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CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION
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SUBJECT:- Channels of Communications

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HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY

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1904/9/G(SD1)

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1. The instructions in this Branch letter 1904/9/G(SD1) dated 25 Jul 44 are cancelled.
2. The functions of air formation Headquarters in this theatre are as follows:-
 - (a) DAF are responsible for air operations on the front of Fifth and Eighth Armies. All administrative matters for the units under their control, which are the concern of or affect Fifth or Eighth Armies, are dealt with direct between DAF (Rear) and the Army concerned.
 - (b) HQ MATAF controls DAF operationally but has no administrative link with DAF except on matters of major policy.
 - (c) HQ TAF (ITALY) is a branch of MATAF established to fulfil the function of MATAF so far as operations in ITALY are concerned.
3. The following channels of communication will accordingly be used:-
 - (a) Administrative matters formerly referred to HQ MATAF will in future be referred to HQ TAF (ITALY) CEF (Signals TAF (ITALY)).
 - (b) Where the subject concerns DAF only, it will be referred direct to HQ DAF (Rear).
4. HQ TAF (ITALY) - telephone number TAF 27 through Advanced Filpot - will be pleased to advise any Branch as to the correct channels of communication on any administrative matter affecting British or US Air Forces.

/s/ Illagible
for Brigadier,
G(SD & T)

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SECY GEN
CA BR
AIR SC
ARMY SC
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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
1904/9/G(SD2)

Adjutant	<i>[Signature]</i>
Asst. Asst.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Asst. Asst.	<i>[Signature]</i>
Chief Clerk	<i>[Signature]</i>

15 Jul 44

1. Attention is drawn to the following revised method of communication with Headquarters MATAF.
2. Correspondence and signals on policy matters affecting MATAF units in ITALY or elsewhere should in future be addressed to Headquarters MATAF, CMF (Signals MATAF) with a copy to Headquarters TAF (Italy) CMF (Signals TAF (Italy)).
3. Correspondence affecting day to day operations will be addressed to TAF (Italy) only.

[Signature]
Brigadier,
G(SD & T).

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 312.3-1

14 May 1944

SUBJECT: Channel of Communications for Civilian Experts.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference your Adj: 312.3-1 of 12 May 1944.
2. Directive referred to in paragraph 1 of your letter attached herewith.

Incl:
as above

Roland Segalini
ROLAND SEGALINI
1st Lt. C.A.C.

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15 February 1944.

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SUBJECT: Direct Communication between ACC and American and British Governments.

TO: 1. The G.O.C. in C., ACME
(Attention: Chief Commissioner, ACC)

ATTACHED

1. Attention is drawn to our Message 44015 of 28 January 1944 authorizing direct communication on matters of routine between Headquarters Allied Control Commission and the British and American Governments. This directive was issued in pursuance of the policy of decentralizing the problems of civil affairs arising in Italy - to which policy this Headquarters still adheres. (In this connection reference is made to AFHQ letter on "Exercise of Certain Functions of President, Allied Control Commission, to the G.O.C. in C., ACME, 28 January 1944.") Since the despatch of Message 44015 recent reasons have been advanced by certain Staff Sections at this Headquarters why the authority to communicate directly upon "matters of routine" should be more accurately defined. Supply and personnel, in particular, are matters which must be dealt with through AFHQ. Insistence has been put upon the principle that all matters of real substance must be referred through this Headquarters to the Combined Chiefs of Staff - which represents the sole authority under which AFHQ operates - and not to a particular department of either the American or the British Government. In order that this vital principle of Allied action may certainly be observed in practice, it has been decided that Message 44015 should now be supplemented by a more specific directive.

2. The matters of routine on which direct communication between the ACC and the two Governments is authorized are for the present limited to the following:

Inquiries as to the whereabouts and welfare of individual civilians.
Listing of displaced persons
Condition of private property
Civil postal administration
Procurement of publications
Statistical and like technical information
e.g., public health records
criminal records
industrial reports
agricultural reports
Routine reports required by AFHQ to be periodically submitted, as directed by AFHQ.

Where such direct communication takes place it should be authorized by the appropriate Vice President or Director of the ACC.

3. Headquarters ACC is invited to examine promptly the subject of the present letter, and to communicate to this Headquarters its recommendations, whether as to defining the scope of "matters of routine" or otherwise.

