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SUBJECT: Identification and Burial of Dead.

TO: Establishment Section.  
(Attn. G-1 (A)).

- 1 Attached is a report on the finding of the remains of two American soldiers at CASA SOLACCIAMO, near MINTURNO, Province of LITTEPIA, on 5 Feb 45.
- 2 The report is forwarded to you, together with the various articles which indicate the identity of the bodies, for onward transmission to the Graves Registration Department (American), AFHQ.

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Copy to: Public Safety.

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...and been so for a considerable period. I could see no signs of their arms and little of their equipment remained other than the clothing.

Particulars of the location are as follows:

CASA SOLACCIANO, near MINTURNI, Province of LITTORIA.  
Map reference - 1/100,000 Sheet 171 Geographical General Staff,  
T.O. Section. (British) Reference 762060.

or - 1/200,000 Sheet 19, Army Map Service, U.S. Army,  
Reference 7606.

2 The Identity Tags were both found and in order that they should be preserved I removed one in each case, together with other small articles which were lying about as I considered it possible, in view of the presence of civilians who have now returned to this area, that some interference with these remains might take place. In each case one tag with its supporting chain was left in the steel helmets of the deceased. The articles removed are enclosed in the accompanying envelopes marked "A" and "B" and are as follows:

- A. WASHINGTON.
  - (i) Remains of Notebook.
  - (ii) New Testament.
  - (iii) Identity Tag.

B. 01307050 James J. MULLER.

- (i) Equipment wallet containing Prayer Book, Crucifix.
- (ii) Identity Tag which is attached to "B" (i) above.
- (iii) Leather wallet containing Crucifix, Beads, two Trinkets, Stamp Book.
- (iv) Identity Book ?

3 Should there be any difficulty in finding the exact location, this can be pointed out by Lt. BELLI of the 561 Mine Clearing Company, Italian Army, which is at present stationed at GAVIA. It is recommended that any person intending to visit or bury these remains should only do so accompanied by Lt. BELLI or other member of the 561 Company who knows the route of approach as the area is known to be thickly mined.

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