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RECRUITATION AND DISPOSAL OF PRISONERS OF WAR,
SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DISMISSED PERSONS, ETC.

MINUTES of APO - SHARP CONFERENCE

at BOLZANO - 14-15 JUN 45 AC Dist

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REGISTRATION and DISPOSAL of PRISONERS of WAR,
SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DETACHED PERSONS, ETC.

MINUTES of AMHQ - SHARP CONFERENCE

at BOLZANO - 14-15 JUN 45

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P W Command

Headquarters,

MAAF

Eighth Army

No. 1 District

No. 2 District

Allied Commission

Allied Commission (Austria)

Military Railways Service

WGLA

Movements North West Italy

INGRA

United States Military Attache, BOZNE (2)

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SYNOPSIS OF MAIN CONCLUSIONS

The BOLZANO Conference held on 14/15 Jun 45 to determine the questions arising out of the proposed redistribution of prisoners of war, surrendered personnel and displaced persons between SHAEF and AFHQ decided:

1. That dispatch to their native country of all considered disposable should take place commencing 1 Jul 45.

2. That a shuttle service be run on the following routes:

(a) BREMEN - (VERONA - MUNICH)

Capacity - 3,000 per day, each way.

(b) STISS - (SCHLESSEN or BERGHEIM to COMO) or (MILAN to COMO)

Capacity - 3,000 per day, each way.

3. That AFHQ and SHAEF should control this move by a joint committee meeting fortnightly.

Detailed minutes amplifying the above are attached.

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FIRST SESSION

14 JUN 45

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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1. (British)

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G-5

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Lt. Col. T. H. WITTE

Major A. H. DE HAES

G-5

G-1

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Disposed Persons

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G-4 Mov & Tr

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G-4 (Mov & Tr)

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 Major M. J. MAURER
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 Lt. Col. R. V. REISNER
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 Lt. Col. R. J. KINGHAM

MEDITERRANEAN ALLIED AIR FORCE

Group Captain R. R. TUCKERHAM

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 Lt. Col. P. R. THURLOTT
 Captain C. J. NEWBY

HEADQUARTERS FIFTEENTH ARMY GROUP

Colonel T. A. WOODER
 Colonel C. L. THURLEIGH
 Lt. Col. R. F. G. GIBB
 Lt. Col. C. J. HACKETT
 Major J. R. ASQUITH

HEADQUARTERS

G-2
 G-4 (Br)
 G-5 (Misplaced Persons)
 G-5
 G-4 (Mov & Tr)
 Liaison Section
 G-3 (Ops)
 G.I. (British)
 Mov & Tr
 Medical Section (MTCUSA)
 Medical Section (Br)

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 G-1
 Chief Registration
 Disinfectant Detachment
 G-4 MII Mlys Service
 G-4 Mov & Tr
 Supply Mission to FRANCE.
 G-4 (Mov & Tr)

G-1 MII Mlys Service
 Theatre Provost Marshal
 D.C.C.T.

Chief of Plans

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 G-5
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IX - G-5
 Colonel R/G
 G-4
 G-1
 IX - 15th US Army

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Brigadier
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Lt. Col.
Lt. Col.
Lt. Col.
Lt. Col.
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Lt. Col.

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G(M)
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Major

P. SCHAPER

G-5

FIFTH UNITED STATES ARMY:

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Brigadier General
Brigadier General
Colonel
Colonel
Colonel
Colonel
Lt. Col.
Major
First Lieutenant

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Chief of Staff
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Surgeon
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G-3
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T. B. ROGERS
T. G. M. SINCLAIR

Colonel
Military Government
Displaced Persons
Mov & Tr
DLAC

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Lt. Col.

J. T. RIDGLEY
C. W. HURLEY

DA & QMG
A-1

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 G-4
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 G-3
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 Colonel
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 Lt. Col.
 Major
 First Lieutenant

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 Military Government
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 Lt. Col.

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Movments N.W. ITALY

G. COOPER

Colonel

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Brigadier
 Colonel
 Colonel
 Lt. Col.
 Lt. Col.
 Major

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DP & IP Division.

E. RUSSELL-ROBERTS

Major

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88th DIVISION - IV COMMAND:

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Lt. Col.

R. E. HAINES
F. W. LA MURE

Appointment of Branch

Deputy Chief of Staff
G-1

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Captain
First Lieutenant

J. E. GUILFORD
F. E. HARRISON
R. J. FLEMING

Commanding Officer
Operations
Fuel Agent Operations

MILITARY MISSION to the ITALIAN ARMY:

Colonel

W. PISLEY

UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION:

Mr.

E. A. De MAZUEL

MOVEMENTS NORTH EAST ITALY:

Colonel

F. E. B. GURLING

Colonel (M)

UNITED NATIONS NEWS:

Correspondent

D. R. SANDERS

UNITED STATES MILITARY ATTACHE, ROME:

Brigadier General

B. R. LEONE

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B.R. LEAGE

Brigadier General

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1. Lieutenant General Sir Brian H. ROYCE (Chief Administrative Officer, AFHQ) opened the conference by explaining that the substance of the Agenda was as agreed by signal with SHAW, although the order in which he proposed to take it had been altered.

Numbers Involved:

2. A sub-committee was formed, under the chairmanship of Colonel P.S. LAUREN (G.1. SHAW) to determine the number, nationality and status of the personnel whose movement was the subject of discussion. A statement by this sub-committee is attached at Appendix 'A'.

Priority of Classes:

3. Lieutenant General ROYCE said that he wished to discuss the question of priorities separately from the question of the method of control, which would be dealt with later (see para 8). He referred to the four Disbandment Directives issued by SHAW and asked for suggestions as to how this question should be decided.

Colonel P.S. LAUREN (G.1. SHAW) said that, as far as priority between surrendered army personnel, prisoners of war and displaced persons was concerned from a receiving point of view, as the main need was for transport workers, miners and agricultural workers, priority should be given to surrendered enemy personnel and prisoners of war, as they would consist mainly of young and fit men.

Colonel T.A. BRYCE (G-5 12th Army Group) said that he considered that the priorities should be in accordance with SHAW Directives already referred to. This was agreed.

Method of Transportation:

4. (a) Shipment:

Of the three usual methods of transportation, shipping could be ruled out, as none was available. This was agreed by G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ and SHAW.

(b) Air:

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(b) Air:

Group Captain R.B. PAXTON (Chief of Plans, MAAP) said that, as far as MAAP was concerned, no aircraft was available at all. He could not speak for SHARP, but he assumed that, although the United States Air Force would be largely employed on redeployment, some aircraft might well be available, in which case MAAP was fully prepared to afford servicing and staging facilities in ITALY.

A representative from SHARP said that he did not think that many aircraft would be available for anything other than special movements from time to time.

Brigadier A.T. de RZE PHILIP (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) queried the availability of 30 French planes, but MAAP said that their engines would be worn out by the end of the month.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON requested Group Captain PAXTON to proceed to SHARP to explore further the feasibility of using air as a means of transportation.

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(c) Rail:

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON said that, at such a large conference as this, he did not propose to go into detail with regard to rail movements, but that he wished to settle some broad principles and to form a committee to make a more detailed report. There were three main routes - the FRENCH, the SWISS and the route coming out through EAST AUSTRIA - the latter could be ruled out for large scale movement as it was already committed and was not conveniently situated. The SWISS route was under consideration for use by military traffic (i.e. the movement of troops as opposed to the movement of displaced persons and enemy personnel).

Brigadier A.G. SALISBURY-JONES (G-5 STAFF) said that the Swiss agreed to the use of the Swiss route and required a committee of three persons to go to BRUXELLS to discuss its use. He went on to stress the fact that he considered that maximum use should be made of every route, in order to accelerate the movement of the large numbers involved.

Brigadier A.T. de BIR, BELGIAN (G-4 (M.V. & M.) APO) said that he would prefer not to move Germans and Austrians from ITALY to SWITZERLAND by the SWISS route, but was anxious to concentrate on the FRENCH route as far as other movement from ITALY was concerned.

Brigadier A.G. SALISBURY-JONES enquired why there were only 100,000 German prisoners of war and surrendered personnel to be moved from ITALY to GERMANY.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON explained that those held by the British were required for labor elsewhere, apart from those required for work in ITALY, and large numbers of those held by the United States were being employed in ITALY, but would become available later.

Colonel P.E. LAUREN (G-1, STAFF) said that he understood that the 100,000 figure was an initial figure only, and represented those who were available now.

Brigadier A.G. SALISBURY-JONES stressed again his desire to speed up movement and suggested that Germans from ITALY should be dumped on the Saarland borders of FRANCE, and allowed to make their own way home. This suggestion was not acceptable to Lt. Col.

Brigadier A.T. de B... (G.1. 12th Army Group) said that he would prefer not to have German and Austrians from ITALY to SHARP by the SWISS route, but was anxious to concentrate on the RETURN route as far as outward movement from ITALY was concerned.

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Colonel P.S. LAMSON (G.1. 12th Army Group) said that he understood that the 100,000 figure was in initial figure only, and represented those who were available now.

