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H. M. S. ARCADILLO,  
Ardentinny,  
Argyllshire.

BEACH COMMANDOS - WEEKLY STATE

14th December 1942

Distribution of Units

(1) Overseas

Operation TORCH

Cdr. Beard, R.N.  
Cdr. Stubbs, R.N.  
Lt.-Cdr. David, R.N.  
Lt.-Cdr. Fison, R.N.  
Lt.-Cdr. Marshall, R.N.  
Lieut. H.J. Telfer, R.N.V.R.  
Lieut. J.A. Church, R.N.V.R.  
Sub.-lieut. F.J. McLennan, R.N.V.R.  
G2 and G3 parties complete

(2) Training

\*each Commando "U" - Glenfinart

(3) BROWOSAURUS

Lieut. M.E. Waincock, R.N.V.R. } To be transferred to Minor Landing  
Sub.-lieut. Poole, R.N.V.R. } Craft pool (R.A.L.B.'s 1455/2)

(4) Inveraray

Lieut. Anderson, R.N.V.R.

(5) R.M.S. POLIOT

Commandos "C", "E", "F", "H".  
Party "301"

(6) LEAVE

Beach Commando "L" (14 to VECTIS 17:12:42)  
(12 and 13 to BROWOSAURUS 17:12:42)  
Lieut. Hobday, R.N.V.R. (Hospital - Aberdeen)

(7) MUNDEL, Westpark House, Perth Road.

Beach Commando "K" - training with Army

Commander, R.N.  
Commanding Officer

BEACH COMMANDOS - WEEKLY STATE

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27th December 1942Distribution of Units(1) OverseasOperation TORCH

Cdr. Hoord R.N.  
 Cdr. Stubbs, R.N.  
 Lt. Car. David, R.N.  
 Lt. Car. Fison, R.N.  
 Lt. Car. Marshall, R.N.  
 Lieut. H.J. Telfer, R.N.V.R.  
 Lieut. J.A. Church, R.N.V.R.  
 Sub. Lieut. F.J. McLennan, R.N.V.R.  
 Lieut. Redshaw, R.N.V.R. & Sub Lt. Turton R.N.V.R.

Lt J. PAAMER <sup>R.N.V.R.</sup>(2) Training of ARMADILLOBeach Commando "M" - ~~Glenn~~ (Sub Lt VENN reporting FOLIO 2/1/42)(3) VECTIS. L.I.(4) BRONTOSAURUS

L2. and L3. Working with Brick B's  
 Lieut. N.E. Warnecke, R.N.V.R. } (Sub Lt BENSALL & LANK reporting FOLIO 29/12)  
 Sub. Lieut. Poole, R.N.V.R. } To be transferred to  
 } Minor Landing Craft  
 } Pool, (R.A.L.B.'s 1455/2)

(5) INVERARAY

Lieut. Anderson, R.N.V.R.

(6) H.M.S. FOLIOCommandos "C", "E", "F", "H", "G", "J"  
Party ~~"G"~~(7) LEAVE

~~"E" and "G" reporting to FOLIO 29/12~~  
 Lieut. Hobday, R.N.V.R. (Hospital Aberdeen)  
 Sub. Lt's Lockwood-Bunce and Crutwell -  
 reporting FOLIO 29/12

(8) DUNDEE

~~Swainpark House, Perth road.~~ East Deans ton, Doune, n' Stirling  
 Beach Commando "K" - training with ~~Swainpark House~~ "A" Sick

*E.A. Davis*  
 Commander R.N.  
 Commanding Officer.

DISTRIBUTION

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 C.N.C.T.  
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 R.A.L.B.  
 C.C.F.C. Inveraray  
 BRONTOSAURUS  
 COMMANDER RANSOME, Montagué House.

BEACH COMMANDOS- WEEKLY STATE

27th December 1942.

