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OFFICERS —

RELEASE of CA OFFICERS (Br)

NOT TO BE MICROFILMED

To	Date
DR+R 2/1/68	by [signature]

RELEASE of CA OFFICERS (Br).

NOT TO BE MICROFILMED

To	Date
Dr. R. K. Brown.	

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

AFO 394

G-1 (B)

REFERENCE: G-1B/140/A

20 April 1946

SUBJECT : Release - Officers and ORs

TO : Distribution below

The following programme for release of Officers and ORs in UK has been notified in GHQ signal G 38426 of 17 Apr 46, and is forwarded for the information of all concerned:-

MALE OFFICERS & OTHER RANKS.

Group 32 to be completed by 2 Jul 46.
 " 33 3 Jul 46 - 14 Jul 46.
 " 34 15 Jul 46 - 25 Jul 46.
 " 35 26 Jul 46 - 5 Aug 46.
 " 36 6 Aug 46 - 17 Aug 46.
 " 37 18 Aug 46 - 2 Sep 46.
 " 38 3 Sep 46 - 15 Sep 46.
 " 39 16 Sep 46 - 26 Sep 46.
 " 40 27 Sep 46 - to be completed on a date to be announced later.

The above programme is not applicable to medical officers, or RAVC officers, other than Q.M.'s.

Amstrong
 G-1(B), *max*

HQ Allied Commission.

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V.P. Economic Section	(20)	" Venezia "	AC (3)
V.P. Civil Affairs Section	(10)	" Sicily "	AC (3)
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Dir. Communications S/C			
" P.R.B.		SCAO AMG Venezia Giulia	(3)
HQ Naples Liaison Group, AC	(3)	Prov. Comm. AMG Udine	(3)
" Livorno " "	AC (3)	H.Q. Comd.	(3)
" Bologna " "	AC (3)	O.C. Br. Det.	(3)
" Liguria " "	AC (3)	Dir. D.P. & R. S/C	(3)
" Piemonte " "	AC (3)		



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APD 324
G-1(B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/1140/A

16 Feb 1946

SUBJECT : Release - Officers & ORs

TO : Distribution below

The following programme for the release of Officers and ORs in the UK has been notified in GHQ signal 22741 of 15 Feb, and is forwarded for the information of all concerned :-

MALE OFFICERS

Group 25	14 Mar 46	to 9 Apr 46
26	10 Apr 46	to 5 May 46
27	6 May 46	to 22 May 46
28	23 May 46	to 31 May 46
29	1 Jun 46	to 8 Jun 46
30	9 Jun 46	to 16 Jun 46
31	17 Jun 46	to 23 Jun 46
32	24 Jun 46	to be completed on a date to be announced later.

The above dates are not applicable to medical or dental officers, who will be released in accordance with the programme as laid down for ORs.

OTHER RANKS

Group 27	7 Mar 46	to 20 Apr 46
28	21 Apr 46	to 18 May 46
29	19 May 46	to 1 Jun 46
30	2 Jun 46	to 11 Jun 46
31	12 Jun 46	to 23 Jun 46
32	24 Jun 46	to be completed on a date to be announced later.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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G-1(B),
HQ Allied Commission

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27 6 May 46
 28 23 May 46
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The above dates are not applicable to medical or dental officers, who will be released in accordance with the programme as laid down for ORs.

OTHER RANKS

Group 27	7 Mar 46	to 20 Apr 46
28	21 Apr 46	to 18 May 46
29	19 May 46	to 1 Jun 46
30	2 Jun 46	to 11 Jun 46
31	12 Jun 46	to 23 Jun 46
32	24 Jun 46	to be completed on a date to be announced later.

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R. S. M. C. J. R.
 G-1(B),
 HQ Allied Commission

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 V.P. Economic Section
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 H.Q. Naples Liaison Group AC
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 " Venezia (Treviso) " " "
 " Sicily (Palermo) " " "
 " Bari " " "
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 Ancona Liaison Officer (Tn) AC
 HQ Comdt. HQ. AC.
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APO 394
G-1(B)

28 GEN 1946

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/1/A

26 Jan 1946

SUBJECT : Release ORs - Group 26

TO : Distribution below

Further to our G-1B/140/1/A dated 3 Jan 46.

ORs in A/S Gp. 26 will report to the Assembly Centre, Milan, not before the 31 Jan 46 and not later than 28 Feb 46.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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Allied Commission.

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V.P. Civil Affairs Section (10)

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A.C. C.L.O. Sicily (Palermo) (2)

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" " Piemonte (Turin) (2)

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" " Venezia (Treviso) (2)

SCAO Venezia Giulia (2)

Prov. Comm. ANS Udine (2)

A.C. C.L.O. (T) Ancona (2)

GHQ 2nd Echelon C.M.F.

A.C. 02B Det. Assembly Centre, Milan

HQ Comdt.

O.C. Br. Det.

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APO 394

G-1 (E)

REFERENCE : G-1B/14C/A

19 January 1946

SUBJECT : Release Documentation.

TO : Distribution below.

Reference GRD 16 of 1946.

The following amendment to "Regulations for Release from the Army 1945" which will be published in due course, is forwarded for the information of all personnel responsible for Release documentation.

The last sentence of paragraph 327 of "Regulations for Release from the Army 1945" should read:-

"Page 1- in the case of officers, and page 2- in the case of ORs, of the individuals' release book will show his normal age/service group, followed by the figure 327 in brackets, and will quote the War Office authority.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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H.Q., Allied Commission

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V.P. Economic Section	(20)
Dir. Communications S/O	
P.R.D.	
SCAO Venezia Giulia	(2)
A.C. Chief Liaison Officer, Naples	(3)
Livorno	(3)
Bologna	(3)
Liguria (Genoa)	(3)
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Bari	(3)
A.C. Liaison Officer (Tn) Ancona	(3)
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1(B)

11 GEN 1945

10 Jan 1946

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

SUBJECT : Documentation - Release

TO : Distribution below

GHQ GMP have stated that in certain cases officers are signing their own Release Books, including the authority for Release on Page 1.

This practice will be discontinued and arrangements will be made to obtain the signature of the next senior officer.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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E. WILHELM JONES
Lt. Colonel,
G-1(B)

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V.P. Civil Affairs Section	(20)
V.P. Economic Section	
Dir. Communications S/O	
P.R.B.	
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A.G. Chief Liaison Officer Naples	(3)
Livorno	(3)
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Liguria (Genoa)	(3)
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Venezia (Treviso)	(5)
Sicily (Palermo)	(3)
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A.G. Liaison Officer (Tn) Ancona	
HQ Comit. HQ. AC.	(1)
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APO 394
G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/14C/A

SUBJECT : Deferment of Release

TO : Distribution below

8 Jan 1945

1. Reference is made to our letter of even number dated 13 and 20 Dec 45.

2. The following information is given in connection with voluntary deferment of release for a period of six months.

(a) It is confirmed that Medical and Dental Officers are eligible for D.V. (6). Nursing Officers are not eligible.

(b) Authority is now given for D.V. (6) by Rank and File in A/S Gps. 1 to 35 inclusive in arms and trades or employments specified below:-

R.E. :- Assistant Military Foreman of Works
Engineer Draughtsman
Engineer Clerks
Clerks G.D.
Clerks Railway
Postal Workers
Regimental Cooks

R.A.S.C. :- Clerks - Supply and T.M.T.
Storeman - T.M.T.

R.A.O.C. :- Ammunition Examiners

R.A.M.C. :- Dispenser
Massey
Laboratory Assistant
Radiographer
Hospital Cook
Special Treatment Orderly
Operating Room Assistant
Nursing Orderly
Clerks

Int. Corps :- Field Security NCO's

R.A.P.C. :- Clerks

(b) Authority is now given for D.V. (6) by Rank and File in A/S Gps.
1 to 35 inclusive in arms and trades or employments specified below:-

R.E. :- Assistant Military Foreman of Works
Engineer Draughtsman
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Clerks G.D.
Clerks Railway
Postal Workers
Regimental Cooks

R.A.S.O. :- Clerks - Supply and T.M.T.
Storeman - T.M.T.

R.A.O.C. :- Ammunition Examiners

R.A.M.C. :- Dispenser
Masseur
Laboratory Assistant
Radiographer
Hospital Cook
Special Treatment Orderly
Operating Room Assistant
Nursing Orderly
Clerks

Int. Corps :- Field Security NCO's

R.A.P.C. :- Clerks

A.C.C. :- Cooks

All Other Arms :- Mustered Clerks and Regimental Cooks.
Volunteers May be accepted from now until further notice.

(c) Authority is also given for VAD members, in employments listed below to defer voluntarily release for a period of six months.
Nursing members, Dispensers, Clerks, Hospital Cooks, Clinical Orderlies.

Eligibility is restricted to VADs including married women in A & S Gps. 1 to 50 inclusive.

(d) Candidates for Commissions are not eligible to defer for six months.

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3. It should be noted that documentation for voluntary deferment for six months is identical with that now operative for deferment for one or two years, vide GRO 541/45.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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K. WILHE JONES
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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V.P. Establishments Section	(10)	Piemonte (Turin)	(3)
V.P. Civil Affairs Section	(20)	Lombardia (Milan)	(3)
V.P. Economic Section		Bolzano	(3)
Dir. Communications S/G		Venezia (Treviso)	(5)
P.R.B.		Sicily (Palermo)	(3)
SCAO Venezia Giulia	(2)	Bari	(3)
A.C. Chief Liaison Officer Naples	(3)	A.C. Liaison Officer (En) Ancona	(1)
Livorno	(3)	H.Q. Comdt. HQ. AC.	(2)
Bologna	(3)	O.C. Br. Det. HQ. AC.	

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APO 594

G-1(B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

20 Dec 1945

SUBJECT : Deferment of Release

TO : Distribution below

1. Further to this HQ letter of even reference dated 13th Dec 45 on the subject of voluntary deferment of Release.
2. War Office has now given authority for AMS Officers and Auxiliaries, in employments listed below, to defer release voluntarily for a period of six months.

(a) Officers of any rank.

(b) All WO's, S/Sgts and Sgts.

(c) Rank and File:- Clerks, Cooks, Nursing Orderlies & EMT personnel.

3. Eligibility is restricted to women, including married women, in A/S Groups 1 to 50 inclusive.

4. Volunteers may be accepted immediately.

5. The conditions and documentation for deferment for six months are identical with those now operative for deferment for one or two years in accordance with the terms of GPO 541/45.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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 Lt. Colonel,
 G-1(B)

{o} Rank and File:- Clerks, Cooks, Nursing Orderlies & ERI personnel.

- 3. Eligibility is restricted to women, including married women, in A/S Groups 1 to 50 inclusive.
- 4. Volunteers may be accepted immediately.
- 5. The conditions and documentation for deferment for six months are identical with those now operative for deferment for one or two years in accordance with the terms of GPO 541/45.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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Lt. Colonel,
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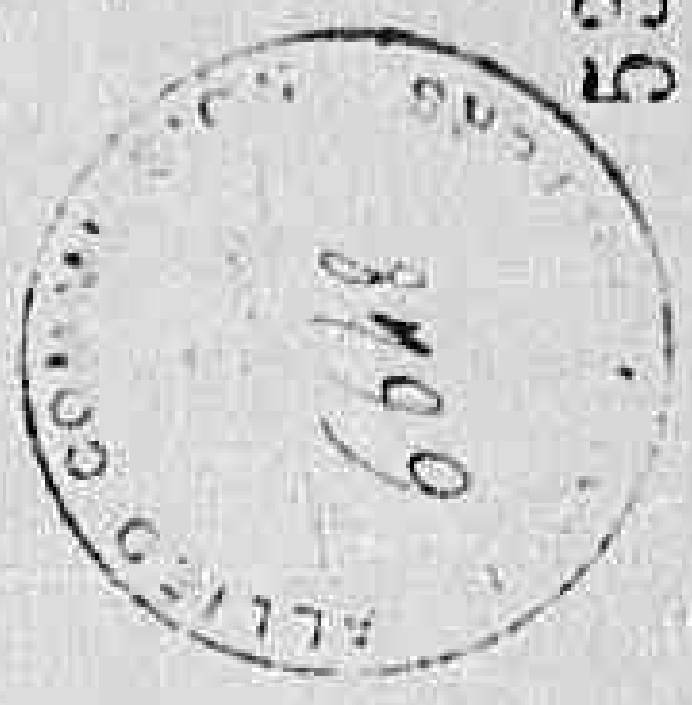
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13 DEC 1945

Tel Extn 242

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Reference: G-13/140/0

13th December, 1945

Subject: Deferment of Release.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945 paragraph 326 is being amended to permit voluntary deferment of release by Officers, Warrant Officers, Staff Sergeants and Sergeants of all arms for a period of six months calculated from the first day the Age/Service Group is due to be released.
2. The conditions of deferment for six months are identical with those now operative under GAO 541/45 but eligibility is at present restricted to personnel in Groups up to 35 inclusive.
3. Officers and NCOs volunteering to continue to serve will make their applications on Appendices "B" and "C" respectively to GAO 541/45.
4. The above does not apply to members of the ATS and VAD.
5. War Office are considering extending this scheme to certain specialists and tradesmen below the rank of Sergeant but details are not yet available.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

K. WILBE-JONES
LT COLONEL
G-1 (B)

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UNDAUNTED ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394
G-1 (3)

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1 NOV 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/2/13/0.

16 November 1945.

SUBJECT : Release Canadian 'A' List Officers.

NO : Distribution below.

Serial	Name	S/C	Location
1.	Major V.R. BOWERS	CIC	I.C.M. Naples
2.	Major E.B. CORBY	RCM	Venice
3.	Major J.R.G. SUTHERLAND	CIC	V. Giulia
4.	Capt. G.L. MacLACHLAN	CIC	Venice
5.	Major A.J. GEMMEL	RCM	Lombardia
6.	Lt.Col R.L. FULLOCK	C.Sen.L. P.R.O.	V. Giulia
7.	Lt.Col W.J. McCAULEY	CIC	I.C.M. Sicilia

1. The above named Canadian Officers elected to continue to serve for a minimum period of six months V.O.A. 1 Jano 46.
2. Canadian Military A.C., have, however, requested the War Office that, irrespective of their preference, these Officers be returned to U.K. for reversion to Canadian Control as soon as practicable after 1 Dec 45.
3. In view of the foregoing, will addressees "for action" in respect of Serials 1 to 5 notify this Branch (with copies to the Regional Commissioners etc., concerned) by 22 Nov 45 latest, the earliest date on which these Officers can be released from the Commission.
4. No question of release and replacement for Serials 6 and 7 is under consideration by this H.Q. the Officers concerned will be notified in due course of the decisions taken.

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K. WILCOX-JONES, Lt. Colonel, G-1 (3).

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(for action):

Director, Transportation & Shipping S/C

Serial

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BY COMMAND OF THE COMMISSIONER.

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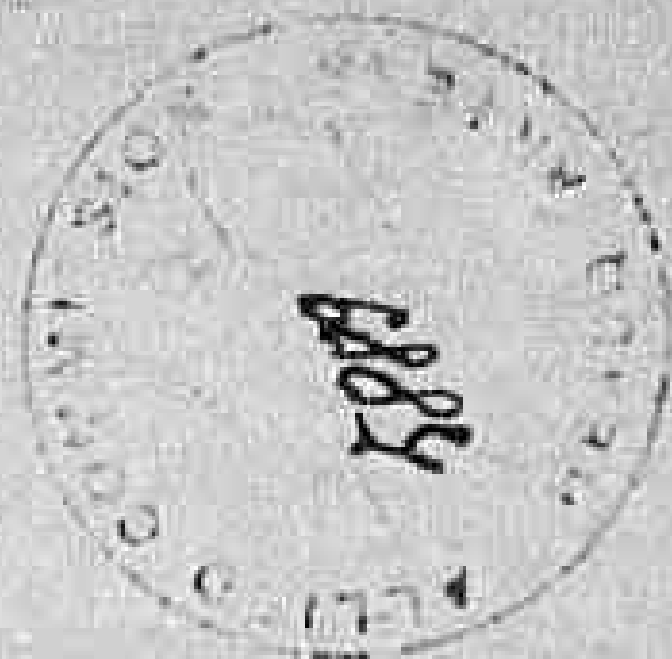
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" Industry and Utilities S/C
Lt. I.C.M., Sicilian.
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K. WILKINSON-JONES,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (R).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1(B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/144/A

26 Oct 1945

SUBJECT : Compulsory retention of British Officers
in this Theatre.
TO : Distribution below

1. Reference is made to paragraphs 6 and 7 of this HQ letter G-1B/144/A dated 18 Oct 45 on the above subject.

2. The latest position with regard to officers in release group 21 is that they may be released at any time between 12 Nov 45 and 10 Feb 46. They will in any event be released on 10 Feb 46, but may be considered for release before that date, as and when they become surplus to THEATRE requirements. It is emphasised that the mere declaration that any individual officer is surplus to the requirements of this Commission will not result in that officer's release. He must be declared by GHQ to be surplus to the requirements of the theatre before his release can be entertained. It is, however, known to be the policy of GHQ to release as many officers as possible in Group 21, when once present commitments have been met.

3. The release of officers in Group 22 will not begin before 11 Feb 46, but officers in Groups 22 - 24 may apply for reversion to Home Establishment or release on compassionate grounds. In considering such applications, full weight will be given to the fact that an officer may have arranged to take up a civil appointment or have entered into domestic commitments in expectation of release under the earlier programme.

Applications on Civil appointment grounds must be accompanied by a signed statement from the proposed employer that a bona fide arrangement has in fact been made between himself and the applicant. Application on the above grounds will be submitted to G-1(B) this HQ.

4. No general ban is being imposed on Class 'B' release; refusals will be limited to cases where individual officers' retention is considered vital by GHQ.

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J.L. Jones
J.L. JONES
Colonel,
Executive Officer (B)

DISTRIBUTION 'B'.

Group 1 less serials 3, 30, 31, 33, 35, 38, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51,
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Group 2.

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*H. Col. Williams**1/19 B/CA*HQ KOREAN ARMY ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794 US ARMY

15 OCT. 1945

Re :- 56A5

SUBJECT:- Release - Officers

11 Oct 45

DISTRIBUTION:- List 'B' (British).

