



3104th Signal Service Battalion



Army Service Forces

Unit Files

*Images LEFT TO RIGHT: Signal Corps crossed flags, Army Service Forces and Communications Zone
Shoulder Patches*

December 1944

units attached or assigned to Deltabase are as follows:

Hq & Hq Detachment, 321st Signal Service Battalion

Det 12th Photo Mail Company
248th Signal Operations Company
994th Signal Service Company
3287th Signal Service Detachment
Det "Q", 3104 Signal Service Battalion
Det "R", 3110 Signal Service Battalion
Part of Det "F", 3186 Signal Service En
Part of Det "A", 3139 Motor Messenger Team
102nd AA Balloon Battery VLA Sep.

76th Signal Construction Battalion, Company "A" & "B"

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26 December 1944 to 5 January 1945

On 26 December, 6 Officers and 59 Enlisted Men (team DD and CK) of 3168th Signal Service Company began operations in Signal Center. At the same time 2 Officers and 20 Enlisted Men (team DH) of 3139th Signal Messenger Company began to run the trunk courier runs and to DELTARASE, SIXTH ARMY GROUP and FIRST FRENCH ARMY under COMAD supervision.

On 5 January 1945, the high speed 1 KW (Boelme) Radio Circuit to AFHQ was transferred from COMAD and opened for traffic. Prior to the opening a remote receiver site was selected and two rhombic receiving antennas beamed on AFHQ CASERTA were erected using eight 73 foot towers. Transmitter (SC-339) presently operating in COMAD transmitter station near Longvic Airport was taken over by SOLOC. Personnel used in operation were 1 Officer, 10 Enlisted Men of 3193rd Signal Service Company, 3 Officers, 35 Enlisted Men (team EF, IE, ED) of 3104th Signal Service Battalion and 5 Enlisted Men (team EB) of 3169th Signal Service Battalion.

As anticipated before leaving CASERTA, many items were not available in depots in FRANCE. The power equipment which was necessary prior to any operations was obtained by local procurement, and transport by truck of some items from DELTARASE in MARSEILLES. The shortage of heavy wire was alleviated by the use of radar cable and 505 meters of German aluminum conductor, 2 pair, power cable, which was obtained. The use of PD-84 power units solved the problem of unsatisfactory operation on commercial power. A shortage of lead silk and covered cable made an air shipment from ITALY necessary. The problem of shortage of telephone operators has been partially alleviated by the arrival of reinforcements from ETTOUSA; however, considerable training of these new operators is necessary.

February, 1945

HEADQUARTERS
COMMUNICATION ZONE
MACARTHUR THEATER OF OPERATIONS
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER
SUPPLY DIVISION
APO 887

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1 Incl; as stated.

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HEADQUARTERS, ETOWSA

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NEW MATTERS

1. Subject: W.D. Promises Early Shipment of Certain Signal Service Units.

Action: A cablegram from Washington states that two Signal Depot Companies will be shipped in March and approximately eight in April, but these latter short of training; also that one Signal Post Service Company will be shipped in April and one in May, the 3111 Signal Service Battalion in March and the 3104 and 3112 Signal Service Battalions in late April or early May, but that the Signal Motor Messenger Companies which are being activated (two of these are assumed to be meant) cannot be shipped until mid-June.

Another cablegram from Washington approves our recommendation for nine photographic supply and repair specialists per Signal Depot Company, and states that the personnel is being assembled. The above is good news as it is considerably more favorable, especially as to Depot Companies and Signal Service Battalions, than had been anticipated.

2. Subject: Maintenance Parts for Signal Equipment.

Action: Requisitions for spare parts for six months' maintenance have been forwarded to NTFE for the following equipment: Test Set 1-56, Printer PH-67, Cameras PH-324 and PH-283, Victor Model Projector 40-B and Bell & Howell Model "D" Motion Picture, 35 mm.

3. Subject: Rates of Consumption and Expenditure.

Action: Work has been begun on the first report on determination of replacement factors, rates of consumption and expenditure, as required by the W.D. and published to the Supply Services through G-4. This first report is for February and is due on 15 March. It is expected that this first report will show low maintenance factors for Signal equipment for two reasons; first, most of the Signal equipment now in hands of troops is new and replacement should be very low, second, considering that no Ground Force unit is in combat, the factor will be only a training maintenance. It is hoped that, when the report is forwarded to the W.D., these two conditions will be pointed out, as it would be very unfavorable to the Theater if the resulting maintenance figures were to be used as a basis of future replacements after the material has become old and after troops have become involved in combat.

4. Subject: War Department Approves Project S-11.

Action: Cablegram from Washington states that approval has been granted for Project S-11 "Spiral Four Carrier System for Use of Air Force in U.K." and that the requisitions have been forwarded to NTFE where supply action is being initiated. The Project covers 20, 100-mile units of Spiral Four Carrier System.

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13 The initial signal contingent of staff personnel for Headquarters, Communications Zone arrived on the Continent about 1 July 1944. When notification was received that the main Headquarters was to move into the Normandy Peninsula, a site was chosen and cleared for the staff sections in the area of Valognes, and work was immediately started to provide signal facilities for a large Headquarters at this location. A 15 KW radio-teletype station was shipped from the United Kingdom and arrived at Valognes on 31 July 1944. In the record time of nine days, sites were selected, buildings constructed, the station installed and put into operation, to meet station WAR on schedule. At the same time this installation was taking place, a cross channel Very High Frequency circuit was established, utilizing sites picked and used by the First United States Army and Ninth Air Force during the early phases of the invasion. These circuits provided the initial communications for Headquarters, Communications Zone on the Continent. The entire installation was made by the 3104th Signal Service Battalion, 13 and a small detachment of the 980th Signal Service Company, working under the supervision of one staff officer from the Radio Engineering Section, Office of the Chief Signal Officer.

