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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
DATE 2007

SUBJECTS.

PERIODS.

1. Rifle	10
2. Sten	12
3. Pistol	11
4. Explosives	11
5. Grenades	2
6. Bren	3
7. Lectures	1
8. Silent Killing	2
9. Map Reading	1
10. Schemes	

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1. RIFLE.

1. Handling practice.
2. .22 shooting.
3. .22 shooting.
4. Range practice.
5. " "
6. " "
7. .22 practice.
8. Care and cleaning in the field.
9. Range practice and introduction to telescopic sights.
10. " " " " " " " " " "

Total periods 10.

2. STEN.

1. Introduction. Loading and unloading.
2. Firing positions.
3. Firing practice. Slow; single shots.
4. Firing practice. Rapid; single and double shots.
5. Maintenance and cleaning in the field.
6. Range practice. Moving targets.
7. Range practice.
8. Advanced handling. Stoppages.
9. (As before).

Total periods 9

3. PISTOL.

1. Introduction. Instinctive shooting.
2. Handling. Loading, unloading. Safety precautions.
3. Firing slow, single shots.
4. Rapid single and double shots.
5. Range practice.

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3. PISTOL (cont:)

- 6. Range practice.
- 7. " "
- 8. " "
- 9. " "
- 10. " "
- 11. Advanced handling and stoppages on range.

Total periods 11

4. EXPLOSIVES.

- 1. Introduction and recognition of stores.
- 2. Detonators, primers, detonating fuses. Safety precautions.
- 3. (a) Quantities to use.  
(b) Practice in placing charges.  
(c) Cutting effects (demonstration and practice).
- 4. Preparing stores. Placing and firing charges.
- 5. Mines.
- 6. "
- 7. Made-up charges. Placing and firing.
- 8. " " " " " "
- 9. " " " " " "
- 10. Mines. Operation laying.
- 11. Booby traps.

Total periods 11

5. GRENADES.

- 1. Introduction: common types, mechanisms and uses.
- 2. Priming and throwing.

Total periods 2

6. MINES.

- 1. Introduction and mechanism.
- 2. Elementary handling.
- 3. Advanced handling.

Total periods 3

7. LECTURES.

- 1. First aid.

Total periods 1

8. SILENT KILLING.

- 1. Introduction and Demonstrations, followed by practice.
- 2. Advanced demonstration, followed by practice.

Total periods 2

9. MAP READING AND COMPASS.

- 1. Introduction. Setting the map. Taking bearings; determining positions on map and ground; measuring distances with references to map scale.

Total periods 1

10. SCHEMES.

11. SECRET INKS

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Total periods 2.

P E R I O D S.

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	0830 - 1000	1030 - 1130	1130 - 1230	1700 - 1845
Mon 8th August	WEAPON TRG. (Introduction, first principles)	RIFLE 1	RIFLE 2	MAP READING 1
Tue 9th	STEN 1	EXPLOSIVES 1	EXPLOSIVES 2	PISTOL 1
Wed 10th	ROUTE MARCH (in operational kit, with compass. March in teams)			RIFLE 3
Thurs 11th	RIFLE 4 (Rifle range practice and firing Bren).	RIFLE 5	RIFLE 6	STEN 2
Fri 12th	PISTOL 2	GRENADES 1	GRENADES 2	STEN 3
Sat 13th	PISTOL 3	SILENT WEAPONS (Pistol & Sten)	CARE OF ARMS	
Sun 14th				

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0830 - 1000

1030 - 1130

1130 - 1230

1700 - 1845

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Mon 15th  
August

STEN 4

EXPLOSIVES 5

EXPLOSIVES 4

STEN 5

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Tue 16th

PISTOL 4

EXPLOSIVES 5

EXPLOSIVES 6

STEN 6

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Wed 17th

PISTOL 5

EXPLOSIVES 7

EXPLOSIVES 8

RIFLE 7

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Thu 18th

STEN 7

CARE OF ARMS

RIFLE 8

BREN 1

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Fri 19th

PISTOL 6

BREN 2

STEN 8

PISTOL 7

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Sat 20th

PISTOL 8

EXPLOSIVES 9

EXPLOSIVES 10

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Sun 21st

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PERIODS.

0830 - 1000

1030 - 1130

1130 - 1230

1700 - 1845

Mon 22nd  
August

STEN 9

SILENT KILLING  
1

LECTURE 1  
(First Aid)

PISTOL 9

Tue 23rd

- - - - - S - - - - - C - - - - - H - - - - - E - - M - - E

STEN 10

Wed 24th

PISTOL 10

RIFLE 9

SILENT KILLING  
2

STEN 11

Thu 25th

BREN 3

EXPLOSIVES 11

PISTOL 11

SCHEME

Fri 26th

S - - - - - C - - - - - H - - - - - E - - - - - M - - - - - E - - - - (cont) -

Sat 27th

SCHEME (con-  
cluded)

STEN 12

RIFLE 10

Sun 28th

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DAILY RADIO NEWS IN ALBANIAN

	<p>PROGRAMME 1700 - 1730</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 1730 - 1800</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 1800 - 1830</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 1830 - 1900</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 1900 - 1930</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 1930 - 2000</p>
	<p>PROGRAMME 2000 - 2030</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2030 - 2100</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2100 - 2130</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2130 - 2200</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2200 - 2230</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2230 - 2300</p>
	<p>PROGRAMME 2300 - 2330</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2330 - 2400</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2400 - 2430</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2430 - 2500</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2500 - 2530</p>	<p>PROGRAMME 2530 - 2600</p>
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JANI's Syllabus for PIXIES.

