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MESSAGE CENTER  
NOV. 1944 - JUNE 1945

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C.S.O.

1. Please see folios 94, 94A and 94B referring to despatch of mail from this HQ to LIGURIA Region. The present arrangement is to send official mail for LIGURIA Region from the ADLS Office in GENOA addressed c/o 57 Area (GENOA). When so despatched it is carried by plane to MILAN and there transferred to a 57 Area courier and taken direct to 57 Area HQ in GENOA. It is believed the mail in this way reaches GENOA much sooner than it would by the method requested in folio 94B referred to in folio 94, and details of which are given at folio 95A. There is, of course, no objection to despatch of personal mail in the manner requested but here again facilities do exist through JPO channels to 57 Area in GENOA.

2. Factors which influence the desire to maintain the use of ADLS are:

(a) With official mail, a good deal of which is classified, it is most essential that there be a sound record system which involves the giving and taking of receipts at each intermediate point in transmission. From Message Centre experience I know that when an ADLS Regional HQ is used as an intermediate point for transmission of official mail the mail is sometimes forwarded on from the Regional HQ without the taking of receipts therefor, as a result of which, in the event of delay or misplacement, there is no reliable means of tracing same, and it is usually found very difficult to nail the responsibility to any individual.

(b) When aircraft which are carrying official mail crash it is necessary to certify that the mail thereon, if it is not physically recovered, has been destroyed. There is therefore a decided advantage, even here, in using ADLS aircraft when it is practicable to do so.

3. As stated also in our signal to LIGURIA Region of 13 June, the question of accommodation is a major item as it has been found that bulky items are often delayed in despatch by the HQ Commandant's Transportation Office by reason of no accommodation being available on the plane. It should be noted that this state of affairs exists at the present time when material for Lombardia Region only is transmitted by plane.

4. I would appreciate advice of the arrangement which was made by the Executive Commissioner when visiting LIGURIA Region. It may well be that he was not aware, when presumably agreeing to the arrangement proposed by LIGURIA Region, of our difficulties at this end and our requirements.

5. Authority is requested to:

(a) Continue the present arrangements, and

(b) Notify LIGURIA Region accordingly.

19 June 45.

*I approve pending institution of the water-air plane service direct to Genoa at end of this month*

of which are given in folio 943 referred to in folio 24, and details of despatch of personal mail in the manner requested but here again facilities do exist through APO channels to 57 Area in GERMANY.

2. Factors which influence the desire to maintain the use of ALES are:

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19 June 45.

*[Signature]*

*7 a.p.m. pending institution of the water-air plane  
Service direct to Genoa at end of this month*

*(SEE FOLIO 94) 178/286*

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Chief Clerk.

Re folio 62 - please check and see that  
action called for in FF 2 has been taken.  
JLB  
13 Apr

C.S.O.

64

Necessary action was taken on the 31 Mar, please see

Folio 53 flagged.

PA JLB  
4 Apr

JLB  
7 Apr

4 Apr 45.

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Chief Clerk

Re folio 69 - please inform Message Center.

JLB  
30 Apr

74

Ex. Com

2:03

To see folio 73 - for info. JLB  
11 May

175/12/6.

83

C.S.O.

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Folio 82, submitted for your information  
only, is HQ comm's reply to letter you  
submitted on folio 78. The you desire to

C.S.O.

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Necessary action was taken on the 31 Mar, please see  
Folio 53 flagged.

4 Apr 45.

PA RS

RS  
4 Apr 45

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Chief Clerk

Re folio 69 - please inform Message Center.

RS  
30 Apr 45

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Ex. Com

2203

To see folio 73 - for info.

RS  
11 May 45

MS 12/5

83

C.S.O.

81

Folio 82, submitted for your information  
only, is HQ cannot reply to letter you  
signed at folio 78. The you desire to  
follow up the subject of replacement of  
inches? (pms). It is truly an Estate See  
notes and probably named her as well  
left to them.

1 June 45.

MS  
11 May 45

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Whitaker

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Chief Clerk—

Ref 19 Ray, C.F.-James and  
arranged with him to  
leave the Thursday last  
on the 14: Sydney Centre  
Corridor - at any rate  
until the Spring when  
the matter can be  
reconsidered.

Erster Hauptz.

27/1

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NOTE: Have discussed today with  
chief clerk, Message Center, of July 28.  
Necessary action taken to avoid recurrence.

17 Mar 15

W. M. Allen

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Shel Clark.

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Chief Clerk

Ref 13 Ray, C.F. James and  
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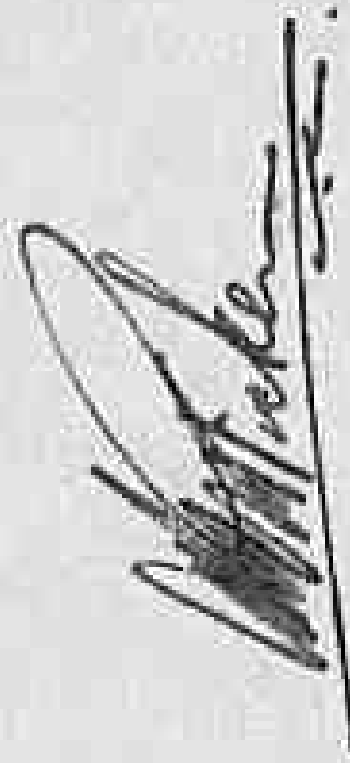
L. W. H. H. H.

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27/11

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NOTE: Have discussed today with  
 chief clerk, Messrs Centre, folio 28.  
 Necessary action taken to avoid nuisance.

1 MAR 4560Chief Clerk.

Please investigate folio 59 and report.  
 W. H. H. H. 2 Apr.

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Ref/994/102/E3.

Tel : 473201

26 June 1945

SUBJECT : Official Mail.

TO : R.G., TOSCANA Region.

2201

1. I refer to your RVIII/37/OFI/122 dated 20 June 45.
2. All offices at this Headquarters were advised by Letter 9/62/GA dated 8 June 45 of the closing of TOSCANA Region effective 0001 hours 19 June 45. At the same time Message Centre were instructed to dispatch only administrative correspondence in connection with the closing of the Region. The latter must be expected.

*[Signature]*  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

*[Signature]*  
26/6

*[Signature]*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
ECONOMIC SECTION

Ref: 2.00/ES

25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Mail Irregularities

98  
JUN 25 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner

1. Reference your 991/98/EC, subject "Mail Irregularities", dated 23 June 1945.

2. Lt Durber has been severely reprimanded for attempting to send personal letters by official mail and has assured this office that it will not happen again.

3. Appropriate steps have been taken to assure that there will be no future recurrence. 2203

(CSO)

J. Williams  
JACK WILLIAMS  
Capt, Inf  
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HEADQUARTERS  
TOSCANA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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Ex Commissioner

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RVIII/37/off/122

20 Jun 45.

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SUBJECT : Official Mail.

TO : HQ, AC. ✓

! JUN 25 1945

1. It is proposed to close the files and records of this Region on 26 Jun 45, preparatory to transmittal to Archives Branch of your HQ.
2. May all Sections, Sub-Commissions, and Branches of your HQ, please be informed, therefore, that all mail, etc., for TOSCANA Region should be despatched to reach this HQ by not later than 26 Jun 45.