With the arrival of Supreme Headquarters on the Continent, and the move of other major Headquarters from their previous locations, it became necessary to establish a manual network on the Continent. A total of five such circuits were put into operation from Valognes working to London, Advance Section Communications Zone, Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Force, Forward Reconnaissance Group Communications Zone, and Eighth Corps. These circuits were later re-arranged and moved, along with the move of Headquarters, Communications Zone to Paris.

It was not essential that large increases or fast moves of radio communications be made in support of this campaign, as it was the mission of Advance Section to follow the armies and provide the supply links necessary to support their operations.

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August 1944: Valognes

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2. VHF RADIO KEYING LINK TO PLANT X.

To provide emergency control of radio station Plant X in the event of land line failure between CBS Signal Center and Plant X, a VHF radio link utilizing AM/TRC-1 and associated carrier equipment has been installed between radio control CBS and Plant X(R), which together with land line facilities between Plant X(R) and X(T) will provide control facilities for operation of Plant X. The following circuits can be operative simultaneously by this emergency control:

- a. Voice circuit to U.S.
- b. Three radio teletype circuits to AGWAR.
- c. One radio teletype or one voice circuit to AFHQ (Rear)
- d. One radio teletype circuit to AFHQ (Main)
- e. Two manual speed Morse cross channel circuits.

3. INSTALLATION OF 3 KW TRANSMITTER.

Since the July issue of the Information Letter, one complete 3KW radio station has been installed at Plant X for First Army Group to handle high speed Morse, facsimile and broadcast to the Continent.

4. VHF CROSS CHANNEL RADIO LINK.

An advance detachment of the 980th Signal Service Company, consisting of 4 Officers and 48 Enlisted Men arrived on the Far Shore during the week ending 24 June 1944, where immediate installation of the ET005A VHF cross channel radio link terminal on the Far shore was made, using AM/TRC-1 equipment. The first contact was established on 11 July 1944, and two teleprinter circuits were opened from CHQ Plymouth to Advance Section, Communications Zone. As of 22 July 8 teleprinter circuits and 6 telephone circuits are in operation over two radio channels. One teleprinter circuit has been allotted to "Stars and Stripes", with the balance of the circuits on a common user basis with traffic terminals at Plymouth CHQ and CBS Signal Centers. A special operating procedure has been set up to cover control of these facilities.

5. MOVEMENT OF 15 KW RADIO STATION TO CONTINENT.

Arrangements are being made to move the 15KW Press Wireless radioteletype station now installed at Plants A and B to the Continent, accompanied by installation and operation teams from the 3104th Signal Service Battalion. Installation of this station is expected during the early part of August, to provide one teleprinter circuit to AGWAR.

