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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
APO No. 794, US Army

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19 July 1944

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SUBJECT: Defensive and Offensive Methods of Mosquito and
Malaria Control.

TO : All Units, R. A. A. C.

1. All unit commanders will enforce the following regulations within their respective commands, in order to destroy adult mosquitoes which are now present throughout the Rome Area, and offer a serious menace to the health of our troops in the area, by the dissemination of malaria.

- a. The use of the mosquito net.
- b. The wearing of long trousers and shirt sleeves rolled down after sunset.
- c. The use of mosquito repellent beginning at dusk.
- d. The continued use of atabrine (mepacrine).
- e. The destruction of adult mosquitoes.
 - (1) By the spraying of all billets nightly.
 - (2) By the spraying of culverts, pig styes, cowsheds, stables and any such place that presents a cool darkened hiding place for the mosquito, in daytime.

2. These offensive methods must include all areas within two kilometres of bivouacs outside towns.

By command of Major General JOHNSON:



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Capt., AGD, 3322
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SANITARY ORDER

GENERAL:-

The following Regulations for the Preservation of Health and Prevention of Disease in this Command are published for the information and compliance of all units under Command.

1. Responsibility:

a. Responsibility for Sanitation and Hygiene within a unit rests in the Commanding Officer of the unit or formation. Such responsibility extends throughout the area occupied by the unit or formation.

b. The attention of all Officers and Enlisted Men or Other Ranks will be drawn to the information contained in these regulations. British units will publish the regulations in unit orders at intervals of 4 weeks.

2. Water Supply:

a. Water in the City of Rome is not potable unless drawn from a faucet or tap which is supplied directly from the mains. All public drinking fountains fall within this category.

3. Ice:

a. No ice may be added to any beverage. Such liquids may be cooled by the application of ice to the outside of the container.

4. Ice cream, ices and soft drinks:

a. These may only be obtained at organizational messes, Red Cross Clubs and NAACP/AFI or CVWV canteens. The commodities will not be bought or consumed at street vendors barrows, civilian cafés or civilian restaurants. At a later date, certain

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civilian establishments which conform to hygienic standards, may be placed "in limits", when they will display a prominent notice of such authorisation.

5. Soft fruit and vegetables.

a. Soft fruit and vegetables, usually eaten raw, will be treated in accordance with the provisions of Circular 14 Headquarters Natoussa dated 4 Feb 1944 or GRO 334/44.

6. Regulations for Messes, Cookhouses etc.:

a. All mess rooms, cookhouses and places used for the preparation of food will be maintained in a clean condition. Fly-proofing will be carried out whenever possible.

b. Unpacked food, such as bread, fresh meat etc., will be handled, stored, prepared and issued in a sanitary manner. They will be protected from heat, dirt, insects, rodents etc. Protective coverings such as clean mattress covers or paulins (US), clean sacks or boxes (BR), will be used for protecting such food during transportation.

c. Foodhandlers and cookhouse personnel will be examined as specified in Para. 13 AR 40-205 dated 31 Dec 43 or ACI 1727/44.

d. Civilian personnel employed by US units must have a foodhandlers permit issued by the Public Health Office, City of Rome.

e. Civilian personnel employed by British units will be examined by a Medical Officer in accordance with GRO 335/44 before being employed, or will be in possession of a valid certificate from the Public Health Office.

f. A list of civilian personnel employed will be kept by the unit concerned. All such civilians will be examined by a Medical Officer as to their freedom from infectious and contagious disease at intervals of 14 days.

7. Waste Disposal:

a. Garbage and soil will be put into covered cans or drums kept for the purpose. These cans will be emptied not less often than once a day, and disposed of by delivery in unit transport to one of the following garbage plants:-

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Address :	Cave Pietralata- Casale Calvani	1:100,000 Sheet 150

b. Empty tin cans will be washed or burned and then crushed before being removed to dumps.

c. No garbage, swill or empty cans will be dumped at other than approved disposal plants.

