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- 0001 - White 6 to S-2; What is new (S-2) It is the opinion that the enemy infantry have pulled out of Hamich.
- 0028 - Blue 6 to S-2; We have one PW from the 116th. 15 tanks and 200 infantry attacked from the direction of Point 41, first on C Co and then they came on Point 38. We are in the town now, and need litters. I do think the crowd pulled back to go into the woods. It is still sticky up here. It is under control. One AT gun is being replaced. We got six more guns up there. We had two tanks and two TDs knocked out. The pit were C, D, and I Cos are is pretty bad, we can't get food in or the wounded out. Jerry is firing guns down from Woodnough and from the right flank. K and L Cos are partly in town, about 75 yards from Point 38 facing north. The priority for tomorrow morning is to clean out the town.
- 0044 - Maj Rawie to Delight 3; The show goes on as scheduled tomorrow.
- 0050 - S-2 to G-2; It is quiet up front now. There are not too many casualties. The attack started at 008420, the tanks came through the woods right into our positions. Most of the tanks and infantry of the enemy are believed to be out of town. Three tanks are thought to be destroyed.
- 0100 - S-2 to White 2; Gives him the situation as regards Hamich. (White 2) G Co is going into position.
- 0104 - PWI to S-2; Nothing new from the 4th Co. All the stories fit in. The PW from the 6th Battery said it was 105 guns located near Noethberg. The 4th Battery had an OP on Hill 232 with the 6th Battery.
- 0110 - S-2 to G-2; CT Kirchener is an 88 battery unit made up of Luftwaffer personnel.
- 0205 - Capt Clark to Sgt Stark; Have you any further word on the litters. (Sgt Stark) I contacted 1st Med Bn and they are to bring them up your Cp immediately. Capt Mahony is the officer I talked to. I will check and call you back if they have left.
- 0207 - Sgt Stark to Capt Clark; The litters have already gone forward to your CP.
- 0232 - Lt Evans to Lt Kestlinger; Col Gibb called asking for information about G Co. They are at Point 35 moving to positions between 48 and 34.
- 0355 - Col Horner to S-3; What is cooking (S-3) Red and White reports everything quiet. (Blue 6) We got one enemy tank through the turret. I have a feeling something is going to pop in the morning.
- 0415 - Blue 6 to S-6; The situation up in Hamich is not too good. We got K Co up forward in the town, nearly 75 yards north of Point 38. Co L's left flank was overrun, they can only account for 50 men. AT guns are up there now and are going into position south of town. I plan on using 4 tanks from 1st Bn. People are screaming for bazooka ammunition and bazookas, and we are getting it up to them. One man fired a bazooka from

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the second story window and put shell right through the turret. I am trying to get wire to the companies. 2nd Bn's situation as far as communication is concerned is a little worse. If anything develops in the morning I can't guarantee anything, have somebody ready in case (S-6) OK (Blue 6) No firing in town at all, evacuating 2nd Bn's wounded.

- 0435 - S-3 to G-3; Gives him the above information on the 3rd Bn situation.
- 0545 - White 6 to Lt Rameriz; What is the latest situation (Lt Rameriz) Gives him the latest poop on the situation. (White 6) Our northern flank is secure. Co G is moving, and we are trying to tie in with Lovelady. I am still worried about my right flank, because of the Hamich situation. I have wire communication with Lovelady from the rear, no physical contact.
- 0545 - Lt Rameriz to G-2; The north flank of 2nd Bn is OK. They have been trying to make physical contact with Lovelady. Hamich leaves their right flank in an uncertain state.
- 0550 - Lt Rameriz to Blue; What is the situation (Blue) We are being counter-attacked, but do not know the situation as yet.
- 0555 - Capt McFadden to Lt Rameriz; 3rd Bn is being counterattacked, artillery firing now.
- 0600 - Lt Rameriz to G-2; Tell G-3 our 3rd Bn is being counterattacked now.
- 0606 - Lt Rameriz to White 1; 3rd Bn is being counterattacked now with tanks and infantry, nature and strength of attack unknown.
- 0610 - Lt Rameriz to Decoy Blue; You called a few minutes about further orders. I just talked to the Colonel and the S-3, and they say to hold everything (Decoy Blue) I am ready to move at 30 minutes notice whenever they need me. I have my plans and maneuver all worked out. I can have my whole battalion moving in 30 minutes wherever they want me.
- 0615 - 87th Cml to Lt Rameriz; What is the situation (Lt Rameriz) Gives them the situation (87th Cml) Are they going to attack as planned (Lt Rameriz) Yes, everything is as planned. We will let you know if anything develops.
- 0616 - Blue 6 to Lt Rameriz; C Co is being counterattacked, also L and K Cos. C Co has 8 tanks and some infantry, and L and K probably have the balance of the force that attacked last night.
- 0620 - Lt Rameriz to G-3; Gives them the situation at 3rd Bn.
- 0624 - Lt Rameriz to Decoy Blue 3; Gives him the 3rd Bn situation.

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- 0638 - Lt Rameriz to Blue 3; Have you any further reports on the counter-attack (Blue 3) It has slackened off a bit. L and K Cos report they have it under control, but the situation of C Co is unknown.
- 0642 - Lt Rameriz to G-3; Relays the above information on the counter-attack.
- 0643 - Lt Rameriz to White 6; Gives him the 3rd Bn situation (White 6) Have Col Gibb or Maj Smith call me with regard to 3rd Bn 47th Inf.
- 0708 - Lt Rameriz to G-3; There is no change in the situation (G-3) What about air targets. They are going to work the woods over between Wenau and Heistern, Heristern and Lengewehe and Weisweiler.
- 0733 - G-3 to S-3; What is the latest. How much work do you have to do in Hamich (S-3) Gives him the latest report on the 3rd Bn situation. The time element is unknown. The 47th is waiting to move into Grant's position, shall I tell them to go ahead on plans to move at 1000 hours (G-3) No.
- 0745 - S-6 to Blue 6; What is the story (Blue 6) Jerry is still there. They first came around Point 38, then around C Co. We poured the wood to them. They are coming down on the road from 38 to 41., all in front of Hamich. B, C, and I Cos are all mixed around out there, they are low in strength, and we have no idea of their locations. We are receiving plenty from mortars, but are getting the wounded out of the area. Co C is receiving small arms fire now. 3rd Bn 18th should jump, what about the woods to the right (S-6) That is where they are going to push. Companies can see Jerry in vicinity of the 1st Bn, 26th objective.
- 0746 - S-3 to Col Peckham; Go ahead as planned, 3rd Bn will jump off also.
- 0752 - Blue 6 to Lt Rameriz; We are sending back 11 PWs taken by K Co.
- 0752 - Lt Kestlinger to G-3; Plan will be in effect, time 1000 to 1100 hours. (G-3) 26th jumps off at 0800 hours.
- 0758 - S-6 to White 6; You will jump off sometime between 1000 and 1100 hours probably closer to 1000 hours. Horner is sending some PWs in, and the thing is clearing up in Hamich. Peckham will move up on the right. How are the casualties in G Co (White 6) Not over 30 casualties, they were between 37 and 35. Right now it is OK, but unless someone jumps with me it is going to be rough. (S-6) Someone will definitely jump with you.

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- 0802 - G-6 to S-6: Nice going, Fred. You have had a lot of trouble.  
(S-6) Yes, we have, General. We are pushing between 1000 and 1100 hours. (G-6) Is it definite as to who is out in front?  
(S-6) Johnnie said it was quite definite that it is the 116th.  
(G-6) The 18th is moving into position just above you. I am going to push them right straight through for Langerwehe. What is the condition of the 1st and 3rd Bns. (S-6) Not very good sir. C and B Cos are down to about 30 men. I Co about 90 men, A Co about 90 men. A lot of casualties are from mortar fire, and there is some small arms fire up there now. They have just been getting chewed up.
- 0804 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Send an observer up to Hill 232.
- 0808 - Decoy Blue 5 to Lt. Kestlinger ; We will be ready by 1200 hours.  
(Lt. Kestlinger) Go ahead with your recon and then let us know. Our battalions will be ready by 1100 hours.
- 0810 - Lt. Kestlinger to 47th Inf: The attack will come off between 1000 and 1100 hours. I will let you know the exact time later.
- 0815 - Col. Peckham to S-3: What about the attack? (S-3) Gives him the plan of attack. The 4.2s will sweep right on through and past objectives, the artillery will do the same. (Col. Peckham) I will look over the ground and then let you know when I can be ready. Now I don't see how I can do it before 1200 hours.
- 0815 - I&R OP to S-2: One enemy tank burning in vicinity of 005443. Also appears to be one good enemy tank a few hundred yards northeast of there. There are enemy moving around this tank. Enemy moving around buildings at 011448. Friendly tracer fire from vicinity of valley around Point 16 to the far slope of the side Hill of 987450. The fire is approximately 50 caliber.
- 0825 - Blue 2 to Lt. Rameriz: One officer is coming in with those PWs. The cub spotted two companies of Jerry in vicinity of Point 41, and artillery is being put on them now. Hamich is in hand, but still in the same condition. No tanks seen in town but one was heard. One PW was definitely from the 116th.
- 0835 - Lt. Rameriz to G-2: Gives him the reports from the OP and Blue 2.
- 0835 - S-3 to G-3: How about getting the ASP out to the OP again today?  
(G-3) OK, I will take care of that.
- 0837 - S-3 to Blue: The air is going to work the roads over and we want all reports possible on the results.
- 0837 - Lt. Rameriz to Delight 2: Gives him the latest situation, and also asks for artillery on the tanks reported by the OP.

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- 0927 - G-6 to S-6: From here on out mine within our own areas. Lay this on especially with Peckham. I am convinced Hamich Langerwehe line is going to see most of the action. General Rose congratulated the Division on the Hamich show. (S-6) I will not go before noon, I want Hamich clear before Grant goes.
- 0931 - Delight 2 to S-3: Our rear OP reports that they believe enemy laid mines at 007446. Observed 4 enemy tanks on Hamich-Heisten road, three knocked out and one still burning. Report traffic both ways on road at 015480.
- 0938 - White 3 to S-2: E and F Cos reported on that infiltration that a PW said they were attacked by the 48th Volksgrenadier. They were brought up from 3 kilometers behind the line last night (S-2) Theat is probably the 47th.
- 0943 - ASP to S-3: What do you have today? (S-3) 015480 there is lots of traffic. (ASP) How about 000459 there are guns and tanks there. (S-3) OK, shoot the air over it.
- 0945 - S-3 to Red 3: What is the score? (Red 3) I am going to take all available tanks and root Jerry out of the town. They are down in the cellars, and we can't tell who is holding who prisoner. The Jerry part of town is pretty well flattened. (S-3) The Colonel says you can use any tanks you want to clean out the town and for the attack. As soon as they pass through you go to the assembly area.
- 0945 - Delight 2 to S-2: I reported to Maj. Smith that the air had gone after some of our artillery targets after we had fired a round at the targets. The targets were enemy infantry at 014448 and an enemy battery at 998473.
- 0950 - S-2 to White 2: Gives him the latest PW information and informs him of the 4 tanks knocked out near Hamich. (White 2) I saw about 30 PWs come in. Here are the casualties - F Co 2 officers 30 men; E Co 1 officer, 9 men; H Co one man. We have no report on G Co yet. These casualties were evidently mostly from early this morning during the infiltration.
- 1005 - White 6 to S-3: It has now quieted down around here, E and F Co. 15 minutes ago TF Lovelady was firing tanks and G Co was firing mortars in the draw at approximately 993441. Our wire crew got up behind TF Lovelady and had to drop the wire because they were getting fire from that direction, so there is evidently some enemy in there. Off to the left flank there is a lot of smoke between Points 47 and 61, the artillery looks like it is coming from the 3rd Armored.

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- 0839 - Lt. Kestlinger to I&R OP: All reports on air are to be turned in as soon as possible. (OP) They are strafing and bombing northeast of Hamich now. They are receiving 20mm flak. There is one good enemy tank at 007446. There is enemy around it and are walking to woods. The gun in the tank is depressed.
- 0843 - Lt. Kestlinger to G-3: There is a tank at 007446 and some enemy in the woods.
- 0844 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 6: The attack will probably go at 1200 hours. (Delight 6) The cub reported doing good work. The cub took 3 rounds to adjust and hit a pile of ammunition on the third round. The cub adjusted a TOT on another ammunition dump, that was hit and this same hit also caused two houses to blow up, they were evidently very full of ammunition. The cub had also picked up some fighter bomber targets. 5th Field fired 2100 rounds last night, and we fired 2,000 rounds.
- 0850 - White 3 to Lt. Kestlinger: A message from E Co said E and F Cos were restoring positions after infiltration of last night. Have about 30 PWs, no identification as this information came by radio.
- 0859 - Lt. Carroll to Lt. Kestlinger: General Taylor wants to visit 1st and 3rd Eng this morning. Where are they? (Lt. Kestlinger) You mean where are Driscoll and Horner? (Lt. Carroll) Yes. (Lt. Kestlinger) 999423.
- 0910 - White 3 to S-3: We had 3 officer casualties, two from F Co and one from E Co. Also 40 to 60 others. F Co has 30, E Co 9, 3 tankers, one TD and one in H Co. (S-3) Things are being laid on, but will let you know when H hour is.
- 0912 - Delight 6 to S-2: How are the roads around Gressenich? (S-2) There are mines south and east edges of Gressenich, and there are bound to be boby traps in the woods. The road from Point 11 to 12 is fit only for jeeps. The road from Point 13 to 18 goes through a minefield. Be careful of minefields in draws. Road signs are the regular A Co and 9th Div signs.
- 0914 - G-3 to S-3: ASP is going to OP. They say they can't get their jeep up there. (S-3) The OP is in a building. (G-3) How about communication (S-3) There is a phone there.
- 0918 - S-3 to OP: The ASP is on the way up. Can he get his jeep up there? (OP) He can get within 50 feet. We can see friendly infantry on Hill 48. Vehicle traffic on main road (Highway) near Weisweiler. (S-3) Is the air on it? (OP) No.