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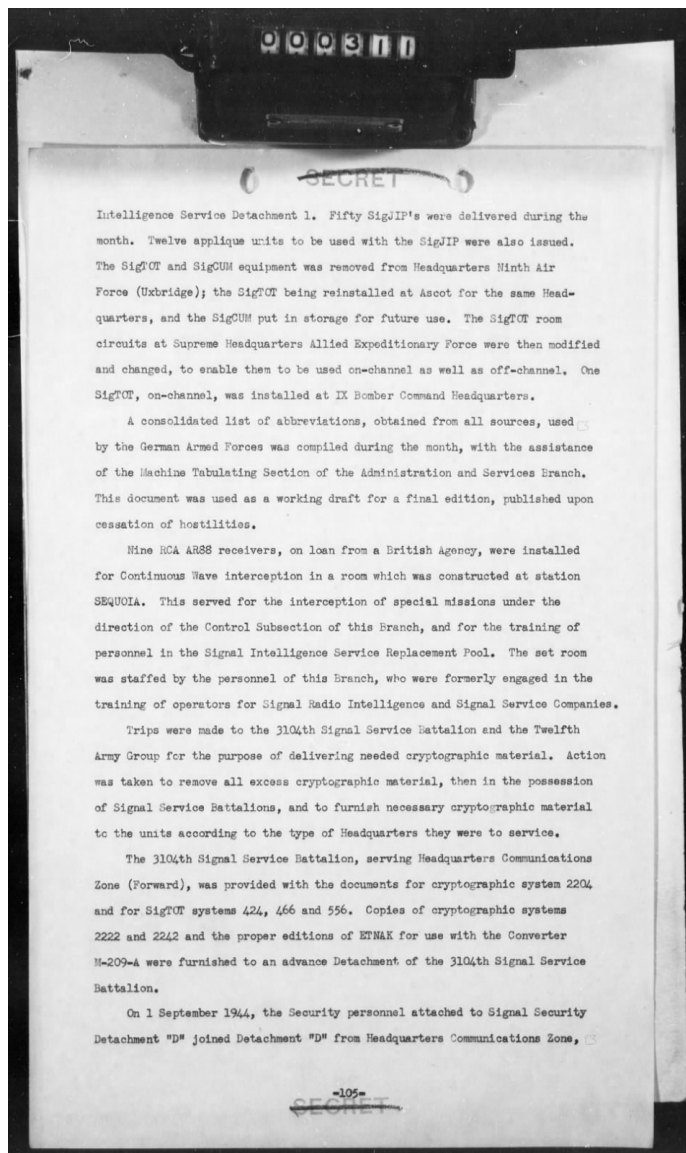
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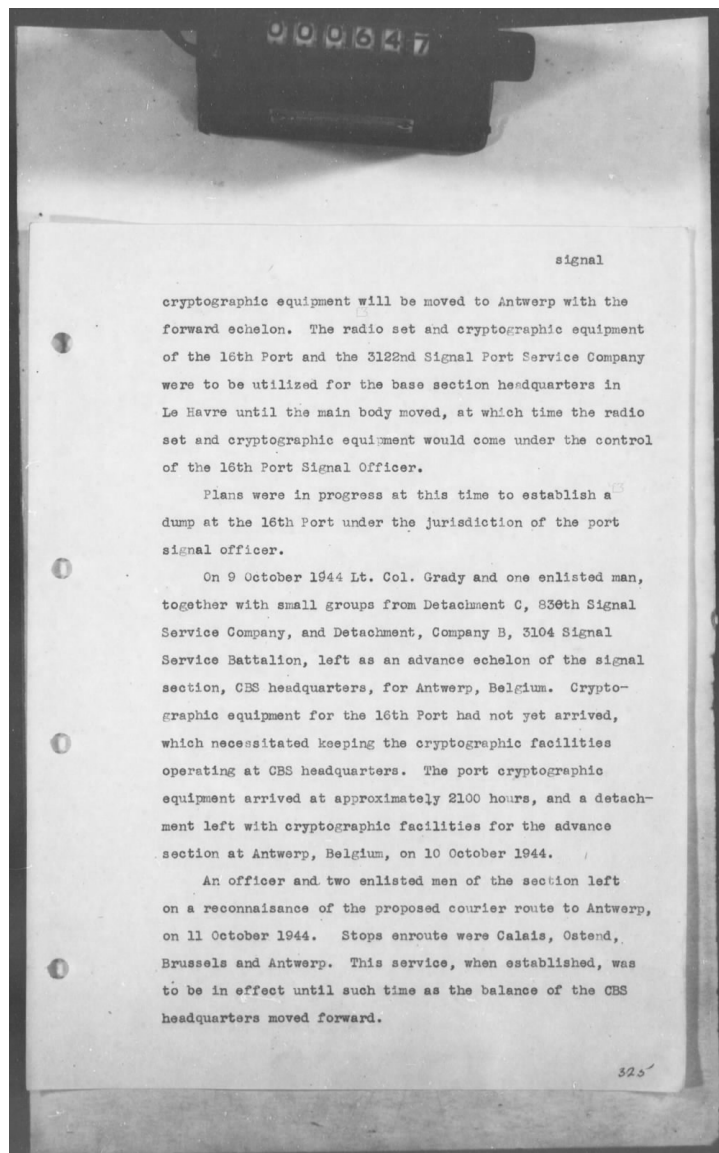
for air-lift and movement of baggage, was handled by Movement Control Officers. The entire staff arrived on the continent before the end of the month. Much hard work by the Forward Echelon, Signal Section was necessary in the preparation of office space and living quarters in Area #3 at Valognes. This was accomplished in an outstanding manner. Colonel M. D. Harris, formerly Executive Officer of the combined office and more recently of the Cheltenham Office, was designated as the Executive Officer for the new office on the Continent, and Captain Farrell was designated Director, Office Service Division. Aggressive action was necessary to amalgamate the three sections and to organize an efficient team similar to the United Kingdom teams. Many new problems arose. Due to shortage of transportation and inability of Headquarters Command to furnish requirements, Office Service Division operated a motor pool. Foresight in anticipating shortage of office supplies and equipment and in moving them from the United Kingdom proved of great benefit.

Paris was occupied by the American Forces on 25 August 1944, and soon thereafter the decision was made to move Headquarters Communications Zone to that city. Again, the Office Service Division had to coordinate plans for the movement of personnel, equipment and supplies. One of the difficulties experienced was lack of transportation facilities, but this was partially solved through cooperation of the 310th Signal Service Battalion. In Paris, the building had to be occupied and reequipped since transportation limitations prevented movement of all but most essential equipment from Valognes.

Colonel Shearer, Deputy Chief Signal Officer, followed the advance units into Paris and was instrumental in reviewing Signal installations, obtaining office space, and in the initial organization of Office of the Chief Signal Officer. Colonel Harris, Executive Officer, joined Colonel Shearer before arrival of the main body and there recruited the services of Major T. J. Palik, of Communications Division who was temporarily appointed Assistant Executive Officer to help set up the headquarters. The shortage of labor, difficulty of procurement, insufficient power load, lack of suitable housing facilities, and operation of the Signal Center in the same building, created almost impossible working conditions. Despite all these inconveniences, the Office Service Division continued to work day and night, and after several weeks, activities finally stabilized.

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cryptographic equipment will be moved to Antwerp with the forward echelon. The radio set and cryptographic equipment of the 16th Port and the 3122nd Signal Port Service Company were to be utilized for the base section headquarters in Le Havre until the main body moved, at which time the radio set and cryptographic equipment would come under the control of the 16th Port Signal Officer.

Plans were in progress at this time to establish a dump at the 16th Port under the jurisdiction of the port signal officer.

On 9 October 1944 Lt. Col. Grady and one enlisted man, together with small groups from Detachment C, 836th Signal Service Company, and Detachment, Company B, 3104 Signal Service Battalion, left as an advance echelon of the signal section, CBS headquarters, for Antwerp, Belgium. Cryptographic equipment for the 16th Port had not yet arrived, which necessitated keeping the cryptographic facilities operating at CBS headquarters. The port cryptographic equipment arrived at approximately 2100 hours, and a detachment left with cryptographic facilities for the advance section at Antwerp, Belgium, on 10 October 1944.

An officer and two enlisted men of the section left on a reconnaissance of the proposed courier route to Antwerp, on 11 October 1944. Stops enroute were Calais, Ostend, Brussels and Antwerp. This service, when established, was to be in effect until such time as the balance of the CBS headquarters moved forward.

