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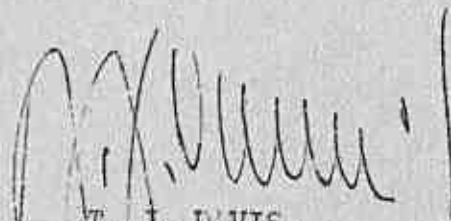
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FOOD FOR ITALY

FOOD shipments which have recently reached Italy to feed the population of the liberated territory are sufficient to ensure an increase in the food rations, according to the Allied Control Commission.

Civilians can now be assured that adequate schedules of food shipments are now being fulfilled and will continue to be fulfilled, barring unforeseen enemy interference.

The supplies should now make it unnecessary for the civilian population to be at the mercy of the Black Market.

-Postscript to memo on Food story in "Union Jack"

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Public Relations Office
Room 51, Provincia Building

3 January 1943

NOTES ON AXIS RADIO PROPAGANDA STATEMENTS ON AMG-ACC

1. Radio ROME says "the so-called ministers of the phantom government of Badoglio", meeting in protracted council, are troubled by the complex problems of Allied occupation, "administrative disorders, and the struggle with the various parties."
2. "In Southern Italy", Radio ROME is telling Italian listeners, the Allies have "coldly repudiated every promise or material and moral assistance, in deporting our children, defaming our customs and women, wiping out Fascism and discrediting anti-Fascism, restraining us internally and vilifying abroad every attempt to maintain respect for our national dignity. The enemy is bartering for Italy with the French, the Yugoslavs, the Greeks and the Ethiopians. In the economic field they are mortgaging all our resources to guarantee their trade and hegemony."
3. An atrocity broadcast from ROME that combines the theme of cruelty to children with the invocation of the Red bogey says: "The nefarious deportation of Italian children to Russia continues with the approval of Anglo-American authorities."
4. BERLIN Radio publishes an imaginary dispatch from MADRID, saying: "The American occupation authorities in Naples have ordered the forced drafting of Italian workers; by no other means could the Italian workers have been made available for the U.S. authorities."
5. BERLIN also claims to have heard--this time, from Naples--that: "Pictures and other artpieces in the Royal Palace in Naples are confiscated by the Anglo-American occupation authorities. American troops are busy at the moment with the collection of these artpieces, and are bringing them on boats which will transport them to the United States. The organized robbery of artpieces is under the control of North American museum directors."
6. ROME's propaganda broadcasters say that: "The United Nations Council, constituted in accordance with decisions taken in Moscow to effect cooperation and liaison between the Allies on non-military questions, and to control the practical application of the Armistice terms, has publicly announced through the Anglo-American press that reports of the participation de facto of the phantom Badoglio government in the Council are without foundation.
"The Council", this enemy station goes on to say, "is composed of representatives of the United States, England, the Soviet Union and the French Committee of National Liberation as principal members, and Yugoslavia and Greece as supplementary members. As can be seen", ROME concludes, "the pseudo Badoglio government has received another kick from the so-called 'co-belligerents.'"

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Charles Poore, Captain, AUS
Public Relations Officer

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1 December 1943

Major General Canyon A. Joyce,
Acting Deputy President,
A.C.C.

HEADQUARTERS

6-DEC-1943

AMG

My dear General:

With reference to the relationship of PWB with AMG and its application to Allied Control Commission, I have reviewed the existing directives, copies of which are enclosed for your information. It will be seen that they provide in general that all propaganda activities in "occupied territory" are under control of PWB, to be exercised in close cooperation with "the local Military Governor," (Plan for PWB Operation, etc.), or "the Allied Military Mission and Senior AMGOT Officer in the area," (Letter AG 321 (PWB) INC-AMG.)

I recognize, of course, that the terms used in these earlier directives do not exactly fit the present situation. Nevertheless, the general intent is clear and Colonel McCrystal, Chief of PWB, feels that it is not worth while to go through the labor at this time of changing these directives by AFHQ action. The substance of these directives, so far as they affect ACC, is after all covered in paragraph 15 of your General Instructions, dated 1 November, 1943, where it is stated that: "The relations established between the Allied Military Government and the Psychological Warfare Branch will, in general, be perpetuated when the Allied Control Commission succeeds to the former."

