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OPERATION MARKET GARDEN: A BOLD GAMBLE AND CONTROVERSIAL FAILURE

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ABSTRACT

Operation Market Garden, conducted in September 1944, was a bold but ultimately unsuccessful Allied military operation in World War II. Its aim was to capture key bridges in the Netherlands and advance into Germany, bypassing the fortified Siegfried Line. Led by British Field Marshal Montgomery, the operation involved airborne and ground forces. Despite initial successes, especially by U.S. forces, the operation faltered due to fierce German resistance, poor coordination, and logistical challenges, particularly at Arnhem. The operation's legacy includes valuable lessons on intelligence, logistics, communication, and adaptability in warfare, as well as a tribute to the courage and sacrifice of its participants.

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