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A S S I G N M E N T

for the front command and staff war game to be conducted on maps

I. GENERAL SITUATION ON June 21

1. Due to the aggressive policies of the "Westerners," the international situation has become increasingly tense by mid-June. NATO's European armed forces are preparing and conducting staff command and group exercises involving ground forces and tactical air power.

2. In the resulting situation, the "Easterners" wage a determined struggle to ease the international tension. They concurrently increase all kinds of reconnaissance.

II. DETAILED SITUATION AT 14.00, JUNE 21.

1. The General Staff of the Hungarian People's Army and the headquarters of the Southern Army Group have been informed that in case of an increased threat of war being started by the "Westerners," the South-western Front, to which the higher units and units of the Hungarian People's Army and the Southern Army Group are subordinated, will advance in the operational directions of Austria and Northern Italy.

2. The staff, higher units and units of the Hungarian People's Army and the South Army Group are stationed in their permanent barrack stations, dealing with military and operational training and perform readiness service according to the peacetime plans.

3. The military strength and deployment of the Hungarian People's Army and the Southern Army Group correspond to reality. The 27th, 28th, 29th motorized rifle divisions and the 31st tank division belong to the strength of the 25th Army of the Hungarian People's Army; the 24th and 35th motorized rifle divisions belong to the strength of the 45th corps.

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III. RECONNAISSANCE DATA ON THE "WESTERN" ARMED FORCES.

1. The military strength, deployment and degree of completeness of the higher units and units of the "Westerners" correspond with reality.

2. Using all types of intelligence, the following have been established:

– On June 15, the supreme commander of the NATO Combined Forces in Europe conducted a general control of military readiness.

- Since June 18, a 3-day group exercise is being held northeast of Munich, under the command of the commander of the 2nd (FRG) Corps, with the 10th armored rifle and the 12th armored divisions, also involving the reserves. One air squadron of the 354th tactical bomber regiment has been added to the force of supporting aircraft.

- According to unconfirmed data, the 6th mixed brigade has been concentrated to the southwest of Linz since June 20, to participate in an exercise. It is likely that representatives of the 2nd Army Corps (FRG) staff and the commander of the 3rd Armored Rifle Brigade will also participate.

- At 20.00 on June 19, the troops of the Novara and Bergamo garrisons proceeded to the Mantua area for an exercise.

– On June 19, the strength of the 2nd armored division began to transfer from the US to air bases in the FRG.

- Overnight on June 18, two freighters were unloaded in the ports of Genoa and La Spezia, under enhanced guard.

- On the night of June 19, the passage of covered motor vehicles under enhanced guard was observed from Kaiserslautern, Ludwigsburg and Voleggio-sul-Mincho.

- Technical operations have been observed since June 16 in the border zone of the FRG and Czechoslovakia. The districts concerned have been declared off limits.

- Since June 1, there has been increased anticommunist propaganda among the Austrian armed forces.

- Effective June 20, censorship of private correspondence and the press has been introduced in the FRG.

IV. MILITARY SUPPLY Situation.

The technical supplies of the higher units and units, the health and epidemiological services and animal welfare situation correspond with reality.

The strengths and locations of the military supply-service units and institutions, the holding capacities of these, and the capacity of and load on military hospitals correspond with reality.

V. REFERENCE DATA.

1. The strength of the higher units and units of the Hungarian People's Army and the Southern Army Group, their degree of supply with arms and military equipment, and the condition and reserve of operating time of the armored and motor-vehicle fleets, according to types of motor vehicle, correspond with reality. The coefficient of technical readiness—0.97.

2. The headquarters of the 45th corps of the Hungarian People's Army are deployed in Cegléd with the covering and service companies.

3. The independent missile units of the divisions have at their disposal one missile with a conventional warhead per launcher.

The air missile defense units of the Hungarian People's Army and the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic have four missile allowances.

4. The higher units and units of the Southern Army Group have the following maps for the probable operational zone:

-1:50,000—westward from the country's border to a depth of 200 km—with 20% of the norm;

- 1:100,000-to a depth of 300 km-50% of the norm.

- 1:200,000 and smaller scales—to a depth of 600 km—75% of the norm.

5. Deployment of the higher units of the Czechoslovak People's Army 21st Army—8 tank divisions—Blatná; 21st motorized rifle division (M–1)—České-Budějovice; 85th motorized rifle division (M–3)—Havličkův Brod; 58th motorized rifle division (M–I)—Brno; army staff – Tábor

6. The condition and equipment of the theater and the astronomical and meteorological data for the period of the war game correspond with reality; time is local.

TO BE EXECUTED:

Study the "Assignment" and prepare to carry out the tasks assigned in the war game, according to position held.

DIRECTORS OF THE EXERCISE