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THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL MESSAGE HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY GENERAL EISENHOWER FROM HIS MAJESTY THE KING CLN----------PAREN FROM SHAEF FORWARD SIGNED EISENHOWER UNPAREN BOOK MESSAGE QUOTE ELEVEN MONTHS AGO CMA YOU LET THE ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCE ACROSS THE ENGLISH CHANNEL CMA CARRYING WITH YOU THE HOPES AND PRAYERS OF MILLIONS OF MEN AND WOMEN OF MANY NATIONS PD TO IT WAS ENTRUSTED THE TASK OF ANNIHILATING THE GERMAN ARMIES IN WESTERN EUROPE CMA AND OF THUS LIBERATING THE PEOPLES WHOM THEY HAD ENSLAVED PD PARA ALL THE WORLD NOW KNOWS THAT CMA AFTER FIERCE AND CONTINUOUS WARFARE CMA THIS FORCE HAS ACCOMPLISHED ITS MISSION WITH A FINALITY ACHIEVED BY NO OTHER SUCH EXPEDITION IN HISTORY PD PARA ON BEHALF OF ALL MY PEOPLES CMA I ASK THAT YOU CMA ITS SUPREME COMMANDER CMA WILL TELL ITS MEMBERS HOW DEEPLY GRATEFUL WE ARE TO THEM CMA AND HOW UNBOUNDED IS OUR ADMIRATION FOR THE COURAGE AND DETERMINATION WHICH CMA UNDER WISE LEADERSHIP CMA HAVE BROUGHT THEM TO THEIR GOAL OF COMPLETE AND CRUSHING VICTORY PD PARA I WOULD ASK YOU ALSO TO CONVEY A SPECIAL MESSAGE OF CONGRATULATIONS TO MY OWN FORCES NOW UNDER YOUR COMMAND PD PARA THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN CMA THEY HAVE ACQUITTED THEMSELVES CMA IN ALL SERVICES CMA WITH A VALOUR AND DISTINCTION FOR WHICH THEIR FELLOW DASH COUNTRYMEN WILL FOREVER HOLD THEN IN HONOUR PD SIGNED GEORGE VI CMA SEVEN MAY CMA ONE NINE FOUR FIVE PD UNQUOTE

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