Consequently, unless you see some strong reason to the contrary, I share Col. McCrystal's views that there is nothing to be gained by formal changes in the directives at this time.

With high personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. C. HOLMES
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Chief, Military Government Section

Copy to HQ AMG ✓
Inclosures:

Letter AG321(PWB)INC-AMG, 7 October 1943
Plan for PWB Operation in Occupied Territory, 24 July 1943
AFHQ Staff Memorandum No. 56, 1 July 1943

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7 October 1943

AG 321 (P.W.B.) INC-ARM

SUBJECT: P.W.B. Activities in Italy.

TO : General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, 15th Army Group,
Commanding Officer, Allied Military Mission.
Leader, P.W.B. Post, BAFF.
Leader, P.W.B. Post, NAPLES.

1. For clarification and coordination of PWB activities in Italy as outlined in Staff Memorandum No. 56, this headquarters, cc, and the approved memorandum dated 24 July, outlining the relationship between PWB and AMMT in occupied territories, copies attached, the following instructions are issued:

a. For propaganda purposes, PWB in Italy will be divided into three general groups under this headquarters.

b. These groups will be:

- (1) Allied Military Mission Group.
- (2) Combat Propaganda Group.
- (3) Occupational Propaganda Group.

c. These three groups will operate in close liaison with each other but will be controlled by this headquarters.

2. Personnel and Duties.

a. Allied Military Mission Group

Personnel: Lt. Comdr. G.A. Martelli, Chief
Mr. G. A. Mathieu, Radio

Duties: Under the direction of the Allied Military Mission, within the policy directed by this headquarters, to assist and supervise the organization of the propaganda service of the Italian Government.

b. Combat Propaganda Group

Personnel: Lt. Col. Donald Macfarlane, Chief.
Lt. Col. John Whitaker, C.O., PWB Fifth Army
Major A. N. Galsworthy, C.O., Eighth Army PWB
All personnel of PWB at present or in the future attached to the 15th Army Group, Fifth and Eighth Armies.

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ALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
Psychological Warfare Branch

24 July 1943

SUBJECT: Plan for P.W.B. Operation in Occupied Territory.

TO : Brigadier General R. A. McClure.

1. Referring to our conference today on the above subject, the following plan for P.W.B. operation in occupied territories is submitted:

P.W.B. Task.

The task confronting P.W.B. in the expansion of HUSKY is visually described in the attached chart, and the problem can best be described in words by saying that prior to the expansion of HUSKY the personnel and equipment requirements were limited to Box 5. In other words, what had been laboriously built up to handle North African propaganda and radio and leaflet work to enemy and enemy-occupied territories has suddenly been stretched to include an eventually transplanted A.F.H.Q., and an advance A.F.H.Q., a number of occupation propaganda groups paralleling the AMGOT set up and, depending upon the number of armies operating, a number of combat groups.

In order to plan this expansion within the limitation of available personnel and transportation, each group has been skeletonized to the minimum capable of rendering the service which, on the basis of past experience, will be called for by the Commanders. Specially to be noted is the fact that unless the chain from the forward combat groups back to the Allied Governments remains unbroken, the propaganda needs of the fighting forces cannot be blended with the general propaganda directives of the Home Governments.

P.W.B. Relation to AMGOT.

A most important new element is the relationship of P.W.B. to AMGOT. From the AMGOT standpoint it would be an impossible situation if the propaganda conducted by a P.W.B. occupation group should disregard or run counter to the wishes of the local military governor. From the P.W.B. standpoint it would be an equally impossible situation if the AMGOT control of local propaganda activities meant that P.W.B. was not able to control its personnel and ensure and control the two-way flow of information and directives stretching from the forward combat group through to Washington and London and back again. In other words, if Box 2 were to be completely controlled by some organization other than P.W.B., it would create an inefficient and ineffective, if not chaotic, propaganda situation.

