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A.C.C. Brindisi.

Vehicles

Acquisition.

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Accidents

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
BRINDISI MISSION
APO 512

24 September 1943

SUBJECT: Report of Motor Accident.

TO : Adjutant General, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512.

1. The following is a preliminary report of a motor accident involving Government Motor Vehicle (Jeep) No. 2012706 at 12:30 AM, September 24, 1943. The accident occurred approximately six (6) km on road leading out of Brindisi to Bari, Italy:

A. Private Norman N. Grand, 12124233, 2625th Signal Service Regiment, now on TD this station, accompanied by 1/Sgt A.H. Bunton, 2570542 (Br), and Signan L. B. Page, 2600600 (Br), left the headquarters building enroute to the headquarters radio station situated approximately one (1) mile from the headquarters in order to take messages classified as "URGENT" for transmittal. Due to the serious water shortage, there is no water available for the men working the night shifts. As Private Grand was told at the radio station that water could be found at an Italian garrison situated approximately six (6) km outside of town, Private Grand, accompanied by the two British soldiers, decided to try to locate the camp and secure water for the men on duty. Approximately six (6) km from town he encountered a road block that was not equipped with danger lights and there were no other lights on the road except those of the Jeep, and applied his brakes approximately fifty (50) feet from the road block. Upon investigation by this officer it would seem that one of the left wheels locked pulling the vehicle to the left side of the road over a gravel pile which further aided the skid of the vehicle. The vehicle crashed into the road block causing the rear to swing to the left and most of the damage was sustained on the left front corner of the car.

(1) Following is a diagram:



B. Private Grand received injuries about the face and head amounting to a cut on the lower lip extending down the chin, his right eye was cut and

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he broke two upper teeth. He momentarily lost consciousness and memory, probably due to shock. Sigan Page received injuries about the left knee and although he walked from the accident he later was unable to do so. There were no bones broken. L/Sgt Bunton received bruises on the right leg. Private Grand and Sigan Page were immediately taken to an Italian hospital for observation and treatment. L/Sgt Bunton proceeded on further the distance of three-fourths (3/4) of a mile to headquarters to report the accident. 2nd Lieutenant William K. Lawrence, 01636194, 2625th Signal Service Regiment, now attached to Headquarters Command, Allied Force, the senior American Army Signal Officer, was awakened and notified. He in turn awakened the undersigned and they proceeded to the scene of the accident. After having made a careful check of the situation they proceeded to the hospital to ascertain the condition of Private Grand and Sigan Page. Upon arrival at the hospital gate they met the two soldiers just walking out of the hospital, refusing to remain due to the noise of other patients and general conditions in the hospital. Lieutenants Lawrence and Rahter concurred and took the men to their billets situated in the headquarters building, put them to bed and had tea served as a stimulant. The three men will be further treated in the morning by British doctors in Taranto.

C. The damage sustained by the Jeep as approximated by the two officers consists of: Chassis was sprung, the left front wheel pushed back out of alignment, the radiator pushed in and bumper bent back, and the windshield was broken. L/Sgt Bunton reported he tried to move the car but the clutch would not operate. The vehicle was left under the guard of the local police posted at the road block.

D. Due to the hour and the lack of personnel, there were no officers on duty although all officers sleep in the headquarters and are immediately available. Private Grand was on an official mission and was not under the influence of liquor. Sigan Page was coming off duty from the radio station and was being given a lift by Private Grand. L/Sgt Bunton always accompanies the Jeep at that hour in order to make the change of shift of the British personnel.

2. Because of the hour, the accident has not been reported to the Commanding General and no investigating officer has been appointed. This is a preliminary report for ~~the~~ ^{future} reference in the event of an investigation.

For the Commanding General:

FRANK A. RAHTER
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

12 October 1943

TO : Officer Commanding, 6th Base Sub Area.

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles.

Reference your memorandum, 326/ST, dated 7 October 1943.
there is no record in this Mission of two cars, Fiat, numbers
BR 2625 and TA 3095

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A. G. D.
Secretary for the Mission

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SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehs

HQ 6 Base Sub Area. (113)

326/ST.

7 Oct 43.

HQ,
Anglo American Mission.

1. Will you please forward receipts for civilian cars requisitioned by this HQ and handed over to you for Maj-Gen Mason-Macfarlane and Lt-Col Simmonds, including FIAT Cars Nos. BR 2625 and TA 3095.

RLH/rjw.

*No cars on Record
w/ these numbers.*

[Signature]
Lt. Col.,
A.D.S.T.

ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
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Supplies
17 October 1943

MEMORANDUM TO: Officer Commanding, 71st Sub Area.
Officer Commanding, 86th Sub Area.

It is requested that if possible a car be requisitioned for the use of the bearer, Major R. J. C. Cave. Such a car is necessary in the conduct of important business of this Mission.

For the Chief of Mission:

ROBERT E. DOR
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Mission

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PLEASE SEND FROM ALLIED COMMISSION POOL AT PALERMO SIX TRUCKS SIX ONE DASH TWO
AND ONE HALF CMA ONE DASH ONE AND ONE HALF CMA TWO DASH THREE FOURTHS CMA AND
TWO DASH ONE FOURTH TONS SEMICIN AND EIGHT SEDANS WITH AUTOMOTIVE OFFICER CMA
NONCOMMISSIONED OFFICER CMA DRIVERS AND MAINTENANCE MECHANICS PD TO FREEDOM FROM
FATIMA SIGNED MACFARLANE PD REQUEST THEY TRAVEL BY ROAD TO MESSINA AND FERRY TO MAINLAND
PD ALSO URGENTLY REQUIRE SIX DISPATCH RIDERS WITH MOTORCYCLES PD DISPATCH RIDERS ON
LOAN FROM EIGHT ARMY HAVE BEEN WITHDRAWN PD PLEASE CONFIRM

AUTHENTICATED:

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MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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Following message reference 649 of 29 October submitted for such action as you consider necessary. To LBB for Bears for AGG rpt Fatima for MacFarlane signed Eisenhower cite HMMOS. Reference AG/8/8 4. Required for Fatima trucks 1-2 1/2, 1-1 1/2, 1-3/4, 2-1/4 ton; and 8 sedans with maintenance mechs, AGG drvs and officer from Allied Commission pool at Palermo. 6 drvs with motorcycles also urgently required. Confirm with Fatima.

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION
APO 512

31 October 1943

TO: Officer Commanding
71st Sub Area

The Allied Military Mission has no record of this car and it is not believed that this form should be retained here.

For the Chief of Mission:

FRANK A. RAFTER
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

1 Enclosure - Letter
HQ 71st Sub Area dated
27 October 1943.
Subject: Requisitioned
Cars.

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Subject:- Requisitioned Cars

H.Q. 71 Sub Area
C/51
27 Oct. 43

ALLIED MILITARY MISSION

Reference your letter dated 17 Oct. 43.

Herewith requisition forms for the car requisitioned from Sign. Camirini Gino. One copy should be served on the owner of the car, and the other retained by you.

/s/

Col.
Cmdg. 71 Sub Area

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INFORMATION DESIRED AS TO STATUS OF OUR REQUISITION FOR TRANSPORTATION PAREN TO
FREEDOM FROM FATIMA SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN ^{requested} IN OUR CABLE NUMBER SIX FOUR NINE
DATED TWO NINE OCTOBER

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.C.D.
Secretary of Mission

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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE /mip

SVC/RELAY NO.

M/C NO: 20/9

CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

REF NO: 8178

PREC : ROUTINE

FILED : 081705A

FROM : FREEDOM

REC'D : 090837A

TO : FATIMA

451 VEHICLES

Authority hereby given for Italian personnel, military or civilian, to drive British or American military vehicles held on (2/2 of Amgot or Allied Control Commission). TO FARGO, 15 ARMY GROUP FOR AMGOT AND FABLE FOR BOULNOIS REPEATED FATIMA SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FMGS. This authority subject to following provisions: (a) that no qualified British or American personnel available, (b) that Italian personnel selected to drive are first thoroughly tested.

New subject please state whether you consider sufficient Italians available locally meet your needs for this purpose. If not, can probably arrange import a number of drivers and technicians for your assistance.

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In reply refer to:
400.73

9 November 1943

SUBJECT: Report of Theft of the Signal's Jeep

TO : Captain Stone, C.S.O., Fatima

1. At approximately 1940 hours on the 8th of November, Jeep No 20223065 was stolen.

2. The following distinguishing marks appeared on the jeep at the time it was stolen:

- a) Front bumper right - HQ-101
- b) Front bumper left - 2625
- c) Rear buffer plate right - HC
2625
- d) A German 4-gallon gasoline can was strapped to the rack on the rear of the jeep.
- e) The jeep was equipped with a side-view mirror which had a crack running the whole of its width.
- f) There was no top on the jeep.
- g) The muffler was broken, making the motor sound as though there were no muffler.

3. At approximately 1925 hours on the 8th of November, a telephone call was received at the Fatima message center from Brindisi signal office, asking that messages addressed to us be picked up at the Brindisi signal office.

4. The signal jeep was dispatched to the Brindisi signal office and parked in front of that office with the motor turned off and the ignition key removed.

5. At approximately 1940 hours, the driver heard the jeep motor start, ran out of the Brindisi signal office, grabbed the jeep top frame and hung on long enough to recognize the driver of the jeep as an American Air Force lieutenant by the fact that he was wearing a leather flying jacket with lieutenant bars on the shoulders and his soft crowned service cap.

6. The signal jeep was followed closely by a jeep with Air Force markings. There were 5 men in the Air Force jeep.

7. The 2 jeeps left town in the direction of the Taranto, Bari and Brindisi Airport highways.

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400.73 - Theft

8. The DAFM, Brindisi was notified and a complete search was made of the Brindisi town area by the undersigned and Captain Dooley.