H.M.S. ARMADILLO  
Ardentinny,  
Argyleshire.Distribution of Units

- (1) OVERSEAS North Africa  
Comdr's R.N. Boord, Stubbs.  
Lt Cdr's R.N. David, Fison, Marshall  
Lieut's R.N.V.R. J. Palmer, F.J. McLennan,  
M.V. Redshaw, V.G. Turton.  
H.J. Telfer.  
Sub Lieut J.A. Church, (Whereabouts unknown)
- (2) UNDER TRAINING.  
'M' Beach Commando (Sub Lt 'H.A. Venn reporting  
FOLIOT 2/1/43 for 'F' Commando)
- (3) TRAINED  
H.M.S. FOLIOT 'C', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'J' Beach Commandos.  
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS 'L 2', L 3, with Canadian Beach Brick.  
(Sub Lt ~~D~~ Bendall and B.K. Lang reporting  
FOLIOT with Force ~~4~~ 29/12 for 'F' Commando)  
H.M.S. VECTIS L 1. with Force 'J'  
EAST DEANSTONE, DOUNE, Nr STIRLING. 'K' Beach Commando with  
Beach Brick.
- (4) LEAVE. Sub Lt's J. Lockwood-Bunce, M. Cruttwell, reporting  
to FOLIOT 29/12 for 'E' and 'C' Commandos.  
Lieut C.A. Hobday, R.N.V.R. Sick. Kingseat Hospital,  
Aberdeen.
- (5) OTHER TRAINED PERSONNEL  
INVERARAY. Lieut, A. Anderson, R.A.N.V.R.  
C.O.H.Q. Lieut. R.G. Verity. R.N.V.R.  
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS. Lieut. J. Howarth. R.N.V.R.

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COMMANDER R.N.  
COMMANDING OFFICER.Distribution.

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QUEBEC.  
BRONTOSAURUS  
FOLIOT.

BEACH COMMANDOS - NORTHERN STATE

3rd January 1943

DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS

R. M. S. ARMADILLO.  
c/o P.O. Ardentinny,  
Argyleshire.

(1) Overseas

North Africa

Cdr Beard R. N.  
Lt Cdrs R. H. David, Fison, Marshall.  
Lieuts R. N. V. R. J Palmer, F. J. Kolsman  
M. V. Redshaw, V. G. Turton,  
H. J. Telfer.  
Sub/Lt R. N. V. R. A. Church, (whereabouts unknown)

(2) Under Training

'M' Beach Commando

(3) Trained

R. M. S. FULIOT, 'C', 'E', 'F', 'G', 'H', 'J'; Beach Commandos  
R. M. S. BRONTOSAURUS 'L2' and 'L3' with Canadian Beach Brick.  
R. M. S. VIGOR, 'L4' with Force 'J'  
EAST BRANTFORD, DOUNE, Mr Stirling, 'K' Beach Commando  
with Beach Brick.

(4) Other Trained Personnel

Inveraray, Lieut A. Anderson, R. N. V. R.  
G. C. T. C., Lieut R. G. Verity, R. N. V. R.  
R. M. S. BRONTOSAURUS,  
Lieut. I. Howarth, R. N. V. R.

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- GUARD.
- BRONTOSAURUS
- FULIOT



H.M.S. ARMAILLO,  
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Argyllshire.

BEACH COMMANDOS - WEEKLY STATE

Ref: IR3/25

10th January 1943

DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS

Overseas

North Africa

Cdr. Beard, R.N.  
Lt. Odrs. R.N. David, Pison, Marshall  
Lts. R.N.V.R. J. Palmer, F.J. Moleman,  
M.V. Redshaw, V.G. Turton,  
H.J. Telfer.  
S/Lts. R.N.V.R. J.A. Church (whereabouts unknown)

Under Training

Beach Commando 'M'  
Beach Commando 'J' 2 & 3

Trained

H.M.S. FOLLIOT III: Beach Commandos 'O', 'B', 'F' (complete)  
Beach Commandos 'C', 'H', 'J' 1 (remnants)  
H.M.S. VICTIS: Beach Commando 'L' 1 party with Force J  
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS: Beach Commando 'L' 1 & 2 parties with Canadian  
Beach Brick.

Other Trained Personnel

Inverary: Lieut. A. Anderson, R.A.N.V.R.  
C.O.R.C.: Lieut. R.G. Verity, R.N.V.R.  
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS: Lieut. I. Howarth, R.N.V.R.

Leave

Beach Commando 'K'

*James Black*

Lieutenant, R.N.V.R.  
for Commanding Officer.

