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SITUATION REPORTS, AUSTRIA
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ACABRIT VIENNA

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(1) TROOPERS (GA6) (CCIB) (2) GHI GHI (G-5) (3) USGCC (4) USACA VIENNA (5)
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Subject is MG report. Second weekly report follows. TROOPERS please repeat
Ministry of Labour ST JAMES SQUARE for attention MR PHILLIPS.

1. GENERAL. BTA. H11. VIENNA principles of quadripartite machinery being
developed and agreed. Minutes (not yet confirmed) of meeting of command or deputies
on 27 September disclose intention to delegate power of decision on all but high
policy matters to commanders deputies and chiefs of staff also to delegate specified
executive authority to sub-committees who will transmit instructions to municipal
authorities. Not yet confirmed that decisions shall be taken by a majority vote.
Situation regarding indiscipline Russian troops unchanged. Austrian morale in British
DEBINS improving. British troops continue to make good impression.

2. DISPLACED PERSONS. BTA. DMS in camps total 28603. Nationalities of
repatriated and evacuated DMS during week Czechs 87 Poles 20 Chechniks 34 Yugoslavs
156 Italians 117. Total 414. Fuel, 2240 tons stockpiled KJUTER. STEINMARK
stockpiling now beginning. USACA teams now in 8 camps preparing to take over.
VIENNA registration for week 1130 Allied DMS 3091 enemy DMS. Increase mostly Poles
due to local rumour CANADA and AUSTRALIA about to receive Poles unwilling to return
POLAND. Evacuations 991 enemy DMS to STEINMARK. Uncontrolled parties amassing
several hundreds mostly VOLK-DEUTSCHER continue arrive VIENNA from YUGOSLAVIA.

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POLAND and CZECHOSLOVAKIA permission to stay in British BELGRADE refused. Referred back to Russians.

3. PUBLIC SAFETY. BTA. De-Nazification. Directive authorizing composition and scope of advisory committees in LAMP, KUNIG and BELGRADE to assist in denazification with directions as to vetting by Austrians sent to MGOR. Decree on this subject being published shortly. Inter-zonal movement. Agreement reached on Austrian civilian and occupational forces inter-zonal movement. New system comes into operation 22 October. Civilian passes to be issued by Austrian police. Special arrangements being made for political leaders during election campaign. Main de-nazification almost complete KARNUTH. Considerable number of cases for clearance STRATFORD. VIENNA problem of political arrests in VIENNA by 1 power in zone of another under discussion. Meanwhile no person to be removed from prison in British zone to labour camps in another zone or for trial by people's court without British consent. Prisoners awaiting trial in British zone are 41 criminal 458 political. Black market prices tending to decrease. Efficiency and morale of police much below standard. Arrangements central training school being established progressing.

4. PUBLIC HEALTH. BTA. Typhoid epidemic KARNUTH decreased. Control difficult due to black market and method of control of distribution milk and food. 11 tons sanitary and basic laboratory and medical supplies expected in a few days constituting overruns call forward or first 90 day bid. Still no medical supply officer available. MGOS and OR loaned temporarily by 78 Div to assist medical stores. VIENNA mil.

5. LEGAL. BTA. MIL. VIENNA. French have instructions to establish MIL GOV

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courts in their sector. Americans not doing so at present. No information yet from Russians. Austrian peoples court sentenced 4 war criminals to death. No executions yet petitions pending. Trial ordinary criminals slow.

6. FOOD AGRICULTURE. STA. Food. No change. Agriculture. Negotiations for disposal surplus horses successful. VIENNA food handed over to Austrian authorities week ended 3 October were flour 1505200 lbs pulses 579900 lbs sugar 76100 lbs P meat 150565 lbs fat 50256 lbs coffee 20050 lbs. Stocks satisfactory except P meat pooling foodstuffs commences 9 October 45. Ration scale for STYRIA and CARINTHIA being raised to VIENNA level on 14 October. Approx 500 calories per day for each consumer group are counted as being from local resources. Food distribution in VIENNA being closely observed. Quality of all food from other nations reasonably good. Full scale for all groups not implemented last week owing to delay in printing ration cards. Agriculture. Reps sent to attend seed conference in BRUSSELS.