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- 1005 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 2: The attack will not go before 1200 hours today. 1st Bn is practically nil now. 3rd Bn <sup>we</sup> don't know about. (Delight 2) A B-29 reports 20 PWs coming back, also our infantry going from 38 towards 48. Lots of traffic at 015525. (Maj. Rawie) We have requested air for that. (Delight 2) Our supply for today is 2200 rounds. Mines have been reported laid on road at 007446.
- 1010-- Blue 5 to S-3: Where is the 26th? (S-3) West of 02 line moving west and the 18th is in assembly area. The 3rd Bn 18th is going to try and jump off at noon.
- 1025 - I&R OP to S-2: There is an enemy flak battery in vicinity 005515.
- 1030 - S-2 to Delight 2: Relays the above report from OP. (Delight 2) There is a dog fight going on with a FW-109.
- 1032 - PWI to S-2: Two PWs from 7th Co, 103rd, one from Hq, 12th Fusiliers, one officer from 3rd Co, 116th Recon Bn. His unit in woods near 015455, one platoon and 7 or 8 tanks just assigned to his unit.
- 1038 - G-3 to S-3: How are things? (S-3) I have a little request in conjunction with our attack. Have TF Mills put on a little show on known enemy positions with machine guns, west of 987 grid line, but don't fire east of that. Col. Grant will push. Another thing have TF Lovelady move some elements up to 989445. (G-3) I will arrange to have them contact 2nd Bn there. Have elements of 47th contacted Grant? (S-3) Yes. (G-3) What is the situation in Hamich? (S-3) The enemy is still occupying some of the houses northeast of Point 38. The houses are on fire. Horner states there are some Americans and Germans in the cellars. 3rd Bn 18th is in forward assigned area. 2nd Bn picked up 30 PWs and some casualties, on Hill 232. (G-3) 26th is moving, one battalion gained 3/9 km, Crowley is moving north and just east of that town and working out to that road.
- 1040 - S-2 to Blue 2: Have the PWs started back yet? (Blue 2) The 11 PWs will be back in about a half hour. There is one 2nd Lt. from 8th Co, 104th Regt. They attacked the east side of Hamich today, 90% casualties last night, had 80 to 100 men, were not able to get their wounded out. Tanks were knocked out in Hamich. Hill 232 is to be attacked today by 104th Regt, other PWs from 27th Regts, and 12th Fusilier.

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- 1045 - S-6 to Red 6: Do you want an M-12 sent up there to help you out? (Red 6) No, it would be knocked out, the tankers don't advise it. (S-6) OK. K and L Cos will move out and help you clean out the town.
- 1055 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Have the 3rd Armored fire on Point 46 and in that gully as the PWs say there are entrenchments in there and also fire left of Point 47.
- 1059 - S-3 to Red 3: Keep me posted on your progress in town. We must get the town cleaned out before we jump off. (Red 3) OK, General Taylor is here.
- 1100 - S-3 to Blue 5: We must get the town cleaned out before we jump. (Blue 5) ZOK.
- 1102 - S-3 to White 3: Driscoll just reported 40 PWs on the way back from your battalion. (White 3) Yes, and I just got a report from the OP that more PWs are on the way back. The enemy infiltrated last night and inflicted casualties on H Co, six killed and 12 wounded in the mortar platoon, had one officer and one sergeant wounded. Co F strength is plenty low. Last night communications was very bad, but the situation at the present is pretty well in hand and buttoned up. G Co had 4 killed, and 30 wounded and missing. (S-3) Get me a list of the casualties.
- 1113 - Blue 6 to S-6: We are getting ready to go into the town. We are having a lot of trouble and it is going to be slow progress. We are moving out as many tanks as they could, the tanks are in the way of progress. There are not just Jerries in the house they will find some of our people also. The houses are on fire. (S-6) How far are you in town? (Blue 6) 75 yards from Point 38. L Co got a PW who stated attackers suffered 90 % casualties. There is supposed to be an attack taking place to get Hill 232. (S-6) Yes it has taken place and we got about 80 PWs, everything is well in hand. (Col. Peckham) My battalion is ready to move. Horner and I are going to coordinate the drive. (Blue 6) It looks like we may have to set the line of departure as 1400 hours.
- 1115 - Lt. Kestlinger to G-3; and Dextrose: We are to jump off at 1400 hours.
- 1117 - G-6 to S-6: What is going on? (S-6) We want to be able to attack until 1400 hours. 2nd Bn has to regroup. 3rd Bn has to finish up the town. (G-6) 7 battalions of artillery is being fired on that woods now.



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- 1125 - S-3 to S-3, CCA: As you know we have a little clean up job to do in Hamich before we jump off. The time of departure is changed to 1400 hours or nothing (CCA) OK, I will change the time on it (S-3) I understand you are to put on a demonstration (CCA) Yes, we have it all laid out.
- 1130 - S-3 to Delight 3: The time of departure is 1400 hours instead of 1200 hours.
- 1130 - S-6 to White 6: The attack starts at 1400 hours (White 6) E and F Cos are in good defensive positions. F Co is in close contact which is going to make it hard to get off. G Co is in contact with Lovelady. One of my machine gun platoons has only about 6 men left, it has been rough. There are some Jerries in the houses at 48 and 49, and don't know what is in the woods. We are tied in with the 47th pretty good.
- 1134 - 634th TD to S-3: I want to send a relay station up to 3rd Bn so we can reach our vehicles. Will it be OK to send an M-8 up there (S-3) Yes, have them watch out, and be careful not to expose themselves.
- 1150 - G-2 to S-2: Corps just called and wanted to know about the counterattack and the 70 PWs. (S-2) That was early this morning, and I have already reported it.
- 1155 - I&R OP to S-2: Our planes are bombing around Point 55 on enemy tanks just behind a slope and between Points 51 and 55 and northeast of 51. There are busses on that big highway, it looks like ambulances. Artillery falling on Point 47.
- 1155 - S-3 to Red 3: Your TDs and tanks revert to 3rd Bn at 1400 hours including regimental AT platoon. (S-3 to Blue 5) All attachment of 1st Bn revert to 3rd Bn for attack at 1400 hours to be used as seen fit. How are things coming (Blue 5) We jump off at 1230 hours to clear the rest of town.
- 1205 - 3rd Bn 18th to S-3: What is the latest situation (S-3) Our 3rd Bn jumps off at 1230 hours to clear the town so that coordinated attack can go off at 1400 hours.
- 1205 - G-2 to S-2: What is this about an officer of yours being captured with all the maps (S-2) When Lt Beach was wounded some Germans picked up his maps that had my measles on it. He might of had the regimental plan with him.
- 1218 - G-6 to S-6: The Corps Commander is coming up to see me, what is your situation (S-6) E Co is in contact with the enemy to the north. F Co is in contact in the west re-

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ceiving fire from the southwest. We can handle it OK. G Co is in back of the hill and not in contact with the enemy, but are in contact with Lovelady. Lovelady is firing northwest, and we are firing southwest. E Co is going to woods at Point 49. 3rd Bn is working on the town, and seems to be going OK. The town is burning, there are tanks and enemy in town, and troops in the cellars. (G-6) How much artillery are they giving you? (S-3) I don't know, I just asked for fire. (G-6) What do you estimate in the woods on 232? (S-6) They report a lot of tanks there. Heavy fire coming from north of woods. Both of my heavy weapons platoons shot up pretty badly from this attack this morning. (G-6) I am alerting one more battalion of 18th in case they are needed. (S-6) I recommended that another battalion be alerted in case of a counterattack as I have nothing. (G-6) I understand that.

- 1220 - Lt. Kestlinger to Decoy: L and K Cos are cleaning up Hamich, at 1330 hours if not the attack at 1400 hours is to be postponed.
- 1235 - G-6 to S-6: Send Peckham's battalions through Langerwehe, and keep them attacking through to dark. You go like you had it planned.
- 1230 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: As of 1200 hours 3rd Bn 26th at 027434; 1st Bn 22nd located at 026386 going northeast; 2nd Bn 22nd 026382 going northeast; 3rd Bn 22nd in reserve at 016383; 1st Bn 8th At 025419, 027417, 029415; 3rd Bn is following 1st. 3rd Bn is going up to 1st and then they will form a two battalion front. A of 24th Cav at 009389; B of 24th at 016405.
- 1235 - S-6 to Red 6: How are things going? (Red 6) Pretty good. The artillery let up considerably. (S-6) Do you think Horner will get the town? (Red 6) Yes. (S-6) You do have any idea of the strength. (Red 6) B is about 3 and 32, there is a lot of dead around. (S-6) We are getting a GRS and they will be up this afternoon. (Red 6) We know there are tanks in the area. (S-6) Will you give me a call about 1315 hours and let me know situation? (Red 6) Yes, I will. Things seem to be going pretty good now.
- 1244 - PWI to S-2: Here are identifications of 19 wounded PWs. 2nd Co of 104th Inf Regt, 11 men 3rd Co 104th; 4 men 14th Co, 104th. We have 39 others we are checking.
- 1245 - Blue 6 to S-6: Hamich is cleared. K and L are ready for 1400 hours.

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- 1255 - PWI to S-2: We have one officer and 40 other PWs here. 1st Co, 2nd Co, 3rd Co, 4th Co, 7th Co, 8th Co, and the officer is from the 14th Co, 104th.
- 1300 - S-3 to Col. Peckham: Hamich is clear off at 1400 hours.
- 1305 - S-3 to 3rd Armored: Firm for 1400 hours we are going.
- 1315 - S-3 to Red 5: Have Co A, 87th Cml call forward CP and ask what they want in line of smoke.
- 1330 - S-6 to White 6: Hamich is clear. K and L is jumping off at 1400 hours. 18th will go through and continue attack after they take objective.
- 1335 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: After 1st and 3rd Bns are on objectives 18th is passing through and continue attack. Are you all set on preparation? (Delight 3) All set.
- 1338 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: 1st Bn 26th CP at Etzweiler. Regimental CP at Morschenich. Supply train at Hambach. 47th Inf reports German pocket sites at 994432. Requested air disposal squadron. At 1100 hours 20 tanks were northwest of Heistern. Artillery at 015455. Tanks at 011454. Air working on artillery now. C Co 26th is employed on Hill 172, 1st Bn from fire break to C Co. B Co is on north flank. They are getting a probing between Points 14 and 16. Counterattack reported on Hill 261. As of 1230 hours 3rd Armored 3rd Bn 36th reports B of 415th is located at 948440; Co C at 940441. Mines at 007446; at 014448 enemy infantry being worked by air Corps. Enemy battery at 0023438 being worked on by air Corps.
- 1345 - G-6 to S-2: How is everything in Hamich? (S-2) The last report is that the town is clear. (G-6) Is the attack going off at 1400 hours? (S-2) Yes sir. (G-6) Good, all the luck in the world and give them hell.
- 1346 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: 13th Corps and 30th British Corps have Geilenkerchen 3/4 surrounded. Battery of 105s at 016456; 30 tanks in Langerwehe; 20 tanks in Heistern; 12th Div trains in Elsdorf and 20 tanks at 132462. 104th Div on left flank identified 8th Co, 29th PGR, 2nd, 3rd, 4th Cos, 29th PGR, 12th Engr Bn, 6th and 7th Cos, 89th Regt. On the right flank, 3rd, 4th Cos 103rd Regt, 1st Co believed in reserve, 2nd and 3rd Cos, 89th Regt. 26th took 6 PWs 115th Regt, and 14th Cos. 115th were to relieve the 12th Div but plans were changed. 4th Div identified 2nd Bn, 15th PGR. They came by truck to Gurzenich, detrucked. Have 150 men in the battalions and their morale is low. 3rd Armored PWs were from 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Cos of 103rd Regt, also 14th Co and 147th AT Bn, 47th Div.

