

# The Talent Operation Groups

Formed in February 1942 under the direction of the Commander of Combined Allied Forces, General Eisenhower, the Talent Operation Groups are of the utmost importance in all upcoming Allied offensives—they represent the first and best line of defense against Axis Talent attack.

Today, 500 American Talents have gone through TOG training in Scotland, and nearly 250 more are on their way. By 1944, America expects to have nearly 5,000 Talents of the TOG in the field.

These Groups are broken down into small squads of autonomous commando forces, detached to regular Army units. These small, self-sufficient groups will scout the enemy line, locate Axis Talents and eliminate them, causing damage and demoralizing the regular enemy forces as they go. This tactic—sending our Talents in to remove their Talents before they strike—will do much to eliminate any advantage the Germans *blitzkrieg* fighting-method might grant them.

This “strike first” tactic is a tried and true method developed by British Talents in the conflict in North Africa. The Germans preach a doctrine of speed, audaciousness and personal achievement to their officers. If granted the opportunity, the Germans will gather and attack, rapidly eliminating forces usually much too large to be defeated, by encircling and cutting them off from reinforcement and re-supply. By taking the battle to them—sniping at them with Allied Talent teams spread behind the lines—we disrupt their ability to organize and attack, locate and eliminate their Talents, and compel them to disperse their forces to deal with the threat.

In short, you, the members of the Talent Operations Groups go first to disrupt the enemy and take the initiative from him.

## TOG Organization and Command

TOGs are generally composed of 10 to 12 Talents. Usually, two officers are in command, ranging in rank from Captain to Sergeant, but every man is expected to take the initiative, if their officer is injured or killed. Each member of a TOG team is to be self-sufficient, motivated, and ready to carry out their mission no matter the personal risk or difficulty inherent in it—even if the rest of their team is captured, injured or killed. This is the doctrine of the commando.

As commandos, TOGs enjoy a certain autonomy, but still fall under the authority of the regular Army unit they are attached to. Deep in enemy territory it is

common for the formalities of command to fall away—but in secured areas, such laxness is frowned upon. Remember who you are, and to whom you’re speaking. It doesn’t matter if you can fly or turn invisible, a General of the Army is still a General, and court-martial is still a court-martial.

In secured areas, the Army chain of command is the overriding priority *for all members of the Allied forces. Do not forget your standing orders.*



*You trained hard to be ready when the time comes!*

## Directives

The mission of the TOG can be broken down into four directives, ranging in importance from 1, the most important, to 4, the least important. While in the field, despite any other orders, these four directives should remain paramount in the minds of all TOG members.

1. *Locate and report enemy Talent activity.*
2. *Disrupt or destroy enemy Talents.*
3. *Locate and report conventional enemy activity.*
4. *Disrupt or destroy conventional enemy forces.*

## Replacements in the Field

A standing pool of TOG replacements is being developed, and all losses of TOG members should be immediately reported in writing to unit commanders. TOGs operating under-strength are expected to give accurate representation of their abilities to their unit commander. Unit pride is important, but it is far more important for a mission to succeed than for a TOG commander’s pride to be bruised.

The Talent Operation Command and the U.S. Army will do their best to maintain a steady stream of materiel, men, and equipment to the Talent Operation Groups.

## Re-supply

The quartermaster of the regular unit to which the TOG handles all requests for re-supply. The TOG commander should file all such requests in writing. As Talents, TOGs enjoy an A-2 priority for weapons, food, and fuel, one step below the A-1 priority enjoyed by most Allied field commanders. This expedited re-supply is to keep the Talent forces sharp, ready for combat at a moment’s notice, and to keep their super-human abilities equally ready.