

111 Fd Regt Arty Group Task Table No. 1

SECRET

22nd March 1945

- 1) Raids are being carried out as follows on nights 22/23 March.
 - a) By one Platoon of 3 Btn from BARCA 155056 - Pt. 370 147060 - VILLA SALA 147056 - CA di MATTE 146053 - CASCIO 139055.
 - b) By one Platoon of 1 Btn from CALOMINI 122028 to RUCCIANO 119036, by direct route.
 - c) First contact with enemy is expected at VILLA SALA and RUCCIANO respectively at 03:00hrs.
 - d) On completion of mission, Platoons return by same route.
- 2) Arty will support the raids by harassing fire, counter bty and targets at call.
 - a) HF - see attached task table.
 - b) Targets at call - see attached task table. Fire will be called for by infantry through Btn HQ, when arty Liaison Officer will call for fire on Arty Group HQ by R/T or line Calls to be as follows: -
e.g.
 - (i) "Engage BOSTON" - salvo of 4 guns on BOSTON immediately.
 - (ii) "Engage BOSTON twice" - two salvos as above.
 - (iii) "Harass BOSTON for... minutes" - salvo of four guns followed by one single round every three minutes, ending with another salvo.
 - (iv) On receipt of call, Arty Group HQ will order the appropriate unit to engage. For this purpose, guns may be lifted off HF tasks.
 - c) CB - CBO will order bombards to P/17 Med. Additional fire to be called for through Arty Group HQ who will detail a unit to engage.

Guns may be lifted off HF but NOT off targets at call. Standard bombard will be a salvo of 4 guns, repeated as necessary.

- d) Observation - all arty OPs which can see the area will be alert from 01:00hrs to end of operation, to send in Shelreps.
 - e) End of operation. Liaison Officers at Infantry Btns will inform Arty Group HQ when Btn Commanders consider that no further calls for fire will be required. Arty Group HQ will inform units, who will inform their own OPs.
- 3) Intercommn Group net will open at 21:00hrs and then go on listening watch. After netting no calls will be made until 03:00hrs unless essential. Net will be checked at 03:00hrs after which calls are unrestricted. This procedure is necessary for security reasons.
- a) The Group Net will be closed down when both Infantry Btns report operation finished.