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- 1350 - G-3 to S-2: 104th seems to be going OK. Jerries seem to be having enough and throwing in the sponge, they are coming in in droves.
- 1350 - G-3 to S-3: 47th Inf: All set for 1400 hours, it will go for certain. (47th) We are getting set too.
- 1358 - Blue 5 to S-6: We can't go until 1430 hours. (S-6) You have to go. The preparation is on. (Blue 5) Alright, sir, we will go.
- 1408 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Preparation goes as planned. Give Stabler the fires he calls for.
- 1414 - White to S-3: F Co's lead platoon is entering woods, not much resistance. They have taken 12 PWs.
- 1415 - S-3 to G-3: The attack jumped off. F Co's lead platoon is entering the woods, not much resistance.
- 1416 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Gives him the latest situation. (Delight 3) B-29 is out so I don't have any more information.
- 1419 - S-3 to G-3: Tanks and infantry jumped off, moving toward Point 52. A little enemy artillery falling on them.
- 1420 - S-3 to 3rd Bn, 18th: Did you jump off yet? (Decoy) I don't know. Both the 3 and the 6 are with your A Co.
- 1424 - S-3 to A Co: 2nd Bn jumped off and are at the edge of the woods. Did Peckham jump off? (A Co) Yes.
- 1430 - Delight 2 to Maj. Rawie: Have the troops been getting any artillery fire? (Maj. Rawie) There has been a little, about 8 rounds on 232. What does our cub say? (Delight 2) We haven't had any reports from him, but I will let you know when I do.
- 1430 - White 5 to S-6: This is a very vague report but we know that E jumped off, nothing further. Seems to be enemy artillery landing northeast corner of Hill 232. (S-6) Keep me posted on E Co.
- 1435 - Lt. Rameriz to S-6: There is no change in 26th from yesterday. Pushed 3rd Bn forward through 2nd Bn position to objective #4 but advanced only 200 yards. The 1st Bn supposed to go west but are still in same position.

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- 1437 - S-3 to G-3: The attack seems to be going along OK. We haven't run into too much fire as yet. That is all I have for you.
- 1450 - Red 3 to S-3: Do you have any information that battalion of the 26th we are concerned with, the one around 42 (S-3) They are not going to move today (Red 3) C Co has two officers, 35 men; B Co 3 officers, 32 men; A Co 90 men. (Blue 5) L Co is moving on objective and receiving heavy direct fire.
- 1452 - G-3 to S-3: Has E Co moved yet (S-3) I don't know, all I know of is F Co (G-3) 1st Bn 26th is at 017433.
- 1500 - White 5 to S-6: Our E Co jumped across into woods, definitely at Point 62, made contact with one platoon of G Co which appears to the OP as about 200 yards south of 62. They are working towards 47.
- 1505 - S-6 to Col Mason: Gives him the latest situation (G-6) There are enemy north of Schevenshutte sniping at our people trying to put in a bridge (S-6) I will send a patrol from L Co 18th to cut the road above there. (G-6) What are you going to do with 1st Bn (S-6) Take them back 800 yards south of Hamich for reorganization.
- 1507 - Blue 5 to S-3: It looks like we are 200 yards short of Point 50. I Haven't heard from Peckham.
- 1508 - S-6 to White 5: Is E Co definitely at Point 52 (White 5) Yes, And they report that 3rd Armored is firing in the E Co sector.
- 1511 - S-3 to S-3, 3rd Armd: We have troops on objective request you lift all fires (3rd Armd) OK, will do.
- 1512 - Maj Rawie to Delight 3: Troops on objective so be careful where you shoot.
- 1514 - White 5 to S-6: Two platoons of G Co are now astride Hill 47.
- 1515 - G-3 to S-3: We have troops on 62. (S-3) E and G Cos at 47, 3rd Bn at 50. Troops in woods at 51 (G-3) 26th are on road at 439 easting.
- 1518 - S-3 to Blue 5: The Colonel wants mines on every road when you reach your objective (Blue 5) OK, K Co reports getting tank fire from Point 41.

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- 1522 - S-3 to White 5: The Colonel wants mines on every road when you reach your objective (White 5) OK.
- 1526 - PWI to S-2: We have an officer PW who is CO of 2nd Co of 104th. They were up in woods north of 232, says he went in there 4 days ago (S-2) He is a liar (PWI) We will try to get more information from him.
- 1530 - S-3 to G-3: We have Hill 47 and we want an officer from the outfit relieving us up here. (G-3) The battalions is on its way.
- 1533 - S-3 to White 5: The battalion of the 47th is on its way to Point 47 (White 5) OK, E Co is on its objective, and is trying to notify tanks.
- 1535 - S-6 to G-6: Gives him the latest situation (G-6) Keep pushing and protect 18th's left flank.
- 1540 - White 5 to S-2: G Co is on their objective, no known casualties. There is a gap between 47 and 62 but it is covered by tanks. A radio message says E Co is on 62 and 63, physical contact with G Co, but not with F Co.
- 1543 - Delight 2 to Maj Rawie: B-29 reports a tremendous explosion by the mill at 990490. It looks like the enemy blew the bridge there.
- 1545 - Red 2 to S-2: We have 96 PWs and one officer PW from 104th Regt, 47th Div. Their 1st Bn arrived from Denmark a week ago, the 2nd Bn arrived 3 days ago. PWs are 18-19 years old, very fanatical and talk only under pressure. The Lt said their mission was to retake Hamich this morning. They came in on the main road to Hamich. Have no AT weapons. 2nd Co has 5 machine guns and 5 bazookas per platoon. Strength about 120 men. 1 PW from 12th Arty Regt 12th Div. 104th Regt formed of navy and air force personnel. One PW from 5th Co, 104th in front of C Co. 3 PWs from 8th Co, 2nd Bn Bn Hq in Schenthal. Regt Hq and all attachment is in Eschweiler. The last action the 104th saw was in the forts of Contiegna. One man counted 60 dead this morning and many more wounded. He was an aid man. Losses caused by artillery and tank fire. These PWs were taken by all the battalions.
- 1546 - S-2 to Lt Lewellyn: 1st Bn almost 100 PWs pick them up as soon as you can (Lt Lewellyn) I have no trucks and have 100 PWs here to evacuate.

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- 1547 - Blue 6 to S-6: L Co CP is at 49, on objective, and AT guns up. Peckham's I Co is at cross roads at Hamich, 2nd Bn on objective.
- 1607 - S-3 to Decoy 3: Did you know the 18th has taken over 3rd Bns sector? (Decoy 3) Yes.
- 1610 - Lt. Rameriz to S-3: 1st Bn 26th is on hill 145. B and C Cos will attempt to contact 18th tonight. 3rd Bn 26th is 500 yards south of Point 56 on road.
- 1620 - Blue 5 to S-6: We are all on our objective, but are still getting direct fire. I don't know where Peckham is. (S-6) Gives him the latest situation.
- 1620 - PWI to S-2: In a document which I am translating the following is listed "Bn order of 1st Bn of 104th says Tank Group Bayers is attached to 104th for purpose of counter-attack. Located at Heistern.
- 1625 - S-3 to White 5: The 1st Bn is going to take over your old assembly area. Can you get all your installations out? (White 5) OK.
- 1626 - S-3 to Red 3: Everybody is clearing out of the assembly area and you can move in.
- 1630 - G-3 to S-3: Near your C Co where Ol Northing crosses the road is a contact point for you and 1st Bn 26th. (S-3) We can't, that is in the 18th sector.
- 1630 - Red 2 to S-2: We have about 60 PWs, can you send some one up for them. (S-2) Our MPs are on the way up, and the General wants a count made of the tanks and S/P guns, and how that one in town was knocked out.
- 1650 - S-2 to I&R OP: What has been going on in the last hour? (OP) Enemy artillery at Point 47, but not much. AA in area at Point 53. Our artillery is falling at Points 60 and 61. There is a fire in the factory in Eschweiler.
- 1650 - S-3 to White 3: How are things going? (White 3) No change since we last called. All companies on their objectives. (S-3) Has G Co been relieved from Hill 47? (White 3) No, not as yet. People from 47th Bn is to push through that way.

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- 1652 - S-3 to S-3, 47th Inf: Your 1st Bn is passing through our G Co. What battalion is coming up on that hill? (47th) 2nd Bn, they are on the move now.
- 1653 - Red 3 to S-3: We are turning a platoon of 745th over to 3rd Bn.
- 1655 - S-3 to 3rd Armored; S-3: Gives them our positions and progress.
- 1713 - Lt. Kramer, 18th to S-2: I Co is on their objective. (S-2) Gives them a summary of the day's action and intelligence reports.
- 1730 - PWI to S-2: A PW from the 8th Co, 104th Regt captured in Hamich stated he took his first platoon of 25 men last night into Hamich with 3 light machine guns to help out the 5th Co, which had suffered heavy casualties. Estimated half PWs and the other half were killed, 5 or 7 men escaped. Last night the 5th Co area from 018447 to 020449, 7th Co from 018447 to 014447; 6th Co in reserve in Heistern. CP of 2nd Bn at 012453, the third house on the west side of the road from Langerwerehe. CP of 104th Regt is in Schonthal. 1st Bn is on the right of 2nd Bn. The strength of the line companies is about 90 men. The 13th Co has eight 75mm infantry howitzer, and four 150 infantry howitzers, the location of which he did not know. 14th Co has three platoons of 18 bazookas each. CP of 14th Co is in Heistern. Six bazookas were attached to the 5th Co last night. 103, 104th, and 115th Regts in the line, also 47th Assault Gun Bn with four battalion batteries of 4 guns each. He thinks six of them were used for counterattack on Hamich, 47th Arty Regt has three light battalions with 12 - 105s for each battalion. The 4th or Heavy Battalion has twelve 150mm howitzers.
- 1750 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: The air reports no flooded area from Aachen to Julich, some mortar transportation northeast to Duren, at 0429 gun flashes from house tops. Many tanks and S/Ps at 026464, also concentration of troops in Pattern. 26th identified 2nd, 6th, 7th, and 8th Cos of 115th. 140th Div had patrols up toward Eschweiler, encountered mines and booby traps. 1 tanks and six S/Ps knocked out. 414th Inf Co A 959455; C Co 960455; E Co 967455; G Co 963453. Maj. Middleworth reports I Co reached 009461 going forward. K Co will go in on the left of I Co to 011449. 3rd Bn 26th at 1705 hours was between Point 61 and 64. 2nd Bn 18th at 003433, 1st Bn will move tomorrow. 3rd Bn 413 Inf at 933480; 3rd Bn 8th Inf 030412, K Co of this unit at 025404.



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- 1804 - White 5 to S-2: We have very little information from Forward because the line is out. We received a radio report that G Co was being pulled out from 47 and was being put in line with E Co. E Co requested artillery on 64. They are drawing fire from their right rear. Forward reported on objective near 67. E Co will probably be in around 62 and G Co near 63. (S-2) 3rd Bn 18th on objective, 26th has a patrol just east of 41.
- 1805 - S-3 to Red 3: How is the movement? (Red 3) All companies are in motion. (S-3) Let me know when you close.
- 1810 - Delight 2 to S-6: The report on 3rd Bn counterattack didn't take place as previously reported. Everything is OK.
- 1815 - S-2 to G-2: Gives him the latest identification of the PWs brought in. There is a definite defense in Heistern. In Hamich three tanks knocked out, a Mark II, a Mark VI, and another. (G-2) Between Hamich and Heistern four tanks burning, this was reported by artillery. According to PW only 7 tanks left Heistern so we got all of them. (S-2) In vicinity of 9945 is the dividing line between regiments. We got a battalion order concerning release of the 48th Inf Regt. Heistern should be worked over tonight. (G-2) Things are collapsing in front of 104th.
- 1815 - S-3 to Delight 2: Did you hear anything on the situation? (Delight 2) We got a call at 1630 hours from 3rd Bn and they reported a counterattack between 66 and 53, not too serious, and the lines are out.
- 1820 - S-3 to G-3: Gives them the above information on 3rd Bn.
- 1825 - S-2, 18th Inf to S-2: We have a PW who is an aviator. He was put in a replacement battalion from 115th. Put out in mill as a rear guard three days ago with four other men.
- 1845 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: G Co 413 at 929481 to 931477; L Co 931472 to 934473. 1st Bn, 47th Inf on 232. 2nd Bn 26th was counterattacked but not serious. 1st Bn 47th 987457. 3rd Bn 26th 032445 to 025444, buttoning up at Points 54, 55, 56, 51, and 200 yards west of Point 60.
- 1846 - White 6 to S-3: We are not tied in too well. Trying to get in contact. My CP is just north of Point 35. We are on original assigned objective. (S-3) I Co 18th is east of 51. (W (White 6) Believe we have something to edge of 66 so notify 3rd Bn not to fire on them. Companies left to right are G Co 62 to 63; E Co to center of woods northwest of 65; F Co at 66. Having a little fire fight and some shelling, but nothing to worry about. Right now it is disorganized. Having a hard time getting replacements on ammunition, chow, and water. Plenty of PWs here, about 40 or 50.