WILLIAM K. LAWRENCE
1st Lt., Sig. Corps

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REPORT OF SURVEY

Ordinance .	Property <u>2433rd Ely Ave East (Prov), APO 512</u>
(Class of property)	(Stock Record Account and Station)

Accountable officer Supply Officer, 262nd Sig Sqn Regt (Prov) Date 6 Dec 83

STOCK NO.	ARTICLES	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST	DISPOSITION		
				RES- EX	SAL- VAGE	OTHER
	Truck, 2 ton, 4 x 4, Ford #H E0223065 XXXXXXXXXX	1	\$730.00			
	X					
	X					
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	XXXXXXX Total		\$730.00			

DATE AND CIRCUMSTANCES

On November 8, 1943, T/S John (MIL) Hartinger, 1213471, Company B, 2625th Sig Svc Regt en DS to Allied Central Commission, Italy, was dispatched to pick up some messages at 71st Base Sub Area Signal Office. While he was inside the office, the Jeep was stolen from its parking place directly in front of the office door. A full report is attached hereto as Exhibits "A" and "B" and a part and parcel of this report.

APPENDIX

I do solemnly swear (on
affirm) that the articles
of public property shown
above and/or on attached
sheets were lost, ~~stolen~~
~~by me or by some person~~
in the manner stated
while in the public ser-
vice.

JOHN (HET) MAYERSON
signature
T/S, Co B, 2625 Highway
grade and organization

Subscribed and sworn to
(by official) before me at
mission, APO 394

this 7th day of Dec, 1943

1st Lt. AGD
Adjutant General

CERTIFICATE

I CERTIFY that the loss, destruction or disappearance of the articles or property shown above, and/or on attached sheets, was caused in the manner stated and without fault or neglect on my part, and that each article listed with a view to elimination by destruction has been examined by me personally, has never been previously condemned, and is, in my opinion, worthless for further public use.

William K. Lawrence

WILLIAM E. LAWRENCE
1st Lt. Signal Corps

By Allied Control Commission
Station, APO 964

Date 16 December 1943

~~Capt Joseph A. Doolay, QMC~~

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ROBERT D. DOWNEY
1ST LIE. AGD

Property vol. No. _____

FINDINGS - I have examined all available evidence as shown in bits "B" due to "C" Jail and as indicated below have personally investigated the same, and it is my belief that the articles listed herein and/or on attached sheets, total cost 750.00

Interview with T/S John (NMI) Marburger, 2210471, driver of the truck at the time it was stolen brought out the following additional information: The door of the Bristol Signal Office is flush with the sidewalk near which the truck was parked and the desk at which T/S Marburger was standing at the time he heard the motor start was just inside the door of the Office. T/S Marburger, therefore, was at no time farther than five (5) yards from his vehicle (NOTE: this distance verified by personal inspection of the scene by the undersigned) and removal of the ignition key was considered by him to be sufficient immobilization in view of this fact.

When the motor was started, T/S Marburger instantly recognized it due to the distinctive sound caused by the defective muffler. He ran through the signal Office entrance door, saw the truck being driven from the curb and ran forward, grasping the rear of the truck and attempting to climb into the vehicle. The person driving the vehicle looked back, saw Marburger, and at once increased speed and began swerving from side to side. This served to break Marburger's hold on the rear of the car and he was forced to jump to the sidewalk to escape being run down by the car containing five persons which was following.

Marburger at once notified the 403 Message Center by telephone and unsuccessfully attempted to call the local GMP headquarters but the GMP line was consistently busy.

Facts personally known to the undersigned. At the time the theft was reported, 1st Lt William S. Lawrence, SIGO, 410 Message Center, in the undersigned, entered another 1/4-ton GMP truck and toured the town, re-entrance from town, and the airport, for over an hour, questioning guards and looking for the missing vehicle. No traces were found.

(Continued on sheet 2)

I have witnessed the destruction of the articles to be destroyed and/or received the articles to be turned in to salvage.

Date _____

(Officer witnessing destruction or salvage officer)

Eq. _____

Station _____

Date _____

APPROVED:

(Appointing authority)

Eq.

Reviewed for corps area commander.

Date _____

Number _____

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 894

10 December 1943

SPECIAL ORDERS)
NUMBER 4)

1. Capt JOSEPH A. DOOLEY, O 335342, QMC, is designate as surveying officer of this Headquarters.

By command of Major General JOYCE:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brig. Gen., U.S.A.
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

ROGER B. DEREY
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Adjutant General

Certified True Copy:
Joseph A. Dooley
JOSEPH A. DOOLEY
Captain, QMC

EXHIBIT "A"

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REPORT OF SURVEY, 6 Dec 45, Truck $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton, 4x4, #20228065, \$750

Sheet 2

RECOMMENDATIONS: That the accountable and responsible officers be relieved of the accountability and responsibility for truck, $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton, 4 x 4, Cad, Ford, USA Registration Number 20228065, value approximately Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00).

Hq. Allied Control Commission
APO 384, U.S. Army
16 December 1945

Joseph A. Doolin
JOSEPH A. DOOLIN
Captain, 380
Surveying Officer

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20 DEC 1943 318

Subject :- Theft of Vehicle from outside Signal Office on 8 NOV.
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STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE OF

No. 2326515 L/SGT. J. PEDDIE, 825 BASE SIGNAL SECTION, 71 AREA
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At approximately 2015 hrs. on 8 Nov. 43, I was on duty in the Signal Office when an N.C.O. from Allied Control Commission arrived in a Jeep to collect mail.

Whilst the N.C.O. was engaged at the counter, I heard the vehicle being started up, and The N/C.O. immediately dashed outside, but he was too late to prevent the vehicle being driven away.

The N.C.O. then re entered the Office and reported the incident to his unit by telephone. Unsuccessful attempts were made to contact the C.M.P. by telephone.

(signed) J. Peddie, L/Sgt
.2. BASE SIGNAL SECTION
71 SUB AREA C.M.F.

7 DEC 43

Certified True Copy:

Joseph A. Doolay
JOSEPH A. DOOLAY
Captain, GMC

EXHIBIT "C"

TRANSLATION

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TERRITORIAL LEGION OF THE ROYAL CARABINIERI OF BARI

SQUINZANO STATION

No. 164 of div. III report.

Squinzano 13 November 1943.

SUBJECT: A report regarding the road accident occurred to the
American Truck No. 35843 WX.

TO: Allied Military Mission, International Hotel, Brindisi.
Pratorship Commission of Campi Salentina.
Headquarters of the Royal Carabinieri Company, Lecce.

537.5 - Automobile accident
Around 3 o'clock yesterday morning the American truck, license number 35843 WX, coming from Lecce and directed to Brindisi, having reached this section and precisely the entrance of Via Roma, violently struck a wall which had been erected across this road. The two men who were on the truck suffered serious lesions on several parts of the body, and who, subsequently, were sent, on another American vehicle, to Brindisi where they could be placed in an aid station for treatment.

Due to the late hour of the night and the serious condition of the lesions, it was not possible to render them proper medical attention. They were helped by some local citizens who strove to render them some material aid, and proceeded to stop, on the National Highway Lecce-Brindisi, another vehicle on which they were taken to Brindisi.

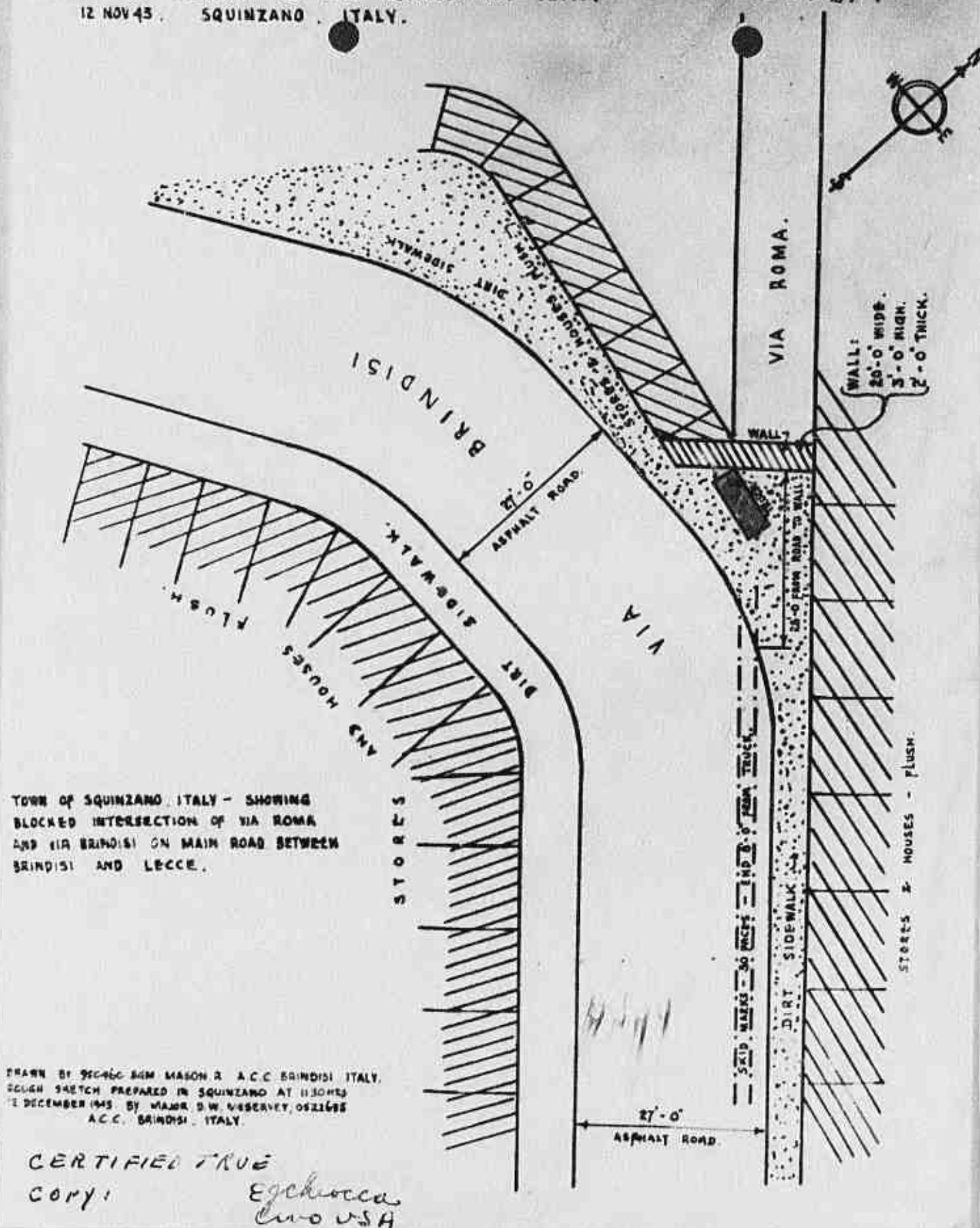
At the moment of the accident there were no witnesses, and for this reason it was not possible to determine the exact cause of the accident. It seems that the occupants were traveling at a high speed. It is not possible to furnish the names of these individuals because when the local police arrived on the scene they had already been taken to Brindisi. The truck was very badly damaged, and this afternoon it was taken to Brindisi by American personnel who came here from Brindisi.

