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BRITISH ASSAULT AREA

NAVAL OPERATION ORDERS
(Short Title: ONBA)

The enclosed orders will be brought into force by signal when Flag Officer, British Assault Area, assumes command. They are to be referred to in signals and correspondence as "ONBA - ".

2. They will supersede previous orders for the British Assault Area, relevant extracts from which have been reprinted herein.

3. When necessary to correct these orders by signal, a general signal will be made in the "YO" (British Assault Area) Operational signal series.

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SECTION I - GENERAL

1. LIMITS OF BRITISH ASSAULT AREA.

NORTH .............. Lt. 49° 40' N.

SOUTH) EAST .......... North Coast of FRANCE.

WEST .............. Line 025° (true) from the root of Western breakwater at PORT-EN-BESSIN (49° 21' N., 00° 45' W. approx.) to longitude 00° 40' W., thence 000° (true).

(U.S./BRITISH dividing line).

2. DIVISION OF BRITISH ASSAULT AREA (See Diaq. No. 1).

Reference Points.

POINDEVER LIGHT .... 49° 20' N. 00° 31' W. (approx.)
ST. AUBIN LIGHT ....... 49° 20' N. 00° 24' W.
MERVILLE REDOUT ........ 49° 17' N. 00° 13' W.
CAP D'ANTIFER LIGHT .... 49° 41' N. 00° 10' W.

(1) Special British mined areas in the vicinity of HAVEN.

SCALLOPS .................. The waters East of longitude 00° 05' W. between latitudes 49° 32' N. and 49° 26' N.

SCALLOPS PLUS ........... The waters North of SCALLOPS and East of a line drawn from position 49° 32' N. 00° 05' W. in a direction 047° (true) to CAP D'ANTIFER LIGHT.

SCALLOPS MINUS ........... The waters South of SCALLOPS and East of a line drawn from position 49° 26' N. 00° 05' W. in direction 145° (true) to the Coast.

(These areas are identical with those formerly established by N.C.E.T.F.'s HAADO. No. 1).

(2) BRITISH HARBOUR AREA - Waters within the following limits.

NORTH and EAST .............. A line drawn from position 318° POINTE DE VER Light 9.5 (on the U.S./British dividing line) in a direction 035° to position 000° ST. AUBIN Light 6'.5 thence 110° to position 000° MERVILLE REDOUT 7'.0, thence 180° to MERVILLE REDOUT.

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SECTION 1 - GENERAL (Continued)

2. DIVISION OF BRITISH ASSAULT AREA (See Diagram No. 1) (Continued).

SOUTH .................. The North Coast of FRANCE.

WEST .................... The U.S./British dividing line.

(The limits of this area are identical with those containing the areas GOLD, JUNO and SWORD previously established by N.C.E.T.F.'s B.A.A.R.O. No. 1).

3. Forward Areas.

PIKE ...... Boundaries:

North ..... 49° 40' N.
South ..... Northern boundary of harbour area.
East ..... Longitude of ST. AUBIN Light.
West ..... U.S./British dividing line.

TUNNY ..... Boundaries:

North ..... 49° 40' N.
South ..... Coast of FRANCE.
East ..... SCALLOPS area.
West ..... PIKE and "Harbour" Areas.

(TUNNY NORTH) dividing line Lat. 49° 32' N.
(TUNNY SOUTH)

(These areas are identical with those formerly established by N.C.E.T.F.'s B.A.A.R.O. No. 1.)

3. SUB-DIVISION OF BRITISH "HARBOUR AREA" (See Diagram No. 1)

(a) 3 sub areas. Dividing Line

GOLD (West) .................. 000° (true) from POINT DE VER LT.
JUNO (Centre) ................. 000° (true) from ST. AUBIN LT.
SWORD (East) .................

(b) Inner and Outer Anchorages.

Further sub-dividing each sub area. Inner anchorage will extend about 2½ miles offshore with lay down by signal to suit the circumstances found to obtain (see ONHA No. 5, para. 7).

/(c) GOLD ......
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3. SUB-DIVISION OF BRITISH "HARBOUR AREA" (See Distr. No.1) (continued).

(c) Gold Sub area inner anchorages will be further subdivided as follows:

PORT EN BESSIN
sub area inner anchorage

...... 000° (true) from Semaphore Tower, position
       (49°20.9'N, 00°42.6'W).

MULBERRY "P"
sub area inner anchorage

...... 000° (true) from
       49°20.6'N, 00°34.9'W.

GOLD AREA
sub area inner anchorage

/3. ESTABLISHED BERTHS/
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4. ESTABLISHED BERTHS - SYSTEM OF INDICATING POSITIONS, LINES OR AREAS WITHIN THE "HARBOUR" AREA. (See Fig. No. 1).

(1) Reference point:- ST. MIRREN Light House (49° 20' N., 000° 24' W. approx.)

Lines:

A - Northern boundary of Harbour area.

B to - Lines parallel to A, 5 cables apart.

As follows:-

(incl.)

Line B through position 000° (true) ST. MIRREN L.T. 6.0'

" C " " " " " " " " " 5.5'

" D " " " " " " " " " 5.0'

" E " " " " " " " " " 4.5'

" F " " " " " " " " " 4.0'

" G " " " " " " " " " 3.5'

" H " " " " " " " " " 3.0'

" J " " " " " " " " " 2.5'

" K " " " " " " " " " 2.0'

" L " " " " " " " " " 1.5'

" M " " " " " " " " " 1.0'

" N " " " " " " " " " 0.5'

" P " through the chartered position of ST. MIRREN Lighthouse.

(2) BERTHS.

Are established 3 cables apart along each line and numbered consecutively from East to West with No. 1 on the Eastern boundary of the "Harbour area".

(3) DESCRIBING BERTHS OR POSITIONS.

Berth or position should be indicated by the letter of the line followed by the number of the berth in that line, e.g. C.24. Also E 44.5 (written) or E.44 FT 5 (hoisted) (indicating berth mid-way between E.44 and E.45).

More accurate positions may be given with reference to a berth, thus, 045° 1.7 cables from C 24.

(4) Small areas within the Harbour area should be indicated by the above system, e.g. Area F 44, F 45, G 45, J 40.