For the Regional Commissioner:

19 June

*Minph* *hint. for* 2183  
G. McMASTER,  
Junior Comdr, A.T.S.,  
Staff Captain.

GM/cb.

(SSM PICKER)

(*you* 102)

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Ref: 994/99/AC.

23 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Mail Irregularities.  
TO : Civil Affairs Section.

1. The attached envelope addressed to Capt. R. Gaziano contains private correspondence presumably from one of your Italian civilian employees. This envelope was intercepted in the HQ AC Main Message Centre.
2. It will be noted that an official envelope of the VP CA Section has been used in an attempt to despatch the letter through official mail channels.
3. This is highly irregular. I shall be pleased to have your assurance that appropriate action has been taken in this case and to avoid a future recurrence.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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Col Donlan Carter  
spoke to CSO  
PA 28/6

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Noted  
PA 28/6

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Ref: 991/98/EC.

23 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Mail Irregularities.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The attached envelope addressed to Capt. J.G. Hamwell, c/o Liaison Officer, Palermo, contains three personal letters, two apparently from an Italian civilian resident in Rome. This envelope was intercepted in the HQ Main Message Centre.
2. The envelope, it will be noted, bears a signature which appears to be that of Lt. Darber in an attempt to despatch the letters through official mail channels.
3. This is highly irregular. I shall be pleased to have your assurance that appropriate action has been taken in this case and to avoid a future recurrence.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 991/97/EC

22 June 1945

SUBJECT: Official Mail Service

TO : Regional Commissioner, AMO Liguria Region

1. Reference your LIG/HQ/30 dated 12 June 45 and your signal number 285 dated 14 June 45.
2. The official mail service between this H.Q. and Liguria Region has now been fully considered and for the following reasons decision taken to continue the present service:
  - (a) The A.C. plane to Milan is at present taxed to its utmost capacity in serving Lombardia Region alone.
  - (b) The present method of despatching mail to your H.Qs is apparently faster than would be the alternative proposed by you.
3. At present the mail leaves Rome at 0810 hours by A.D.L.S., arriving Milan at 1130 from where it is transmitted direct to H.Q. 60 Sub-Area at Genova who clear to you. Use of the A.C. plane leaving Rome at 0930 for Lombardia Region, Milan, would entail delivery by the latter to H.Q. 59 Area who would pass to 60 Sub-Area for onward transmission to you, and there is the possibility in this way that the pouch would miss the connection to Genova on that day, resulting in a delay of at least 24 hours.
4. It is anticipated that a sea plane service will be instituted at the end of this month between Rome and Genova when advantage will be taken of this direct service.

E. Talbot  
✓ Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 99A/EG.

Tel: 289

20 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Night Duty Clerks' Roster.

TO : Establishment Section.

1. Operation of the Headquarters Night Duty Clerks' Roster is properly a function of the Adjutant's Department and responsibility therefor should have been retained by the Adjutant on the reorganization of Headquarters in October 1944.
2. Since October 1944 the roster has been maintained and operated by the Chief Clerk of Message Centre, but the position should now be regularized.
3. Please arrange for the Adjutant to assume responsibility.

E. Talbot  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner.

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*JP*

HEADQUARTERS  
LIGURIA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
APO 394

12 June 1945

Ref: Lig/HQ/50

SUBJECT: Mail for Liguria Region Headquarters.

TO : Adjutant, Lombardia Region  
" , Piemonte Region  
" , 57 Area  
" , 59 Area  
" , Headquarters, A.C.  
" , G-5, IV Corps  
AMG Fifth Army  
APO 394  
Co. "N"

1. Confirming telephone conversation with 57 Area (Capt. Warren), and Lombardia Region (Capt. Baker), personal and official mail for Liguria Region will arrive at this Headquarters through the following channels:

- a. Dispatch by air from Headquarters, A.C., to Headquarters, Lombardia Region (Montecatini Building, Milan).
- b. Delivery by Lombardia Region to Headquarters, 59 Area, Milan.
- c. Transmittal to Genoa via 57 Area courier, operating between Genoa and Milan.

2. The effective date for this system of mail delivery will be 14 June 1945.

For the Regional Commissioner:

DAVID PASQUET  
WOJG, USA  
Adjutant

15 JUN 1945

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JUNE 14 14 1945

PRIORITY

FROM: AMB LIGURIA REGION

To: ALCON CITE ADJUTANT CITE HECO

JUN 15 1945

**RESTRICTED.**

Ref your 9720 of 13 June.

This Hq renews its request for air courier service for official and personal mail to MEAN in view of arrangements made here by Executive Commissioner.

DIST

ACTION - NY CENTER

APO 394

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INFO - CHIEF COMMISSIONER

EX COMMISSIONER

HQ OMB (TH.O.)

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JUN 14 1945

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(SSM Picard)

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AMG LIGURIA REGION

9720

JUNE 13

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

SUBJECT IS OFFICIAL MAIL CLN REF YOUR TWO SIX TWO DATED ONE ONE JUNE PD  
PARA ONE PD IN VIEW LIMITED SPACE ON AIR COURIER PROPOSAL NOT  
ACCEPTABLE PD

PAREN TO AMG LIGURIA REGION FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACEXE PAREN

WILL CONTINUE TO FORWARD OFFICIAL MAIL THROUGH ADLS CMA ELO CMA AND APO  
CHANNELS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ADJUTANT

NICHOLAS PIOMBINO

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PRIORITY

AMG LIGURIA REGION FROM ADJUTANT

HQ ALCOM FOR ADJUTANT AND APO 394

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RESTRICTED.

Effective 13 June forward all official and American personal mail for LIGURIA Region via ALLIED COMMISSION air courier to MILAN in care of HQ LOMBARDIA Region. This HQ will arrange to pick up same at MILAN. Signed PASQUESI.

DIST

ACTION: MESSAGE CENTRE

▪ APO 394

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

BRIT POST OFFICE

HQ COMDT (TN OFFR)

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Ref/991/93/80.

Tel : 239

15 June 1945

SUBJECT : Communications - Swiss Legation.

TO : Chief Clerk - Message Centre.

1. Approval has been given for the Swiss Legation in Rome to use Allied Commission facilities for the purpose of communicating with the Swiss Consulates in MILAN, TURIN, GENOA, VENICE and TRIESTE, in connection with the latter's responsibilities in charge of American and British interests.

2. All packages will be channelled through the Liaison Division where they will be certified as "W.D. Essential Mail".



Chief Clerk,  
Office of the Executive Commissioner.

Copy to : Liaison Division.

Note:

Approval Given by CSO and Liaison

Division File 705/EC(L).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
WAR MATERIALS DISPOSAL AND  
ITALIAN PRISONERS OF WAR SUB COMMISSION

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IPW/18/338

11 June 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner. —

12 JUN 1945

SUBJECT: Mail Irregularities.

Reference para 3 of your 991/89/EC dated 9 June 1945.

1. Attached are statements from the persons involved.
2. Major Alper has been warned of the seriousness of his action in this matter, and has given assurance that there will be no recurrence.

*J. A. Campbell*  
J. A. CAMPBELL Lt. Col.  
Director  
WMD & IPW Sub-Com

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(CSO)

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2nd Ind.