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8. Malaria Control:

a. Rome stands in the middle of a HIGHLY MALARIOUS AREA. Throughout the whole of the Command full anti-malaria precautions will be carried out in accordance with Para. 21 AR 40-205 Circ. 42 HQ Natoua (US), or "Anti-Malarial Campaign (Mediterranean Theatre) 1944 (BR). Commanding Officers will ensure that all measures of personal protection will be strictly enforced.

b. This is especially important because strict observance of these precautions will materially reduce the incidence of other diseases spread by biting insects.

9. Dysentery and fly borne diseases:

a. All food will be protected from flies. All latrines will be kept in a clean fly proof condition. No collecting of garbage or filth will be permitted in, or near, any billet or camping area. Every effort will be made by all means to destroy flies.

10. Louse borne diseases.

a. Physical examination of all US Troops will be held twice monthly in accordance with Circ. 49 HQ Natoua. British Troops will have an P.F.I. examination each month. Clothing will be examined for evidence of louse infection at the same time as the Physical examination is made. Insecticide powder will be made available for all Troops.

11. Skin diseases:

a. Epidermophytosis (Athletes Foot) is common and the use of swimming baths will add to the spread of the disease. Treatment must be obtained by all personnel infected with the disease.

b. Commanding Officers must ensure that the floors of bath houses are scrubbed with disinfectant fluid and that duck boards are thoroughly cleaned and dried in the sun daily.

12. Venereal Disease:

a. Commanding Officers are responsible for control of Venereal Disease in their units.

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b. All Troops will be instructed in the danger of V.D.

c. Prophylactic Stations will be maintained at all US dispensaries and E.T. Rooms will be maintained by British Units at the discretion of the O.C. (Prophylactic Stations-(PAC's) are established and clearly signposted throughout the City of Rome).

d. Individual chemical and mechanical prophylactics (E.T. Packets and Condoms) will be made readily available to all troops at their unit location.

13. Rabies:

a. Rabies is common in Rome. All Troops must be warned of the danger of handling strange dogs. US Units will comply with the provisions of Circ. 62 HQ Matouse and British Units will comply with the provisions of GRO 506/42.No. 48 (Br) General Hospital is the appointed hospital for this Area under para.5(b) of the latter Order.

14. Inoculation and Vaccination:

a. US Units,

Immunization as proscribed by Sec.1 Circ.12 Matouse dated 28 Jan 1944 will be kept current at all times and Unit Commanders will make monthly checks to ensure that records show proper completion of immunization. Immunization requirements in this theatre are:

Smallpox.....	Once Yearly.
Typhoid, Para Typhoid.....	Stimulating dose of 0.5cc annually.
Typhus.....	Stimulating dose of 1.0cc every six months.
Tetanus.....	One stimulating dose at end of first year and not after that except in case of injury, operation or manipulation likely to cause development of the disease.

b. British Units,

Vaccination and inoculation status will be submitted to Surgeon. R.A.A.C. every three months.

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British Army Requirements are:

Vaccination.....every two years.
TAB boosting dose.....yearly
TT boosting dose.....yearly
TEV boosting dose.....every six months, except
when more frequent dos-
age is advised by ADMS.

15. Barber's Shops:

a. Only those civilian shops which display a sign showing that they have been inspected and approved by the Sanitary Branch of this HQ will be used by Troops.

b. Barber's shops operating in US Unit areas will be gov-
erned by Para.9 AR 40-205.

By command of Major General JOHNSON:

THOMAS J. SHYROCK, JR.,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

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11 April 1964

SUBJECT: Requisitions For Mosquito Control Items.

TO : See Distribution.

1. A limited supply of a 10% by weight mixture of Paris green (5% by volume) in slaked lime is now available for distribution to units. This item should only be requisitioned by units having a specific problem requiring the use of Paris green. Almost all units will find that their problem can be adequately solved by the use of oil. Paris green, when requisitioned, may be drawn from Depot #255, located on the road to Dagnoli. A separate requisition, in triplicate, for Paris green must be approved by The Surgeon, PBS. For this item, Engineer approval is not necessary. Units should bring their own containers for the Paris green mixture.

