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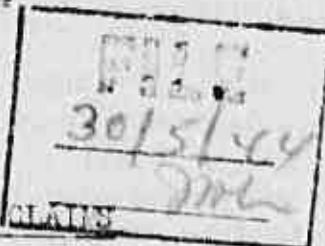
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UNITED STATES ARMY  
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ACCIDENTS AND CLAIMS

Investigation and Report of Accidents . . . . . I  
Injuries to or Death of Civilian Employees of the United States . . . . . II  
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Section II, AFHQ Circular Number 12, 1943, is being rescinded. NATOUSA Circulars Number 100; Number 140; Section II, Number 106; and Number 237, all 1943, and Number 19, 1944, are rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

I -- INVESTIGATION AND REPORT OF ACCIDENTS

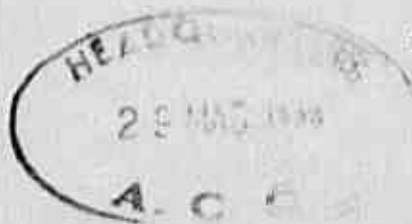
1. Scope of Circular. a. The provisions of this circular will be controlling with respect to the investigation of all accidents or incidents occurring within this theater and the processing thereof, any provisions in AR 25-20 or AR 25-90 to the contrary notwithstanding.

b. The reports of investigation required hereby will provide adequate basis for all official action properly required by the circumstances, including approval or disapproval of any resulting claim in favor of or against the Government, determination of any line-of-duty question involved, accomplishment of survey of losses or damages to government property, and initiation of appropriate disciplinary measures.

2. Investigations Required. a. An investigation of accidents or incidents will be made where:

- (1) A claim is made, or
- (2) Government property is damaged, lost or destroyed in cases where survey is required (see NATOUSA Circular Number 57, 1944, or
- (3) Private property is damaged, lost or destroyed, or
- (4) Injury or death results to any civilian, other than employee of the Government acting within the scope of his employment and covered by the United States Employees Compensation Act, or
- (5) Directed by competent authority, or
- (6) Death or injury results to military personnel when an investigation is required under AR 345-415 and AR 600-550, or
- (7) Government property is lost, damaged or destroyed or injury or death results to military personnel under circumstances which indicate the existence of a claim in excess of \$45 in favor of the Government under AR 25-220.

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b. Such investigations will be made by the personnel and in the manner hereinafter provided.

3. Responsibility for Investigations - The immediate responsibility for the investigation of an accident or incident resulting in personal injury, death or property damage rests upon the commanding officer of the detached company, battalion, regiment, post, camp or station, or higher echelon directly concerned with such accident or incident, provided that where two or more such units are concerned, the senior of the commanding officers involved will decide which will have immediate responsibility for the investigation to be made in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 6 of this circular.

4. Preliminary Report of Accident. a. In accidents or incidents involving motor vehicles, Standard Form No. 26 or 26A will be fully completed at the scene of the accident by the driver of the vehicle involved.

b. In accidents or incidents other than those mentioned in the preceding paragraph, the military personnel involved will immediately prepare and submit a report which will contain a brief account of the facts and circumstances surrounding the accident or incident and the names and addresses of all witnesses.

c. Reports of preliminary investigation will be submitted to the commanding officer referred to in paragraph 3, above, who will refer said preliminary report to his investigating officer hereinafter referred to in paragraph 5.

d. When the accident or incident occurs at some point distant from the command of the person involved, he will submit the form and reports referred to in subparagraphs a and b, above, to the nearest traffic control point or unit in the vicinity. The commanding officer of such control point or unit to which such reports are submitted will transmit the same to the commanding officer of the nearest base section who, upon receipt of such reports, will refer them to his investigating officer for the action required by paragraph 6, below.

5. Appointment of Investigating Officers. a. The commanding officer of each army, corps, division, base section, post, camp, station, regiment, battalion, detached company or similar unit will designate in orders an officer of his command as investigating officer for the purpose of conducting the investigation and performing the duties prescribed in paragraph 6, below. Wherever necessary, in the discretion of the commanding officer, additional investigating officers may be appointed.

b. The commanding officer will designate such officer in orders as the board of one officer in any case within the provisions of Article of War 106, and will likewise constitute the investigating officer as the board of officers or surveying officer required by Army Regulations for the investigation of any accident involving death, personal injury, or property loss or damage.

