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- **An important aid to the understanding of the RAF's approach to the concept of Airborne Forces; this Air Publication reveals much background information undisclosed elsewhere.**

- **A full account of the struggle with all and sundry to get the project off the ground so to speak – not least of all Bomber Command who, although prepared to assist, were not over-anxious to divert precious crews and aircraft to a venture they thought would have limited value to the war effort. In this instance they were to be proved comprehensively wrong!**

- **Also details not only the operations, tactics and equipment of Nos 38 & 46 Groups, RAF and the full cooperation and understanding enjoyed with the Airborne soldiers they took into battle, but also gives an account of the early days of No. 38 Wing, The Central Landing Establishment, and the Parachute Training School. The PTS scoured the Service for parachute 'stunt' jumpers and**

any others they could unearth with jump experience, to become instructors at the then fledgling School!

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- All Airborne operations are fully covered and explained from the RAF standpoint, and how continual ingenuity and courage took the two Services together into some of the most dangerous and controversial battles of World War Two.

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- The Allied and Commonwealth contribution to airborne warfare is also defined, with detailed accounts of American Airborne methods. Special mention is made of both of the 82nd Airborne's special relationship with the British 6th, and Indian Airborne operations against the Japanese.

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- The Germans are not neglected and a full appraisal of their inspired use of Airborne Troops in Holland, Belgium and Crete is provided, plus the many lessons we needed to learn from these operations, are outlined.

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- Detailed Appendices cover Aircraft, Gliders, Parachutes, Glider Recovery, Radar, Supply Drops, and the many airborne operations planned but cancelled in 1945.

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- **As an aid to fuller understanding, explanatory maps, diagrams and illustrations accompany this detailed text.**

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- **It is hoped that this offering may assist us to gain perhaps a better understanding of the Sacrifice our Airborne Soldiers made for us then, alongside their Brothers in Arms of the Royal Air Force.**

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