DISTRIBUTION:

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C.N.C.T.  
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Cdr. RANSOME, R.N.  
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C.O. H.M.S. VICTIS  
C.O. H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS  
C.O. H.M.S. FOLLIOT III

SECRET

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17th January 1943

DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS(1) OverseasAlgiers

Lt J. Palmer R.N.V.R.	)	
Sub/Lt J.A. Church R.N.V.R.	)	Awaiting relief
Sub/Lt F.J. McLennan R.N.V.R.	)	
Lt V.C. Turton R.N.V.R.	)	Believed to be on way home
Lt A.V. Redshaw, R.N.V.R.	)	

(2) Under Training

Beach Commando 'M'  
Beach Commando 'J' 2 & 3

(3) Trained

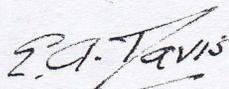
H.M.S. FOLIOF III:	Beach Commandos 'G', 'E', 'F', (complete)
	Beach Commandos 'G', 'H', 'J'1, (remnants)
H.M.S. VECTIS:	Beach Commando 'L'1 party with Force J
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS:	Beach Commando 'L'2 & 3 parties with Canadian Beach Brick.

(4) Other Trained Personnel

Inveraray:	Lieut A. Anderson R.N.V.R.
C.O.H.Q.	Lieut R.G. Verity R.N.V.R.
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS:	Lieut I. Howarth R.N.V.R.

(5) Leave

Beach Commando 'K'



(E.A. DAVIS)  
COMMANDING OFFICER.

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BEACH COMMANDO-WEEKLY STATE

31st January 1943.

DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS

(1) Overseas

North Africa

Lieut H.J. Telfer, R.N.V.R. (Naval Party 612)  
(ARMADILLO's letter H349 of 30.1.43 to C.C.O.)

Algiers

Lieut J. Falser, R.N.V.R. )  
Sub/Lieut J.A. Church R.N.V.R. ) awaiting  
Sub/Lieut F.J. McEwen, R.N.V.R. ) relief

(2) Under Training

Beach Commando 'J' 2 and 3  
Beach Commando 'N'

(3) Trained

H.M.S. ARMADILLO: Beach Commando 'K' 2 with 20 Group 'A' Brick.  
BOUNE: Beach Commando 'K' 1 and 3 with 19 and 21 Groups  
H.M.S. POLIST III: Beach Commandos 'G' 1 & 2, 'E' 1 & 2, 'F'  
Beach Commandos 'G', 'N', 'J' 1, (incomplete)  
ARAGONIAN CAMP,  
INVERKIP: Beach Commando 'C' 3 with 15 Group and 'E' 3 with 18 Group  
H.M.S. VECTIS: Beach Commando 'L' 1 with Force 'J'  
H.M.S. GLENGYLE: Beach Commando 'L' 2 & 3 (return BRONTOSAURUS 4.2.43)  
H.M.S. DUNDONALD: Beach Commando 'M'

(4) Other trained Personnel

Inveraray: Lieut A. Anderson R.A.N.V.R.  
C.O.H.C. Lieut R.C. Verity R.N.V.R.  
H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS: Lieut I. Howarth, R.N.V.R.

(5) Leave

Commander P. Stubbs, R.N.  
Lieut A.H. Ballard, R.N.R.  
Lieut W. Pedlow, R.N.V.R. (ARMADILLO 0945/19)

(6) Sick

Sub Lieut D.H. Barns, R.N.V.R. (CHICKO) 1101/11  
Lieut G.R. Martin R.N.V.R. (P.B.M. 'E' 1151/28)

(7) Movements of Officers

From leave to 'L' 2: Lieut T.J. Turton, R.N.V.R. (Vice Lt Mann R.N.V.R.) ARMADILLO  
From leave to Beach Commando 'N' (D.P.B.M.) Lieut M.V. Redshaw R.N.V.R. ) 0955/20  
From Beach Commando 'N' to Beach Commando's 'G' & 'E': Sub/Lt's Reid & Richards  
(Vice Lt Kent & Lt Leske R.N.V.R.)  
From Beach Commando 'C' to NORTHNEY: Lieut E.H.A. Leske, R.N.V.R.  
From Beach Commando 'E' to NORTHNEY: Lieut D.T. Kent, D.S.C. R.N.V.R.  
From Beach Commando 'N' to NORTHNEY: Sub/Lieut A.C. Sayce, R.N.V.R.  
From ARMADILLO to A/Recognition Course  
at Large: Sub/Lieut R.M. Crossland, R.N.V.R.

