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DATE	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	CHAIN OF COMMAND
1942/07/10	Wehrkreis IX, Kassel	Formation of Hqu.staff 210.ID	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Karl Wintergerst, 1942/07/15-1944/02/15 Subordinate to: Stellv.Gen.Kdo. IX, 1942/07/10-1942/07/24
1942/08/17	Sor-Varanger (Bjornevatn), Kirkenes, Vardo, Tana Fjord Norway	Transfer, completion of formation of 210.ID from units of 69.ID and 214.ID, training	AOK 20, 1942/07/25-1942/08/31 AK Norwegen (AK 19 Geb), 1942/09/01-1944/12/31
1943/01/01	Varanger Fjord, Vardo, Vadso, Kirkenes	Coastal defense, training	
1943/12/31	Sor-Varanger, Kirkenes	Coastal defense, training, security duty	

Records of the 210.ID are reproduced on rolls 1619-1621 of Microfilm Publication T315 and are described following the unit history.

Although no records of this division dated later than 1943/12/31 were available at the National Archives, situation maps of Lage Skandinavien, general staff officers personnel file, and records of OKH/GenStdH/AHA, H 37/86 (MR 1304), show:

1944/09/16	Varanger Fjord, Vadso	Coastal defense	C.O.: Gen.Lt. Kurt Ebeling, 1944/02/15-1945/03/10
1944/10/19		Disengagement movements	
1944/11/17	Harstad, Lofoten Islands, Vesteralen	Coastal defense	
1945/05/11	Harstad, Lofoten Islands, Vesteralen	Surrender	

Manuscripts in the Foreign Military Studies series, prepared by former German officers for the Historical Division, Headquarters U.S.Army, Europe, between 1945 and 1959, MS C-073 (The Last Finnish War, 1941-44, chapter VIII - The German Retreat from Finland, pp. 326-370), by Waldemar Erfurt, contains reference to the 210.ID.

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Ia, KTB 1. War journal concerning the activation of Stab Kommando 210.ID in Doenche-Lager, Kassel, Wehrkreis IX, 10-13 Jul 1942, transfer of the staff from Kassel to Sor-Varanger (Bjornevatn), Norway, 17-31 Aug 1942, via Stettin, Danzig, Oulu, Rovaniemi, and Salmiyarvi, Finland, and Kirkenes, Norway to complete the formation of 210.ID from units of the 69.ID and 214.ID occupying the Barents Sea coast of Norway, and coastal defense from Kirkenes to the Tana River sector, 1 Sep-31 Dec 1942.	1942/07/13-1942/12/31	210.ID 27976/1	1619	1
Ia, Anlage 1 zum KTB 1. Orders, directives, and reports pertaining to the activation of Stab Kommando 210.ID in Kassel and its transfer to Norway for completion of formation of the 210.ID from units of 69. and 214.ID occupying the Barents Sea coast of Norway; and coastal defense, regrouping, organization and reorganization of the coastal defense, training, and command inspections in the sector from Kirkenes to the Tana Fjord areas.	1942/07/09-1942/11/26	210.ID 27976/2	1619	35
Anlage 2 zum KTB 1, Kriegsgliederungen. Order-of-battle charts.	1942/07/15-1942/12/10	210.ID 27976/3	1619	246
Ic, NaFue., TB. Activity report of the intelligence branch concerning military security and troop entertainment and indoctrination and an activity report of the signal staff officer, 9 Sep-31 Dec 1942.	1942/07/13-1942/12/31	210.ID 27976/5	1619	254
Ia, Anlage 6 zum KTB 1, Planspiele, Alarmuebungen und Erfahrungsberichte. Map and alert exercises and afteraction critiques relating to alert exercises, 21 and 22 Oct 1942 and 13, 21, 26, and 27 Dec 1942, map exercises, 12 Dec 1942, and supply map exercise, 23 Dec 1942.	1942/10/21-1942/12/31	210.ID 27976/7	1619	290
Ia, Anlage 7 zum KTB 1. Orders, directives, and reports pertaining to alerts, coastal defense, security of Jar Fjord and Vardo Island, and construction of fortified positions and billeting survey.	1942/11/20-1942/12/31	210.ID 27976/8	1619	352

