

LXXXVII. Armeekorps (LXXXVII Army Corps)

The Generalkommando LXXXVII. Armeekorps was activated on November 5, 1942, and was stationed in France. It performed occupation and coastal security duties in Brittany until August 1943. The Corps then was transferred to northern Italy where it controlled the Genoa-La Spezia areas on the Ligurian Sea. It was converted to Armeedivision von

Zangen on January 24, 1944. On July 5, 1944, Armeedivision von Zangen was redesignated LXXXVII. Armeekorps. The Corps was commanded by Gen.d.Art. Erich Marcks from November 12, 1942 to August 1, 1943, Gen.d.Inf. Gustav von Zangen from August 1, 1943 to July 5, 1944, and Gen.Lt. Kurt Jahn from July 5, 1944.*

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Ia, Kriegstagebuch 1. War journal concerning the activation of the Corps on Nov 5, 1942, by AOK 7 in Guingamp, its assignment for occupation duty and coastal defense, and daily weather conditions in Brittany.	Nov 5, 1942 - Mar 31, 1943	29945/1	1608	1
Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 1, Korpsbefehle. Orders outlining the Corps' defense sector from Granville to Morlaix on the Brittany coastline, centering at St.Malo, and relating to the reorganization, relief, and battle conduct of units. Also, a report concerning the organization of coastal defense communications and a map showing the location of the Corps' units.	Nov 22 - Dec 11, 1942	29945/2	1608	62
Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 1, Bemerkung des Kommandierenden Generals. Reports concerning an inspection of division sectors by the commanding general.	Nov 22, 1942 - Feb 20, 1943	29945/3	1608	87
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 1, Verschiedenes. Reports and messages concerning assignment, transfer of units, and reorganization.	Nov 22, 1942 - Feb 23, 1943	29945/4	1608	144
Ia, Anlage 5 z. KTB 1, Tagesmeldungen. Daily reports and messages concerning the relief, transfer, and movement of subordinate units, changes of command in various sectors, and enemy air activity.	Nov 23, 1942 - Mar 24, 1943	29945/6	1608	344
IIa/b, Tätigkeitsberichte. Monthly activity reports, with a register of officers, and a list of officers' duty assignments.	Dec 23, 1942 - Mar 31, 1943	29945/7	1608	533
Qu., Kriegstagebuch. War journal concerning supply operations and administration.	Nov 10, 1942 - Mar 31, 1943	29945/8	1608	549

* Records of Armeedivision von Zangen are described in Guide No. 50 and filmed on Rolls 1638-1640 and 1652 of Microcopy T-312.

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Qu., Anlagen, Mappe I z. KTB. Special supply directives.	Nov 30, 1942 - Mar 29, 1943	29945/9	1608	557
Qu., Anlagen, Mappe II z. KTB. Orders concerning reports and requisitions relating to the supply and quartermaster sphere (Versorgungs- und Quartiermeistergebiet). Also, reports on the supply situation.	Dec 4, 1942 - Mar 23, 1943	29945/10	1608	632
Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte mit Anlagen. Activity reports concerning enemy air activity and acts of sabotage, security measures, counterintelligence, and troop recreation for the period Dec 1, 1942 to Feb 28, 1943. Also, monthly intelligence reports relating to the morale and conduct of the civilian population.	Dec 1, 1942 - Mar 31, 1943	29945/11	1608	663
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 2. War journal concerning operations, coastal defense, and training, enemy air activity, and daily weather conditions in Brittany.	Apr 1 - Jul 28, 1943	33073/1	1608	681
Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 2, Korpsbefehle. Orders relating to coastal defense and relief, transfer, and subordination of units. Tables of equipment of subordinate divisions.	May 29 - Jul 24, 1943	33073/2	1608	713
Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 2, Bemerkungen des Kommandierenden Generals. A report concerning the commanding general's inspection of fortifications and training activity on Apr 14 - 16, 1943. Also, orders and a map pertaining to a night maneuver near St.Brieuc on May 4, 1942.	Apr 14 - May 4, 1943	33073/3	1608	756
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 2, Verschiedenes. Reports, orders, directives, and a map pertaining to a tactical study of a simulated major enemy sea and airborne landing attack in Brittany between Apr 19 and 21, 1943, including an air attack on other parts of France, assignment of units, and experience gained during this exercise; tactical directives; and alert and coastal defense plans. Also, a report and a map concerning experience gained during an airborne landing exercise on Apr 4, 1943, and the location of defense positions in the St.Brieuc area; lists of officers' duty assignments, a table of organization and equipment of the 371. Inf. Div., and directives relating to tactical methods.	Apr 16 - Jul 27, 1943	33073/4	1608	772
Ia, Anlage 4 z. KTB 2, Tagesmeldungen. Daily reports concerning operations, transfer, movement of units, and enemy air activity.	Apr 11 - Jul 28, 1943	33073/5	1608	901

