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The Editor.

Dear Sir,

## German Training Unit at Castlemartin

The advance party of the 84th Panzer Battalion will be flying to Britain on Friday 25th August, landing at Brawdy, Pembs. No press facilities will be given at the airfield, but pressmen will be welcome at Castlemartin, where the party is expected to arrive between 2.30 and 3 p.m.

Similar arrangements and timings will apply to the main body. The first flight will arrive on 30th August, and the remainder will follow between then and 7th September.

It is also hoped to provide facilities for press coverage on the following occasions: -

- (a) Unloading of stores and tanks at Pembroke Dock and arrival at Castlemartin. Unloading is expected to start on 30th August, but the first tank is not likely to come ashore until the following day.

  NOTE: The Royal Navy will not admit reporters and photographers to the dock unless they have means of identifying themselves as pressmen.
- (b) Press visit to the unit during training. This will probably be arranged on a day on which senior West German officers are visiting the unit.
- (c) Departure. Arrangements to include an end-of -training press conference with the commanding officer.

If you have any comments on the above list, I shall be pleased to receive them.

It is regretted that no individual press facilities can be arranged.

A small PR office will be set up at Merrion Camp, Castlemartin (Castlemartin 262) from 24 August.

Please note that telephone facilities for pressmen at Merrion Camp are limited to two public telephones in camp, and a third about 150 yards outside.

Yours faithfully,

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