1. All male Officers excluding Medical from and including Age/Service Group 24 will be retained as operationally vital for a provisional period of four months. This includes Officers of the Indian Army.
2. Orders regarding Medical Officers will be issued later.
3. Officers for retention will include Class 'B' Releases, except those connected with housing status of local authorities, who, unless unwilling, will be released.
4. Retention of ATS officers from and including Group 26, but excluding married officers is likely. Further information will be forwarded as soon as received.

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TO	Init	Date
VP. CA Sec		
Public Safety	<i>Op</i>	16/10
Public Health	<i>Op</i>	16/10
Legal Govt	<i>Op</i>	17/10
Labour		
Education	<i>Op</i>	18/10
MFA & A	<i>Op</i>	22 Oct
CA Sec		

T.R.N. Jones
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Staff Capt,
for Lt-Col,
AA & MG.

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RECOMMENDERS' JUDICIAL COMMISSION

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G-1 (5)

REFERENCE : G-12/111/A.

SUBJECT : Compulsory retention of British Officers
in this Theatre.

TO : Distribution below.

18 October 1945.

19 OCT 1945

1. The object of this letter is to give you the fullest information which is at present available regarding the compulsory retention in this Theatre of British Officers from Group 24 inclusive.

2. It is calculated that at the present time the shortage of officers in GMP is of the order of 2,500. As a result of this GMP C-2 has ordered that all unlo officers, excluding medical officers (on those orders will be issued later), and including AGO Service Group 24, will be deferred as operationally vital. The period of deferment is provisionally set at 4 months.

3. In addition, on the basis of a War Office ruling, it has been decided by GMP that officers in Groups 24-24 will not be granted leave, since they will be within some four months of release, assuming that the man is listed early in each or possibly second.

4. It is emphasized, however, that the rulings given above have only been made pending the receipt from the War Office of a final decision which will deal with the question of the deferment of officers on a wide-wide basis. It is not known what the terms of this War Office order are likely to be, nor what conditions may be attached to it, but the order is expected to reach this theatre about a fortnight from now.

5. It is recognized by G.M.C. that there are likely to be a number of individuals in Groups 24-24 who, in expectation of early release, have made private arrangements in connection with their return to civil life, the cancellation of which would involve them in considerable hardship. A special allotment of 14 days leave has therefore been authorized by GMP to meet such cases of hardship. This applies only to officers in Groups 24-24, and may be created to an officer who is experiencing genuine hardship, even if the officer has had leave already. Permission to grant this special leave has been delegated to H.Q. 13 Corps, and appropriate Districts. Local orders should therefore be scrutinized for any special instructions on this matter, and application for this leave should be made through normal Army channels, with a copy to G-1(E) at this H.Q.

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4. It is emphasized, however, that the rulings given above have only been made pending the receipt from the War Office of a final decision which will deal with the question of the deferment of officers on a worldwide basis. It is not known what the terms of this War Office order are likely to be, nor what conditions may be attached to it, but the order is expected to reach this theatre about a fortnight from now.

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6. An assurance is given that this G.O. will keep continuously in the closest touch with the situation, and that you will be informed of any further developments or changes at the earliest possible moment.

7. This instruction is applicable to British Officers serving with Allied Commissions, Italy, but it does not in any way alter the fact that on the handback of territory to the Italian Govt. a number of British Officers will be declared surplus to A.G. requirements. At this stage it is not possible to give you any information as to their disposal, but you will be informed as soon as possible of any orders which are received from G.H.Q.

BY COMMAND OF THE FIELD MARSHAL.

/av.

MR. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (B)

DISTRIBUTION (B).

Group 1 Losses Serials 3, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50,
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REFERENCE : G-12/12A/A

SUBJECT : Release - Officers

TO : See distribution

Copy of R.A.A.G. letter ref. 5645 is forwarded for information.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

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C-1(1)
Allied Commission.

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APO 794 US ARMY

Re: - 5645

SUBJECT: - Release - Officers

11 Oct 45

DISTRIBUTION: - List 'B' (British).

1. All male Officers excluding Medical from and including Age/Service Group 21 will be retained as operationally vital for a provisional period of four months. This includes Officers of the Indian Army.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394
G-1(B)

SUBJECT : Release - Officers

TO : See Distribution

27 SEP 1945
26 September 1945

G-10/40/A

1. Numerous instances have recently occurred of officers from Regions etc. proceeding to the Assembly Centre, MILAN for release without Release Books and without the prior authority of this HQ.
2. Whilst it is fully appreciated that Officers are anxious not to delay their release, it is stressed that everything possible is being done by this HQ to ensure that Release Books are in the possession of Officers in sufficient time to enable them to report to the Assembly Centre on the date appropriate to their Age and Service Group.
3. Regional Commissioners or Senior British Officers will, therefore, take immediate steps to ensure that this practise ceases forthwith. A very serious view will be taken of any further instances of Officers reporting for release without Release Books and without the authority of this H.Q.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J.L. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (B)

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27 SEP. 1945

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 374
G-1 (5)

Ref: G-1/12/A

20th Sept Nov, 1945

Subject: RELEASE - OFFICERS

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

AFHQ signal FX 44292 of 13 September 45 is reprinted for the information of all concerned.

- "1. Doctors and dentists Groups 19 to 23 will be released *and 14* *pari passu* with officers of other arms.
2. Nursing Officers Groups 17 *and 18* will be released in November and Groups ~~18, 19, 20, 21~~ *20, 21* and 22 in December. "

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James H. Stone
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MEMORANDUM

21 SET 1945

20 Sep 1945

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REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

SUBJECT : Release from Army

TO : V.P. Civil Affairs Section (2)
V.P. Economic Section (2)
V.P. Establishments Section (2)
Director, Communications S/C
Director, War Materials S/C
HQ Comdt. HQ. AC.

The attached Rome Area Allied Command letter 51A of 15 Sep 45 is forwarded for information.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

Rome Major

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H.Q. Allied Commission.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US Army

15 Sep 45

Ref: 51A

Subject:- Release.

To :- All concerned.

1. A letter has been received from a former officer of this HQ, in which he describes in great detail his journey from MILAN until he was finally released in the U.K.

2. It is thought that the following salient points from this letter may be of interest and use to officers about to embark on a similar journey in the future.

(a) Accommodation at MILAN is at present at the Excelsior Hotel, which is apparently extremely comfortable.

Accommodation for Officers below rank of Lieut-Col is shortly to be moved to the Assembly Centre at Eugenio Barracks (4 miles from centre of the town), and it is anticipated that this will provide similar facilities.

(b) On arrival at Assembly Centre, Release book and AB 439 are checked for record of Medical examination and are retained. These are not returned until arrival in U.K. It is apparently advisable to complete this formality as soon as possible.

Heavy kit should be deposited in the luggage office at the Station before departure.

(c) Duration of stay in MILAN is dependant on circumstances and any accumulation of back log. List of officers due to depart is posted on the notice board before 1500 hrs on day prior to departure.

(d) Train has MAAP Car which serves tea and cakes (personal mug needed). Blanket and coat needed for the night. Train feeding halts provided for the train journey, and at these mugs, mess tin, knife, fork and spoon required.

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- (d) Train has NAAFI Car which serves tea and cakes (personal mug needed). Blanket and coat needed for the night. Train feeding halts provided for the train journey, and at these mugs, mess tin, knife, fork and spoon required.
- (e) At DIEPPE heavy luggage is put on ship and light luggage taken by truck to Transit Camp. Beds and blankets are available at the Rest Camp, as are showers and ablution facilities. There is a Cinema just outside the Camp. Money is changed at the Transit Camp and it is essential to have the certificate regarding excess money.
- (f) on the voyage to NEWHAVEN light refreshments are served, and detailed instructions given by loudspeaker about carrying of fire arms and handling in of captured equipment.



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- (g) On landing, officers go through Custom formalities. It is understood the officials are very reasonable, but it is advisable to declare ALL dutiable articles. Tea (mug needed) and sandwiches are provided. 51.
- (h) Journey is then made to Military Disembarkation ~~Camp~~ unit where arms and equipment are handed in. There are excellent arrangements at this Camp and first class meals and accommodation provided. Hot baths are available as are telephones and a good bar.
- (i) The following morning officers proceed to the Military dispersal unit. Civilian coaches for transport to Station and reserved carriages in the train are provided. After lunch at Dispersal centre, Identity Cards are handed in and then the final procedure of release commences. Officers move from table to table with Release books and receive Ration cards, Clothing coupons, railway warrant, etc. After these formalities have been completed, NAAFI goods are obtainable at reduced prices and then a visit is made to the Clothing Dept. This is excellently managed and all selected goods are packed in a cardboard box.
- (j) At the gate to the Camp there are coaches moving every eight minutes to transport civilians to the Station and HOME.

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L. E. PORTER
Staff Capt
for Lt-Col
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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REFERENCE : G-1B/REL/141/A

14 September 1945

SUBJECT : Release - Completion of AF W3149

17 SET 1945

TO : Full Distribution

1. Numerous queries are being addressed to this HQ by GHQ 2nd Echelon, C.M.F. concerning the disposal of AF W3149 in respect of officers and Other Ranks serving at outside addresses.

2. In order that this HQ can answer any future query with the least possible delay the following paragraph will be added to signals advising despatch of Officers/Other Ranks to the Assembly Centre on Release.

"AF W3149 FORWARDED TO ALCOM ON DATE"

or

"AF W3149 TAKEN BY HAND TO ASSEMBLY CENTRE"

3. The importance of AF W3149 cannot be over emphasized as any claim on account of disability that the individual may make in the future is considered in the light of the information contained on this Form.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (-)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

6th September, 1945

Subject: Local Release

7 SET. 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. When authority is given by AFHQ/OSE CMF for Local Release personnel will be required to report to the Assembly Centre, Milan, when they will be issued with civilian clothing and final release documentation will be completed.

2. Although it is appreciated that this may involve travelling which could otherwise be avoided, it is not possible for such personnel to be dealt with anywhere other than the Assembly Centre, as no stocks of clothing are held elsewhere.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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APO 324
C-1 (E)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

6th September, 1945

Subject: RELEASE - DEFERRED VOLUNTEERS

7 SEP 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. The following is the context of AMHQ letter G-1(Br)/12064/1/A.11 of 3 September 1945.

" In the case of individuals (other than Women's Services) in Age/Service Groups 17 to 23, volunteering to serve for 1 or 2 years from the normal time for release in their Age and Service Groups, the commencement of the period of extended service will be as follows:-

Groups 17 & 18	8 Oct 45
19 & 20	22 " "
21	12 Nov "
22	3 Dec "
23	24 " "

2. Please inform all concerned.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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1/A.11 of 3 September 1945.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

29th August, 1945

Subject: Release from the Army

31 AUG 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. The following dates for release of male age service Groups in UK are republished for information of all concerned.

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------------------|
| (A) Groups 19 and 20 | From 22 October to 11 November |
| (B) Group 21 | From 12 November to 2 December |
| (C) Group 22 | From 3 December to 23 December |
| (D) Group 23 | From 24 December 45 to 20 January 46. |

2. The following dates for release of A/S and VAD age service Groups in UA are republished for information of all concerned.

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| (A) Groups 26 and 27 | From 29 October to 11 November |
| (B) Groups 28 to 31 | From 12 November to 2 December |
| (C) Groups 32 to 34 | From 3 December to 30 December |

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- (A) Groups 19 and 20 From 22 October to 11 November
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 (C) Group 22 From 3 December to 23 December
 (D) Group 23 From 24 December 45 to 20 January 46.

2. The following dates for release of AIS and VAD age service Groups in UI are republished for information of all concerned.

- (A) Groups 26 and 27 From 29 October to 11 November
 (B) Groups 28 to 31 From 12 November to 2 December
 (C) Groups 32 to 34 From 3 December to 30 December

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Ref: G-1E/140/A

28th August, 1945

Subject: RELEASE - PERSONNEL UNDER TREATMENT FOR VD

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. The attached copy of an RAC letter Med(Br) 389 of 12 Aug 45 is forwarded for information of OC Br Dets and Medical Officers (Br).
2. The effect of this instruction is that any soldier discharged from hospital following treatment for VD may be sent home at once instead of waiting until final test of cure has been completed.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
OFFICE OF THE SURGEON
A.F.O. 794 U.S. ARMY

SUBJECT: Venereal Disease - Return to UK of Personnel

Reference:- Med (Br) 389

Osc Medical Units
SMOs
RMOs
MOs i/c MI Rooms

Copy to: G-1(Br) RAAC

Further to this HQ letter of even reference dated 7 Aug 45, the full text of DAS AFHQ letter 11.6110 dated 5 Aug 45 is repeated for information and necessary action.

" Reference is made to MAI Serial No. 4 para 60 of 7 Apr 45 and to GROS 263/45 and 712/45.

1. War Office have made it clear that personnel due for Release and suffering from Venereal Disease will be retained in a theatre overseas for the minimum time necessary to render them non-contagious. In effect this means as soon as they have completed hospital treatment.
2. By this definition therefore, personnel suffering from Venereal Disease are fit to proceed to UK under the Release Regulations immediately on discharge from hospital.
3. It has further been decided that it is not possible to justify one ruling in respect of personnel returning to UK on Release, and another for those returning for any other reason, e.g., LBP, PTHOM, etc.
4. The criteria on which a Medical Officer will certify personnel under treatment or surveillance for Venereal Disease as fit to proceed to UK as laid down in MAI Serial No. 4 para 60 of 7 Apr 45 will therefore no longer apply.
5. So long as such personnel can be certified as free from contagion in the ordinary medical examination carried out in accordance with para 1168 King's Regulations 1940, they will be considered fit to proceed.

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6. MAI Serial No. 4 para 60 of 7 Apr 45 will be cancelled in due course. It is requested however, that in the meantime this instruction be immediately brought to the notice of all Medical Officers."

1. The DLS AFHQ MAI 60/45 referred to is republished as ADMS RAMC MAI 70/45.

For the SURGEON

J.R. MACLEOD
Capt RAMC

12 Aug 45
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Ref: G-1B/140/A

27th August, 1945

Subject: Release from the Army

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. This HQ has been informed by AFHQ that the following AT3 and service groups will be released in the UK during the undermentioned periods.

1. Groups 26 and 27 from 29 October to 11 November
2. Groups 28 to 31 from 12 November to 2 December
3. Groups 32 to 35 from 3 December to 30 December

2. AFHQ have instructed this HQ that this information will remain restricted until further orders are issued.

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Ref: G-1B/142/A

Subject: Release from Army - ATS

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

27 August, 1945

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1. Applications for Local Release or for repatriation to countries other than UK can now be made in respect of ATS Officers and Auxiliaries in Age/Service Groups 26 to 34 under para 50 to 53 of AFHQ Release Instructions.
2. Individuals applying for repatriation to a country other than UK should submit Appendix "K" in quadruplicate, to AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 to this HQ.
3. Individuals applying for Local Release should submit Appendix "F", in quadruplicate, to AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 to this HQ.

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APO 394
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Ref: G-1B/140/A

27th August, 1945

Subject: Release - Medical Officers

27 AUG 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The following is the context of AFHQ Signal No. FX 38564 of 26 August 45 and is forwarded for information of all concerned.

" Medical Officers and Dental Surgeons in Groups 17 and 18 will be released with corresponding groups other areas and will now only be eligible for LIAP if in Group 19 and later."

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27th August, 1945

Subject: Release from the Army

27 AUG 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

11 Personnel in Age/Service Groups 19 to 23 may now submit applications for:-

- (a) Repatriation to country other than UK
- (b) Repatriation of waves living outside UK
- (c) Local Release

under paras 50 to 53 AFHQ Release Instructions.

2. Applications for repatriation as in sub-para (a) and (b) above will be submitted to this office on Appendix "K" in quadruplicate to AFHQ Release Instructions, 1945.

3. Applications for local Release will be submitted to this office on Appendix "F", in quadruplicate, to AFHQ Release Instructions, 1945.

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

27th August, 1945

Subject: Release from Army - MEDLOC

27 AUG 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

All PRIORITY Signals notifying this HQ of OFFICERS/ORs
S.O.S. present location will state in brackets after the Regimental
particulars of Officer/OR concerned whether on RELEASE - PYTHON - LIAP.

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27 August, 1945

APPENDIX "B"

27 AUG 1945

TO ADMIN ORDER NO 1 DATED 30 JULY 45
(File: G-1B/140/A)

1. Under authority AFHQ Signal No. 014623 of 25 August 45 all Officers/ORs proceeding on Release will be issued with 7 cigarettes per day in advance for the period of the journey from Unit to MILAN.
2. No special chocolate issue will be made to troops proceeding on RELEASE.
3. Cigarette issue as outlined in para one will become effective forthwith.

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

27th August, 1945

Subject: Release from the Army

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. This HQ has been informed by AFHQ that the following male age service groups will be released in the UK during the undermentioned periods.

1. Groups 19 and 20 from 22 October to 11 November
2. Group 21 from 12 November to 2 December
3. Group 22 from 3 to 23 December
4. Group 23 from 24 December 45 to 20 January 46.

2. AFHQ have instructed this HQ that this information will remain restricted until further orders are issued.

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HEADQUARTERS
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APO 394
G-1 (E)

Ref: G-1E/156/4

25th August, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers - Clearance Certificates.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

27 AUG 1945

1. All Officers below the rank of Colonel reporting for Release to G-1 British Detachments in the Field or to G-1(B) Release Section at this HQ will in future be in possession of Clearance Certificates, a supply of which is forwarded herewith. It is essential that Clearance Certificates should be fully completed BEFORE Officers report for Release.

2. Clearance certificates will be completed in triplicate and will be disposed of as follows:-

One copy will be filed by the Officer responsible for the preparation of Release Forms in the OC British Detachment in the Field or G-1(B) Release Section at this HQ.

Two copies will be forwarded to this HQ: one copy will be passed to Finance S/C; the other will be filed in the Officer's Personal File.

3. Page three of Release Book will not be completed by OC Br Det or G-1(B) unless signed Clearance Certificates have been produced.