Brigadier A.C. SALISBURY-WATSON stressed again his desire to speed up movement and suggested that Germans from ITALY should be dumped on the SOUTHERN borders of ITALY, and allowed to make their own way home. This suggestion was not acceptable to Lt. Col. C.J. HACKETT (G.1. 12th Army Group), who said that chaos would be caused and he considered it essential that all personnel should be hauled by rail or by truck to as near to their homes as possible, and, in any event, not farther away from their homes than two days' journey on foot.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON, summing up, said that there were two possible routes - the SWISS and the ITALY. AMHQ preferred to concentrate on the SWISS route and would stick to that route, provided that the flow was satisfactory; that ITALY did with the personnel, when they arrived in their area, was their concern, but AMHQ would segregate Austrians from Germans, in order to assist SHARP when faced with the problem of moving them to their final destination. AMHQ would be prepared to accept personnel from SWISS on both routes. With regard to the rationalization of the personnel, other than Italian coming to AMHQ territory, Lieutenant General ROBERTSON said that, due to difficulties of transportation for these movements to their final destination in ITALY only those rationalization for these movements to their final destination had actually been 141 km.

Colonel W.A. ... (G.1. 12th Army Group) said that he hoped that French, Belgians and Dutch, now in ITALY, would be returned via SWITZERLAND on the SWISS route, and not through 12 Army Group area.

Colonel

Colonel C.T. NEWTON (G-4 6th Army Group) said that the French Army agreed that this would be the best route for such personnel.

Brigadier A.C. SALISBURY-JONES asked if AFHQ would confirm that they would take 10,000 Grews as agreed. Lieutenant General BOHNSCH said that what AFHQ had agreed, they had agreed.

Brigadier A.T. de VIE PHILIPPE was instructed to act as Chairman to a sub-committee to go into the whole question of movement by rail.

Staging

5. Lieutenant General ROBERTSON suggested that camps should be set up at the frontier on each side, one AFHQ camp, one SHARP camp. On arriving at the frontier, personnel should detrain and would then be headed over to the receiving Headquarters, who would take them over there and then, and arrange their reception and disposal.

Major General C.B. MCGUIRE (Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 (A), AFHQ) said that he understood, from a practical point of view, that this was not acceptable, and that camps would be set up at somewhere like INNSBRUCK for SHARP and VERONA for AFHQ, and a shuttle service run between those camps. Brigadier A.T. de VIE PHILIPPE (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) and Major A.H. de HAAS (G-4 (Mov & Tr) SHARP) agreed.

Major P. SCHUBER (G-5 3rd United States Army) questioned the practicability of building a camp at INNSBRUCK and said that he would like the question of where the camp was to be built in the SHARP area to be left to SHARP.

Major General C.B. MCGUIRE said that it was not acceptable to transportation to have camps at more than one place within the SHARP area.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON agreed and said that details would be decided by the Transportation Sub-Committee. Major SHARP chose to put their camp was up to them, provided that it fitted in with transportation arrangements.

Flow

6. Brigadier A.T. de VIE PHILIPPE (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) said that the rate of flow which Mov & Tr had hitherto quoted was 2,000 a day by the BREVEN route, plus an indefinite figure for movement through SWITZERLAND.

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Major F. SMITH (G-5 3rd United States Army) questioned the practicability of building a camp at INSBRUCK and said that he would like the question of where the camp was to be built in the SHARP area to be left to SHARP.

Major General C.B. MCGUIRE said that it was not acceptable to transportation to have camps at more than one place within the SHARP area.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON agreed and said that details would be decided by the Transportation Sub-Committee. Where SHARP chose to put their camp was up to them, provided that it fitted in with transportation arrangements.

Flow:

6. Brigadier A.T. de MIEVILLE (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) said that the rate of flow which Mov & Tr had suggested quoted was 5,000 a day by the INSBRUCK route, plus an indefinite figure for movement through SWITZERLAND.

When Lieutenant General ROBERTSON asked for views on the rate of acceptability, Colonel H. S. PIERCE (Allied Commission) said that 5,000 permitted Italians a day could be received on all routes by AFHQ.

Lt. Col. G. J. MURPHY (G-1 12th Army Group) and Colonel L. S. BROWER (G-5 12th Army Group) said 5,000 to 10,000 a day prisoners of war and disabled personnel, plus 5,000 a day displaced persons, could be accepted by SHARP.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON said he would like the target to be 5,000 a day on both the SWISS and the HUNGARIAN routes.

Target Date for Start:

7. Brigadier G. S. de MIEVILLE (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) said it was possible to open the HUNGARIAN route by 20 Jun and the SWISS route was open in traffic now.

Colonel F. M. CRANE (G-4 12th United States Army) said that camps could be ready at VINCIGLI within seven days.

Lt. Col. J. A. FIELD (G-4 (Allied Commission) AFHQ) said that it was not easy as far as the SWISS route was concerned, as all accommodation was fully committed.

Major/

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Major P. SCHAFER (G-5 Third United States Army) said that camps could be constructed within seven days at MONTICHI and near IASERICO, which was not suitable.

Colonel P.S. LAUREY (G-4 SHARP) thought it unlikely that personnel would be available by 20 Jun, as no documentation had been done.

Colonel N.M. FISKE (Allied Commission) said that only nominal rolls were required of Italians coming to ITALY.

Colonel P.S. LAUREY said it was necessary to prepare, for prisoners of war and disarmed army forces, nominal rolls, two copies of the form P. 4, and discharge certificates, if possible.

Colonel C.P. DAVIES (G-4 MORGAN) said that, as the forms were not yet available in CGS/AFHQ, it was unlikely that full documentation could be started before the end of June.

Lieutenant General COMPTON advised that an agreement should be made to start the flow of 25 Jun, and that the main problem was not before 1 Jul 45.

Method of Control of Movement and Holding of Camps.

8. After some discussion, it was agreed that a Joint SHARP-AFHQ Committee should be formed, which would be responsible for the overall operation of repatriation between SHARP and AFHQ. A joint subcommittee of this Committee would be the Senior Mov & Tr Officers of the two Headquarters, and as far as possible representation would be identical between the two Headquarters. In this way, the AFHQ or SHARP part of the Committee could meet as required at its own Headquarters, and joint meetings could be arranged as considered necessary by the joint chairman. It was further agreed that the two parts of the Committee should be permitted to correspond direct between themselves on repatriation questions.

A small sub-committee was appointed, under the chairmanship of Lt. Col. F.L. CARROLL (G-5 SHARP), to advise on cooperation, forms of reference and other questions relating to this Committee.

Miscellaneous Points:

9. (a) Medical:

Major C.S. WATSON (Medical (and AFHQ)) was asked to produce a report on the medical arrangements available, and in particular, to state in detail the medical services available at MONTICHI and IASERICO.

After some discussion, it was agreed that a Joint Staff-ABHQ Committee should be formed, which would be responsible for the overall operation of repatriation between Staff and ABHQ. A joint committee of this Committee would be the Senior Staff and ABHQ representatives of the Headquarters, and as far as possible representation would be identical between the two headquarters. In this way, the ABHQ or Staff part of the Committee could meet as required at its own Headquarters, and joint meetings could be arranged as considered necessary by the joint chairmen. It was further agreed that the two parts of the Committee should be permitted to correspond direct between themselves on repatriation questions.

A small sub-committee was appointed, under the chairmanship of Lt. Col. P.L. CARROLL (C-5 Staff), to review the composition, terms of reference and other questions relating to this Committee.

Miscellaneous Points:

9. (a) Medical:

Major O.E. WILKINSON (Medical Staff ABHQ) was asked to produce a report on the medical assistance required, with in particular, Staff in Italy, for General Hospital beyond at Turin 12.

(b) Screening for the Committee:

Major General J. H. GUNN (Assistant Chief of Staff G-1 (British) Staff) pointed out the possibility of a list of view of UN personnel, of which the Staff can see the list, which he to be moved to Staff. However, this Committee list, which he understood to be a list of names of the committee, was not in the possession of the Staff.

Lt. Col. G. H. GUNN (Staff ABHQ) said that he thought the list was in the possession of the Staff and that he had cracked it. He said that the list, against which the names this unit was in possession of, were to be checked.

Colonel W. H. GUNN (Staff ABHQ) said that the list would be sent to Staff as soon as possible, and that the Staff would be sent that it was important that a difficulty existed, and that ABHQ and Staff would both have to do their best to overcome it.

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(c) Documentation:

As for movement to SHARP was concerned, it was stressed by Lt. Col. J.D. CANTLEY (G-2 AFHQ) (G-2 AFHQ) that it would not be possible to document everybody and then send selected categories to SHARP, due to the time limit. It was necessary to select the bodies by the system of "all agricultural workers hands up and one pace forward" and then to document those selected.

Colonel P.S. LAUBEN (G-1 SHARP) agreed.

Lt. Col. H. FULTON (Displaced Persons, 21 Army Group) stressed that 21 Army Group was not prepared to accept personnel who were not demobilized in their area. This also applied to Eighth Army area, said Colonel C.A. RICH (Colonel 1/3 Eighth Army), stating that the only Austrians he could accept both from ITALY and GERMANY were those demobilized in STYRIA and CARINTHIA.

