

FROM COMMANDER 10 CORPS  
SALERNO DAY

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The following messages have been received :-

FROM: General The Hon Sir H.R.L.G. Alexander, GCB., CSI., DSO., MC., ADC.  
Commander-in-Chief., Allied Armies in Italy.

"On this first anniversary of the battle of SALERNO I send you personally my heartiest congratulations on this great victory which ended in the capture of NAPLES. Under your able and inspiring leadership your famous Tenth Corps may look back proudly over a year of notable successes. And we can look forward with confidence to those to come which will end in final victory. The best of luck to you and your grand soldiers."

FROM: Field-Marshal Sir Alan F. Brooke, GCB., DSO., ADC.  
C.I.G.S.

"A year ago today you landed at SALERNO your first assault on the European mainland. You resisted heroically the desperate attempt the enemy made to dislodge you. The seeds you sowed in that battle have now borne fruit and the enemy has been badly mauled in your splendid advance up Italy. He still has to be finally destroyed and I wish you every success in the battles which lie ahead of you."

FROM: General Sir H. Maitland Wilson, GCB., GBE., DSO., ADC.  
Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.

"On the anniversary of SALERNO please send my congratulations to the Tenth Corps and to all the British Divisions which fought so gallantly under COMMANDING GENERAL FIFTH U.S. ARMY throughout the campaign. The part played by the Tenth Corps in the vital fighting to secure a bridgehead across the GARIGLIANO will always be remembered as having made possible the success of the battle which commenced on 11th May."

FROM: Lieutenant-General Mark W. Clark,  
Commanding General, Fifth Army.

"It was one year ago today that the Fifth Army landings were made in the gulf of SALERNO in which the British Tenth Corps played a vital part. As we reflect on the happenings since those grim and critical days on which we fought for our very existence on the beaches, we cannot help but experience a feeling of gratification over the great strides towards victory which have since been made. The spirit of co-operation and camaraderie which has developed between the British and American soldiers of Fifth Army will exist as a model of allied battle spirit. Please extend to all members of Tenth Corps my warmest feelings of appreciation as we celebrate SALERNO day. Best wishes for your continued success."

I would like to take the opportunity of thanking all ranks of 10 Corps, past and present and wishing you every success in the future.

(Sgd)

Comd 10 Corps.