2. Knapsack sprayers and rotary dusters will be issued by the Engineers at Dump E-250 as heretofore, after approval by the PBS Surgeon and the PBS Engineer. When submitted to The Surgeon's Office, requisitions for any of the three items should be accompanied by someone thoroughly conversant with the unit mosquito control problems.

3. Paris green should be used in breeding places with dense vegetation, or wherever it is impracticable to use oil. This should be determined by the unit surgeon. Paris green may be distributed over the surface of the water by means of a rotary duster or by hand casting. The latter method is encouraged because there are insufficient dusters for all units. Careful washing of the hands following hand casting, especially before eating, will prevent cases of arsenic poisoning.

4. Diesel oil #2, for use with knapsack sprayers, may be drawn at the dumps on properly signed requisitions. Approval of the POL Section, PBS, is not required. Units north of and in the Aversa area may draw oil in quantities up to three-55 gallon drums at Dump P-850. Other units will take empty containers and draw oil from Dump P-851 at the S.I.A.P. Bulk Storage Plant. When necessary, empty containers may be obtained at Dump P-850.

By command of Major General WILSON:

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1 April 1944

Subject: Fly and Mosquito Control.

To : See Distribution.

1. The recently issued Regional Order on Sanitation attached hereto will be of great assistance to all units in carrying out the provisions of Circular No. 33, Headquarters AMC, dated 2 March 1944. It has been reproduced for the benefit of all concerned.

2. In order to assist AMC authorities in enforcing this order, PAB Sector commanders and unit commanders will notify the appropriate Sindaco or Mayor of violations of sanitary principles and policies outlined. Each report to Italian authorities will carefully state the address or location of the unsanitary situation and the identity of the offending person when obtainable.

By command of Major General WILSON:

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D. W. EASTON
Major, U.S.A.
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Regional Order No. 24,
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QUARTIER GENERALE
GOVERNO MILITARE ALLEATO
REGIME 3

ORDINE REGIONALE)

NUMERO 24)

24 Marzo 1944

Tanto conto dell'avvicinarsi della stagione favorevole alla riproduzione delle mosche, e dei conseguenti pericoli di diffusione di diarrea, dissenteria, tifo e colera, di guisa che è da ritenersi essenziale che siano presi dei provvedimenti, al fine di mantenere e migliorare la situazione igienico sanitaria, in tutti i comuni della Provincia di Napoli, Avellino e Benevento; e

Considerato che le Forze Armate Alleate sono state invitate a collaborare nel controllo delle zone ove, nella immediata vicinanza, vi siano luoghi adibiti a discariche; e,

Tanto presunta che il Governo Militare Alleato, darà tutto il suo appoggio, tanto come assistenza e consiglio, quanto nel provvedere i materiali necessari, per il raggiungimento degli scopi che il presente ordine si propone; perciò:

In virtù dei poteri conferitimi, Io, CHARLES POMERY, Tenente Colonnello, Commissario Regionale, Regione 4,

ORDINE:

Articolo 1.

Funzioni dei Sindaci per la profilassi igienica

I Sindaci di ogni comune, compreso nei territori della Provincia di Napoli, Avellino e Benevento, devono applicare e far rispettare con tutto il rigore possibile, quanto contemplato nel "Regolamento Sanitario d'Igiene Sociale" e dovranno inoltre provvedere a quanto segue:

a. alla raccolta e rimozione dei rifiuti, a mezzo di veicoli e con adeguato personale, tanto di sorveglianza, quanto di lavoro;

b. far sì che i pubblici ricettacoli, per lo scarico di rifiuti, siano efficientemente protetti dalle mosche, per evitarne il contatto con i rifiuti stessi, prima della loro rimozione;

c. assicurarsi che il carico e lo scarico dei rifiuti venga regolarmente e debitamente eseguito;

d. a far votare, in tempestività, i pozzi neri; all'uopo il sindaco stesso, dovrà stabilire delle tariffe, con prezzi ragionevoli che avranno seguito all'approvazione del Prefetto competente del territorio ove si trova il comune;

