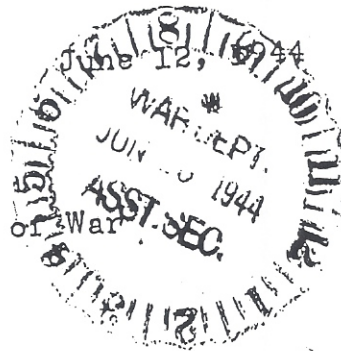


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Lt. Col. Harrison Herhardt  
 Executive Officer  
 Office of the Assistant Secretary of War  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Our men finally met the hard hitting 100th. It was touching to see the younger brothers meet their older brothers. It was a great morale booster to see friends discover friends and actually shake hands. It was also touching in the tragic sense to have the younger brother know for the first time that his older brother was killed in action in the recent push.

The whole group, however, is happy to be together. Already, our men have been sympathetically received. Both officers and men of the 100th have given us a thrilling account of their experiences. Their one regret was that they were the leading foot troops toward the great objective but had to stop short and see the others be the first to ride through the gates. They were also unfortunate enough to by pass the outer walls of the city and hike northward in pursuit. They never saw anything of the inner citadel which they had hoped to enter. They are well disciplined; so; inspite of their personal discomforts, they are solid soldiers. I'm sure we will go places together.

There is one personal opinion I want you to aid us with. There is a talk about the 100th being absorbed by us so that their name will be extinct. I talked to several men and officers of the 100th, and they strongly desire to retain their present identity. I believe that what they have done so far is a good enough price to keep their name. Will you aid them so that they could go through this struggle as the 100th? More later.  
 Aloha.

Very sincerely yours,

*Harao Yamada*  
 Chaplain

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### SUMMARY

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- The attached letter from Chaplain Masao Yamada, 442d Combat Team, indicates a strong desire among members of the 100th Infantry Battalion to retain their present designation.
- The 442d Combat Team was shipped to Italy less one (1) Infantry Battalion. The Theater Commander requested (by Radio CM-IN-8936, 11 Jun 44) that the 100th Infantry Battalion be redesignated as the 1st Battalion, 442d Infantry Regiment. This action will complete the organization of the Infantry Regiment and provide a balanced Combat Team.
- The action to redesignate the 100th Infantry Battalion has been suspended. A radio is being sent to the Commanding General, North African Theater of Operations, requesting reconsideration of the proposal to redesignate this unit. The Office of the Assistant Secretary of War will be informally advised of the comments of the Theater Commander when received.

*Ray E. Porter*  
 RAY E. PORTER,  
 Major General,  
 Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3.

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HCC 72969

2 July 1944

Commanding General  
USAF North African Theater of Operations  
Algiers, Algeria

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From Marshall to Devers cite FHGCT NAGAP reur F63646 dated  
24 June.

Infantry Battalion 100 will retain its present  
designation insofar as the numeral 100 is concerned. It  
will be assigned or attached to the 442 Infantry Regiment as  
decided by you. Request you indicate your desires either  
for assignment or attachment of this unit. War Department  
action to implement your decision will be taken if necessary.

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