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GENERAL ORGANIZATION
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5 Oct. AC of S to Sec 1A.

6 Oct - Rec'd by phone from St Cal Parlanan, who was author of 6B, "practically all of 6B can be disregarded."
 6B refers only to a means of setting up an administrative unit which will include all off-st men in MG and later AC.

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CIRC See 7-6 7J (inc)
 Req: 4 ✓ R.M. 6 PM
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Admission stopped by Col Beckton.
 apparent arrangements being made.

6B

5 October 1943

OBJECTIVES

1. Divide AMG into two parts, main AMG to continue until Allied Commission can be set up in Rome; small AMG to be made into a company with three parts, one to stay with 15th Army Group, and one each with Fifth and Eighth Armies.
2. Do not use term "Allied Commission" at this time.
3. Abolish all activated units except Hq. and Hq. Company, AMGOT Fifteenth Army Group (U. S. Contingent). Convert the latter into a Regiment.
4. Take the Regiment out from under control of Commanding General, Fifteenth Army Group, and put it under the Military Governor, eliminating the Headquarters Command from chain of command.
5. Take the areas of Sicily, Calabria, Lucania, and the province of Foggia from the jurisdiction of C.C. Fifteenth Army Group and place them under the Military Governor (later the Deputy President)

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5 October 1943

STEPS TO BE TAKEN

1. Revoke AG 322/164A-0, 30 September 1943
To Commanding General, 15th Army Group.
2. Revoke AG 322/164A-0, 30 September 1943
To C.G., Hq. Command, Allied Force. 5010
3. Letter order to C.G., 15th Army Group-
 - a. Redesignating Hq. and Hq. Co. AMGOT, 15th Army Group, U. S. contingent as 2675th Regiment, AMGOT (U. S. contingent) with full allotment of grades and ratings.
 - b. Providing for sub-allotment as now.
 - c. Providing for redesignation by C.O. of regiment of
 - (1) 2672nd Hq. Co., S.M.G. (Prov.)
 - (2) School for Military Government, Allied Force (Prov.).
 - d. Authority to C.O. of Regiment to publish travel orders, as approved by the Military Governor.
(Note: at a later date the deputy President of the Commission)
 - e. Internal administration and operational control are authorized as directed by the Commanding Officer 2675th Regiment, subject to the approval of the Military Governor.
 - f. Transferring the Regiment from 15th Army Group command to?
(Gen. Sawbridge to be consulted as to whether necessary that the regiment hook on to any existing unit. Assignment to Hq. Command is not desired. Direct communication etc., is necessary.)
4. Letter order to C.O. Hq. Command, directing
 - a. Dissolution of 2672nd Hq. Co. S.M.G. (Prov.)?
 - b. Dissolution of 2675th Hq. Co. S.M.G. (Prov.)?
 - c. Dissolution School for Military Govt., Allied Force.
 - d. Transferring personnel and equipment to 2675th Regiment, AMGOT (U. S. Contingent).
 - e. Providing for necessary reports, rosters, entries in morning reports, etc.
By General Holmes (for AGO issuance)
5. Order removing Sicily, Calabria, Lucania and province of Foggia from jurisdiction of 15th Army Group, and placing these areas under the Military Government, i.e. Eisenhower, (big AMGOT)
6. Designation of a Chief Civil Affairs Officer for big AMGOT. (i.e., Gen. McSherry)
7. AFHQ order attaching Company X (little AMGOT) to 15th Army Group. (Palermo to prepare T/O and names) (Designation of Gen. Rennell as C.C.A.O. by Alexander?)

Separate
order re-
quired?

8. AGO order transferring by name Sardinia, AMGOT, Tizi, Region IV contingents into regiment.
By General McSherry as C. O. Regiment → *see Par 6 and 3 d*
9. Order attaching Region III people to little AMGOT.
10. General McSherry to compile TO/WES for AMGOT Hq. and Hqrs. Company - Region I and Region II. *+ little AMGOT.*
For C. O. Regiment 5009
11. Form and then detach Co. X as "little AMC" assigning it to command of Commanding General, Fifteenth Army Group.
12. Organize a Headquarters Company.
13. Reconstitute School for Military Government.
14. Incorporate all personnel in the Regiment.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

5 October 1943. /thh

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SUBJECT: Allied Commission.

TO : J.A.C.S.

FROM : J.W.C.S.

1. We are to draft out establishments and directives for:-

Military Section - Headquarters and sub-commissions for P/W, war material factories, war material disposal.

Political Section as a whole, leaving the exact number of political officers (civilians) blank, but working on about twelve such political officers.

2. We are going into their functions further, in conjunction with branches of A.F.H.Q. and will let you know in due course.

E. Gueterbock

E. GUETERBOCK,
Brigadier,
Mil. Gov. Sec.

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5 OCTOBER 1943
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TO JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

MAXWELL AND JACKLING ETA YOURS ABOUT 1515 HOURS 5 OCTOBER.
GRATEFUL IF SHORT CONFERENCE CAN BE ARRANGED COMPLETE ANG ORGANISATION
ARRANGEMENTS FOR ANG PLANNING AND MOUNTING.

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TO: FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP

TO: FILPOT FOR AMG

PRIORITY

NO: 6896

SIGNED: EISENHOWER CITE FHMG

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For your information paraphrase of our reference number 3144 is sent in connection with planned future operations our plans regarding Military Government are: We are organizing a unit from personnel now in SICILY to go with the BAYTOWN operation and as region two is captured take control. From personnel in the theater and that coming from WASHINGTON and LONDON we are organizing a second team to handle region three in connection with operation AVALANCHE. Since these operations will be under command of 15 ARMY GROUP, Allied Military Government for regions three and two respectively will be under control of present AMGOT organization.

