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REPATRIATION OF ITALIAN
PRISONERS OF WAR FROM U.K.
SEPT., OCT. 1943

13 pp.

FOLIO	DATE	REF.	TO/FROM
1-3	12 Sept.	J 3659	To C. G. Fort base
4	13 Sept.	—	from Natonsa
5	13 Sept.	Amgot 235	from May Hill
6	13 Sept.		
7	17 "	4686	Natonsa NHGAP (Freedom)
8	20 "	7434	from: AFHQ
9	21 "	7664	" "
10	23 "	To CSO	" ACSo.
11	23 "	To DPH	" ACSo
12	8 Oct	4532	" CINC FHGDH 281
13	8 "	Amgot 373	To Freedom

SEARS FOR AMGOT

File 303
8 OCTOBER 1943

~~SECRET~~

~~URGENT~~ PRIORITY

FREEDOM

WE ASK AUTHORITY TO FORWARD ITALIAN REPATRIABLES PAREN FROM SEARS FOR AMGOT
TO FREEDOM FOR C IN C CITE AMGOT THREE SEVEN THREE PAREN IN HOSPITAL SHIP
PRINCIPIA GIOVANNI TO TARANTO DIRECT FROM FOUR FIVE THREE TWO OF NIGHT
OCTOBER

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IMMEDIATE

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NR : 4532

08 OCTOBER 1943

TO : CG SEVENTH ARMY

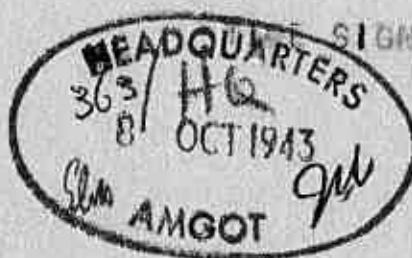
HOSPITAL SHIP PRINCIPENGA GIOVANNI SAEILED ALOIERS PM 7TH WITH 438X 540
ITALIAN REPATRIABLES EX MS ATLANTIS. ACTION TROOPERS INFO FATIMA FORTBASE
TARANTO MOV TAP NTO SEVENTH ARMY SIGNED CINC XIXXXXXXXXXXXXXX CITE FHGDM

SIGNED : CINC

SIGNED : OBNTS

Info

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10-9-43
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Ship not to dock here, proceeding to Italy

ROUTING SLIP

C.C.A.O. _____
D.C.C. _____
D.C.S.O. _____
COL. CLOUGH _____
MAJOR SMITH _____
MAJOR McDOUGALL _____
LT. VAN HEUKELOM _____
CAPT. GRAHAM _____
P. R. O. _____
ADVISOR F. A & M. _____
CAPT. DAVIS _____
CAPT. TALBOT _____
LEGAL DIV. _____
FINANCE DIV. _____
CIVIL SUPPLY _____
PUBLIC SAFETY _____
PUBLIC HEALTH _____
CONTROLLER PROPERTY _____
REGISTRY _____

REMARKS

C. Registry

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9/1/58
DATE

[Signature]
C.C.O.

D.P.H.

To see Jan 8.

Col. Clough has been dealing with this with
your P.W. section and 7 Army. We must
wait for further developments I think.

P.B.

for C.S.O. 23/9.

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C.S.O.

8 & 9

If by any chance Sicily is left in a different category to the rest of Italy I think we should strongly urge that these people be sent to Taranto or Brindisi. If not I suppose we shall have to have them here but the Army will no longer have any interest in them and the whole of the business will fall on ARMO's if another Govt. has not taken its place.

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ACSO: O that we are concerned. Also I do not think things are sufficiently organized at T or B. *OK*

SECRET

IMPORTANT 2 2 SEP 1943
CIPHER MESSAGE
IN

FOLIO 67953
21 SEPT. 43

FROM : AFHQ SIGNED EISENHOWER
TO : AMG
ORIG NO : DATE 21 SEP 43

HEADQUARTERS
23 SEP 1943
363 AM
AMGOT

TO : 15045/21
T.T. 22476/21
FOR 19208

REF YOUR 103 SEPT 14 / 5? REPATRIABLES TO ITALY

POSITION NOW IS THAT ITALIAN REPATRIABLES REFERRED TO ARE HERE IN ALGIERS AND AUTHORITY HAS BEEN GIVEN TO HAND OVER TO ITALIAN GOVERNMENT UNCONDITIONALLY. HOPED THAT ITALIAN HOSPITAL SHIP MAY BE AVAILABLE TO CONVOY TO ITALIAN PORT SUCH AS PALERMO TARANTO OR BRINDISI. FATIMA HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS FOR HANDING OVER TO CARE OF ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS. DETAILS OF INDIVIDUALS ARE LYING FOUR TWO ORS AND TWO SEVEN MENTAL ORS WALKING 15 OFFICERS 3 OR 4 ORS 21 CIVILIANS AND ONE TWO MENTAL ORS FIT 5 WOMEN AND 2 CHILDREN. ABOVE INFORMATION SENT BY GOME HERE TO FATIMA AND REPEATED INFORMATION TO FILPOT IS PARAPHRASED AS ABOVE FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

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TAC A FORCE
MOV

4 ACTION

ACTION

SMC. 21593/25275
T.T. 22476/21 LM.

