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MESSAGE FORM

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GR.Serial No.
Office Date Stamp

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TO MILITARY GOVERNMENT SCHOOL AND HOLDING CENTRE, HNAF.

FROM MFO SIRACUSE.

Originator's Number
SY/BA/685Date
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In Reply to Number

REPEATING	SY/BA/685	OF	14th	(.)	SIGNAL
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CHARGE	(.)	AT	PRESENT	UNABLE	TO
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This Message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means
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This Message must be sent IN
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or to fall into enemy handsOriginator's Instructions
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Time of Origin

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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TO

CAMP COMMANDANT MIL GOV SCHOOL HOLDING CENTRE

FROM

MFO SIRACUSE

Originator's Number

SYIRAC/855

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In Reply to Number

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69555 Wt. 10598/864 750,000 Pads 6/42 Wt 51-4880

Subject :- Baggage - Officers.

ASC/39/1 *f.c.*

Camp Commandant,

A request has been received from CAPT. J.N. BOWES (B) No. 189501 for the tin trunk left with you on 11 Jan 44, to be forwarded to the u/m address:

Captain J.N. Bowes, No. 189501,
Refugee & Displaced Persons Division,
Allied Control Commission, C.M.F.

Please dispatch immediately and report to this office that this has been done.

Field.

15 Feb 44.

R. H. Robertson Lt.-Col.,
R. H. ROBERTSON,
Commandant,
M. G. S. & H. C.

Camp Command
M.G.S.

Capt D. Shaw Kennedy
Allied Control Commission
15 Army Group

13 Dec 43
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C.M.F.

file

1. Will you kindly confirm to me at the above address (which must be used in full to prevent confusion with Army Catering Corps) that you have dispatched for me, as arranged verbally with you 30 Nov 43:-

- 1 Valise
- 1 Black tin box
- 1 Black tin hat-box
- 1 Brown suit-case

to U.K. via M.F.O. Algers, & forward copy of M.F.O.'s receipt.

2. Will you please also send to me here a copy of Major Jui's report on the loss of my uniform etc. by pilferage

between MEF & myself at M.G.S.
which I reported to you in Nov 43,
when I was with 8 Region.

D. Shaw Kennedy

Capt.

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Military Government School & H.
att. A.F.H.Q.

To. Lt Col Orpwood.

From. Camp Commandant.

Reference your letter of the 11/1/44 we sent to an address
supplied by the Postal Section

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

1 Sheet.

This was despatched on 2nd Jan 44.

Upon making further enquiries from Batman Pte McInnis we
find that there is no other laundry for you so we take it that the
sheet is what you were enquiring for.

Field.

24th Jan 44.

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Capt.
A. F. SEARLE.
Camp Commandant.
M. G. S. & H. C.

11/1/44

Lt. Col. H. Howard.

A.M.S. L.O.

Hq. No. 2 District.

C.M.F.

Dear Searle,

I left behind a very small amount of
 washing which should have been delivered to you. Could you
 send it on, please, to the above address, and also my
 post as and when it turns up? Was lucky enough
 to get a plane straight off the airport attempt - almost
 a record I believe - but have been hanging about since
 arrival waiting, although things look more hopeful now.
 Hope the school flourishes; I've not heard "all
 boys" around, & we occasionally spend a very half-
 hour or so hearing it to bits! It's L - all here,
 and as for, it was comic stories. Please remember me
 to anyone left. for truly,
 H. Howard

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Kit belonging to Lieut Vella.

1 Bedding Roll. Containing.

6 Blankets.
 1 Pillow.
 2 Mattress Covers.
 1 Towel.
 1 Woolen Vest.
 1 Shirt.
 1 pr Socks.
 1 Water bottle.
 1 pr Gaiters.
 1 Rain-Coat.
 1 Battle Dress jacket.
 " " trousers.
 1 Cotton Shirt
 1 Jar Sweets.
 1 under pants.
 1 Bottle. Whiskey.
 3 Ties.
 1 Clothes Brush.
 1 Housewife.
 1 Tube Tooth Paste.
 1 Knife, fork spoon.
 1 Hair Brush.
 1 Leather Brush. Belt.
 1 pr Cotton Socks.
 1 pipe.
 1 Tin Tobacco.
 1 Tin Blacking.
 2 pencils.
 1 pen knife (green)
 1 spearmint.
 1 Sun Glasses
 1 Wire brush.
 1 Bottle ink.
 1 packet Cartridges.