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1. What to do on landing.
2. Positions to be taken up.
3. What to do on first contact with locals.
4. Method to be followed in moving from place to place.
5. Method of collecting and transmitting information: distinction between information seen with own eyes and information heard. Need for obtaining confirmation of latter.
6. Propaganda: initially transmission of Allied Radio only.
7. Military information.
8. Security: "how to keep secrets".
9. Method of contacting and addressing locals.
10. Contacting bands in the mountains.
11. Objectives and intentions of bands.
12. Morale of civilian population.
13. Aspirations of civilian population.
14. Food and sanitary situation.
15. Condition of Communist Party.
16. Leading party personalities.
17. Reliability of Party members.
18. Discontented elements in Communist Party.
19. Methods of espionage employed by Communist Party
20. Foreigners in Albania (Russians, Czechs, Rumanians etc.).
21. Numbers of foreign officers and technicians.
22. Names and locations of foreign personalities.
23. Locations and strength of military units (armament, equipment, rations, sanitation, morale).
24. Depots and dumps - type of weapon and equipment - rations.
25. Number of guards on depots.
26. Transport.
27. Location, strength and equipment of permanent and temporary frontier posts including coast-guard.
28. Artillery and aviation on frontier and coast.

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29. Name, rank and place of birth of senior officers.
30. Police. Location, strength, equipment and morale.
31. Gendarmerie (as for Police). Loyalty to regime.
32. Special Gendarmerie for use against guerrilla bands. Numbers and equipment: loyalty to regime.
33. Hidden arms caches.
34. Forbidden areas: extent of: documents required for entering.
35. Documentation: what documents would be necessary or useful for future parties.
36. Security checks: are they to be expected outside the main town or off the main roads.
37. Bribery: if in a tough spot, can bribe Communist officials to do anything.
38. How to dispose of compromising gear and documents if in a tight spot.

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OBJECTS.

1. To exercise two operational parties in landing at an unreconnoitred pinpoint.
2. To test R/T training and to practise two wireless teams in making contact and passing traffic.
3. To give practice in coding under field conditions.
4. To shake down the two operational parties.
5. To exercise the M.F.V. captain and crew.
6. To rehearse the embarkation of parties from JENINA BAY.

INFORMATION.

The political situation in the MALTA group of islands has deteriorated and a Communist puppet government has been established in GOZO.

The democratic government of MALTA still remains in power but a considerable fifth column is believed to exist.

In COMINO the entire population has risen in support of the Communist regime in GOZO. The Governor and the local garrison have been seized, disarmed and murdered, and all resistance has been crushed.

It is believed that all the surviving population of COMINO is now enthusiastically Communist.

It is essential that exact information of the numbers of the islanders should be obtained.

INTENTION.

Two of the groups of highly trained guerrillas who are stationed at BINGHAMA will be landed clandestinely on the coast of COMINO and will carry out the necessary reconnaissance without disclosing their presence to the inhabitants.

They will be evacuated on the following night.

The whole operation will be carried out secretly in order to prevent reports reaching GOZO from the fifth column in MALTA.

METHOD.

1. Embarkation.

The leaders of the two groups will assemble their men at a point in JENINA BAY 314288. By 2100 hours on the 25th Aug. both parties will be embarked on M.F.V. No. Under the following arrangements;

- (a) The M.F.V. will approach the pinpoint as silently as possible and will anchor in the area of the bay. ETA to be 2100, hours.
- (b) Contact will be established between the captain of the M.F.V. and D.S. by R/T using the code names RAM and BULL respectively. Listening watch will be kept by the shore party from 2100 hours.
- (c) The two parties will be ferried out to the M.F.V. under direction of the D.S.

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- (d) When the parties have been taken aboard the dinghies will be hoisted inboard or towed astern and the M.F.V. will sail for COMINO. The Captain of the M.F.V. will assume control until the vessel reaches the pinpoint.

2. Landing.

The two parties will be landed separately at \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. The M.F.V. should not approach closer than half a mile and a maximum of two of her crew should go ashore with each party to ferry the boat back to the parent craft.

When this has been done the M.F.V. will withdraw silently and anchor in any convenient bay until the following morning.

3. Reconnaissance.

Each of the two parties will carry out their reconnaissance of the island at first light and will signal back to base what information they have been able to collect.