7. FUEL MINING WOOD CUTTING. STA. Wood cutting drive continues. Still hampered by lack of transport. VIENNA. Hard fuel imported from STEIERMARK and KAPUTEN week ending 3 October 45 was coal(brown) 2018 coal (hard) nil. Wood 2000 tons. Special allocation 600 tons coal to glass industry.

8. FINANCE. STA. Nil. VIENNA. Finance Section report arrival of ANG 165300000 from GIB GRAZ. Currency stored National Bank VIENNA.

9. PROPERTY CONTROL. STA. Nil. VIENNA. Properties taken into control 29 September to 4 October 45 incl 6 British business enterprises 1 Dutch 1 German. All operating. 24 British residential properties.

10. LABOUR. STA. Situation KAPUTEN and STEIERMARK fairly satisfactory. Demand additional labour greater than supply. Preference to coal mining and fuel road and building repairs. Response DPM volunteers to work for Austrian employers

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poor but methods of compulsion under consideration. Workers organisation KAMPTON submitted claim for higher wages for several classes of workers. Claim submitted ACA for consideration at quadripartite level. VIENNA. Director LANDESBARBEITSAMT instructed prepare scheme for registration all potential workers in VIENNA employment Nazi labour being reviewed. Wages of Austrian civilians employed by British being revised in accordance scale prepared by Austrian Labour Ministry.

11. COMMUNICATIONS. RTA. Postal. Large increase mail owing to inception inter-zonal postal services 1 October 45. Position satisfactory. VIENNA. Postal service opened up for all civilians within AUSTRIA. Military transport between VIENNA and BRUCK used for conveyance of mail. Designs for new stamps being prepared hoped to be ready 1 November 45. Question resumption international postal services being pursued.

12. PUBLIC WORKS. RTA. Mil. Utilities VIENNA. Provisional arrangements for Bailey bridge over DANUBE CANAL being made to carry main gas main to WIEN INN. Demolition programme for dangerous buildings being prepared public clearance continues satisfactorily. Electricity supply fails occasionally for approx 1 hour. Natural gas supply stepped up slightly.

13. TRANSPORT. RTA. Mil. VIENNA. Mil.

14. AMBASSADEMENT. Reference 7228 HQ report of 9 October 45. Reference para 2

DISPATCHED PERSONS. For Allied 53775 read Allied 33775.

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MAIN 8 ARMY FROM MIL GOVT STAFF(AUSTRIA)
FREEDOM FOR G5 SEC INFO ROME FOR ALLIED COMMISSION(AUSTRIA)HQ ALCON
FOR ACXG FILPOT FOR USGOC (AUSTRIA)

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Sitrep AUSTRIA.

The following refers to STEIERMARK.

1. GENERAL. Land STEIERMARK MAIN Hq at BAD EINOE became Rear Hq
W.E.F. 1200 hrs 23 July. Adv Hq remains KOPSACH. Russians moving out
of STEIERMARK at rate of 30 Km per day from 21 July to boundary
decided on. Target for completion 2300 hrs 24 July. Adv party
Mil Govt moved to GRAZ with adv elements 46 DIV. All MGOS(MBOS)(?)
employed with units and moving into BEZIRKE capitals. Level of remaining
stocks exceeds anticipation.

2. PUBLIC HEALTH. 27 cases of typhus reported in VOITSBERG SPLO
investigating and reporting.

3. DPS. Camp situation as at 1800 hrs 22 July 45. JUDEAHURG
(JUDENHURG?) in camp 1480 (1485?) arrivals 68 departures nil. KOFLACH
in camp 400 (410) arrivals 84 departures 291. SCHEIFLING in camp 6273
arrivals 2 departures nil. Departures 291 JEWS from KOFLACH camp
removed by Jewish Bde.

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26 JUL 1945

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Sitrep. AUSTRIA.

1. Political. Full memorandum to HQ from PRTER demands.
 - A). Representation on all public bodies CARINTHIA.
 - B). Two representatives LANDESAU SCHULEN.
 - C). Two representatives Reparations Committee.
 - D). Two representatives LANDESHAUSBEWAHRUNG.
 - E). Immediate reconstruction cultural and economic life of Slovenes.