1 Shaving Stick case.
 1 Gas Cape.

Contents of Kit Bag.

1 Canvas Wash Bowl.
 1 " Bucket.
 1 " Bath.
 1 Chair.
 1 Camp Bed.
 1 Steel Helmet.

Valise and Contents.

1 Field Dressing.
 1 mess tin.
 1 Tin Brown polish.
 1 Brush.
 2 sets Valise Straps.
 1&R Support Straps.
 1&R Shoulder Straps.
 1 pr Brown Boots with laces.
 1 " Black. " " "
 1 Brown Shoes.

Received from Camp Commandant's office,

.....
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Subject. Officers Ki'

To. Capt Shaw-Kennedy.

Herewith receipt from the M.F.O. in connection with your kit which has been forwarded to them for despatch to the address mentioned on the receipt.

COPY OF RECEIPT.

To. M.F.O. Algiers.

From. Camp Commandant,
Military Gov. School.

Herewith items of kit for despatch to U.K. property of Capt Shaw-Kennedy. Home Address:

27 Queens Gate Terrace,
London S.W.7.

- 1 Tin Box.
- 1 Hat Box.
- 1 Valise.
- 1 Brown Suite Case.

In the Field.
2nd Jan 44.

(Signed) E. Hoyle. Lieut.
for Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Received from (Signed) E Hoyle for Military Gov. School

Received by (Signed) L/Cpl C. Richards for M.F.O. Algiers.

In the Field.
7th Jan 44.

.....Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

To. M.F.O. Algiers.

From. Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School.

Herewith items of kit for despatch to U.K. property of Capt
Shaw-Kennedy. Home Address 27 Queens Gate Terrace,
London S.W.7.

- 1 Tin Box.
- 1 Hat box.
- 1 Valise
- 1 Brown Suite Case.

In the Field
2nd Jan 44.

[Signature]
.....Lieut.
for Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Received From.....*[Signature]*.....for Military Gov. School

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Received By.....*[Signature]*.....for M.F.O. Algiers

Subject. Officers Kit.

To. Lt Col Parr.

Herewith receipt from the M.F.O. in connection with your kit which has been forwarded to them for despatch to the address mentioned on the receipt.

COPY OF RECEIPT.

To. M.F.O.

From. Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School.

Herewith items of kit for despatch to H.Q. Allied Military Government, 5th Army Group C.M.F. property of Lt Col Parr.

- 1 Wooden truck.
- 1 Table.
- 1 Square tin box.

Field.
7th Jan '44.

(Signed) E. Hoyle Lieut.
Asst Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Received from (Signed) E Hoyle Lt. for Military Gov. School
Received by (Signed) L/Cpl C. Richards. for M.F.O. Algiers.

Field.
7th Jan '44.

A.F. Searle Capt.
A.F. SEARLE.
Camp Commandant.
M. G. S. & H. C.

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To. M.F.O.

From. Camp Commandant
Military Gov. School.

Herewith items of kit for despatch to H.Q. Allied Military
Government, 5th Army Group C.M.F. property of Lt Col T. Parr.

- 1 Wooden trunk.
- 1 Table.
- 1 Square tin Box.

In the Field.
5th Jan 44.

.....Lieut,
Asst Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Received from.....for Military Gov. School

Received from.....for M.F.O. Agents.

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MGS ALG V MGS TIZ
3 JNAUARY 1944
MESSAGE NO 3

*Copy to: Camp Commandant
MGS TIZ (for action)
J. Healy 3002*

TO M G CENTRE FOR OFFICER IN CHARGE OF BAGGAGE. FROM RIGGIO

A SUITCASE FOR MAJOR AINSLEY (B) CAN BE PICKED UP AT ALGIERS
"RUE DE CHERBOURG"
END KKKK
RECD 031130A HH

AC Ag VI BNAF - 11/1/43

To MFO
From Camp Conner

1. Item of 141
1. Suitcase.
Property of May Amari

Red bag - ~~Algeria~~ ^{10/11} ... for MFO
August
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To. M.F.O.

From Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School

Herewith items of kit for despatch to Not KNOWN
property of Tpr Green.

1 Bed Roll.

Field.

5 Jan 44.

[Signature]
.....Lieut.
Asst Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & H.C.

Received From.....for Military Gov S.
Received from.....for M.F.O. Algiers.