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Lt. Col. G. BYRES MARSHALL (G-2 AFHQ) asked whether screening was being undertaken by SHARP of Italians for ILLIUM. Colonel P.S. LAUBEN agreed that it would be undertaken.

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON directed that a small sub-committee, under the chairmanship of Lt. Col. J.D. CANTLEY (G-2 AFHQ) (G-2 AFHQ), investigate the whole question of documentation.

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It was decided that it was the responsibility of the Headquarters through whose territory personnel were moving to solve this problem for themselves. It was stated that the Swiss had agreed to provide guards for movement through SWITZERLAND.

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(g) Yugoslavs:

Colonel W.A. BEWTER (G.5. 12th Army Group) said that he was anxious to return to JUGOSLAVIA 25,000 Yugoslavs, who called themselves Montenegrins.

Major General C.S. MARRIERS (Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 AFHQ) said that to return them to JUGOSLAVIA through NORTH WEST ITALY was not desirable for the time being due to the FITO - ITALIAN situation.

Major General M.V.M. MORTON (Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1 (British) AFHQ) said that AFHQ were not prepared to accept in the SOUTH of ITALY, unless actual shipment to JUGOSLAVIA was in sight; furthermore/

furthermore, that only those who opted for TITO and lived EAST of the 1939 frontier, should be sent.

Major E. RUSSELL ROBERTS (Allied Commission for Austria) suggested that movement through AUSTRIA and into JUGOSLAVIA might be considered.

Colonel C.B. BIRNLEY (Allied Commission) asked if SHARP would ensure that, if Yugoslavs were to be returned to JUGOSLAVIA via ITALY, only those who wanted to go back would be sent to ITALY.

(h) Austrians:

Colonel G.A. RICH (Colonel A/O Eighth Army) again raised the point that Eighth Army could only accept Austrians domiciled in SWITZERLAND or GERMANY. 65,000 were required. It was agreed that this would be taken care of by the very nature of the documentation.

Points of Policy:

10. (a) Stateless Persons whom the country is willing to receive:

Lieutenant General ROBERTSON said that there were in ITALY many stateless persons, or persons who threatened to be stateless - Poles, Czechs, and Russians who did not belong to that part of RUSSIA to which they were bound to be returned. It was unlikely that their disposal would be settled for some time. The decision had therefore been made that they would find a home for these people somewhere in ITALY, form them into village communities, where they would live together, with their own churches and their own schools. It was unlikely that Field Marshal ALYDOUN would not accept Poles from SHARP, if it was apparent that there was nowhere else for them to go.

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(b) Demobilisation of those Germans who live in Russian-controlled Germany.

Colonel P.S. LAMON (G-1 SHARP) said that none had left SHARP area yet, as no authority had been given for Germans to enter the Russian-controlled area. The problem, he said, was one to be decided by the Control Council of Germany, and the answer would apply equally to Germans coming from SHARP.

11. Lieutenant General ROBERTSON closed the meeting by saying that there would be a final session of the conference on 15 Jun, under the chairmanship of Brigadier J.T. de PIRE PHILLIPS (G-1 (Mov & Tr) SHARP) to go into any points not finally settled by the sub-committees.

Before the meeting was dispersed, Lieutenant General ROBERTSON thanked 21st Army staff, and in particular Lt. Col. BURN, for the excellent arrangements made for the conference.

Brigadier A.G. SALISBURY-JONES (G-5 SHARP) apologised for the late arrival of the SHARP party.

Allied Force Headquarters,
TFVs.

18 Jun 45.

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1. Brigadier A.C. de BIE WILLIAMS (G-4 (Mov & Tr) AFHQ) called the meeting to order at 1500 hours, saying that he proposed to run through the major points which arose as a result of the reports submitted by the various sub-committees appointed at yesterday's meeting.

Transportation Sub-Committee

2. (a) Brigadier de BIE WILLIAMS stressed the main points made in the report of the Transportation Sub-Committee, which is attached at Appendix 'B'.

(i) The BRENNER Route to be MUNICH - VERONA, and not INNSBRUCK - VERONA.

(ii) Flow: Limited by acceptability of Allied Commission in ITALY - fixed at 5,000 a day over both routes, with Allied Commission preparing to receive 7,500 a day, due to those arriving in cars, on foot, etc. Transportation facilities would be provided to cope with 5,000 a day controlled movement, by allowing for 3,000 a day on both the SWISS and BRENNER routes.

(iii) Rolling Stock: for the BRENNER route to be provided by AFHQ and SHARP on a 50 - 50 basis as far as possible; for the SWISS route to be provided by the Swiss.

(iv) The necessity for good signals communications between the two ends of both routes.

(v) The 100,000 German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel from ITALY to GERMANY to be concentrated on the BRENNER route.

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SWISS - AMHQ Joint Disposal Committee:

- 3. (a) Lt. Col. P.L. CARROLL (Displaced Persons SWISS) read out his report which is attached at Appendix 'C'.
- (b) Brigadier de RIE PHILIPPE said the date of the first meeting in BRUNNEN would probably be earlier than 5 Jul 45, as it would be convenient for the representatives attending the Swiss meeting at the end of June to go on to BRUNNEN.
- (c) As far as executive control at the AMHQ end was concerned, Brigadier de RIE PHILIPPE said that he proposed to use existing organisations to control movement into and out of ITALY on the British side. He suggested that officers of 45 Army Group might be given this responsibility in addition to their other duties. In addition, there was an allied Commission organisation in VERONA.

Documentation Sub-Committee:

- 4. (a) Lt. Col. J.D. CANTLEY (219 2nd Echelon, CME) read out his report - see Appendix 'D'.
- (b) Brigadier de RIE PHILIPPE

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- (b) Brigadier de WY PHILIPPE asked if Allied Commission wished the parties from SHARP dispatched in batches according to geographical areas. Colonel C.B. FINDLAY, (Allied Commission) agreed that this would be a burden on SHARP and unnecessary.
- (c) Regarding the date of starting the flow, Colonel S.R. DAVIS (G-1 MTOUSA) stressed the fact that, not having seen the forms requested by SHARP, he could not guarantee that documentation would be sufficiently advanced to permit movement starting on 1 Jul 45.
- (d) Colonel V.A. BROWER (G-5 12 Army Group) referred to the screening required by G-2 of the Italians moving into ITALY, and asked where the Italian Security Officers were coming from.
- Lt. Col. H. FULTON (Military Government 21 Army Group) confirmed that there were no Italian Liaison Officers attached to 21 Army Group.
- Major D. BARNES (G-3 (Org) AFHQ) said that 42 Italian Liaison Officers had already been provided for SHARP, and more could be provided on demand.
- (e) Lt. Col. R.E. HAINES (Deputy Chief of Staff PW Command) asked whether German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel from ITALY could be segregated by domicile (British area or United States area) by cars and not by trains. This was agreed.
- (f) Lt. Col. R.E. HAINES (PW Command) said that 200,000 German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel had already been documented on forms which were not P 4 forms. Was it essential that forms P 4 be filled up, or could these local forms be substituted?
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(h) Lt. Col. G. ERIC MONTGOMERY (G-2 AMHQ) asked G. 1. (British) AMHQ to confirm that they were happy with regard to the screening for war criminals.

Lt. Col. A. S. BIRDSONG (G. 1. (British) AMHQ) said that he understood the SHARP list of wanted war criminals to contain something like 17,000 names.

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Colonel P. S. LAUREN (G-1 SHARP) said that the correct figure was 5,000 required by SHARP from all theatres.

It was agreed that AMHQ would endeavour to ensure that no person whose name appeared on this list (which AMHQ had not yet received) should go forward to SHARP for discharge.

Medical Sub-Committee:

5. Brigadier General J. I. WORTH (Surgeon Fifth United States Army) read out his report - see Appendix IV - and stressed that it could not be decided whether hospital trains would go to MANNICH or to final destination, until the medical meeting was held (see para 2, Appendix IV).

