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 ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
 APO 512

AG 314.7/389 SGS-AGM

14 July 1943

SUBJECT: Historical Records and Histories of Organizations.

TO : Commanding Generals: Fifth Army; Seventh Army;
2626th CA Brigade; 34th CA Brigade.

1. Attention is invited to letter, this headquarters, file AG 314.7/389 C-M, subject, as above, dated 20 April 1943.

2. It is imperative that the reports required by the above mentioned letter be prepared while the personnel familiar with events reported on are still in their present assignments, while their memory of these events is still clear, and while the records are still available.

3. The reports now past due are those pertaining to the launching of
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4. Historical records requested in the above letter have been for the most part unsatisfactory. The battle reports of only a few units and formations have reached this headquarters and many of them were late and lacked supporting documents. It is essential that reports be fully documented, i.e., the following be annexed to the narrative as numbered appendices:

- a. Journals, casualty reports. ✓
- b. Operational and movement orders. ✓
- c. March tables, location statements. ✓
- d. Traces, maps, and plans. ✓
- e. Any additional document pertaining to the operational activities of the unit or formation.

5. It is emphasized that these reports are of the utmost importance not only as historical records, but as a guidance to future training and operational methods.

6. In order to avoid accumulation of documents at unit headquarters and the regular receipt of battle reports by the War Department, the reports for the preceding month will be submitted in duplicate to reach this headquarters by the 14th of each month.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

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