The case in question must be attributed simply to an accident.

THE MAJORITARIO MAJOR, COMMANDING
- Joseph Capone -
/s/ JOSEPH CAPONE

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PHOTOS ACCIDENT INVOLVING DODGE TRUCK

No 2118789

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DAMAGED TRUCK AGAINST WALL

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E. J. Chivica
CWO, USA



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TRUCK AGAINST WALL

PHOTOS TAKEN BY T/⁴⁴~~dc~~ IRVING G. STAKE, 31082156, A. C. C., IN SQUINZ

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PHOTOS ACCIDENT INVOLVING DODGE TRUCK

No 2118789

(2 Nov 43)



SIDE VIEW OF TRUCK

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E. J. Chiozza
CWO, USA



VIEW FROM RIGHT SIDE

G. STAKE, 31082156, A. C. C., IN SQUINZANO, ITALY, AT 0900 HOURS, 12 ~~Nov~~ 1943

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PHOTOS OF ACCIDENT INVOLVING DODGE TRUCK NO 2118789,
EXHIBIT "A"

12 Nov 43



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TRUCK AGAINST WALL, VIEW FROM ROAD

PHOTOS TAKEN BY T/SGT ^{4TH} IRVING G STAKE, 31082156, A. C. C., IN SQUINZAN
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INVOLVING DODGE TRUCK NO 2118789,
EXHIBIT "A"

12 Nov 43



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ROAD FROM LECCE, FACING WALL, TURNING TOWARD BRINDISI

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FULL VIEW FROM LEFT

1082156, A. C. C., IN SQUINZANO, ITALY, AT 0900 HOURS, 12 ^{Nov.} ~~Nov.~~ 1943

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FILED: Nov. 161520A

FROM: SEARS

REC'D: Nov. 170911A

TO: FATIMA for INFO

Available now 14 vehicles as requested (FROM SEARS FOR FARGO TO FATIMA
SIGNED GLETERDOCK CITE FARGO 708). Some vehicles are British some American.
Recommend drivers sent to pick up include spare drivers, mechanics and officer.

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SUBJECT: - Requisitioning of Transport.

Headquarters,
103 Sub Area,
52/3/Q

17 Nov. 43

Allied Military Mission.

Reference No. 2 District Letter 1027 Q dated 18 Oct. 43.

It is operationally essential that two civilian cars be requisitioned for the use of Commander Holdsworth, DSO. R.N. V.R. and Lieut. Colonel Dodds Parker of Special Force Adv HQ.

The particulars of the cars to be requisitioned are as follows:-

LANCIA No. 60012 Roma

the owner is Ved. Francesca BELINZARI CAMICIA
Villa Granborearo,
La Cozzana,
MONOPOLI.

FIAT 1500 No. 8462 BA

the owner is Signora Anna CAMICIA,
Masseria,
San Nicola,
FASANO.

Will you please inform this H.Q. if there are any objections.

*Gen. T.-
have you
any objections
P.H.*

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no comment
my 2nd*
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W. B. Decher
(A.W.B. Decher)
Colonel,
Commander,
103 Sub Area.

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If automobile was requisitioned by IS, tires and tubes can be procured thru normal supply channels from PHE or Adriatic Base, Bari. DEWEY BRISLISI FOR GAVE FROM G-2 FREEDOM FROM RODENICK SIGNED GIVE CITE FUGBI. If either cannot supply items should be obtained thru British sources at Taranto or by requisition on Italians in the same manner in which car was secured. Procedure be followed G-4 section advises.

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CIVILIAN CARDS TAKEN TO FREEDOM FOR SCOTT BAILEY INC FROM COLVILLE FROM FATIMA
SIGNED JOYCE PAREN PRACTICALLY UNOBTAINABLE PD REQUIRE HOOVER'S MINIMUM REPEAT
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS PD SEEING ITALIAN AUTHORITIES TOMORROW AFTERNOON PD
CHAMBER CONCURS

AUTHENTICATED:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, AGD
Secretary of Commission

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FLAMBO

NOV 191630A

FATIMA

Reference your 349 of 9 November requisition not understood as Flambo
has no American vehicles, drivers or mechanics suggest you clear with AFHQ.

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Minimum requirements reured 1005 dated 18 November (SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE THING
TO FATIMA FOR COLVILLE FROM HOOVER) mainland Allied sensor control officers one
car each province.

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20 November 1943

MOTOR POOL OPERATIONS MEMO:

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1. Assignments and Duties of Supervisory Personnel:

a. Motor Officer. - Captain Joseph A. Dooley, QMC, as Commission Motor Officer, is responsible for all operations in connection with motor transportation.

b. Motor Sergeant. - Staff Sergeant Edward A. Golse is designated Motor Sergeant. He is the direct representative of the Motor Officer and is in complete charge during the absence of the Motor Officer.

c. Assistant Motor Sergeant. - Private William E. Bennett is designated Assistant Motor Sergeant and is in charge of the Motor Pool in the absence of the Motor Officer and the Motor Sergeant.

2. Duties and Responsibilities of Drivers.

a. Duty hours are from 0700 hours to 1800 hours daily. During these hours all drivers will remain at the Motor Pool unless on authorized absence. At least one driver will be placed on late duty daily and will remain at the Motor Pool or in the lounge of the Albergo Internazionale until 2200 hours. Any driver may, in emergency, be called upon to drive at any hour of the day or night.

b. Each driver will be assigned to a vehicle and will be held responsible for the care and maintenance of that vehicle. In this connection, the following extract from FM 10-5 is noted for the information and guidance of all concerned:

"Driver maintenance (first echelon). - This echelon performs preventive maintenance functions, and is the principal factor upon which the life of motor vehicles depends. The driver and assistant driver are charged with the performance of the duties and tasks included in this echelon. These include servicing, lubricating, cleaning, tightening, care of tools, equipment, tires and battery, and the making of emergency repairs. These are the minimum responsibilities charged to this echelon."

c. In addition to the above, drivers may be assigned to duties necessary in the policing of the Motor Pool itself. Frequent inspections will insure that a high standard of cleanliness and orderliness is maintained at all times.

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X 201 - Dooley
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no one but the assigned driver will drive any Motor Pool vehicle.

e. All drivers will thoroughly familiarize themselves with the provisions of AFHQ Circular 59 (extract attached) and AFHQ Circular 72 (attached).

JOSEPH A. DOOLEY
 Captain, QMC
 Motor Officer

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Because it is proving impossible to locate adequate supplies of reclaimed Italian tires study is being given to manufacture sizes that are required. (TO FATIMA FOR ACC REPEATED TO FLAMED FOR NOS ADV SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE PHMS). Complete reply our 1214 of 15 November is urgent.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION INCOMING MESSAGE /nd

SVC/RELAY NO. R 213

M/C NO : 11/1

CLASS: CONFIDENTIAL

REF NO: 3402

PREC : ROUTINE

FILED : NOV 300908A

FROM : FREEDOM

REC'D : DEC 010700A

TO : FATIMA

Motor transportation officer desired by Joyce not available Palermo. (FROM
SEARS FOR FARGO TO FREEDOM FOR MGS RP'D FATIMA CITE FARGO 940). Request you
furnish from holding center earliest.

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See - Transportation
101 - Joyce
General Taylor -
This is result
of conversation with
Brig. Quarterback before
he left. Probably means
Cpt. Dooly's return will
be delayed. I have
Palermo asking for
his ETA.

9049

Subject:- Requisitioned Vehicles.

To :- *Allied Control Commission*

L. Volstead
D.A.D.O.S., 71 Sub-Area,
C.M.F.

Tel:- Brindisi 1228.

Ref:- 71SA/912/OS.

Date:- 5th Dec.43.

An estimate of the present value of the following
requisitioned vehicles held by you is required by higher authority.

W.D. Nos.

17205

17212

Please advise this office at your earliest convenience.

RWO/BKT.

R. A. O. O.
Capt., R.A.O.O.,
D.A.D.O.S., 71 Sub-Area.

3868 - Cndy. Pz Pk (Antenna)

RLV/sms

In reply
refer to: 386.8

13 December 1943

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles.

TO : D.A.D.A.S., 71st Sub-Area, C.M.F.

In connection with request contained in your letter
718A/912/OS dated 5 December 1943, the following information is
furnished:

<u>Vehicle No.</u>	<u>Value</u>
17205	\$140.00
17212	700.00

For the Deputy President of the Allied Control Commission:

EJC
ROGER B. DERBY
1st Lt, AGD
Adjutant General

386.8 - *Condy Carter*

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FREEDOM RPTD FLAMBO RPTD FARGO

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THERE IS AN ACUTE SHORTAGE HERE OF SUITABLE MOTOR TRANSPORTATION PARISH TO FREEDOM
PERSONAL FOR GENERAL SMITH RPTD FLAMBO RPTD FARGO FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PARISH PD
THE COMMISSION HAS TWO SEDANS PD ONE CMA A DILAPIDATED FORD CMA IS NOW BEING USED
TO TRANSPORT THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ABOUT SOUTHERN ITALY PD THE OTHER IS MY PACKARD
WHICH HAS BROKEN DOWN AND WILL BE UNUSABLE FOR AN INDEFINITE PERIOD PD IT IS
UNDERSTOOD THAT AMG HAS ONLY ONE SUITABLE LIGHT SEDAN WHICH WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR
THE COMMISSION AFTER ABSORBING AMG PD THIS AREA HAS ALREADY BEEN STRIPPED OF ALL
SUITABLE ITALIAN CARS PD I URGENTLY REQUEST THE IMMEDIATE DELIVERY OF ONE MEDIUM
SEDAN AND FOUR LIGHT SEDANS TO NAPLES FOR THE ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION PD THESE
ARE PARTICULARLY NEEDED IN VIEW OF THE DISTINGUISHED PERSONS SUCH AS MCCLOY PARTY
AND OTHERS VISITING THE COMMISSION

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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In reply refer to:
586.8

9 December 1943

Subject: Requisitioning of Vehicles.