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November 1944: Billet in Paris

troops were then becoming centralized. In order to accommodate the Signal personnel operation in the Com Z Signal Center, it was necessary to obtain a large billet within walking distance of the Signal Center. The 3104th Signal Service Battalion was then directed to move to the Hotel d'Iena, 28 Avenue d'Iena. This billet could accommodate around (700) seven-hundred men, and the move was effected on 25 November 1944. The 810th Signal Service Battalion moved their men and attached personnel from the Jean La Fontaine School to the Cite Universitaire, Franco-British Building on 24 December 1944, temporarily spending five days in a warehouse until they were able to move on 1 January 1945.

Other billets operated by the 3348th Signal Service Group were the Pre-Catelan Theatre, Bois de Boulogne, Billet at 10 & 66 Rue Marigny, Fontenay-sous-Bois, Billet at Livry-Gargan, outside of Paris, and the WAC Billets at the Hotel California, Elysee Palace Hotel and Bradford Hotel. The 3908th Signal Service Battalion (GHQ Pictorial) was set up at 9, 14, 27 and 29 Rue Octave Feuillet.

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within a radius of 25-30 miles.

The complete equipment for the independent operation of this radio station, was carried in 14 large trailers, three of which carried the Diesel power units and fuel supply. At the turn of a switch, the station was converted from Diesel power to commercial power when the latter was available.

Once "SIGCIRCUS" reached a desired location, the complete units were set up and operating in little more than 24 hours. The station was dismantled and moved to another site with equal facility. The antenna arrays were supported by 72-foot poles, jointed in eight-foot lengths for convenient transport and erection. An efficient team erected these poles in 15 to 20 minutes.

High power radio receiving and transmitting stations were always separated a considerable distance from each other to avoid mutual interference between transmitted and received signals, and ordinarily were connected by telephone lines. With this new mobile radio station, however, an efficient innovation was added. Communications between the units of "SIGCIRCUS" was by means of special Very High Frequency radio telephones.

PORTABLE 300 WATT SINGLE CHANNEL RADIO-TELETYPE STATION - SIGCIRCUS JUNIOR

Two 300 Watt Single Channel Radio-Teletype Stations using American-built Federal transmitters and Press Wireless Radio-teletype equipment, were constructed by the French (Les Laboratoires Le Materiel Telephonique) who worked under the supervision of the Radio Section, Communications Division, Office of the Chief Signal Officer, Headquarters, Communications Zone.

These Radio-Teletype Stations were called SIGCIRCUS JUNIORS, single-channel stations, which were located at Headquarters, Advance Section, and Headquarters, Continental Advance Section, respectively, during the period of operations OVERLOAD and ECLIPSE, to provide the main communications other than wire lines to Paris, from these Communications Zone agencies which were in direct supply-support of the fighting forces.

SIGCIRCUS JUNIOR was capable of transmitting and receiving, with comparative ease, a total of more than 50,000 words daily. As to power, it was completely self-sufficient. It used PE-95's for a receiver, and PE-79's for a transmitter.

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- (4) **SALVAGE:** Following shipments of Salvage were unloaded during this period at VESOUL Salvage installations:

FROM	DESCRIPTION
SEVENTH ARMY	39 Carloads
CONAD	19 Carloads

Assignment to duty in salvage depot operations of three German POW Companies, of those recently inaugurated, will assist in the overall output of these depots.

- (5) **LAUNDRY:** Officers' Call-Store, NANCY, commenced operation.

- (6) **GENERAL:** Progress beyond the initial stages in all Quartermaster channels of the CONAD Supply Mission in NANCY area is continuing. Following are additional QM installations in the NANCY area which are presently operating or about to commence operations in immediate future:

Q-590 C1 I Storage and Issue
Q-592 C1 II & IV Storage and Issue
Q-595 C1 III Coal and Wood
Q-598 Troop Laundry
Q-599 Fixed Salvage Repair Shop

An advance section of the Quartermaster has set up temporary offices in NANCY in order to effect immediate and "on-the-spot" action concerning Quartermaster Supply for Northern installations. Concentrated efforts have been directed towards the inauguration of German POW Companies to provide for necessary labor to handle increased Quartermaster supply responsibilities.

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1. Status of Stocks

	Class II & IV	Captured Materiel	Total
On Hand Start of Period	3524	0	3524
Received	4163	0	4163
Issued, 7th Army	1778	0	1778
Issued, 1st French Army	786	0	786
Issued, U.S. Base Troops	227	0	227
Issued, French Base Troops	0	0	0
Issued, USAAF	116	0	116
Issued, French AAF	1	0	1
Issued, Sixth Army Gp.	309	0	309
Total Issued	3217	0	3217
On Hand End of Period	4470	0	4470

2. Remarks: NONE

3. Activities:

a. Administrative Service:

- (1) Changes in units and detachments assigned to the Signal Section CAS:

a. Additions:

61st Signal Radar Maint Unit (Type "A").
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Det "A", 3104th Signal Service Bn.

Det "N", 3104th Signal Service Bn.
Det "A", 3139th Signal Mtr Mgr Co.
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Det "Z", 3159th Signal Service Bn.

- (2) The initial cadre of Signal Corps officers for Burgundy District arrived at CONAD and began the planning for the assumption of Signal supply and communications responsibilities in the area assigned them.

- (3) All Signal Corps operational personnel that could be spared from the CONAD area were sent forward to organize and set up the Signal supply and communications offices, depots and installations in the proposed headquarters location.

- (4) Local procurement in the old CONAD area was temporarily suspended due to the movement of the Signal Section Local Procurement Officer to the Advance CP and also due to a contemplated change in procurement policy.

b. Communications Service

1. Wire

a. Major Projects

- (1) CAS Project No. 44 — Install 2 15 k.w. PE-205-A power units (Spec No. 171-209-A) and associated equipment to provide power supply to operate CAS installations in Dijon. Work order pending possible change of plans.

