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BLANKETS
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Devastated Areas Branch

Visit of Col YAG to FROSINONE and LITTORIA
Provinces on 15 March 1945

FROSINONE

At Frosinone Provincial HQ at FUGGI I met Major J.R.K. Cowan A.U.S. who informed me that all blankets, shawls, scarves and canvas received by them from Devastated Areas Branch, AC HA and for E.N.D.S.I. had been distributed. I informed him our records show that we had issued to FROSINONE Province the following:

<u>Blankets</u>	<u>Shawls</u>	<u>Scarves</u>	<u>Canvas</u>
9,100	1,000	1,750	20 tons

He promised to verify that the numbers of the above items, stated above, had actually been received by the province and to inform me.

LITTORIA

As there is no longer any Allied Officer at LITTORIA I visited the Prefect, Signor CIPOLLO Giuseppe. He informed me that the numbers of blankets, shawls and scarves received by the Province from Devastated Areas and for UNRRA are as follows:

<u>Blankets</u>	<u>Shawls</u>	<u>Scarves</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
800	400	Nil	None of these blankets or shawls have yet been issued.

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Issues to certain Communes in the Province have been made direct, but in any case the big discrepancy calls for investigation.

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Col Paul S. A. [illegible]

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Lt Col
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APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

Ref: L/31.10/CA.

16 April 1945.

SUBJECT: Blankets.

TO: AFHQ, G-5 Section,
(Secn and Sup Div.)

With reference to your letter H-2 dated 20 March 1945 just received.

- 1 At the time my letter, number as above, dated 26 Mar 45 was written this branch had no knowledge of the arrangement for the repayment of the 3,280 blankets in question, as intimated in Commerce Sub-Commission letter ref 10/5065/Commerce dated 21 Mar 45.
- 2 My letter of 26 Mar 45 should therefore please be considered as cancelled.

For the Chief Commissioner,


G.N. UPJOHN, Brig.,
VP CA Section.

Copy to: Economic Section, A.C.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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Ref. B-2

28 March 1945

SUBJECT: Blankets

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Civil Affairs Section,
Devastated Areas Branch) ✓

1. Ref your 4/31.10/CA of 26 March 45.
2. Some confusion seems to have arisen, as a letter from Commerce Sub-Commission ref AC/5065/Commerce dated 21 Mar 45 addressed to this Headquarters intimates that arrangements have been made for the repayment of 3,880 blankets out of a consignment of 320,000 blankets recently received from MIDAST.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



J. Aikman Smith M-7
J. AIKMAN SMITH
Major
Economics & Supply Division

Copy to: Economic Section, AC.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

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Major
Economics & Supply Division

Copy to: Economic Section, AC.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION
(Devastated Areas)

4/31.10/CA

26 Mar 45

SUBJECT: Blankets

TO: ANHQ G-5 Section
(Econ & Sup Div)

- 1 Your B-2 of 10 March 1945 (Attn Economic Section) has been referred to Civil Affairs Section, Devastated Areas Branch.
- 2 The blankets referred to were obtained by Lt Col Falconer Craig and SPM Webb who then were, but no longer are in the Dev Areas Branch.
- 3 Col Craig and SPM Webb state that when these blankets were obtained it was definitely understood that they were a gift, not a loan.
- 4 They have long since been used for the purpose for which they were needed and requested, namely distribution to homeless persons in devastated towns who had no cover for the night. It was never contemplated that they should be considered a loan to be returned. Such an understanding would have precluded using the blankets at all.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:


J. H. BROWN Brig.
VP CA Section

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Col Anderson to Mr White

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

1.
4/31-10/CA

19 Mar 45

SUBJECT : Blankets

TO : Commerce Sub-Commission
(Attn: Mr White)

- 1 Reference letter B.2 dated 6 Dec 44 as received from Allied Force Headquarters.
- 2 The blankets to be repaid from Z 1 on the basis of LAC 847 should be allocated as follows:-

To (a)	3 Transit Camp OM Stores	2,000
(b)	207 P.W. Camp	1,000
(c)	British Transit Camp	880
	Total	<u>3,880</u>

- 3 It is suggested that AFHQ be notified of any action taken as requested in their B.2 dated 10 Feb 45.

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FCB Lt Col,
Devastated Areas

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

10 February 1945

Ref. B-2

SUBJECT: Blankets for Devastated Areas

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn. Supply & Resources Div.)

1. Reference is made to our B-2 of 6 Dec., subject as above, which advised that 5,000 Blankets would be delivered immediately and 5,000 within one month to Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission as an emergency loan by British Services.

2. Further to our B-2 of yesterday's date advising you of co-signment ex MIDEAST. It is requested that you notify this office what arrangements have been made or are envisaged to repay this loan.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

R. V. Grady
R. V. GRADY
Captain, TC
Economics & Supply Div.

Copy to: Q(AE) AFHQ

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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Captain, TC
Economics & Supply Div.

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ECONOMIC SECTION

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SUBJECT:

Blanket

No	Date	To	REMARKS	From
1.	2/30	Economic Section	✓ May further information be given in regards this law of Blanket. This sub-commission knows nothing about it.	Commerce S/C Jap. White

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

20 FEB 1945
5065 a

17 February 1945

Ref. B-2

SUBJECT: Blankets.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Economic Section)

Refer your ES-412.1-RB of 16 February and further to our B-2 of 10 February.

1. Our B-2 of 6 December requested that the blankets loaned by the British Army be repaid from within the first consignment received by AC.

2. Please confirm that repayment has been made, and advise what British Army unit has accepted this repayment.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

HEADQUARTERS

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R. V. Grady
R. V. GRADY,
Captain, TC,
Economics & Supply.

Good Affairs
cc: Commerce S/C
20 Feb 45

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G-5 Section
APO 512

Ref. B-2

10 March 1945

SUBJECT: Blankets

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn. Economic Section)

12 MAR 1945

Rev. Comm. on 13 Feb.

1. Further to our letters B-2 of 10th. and 17th. February 45.
2. Please advise this office what action has been taken by you to repay the loan of Blankets made by British Services.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:



R. V. Grady
R. V. GRADY
Major, TC
Economics & Supply Div.

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G-5 Section
APO 512

Ref. B-2

22 March 1945

Dev Corps 13 Feb.

SUBJECT: Blankets

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394
(Attn: Economic Section)

No more

1. Further to our letters B-2 of 10 and 17 February and 10 March 45 to none of which has an answer been received.
2. May we please be advised how the matter now stands.

Dev Corps

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:

J. Aikman Smith Major

J. AIKMAN SMITH, Major,
Economics & Supply Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
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CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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[Signature]
F.C. YEO Lt Col.
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