To: Commanding Officer, Region 2, Matera.

The attached messages are forwarded for necessary action.

For the Deputy President:

ROGER B. DERRY
1st Lt, AGO
Adjutant General

2 Incls.

- 1 - Cable No. S-3944/8 dtd Dec 8, 1943
- 2 - Cable No. 10260 dtd Dec 6, 1943

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SVC/RELAY NO. 1993

M/C NO : 32/07

CLASS: SECRET

REF NO: 102606

PREC : PRIORITY

FILED : DEC 071630A

FROM : FREEDOM

REC'D : DEC 071854A

TO : FATMA

(TO FARGO FOR REGIONS 1 and 2, FILPOT FOR REGIONS 3 and 4, FATMA, FABLE
FOR REGION 6 SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FMGS)

Paraphrased by Freedom of our 10260.

Report to this Headquarters within 48 hours estimated number of requisitioned
vehicles in each region and AOC Headquarters.

Not issued through British or American supply sources are requisitioned
means vehicles used by above units. Report latter figures also at the
same time.

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SVC/RELAY NO. R 854/8

CLASS: SECRET

PREC : URGENT

FROM : FREEDOM FROM SEARS FOR FARGO

TO : FATIMA CITE FARGO 1107

URGENT

M/C NO : 27/08

REF NO: S-3944/8

FILED : 081610A

REC'D : 081830A

Since there is no quick means of communication from Fargo to Region 2, request you obtain for us the report from Region 2 required by radio from AFHQ Number SBV. (SCV ?) 2994 cite FHMGs in reference to report within 48 hours of requisitioned vehicles in use by regions.

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- 1 - Gen. Taylor (INFO)

*Taken care of
by courier to Bari
to HQ 15th Army GP
for courier from
Matera.
RBW*

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE /hft

SVC/RELAY NO.

CLASS: NOT GIVEN

PREC : IMMEDIATE

FROM : AMG REGION 2 CITE FHMGB

TO : FREEDOM RPTD FARGO RPTD FATIMA

M/C NO : 8/15

REF NO: RT/31

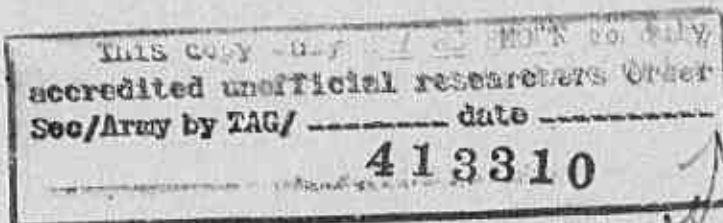
FILED : DEC 150230A

REC'D : DEC 150630A

Approx number vehicles civilian requisitioned Region 2 is 50.

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- 1 - Diary
- 1 - Gen. Taylor (info)



386.8 - Cindy Dutton

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what reply do we
one on this subject
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None. This is answer to
radio request from Freedom sent
to several addressees. Apparently
Region 2 repeated to us only
because original came here
also. This does
not concern us.
Want to you in
error.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION - INCOMING

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SVC/RELAY NO.

CLASS: ~~RESTRICTED~~

PREC : PRIORITY

FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED EISENHOWER

TO : FATIMA FOR ACTION, FARGO AND FILPOT FOR INFORMATION

M/C NO : 32/14

REF NO: 1326

FILED : DEC 131325A

REC'D : DEC 132150A

Reference your 851357 dated 10 December and this HQ 10260 dated 7 December information required in (a) number of requisitioned vehicles by type (b) number of British vehicles by type supplied by Ordnance (c) number of American vehicles by type supplied by Ordnance. Report to include all vehicles in above categories and in use within your organization.

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- 1 - Gen. Taylor (info)
- 1 - Lt. Volsted (action)

386.8 - Reg. Vehicles

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FOUR CMA FIVE C AND R ~~TWO~~ THREE QUARTER TON FOUR BY FOUR CMA THREE WEAPON
CARRIERS THREE QUARTER TON FOUR BY FOUR CMA PAREN TO FREEDOM FROM FATIMA SIGNED
JOYCE PAREN TWO SEDANS CMA TWO TWO AND ONE HALF TON TRUCKS SIX BY SIX CMA FIVE
ONE TON TRAILERS

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Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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INC 170910A

Lt. Col. Middleton, AMB Liaison Officer with No. 2 District, urgently requires
you supply car to enable him to carry out his duties. Grateful early action.

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FATIMA FOR JONES

FLAMBO Signal Center unable identify reference given in your 1457 dated 15 December. "ON 16 of 11 December", regarding parts lists. Request clarification and complete reference to former message.

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REFERENCE YOUR MEGA THREE EIGHT EIGHT EIGHT OF ONE SEVEN DECEMBER PD
TO FLAMBO FOR TODD FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD ~~SECRET BY ONE FOUR FIVE SEVEN~~
~~OF ONE FIVE DECEMBER GAVE INFORMATION REFERENCE PD. CORRECT REFERENCE BOARDING~~
PARTS LIST IS ~~YOUR~~ YOUR ORD THREE SLANT TWO EIGHT EIGHT NINE OF ONE ONE DECEMBER
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ROBERT E. DON
Major, A.O.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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FREEDOM SIGNED EISENHOWER CITY PHOTOS.

DEC 200326A

PHS FOR PHOTOS FOR AMB FOR GUSTENBOOK RPTD FARGO RPTD FATIMA RPTD FILFOT FOR AMB

In view full release vehicles and equipment from American TC, it is essential procedure established for allocation as between ACC Hq, AMB Hq, AMB 15th Army ^{Group} Gr and Regions. Survey of all American and British vehicles and equipment now being made by this section and Regimental Hq. Final allocation based thereon will be made soonest meanwhile effective today no further American vehicles or equipment will be drawn from any source until further notice. No American vehicles or equipment held by Regimental Hq. will be distributed except immediate provisional allotment of vehicles to Region 3 already authorized. Orders will be issued by Hq Regiment in due course setting up following procedure. Only Regimental Supply Officer will draw vehicles and equipment from any source. Regimental Hq on instructions from AFHQ will allocate vehicles and equipment as between AMB, Hq AMB 15th Army Gr and Hq ACC. These Hqs will respectively instruct Regimental S-4 how such allocations will be distributed among their own Hqs or regions.

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FREEDOM SIGNED EISENHOWER CITE FMGS REFERENCE
YOUR 1303 OF 6 DECEMBER

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DEC 221814A

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Survey of vehicles now being made by MGS. Will be completed in 3 days when it is hoped that all vehicle requirements will be met. Meanwhile we have available 2 staff cars for Joyce 1 staff car for Hume of AMG 5th Army. Apply urgently to 15th Army Group for priority allocation for shipment of these 3 cars.

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AMG 15 ARMY GROUP

FARGO RPTD FATIMA FREEDOM

Reference Freedom Signal 7694 of 30 November. Can you now supply the 9 vehicles for evacuation staff. Region 4 unable supply and vehicles urgently required.

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FILPOT RPTD FLAMBO

REFERENCE FREEDOM NUMBER ONE SEVEN EIGHT TWO SIX REQUEST PRIORITY ALLOCATION
FOR SHIPMENT OF THREE STAFF CARS TO NAPLES FOR ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION PD
TO FILPOT RPTD FLAMBO FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD FLAMBO PLEASE TAKE ACTION
IF THIS IS A MATTER FOR YOUR JURISDICTION

AUTHENTICATED:

MAXWELL D. TAYLOR
Brigadier General, USA

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0 To Major Thackrah
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERS
APO 394

28 DEC 1943
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23/12/43

FILE:RCAO/537

SUBJECT: Automobile.

TO : Major General K. A. Joyce, Deputy President,
Allied Control Commission - Brindisi.

I understand that it is necessary to obtain your permission to take an automobile from Region I to the place where we are to settle. I appeal for your consent for the automobile I have been using in Palermo for several months.

In the effective discharge of my duties with the Allied Control Commission, as head of the Administrative Directorate and head of the Subcommittee of the Interior, it is obvious that an automobile is essential to move around the country. In my government administration in the States and in my work in Sicily, I have always moved around in the field to talk to officials and to size up the situation directly.

The auto I have has a good motor and good tires. It is a 4 passenger touring car. One can safely take trips in it.

I personally know the owner of the car; in fact, the owner voluntarily brought the car in and put it at my disposal. There is no use in turning it back to the owner. He has no need of it. I had a talk with the owner and he is willing that I take it North with me. Nor is there need for the car for the new Regional Civil Affairs Officer inasmuch as he has a big seven passenger Lancia limousine in which one can take inspection trips on the Island.

Nothing would be gained by trying to find an automobile once I arrive on the mainland. The sensible thing, it seems to me, is to take with me the one I have been using for several months.

It is a Fiat 2800 License No. 9555 PA. Motor No. 000021, Chassis No. 000017 and is AMG No. 101.

At Colonel Brown's suggestion a copy of this letter is being sent to him.

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Your consent will be much appreciated.

Charles Poletti

CHARLES POLETTI
Lt. Colonel,
R.C.A.O.

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Subject: Col Poletti's Automobile.

Col Poletti does not state whether the loan of the car has been covered by requisition. Assuming such is not the case, and in view of the fact that this vehicle is going to circulate in territory under Italian administration, it seems desirable that it should be formally requisitioned to protect the user's prior right against any attempt to requisition by some other authority.

