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SECRET.

APPENDIX "A" TO LOCAL DEFENCE ORDERS
dated 20 Jan 1944.

GUARDS.

Defence Company will maintain the following:-

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| (a) Palace Guard | - | 2 NCOs., 9 Ptes. | } 24 hour guard. |
| (b) C-in-C's Train | - | 2 NCOs., 6 Ptes. | |
| (c) C-in-C's Mess | - | 2 NCOs., 6 Ptes. | |

Field.
24 Jan 44.

[Signature]
Major
Camp Commandant.

DRAFT.

DEFENCE SCHEME.

In the event of this town being attacked by paratroops or by other enemy ground forces the following procedure will be adopted.

ATTACK BY DAY.

Officers not required in their offices by Heads of Divisions will proceed to the transport lines picking up their pistol and ammunition en route if this is feasible.

Chief Clerk will report to the senior officer present for instructions as to whether secret documents are to be destroyed.

One orderly will be detached by Chief Clerk to act as runner.

All other ranks will proceed at the double to get their arms, ammunition, and steel helmets and will then report to the senior officer or N.C.O. present in the transport lines, adjoining Camp Office, 20 Via Roma.

ATTACK BY NIGHT.

Officers will proceed with pistol and ammunition to the transport lines.

Chief Clerk and the other clerks living in HQ will remain there until given further instructions. Chief Clerk will take any steps he thinks advisable to protect the secret documents.

One orderly, to be detailed now by Chief Clerk, will report to HQ. with rifle and ammunition.

All other ranks, duly armed, will report (not at the double) to the senior officer or N.C.O. present in the transport lines.

INSTRUCTIONS BY DAY AND NIGHT.

Rifle magazines NOT to be loaded without an order from an officer,

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INSTRUCTIONS BY DAY AND NIGHT.

Rifle magazines NOT to be loaded without an order from an officer, W.O. or Sgt.

Ammunition to be kept in opened pouch, bandolier or pocket available for immediate use.

A minimum of talking.

Torches to be carried by night if available, but are NOT to be flashed without an order from an officer, W.O. or Sgt.

Colonel,
Chief Staff Officer.

H.A. 15 ARMY GROUP 20 JAN 1944

SECRET.LOCAL DEFENCE.

1. OBJECT. - To prevent any hostile act on person of Commander-in-Chief or directed against personnel or property of Headquarters, 15 Army Group.

2. POSSIBLE ENEMY ATTACKS.

- (a) Air Attack.
- (b) Airborne Attack.
- (c) Sabotage or Fifth Column Activities.

3. ACTION TO BE TAKEN NOW.

Guards. - Appendix "A" - (to be issued later)

4. Branches, Messes etc.

- (a) All Branches, Messes etc. will be responsible -

- (i) For the defence of their own area. They will dig their own slit trenches, and designate their own alarm posts.
- (ii) For the safeguarding of all SECRET matter in their charge.
- (iii) That no unauthorised person enters their area.
- (iv) For the detailing of Fire Fighting Parties.

- (b) All ranks are responsible for the safeguarding of their arms and ammunition.

5. C.M.P. and U.S. Military Police.

- (a) Will establish Information Post in Headquarters area. 2022
- (b) Will control traffic and supervise area generally. One 4041 will be on duty in M.E. Courtyard from 0800 to 1800 hrs. daily.

6. Medical.

- (a) M.I. Room (R.A.P.) is situated close to Camp Office.
- (b) Officers Mess Staffs will be trained forthwith in Stretcher Bearing.

7. ALAR.

- (a) Any officer or man becoming aware of an impending attack by airborne or ground troops will at once inform G(Ops), (Telephone Extension 47) by quickest means.
- (b) G(Ops) will be responsible for ringing Branch (Alarm) extensions.
- (c) All Branches on receiving the alarm will pass on the alarm by word of mouth to the Branches near them.