Miscellaneous:

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- (a) Colonel S.R. DAVIS (G-1 MOWSA) stressed the fact that, although the figure of 100,000 (see para 4 Appendix 'A') had been given as the number of German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel to be moved from ABHQ to SHARP, this was a figure representing the number immediately available. MOWSA was holding a total of 291,000 prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel, all of whom would have to be disposed of eventually, as MOWSA closed down.
- (b) Brigadier A.G. SALISBURY-JONES (G-5 SHARP) asked when German prisoners of war or surrendered enemy personnel returning to GERMANY ceased to be soldiers.
- (c) Colonel P.S. LUNNEY (G-1 SHARP) said that, although D.2. Discharge Certificates would be made out, they would not be on the person of the individual himself, but would accompany each batch and not be given out until arrival at the final destination. Therefore, to all intents and purposes, they would travel as soldiers.
- (c) It was confirmed for Lt. Col. R.E. HAINES (PW Command) by Colonel S.R. DAVIS (G-1 MOWSA) that no Italians arriving in ABHQ through SHARP would be the responsibility of P & Command.
- (d) In response to a question from Lt. Col. R.M. HALL (Military Government, Eighth Army), Brigadier de NIE PHILIPS stressed the fact that it was the responsibility of the SHARP - ABHQ Joint Disposal Committee to collect information on the number and location of personnel of all nationalities awaiting movement and to decide how best to control such movement.
- (e) Lt. Col. R.L. CARROLL (Displaced Persons SHARP) asked whether shipping was available to move 40,000 to 50,000 North Africans now in MADAGASCAR.
- (e) Major A.H. de HAAS (G-4 (Mov & Tr) SHARP) said that he understood that this movement was neither an ABHQ nor a SHARP responsibility, but arrangements would be made by the French Government.
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(g) In response to a question by Lt. Col. A. S. HANSDORF (G-1 (British) AFHQ), it was confirmed by Colonel P. S. LAMBY (G-1 SHARP) that the question of the disposal of Germans held by SHARP and AFHQ, whose homes are in Russian-controlled territory, and conversely those held by the Russians whose homes were in SHARP areas, was being taken up with the Control Council. **1516**

(h) It was confirmed by Colonel P. S. LAMBY (G-1 SHARP) that the figures given in Appendix 11 were correct, subject to the proviso made by Colonel G. R. DAVIS (G-1, MCHUSA) that the figure of 100,000 given in para 4 was the initial figure only and that, as far as the United States holdings were concerned, a total of 294,000 would eventually be available for disposal.

7. No further points were raised and the meeting was closed at 1625 hours.

W. J. ...
Allied Forces Headquarters.

11 Jun 45
TFS/s.

T. P. BARTON,
Major, D.A.A.C.,
G-1. (British) A2.

A P P E N D I C E S

- 'A' - Statement showing numbers involved. (See para 2 First Session)
- 'B' - Report by Transportation Sub-Committee (See para 2 Second Session)
- 'C' - Report by Committee appointed to consider composition, function and method of operation of BSAW - AFAC Joint Disposal Committee. (See para 3 Second Session)
- 'D' - Report by Documentation Sub-Committee. (See para 4 Second Session)
- 'E' - Report by Medical Sub-Committee. (See para 5 Second Session)

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NUMBERS INVOLVED

<u>Nationality</u>	<u>Prisoners of War and Surrendered Personnel</u>	<u>Displaced Persons</u>	<u>Total Involved</u>
1. <u>ITALY to GERMANY</u>	(a) 100,000		100,000
Germans			
2. <u>SHAVEP to ITALY</u>		360,000	360,000
Italians			
3. <u>SHAVEP to AUSTRIA</u>	160,000	50,000	210,000
Austrians			
4. <u>SHAVEP to APHC</u>		5,000	56,000
Bulgarians		16,000	
Czechs	(b)	35,000	
Austrians			
5. <u>APHC to SHAVEP</u>	(c)		
French	4,420	19,000	23,420
Czechs	14,590	4,500	19,090
Belgians	110	1,350	1,460
Dutch	200	2,250	2,450
Danes	130	200	330
Norwegians	120	400	520
Swedes		100	100
Austrians		10,000	10,000
Germans		6,300	6,300
Luxemburgers		120	120
Spanish	120		120
Others	60	60	120
Others	200	5,900	6,100
6. <u>SWITZERLAND to APHC</u>			70,000
Italians		50,200	50,200
Austrians		5,700	5,700
Czechs		80	80

Bulgarians			5,000	
Greeks			16,000	
Yugoslavs			35,000	56,000
<u>5. AMIG to SWISS</u>				
French	4,420		19,000	23,420
Czechs	14,590		4,500	19,090
Belgians	110		1,350	1,460
Dutch	200		2,250	2,450
Denes	180		200	380
Norwegians	120		400	520
Swedes			100	100
Austrians			10,000	10,000
Germane			6,300	6,300
Luxemburgers				120
Spanish	120			60
Others	200		5,500	6,100
<u>6. SWITZERLAND to AMIG</u>				
Italians			30,300	
Jugoslavs			3,700	
Greeks			940	
Hungarians			1,240	
Austrians			200	
Jews for UNRRA (ITALY)			750 x	37,000

Germane	4,930			1514
French	1,370			
Dutch Jews	350			
Czech Jews	350			7,000
			560,000	810,000
			280,000	

NOTES:

- (a) This figure shows those immediately available, and will increase as and when approximately 180,000 used by the Americans and British in ITALY are no longer required.
- (b) Southern Jugoslavs contain some Albanians - not to be distributed until AMIG can forward to destination.
- (c) Includes 10,000 Czechs held and employed by British and Americans.

Appendix (3)

RESTRICTION AND DISPOSAL OF PRISONERS OF WAR,
SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED PERSONS, ETC.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMITTEE
held at BOLZANO - 15 Jun 45

CHAIRMAN: Majorier A.T. de RUE PHILIPS, DONG Mov & Tr, AMHQ.

1. The following are the main conclusions of the sub-committee meeting on Movements and Transportation reports of movement between SHAYS and AMHQ territory.

Routes:

2. The following routes should be used for controlled movement:

- (a) BRENNER Route,
- (b) Route through SWITZERLAND.

In assessing acceptance it was also necessary to take into account the southward flow of Italians along routes from AUSTRIA and NORTH EAST ITALY.

Types of Movement and Acceptance:

3. (a) Southbound:

Allied Commission ITALY can accept forthwith in ITALY 5,000 per day by controlled movement plus up to 2,500 per day that may enter ITALY by uncontrolled movement. The SHAYS - AMHQ Joint Disposal Committee should review this figure at intervals in order to increase it when possible. Allied Commission ITALY require additional personnel and about 5 GT Coys (720 trucks) in order to maintain and later increase these numbers.

- (b) Northbound:

- (1) Germany: SHAYS can accept forthwith German prisoners of war and surrendered personnel, but they should not be for the Russian Zone of GRANT. All German personnel will move by BRENNER route.

- (11) Other Nationalities: French, Belgian and Dutch prisoners

In assessing acceptance it was also necessary to take into account the southward flow of Italians along routes from AUSTRIA and NORTH EAST ITALY.

Types of Movement and locomotives

3. (a) Southbound

Allied Commission ITALY can accept forthwith in ITALY 5,000 per day by controlled movement plus up to 2,500 per day that may enter ITALY by uncontrolled movement. The SHUP - AMHQ Joint Disposal Committee should review this figure at intervals in order to increase it when possible. Allied Commission ITALY require additional personnel and about 6 GT Coys (720 trucks) in order to maintain and later increase these numbers.

(b) Northbound

(i) German: SHUP can accept forthwith German prisoners of war and surrendered personnel, but they should not be for the Russian Zone of Germany. All German personnel will move by BERNESE route.

(ii) Other Nationalities: French, Belgian and Dutch personnel should be repatriated via SWITZERLAND or over the FRANCO-ITALIAN border. Central Europeans should move by the BERNESE route.

Capacity

4. Routes should be developed initially to the following capacities:

- (a) BERNESE route: 3,000 per day each way.
- (b) VIO SWITZERLAND: 3,000 per day each way (personnel from inside SWITZERLAND, or in transit)

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Rail Working

5. (a) Swiss Route: Clearance has now been obtained from the Swiss Government and technical details will be discussed as soon as possible. The Swiss have offered locomotives and some rolling stock, and will be asked to provide all stock required. Proposed terminals to be examined are:

- SHUP - SOLETHOUSEN or IREBERG, ANHEIMSE (for movement into FRANCE)
- AMHQ - CHIASSO - COMO AREA.

(b) /

(b) VEVENER Route: There will be a shuttle service of which the main terminals will be SUIEP - MINICH area (INNSBRUCK for personnel to and from AUSTRIA) AMQ - VERONA. It is estimated that about 400 box cars will be required which should be provided by 1249 and SUIEP on a 50 - 50 basis. INEE ITALY can provide 200 cars and SUIEP will investigate whether they can provide the other 200. The estimated rate of flow is 2 - 3 trains per day. The provision of locomotives should not be difficult and will be agreed between YSS concerned.

Communications:

6. Good communications are essential between MINICH and VERONA, between the terminals of the Swiss route and between SUIEP and Headquarters concerned with the Swiss route.

Relation to Overall Movement Programmes:

7. These shuttle services will have to be related to overall movement programmes both at SUIEP and AMQ and their working will depend on facilities at each end to redistribute personnel.

Starting Dates:

- 6. (a) VEVENER Route - 1 Jul 45
- (b) SWISS Route - dependent on the meeting with Swiss Representatives.

Other Movement:

- 9. (a) Austrians from SUIEP territory to AUSTRIA:
This is a matter for discussion between 12 Army Group, Eighth Army and Allied Commission AUSTRIA. Eighth Army are only willing to accept personnel for provinces of STYRIA and CARINTHIA.
- (b) Jugoslavs and Hungarians to be re-entrained from SUIEP Territory:

Commander-in-Chief MEDITERRANEAN is not yet able to give a date when the DIETHE will be open for this movement. It was recommended that 12 Army Group and Eighth Army should examine the route - SALZBURG - GOTTALD - VILLACH - VERONICE for movement into JUGOSLAVIA.

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Starting Dates:

- 8. (a) REINER Route - 1 Jul 45
- (b) SWISS Route - dependent on the meeting with Swiss Representatives.