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Subject. Loss o. Kit.

EGAS/2/

To. Capt Black J.B.


From. Asst Camp Commandant.

Reference your letter of 1.11.43.

It appears that movement of kit in this theatre is rather a slow process as we have discovered another instance of baggage having been dispatched from Cairo early in September which has not yet arrived at Algiers.

The M.F.O. states that the approximate time of arrival will be towards the end of this month or early in December. This leaves me to believe that your baggage may take a similar length of time to reach Algiers. Meanwhile I will institute further enquires from time to time.

In the Field.
6th Nov. '43.


.....Lieut
Asst Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

2999

Subject: Loss of kit.
To: Camp Commandant
MGS.

W. H. G.

Sir. I wish to report that my valise and kit has not arrived yet at the MFO Algiers where my unit (5^e Camerons) was directed to send it from Sicily.

I left my unit north of Catania in the late middle of August but instructions for it to be sent on were not given until September towards the end of the month.

I have contacted both the MFO office on the Quai Transatlantique and the warehouse but nothing has been received.

Under the circumstances I have had to equip myself at my own expense with valise camp kit and many essential articles of clothing, some of which such as Trenchcoat & shoes etc are not replaceable here.

I would be glad if you could help in this matter, unfortunately getting in touch with my unit may prove extremely

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Subject. Lost Kit.


BGMS/2/

To. Lt Col D.S. Cousins.

From. Camp Commandant.

Herewith results of enquiries made with regard to your missing Respirator and Steel Helmet.

In the Field.
17th Dec. '43.


.....Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding
Centre.

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SUBJECT:- Loss of Kit.

BGMS/2.

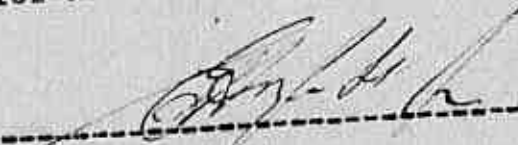
To:- Lt. McPhail.

From:- Camp Commandant.

An officer reports to this office that some time ago he left his Respirator and Steel helmet in a jeep. The Respirator (British) is marked with the name D.F.S. Cousins.

Will you please make enquiries as to whether any such kit has been found.

In the field.
14th December, 1943.
NRS/


----- Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Mil. Gov. School & Holding Centre.

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Subject. Lost Kit.

BGMS


To. M.G.S. A.F.H.Q.

From. Camp Commandant.
Mil. Govt. School & H.C.

On the 20th Nov '43 Lt Col D.S. Cousins arrived at this School from M.G.S. A.F.H.Q. in a jeep. He has since discovered that he left his respirator (marked with his name) and his steel helmet in the jeep which returned to A.F.H.Q.

Could you please make enquiries and let me know as to whether any kit has been found.

In the Field.
14th Dec. '43.


.....Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

REF. AMG/z 45/PM.

SUBJECT; BAGGAGE- COL. CRAWSHAW.

To. M.F.O. ALGERS.

Will you please forward to this Office any information regarding the baggage of the a/m Officer, consisting of 1. small suitcase, and 1. kit bag addressed to Col. Crawshaw. M.G. Dept. A.F.H.Q.

If this baggage has been despatched to the officer, please state when despatched and by what means and route.

Field.
24th. Nov. 43.

R. L. Sinclair
Lt (QM)
H.Q. AMG. C.M.F.

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Copy to:- M.G.S. Tizi Ouzou.

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TO:- Assistant Commandant, M.G.S., and H.C.
FROM:- British Administrative Headquarters, A.M.G.A.C.
SUB:- Baggage Col H.G. Willmer.
REF:- MGC/322 (P).
DATE:- 8th December 1943.

The attached copy of letter from Movements A.F.H.Q. ref 4/B/95 dated 23rd December 1943 is forwarded with a request that action be taken to ascertain whether the Kit in question is at this Station.

J. P. Wackering

Colonel,
Commandant - British Administrative Headquarters.
A.M.G.A.C..

*See
Phone of Hoyle
who is "calling back" when he
returns.*

Subject :- Baggage - Colonel H.G. Wilmer.

Movements,
AFHQ Adv Admin Ech.
MOV. 4/M/95.

Military Government Centre.
A.F.H.Q., B.N.A.F.

