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FROM : EXFOR TAC, FROM FIELD MARSHAL MONTGOMERY
TO : SHAEF MAIN, FOR GENERAL EISENHOWER FOR HIS EYES ONLY
REF.NO : M-414, 2 January 1945

Situation report. MONTGOMERY.

Thank you for your outline plan dated 31st December and letter. I suggest tactical victory within the salient is going to take some little time to achieve and that there will be heavy fighting. Also it is all bound to get somewhat untidy in that area and I think we want to be careful to ensure that the moment for changes in command is wisely chosen. I also feel that after we have achieved tactical victory in the salient there may be a considerable interval before other offensive movements begin developing though I think it is important to try and stage Operation VERITABLE earliest possible. Apart from these few ideas which occur to me I have no comments on the outline plan and details can be worked out later on. You can rely on me and all under my command to go all out 100% to implement your plans.

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Put this in correspondence file. DE

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