By the command of General Wilson:

J. A. R. CASSEL
Lieutenant General
Chief of Staff

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PENINSULAR BASE SECTION
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER

29 JANUARY 1944

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ROUTINE

PATINA FOR MACFARLANE AND CG PBS (FARGO) FOR SPOFFORD RPTD FAIRBANKS

NONE

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DIRECT COMMUNICATION ON MATTERS OF ROUTINE INTEREST AUTHORIZED BETWEEN HEADQUARTERS ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION AND THE BRITISH AND AMERICAN GOVERNMENTS AT LONDON AND WASHINGTON. FOR GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIVES AND ALL MATTERS OF POLICY, THE CHANNEL REMAINS THROUGH THE ALLIED CINC TO AND FROM THE COMBINED CHIEFS OF STAFF. ALL SUCH DIRECT COMMUNICATION MUST BE AUTHORIZED BY THE RESPECTIVE HEADS OF SECTIONS AND SUBCOMMISSIONS AND A COPY OF EVERY SUCH COMMUNICATION MADE A PART OF THE COMMISSIONS RECORDS. ADVISE THIS HEADQUARTERS IF YOU WISH DETAILED AMPLIFICATION OF MINISTRIES AND AGENCIES TO BE ADDRESSED UNDER ABOVE AUTHORITY.

ACC DISTPBS DISTACTION AMG HQ
INFOR SECY
CG(ACTION) COL SPOFFORD (2)
BRIG GUTENBERG
POLITICAL SEC
EX OFFRS
AG 685S E C R E T - 11620

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

LTM/mrh

Adj: 312.3-1

12 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Channels of Communication for Civilian Experts

TO : Military Government Section, AFHQ

1. Reference your letter, MES 312.3-1 of 10 May 1944. The records of this office do not disclose the receipt of the directive referred to in paragraph 2 of your letter, subject, "Direct communication between ACC and American and British governments", AC 387.4-1, 15 February 1944.

2. May a copy of this communication be supplied please.

For the Commanding General:

by
L. T. MONTANT, Jr.,
1st Lt, AGD,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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4 February 1944.

SUBJECT: Direct Communication with London and Washington.

TO : Deputy Chief Commissioner - Capt. Stone
Executive Commissioner, (V.P.) R.C. and M.C. Section - Brig. Lush
Vice President Economic Section - Mr. Grady
Vice President Administrative Section - The Viscount Stansgate
Political Section - Mr. Caccia
Chief's all Subcommissions -
Secretary General - Major Doe
Adjutant General - Lt. Col. Clough
Executive Officers - Colonel Rathbone and Albright
Civil Affairs Branch -
Italian Refugees Branch -
Security -
Public Relations Officer.

1. Higher headquarters has authorized direct communication on matters of routine between Hq. A.C.C. and the British and American Governments at London and Washington. Matters of routine are interpreted to include technical matters of interest to various ministries, departments and agencies of the respective governments.

2. Any matters to be communicated directly must be authorized by a Vice President or an officer authorized by him for the purpose, and will be dispatched by the Secretary General. A copy of each such communication will be kept as a part of the records of Hq. A.C.C.

3. For general instructions and directives and all matters of policy the channel of communication remains through AFHQ to and from the combined Chiefs of Staff.

By command of Lieutenant-General MacFARLANE:

L. W. Stearns
L. W. STEARNS,
Capt., AGD,
Asst. Adj. Gen.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

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Adj 312.3

30 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Unauthorized Use of Official Mail Channels

TO : Regional Commissioner, Region VI, ACC

1. In the mail received by official channels 30 March 1944, from your headquarters, were included two envelopes bearing Italian postage stamps addressed to "Comitato Italiano Gestione Navi" and "Cogena" 32 Piazza Della Carita, Naples. Both of these envelopes bore the legend and contained correspondence in Italian written on the letterhead of "Agenzie Marittime Sarde", Olbia, Portotorres.

2. Both of these envelopes have been referred to the Security Branch, this Hq, for examination.

3. Your attention is invited to letter, Allied Force Headquarters, AG 311.1-5, AG-AGM, 18 November 1943, which specifically prohibits the use of MDLS, ADLS and ACS Services for the dispatch of other than personal mail. A copy of this is inclosed.

4. It is requested that steps be taken to prevent further such unauthorized use of official mail channels.

By Command of Lieut General MASON MACFARLANE:

L. T. Montant, Jr.
L. T. MONTANT, JR,
2nd Lt, AGD,
Adjutant.

Incl

AFHQ ltr AG 311.1-5, dtd 18 Nov 43.

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