6. Duties of Investigating Officer. a. It shall be the duty of the investigating officer to investigate each accident or incident of a character mentioned in paragraph 2, above. His investigation will cover all phases of the accident or incident and its possible future bearing on the interests of

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the service, including possible claims for or against the Government, the line-of-duty status of injured service personnel, and the question whether the circumstances properly call for disciplinary action; but this investigation will not take the place of any general investigation of charges required under Article of War 70.

b. No assessment of the monetary value of any damage sustained by any civilian will be made and no statements as to, or offers of, payment in settlement of claims will be made nor will any discussion be entered into with any claimant as to the sum which such claimant would be willing to accept in settlement of his claim, except in cases where action under Article of War 105 is resorted to for settlement of a claim after consultation with the United States Claims Service as provided in subparagraph e of paragraph 7, below.

c. All investigations of the investigating officer shall be conducted in the manner and be of the scope and character provided by applicable provisions of paragraph 8, AR 25-20 and the regulations pertinent to the particular accident or incident being investigated (see paragraph 9, AR 25-20).

d. The reports of investigation of investigating officers will normally be made in triplicate but such additional copies will be prepared as may be required for any and all purposes for which such report may be used, including particularly those mentioned in subparagraph a, above.

7. Disposition of Reports of Investigation and Claims. a. (1) The investigating officer, upon the completion of his investigation, will submit his original report and the copies thereof to the commanding officer by whom he was appointed.

(2) The report of investigation will take the place of WD Form No. 39 referred to in AR 850-15.

b. Upon receipt of such report by the commanding officer, he will process the same in the following manner:

(1) In the event that such report discloses damage to, or loss or destruction of, property belonging to, or personal injury or death of, persons other than employees of the United States Government or members of the United States Armed Forces, the commanding officer will forward copies of the report and all exhibits thereto, without delay, direct to the nearest office of the United States Claims Service.

(a) In the case of incidents occurring in French Africa and Corsica, two copies of the report and all exhibits thereto will be so forwarded.

(b) In the case of incidents arising in Italian territory, one copy of the report and all exhibits thereto will be so forwarded.

(2) The following is a list of the offices operated by the United States Claims Service in French Africa and Corsica:

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| <u>CITY</u>          | <u>ADDRESS</u>                      | <u>TELEPHONE</u>                     |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| ALGIERS, Algeria     | 18 Blvd. Baudin                     | 337.53 - 336.60<br>Farmer 63-129-130 |
| CONSTANTINE, Algeria | 8 Blvd. Mercier                     | Constantine 3254                     |
| ORAN, Algeria        | 11 Blvd. Gallieni                   | Oran 20403                           |
| MOSTAGANEM, Algeria  | 6 Rue Thiraud                       | Mountain 133                         |
| TUNIS, Tunisia       | Hotel Claridge, Ave. Jules<br>Ferry | Tunis 7297-7298                      |
| FERRYVILLE, Tunisia  | Place Amiral Guepratte              | Ferryville 25                        |
| CASABLANCA, Morocco  | 25 Rue Gallieni                     | Beacon 106                           |
| AJACCIO, Corsica     | 2 Cour Napoleon                     | Miller 17                            |
| ASTIA, Corsica       | 24 Blvd. Paoli                      | Grassroot 43                         |

- (3) In the case of incidents arising in Italian Territory, the report and accompanying exhibits should be forwarded as follows:
- (a) If the incident occurred in Sardinia, to the United States Claims Service, Region V, APO 650.
  - (b) If the incident occurred in Sicily, to the United States Claims Service, Region IV, APO 550.
  - (c) If the incident occurred on the Italian mainland in the provinces of Bari, Matera, Taranto, Brindisi, Lecce, Cosenza, Catanzaro or Reggio Calabria, to the United States Claims Service, Region III, APO 540.
  - (d) If the incident occurred on the Italian mainland in the provinces of Comabbasso, Foggia or Potenza, to the United States Claims Service, Region II, APO 650.
  - (e) If the incident occurred on the Italian mainland in the provinces of Naples, Littorio, Frosinone, Benevento, Avellino or Salerno, to the United States Claims Service, Region I, APO 782.
- (4) In case of doubt, reports of incidents arising in French Africa and Corsica may be forwarded to the Deputy Chief Claims Officer, United States Claims Service, APO 534, and reports of incidents arising in Italian territory to the Deputy Chief Claims Officer, United States Claims Service, APO 782.
- (5) In the event a foreign inhabitant desires to file with the investigating officer a claim based upon alleged personal