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One must not overlook the fact that in propaganda terms the separation between the North African base and combat or occupation groups is ~~solely geographical~~. The kind of propaganda put on the air from the North African base or the type of leaflets prepared in the North African base are just as much part of front line and occupation propaganda as the propagandist with a loud speaker in the square of an occupied town. Not only do radio waves disregard geographical or military boundaries, but equally the attitudes and reactions of occupied peoples are of supreme importance in the conduct of base radio operations and leaflet preparation for the next objective.

It is, therefore, recommended that the relationship between P.W.B. and AMGOT in occupied territories be as follows:

- a) P.W.B. to be the recognized propaganda agency in occupied territories.
- b) P.W.B. to retain control of its personnel and equipment in occupied territories.
- c) Joint planning between P.W.B. and the Military Government Section of A.F.H.Q. to be instituted.
- d) P.W.B.'s areas of occupation propaganda to be the same as the AMGOT administrative areas.
- e) P.W.B. local occupation propaganda to be under the general direction of and at the service of the local AMGOT Governor. It is assured that the instructions of the local AMGOT Governor will not run contrary to the joint central directive from Washington and London as modified and approved by A.F.H.Q., in particular the Military Government Section.
- f) In the event of a local conflict of opinion, the matter is to be referred to the Force Commander and through him to A.F.H.Q. for a decision.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

1 July 1943

STAFF MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 56)

ORGANIZATION AND ACTIVITIES -- PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

The following is published to clarify the activities of Psychological Warfare and to coordinate them with all concerned:

1. MISSION: The mission of the Psychological Warfare Branch (under the Information and Censorship Section) is the collection, preparation, supply, distribution, and control of all propaganda originating within the theater of operations of this headquarters.

2. OBJECTIVE: The primary objective of this Branch is to undermine the enemy's will to resist, demoralize his forces, and sustain the morale of our supporters:

- a. In the combat area.
- b. In enemy and enemy-occupied countries.
- c. In areas occupied by our forces.

3. OPERATIONS: To this end, the Psychological Warfare Branch will:

- a. Collect and evaluate information and intelligence along Psychological Warfare lines.
- b. Plan, prepare, produce and disseminate all necessary propaganda.
- c. Require facilities from other arms of the services for the dissemination of its propaganda material.
- d. Work in close cooperation with field commanders in matters of combat propaganda.
- e. Continue its activities before, during, and after an operation.

4. ORGANIZATION: Under the Information and Censorship Section, the Psychological Warfare Branch amalgamates the activities performed by Office War Information, ~~Psychological Warfare Executive~~, Ministry of Information, and part of Office Strategic Services. Psychological Warfare Branch is organized along the following lines:

- a. Executive: Executive is responsible for the administration, direction and control.

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b. Planning: Planning coordinates and prepares propaganda plans and directives in accordance with the announced policies.

c. Information: Information collects and evaluates Psychological Warfare intelligence in collaboration with other information gathering agencies.

d. Propaganda: Propaganda prepares, produces, and distributes all propaganda in accordance with the aforementioned plans and directives.

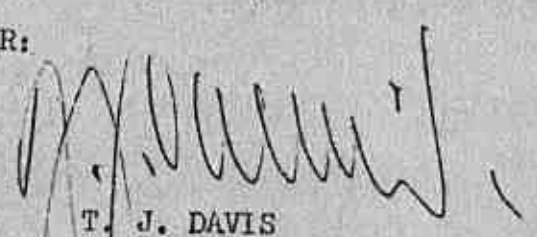
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5. COORDINATION: The Psychological Warfare Branch will coordinate the Office War Information - Psychological Warfare Executive joint propaganda directives with the plans of the theater as directed by the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Force. On the tactical level all Psychological Warfare Branch detachments in the field or on special missions will be attached to the headquarters of the unit in whose area they are serving and will be for the support of the area commander. The general propaganda policy, however, and the attachment or relief of these detachments will be controlled by AFHQ.

6. Whenever propaganda is desired by any agency or force under this headquarters, the Psychological Warfare Branch will be contacted and a request for, or suggestions will be made as to the type, or line of propaganda, desired. The Psychological Warfare Branch will, in conformity with its directives, prepare and arrange for distribution of all approved propaganda.