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3. Page three of Release Book will not be completed by CC Br Det or G-1(5) unless signed Clearance Certificate have been produced.

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Livorno Zone

Liaison Officer Palermo

Bari

Bologna

Ancona

Catania

NOTIFICATION OF IMPENDING RELEASE

Officer i/c Army Pay Office
(Officers' Accounts)
Manchester

PART I

The undermentioned officer has this day left for release Personnel

Number Present Rank
Surname (Block Letters)
Christian Name/s
Unit in which serving Parent Regt }
or Corps

Permanent Address for all
communications. (If not
known, insert temporary
address):
.....
.....

Nearest Post Office

Is this officer responsible for:-

- (a) A Store and Supply (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
Account and Stores?
(b) A Cash Intrust Account (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
(c) A Regimental Fund? (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
(d) Are there any public (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
claims for which he
is liable?

Attention is drawn to provisions of Appendix B Section II, para 68
and the use of the Clearance Certificate (Officers) AF X301

Any deficiencies of arms and/or equipment are detailed and priced on
the reverse. Any outstanding regimental bills, accounts and to whom due are
recorded on reverse also.

Place Initials of
Officer Unit
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Permanent Address for all
communications. (If not
known, insert temporary
address):
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Nearest Post Office

Is this officer responsible for:-

- (a) A Store and Supply (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
Account and Stores?
(b) A Cash Intrust Account (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
(c) A Regimental Fund? (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
(d) Are there any public (State Yes or No) Initials of OC
claim for which he
is liable?

Attention is drawn to provisions of Appendix D Section II, para 63
and the use of the Clearance Certificate (Officers) AF X301

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the reverse. Any outstanding regimental bills, amounts and to whom due are
recorded on reverse also.

Place Initials of O.C.
Officer Unit

Date

If a higher rank than that shown above has been relinquished during
the past three months, state:-

- (i) Higher Rank
(ii) Date of Relinquishment

The officer status on AF X19458 (See page 2E) that:-

- (1) deductions for National Health and Pensions Insurance have been made
have not

from pay:

- (b) he was commissioned from the ranks (No)
after 2nd September 1939.

X Delete (c) if not applicable.

Was Whether Acting "A," Temporary "T," Substantive "S," or War Substantive
"WS".

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G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1E/1144/A

22nd August, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

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		TAYLOR			
Capt	R. G.	RAMOND	(24343)	R. A. Venezia Pat Ofir	8
Major	E.	BACHHOUSE	(133572)	RASC Venezia Legal	9
Major	L. P.	ALDIS	(140129)	R. A. Venezia Finance	10
Capt	E. D.	BEVERIDGE	(105261)	S. L. L. Venezia Reg HQ	10
				Staff	
Capt	H.	CAMPBELL	(93448)	R. A. Piemonte Finance	10
Capt	A.	MICHELLEWRIGHT	(219560)	R. A. Piemonte H. Q.	11
Capt	N.	POAD	(175693)	Gen Lia Piemonte Finance	12

1. The a/n Officers signified their willingness to continue to serve in this Commission until 31 August 45 and Release books are forwarded herewith to enable them to proceed to the Assembly Centre, Milan, on or about that date.
2. Lieutenant Colonel E. P. PRICE RWF will report at the Excelsior Cellis Transit Hotel, Milan and the remainder at Eugenio Barracks Milan.
3. If any of the a/n Officers have not already been medically examined please instruct them to see a British Medical Officer without delay and ensure that they take completed AF3 W3449 to the Assembly Centre when they report to that Centre.
4. All documentation will be completed in accordance with this HQ Release Admin Instruction No. 1 as amended.
5. Please notify this HQ by priority signal of the date on which Officers are despatched to the Assembly Centre.
6. The u/n Officers also consented to continue to serve with this Commission until 31 August 45 and GHQ 2nd Echelon have been requested to forward Release

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G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, C.M.F.
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Ref: G-13/L40/A

20th August, 1945

Subject: Retention of Acting Rank on Release leave.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

Copies of the undermentioned War Office letters are sent herewith for the information of all concerned.

13/Gen/3046/(AGID) of 10 and 15 July respectively.

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15 Jul 45.

Retention of Acting Rank during Sea Passages
for the purpose of Release or Discharge

1. WOs and NCOs proceeding to the UK for the sole purpose of release under Release Regulations 1945 or of discharge from the Army will retain paid acting ranks and appointments from the date of leaving their units for embarkation, during the period of the voyage until the commencement of release or discharge leave, when the terms of War Office letter 18/Gen/3646(AGLD) dated 10 July 45 will apply.
2. Paid acting ranks and paid lance appointments will also be retained by personnel proceeding to their country of domicile overseas on repatriation from the UK or direct from an overseas command, for the purpose of discharge from the Army.
3. Acting ranks or lance appointments which on the date of leaving the unit had not been held for a minimum of 21 days will not be retained under this authority.
4. Acting ranks or lance appointments will be relinquished under the normal rules (except as provided in Army Order 153 of 1944) by soldiers admitted to hospital during the periods stated in paras 1 and 2 above.
5. This letter will apply to Auxiliaries of the APS and members of VADs.

(sgd) R.G. DAVIES JENKINS
Lt Colonel
for Director of Organisation.

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To: All OsIC Records at Home

10 Jul 45.

Tenure of Rank during Terminal or Release Leave

1. The following provisions will apply to tenure of acting rank and paid lance appointments during

- (a) terminal leave on discharge from the Army.
- (b) 56 days leave for Class "A" Release under Release Regulations para 332(a).
- (c) Leave granted in respect of overseas service under Release Regulations 1945, para 332(g).
- (d) 21 days leave granted to Class "B" Releases under Release Regulations 1945, para 404(a).

2. A soldier who holds paid acting rank or a paid lance appointment on the day before terminal or release leave or notice of discharge begins, will retain it up to the date of discharge or of relegation to the Reserve respectively.

3. Acting ranks or lance appointments which on the date of commencement of leave were still unpaid because they had not been held for 21 days will not become paid when the period of 21 days tenure is completed (after the commencement of leave).

4. Acting rank retained under para 2 above will not be converted to war substantive rank when the qualifying period is completed (after commencement of leave).

5. On relegation to Class W/W(T) or Class 1/4(T) Reserve, soldiers who have retained acting ranks or lance appointments under the foregoing instructions will be deemed to revert to their war substantive ranks but in order to reduce administrative work Part II orders promulgating reversion will not be issued nor will an entry of this nature be made in the service record.

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5. On relegation to Class W/W(T) or Class Z/Z(T) Reserve, soldiers who have retained acting rank or lance appointments under the foregoing instructions will be deemed to revert to their war substantive rank but in order to reduce administrative work Part II orders promulgating reversion will not be issued nor will an entry of this casualty be made in soldier's documents.
6. Regular soldiers with reserve service to complete will revert to their war substantive rank on transfer to the Royal Army Reserve. Such reversion will be published as a casualty in Part II Orders and will be recorded in documents in the usual way.
7. Service after the commencement of terminal or release leave will not reckon towards the qualifying period for time promotion under the Royal Warrant for Pay 1940, Articles 302-327.
8. This letter will apply where appropriate to auxiliaries of the ATS.
9. It will be seen that with the exception of para 6 the foregoing instructions involve no documentary action on the part of O&IC Records after the commencement of leave.

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for Director of Organisation,

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

15th August, 1945

Subject: RELEASE

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The following is the text of a cable from AFHQ and is forwarded for information:

1. Further phasing release of male personnel as follows
Groups 17 and 18 release in UK from 8 to 21 October.
2. Claims for repatriation under para 52 AFHQ release instructions may now be submitted by individuals age/service group 16 to 22."

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

14th August, 1945

Subject: Release - Medical Officers

15 AGO 1945

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The following is the text of a signal received from AFHQ and is reprinted for information of all concerned.

" Effective date of voluntary deferment release for MOS in all groups will be same as for Army generally and not date of release groups MOS.

Dates commencement period extended service known only up to and including group 16. When dates known for groups 17 and later notification will be made to all concerned."

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Ref: G-12/110/7/A

13th August, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers/ORs - Group 15.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. Authority is given, as stated below, for the under mentioned Officers/ORs to proceed to MILAN by no later than 5 Sept 45 for release from the Army, and Release Documents are forwarded for Officers/ORs outside this Headquarters. Officers at this HQ will please report to G-1(B) Release Section as soon as possible.

OFFICERS TO BE RELEASED IN GROUP 15

UNDER AUTHORITY 02E/13/777/PR DATED 8 AUG 45

Rank	Name	Number	Regt or Corps	Assignment	Location
Lt Col	L.F. DAWSON	73499	Gen List	Legal	Venezie Guilia

UNDER AUTHORITY 02E/13/1135/PR DATED 6 AUG 45

Major	A.N.	COPELAND	96173	RA	Finance	Lombardia
Major	D.T.L.	BRUCE	96243	RELE	MT Op	HQ AC
Major	R.E.	CULVERHOUSE	71757	RA	Food	Venezie
Major	V.H.	GREGORY	44100	L.F.	Education	Venezie
Major	C.M.	GULLAND	145958	RA	Prop Cont	Venezie
Major	E.G.	LUSH	194034	RASC	Food	Guilia
Major	H.G.	REED	75913	RA	Industry	HQ AC
Major	J.D.S.	SINGHAR	172788	RA	Food	Piemonte
Major	F.J.	SOMERS	34022	Worce	Commerce	HQ AC
Major	G.	WHITE	195940	Gen List	Finance	HQ AC
Major	E.B.	WILLIAMS	126944	RA	D.P. & R.	Liguria
Major	Sir P.M.	MANNUS	98510	Int Corps	HQ AC	HQ AC
Major	H.P.	DRYSDALE	78318	RA	Pub Wks	Venezie
Major	E.W.	SOBDDY	188879	Gen List	Tn	HQ AC
Capt	D.P.S.	MONTGOMERY	123272	RASC	Pr	Liguria
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Capt	M.C. HOLT	17263	RA	Finance	H AC
Capt	A.R. LEDBURY	115922	RASC	Food	Lombardia
Capt	E. SLATER TD	32390	RA	D.P & R	HQ AC
Capt	J.R.E. TURNER	156944	RA	Commerce	Piemonte
Capt	W.P. PARROTT	207337	RA	Finance	HQ AC
Capt	G.W. WILKINS	220239	RA	W.M.D.	HQ AC
Capt	M. JARMAN	150985	RA	Commerce	Lombardia
Capt	C.S.P. KALLAN	172433	RA	Finance	HQ AC

O.Re TO BE RELEASED IN GROUP 13

under authority O2E/13/844/PR of 6 August 45

S/52743	SQJS	DAVIES E.	RASC	By hand of
2561919	Sjt	POOK G.H.	S. STAFFS	Major Hayne
T/63851	Cpl	HALLETT A.E.	RASC	HQ AC
T/65602	Cpl	WATTS J.H.	RASC	Piemonte
T/2588159	L/Cpl	JORLAN R.R.	RASC	Venezie
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6975239	Rus	BRENTAN J.	R.I.F.	HQ AC
5051552	Pte	FINNEY R.	N. STAFFS	HQ AC
4908411	Pte	HAWKINS R.	S. STAFFS	HQ AC
3851898	Pte	MURRAY R.	LOYALS	Venezue
7009767	Rtn	NIXON T.	L.I.R.	Gullia
		(Release Book		HQ AC
		not received		
		OZE notified)		

2. Lt Col L.F. DAWSON will proceed to the EXELSIOR CALLIA TRANSIT HOTEL, MILAN to arrive not later than 5 September 45. Other officers will proceed to Assembly Centre, EUGENIO BARRACKS, MILAN to arrive between 24 Aug and 5 September 45.

3. Release Documents have not been received for the y/m Officers:-

Lt Col D.F. BICKERSTETH (160808)	Int Corps Commerce	Venezia Gullia
Major W.D. HAYNE (62116)	R.A. Admin	AMG 5th Army
Capt S.H. CLUBE (166855)	R.A. Finance	Liguria
Major L. JACOBS (91007)	R.A. Prov Offr	Lombardia

OZE has been requested to forward release documents for these Officers.

4. If any of the Officers named in paras 1 and 2 above have not already been medically examined please instruct them to see a British Medical Officer without delay and to take completed A2s W3149 to the Assembly Centre, Milan, with them.

5. Please notify this HQ by Priority signal the date on which Officers/ORs are despatched to the Assembly Centre, Milan.

6. For all other documentation please see this HQ Release Admin Instruction No. 1 and Amendment No. 1.

7. Please acknowledge receipt of Release Books.

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REFERENCE : G-1B/255/O

9 August 1945.

SUBJECT : Officers with Intelligence experience who will on release reside abroad.

TO : Distribution below

1. Extract from DMI War Office M.I.1/7167 of 30 Jul 45 is forwarded:-

"1. It is desired to register the names of officers with Intelligence experience who on release to civil life will either reside permanently abroad outside the British Empire, or whose civil occupation will continually take them abroad.

2. I should therefore be grateful if you would arrange to have this information brought to the notice of officers holding Intelligence appointments under your Command, with the request that they notify me either through you in the normal manner, or direct on their arrival in UK for release.

3. All the information that is required is rank, initials, name, regiment or corps, and address, with the name of the firm, where the officer will be based on UK but will travel extensively.

4. It is also hoped that officers living overseas will register their names with the nearest British Consul and instructions to Consuls (of British Nationality) to keep such a register are being issued.

2. Please submit details, as in para 3 of the above extract, of officers who have had Intelligence appointments who wish to be registered, to this Headquarters as soon as possible.

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

7 August, 1945

Subject: Release - Medical Officers.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The following is the context of a signal received from AFHQ and is reprinted for information of all concerned.

" Medical officers in Groups 12 to 16 will be released with corresponding groups other arms and will now only be eligible LIAP if in Groups 17 and later"

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8th August, 1945

Subject: Release - Regular Army Reservists.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

It is notified that Regular Army Reservists are eligible for release from the Army with their Age/Service Groups except where they defer their release under para 326 Release Regulations as amended by GRO 541/45 and 609/45. It is, therefore, necessary for reservists to complete Appendix "B" to GRO 541/45 should they wish to defer their release from the Army.

"Regulations for Release from the Army 1945" page 19, para 319(a) refers.

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4th August, 1945

Subject: Deferred Volunteers.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

Reference this HQ letter of even number dated 30 June 45.

The date of commencement of the period of extended service in respect of individuals (other than Women's Services) in ago and Service Group 16 has been advanced to 24 Sept 45.

The above quoted letter should be amended accordingly.

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4th August, 1945

Subject: Release from Army.

To: Full Distribution

Reference this HQ Admin Order No. 1 as amended by Admin Order Amendment No. 1. The attached copy of "Provisional Instructions for Pay" is forwarded and will be added to Admin Order No. 1 as Appendix "A".

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Appendix "A"PROVISIONAL PAY INSTRUCTIONS - MEMLOC1. GeneralUNDER THE DEFENCE REGULATIONS, IT IS AN OFFENCE FOR ANY MEMBER OF THE FORCES TO TAKE FOREIGN CURRENCY, INCLUDING MILITARY NOTES, INTO THE UK.

Arrangements have been made for personnel proceeding to UK to exchange genuine savings from pay and allowances into sterling, but in order to control the amounts exchanged and to discourage black market transactions, it has been necessary to impose certain limits (set out in para 2 below) on the amount of sterling which may be taken into the UK, by any one individual.

It is appreciated that officers and other ranks may legitimately have acquired sums of money which do not represent savings from pay and allowances or which represent savings in excess of the limits laid down. Officers and other ranks returning to the UK on leave, temporary duty or courses will NOT be allowed to exchange these excess sums and must make their own arrangements for safe-guarding the money during their absence. Personnel leaving the Theatre permanently will be allowed to transmit these excess sums to their accounts in UK in accordance with the provisions of para 3(c) below.

2. Limits on exchange.

- (a) Officers: a sum not exceeding £50.
- (b) Other Ranks: a sum not exceeding £10 plus his cash drawings during the preceding two months as verified from AB 64 Part II.

3. Certificates.(a) Officers.

Any officer who wishes to exchange currency will obtain a certificate from his Commanding Officer certifying that the sum to be exchanged represents an unexpended balance of advances of pay which he has drawn.

(b) Other Ranks.

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(c) Excess amounts.

Any Officer or Other Rank returning to the UK on Release, PYTHON or permanent posting who has legitimately acquired currency in excess of the limits allowed under para 2 above will obtain from his Commanding Officer a certificate to this effect, stating the amount: The excess sum will then be paid to a Field Cashier before departure from this Theatre, supported by the certificate, for remittance to the individual's pay account in UK.

4. Procedure for Exchange.

Exchanges of local currency into sterling for personnel proceeding by rail (including sea-rail) routes and EIGHTH Army road route will be made at CALAIS or DIEPPE and for personnel proceeding by air routes at the Airport Transit Camp in CEF.

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5. Additional payments to leave personnel.

Other Ranks proceeding to UK on leave will, in addition, receive 14 days' pay and ration allowance at the channel port or the UK Airport Transit Camp (as the case may be) when particulars of the arrangements for pay of the balance of leave pay, ration allowances and credits will be available. Cash payments before departure should therefore be restricted to the minimum.

6. Allowances and Emoluments.

- (a) Mediterranean Allowance and Field Allowance will cease on the date of embarkation, entraining or exploding.

The appropriate allowance will again be admissible on return of the individual to this theatre on the date of arrival, i.e. disembarkation de-training or de-planing in the theatre.

- (b) Pay and allowances during release leave are governed by Regulations for Release from the Army 1945.

- (c) (i) In the case of other leave, Family Allowances continue as though at duty.

(ii) In cases other than leave, Family Allowances will continue although the rate may require to be adjusted for officers returning to the UK who take up residence with their families.

- (d) Ration Allowance is admissible for periods of leave, i.e. after leaving the Transit Camp or Dispersal Centre in the UK. The present leave rate of ration allowance is 3/5d a day for all ranks.

- (e) Corps Pay

This pay continues throughout the period of leave etc.

- (f) Parachute Pay and Glider Pilot Pay.

- (i) Additional pay to Glider Pilot and Parachute personnel is admissible during absences on leave for the following periods:

Other Ranks: for the first 21 days' absence under Army Order 215 of 1941.