3rd Dec. 43

1 Valise, 1 large suitcase and 1 small parcel addressed to the above mentioned officer C/ M.G.S. A.F.H.Q. B.N.A.F. were despatched from U.K. to North Africa late Sept 43.

This Kit is now urgently required at A.M.G. Region IV C/o M.F.O. Naples.

Please say if this Kit has been received by you and ~~is~~ if to hand reassign to the above address.

(S) ????? Capt for.
Brig.
D.Q.M.G., (Movements).

Copy to :- M.F.O. Algiers (To advise if received pr despatched).

Col. H.G. Willmer. A.M.G. Region IV (For information).

M.F.O. Naples. (To check incoming receipts from North Africa and advise when received).

A/sp.

TO: Asst. Commandant, 1
Mil. Govt. School, TIZI OUZOU, ALGERIA.

Dear Colonel,

On December 2, 1943 I was ordered to Algeria to embark for a secret destination. Our group was under command of Lt. Col. R. Willis (R.A.) and Major. E.C. King (Spec. Reserve). On December 4 we were ordered to disembark. In handling the baggage my barracks bag was torn by a nail. A check up revealed the following articles missing:-

3 suits woollen underwear (\$3.00 per suit)	\$ 9.00.	\$ 6.50.
1 suit woollen pyjamas. (" ")	\$ 3.00.	\$ 2.00.
2 pair silk pyjamas. (\$3.50 per pair)	\$ 7.00.	\$ 5.50.
3 shorts.	\$ 2.25.	\$ 1.50.
3 undershirts. (40c. each)	\$ 1.20.	.80.
5 pair socks. (cotton) (30c. per pair)	\$ 1.50.	\$ 1.00.
2 woollen ties. (60c. each)	\$ 1.20.	\$ 1.00.
3 cotton ties. (30c. each)	.90.	.60.
3 O.D. (wool) shirts. (\$4.25 each.)	\$12.75.	\$ 8.25.
O.D. (wool) trousers. (\$5.25 each pair)	\$10.50.	\$ 7.00.
3 linen handkerchiefs.	\$ 1.00.	.60.
cotton. "	.60.	.40.
1 shoe kit.	.60.	.40.
	<u>\$61.40.</u>	<u>\$35.55.</u>

Many of the above articles have been in my possession about two months.

I should appreciate adjustment as seen as convenient.

Respectfully submitted,

Leon G. Halden
LEON. G. HALDEN.
Captain. Spec. Reserve.

SUBJECT:- Baggage - Col. H.G. Wilmer.

To:- Movements A.F.H.Q. Adv. Admin Ech.
MOV 4/M/95.

BGMS/2.

From:- Asst. Commandant.
Military Gov. School & H.C.

Reference M.G.C./322. The kit in question was despatched by the Camp Commandant, Military Gov. School to the M.F.O. Algiers on the 24th November, 1943., giving the following address.

Col. H.G. Wilmer.
Region 4.
C.M.F.

On communication with the M.F.O. Algiers it is learned that the kit was despatched on the 28th November, 1943., and by this time should be at its destination.

In the field.
10th December, 1943.
NRS/

-----Lt. Col.
Asst. Commandant,
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Copy to:- Brit Admin H.Q. A.M.G.A.C.
Col. H.G. Wilmer. A.M.G. Region IV C.M.F.

Subject. Officers Baggage.

BGMS/2/

To. M.F.O. Syracuse.

From. Camp Commandant,
Mil.Gov.School & Holding Centre.

In connection with a move from this School, certain items of Kit were separated from their owners, for at the last minute, an order was given to the officers not to proceed on the journey.

It was not possible to recover the baggage (as listed below) so it is now believed to be in your hands.

The officers concerned have expressed their desire to have their Kit sent along to their intended destination.

Baggage comprises;

- 1 Bed Roll.(Stencilled) W.H.Gamble.
- 1 White Kit Bag marked. J.V.Vella.
- 1 Bed Rol (Stencilled) and labled W.Ronnie.

I would appreciate an early reply.

In the Field.
10th Dec. '43.

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Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Subject:- MISSING KIT

To : Capt.W.H.Gamble; Capt.W.Ronnie; 2/Lt.J.V.Vella.

Reference your letter of 5 Dec reporting loss of kit :
Action has been taken as per attached copy letters.

[Letter to M.F.O. above, 9 Dec 43
Letters from Capt. Ronnie & Gamble, and Lt Vella]

In the Field,
8 Dec 43.