Other Movement:

- 9. (a) Austrians from SHARF territory to AUSTRIA:
 This is a matter for discussion between 12 Army Group, Eighth Army and Allied Commission AUSTRIA. Eighth Army are only willing to accept personnel for provisions of STYRIA and CARINTHIA.
- (b) Czechs and Hungarians to be repatriated from SHARF territory:
 Commander-in-Chief MEDITERRANEAN is not yet able to give a date when the SHARF will be open for this movement. It was recommended that 12 Army Group and Eighth Army should examine the route - SALZBURG - SPITZAU - VILLACH - MESSNER for movement into JUGOSLAVIA. Montenegro will be moved down into ITALY when shipping is available for onward movement by sea.

Covered Accommodation:

10. Allied Commission, ITALY will not require any military assistance in construction of winter accommodation for Italians or other personnel moving by these routes into ITALY. Any construction will be undertaken by Allied Commission under their own arrangements.

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REPARATION and DISPOSAL of PRISONERS OF WAR, SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED PERSONS, ETC.

REPORT by SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER COMPOSITION, FUNCTION and METHOD of OPERATION of SHARP - AFHQ JOINT DISPOSAL COMMITTEE.

CHAIRMAN: Lt. Col. F.L. CARROLL (G-4 (Mov & Tr) SHARP)

Composition:

- 1. SHARP } G-4
- AFHQ } G-4 (Mov & Tr)
- } G-5 Displaced Persons
- } Allied Commission
- } GATOR - MAAP

With powers to co-opt other experts from units and groups also WICONS. where necessary.

Functions:

- 2. (a) To establish numbers of personnel to be moved by category (so far as possible), northward and southward respectively.
- (b) To give guidance and direction to the respective HQ (SHARP and AFHQ) for feeding, reception, delivery, camps, camp movements point of view.
- (c) To establish other related policies (not details) of movements inter-theatre.
- (d) To maintain, review and report on statistics of the program.
- (e) To facilitate the flow of nationals through intermediate countries to their final destination.

Method of Operation:

- 3. Committee will meet approx every fortnight. Meetings will be called by SHARP and SHARP in turn. Next meeting will be called by SHARP and will be held FRANKFORT 5 Jul. SHARP G-4, Mov & Tr will advise all concerned arrangements for meeting and agenda. AFHQ will advise additions desired.

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- (b) To give guidance and direction to the respective HQ (SHAPE and AFHQ) for feeding, reception, delivery, camp arrangements point of view.
- (c) To establish other related policies (not details) of movements inter-theatre.
- (d) To maintain, review and report on statistics of the program.
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Method of Operation:

3. Committee will meet approx every fortnight. Meetings will be called by AFHQ and SHAPE in turn. Next meeting will be called by SHAPE and will be held FRANKFURT 5 Jul. SHAPE G-4 Mov & Tr will advise all concerned arrangements for meeting and agenda. AFHQ will advise additions desired. SHAPE G-4 Mov & Tr will also advise all concerned as soon as possible SHAPE's idea of the type of statistics that should be kept by both AFHQ and SHAPE including agreed maps.

Method of Communication:

4. PREPPER ROUTE:

AFHQ SIDE:

Co-ordinating movement Committee

SWISS/AM/1977:

AFHQ SIDE

Co-ordinating movement committee

SHAPE SIDE:

Third Army

SHAPE SIDE

Probably First French Army
(this will be confirmed by SH 2)

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REPARATION AND DISposal OF PRISONERS OF WAR, SURRENDERED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED PERSONS, ETC.

MINUTES of MEETING of DOCUMENTATION SUB-COMMITTEE held at WOLFGANG on 15 JUN 42

PRESENT

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|----------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Lt. Col. | L. D. GANTLEY (B) | 2nd Lt Schelon, AFHQ. | <u>Chairman</u> |
| Colonel | F. S. LAUTEN (A) | G-1 SHARP | |
| Colonel | C. R. DAVIS (A) | G-1 MCGUIRE | |
| Colonel | T. R. MACDONALD (A) | G-2 Fifth Army | |
| Lt. Col. | H. FULTON (B) | Military Government, 21 Army Group. | |
| Lt. Col. | F. A. WOLTON (A) | Theatre Provost Marshal, SPOUSA. | |
| Lt. Col. | C. J. HICKEY (A) | G-1 12 Army Group | |
| Lt. Col. | F. D. STEPHENS (A) | US Group Control Commission, Austria. | |
| Lt. Col. | R. M. HALL (B) | Military Government, Austria. | |
| Lt. Col. | G. WYERS-MONTELLI (B) | G-2 AFHQ | |
| Lt. Col. | F. W. LA MONTGNE (A) | IV Command, MTOUSA. | |
| Major | V. G. M. SINCLAIR (B) | Eighth Army. | |

1. CLASSIFICATION:

- (a) German Prisoners of War and Surrendered Personnel for transfer to SHARP will be made up of the following categories:

- Miners,
- Agricultural Workers
- Transport Workers.
- Persons of 50 years of age or over.
- Any other trades, if necessary to make up the required numbers.

SHARP will also take any women.

The above will be moved in batches consisting of personnel all domiciled in one zone, either the American or the British Zone. SHARP will supply to AFHQ a list of REGISTRATION NUMBERS, showing the zone in which each lies.

Various trades may be included in the same batch, provided all personnel in the batch are domiciled in the one zone.

1. CLASSIFICATION:

(a) German Prisoners of War and Surrendered Personnel for transfer to SHAVE will be made up of the following categories:

- Winners,
- Agricultural Workers
- Warrent Workers.
- Persons of 50 years of age or over.
- Any other trades, if necessary to make up the required numbers.

SHAVE will also take any women.

The above will be moved in batches consisting of personnel all domiciled in one zone, either the American or the British Zone. SHAVE will supply to AFHQ a list of REQUIREMENTS, showing the zone in which each lies.

Various trades may be included in the same batch, provided all personnel in the batch are domiciled in the one zone.

Selection of personnel as above will precede documentation and will be effected by calling for personnel of the required category and then segregating them in one or more commands where they can be documented prior to movement.

Any special details of the composition of batches to be transferred to AUSTRIA must be settled between the Control Commissions.

(b) Displaced Persons: If AFHQ wishes Displaced Persons who are transferred from SHAVE to ITALY to be moved in batches by any zones of domicile, AFHQ will supply to SHAVE a list of the zones required.

2. DOCUMENTATION:

(a) German prisoners of war or surrendered personnel transferred from ITALY to SHAVE will be accompanied by

- (i) Nominal rolls
- (ii) Form P 4 (two copies)
- (iii) Discharge Certificate D.2. (if possible).

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Appendix 'D' (cont'd)

In addition, the W Form will be completed and sent to the Central Registry of War Criminals and Security Suspects (CRWCSS) in respect of each person. The form will be endorsed "Discharged to Residence" with the date and place where it is made out.

All personnel transferred as above will be released to their homes by SHARP.

Any German prisoners of war or surrendered personnel transferred from SHARP to ASTRAC will be documented as above.

SHARP will make the forms required for the above available for ATRAC as a matter of great urgency.

- (b) Discharged Persons transferred either from SHARP or ATRAC will be accompanied by a nominal roll of each batch and every Discharged Person will carry the completed identity card IP 1.

3. SECURITY

- (a) German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel

In addition to any screening required by ATRAC for its own domestic purposes, personnel transferred from ATRAC to SHARP will be screened to exclude security suspects and persons on a SHARP "wanted" list of approximately 5,000 names. This list will be supplied by SHARP to ATRAC.

All discharged personnel transferred from SHARP to ATRAC will be screened by SHARP to exclude security suspects or personnel on the SHARP "wanted" list.

- (b) Italian Discharged Persons transferred from SHARP will be screened prior to transfer by Italian Security Officers.

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J.D. CANTLEY, Lt. Col.,
AAG, GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

(a) German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel

In addition to any screening required by AFHQ for its own domestic purposes, personnel transferred from AFHQ to SHARP will be screened to exclude security suspects and persons on a SHARP "wanted" list of approximately 5,000 names. This list will be supplied by SHARP to AFHQ.

All disarmed personnel transferred from SHARP to AFHQ will be screened by SHARP to exclude security suspects or personnel on the SHARP "wanted" list.

(b) Italian Disarmed Persons transferred from SHARP will be screened prior to transfer by Italian Security Officers.

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J. D. CANTLEY, Lt. Col.,
AMG, GHO, 2nd Regiment.

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REPARATION AND DISPOSAL OF REMAINS OF WAR, SURVIVED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED PERSONS, ETC.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF MEDICAL SUB-COMMITTEE
held at BOLZANO on 15 Jun 45.

PRESENT:

Brigadier General	J. L. MARTIN	Surgeon, Fifth United States Army.
Colonel	C. L. MILNEBY, Jr	12th Army Group.
Major	M. L. MURPHY	Surgeon's Office, MEDUSA
Major	C. S. WILLIAMS	Medical (British), AFHQ.