7. The headquarters of Psychological Warfare Branch is located in the Maison d'Agriculture, 12 Boulevard Baudin.

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By command of General EISENHOWER:


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REMARKS: No action in Sicily.
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Your cable reference 1201 of 29 November appears satisfactory on set up and functions of Information Subcommittee and Public Relations Office. Following suggestions are made with respect to censorship in light directive constituting Allied Publications Board now before Chief of Staff for approval. In ACC Territory part time services of 1 officer will be required to channel applications for licences to the board and to serve as a member at it's meetings. This board now being activated by Adams of PWB at Brindisi. Same officer could handle any censorship matters arising out of filing of Allied correspondents stories within our territory. Believe desirable assign an officer to perform these functions including liaison with INC rather than arrangement for attachment of INC officer suggested your last paragraph.

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HEADQUARTERS FIFTH ARMY
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Region III, APO-464, U.S.A.

6 November 1943

INF
Brigadier General Frank J. McSherry,
Chief of Headquarters Allied Military
Government, U.S. Army.

Dear General:

I am enclosing herewith a letter received from Lt. Col. John T. Whitaker, head of the PWB, Fifth Army, on the subject of the much discussed report of our supposed mistakes at Salerno. I hope this closes the incident insofar as AMG is concerned, though it is too bad that they brought up the matter at all. I do not know how this letter will strike you, but it seems to me rather rambling and not convincing beyond the fact that it admits ~~that it admits~~ that they were wrong.

We have had a terrifically busy time in these last days with Ministers of importance. The King was here the day before yesterday, and in response to a telegram from AFHQ, I tried to find all I could about the reason for his visit and what he accomplished while here. On the same day I had a long session with Admiral Cunningham, and that evening - two hours with General W. B. Smith. All of this bore not only on the work of AMG, but on political developments which are moving rapidly here. General Smith very kindly expressed satisfaction with what we are doing and said he had heard only favorable reports of AMG here.

Last night we had a heavy German raid and our electric lights were knocked out. I have not yet been able to find out how extensive the damage has been, but we will devote all energy in getting it fixed as the current is so vital to this City. It is used, among other things, for heating houses, and of course, the weather is chilly here.

I will send you detailed accounts of what we are doing shortly. We had the electricity for only two nights and I was unable to work at home on reports as I had expected. My days are pretty fully occupied from sunrise to sunset.

Faithfully yours,



EDGAR ERSKINE HUME,
Colonel, G.S.C.,
Regional Civil Affairs Officer.

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Lt. Col. Whitaker, PWB

HEADQUARTERS 5TH ARMY
Psychological Warfare Br. (Inc) AFHQ 308
APO 464 U.S.A.

29th October 1943

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Colonel EDGAR ERSKINE-HUME, Chief of Military
Government Section, Fifth Army.

1. Our report of 16 September from Salerno which criticized AMG in that city was compiled from two memoranda by two officers. The first was an intelligence report which described in two paragraphs and in very temperate language the situation in Salerno at that time. In my letter of 12th October I copied these paragraphs. Later I was told by you that there was a third paragraph which described the local AMG authorities as inept, lacking in leadership, etc. I asked the intelligence officer who prepared the intelligence report if he had used such language and he said no. When asked about the matter by your general I said that we had made no such report and that I could only assume that some other quarter, reading our intelligence report, had drawn those conclusions regarding AMG from our report on the situation in Salerno and had stated them in a covering letter or note. I now find that I was mistaken. Thinking that anything which had to do with the situation in Salerno would be contained in our intelligence report I had only read that portion of our report of 16th of September. In going back to the complete report I find a section prepared by the officer in charge of producing our newspaper. In describing the difficulties of printing in Salerno he had written, "Firstly there is the enemy shelling which upsets the workers who are in the town and keeps those who are not here from coming back. Secondly there is the question of food". Thereafter this officer launched into an attack against the local AMG authorities.