- (2) CAS Project No. 47 — Establish CS and CU carrier system Dijon to Vittel. Work order pending delivery of equipment.

- (3) CAS Project No. 53B — Provide communications system for POL pipeline system from Vesoul to Epinal. Completed 4 February 1945.

- (4) CAS Project No. 53C — Provide communications system for POL pipeline system from Epinal to Sarrebourg. Estimated date of completion 8 March 1945.

- (5) CAS Project No. 60 — Provide sufficient emergency power to care for Signal operations in CAS headquarters where there might be a shortage of commercial power. Equipment requisitioned.

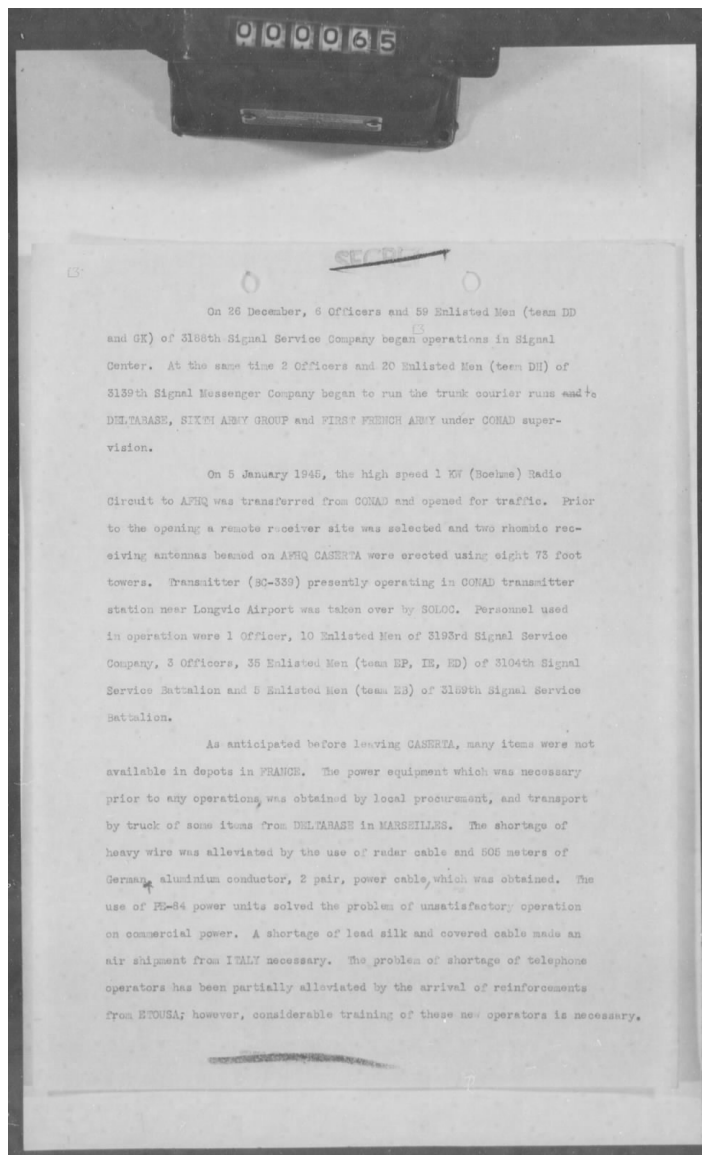
- (6) CAS Project No. 66 — Replace existing communications at 36th General Hospital with a WECO No. 550 or 551 80-line switchboard. Work order pending delivery of equipment.

- (7) CAS Project No. 67 — Install 1 WECO No. 551 G-1 switchboard to provide additional communications equipment at 46th General Hospital. Work order pending delivery of equipment.

- (8) CAS Project No. 71 — Install 1 BD-71 switchboard to provide communications for new units of MRS arriving in this area. Completed 27 January 1945.

- (9) CAS Project No. 72 — To equip communications car for a mobile railway headquarters. Equipment available. Work pending delivery of cars.

- (10) CAS Project No. 73 — Install 1 12-position Italian switchboard and 500 telephones to establish local switching for CAS Headquarters at Nancy. Estimated date of completion 20 March 1945.



HISTORICAL REPORT, AG OF S, G-4, SEINE SECTION, COM 2, APO 887, US ARMY.

reserved for 400 men, the air lift plan on Rotates was abandoned. A total of 1,491 Rotates, who had not been moved from Paris by air, were moved by rail on 20 December 1944, to Rouen for further movement to the United Kingdom and to the United States by ship and rail. 350 Polish Army recruits were moved to Le Havre on 22 December 1944, for further movement to the United Kingdom.

By 1500 hours, 22 December 1944, the number of trucks remaining under control of the Seine Section Motor Transportation Officer, had been reduced to 35, 2½-ton cargo trucks and 35, 5-ton cargo trucks. All other motor transportation had been sent forward in support of the Armies.

On 23 December 1944, instructions were received to intercept the movement of six Engineer Combat Battalions then moving through Seine Section, and to hold them pending further orders. These units were assigned security missions at a time when their services were badly needed.

During the period of 25 December 1944 to 1 January 1945, the organizations listed below were moved on Hq, Seine Section Orders, to the destinations indicated:

716th Railway Operating Bn. to Mazieres-Charleville.
3104 Signal Service Bn. to Paris.
Det. of 10 MM, 4300 Qd Bnd Co. to Cherbourg.
979th Engr. Maint. Co. (less 1 Maint. Pl.) to Mons.
Det. B, 11th Traffic Reg. Group to Avesnes.
Det. B, 11th Traffic Reg. Group to Reims.
1222 Engr. Fire Fighting Pl. to Depot 348.
1230 Engr. Fire Fighting Pl. attached to Depot G-177.
418th Engr. Dump Trk Co. to Paris.
Adv. Det. 3163 Signal Service Co. to Courcelles.
Co. B, 36th Signal Construction Bn. to Thionville.