Officers: For 61 days' absence within the financial year.

- (ii) The continuance of the additional pay in cases other than leave is dependent upon personnel remaining qualified and liable for the special duties.

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(g) Additional Pay (ORs) - vide Army Order 215/41.

(i) In the case of soldiers proceeding on leave, the form of additional pay specified in Army Order 215 of 1941 continue for the first 21 days' absence. Such additional pay may be issued to a soldier temporarily performing the duties of the soldier normally carrying out the duties from the 22nd day of absence only.

(ii) In cases other than those under (i) above, the issue of additional pay will cease from the date the soldier ceases to perform the duties for which additional pay was granted.

(h) Tradesmen.

Tradesmen temporarily absent from the theatre, on leave, etc., will continue to count against the tradesmen's mustering ceiling of the theatre and will not be replaced by either fresh mustering or the grant of trade pay under Article 246 Royal Warrant for Pay

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24 AUG 1945

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (E)

Ref: G-1B/142/A

Subject: Release - ATS

To: See Distribution

28 July, 1945

The following information is forwarded for information of members of Women's services.

1. The proposed phasing of release in U.K. of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 11-25 inclusive is as follows:-

(A)	From 13 Aug	to 26 Aug	-	Groups 11-13
(B)	From 27 Aug	to 9 Sept	-	Groups 14-16
(C)	From 10 Sept	to 23 Sept	-	Groups 17-19
(D)	From 24 Sept	to 7 Oct	-	Groups 20-23
(E)	From 8 Oct	to 28 Oct	-	Groups 23-25

2. Members of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 1-25 inclusive domiciled outside UK prior to enlistment, may now submit claim to repatriation on AF X 103 in accordance with Chapter VI Release Regulations.

3. The phasing given in para 2 above is subject to movement and other considerations.

4. Voluntary deferment of release of members of the ATS and VAD will be reckoned from the dates shown below:-

(A)	Groups 11 to 13	13 Aug
(B)	Groups 14 to 16	19 Sept
(C)	Groups 17 to 19	10 Sept
(D)	Groups 20 to 22	24 Sept
(E)	Groups 23 to 25	8 Oct

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Groups 11-25 inclusive is as follows:-

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RELEASE FROM ARMY - ADMINISTRATIVE
ORDER NO.1

AMENDMENT NO.1

DATED 2 AUG 45

(FILE:- G-15/140/A)

METHOD

(b) Medical

ADD:-

"Personnel will have a FFI inspection within the 24 hours prior to leaving their Units and will be in possession of an FFI certificate."

(e) Arms.

DELETE:-

"Personal weapons will be taken to the Assembly Centre; no other arms will be carried"

AND SUBSTITUTE:-

"Small arms for personnel proceeding to the UK on Release will be left with the Unit for return to Ordnance".

(1) Delete "Ack" and SUBSTITUTE:-

Discipline.

(i) DRINK.

No alcoholic drink will be purchased or consumed by any Officer, Warrant Officer or OR on the journey by rail, sea or air.

(ii) Captured Enemy Weapons and Material.

The attention of all units will be drawn to the above.

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The attention of all ranks will be drawn to the provisions
of GSO 731 of 1945 before despatch from their Units, and they will
be warned that on arrival in UK they will be liable to search
and if in possession of any captured enemy weapons or other
enemy material, disciplinary action will be taken which may
entail postponement of release.

(m) CUSTOD.

(1) The following articles may be taken into the UK duty free -

- † 1b Tobacco or 200 Cigarettes.
- † 4 pt Spirits.
- † 4 pt Perfume.

(ii) Customs Duty and Purchase Tax are payable on dutiable articles carried into the UK. Concession labels are only effective on parcels sent by post.

(u) AK.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-15/144/A

2nd August, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

Lt Col	G.W.	CUMMING	(3303) R.Sigs A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Lt Col	J.W.	HOMES	(27719) Manch A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Lt Col	W.M.	LAPPER	(294613) Gen List A/S Gp 1 - Pub Works S/C
Lt Col	A.S.	GILES	(91220) Forest-ers A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Lt Col	J.	IRIE	(13453) RASC A/S Gp 8 - Food S/C
Major	S.L.	DAISTER	(33312) Gen List A/S Gp 1 - Wn S/C
Major	J.R.	GREGORY	(119814) R.E. A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Major	M.H.	HAIGH-WOOD	(48861) Manch A/S Gp 1 - Liguria
Major	E.W.	HAMILTON	(16504) Buffs A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Major	H.B.	JAMES	(146973) RMK A/S Gp 10 - Liguria
Major	G.W.	LANFOLD	(146615) R.A. A/S Gp 1 - Ancona Comm
Major	G.H.	MORLARTY	(294471) Gen List A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
Major	C.P.	MURCHIE	(122570) RASC A/S Gp 1 - Piemonte
Major	J.	OSLON	(50762) RASC A/S Gp 1 - Finance S/C
Major	A.O.	WRIGHT	(263346) Gen List A/S Gp 1 - Legal S/C
Capt	W.E.	JONES	(154270) Pnr Ops A/S Gp 1 - Bari
Major	A.H.	RANDALL	(36624) R.A. A/S Gp 5 - Lombardia
Major	F.P.	RICHARDSON	(128074) R.E. A/S Gp 7 - Thr S/C

1. GHQ 2nd Echelon, CIP have been informed that the a/n Officers are available for release and authority has been requested for them to proceed to Milan Assembly Centre between 10 and 23 August 45.

2. Release Books have been requested in respect of :-

Major A.H. Randall
Major F.P. Richardson
Capt W.E. Jones

as they are not held by this Branch.

3. Release Books are forwarded in respect of all Officers not located

Lt Col J. TALLE
 Major S.L. RAISTER
 Major J.R. GREGORY
 Major M.H. HAIGH-WOOD
 Major E.W. HAMILTON
 Major E.B. JAMES
 Major G.W. MANFOLD
 Major G.H. MORTARTY
 Major C.P. MURCHIE
 Major J. OSMON
 Major A.C. WRIGHT
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ers
 (134253) RASO A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
 (53318) Gen List A/S Gp 8 - Food S/C
 (119814) R.E. A/S Gp 1 - Pn S/C
 (48861) Mench A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
 (16504) Buffs A/S Gp 1 - Liguria
 (146973) R.W. A/S Gp 10 - Lombardia
 (146615) R.A. A/S Gp 1 - Ancone Camne
 (294471) Gen List A/S Gp 1 - Lombardia
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4. Documentation as outlined in this H.Q. Administrative Order No. 1 of 30 July 45 as amended by this H.Q. Amendment No. 1 to Administrative Order No. 1 will be completed before these Officers leave their present positions for Assembly Centre, Milan.

5. Officers located at this H.Q. will report to G-1 (Dr) Release Section forthwith in order that documentation can be completed.

6. Capt W.E. Jones will be called forward to this H.Q. as soon as his Release Book is received by this Branch.

7. When release authority has been given by GHQ 2nd Echelon a further communication will be addressed to you.

8. If any of the a/n Officers have consented to remain or are willing to do so for a short time Release Books will be returned to this H.Q.

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2. Acknowledged.

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} Delete all reference to Major G. Boucher
Major A.C. Shephard
Major J.M. Watson
} in this HQ letter of even number dated
} 31 July 45.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 324
G-1 (1)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

31 JULY, 1945

Subject: Phasing of Release

To: See Distribution

The War Office have now stated that Group 16 will be due for release in UK between 24 Sept and 7 October with Group 15.

The phasing of Groups 17 and later will be circulated when notification is received from the War Office through AFHQ.

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HEADQUARTERS
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APO 394
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Ref: G-1/144/A

31 July, 1945

Subject : Voluntary Deferment of release.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

1. It is known that there is uncertainty in many officers' minds over the reasons which prompt AFHQ to authorize most applications for Voluntary Deferment of release until General Demobilization, whereas a considerable number of applications for voluntary deferment for one or two years are rejected.
2. The following extract from a letter recently received by this HQ from AFHQ is accordingly forwarded for information:-

"1. It is not possible to give a firm statement of policy, except in general terms, since each case of deferment has of necessity to be treated individually and on its merits.

2. It should be noted that, whereas deferment until final demobilization may be terminated at any time that an officer's service may no longer be required by the Army, deferment for one or two years is in the nature of a contract which guarantees employment for the period stated. This means that the cases of volunteers for one or two years must be more carefully considered than those for the more indefinite period."

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

30th July, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers.

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The attached nominal roll shewing confirmed Age/Service Groups in respect of Officers enumerated thereon is forwarded as an addendum to previous confirmatory Age/Service Group Nominal Rolls issued by this office.

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CLASS "A" RELEASE ROLLS (OFFICERS)

RANK	NAME	NUMBER	REGT OR CORPS	A & S GROUP	PREFIX LETTER
Brig	ANDERSON D.L.	32775	R.E.	8	
Capt	BEATT J.P.	174406	RAC	23	
Capt	BEDDINGTON R.E.L.	47160	Lancers	16	
Capt	BIRD A.H.	113971	R.A.	15	
Lt Col	CAMPELL J.A.	106939	H.L.I.	4	
Major	COTES FREEDY P.D.	153942	E. Surreys	21	
Major	COZENS F.G.	179176	RASC	7	
Capt	DOWSETT J.W.	164776	Essex	7	
Capt	EMERY H.S.	224712	Int Corps	26	
Capt	FAIRWEATHER E.R.	143544	Loyals	17	
Capt	GREANY M.P.R.	133651	R.E.	1	
Major	HOUDRET P.C.G.B.	145884	R.D.	17	
Major	HENDERSON J.	218978	Int Corps	12	
Col	HANCOCK A.N.	150912	Int Corps	1	
Capt	JOHNSTON V.R.	188142	Gen List	37	
Capt	MARRIOTT B.	291771	Gen List	34	
Major	MATTHEWS E.K.W.	220695	RAC	23	
Major	MORRIS W.A.	58074	Lancers	19	
Major	MUIR R.D.	87408	R.A.	3	
Capt	MUIRHEAD J.	40426	A & S.H.	17	
Major	SALWAY A.H.	287351	Gen List	37	
Major	TALBOT H.C.	18619	R.E.	12	
Capt	TAYLOR R.G.	179725	R.E.	27	
Lieut	WILKIE C.R.	284766	Innick	41	
Major	WILCOCKSON E.H.	232647	R.A.	29	

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HEADQUARTERS
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APO 394
G-1 (S)

C.A. Section

30 JUL 1945

Ref: G-1B/140/6/A

30th July, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers/ORs - Group 12.

To: Full Distribution

1. Age/Service Group 12 has been called forward to the Assembly Centre, MILAN, between 10 and 23 August 45.
2. Release Books for the u/m Officers and ORs are forwarded together with instructions regarding documentation.
3. Personnel will proceed direct to Milan Assembly Centre in future.
4. Please ensure that the instructions contained in this H.Q. letter G-1B/140/A of 30 July 45 are closely followed in order that there may be no delay in the despatch of personnel from the Assembly Centre to U.K.
5. Assembly Centre is located at EUGENIO BARRACKS, MILAN.
6. Acknowledge.

OFFICERS TO BE RELEASED IN GROUP 12.
under authority 02E/12/799/PR of 23 July 45

Rank	Name	Number	Regt or Corps	Location
Lt Col	J.A.N. GILES (Release book: not received - 02E notified)	(32787)	R.R.R.C	Tn, I.S.T. Florence
Major	J.A. KING	(69943)	R.A.	Lombardia
Major	A.C. LISTER (Release book: not received - 02E notified)	(102872)	R.A.	Lombardia
Major	R.W.N. JASON	(511684)	R.T.R.	Lombardia
Major	Hm J.P. PHILLIPS	(39386)	R.A.	Lombardia
Major	H.C. TALBOT	(113819)	R.E.	Lombardia
Capt	R.S. CRAWFORD-SMITH	(217025)	R.A.	Lombardia
Capt	J.M. McALLUM	(244067)	R.E.	Liguria
Capt	H.W. MINGARD	(69513)	R.A.	DPR S/C Turin
Capt	S. OPEASHAW	(144175)	R.A.	Lombardia
Major	G.P. LEITCH	(177597)	S.I.I.	Lombardia

4. letter G-1B/140/A of 30 July 45 are closely followed in order that may be no delay in the despatch of personnel from the Assembly Centre to U.R.

5. Assembly Centre is located at EUGENIO BAZZACCHI, MILAN.

6. Acknowledge.

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Major	H.C. TALBOT	(118619)	R.T.	Lombardia
Capt	R.S. CRAWFORD- SLITH	(217025)	R.A.	Lombardia
Capt	J.M. McTALLUM	(244067)	R.E.	Liguria
Capt	H.W. MINGARD	(69518)	R.A.	DEF S/C Turin
Capt	S. OPENSHAW	(142475)	R.A.	Lombardia
Lieut	G.F. LEIGH	(177597)	S.L.I.	Lombardia

O.Rs TO BE RELEASED IN GROUP 12
under authority OZE/12/ 816/PR of 23 Jul 45

D/29225	Opl	FISHER R.G.	R.Sussex	Lombardia
3046841	Pte	STEAKS A.G.	S.STAFFS	Venezie
4796419	Sgt	WATFIELD R.	FORESTERS	Venezie Guilio
D/30499	Pte	VAUGHAN R.	S.STAFFS	Liguria
6794907	Pte	HILL W.	INTELS	H.Q. AC
2872924	Pte	JACKSON G.B.	CORDONS	H.Q. AC
4530287	Pte	SOUTH J.W.	GREEN HOWARDS	Emilio

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APO 394
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RELEASE FROM ARMY - ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 1

DATED 30th JULY 1945

(FILE: G-1B/110/A)

INFORMATION.

MILAN.

C.M.F. Release Assembly Centre has been established at

INTENTION.

All Officers and O.Rs of A.G./AC will report to the Assembly Centre, MILAN, when called forward for Release.

METHOD.

(a) Release Book and Authority.

When authority has been given By GHQ 2nd Echelon CEF for an Officer or OR of A.G./AC to be released his Release Book will be forwarded under registered cover to the A.G. Region or Commune in which he is serving by the most expeditious means. Release Books will be completed by the O.C. British Detachment A.G. Region, A.G. Zone or A.G. Commune in which the Officer or O.R. is serving. On no account will British Release Books be completed by U.S.A. Officers.

(b) Medical.

AT W3149 will be completed by a British Medical Officer and by the O.C. Br Detachment in respect of all British Officers and ORs. An entry will be made in the AB 439 or AB 64 Part I stating that the Officer has been medically examined and AT W3149 completed.

(c) Clothing and Equipment.

AT H1157 will be completed signed by the Officer/OR when it concerns and countersigned by the O.C. British Detachment.

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(d) Ammunition

Ammunition will be handed into the Q.M. Stores before leaving AMG Region or Commune. On no account will any Officer or O.R. proceed to an Assembly Centre in possession of ammunition of British or other manufacture.

(e) Arms

Personal weapons will be taken to the Assembly Centre; no other arms will be carried.

(f) Baggage.

Kit will be divided into two classes

- (1) One cwt to remain with the Officer throughout the move and 56 lbs in addition to equipment and large pack to remain with the OR.

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- (2) All other kit will be handed over to the MFO at Assembly Centre.

Baggage labels (CAF Form 94 Release) will be issued on a scale of Officers - 6, Other Rank - 3.

All baggage will be labelled with the official labels which will be issued and attached to each piece of baggage before the individual leaves his unit, and should be addressed to the U.K. address of the individual.

(g) Casualties

On the day when an Officer or O.R. proceeds to an Assembly Centre, A.G Region or Zone will immediately despatch a Priority signal to G-1 (British) Release Section H.Q., AC stating exact date of despatch to Assembly Centre.

On receipt of this Signal AF W30104, 30114 etc. will be completed at this H.Q.

(h) Documents.

The following documents will be prepared by OSG British Detachments of Regions or their equivalent for each Officer or O.R. proceeding to the Assembly Centre:-

- (i) Release Book.
- (ii) AF 439 OR AB 64 Part I - (With age/Service Group clearly marked).
- (iii) AF W3149
- (iv) In each case the attached AF H1157 will be completed and despatched with the Release Book(s) and any existing AF H1157 WILL BE DESTROYED.
- (v) AF 64 Part II completed to date.
- (vi) AF H22 completed with A/S Group Number in top left hand corner.
- (vii) AF W3060 in duplicate, completed except for designation of FINAL port of embarkation and date of embarkation at that port. One copy will be handed over to ESO at final port of embarkation and the other retained (Specimen AF W3060 attached) AF W3060 will be marked in the top right hand corner in ink with the letters RL.

- (viii) Movement Order in quadruplicate for each individual compiled in accordance with the specimen attached.

On receipt of this Signal AF W3010A, 3011A etc. will be completed at this H.Q.

(h) Documents.

The following documents will be prepared by O&O British Detachments of Regions or their equivalent for each Officer or O.R. proceeding to the Assembly Centre:-

- (i) Release Book.
- (ii) AF 439 OR AB 64 Part I - (With age/Service Group clearly marked).
- (iii) AF W3149
- (iv) In each case the attached AF H1157 will be completed and despatched with the Release Book(s) and any existing AF H1157 WILL BE DESTROYED.

- (v) AB 64 Part II completed to Cote.

- (vi) AF W222 completed with A/S Group Number in top left hand corner.
- (vii) AF W3060 in duplicate, completed except for designation of FINAL port of embarkation and date of embarkation at that port. One copy will be handed over to ESO at final port of embarkation and the other retained (Specimen AF W3060 attached) AF W3060 will be marked in the top right hand corner in ink with the letters RM.