2. I regret very much that such an ill-tempered outburst should have gone forward in a PWB report. Ordinarily this would have been impossible but in that particular moment I had asked my officers in Salerno to forward their reports direct in order to avoid the delays which would have followed their passing through my hands at 5th Army Hq. 4171

3. The two paragraphs of the intelligence report are believed by me to have been an accurate statement of a temporary situation in Salerno. Such intelligence is necessary if our radio and similar propaganda is to be realistic. The paragraph with disparaging remarks about AMG officials,

contained in a report on the printing difficulties, should have had no place in our report and during my visit to Bari I reprimanded the offending officer who has been transferred to that city.

4. I regret very sincerely that a PWB officer should have made such statements about AMG authorities in Salerno because they do not reflect the attitude of PWB toward the work of your section in Italy. I am also distressed that circulation was given by an officer in 15th Army Group to an intelligence report which had no purpose beyond that of providing background guidance for our radio programming. AFHQ had ordered us to send forward this sort of background intelligence direct by PRO pouch. Had it been necessary for PWB to make a report on AMG this would have been evaluated by me and sent through channels, after consultation with AMG. I hope that you will accept my apology for this most unhappy incident which has proved embarrassing to you and distressing to me.

John T. Whitaker
JOHN T. WHITAKER,
Lt. Col., AUS,
CO PWB 5th Army.

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On military side use of Montgomery's message to troops and similar material does not mean relax in standing rule nor to go beyond official communiques and report hard fighting in difficult conditions.

We renew propaganda on U boats stressing following points:

1. Useless sacrifice lives and boats by Hitler.
2. Failure of "weapons" which Germany claimed she used in September U boat offensive to offset the raw crews employed as result of U boat losses during May to July.
3. Decrease Atlantic insurance rates.
4. Increasingly effective attacks by Allied submarines against U boats.

For Russia stress Russian strength demonstrated by renewed offensive but uncommit Russians holding whole Kiev Salient.

Paraphrase by FREEDOM of 7616.

Summary PWB Directive week beginning November 29 continues main political lines for Italy as in last week directive.

For air war revive bombing guilt theme, recalling Germany tried win war by mass attacks Britainwards but now unable prevent Allied bombardment of Germany. Avoid any suggestion Allied raids are reprisal, nor that aerial offensive is substitute invasion.

For France continue main campaigns. Stress our approbation increased influence French resistance in Committee National Liberation and link with recognition of resistance efforts within France. Ignore Vichy's situation unless official statements from Allied leaders forthcoming. Avoid further reference HRC AVIS number 19 until 1 of objectives mentioned therein has been bombed.

For Austria continue last weeks lines and emphasize likelihood further influx evacuees result Allied air offensive. Stress growing war power shortage and separate drive for labor.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
Information Sub-Commission
APO 512

18 November 1943

SUBJECT: Unification of Information Sub-Commission Staff

TO: ACS

1. It is recommended that the following men, assigned to act as Information officers, but still at Tizi Ouzou, be brought to HQ AMG:

MAJOR RANDOLPH LEIGH, Deputy "rear link" of Information Sub-Commission, ACC.

CAPTAIN S. H. ACHESON, Assigned to Information, Region V.

2. By bringing these officers to HQ they may become acquainted with the work being done here in the field of Information, may assist in that work, and may be prepared to go into full action without lost motion when the proper time comes.

Robert W. Desmond

ROBERT W. DESMOND
Major, Spec. Res, AUS
Acting Director, Inf. S-C.

Col Spoford
There will be a whole batch of officers to come from T1221 - consisting of rear links of subcommissions. as Region 5 is already being sent to SANTA CAESAREA presumably Capt ACHESON will go with that party

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Notified HMF as above.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Information Sub-Commission

11 Nov 1943

SUBJECT: Proposed directives for Information Sub-Commission, Allied Control Commission and for Regional CAOs and Regional Information Officers.

TO: The Chief of Staff

In compliance with request of Chief of Staff, there are attached:

- a. Proposed Directive for Information Sub-Commission of ACC.
- b. Proposed Directive on Information for Regional CAOs and Regional Information Officers.
- c. Memo on Staff and T/O Requirements, Information S-C, ACC.

These Directives have been prepared after examination of the ACC Directive itself, with special attention to its Appendix D.