Annex No. 3

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R.C. HILGERT,
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Signal Supply Division.

February 1945

Unit Designation	17	T O & E	Date of T O & E	Actual Strength			Location	Status	APO
				OFF	N	WO			
259 Medical Section		8-500	Apr 44	2			8 Plombières	Asgd BD	517
283 Medical Section		8-500	Apr 44	2			8 Dijon	Asgd BD	517
292 Medical Section		8-500	Apr 44	2			8 Dijon TP E-7	Asgd BD	517
ORDNANCE									
156 Ordnance Tire Repair Co		9-347	May 44	5			134 Dole O-3937	Asgd BD	517
442 Ordnance HAM Co		9-197	May 44	6	1	178	Dijon TP C-7	Asgd BD	517
PROVOST MARSHAL									
70 MP Co (PC&S)		19-217	May 42	4			98 Dijon TP G-8	Asgd BD	517
229 MP Co (PC&S)		19-237	Nov 43	1			33 Chalon N-9202	Asgd BD	517
241 MP Co (ZI) (- Det)		19-57	Nov 43	4			60 Dole O-3937	Asgd BD	517
Det "A", 241 MP Co (ZI)		19-57	Nov 43	1			82 Besancon O-7857	Asgd BD	517
291 MP Co (PC&S)		19-217	May 42					Asgd BD	517
362 MP Co (ZI)		19-57	Nov 43	5			146 Dijon TP G-8	Asgd BD	517
*362 MP Escort Guard Co		10-47	Nov 43	3			130 Chalon N-9202	Asgd BD	517
*789 MP Battalion, Co "B", (- 3 Dets)		19-57	Nov 43	1			37 Dijon TP H-2	Asgd BD	517
Det "A", 789 MP Bn		19-57	Nov 43	1			27 Dienay O-6584	Asgd DBS/ Atchd BD	517
Det "B", 789 MP Bn		19-57	Nov 43	1			43 Vougeot N-9945	Asgd DBS/ Atchd BD	517
Det "C", 789 MP Bn		19-57	Nov 43	1			37 Villiers-les-Pots O-2850	Asgd DBS/ Atchd BD	517
2030 MP PW Det (Ovhd) (- Det)		Spec	Feb 45	15			109 Chalon N-9202	Asgd BD	517
Det "A", 2030 MP PW Det (Ovhd)		Spec	Feb 45	6			60 Sarrebourg	Asgd BD	517
QUARTERMASTER									
71 QM Base Depot, Hq & Hq Co (- Det)		10-520-1	Jul 44	33	2	97	Dijon TP D-11	Asgd BD	517
Det "A", 71 QM Base Depot		10-520-1	Jul 44					Asgd BD	517
43 QM Railroad Co (- 3 Dets)		10-197	Oct 43	2			10 Vesoul O-8790	Asgd BD	517
Det "A", 43 QM Railroad Co		10-197	Oct 43	1			28 Langres J-2422	Asgd BD	517
Det "B", 43 QM Railroad Co		10-197	Oct 43				11 Chalon N-9202	Asgd BD	517
Det "C", 43 QM Railroad Co		10-197	Oct 43	1			30 Besancon	Asgd BD	517
56 QM Sales Co 2nd Dist		10-157	May 43	1			51 Dijon	Asgd BD	517
156 QM Laundry Section		10-500	Mar 44				13 Plombières	Asgd BD	517
*530 QM Bn, Hq & Hq Det		10-536	Jul 44	3	2	12	Dijon	Asgd BD	517
547 QM Group, Hq & Hq Det								Asgd BD	517
616 QM Depot Supply Co		10-227	Sep 43	8			166 Dijon TP C-7	Asgd BD	517
624 QM Laundry Co		10-167	Apr 44	2			259 Plombières	Asgd BD	517
680 QM Base Depot Co		10-367	Oct 43	3			70 Nancy	Asgd BD	517
3091 QM Refrigeration Co		10-217	Jul 43	1			10 Dijon	Asgd DBS/ Atchd BD	517
4128 QM Service Co		10-67	Feb 44	4			191 Dijon TP C-7	Asgd BD	517
SIGNAL									
3104 Signal Service Bn, Det "A"								Asgd BD	517
3104 Signal Service Bn, Det "N"								Asgd BD	517
3139 Signal Mtr Mgr Co, Det "A"								Asgd BD	517
3159 Signal Service Bn, Det "Z"								Asgd BD	517
3188 Signal Service Bn, Det "F"								Asgd BD	517
3372 Signal Service Bn, Det "O"								Asgd BD	517
3372 Signal Service Bn, Det "Q"								Asgd BD	517

* Colored Troops

SECTION II — French Troops Assigned Base 901

Unit Designation	Actual Strength			Location
	OFF	WO	EM	
ENGINEER SECTION				
3rd Engineer FF Platoon			17	Western French Forces
4th Engineer FF Platoon	1	2	13	St Jean de Losnes
11th Engineer Maint Co	5	18	165	Atchd 1st French Army
21st Engineer Equip Co	5	14	159	Dijon
42nd Engineer Depot Co	3	16	117	Dijon

February, 1945

HEADQUARTERS
COMMUNICATION ZONE
MACARTHUR THEATER OF OPERATIONS
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER
SUPPLY DIVISION
APO 887

5 February 1945

SUBJECT: Responsibility for Signal Corps Publications.