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Camp Commandant.
Military Government School & Holding Centre.

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Subject:- MISSING KIT

Ref : BMGS/2

To : M.F.O., Algiers

From : Military Government School.

Further to our BMGS/2 of 7 Dec 43 reporting loss of kit belonging to Capt. W.A. Gamble, other officers' baggage was left on board the s.s. "Chantilly".

The missing kit comprises :-

- 1 Bed Roll stencilled W.H.GAMBLE
- 1 White Kit-bag marked J.V.VELLA
- 1 Bed Roll stencilled and labled W. RONNIE.

It is requested that you contact M.F.O. at intended destination of the party, asking

- (a) Has he knowledge of the baggage;
- (b) Is he holding it;
- (c) Is it in possession of A.C.C.(Rear) (Unit for which party was intended).

In the Field,
9 Dec 43.

Copy to : Capt. W. Ronnie
Capt. W.H. Gamble
2/Lt. J.V. Vella

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Capt.
Camp Commandant.
Military Government School and Holding Centre.

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SUBJECT:- Baggage.

To:- Camp Commandant,
A.C.C. (Rear)., A.M.G.

BGMS/2.

From:- Camp Commandant,
Mil. Gov. School & H.C.

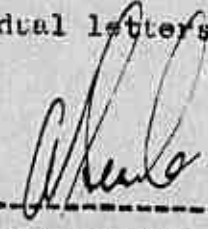
In connection with a move from this school certain items of kit were separated from their owners by reason of the fact that the officers concerned received orders not to proceed on the journey.

It was impossible to recover the said baggage which by now is probably in your hands.

It is requested that you hold the baggage until the officers arrive at your unit.

I enclose a copy of the individual letters to you for your information.

In the field.
8th December, 1943.
NRS/


-----Capt.
Camp Commandant,
Mil. Gov. School & Holding Centre.

[see BGMS/2 of 14 Jan 44]

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.

COPY/

REGION IX.

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

Memo to Lieut. Hoyle. Assistant Camp Commandant.
by
2nd Lieut. J.V. Vella. G-2/3 Region IX.

On December 2nd 1943, a white kit-bag marked J.V. Vella, 'ST. ANDREWS' Party, was embarked in Algiers on board of the ship 'Chantilly' under the responsibility of Capt. K.E.M. Goode of the Grenadiers, who was the Officer in charge of all luggage of St Andrews Party.

Following the order of disembarkation in Algiers on December 4th 1943, the above described kit-bag resulted missing.

It contained the following items:-

(1) Great Coat.	Absolutely New.
(2) Khaki Shirts.	2
(3) " Collars.	2
(4) Towels.	2
(5) Pyjamas.	1
(6) Socks.	2 pairs.
(7) Wollen Vest.	1
(8) Pants.	2 pairs.
(9) Ground Sheet.	1
(10) Respirator.	1
(11) Soap.	5 Bars.
(12) Cigarettes.	100.

I would like the kit-bag with its contents to be traced and addressed to H.Q. A.M.G. Palermo pending my arrival there.

4 December 1943..

For Colonel J.K. Dunlop. R.C.A.O.

(signed) J.V. Vella. 2/Lieut.
G-2/3.

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Mil. Gov. School & Holding Centre.
A.F.H.Q. B.N.A.F.

5.12.43.

To:- Camp Commandant,

Sir.

I have to report the loss of my bedroll, tropical Kit, gas cape, etc., and a large number of personal effects owing to the hasty disembarkation of the A.C.C. 'St. Andrews' party from the ship at Algiers on 4.12.43. Some of the Kit was recovered from the hold but mine was not amongst that found. The bed roll has my name and number stencilled on and also bears labels with my name on. I respectfully ask if application can speedily be made through the proper channels for A.C.C. H.Q. to be communicated with and asked if they will allow someone to meet the boat and take possession of my kit until such times as I do arrive.

(signed) W. Reunio.

Capt. 207018.

1 Bedroll.

C O P Y/

ACC/Rear.
Mil. Gov. School & Holding Centre.

5th December, 1943.

The Commanding Officer.

Sir.

In connection with 'St. Andrews' movement I have to report that after orders had been received to withdraw from troopship my Red-Roll was not recovered and remains on board. Contents and particulars of same are as follows:-

1 large Bedding Roll. stencilled as follows.

