

HEADQUARTERS 97TH INFANTRY DIVISION
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TO EACH MEMBER OF THE TRIDENT DIVISION:

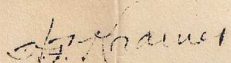
It is a pleasure and an honor to be placed in command of a unit which has a record as outstanding as that of the 97th Infantry Division.

I, too, served in the European Theater of Operations, and was fully aware of the accomplishments of the 97th. I followed with keen interest the Battle of the Bulge Pocket and your drive into Czechoslovakia, which contributed to the final and utter defeat of the Nazis.

Our task in Japan is as exacting as any combat mission.

You have proved your worth on the battlefield. Your record is unmarred. Your high standards have never wavered. I know you will continue to maintain those standards. Your history merits my fullest confidence.

I am proud to assume command of the 97th Infantry Division.


H. F. KRAMER
Major General, USA
Commanding