TO : Signal Officer, Seine Section, APO 887, U.S. Army

1. The Signal Corps has recently taken over responsibility for requisition, receipt, storage and distribution of Signal Corps publications in this Theater of Operations from the Adjutant General. To handle this responsibility, it is contemplated to augment the 2372nd Signal Service Battalion (Depot) by one (1) CA Team of T/O & E 11-500, consisting of one (1) officer and eight (8) enlisted men, and attach this Team to Depot S-691. As a temporary measure, one (1) officer, (Lt. Frantz) from this office and eight (8) enlisted men, detachments of the 3217th and 3104th Signal Service Battalions have been ordered to temporary duty at Depot S-691. At a later date, Lt. Frantz and eight (8) different enlisted men will be constituted into the CA Team referred to above, when proper authority for activation of this Team has been received.

2. Attached for your information and guidance is a staff study of the responsibility accruing to the OCSigO with assumption of this activity. Recommendations a. and b. of Section III were not approved as written, but rather changed as indicated above, because it is not possible to provide personnel as a separate Branch of the Supply Division under a non-T/O allotment to handle this job. Request that notification of this additional responsibility be transmitted to the Depot Commander of Depot S-691 and necessary arrangements made to initiate essential operations at the earliest possible date.

For the Chief Signal Officer:

1 Incl; as stated.

Copy for Commanding Officer,
Depot S-691.

R.C. HILGERT,
Colonel, Signal Corps,
Director,
Signal Supply Division.

- (23) CAS Project N-223 — Install 1 BD-72 switchboard and 4 telephones to furnish communications for Ordnance Salvage Depot.
- (24) CAS Project N-224 — Provide teletype conference facilities as requested in letter dated 14 March 1945 from Chief Signal Officer, Com Z. Completed.
- (25) CAS Project N-225-A — Displacement of CONAD Headquarters to forward location — local area installations.
- (26) CAS Project N-226-B — Provide multiple toll switching equipment for CONAD Headquarters at forward location.
- (27) CAS Project N-227 — Install 1 BD-71 and 1 BD-72 switchboards and 12 telephones to furnish communications for Quartermaster Depot Q-237. Estimated date of completion 5 April 1945.
- (28) CAS Project N-228 — Replace VFTG carrier equipment in Nancy switch.
- (29) CAS Project N-229 — Install 2 BD-72 switchboards and 20 telephones to furnish communications for 69th QM Bn (Mobile). Estimated date of completion 5 April 1945.
- (30) CAS Project N-230 — Provide equipment for long distance circuit security monitoring and recording in two locations.
- (31) CAS Project N-231 — Provide for the operations of switch centrals in the Sarrebourg and Luneville areas. Completed.
- (32) CAS Project N-232 — Install 1 TC-Central Office Set and 10 telephones to furnish communications for Engineer Depots E-523 and E-524 and their 24 operating companies. Estimated completion date 10 April 1945.
- (33) CAS Project N-233 — Install 1 TC-4 Central Office Set and 45 telephones to furnish communications for 73rd Quartermaster Headquarters Battalion and 14 operating depot sites with attached units. Estimated completion date 10 April 1945.

b. Items of Special Interest.

- (1) During the past week this section has been called upon to take over communications including installations and maintenance covering a large area in order to relieve army personnel that are needed in the forward areas. This area includes many centers such as Luneville, Sarrebourg, Strassbourg and Sarreguemines.
- (2) In addition the Military Railway Service and the POL have called upon us to extend their lines of communication well into Germany with the greatest possible speed in order to expedite the delivery of supplies.
- (3) This has put a great strain on our personnel who are being called upon to work long hours and under considerable pressure. Also it has been necessary to shift our personnel from one location to another at frequent intervals to care for shifting conditions and a shortage of transportation has become apparent. Steps are being taken to obtain additional vehicles for maintenance crews being formed from new units being attached to this headquarters.

2. Signal Center

- a. The personnel operating the Epinal Message Center for this headquarters were relieved on 27

March 1945. Personnel from Burgundy District have taken over operations of the message center.

- b. There have been no additions or major changes in the Signal Dispatch Service courier schedules operating for this headquarters during the 15 day period.
- c. Newly requisitioned personnel are being trained in CAS Signal Center procedure so that present personnel may be moved when necessary.

3. Radio

- a. The following personnel have reported and been put to work on their assigned mission:

	Officers	EM
2 ea. EB Team of 3128th Sig Sv Bn		10
1 ea. EP Team of 3104th Sig Sv Bn	2	19
2 ea. EF Team of 3186th Sig Sv Bn	4	48
10 ea. EO Team of 3189th Sig Sv Bn		60
	6	137

The following personnel are being turned over to Oise Section for use in Burgundy District:

	Officers	EM
1 ea. EI Team of 3104th Sig Sv Bn	1	11
1 ea. EG Team of 3159th Sig Sv Bn		5
	1	16

- b. Profile studies of the area along the CONAD axis of communication into Germany have been made and relay stations are being installed at strategic points.
- c. A VHF radio telephone circuit is in operation between Nancy and Saargemund.
- d. A Mobile Radio Teletype Station has been received and is being set up for a test run with Paris.
- e. Work is progressing rapidly on the installation of a mobile CONAD Radio Transmitter station.

c. Supply Service:

- (1) The Signal Section accomplished the following work during the period.
- a. 76 items of Signal equipment were repaired and returned to troop units.
- b. 269 items of miscellaneous equipment were repaired and returned to Depot stocks.

TRANSPORTATION

1. HIGHWAY.

a. Truck Operations.