Securely strapped. W.H. GAMBLE. 266395.

Contents. Sleeping Bag.
2 Blankets.
2 Pairs of Sheets.
2 Pillow Cases.
1 Field Service Tunic & Trousers.
1 Dressing Gown.
2 Complete sets Tropical Kit, Bush Jackets and Shorts.
1 Civilian Suit (Harris Tweed).
1 Wash Stand & Water Bucket & Bath.
1 Camp Chair.
2 Beds.

I have the honour to be

(signed) Respectfully,
W.H. Gamble. Capt.

To Camp
Commandant

Quiliary Govt School &
Holding Center
AFHQ. BNAF.
5. 12. 43.

Sir,

I have to report the loss of my bedroll, tropical kit, gas cap, etc. and a large number of personal effects owing to the hasty disembarkation of the A.C.C. "St Andrews" party from the ship at Belguin on 4.12.43. Some of the kit was recovered from the hold but mine was not amongst that found. The bedroll has my name and number stencilled on it and also bears labels with my name on. I respectfully ask if applications can speedily be made through the proper channels for ACC HQ. to be communicated with and asked if they will allow someone to meet

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the boat and take possession of
my kit unless such time as I
do arrive.

W. Rennie
Capt. 297018

(Red roll)

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Acc/ Rear
 Military Government School
 & Holding Center
 5 Dec

The Commanding Officer

Sir

In connection with "St. Andrew's" movement I have to report that after orders had been received to withdraw from troopship, my Bed-Roll was not recovered & remains on board. Contents & particulars of same are as follows:-

1 Large Bedding Roll, cancelled as follows.

Securely strapped

W. H. GAMBLE

266395.

Contents

Sleeping Bag

2 Blankets

2 Pairs of Sheets

2 Pillow Cases

1 Field Service Tunic & Trousers.

1 Dressing Gown

2 Complete sets Tropical Kit, Bush jackets & Shorts

1 Civilian Suit (Harris Tweed)

1 Wasty Stand & Water Bucket & Bath

1 Camp Chair

2 Beds.

1 Pair Military Riding Breeches

2 Towels

I have the honor to be

Respectfully

W. H. Gamble Capt

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

REGION IX

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS.

Memo to Lieut. Hoyle, Assistant Camp Commandant.
by
2/ Lieut J.V.Vella. G-2/3 Region IX.

On December 2nd 1943, a white kit-bag marked J.V.Vella, St. Andrew's Party, was embarked in Algiers on board of the ship "Chantilly", under the responsibility of Captain K.E.M. Goode of the Grenadiers, who was the Officer in charge of all luggage of St. Andrews Party.

Following the order of disembarkation in Algiers on December 4th 1943, the above described kit-bag resulted missing.

It contained the following items:-

(1)	Great Coat.	Absolutely New.
(2)	Khaki Shirts.	2
(3)	" Collars.	2
(4)	Towels	2
(5)	Pyjamas	1
(6)	Socks	2 Pairs.
(7)	Wollen Vest.	1
(8)	Pants.	2 Pairs.
(9)	Ground Sheet.	1
(10)	Respirator	1
(11)	Soap.	5 Bars.
(12)	Cigarettes.	100.

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I would like the kit-bag with its contents to be traced and addressed to H.Q. A.M.G. Palermo pending my arrival there.

4 December 1943.

For Colonel J.K. Dunlop. R.C.A.O.,

J.V.Vella

J.V.Vella. 2/Lieut.
G-2/3.

Subject:- Officers' Baggage.

B/1/21

To:- Camp Commandant,
Military Gov: School & Holding Centre,
c/o. A.F.H.Q. BNAF.

Capt. E.C. Patrick

1. The a/m officer has just been to see me with reference to a tin box he left with you.
2. I should be obliged, if the baggage has not been dispatched, if you would kindly arrange to forward same to the following address:-

Capt. E.C. Patrick
c/o. Camp Commandant,
AMGOT. Palermo.

Field.
22 Oct 43.

Captain.
Camp Commandant. AMGOT. 15 Army Group. C.M.F.

W. Hoyle

To Camp Comd.

Military Govt School BNAF

Will you please consign to

H.J. Shaw-Kennedy Esq

27 Queens Gate Terrace

London S.W.7.