(viii) Movement Order in quadruplicate for each individual compiled in accordance with the specimen attached. Copies of these orders will be disposed of as follows:-

- | | | | |
|----------|---|---|---|
| Copy No. | 1 | - | Retained by the individual. |
| | 2 | - | Handed to RTO by individual or Draft Conduction Officer at original entraining station. |
| | 3 | - | Handed in to Assembly Centre. |
| | 4 | - | Retained by O.C. British Detachment of Region. |

- (ix) In consequence of the Assembly Centre being established at MILAN and movement of personnel overland, the slip attached to AB 64 Part I, AB 439 or AF D420 as enumerated in "AMHQ Release Instructions 1945" Appendix "E" paragraph 6 will be amended to as follows:

The above named is included on the nominal roll of personnel of this Unit called forward by GHQ 2nd Echelon CIP to the Assembly Centre MILAN, between (date) and (date) for

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evacuation to UK on Release, Authority
If detached from his draft on account of admission
to Hospital, the above named should be onward routed
to MILAN/DIPEPE/GALAIS + when available (+ that not
applicable to be deleted by DCC or the Assembly Centre)

(i) Personal Mail

Officers and C.Bs will be instructed to inform the
Post MCO of the address to which mail should be returned.

(j) Transport,

Air Regions, Zones and AMG Companies will make their
own arrangements regarding movement of personnel between
Region and Assembly Centre, MILAN.

(k) Dress As detailed by local Area or Sub Area Command

(l) ACM

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J. C. Hodson
J. C. HODSON
LT COLONEL
C-1 (B)

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As detailed by local Area or Sub Area Commander

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SECURITY

A.F. W3060

EMBARKATION CARD

To be issued to all Officers, Other Ranks and civilians ordered to embark under military authority as individual passengers; or proceeding in parties of less than five in number.

TO BE FILLED IN BY ISSUING AUTHORITY.

Unit (Give Serial No. of Unit
(if applicable)

Army No Rank Name Initials

Port of embarkation Authority for journey

Duty on which bearer is proceeding
(include reference to destination if possible)

Signature
(of issuing authority)

MOVEMENT ORDER

SERIAL

No. Rank Name

Unit will proceed by RAIL from
ROAD

..... on to

for a departure to U.K. for RELEASE.

Date of issue Signed

Tel Extn 242

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1E/142/A

Subject: Release - ATS

To: See Distribution

23 July, 1945

The following information is forwarded for information of members of Women's services.

1. The proposed phasing of release in U.K. of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 11-25 inclusive is as follows:-

(A)	From 15 Aug to 26 Aug	-	Groups 11-13
(B)	From 27 Aug to 9 Sept	-	Groups 14-16
(C)	From 10 Sept to 23 Sept	-	Groups 17-19
(D)	From 24 Sept to 7 Oct	-	Groups 20-23
(E)	From 8 Oct to 23 Oct	-	Groups 24-25

2. Members of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 1-25 inclusive who failed outside UK prior to enlistment, may now submit claim to repatriation on AP X 103 in accordance with Chapter VI Release Regulations.

3. The phasing given in para 1 above is subject to movement and other considerations.

4. Voluntary deferment of release of members of the ATS and VAD will be reckoned from the dates shown below:-

(A)	Groups 11 to 13	13 Aug
(B)	Groups 14 to 16	10 Sept
(C)	Groups 17 to 19	10 Sept
(D)	Groups 20 to 22	24 Sept
(E)	Groups 23 to 25	8 Oct

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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SIP J.E.T. RITCHIE Et
Lt Colonel
G-1 (B)

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

20 July, 1945

Subject: Release

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The attached copy of G.R.O. 794/45 is forwarded for information

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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f SIR J.E.T. RITCHIE BT
LT COLONEL
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OPT OF GRO 784/45

784. SERVICE IN THE FAR EAST.

1. Personnel are eligible for service in the Far East who:
 - (a) are in Age/Service release groups 27 or later, or being in Age/service release groups 1-26 have been accepted for deferment of release for one or two years or until general demobilization under para 326 (as extended) of Regulations for Release from the Army 1945, and
 - (b) have not more than 2 years qualifying PYTHON service at the time of embarkation in this theatre.
2. In the case of Medical Officers the Age/Service release groups referred to in para 1(a) above will be 1-15 instead of 1-26 and the qualifying PYTHON service referred to in para 1 (b) above will be 2 years 6 months instead of 2 years.
3. It is emphasized that personnel not eligible for service in the Far East under paras 1 or 2 above may be called upon for service in the Far East in the event of insufficient personnel being found within the eligible categories.
4. Personnel ineligible under paras 1 or 2 above may volunteer for service in the Far East subject to the following conditions:-
 - (a) Personnel from Age/Service release groups 1-26 who have deferred release as mentioned in para 1 above but have more than 2 years qualifying PYTHON service may be accepted provided they are willing to defer PYTHON for such a period as will ensure they will serve a minimum period of one year in the Far East after disembarkation that theatre.
 - (b) Personnel of Age/Service release groups 27 or later who have more than 2 years qualifying PYTHON service may be accepted provided they are willing to defer PYTHON for such a period as will ensure that they serve a minimum period of 1 year in the Far East after disembarkation that theatre.
5. Volunteers will make application by completing the certificate at Appendix "A" to this GRO. The completed certificate will be forwarded direct by units in the case of officers to AFHQ G1(Br) and in the case of Other Ranks to GHQ 2nd Echelon.
6. Individuals who have already submitted an application to serve in the Far East will submit a fresh application in accordance with the Appendix to this GRO.
7. Personnel despatched from this theatre for service in the Far East will be granted 28 days leave before embarking for the Far East (GRO 1304/45) **5298**

(Applicable to UK troops only)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

To be completed by volunteers for service in the Far East

(Delete para 4 if not applicable)

1. I, No Rank Name

Arm Unit

hereby volunteer for service in the Far East on the terms of my original enlistment subject to the conditions in paras 2 and 3 hereof.

2. I undertake to serve in the Far East for twelve months after disembarkation.

3. My overseas service will continue to count towards completion of the PYTHON period but I agree that I shall not be entitled to repatriated under the PYTHON Scheme until I have completed twelve months service in the Far East.

4. My A/S Group is under 27 and I have volunteered for further service under para 326 of Regulations for Release from the Army 1945 (as extended) (GRO 541/45 refers).

Signed

No Rank

Countersigned by OC

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Date

1/19B/CA

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HEADQUARTERS
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URGENT

REFERENCE : 0-12/144/A
SUBJECT : Release - Voluntary Deferment
TO : See Distribution
14 JUL 45
15 AUG 1945

AFHQ Signal PX 21626 of 12 Jul 45 is reprinted for information.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL SIGRIZ.

Life-saving Unit
for Sir J.E.D. PITCHER, Lt.,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (M)

COPY OF AFHQ SIGNAL
PX 21626 of 12 Jul.

RESTRICTED

1. Applications for voluntary deferment submitted under para 326 Release Regulations 1945 once confirmed will NOT be withdrawn unless (A) Special circumstances have arisen since application to defer was made and (B) Application to withdraw is submitted before starting date of deferment.
2. Para 1 will be published as GAO and applies to all ranks.
3. Officers and ORs near UK specifically for release who declined to defer whilst serving overseas may apply deferment on arrival UK. Policy is that personnel who are (A) eligible for DEFERMENT will be permitted deferment under normal rules (B) NOT eligible for DEFERMENT will be permitted deferment after arrival UK only on understanding that they are liable to be returned at once to command whence they came or elsewhere overseas.
4. Personnel (A) and (B) will be required to apply for deferment before leaving military disambiguation camp unit to UK. Applications submitted after reaching military disambiguation unit will NOT be considered. Paras 3 and 4 will only apply to personnel entering from overseas before and incl 14 July 45.

COPIES OF AIRHQ SIGNAL
BY 21626 of 12 Jul.

RESTRICTIONS

1. Applications for voluntary deferment submitted under para 326 Release Regulations 1945 once confirmed will NOT be withdrawn unless (A) Special circumstances have arisen since application to defer was made and (B) Application to withdraw is submitted before starting date of deferment.

2. Para 4 will be published as GAO and applies to all ranks.

3. Officers and ORs sent U.K. specifically for release who declined to defer whilst serving overseas may apply deferment on arrival U.K. Policy is that personnel who are (A) Eligible for DPMO will be permitted deferment under normal rules (B) Not eligible for DPMO will be permitted deferment after arrival U.K. only on understanding that they are liable to be returned at once to command whence they came or elsewhere overseas.

4. Personnel (A) and (B) or 3 will be required to apply for deferment before leaving military disbursement camp unit to U.K. Applications submitted after reaching military disbursement unit will NOT be considered. Paras 3 and 4 will only apply to personnel extending from overseas before and incl 31 July 45.

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Ref: G-1B/140/A

July, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers.

13 AUG 1945

To: See Distribution

A.F.H.Q. Signal FX 19747 of 7 Jul 45 is reprinted below for information of all concerned.

"RESTRICTED"

Ref my FX 17472 dated 4 July for purposes of release medical officers of rank Colonel and above are treated as other doctors. War office instructions for release doctors at present limited groups 1-11 who will be released with age/Service Groups."

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J. P. Stone
for SIR J.E.T. MITCHELL BE
LT COLONEL
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Copy to Mr. 13 July 45

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(JAC)

Subject: Canadian Officers - Release Policy.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

C.M.F.

AC/400/MS

7 July 45

- 7 LUG 1945

Distribution (as below):

1. The attached letter has been received from AFHQ under their reference 2520/MS1 dated 5 Jul 45 in respect of Canadian Officers, and is forwarded for your information and guidance.

2. As soon as further information is available it will be communicated to you.

ls/WAM.

TEL: Freedom 460

Subject: Release - Canadian Officers.

HQ Allied Commission (MS)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

2520/MS1

5 Jul 45

Reference your AC/430/MS of 15 Jun.

It is confirmed that all Canadian officers will remain with Allied Commission until called forward by this HQ.

Canadian Military HQ in London have been requested to forward instructions for all Canadian officers in this theatre, but to date these have not arrived.

(Sd) P. BRIGGS, Lt Col.

1s/WAM.

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TEL: Freedom 460

Subject: Release - Canadian Officers.

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(SGd) E. WRIGHTSON, Lt Col.,
A.M.S.,
for Brigadier,
Deputy Military Secretary.

JKL/AGR.

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6th July, 1945

Subject: Release - Officers.

To: See Distribution

The context of AFHQ signal FX 17472 of 4 July 45 is republished below for information of all concerned.

"RESTRICTED"

Ref GRO 713/45

1. Officers of rank of Colonel and above in groups 12 to 16 eligible for release will be released with their age service groups.
2. Colonels and above all arms and services now subject GRO 713 except RAVC RAPO ASC and JAG branch"

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J. E. T. Ritchie
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LT COLONEL
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Ref: G-1B/140/A

5th JULY, 1945

Subject: Release - Medical Examination on AF W. 3149

To: See Distribution

- on reverse*
1. The attached copy of G.R.O. 746/45 is forwarded for information and necessary action.
 2. O.C. Br Det of A.G. Armies, Corps, Companies etc. will forward to this H.Q. by 20 August completed A.Fs W. 3149 in respect of all Officer and O.R. personnel in age/Service Groups 1-16.
 3. A.F. W. 3149 will be completed in respect of any Officer in Groups 1-16 who has been Deferred Operationally Vital but not in respect of Deferred Regulars or Deferred Volunteers.
 4. AF W. 3149 will be completed by British Medical Officers.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

James Ritchie

SIR J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt
Lt Colonel
G-1 (B)

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COPY OF G.R.O. 746 DATED 29 JUNE 1945
SERIAL NO. 36

746. RELEASE - MEDICAL EXAMINATION ON AF W 3149.

1. In order to ensure that Medical Examination on AF W 3149 is completed in every case before the individual is released, medical examination of everyone eligible for release in Age/Service Groups 8-16 inclusive will be put in hand forthwith.
2. As soon as the AF W 3149 has been completed, the Unit will forward it to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon without delay.
3. The Unit will make a note of the examination in AB 64 or AF B 439 as applicable, in the following form:-

"Medically examined on (date)
AF W 3149 submitted O23(date)"
4. GHQ 2nd Echelon will take action in accordance with Release Regulations and forward AF W 3149 to War Office and O i/c Records.

(Applicable to British Service personnel)

3/14 5/10/45 ✓
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Tel Extn 242

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
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Ref: G-1E/140/A

5th JULY, 1945

Subject: Release from Army

To: SEE DISTRIBUTION

The attached copy of G.R.C. 747/45 is forwarded for the information
of all Civil Servants.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

for SIR J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt
Lt COLONEL
G-1 (B)

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747. RELEASE - DEFERMENT OF CLASS "A" RELEASE BY PERMANENT CIVIL SERVANTS
NOW SERVING IN THE FORCES.

1. All permanent Civil Servants wishing to volunteer to continue to serve in the Army or ATS after the normal time for release of their Age/Service Groups, will include in the application a note to the effect that he/she is a Civil Servant, the name of the civil department and civil grade. This information will be clearly marked in red ink at the head of the application form, as follows:-

"PERMANENT CIVIL SERVANT.

CIVIL GRADE

CIVIL DEPARTMENT

2. Applications will continue to be forwarded through the normal channels in accordance with para 14 of AFHQ Release Instructions 1945. They will then be referred by AFHQ and GHQ 2nd Echelon as applicable to the War Office for approval.

3. The War Office are to consult the Civil Department concerned and a decision will be notified, after consideration has been given to the individual's special value to the Army and the requirements of the Civil Department.

4. Personnel who have submitted applications will be notified by AFHQ and GHQ 2nd Echelon, as applicable, whether or not the application has been approved.

5. Permanent Civil Servants, whose applications have been approved, will continue to be eligible for any balance of civil pay under standing rules, and their re-instatement rights will be preserved until they are finally released on termination of the period of deferment.

6. In those cases where deferment has NOT been approved the individual will be released with his Age/Service Group or, if his/her Group has already been released while awaiting the War Office decision, he/she will be despatched with the next available Group.

7. Personnel who compete successfully in the reconstruction competitions for the Civil Service (notified in GRO 601/45) will be dealt with as follows:-

(a) Those who volunteered/or deferment before the publication of the examination results will be permitted either to serve

2. Applications for release will be made in accordance with para 14 of AFHQ Release Instructions 1945. They will then be referred by AFHQ and GHQ 2nd Echelon as applicable to the War Office for approval.

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7. Personnel who compete successfully in the reconstruction competitions for the Civil Service (notified in GPO 601/45) will be dealt with as follows:-

(a) Those who volunteered for deferment before the publication of the examination results will be permitted either to serve on, or to cancel their applications for deferment. If they serve on, their appointment in the Civil Service will be kept for them. They will NOT receive any balance of civil pay but, under the starting pay arrangements approved for reconstruction, the candidate's period of further service will count for any civil increment.

(b) Those who volunteered after having been declared successful in a reconstruction competition, will forfeit a Civil Service appointment without prejudice to a further attempt at an examination later, provided the individual has NOT already exhausted his two attempts at the reconstruction competition.

8. Permanent Civil Servants who submitted applications prior to the publication of this GRO will notify their Commanding Officers who will forward the information as in paras 1 and 2 above.

9. This GRO is not applicable to GPO employees serving in E Sigs. They will conform with the provisions of GRO 710/45.

10. Authority for the retention of individual Civil Servants as operationally vital under para 320 of Release Regulations remains unaltered.

(Applicable to British Service Personnel).

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Subject: Release - Officers, (British).
Promotion - Volunteers.

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2 July 45

1. Since the Release Regulations have been published there appears to be some doubt amongst officers as to the position with regard to their promotion.
2. The procedure with regard to promotion has not altered except in so far as those officers who are due for release in the near future and who have not volunteered to stay on beyond the date of their release group. Such cases will be dealt with individually by the appropriate authorities at this Headquarters.
3. Para 13 to Appendix "B" to GRO 541/45 states that an officer thus volunteering shall be "subject to the normal rules regarding transfer, posting, promotion, pay etc".
4. There can be no "bargain" in respect of promotion. Also this Headquarters is not empowered to correspond with officers' civil employers on any subject, with regard to volunteering or any financial understanding they have previously undertaken.
5. The decision to volunteer must remain with the officer concerned and the wording in Appx "B" must be strictly adhered to and not amended in any way.
6. This Headquarters is not in a position to promise promotion to anyone. It is obvious however that as officers are released or repatriated for reason of long service, or on compassionate grounds, vacancies on the War Establishment will arise, and it is the intention to request A.F.H.Q. to fill such vacancies by advancement of A.C. officers previously recommended.

W. A. Morris
W. A. MORRIS, Major.
Dep Asst Mil Sec.
for Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

30th June, 1945

Subject: Release - Deferred Volunteers.

To: See Distribution

1. The following phasing of commencement of the period of extended service is notified for information of all concerned.

GROUPS 1 and 3
GROUPS 4 to 7
GROUPS 8 and 9
GROUPS 10 and 11
GROUP 12
GROUP 13
GROUP 14
GROUP 15
GROUP 16

18 June 45
2 Jul 45
16 Jul 45
30 Jul 45
13 Aug 45
27 Aug 45
10 Sept 45
24 Sept 45
8 Oct 45

2. Corresponding dates of deferment for women will be notified later; also for groups 17 to 26.

3. The latest date to volunteer will be that on which the individual would be due to leave his unit for purposes of release. Officers will be retained by AMG Regions or Armies until confirmation of acceptance is received.

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APC 394
G-1 (B)

Subject: Release - Phasing

26 JUN 1945

To: See Distribution

The attached copy of A.F.H.Q. letter G-1(Br)/12052/A.11
of 21 June 45 is forwarded for information.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

[Signature]
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SUBJECT: Phasing of Release

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G-1(Br)/12052/A.11

To: Distribution Overleaf

21 Jun 45

Further to our G-1(Br)/12052/A.11 dated 16 Jun 45.

1. The dates for release in UK of Groups 12 to 16 as notified in the above quoted letter may be repeated in Unit Orders, where applicable.
2. In view of recent statements that have appeared in the press, to the effect that Groups up to the 'middle twenties' were to be released by the end of the year, the War Office were asked if these statements could be clarified.
3. The original phasing given to us for planning purposes was on the basis that Group 26 would be released at the end of 12 months from VE Day. The War Office have confirmed this phasing and, an article has been published in the Union Jack reporting a recent announcement made in the House of Commons by the Minister of Labour, stating that the 'early twenties' may be released by the end of the year and not the 'middle twenties' as previously forecast.
4. It is considered however that this information should also be notified officially in Unit Orders and for this purpose an estimate of the release by 31 Dec 45 of Groups 21 and earlier may be quoted.
5. The phasing is still of course subject to movement and other considerations but it can be taken as a fair estimate.