e. a far riparare - ove necessario - ed a mantenere efficienti tutte le fognature ove vengano convogliate le acque nere dei fabbricati siti nel comune, nonché tutti quei canali, cunicoli e condotti, che siano adibiti a raccolta o convogliamento di acque, nere o piovane, provenienti da fabbricati siti nel comune, e ciò irrispettivamente dal fatto che tali fogni, canali, cunicoli o condotti, si trovino entro o fuori il territorio del comune;

f. a far riparare - ove necessario - ed a mantenere efficienti tutti gli Idranti pubblici, nonché le condutture d'acqua che servono i fabbricati locati nel comune, irrispettivamente dal fatto che tali idranti o condutture si trovino entro o fuori il territorio del Comune; e

g. far opera di propaganda, contro i pericoli causati dalle mosche, e dalla loro tremenda diffusione, a mezzo di lettere, conferenze, cartelli e film, e qualsiasi altro mezzo, atto a rinforzare la necessità della lotta contro la mosche.

Articolo II.

Infrazioni

Coma 1. Chiunque dimori in luogo abitato, non deve:

a. raccogliere, o permettere la raccolta, nei locali da esso posseduti od occupati, di rifiuti od immondizie, se non in recipienti o fogni, che siano debitamente protetti dalla mosche, e che, a mezzo dei relativi copricchi o coperture, siano mantenuti chiusi;

b. gettare rifiuti di qualsiasi genere in qualsiasi posto aperto al pubblico, o in qualsiasi terreno nella vicinanza dell'abitato; o

c. soddisfare bisogni corporali, grandi o piccoli, se non in luoghi espressamente adibiti a ciò.

Coma 2. Chiunque dimori in una casa, non deve, e non deve permettere:

a. che la casa, o cortile, giardino o terreno a sua disposizione, o strada, vicolo o sentiere - sia pubblico che privato - confinante con la casa, sia, per mancanza di pulizia, in condizioni di essere ritenuto nocivo alla salute o anti-igienico;

b. che ogni bocchetta di acqua, conduttura d'acqua, pozzo, canali di scolo, fognatura, gabinetto, latrina o pozzo nero, usato per la casa, sia non efficiente e in condizioni di essere ritenuto nocivo alla salute o anti-igienico; o

c. che qualsiasi genere alimentare, conservato in casa, sia non debitamente protetto dalla mosche.

Articolo III

Finanziamento

Il Sindaco di ciascun Comune, entro la detta provincia, compilarà subito un preventivo per le spese necessarie ed occorrenti per mettere in effetto, nell'ambito del suo Comune i servizi igienici previsti nel precedente Art. I e sulla base di tale preventivo, sottoporrà al Prefetto dal quale il suo Comune dipende, una richiesta di finanziamento allo scopo di poter provvedere ad un efficiente servizio igienico-sanitario.

La mancanza di fondi, non sarà una scusa ritenuta valida per una assenza di sufficiente situazione igienico sanitaria.

Articolo IV.

Collaborazione con gli Alleati

Il Sindaco di ciascun Comune, entro la detta provincia, darà immediata esecuzione, ad ogni richiesta o reclamo, a lui indirizzati dal "Town Major" o dal Comandante Militare, delle Città nelle quali siano accampate o accampate, Forze Militari Alleate.

Articolo V.

Assistenza da parte del Governo Militare Alleato

Il Sindaco di ciascun Comune, entro la detta provincia invierà al Prefetto, dal quale il Comune dipende, qualsiasi richiesta, per ogni assistenza, egli ritiene dover chiedere al Governo Militare Alleato, al fine di porre in effetto quanto previsto dal presente ordine.

Articolo VI

Penalità

Chiunque contravenga alle disposizioni del presente ordine, se giudicato colpevole da un Tribunale del Governo Militare Alleato, sarà soggetto alla pena del carcere o a multa o ad entrambi, con o senza altri provvedimenti locali, quali il tribunale potrà determinare.

Articolo VII

Estensione e data di effetto

Il presente ordine si estende ai territori delle Province di Napoli, Avellino e Benevento, ed avrà vigore ed effetto dal giorno 1 Aprile 1944.

CHARLES POLETTI,
Tenente Colonnello,
Comandante Regionale.

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25 March 1944

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