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Ia, Anlage zum KTB 1. Periodic combat and ration strength reports.	1942/09/01-1942/12/27	210.ID 27976/10	1619	689
Ia, KTB 2. War journal concerning coastal defense, security of rear areas, map, alert, and combat exercises, regrouping, and command inspections in the Sor-Varanger, Kirkenes, Vardo, and Svanvik areas, the Varanger, Jar, Tana, and Baas Fjord sectors, and Vardo Island.	1943/01/01-1943/06/30	210.ID 37889/1	1619	725
Ia, Anlage 1 zum KTB 2. Orders, directives, reports, and overlays pertaining to coastal defense, map and alert exercises, antitank defense training, command inspections, security of utilities, regrouping, and enemy operations in the Salla sector in Finland; an order-of-battle chart; strength reports; and billeting surveys.	1943/01/01-1943/03/20	210.ID 37889/2	1619	790
Ia, Anlage 1a zum KTB 2. Orders, directives, and reports pertaining to coastal defense, training, construction of strong points, alert and march readiness, evacuation of the civilian population from coastal areas, courier service, command inspections, and regrouping; billeting and subordination surveys; and special sanitation directives.	1943/03/02-1943/06/01	210.ID 37889/3	1619	1000
Ia, Anlage 1b zum KTB 2. Orders, reports, and overlays pertaining to combined exercises and preparations for Unternehmen Mitternachtsonne (search and seizure operations in the Varanger Peninsula, 29 Jun-9 Jul 1943) and a status report.	1943/05/29-1943/06/30	210.ID 37889/4	1620	1
Ic, IIa, Stopi, NaFue, Gabo, TB. Activity report of the intelligence branch concerning enemy operations, counterintelligence activity, military security, and troop indoctrination and entertainment; activity reports of the personnel branch, engineer staff, signal staff, and chemical warfare officers; and special directives of the judge advocate.	1943/01/01-1943/06/30	210.ID 37889/5	1620	58

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Ia, Anlage 4 zum KTB. Combat and ration strength reports and inventories of weapons.	1943/01/01-1943/06/30	210.ID 37839/7	1620	471
Ia, Anlage 5 zum KTB. Surveys on the mobility of 210.ID, description of defense installations in the division sector, and maps showing the tactical disposition of subordinate units.	1943/02/13-1943/06/10	210.ID 37839/8	1620	530
Ia, Anlage 6 zum KTB. Morgen und Tagesmeldungen.	1943/01/01-1943/06/30	210.ID 37839/9	1620	584
Ia, KTB 3. War journal concerning coastal defense, security against enemy agents and parachutists, alerts, construction program, training, and regrouping in the Tana Fjord, Vadso, Kirkenes, Vardo, Neiden, and Sor-Varanger (Bjornevatn) areas.	1943/07/01-1943/12/31	210.ID 45787/1	1620	964
Ia, Anlage 1b zum KTB 3. Orders, directives, reports, and overlays pertaining to coastal defense, patrol activity, construction and security of airfields, alert and march readiness, combined and signal communication exercises, radio deception, replacements for the eastern front, general reserves to counteract enemy landing attempts, organizational planning, training, regrouping, search action to apprehend enemy agents and parachutists and to locate enemy wireless stations, and disposition of indictments against military personnel; an afteraction critique relating to the use of parachutists by the enemy; and afteraction reports regarding a Russian landing attempt in the Vardo-Kiberg area, 20 Jul 1943.	1943/07/01-1943/12/31	210.ID 45787/2	1621	1
Ia, Anlage 2 zum KTB 3; Ic, IIa, III, Stopi, NaFue, Gabo, TB. Reports and messages concerning the execution of Unternehmen Mitternachtsonne (police raid in the Varanger Peninsula) and Unternehmen Tundra (action against an enemy submarine in the Vardo area, 20 Oct 1943); afteraction reports regarding search action to locate enemy wireless stations, 12-24 Jul	1943/07/01-1943/12/31	210.ID 45787/3	1621	374

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Ia, Anlage 3 zum KTB 3. Status reports, lists of officers duty assignments, and order-of-battle charts.	1943/07/04-1943/12/15	210.ID 45787/4	1621	574
Ia, Anlage 4 zum KTB 3. Combat and ration strength reports.	1943/07/01-1943/12/21	210.ID 45787/5	1621	1156
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