LÉGATION ROYALE DE SERBIE,

London,

July 11th, 1913.

Sir,

I beg to enclose the translation of the written order given to his troops by the Commander of the Second Brigade of the Fourth Bulgarian division (of Preslaw) on Sunday, June 29th for the attack on the Serbion troops on Monday June 30th.

The original of the order was found in the archives of the 31st Bulgarian Regiment of Infantry (of Varna) which was routed in the failure of the general Bulgarian attack. (A photographic reproduction is in my possession and I will send you a copy later on if you so wish).

I wish to point out that if one considers the time necessary to prepare an attack on the scale on which it has been delivered, against the Serbion Army, on Monday morning June 30th (over hundred battalions and 200 guns) — and to issue the necessary detailed orders to every unit — it is evident that the preparations must have taken several days and were taking place at the same time when the Bulgarian Government were declaring that they were willing to settle by pacific means the Serbo-Bulgarian dispute.

You may make use of this letter.

Yours truly,

To the Editor
Map scale 1: 210,000

The Commander of the 2nd Brigade,
4th Division.

To the Commanders of the various
troop sections and establishments.
Village Bagno
No. 81
1913 16/VI - 8 p.m.

1. - Tomorrow commence the war operations against the Servians
and the Greeks.
Against the front of the brigade the Servians are holding the
line of the Zlatovo river.
The height Orni Vrh is defended by one Servian infantry regi-
ment, two mountain batteries and four machine guns.
2. - The army advances tomorrow at 3 a.m. and attacks the
enemy.
To the right from us, towards Karadly-Sultan, the Macedonia-
Adrianople territorials will be acting, to the right however,
against Stubalj and further on in a southerly direction the VIIth
(Rilo) division is to operate.
3. - The brigade under my command has the order to attack and
occupy the position 550 west from the village Dobrovo.
Therefore I command:

(a) The right column
Colonel Kisilov
8 (Primorski) Regiment:
3 battalions, III Artillery-
Division: 3 batteries al-
together 3 battalions, 3
batteries.
shall advance against Svilanovo-Tur-
kish Rudor-Drenva and after captur-
ing the height north of the village
Drenovo to attack from south-east
the position 550.
(b) The left column
Colonel Markoff
51 (Varna) Regiment:
3 battalions
8 mountain guns; 1 battery
shall by way Raytchani-Neokasi-Kal-
nichte attack from the south the po-
sition 550

At my disposal shall remain one battalion of the 8th
(Primorska) Regiment moving behind the right column.
4. - Sections of both columns shall tomorrow at 3 a.m. noise-
lessly approach the Zlatova river and annihilate the outposts of
the enemy.
Thereupon they shall energetically advance upon the objects
stipulated.
The enemy must be taken by surprise.
5. - The commanders of the columns shall make exhaustive use
of reconnoitring detachments and keep in close touch between them-
selves as well as between adjacent columns.
6. - The commanders shall make adequate arrangements for the
protection of the exterior flanks.
7. - Munitions columns and field hospitals at Svilanova.
8. - The supply column at Bagna.
9. - Artillery emergency supply column at Zarevo Selo.
10. - The staff shall keep with the one battalion of the 8th
regiment which is standing at my disposal.

The Commander of Brigade:
(signed) Colonel Entchev
Chief of Staff:
(signed) Major Kuyundjiev

The foregoing order has been received by me the 16/VI at
10.20 p.m.