Reply in preparation. KORTHEIN newly appointed communist leader KLAGENFURT programme. Instituting communist cells. New recruiting. Co-operation with British. ^{FRIENDSHIP} ~~Establish~~ TITO but no annexation of CARINTHIA. Assist British in denazification. Prepare take over East AUSTRIA when Russians move.

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MAIN 8TH ARMY FROM MIL GOV STAFF AUSTRIA

ACTION: FREEDOM FOR S-S MEN, HOME FOR HQ AIGCM (AUSTRIA), HQ AIGCM
FOR ACHSC, FILIPOT FOR USGOC (AUSTRIA) INFO: MAIN 8 ARMY FOR BGS(I)
and GSI (B), REAR FOR BOUT, MIL GOV STAFF (AUSTRIA) REAR

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Sitrep AUSTRIA.

Finance. Over 9,000,000 Reichsdollars returned to ASA from GAF branches.
Not known yet what bank holdings totalled of this amount.

Supp. Arrangements now operating for distributing 2,000 tons of
coal for essential domestic and industrial use.

Health. 1 case of confirmed typhus VIKTORINS DP Camp. 1 case
confirmed typhus BRUNNENSCHEIDT "A" DP Camp KLINGENBURG. All occupants
dusted and precautions taken.

DP movements. 650 Italians rail to PONTERRA. 350 Italians road
to UDINE. 250 Greeks with 120 horses moved voluntarily from JUDENBURG
en route for JUGOSLAVIA under 5 COMUS control have refused to cross
frontier. Admitted BRUNNENSCHEIDT (B" Camp.

PTT. Post offices in KARAU JUDENBURG and TANNUNG now open.

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MAIN 8 ARMY FROM MIL GOVT STAFF (AUSTRIA)

ACTION FREEDOM FOR 0-5 SECTION, HOME FOR ALLIED COMMISSION (AUSTRIA), HQ
ALCOM FOR ACEXC, FILFOT FOR USGCC (AUSTRIA) ALCOM PLEASE PASS TO ALLIED
COMMISSION

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Sitrep AUSTRIA.

1. POLITICAL. Reference sitrep 30 May. Position of Austrian FREIKORPS under
MACKH has been further considered by MACKH raised difficulties about the
disbandment of the FREIKORPS because he could not get round to see all the
members. It has now been arranged that a German speaking officer will escort him
round and take with him copies of a statement disbanding the FREIKORPS and offering
its members employment in the police. Full investigations being made following
request from FREEDOM.

2. ITT. The post offices in KARTEN are being reopened on 4 June for
savings bank and limited financial services.

3. DP. The total DPS in camps on 2 June was 16,803. 8,100 DPS have been
evacuated to ITALY during the week and in addition 5,600 Russians have been despat-
ched to WOLFSBERG through DP camps.

4. STOCKPILE. Stockpile in AUSTRIA is now 1,000 tons approx.

5. AGRICULTURE. 2,000 surrendered persons are now working on farms.

6. LABOUR. Approx 15,000 persons are in receipt of penitions.

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MAIN 8 ARMY FROM MILITARY GOVERNMENT STAFF (AUSTRIA)

FREEDOM FOR G-5 SECTION, HOME FOR ALLIED COMMISSION (AUSTRIA), HQ ALCON FOR
AGENC, FILIPOT FOR USGCC (AUSTRIA) ALLOW PLEASE PASS TO ALLIED COMMISSION

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Sitrep AUSTRIA.

1. POLITICAL. Reference sitrep of 26 May. Ex-Gauleiter REINER arrested and in custody at KLAGENFURT. Ex-Gauleiter of HANOVER LAUTENBACHER also arrested.
2. PUBLIC SAFETY. Condemn sentenced at JUDENBURG to 12 months imprisonment for making false statement RU (at ?) FRAGENGEN (failing to disclose he had been member (member ?) of SS). Full publicity being given. Communist meeting held KOFLACH without permission. Leaders arrested and are being tried by military government court.
3. Finance. Notgeld currency is being withdrawn during period 4-8 June. Banks at TARNBERG open.
4. Labour. 1705 men and 270 women registered during week ending 2 June.

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