Maj. B.S. Alper, AUS, WMD & IPOW Sub-Commission, ALCOM, APO 394,  
June 11, 1945.

To: Lt. Col. J.E. REGIS, CAC.

- 1/. On June 6, 1945, Mr. R. Trioli, a civilian employee of this Sub-Commission, requested the undersigned to censor a letter going to his fiancée in Venice. He explained that he wished this to be done in order that the letter might be carried through other channels than the regular Italian Post Office. On being questioned, Mr. Trioli stated that an individual would deliver the letter for him.
- 2/. Aware of the regulation prohibiting the carrying of uncensored letters, the undersigned censored the attached letter, and affixed his signature.
- 3/. Mr. Trioli then, unknown to the undersigned, placed this letter with the outgoing mail of this Sub-Commission. This he evidently did under a misunderstanding which he sets out in detail in the attached signed statement.

*Benedict S. Alper*  
BENEDICT S. ALPER  
Major AUS

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Rome, 11 June 1945

As I was in urgent need to forward with the greatest speed the letter in question to Venice, I applied to an Italian Post Office to know whether they could accept it as Express. I was told that they accepted only ordinary letters and that normally it took from seven to ten days to forward them.

I was advised at the Post Office to try to send it through some Allied Channels, and later I was told at the A.C. that if the letter could be censored by an Officer it could be despatched. So I did, but I could not imagine that it would have been despatched through official channels and not by some individual going to Venice.

I am very sorry of what happens but I had no idea to go against Postal or Military Regulations sending a personal letter through some Allied personnel after having it censored.

I should be truly obliged if I could have my letter back in my hands so that I may be able to forward it in some way in order that my fiancée may have at last news of me.

*R. Rivoli*

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Ref/991/89/83.

7 June 1945

SUBJECT : Mail Irregularities.

TO : War Material Disposal & I.P.W. Sub/Comm.

1. The attached envelope addressed to Sig.ra Maria Teresa COSTA, VENEZIA, contains a private letter presumably from an Italian civilian. This letter was intercepted in the HQ AG Main Message Centre.

2. The envelope, it will be noted, has been signed by Major ALPER in an apparent attempt to despatch the letter through official mail channels.

3. This is highly irregular. I shall be pleased to have your assurance that appropriate action has been taken in this case and to avoid a future recurrence.

/s/ E. Talbot

LT Col

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED COMMISSION  
LIAISON OFFICER  
BARI

*Sp Com*  
Tel. 14152

REF : LB/29

4 JUN 1945

2nd June, 1945

SUBJECT: ADLS Irregularity. *A.*

TO : HQ, ALLIED COMMISSION - Office of the Executive  
Commissioner.

JUN 5 1945

1. Reference your letter 991/79/EC dated 30th May, 1945.
2. This is regretted but was not an attempt by the writer <sup>of the letters</sup> to pass mail through military channels.
2. The letters were properly stamped and as far as the writer knows were posted in Bari as was intended.
3. The boy despatcher here however, thinking to be helpful, put them in the envelope you saw without reference to anybody and addressed them to H.Q., Allied Commission. He is sorry and so am I, and action has been taken which will, I trust, avoid a future recurrence.

*(SSM heard)*

*S. W. Miller*  
S. W. MILLER, Colonel,  
Liaison Officer, A.C.,  
BARI.

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Ex. Comm. (27)

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JUN 4 1945

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, APO 394, 1 June 1945

TO: Chief Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission  
(Attn: Executive Commissioner)

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Your attention is invited to 2nd Indorsement.

For the Regional Commissioner:

HEADQUARTERS  
4610  
A. C.

Alden T. Hinson

ALDEN T. HINSON  
1st Lt, AC  
Adjutant

HAH  
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(SSN Recd)

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RHX/HQ/P/3/2/1 1st Ind ATH/afp  
HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, APO 394, 28 May 1945

TO: Provincial Commissioner, Forli Province. ✓ (76)

Request compliance with Par 2, Basic Communication, and this headquarters be notified of appropriate action taken.

By order of Colonel BOWMAN:

*Alden T. Hinson*

ALDEN T. HINSON  
1st Lt, AC  
Adjutant

2nd IND.

Ref. : R IX/IOI.04/FO  
H.Q. Forli Province A.M.G.  
To : Adjutant - H.Q. EMILIA REGION A.M.G.

30 May 1945

1. I have talked with the Officer who authorised the letter referred to, and I am surprised to learn that he claims not to have known the regulations.

2. It is inconceivable to think that any Officer who has been in A.M.G. for any length of time should admit a lack of understanding to existing regulations.

3. The Officers of this H.Q. have been cautioned through Memorandum issued this date.

*John N. Lummas*  
JOHN N. LUMMAS.  
Major.  
PROVINCIAL COMMISSIONER.

991/76/EC refers.

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SECRET

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Tel: 478201

4 June 1945.

Ref: 991/85/80.

SUBJECT: SOAVENNER Reports.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters,  
Attn: G-5 Section.

1. Attached copies of SOAVENNER 11 dated 31 May 1945, SOAVENNER Special Report No.6 dated 27 May 1945 and SOAVENNER Special Report No.7 of 27 May 1945, all in duplicate, would all appear to have been passed to this Headquarters from AFHQ in error.

2. Will you please dispose.

For the Chief Commissioner:

E. Tillet

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Incl:  
as above

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Sir,

1410 hrs 2 June 45.

Lt. Col. Miller - Bari 'phoned.

1. He offered you his congratulations.
2. Reference 991/79/EC (This is Message Centre file which Mr. Picken has locked at the moment and I cannot get access to it). The five civil letters sent to HQ AC by official channels were despatched in error by Col Miller's despatching clerk, a Yugoslav. The sender had no intention that they should go through official channels; the envelopes were stamped ready for the civil post and it was over-zealousness on the part of the despatcher who caused them to be enclosed in an official envelope.
3. Col. Miller stated he was working under great difficulties. He had a German Jew as chief clerk and, as stated, a Yugoslav despatcher, but he would be careful to see there was no recurrence.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Office of the Chief Commissioner

APO 394

LWS/hjp (82)

1 June 1945

SUBJECT: Dispatch of Special Messages

JUN 2 1945

TO : Executive Commissioner, Hq A.C.

1. The Chief Commissioner directs that special messages, correspondence, etc., which he personally states must be referred to the Embassies, Italian Government, etc., will be sent immediately by special messenger and not through the normal Message Center channels.

2. Recently there has been experienced considerable delay in the transmission of special correspondence that was turned over to the Executive Commissioner for immediate delivery to the Embassies, Italian Government, etc. This has caused confusion and embarrassment to the Chief Commissioner and in order to insure against any recurrence such papers will be delivered at once by special messenger.

2181  
*L. W. Stearns*  
L. W. STEARNS  
Major, A.G.D.  
Staff Officer to CC  
S. H. 2/6

(SSM Puxen)

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Headquarters Commandant  
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RHR/ejb  
31 May 1945

HQC/10/9

SUBJECT: Transport - Courier Service.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

JUN 1 1945

1. Reference your letter 991/78/EC, dated 29 May 1945, in regard to the breakdown of the ROME - NAPLES couriers on Sunday, 27 May and Monday, 28 May.

