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FROM: 9TH BOMBARDMENT DIVISION (M) 031630B
 TO : COMMANDING GENERALS, ALL COMBAT WINGS
 COMMANDING OFFICERS, ALL STATIONS
 COMMANDING OFFICER, 1ST PATHFINDER SQ (PROV)
 COMMANDING OFFICER, 9TH WEA RECON SQ

UNCLASSIFIED 9BD P-148-G THE FOLLOWING ORDER OF THE DAY ISSUED BY THE SUPREME COMMANDER IS TO BE DELIVERED TO EVERY MEMBER OF ALL HEADQUARTERS AND UNITS UNDER YOUR COMMAND PD PAREN FROM SHAEF FORWARD SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE SHOOT UNPAREN PARA THREE APRIL ONE NINE FOUR FIVE QUOTE TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE AEF PD PARA THE ENCIRCLEMENT OF THE RUHR BY A WIDE Pincer MOVEMENT HAS CUT OFF THE WHOLE OF ARMY GROUP B AND PARTS OF ARMY GROUP H CMA THUS FORMING A LARGE POCKET OF ENEMY TROOPS WHOSE FATE IS SEALED AND WHO ARE RIPE FOR ANNIHILATION PD THE MOST VITAL INDUSTRIAL AREA IS DENIED TO THE GERMAN WAR POTENTIAL PD THIS MAGNIFICENT FEAT OF ARMS WILL BRING THE WAR MORE RAPIDLY TO A CLOSE PD IT WILL LONG BE REMEMBERED IN HISTORY AS AN OUTSTANDING BATTLE DASH THE BATTLE OF THE RUHR PD SIGNED DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER UNQUOTE

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