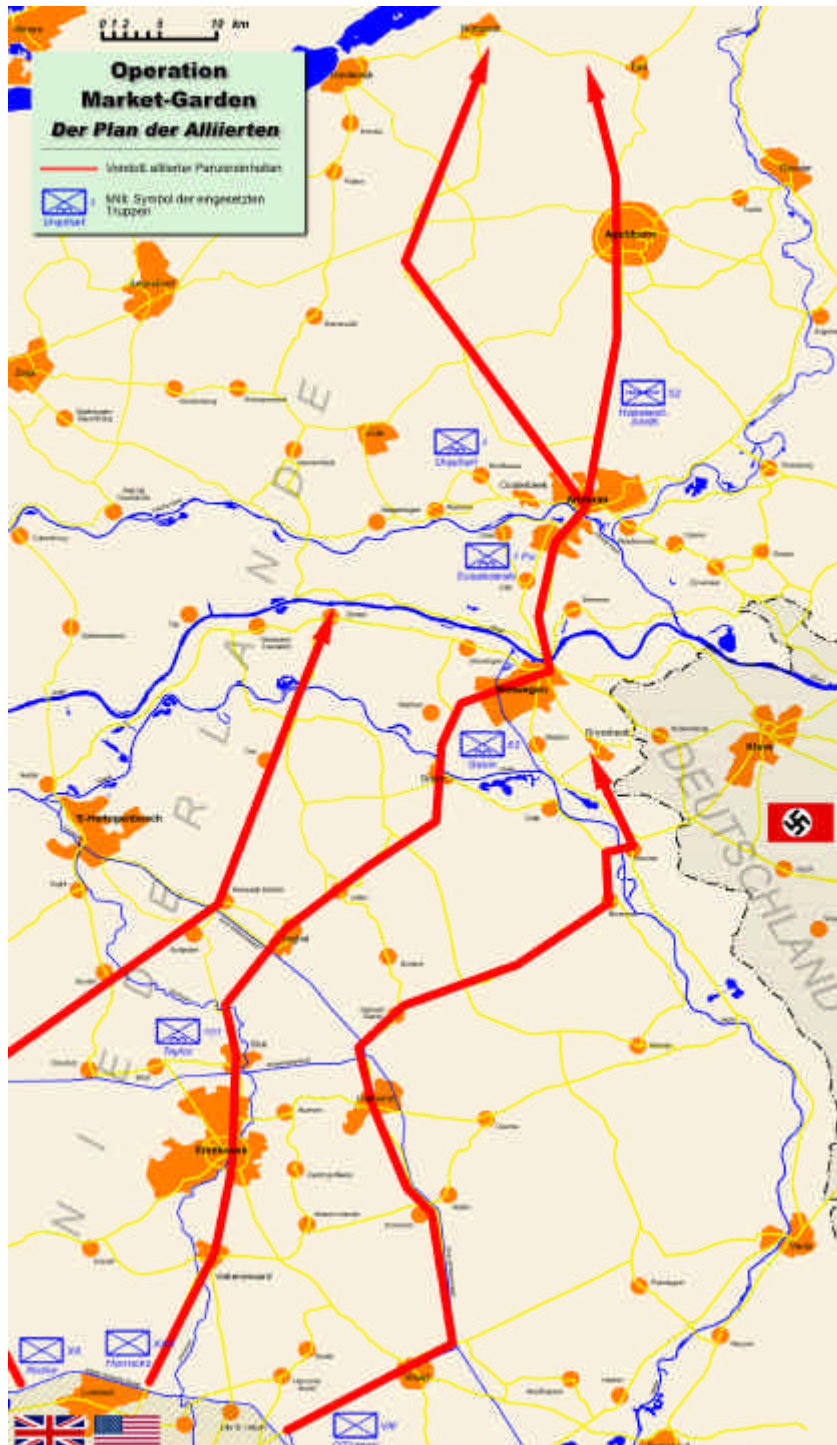




## Cadet Exchange Program at the Royal Netherlands Military Academy in Breda

From 02-08 May 2011 the Royal Netherlands Military Academy in Breda organized a Cadet Exchange Program. 3 cadets from the 4<sup>th</sup> study year of the Theresan Military Academy (OCdt Ulrich, OCdt Fröhle, OCdt Zaller) and one Officer (LtCol Dr. Gell) appreciated one very interesting week in the Netherlands.



Plan of Operation Market Garden – Source: Wikipedia

Delegations from Austria, Belgium, Germany, France, Norway and Turkey had, among other activities, an introduction to the Dutch basic officer education system, spent one day with the 13<sup>th</sup> Mechanized Infantry Brigade and could learn, in doing a battlefield tour, about the largest airborne operation conducted during WWII, Operation Market Garden.

Especially during the battlefield tour in the area of Arnhem the



participants could get an impression how the operation was conducted. A visit to the landing-zone of the British 1<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division, to tactically important terrain, to the airborne museum, which was in those days the headquarters of the CG, MajGen Urquhart, and to the Airborne War Cemetery gave a feeling of the battle.

Remarkable is how the week was organized: Each and every activity was planned and conducted by a Dutch cadet – and **all of them performed outstandingly.**



MajGen Urquhart in front of his HQ – Source: Wikipedia



The Airborne War Cemetery – Source: LtCol Dr. Gell



The HQ today – Source: LtCol Dr. Gell