2. Both of these vehicles broke down at NAPLES and the arrangements were made by HQ, AMG, NAPLES COMMUNE for vehicles which happened to be in NAPLES at the time to take over the courier duties. Substitute vehicle for the first breakdown was a requisitioned car. The second was a 3-Ton Lorry bringing up a load from NAPLES to ROME. It would appear therefore that the respective drivers were not instructed by the Dispatch Officer of NAPLES COMMUNE to call at CASERTA. Instructions have now been issued to NAPLES COMMUNE to the effect that any vehicle which they find it necessary to substitute for this Headquarters courier must call at CASERTA on the way home.

3. The number of vehicles available for courier services is not sufficient to cover the requirements of this Headquarters. Owing to the large mileage that these vehicles have now done, mostly over 35,000 miles, breakdowns must be expected. Replacement of the present 15-cwt. trucks G.S. with Class 1 vehicles is now imperative if the courier services are to be maintained efficiently as they have been in the past. This matter was raised in my letter to the Vice President, Establishments Section, reference as above, dated 2 May 1945. The matter was also raised at your meeting on 29 May 1945. (Para. 6 of Minutes refers.)

4. May it please be pointed out that the failure to collect mail at AFHQ is the first time during the past ten months and it is regretted that owing to the shortage and condition of vehicles this should have occurred.

2183  
Colonel  
R. H. ROBERTSON  
Hq. Commandant.

see 783

(Sgt. R. H. Robertson)

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Ref: 8762/24/EC

Tel : 735

31 May 43

SUBJECT : Insertion in Daily Bulletin.

TO : Adjutant.

Please insert the following in Daily Bulletin:

" HEADQUARTERS, PIERMONT Region.

1. Telephone numbers for Headquarters, PIERMONT Region are :

50310 50312 50201 48319 43526

2. The Adjutant may be reached on extension 164, and Headquarters Commandant at 120.

(Exec Commr) "

*J. Hewes*  
for, Chief Staff Officer  
To Executive Commissioner. *Sen*

Copy to : 990/EC. ✓  
553/EC.

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Ref: 991/79/2G.

Tel: 478201

30 May 1945.

SUBJECT: AIMS Irregularity.

TO : A.C. Liaison Officer,  
BAHI.

1. Attached are five letters addressed to civilians in ROME which have been received from your office by AIMS in the enclosed large envelope.
2. Attention is drawn to AFHQ Circular No.2 dated 6 Feb 45, para 3 e. (1) which reads:  
"Personal mail or personal packages of any description will NOT be transmitted by the AFHQ Air Dispatch Letter Service."
3. In addition to the above instructions it is a joint American/British prohibition for Italian civilian mail to be handled in military channels.
4. I shall be pleased to have your assurance that appropriate action has been taken in this case and to avoid a future recurrence.

See 84-88

E. Talbot,

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 991/78/EC.

Tel : 343

29 May 1945

SUBJECT : Courier Service.

TO : HQ Commandant.

1. On Sunday 27 May and Monday 28 May the motor couriers proceeding from ROME to NAPLES broke down, and as a result the mail yesterday 28 May, and again today 29 May, has not been collected from AFHQ.
2. I am informed that the driver of the substitute vehicle from NAPLES to ROME today received no instructions to report to AFHQ.
3. Please cause investigation to be made and render an early report to this office. Your report should cover what prior arrangements had been made to meet such eventualities.
4. It is essential that when a substitute is necessary, the driver be given complete instructions to ensure conformity with the normal service.

E. Talbot

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER  
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101 57 AREA FOR AMG LIGURIA REGION, AND PIEMONTE REGION, AND LOMBARDIA REGION,  
AND VENEZIA REGION, AND EMILIA REGION

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MAY 26

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

PARA ONE PD A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF OFFICIAL MAIL IS BEING RECEIVED HERE FROM  
NORTHERN REGIONS FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION TO OTHER NORTHERN REGIONS PD

PARA TWO 57 AREA FOR AMG LIGURIA REGION, AND PIEMONTE REGION, AND LOMBARDIA REGION,  
AND VENEZIA REGION, AND EMILIA REGION FROM HQ ALCOM CITE AGENC PARA

PARA TWO PD AMPLE SIGNAL DRLS FACILITIES NOW AVAILABLE FOR DIRECT TRANSMISSION  
TO ALL CONCERNED PROVIDED MAIL PROPERLY POUCHED AND CORRECT ADDRESSES USED PD  
ENTIRELY UNNECESSARY TO FORWARD MATERIAL TO THIS HQ FOR ONWARD TRANSMISSION

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EXEC COMMISSIONER

cwa Piombino

(PA)

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Ref/991/76/83.

Tel : 473201

23 May 1945.

SUBJECT : Personal Mail.

TO : R.C., EMILIA Region.

1. The attached private letter from an Italian civilian to Lt. H.J. COOKES, certified as official WD mail by Capt. C. PAINTER, has been intercepted in official mail channels and is returned.

2. This is highly irregular and I shall be pleased to have your assurance that appropriate action has been taken not only in this particular case but also to avoid a recurrence in the future.

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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*St Com* (75)

HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
NAPLES COMMUNE  
APO 394

EJL/BJR/bb

R/5827

21 May 1945

SUBJECT: Irregular use of Official Mail.

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission  
(Attention: Executive Commissioner).

MAY 23 1945

1. The enclosed envelope containing correspondence addressed to Lieut N.J. Coombs is forwarded to you for any action you may deem necessary.

2. It will be noted that the outside envelope has been certified "Official" by Clarke (or Charlie) Painter, Capt.

For the Commissioner:



*Bruno Riccomini*  
BRUNO RICCOMINI  
1st Lieut., Inf.,  
Actg Adjutant.

3 Incls:

- Incl. 1. - Envelope addressed to Lt N.J. Coombs (marked 1)
- Incl. 2. - Inside envelope addressed to Lt Coombs (marked 2)
- Incl. 3. - Letter (marked 3)

*See 76*

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*(SSN Personal)*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Headquarters Commandant

RHR/ejb

7 May 1945

HQC/10/9

SUBJECT: Courier Services.

TO : Executive Commissioner  
Vice President, Economic Section  
Vice President, Civil Affairs Section  
Independent Sub-Commissions

MAY 10 RECD

1. Owing to the increased distance between this Headquarters and the Armies, it is now impossible to run a daily courier service to the 5th and 8th Armies. Commencing immediately, the following courier services will be maintained from this Headquarters:

8th Army - leave this Headquarters Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays;

5th Army - leave this Headquarters Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

2. All vehicles call at 15th Army Group and SCAO, AMG, 5th Army at BOLOGNA daily, except Sunday, when the proposed air courier service is in operation (commencement expected Thursday, 10 May 45), daily delivery of urgent mail and personnel will be available to Emilia, Venezie, Lombardia, Piemonte and Liguria Regions.

3. With the above road and air courier services, it is anticipated that sufficient cover is found for the requirements of this Headquarters.

For the VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION:

*R. H. Robertson*  
R. H. ROBERTSON  
Hq. Commandant.

Colonel

Copy to:

Establishments Section - for file  
Dispatch Officer

*W. M. Stearns*  
(WAS STEARNS)

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*See 24*

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Tel : 239

Ref/994/72/80.

5 May 1945

SUBJECT : Washing of Sacks.

TO : HQ Comdt.