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In reply
refer to: 386.8

29 December 1943

SUBJECT: Automobile.

TO : Lt. Colonel Charles Poletti, R.C.A.O., A.M.G. Sicily
Region Headquarters, APO 394.

1. Reference your letter file HQAO/537 of 23 December, subject as above. There is no objection to your taking the car mentioned with you.

2. It is desired to point out, however, that if the car is not covered by formal requisition that this should be done in order to protect the users prior right against any attempt to request by some other authority.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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SUBJECT:-

Transport.

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29 DEC 1943

H.Q., A.M.G.,
Fifth Army.

H.Q., A.M.G.,
15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

AMG/97/5
28th December 1943

1. A.P.H.Q. Signal Message No. 17826 dated 22 Dec 43 states that "We have available two staff cars for Joyce and one staff car for Hums of A.M.G. Fifth Army."
2. At the request of this H.Q. Adv. Adm. Echelon A.P.H.Q. has been asked by H.Q., 15 Army Group in their signal message NO 2159 dated 24 Dec 43 to call forward these three cars from North Africa.
3. You should therefore obtain from Adv. Adm. Echelon A.P.H.Q. information as to the shipment of the staff car for your H.Q., and report to this H.Q. full particulars of the car (make, type, WD Number) when you take it over.

W. Lawrence
Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

Copy to: H.Q., A.C.C. BRINDISI. - Your Signal Message No. 1596 dated 23 Dec 43 refers in error to three staff cars for A.C.C. but you will note that two cars are for A.C.C. and one for A.M.G. Fifth Army.

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15 ARMY GROUP

FLAMBO INFO FATIMA

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Reference Fatima 1596 of 23 December. Please call forward 3 staff cars within existing shipping priorities.

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Request 3 staff cars for Allied Control Commission be shipped to Naples
soonest possible within existing replacement vehicle serials.

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- 1 - Lt. Volstad (info)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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In reply
refer to: 537

31 December 1943

SUBJECT: Vehicles.

TO : Deputy President, Allied Control Commission.

The A.C.C. has hardly enough vehicles to furnish transportation for its own local needs when all of its vehicles are here and in operation, having only:

- 2 in Naples
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1 in Bari*
- 2 - Sedans
 - 5 - Reconnaissance (C & R 3/4 Ton 4 x 4)
 - 3 - requisitioned civilian Sedans
 - 3 - weapon carriers 3/4 ton 4 x 4
 - 10 - Reconnaissance 1/4 ton 4 x 4
 - 1 - truck 2 1/2 ton 6 x 6

at the present, two Command cars have been sent to Naples and one civilian sedan to Bari permanently. The vehicles we have were used vehicles before being issued to the Commission, and consequently there are two to five vehicles under minor repairs daily, thus making the present available vehicles in operation inadequate for the needs of the Commission.

In addition, very frequently the motor pool of the Commission is called upon to furnish transportation for visiting dignitaries and officers on important missions.

The motor pool of the Commission has excellent Mechanics and drivers, but no tools or equipment to work with, and at the present are using borrowed British tools, etc., that do not fit the bolts and nuts of our cars thus taking longer to put vehicles back on the road.

I urge that the Commission acquire additional vehicles to meet the request; that the Motor Pool of the Commission is now unable to meet.

// General Taylor's personal Sedan has been thoroughly checked and found in very bad condition and not fit for use by the General.

Therefore, I recommend that the Commission secure the following additional vehicles:

- 1 - Staff Car (for General Taylor)
- 3 - Staff Cars
- 5 - Reconnaissance, C & R, 3/4 ton, 4 x 4
- 4 - Reconnaissance, 1/4 ton, 4 x 4
- 2 - Trucks 2 1/2 ton, 6 x 6
- 15 - additional vehicles

Roy L. Volstad
R. L. VOLSTAD
1st Lt., CMP
Transportation Officer

Gen. Taylor —
I concur in Lt. Volstad's
recommendation. If you approve
I shall telephone Salerno to see
what can be done to relieve the
situation.

Col. ~~Jeff~~ ^{Albright} will
send 4 C & R
4 Jeeps
4 W.C.

Plb
OK But they are very short on them
now

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31 December 1943

I talked to Colonel Albright at Naples this afternoon. He states there are no staff cars and no trucks available. He may however be able to send over here 4 or 5 C & R 3/4 tons and 4 or 5 jeeps.

ROBERT F. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of Commission

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by Radio
REQUEST AUTHORITY TO DRAW ONE EACH ADDITIONAL UNIFORM INCLUDING MACKINAW
FOR TWENTY FOUR DRIVERS OF THIS COMMISSION PD TO CG NATOUA ATTENTION
QUARTERMASTER FROM FATIMA SIGNED JOYCE PD ADDITIONAL CLOTHING REQUIRED
IN ORDER THAT THESE DRIVERS MAY BE PRESENTABLE AT ALL TIMES

AUTHENTICATED:

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FATIMA FOR JOYCE FOR ACTION

Message from Fatima number 1753 dated 2 January is subject. Request for additional uniform for chauffeurs disapproved. Conservation program necessitates strict compliance with tables of equipment. New Subject. Pertains to your 1754 dated 2 January. There are no Italian tires and tubes remaining in North Africa and Sicily.

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Your Q(AE)/5610 of 26 December.

Arrangements made for despatch three staff cars for Allied Control
Commission ex AGOUTI for PANTALOON expected to arrive 10 January.

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FREEDOM FOR ACTION, FLAMBO FOR INFO,
FATIMA FOR INFO

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PBS 4201

JAN 031822A

JAN 040925A

Have discussed your 22583 addressed Fargo and only repeated Flambo with Hanklen Ritchie at Flambo. Good cars do not exist except very few at great personal inconvenience of senior officers. As I have stated many times previously you must authorize special saloon cars for Advisory Council. Temporary accommodation provided Ravello.

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Special size tires requested Deputy Presidents car not in stock this area.
Shipment tires including this size on vessel in harbor. Will ship tires soonest
possible.

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1. Capt. Dooley ✓
 2. Mr. Volstad ✓
- to Mr. 8

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CENTRAL ECONOMIC COMMITTEE
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Return to AG for file

11 January 1944

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SUBJECT: Requisitions for Tires, Tubes, Etc.

TO : Acting Deputy President, Allied Control Commission. ✓
Chief, AMG 15th Army Group.
Chief, Headquarters AMG.

1. Your attention is directed to the attached memorandum from AFHQ, MGS, entitled "Policy on Furnishing Tires, Tubes, Spare Parts and Maintenance Supplies for Use on Other than Army Vehicles".

2. It is requested that outstanding requisitions be reviewed and resubmitted in accordance with these instructions.

3. Future requisitions must likewise be submitted in accordance with these instructions.

For the Committee:

A. I. Henderson
A. I. HENDERSON,
Lt. Col., A. U. S.,
Chief Executive,
C. E. C.

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Policy on Furnishing Tires, Tubes, Spare Parts and Maintenance Supplies
for Use on Other than Army Vehicles

1. A critical shortage of tires and tubes of all types exists.
2. Tires, tubes, spare parts and maintenance supplies will not be diverted from strictly military requirements, except where definitely shown that the use of such items are vitaly necessary to the military effort.
3. Requests for tires, tubes, spare parts or maintenance supplies for other than military vehicles will be submitted through normal channels to this headquarters, accompanied by a complete explanation, by individual vehicle, of the conditions which necessitate the use of such supplies. Each request will be endorsed by the Commanding Officer or the Requisitioning Agency that articles requested are for use only on vehicles vitaly necessary to the military effort.
4. In the case of issues where the nature of use of the particular vehicle indicates conclusively that the tire, tube, part, etc., will be consumed or worn out through fair wear and tear in service to the military effort, transfer to civilian ownership may be effected through the National Government channels of the country concerned.
5. In the case of issues where the use of the particular vehicle is of a temporary nature and conditions, as indicated in paragraph 4 above do not apply, ownership will be retained by the issuing authority on signature of the requesting Government Agency or Army Authority. Items loaned will be withdrawn by such agency when the vehicle is no longer required for the military effort.
6. Final decision on all issues will be made by A. C. of S., G-4, this headquarters, who will designate the source (U.S. or Br.), in accordance with availability.

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PATINA REAR SECOND MAINTENANCE PATINA NOT AVAILABLE

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M/C NO : 16/20

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REF NO: FBS 5705
FARGO 394

PREC :IMPORTANT

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FROM :PENCE (FARGO) CITE FARGO 394

REC'D : JAN 200615A

TO :FATIMA REAR

Equipment as follows not available here. Send by air:

1 head gasket for 3/4 ton Command Car 1942 Dodge, part number 859224

1 wire harness 1/4 ton, 4 BS 4 front, part number GFS 14432-14305

3 rotor part number ~~14432-14305~~ GFS 12200

3 steering knuckle flange bearing cup upper for 3/4 ton truck,
part number 927013

3 steering cone, knuckle upper part number 924436, and

boxes each tire patches sizes 1, 2, 3, 4.

Parts needed to repair deadlines vehicles.

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*It. Nolstad - have you
Do you have these items?
Can you get them? (Pence)*

*Parts requested your
no 394 not available
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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In reply refer to:
AG 451

20 January 1944

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Air Commodore Foster

1. There are at Brindisi Airport four 16-passenger busses which are not at present being used. The Italian authorities at the airport are willing to release two of these busses for the use of the Commission provided that you have no objections.

2. If there are none, may we have a note from you concurring in the release of these busses?

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission;

[Signature]

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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22 January 1944

VEHICLES AND ACCESSORIES

Administrative Instructions I
Maintenance, Operation, and Equipment II
Tires and Tracks III

The following circulars, this headquarters, 1943, are rescinded and the provisions below substituted therefor:

Section	Circular	Section	Circular
IV	88	II	209
II	92	III	214
IV	113	I	218
III	119	All	223
II	123	I	226
III	134	IV	229
III	175	II	230
III	180	IV	232
IV	190	V	234
III	200	IV	235

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I -- ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Use of United States Motor Vehicles. a. United States Army motor vehicles or those hired by the United States Army will be used only for official business, which may include the following special purposes when specifically authorized by the commanding officer:

- (1) Transporting military personnel in connection with authorized athletics.
- (2) Transporting military personnel in connection with authorized recreational activities.

b. Civilians (male and female) may be transported in vehicles being used for official business when their presence is necessary for the accomplishment of the official business for which the trip is being made.

c. Only civilians (male and female) who are United States Government employees or who are members of the American Red Cross may be transported in vehicles being used for authorized special purpose trips.