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Major General
DAG G-1(Br)

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The Executive Officer (British)
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Vice - President, Establishment Section
Director, Public Relations Board
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1. It was agreed at the Conference yesterday that in view of A.F.H.Q. (A.C.'s) DO letter to the Executive Commissioner, that a similar letter should be addressed by Vice-Presidents to their officers if they wished to retain them beyond the date of release.

2. The Executive Commissioner wishes, therefore, that in order to maintain uniformity such letters should be framed as follows :-

" Dear

Your release date is approximately and I cannot certify that your continued services in the Allied Commission are operationally vital. You, of course, are not bound to continue to serve beyond your release date but it would be a matter of the greatest possible assistance to the Allied Commission if you consent to do so.

I am therefore writing to ask whether you would be willing to continue serving in the Allied Commission until

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My reasons for asking you are as follows :-

W. A. Morris

W. A. MORRIS, Major.
Dep Asst Mil Sec.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G-1B/140/A

9th June, 1945

Subject: Release from Army

To: See Distribution

1. The attached copy of GRO 611/45 is forwarded for information of all U.D.F. Officers serving in this Commission.
2. Reference Para 6 of the above quoted G.R.O. All completed forms will be forwarded to this H.Q. in quadruplicate for onward transmission.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

f. P. ...
Sir J.E.T. Ritchie Bt
Lt Colonel
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EXTRACT FROM GENERAL ROUTINE ORDERS SERIAL NO. 22
1 JUNE 1945

611 UNION DEFENCE FORCES PERSONNEL WITH THE BRITISH ARMY - SOUTHLOAN
SCHEME ACI 1380 AND 1381 OF 1944

1. At the end of the war in Europe and before the end of the war in the Far East, the South African authorities desire to effect a substantial reduction in the personnel of the Union Defence Force, although a number of Army units of the Union Defence Force and military personnel will be required to continue service elsewhere.

2. "SOUTHLOAN" personnel who contracted to serve with the UK Forces (i.e. those who are "seconded") signed an undertaking to serve for the duration of the war, and for such further period thereafter, until demobilization.

In spite of this undertaking and in order to meet the Union authorities' requirements, the War Office is prepared to consider the reversion to UDF control of "SOUTHLOAN" personnel who wish to be considered for demobilization under the Union Scheme, alongside other personnel of the Union Defence Force.

3. Particulars are therefore required of the "SOUTHLOAN" personnel, including WAAS, now with the British Army and the Colonial Forces who wish to continue to serve with either of these Forces or in units of the Union Defence Force after the end of the war in Europe.

4. All "SOUTHLOAN" personnel are now invited to complete Form DD 88 J (Seconded) as soon as possible. Specimen of the form is shown at Appendix "B" to this GRO. Personnel will specify on the form whether they are prepared to serve for one or two years from the end of the war in Europe, with the UK Forces under the "SOUTHLOAN" Scheme if required, or in units of UDF. The form will be completed in duplicate. It should be made clear to "SOUTHLOAN" personnel that under this agreement they may have to revert to Union Control if required for service in a UDF unit.

Personnel who desire to be considered for release or demobilization in their turn under the UDF Scheme will complete in original the form at Appendix "A" to this GRO. Applications will be submitted by 30 Jun 45.

5. The fact that an individual completes the form at Appendix "A" will not constitute a guarantee that he will be demobilized immediately and personnel should be warned accordingly.

6. Disposal of the completed forms will be as follows:-

(a) OFFICERS

- (i) Forms DD 88 J (Seconded) in duplicate to GHQ 2nd Echelon
CMF for Part II Order action and appropriate entry on
AF BL99A, G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon will then pass the forms to
A.P.H.Q. GI(Br) A9 for disposal.

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Personnel who desire to be considered for release or demobilization in their turn under the UDF Scheme will complete in original the form at Appendix "A" to this GRO. Applications will be submitted by 30 Jun 45.

5. The fact that an individual completes the form at Appendix "A" will not constitute a guarantee that he will be demobilized immediately and personnel should be warned accordingly.

6. Disposal of the completed forms will be as follows:-

(a) OFFICERS

(i) Forms DD 88 J (Seconded) in duplicate to GHQ 2nd Echelon C.M.F. for Part II Order action and appropriate entry on AF H199A, G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon will then pass the forms to A.F.H.Q. G1(Br) A9 for disposal.

(ii) Original certificates on Appendix "A" to GHQ 2nd Echelon C.M.F. for noting on AF H199A and onward transmission to AFHQ G1(Br) A9 for disposal.

(b) ORs.

(i) Forms DD 88 J (Seconded) in duplicate to GHQ 2nd Echelon C.M.F. for Part II Order action, appropriate entry on AF H103 and disposal.

(ii) Original certificates on Appendix "A" to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon C.M.F. for noting on AF H103 and disposal.

(c) Subsequent disposal by AFHQ G1(Br) A9 and GHQ 2nd Echelon of all above forms and appendices will be in accordance with War Office letter 19/DEMOS/324 (AGLA) of 7 May 45.

7. Form DD 88 J (Seconded) and Appendix "A" will be reproduced by units under local arrangements.

(Applicable to UDF and WAAS "SOUTHLOAN" personnel only) 5266

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APPENDIX "A" TO GRC 611/45

SOUTHLOAN OPTION SCHEME, 1945

Personal particulars:-

UDF No. Rank
UDF Regt or Corps
Names: Surname Christian
British Army or Colonial Forces unit with which now serving
.....
.....

I do not wish to continue service with the UK or Colonial Forces nor with the Union Defence Force, but desire to be released from Military service when due in accordance with the UDF Release Scheme.

Date
Command Signature

APPENDIX "B" to GRC 611/45
ID 88 J (Seconded)

(Referred to in para 4 of WOL 19/Demob/324.(AG 1A) dated 7 May 45)

UNION DEFENCE FORCES
(Union Defence Forces personnel seconded to the Imperial Forces)

I, No Rank
Surname (in block letters).....

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I do not wish to continue service with the UK or Colonial Forces nor with the Union Defence Force, but desire to be released from Military service when due in accordance with the UFF Release Scheme.

Date
Command Signature

APPENDIX "B" to GRO 611/45
DD 88 J (Seconded)

(Referred to in para 4 of WOL 19/Decob/324(AG 1A) dated 7 May 45)

UNION DEFENCE FORCES
(Union Defence Forces personnel seconded to the Imperial Forces)

I, No Rank
Surname (in block letters)
Christian Names
seconded to the Imperial Forces and serving with

.....
desire to continue serving with the Imperial Forces or in the Union Defence Forces, after the conclusion of active operations in Europe.

Date Signature

REVERSE OF DD 88 J (Seconded) 5278
INSTRUCTIONS

1. After the conclusion of active operations in Europe and before the final conclusion of the War, it will be possible to make a substantial reduction in the personnel strength of the Union Defence Forces. A number of SAAF Squadrons, certain ships of the South African Naval Forces, as well as some Army Units and

personnel, will, however, be required for continued service either in the Mediterranean, South East Asia or in South Africa.

2. Officers and Other Ranks of the Union Defence Forces, who are SECONDED to the Royal Navy, Imperial Army or the Royal Air Force, who wish to be considered for further general service, should, therefore, fill in the form overleaf. The names of personnel selected for continued service will be notified in Orders in due course.

3. Conditions of pay, leave and service as well as of benefits for deferred demobilization will remain unchanged.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

1/19.B/CA

11 June 45

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SUBJECT : Release of British Officers.

TO : Executive Commissioner

- 1 I am instructed by Brigadier UPJOHN to request that you will take note of the following points at this afternoon's meeting of the Appeals Board.
- 2 (a) He was written to Sir Phillip GAGE regarding the senior Metropolitan Police Officers. May a final decision on them please be postponed.
(b) He considers that Lt Colonel AINSWIE should not be released.


A. D. BONHAM CARTER
OSO CA Section

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Tel Extn 412.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

Ref: G.1B/140/A

4th June, 1945

Subject: Release from Army

To: See Distribution

The attached copies of G.R.Os 541, 542 and 575
of 1945 are forwarded.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

L. P. ...
Sir J.E.T. Ritchie Bt
Lt Colonel
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GENERAL ROUTINE ORDER NO. 541
dated 18 May, 1945

Voluntary Deferment of Release from the Army

1. Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, paragraph 326, is being amended, and the following conditions for deferment of release will apply.
2. An individual may now volunteer to continue serving in the Army for one of the following periods:
 - a) one year } calculated from the first day of the period
 - b) two years } in which his Age/Service Group is due to be released.
 - c) until general demobilization is ordered.
3. Applications will be forwarded in accordance with para 14 of AFHQ Release Instructions.
4. The confirming authority for both officers and ORs will continue to be laid down in paragraph 326 of Release Regulations, except in the following cases, when the War Office will confirm the retention of the individual:-
 - a) Officers of the rank of War Substantive Lieutenant Colonel and above.
 - b) Men who have rendered previous service on normal regular engagements in the Royal Navy, Army or Royal Air Force.
 - c) Men who are now serving on regular engagements.
5. Officers and ORs volunteering to continue to serve on the terms laid down in paragraph 2 above will make their applications on the forms attached at Appendices "B" and "C" respectively which will be substituted for Appendices "B" and "C" to AFHQ Release Instructions.
6. An officer or OR who before the publication of this order had submitted an application under paragraph 326 Release Regulations to continue to serve until general demobilization, may now rescind such application and volunteer instead to serve for one or two years. Those to whom this applies will submit a new application on Appendix "B" or "C" as the case may be and the words "CANCELLING ORIGINAL APPLICATION dated" will be written in red ink across the top of the form.

If no new application is received by the confirming authority by 30 June, 1945, the original application for retention until general demobilization will stand.

- a) Officers of the rank of War Substantive Lieutenant Colonel and above.
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7. An individual who volunteers to continue to serve for one or two years will become due for release at the earliest opportunity after the expiration of this period. He will not be liable for further retention under paragraphs 320 or 321 of the Release Regulations.

8. A volunteer may be released or discharged from the Army during his extended term of Service on medical or disciplinary grounds, or on grounds of inefficiency. He may apply for release on compassionate grounds. The same terms will apply, in these respects, to volunteers as to those who are awaiting release under Class "A".

9. A volunteer will be eligible for normal release and overseas service leave at the end of his extended term of service.

An individual will not in any way prejudice his rights under the Reinstatement in Civil Employment Act by volunteering to continue serving for

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any of the periods prescribed in paragraph 2 above, but it must be clearly understood that the continuance of balance of civil salary or wages is a private matter between the individual and his employer, and that the rights of individuals under the Act do not extend to such matters.

11. Applications may now be made to continue to serve in the Army under the terms of paragraph 2 above by individuals in the following Age/Service Groups:--

- (a) Officers and ORs (men) in age/service groups 1 to 26 inclusive.
- (b) ATS and VAD in age/service groups 1 to 43 inclusive and married women of these services in any age/service group.

12. Separate instructions are being issued for officers, including women officers of the RMC, AD Corps, QAIMNS, (R), TAMS and TMS (R).

(Applicable to British Service personnel only).

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GENERAL ROUTINE ORDER 542/45 (COPY)

RELEASES UNDER CLASS 'A' - INSTRUCTIONS RELATING TO DETACHMENT OF PERSONNEL
(OTHER THAN WOMEN'S SERVICES) TO ASSEMBLY CENTRE.

1. The Assembly Centre for class "A" Release personnel returning to UK is established at the IRTU, GERVAIRA, New Ref N 5268. The Assembly Centre is under the general administration of DAG 2nd Echelon.

2. The following action will be taken by OSC units prior to despatching personnel called forward by GKH 2nd Echelon for release under Class "A" and is in addition to the orders contained in AFHQ Release Instructions.

MEDICAL.

3. See para 18 of AFHQ Release Instructions.

ATS W3149 will be enclosed with the Release Books and will be handed by the draft conducting officer or ICC to the OSC detachment at the Assembly Centre.

DOCUMENTS.

4. See para 19 of AFHQ Release Instructions.

RELEASE BOOKS.

5. See para 22 of AFHQ Release Instructions.

The designation number of the Disposal Unit in the UK from which the individual is to be finally released, will be marked clearly in the top left-hand corner on the outside of the front cover of the Release Book.

Details of these units and the Districts served are given in Appendix "H" to Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945. The unit to which the individual will be despatched is dependent upon the address to which he wishes to proceed after release, as indicated in the Release Book.

CASUALTIES.

6. See para 24 of AFHQ Release Instructions.

Note: Personnel proceeding to the Assembly Centre will be posted to X/V111 (a) list ref date following that on which they leave their unit, and not to the X/V1V(b) list as stated in the AFHQ Release Instructions, which will be amended accordingly.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.

7. (c) GAs will take to the Assembly Centre their personal arms, equipment, two blankets and clothing and necessities to the normal scale. If tropical scale of clothing is being worn at the time, battle dress and winter scale of clothing will be issued in addition.

Note: During the winter, blankets will be made up to winter scale at the Assembly Centre.

The scale of clothing that soldiers will be permitted to retain on their own property is set out in Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, Appendix "B".

Section 1, para 43 and no issues in respect of deficiencies, except in so far as

DOCUMENTS.

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RELEASE BOOKS.

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CASUALTIES.

6. See para 24 of AFHQ Release Instructions.

Note: Personnel proceeding to the Assembly Centre will be posted to X/VIII (a) list web site following that on which they leave their unit, and not to the X/IV(a) list as stated in the AFHQ Release Instructions, which will be amended accordingly.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT.

7. (a) CRE will take to the Assembly Centre their personal arms, equipment, two blankets and clothing and necessities to the normal scale. If tropical scale of clothing is being worn at the time, battle dress and winter scale of clothing will be issued in addition.

Note: During the winter, blankets will be made up to winter scale at the Assembly Centre.

The scale of clothing that soldiers will be permitted to retain as their own property is set out in Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, Appendix "D" Section 1, para 15 and no issues in respect of deficiencies, except in so far as deficiencies have been due to the exigencies of the service, will be made to complete this scale. No charge will be made in respect of such issues.

(b) Officers will take to the Assembly Centre their personal arms and equipment. Personal baggage will be limited to 100 lbs. Any baggage in excess of this quantity will be forwarded through HQ. Officers will make their own arrangements for disposal of such surplus baggage before leaving their units.

(c) Prior to despatch of officers and CRE from units, kit will be checked and deficiencies noted on page 3 of BX803 and page 4 of BX804.

(d) Ammunition will not be carried.

CLEARANCE CERTIFICATES.

8. Where applicable Clearance Certificates, in accordance with Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, Appendix "E" section 1, para 2 and Section 14, para 6 will be forwarded to No. 8 Command Pay Officer, CEF.

FX504 will be obtained on indent from 24 Stationary Depot, CEF. (This form is NOT stocked at other Stationary Depots.)

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POSTAL.

2. The following procedure will be adopted for the re-direction of private correspondence: -

- (a) OAC units will ensure that before leaving the unit ALL personnel complete a Re-direction Card for retention by the unit, giving one address in the UK to which ALL mail is to be forwarded. Mail will not be re-directed to the Assembly Centre and personnel will be instructed that this address will not be used.
- (b) Personnel will also be informed that ALL mail arriving for them will be re-directed to the address given. Destruction of mail is a serious offence and will not be countenanced.
- (c) OAC units will indent on the nearest Stationery Depot for an adequate supply of "Stop Writing" cards and Postal Re-direction Cards. "Stop Writing" cards should be despatched 10 days before the individual is due to leave the unit, to ensure that correspondents receive due notification of the individual's impending move from his unit.

PAY.

10.(a) Currency Exchanges.

All ranks should be warned that no lira can be taken into the UK and that under the Defence (Finance) Regulations no set on pay taken into the UK more than £10 Sterling. Facilities will be made available immediately before embarkation for exchange of lire up to £10 Sterling. Amounts in excess of £10 Sterling must be surrendered to the Paymaster effecting exchanges, and arrangements will be made to remit such amounts to the UK for credit to the individual's pay account.

(b) Cash Payments.

(1) The limitation on the amount of money which may be taken into the UK should be borne in mind by OAC units when making payments to ORs due to proceed to the Assembly Centre.

(11) For the same reason, officers are advised to regulate their cash drawings accordingly, prior to proceeding to the Assembly Centre.

ROUTING.

11. (a) As soon as the railway between BENEVENTO and CANCELLI is in operation, personnel moving by rail will be routed to CERVINARA, where the Draft Conducting Officer or MCO will report to the RTO. Notification will be made of the opening of this line.

(b) Until the line from BENEVENTO to CANCELLI is opened, personnel moving by rail will be routed to CASERTA and there report to the RTO.

Current movement will be arranged by GHQ 2nd Echelon.

(c) All personnel arriving at the Assembly Centre by road will, in the first instance, report to the Report Centre, which is situated on the main CASERTA-BENEVENTO road, at P.I. Junc 18 N 4771 and NOT to Assembly Wings direct.

(Applicable to British Service personnel only.)

GL/B/12510/X11

GENERAL ROUTINE ORDER 575 (COPY)

RELEASE- DESPATCH OF SURPLUS BAGGAGE OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS
RETURNING TO UK UNDER CLASS "A" RELEASE.

Reference GRO 542/45.

Officers.

1. The scale of personal baggage to accompany an officer returning to UK for release under Class "A" will be limited to 1 cwt, and NOT 2 cwt as stated in para 7 (b) of the above quoted GRO which will be amended accordingly.

2. Surplus baggage will be disposed of through the MILITARY FORWARDING ORGANISATION in accordance with the provisions enumerated in the paragraphs following:

3. Officers will take ALL their baggage within a maximum entitlement of 4 cwt to the Assembly Wing.

4. Before leaving the unit however the baggage will be sorted into two lots, viz:-

(a) the maximum of 1 cwt to accompany the Officer on the journey, and
(b) the surplus baggage to be forwarded through MFO. This baggage will be securely packed and marked in accordance with the instructions contained in para 5 of GRO 457/45.

