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**HEADQUARTERS 776TH TANK DESTROYER BATTALION  
A.P.O. 464**

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29 February 1944

**SUBJECT: Operations 1 February 1944 to 29 February 1944.**

1 February 1944 -- Company "A" at 908157, Company "B" at 908155, Reconnaissance Company at 978155, Headquarters Company at 979157, Battalion GP at 976154. Our operations: "A" Company and "C" Company fired 216 rounds HE, harassing fire around Rapido River Sector (Tiri Valley). Company "C" moved from vicinity 908155 to vicinity 890233 (East of Cassino, Italy) -- 1 Platoon at 868246, 1 Platoon at 854243, 1 Platoon at 876223. Company "C" to be used in support of 756th Tank Battalion.

2 February 1944 -- Company "B" reverted to Battalion control formally attached to 805th Tank Destroyer Battalion for artillery missions. "A" and "C" Company fired 168 rounds HE, harassing fire on concentrations in Rapido River Sector (Tiri Valley). Company "B" now at 883155 (Mount Treccia).

3 February 1944 -- Our operations: "A" Company and "C" Company fired 168 rounds HE, harassing fire on concentrations in Rapido River Sector (Tiri Valley). "B" Company will not fire because of its exposed position on the forward slope of Mount Treccia.

4 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "A" expended 48 rounds HE on concentrations in Rapido River Sector, and also expended 207 rounds on concentrations in same area. Company "A" is now attached to 1st Tank Group.

5 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

6 February 1944 -- Our operations: Battalion GP and 1 Platoon Reconnaissance moved from 976154 to vicinity 899199 (vicinity East of Cassino), Italy

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7 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" fired direct and indirect (observed) supporting fires for 2nd Battalion 13th Armored Regiment (OC"B"). Due to present circumstances and location of guns Company "C" is unable to submit an accurate report of ammunition expended. Company "C" CP now at 952247. (1 enemy tank knocked out by direct fire and 1 enemy mortar (Nebelwerfer) knocked out by indirect fire (observed) by Platoon of Company "C".

8 February 1944 -- Our operations: Reconnaissance Company moved from 979155 to vicinity 902201 (vicinity East of Cassino, Italy). Company "C" fired direct and indirect (observed) supporting fires for 2nd Battalion 13th Armored Regiment (OC"B").

9 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" fired direct and indirect (observed) Air O.P. (by 1st Lieutenant Wilson E. Andrews) supporting artillery fire.

10 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" expended approximately 1211 rounds HE during period February 8-10 firing direct and indirect (observed) supporting fires for 2nd Battalion 13th Armored Regiment (OC "B")

11 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

12 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" expended 240 rounds HE, direct and indirect (observed) firing in support of 756 th Tank Battalion. Two Platoons and CP of Reconnaissance Company moved from vicinity 902201, infiltrating to new location at 902213 closing at 1930 hours.

13 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" fired direct and indirect (observed) fires in support of 756th Tank Battalion.

14 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" expended 240 rounds HE during period February 13-14. Company "C" moved from vicinity 952247

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at 0400 hours infiltrating to new position vicinity 955160. Battalion attached to CC "B" of 1st Armed Division to be used in execution of Tiri Valley Plan.

15 February 1944 -- Our operations: Battalion CP moved from vicinity 899199 at 1700 hours to vicinity 976154 (San Pietro, Italy). Reconnaissance Company moved from vicinity 903215 at 1800 hours to vicinity 978155 (San Pietro, Italy). No missions.

16 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "C" CP at 959163. Remainder of Battalion -- no change.

17 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "A" moved from 903157 at 1800 hours. Remainder of Battalion no change.

18 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

19 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

20 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

21 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

22 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

23 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

24 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

25 February 1944 -- Our operations: Company "A" moved guns from assembly area to firing position. Company "A" CP at 948153. Company "A" expended 26 rounds smoke for registration fires.

26 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

27 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

28 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change.

29 February 1944 -- Our operations: No change. Location of troops: Company "A" at 948153, Company "B" at 883155, Company "C" at 959163, Reconnaissance at 978155, Headquarters Company at 979157, Battalion CP at

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