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- 1855 - S-3 to G-3: 3rd Bn locations uncertain. 2nd Bn from Point 66 to west along high ground. Right to left F, E, and G Cos.
- 1925 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 6: I am waiting for the new plan, and will send it in as soon as we get it. It looks like they are pulling back. 3rd Bn 18th is on their objective.
- 1925 - Lt. Kestlinger to Red 3: Do you know anything about 3rd Bn? (Red 3) K Co is at 50 southeast about 40 yards, L Co is at 49, left flank running due east about 40 yards.
- 1930 - G-6 to S-6: How are things going? (S-6) Fine. (G-6) I am pushing Smith awful hard tomorrow. (S-6) I am pushing forward with Grant. I will need about 500 more replacements. We had 491 evacuated and between 120 and 125 killed. I am hurt for leaders. In B Co we have only two officers left and 32 men, C Co has 3 officers and 35 men.
- 1945 - S-6 to White 6: How is the General Situation? (White 6) Everything is fairly well buttoned up. (S-6) What companies are in contact with the enemy? (White 6) G and E Cos.
- 2010 - PWI to S-2: We just got in 44 PWs. One is from 2nd Co 104th and said the 3rd platoon was in company reserve. One from 5th Co, 104th says no supplies arrived in since attack started. One from 1st Co says they spent the night before the attack in the woods at 108463. There are 20 men in his platoon and 70 men in his company.
- 2020 - Blue 2 to S-2: We are all buttoned up. Our tanks and AT guns are with us. K is on the right, L Co is on the left. I Co is where? A Co was. CP is 100 yards northeast of 37. There has been no casualties when I left the CP. We were counterattacked by a small group of infantry about 1630 hours. It came from the northeast. We saw 4 enemy tanks knocked out. (S-2) What kind of tanks did you see around Hamich? (Blue 2) One was a Mark V, but the rest were unidentifiable. (S-2) Maj. Smith wants an overlay of your positions and an officer to pick up the field order.
- 2025 - G-3 to S-3: G Co, 413 Inf are 800 meters west of Hohe, they are sending a patrol into the town tonight, and are going in there tomorrow. The rest of the line moved about 1000 yards today. They have better than half of Atch, 413 will drive east of Eschweiler tomorrow. (S-3) K Co is on the right of L Co on the left, Point 50 divides them. They have contact with 2nd Bn at 49 and 18th at 51. 3rd Bn received a slight counterattack at 1630 hours by infantry. Tomorrow 2nd Bn jumps off with 48th Inf and clear up to woods, when they clear that and the 18th is on their objective the 3rd Bn cover the open ground.

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- 2050 - I&R OP to S-2: We can see a signal light due west of OP about  $6\frac{1}{2}$  miles near Weisweiler. It is sending dots and dashes.
- 2125 - S-3 to White 5: How is everything? (White 5) Fairly quiet now. (S-3) We go 3000 yards tomorrow, but we are going to take it easy and let some of the others carry the ball. We are not going to force it.
- 2200 - Lt. Rameriz to G-2: 2nd Bn turned over 50 PWs to 47th Inf.
- 2220 - S-3 to G-3: K Co is tied in with Peckham. 2nd Bn is tied in with 47th Inf on the left. We have established a contact point between L and F Cos. At first light 2nd Bn is to send out recon patrols on all routes to the woods if they find nothing we will move up, if they find something we will put artillery on it.
- 2250 - White 3 to S-3: How are things? (S-3) Quiet, how are you? (White 3) Fairly quiet. (S-3) Any shelling? (White 3) I have no report of any, but have no communication with F Co. E and G Cos are fairly well in, but have a gap between them. There was some infiltration from 63 and E Co got in a fire fight, and killed several Jerries and took a few PWs. F Co is on objective and took a few PWs. They are tied in with Peckham. (White 3) G Co had a few casualties from artillery moving on their objective. They also lost one light tank.
- 2301 - I&R OP to Lt. Rameriz: At 82 degrees from here we observed enemy artillery firing. There has been a heavy concentration of our artillery on Weisweiler. Jerry artillery has been shooting air bursts over Wirth.
- 2330 - I&R OP to Lt. Rameriz: Our artillery is still firing intermittently west of Wiesweiler, also the fire there in the factory district is getting brighter. At 2320 hours one white flare was observed due north of here in vicinity of Wirth.
- 2345 - I&R OP to Lt. Rameriz: At 28 degrees we observed a three gun battery about two miles past Weisweiler.

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- 0015 - Lt Rameriz to White Rear: Has there been any change in your situation (White) None (Lt Rameriz) Any shelling (White) None has been reported. We have had no report from forward since 2030 hours. Right now the line is out to forward.
- 0045 - Lt Rameriz to G-3: Negative report. Have you any reports from the other outfits (G-3) The last reports were negative.
- 0105 - Lt Rameriz to White 1: What is the situation (White 1) It has been quiet for several hours.
- 0108 - Lt Rameriz to G-3: 2nd Bn reports everything quiet.
- 0145 - Lt Rameriz to Blue 1: How are things in your sector (Blue 1) Everything is quiet, no shelling since dusk.
- 0150 - Lt Rameriz to G-3: 3rd Bn reports everything quiet.
- 0205 - White 1 to Lt Rameriz: All quiet.
- 0610 - I&R OP to Lt Kestlinger: Gun flash 44 degrees, 135 seconds between flash and bang.
- 0715 - White 5 to Lt Kestlinger: Our present position is between 63 and 66. Part of 3rd Bn 47th Inf is in the south edge of the woods. Col Grant has worked out this plan. F Co and 3rd Bn 47th Inf are going through the woods, F Co using the right trail and 47th Inf using the left trail. F Co goes into position at 68-67-66. 3rd Bn 47th Inf goes through the woods headed northeast then slightly northwest to the final objective at 85-85-86. E Co then gathers itself together and goes northeast through the woods and ties in on the left side with 3rd Bn 47th Inf and F Co the right, which will put E and F Cos between 87 and 68. G Co comes up to fill in the goose egg. Co Grant has laid on the artillery with heavy stuff on 69 and 71.
- 0750 - Lt Kestlinger to Blue 2: Gives him an outline of the plan for today.
- 0755 - Lt Kestlinger to Decoy 3: Gives him the 2nd Bn plan for today. What happened to your patrols last night (Decoy 3) Our patrol last night went into Wenau, did not encounter any troops but did draw heavy artillery fire.
- 0820 - Blue 3 to S-3: Who is taking the town of Wenau (S-3) I will call you back in a little while.
- 0834 - Delight 3 to Maj Rawie: Mansfield called and said 18th is jumping off at 0830 hours.

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- 0840 - S-3 to Blue 6: How is everything (Blue 6) We are getting a little shelling at Points 41 and 51. Who is to take Points 69 and 71 (S-3) The square farm is yours; 2nd Bn gets the edge of the woods; but you don't move up until Heistern falls and the woods are taken.
- 0845 - Capt Stabler to Lt Kestlinger: Can you tell me where the 1st Bn is. (Lt Kestlinger) Around Points 8 and 10.
- 0850 - S-3 to White 3: How are things going (White 3) F Co is having a little fire fight. 3rd Bn 37th Inf is moving up on the flank (S-3) Slap down the artillery preparation on the woods.
- 0852 - S-3 to G-3: 2nd Bn jumped off on time, F Co is having a fire fight. (G-3) OK, all others jumped off on time.
- 0900 - Lt Carroll to S-3: A Co 47th 993450; B Co 988453; C Co Hill 232; 3rd Armored is unable to contact 1st Bn 47th, they went out to contact them and receive some fire from a friendly patrol. 18th all quiet. 1st Bn 26th got some mortar fire.
- 0905 - Blue 2 to S-2: I would like to get some more maps as we have had some jeeps destroyed and lost some (S-2) I will call the engineers and see if I can get you some 1/25,000. I will also try and get that man up to take pictures this morning.
- 0910 - Delight 3 to Maj Rawie: I just got word from our FO with 2nd Bn and they are in the same place as last night.
- 0915 - Capt Merendino to Lt Kestlinger: 186 cans on hand, 300 today.
- 0915 - S-2 to Disguise: We need some maps, 5203, 5204, 5104, 5103 in 1/25000 (Disguise) I will try to get you some.
- 0925 - Delight 3 to S-2: 2nd Bn has asked for fire from 68 to 86 and 200 yards to the left of 86, have you heard anything from them yet (S-2) No, but they may want that to stop people coming in on them.
- 0930 - Lt Carroll to S-2: 3rd Armored got some artillery fire, the same with the 4th Div. 104th Div had a quiet night, sent patrols out, one from each regiment. One patrol went to edge of 945487, received no fire; the other is not back yet.
- 0950 - Delight 6 to Maj Rawie: Do you have any engineers so we could have a place worked over where the 47th put in mines and booby traps. (Maj Rawie) There is a platoon at 1st Bn rear that you can pick up.

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- 0954 - White 5 to S-3: E and F Cos are on line, G Co is on the left flank at 62 and 63 in a fire fight; 3rd Bn 47th Inf is passing through Co E on the left side of the woods, Co K on the left and Co L on the right, Co K is in a fire fight. Co F is at 63 and 66 with a fire fight to their front. Co E is being pulled back and reorganizing for a good push. We are arranging for plenty of artillery now.
- 1020 - Maj Rawie to Delight 3: Enemy troops moving east on main highway between Points 126 and 127. Will you get some observation on it and fire on them. (Delight 3) We will see what we can do.
- 1020 - Lt Carroll to S-3: Elements of 415th Inf at 950450 to 925457. 413th Inf sent a patrol to 945499, no enemy. 413th and 415th off at 0800 hours. K Co 18th at 012448.
- 1030 - White 5 to S-3: We still have the engineer platoon here (S-3) Hold them until we find out about them. 18th has Wenau to south of Heistern. 47th Inf on left, 2nd Bn is going slow. F Co is in a fire fight between 63 to 66.
- 1031 - PWI to Lt Kestlinger: We have 18 PWs including two officers. The officers are the COs of the 1st and 4th Cos; 104th Regt.
- 1035 - S-3 to 87th Cml: 3rd Bn 18th cleared Wenau to south of Heistern. Our 2nd Bn opposite the woods to the north of last night. Our 3rd Bn is waiting until 18th takes Heistern.
- 1040 - G-6 to Maj Tegtmeier: How are your casualties (Maj Tegtmeier) Some of them are pretty bad. Most of them are physically and mentally in bad shape. We lost a lot of old NCOs. (G-6 to S-6) How are things going (S-6) Things are going slowly but progressing (S-6) Is Grant going up to the top of that hill (S-6) Yes sir, he is continuing north. If anything happens in the valley I will use Horner there. Grant is moving but slowly (G-6) You will have to push to the left to get roads to get supplies up (S-6) Yes sir (G-6) After we take Langerwehe you will probably be able to use road through there (S-6) What is the indication that enemy has evacuated Weisweiler (G-6) As long as enemy holds Weisweiler you will be going to the left of it. The right column of 18th is east of Heistern. The only thing I would like you to do is push hard and clean the woods.
- 1046 - Lt Kestlinger to Decoy 2: Can you give me the locations of your companies (Decoy 2) I Co is at 014447, K Co 013448 the edge of Heistern.
- 1050 - Lt Kestlinger to Dextrose 3: How are things going (Dextrose 3) We jumped off on time, 1st Bn is doing it. No report on progress (Lt Kestlinger) 18th cleared Wenau up to Heistern. Our OP reports 30 enemy in Weisweiler going east.

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- 1058 - S-5 to G-5: We just sent up a strength report for the General and there are some changes in the 1st Bn figures so could you send it back before the General sees it (G-5) OK (S-5) We are checking on the changes now.
- 1108 - S-2 to G-2: OP report 25 to 30 enemy seen going east along the main highway east of Weisweiler. The report on the tanks is two men and two tanks instead of one and one.
- 1115 - S-2 to Lt Carroll: What about the Wurselen area (Lt Carroll) All we have is the 3rd Bn 119th Inf is there. 4th Div tried to move this morning but got a lot of mortar fire. Trying to get to limited objective and strength on their lines. At the road junction at Eschweiler is 3rd Bn of 413th Inf, west of that is G Co, 413th, L Co south of road. Patrol went into Rohe this morning, no contact. 26th has OP that can see our final objective.
- 1129 - S-2 to G-2: Our OP reported traffic both ways on main highway. 3 tanks on the main road east of Weisweiler (G-2) We have air working up there now.
- 1129 - Capt Stowell to Blue 3: The engineer platoon from 1st Bn now with your Co I attached to you. (Blue 3) We have a fire fight going on the right, getting some small arms and light artillery.
- 1130 - G-3 to Capt Stowell: Any news (Capt Stowell) Our 3rd Bn is getting casualties from light artillery fire from direct fire weapons from Heistern. The last report we had a company of 18th Inf was south of Heistern.
- 1135 - S-6 to White 6: How is it going (White 6) Contact on left with L Co 47th. We are meeting resistance at first. K Co 47th was in a heavy fight. I am at the edge of the woods at Point 49 and getting a little shelling. I am moving all TDs and tanks in the woods around me.
- 1138 - S-3 to G-3: 2nd Bn in quite a strong fire fight in the woods. 47th receiving about the same. 3rd Bn on the left receiving about the same. Our 3rd Bn is getting some artillery, advancing very slowly.
- 1145 - Lt Carroll to S-3: 3rd Bn 47th in fire fight with enemy on line 994455 to 998454 advancing slowly. 1st Bn 47th Inf mopping up enemy at 986457. I Co 18th at 017448 abreast with K Co 18th engaged in fire fight with enemy. 3rd Bn 47th took 7 PWs, no identification. 3rd Bn 26th at Point 61 and can observe to Point 99. B Co 26th moving toward Point 25. Divarty observed enemy infantry company on road between Inden-Pattern going northeast. Armored Corps took 689 PWs yesterday. C Co 47th got a PW from 2nd Co, 104th. 104th Div reports all units moving ahead, lost contact with the enemy.
- 1146 - S-3 to G-3: We have had OP reports that troops and tanks on highway from Weisweiler east. Can we get some air on it (G-3) We received the same report from our sources so we will take care of it.