1. May arrangements be made please for the washing of 800 flour sacks for use in the Message Centre as official mail bags.
2. Details regarding the handing over to you of the sacks in convenient numbers as required should be arranged between yourself and the Chief Clerk Message Centre. (Tel: Ext. 690).
3. It would be appreciated if the matter could be treated as urgent please.

L. W. STARRS  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner.

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Tel Ext 341

LWS/el

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Ref: 991/71/EO

4 May 1945

SUBJECT: Discrepancy in Freight Shipment

TO : Transportation Officer, Headquarters Commandant

Reference the attached statement from S/Sgt Kavanagh of the Message Center, Office of the Executive Commissioner, relative to the consignment of 494 flour sacks of which 226 were actually received.

1. Will you kindly investigate this matter and render a complete report?
2. It is understood that Guardsman Stafford is on orders to be moved at once to one of the Northern regions.

Major L. W. STEARNS

Chief Staff Officer  
To Executive Commissioner.BUg  
Noted 7/4/5PA  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Headquarters Commandant  
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RHR/ejb

28 April 45

APR 29 Rec'd

HQC/10

SUBJECT: Transport - Motor-cycle.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference your letter ref/991/68/EC, dated 27 April 1945.
2. Another motor-cycle was available at Super Garage for the use of Tpr. James while his motor-cycle was in workshops. His machine was in workshops on a priority order. He did not apply for the use of another machine, otherwise he would have been supplied at once. It was presumed by the Maintenance Staff Sergeant that as he had not requested another machine, that he was not required by the Message Center for the period when his own machine was in workshops.
3. The matter has, however, been put right now but if there is any difficulty in the future, the Message Center should telephone the M.T.O. (B) and inform him that a replacement machine is required.

*R. H. Robertson* Colonel  
R. H. ROBERTSON  
Hq. Commandant.

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NOTE: Para 2 is not  
quite accurate as S/Sgt  
Kavanaugh did in fact phone  
the Super-garage personally.  
Hansen NFA.

*see M70*  
*PA [signature]*  
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Ref/991/68/EC.

Tel : 289

27 April 1945

SUBJECT: Motorcycles.

TO : HQ Comdt.

1. Reference Adjutant's letter AG 311.4 dated 2 May 44 addressed to Executive Officer, and your reply thereto HGO/6 dated 15 May 44.
2. The motorcycle allotted to Mr. JAMES has been off the road for four days this week, from 23 Apr. to 26 Apr. inclusive, during which period the services of this D.R. were not available to the Message Centre.
3. In view of the arrangement made and agreed to in above quoted letters may this office be informed please why a reserve cycle was not provided during the above mentioned period.
4. Your assurance is also desired that in future the agreement will be adhered to without fail.

Major L. W. STEARNS

Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner. 2163

Copy to : Message Centre.

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HEADQUARTERS  
A. M. G.  
UMBRIA-MARCHE REGION  
C. M. F.

19 April 1945  
APR 20 REC'D

Ref. : R5/501/13

SUBJECT: Courier Service

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission  
Office of the Executive Commissioner. ✓

Reference your letter 991/66/EC dated 14 April 1945.

1. A courier will leave this headquarters at 0800 hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of each week, leaving your headquarters on the return trip at 1300 hours the same days.

2. The ration truck of Company E, 2675th Regiment, will make the same trip on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, and will carry any official and personnel mail. It will, however, be unable to carry any persons to Perugia, since the rations make a full load. Arrangements for the transportation of personnel should therefore be made on the days when the courier is scheduled.

3. No vehicle will be dispatched on Sundays.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

*Angelo A. Pascarella*  
ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,  
WOJG, USA,  
Adjutant.

Copy to  
Adjutant, Allied Commission  
Transport Officer, Hq Allied Commission  
S-4, 2675th Regiment  
Motor Transport Officer, this Hq  
Each Special Staff Section, this Hq

COPY ON: 212/EC  
TO: M. CENTRE.

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20 APR 1945

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Ref: 991/66/EC

14 April 1945

SUBJECT: Courier Service

TO : HQ AMB Umbria-Marche Region

Reference your R5/501/13, dated 11 April 45, subject as above, this will confirm telephone conversation -- STEARNS-PASCARELLA -- this date directing that your courier service to this Headquarters be continued on alternate days until further notice.

*[Signature]*  
 Chief Staff Officer  
 To Acting Executive Commissioner

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*Message Center +  
 for Test office informed  
 on 15/4/45*

*RA*

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HEADQUARTERS  
A. M. G.  
UMBRIA-MARCHE REGION  
C. M. F.

Ref. : R5/501/13

11 April 1945

SUBJECT: Courier Service.

APR 13 1945

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission  
Adjutant.

1. It is proposed to discontinue the daily courier service between this headquarters and your headquarters, effective 14 April 1945, in view of the excellent E.L.S. between the two cities.

2. The local Signals office informs this headquarters it is prepared to transmit all types of official matter between your station and this.

FOR THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONER:

HEADQUARTERS

12 APR 1945

A. G.

*Angelo A. Pascarella*  
ANGELO A. PASCARELLA,  
WOJG, USA,  
Adjutant.

Copy to Transportation Officer, Allied Commission.

AC LIST

12 APR 45

ACTION : EXEC. COMM.  
INFO : HQ Comm (TREN)

MESSAGE CENTRE 2163

See 66

SSM (KREN)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat

SAC (O) (45) 7th Meeting (Addendum)  
30th March 1945

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COPY NO 34

SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE  
(OPERATIONAL)

APR 3 1945

1. It is regretted that the minutes of the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference (Operational) held on 29th March 1945 were in error given a distribution appropriate to the minutes of the Supreme Allied Commander's Conference (Political).

2. Addressees will therefore return to this Secretariat for destruction copy numbers as follows :-

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2         | Copy No. 14 |
| Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5         | " " 18-19   |
| Chief, Liaison Section                | " " 20      |
| U.S. Political Adviser                | " " 26-28   |
| British Resident Minister             | " " 29-32   |
| Director, FHB                         | " " 33      |
| Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission | " " 34-36   |

3. The under mentioned addressees are requested to renumber the copies in their possession as follows :-

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| Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3<br>Chairman, Mediterranean Joint<br>Planning Staff | Copy No. 15-16 renumber 14-15 |
| Director of Operations and<br>Intelligence, HQ IMAF                              | Copy No. 17 renumber 16       |
|                                                                                  | Copy No. 21-25 renumber 17-21 |

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J.G. SWEETMAN,  
LIEUTENANT COLONEL,  
SECRETARY.

## DISTRIBUTION

Supreme Allied Commander  
Deputy Supreme Allied Commander  
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Commander, Eighth Fleet, USN  
Deputy Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Commanding General, 15th Army Group  
Chief of Staff  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3  
Chairman, Mediterranean Joint Planning Staff  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5  
Chief, Liaison Section  
Director of Operations and Intelligence, HQ IMAF

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(OPERATIONAL)

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*14 minutes*

J.G. SWEETMAN,  
LIEUTENANT COLONEL,  
SECRETARY.