(to which they are all labelled) via MFO Algiers

1 black tin box

1 " " hat-box

1 valise

1 brown leather suitcase

and forward to me when my address is known a
copy of MFO's receipt. The contents only are
insured with Guardian Ass. Co, Sharia Kahr El Nil Cairo
[Against pilferage & damage only]

1 Dec 43.

W Shaw-Kennedy

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Capt

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Subject Baggage from U.R.

Enquiry at M.F.O. re .

Baggage suspected arrived for

Brig Hamlyn. ✓
Lt Col Lappin W.B.

Baggage from Cairo 17.15.0 29.11

May G.G. Ansley. ✓

P.O.

22. Oct 43

Camp Commandant.
Légi Douane.

On 14 Sep. 43 I left with M.F.O.
H.Q. High East, Cairo, for forwarding,
one suit case marked with my name
and bearing several labels addressed
MAJOR G.G.T. AINSLIE, A.M.C.D.T., ALGIERS.
This was necessitated by my being allowed
only 14 lbs of baggage in transit by
air. The M.F.O. undertook to
have the suit case forwarded to Algiers
but so far I have had no advice
of its arrival.

The package contains all my
heavy clothes which will be essential
if I move from here - and which
will soon be an urgent necessity
at Légi Douane.

My inquiries be made at once
please and may the matter be treated
as one of urgency.

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R.A.R.
Major

Subject:- Surplus baggage.

B/1/19

To:- Camp Commandant,
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.
c/o. A.F.H.Q. BNAF.

1. Would you kindly arrange to forward the surplus baggage mentioned hereunder, to the following address, as soon as possible:-

(a) Major E.J. Gits.
c/o. Camp Commandant, AMGOT. PALERMO.

(b) Capt. C.F. Randall.
c/o Camp Commandant. AMGOT. PALERMO.


2. Surplus Baggage referred to above, is as follows:-

Major E.J. Gits. - 1, Tin Box.
1, Bed Roll.
Capt. C.F. Randall- 1 Tin Box
1 Bed Roll.

3. It is understood that Major Gits left his baggage in charge of Major Alkar.

4. It is understood that Capt. Randall left his baggage in a tent at Camp Commandant's request.

Field.
21 Oct 43.


Camp Commandant. AMGOT. 15 Army Group. C.M.F.

COPIES TO:- (1) Major E.J. Gits.
(2) Capt. C.F. Randall.
(3) Lieut-Quartermaster, AMGOT.

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Capt. Searle

Subject:- Officers Baggage.

MFO/14/2106

To:- H.Q., Allied,
Military Government
G. 1,

1. Reference your letter dated 10th inst.
2. Three cases belonging to Major Brereton were despatched c/o M.F.O., Syracuse on the S.S. Brisk W/B SY 8 dated 18/10.
3. One stationery box and one kitbag addressed to Capt W.H. Sherwood were despatched also c/o M.F.O., Syracuse on the S.S. Iceland W/B SY 2 dated 23rd Sept.

26th Nov 43
ES

H. Mansbull
S/Captain R.E.,
Military Forwarding Officer,
Algiers.
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SUBJECT: Officer's lost Kit.

MFO/11/200.

To: Camp Commandant,
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

Reference your letter dated 11 October, 43 in regard to a pack, the property of Lt. Col. Prodger.

A pack, found on the quay-side, was handed into the M.F.O. warehouse by the E.S.O., together with other lost property.

This was later collected by a driver of the school, in the same condition as that as when it was received by the M.F.O.

16 October, 43.
PJT.

for S/Captain R.E.,
for S/Captain R.E.,
M.F.O.,
H.Q., Algiers.

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To. M.F.O. Algiers.

File.

From. Lt Col D.B.Aitken.
Military Gov. School & H.C.

Herewith for your information and comment, a complaint and evidence regarding a pack which having been lost was located in your warehouse. As you will gather from Lt Col Progers statement he wishes to make a claim.

We have supplied the necessary evidence to support his claim: Is there anything further you wish to add regarding this matter, *please.*

An early reply would be appreciated.

In the Field.
11th Oct. '43.

.....Lt Col
(Signed) D.B.Aitken.
Asst Commandant.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

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Subject

For

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his pack.

Regarding this matter I furnish the following evidence.