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- 1155 - G-6 to S-6: How is the 2nd Bn doing? (S-6) In pretty much of a fire fight. On the left, 47th Inf in hell of a fire fight. (G-6) I think you will have to use whole regiment in woods. (S-6) Grant is moving up his TDs and tanks. 47th Inf 994454. They went through G Co this morning and ran into this fire fight. Our line extends from 003456 to 995454. (G-6) I just raised hell with HATH for not using more artillery. You and Smith are not using enough artillery. Smith is so close he can't use medium artillery. (S-6) If I can get 3rd Bn in woods facing southeast my best bet would be to attack to the southeast. (G-6) You are absolutely right. 18th is getting along alright. 104th has patrols to Eschweiler.
- 1200 - Decoy 2 to Lt. Kestlinger: Here are the PW identifications of PWs taken at Wenaus - 5th and 6th Cos, 48th Regt, 12th Div; 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4, 6th, and 14th Cos. 115th Regt, 47th Div; 5th, 6th, 14th Cos, 104th Regt.
- 1212 - Delight 3 to S-2: I talked with Scott, he says F Co is at 003451. He requested fire from 999459 to Point 68 and north. A big building up in that woods is indicated. The PWs taken were Marines.
- 1220 - S-2 to White 5: Reports the above item.
- 1220 - Blue 6 to S-6: Things are not going so good. The 18th is catching a lot of stuff and we are getting it in our front from rifleman. L Co has about 70 men. (S-6) Where are the rest of them? (Blue 6) I don't know. K and L Cos has patrols out to the north. K and L Cos are receiveing sniper fire and also mortar and artillery fire. Their positions are under direct fire from the north and east.
- 1227 - G-2 to S-2: Donley just returned from Hamich, he says there are a number of German dead and several of our own. He saw three German tanks and two assault guns knocked out. I want Bottsford to write up this action, it was quite a classic little engagement.
- 1235 - S-2 to Decoy 2: Gives him the latest situation. (Decoy 2) I and K Cos are in the town, going through it. There seems to be a delaying action there. On the right, the move will start at 1300 hours. Expect contact with 26th when the people on the right move up.
- 1249 - Delight 3 to S-2: Your F Co is at 003454.
- 1250 - G-3 to Lt. Rameriz: 1st Bn 26th is receiving mortar fire, believe it to be friendly. They are at 013435. Will <sup>you</sup> check on it. (Lt. Rameriz) Yes sir.
- 1250 - Decoy to Lt. Kestlinger: Our 3rd Bn is fighting in Heistern. 2nd Bn, which is south and west of Hamich is going to cross over and go up the right road. 26th OP reported seeing the fighting in the town.
- 1253 - Lt. Rameriz to Dextrose 3: Tells him of the above message from G-3, (Dextrose 3) My 3rd Bn is almost on the main road. A Co is moving south from Hill 145 moving southwest to 006429. B Co is moving north along the



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the road to Hill 147. C Co is moving west/ 3rd Bn is moving northwest to main road at Heistern.

- 1255 - Lt Carroll to S-3: There is a report of a tank concentration going toward 19th Corps front from the Inde-Pattern area. 1st Bn 47th heavily engaged in fight to mop up area 987457. 3rd Bn 47th engaged in heavy fight (fire) in Bouenberger Woods. 3rd Bn 18th in heavy fire fight with enemy holding Heistern and ground northeast. 4th Div: 8th Inf - B Co 023419 facing north, C Co 026417, north to northeast, I Co 026415, facing east, L Co 025413 facing southeast, K Co 021405, E Co 013415 facing northeast; 22nd Inf - B Co 026387, C Co 026385, E Co 026382, F Co 025377, L Co 024384, I Co 021383, G Co 021378; 12th Inf no noticeable change from yesterday, trying to push northeast.
- 1302 - G-3 to S-3: What is new with your 2nd Bn (S-3) I check every half hour, they are between 67 and 68 (G-3) That is OK. K Co 47th is at 64 and a point 200 yards northwest of 63.
- 1317 - PWI to S-3: Interrogation of CO of 1st Co, 104th Regt. They had orders to attack with 60 men Hill 232 at dawn of 19th Nov. The 2nd Co was to the left. The Bn CP was at 999447 in a lodge. There were 14 to 16 PWs from the company, 10 wounded and evacuated, one got away, this would indicate that the company was destroyed. The 3rd Co was in reserve at 998450 and was to follow when Hill 232 was taken. The officer never saw the 3rd Co and assumed that the artillery got them. Officer thinks Regimental CP at Heistern. In the attack on Hill 232 they had no artillery, depended on surprise. Officer had orders that if was absolutely necessary to retake the hill immediately. Commanding officer of 4th Co, 104th said he was captured at 000468, this was impossible, but he was captured in the woods. The strength as of the 18th Nov, was two platoons of 4 heavy machine guns, the 3rd platoon had four 81mm mortars and three light howitzers. The 3rd Platoon was up with the attack and the platoon lost its machine guns. The 2nd Platoon was on the right. The platoon CO of the 2nd Platoon was seen evacuated as a PW by the Company CO, it is possible that both platoons were overrun. As of 18th Nov the 4th Platoon had 3 light howitzers at 023464. The 13th Co was a Cannon Co and was responsible for supporting fire, the CP was at 021463. The strength was eight 75 howitzers and four 120 mortars. The 1st Bn assembly area and battalion CP were at 031469 before the relief of the 48th. The 1st Bn CP at 999447 was too hot and it was moved back into the woods, everything was disorganized. The 3rd Platoon was in the woods, the 1st and 2nd Platoons were not located. The company strength was between 80 and 100 men. I have a document giving complete listing of officers of the 104th.

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- 1330 - White 5 to S-6: F Co is at 67 and displaced 200 to 300 yards north of that. K Co 47th Inf is around 64 there is a gap between them. Waiting for L Co 47th to come up to close the gap. E Co is reorganized and moving up to the left of F Co; G Co is moving over toward our goose egg. E, G and L Cos 47th getting heavy shell fire.
- 1330 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: K Co 47th extends from 993457 to 997460. B Co 47th fighting heavy opposition at 987457; K Co 18th 013452; I Co 18th 015450. 2nd Bn 26th receiving counterattack from the east. 47th reports quite a bit of enemy infiltration out of Eschwieler moving east.
- 1334 - Delight 3 to Lt. Kestlinger: 2nd Bn is 100 yards south of Point 68 on east side of the woods. A Co 47th in vicinity of Point 47. 3rd Bn 47th forward elements at 926460.
- 1340 - S-3 to Decoy 3: Gives him the latest locations of units. (Decoy 3) We are not through the town. One more company is being committed on the west side of town. Committing 2nd Bn on right of 3rd Bn, taking up part of 26th area.
- 1350 - I&R OP to S-2: Definitely spotted enemy gun battery near factory at Weisweiler at 996488, dead sure it is a gun battery. Fairly heavy traffic on highway northeast of Weisweiler going both ways, 50% civilian.
- 1351 - S-2 to Delight 2: Gives him the above report.
- 1400 - Lt. Kestlinger to 47th Inf: How are things? (47th) Our B Co is half way up Hill 187 and the Jerries are on the top. (Lt. Kestlinger) Gives him our positions.
- 1410 - Delight 6 to S-6: We just fired the mediums twice on that battery at 996488.
- 1415 - S-3 to G-3: Here is our present set up. Co F is working towards objective about 459 grid; Co E going up on their left. 3rd Bn 47th has committed three companies, K Co on the left, L Co in between there, Co I is moving through. K Co is on 460. Lot of artillery coming to the woods on F Co. (G-3) Where is the artillery coming from? (S-3) No report, believe coming from the east. Middleworth having quite a time in Heistern. (G-3) Are you going to commit your 3rd Bn? (S-3) No, the Colonel wants the 3rd Bn to sit tight. They are getting a little artillery. (G-3) Do you think you will have Objective #1 tonight? (S-3) Yes, we plan too. (G-3) Good, 26th plans to have theirs also.

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- 1419 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: 2nd Bn is getting a lot of artillery and mortar fire. Did you get any shell report from 2nd Bn FO? (Delight 3) No, we fired at woods at Point 87 and at a gun elsewhere. (Maj. Rawie) Gives him several places where observation is believed.
- 1420 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: 104th Div picked up a deserter of 18th Inf in civilian clothing has been absent from his unit for six weeks. Elements of 104th has reached, as of noon, 935485, 933486, meeting some small arms.
- 1430 - G-6 to S-6: Why the hell don't you use some smoke out there, we have lots of it. (S-6) I think the ridge at Heistern is where the enemy has the good observation. (G-6) I don't want you to get Grant out there too far so he gets chopped up. Get him out there so he can contact the open plain to the east.
- 1436 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Going to have 4.2 lay smoke on Point 90, can you get artillery to smoke it? (Delight 3) We are going to put artillery on Point 71. (Maj. Rawie) Good, and also on Point 89. There is a ridge and these points are probably OPs.
- 1445 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: 1st Bn 8th Inf 023418; 2nd Bn 025410, 3rd Bn 020410, not much activity. 1st Bn 22nd Inf 030388; 2nd Bn 030377; 3rd Bn 023385, meeting very heavy artillery fire. 1st Bn 12th Inf 025350; 2nd Bn 020350; 3rd Bn 028340.
- 1450 - S-3 to White 1: Give this information to Capt. Hall - "Hall  
"Gain initial objective, dig in and hold for tonight.
- 1450 - Delight 3 to Maj. Rawie: We are going to have Corps smoke that area.
- 1453 - S-3 to 87th Cml: Can you lay me a smoke screen? (87th Cml) Yes, where do you want it? (S-3) Start 300 yards north of point 68 and take it across the open valley. I believe the wind is in the right direction and it will take it up the valley. Hold it, Col. Gibb has just changed his mind, but keep it in mind. How many rounds do you have? (87th Cml) 300 rounds.
- 1455 - Col. Gibb to Col Mason: The General called about smoking that ridge. I will not use the 4.2s because of the wind but will try the artillery on the base of the enemy positions.
- 1459 - G-3 to S-3: What progress is 2nd Bn making? (S-3) Still in woods, artillery still falling on them. (G-3) Are they going to keep moving? (S-3) No, no road, will have to wait for fall of Heistern. 3rd Bn is still sitting.

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- 1500 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: L Co 18th 009448 moving to attack Heistern. 2nd Bn 18th elements at 011443 passed to right of Heistern continue to attack to north. B Co 26th 012435 C Co 009433, Co A 007430 have cleared enemy from road now going to smoke northeast.
- 1515 - PWI to S-2: PW says Division CP at northeast corner of square, building on the east at 04155040, Regimental CP of 104th is in castle in Shonethal. They were told they were faced by a regiment with the same number as the division. They were told they were English on Hill 232 with two tanks. They were to take it by surprise with no supporting weapons.
- 1545 - S-2 to G-2: Gives them the above report.
- 1550 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: 19th Corps getting a counterattack with tanks and infantry at Aldenhover and Riedermerz started at 1300 hours coming from south. 3rd Bn 18th is having a lot of trouble in Heistern. 413th Inf is meeting stiff resistance in Hehtrath. No stiff fighting in Rohe. Artillery reports lots of traffic going east of Weisweiler. 4th Div got PWs from 7th and 12th Cos 1058th Regt, 91st Div at 026380.
- 1600 - Red 5 to Lt. Kestlinger: I, the 3rd Bn CP in the same place. (Lt. Kestlinger) It is in Hamich.
- 1602 - Disguise to S-2: You can pick up those maps at our CP, 953400.
- 1615 - Delight 3 to Maj. Rawie: We are continuing to smoke the hill, but are unable to contact Scott.
- 1620 - Decoy to S-2: Our 3rd Bn with I and K Cos abreast fighting in the town, about half way through the town. L Co is going to the left of K Co, going further up and then out back to the town.
- 1630 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 2: Gives him the locations of the units. The smoke which Thomas fired is said to have decreased enemy artillery.
- 1630 - Blue 2 to S-3: K Co is getting artillery fire, L Co is not receiving any now.
- 1640 - S-3 to G-3: 2nd Bn is 300 yards from final objective. 3rd Bn is receiving artillery fire all day.