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Supreme Allied Commander  
Deputy Supreme Allied Commander  
Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Commander, Eighth Fleet, USN  
Deputy Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean  
Commanding General, 15th Army Group  
Chief of Staff  
Chief Administrative Officer  
Deputy Chief of Staff  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3  
Chairman, Mediterranean Joint Planning Staff  
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5  
Chief, Liaison Section  
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Tel Ext 391

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

LWS/el  
*[Handwritten signature]*

Ref. 991/61/BC

3 April 1945

SUBJECT: Internal Distribution

TO : Economic Section

1. Thank you for your memorandum, file AQ/514/125/Tn.3, dated 29 March 45, subject as above.

2. This matter is being thoroughly investigated and every effort made to eliminate such maladministration in the future. However, in cases where it should arise again, it is hoped that the subcommissions will take the initiative to correct the situation within their Section.

3. Your calling such matters to our attention is appreciated.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
Chief Staff Officer  
To Acting Executive Commissioner.

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INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

JAB/lr

AC/514/125/Tn.3

29 March 1945

SUBJECT : Internal Distribution.

APR 2 1945

TO : Communications Officer. ✓

1. Several instances of wrong distribution of signals have occurred with the resultant consequent loss of time seriously effecting shipping. (58)
2. The latest instance being signal BEM/7 of 26th for action Econ. Section without copies to Industry Sub-Commission and Transportation Sub-Commission. The follow up signal BEM/8 of 27th for action Transportation Sub-Commission and still without Industry Sub-Commission. Finally F 50841 of 27 referring to BEM/7 to this Sub-Commission for action.
3. In the final signal it was stated that "price difficulties be concluded" and as this sub-commission is concerned with the carriage of Goods and not the procurement, it is not a loss to understand how they are responsible for action.
4. The signals have been discussed with Industry Sub-Commission and Economic Section and have been left with C.O.S.'s Dept. for action.
5. It is requested that this Sub-Commission be included on distribution of all signals effecting the carriage of goods by Road, Rail or Shipping under info (2 copies) and that should your office omit parties concerned we will assist by advising you of the omission.

*M.B. Thomas*  
M.B. THOMAS, Colonel  
Deputy Director  
Transportation Sub-Comm.

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Enclosures : 2 copies of signals referred to

*See (61)*

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Mar 270950  
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BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION ALGIERS

HQ ALGERIA, INFO AMHQ FOR SECRETS AND PROXY

SECRET.

Phosphates from SPAIN for ITALY.

The French in ALGIERS Have received orders from Government in PARIS to suspend forthwith shipments and not to load any more steamers pending new instructions because payment questions are not yet settled. They have telegraphed to PARIS asking exceptional permission to load SANTANIT Ets SPAIN March 27 but if not too late this steamer should be diverted or used again at Greek programme. I suggest that you ensure that price negotiations between Italian Government and French Representatives in ROMS are rapidly concluded.

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Action : Econ Sec (4)  
Info : A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
File

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RAF 280850A

INFO FROM BRIT ECONOMIC MISSION ALGIERS  
ACTION HQ ALGER HOME INFO ADHQ FOR INFO AND INFO

SECRET.

Phosphates from STAX for ITALY. Reference BEI.  
French Government refuse permission to load CANTALIT.

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ACTION : To S/C 4  
INFO : A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Econ Sec  
File

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## INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference:

Date/Time of Origin: MAR 31

Message Centre No: D/6607

Date/Time Rec'd: APR 01 1505A

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALCOM SICILIA SIGNED MORTON CITE BL-9

APR 2 1945

TO : HQ ALCOM ROME

RESTRICTED.

Reference is your signal 4501 cite ACEZO.

For PALERMO Area, PANTELLERIA, and LANTEDUSA address official mail as in past but placing it in covering envelope addressed to A.C. Linson Officer care of Naval Operating NAPLERMO.

For Eastern SICILY address mail care of SUBAREA. For PALERMO Area send signals through station JHDK here for Eastern SICILY send signal to 204 Sub Area Station MEAY.

### DIST

ACTION: Executive Commissioner 2

INFO: A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
Adjutant  
Hq Signal Officer  
File 2  
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference: 758  
Date/Time of Origin: MAR NPTMessage Centre No: D/6544  
Date Time Rec'd: MAR 312036A  
Precedence: PRIORITYFROM: ALCOM SARDINIA REGION CAGLIARI  
TO : ALCOM HQ ROME CITE ACEXC

MAR 1 1945

SECRET

Your cable 4501 Reobrs(?). Only liaison SARDINIA and will a  
Major HATH mie(?) (Mining?) Division. CARBONIA SARDINIA.DiatAction - Exec Comm  
Info - A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
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File (2)  
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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference SR/1111

Message Centre No: D/6545

Date/Time of Origin MAR 311600A

Date Time Rec'd: MAR 312036A

Precedence: PRIORITY

FROM: ALCOM SOUTHERN REGION

TO : HQ ALCOM FOR ACEXC

APR 1 1945

IN CLEAR

New address Liaison Officer NAPLES will be AMG NAPLES  
from 1st April 1945 cable address remains ALCOM NAPLES.

## Dist

Action - Exec Commissioner  
Info - A/President  
Chief Commissioner  
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File  
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Tel: 478201

31 March 1945.

Ref: 991/53/EC

SUBJECT: Minutes of Supreme Allied Commander's  
Conference (Operational).

TO : AFHQ.  
(Attention: Supreme Allied Commander's Secretariat)

1. Reference your telephone conversation with the Office of the Chief Commissioner.
2. Copy Nos. 34 to 36 of SAC(0)(45) 7th Meeting dated 29 Mar 45, Minutes of Supreme Allied Commander's Conference (Operational) are returned herewith as requested.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Major E. Talbot

Colonel,  
Acting Executive Commissioner.

Incl:  
as above

PA 5824  
[Signature]

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TO : HQ AG (For Adjutants Dep't)  
FROM : HQ AMG Umbria-Marche Region  
SUBJECT : Courier  
REF : R5/501/13  
DATE : 29 March 1945

MAR 30 1945

The courier leaving this HQ (AQUINA) at 0900 hours on Sunday 1st April 45 will return to PERUGIA, the new HQ of this Region. Thereafter the courier will depart from PERUGIA for your HQ daily at 0730 hours.

For Regional Commissioner:

*A. A. Pascarella*  
A. A. Pascarella  
WO JG USA  
Adjutant

TC/rh



*Notified in Daily Bulletin No. 91  
of 1. April. 1945.*

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*PA. 1/24*

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File 991

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ALCON SICILIA REGION, ALCON SARDEGNA REGION, PERSOUTH FOR ALCON SOUTHERN REGION

4901

30 MARCH 45

PRIORITY

RESTRICTED PD

INFORM THIS HEADQUARTERS AT ONCE OF CABLE AND MAIL ADDRESS OF ALL LIAISON OFFICERS  
TO REMAIN PD

PARSE TO ALCON SICILIA REGION OR ALCON SARDEGNA REGION OR PERSOUTH FOR ALCON  
SOUTHERN REGION EITHER OR FROM HQ ALCON CITY AEROS PARSE

Copy to: Lario-Ustria Region

Major L. W. STEARNS

9 of Free Comm

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NICHOLAS FIORINO  
CWO, USA  
Asst Adjutant

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Tel: 476201

29 March 1945.

Ref: 99L/50/EC

SUBJECT: Operation FIREBORN.