8. ACTION ON ALAR.

On the alarm being received by day or night the following action will be taken :-

- (a) Guards. All Guards will turn out and man their alarm posts.
- (b) G.C. Defence Coy will immediately send an officer and the equivalent of one section with one I.M.G. to reinforce the C-in-C's Guard. On arrival, the officer will take command of the guard.
- (c) G.C. Defence Coy will immediately send the inlying picket by

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7. ALAR.

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- (b) G(Cps) will be responsible for ringing Branch (Alarm) extensions.
- (c) All Branches on receiving the alarm will pass on the alarm by word of mouth to the Branches near them.

8. ACTION ON ALAR.

On the alarm being received by day or night the following action will be taken :-

- (a) Guards. All guards will run out and man their alarm posts.
- (b) O.C. Defence Coy will immediately send an officer and the equivalent of one section with one L.L.C. to reinforce the C-in-C's Guard. On arrival, the officer will take command of the guard.
- (c) C.C. Defence Coy will immediately send the inlying platoon by H.T. to report to "A" Mess in H.E. corner of Palace building. The party will be available as mobile reserve under orders of Camp Commandant (Br). The officer or N.O.O. in charge will report to G(Cps) ahead of his troops.
- (d) All Officers and O.N's on duty in Branch areas will continue to work, prepared to safeguard their documents, get their emergency destruction arrangements in hand, and see that personal weapons are ready for use.
- (e) All other personnel not on duty will make their way as quickly as possible to the area where their arms are kept, and fall in at the Alarm Post designated for their Branch or company.

(f) Available C.M.P.s/..

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- (f) Available C.O.'s will report as in para. (c) above, with H.O.s. and personal weapons.
- (g) As soon as personnel of a branch or company are assembled, the Senior Officer will take charge and dispose his men so as to protect his Camp area.

9. SYSTEM OF COLLAR.

- (a) Command Post will be in vicinity of "W" Officers Mess.
- (b) On the alarm (for ground attack only and NOT air attack), Camp Commandant (CC) will proceed immediately to Command Post where he will assume command. In his absence a G(Ops) officer will be in command.

10. AIR ATTACK.

- (a) Alarm :- The siren will be used for air attack.
- (b) Action to be taken on alarm.
- (i) DAY :- Siren will continue until Headquarters actually attacked, when all ranks will take cover on ground floor, basement or slit trenches as applicable.
- (ii) NIGHT :- Heavy aircraft will not be engaged unless they actually commit a hostile act against Headquarters, when they will be engaged by all weapons within range.
- (iii) In tents a total blackout is imperative. On the alarm sounding therefore, all lights not totally blocked out will be put out. All ranks will take cover.
- (c) ALL CLEAR. Prolonged blast on siren.

11. PROMULGATION OF THIS ORDER.

- (a) The contents of this order will be made known to all ranks.
- (b) This order cancels any previous instructions on the subject.

Field.
20 Jan 44.

[Signature]
Major,
Camp Commandant.

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
HEADQUARTERS
15 ARMY GROUP.

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12 November 43.

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Camp.

DEFENSE SCHEME

In the event of this H.Q. being attacked the following procedure will be adopted for its defense.

ATTACK BY DAY.

Officers not required in their offices by heads of branches will proceed with pistol and ammunition to the front of Villa Giordano to assist in the defense of the H.Q.

Chief Clerks of offices at Villas Grassi, Roth and Giordano will respectively report to the senior officer present for instructions as to whether secret documents are to be destroyed.

One clerk or orderly will be detailed by Chief Clerk at each villa to act as runner.

All other ranks will proceed at the double to get arms, ammunition and steel helmets and report to the senior officer or MO present in front of Villa Giordano.

ATTACK BY NIGHT.

Officers will report to heads of branches and if MO required in offices will proceed to Villa Giordano duly armed to assist in the defense of the H.Q.

Chief Clerks will proceed armed to the Villas Grassi, Roth and Giordano to report to the senior officer present. One orderly to be detailed Now by Chief Clerks will also report with rifle and ammunition.

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P.F.G.

P. PRIMO JAMES.
Major for Col.,
Chief Staff Officer.

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