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d. The giving of casual lifts to civilians is forbidden except to those who are government employees of the United States or Allied countries or members of the American Red Cross.

2. Safeguarding Vehicles. No United States Army vehicle will hereafter be left unattended unless the vehicle is immobilized by a lock and chain device on the steering wheel or by other equally effective locking devices on the driver's controls, or unless the vehicle is placed in an authorized parking lot or within an area where entrances are controlled by guards. The foregoing will not be used as a basis for the requisitioning of lock and chain devices.

3. Removal of Rotors. The practice of removing distributor caps and rotors to temporarily immobilize vehicles will be discontinued. Loss of these parts has been so great that replacements cannot be obtained to place vehicles from which they have been removed in operating condition. To relieve the situation, a search should be made with a view toward returning to supply sources all of these items which are not in use.

4. Abandoned Vehicles. a. Abandoned vehicles, including those that have become involved in accidents, will be reported by personnel finding them to the nearest Military Police, or Military Police headquarters.

b. When patients who have been in motor vehicle accidents are received at hospitals, efforts will be made to determine whether or not the vehicles have been abandoned. When vehicles have been abandoned, or if there is doubt as to their status, a report of the circumstances will be made immediately to the nearest Military Police headquarters by the hospital commander.

5. Vehicle Markings. Motor vehicles assigned to United States Army units in the combat zone, including ambulances and hospital trucks, will be marked as prescribed in Section III, AR 850-5, 5 August 1943, and Operation Memorandum Number 36, AFHQ, 10 April 1943. Force numbers (shipping numbers) will be obliterated upon arrival in this theater.

II -- MAINTENANCE, OPERATION, AND EQUIPMENT

6. Gear Case Levels of 1/4-Ton, 4 x 4 Trucks. Gear case levels on 1/4-ton 4 x 4 (Ford, Willys) are to be checked weekly, and if required, the units will be filled to plug levels with the lubricant prescribed on War Department Lubrication Guide 501 for the specific temperature range, according to the table of capacity and recommended lubricant. Gear cases on these vehicles are also to be refilled to plug levels after draining. Gear cases will not be filled to 1/2 inch below plug levels when cold, as is indicated on War Department Lubrication Guide 501, 15 September 1943, as it has been determined that such practice does not provide adequate lubrication for this vehicle, especially the front differential gear case. Attention is invited to the fact that only the 1/4-ton, 4 x 4 truck is affected by this directive, and these DIRECTIONS ARE NOT APPLICABLE TO OTHER GENERAL PURPOSE VEHICLES.

7. Damage and Maladjustment of Carburetors. Many instances of damage to carburetors and of poor performance of vehicles, due to unauthorized personnel attempting to disassemble and clean carburetors without proper knowledge or

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equipment, have been found by Ordnance maintenance companies. The modern carburetor cannot be successfully repaired or even adjusted (except for idle and throttle adjustments) without special knowledge and tools. Second echelon maintenance includes only idle and throttle adjustments which are outside adjustments. Other adjustments require disassembly of the carburetor, which will be done only in Ordnance third or higher echelon shops by qualified mechanics.

8. Overspeeding of Engines. The condition of general purpose vehicle engines arriving in Ordnance shops indicates extensive unauthorized tampering, and even complete removal of governors. This practice must stop immediately.

a. Organization commanders will insure that governors are not removed or the seals tampered with. All cases of improperly adjusted or malfunctioning governors will be brought to the attention of the nearest Ordnance maintenance unit for readjustment or repair. Thereafter, strict discipline will be maintained to prevent any tampering. Neglect of this important preventative maintenance practice will be considered cause for disciplinary action under paragraph 14, AR 850-15.

b. Ordnance units have the responsibility of reporting any violations to the unit commander involved. Periodic inspections will be made to insure that this directive is being complied with.

c. Waterproofing instructions do not require governor readjustment or disconnection. Any such action is considered unauthorized tampering.

9. Adjustment of Clutch Pedal Free Play. a. Demands for springs, clutch (part number 753930) on truck, $2\frac{1}{2}$ ton, 6 x 6 (GMC) have been unusually heavy. In order to assure maximum life and conserve supply of this part as well as other clutch parts, it is important that the clutch pedal free play be adjusted to $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches and this adjustment maintained at all times.

b. The following instructions on clutch pedal free play adjustment, which appear on page 69 of Army Motors, Volume 4, Number 3, June 1943, are called to the attention of all concerned:

(1) Loosen check nut on adjusting link.

(2) Turn adjusting nut in or out as may be required to obtain $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches free travel of the clutch pedal before the clutch starts to release. Check the free play with your finger on the pedal and not with your foot as this adjustment is too sensitive to secure accuracy with the foot.

(3) Having $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches free play, turn the check nut firmly up against the adjusting nut to prevent the adjustment from coming loose.

10. Improper Filling of Hydraulic Brake System. Many drivers and other organizational personnel are not properly informed as to the proper fluid to be used in the hydraulic brake systems of vehicles. The use of hydraulic jack fluid, recoil oil and even ordinary engine oil has been noted in several instances. Such improper use is followed by a swelling and deterioration of the rubber piston cups and boots and subsequent brake seizure or failure entirely.

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It is imperative that none other than GENUINE HYDRAULIC BRAKE FLUID be used in the brake system. Brake fluid of local manufacture must not be mixed with the government issued fluid.

11. 3" Gun Motor Carriages M10 and M10A1. a. Certain tank destroyer battalions have welded the sprocket, front to the hub, drive sprocket on M10 and M10A1, in order to eliminate shearing of bolts which are used to secure sprocket to hub.

b. These bolts are specially designed as the weakest link in the power train and excessive strain is indicated when they shear. Welding, as described above, eliminates the safety factor which is thus interposed in driving mechanism to protect the power train.

c. These drive sprocket bolts need frequent tightening and shearing usually occurs when vehicles are operated with these bolts loose. Outside bolts are generally kept tight while those on the inside sprocket, which are more difficult to reach, are neglected.

d. The practice of welding sprockets to hubs will be immediately discontinued and vehicles already modified in this unauthorized manner will be returned to their original condition without delay.

12. Conservation of Spare Parts. a. The present rate of consumption of certain automotive parts is far greater than available supply in the United States. This shortage applies chiefly to small, easily replaceable parts. The situation in this theater has now become critical and it is essential that all possible care be exercised in rejecting parts which can be readily repaired with tools and cleaning facilities at hand. Parts and assemblies beyond immediate local repair should not be arbitrarily discarded but evacuated to the next higher echelon of repair.

b. Among many others the following have been and will continue to be in short supply:

- (1) Ignition Points: These should be cleaned, redressed and reused, and not thrown away.
- (2) Carburetor Repair Kits: These are not substitutes for carburetor cleaning, which is all that is needed in many cases. Parts should be replaced only after a cleaned and adjusted carburetor will not function properly.
- (3) Starter and Generator Armatures: Redressing commutators and resoldering loose ends should be done locally. Vehicle operators must understand that the starter was designed for intermittent use only. Starter switches must not be held closed for over 30 seconds if engine will not start. Cooling period between 30 second applications of starter must be at least two minutes.

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13. Use of Compound Anti-Freeze - Ethylene Glycol Type. Based on weather data for several previous years, the need for anti-freeze in North Africa is very limited. The following will be used as a guide in carrying out the instructions on use of anti-freeze, which appear in the various technical manuals covering the specific vehicles involved.

a. Atlantic Base Section - The minimum temperature that may be expected in this area is about freezing (32° F). Vehicles which will stay in this area do not need any anti-freeze.

b. Mediterranean Base Section - The minimum temperature is about 29°F and may be encountered during the months of December through February. The short periods during which this temperature may be experienced are not likely to cause any damage to cooling systems containing only water. It is desirable, however, to use anti-freeze sufficient to protect the vehicle down to the temperature indicated.

c. Eastern Base Section - The minimum temperature is about 24°F and may be encountered during the months of December through March. Anti-freeze protection should be applied accordingly.

d. Island, Northern, and Peninsular Base Sections - No temperature data are available in this headquarters. Local records should be consulted to determine protection required.

14. Driving Precaution - $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton Truck. Information has been received from the War Department that 1943 $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton, 4 x 4 trucks have a tendency to pull hard to the left when the brakes are applied. All drivers are cautioned to exercise care when driving vehicles on which this tendency is evident.

15. Camouflage Nets. a. Units of the United States Army operating with Headquarters, Allied Central Mediterranean Force; Fifth and Seventh Armies; XII and XV Air Force Service Commands; the Island, Northern, and Peninsular Base Sections; Tyrrhenian Depot; and Headquarters Command, Allied Force are authorized nets for vehicles listed below. These allowances represent maximum requirements as opposed to T/BA or T/E allowances which represent the minimum requirements for the above mentioned units. Commanders concerned will review unit requisitions for camouflage nets and will approve requirements above T/BA or T/E allowances when in their opinions the additional camouflage nets are necessary.

	Number	Size	Basis of Issue
Net, camouflage, twine, garnished in summer temperate or winter color patterns	1 (Note 1)	22' x 22'	Per 1/4-ton truck; 1/4-ton trailer; 1-ton trailer.
	1	30' x 30'	Per staff car; 1/2-ton truck; 3/4-ton truck; special vehicles rated as 1/2-ton, 3/4-ton, or 1-ton; per trailer more than 1-ton, less than 6-ton; scout car; half-track; carriage motor, MG.