TO : AFHQ.  
(Attention: A.C. Section)

1. The correspondence detailed below has been received in error at this Headquarters.
2. May all concerned in the dispatch of mail be instructed please that ACA is Allied Commission AUSTRIA not this Commission.
3. For information and appropriate action it is notified that the enclosures were dispatched to this Hq in a Mail Sack without having been first enclosed under sealed cover.

For the Chief Commissioner:

Major L. W. STEARNS

Colonel,  
Acting Executive Commissioner.

Enclosures

5 copies (87-91) AP 403 dated 28 Mar 45 marked to Land Forces Div.  
Copy 92, AP 403 dated 28 Mar 45 marked to Air Forces Div.

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Ref: 991/49/EC

Tel: 341

24 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Signal No.D/5380 from SARDINIA dated 17 Mar 45.

TO : Economic Section (for Transportation Sub-Commission)

1. Reference your AC/615/64/Tn.3 dated 21 Mar 45.

2. The cable in question was handled in the Message Centre as priority in the normal manner and took precedence for delivery in accordance with other priority cables logged prior and subsequent to its receipt during the night of 17-18 March. Delivery was made to your office at 11.35 hours on the morning of the 18th March.

3. The only means of communication with the Port of CIVITAVECCHIA is by DEUS which is a daily service from HQ RAAC. The information contained in the cable was of a nature which could not be given over the telephone, therefore it is considered no direct action by the Duty Officer was practicable in the circumstances. Both Signal Centre and HQ Message Centre are guided primarily by the normal precedence indication which is shown usually as the first word of the text. In view of this and also the fact that the expected time of arrival of the ship was not given it is the opinion of this office that only a representative of Transportation Sub-Commission could have determined whether or not immediate action was essential in this particular instance.

4. Your remarks with regard to the term 'VICE' are however noted and instructions have been given to the Message Centre for such cables to be handled in accordance with your request.

*[Signature]*  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner.

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*[Signature]*  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Transportation Sub-Commission

AMMC/gs

File No AC/615/64/Pn.3.

21 March 1945

SUBJECT :- Signal No D/5380 (your reference) from Sardinia  
dated 17 March 1945.

TO :- Message Center  
HQ. Allied Commission

1. The above signal was received by Signal Center from Cipher Section at 23.15 hrs. on 17 March 45. As only messages of Operational Priority and over are dealt with during the night, it was passed "routine" to the duty officer, and ultimately received by Movements Division, Transportation Sub-Commission during the afternoon of 18 March 1945.

2. This signal is a "vice" signal, giving movements of a ship, and as such is one of operational priority. It will be appreciated therefore if appropriate standing instructions can be issued that all signals preceded by the word "VICE" are treated as operational priority and dealt with immediately. In the particular case in point the ship arrived in the port of Civitavecchia, without the Port Authorities receiving any notification, thus causing considerable difficulties in discharge.

*W. B. Thomas*  
W. B. THOMAS, Colonel  
Deputy Director

*Delivered to TNS/C  
at 1135 on 11 MAR 45*

*See 49* 2152

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Tel: 478201

Ref: 991/47/EO.

22 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Correspondence.

TO : S.C.A.O.,  
Fifth Army.

1. Reference your 14/7 dated 14 March 1945 and my 991/42/EO dated 16 March 1945 addressed to Displaced Persons & Repatriation Sub-Commission, copy to you.
2. Attached copy of DPR/B/AIM dated 19 March 1945 is forwarded for information.

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Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Incl: As stated above.

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APO 394

DISPLACED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION

DPR/8/ADM

Tel. 489081 Ext. 576

19 March 1945

SUBJECT : Correspondence.

MAR 21 1945

TO : Chief Staff Officer,                       
to Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference 991/42/EC of 16 March 1945.

2. The letter in question DPR/88/Adm dated 6 March 1945 was held back at the request of the Director of the Sub-Commission and, as it was a mimeograph sheet with a wide distribution, the date could not be altered as copies were dispatched to other addressees on 6 March.

For the Director.

*K.C. Brown*  
K.C. BROWN  
Major  
O.i/c ADM.

Copy to : File DPR/88/ADM.

*(SSM Person)*

*see 147* 2153

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION  
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Messenger Service.

FILE No. ED/2E/AC

MAR 20 1945

TO : Office of the Executive Commissioner. 19/3/1945  
(Att: Office i/c Message Center)

1. It is requested that messenger service be rendered for the Representative of the Library of Congress, now located on the fourth floor, Room 23, PRO bldg, Via 23 Marzo.

2. Mr. Sanchez was forced to move his office due to lack of space in this building. The Office of the Representative of the Library of Congress is attached to the Educ. S/C.

For the Director of Education:

*J. V. Vella*  
J. V. VELLA  
Captain  
Executive Officer

(SSM Picken)

*IR now reporting.*  
N.F.A.

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CONFIDENTIAL 43

Ref: 992/43/20

Tel: 478201

17 March 1946

SUBJECT: Letter for AGC YUGOSLAVIA.

TO : G-5, AFHQ.

1. Attached letter addressed to Allied Control Commission, Yugoslavia, is returned to you, as the location of the addressee is unknown at this Hq.
2. It will be noted that the package has been in signal channels for a considerable period, and it would appear that there is now very little chance of its final delivery as presently addressed. It is suggested therefore that the letter be opened by you and directed into correct channels.

For the Chief Commissioner:

  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

Incl:  
as above

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Tel : 735

Ref/994/42/80.

16 March 1945

SUBJECT: Transmission of Correspondence.

TO : Displaced Persons &amp; Repatriation 3/0

1. Attached letter from AMG 5 Army is passed to you for information and any further action you may consider necessary.
2. The letter in question (DPR/38/AM) was delivered to the Message Centre this HQ on 12 March 1945, and was despatched to AMG 5 Army on the morning of 13 March 45.

*[Signature]*  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner.

Copy to : AMG 5 Army (Ref. your 14/7  
dated 14 March 45)

*[Signature]*  
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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION, ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT, APO 394, 10 March 45.

TO: Executive Commissioner, Headquarters Allied Commission.

MAR 13 1945

1. Inclosed herewith is certified true copy of letter dispatched from this headquarters, dated 20 February 1945, acknowledging receipt of O.S.S. Report, Ref J-3340, dated 11 February 1945, which was received with letter of transmittal dated 16 February 1945.

For the Regional Commissioner:

Alden T. Hinson

ALDEN T. HINSON  
1st Lt, AC  
Adjutant

1 Incl: Letter RIX/PH/3.9, 20 Feb 45.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE DIVISION  
APO 394

BDD/jjs  
20 February 1945

RHX/PH/3.9

SUBJECT: OSS Information

TO : AC of S - G-5  
HQ, 15th Army Group  
APO 777, U.S. Army

1. This will acknowledge receipt of copy of U.S.S. Report, Ref J-3340 dated 11 February 1945, and letter of transmittal ref S/12/G-5 dated 16 February 1945.

2. This Division will appreciate receiving copies of such reports as may be issued from time to time and which contain medical intelligence.

For the Regional Commissioner:

/s/ Bernard D. Daitz  
BERNARD D. DAITZ  
Capt., Sn. C.  
Epidemiologist.

A certified true copy.