22 SEP 1943

HEADQUARTERS

22 SEP 1943 AM
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AMGOT

MOST SECRET

IMMEDIATE
CIPHER MESSAGE
INFOLIO NO: 0766
20 SEP 43FROM: AFHQ3 CITE FEGAB
TO: FATIMA
INFO: 15 ARMY GROUP
ORIG NO: 7434TOO 2006B/20
THI
TOR 0330E/21

NEGOTIATIONS COMPLETED IN ENGLAND PRIOR TO SIGNING OF THE ARMISTICE LED TO THE DISPATCH OF A BRITISH HOSPITAL SHIP CARRYING APPROX 500 ITALIAN REPATRIABLES TO LISBON. Owing to the inability of the Italian Government to DESPATCH BRITISH REPATRIABLES FOR EXCHANGE AT LISBON IN SPITAL SHIP CONVOYING ITALIANS WAS DIVERTED TO ALGIERS WHERE THEY ARE NOW HELD. WAR OFFICE HAVE NOW AUTHORIZED US TO HAND OVER THESE REPATRIABLES TO THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT. UAC INDICATES HOPE THAT ITALIAN HOSPITAL SHIP MAY BE AVAILABLE TO COMPLY WITH TO ITALIAN PORT UNDER CONTROLS SUGGEST PALERMO TARIFFS OF BRINDISI REQUEST YOU TAKE IMMEDIATE STEPS TO SECURE AN IMMEDIATE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO DISPATCH FOR HANDING OVER TO CDR ITALIAN INSTITUTION. DETAILS OF INDIVIDUALS FOLLOWS. FOUR TWO ORS AND TWO SEVEN MENTAL ORS WALKING ONE FIVE ORS THREE ONE FOUR ORS TWO ONLY CIVILIANS AND ONE TWO ONE ORS FIT FIVE WE MEN AND TWO CHILDREN.

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IMPORTANT

MESSAGE CENTRE NO. 28F
CIPHER NO. M678

TO ACTION CG 7TH ARMY INFO CG FORTBASE
FROM FREEDOM SIGNED CG NATOUA CITE NAGAP

4686 SEPT 141700

MOST SECRET.

FURTHER INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTING OUR RAD THREE SIX FIVE NINE
SEPT ONE TWO FOLLOWS NUMBER OF REPATRIABLES REQUIRING
HOSPITALIZATION ONE NINE SEVEN EM, ONE CIVILIAN. NUMBERS THAT
MAY BE HANDLED YOUR PRISONERS OF WAR CAMP ONE FIVE OFFICERS
THREE ZERO SEVEN EM, TWO SEVEN CIVILIANS. REQUEST REPLY EARLIEST

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IMPORTANT

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C/S
Y-1 (action)
Y-2
AM 60T
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Ref M/C #1328B

AMGOT/363/HQ

AMGOT HQ SICILY

13 September 1943

Memorandum to: Col. Zino

Attached is proposed reply to AFHQ cable reference

122233-B.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Lt. Col., G. S. C.
Chief Staff Officer

P/A 9-16-43
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Set as amended in pencil at 6

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A.F.M.O.

ACCEPT REPRESENTATIONS AT FALLEN VIEW YOUR URGENT REPRESENTATIONS.
(NAME FROM ANGOT BEHAVIOR AND TO ASK OTTE ABOUT 219 OTTE MAGAP, FLEAS, STARS, 4271)
FLEAS, OTTE, FLEAS, AND FLEAS PAREN.) REPRESENTING CABLE 12223-8. ENSURE RADIANT
NATION GIVES OF SEA AND ACTUAL 21. WILL HAVE IMMEDIATE APPROPRIATE WITH
SEVENTH ABOL. ^{Request} SEE WE MAY BEHAVE ANY STATE MEDICAL COVERED CARRIED.

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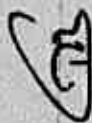
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1-3.

I do not think we have any alternate shiphead.

2. Advice G1 (Weyman is to 7 Army) is reply accepting the ship?

3. P40 (Weyman) to leave within 7 Army ref. accommodation & feeding & their remaining under military control? I don't think we should hold all these babies unassisted by 7 Army (or Base Section as it probably will be.



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HEADQUARTERS

"OP"

31 140
2 SEP 1943MESSAGE CENTER NO. 1378-B.
BRIT CIPHER NO. 530-M.

TO: 7TH ARMY FOR ACTION, TO CG FORTEDASE FOR INFO. J3659.

