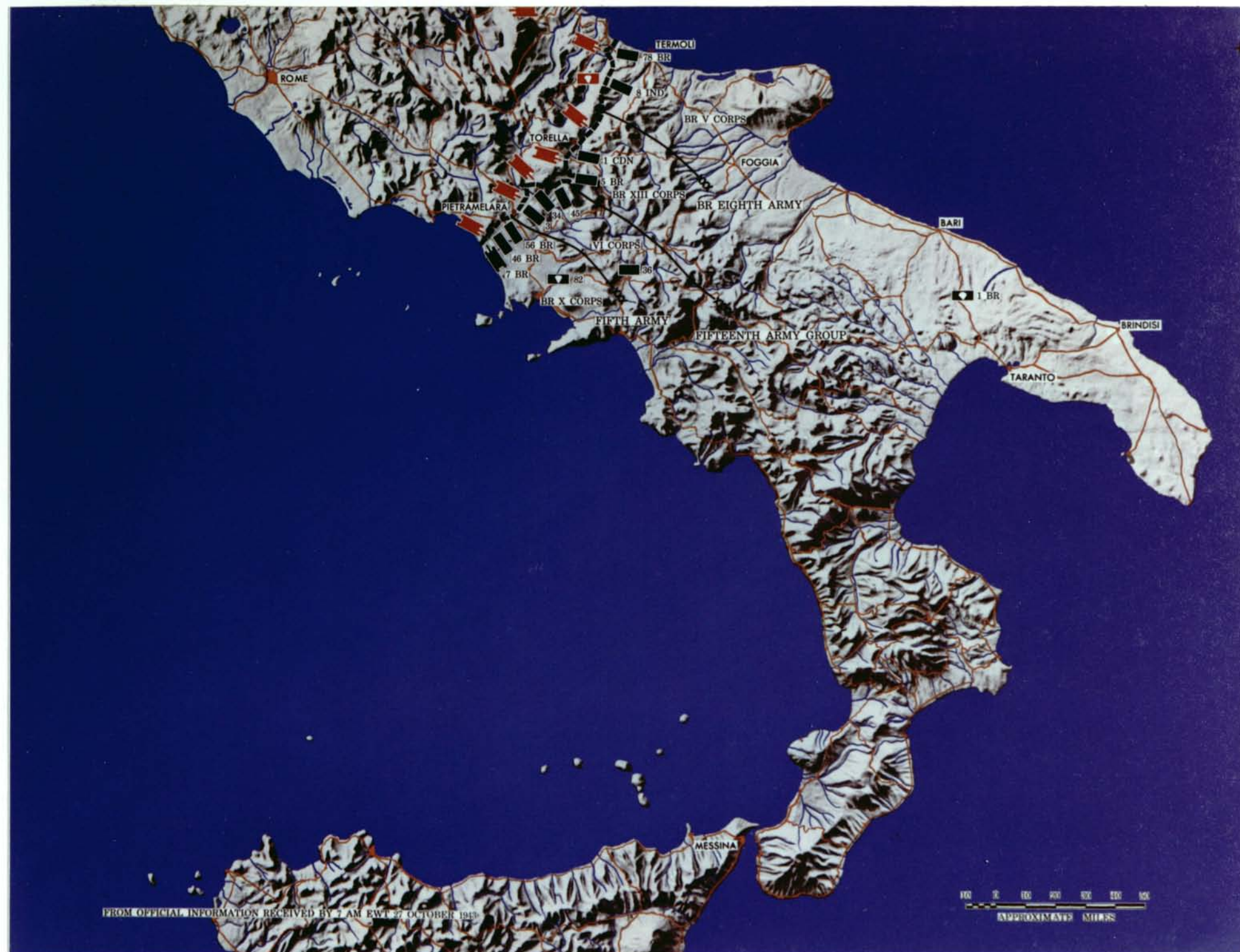


























































































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