4. Boating.

At 1400 hours the given situation will be temporarily suspended and both parties will R.V. openly at 300405 where boating practice will take place until 1900 hours.

5. Evacuation.

At 2000 Hrs the two parties will R.V. at the pinpoints that they have selected, that map references of which they will have signalled to base during the day.

The parties will be ready to be evacuated between 2030 Hrs and 2300 Hrs.

Each party will show a coloured torch to seaward for three seconds every ten minutes after 2030.

The boat coming in to pick up the team will challenge with the word RAKI which must be answered with the words SHUM MIR.

6. Disembarkation.

This will be carried out under the direction of the D.S. A red torch will be shown to seaward every five minutes after midnight to assist the M.F.V.

Contact will be made on the R/T sets if possible.

ADMINISTRATION.

1. The two parties of about 7 men will be completely equipped with arms, equipment and R/T stations. Rations will be carried for 48 hours.
2. Transport will be ready to move off at 1930 on 25th to JENNINA BAY and will return there at 2359 on 26th to collect the teams.
3. Every officer and man will carry means of identification.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

As detailed on separate R/T orders.

Watches will be synchronised at 1930 on 25th and at every R/T contact.

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GENERAL BRIEF

A.

1) Military.

Location of units and formations, strength, type of arms; fortifications, arms, ammunition and rations dumps. Maximum information on Albanian Government aid to Greek bandits.

2) Police.

Strength, organization and type of arms of special detachments for use against resistance bands. Their duties in dealing with (a) resistance and (b) the civilian population.

3) Transport and Road Control.

Frequency and efficacy of road checks. Observation of transport bringing supplies to Greek bandits.

4) Political.

Political trends among the civilian population: attitude towards (a) the Government and (b) the Ballists.

5) Miscellaneous.

Movements of Communists in remote mountain areas (indicating Communist post-occupational plans).

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B.

INDIVIDUAL (GROUP) BELIEFS

I. VALONA GROUP.

Areas to be covered:

(a) Coast:

SKEL E SEMANIT TO SKEL PALERMO.

(b) Inland:

(1) Area between Mount QIKES and River VIJOSE.

(2) MALLOKASTER area.

Special Tasks:

(a) Military:

(1) Particular attention to be paid to coastal defence and fortifications.

(2) Military dispositions in VALONA; types of arms, whether artillery or infantry. Arms, ammunition and rations dumps in VALONA area.

(b) Transport:

Controls on roads VALONA - SARANDE  
VALONA - TEPELENE  
VALONA - FIER.

(c) Resistance:

Whether or not resistance groups exist. Strength, political views etc.

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II. GJINOKASTER - Group 2.

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Areas to be covered:

(a) Coast:

From HIMARE to KEP I STILO: Greek frontier as far as KAKOVI.

(b) Inland:

KURVELESHN: VURG I DELVINES: KONISPOL.

Special Tasks:

(a) Military:

Military strength in DELVINE, SARANDE and GJINOKASTER. Second line of defence, if any.

(b) Political:

Attitude of the population towards (a) the HOXHA Government and (b) the Greek Government.

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III. GJINOKASTER - Group 1.

Areas to be covered:

KELOYRE, TEPELENE, DHROPULLI, ZAGORIJE:  
Greek frontier: KAKAVIJA - URA PERATIT (PERAT).

Special Tasks:

Political trends among Greek-speaking population of DHROPULLI and POGONI: also of the inhabitants of GJINOKASTER TOWN (Note: the latter are reported to be anti-Government).

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IV. KORÇE - Group 1.

Areas to be covered:

LESKOVIQ, KOLONJE, DANGULLI, OPAR.

Special Tasks:

(a) Military:

Personal recon of frontier zone between NIKOLICE and URA PERATIT with special reference to Greek Communists in hiding.

(b) Political:

To contact bands believed to be operating in the area: report on their political affiliations and general situation.

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V. KORÇE - Group 2.

Areas to be covered:

FUSHA KORÇES, GORA, DEVOLLI, POGRADEC, MOKRA (Note: at MOKRA and GORA regular bands are said to have been formed).

Special tasks:

(a) Political:

Immediate contact to be made with bands: ascertain whether leaders are still at large.

(b) Transport:

Daily observation (if possible) of transport on roads -

KORÇE - URA PERATIT  
KORÇE - KAPSHITIC  
TIRANE - KORÇE

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VI. BERAT Group.

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Areas to be covered:

(a) Coast:

SPILJE to SKEL' E SEMANIT.

(b) Inland:

TOMORRICE, SHKRAPAR, NAHIJE BERATIT (BERAT area), LUSHNJE.

Special Tasks:

(a) Oil:

KUÇOVE area: number of wells in operation; number of workers employed; when wells are expected to run dry; number and armament of guards.

(b) Task for member of party from ELBASAN:

To recon whole ELBASAN area with special reference to LIBRASHT, fortifications along the Yugoslav frontier and GRAMSHI (believed to be a Communist H.Q.). - Attitude of local population towards (i) VERLACI and (ii) the Communists.

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