1. From the information available there is no possibility of movement of sick and wounded between GERMANY and ITALY prior to 10 Jul 45. This is based on lack of available beds for the reception of German sick and wounded now in ITALY. It is believed that, by 10 Jul 45, some beds will be available and movement can commence on that approximate date.

2. Complete arrangements for the movement of sick and wounded between the two theatres will be completed at a recommended meeting of the medical staffs concerned. It is estimated that not more than 25,000 German sick and wounded will require movement to GERMANY as of 10 Jul. The number of Italian sick and wounded, now in GERMANY to be moved to ITALY, will be notified at a later date.

3. The following recommendations were agreed upon in regard to the movement of ill personnel:

- (a) It is considered that all practical steps should be taken to control and prevent the movement of those suffering from or potential carriers of infectious diseases. Accordingly, it is recommended the following preventative measures be adopted both in regard to the movement of personnel out of and into AFHQ territory:
 - (i) That no personnel should be permitted to commence the journey if he or she shows any signs of symptoms of disease;
 - (ii) All personnel to be examined for infectious conditions within 24 hours of departure from point of origin;
 - (iii) All personnel to be dusted with DDT or some other antilouse preparation not more than three days prior to departure. It is to be noted that this is additional to the course of the dusting weekly intervals which is routine for

encountered. It is estimated that not more than 25,000 German sick and wounded will require treatment to terminate as of 10 Jul. The number of Italian sick and wounded, now in Germany to be moved to Italy, will be notified at a later date.

3. The following recommendations were agreed upon in regard to the movement of fit personnel:

(a) It is considered that all practical steps should be taken to control and prevent the movement of those suffering from or potential carriers of infectious diseases. Accordingly, it is recommended the following preventative measures be adopted both in regard to the movement of personnel out of and into USMC territory:

(i) That no personnel should be permitted to commence the journey if he or she shows any signs of symptoms of disease;

(ii) all personnel to be examined for infectious conditions within 24 hours of departure from point of origin;

(iii) all personnel to be treated with DDT or some other antilouse preparation not more than three days prior to departure. It is to be noted that this is additional to the course of three dustings weekly intervals which is routine for all prisoners of war and surrendered personnel in USMC territory;

(iv) it is not considered necessary nor practical for all persons to be vaccinated, but in the event of an isolated case of smallpox occurring in the course of the journey, it will be necessary for all personnel taking part in the move to be isolated until such time as they can all be vaccinated. An isolation compound will, therefore, be required to receive reception and dispatching camp.

(v) A certificate will accompany each party stating that all sanitary precautions as prescribed above have been complied with in regard to each individual in the party.

(b) In regard to the provision for medical care during the journey, it is proposed that on each train one coach be so adapted as to enable four to six lying patients to be looked after. Each train to have a permanent German and/or Italian medical staff.

(Signed) J.I. MARTIN
J.I. MARTIN,
Brigadier General, USA,
Fifth Army Surgeon.

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REPARATION AND DISPOSAL OF PRISONERS OF WAR,
 SUPPLEMENTED PERSONNEL, DISPLACED PERSONS, ETC.

CONF. for AMN - SHARP CONFERENCE
 at SOLZING - 14-15 JULY 45

NOTE: Points for discussion will be taken in the following order. All points given below have appeared in the minutes already agreed with SHARP.

1. The registration involves the following nationalities and moves:

<u>Nationality and Status:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Total Involved:</u>
(a) German prisoners of war and surrendered enemy personnel	ITALY	GERMANY	100,000
(b) Italians	SHARP	ITALY	333,000
(c) Austrians (figures will be supplied by SHARP)	SHARP	AUSTRIA	60,000
(d) Other nationalities including displaced persons (figures will be supplied by SHARP)	SHARP	AMN	100,000
(e) Other nationalities	AMN	SHARP	70,000
(f) Other nationalities	SWITZERLAND	AMN	37,000
(g) Other nationalities	SWITZERLAND	SHARP	7,000

2. Priority of classes for disposal and method of call forward.

3. Route and method of transportation and staging:

(a) Route, including possibility of move through SWITZERLAND.

(b) Means of transportation.

(b) NATIONALITIES	SWISS	ITALY	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
(c) Austrians	SWISS	ITALY	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)
(d) Other nationalities including displaced persons	SWISS	ITALY	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)	(Figures will be supplied by SWISS)
(e) Other nationalities	SWISS	ITALY	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
(f) Other nationalities	SWITZERLAND	ITALY	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER
(g) Other nationalities	SWITZERLAND	SWISS	OTHER	OTHER	OTHER

2. Priority of classes for disposal and method of call forward.

3. Route and method of transportation and staging:

(a) Route, including possibility of move through SWITZERLAND.

(b) Means of transportation. *Departure 48/49/50/51/52*

(c) Staging *1 SW*

(d) Rate of flow *68*

4. Target date for start. *16 H. 1945*

5. Method of control of movement. *to Regensburg*

6. Miscellaneous Points:

(a) Medical *6 9th. Exp.*

(b) Screening for War Criminals, etc. *64 32*

(c) Documentation.

(d) Disposal of women of war and of surrendered enemy status.

(e) *1000 Swiss Camp / 500 Trucks*
200 Trucks / 1000 Trucks
200 Trucks / 1000 Trucks

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6. Miscellaneous Points:

(e) Disposal of long term sick

(f) Guards

7. Points of policy:

(a) Stateless persons whom no country is willing to receive.

(b) The question of the demobilisation of those Germans who live in the Russian-controlled area of GERMANY.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AND 3594

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB COMMISSION 12 JUN. 1945

DRS/aa/AM. Tel. 489001 Int. 532 12 June 1945.

SUBJECT : Report on visit to SHAFI Hain, SHAFI Advanced, SHAFI Mission
Stamps, War Office and Civil Affairs Directorate regarding
Displaced Persons and refugees to be repatriated and methods
of moving them.

TO : Vice President,
D.P. Section.

1. General

Visits were made with the object of devising some system of control for the reception of Italians returning to Italy and the repatriation of Germans and other nationals from Italy. The numbers and nationalities of those to be dealt with was investigated and routes and available methods of transport available was reviewed. It was stressed that it was of paramount importance that no movement of Poles, Yugoslavs, Greeks etc. into Italy should take place until arrangements can be made for their disposal. Representative of G-5 A.I.S. & Movements A.S.O.M. and D.P. & R.S.C. attended discussions.

2. Meeting at SHAFI Hain, VERONA.

G-5 SHAFI Hain held a meeting with Lt. Col. GRUBER(A) Displaced Persons following information as to the likely future policy regarding movement of refugees with approximate figures of the numbers to be moved.

(a) A Committee under the chairmanship of Movements sits daily as SHAFI advanced ZAMBIA. This Committee consists of representatives from G-1, G-4, G-5 and other Sections which may be interested in movements of refugees and P.W.s. This Committee co-ordinates all matters regarding movement of refugees and P.W.s.

(b) SHAFI receive a weekly situation report giving the numbers of refugees to be moved (All Nationalities). In addition to the weekly situation report a daily sitrep is to be prepared fortnightly. Copies of weekly situation report

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importance that no movement of Poles, Yugoslavs, Greeks etc. into Italy should take place until arrangements can be made for their disposal. Representative of G-5 A.I.H.V., Movements A-604 and D.F. & H.S.C. attended discussions.

2. Meeting at SHAZF Main Ybbauin223.

At a meeting held with Lt. Col. WALKER (A) Displaced Persons G-5 SHAZF Main he outlined the general refugee situation and he gave the following information as to the likely future policy regarding movement of refugees with approximate figures of the numbers to be moved.

(a) A Committee under the chairmanship of Movements also holds at SHAZF Advanced Hospital. This Committee consists of representatives from G-1, G-4, G-5 and other Sections which may be interested in movements of refugees and P.R.A. This Committee co-ordinates all matters regarding movement of refugees and P.R.A.

(b) SHAZF receives a weekly situation report giving the numbers of refugees to be moved (All Nationalities). In addition to the weekly situation report a daily strip is to be rendered forthwith. Copies of weekly situation report as they affect Italy will be sent to D.F. & H.S.C. and Transportation Sub-Commission, Movements Division.

(c) The following are the estimated numbers of Italians to be repatriated to Italy as on 25 May 1945:

FROM COUNTRY	ARMY GROUP	HQS. IN		HQS. OUTSIDE		Total
		CAZPS	CAZPS	CAZPS	CAZPS	
Belgium	-	2,000	-	-	-	2,000
France	-	3,000	-	27,000	-	30,000
Germany	14 Army Grp.	41,762	-	-	-	41,762
	U.S. 15 Army	136,255	-	6,000	-	142,255
	12 Army	20,081	-	15,000	-	35,081
	U.S. 7 Army	39,459	-	-	-	39,459
	21 Army Group	25,000	-	-	-	25,000
	1 French Army	56,000	-	4,000	-	60,000
	3 Army	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL		111,757	51,000	31,000	353,367	553,367

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To this total of 343,367 a further 50,000 to 100,000 should be added for Italian Refugees etc., not classified. The numbers of Italians in Soviet Territory is not yet known.

(d) France has stated willingness to accept in Transit, Belgians Luxemburgers, and Dutch (if Netherlands Government can give assurance that they will accept).