5. On arrival at the Assembly Wing the baggage will be taken over by a representative of the MFO, a signed receipt issued to the consignee and a Customs Declaration Notice 2B completed in accordance with para 1 (d) of GRO 457/45.

6. All surplus baggage will be despatched in the same ship or convoy as the owners.

7. Presents, souvenirs, arms and ammunition, alcohol, etc, may NOT be forwarded by MFO. Articles of this nature will be included in the accompanied baggage and passed through Customs by the owner, the MFO portion being confined to personal kit, clothing and articles as defined in para 3 of GRO 457/45.

8. Other Ranks.

The scale of baggage to accompany an other rank is limited to the kit carried on the individual plus 56 lbs.

Any excess within a further limit of 56 lbs will be forwarded through MFO.

9. (a) Officers and other ranks shipping articles through the Military Forwarding Organisation are advised that such shipments are carried out entirely at their own risk, and that in the case of loss reimbursement will NOT be made except for that caused by enemy action.

(b) Attention of personnel forwarding surplus kit through the Military Forwarding Organisation to the UNITED KINGDOM is drawn to the insurance facilities available under ACT 54 of 20 Jan 45, details of which are given in GRO 297/45.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
G-1 (3)

Ref: G-1(B)/140/A

Subject: Deferred Release - Volunteers.

To: See Distribution

5th June, 1945

The subjoined A.F.H.Q. letter G-1(Br)52163/A10 dated 30 May 45 is forwarded for information of GPO employees serving in R.Signals.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE -

Sir J.E.T. Ritchie Dd
Lt Colonel
G-1 (B)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: DEFERRED RELEASE - VOLUNTEERS

G-1(Br)52163/A10

30 May 45

1. Information has been received from WAR OFFICE that arrangements have been made with General Post Office for co-ordinating voluntary deferment of release from the Army by GPO employees serving in R. Signals.

2. Officers and ORs who are GPO employees and who wish to defer release may apply under Para 14 of Release Instructions 1945, GPF, issued with GPOs Serial No. 455/45. They should not refer to GPO before applying.

3. GPO are preparing nominal rolls of personnel who are required for return to GPO on normal dates, and these rolls are expected to reach this theatre about the middle of June. Personnel whose names appear on the roll will NOT be accepted for voluntary deferment.

4. Until the rolls are received, applications for deferment will be accepted from GPO employees, and such applications may be provisionally approved subject to confirmation on arrival of the rolls.

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5. Volunteers should be informed that their extended period of service will count for balance of civil pay, incremental progression and superannuation to the same extent as their previous service.

6. It is emphasised that the above arrangements apply only to GPO employees serving in R. Signals.

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(Sgd) ??? Lt Col AAG
For Major General
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4 (B)

TEL: 489081

27 May 1945

26th May 1945.

SUBJECT: Release under Class "A" of British Officers and O.Rs (other than Women's Services) - Instructions re Clothing, Arms and Equipment.

TO : Distribution below.

1. The attention of all addressees is directed to G.R.O. 542/45, para. 7 of which is republished below for information and compliance regarding the despatch to Assembly Centre of British Personnel (other than Women's Services) released under Class "A".

"G.R.O. 542/45 - Para. 7 - CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT."

7. (a) One will take to the Assembly Centre their personal arms, equipment, two blankets and clothing and necessities to the normal scale. If tropical scale of clothing is being worn at the time, battledress and winter scale of clothing will be issued in addition.

Note: During the winter, blankets will be made up to winter scale at the Assembly Centre.

The scale of clothing that soldiers will be permitted to retain as their own property is set out in Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, Appendix "P", Section 1, para 13, (para attached as appendix "A" to this letter), and no issues in respect of deficiencies, except in so far as deficiencies have been due to the expiration of the service, will be made to complete this scale. No charge will be made in respect of such issues.

(b) Officers will take to the Assembly Centre their personal arms and equipment. Personal baggage will be limited to 2-cwt. Any baggage in excess of this quantity will be forwarded through IFO. Officers will make their own arrangements for disposal of such surplus baggage before leaving their units.

(c) Prior to despatch of officers and O.Rs from units, kit will be checked and deficiencies noted on page 4 of AB X805 (Release Book - Officers) and page 4 of AB X804 (Release Book - O.Rs.)

(d) Ammunition will not be carried.

2. Regions, Companies, Armies, Etc. Commandant etc will issue specific instructions to personnel under their command regarding handling in of ammunition in accordance with sub-para (d) above. They will also ensure that any Regional etc stores on personal issue to Officers or O.Rs are handed over prior to departure.

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(c) Prior to despatch of officers and CRs from units, kit will be checked and deficiencies noted on page 3 of AB X803 (Release Book - Officers) and page 4 of AB X801 (Release Book - CRs.)

(d) Ammunition will not be carried.

Regions, Comrades, Armies, H.Q. Commandant etc will issue specific instructions to personnel under their command regarding handling in of ammunition in accordance with sub-para (2) above. They will also ensure that any Regional etc stores on personnel issue to Officers or CRs are handed over prior to departure.

Officers of H.Q. Allied Commission will hand in their ammunition in accordance with instructions to be issued by H.Q. Commandant.

By command of Rear Admiral STONE.

Donald H. Hasbun
D.H. HASBUN
Major, R.A.
G-4 (B).

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APPENDIX "A"

G-4/103/O/2 dated
26th May 1945.

Scale of clothing and necessities which may be retained by soldiers as their own property in accordance with Regulations for Release from the Army, 1945, Appendix "D", Section 1 para 13.

Head dress	1
+ Part-worn suit of battle dress or uniform	1
Part-worn serviceable boots or shoes, pairs	1
Jersey Pullover	1
Shirts, angola	2
Sets of underclothing	2(a)
Socks, worsted, pairs	2
Towels	2
Gloves, knitted, pairs	1
Housewife	1
Braces	1
Kit-bag	1
Cleaning and toilet articles	Set
Cap Badge and titles	Set
Identity discs	Set

+ This item must not be retained by personnel going to Eiro.

(c) Other ranks who are in possession only of the summer scale of underclothing may, at their option, be issued in addition with two sets of underclothing on the winter scale.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

25 May 1945

REFERENCE: G-1B/140/1/A

SUBJECT : Release Regulations

DISTRIBUTION : As below.

1. My letter G-1B/140/1/A dated 17 May 45 is, of course, the subject of much discussion amongst British officers, and I have no doubt that you will hear arguments about the entitlement of officers to release and criticisms of any policy which would retain officers beyond their release date.

2. It is not our intention to delay the release of any officer unnecessarily but there is hardly one single Region or Sub Commission which has not claimed that it is so short of officer personnel as to seriously affect its efficiency. It was very obvious, therefore, that the immediate loss of a further 107 British officers without any possibility of replacement would have had a catastrophic effect on the efficiency of the Northern Regions. Twelve days only were given this Headquarters from the date of definite information regarding the commencement of releases to the day on which the first party is due to assemble. There was no time to refer Groups 1 to 3 to Regional Commissioners and Directors of Sub Commissions, but from Group 4 onwards letters will be addressed to formations concerned, listing names of officers affected, and Regional Commissioners and Directors of Sub Commissions will be called upon to state whether they are prepared to recommend the release of the officers serving under them without replacement on due dates.

3. The following points have been raised owing to a misunderstanding of the position:-

- (a) That the release of C.A. officers is not being treated in the same way as officers of other units. This is not so. Release Regulations apply equally to all ranks of all arms of the Service, and C.A. personnel are subject to the same paragraph dealing with retention as are personnel of other units.
- (b) That HQ AC has arbitrarily ordered the retention of certain officers. This is not so and it is not permitted by Regulations. Proforma to cover the issue of release documents have been prepared for all British ranks of A.C. in Groups 1 to 3 and have been submitted to AF HQ. On the same proforma this HQ has recommended the retention up to the 31 July 45 of all those officers considered operationally necessary. In accordance with Release Regulations the approval or disapproval of our recommendations rests with the "G.O.C. in C.", and we await this decision.

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(c) That the establishment of a Board of senior officers to consider possible cases of hardship is a reversal of the Release policy and places upon an officer the onus of proving his entitlement to release. Again this is incorrect. This HQ has the power to recommend the retention of any officer considered operationally necessary without giving consideration to an officer's civil problems. At the same time it is appreciated that exceptional cases can demand exceptional treatment, and it is my intention that in very urgent cases the retention of an officer beyond his release date shall not be enforced if the general efficiency of the unit with which he is serving is not impaired by his release.

4. I would like you to know that the policy is based on the Release Regulations and was initiated by AF HQ with the approval of the Chief Administrative Officer, who has been compelled to apply the same ruling to the Allied Commission in Austria. The War Office has been kept fully informed. I have no doubt that similar action has had to be taken with respect to other Commissions and Military Governments whose work, far from ending, may only

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just be reaching its peak owing to the end of hostilities.

5. I should like you to let it be known that cases of hardship will be treated with the utmost consideration and that everything will be done to release officers as soon as it is possible. But I am sure all officers will realize that the work of the Commission and Military Government must go on and is now as operationally important as were the duties of the members of the combat forces before the end of hostilities.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

25 May 45.

REF : - G-1B/L/O/A

SUBJECT: - Release from Army.

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TO : - Distribution List.

The attached additional copy of Regulations for Release from the Army together with AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 are forwarded.

Please acknowledge receipt.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

/rr.

J. B. T. Ritchie
Sir J.B.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APC 394
G-1 (B)

24 May 45

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REFERENCE : G-1B/140/2/A

SUBJECT : Release Group

TO : Distribution Below.

1. The officers listed in Appendix "A" fall in Age/Service Groups 4 - 7 and will be due to report to Assembly Centres in the near future.
2. Will you please inform this H.Q. as soon as possible whether you are prepared to certify that those officers who have not volunteered to serve on, can be released without replacement on due date, or whether you recommend that they should be retained as operationally vital under Sec. 3 A.F.H.Q. Release Instructions 1945.
3. Please render completed Appendix "A" of the above mentioned Regulations in appropriate cases.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

James Ritchie
Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt.Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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APPENDIX "A"

GROUP 4.

TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS 12

UNIT	BREAKDOWN	FUNCTION	RANK	NAME
HQ A.C.	1	Com. S/C	Col	J.L. Henderson.
" "	2	Finance S/C	Lt Col	A.J. Baxter.
" "	3	✓ Legal S/C	Lt Col	G.M. Welsford.
" "	4	✓ D.P. & R.	Capt	D.R. Martin.
Venezie.	1	Food S/C	Major	V.C.I. Bradshaw.
"	2	HQ Staff	Capt	B.H. Jarvis.
"	3	P Health S/C	J/Comdr	A.P.L. Paskin.
Lombardia	1	Prov O	Major	J.A. Clegg
Toscana	1	Finance S/C	Major	H.C. Reid.
"	2	O.C. Brit Det.	Capt	H.W.F. Fane
MGS (A)	1		Lt Col	W.P. Simpson
"	2		Lt Col	W.N. Stewart.

GROUP 5.

TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS 13

UNIT	BREAKDOWN	FUNCTION	RANK	NAME
HQ A.C.	1	Finance S/C	Major	E.J. Gits
" "	2	✓ D.P. & R. S/C	Capt	L.J. Morston
Venezie	1	HQ Staff	Capt	G.H. Ryper
Lombardia	1	Finance S/C	Major	A.H. Randall
Liguria	1	Prov C.	Lt Col	D.E.S. Cousins
"	2	Prov C	Lt Col	H.P.P. Robertson.
"	3	Prov O.	Capt	J.C. Porter.
Emilia	1	Prov O.	Lt Col	E.C.V. Rutter
Toscana	1	P Health S/C	Major	W. MacKenzie
15 A.C.	1	Admin.	Lt Col	P.P. James.
Naples	1	P Health S/C	Lt Col	E.G. Dalziel (IAnp)
MGS (A)	1		Major	P.O.S. White.
"	2		Capt	B.C. Walsh.

APPENDIX "A" continued.

GROUP 6.

TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS 12

UNIT	BREAKDOWN	FUNCTION	RANK	NAME
HQ I.C.	1	W.M.D. S/C	Lt Col	J.A. Campbell
" "	2	Legal S/C	Lt Col	G.C. Harmsford
" "	3	Commerce S/C	Major	A.S. Brereton
Venezie	1	Finance S/C	Major	E. Tyson.
"	2	"	Major	C.R. Curtis.
Lombardia	1	Industry S/C	Major	D.A. Dunsen.
"	2	Finance S/C	Capt	C.H. Kingsley
Liguria	1	Prov O.	Capt	F.C. Sergeant.
Emilia	1	HQ D.R.C.	Lt Col	P.G.H. Horton Smith
"	2	Prov C.	Lt Col	Hartly
"	3	Prov O.	Capt	R.W. Whineray.
Toscana	1	Finance S/C	Capt	E.J. Tucker.
				M.A. Hebb

GROUP 7

TOTAL NUMBER OF OFFICERS 13

UNIT	BREAKDOWN	FUNCTION	RANK	NAME
HQ I.C.	1	D.P. & R.	Lt Col	E.A.L. Oldfield.
" "	2		Capt	D.F. Evans
" "	3	Land Forces	Major	D.B. IGregson
" "	4	Trans S/C	Major	F.F. Richardson
" "	5	Est Section	Col	J.L. Jones.
Venezie	1	P Safety	Major	G.M. Revely
Lombardia	1	Food S/C	Major	R.E.H. Horn
"	2	Prov O.	Lt	F.P. Scott
Piemonte	1	Industry S/C	Major	J.F. Harris
"	2	Prov O.	Major	A. Watts
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Emilia	1	Prov O.	Capt	L.P.B. Coling
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APO 394
C-1 (B)

23 May 45

REFERENCE : G-13/140/1/A

SUBJECT : Release Regulations for the Army.

TO : Distribution below.

1. This H.Q. letter G-13/140/1/A of 17 May 45 is cancelled.
2. G.R.O. 541/45 supersedes the above quoted letter.
3. Applications are now acceptable from individuals in Age/Service Groups 1 - 25 (men) and 1 - 45 (women), but immediate action is only required in Age/Service Groups 1 - 17 who have not already volunteered and who now may wish to do so for one or two years, or until general demobilization.
4. Please forward immediately names of volunteers under terms of G.R.O. 541/45 on the appropriate appendices.
5. Volunteers in Age/Service Groups 1 - 17 are to be considered as extremely urgent and will be dealt with separately.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

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SECRET

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

23 May 1945.

SUBJECT : Post-Hostilities Period, and Release from the Army

23 MAG. 1945

TO : Distribution below.

The enclosed copy of AFHQ letter G-1(Br)/229/DAG dated 7 May 45 is forwarded for information.

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SECRETSUBJECT : Conditions during Post-Hostilities Period.ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERSG.1(B)/229/DAG7 May 1945

1. It is probable that as soon as hostilities with GERMANY end, there will be certain expectations and anxieties in the minds of soldiers in this theatre. These will probably include:-

- (a) A desire on the part of those due for release to get home as quickly as possible;
- (b) An expectation, among those remaining in the theatre, of increased leave to the United Kingdom;
- (c) An anxiety amongst those who are not eligible for early release to know whether or not they are likely to be sent to the FAR EAST;
- (d) A hope that it may be possible to allow a certain number of families to join troops in areas of occupation in EUROPE.

It is of the utmost importance that during the period immediately following the end of hostilities with GERMANY, that troops should, as far as possible, be taken into the confidence of those in authority, and every effort made to explain the factors which govern the fulfilment of their hopes or fears. It should be made clear to them that their interests are closely watched and every reasonable step taken to secure those interests.

2. The main factor which conditions all post hostilities plans is that of shipping. There is a world wide shortage of personnel shipping, and in spite of the fact that the war with GERMANY is over, the claims on that type of shipping are increasing rather than decreasing.

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- (c) Repatriation of British and American soldiers to their own countries for release. This includes repatriation of large numbers of Dominion and Colonial personnel, the direction of those movement is entirely opposite to that of UK and US personnel;
- (d) Movement in connection with PYTHON, LILOP, LIAP, etc;
- (e) Miscellaneous movement of PW, displaced persons, civilians etc.

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4. The Army Council have, in consequence, found it necessary provisionally to define the priorities of certain classes of non-operational movements, which will considerably affect personnel in this theatre. This order of priority is as follows:-

- (a) Class 'A' Releases;
 - (i) By order of priority in Age and Service Groups;
 - (ii) Within any particular Age and Service Group, on the basis of Age only;
- (b) Compassionate cases for transfer to the Home Establishment, unless of

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such exceptional urgency as to warrant priority over Class 'A' Releases;

- (c) Delayed PYTHON personnel;
- (d) ILLOP personnel;
- (e) PYTHON personnel;
- (f) ILKP personnel;
- (g) Class 'B' Releases.

The above order of priority may, of course, change from time to time.

5. It may be contended that troops in the Mediterranean theatre should not be dependent on the shipping for their movement; that facilities exist for rail and possibly air movement, which should be adequate to cope with the requirements of this theatre, for example, in respect of leave to the United Kingdom. The use of the railways in EUROPE is under active examination, but it must be remembered that extensive demolitions and destruction of locos and rolling stock by bombing will seriously affect the capacity of these railways for some time; moreover, they will have many and extensive commitments to meet in EUROPE. As regards aircraft, there will be big demands for the war in the EUR EAST, and furthermore, there is a projected scheme for using aircraft to supplement shipping for carrying troops to the EUR EAST. It will thus be realised that it may be some time before we can extend the use of railways and aircraft to cover such requirements as leave, which must necessarily be given a lower priority than redeployment, release, PYTHON, etc. However, the whole question of movement in CENTRAL and NORTHERN EUROPE has recently been the subject of conferences at SHARP and in LONDON at which AMHQ has been represented. It is hoped that it may be possible to issue some information on this before long.