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Ic, Tätigkeitsberichte. Activity reports and monthly intelligence reports concerning enemy air and naval activities and acts of sabotage, counterintelligence activity, troop entertainment, and the attitude and morale of the civilian population.	Apr 1 - Jul 25, 1943	33073/6	1609	1
IIa/b, Tätigkeitsberichte. Activity reports of the Personnel Branch.	Apr 1 - Jul 26, 1943	33073/7	1609	32
Qu., Kriegstagebuch. War journal concerning supply operations and administration.	Apr 1 - Jul 23, 1943	33073/8	1609	49
Qu., Anlagen, Mappe I z. KTB, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung. Special directives for supply troops.	Apr 2 - Jul 23, 1943	33073/9	1609	56
Qu., Anlagen, Mappe II z. KTB, Beurteilung der Versorgungslage. Evaluation reports of the supply situation.	Apr 3 - Jul 3, 1943	33073/10	1609	144
IVa, Tätigkeitsberichte. Activity reports of the Administrative Officer.	Nov 17, 1942 - Jun 30, 1943	33073/11-12	1609	199
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 3. War journal presenting the political and military situation in Italy which necessitated the transfer of German units to central and upper Italy in order to avoid the loss of all German forces in the south including the setting up of H.Gr. B under the command of Generalfeldmarschall Rommel, transfer of the Corps at the beginning of Aug 1943 to Italy with a change in commanding officer from Gen.d.Art. Marcks to Gen.d.Inf. von Zangen on Aug 1, 1943; and on Sep 8, 1943, the signing of an armistice with the Allied Powers by Field Marshal Badoglio for the Italian Government. The war journal covers coastal defense, occupation of naval bases, the disarming of the Italian armed forces, securing of war materiel and the Po River bridges, combating Italian resistance groups, and defense against British landings in the Genoa, La Spezia, and Parma areas. The Corps was subordinate in succession to the Oberbefehlshaber West, Armeegruppe Felber, the ital. AOK 4, H.Gr. B, and AOK 14, under the command of Gen.d.Inf. Gustav von Zangen, Aug 1, 1943 - Jan 24, 1944. The Corps was converted to Armee-Abteilung von Zangen for the period Jan 24 to Jul 4, 1944.	Jul 31, 1943 - Jan 23, 1944	54942/1	1609	222
Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 3, Korpsbefehle. Orders, directives, reports, and messages concerning missions, reorganization, assignments, training, conduct of battle, security measures in the defense zone, coastal defense, construction program, alert plans, assembly of reserves, and cooperation with Italian administrative offices in the Genoa and La Spezia areas.	Aug 27 - Dec 31, 1943	54942/2	1609	413

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Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 3, Besichtigung des Kommandierenden Generals u. Berichte über Besprechungen. Reports concerning inspection of harbors, coastal defense sectors, fortifications, and rear areas; conferences with Italian officers; and accounts of disarming of Italian units.	Aug 14 - Dec 2, 1943	54942/3	1609	686
Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 3, Besichtigung des Kommandierenden Generals u. Schiessbefehl. Reports on inspection of coast artillery units by the commanding general. Also, directives, tables, sketches, and overlays pertaining to simulated combat firing by all armed forces.	Nov 18 - Dec 17, 1943	54942/4	1610	1
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 3, Orientierungsberichte, Teil I. Reports and messages concerning the operations, mission, assignments, transfers, movements, combat strength, and tactical grouping of the Corps' units; personnel replacements for the "Ostheer"; inspection trips by the commanding general; assignment of defense areas along the Ligurian coast; liaison with Italian units; the political and military situation in Italy; the attitude of the civilian population; and evaluation of the terrain, the fighting qualities of the Italian troops, Italian leadership, and coastal fortifications.	Aug 6 - Sep 9, 1943	54942/5	1610	33
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 3, Orientierungsberichte, Teil II. Messages and reports on operations, coastal defense, and the disarming of Italian units.	Sep 9 - Oct 10, 1943	54942/6	1610	310
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 3, Orientierungsberichte, Teil III. Reports and messages concerning operations, coastal defense, and disarming of Italian units. Also, evaluations and maps presenting enemy capabilities and strength to carry out airborne and naval landing attempts and German defense capabilities.	Sep 25 - Nov 9, 1943	54942/7	1610	574
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 3, Orientierungsberichte, Teil IV. Reports and messages pertaining to alert status and the imminent danger of enemy landings on the Ligurian coast. Also, a list of Italian units, orders for unit transfer, entraining tables, and special directives concerning the relief of the 384. Inf.Div.	Nov 9 - Dec 19, 1943	54942/8	1610	867
Ia, Anlage 4 z. KTB 3, Karten und Gliederungen. Maps (1:100,000 and 1:200,000) showing the tactical grouping of the Corps' units in the Genoa and La Spezia areas and lists of German naval and air force units in the same areas.	Aug 13 - Sep 15, 1943	54942/9	1610	1086

