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SUBJECT: Telephone Conversation with General Bradley

TO: Chief of Staff

1. Reference my talk with General Bradley from your office, I finally received his reply at 1215 hours after he had talked to General Eisenhower, whom he called when I was out of the office. This is the substance of the message which he gave me and which he discussed with General Eisenhower.

2. He feels that it is urgent to attack promptly according to plan with the Corps of three divisions previously mentioned, and for later progress to depend on the situation as it develops, rather than planning on a definite voluntary check which he feels would be most difficult to get started again.

3. He plans to launch his attack in depth and to bring up the remaining troops when ready shortly behind the initial attack to insure even greater depth.

4. He will strictly control the operation on phase lines and watch dispersion and encirclement closely, progress depending upon the situation developed.

5. He now has one of the remaining divisions of the XII Corps in hand and states that he would attack in this manner in depth even if the others were now available.

6. Having discussed with Monty the Northern attack, he feels that Patton and Monty's attacks will have not more than a 48-hour separation.



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