(e) Through frontier posts France can accept some 50,000 persons daily.

(f) The following ruling has been made by SHAF with regard to Poles and Bulgars east of MURON line :-

If found in SHAF zone they will NOT be sent back to country or zone administered by the Soviet or substituted to own district unless the individual claims Soviet citizenship. If found in SHAF zone which eventually becomes Soviet zone individuals will if they so desire be evacuated. These individuals will be put into camps in SHAF zone where they will be screened by Liaison Officers.

(g) Poles in category referred to in sub-para (f) may be accepted by SHAF, Poles etc, and be absorbed into industry.

(h) recommended that no moves of Poles, Greeks and Slavs is to take place into SHAF unless they claim Italian citizenship and have been cleared by Liaison Officers. Only exception to this operational necessity.

(i) Suggestions and Recommendations.

(1) It was agreed that in so far as control was possible 50 refugees would be sent into ITALY by any means without first clearing through C-5 A.F.O.O., D.P. & A.S.S. and Transportation Sub-Commission as to the ability to accept.

(11) Same system to be worked out on a control basis whereby a standing Committee representing the sections concerned at SHAF and A.F.O.O. should meet at FRANKFURT as and when necessary to co-ordinate all movement problems, the possible setting up of a small Central Control H.Q. to deal with

These individuals will be put into camps in SIAZ and some were they will be screened by Liaison Officers.

- (g) Failure to identify referred to in subpara (f) may be accepted by SIAZ, which in fact is absorbed into industry.
- (h) Recommended that no more of Poles, Greeks and Slavs is to take place into SIAZ unless they claim Italian Citizenship and have been cleared by Liaison Officers. Only exception to this operational necessity.

(1) Suggestions and recommendations.

- (i) It was agreed that in so far as control was possible 50 refugees could be sent into Italy by any means without first clearing through G-3 A.F.H.Q., D.F. & A.S.I. and Transportation Sub-commission as to the ability to accept.
- (ii) Same system to be worked out on a control basis whereby a standing Committee representing the sections concerned at SIAZ and A.F.H.Q. should meet at FALKENBURG as and when necessary to co-ordinate all government problems, the possible setting up of a small Central Control H.Q. to deal with all movements between SIAZ and A.F.H.Q. is a possibility.
- (iii) Direct telephones or wireless communication with SIAZ, A.F.H.Q. and French Military Mission is strongly urged. Such communications to be available for refugee work only.
- (iv) The question of the release of certain Liaison Officers of various Allied Nations who have been receiving orders from Troopers was taken up by G-3 and it was agreed to send a signal to Troopers stating SIAZ could supply and asking for immediate confirmation so that these officers could proceed to their duties.
- (v) Notes on Repatriation prepared by SIAZ G-3 Division Displaced Persons branch dated 11 May 1946, are attached as Appendix 'A'.

3. Meeting with SIAZ Military Mission in France, arranged by SIAZ Main.

- (a) A meeting presided over by Lt. Col. WITTS (U.S.) was arranged in order that problems regarding the repatriation of French Refugees and P.W.'s. could be considered. For minutes of meeting see Appendix 'B'.

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(2d) The necessity for close working between G-5, A.F.H.Q., Dislocated Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, A.C. Transportation Sub-Commission and SHAF Mission in Paris was strongly stressed by the chairman and endorsed by all present adding that since the various representatives had met and know each other the timing of the detailed working should be made easier.

4. Meeting at SHAF advanced, Frankfurt.

(a) It was stated that a meeting had been called by Lt. General Robertson A.F.H.Q. to take place at Bolzano in about ten days time (date fixed 14 June 1945) for the purpose of the discussing the following points:-

- (i) Reception Camps
- (ii) Methods of Movement
- (iii) Routes
- (iv) Rate of Flow
- (v) Movement back to South Eastern Europe
- (vi) General Control of Movement.

(b) It was again stressed by G-5 A.F.H.Q. Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission and Transportation Sub-Commission that movement must be properly controlled and the absolute necessity of ascertaining in advance whether consignment can accept both from Transportation and standing points of view. SHAF Advance promised that everything possible would be done to control movement and also encouraged Para 2 (b) of this report until it had been agreed that the future policy is to be.

(c) It was reported that movement by air from Belgrade to France (Lafrey) of French Refugees was to commence on the 3 June 1945. It was suggested by Transportation Sub-Commission that returning aircraft should bring back a lift of Southern Italians settling down at Trieste and pick up Yugoslavs now in Italy to be set down in Yugoslavia. The matter was referred to A.F.H.Q. for a decision.

(d) The visiting representatives were invited to attend the daily coordination meeting in order that they might see how the Committee functioned and at the same time ask any questions regarding present movement of Refugees and I.T.R. Transportation.

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(d) The visiting representatives were invited to attend the daily coordination meeting in order that they might see how the Committee functioned and at the same time ask any questions regarding present movement of Refugees and P.W.s. Transportation Sub-Commission Rear sensitive informed the Meeting of the difficulties under which movement was at present being carried out in Italy. Indications of our present daily lifts Southbound of 2,000 persons was given. It being added that little assistance could be expected from the Shipping side. The question of ability to accept in Italy was again stressed and an assurance from the Chairman was given that everything possible would be done to control movement.

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(e) It was stated that every endeavour is being made to complete the movement of Refugees by the Winter.

(f) Suggestions and recommendations.

The question for Joint Control was discussed and it was generally agreed that a Joint Control in some form was necessary. It was suggested, however that the Bolzano Conference might well form a basis if such a control and that this matter should be discussed at the Conference.

(g) It is suggested that now it is possible to fly direct to Frankfurt; weekly visit to EAR advanced should be made in order that Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission and Transportation Sub-Commission can attend one of the daily Meetings each week.

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5. Visit to War Office 1 (H) 2 and Directorate G-5.

The general question of movement of refugees was again discussed and the following points were made :-

- (a) Movement through Switzerland to French Ports known as Medlock for shipment to U. S. is under discussion on the highest levels but it seems definite details could be given, but whilst it is understood that this movement is a Military one it was felt that it may affect movement of Northbound B.I.s on account of the limited rail and road lifts in Italy.
- (b) With regard to available personnel shipping lifts in the Mediterranean Zone it was stated that it would not exceed 10,000 monthly, and that no additional shipping could be expected. This figure, however, did not include any lifts that could be arranged locally.
- (c) A certain amount of pressure is being brought to bear with regard to movement of Stateless persons to Italy for holding. It was realised that this would add to the Italian transport difficulties and was not to be encouraged; this point of view was endorsed.
- (d) The importance of a central control was again agreed by all concerned in order that a proper control could be established for movement of defugees into and out of Italy.
- (e) The importance of having adequate personnel available for screening and controlling of Refugees through frontier points and into holding camps was stressed and an assurance was given that every endeavour was being made to make the necessary personnel available.

6. Conclusion.

- (a) It was agreed that close liaison between STAFF Main, A.F.E.G. G-5, Allied Commission, French Mission and such Missions representing other Allied Countries was of the utmost importance if smooth working was to be realised.

- (c) A certain amount of pressure is being brought to bear with regard to movement of Stateless persons to Italy for holidays. It was realized that this would add to the Italian transport difficulties and was not to be encouraged; this point of view was endorsed.
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- (a) It was agreed that close liaison between SHAEF Main, A.F.S.Q G-5, Allied Command in French Mission and such Missions representing other Allied Countries was of the utmost importance if smooth working was to be realised.
- (b) That visits be made to those H.Qs. visited to ensure that all concerned know the situation and that the greatest advantage be made of all resources available.
- (c) That a Committee be established on the lines of the one at present in operation at SHAEF Advanced. In order to coordinate all movement problems.
- (d) That a method of communication either telephonic or wireless be instituted between the various H.Qs. This is already being investigated by SHAEF Advanced Movements.
- (e) That returns of numbers held at each Frontier Post and all Camps be telephoned to a Central Control Point in the North daily and a consolidated return furnished daily to this H.Q.
- (f) That movement over the frontier should not exceed ability to accept.
- (g) That movement be made of nationals to an intermediate point which will necessitate their being returned again to the country from which they have been sent before they can be repatriated.

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The movement of nationals involving temporary accommodation in other countries other than that from which they are being sent will only take place when all arrangements have been made for a continuing journey by road, rail, sea or air to final destination.

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APPENDIX "A"

SUPREME HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED EXPEDITIONARY FORCES
G-5 Division
Displaced Persons Branch

SHAEF/G-5/DP

11 May 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Displaced Persons Branch, G-5

NOTE ON REEVALUATION

1. The large numbers of displaced persons in Europe constitute a grave problem from the point of view of transport, and whilst it is not possible to lay down at this stage (pending reports on availability of rolling stock, condition of railway lines and airfields and volume of shipping trucks and airplanes at our disposal), it might be helpful to present a broad picture of the problem that has to be faced. It is extremely difficult at this stage to give a clear picture, for reports from armies have so far been neither complete nor accurate. Now that hostilities have ceased however, we should be receiving shortly more detailed information giving accurate figures and localities.