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- 1642 - Delight 3 to Maj. Rawie: I am in a new position. I just got a call to fire on three vehicles at 003468, are they friendly or enemy? (Maj. Rawie) It must be enemy, it is OK to fire. (Delight 3) The rear CP is just closing now and moving forward.
- 1655 - S-2 to Blue 2: 18th took Heistern.
- 1702 - Decoy 3 to S-3: We have taken Heistern. 2nd Bn at 207, and took 35 to 40 PWs.
- 1720 - I&R OP to S-2: Gun flash at 8 degrees vicinity of Wieswieler.
- 1732 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: As of 1645 hours, 1st and 3rd Bns 47th Inf meeting heavy resistance. 3rd Bn 18th cleaned half of Heistern. L Co 18th on left of K Co. 2nd Bn 18th leading elements at 018454. 1st Bn 18th closed in assembly area at 003433. 3rd Bn 26th captured ground at 034455. As of 1600 hours. A Co, 26th buttoned up vicinity of 00634287, C Co buttoned up at 01004325. A platoon of B Co is at 01464381. The rest of the battalion to the south. 1st and 2nd Bns have received an estimated 500 rounds of artillery and mortar fire since 0900 hours this morning. On the southeast edge of town the bridge has been fixed but tank trap still to be fixed. 18th reports these PWs identifications 1st Bn 103rd Regt 988453 to 993454; 2nd Bn 993453 to 996450. 1st Bn 104th Regt 996450 to 999486; 2nd Bn 999448 to 013450. Many SS troops reported in area around 1849.
- 1745 - S-2 to White 2: What is your situation? (White 2) No change. Enemy artillery has quieted down in our area. Our companies are about 300 yards southwest of Point 68. Small arms fire over northwest about 2500 yards. Our right flank is 300 yards south of 67, E Co on the right, due west is I Co, due west of that is L Co. K Co is left of 64. K Co's left is at 64. G Co is from 62 to 63. A Co from 63 to K Co at 64. Between F and 3rd Bn covering with tanks. No enemy between 66 and 67. No organized small arms near 68. Fairly quiet now. (S-2) 1st Bn 26th down opposite Point 29. 18th is up to 71. (White 6) We stopped in time to button up. We are all tied in. (S-6) Horner is improving his positions by moving forward.
- 1803 - Decoy Liaison to Lt. Kestlinger: Our 3rd Bn is at road junction just beyond Heistern 013453. 2nd Bn is on Hill 156. 3rd Bn took 53 PWs.

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- 1832 - G-3 to S-6: How did Grant do? (S-6) He is short 200 yards of original objective. (G-3) 18th did beautiful job today. The last word from them they were cleaning the middle of town. They will push up for Langerwehe. Enemy threw everything in to keep us from getting in open. Patton took 14,000 PWs in the last 12 days. The situation on the 104th Div front is good, fighting in Rohe. 29th Div only about 4 kilometers from Julich. I think the 18th will push right through tomorrow to Langerwehe.
- 1900 - G-6 to S-6: How are things? (S-6) Grant is 200 yards from the edge of the woods. He could not move G Co as they were filling the gap they are still on the north flank. Will move them the first thing in the morning. The artillery raised hell out there again. Horner advanced 300 yards because the enemy was shooting at him. He now occupies their positions. 1st Bn didn't get their replacements tonight. They came too late will get them out in the morning. I am buttoned up now.
- 1915 - G-4 to S-6: What did you tell the old man now about traffic on the roads? (S-6) I just told him that the road from Gressenich to Hamich is loaded. My people have trouble getting through Gressenich. (G-4) I will send an officer up to Gressenich in the morning to take care of it.
- 1930 - G-2 to S-2: How many PWs do you have in your cage? (S-2) None. We had 40 from 2nd Bn but they turned them over to the 47th. (G-2) Any new identifications? (S-2) 1st and 2nd Bns of 103rd, 1st Bn 104th. 147th Engrs 18th identified 2nd Bn 104th. 100 men from 47th arty Regt were brought into the lines as infantry. They brought in a lot of replacements units to fill in the lines. Looks like we are fighting all of 47th Div. How many enemy did they get out of Heistern? (G-2) There is a question on whether they have it or not. We took 223 PWs for today.
- 1945 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: 47th Inf reports great fight going on in Eschweiler. They can see dozens of fires. They picked up an officer from 2nd Co, 103rd Regt. He stated this morning at Gressenich he saw 47th Div commander. Here are the 47th Inf locations - A Co 994455 to 998458, B Co 983456 to 988458, C Co 989451 to 993451, 2nd Bn no change, I Co 998458 to 001458, K Co 995460 to 999460 to 002463.
- 1955 - S-3 to White 3: You push tomorrow from 68 left along woods and back to 87. We will use plenty of smoke and will have artillery blasting all the way.

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- 2000 - Blue 2 to S-2: We have an OP established on 53. 7th Field Cannon Co and myself run it. We picked up a battery of mortars at 002475. There is a huge fire burning at Point 116 and fires at 106. At Point 88 scattered rifle shots, believed to be disorganized groups in the woods. L Co 18th has moved into Heigstern, and it is quiet in there now. I have a German measles sheet. Lt. Anderson brought in. I am sending it down to you. There is a searchlight on again at 5300 mills from Point 53.
- 2010 - I&R OP to Capt. Stowell: 8 fires are still raging north of Eschweiler 6 degrees from OP a light is blinking on and off. 4 fires are in rear of factory districts in vicinity of Weisweiler.
- 2022 - I&R OP to Lt. Kestlinger: Twin Very flares 29 degrees from here. Searchlights on at 6 degrees and one at 16 degrees.
- 2030 - G-6 to S-6: You may make promotions now without regard to T/O so if you have any men left that are qualified we can make them acting until it is approved. I will take your approval on them.
- 2035 - S-2 to G-2: Gives him the report on the searchlights, and the fires in Eschweiler. (G-2) 104th Div took 65 PWs today. Today was pretty quiet compared to yesterday. 19th Corps reports enemy activity has been continued to be at ubborn. Town at 9854 has been taken. 40 enemy tanks active south of town. 500 PWs taken for today. 415th Inf patrols have reached 947540. 415th has met small arms resistance at 965476. 4th Div in forrest to west of 04360538. Artillery active at 0538. Enemy patrols have been aggressive. 1058th Inf Regt has been encountered west of 0338.
- 2057 - S-3 to Blue 6: Here is the story for tomorrow. You wait for the 18th. (Blue 6) But the 18th only has half the town. K Co is in it, L Co went through up to point 72, and are held there for the night. That road looks like the only tank approach to get to our place. We have observation all the way, also to 104. Have engineers down that road moving tank barriers. (S-3) I don't expect you will move before 1000 hours. ~~XXXX~~
- 2115 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: 16th to continue to northeast tomorrow. Expect H hour at 1000 hours. 2nd Bn took second objective. 3rd Bn to Point 71, but not until 18th takes objective. Rolling barrage for H minus 5 to H hour. 50 yards advance every minute. 4.2s smoke edge of woods and along railroad tracks, Battalion of artillery on Weisweiler.

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- ✓ 2130 - Lt. Kestlinger to Decoy 3: From 999432 to 005432 the road is cleared but shoulders are Teller mined.
- 2135 - Lt. Kestlinger to G-3: Repeats the above message.
- 2145 - I&R OP to S-2: A gun flash 30 degrees, 12 seconds from flash to bang.
- 2145 - S-3 to Decoy 3: At present time we are in position to cover open ground to your left of the woods. 2nd Bn will clear the woods and be ready for the jump off. 3rd Bn will work to your left to edge of woods and then I will coordinate with 2nd Bn. Initially we won't be tied in physically with you but 3rd Bn will be tied in to your left flank and then will make contact.
- 2200 - S-3 to G-3: Things are pretty quiet in the companies. All buttoned up. We could not get chow to them tonight through the woods, but all set for the morning chow. All set for tomorrow.
- 2205 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: 18th picked up 64 PWs, all from vicinity of Wenau. They were 48th Pioneer Bn, 7th, 4th, 6th Cos 104th Regt., and 147th Arty Regt. 26th took 17 PWs after dark. Identified by candle light 1055 Regt, initial interrogation reveals that 1055th Regt in this area. They surrendered to a jeep coming down the road. 89th Div took 50 PWs today. 413th Inf at 943497 to 947500. At 1745 hours 1st Bn 414th was at 970461; 2nd Bn at 971453 to 977454; 2nd Bn 8th Inf was at 028408; 3rd Bn 933404; 2nd Bn 22nd Inf at 030380.
- 2230 - Blue: Plane coming in from north, medium height.
- 2255 - White 3 to Capt. Stowell: Enemy artillery coming in one round a minute, heavy stuff. Right in around F Co and behind F Co, coming from northeast. Artillery is causing heavy casualties. Very difficult to evacuate. Litter bearers have to carry them 800-1000 yards.
- 2302 - Capt. Stockwell to G-3: Gives him the situation on 2nd Bn.



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- 2305 - I&R OP to Capt. Stowell: A flash of artillery due north from OP in about vicinity of main military highway.
- 2330 - Delight 3 to Capt. Stowell: We are firing at all known gun positions north and northeast.
- 2331 - Capt. Stowell to White 3: Your time tomorrow is changed to 0900 hours. 18th will start at 0800 hours.
- 2335 - Blue to Capt. Stowell: L Co has some harassing artillery fire falling on the road in the last hour, also 3 friendly rounds fell short on them. K Co has patrol out, but no report from them yet.
- 2336 - Message from G-6: Time of attack for 21st Nov is 0900A for 16, 47, 26 Infs., 0800A for 18th Inf.

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- 0040 - I&R OP to Capt. Stowell; We can see two guns firing, one was at 85 degrees, 15 seconds flash to bang; the second one at 50 degrees, flash to bang 14 seconds.
- 0112 - I&R OP to Capt. Stowell; We can see two more gun flashes, one at 80 degrees in vicinity of Hamich; the other two degrees.
- 0115 - I&R OP to Capt. Stowell; We saw another real bright flare at 12 degrees, believe it is a plane taking pictures.
- 0120 - White 2 to Capt. Stowell; It is pretty quiet out here, but we are receiving mortar shells every few minutes.
- 0124 - Blue to Capt. Stowell; All quiet. A little harassing fire in front of K Co awhile ago. The line to L Co is still out.
- 0203 - Capt. Stowell to G-3; Gives them the reports received from the units during the last hour.
- 0251 - Blue 1 to Lt. Rameriz; K Co patrol in front of Point 50 occupied position and report no activity.
- 0305 - I&R OP to Lt. Rameriz; At 0240 hours a vehicle seen moving east from Weisweiler, blackout lights observed.
- 0330 - Lt. Rameriz to G-3; Gives him the reports received from the units in the last hour.
- 0410 - Blue 2 to Lt. Rameriz; Cannon Co reports enemy gun at Point 76, mortar positions at 002475. Between now and daylight we are going to blow the road blocks at Point 53. Small arms fire heard at Point 72.
- 0411 - White to Lt. Rameriz; Small arms heard in the F Co area.
- 0415 - Lt. Rameriz to G-3; Gives him the reports received from the units during the last hour.
- 0420 - Lt. Rameriz to Decoy; 3rd Bn is going to blow the road blocks at 010449 between now and daylight.
- 0455 - G-3 to Lt. Rameriz; Determine says 32nd Field called for defensive fire at 001455 and 007453.
- 0501 - Lt. Rameriz to White; Relays the above message from Divarty. (White) We did not report any counterattack, and do not know who called for the fire.
- 0505 - Lt. Rameriz to Blue; Did you call for defensive fire on 001455 and 007453? (Blue) No, we have radio contact with OP at 53 and they will call for fire in this area. He did not call for defensive fire but is firing missions. Check with Cannon and 7th Field immediately.