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injury or property damage, the investigating officer may accept the same, provided it is in writing, setting forth identity of claimant, address and substance of the claim, and forward such claim with his report as provided above.

c. In the event that survey (NATOUSSA Circular Number 57, 1944), line-of-duty status (AR 345-415, AR 600-550), Article of War 105 (AR 25-20) or disciplinary action is involved he will retain the original and copies of the report (after complying with subparagraph b when that subparagraph is applicable) and take such disciplinary and administrative action as may be required by the regulations applicable in each of the above instances. Article of War 105 will not be resorted to until the commanding officer has been advised by the United States Claims Service that it has not taken jurisdiction of and adjusted the claim under AR 25-20, or comparable procedure.

d. In the event such report, in addition to its application to any of the instances mentioned in the above subparagraphs b and c discloses loss of or damage to property of military personnel (AR 25-100), he will retain one copy and forward the original and all remaining copies to the officer exercising general court-martial jurisdiction over the command. The latter will refer the report to his staff judge advocate, who will review the said report for legal sufficiency. After any corrective or supplemental action found necessary has been taken, the commanding officer exercising general court-martial jurisdiction over the command will approve or disapprove the report and forward the same, with the review of his staff judge advocate, to The Judge Advocate General, Washington 25, D. C.

e. In the event the investigation, in addition to any of the foregoing, discloses a claim in favor of the Government an original report and copies thereof required by AR 25-220 will be forwarded through channels to the Commanding General, NATOUSSA, for appropriate action.

## II -- INJURIES TO OR DEATH OF CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED STATES

### 1. Claims arising prior to 25 September 1943 in French North and West Africa and Corsica.

a. The Act of Congress of September 7, 1916, as amended, provides that the United States Employees' Compensation Commission shall pay compensation to employees of the United States at set rates for the disability or death of such an employee resulting from an accidental injury sustained while in the performance of duty. No compensation is payable if the injury or death is caused by the wilful misconduct or intoxication of the employee or by his intention to injure himself or another.

b. The Act provides the following principal benefits:

- (1) Compensation for injury resulting in temporary disability: two-thirds of the employee's wages for disability beyond the first three days. No compensation is payable for the first three days of such disability.
- (2) Compensation for disability partially disabling the employee for the rest of his life: two-thirds of the loss of earning power due to such injury for the period of his disability.

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(3) Compensation for total and permanent disability: two-thirds of the employee's wages for the period of his disability.

(4) Death: Varying percentages of the employee's wages are paid to his dependents, and his burial expenses are paid.

c. Lump sum settlements will be made of all claims for death, permanent total and permanent partial disability.

d. Claims for temporary disability will be settled, whenever practicable, by a single payment based on a claim submitted after the employee's return to work or after he has been medically determined able to return to work. In cases of prolonged temporary disability the payment of compensation will be made at six-week intervals.

e. After an initial or emergency treatment by Army physicians at the job site, further medical treatment will be rendered, as heretofore, by the nearest available French hospital. Bills for hospitalization and/or medical care will be presented by the hospital and/or doctor to the Representative of the Compensation Commission who will approve the voucher and present it to the appropriate Army finance officer for payment. Such expenditures will be handled in accordance with existing instructions to Disbursing Officers as published in Section XVI, Finance Circular Letter Number 1, 1944 series.

f. All payments of compensation will be made by the Army finance officers, after prior approval thereof by a representative of the Compensation Commission. Such expenditures will be handled in accordance with existing instructions to Disbursing Officers as published in Section XVI, Finance Circular Letter Number 1, 1944 series.

g. Preliminary reports of injury giving a brief statement of the facts and circumstances surrounding the injury, the names of witnesses and disposition of the injured employee will be made by his immediate superior on the third day following the day on which the injury occurred, if at that time the injured employee has not returned to work because of the injuries sustained, and submitted as follows:

- (1) In all instances affecting employees of ground forces, to the Base Purchasing Agent of the base section wherein the injury occurred.
- (2) In all instances affecting employees of air forces, to the Representative of the United States Employees' Compensation Commission, Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters, NATOUSSA, APO 834, United States Army, who will prepare the forms provided in subparagraph i hereof.

h. Preliminary reports of the death of an employee, giving the data required in subparagraph g, above, will be made immediately by the immediate superior of the deceased employee in the same manner provided in subparagraph g, above.

i. For the time being, upon receipt of preliminary reports of injury or death, the Base Purchasing Agent will complete or cause to be completed in duplicate the following Compensation Commission Forms:

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(1) In case of injury:

Form CA-1 (Employee's Notice of Injury)  
Form CA-2 (Employer's Report of Injury)

(2) In case of death:

Form CA-2 (Employer's Report of Injury)  
Form CA-3 (Notice of Death)

(3) In case of return or failure of employee to return to work within six weeks:

Form CA-4 (Employee's Claim for Compensation)

j. The forms required in 1 above, will, when properly completed in duplicate by Base Purchasing Agents, be sent to the Representative of the United States Employees' Compensation Commission, Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters, NATOUSA, APO 534, U. S. Army, for appropriate disposition.

k. The Base Purchasing Agent and the immediate superior of air force employees will at all times render assistance to the Representative of the Employees' Compensation Commission to enable him to obtain the information necessary to complete the forms referred to and to complete finally the processing of each case.

l. The Representative of the Employees' Compensation Commission will be responsible for furnishing all necessary forms and special instructions to the Base Purchasing Agents.

m. The Act of Congress of December 2, 1942, provides for the payment of compensation for injuries or death to civilian employees of the United States due to war risk hazards. Under such law compensation is payable for the injury, death, or detention of an employee. A "war risk hazard", as defined in this law, includes the discharge of any missile by the enemy, action of the enemy, the discharge of munitions used in the war effort, the collisions of vessels in convoy, and the operation of vessels or aircraft engaged in war activities.

n. The provisions of this law do not apply to any person whose residence is at or near the place of his employment and who is not living there solely by virtue of the exigencies of his employment, unless his injury or death resulting from injury occurs, or his detention begins, while in the course of his employment.

o. In the case of American employees coming to North Africa to engage in war work, the Act of December 2, 1942, applies regardless of whether the injury is sustained, or the detention begins, while the employee is in the performance of duty. Any cases believed to come under this law should be immediately reported to the Commission's Representative in letter form and further instructions will be given with respect to the handling of the same.

2. Claims of civilian employees in French North and West Africa and Corsica until 15 September 1943. Until further notice the reports required by paragraph 1, Section II, above will be submitted direct

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to the Representative of the United States Employees' Compensation Commission,  
Judge Advocate Section, Headquarters, NATOUSSA, APO 534, U. S. Army.

3. Claims of civilian employees in Italian territory. a. In the event of a civilian employed locally by the United States forces in Italy, Sicily, or Sardinia sustaining death, injury or illness arising out of and in the course of such employment, the commanding officer of the employing unit will:

- (1) Cease paying his salary or wages as from the date he stops work.
- (2) Give him, or his dependents, a certificate of injury in the form set out in subparagraph c, below.
- (3) Advise him, or his dependents, to apply to the local office of the Istituto per l'Assicurazione Contro Gli Infortuni sul Lavoro, for such medical attention and/or compensation as he or his dependents are entitled to receive. The address of the local office of the Istituto and of the doctors employed by them can be ascertained from the Major (Podesta).

b. No compensation or medical attention (other than first-aid treatment) should be given, as the above Istituto is organized to deal with them. It has an office in all towns of sufficient importance and will arrange to have the injured person collected by ambulance on being so requested.

c. The certificate of injury referred to in subparagraph a, above will be in the following form. It will be made in quadruplicate and signed by the commanding officer of the employing unit. The first copy, on which neither his rank nor his unit will be shown, will be given to the injured person or his dependents, to be handed to the Istituto. The second copy, on which the rank, unit and its location will be added, will be sent to the appropriate regional office of the United States Claims Service (see paragraph 7b, Section I, this circular). The third copy, similarly completed, will be sent to the headquarters of the base section in which the employing unit is located. The fourth copy will be kept for unit records.

CERTIFICATE OF INJURY

1. I certify that Signor \_\_\_\_\_  
 of \_\_\_\_\_ (address) born on \_\_\_\_\_ (date)  
 the son of \_\_\_\_\_ (father's name), and of \_\_\_\_\_ (mother's name)  
 was killed/incapacitated at \_\_\_\_\_ hours on \_\_\_\_\_ (date)  
 at \_\_\_\_\_ (exact location of the accident)  
 in an accident arising out of and in the course of  
 his employment with the United States Forces as \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (exact nature of employment)