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Ia, Anlage 5 z. KTB 3, Tagesmeldungen, Bände 1-3. Daily reports and messages concerning the operations, movements, coastal defense, billeting, and the relief of units in the Genoa and La Spezia areas.	Jul 29 - Dec 31, 1943	54942/12-14	1611	1
Ia, Anlage 5 z. KTB 3, Teil I. Daily reports on enemy air activity and on the Corps' operations.	Jan 1 - 23, 1944	54942/15	1611	672
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 3, Orientierungsberichte, Teil I. Reports and messages concerning the transfer of various units to the central Italian front, replacements for these units, and assumption of command of the AOK 14 sector by Armeeabteilung von Zangen. Also, a list of all appendixes to war journal 3.	Jan 1 - 24, 1944	54942/17	1611	741
Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 3, Besichtigungsbemerkungen, Teil I. Reports concerning inspection trips by the commanding general of the LI. Gebirgskorps in the LXXXVII.A.K. sector and to subordinate units.	Jan 4 - 19, 1944	54942/18	1611	848
Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 3, Korpsbefehle, Teil I. Orders relating to coastal defense, preparations for the demolition of harbor facilities, the construction of fortifications, and the organization, mission, assignment, transfer, boundaries, subordination, and training of the Corps' units. Also, orders concerning Operations "Blume" and "Richard" (preparations to defend central Italy in case of major enemy landing attempts) and Hitler's order to the troops for the new year.	Jan 3 - 23, 1944	54942/19	1611	872
Qu., Kriegstagebuch. War journal concerning supply operations, administration, security, and situation.	Aug 1, 1943 - Jan 25, 1944	54943/1	1611	963
Qu., Anlage, Mappe I z. KTB, Besondere Anordnungen für die Versorgung. Special supply directives.	Aug 17, 1943 - Jan 18, 1944	54943/2	1611	996
Qu., Anlage, Mappe IIa z. KTB. Reports pertaining to supply operations, administration, and situation; the stockpiling of ammunition, rations, fuel, and water; exploitation of the Italian economy; and the reorganization, activation, and assignment of units; and inventories of weapons, ammunition, equipment, clothing, and captured booty. Also, directives relating to the supplying of				

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the Corps during its movement from France to Italy, and the extended sector of the Corps in Italy, and the relief of the 76. and 94. Inf.Div. by the 334. and 356. Inf.Div., respectively; special supply directives; and a map showing the location of the Corps' supply units in the area northwest of Genoa.	Jul 31 - Nov 28, 1943	54943/3	1612	1
Qu., Anlage, Mappe IIb z. KTB. Reports and notes on staff conferences pertaining to supply operations and administration, medical, veterinary, and transportation services; stockpiling for coastal defense units; and the transfer and mobility of supply units. Also, activity reports of the Eisenbahnverbindungskommando for the period Jan 1 to 15, 1944; periodic evaluation reports of the supply situation in the Corps sector; and special directives concerning the relief of the 384. Inf.Div. by the 65. Inf.Div.	Dec 7, 1943 - Jan 25, 1944	54943/4	1612	241
IVa, Tätigkeitsbericht als Anlage, Mappe III z. KTB. Activity report concerning the transfer of Corps headquarters from France to Italy on Aug 3, 1943, and administrative activity relating to the Corps' staff and subordinate units.	Aug 17, 1943 - Jan 31, 1944	54943/5	1612	327
W.u.G., Feldgend.Tr. 926, IVb, IVc, V, Tätigkeitsberichte als Anlage, Mappe IV z. KTB. Activity reports of Military Police Detachment 926 for the period Aug 11 to Nov 30, 1943, of the Ordnance Group for Sep 1 to Oct 31, 1943, and of the Medical, Veterinary, and Motor Transport Officers for Aug 1 to Sep 30, 1943. Also, an activity report of the Railway Liaison Command at Genoa for the period Dec 18 to 24, 1943.	Aug 1 - Dec 31, 1943	54943/6	1612	351
Ic, Tätigkeitsbericht. Activity report concerning partisan activities, enemy naval and air operations, attitude of the civilian population and its reaction to the change in government, formation of new Italian units, sabotage, propaganda, press censorship, and troop entertainment.	Aug 1, 1943 - Jan 23, 1944	54944	1612	405
IIa/b, Tätigkeitsberichte als Anlage z. KTB. Activity reports concerning personnel matters and transfer of command of the LXXXVII. A.K. from Gen.d.Art. Marcks to Gen.d.Inf. von Zangen on Aug 2, 1943. Also, a register of officers and lists of officers' duty assignments.	Jul 26, 1943 - Jan 23, 1944	54945	1612	463
Ia, Kriegstagebuch 5. War journal concerning the withdrawal of the front and the taking over of the "Grün" line by AOK 10 and 14 which led to the reduction of				