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Number	Size	Basis of Issue
1 (Note 2)	36' x 44'	Per 1 1/2-ton truck or larger; per special vehicle rated at 1 1/2-ton or larger; per trailer (semi-trailer) 6-ton or larger except as listed under the next classification; per special wheeled or tracked equipment; light tank; carriage motor, M8; armored car.
1	45' x 45'	Per medium tank; per gun or howitzer motor carriage not listed above; truck, trailer, 40-ton, tank recovery.

NOTE 1. Two 14' x 14' or one 24' x 24' are suitable substitutes.

NOTE 2. Two 22' x 22' or two 24' x 24' are suitable substitutes.

b. Units now equipped with cotton shrimp nets will retain them. Cotton shrimp nets in depot stocks are suitable substitutes in corresponding sizes. These will, however, be issued indiscriminately for motor vehicles and other type vehicles. This is to preclude the possible identification of vehicles by the type camouflage net they use.

c. Units equipped with nets at variance with the above scale, will retain them until replacement is necessary.

d. United States units of all other commands are authorized only 20% of the nets provided above for training purposes, excluding all T/BA allowances now authorized.

e. This authorization does not affect present T/BA issues to weapons and guns of all arms and services.

16. Conservation of Gasoline Cans. a. Five gallon returnable gasoline cans are being used throughout the theater by many units for purposes for which they were never intended. The wastage of cans caused by this misuse and losses by carelessness and theft, has resulted in an inexcusably high loss of cans and is causing serious drain on resources.

b. Unit and organization commanders will take particular care to stop misuse and maltreatment of subject containers and will take the necessary steps to insure that all returnable gasoline containers are turned in promptly for repair, reuse and reissue in accordance with supply procedure established by SOS NATOUSA.

c. Five gallon gasoline cans will not be mounted or transported as motor vehicle equipment in this theater, except when, in the opinion of the commanders concerned, the mission so requires. Except where units are on a can and drum supply basis, as determined by the Commanding General, SOS, NATOUSA,

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containers in excess of T/E will be turned in without delay to the nearest Class III supply point. Where it becomes necessary to utilize gasoline cans on special convoys, this restriction does not apply, but all cans will be removed from vehicles upon completion of the mission for which issued.

d. All commanders having Inspectors General on their staffs will direct that a check be made by them during the course of all inspections to determine whether the provisions of this directive are being complied with and take necessary corrective action when infractions are found.

III -- TIRES AND TRACKS

17. Conservation of New Tires. All concerned are reminded that conservation of rubber is essential to the war effort. Therefore, it is necessary that all tires be used to the limit of serviceability and the issue of new tires be governed by consideration of the mission of the individual vehicle. In the future, new tires will be issued under the following general priorities:

- a. Combat units in or being equipped for service in the combat zone.
- b. Service units in direct support of combat units in the combat zone.
- c. Service units in base sections only when considered absolutely essential.

18. Air Pressure. a. From observation of the condition of tires and tubes being received for repair, it is apparent that using troops are neglecting the proper care of tires and tubes that are in use. Attention is directed to paragraph 12a and b, TM 31-200.

"12. AIR PRESSURE.

a. Correct air pressure is the foundation of reliable tire performance. Tires are designed to operate at specified air pressures and should be checked daily for proper readings, and inflated when necessary to prescribed air pressures. When checking pressures, check valve cores for leaks. Always use an accurate gauge to determine air pressure. All air gauges should be checked periodically with a precision type gauge (Stock No. 8-G-650). Never try to judge air pressure by the eye or by kicking a tire.

b. Tires should never be bled (let air out) during or immediately after operation. Tires heat as they roll, and heat causes air to expand, increasing the pressure. Bleeding reduces air pressure, not the temperature. Bleeding actually makes tires run hotter, and may cause sudden, complete tire failure. When a bled tire cools, it is dangerously under inflated."

b. Strict adherence to instructions contained in the TM will conserve these critical items.

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19. Removal of Tires. In some cases a policy has been established locally whereby trucks have had the outside tires removed when returning unloaded. This policy will be discontinued as the saving on rubber on the tire which has been removed is offset by the wear on the tire which carries the vehicle.

20. Reconditioning of Tires and Tubes.

a. References:

- (1) Ordnance Field Service Circular 24, dated 21 January 1943.
- (2) WD letter, AG 400.74 (18 August 1943)OB-S-SPUPT-M, subject: "Policy Relating to the Return of Overseas Salvage."
- (3) WD AG Memorandum No. W850-44-43, dated 8 September 1943.

b. Definitions:

- (1) Unserviceable - Applies to all types of unserviceable tires, tubes, and flaps including those requiring repairing and/or recapping, and not repairable with organizational facilities.
- (2) Used - Applies to tires, tubes, and flaps which have been previously mounted and which have no noticeable injuries (sometimes called Class B).
- (3) Reconditioned - Applies to items which have been put into proper condition for reissue to a using service (also known as Class B).
- (4) Class C-1 - Tires which can be reconditioned for nonmilitary service (in accordance with OFSC-24, 21 January 1943, subject: "Disposition of Scrap Rubber").
- (5) Class C-2 - Tires which are unfit for further use as such. (In accordance with circular mentioned in (4) above.)
- (6) Tire Repair Plant - An oversea Army tire and tube repair and tire recapping plant operated by an Ordnance tire repair company and equipped to inspect, classify, and process unserviceable and used tires, tubes, and flaps.
- (7) Base Tire Repair Shop - A tire repair shop (military, civilian or both) operated by a base section, but not run by or possessing the equipment of an Ordnance tire repair company.

c. Tires Used on United States Equipment (Except Airplanes):

- (1) Action by Using Organizations.
 - (a) All types of unserviceable tires, tubes, and flaps in the hands of using organizations of any army or service

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will be handled whenever possible on an exchange basis, i.e., a reconditioned or new item for an unserviceable item.

- (b) All used tires, tubes, and flaps removed from vehicles by using organizations of any arm or service, and which are in excess of organization spares, will be turned in to an Ordnance maintenance or depot unit, or, if possible directly to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop.
 - (c) Unit commanders will require frequent tire inspections to prevent prolonged operation of tires sufficiently damaged to require repair.
 - (d) Tires in transit or in storage will be covered and kept dry. Prolonged exposure to bright sunlight and heat will be prevented as much as possible.
- (2) Action by Ordnance Maintenance Units, Repair Plants and Shops, and Depots.
- (a) Depending on local conditions, Ordnance Maintenance Units will either forward all used tires, tubes and flaps which come into their hands to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop, or inspect used tires, tubes and flaps, repair items repairable with organizational equipment, and separate all obviously serviceable (Class B) items from questionable and unserviceable ones. Serviceable items (Class B) will either be reissued direct or turned over to an Ordnance Depot for reissue. Questionable and unserviceable items will be forwarded to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop.
 - (b) Ordnance Depots will forward to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop all inspected unserviceable tires, tubes and flaps which come into their hands, and will reissue all inspected serviceable items. Items which have not been inspected will, depending on local conditions, either be forwarded to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop, or inspected by an Ordnance Maintenance Unit, obviously serviceable items separated for reissue, and questionable and unserviceable items forwarded to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop.
 - (c) Each base tire repair shop will service to the fullest extent of its facilities and capacity all sizes of tires, tubes and flaps for Army and Navy equipment (except airplane tires, tubes and flaps) which may come into its hands. Sizes and quantities which cannot be serviced in a reasonably short time will be forwarded to the nearest tire repair plant.

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- (d) 1. Each tire repair plant located in this theater of operations will service to the fullest extent of its facilities and capacity all sizes of tires, tubes, and flaps for Army and Navy equipment (except airplane tires, tubes, and flaps) located in this theater. Sizes and quantities which can be repaired more rapidly by return to the United States will be returned in accordance with letter referred to in paragraph a (2).
2. Tires, tubes, and flaps inspected at tire repair plants or base tire repair shops and found to be beyond the point of safe repairs or reconditioning will be forwarded to nearest salvage depot as scrap rubber and returned to the United States in accordance with letter referred to in paragraph a (2).
3. Unserviceable tires classified as C-1 and C-2 at time of inspection by tire repair plants will be so marked, segregated according to classification, and forwarded to nearest salvage depot for shipment to the United States in accordance with letter referred to in paragraph a (2). Only tire repair plants will make this classification.
- (e) Receipt, storage, and issue of all tires and their component parts are functions of the appropriate base depots. Exception to this may be made in case of the turn-in of unserviceable tires which, whenever possible, will be made direct to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop. The tire repair plant or shop will issue a credit memorandum for a similar number of reconditioned, used, or new tires to be withdrawn from appropriate depot stocks.
- (f) Requisition or exchange for ground tires, tubes, and flaps will when possible, be filled by issuing used or reconditioned (Class B) items in preference to new items. When new items are issued, combat organizations and service troops with field units whose primary function is road transporting of supplies will be given first preference. When available, only used and reconditioned (Class B) tires, tubes, and flaps will be issued for use by units making up, assigned to, or attached to base sections.

d. Airplane Tires: All airplane tires which may come into the possession of Ground Force units will be forwarded to the nearest Air Corps depot or to Air Corps General Depot, Maison Blanche, Algiers, Algeria.

e. Foreign Tires:

- (1) All tires, tubes, flaps, etc. manufactured for use on equipment of Allied or co-belligerent nations will, in units made

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up of both co-belligerent or Allied forces and United States forces, either be turned over to Allied or co-belligerent forces in accordance with local arrangements or be forwarded to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop. Tire repair plants or shops will turn such items over to proper allied depots.