ROBERT W. DESMOND
Major, Spec. Res. AUS
Acting Chief, Information S-C, ACC.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Information Sub-Commission

11 Nov 1943

Directive for Information Sub-Commission

1. Mission

The mission of the Information Sub-Commission is to prepare information about the Allied Control Commission for release to the public in Italy or in enemy occupied territories.

2. Functions

- a. Plan for, collect and edit information concerning the ACC, its objects, methods and activities.
- b. Maintain contact with all elements of the ACC in the preparation of such material.
- c. Maintain close liaison with the PRO of ACC relative to the preparation of source material for issue to the Allied and foreign press and radio; with the Psychological Warfare Branch, AFHQ, for the dissemination through the Italian press and radio of all information concerning ACC; and with the Censorship branch of INC in reference to local censorship.
- d. Material prepared by this Information Sub-Commission, intended for distribution through the press or radio, will be submitted in advance of release to the Security Intelligence Staff for checking on security angles.
- e. Collect and collate material for use of the Deputy President of the ACC.
- f. Act as the channel through which ACC officers deal with the local press or radio. Any discussion of material that is to appear, or that already has appeared, will be conducted through the Information Sub-Commission.
- g. Supervise the activities of Regional Information Officers in collection of data for use by the Information Sub-Commission at HQ ACC, in reference to local publication of releases concerning ACC operations.

ROBERT W. DESMOND
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Directive on Information for Regional CAOs
and Regional Information Officers

1. Mission

The mission of the Regional Information Officer is to prepare information about the Region for release to the ~~public~~ Italian public, in conformity with instructions from HQ ACC.

2. Functions

- a. Policy on information will be formulated at HQ ACC and communicated to Regional CAOs and Regional Information officers for their guidance.
- b. Communication between the Information Sub-Commission HQ ACC and Regional Information Officers will be through the Regional CAO.
- c. Regional Information officers will maintain contact with all elements of the regional organization in connection with the preparation of material intended for transmission to HQ, or for use locally under general instructions from HQ ACC.
- d. Regional Information Officers will cooperate with representatives of the Psychological Warfare Branch, AFHQ, on matters concerning the local press, or in conformity with instructions from the Information Sub-Commission, HQ ACC.
- e. PWB requests for newsprint, ink, and other newspaper supplies to be used locally will be forwarded to HQ ACC Information Sub-Commission by the Regional Information Officers.
- f. Maintain close liaison with Information Sub-Commission, HQ ACC and make such reports as the Sub-Commission may require.

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Memo on Staff and T/O Requirements, Information S-C, ACC

Note: The prime factor in the gathering and publication of news is the time element. The Information Sub-Commission, if it is to operate efficiently, requires a high priority of access to information and decisions. Staff and machinery under its direct control must be sufficient to enable it to produce all its own material accurately and speedily.

Duties for Staff

1. Plan for and edit information releases for use of Italian press, for use of PRO ACC in relations with foreign press, for use of DP ACC.
2. Collect and prepare the information releases, involving detailed study of reports and records of sub-commissions, interviews with chiefs and members of sub-commissions, attendance at some staff meetings and at press conferences; writing of releases. Supervision of stenciling, mimeographing, and distribution of releases.
3. Liaison with PWB on information to be published in Italian press.
4. Liaison with PRO of ACC in reference to foreign press releases.
5. Liaison with Censorship branch of INC.
6. Supervision on Regional Information Officers, with instructions and personal inspections.

Personnel

Two Majors to perform duties Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6. (Provided by T/O)

One Major & 3 Captains, previously assigned, to assist in above duties, and to perform duty No. 2.

Two clerks to do filing, correspondence, stenciling, and help generally. (One of clerks to be qualified as a translator-interpreter.)

Equipment

Four portable typewriters.

Three standard typewriters for staff use, clerical use.

All necessary office equipment, stationery supplies.

Arrangement for pool mimeographing equipment and service to be utilized by Information Sub-Commission, with priority for releases because of the requirements ~~of~~ for speed.

Service of clippings to be arranged through libraries at Charlottesville and Wimpdon schools, so that we may know what is being published about the ACC.

Short wave radio receiving ~~set~~ set to be made available to Sub-Commission.

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