*F.A. Davis*

(E.A. DAVIS)  
COMMANDER IN COMMAND.

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- R.N.R.
- R.N.V.R.

*C.C.O. & Staff*  
*F.O. Force W*  
*C.C.T.C. Inv.*  
*Dr. K.G.*  
*Burgis*  
*Foliot*

S.C.O. to R.M.C.O.  
C.C.T.C. Inveraray.  
C.O. H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS  
C.O. H.M.S. POLIST III

U.S. MARINESBeach Commands - Weekly State

7th February 1943.

OverseasNorth Africa

Lieut. H.J. Tolson, R.N.V.R.

Algeria.

Lieut. J. Palmer, R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. J. Church, R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. P.J. Wierung R.N.V.R.

Under Training

Beach Commands 'H'

Beach Commands 'O'

Trained

H.M.S. ARABILLO:- Beach Commands 'H'3 with 21 Group 'A' Brick.  
 BORG:- Beach Commands 'K'2 & 3 with 19 & 20 Groups 'A' Brick.  
 H.M.S. PULLOT III:- Beach Commands 'O', 'H', 'F', (Complete)  
 Beach Commands 'O', 'H', 'S', (Incomplete)  
 H.M.S. VERTIS:- Beach Command 'L'1 with Force 'J'  
 HONGKAI:- Beach Command 'L'2 with Canadian Highlanders.  
 H.M.S. NIGHTINGALE:- Beach Command 'L'3  
 H.M.S. BIRCHMOUNT:- Beach Command 'L'

Other Trained Personnel

Inventory:- Lieut. A. Emerson, R.N.V.R.

C.O. H.Q.:- Lieut. S.G. Farley, R.N.V.R.

H.M.S. NIGHTINGALE:- Lieut. I. Howarth, R.N.V.R.

Leave

Beach Command 'J'2 &amp; 3

Commander R. Stubbs, R.N.

Lieut. A.H. Ballard, R.N.R.

Lieut. W. Pedlow, R.N.V.R. (ARABILLO 0245/19/1)

Sub Lieut. R.N. Crombie, R.N.R.N.V.R.

Sick.

Sub Lieut. D.H. Burns, R.N.V.R.

Lieut. G.H. Martin, R.N.V.R.

Movements of Officers.

- 1.2.43. From L.C.Training and leave to Beach Command 'H'3:-  
 Midshipman J.S. McIntosh, R.N.V.R.  
 1.2.43. From L.C.Training and leave to Beach Command 'H'3:-  
 Midshipman, W.B. Wallace, R.N.V.R.  
 6.2.43. From Beach Command 'L'2 to L.C.T.:- Lieut. A.J. Mann R.N.V.R.

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COMMANDER IN CHARGE.

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F.O. Force 'H'

C.O.T.C. Inventory.

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H.M.S. ARMADILLOBeach Commandos-Weekly State

14th February 1943

(1) OverseasNorth Africa

Lieut. H.J. Telfer, R.N.V.R.

Algiers.

Lieut. J. Palmer R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. J.H. Church, R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. F.J. Molenza, R.N.V.R.

(2) Under Training

Beach Commando 'N'

Beach Commando 'O'

(3) Trained

H.M.S. VEOTIS:	Beach Commando	'L'1 with Force 'J'
INVERARAY:	" "	'L'3
H.M.S. ARMADILLO:	" "	'K'3 with 21 Group 'A' Brick
	" "	'H'2
DUKE:	" "	'L'1 & 2 with 19 & 20 Group 'A' Brick
H.M.S. FELIST III:	" "	'O', 'E', (complete)
	" "	'O', 'H', 'J'1 (incomplete)
H.M.S. WESTOLIFFE:	" "	'P'
H.M.S. MCDONALD:	" "	'M'

(4) Other Trained Personnel

Inveraray: Lieut. A. Anderson, R.A.N.V.R.

C.O.H.S. Lieut. R.C. Verity, R.N.V.R.

H.M.S. BRONTOSAIBUS: Lieut. I Howarth R.N.V.R.

(5) Leave

Beach Commando 'J'2 &amp; 3

Commander P. Stubbs R.N.