- (2) Captured enemy tires and associated equipment after being dealt with in accordance with AFHQ Circular Number 63, 1943, will be used on captured equipment, appropriate United States equipment, or appropriate Allied equipment to the greatest extent possible. Serviceable and repairable items usable only by Allied nations will be handled as outlined in paragraph e (1). Items not usable on captured, United States, or Allied equipment at hand will be forwarded to a tire repair plant or base tire repair shop. Tire repair plants or shops will turn serviceable sizes not usable on United States equipment but usable on Allied nation's equipment over to proper depots. Captured serviceable sizes usable on United States equipment will be issued by depots as Class B materiel.
- (3) Tire repair plants and base tire repair shops will forward all foreign items found to be beyond the point of safe repairs or reconditioning to nearest salvage depot as scrap rubber for return to the United States in accordance with letter mentioned in a (2). Base tire repair shops will forward all questionable items and serviceable items not known to be usable on United States or Allied equipment to a tire repair plant. Tire repair plants will forward all sizes for which there is no use on United States or Allied equipment to nearest salvage depot as scrap rubber for return to the United States in accordance with letter mentioned in paragraph a (2). Tire repair plants and shops will service repairable items usable on United States equipment.

f. Tire Repair Plant: The only tire repair plant now in this theater is in the Mediterranean Base Section and operates under the Commanding General, Mediterranean Base Section. All tire repair plant functions will be handled by this plant.

21. Conservation of Vehicular Tracks. a. All concerned will make every effort to obtain the maximum wear from all types of tracks and to use partially worn tracks to the maximum extent.

b. Replacement of vehicle tracks will, except in units alerted for combat, be made only in case the tracks on the vehicle are completely worn out.

c. Necessary replacement of tracks for full and half track combat vehicles not in or alerted for immediate combat, will be made from available used, but still usable, steel or rubber reversible or non-reversible tracks having from 25% to 75% of their original wear life. Units equipped with medium tractor M4 may be issued new rubber tracks if the only used tracks available are steel.

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d. Units alerted for combat may, for replacement, draw tracks possessing not less than 75% of original wear life; but such replacement will not be made prior to two weeks before date of movement to combat area. At the time of movement to combat area, tracks in excess of organizational spares will be turned in to the nearest Ordnance depot.

(AG 451/361 -0)

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

E. L. FORD,
Brigadier General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

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Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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In reply refer to:
310.1

27 January 1944

SUBJECT: Establishment of Second Echelon Maintenance Shop.

TO: 1st Lt. Roy L. Volstad, Motor Transportation Officer, ACC.

1. You are directed to establish, equip, and maintain a Second Echelon Maintenance Workshop to service any and all motor vehicles of the ACC and its Sub-Commissions.

2. You are authorized to contact any military agency to carry out these instructions.

By Command of Lieutenant General MACFARLANE:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.C.D.
Secretary of Commission



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In reply refer to:
AG 386.8

27 January 1944

Subject: Request for Authority to Requisition Motor Vehicles

To: Director General of Motor Transport, Ministry of War, Lecce

It is requested that you be kind enough to place at the disposal of the Allied Control Commission the services of the President of the 17th Motor Vehicle Requisition Commission, so that he may proceed with the requisition of 25 vehicles, without tires, urgently needed at this Headquarters.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.O.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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Brindisi li 27 gennaio 1944

O G G E T T O: / richiesta autovetture di requisizione.

AL MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

DIREZIONE GENERALE DELLA MOTORIZZAZIONE

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Si prega Codesto Ministero voler mettere a disposizione di questa Commissione di Controllo Alleata, il Presidente della 17^a Commissione di Requisizione Autoveicoli, per poter procedere alla requisizione di n°25 autovetture prive di gomme, occorrenti al bisogno di questa stessa Commissione di Controllo Alleata.

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2 February 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: The Ministry of War.

Authority is requested to requisition up to 25 civilian cars for
use by the Allied Control Commission.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of Commission

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AG 386.8

9 February 1944

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Second Lieutenant Enzo Frascolla, of the Royal Italian Army, is attached to the Allied Control Commission, and is in the process of searching for, and securing twenty-five (25) civilian automobiles on requisition for the Allied Control Commission. Kindly give him your aid and free passage to accomplish his mission, which should be completed by 24 February 1944.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Roger B. Derby
ROGER B. DERBY
1st Lt, AGC
Adjutant General

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AG 386.8

9 February 1944

subject: Request for Tires, Batteries, and Tubes

To: OC 71 Sub Area. Attention: DADOS

1. The Allied Control Commission is requisitioning twenty (20) additional civilian vehicles that are to be taken to Salerno for use of the commission. These cars are being secured without tires, tubes, or batteries. They are to be used by officers of the Commission. It is necessary to make them road-worthy to have 100 tires and tubes size 16 x 600, and 20 batteries.

2. These cars will be secured in groups of five (5). Second Lieutenant Enzo Frascolla, of the Royal Italian Army, and Staff sergeant Vito Russo, United States Army, together with the necessary mechanics, have been left by the Commission at Brindisi to secure and condition these cars and to send them on immediately to Salerno. It is urgently requested that they be given the required tires, batteries, and tubes as they secure the cars.

3. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated by the Allied control commission.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Roger E. Derby
ROGER E. DERBY
1st Lt, AGC
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With reference your cable 2160 dated 27 January is subject.

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In reply
refer to: AG 220.3

29 January 1944

Subject: Replacing Driver

To: HQ, Royal Airport, Brindisi.

This Allied HQ requests that the Air Corps specialist Nicola Rossi, assigned as driver of the vehicle Fiat 1100 ceded by the Royal Air Force to the Allied Control Commission, be replaced by the Air Corps specialist Gino Paolin who previously had used this automobile and had acquitted himself well.

This is a somewhat urgent matter.

Thanking you in advance.

ROY L. VOLSEAD
1st Lt., CMP
Transportation Office.

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(Memo to Lieut. Volstad)

→ Al Comando R. Aeroporto
Brindisi

OGGETTO: Sostituzione autista

Questo Comando Alleato richiede che l'Aviere Scelto
Nicola ROSSI, assegnato come autista per la vettura Fiat 1100
ceduta dalla Regia Aeronautica alla Commissione Alleata di Con-
trollo, venga sostituito con l'Aviere Scelto Gino PAOLIN, che
precedentemente ha prestato servizio come autista di detta
macchina ed ha dato buona prova.

Il provvedimento richiesto ha carattere di urgenza.
Ringraziando in anticipo

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OGGETTO: Sostituzione autista

Questo Comando Alleato richiede che l'Aviere Scelto Nicola ROSSI, assegnato come autista per la vettura Fiat 1100 ceduta dalla Regia Aeronautica alla Commissione Alleata di Controllo, venga sostituito con l'Aviere Scelto Gino PAOLIN, che precedentemente ha prestato servizio come autista di detta macchina ed ha dato buona prova.

Il provvedimento richiesto ha carattere di urgenza.

Ringraziando in anticipo

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R. L. VOLSTAD
1ST LT, CMP

TRANSPORTATION OFFICER

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29 January 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: 15th Army Air Force Group Ordnance Group

SUBJECT : Replacement Vehicles

1. The undermentioned vehicles were accepted for salvage on the dates shown:

1/4 ton C/R W20129180	-	28 December 1943
1/4 ton C/R W28316998	-	26 December 1943

2. The bearer of this memorandum will produce documents to this effect.

3. Replacement vehicles are urgently required for the work of this Commission, and it is requested they be immediately issued.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission;

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission



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AG 210.3

29 January 1944

Subject: Assignment of Officer

To: Direttore Generale della Motorizzazione, Ministero Guerra, Lecce

1. We have attached to the Allied Control Commissions Lieutenant Ventriglia, Antonio, who is in charge of the Italian personnel of the motor pool. Lieutenant Ventriglia's services have proved most valuable, and he has been most cooperative in every respect.

2. In view of the services Lieutenant Ventriglia is rendering, his permanent attachment to the Allied Control Commission is requested.

For the Deputy President, Allied Control Commission:

ROBERT E. DOE
Major, A.G.D.
Secretary of the Commission

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA

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- 1^a Divisione -

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P.M.107, li 29/1/1944.-

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OGGETTO: - Tenente VENTRIGLIA.-

AL PRESIDENTE DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO
e, per conoscenza: -
ALLO STATO MAGGIORE R.ESERCITO - Ufficio Servizi -
AL CAPO UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO PRESSO COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
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P.M.131

BRINDISI

Abbiamo ricevuto la Vostra lettera AG.210.3 del 29 u.s.-

Mentre Vi ringraziamo delle cortesi espressioni verso il Tenente Ventriglia, dobbiamo comunicarVi che lo Stato Maggiore del R.Esercito ha già presa la decisione di destinare a far servizio presso l'Autodirappello di questa Commissione il S.Ten.Motta che si è già presentato per assumere servizio.-

Il Tenente Ventriglia ha già avuto altra destinazione dalla quale non è possibile distoglierlo.-

P.IL SOTTOSCRITTO DI STATO

AL PRESIDENTE DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA DI CONTROLLO

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e, per conoscenza: -

AMLO STATO MAGGIOR R. ESERCITO - Ufficio Servizi -

AL CAPO UFFICIO COLLEGAMENTO PRESSO COMMISSIONE ALLEATA
DI CONTROLLO

P.M. 151

BRINDISI

Abbiamo ricevuto la Vostra lettera AG.210.3 del 29 u.s.-

Mentre Vi ringraziamo delle cortesi espressioni verso il Tenente Ventriglia, dobbiamo comunicarVi che lo Stato Maggiore del R.Esercito ha già presa la decisione di destinare a far servizio presso l'Altodrappello di codesta Commissione il S.Ten. Notta che si è già presentato per assumere servizio.-

Il Tenente Ventriglia ha già avuto altra destinazione dalla quale non è possibile distoglierlo.-

P. IL SOTTOSCRITTARIO DI STATO

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MINISTRY OF WAR
Division of Motor Transport

No. 572 of Prot., Sec. 1

P.M. 107, 29 January 1944

SUBJECT: Lieutenant Ventriglia

TO : The Deputy President, Allied Control Commission, APO 394;

For Reference: The Supreme Command, Italian Army, Service
Division, P.M. 151.
The Secretary, Allied Control Commission.

We have received your letter AG 210.3 of the twenty-ninth of the current month.

While we thank you for your kind commendation of Lt. Ventriglia, we must inform you that the High Command of the Royal Italian Army has already decided to detail for duty at the Motor Pool of the Control Commission Lt Motta, who has already reported to take up his duties.

Lt. Ventriglia has already been assigned to another post from which it is impossible to release him.

/s/ (Illegible)

For the Undersecretary of State

31 January 1944
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