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Training Order
ComTransDiv 49 No. A2-45

Task Organization

51.1.3 Transdiv 49 - (Less Butte) Commodore T. B. Brittain, USN.

Chilton	(APA-38) (F)	
La Grange	(APA-124)	
Tazewell	(APA-209)	
St. Mary's	(APA-126)	4 APA's
Oberon	(AKA-14)	
Torrance	(AKA-76)	2 AKA's

1. General Situation

As set forth in ComPhibGrp 7, No. A703-45

2. This Division will conduct Amphibious Training exercises in the Leyte Area on 14 and 15 March 1945, as directed in Annex (H) ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45, modified by Comtransdiv 49 dispatch 091300 in preparation for future operations. This training order covers Transdiv 49's part in rehearsal of a coordinated landing on several widely distributed beaches 14 March 1945, a rehearsal of a series of Shore-to-Shore movements 14 March 1945 and a rehearsal of a coordinated Regimental Landing on 15 March 1945.
3. (a) Transdiv 49, with 306th RCT, operate as directed by C.T.U. 51.1.3, 14 March 1945
- (1) At M-hour, land BLT 3/306 embarked in LaGrange (APA-124) on Beach Red 2-2, using LCVP's only.
 - (2) Supply Control Personnel, Wave Guide Officers, Boat Group Commanders, Wave Guide Boats, Assault Boats and Beach Party Personnel as scheduled in Annex (H-1) Appendix (I) ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45 and Annex (H-1) paragraph 3(f) same order.
- (b) Transdiv 49 with 306th R.C.T. operate as directed by C.T.U. 51.1.3, 14 March 1945, (P.M.).
- (1) On signal, dispatch LCVP's from LaGrange (APA-124) to Transfer Area as shown in Appendix (II) Annex (G) Basic Plan.
 - (2) Transfer BLT 3/306 from LVT's to LCVP's in the Transfer Area.
 - (3) Reembark BLT 3/306 in LaGrange (APA-124)

- (c) Transdiv 49 with 306th R.C.T. operate as directed by C.T.U. 51.1.3, 15 March 1945.
- (1) On order, land BLT 3/306 embarked in LaGrange (APA-124) on Beach Green T-1, effecting transfer of troops at Transfer Area One (see Sheet 3, Appendix (I), Annex (D), Basic Plan) from LCVP's to LVT's of Assault Tractor Unit Three on their return from beach. Carry out transfer in accordance with Transport Doctrine.
 - (2) Boat Group Commander in LCP(L) from Torrance in command of Transfer Area One. SC 1338 will supervise and exercise over-all control.
 - (3) Beach Parties will be furnished in accordance with Annex (H-3) paragraph 2(f) of ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45.
 - (4) Wave Guide Officers and Wave Guide Boats will be furnished in accordance with Assignment Table and Boat Allocation Table, Appendix I, Annex (H-1) ComPhibGrp 7 A703-45. Wave Guide Boats at transports, as soon as water borne, will form on Boat Group Commanders in LCP(L)'s, rendezvousing to shoreward of Transport Area. Follow Boat Group Commanders to LST Area and close LST designated in Wave Guide Boat Allocation Table, Appendix I, Annex (H-1). Upon completing transfers and when released by control at transfer area, wave guide boats return to their parent ships.
 - (5) Control Personnel will be furnished in accordance with Annex (H-3) paragraph 2(s) (1), (2), ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45.
 - (X) General Instructions
 - (1), (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8) see Annex (H-1) paragraph 3(x) ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45.
 - (9) After anchoring and prior to sunset 14 and 15 March 1945, smoke equipment will be tested when directed by C.T.G. 51.1 see Smoke Plan Appendix II and Enclosure (A) to Annex (J) ComPhibGrp 7 No. A703-45.
 - (10) All ships will provide a boat patrol of two armed LCVP's around the ship, close aboard from sunset to sunrise.
 - (11) Armed sentries will be stationed fore and aft from sunrise to sunset to patrol the sides. Keep small searchlights ready to illuminate suspicious objects close aboard (Except during Red and Blue Alerts). Be prepared to open fire with machine guns promptly upon illumination.

4. None

5. (a) Communications in accordance with Communication Memorandum. ComTransRon 17 (Training period 9 March - 14 March 1945) and Appendices 1 and 2 Annex (C)

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(b) C.T.U. 51.1.3 Commodore T. B. Brittain, USN, in Chilton.

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