## Operation Husky (Invasion of Italy) & The Fall of Rome

- 1. Operation Husky
  - a. Combined aerial and land invasion of Italy.
  - b. General Patton led American forces.
  - c. Patton moved from Britain's flank and took Palermo.
  - d. Italy quickly fell as allies moved north.
  - e. Mussolini was deposed as ruler
- 2. Benito Mussolini
  - a. Fascist ruler of Italy
  - b. Hitler helped him escape from house arrest
    - i. Made him incharge of puppet government in North Italy.
  - c. Mussolini ended up trying to escape to Switzerland, caught and executed.

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June 4th, 1944: Operation Husky/Fall of Rome