As quickly as conditions permit, SICILY will be organized into region 1 and AMGOT Headquarters will move to mainland, probably near NAPLES. Therefore authority is requested from Combined Chiefs of Staff to extend jurisdiction of AMGOT to include any ITALIAN territory captured. Military Governor of all territory taken to be Commanding General, 15 ARMY GROUP. Authority now requested would not include supervision of National Government in ROME by present AMGOT organization, as it is presumed that the Combined Chiefs of Staff will issue a directive in this respect at the appropriate time. Notification should be made of any change in existing general directive covering political, economic and financial matters. End paraphrase.

This information is background for message of 27 August informing you of extension of existing HUSKY general directive for time being.

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Brig. Gen. H. JAMES
Colonel MAXWELL
Major JACKMAN

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TO: (ACTION) AGWAR FOR COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF
USFOR FOR BRITISH CHIEFS OF STAFF

REF NO: W-5194

REF NO: 2132

SUBJECT: EISENHOWER, CITE FMGS NAF 295

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The strategic concept contained in NAF 250 of 30th June having been accepted for planning purposes (reference your FAW 165 of 17th July), it is requested that the following appreciation and recommendations concerning military government be likewise accepted for planning purposes:

Para 1. The UNITED STATES and British Governments prescribed 2 objectives for operation HUSKY which would also apply to post HUSKY,

(A) The military objective of eliminating ITALY from the war, ie, destroying and rendering ineffective the Italian Land, Sea and Air Forces wherever they may be;

(B) The political objective of delivering the Italian people from the Fascist regime which led them into the war and of restoring ITALY as a free nation.

Para 2. My 5973 NAF 250 establishes a post HUSKY plan towards carrying out the military objective by occupying the Italian peninsula up to and including ROME. In the course of this operation we shall be faced by 2 main possibilities. Either we shall have to fight all the way to ROME or at some point there may be an Italian surrender or collapse. No one can tell which of these will take place, but we consider that the first possibility must be plainly envisaged.

Para 3. Our reason for this is that in our appreciation the Fascist party backed by the Germans will do its utmost to keep ITALY in the war. So far as we know the control of the party, supported by the presence of German forces and the Gestapo, has not yet been materially weakened. Therefore, if we achieve our plan for occupation

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of all ITALY from ROME South, we should be prepared to find that there are still substantial Italian forces supported by Germans to the North, and that the government has moved to a Northern city. In these circumstances the Italian administrative machinery from ROME South will have largely disintegrated.

I, therefore, recommend that as soon as possible plans should be completed here for the preparation of an Allied Military Government for occupied territory up to ROME inclusive and for SARDINIA, and that these plans be developed so as to:

- (A) Be capable of expansion from SICILY Northward on a regional basis as our advance proceeds towards ROME;
- (B) Allow for supervision over what may remain of the central Italian administrative machine at ROME;
- (C) Create a reserve of personnel against the need of advancing beyond ROME.

Para 4. While these provisions should be made for the foregoing contingency, we should nevertheless be prepared for the other possibility, i.e., that at some point the Italian will to resist snaps. In such an event, there are 2 possibilities;

Para A. There will be no Italian military or civilian group willing or able to assume the responsibility for administration under Allied control. Should this occur, we shall have to follow the same plan of establishing AMGOT as would have been the case if an Italian government had continued resistance North of ROME;

Para B. Central administrative authority or government will emerge or can be established which can, if properly handled, bring the important military advantage of reducing to the minimum the number of troops necessary for garrison purposes, thereby releasing the maximum number of fighting units for further combat purposes. The number of trained personnel necessary for military government could likewise be reduced.

I, therefore, recommend that I should be free in the light of developments in the situation to judge whether important military advantages could be gained by dealing with military or civilian groups or with members of the Royal Family, it being understood that no authority which maintains the character of the Fascist Party or any

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succession thereto, or which includes outstanding Fascist leaders would be made use of. To meet this contingency, plans for the staffing of a commission of control over an Italian Government must also be worked out here so as to be available in case of need.

Para 5. While in our view military considerations should remain predominant, nevertheless it may prove possible to advance the attainment of the second basic objective of restoring ITALY as a free nation should the course outlined in 4B become practicable. In addition, so long as a military government continues our responsibility for the well being of the Italian population under our control is immediate and direct. From the political point of view I assume that whereas only GREAT BRITAIN and the UNITED STATES are involved as long as we employ military government, should it be decided that relations could be established with some form of Italian central authority, the attitude and desires of other United Nations, notably the Soviet Union, may have to be considered. 5001

Para 6. Whatever course of action is determined, our experience in the North African campaign has demonstrated the prime necessity of giving immediate guidance to the press and public in order to prevent unfounded or ignorant criticism which can diminish or even sabotage the achievement of the 2 basic objectives stated in paragraph 1. For this reason, I recommend that these 2 purposes and their possible consequences be explained as soon as possible and kept constantly before the public and that Allied propaganda should be organized to this end at once.

Para 7. Because of the time factor, a separate telegram is being sent requesting personnel to implement these plans in anticipation of your approval.

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Para 8. Summary.

It is recommended:

(A) That plans should be completed for the preparation of AMGOT up to ROME inclusive, and for SARDINIA as paragraph 3 above;

(B) That the Allied Commander in Chief should be granted latitude within the limits proposed in paragraph 4 to deal with military or civilian groups in ITALY, and that plans for the staffing of a commission of control should be worked out as there indicated;

(C) That adequate propaganda provisions be made as outlined in paragraph 6.

ORIGINATOR: MIL GOVT SEC

AUTHENTICATION: J C HOLMES, BRIG GEN

INFORMATION: SGS

MR. MURPHY

MR. McMILLAN

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ALLOTMENTS WILL BE NECESSARY FOR ALL THIS PERSONNEL.

