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APPOINTMENTS OF OFFICERS, NO
SUITABLE EMPLOYMENT, LT COL C. E.
LYNCH-BLOSSE
SEPT. 1943

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

13 September 1943.

SUBJECT: Lt. Col. C. E. Lynch-Blosse.

TO : Joint Assistant Chiefs of Staff ACC.

Reference your ACA/1074/1/1 dated 10 September. The attached is copy of a letter addressed to DMS, AFHQ concerning the above officer. As the matter will have to be referred to the War Office, the DMS has ruled that in the meantime Lt. Col. Lynch-Blosse must be regarded as available for employment in AMG here or in Italy until a decision has been taken.

A. T. Maxwell

A. T. MAXWELL
Colonel
Deputy Chief.

1 Incl.
As above.

*Above read to Lt. Col
Lynch-Blosse 16.9.43.
Read Col.*

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*This officer has now been transferred
to Reg. 9, & MGS requested to Cable War
Office about. 4A. ROR 11¹⁰*

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MEMORANDUM TO : Deputy Military Secretary
SUBJECT : Lt. Col. C. E. Lynch-Blosse (A 287964)

1. An application dated 9 September 43 from the above named officer for release from AMG is forwarded herewith in duplicate and is strongly recommended.

2. Lt. Col. Lynch-Blosse has not been found satisfactory in his present appointment as a Civil Affairs Police Officer, and is not likely to become so in view of his present attitude which is amply evident from his own application.

3. It is therefore requested that Lt. Col. Lynch-Blosse be relieved of his present appointment and that he return to the U.K.

A. T. MAXWELL
Colonel
Deputy Chief, M.G.S.

1. Incl. Application from Lt. Col. C.E. Lynch-Blosse (Sept. 9) (duplicate)

Copy to Region 7

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PLANNING STAFF, A.C.A.

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ACA/1074/1/1.

10th Sept. 1943.

M. G. Sect.,
A.P.H.Q.

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Lt.-Col. C.E. Lynch-Blosse (No. A 257884).

An application dated 9.9.43 from the above-named Officer for release from A.M.G. is forwarded herewith in triplicate, together with a letter dated 9th Sept. 1943 from Col. A.E. Young, Director of Public Safety, A.C.A., for such action as you may deem appropriate.

Col. Young's observations are concurred in, and we recommend that Lt.-Col. Lynch-Blosse's application be approved. From our personal knowledge and observation of this Officer, we consider that he is unlikely to be content with any appointment he may receive in A.C.A. or A.M.G., and that such a frame of mind must adversely affect his work.

RM Colonel,
R.D. RATHBONE.
Hep Lieut.-Colonel,
H. PARKMAN.
Joint Assistant Chiefs of Staff,
A.C.A.

Original handed personally to Lt-Col Laid Dohynph,
MGS AFHQ.

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PUBLIC SAFETY DIVISION,

REGION 7.

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9th September, 1943.

To: Chief of Staff, A.C.A.

From: Colonel Young.

SUBJECT: Application from Lt.-Col. Lynch-Blosse.

I have read the attached application by Lt.-Col. Lynch-Blosse for transfer from this theatre of operations. Earlier today he himself showed me a copy.

During the time he has been at this Centre, his assignment has been changed at his request on three occasions, and I am of the opinion that his present state of mind prevents him settling down to work.

He believes that his experience as a Police Officer and the status of his position as Chief Constable of Leicestershire justifies his holding higher rank than that which has been granted to him, and I know that he resents the fact that other Police Officers have been given a status higher than his own.

Under the circumstances I advise his release from this theatre. I am, however, doubtful of the wisdom of his re-employment in a similar capacity elsewhere.

(Signed) A.E. Young, Col.

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To: The Chief of Staff, A.C.A.

From: Lt.-Col. C.E. Lynch-Blosse.

Sir,

In view of the changed conditions due to the Italian Armistice, I have the honour to request that I may be considered for transfer back to the Home Establishment. My reasons for this are roughly as follows:-

- (1) I was originally cast for duty in France, and I am anxious to have the opportunity to take up such duty before I am definitely assigned to other duties. Whereas I have a good knowledge of France, I have none of Italy.
- (2) I am doubtful of my physical ability to stand up to winter conditions in places such as the Balkans or Greece, to which I suppose we may be assigned, due to my age (53 years) and a winter condition of chronic bronchitis.
- (3) The Chairman of my Police Committee has a letter from Sir Herbert Morrison to the effect that Senior Chief Constables will not be indefinitely retained on Armistice duties except in exceptional cases.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

(Signed) C.E. LYNCH-BLOSSE, Lt.-Col.

9.9.43

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