From 0601 hours 16 March to 2400 hours 31 March 1945

*Number Trucks Available	*Number Trucks Deadlined	*Number Trucks in Operation
909	197	712

* Average

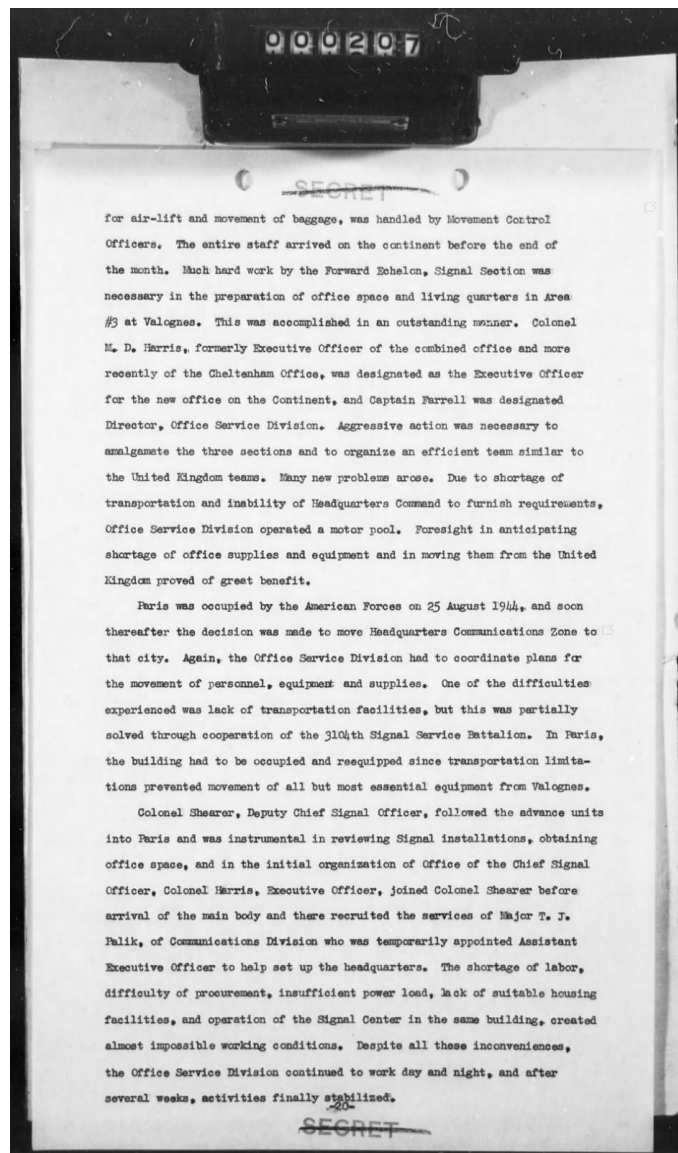
b. Supplies and Personnel Moved.

(1) Supplies

	Number Trucks	Number Type	Tons Hauled
Railhead to Dump	1299	3470	18935
Dump to Railhead	1950	5462	19135
Long Haul	2464	2494	17311
Depot to Depot	1043	3936	16460
Miscellaneous	837	2227	8401

Total Miles of Operation — Supplies 612410

Unit Designation	Date of				WO	EM	Location	Status	APO
	T/O & E	T/O & E	OFF	N					
*869 Fumigation & Bath Co (M)	10-500	Apr 43	3		81	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
941 QM SU Pet Prod Lab Mob Det	10-500	Mar 44	1		5	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
301 ¹ QM Bakery Co (M) (Spec)	10-147S	Oct 44	2		84	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3049 QM Graves Reg Co	10-297	Nov 43	1		25	Bensheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3204 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	3		225	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3232 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	4		206	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
*3250 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	4		196	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
*3262 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	3		182	Heilbronn	Asgd CAS	667	
*3288 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	4		203	Untergruppenbach	Asgd CAS	667	
3833 QM Gas Supply Co	10-77	Jul 42	3		124	Sandhofen	Asgd CAS	667	
*3899 QM Gas Supply Co (L/1st Plat)	10-77	Apr 43	2		75	Untergruppenbach	Asgd CAS	667	
1st Plat, 3899 QM Gas Supply Co	10-77	Apr 42	1		43	Ludwigsburg	Asgd CAS	667	
*4179 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	3		203	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
*4180 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	4		203	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
*4181 QM Service Co	10-67	Feb 44	4		201	Gundelsheim	Asgd CAS	667	
*4366 QM Bakery Co	10-147	Oct 44	1		80	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
4422 QM Depot Co (Sup)	10-227	Sep 44	7		178	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
6835 QM Remount Depot (L/Det)	Non/To	Mar 45	9		65	Hasloch R-3885	Asgd CAS	667	
Det "A", 6835 QM Remount Depot	Non/To	Mar 45	1		6	Edenbachen	Asgd CAS	667	
SIGNAL									
27 Signal Hvy Construction Bn, Hq & Hq Det	11-26	Apr 44	7		1	34	Friedrichsfeld	Asgd CAS	667
Medical Detachment, 27 Sig Hvy Constr Bn	11-65	Apr 44	1		9	Friedrichsfeld	Asgd CAS	667	
206 Signal Depot Co	11-107	Jun 44	6		2	144	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667
2 Signal Radar Maint Unit	11-617	Feb 44	1		3	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3210 Signal Crystal Grinding Det	11-500	Jul 43	1		3	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3215 Signal Service Bn Hq & Hq Det	11-500	Jul 43	3		16	Seckenheim	Asgd CAS	667	
238 Signal Operations Co	11-97	May 44	6		2	250	Seckenheim	Asgd CAS	667
299 Signal Installations Co	11-137	Apr 42	6		96	Mannheim	Asgd CAS	667	
814 Signal Service Co (Port)	11-500	Jul 42	6		140	Friedrichsfeld	Asgd CAS	667	
839 Signal Service Co	11-117	Jul 42	11		132	Seckenheim	Asgd CAS	667	
3104 Signal Serv Bn, Det "A"	11-500	Jul 43	2		18	Mannheim	Atchd CAS	667	
3128 Signal Serv Bn, Det "A"	11-500	Jul 43			33	Mannheim	Atchd CAS	667	



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