On Monday 27th Sept I went to Algiers with a view to trace lost kit belonging to officers of the R.Z.K.Y.F. draft. Officers of this draft who were at this time present at the Military Gov. School, Tizi-Ouzou. I also examined a pack making a note of the contents by which the owner if at the School, could identify it as his property. The pack which was half empty contained

- 1 Pair of Brown Suede Slippers.
- 1 Beret with embroidered badge.
- 1 Pair K.D. Slacks.
- 1 Small box containing a few odds

On my return to the School I learned that the pack was the product of Lt Col Prodgers. I arranged for its collection by the mail truck and the pack was subsequently delivered to its owner, who upon examining its contents found several items to be missing.

These items are listed on the attached statement.

In the Field.
10th Oct. '43.

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Asst Camp Commandant
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

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6093289 4/Cpl

White.J. states:-

Sir,

On Saturday morning 25th Sept 1943, I was preparing to leave on my daily run to Algiers to collect mail for the Military Gov. School.

I was instructed by Lt Hoyle, Asst Camp Commandant that on my return journey I was to call at the M.F.O. to collect a certain pack belonging to an officer of this School. This pack was described to me as being unmarked but containing a pair of Brown Suede Slippers.

I called at the M.F.O. and identified the pack according to the description given to me; I therefore signed for same, and on my return to the Military Gov. School handed it over to Lt Hoyle.

In the Field.
10th Oct. '43.

...*White J. WC.*.....
Post Corporal.
Military Gov. School & Holding Centre.

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To:- Camp Commandant.

On receiving my pack today, which has been missing since disembarkation, - I examined the contents & found the following articles missing:-

- 1 pair brown boots
- 1 " " shoes
- 1 " " gaiters
- 1 shirt (with breast pockets & shoulder straps)
- 1 pair braces
- 2 doz. Gillette razor blades.
- leather case, containing shoe cleaning material.
- Button cleaning material (Silvo + 2 brushes)
- 2 Shaving sticks
- 2 tooth paste
- 150 cigarettes (Craven A)
- 1 pair scissors

As the items were under military supervision, I shall be glad to know what steps I can take to obtain replacement. In addition to a tin-on label, a loose addendum label was enclosed in the pack.

J. Probert (N3377)

Lt. Col.
Generalist.

2 Oct 43

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COPY

To. Camp Commandant.

On receiving my pack today - which has been missing since disembarkation - I examined the contents and found the following articles missing:-

- 1 pair Brown Boots.
- 1 " " Shoes.
- 1 " Gaiters.
- 1 Shirt (with breast pockets and shoulder straps)
- 1 pair Braces.
- 2 doz Gillette razor blades
- Leather case, containing shoe cleaning material.
- Button cleaning material (Silvo and 2 brushes)
- 2 Shaving sticks
- 2 Tooth Paste
- 150 Cigarettes (Craven "A")
- 1 pair Scissors.

As the items were under military supervision, I shall be glad to know what steps I can take to obtain replacements.

In addition to a tie-on label, a loose additional label was enclosed in the pack.

2 Col + 3.

Lt Col Rogers A.
Gen List.

TO Camp Commandant.

FROM Lt.Col.G.E.RHODES, R.E.

Subject. Missing Baggage.

ex SS. A4, Algiers on Thurs.23rd.Sept.43.

2nd.Party RZKYF.

1.As several times previously reported, a webbing PACK of mine is still missing. It had two tie-on labels with my name on them. It contained small things, a black pair of Army boots, a pair of brown shoes new and of high quality, and some technical (Engineering) papers and small books etc which to me are most important.

2. I have a strong impression that the pack MUST be here at Tizi Ouzou, as I saw the pack on the deck of the ship with all the other baggage.

It is now 11 days, and I wish to ask if I may go round with one of your Staff, when the batmen are on duty some morning after breakfast, and make a personal search. Nothing less is likely to be effective. The batmen themselves seem to be doing nothing about it. It may be lying in another officer's room.

3. The matter is now very urgent.

G. E. Rhodes
LT.COL. R.E.
(British)

5.10.43

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electric power and transmission in Italy
and follow through to see that we receive
1 copy of this report for our file (even if
we cannot take the only copy here as we
are more interested than anyone else)

Also that we receive the more recent
map showing power plants & transmission
lines in Italy which was in preparation
in the U.S.

At Thompson
is
copying
GER.

56.1/10

1/10/43

- (1) Please see ^{purpose} suggested times
Sheet -
daily duty -
off.
- (2) Lt. Brumley is
also now available. GER

1/10/43.

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