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the sector of Armeedivision von Zangen and resulted in its redesignation as LXXXVII. A.K. on Jul 5, 1944, and Corps operations, construction of the "Po" line, security of the coast, defense against enemy landings, combating of partisan units, and movements in the Genoa, Carrara, Acqui, Alessandria, Savona, and Parma areas. Also, data relating to the organization and assignment of AOK Ligurien. The Corps was subordinate to Oberbefehlshaber Südwest (H.Gr. C) under the command of Gen.Lt. Kurt Jahn from Jul 5, 1944.	Jul 5 - 18, 1944	64954/1	1612	523
Ia, Anlage 1 z. KTB 5, Korpsbefehle. Orders concerning organization, mission, combating of partisan units, and security and maintenance of roads and bridges.	Jul 8 - 18, 1944	64954/2	1612	550
Ia, Anlage 2 z. KTB 5, Besichtigungsbemerkungen. Report on inspection of coastal defense by General von Zangen and General Jahn, and instructions by OB Südwest on accelerating construction of fortifications.	Jul 7 - 16, 1944	64954/3	1612	574
Ia, Anlage 3 z. KTB 5, Orientierungsberichte. Report eulogizing General von Zangen's leadership on the occasion of his assumption of command. Also, afteraction critique of combat operations during the Normandy invasion, and reports, tables, and charts concerning the training status, organization and equipment, and order of battle of subordinate Italian units, and the organization of AOK Ligurien.	Jul 10 - 16, 1944	64954/4	1612	591
Ia, Anlage 4 z. KTB 5, Karten u. Gliederungen. Maps showing the location of the Corps' positions on the Ligurian coastline.	Jul 5 - 15, 1944	64954/5	1612	637
Ia, Anlage 5 z. KTB 5, Tagesmeldungen. Daily reports from the Corps to OB Südwest concerning the security of roads and bridges, the combating of partisan units, and enemy air and naval activity.	Jul 5 - 18, 1944	64954/6	1612	652
Ia, Anlage 7 z. KTB 5, Ferngespräche. A record of staff telephone conversations pertaining to operations.	Jul 5 - 18, 1944	64954/7	1612	679
Ia, Anlage 6 z. KTB 5; Ia/Stopi., Stogas., Ic, IIa/b, VI, Tätigkeitsberichte. Activity reports of the Engineer Staff Officer for the period Jun 1 to Jul 18, 1944, of the Chemical Warfare Officer for Jul 1 to 19, 1944, and of the				

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Intelligence Branch for Jul 5 to 18, 1944, with a map pertaining to enemy air, naval, and partisan operations; losses and propaganda of the Corps and of the enemy; captured materiel; morale and attitude of the civilian population; counterintelligence activity; and the location of partisan activity in the Ligurian coastal area. Also, activity reports of the Personnel Branch for the period Jul 5 to 18, 1944, with lists of officers' duty assignments, and of the Nazi Guidance Officer for Jun 16 to Jul 31, 1944; and reports and tables concerning the construction of the Grün and Goten positions; a report on inspection of Italian units located along the Ligurian coast; tables of organization listing Italian units subordinate to Armeeeabteilung Ligurien; and a map showing the location of antipartisan security sectors in the Savona, Genoa, Turin, Novara, Milan, Brescia, and Reggio areas. Data relating to the redesignation of the LXXXVII. A.K. as Armeeeabteilung Ligurien on Jul 15, 1944.	Jun 1 - Jul 31, 1944	64955	1612	711