Lieut. A.H. Ballard, R.N.R. (Sick)

Lieut. W. Pedlow, R.N.V.R. (ARMADILLO 0945/19/1)

Sub/Lieut. R.M. Gramma, R.N.S.N.V.R.

(6) Sick

Sub/Lieut. D.H. Farns, R.N.V.R.

Lieut. C.R. Martin R.N.V.R.

(7) Movements of Officers.

13.2.43

From L.C.T. to Beach Commando 'O':-

Temp Actg Sub/Lieut. A. McC Black, R.N.V.R.

Midshipman V.G. Hearne R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. H.V. Jones, R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. A.H. Osbalstone, R.N.V.R.

Sub/Lieut. W.R. Stephens, R.N.V.R.

Temp Actg. Sub/Lieut. J.A. Vierson, R.N.V.R.

S.A. Davis

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North Command - British units

1st February 1943

Overseas

North Africa

Lieut. Col. Taylor, R.A.F.C.

Algiers

Lieut. Col. Baker, R.A.F.C.

W/O. J. J. G. G. R.A.F.C.

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RAF Gibraltar

(1) Under Training

North Command HQ

10/1 & 2

(2) Under Training

North Command HQ & 10/1

(3) To be performed

North Command HQ (S.O. 20/1/43 & amended 2/12/43)

RAF

H.M.S. PETER

North Command

10/1 & 10/2

H.M.S. JAMES

10/1

H.M.S. JAMES

10/1 & 2

H.M.S. JAMES

10/1

H.M.S. JAMES

10/2

H.M.S. JAMES

10/2

H.M.S. JAMES

10/1 with 10, 20, & 30 Groups 1st Frigate

(4) Other trained personnel

H.M.S. JAMES Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

H.M.S. JAMES Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

(5) Leave

Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C. (S.O. 20/1/43)

(6) Sick

W/O. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

(7) Approved of Officers

One available 2/10 of 21/2/43 available in C.O. 2

Lieut. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

To be available for North Command HQ

W/O. J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

*Paul Smith*

REFERENCES

- C.O. 2 (17 copies)
- C.O. 2, C. Inventory
- C.O. 2, J. J. G. R.A.F.C.

H.M.S. ARMADILLOBeach Commandos-weekly state

28th February 1943

- (1) Overseas Algiers.  
 Lieut. J. Palmer, R.N.V.R.  
 Lieut. H.J. Telfer, R.N.V.R.  
 Sub/Lt. J.A. Church, R.N.V.R.
- (2) H.M.S. ARMADILLO
- (a) Under training:  
 Beach Commandos 'O' & 'N'3
- (b) Re-forming:  
 Beach Commando 'G'
- (c) To be re-formed:  
 Beach Commandos 'H' & 'J'1
- (3) Trained
- |                                     |                           |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| POLLIC 1032/28:                     | Beach Commandos 'O' & 'N' |
| H.M.S. WESTOLIFF:                   | " " '3'                   |
| H.M.S. IRONDALE:                    | " " '3'2 & 3              |
| F.O. FORCE 'W' 21534/27             | " " 'K'                   |
| H.M.S. VEGUIS:                      | " " 'L'1                  |
| H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS:                | " " 'L'2                  |
| C.F.C. AFFLINGER:                   | " " 'L'3                  |
| H.M.S. GLENGYLE &<br>ULSTER MCLENN: | " " 'N'1 & 2              |
| INVERARY:                           | " " 'N'3                  |
- (4) Other trained Personnel
- Inverary: Lieut. A. Anderson, R.N.V.R.  
 H.M.S. BRONTOSAURUS: Lieut. I. Howarth, R.N.V.R.  
 Beach Commando 'N' 1 & 2
- (5) Leave:
- Lieut. A.J. Andrew, R.N.V.R. ( ARMADILLO 1225/27)  
 Lieut. P.J. Malcolm, R.N.V.R. (GUMBO 2141/27)
- (6) Sick
- Lieut. A.H. Ballard, R.N.V.R.  
 Lieut. C.R. Martin, R.N.V.R.  
 S/Lt. D.H. Burns, R.N.V.R.

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COMMANDER IN COMMAND.

DUTY

- W.O. (5 copies)  
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 H.M.S. GUMBO.  
 Force 'W' (2 copies)  
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 H.M.S. POLLIC