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- 0515 - Lt. Rameriz to Delight 3: Are you firing mission close to our Point 67? (Delight 3) 3rd Bn requested harassing fire 1000 yards away from 67 at 70.
- 0520 - Lt. Rameriz to G-3; 2nd Bn and 3rd Bns did not call for defensive fire. 001455 would not be the place to fire, our troops are there. (G-3) 3rd Bn 18th is being counterattacked, they asked for fire, I will check on those coordinates.
- 0525 - Lt. Rameriz to White; Capt Parsons is checking now on coordinates, and I told him not to fire on those coordinates because F Co is right in that vicinity.
- 0530 - Lt. Rameriz to Blue; Relays the information received from Capt. Parsons regarding defensive fire. (Blue) K Co reports a few rounds of friendly artillery falling short, and 7th Field is not shooting, also one round of friendly artillery fell on L Co about 0525 hours.
- 0545 - Lt. Rameriz to Delight 3; Notifies them of 3rd Bn's report.
- 0546 - G-3 to Lt. Rameriz; We checked with Divarty and those coordinates were wrong. It was reported by the 47th Inf from artillery, 1000 yards too far to the left. 3rd Bn 18th counterattack has been broken up.
- 0740 - Delight 3 to Lt. Kestlinger; We were just told 18th Inf H hour is postponed a half hour. (Lt. Kestlinger) We didn't know that, thank you.
- 0805 - Lt. Walker to S-3; Anything new on 18th? (S-3) They are jumping off at 0830 hours instead of 0800 hours. 2nd Bn had a quiet night.
- 0848 - Lt. Carrill to S-2; 3rd Bn 18th had a counterattack at 0430 hours this morning. By 0530 hours it was repulsed. Enemy shelling 2nd Bn 18th. 26th captured artillery map from 275 Regt., also two OPs at 040404 and 03954015. PWs from the 1055 Regt were from 8th Co. Sent up this way from Schmidt area. PW stated a perfectly camouflaged train at Elsdorf undamaged, the bombing did not damage it. Flying conditions are not very good. 9th SS at Elsdorf. 12th SS at Duren. At Zubrich and Duren the 116th has been committed. 5 more flying bombs over area last night.
- 0857 - Lt. Rameriz to 87th Cml; Do not fire smoke as H hour is not at 0900 hours. Only fire on order from 2nd Bn. (87th Cml) What time is the jump off? (Lt. Rameriz) For us 0900 hours.
- 0859 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3; Do you know H hour? (Delight 3) No. 18th H hour is 0830 hours and two battalions of artillery will shell woods, gully, all the way to the bowling alley. One battalion of mediums on edge of woods. When we register in we will shell there also.

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- 0905 - Lt. Kestlinger to S-3 47th Inf: When is H hour? (47th Inf) We jumped off at 0900 hours, no report as yet.
- 0910 - Blue 3 to Capt. Stowell: Three 88s at 007465 can stop us, and 2nd Bn is staring down our throats.
- 0912 - 87th Cml to Lt. Rameriz: We stopped firing in time. One platoon at 38 the other at 54, hereafter you will have to give me a half hour notification on H Hours.
- 0913 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: Three 88s are at 007465. (Delight 3) We are firing on them now, 32nd Field is also firing. (Maj. Rawie) Use precision fire, and don't stop till you see them up in the air.
- 0917 - S-2 to G-3: What are you doing with air today up by Langerwehe? (G-3) Expect it about 1000 hours and will work up in that area.
- 0920 - S-2 to Decoy 2: I wanted to find out about your counterattack last night and your progress this morning. (Decoy 2) Both moved off, but very small progress. 2nd Bn is running into artillery fire. 3rd Bn had the counterattack. The enemy had no tanks with them, but brought down artillery fire and tried to come into right rear of K Co, but didn't amount to much. Road now cleared of mines and brook filled in for heavy traffic. We are working on cleaning out the town.
- 0930 - S-2 to White 3: People on the left moved off, people on the right had a small counterattack, and they are not up to 71 yet, they have some buildings to clear out. They have the road open and heavy stuff can go up now. Our 3rd Bn reports three 88s at 007465, and the artillery is firing on them. How was artillery during the night? (White 3) Quite consistent artillery on E and F during the night, some casualties.
- 0940 - S-2 to Blue 2: Notified him of the 18th Inf situation.
- 0944 - Decoy 2 to S-2: Pretty sticky job up in Heistern. One officer wounded said he was shot by a woman and he killed her. There is quite a bit of artillery in town. 26th is getting a little counter-attack now.
- 0950 - G-4 to S-6: Do you have any dead lying around that haven't been picked up yet? (S-6) I am checking on that now.
- 0954 - FWI to S-2: We have 8 PWs here. 2 from Hq 2nd Bn, 47th Regt; one from 7th Btry, 1 from 5th Co, 104th Regt, two from 7th Co, 104th and 2 from 14th Co, 104th.

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- 1000 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: 104th Div sent a patrol last night around Eschweiler to 946481 and 946488. They got a little machine gun fire. Estimate 50 to 60 men manning positions in that area. A second 104th Div patrol went to 947500 and 951499. Reported no enemy in the town. A third patrol from 104th Div reports 6 or 7 - 20mm AA guns on hill 400 yards north of 023476. 47th Inf picked up 8 wounded PWs from their 3rd Bn, were from the 6th and 7th Cos of 155th Regt. 2 other PWs this morning one from 4th Co, 103rd Regt, and one from 147th Engr. Bn., 3rd Bn 8th Inf are trying to go south this morning to contact 22nd Inf. 121st Inf, 8th Div is going to pass through middle numbered regiment of 4th Div today.
- 1003 - S-2 to G-2: Reports PW identifications and progress of our units to this hour.
- 1015 - S-6 to G-6: Our OP, 20 minutes ago, reported heavy traffic out of and into Weisweiler. We have located two batteries of the 88s and are firing on them. The 2nd Bn is going slowly. 18th reports having a tough time. No cellars in Hamich were harmed by our artillery.
- 1017 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: 1st Bn 413th 952502 to 952496; 2nd Bn 415th 940478 to 945470; 3rd Bn 26th repulsed a counterattack; 3rd Bn 47th jumped off on time; 1st Bn 47th meeting heavy resistance vicinity of Hill 187.
- 1017 - I&R OP to S-2: Fairly hazy all along the front, also a lot of artillery action. Enemy is dropping counter battery fire around OP.
- 1018 - Lt. Roberts to Lt. Kestlinger: They are pouring it into Gressenich. We have two squads occupying the buildings there, and they say that there is a lot of our S/P guns and artillery moving in and the enemy is giving them a warm welcome.
- 1040 - S-2 to White 2: How are you doing? (White 2) No word on the progress. Our line is out now, we are trying by radio. There are quite a few enemy shells coming in out there. Our 1st word from there was that they had met a strong point southwest of 68, but thought E and F Cos could take care of it.
- 1100 - Blue 2 to Lt. Kestlinger: At 1030 at 019492 six enemy tanks moving east and some vehicles moving west on the same road. At 001475 there is an enemy AT gun.
- 1101 - S-3 to Blue 6: What is the situation? (Blue 6) Enemy is using flak batteries as artillery. No traffic can go on road from 51 to 53 as road is under direct fire. We do not hold high ground overlooking the whole plain down to the river. If we can clean out the woods to the east and northeast it would relieve the situation. Progress is slow.

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- 1102 - S-3 to CCB: How are things? (CCB) We have secured those two towns. Lovelady is still in the same position. They got a few PWs, they were cut off and had not had any food for 4 days. No identification yet. Our people say 47th Inf got 40 to 50 PWs.
- 1105 - S-3 to Decoy 3: How are things going? (Decoy 3) Slow, but we are moving. We took a few PWs, one was a Lt. Col. At the V junction by Heistern we have a company going up the right road and another company up the left fork.
- 1106 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 6: At 019492 there are six enemy tanks and at 001475 there is an AT gun. You might as well lift fire around Point 88 and in gully until H hour is decided.
- 1117 - Lt. Kestlinger to S-2: 47th Inf: How are things going? (47th) Things are moving slowly up front, but I think they are making it OK. We took 2 officers and 57 men PWs this morning, but no identifications as yet.
- 1125 - S-6 to G-6: In talking with Col. Nichols we have decided that if we could get a couple of 76s with each platoon of tanks, that it would help a lot. The 3rd Armored, according to Nichols has priority on tanks with 76s. We need two now. (G-6) I will put the heat on. (S-6) Gives the General the situation at the present time. Our 3rd Bn OP in a good position. Enemy is using AA for direct fire.
- 1130 - S-6 to G-3: Conversation concerning the general situation. (G-3) The new Canadian Army is going northeast towards Dasseldorf. 1st Bn 415th 957469; 2nd Bn 945473; 2nd Bn 413th on line from 945490 to 945480. Half way through Rohe, seems to be going OK. Looks like you will have a company on the left when you get up where you are going.
- 1135 - Lt. Carroll to Lt. Kestlinger: 3rd Bn 413th 934455; 2nd Bn 947490 to 946484; 1st Bn 949501 to 946497; 2nd Bn 18th 024455; 3rd Bn north of Heistern limited operation; C and F Cos 414th moved forward to 977454 and 978462; L Co holds a line 971465 to 975467; 2nd Bn 415th at 0800 hours was advancing with no opposition; 2nd Bn 413th was receiving mortar fire. 2nd Armored Div TF #1 of CCB at 940634 to 944628; TF #2 at 942646 to 931538; TF #A at 952622 to 952617 also have elements at 956658, 969599, 963590; 3rd Bn 116th 966586 to 953582; 2nd Bn 115th 965580 to 964576; 3rd Bn 115th 971577 to 967575 to 967572; 2nd Bn 175th 984566 to 983563; 3rd Bn 175th 983562 to 998557; 1st Bn 175th 973562; L Co 17th 9555. One battery of 146th Arty Regt at 085487. 18th had an officer wounded by a woman, and the officer shot her.

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- 1145 - Blue 6 to S-6: I am up at the OP on Point 53. They have observation up towards northeast and northwest with limited observation around 89. One of our tanks went out off forward along slope of hill north-east of 86 and was shot at by an enemy AT gun. On the northwest up in the flat area. It is not possible to cross this flat until Huchein is taken, nothing can cross this. The 18th is reported going up towards 74 in that area. Expect it to be light enough for planes to operate in one hour. All artillery reports are going in direct from here.
- 1145 - Blue 2 to S-2: At 999474 enemy vehicles moving on road. At Point 80 moving east, observed one AT gun, one personnel carrier, one tank.
- 1149 - S-3 to 87th Cml: Would like you to smoke 000473 to 004476 line running along railroad track and on track if you can. We think AT guns are there. I will let you know when to go ahead.
- 1200 - Message from I&R OP - Vicinity of Points 72, 47, 48, and 65 being shelled occasionally air bursts on vicinity north of Point 50. Neighbors on right report over 100 PWs taken in vicinity of 72 this morning at 1120.
- 1201 - S-2 to G-2: An abandoned gun battery at 007465; AT gun firing from 000474; friendly tank knocked out 001467.
- 1207 - S-3 to G-3: Our OP reports one of our tanks knocked out by Point 86, by AT fire. Artillery is shooting out there now. Also movement on road north of 117. Three enemy vehicles at 986467.
- 1210 - White 3 to S-3: E and F Cos are on objective, no small arms fire but quite a bit of artillery. E and F Cos are tied in together and trying to tie in together and trying to tie in with 47th Inf.
- 1210 - Blue 6 to S-2: In the Weisweiler area there is a lot of stuff moving, and also around Uschien, moving both ways. I think planes should work that place over and also if you put in big shoot on I can observe it.
- 1215 - S-2 to G-2 and G-3: Gives them the above report.
- 1220 - PWI to S-2: A PW from Hq Btry, 3rd Bn, had 80 men and when they lost their guns in bombing in Julich reported at town at 119th and were used as infantry in vicinity of Heistern, fought as a unit, Arrived yesterday in the morning, morale good, supply good. PW from 5th Co said they had 4 tanks in Heistern for support.
- 1220 - S-3 to G-3: 2nd Bn has finished cleaning up as of 1145 hours.

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- 1225 - S-3 to S-3 26th Inf: What do you have for us? (26) We didn't start to move until late because the General took our 1st Bn for Division reserve. 3rd Bn had a small counterattack coming from north of 73, but we broke it up. (S-3) What about 2nd Bn? (26th) They are still where they were. (S-3) Gives him the latest positions of the battalion.
- 1228 - Maj. Rawie to Delight 3: 3rd Bn sees movement around town at 000474. Lets get a shoot on it, also around Weisweiler.
- 1235 - White 3 to S-3: E Co is sending back 3 PWs. You will find 75 dead Jerry on Hill 48. The platoon leaders are the ones to get the credit.
- 1245 - Capt. Stowell to Decoy 3: We would like to get a building in your area in the town you took for our Regimental CP. (Decoy 3) It is not all clear yet, but I will see what I can find out for you.
- 1245 - Delight 3 to Lt. Kestlinger: That AT gun in Huchein was fired on by 188th Field, 32nd Field, and another battalion.
- 1300 - Lt. Carroll to S-2: 3rd Bn 18th captured enemy strongpoint at 013455. 2nd Bn 18th meeting heavy opposition. 1st Bn 26th moving to pass through the leading elements 1st Bn at 011438. 3rd Bn 47th moving slow against mortar and artillery taking. Division Cage has 175 PWs. 84th Div has elements at 8966 and 8865, town is clear.
- 1310 - Blue 2 to S-2: OP reports one enemy half track stuck at 018492. At 1100 hours two enemy vehicles with infantry moving east at 999474. (S-6 to Blue 6) What do you see of the 1st Bn 18th? (Blue 6) Nothing. (S-6) Can you get an officer over there and as they move up I will be waiting, and you can keep me posted from time to time.
- 1315 - Lt. Carroll to S-3: As of 1300 hours 1st Bn 26th has elements at 019447 receiving heavy artillery. 3rd Bn 47th advanced to a line from 999465 to 001466, meeting mortar and AA and artillery fire. 1st Bn 18th at 003439. One PW taken by 47th Inf said 7th Co were all killed or wounded. Heistern is clear. 47th Inf reports more infantry on the road in front of the building up area 980480, and we can't fire as they are not in our sector. 18th reports possible artillery at 020476. At 017466 enemy infantry number unknown.
- 1345 - White 3 to S-3: E and F Cos getting heavy direct fire. (S-3) We will see if we can't get some smoke on it. (White 3) The 4.2 observer can't go up to the companies because his radio won't reach that far and he has no wire communication. 47th Inf A Co is digging in on Point 47 for the night. B and C Cos digging in on 61.