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10 & 11	'A' + 12 weeks to 'A' + 14 weeks	623	3160	2.1%	0.66%		
12 to 17	'A' + 14 weeks to 'A' + 26 weeks	3300	20300	11%	4.3%		

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10 & 11	'A' + 12 weeks to 'A' + 14 weeks	623	3180	2.1%	0.68%
12 to 17	'A' + 14 weeks to 'A' + 26 weeks	3300	20300	11%	4.3%
	TOTAL released by 'A' + 6 months	5380	27349	18%	5.8%

It will be noted from the above table that only some 6% of the total UK Forces in GEF is likely to be released by 'A' + 6 months, and a very large proportion of this consists of officers. The high proportion of officers is due to the fact that early release groups include many 'veterans' of the last war and men in their 40's. The rate of release during the second 6 months is likely to be slightly accelerated, and numbers are much higher than those shown during the first 6 months; in addition, the proportion of officers to ORs drops very considerably. It is not possible yet to give any figures for the second 6 months on a percentage basis, since the theatre ceiling is bound to have decreased considerably by then.

It must be made clear to all concerned that the lack of personnel shipping is not the only factor which imposes limitations on the rate of release. Even if

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it were feasible to move large bodies of troops home quickly, it would not be possible to absorb them immediately or satisfactorily into employment in the UK. It must obviously take some little time for the country to re-adjust itself to the change in conditions which will necessarily follow the defeat of GERMANY: any large-scale return of personnel to the UK must therefore be reasonably phased.

Finally, release as a whole must be conditioned by the need for retaining enough men to carry on the war against JAPAN. From such evidence as has been obtained up to date, the necessity for bringing this war to a quick and successful end is not seriously questioned.

7. As regards service in the FAR EAST, the target for the qualifying period for PYTHON at which we are aiming, is 3 years and 8 months. The Secretary of State for War has said in the House of Commons that he would like to see the global qualifying period reduced to 3 years; this must be regarded as a hope, and NOT as a promise. So long as the proportion of the British (UK) Army serving overseas materially exceeds that serving at home, it is doubtful whether the manpower situation will allow the turn over under PYTHON to be based on a qualifying period of 4 years, or a few months less, in the FAR EAST, and 4 to 4½ years elsewhere.

The criterion of eligibility for service in the FAR EAST is that no one should be sent there who has less than one year to serve on arrival. This rules out all personnel in Release Age/Service Groups 1-26, and, under the most optimistic hopes of a reduction in the qualifying period for PYTHON, might be deemed to rule out all personnel who have been abroad for just under 2 years. For this reason 1 year 9 months service abroad has been taken by the War Office, for the time being, as a limit above which an individual is not eligible for service in the FAR EAST. If the qualifying period for PYTHON in the FAR EAST remains at a few months less than 4 years, then the limit of 1 year and 9 months service abroad might be raised to 2 years and 6 months.

The fact that an individual is eligible does not necessarily mean that he will be posted to the FAR EAST. An indication of the formations and units required from CEF for the FAR EAST, viz, 3 Indian Divisions, plus certain additional units, has already been given in para 6 of AFHQ letter CR/229/G.1(Br) dated 15 Apr 45. The filling up of these formations and units will not necessarily use up all eligibles of all arms in CEF. Those who are taken will, as far as possible, be selected with due regard to their battle service, i.e., those with the most battle service will be taken last.

The War Office have ruled that, no matter how long or how short a period they have been overseas, all British service personnel are to have 28 days leave in the UK before being sent to the FAR EAST. GHQ INDIA have ruled that all British personnel of the Indian Army who have been less than 3½ years overseas shall receive 28 days leave in the UK; all those who have been more than 3½ years shall receive 64 days, unless they have, within the last year of their service, proceeded on UK leave under the Indian Army Leave Schemes.

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8. It is obviously too early at this stage to be able to assess the practicability of bringing families out to join those who remain on occupational duty in EUROPE. The main factors which have to be considered are conditions in the occupied areas as well as problems of movement, accommodation and supplies. It is quite impossible at this moment to determine these factors, and all that can be said is that this aspect of the occupation is in the minds of those in authority, and will be carefully considered as soon as such a course appears in any way feasible.

9. It is hoped that it will ultimately be possible to increase local privilege leave to 7 days every 3 months, so as to bring the Mediterranean Theatre into line with the UK. This will depend on whether facilities exist for establishing the necessary number of leave centres near the armies of occupation.

10. It is hoped that the preceding paragraphs will provide some sort of a brief for Commanding Officers, so as to enable them to keep their troops in the picture regarding conditions during the immediate post-hostilities period.

It will be appreciated if Armies, Districts, etc, would forward to this HQ in reply to this letter, any additional major points affecting 'A' matters and relating to conditions in the future about which they would like further information.

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APO 394
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23 MAR 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/110/A

SUBJECT : Release - British Officers

TO : Distribution below

22 MAR 1945

1. It is anticipated that there will be a number of officers of Government Departments such as Police, Public Health & Post Office Officials etc, who will be desirous of continuing to serve after the release of their age service groups.
2. In order to obtain clarification, this case has been represented to AMHQ with a view to a ruling being obtained as to whether the Government Departments concerned are agreeable to such officers volunteering to continue service.
3. Information will be passed to all concerned when received by this HQ.

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DISCUSSION: As before

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G-1 (E)

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

17 May 1945.

SUBJECT : Release from the Army

TO : Distribution below.

Reference this H.Q. letter of even number, subject as above, dated 26 Apr 45, Appendices 'I' and 'J' to Regulations for Release from the Army are forwarded for information and action where necessary. The following notes are condensed from the Regulations.

(1) Appendix 'I'

This Appendix applies to personnel of the British Army who wish to be discharged in this Command.

Application may be submitted at any time prior to the appropriate release group being called forward.

(ii) Appendix 'J'

Personnel in this category will complete the form electing discharge in either N. Africa or Europe. In the event of an individual failing to exercise an option he will be discharged in N. Africa, as being the country in which he was enlisted.

These forms will not be completed until notification is received that the individual is due for discharge.

Procedure for the Movement of Officers of the Rank of Colonel and above.

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AGE/SERVICE GROUPAppendix "F"APPLICATION FOR RELEASE IN EUROPE or NORTH AFRICA

(British Service Personnel)

1. Surname (Block Letters)
2. Christian Names
3. Rank
4. Service Number 5. Medical Category
6. Unit
7. Date of Birth 8. Place of Birth
9. Present Nationality
10. Number, date and place of issue
of any passport already held, or
details of other documentary evi-
dence of nationality
11. Address of proposed place of residence
12. Proposed occupation
13. Country in which you were living
prior to commencement of service
with HM Forces and nature of
employment.
14. Date and place of enlistment or commissioning

I hereby apply for my discharge in * and I fully
understand that if granted I shall not subsequently be entitled to a
passage to U.K. or elsewhere, at public expense.

Signature of applicant

Date

Countersigned by OC Unit

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* Specify country in Europe or North Africa within CEF in which discharge is desired.

Appendix "J" 9/

FORM OF OPTION FOR DISCHARGE IN EITHER EUROPE or NORTH AFRICA

(Locally Enlisted Personnel)

1. Surname (Block Letters) _____
2. Other Names _____
3. Rank _____ 4. Army Number _____
5. Nationality _____ 6. Place of Birth _____
7. Country in which you were living prior to 1.8.49 '39 _____

8. Date and Place of enlistment _____
9. Are you in possession of a
passport or permit entitling
you to reside in the country
in which you elect discharge.
(If in possession give
particulars.) _____

When due for discharge from the British Army, I hereby elect discharge
in EUROPE/NORTH AFRICA *

Date _____ Signature _____

Countersigned by OC Unit _____

* Delete where inapplicable.

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Copy to all S/Cs 18 May 45. GH.
 HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 Office of the Executive Commissioner
 AFO 394

REFERENCE: G-1B/110/1/A

SUBJECT : Release Regulations

DISTRIBUTION: As below

17 May 1945

1. Owing to the rapid advance of the Armies in N. Italy, culminating in the simultaneous occupation of the four industrialised Northern Regions, and to the call up at the same time of officers for the Austria team, the Allied Commission is faced with a serious problem with regard to officer personnel.
2. It must be apparent to all that in the present circumstances the reduction in officer strength in the Northern Regions cannot be contemplated for many weeks. Therefore, the question of the immediate release of British officers under the early age service group has had to be seriously considered at this Headquarters, and I am reluctantly compelled to make recommendation to A.F.H.Q. for the temporary retention of the large majority of British officers, who normally would be eligible for almost immediate release.
3. In favourable circumstances it is anticipated the present emergency will, to some extent, be eased within the next 3 months, and, based on this, we intend to recommend that the majority of British officers eligible for immediate release be retained until 31 July 45 under para. 8 of the Release Regulations, which is the paragraph dealing with "operational necessity".
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5. Will you please inform all British officers of this decision and instruct those wishing to put their cases forward under para. 4 above to do so IMMEDIATELY.
6. I have at the same time asked for volunteers to remain on until general mobilization, or for periods of one or two years, vide this HQ signal 7775 dated 16 May 45 (external addressees), or this HQ letter G-1B/110/1/A dated 17 May 45.

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6. I have at the same time asked for volunteers to remain on until general mobilisation, or for periods of one or two years, vide this HQ signal 7775 dated 16 May 45 (external addresses), or this HQ letter G-1B/240/1/A dated 17 May 45 (internal addresses.).

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

G-1 (B)

17 MAY 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/140/1/A

SUBJECT : Release Regulations for the Army.

TO : Distribution below.

17 May 1945

Reference this H.Q. letters G-1B/140/A dated 28 April and 11 May 1945.

1. Release Regulations have now been amended to permit individuals to volunteer to continue serving as follows:-

(a) Until general demobilization.

(b) For one year beyond normal time of release.

(c) For two years beyond normal time of release.

2. Individuals volunteering for one or two years will not be liable for further retention on operational grounds.

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BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE.

Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE St.
Lt. Colonel.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394
G-1 (B)REFERENCE : G-15/NA
14/1/1A

SUBJECT : Release from the Army

TO : VICE. PRESIDENT.

CIVIL AFFAIRS. SECTION.

7. MAY. 1945.

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Class 'A' Release Rolls in respect of Allied Commission personnel are now being received from G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

Check has been made against records held by this H.Q. and queries as to correct Age Service Group, etc. have arisen in respect of personnel shown on the attached nominal rolls.

Please verify the particulars shown against each individual.

Where the item at variance is a service group the alleged correct details will be shown in 'remarks' column, together with a short statement to support same.

In calculating 'age and service' groups the following rules extracted from Regulations for Release from the Army 1945, will be observed:-

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- (i) Leave with pay.
- (ii) Time spent in hospital from whatever cause unless excluded by sub-para (c) below.
- (iii) Time spent as prisoner of war or in internment in a neutral country.
- (iv) Boys' service.
- (v) Forfeited service which has been restored (see para 305 (c) (vi) below.
- (vi) Service in any of the Naval, Military or Air Forces of the Crown not acknowledged on enlistment, but since verified, provided that such service has not been forfeited under para 305 (c). (See para 308.)

(c) The following periods will NOT be reckoned as service, except that periods of 28 days or less will not be disallowed even if they occur on more than one occasion in respect of the same individual. If, however, such periods arise in respect of the same individual or occasion, they will be added together and if the total period exceeds 28 days it will be treated as non-reckonable service.

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- (i) Release from service with the Colours for any reason, but see para 308 below.
- (ii) Leave without pay.
- (iii) Absence without leave.
- (iv) Time spent in close arrest, detention, imprisonment or field punishment when pay is forfeited.
- (v) Time spent in desertion.
- (iv) In the case of a soldier who deserts on or after 1st February, 1945 (see note below), all service before the date of such desertion on conviction by court-martial for the offence of desertion or on his trial being dispensed with under the Army Act, Section 73, will be forfeited for the purpose of release.

Note - Service so forfeited may be restored by the order of the appropriate military authority acting under these Regulations and will then be reckoned.

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(d) There will be no differentiation between service in different parts of the world.

306. The general effect of the foregoing rules is that all service may be reckoned except periods of unpaid absence from duty exceeding 28 days.

307. Individuals who have served both in the ranks and as officers will be entitled to count all service, whether in the ranks or as an officer, which is admissible under the rules given in para 305.

308. (a) Individuals who have previously served in any of the Naval, Military and Air Forces of the Crown since 3rd September, 1939, will be entitled to count such service, provided that such service was acknowledged when entering into the last engagement or has been restored.

(b) Certain **service in the Merchant Navy**, since 3rd September 1939, will be reckoned for age and service grouping. Details will be issued in due course.

(c) Certain individuals who were released for the purpose of serving with the N.F.S. and who were subsequently recalled for the Colours, will be entitled to count such service for age and service grouping.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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W.D. Smith
✓ Sir J.D.F. RITCHIE St.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : G-1E/140/A

28 April 1945

SUBJECT : Release from the Army.

TO : Distribution below.

1. Further to this Office letter of even number dated 26 Apr 45 (to internal addressees) and cable 6406 dated 25 Apr 45 (to external addressees).

2. War Office Release Regulations and A.F.H.Q. Release Instructions have now been received in this Headquarters but, at present, insufficient copies are available for a general distribution to be made. When additional copies are obtained distribution will be made on the widest scale possible.

3. Para 326 of Release Regulations provides that personnel who do not wish to be released when eligible may continue to serve provided their services can be utilised by the Army. Confirming authority for their retention will be A.F.H.Q. and O2E for Officers and Other Ranks respectively. Individuals volunteering for continued service are required to complete Appendix "B" in the case of Officers and Appendix "C" in the case of Other Ranks. Appendices to be forwarded to this HQ in triplicate for consolidation and onward transmission.

4. The foregoing is only applicable to those individuals in Release Groups 1 to 26 inclusive. Application on Appendix "B" and "C" in respect of Groups 1, 2 and 3 will be forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 14 May 45. Date for submission of Groups 4 to 26 will be notified as soon as possible.

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Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B).

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AGE/SERVICE GROUPAppendix "B"

APPLICATION BY AN OFFICER VOLUNTEERING TO CONTINUE TO
SERVE AFTER HIS AGE/SERVICE GROUP IS DUE FOR RELEASE.

Note :- This form will be modified where necessary in the case of
officers of the Women's Services.

1. Personal No. _____ 2. Rank _____ 3. Name _____
W/S.T.A.
4. Date of Birth: _____
5. Regt. or Corps _____ 6. Unit _____
7. Date of Commission _____ 8. Nature of Commission _____
9. How at present employed _____

10. Short synopsis of service during this war: _____

11. I hereby volunteer to continue to serve as an officer, although eligible
for release. I fully understand that if I am retained as an officer in
the Army I shall:
(a) be liable to serve until general demobilization is ordered,
and until my release is authorized under the regulations for
such general demobilization, provided my services are so
long required.
(b) be subject to the normal rules regarding transfer, posting,
promotion, pay.
- Date _____ Signature _____
12. Recommendation by CO on whether the officer should be retained.
Date _____ Signature _____
13. Decision of confirming authority. 5254
Date _____ Signature _____

AGE/SERVICE GROUPAppendix "C"

APPLICATION BY AN O.R. VOLUNTEERING TO CONTINUE TO
SERVE AFTER HIS AGE/SERVICE GROUP IS DUE FOR RELEASE

Note:- This form will be modified where necessary in the case of O.Rs of the Women's Services.

1. Army No. _____ 2. Rank _____ 3. Name _____
N/S.A.
4. Date of Birth _____
5. Regt or Corps _____
6. Unit _____
7. Date from which war service reckons _____
8. Nature of engagement _____
9. How at present employed _____
10. I hereby volunteer to continue to serve in the Army although eligible for release. I fully understand that if I am retained in the Army, I shall:
- (a) be liable to serve until general demobilization is ordered, and until my release is authorized under the regulations for such general demobilization, provided my services are so long required.
 - (b) be subject to the normal rules regarding transfer, posting, promotion, pay.

Date _____ Signature _____

Signature of Officer witnessing signature _____

11. Recommendation by CO on whether the soldier should be retained.

To G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

Date _____ Signature _____

CO _____

12. Decision of G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon:-

Date _____ Signature _____

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

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REFERENCE : G-1B/140/A

26 April 1945.

SUBJECT : Release from the Army - British Personnel

TO : Distribution below.

1. This H.Q. has been instructed to submit names of all British Officers and Other Ranks in Age Service Groups 1, 2 and 3 wishing to volunteer for service after release of these Groups.
2. Those volunteering will be liable to serve until general demobilisation is ordered, provided their services are so long required and will be subject to the normal rules regarding transfer, posting, promotion, pay, etc.
3. Names of volunteers will be forwarded to this Branch not later than 29 Apr 45.
4. In accordance with A.C.I. 140/45 all personnel born in 1895 or earlier are in Group 1.
5. The above does not apply to the Women's Services.
6. In the case of Officers, the foregoing is required in confirmation of previous applications submitted in response to this H.Q. letter G-1B/40/L dated 4 Nov 44.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

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James Ritchie
Lt. Col

Sir J.W.E. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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Q-1 (E)

4 November 1944

REMARKS : C-1E/L0/A

SUBJECT : Release of Civil Affairs Officers

TO : Distribution below.

1. Due to the fact that a large percentage of Civil Affairs Officers in this and other theatres will come within the groups liable to be affected by the recently published release scheme, it is essential that War Office know at an early date what the commitment for replacements of Civil Affairs Officers is likely to be.
2. Owing to the shortage of manpower it is of the utmost importance that as accurate a forecast as possible is made.
3. It is believed that a large number of Civil Affairs Officers will wish to continue serving after the release scheme as published has been set in motion.
4. It is therefore requested that you ascertain from all Officers at present employed in Civil Affairs whether they are prepared to stay on after they are eligible for release, should they be requested to do so.
5. To enable the War Office to compile statistics it is requested that the following particulars are forwarded, stated as briefly as possible:-
 - (a) Regimental particulars.
 - (b) Age/Service Group. (If not in possession of a chart quote age and year of enlistment).
 - (c) Whether Officer is prepared to serve after emergency has passed.
 - (d) Qualifying remarks if answer is yes.
(Such qualifying remarks to be kept to a minimum.)
6. You are to assure all Officers that they are at liberty to alter their decision when the time arrives for the necessary certificate to be signed.
7. Please treat as a subject of the greatest urgency. Do not wait until replies from all officers have been received but forward rolls to this Branch as received.
8. This matter has no relation to the post war employment referred to in this Office No. 6-12/3/A dated 18 October 1944 as it can be assumed that the latter will be of a more permanent nature.

BY COMMAND OF CARLOS STONE

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