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19 Aug 44

Officer Commanding  
Regimental Depot Party  
The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles)  
Hamilton, Lanarkshire

Ref your letter of 4 Aug 44.

On behalf of the Officers and  
Other Ranks of the Perth Regiment of Canada,  
I wish to express sincere thanks for the  
great privilege extended to us by The  
Colonel of the Regiment, Major-General  
Sir Eric S Girdwood, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G.,  
in granting us permission to adopt the  
Dress and Tartan of The Cameronians  
(Scottish Rifles).

I can assure you that the same  
will be proudly worn and the traditions  
connected therewith honourably upheld by  
all ranks of this Regiment.

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*W. W. Reid*  
(W W Reid) Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
The Perth Regt of Canada

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MESSAGE FROM THE  
COMMANDER, 1ST CANADIAN CORPS

1ST CANADIAN CORPS, AFTER A LONG REST, IS AGAIN GOING INTO ACTION. HERETOFORE, WE HAVE DEFEATED THE ENEMY EACH TIME WE HAVE MET HIM. NOW WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO STRIKE HIM A BLOW THAT, TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER ALLIED OFFENSIVES, CAN FINISH THE WAR.

THE ENEMY HAS NO EFFECTIVE AIR FORCE, IS SHORT OF MEN, SHORT OF WEAPONS AND SHORT OF MUNITIONS, BUT HIS SOLDIERS STILL FIGHT BRAVELY AND SKILFULLY. THEY WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO UNTIL THE FINAL SURRENDER.

THE ONLY WAY TO COMPEL THAT SURRENDER IS TO ATTACK HIM RELENTLESSLY WITH ALL OUR STRENGTH, RUTHLESSLY USING OUR SUPERIORITY IN WEAPONS, UNTIL HIS RESISTANCE COLLAPSES.

LET EVERYONE OF US GO INTO THIS BATTLE WITH THE DETERMINATION TO PRESS FORWARD UNTIL THE ENEMY IS DESTROYED; TO STRIKE AND PURSUE UNTIL HE CAN FIGHT NO LONGER. THEN, AND ONLY THEN, SHALL WE HAVE WON WHAT WE, AS CANADIANS, HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR - SECURITY, PEACE AND HONOUR FOR OUR COUNTRY.

*E. L. M. Burns*  
(E.L.M. Burns) Lt-Gen.  
Commander, 1 Cdn Corps.

TO BE GIVEN OUT TO  
ALL RANKS ON D-1

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