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2. The accident occurred in the following circumstances:  
(Give short particulars and state whether the accident was attributable to any wilful or negligent act of the employee).
3. His daily earnings for each of the fifteen days immediately prior to the accident were as follows:

| Day | Date | Gross Earnings<br>(including<br>overtime) | Day | Date | Gross Earnings<br>(including<br>overtime) | Day | Date | Gross Earnings<br>(including<br>overtime) |
|-----|------|-------------------------------------------|-----|------|-------------------------------------------|-----|------|-------------------------------------------|
| 1   |      |                                           | 6   |      |                                           | 11  |      |                                           |
| 2   |      |                                           | 7   |      |                                           | 12  |      |                                           |
| 3   |      |                                           | 8   |      |                                           | 13  |      |                                           |
| 4   |      |                                           | 9   |      |                                           | 14  |      |                                           |
| 5   |      |                                           | 10  |      |                                           | 15  |      |                                           |

Signature of the Commanding Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Name in block letters \_\_\_\_\_

Serial Number \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

4. The Offices of the Istituto have been instructed that should they require any further information or assistance, they should communicate with the Joint Claims Committee. Units should communicate with the United States Claims Service, APC 782.

III - UNITED STATES CLAIMS SERVICE

1. Establishment under operational control of Chief Claims Officer
- a. (1) The administration of claims shall, subject to the directions of this Headquarters, be under operational and technical control of the Theater Judge Advocate who shall be the Chief Claims Officer.
- (2) The administration of claims in French Africa and Corsica shall, subject to the supervision of the Chief Claims Officer, be under the operational and technical control of a Deputy Chief

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Claims Officer. The administration of claims in Italian territory shall, subject to the supervision of the Chief Claims Officer, be under the operational and technical control of a Deputy Chief Claims Officer.

b. In order that a uniformly descriptive term may be employed which is easily recognized by local inhabitants and at the same time distinguished from like services of other forces, the administration of claims shall be conducted under the name of "United States Claims Service".

c. Personnel assigned or attached to the United States Claims Service are, effective on the date of such assignment or attachment, attached to the headquarters of the base section in which they operate for issuance of all necessary travel orders within the base section as may be requested by the Deputy Chief Claims Officer, rations and messing, suitable billets and office space, and supplies. When travel orders for travel outside the base sections or travel between base sections are necessary, request for such orders will be made to this headquarters.

d. Motor vehicles necessary for the proper conduct of the United States Claims Service will be procured by the Deputy Chief Claims Officer in accordance with existing procedures.

e. Deputy Chief Claims Officers are authorized to requisition from the respective base sections stationery, office supplies, equipment and services necessary to the efficient operation of the claims service in the territorial area of the respective base sections. When branch offices of the United States Claims Service are established in an area outside of any base section, such requisitions may be made upon the nearest United States installation of issue in that area.

2. Functioning in French Africa and Corsica

a. The settlement of claims on account of damage to or loss or destruction of public property, both real and personal, or on account of damage to or loss or destruction of private property, both real or personal, or personal injury or death of inhabitants of French Africa or Corsica, except as provided in paragraph 4 below, when such damage, loss, destruction or injury is caused by Army forces, or individual members thereof, or otherwise incident to non-combat activities of such forces, will be considered, determined, adjusted and paid in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved 2 January 1942, as amended by the Act of Congress approved 22 April 1943, and AR 25-90.

b. The Claims Commission heretofore appointed by the Secretary of War to adjust claims under the above acts of Congress and Army Regulations will continue to function under this directive as a part of the United States Claims Service.

3. Functioning in Italian territory.

a. Claims will not be considered or paid under the Act of Congress approved 2 January 1942, as amended by the Act of 22 April 1943, but shall be investigated, processed, approved and delivered to the Italian authorities as hereinafter provided.

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b. The United States Claims Service in Italian territory will, except as provided in paragraph 4 below, investigate, consider, determine and adjust claims of the same kind and nature as would be considered, determined, adjusted and paid under the Act of 2 January 1942, as amended, if such Act were applied in Italian territory.

c. The United States Claims Service in Italian territory will comprise a Deputy Chief Claims Officer, a legal review board of not to exceed three officers who shall be detailed for duty in the Office of the Deputy Chief Claims Officer; and such field investigators, clerks, interpreters and other personnel as may be duly assigned thereto or employed for duty with said service.

d. Copies of reports of investigations made pursuant to this circular by unit investigating officers will be forwarded to the most convenient office of the United States Claims Service by the units concerned. Investigating officers assigned to the claims service, upon completion of their reports of investigation, will transmit them to the Office of the Deputy Chief Claims Officer. No claim will be approved by the Deputy Chief Claims Officer until such claim has been examined by the legal review board in his office.