REPEAT OF CABLE RECEIVED FROM TROOPERS FOLLOWS; (SIGNED CG MATOUSA
CITE NAGAP, FHGAB, FHMQS, FHMED, GHGDM, FHRNA, AND FHGBI) QUOTE
(ONE) SS ATLANTIS SAILED 8TH. SEPT. CONVEYING 547 ITALIAN REPATRI-
ABLES EX UK DUE LISBON 13TH. SEPT.. REPATRIABLES COMPRISE 519
SERVICE PERSONNEL AND 28 CIVILIANS INCLUDING 5 WOMEN, 2 CHILDREN
FOR EXCHANGE WITH 178 BRITISH SICK AND WOUNDED PRISONERS OF WAR
FROM ITALY. PARA (TWO) HOSPITAL TRAINES BRINGING BRITISH DUE
FRANCO-SPANISH FRONTIER 1800 HRS. SEPT. 31TH.. SAFE CONDUCT HAVING
BEEN ARRANGED BY ITALY WITH GERMANY. APPEARS PROBABLY TRAINS WILL
NOT HAVE STARTED IN VIEW CAPITULATION ^{ITALY} WHILE IN ANY EVENT GERMANS
MIGHT REFUSE PASSAGE TRAINS CONVEYING ITALIAN REPATRIABLES FROM
LISBON TO ITALY AFTER TRANSFER EFFECTED. PARENXX PARA (3) TO RECALL
ATLANTIS WILL ENTAIL WASTED JOURNEY WHILE IT WOULD NOT ADVANCE
REPATRIATION THOSE EMBARKED. PARE (4) ASSUMING SITUATION DEVELOPS
AS IN SECOND, COULD YOU ACCEPT ITALIAN REPATRIABLES NORTH AFRICA
PENDING TRANSFER ITALY AS SOON AS SITUATION PERMITS. THIS WOULD
ENABLE ATLANTIS EMBARK FULL LOAD BRITISH SICK AND WOUNDED FOR
RETURN UK. SHOULD TRAINS REACH LISBON BRINGING BRITISH THEY WOULD
BE ACCOMMODATED THERE PENDING RETURN ATLANTIS FROM NORTH AFRICA.
IN THIS UNLIKELY EVENT SUFFICIENT ACCOMMODATION WOULD HAVE TO BE
KEPT FREE TO ENABLE THEIR EMBARKATION ON RETURN VOYAGE FROM NORTH
AFRICA. QUICKEST POSSIBLE TURN ROUND DESIRABLE AS ATLANTIS REQUIRED
UK END OF MONTH. (5) FOLLOWING BREAKDOWN ITALIAN REPATRIABLES:
(A) LYING; ENLISTED MEN 42. (AC) MENTAL LYING; ENLISTED MEN 27.
(B) WALKING; OFFICERS 15, ENLISTED MEN 312, CIVILIANS 21 (BC)
MENTAL; ENLISTED MEN 121. WALKING; ONE. (D) FIT; WOMEN FIVE;

(2)

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CHILDREN TWO. PARA (6) GRATEFULL YOUR CO-OPERATION WHICH WOULD
PROVIDE ONLY SOLUTION EXTREMELY AWKWARD SITUATION. REQUEST REPLY
EARLIEST AND PORT NORTH AFRICA REQUIRED. AGREED. UNQUOTE. PARA FELT
HERE THAT THIS REQUEST MUST BE MET AND WE HAVE AGREED THAT
SS ATLANTIS SHOULD BE ORDERED GIBRALTAR FOR ONWARD ROUTING. MOST
PRACTICAL SOLUTION IS TO SEND THESE INDIVIDUALS TO PORT IN ~~3000~~ ³⁰⁰⁰LY
PREFERABLY PALERMO WHERE WE SUGGEST THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE
THROUGH AMGOT FOR CARE IN ITALIAN INSTITUTIONS SUBJECT HOWEVER TO ~~THE~~
THEIR REMAINING UNDER MILITARY CONTROL PENDING FINAL DISPOSAL.
PARA APPRECIATE THAT THIS PROPOSAL MAY PRESENT DIFFICULTIES BUT FOR ~~MR~~
MANY REASONS WE ARE ANXIOUS THAT THESE INDIVIDUALS SHOULD BE DELIVERED
TO ITALIAN CARE. THIS CASE IS ONLY ONE LIKELY TO ARISE AS NEGOTIATIONS
FOR REPATRIATION AND EMBARKATION WERE COMPLETED BEFORE SIGNING OF X
ARMISTICE. YOUR COOPERATION ON THIS MATTER WILL BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED. PARA OWING TO PROBABLE ARRIVAL ATLANTIS GIBRALTAR NOT
LATER THAN 15TH. SEPT. SHALL BE GRATEFUL FOR VERY EARLY REPLY.

PRIORITY "OP"

T.O.O. 121100-B
T.H.I. 121507-B

*OK
h. #1 action
Amgot*

Ekroll Lgt.

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
APO 758 US ARMY

13 Sept 43
(DATE)

SUBJECT: Change of Action and/or Information on Cables.

TO : AMCOT, Headquarters Seventh Army, APO 758.

1. Action on cable message number 1378-B has been 5267
changed from G-2 to G-1. Add
_____ for (action) (information) on cable message
number _____.

2. Request your copy be amended to conform with the above alteration.

By Order of the Adjutant General:

Glenn A. Henry
GLENN A. HENRY,
1st. Lt., A.G.D.,
Asst. Adjutant General.

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