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- 1350 - Blue 6 to S-6; 2nd Bn stopped at Point 73, 3rd Bn stopped at Point 71. 1st Bn CP, 18th is next to mine, going to start to move from 71 to 89 taking the right of road, moving now.
- 1400 - S-3 to 87th Cml; Can you observe with 2nd Bn establish reday starting. (87th) Inf When infantry gets to edge of woods above 88 northeast his job is to tie in with the artillery.
- 1405 - I&R OP to S-2; We can't see very much today. We saw a large column of black smoke coming from Point 69. Several 2½ ton trucks loaded with PWs.
- 1411 - S-2 to White 5; Do you have any PWs there? (White 5) Not yet. (S-2) I hear you are getting some so if you need any help let me know. (White 5) What is new? (S-2) 414th and 47th are nearly abreast, 414th north of Volkenrath. 26th has a battalion at 030445. There is a lot of stuff going to happen up north of us.
- 1415 - G-6 to S-5; How is Driscoll getting along in organizing his battalion? (S-5) He got a lot of replacements today he is working on. He should have another. (G-6) The war will be over by that time. Have that battalion ready to move in 24 hours. You got to get that battalion operational.
- 1415 - S-3 to White 3; Dig in for tonight.
- 1430 - S-2 to Lt. Stockwell; Where did you want to move this thing to? (Lt. Stockwell) Up to the last place I showed you. (S-2) How about in the town 18th took? (Lt. Stockwell) OK.
- 1435 - Lt. Carroll to Capt. Stowell; L Co 414th advancing on line 972465 to 977467; K Co pushing north at 971463; F Co 978630; 1st Bn 415th to east 946474 to 949476; 2nd Bn to east 953469 to 956465; 2nd Bn 413th at cloverleaf.
- 1435 - S-2 to Decoy 2; It is OK with you if I put my OP in your town? (Decoy 2) Yes. We got 118 PWs. A Lt. Col. Kinch was found dead. One officer and 60 men and 10 half tracks came down from Langerwehe to counterattack Heister last night. CP of 104th Regt, is in Langerwehe at 031468. 10 half tracks from 033472 to 032469. 116th Panzer in town of Norzenich in 4623 grid square. (S-2) The 7th Btry of 147th Arty Regt had 3 guns knocked out. 147th was at Golzheim. (Decoy 2) Aldenhoven was taken by 29th Div and close to Julich. Our 2nd Bn receiving hit real hard by artillery fire. M Co has had 35 casualties, G Co has been protecting right flank. 1st Bn went up through the town.
- 1450 - Lt. Carroll to Lt. Rameriz; 1st Bn 413th cleaning up town at 9750; 1st Bn 18th passed through their 3rd Bn.

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- 1532 - Lt Carroll to S-2; There are a battery of 150s at 058464. 26th repulsed counterattack against Castle Scholss-Louffenberg. Pw said the 115th Regt had mission to retake castle at all cost. 104th Div took one officer of 3rd Panzer Div, 1st Co Engr Bn. Pw from 12th Field Replacement Bn original strength of 300 now cut in half. Heavy AA battery at 113433; battery of 88 at 111428. PW reports 30 S/P guns of 16th Panzer in Guersenich and 30 tanks in woods at 035465.
- 1532 - I&R OP to S-2; One of our jeeps is crippled by mortar fire at 013444. Road is clear to 015449. White smoke in vicinity of factory sector in Weisweiler. One shell landed in front of us.
- 1615 - PWI to S-2; We have a German captain here who was CO of 2nd Bn 104th. He won't talk. He is a real Nazi. We have 25 other PWs, 19 from 18th Inf.
- 1655 - S-3 to Decoy 3; How are things (Decoy 3) 1st Bn passed through 3rd Bn and reached 017459. One company is there, and another company is coming up on the right of them. Heistern is clear up to road at road junction. 2nd Bn is 400 yards north of 207, E Co only. Our left flank is 200 yards left of road that you are interested in.
- 1712 - S-3 to Blue 6; Gives him the latest positions of 18th and 26th. (Blue 6) Mentions the big factories along railroad at Weisweiler as being possible enemy strong points. Thinks there are still enemy in Hastenrath and Volkenrath. Mention is also made of the fact that although we can observe the enemy, he also has observation on us, roads are being shelled regularly.
- 1715 - G-6 to Lt. Kestlinger; 1st Bn is in Division reserve. Have Col. Driscoll be prepared to move to Schevenhutte-Gressenich road towards the 8th Inf to protect the Division boundary on the east.
- 1718 - G-3 to S-3; How is Grant doing? (S-3) He is tied in with L Co of 47th. He has two companies on line F on the right and G on the left. (G-3) Indications are that a large counter attack building up northeast of Julich against the 19th Corps.
- 1725 - PWI to S-2; PWs from the Training Co and Engr Bn reports the following; The training Co arrived last night. Has regular company organization and was committed as a unit. The purpose of the company was to give refresher instructions to men from various units of the 104th. They were in position near Heistern. The Co of 1st Co Engr Bn, Lt. Strohecker, had 120 men, now supposed to be about 60 because of reports of 50% casualties. Came into this area on the night of 19-20 Nov from Duren by way of Weisweiler. Were committed as infantry from north tip of Heistern. The 80 men of the artillery outfit were attached to the 2nd Bn.

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- 1740 - Lt Kestlinger to Red 3: 1st Bn now in Division reserve and on our orders be prepared to move to Schevenhutte and protect the right flank of the Div.
- 1750 - Lt Carroll to S-3: Corps reports as of 1430 hours: 1st Bn 115th 989573; 2nd Bn 116th 993585; 3rd Bn 116th 000583; 1st Bn 120th 960535; 2nd Bn 120th reached the western outskirts of town at 9757; 3rd Bn 120th 972522; TFA 2nd Armored 960620; TFB 984597 to 972612; TFX 923650 to 928554 to 941647; 3rd Bn 405th 920650. Enemy counter attack build up near 035675. Down in V Corps 3rd Bn 121st 020347 to 033430. One of the 47th Inf battalions are pretty badly beat up. Jerry is taking American uniforms and wearing them.
- 1828 - I&R OP to S-2: Gun firing at 112 degrees, 15 seconds flash to bang.
- 1835 - G-2 to S-3: The General wants me to get the story on Hill 232, was that two platoons of one company (S-3) Two machine gun platoons from H Co, and riflemen from F Co, they got the brunt of the attack. 6 men were killed trying to keep the machine guns firing.
- 1900 - Lt Carroll to S-2: 1st Bn 18th 014459; 2nd Bn unable to advance against heavily defended positions; leading elements of 3rd Bn 47th pulled back to this line 995460, 000460, 002462; 1st Bn 26th in heavy fire fight at 040447 as of 1800 hours.
- 1902 - Blue 2 to S-2: OP reports 28 degrees, 3000 yards a Nebelwerffer firing into 18th sector. 3 rounds every 5 minutes also tank firing vicinity 300 yards south of Point 104 towards 53.
- 1910 - I&R OP to S-2: Flashes 45 degrees out, but can't hear bang.
- 1920 - White 3 to S-3: What is new (S-3) The 18th will carry the ball tomorrow before we start in. (White 3) The men are well dug in, tied in with K Co 47th Inf, have an outpost at 67. Could not get tanks up, but have mediums just short of 67. We got hot chow up tonight and will try and feed a hot meal in the morning, tried to get them blankets and coats but couldn't.
- 1945 - Decoy 3 to S-3: Is the plan you had last night good for tomorrow. (S-3) No, the 3rd Bn will go as planned but the others might be changed, the Colonel hasn't decided yet.
- 2000 - I&R OP to S-3: Gun flash 25 degrees, 14 seconds flash to bang; two gun flashes 10 degrees, 9 second flash to bang.
- 2002 - S-2 to G-2: Gives him the reports on the PWs and the OP reports. (G-2) 1st Bn 1057th identified by 26th, came from Merode. Division had lose to 300 today, the armored has been getting about 1000 daily.
- 2003 - Lt Kestlinger to Dextrose 2: L PW, CO 2nd Bn, 104th, Capt Von Butler, would not talk.
- 2007 - PWI to S-2: Here is some more dope on the Training Co and the Engrs. The Engineer Bn had 2 companies, Nos 1 and 2. All PWs were from 1st Co. Both

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companies were committed some place near tip of woods. Averaged 100 men per company at first. The Training Co CO is Lt Wilkenloh. All were in Heistern. CP was at cross roads 013455 by the tip of the woods. There were two platoons in the company, originally had been three platoons, but the third one was dissolved and distributed amongst the first and second. This meant that two mortars, two heavy machine guns, and one infantry howitzer were divided also. The company had an original strength of 120 men of which 60 are estimated to have been casualties. 7th Btry had 50 casualties; 3rd Bn Hq had 10 casualties; 1st Co 104th, 100% casualties.

- 2030 - S-2 to G-2: Gives him the latest dope on PWs, and also the latest OP reports. (G-2) An officer PW from 675th Panzer Engr says that division left Schmidt 5 days ago to go across the Rhine for reorganization. Total PWs for the Division is 1230 for this action.
- 2048 - Blue to S-3: An enemy plane dropped 4 flares north and west of CP.
- 2049 - S-3 to Decoy 3: 3rd Bn follows you until 89 is cleared, then take 104. (Decoy 3) 013460 is enemy OP, stay off that ridge, they rake that plain with fire.
- 2050 - S-3 to 87th Cml: Report to 3rd Bn CP to coordinate any firing they need
- 2100 - S-3 to 47th Inf: Gives them our plan for tomorrow.
- 2107 - I&R OP to S-2: 3 white flares in vicinity of Weisweiler to the right of the factory district. Searchlights seen flashing on and off in the distance at 19 degrees and 26 degrees.
- 2140 - I&R OP to S-2: One flare 26 degrees three miles away. 4 flares due north of OP.
- 2207 - I&R OP to S-2: One red flare by factory area in Weisweiler. 3 white flares in area northeast of OP.

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- 0001- White 3 to Lt Kestlinger: Enemy artillery coming in, in the forward area, to left and rear, no casualties.
- 0015- I&R OP to Lt Kestlinger: One gun flash observed 67 degrees, 5000 yards, 14 seconds flash to bang; one gun flash 20 degrees vicinity Weisweiler.
- 0020- Blue to Lt Kestlinger: Heavy Jerry artillery reported as landing at Points 87, 85, 86 harassing artillery. Vehicular movement heard to north.
- 0023- Lt Kestlinger to Delight: Gives him the shell report of 0015.
- 0021- Lt Kestlinger to G-3: Gives him the reports received during the last hour from the units.
- 0045- I&R OP to Lt Kestlinger: One gun flash 40 degrees, 19 second flash to bang; one gun flash due north, 13 second flash to bang.
- 0100- Blue to Lt Kestlinger: At 0045 hours enemy artillery was falling around Point 85; one or two vehicles, probably tanks, were heard around Huzhleim.
- 0106- White to Lt Kestlinger: Small amount of enemy artillery landing in woods.
- 0115- Lt Kestlinger to G-3: Gives him the reports received from the units in the last hour.
- 0207- I&R OP to Capt Stowell: A gun flash 5 degrees from Point 10, 14 seconds flash to bang.
- 0330- I&R OP to Capt Stowell: Two flares over factory area of Weisweiler, gun flash 35 degrees, ~~st~~ seconds flash to bang.
- 0405- White to Capt Stowell: A few rounds of artillery landing in E Co area.
- 0410- Capt Stowell to G-3: Gives him the reports received from the units in the last hour.
- 0740- Blue 6 to S-3: The way Lt Ramirez understands this thing, the 3rd Bn 18th is to clear Point 89 before we go in. (S-3) No, not Peckham, it is Horner. (Blue 6) OK, I will put him straight. (S-3) Middleworth says that you should go past Point 89 before cutting back in. (Blue 6) Yes, I know that.
- 0805- 87th Cml to Capt Stowell: I just checked with 3rd Bn and they are only worried about Point 104. We are ready to fire smoke if he needs it, also ready to fire the screen for 2nd Bn when it jumps off.
- 0830- I&R OP to S-2: Northeast of Weisweiler, what appears to be a vehicle, is burning on the main road. Another such fire is forming on the main road northwest of Weisweiler. The OP moving as of this hour to its new location near Point 73. Friendly