e. The Deputy Chief Claims Officer in charge of the United States Claims Service in Italian territory is authorized to approve for payment any claim in an amount not in excess of \$500.00.

f. The Chief Claims Officer, United States Claims Service, is authorized to approve for payment any claim in an amount not in excess of \$2,500.00.

g. Any claim in an amount in excess of \$2,500.00 must be approved by the Theater Commander.

h. When any claim is properly approved by the Deputy Chief Claims Officer, he shall pass the claim to the representative of the Italian Government designated by the Minister of Finance, who shall acknowledge receipt of the approved claim. By arrangement with the Minister of Finance, the accounting office of the Italian Treasury will notify the claimant of the award and will furnish the claimant an order on the Treasury in the amount of the award. Upon presentation of his order to a Treasury cashier, the claimant will receive the amount of the award upon condition that he sign a release by which he releases the United States and its officers and representatives from any further claim growing out of the incident. The Italian paying officer will transmit this release to the office of the Deputy Chief Claims Officer for file with the retained papers.

i. Any claim approved by the Chief Claims Officer or the Theater Commander will be returned to the Deputy Chief Claims Officer to be passed to the Italian authorities as set forth above.

4. Procurement Matters. Due to the terms of the armistice and to arrangements made with the Italian authorities and French authorities, claims on account of the authorized use of real estate, claims on account of damage occasioned by or attributable to such use, claims on account of the authorized use of movable property and claims on account of the authorized procurement of supplies, equipment, facilities and services of all kinds will not be investigated or considered for adjustment by the United States Claims Service. They will be handled as pre-

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urement matters by existing procurement agencies in accordance with existing procurement directives. Claims on account of unauthorized use or procurement as mentioned above; on account of trespass or on account of criminal acts committed by United States Forces will be fully investigated by the United States Claims Service. If final investigation reveals that these claims should be handled under reciprocal aid then the United States Claims Service will turn over all papers in connection therewith to the procurement agency for final processing.

5. Submission of Claims. Claims will not be solicited, but a civilian who, either directly or through the police or other local authorities, requests information concerning the submission of a claim should be referred to the nearest officer of the United States Claims Service or informed that he may submit his claim in writing to the commanding officer of any United States Army unit. A commanding officer who receives a claim should transmit it without delay to the nearest officer of the United States Claims Service for further action.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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Chief of Staff.DISTRIBUTION:

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APO 394



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File: 537.5

23 April 1944

SUBJECT: Traffic Accident Preventive Program.

TO : All Units, this Regiment.

1. Your attention is invited to PBS letter, AG 010.8 BPSPM, subject: Traffic Accident Preventive Program, dated 14 April 1944, and particularly paragraph 3, thereof which is quoted below:

"3. To enable this Headquarters to gauge the effectiveness of this traffic accident preventive program it is desired that an information copy of Standard Form #26, Driver's Report--Accident Motor Transportation, be forwarded to this Headquarters (Attn: Provost Marshal) within 24-hours after occurrence of an accident, and to be submitted for all accidents where a preliminary estimate reveals damages in excess of \$25.00 to the Government vehicle or where military or civilian personnel have sustained personal injury. Military Police have been instructed to report all accidents witnessed by them to the Provost Marshal, P.B.S., and a check will be maintained to determine compliance with provisions of this letter."

By order of Colonel PARKIN:

*Morris K. Goldstein*  
MORRIS K. GOLDSTEIN  
1st Lt., Infantry  
Adjutant

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SUBJECT: Report of Board of Investigation.

TO : CC, 2675th Regiment, ACC, APO 394.

1. The accompanying copies of the accident report of the Board of Investigation on Privates John I. Fetti and Edward McFadden are forwarded in triplicate. The fourth copy has been retained at this Hq and the fifth has been sent to the Signal Service Regiment whose truck was involved in the accident.

2. Difficulties in obtaining photographic reprints of scene of the accident and photostatic copy, exhibit "F", as well as transfers of enlisted men involved contributed to excessive delay in forwarding complete report of this accident. Papers were brought by me from Brindisi and have been my responsibility rather than that of Salerno Hq.

ROGER B. DERRY  
1st Lt. A.C.C.  
Adjutant

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*all papers concerning this  
accident can be found in  
folder 537.5 - (Brindisi File)  
(old file)*

*537.5. with Brindisi*

Ruggieri Gianolo

Reolavice Motte-

Russo Giuseppe-

Bernardi Francesco

Zanini Renato-

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