2. Means of Transport

a. Sea. It is unlikely that ships will be made available to lift any large numbers of displaced persons. At present there are 5 ships operating on the Marseilles-Odessa run, exchanging Russians for Western Europeans. There is every indication that even these ships will be withdrawn very shortly from the service. Captured ships in the Baltic or Swedish coastline may become available for service between Lubek and Polish Russian ports, but here again the lift will not be very great.

b. Rail. Certain rail systems in Germany have been allotted priority in the reconstruction programme and details of the systems running west-east have been circulated to the Allies with the request that they establish Assembly Centres along the routes, which Germany incidentally would also enter for road traffic. There is bound to be a heavy strain on the railway systems in Germany for all purposes and it is not likely that displaced persons will be lifted in any great volume for some considerable time to come.

c. Trucks. It is difficult to estimate at this stage what number of vehicles will be made available for displaced persons, but if they could be made available they would be a great asset, particularly for short hauls, and here it might be mentioned that there should be quite a considerable number of eastern displaced persons located within a distance of 60 miles from the Russian border zone.

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b. Rail. Current rail systems in Germany have been allotted priority in the reconstruction programme and details of the systems running west-east have been circulated to the Army with the request that they establish Assembly Centres along the routes, which Centres incidentally would also enter for road traffic. There is bound to be a heavy strain on the railway systems in Germany for all purposes and it is not likely that displaced persons will be lifted in any great volume for some considerable time to come.

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d. Air. It is generally agreed that it is not only desirable but essential to return displaced persons to their countries of domicile before winter. This can be achieved only by the use of aircraft in large number. As previously mentioned, rail and sea movement will not solve the problem and trucking can assist only in a comparatively small way. No doubt the Russians will be asked to take full part in this air scheme and contribute aircraft.

e. Trucking. Displaced persons will look despite standard orders. To what extent this movement can be organized is problematic, but we must, however, guard against large numbers of displaced persons straggling from the main highways and finding themselves in inaccessible localities far from river bridges, thus constituting further movement problems. It should be possible, at this stage, for Armies to release personnel for duty as road traffic police to guide displaced persons on the right road.

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3. Handover Transmittal Camps.

Camps will have to be established at vantage points running north-south along Russian zone border where unattended wounded displaced persons can be exchanged. Camps will most certainly have to be established at the points where the railways cross the Russian zone and further camps established adjacent to selected airfields on or near the border.

4. Movement Problem by Estimation.

In the absence of accurate information, the figures given below can only be a guide.

a. Western Europeans. In the SHAR zone considerable numbers are at present moving west, passing through Reception Centres in France and Belgium to their homes. This movement is continuing daily at an average rate of nearly 22,000 French nationals a day passing into France and 5,000 Belgian nationals a day into Belgium. Such numbers only are entering the Netherlands but arrangements are being made to step up the capacity of the Reception Centres.

It is estimated that there are 1,200,000 western Europeans in the Russian zone. Presumably arrangements will be made for these displaced persons to be transported by the Russians to handover transmittal camps at zone border to, say, the Holland border is 120 miles - rather a long haul by truck, particularly as the displaced persons will have a further journey before them to their home town. It would appear, therefore, that the repatriation of western Europeans from the Russian zone will have to be by rail or air and as the prospects of rail travel in any great volume are not very bright, the answer would appear to be air. Regarding the latter, arrangements could be made to have displaced persons segregated in handover transmittal camps by nationality and even by province in order that they could be flown to their own countries to their homes, so avoiding internal transportation problems in the western countries. These remarks apply also to the 200,000 western Europeans in Austria and, although it is not envisaged that they will be handover transmittal camps as such, western displaced persons will have to be concentrated in camps in Austria, sites near east-west railways or airfields.

Western Europeans in north-western Europe may be evacuated by sea to Lubek.

b. Russians. There are about 75,000 in the western countries. Sea evacuation is unlikely in any great volume. Distances are too great for lengthy rail travel will be limited in it is, therefore, recommended that they should be evacuated by air or craft bringing back western Europeans from western Europe. In this connection

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1. Russian. There are about 75,000 in the western countries. Sea evacuation is unlikely in any great volume. Distances are too great for trucking; rail travel will be limited and it is, therefore, recommended that they should be evacuated by air in craft bringing back western Europeans from eastern Europe. In this connection it should be pointed out that there are many more western Europeans in the Russian zone than there are Russians in the western countries. After the 75,000 have already been lifted, securing in air transport can be achieved by the planes carrying their loads in the western countries and re-loading by trucking down at suitable airfields in Western Germany, where it is estimated that there are some 200,000 Russians. The balance of over 1,000,000 Russians in Germany (SUDAP) may not constitute any great problem, as the distances are comparatively short to the Russian zone and displaced persons should be cleared by trucking or trucking - the vast majority by trucking. The exception to this will be the number of Russians who may be found in southern Germany and these will have to be moved by air.

Russians at or near Lubek will be evacuated by sea.

2. Polish and Baltic State Nationals.

- 40,000 in western countries
- 50,000 in eastern Germany
- 450,000 in other parts of Germany (SUDAP).

The same principle of movement as in case of Russians, but it is understood these nationals will only be repatriated subject to certain conditions pending solution of political problems.

4. Greeks. It is estimated that there is a total of 90,000 in Germany (SIAEF), but it is not known what proportion is located near the Czech frontier within range of truck transportation or within the limit of trekking. There is little point in making any suggestion for movement pending receipt of more detailed information except to point out that one of the west-east rail systems on the reconstruction programme is that entering Czechoslovakia from Karlsruhe, Heidelberg, Frankfurt, Wurzburg and Bamberg. There may be Greeks in small numbers in other countries but details are not available at present.

e. Yugoslavs.

Much the same remarks apply, as in the case of the Greeks, to the 100,000 Yugoslavs in Germany (SIAEF). The condition of the line of rail communication from Germany to Yugoslavia is unknown at present, but having regard to the heavy fighting in Austria and Hungary, it may be reasonably safe to assume that rail transport will not be possible for some time, even if rolling stock is available. Here again appears to be the only solution. Screening to ascertain whether or not the Yugoslavs in question are adherents of Tito will be necessary prior to movement. There are large numbers in comparatively small numbers in other parts of Europe outside Germany but numbers are not known. Those in France should be evacuated by sea from Marseilles.

f. Greeks.

Lack of rail transport and difficulties of geography indicate air presents the only chance of evacuating the 10,000 Greeks at present in Germany (SIAEF).

g. Italians.

230,000 in Germany (SIAEF)
150,000 in Austria (SIAEF)

There is little prospect of rail transport becoming available in the interior of Germany for the movement of southbound Italians. Trekking would appear to be inevitable, with perhaps some help from road transport. Understand the line Munich-Innsbruck through the Brenner Pass to Italy will not be in operation before the end of the year. The line Strasbourg-Strasbourg to Basle on the Swiss frontier is on the programme for reconstruction and, providing rolling stock is available, the movement of Italians south-bound may be accelerated by use of this particular system as far as the Swiss frontier. It is suggested that by agreement with the

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2. Italians.

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3. Stateless displaced persons.

200,000 in Germany (GUMEX) (which does not include non-repatriable Poles near Sudenten Germans). This is a transport problem which will not arise in the immediate future.

- (3) AFHQ to be responsible for movements to assembly centers to be established at Ventimiglia and Suze; SHAMF Mission and the Ministry of PHS to work out the means of road transport from assembly centers to the French rail-heads.

7. As supplementary means of transportation from Northern Italy to France the French Ministry of PHS is exploring the possibility of utilizing small boats which can dock in fishing ports (San Remo and others in Northern Italy) and Villefranche or Marseille in France.

8. Colonel Yarnes is to leave immediately with his party of 24 persons to join the French Mission of Repatriation in Italy. He is to report to AFHQ at Caserta to discuss the assignment of his personnel in Italy, and to return to France to report to the Ministry of PHS (and to give relevant information to SHAMF Mission). His party has been called forward by C-1 and the French staff works with all Frenchmen regardless of whether they are PHS.

9. In principle, repatriation movements will be two way movements of French from Italy on movements West and Italians to Italy on return movements, to make the fullest use of the means of transportation available. Italians are to be screened as to destination before departure so that those destined for the South of Italy return by boat or plane to Naples or Sicily, and only those destined for Northern Italy to be retransported by road transport or small boats to Northern Italy.

10. French acceptance of Non-French Western Europeans is agreed to on same basis as from Germany. AFHQ, or the appropriate Military formation, must give notice to this Mission of the movements of such Non-French Nationals to France in order to permit coordination of their movement to destination.

11. AFHQ and other Military formations will provide information copies to this Mission of all cables on matters affecting France or operations in France.

12. The French Border Reception Centers with their capacities on the French-Swiss and the French-Italian borders are as follows:

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Center

Daily processing capacity

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a. French-Swiss Border.

<u>Center</u>	<u>Daily processing Capacity</u>
Anancy	2,000 *
Anversasse	1,000
Evian	1,000

b. French-Italian Border.

<u>Center</u>	<u>Daily processing Capacity</u>
Villafraiche	1,000

* 1,000 of which are available for French repatriates from Italy

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