*Alden T. Hinson*

ALDEN T. HINSON  
1st Lt, AC

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Tel: 478201

13 March 1945.

Ref: 991/39/EC

SUBJECT: 2 District Operation Instructions.

TO : HQ 2 District, CMF.

1. Reference your 2003 G(e) dated 7 Mar 45.

2. The dates of the Operation Instructions mentioned are not given and we cannot trace receipt. Unless we hear from you to the contrary we shall assume that they were issued during a period when this HQ was not concerned and we shall not therefore take any further action.

*EH*  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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Subject: 2 Districts of Interest.

HQ 2 District 007  
 2003 G(1)

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The undermentioned 2 Districts of Interest are cancelled. Holders of any or two of these documents should destroy them at once.

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 Main Eighth Army  
 Rear Eighth Army  
 2 Brigades  
 26 Bde and 2 Polcorps  
 Base 2 Polcorps  
 26 Bde at Base 2 Polcorps  
 1 District  
 3 Districts  
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*Major General,  
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6 SA Arm Div Reg Gp  
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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARLY GROUP  
G-5 SECTION  
APO 777

Ref: G-5/S/18

FFJ/mjm  
10 March 1945

SUBJECT: OSS Reports.

MAR 11 1945

TO: Office of Executive Commissioner, HQ Allied Commission,  
APO 394.

1. Reference your 991/35/EC of 5 March 45.
2. Acknowledgments have now been received for the thirteen OSS reports forwarded to you between 15 February and 4 March 45.
3. Inadvertently a request was made for an acknowledgment for the report of 15 February for information of the Economic Section. This had been received. Economic Section have therefore been telephoned informing them of this.
4. It is noted that you forwarded the OSS report of 18 February to Emilia Region, though they had been included in the addressees by this office. Public Health Sub-Commission are recalling this if they did not retain a copy.
5. When the request was made for acknowledgments it was intended that such should only refer to HQ Allied Commission. Emilia Region had, in fact, acknowledged their copy of the report dated 18 February and this office has informed them that such has been received.

*Philip J. Jones*  
Lt Colonel  
for DOCAO

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP  
G-5 SECTION  
APO 777

Ref: G-5/1/1.2

FEJ/mjm  
10 March 1945

*Dear Sir,*

Your personal help in expediting these acknowledgments is  
much appreciated.

*Yours Sincerely  
"Jimmy"*

MAR 10 1945

Major Talbot,  
Chief Staff Officer to Executive Commissioner,  
HQ Allied Commission.

*folio 35 Refers*

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Acknowledgment.

HQ. 15th. Army Group. G-5 Section.  
APO. 777. U.S.A.

6 March 1945.

Reference S/18/G-5 d/d 22 February 1945.

1. Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the following report:

a) Conditions in Torino; Air Raid Damage  
(Reference J.3382 dtd 13 February 1945.)

2. Receipt was acknowledged of your reference S/18/G-5 d/d 17 February 1945 and contents (Ref. J-3368 d/d 11 Feb. 1945 and J-3362 d/d 13 February 1945) on 19 February 1945. Enclosed herewith please find copy.

*folio 35 refers*  
*George W. Cashman*  
GEORGE W. CASHMAN  
1st. Lt. Inf.  
P.R.O.  
Information Division.

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*Copy to: Ex Comm R.*

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*JA*

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HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMBAT ZONE  
 AND 394  
 Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 259

5 March 1945

Ref: 991/35/80

SUBJECT: OSS Reports.

TO : Regional Commissioner, BAILIA Region.  
 Economic Section.  
 Public Relations Branch for Information Division.

1. The under-mentioned OSS reports were forwarded to you by G-5 15 Army Group. This office has been informed by Lt. Col. Friend James, G-5 15 Army Group, that he has not had acknowledgement of receipt of these documents which was requested in his covering letter.

| Subject         | Ref.     | Date      | Received this HQ | Sent to          |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| OSS Information | 3/12/G-5 | 15 Feb 45 | 18 Feb 45        | Economic Sec.    |
| " "             | 3/12/G-5 | 16 Feb 45 | 18 Feb 45        | Bailia Region.   |
| " "             | 3/18/G-5 | 17 Feb 45 | 18 Feb 45        | Information Div. |
| " "             | 3/18/G-5 | 22 Feb 45 | 25 Feb 45        | Information Div. |

2. Please acknowledge receipt forthwith, and note that in future immediate acknowledgements must be made of secret documents when requested.

*Major E. Talbot*

Chief Staff Officer.  
 To Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: G-5 15 Army Group - Attention: Lt. Col. Friend James.  
 Reference 3/18/G-5 dated 1 Mar received 3 Mar,  
 this was acknowledged by Finance Sub-Comm today,  
 5 Mar 45.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 991/34/EG

3 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Mail Irregularities.

TO : Economic Section.

1. The attached piece of alleged OFFICIAL and CONFIDENTIAL mail was intercepted in the Message Centre on 2 March 1945.

2. The following irregularities are patent:

- 1) Use of OFFICIAL Transportation Sub-Commission stamp.
- 2) Classification 'CONFIDENTIAL'.
- 3) Certification in support of 1) and 2).

3. You are directed to investigate this case without delay, to take appropriate action in order to ensure against recurrence and to submit a report thereon not later than 1200 hrs., 5 Mar 45.

Major W. STEADUS  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To Executive Commissioner.

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Chief Clerk,  
Spoke with Maj Doe and this  
matter has been satisfactorily  
settled.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 991/33/EO

2 March 1945

SUBJECT: Transmission of Secret Mail.

TO : AMG Piemonte Region.

1. A large envelope addressed to "Region XII Regional Commissioner (Att. Adjutant)" was delivered to this HQ by courier on 1 March 1945.
2. The envelope accidentally burst open in this HQ Message Centre and it was found to contain another envelope marked 'SECRET'. Neither of the envelopes bore a reference number, nor was the package treated as a registered item.
3. This practice is in direct contravention of AFHQ Circular No.2 dated 6 Feb 45, which directs that all classified material will be treated as registered mail and will be covered by a receipt at all times. The envelope should bear a file number or despatch number for identification purposes.
4. You are requested to ensure that steps are taken to prevent a recurrence of this incident.

Major L. W. STEARNS

Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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28 February 1945

MEMO

TO ) Mr. Picken, Executive Commissioner's Office

MAR 1-1945

1. The attached correspondence came addressed to me but I feel it a matter that should be taken up with your cable section.

*ABS*

Wm. B. SIMMONS  
1st Lt., Sig C.

Notes

Raised this subject with  
C.C. of Message Center.  
Omissions are appreciated  
and regretted.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Transportation Sub-Commission

Tele:

Our ref: AC/509/132/Tn.3

27 February 1945

SUBJECT : Signals.

TO : AC HQ Communications Officer. ✓

1. Numerous instances have been observed of late where signals have not been distributed to the most interested party.

2. Two cases in point have reached this office today.

(1) AFHQ Signal FM33668, 25/2 addressed A.C. Sardinia inf.

AC. ROME, HQ Area for Coal Section.

Industry S/C are not on distribution.

||| (2) AC Sardinia Signal 577, 26 Feb. addressed AFHQ cite FHGDM,

FHSHP inf: AC cite ACING.

Mining Division are not on distribution.

3. It will be appreciated that the delay caused in advising actual addressees could have very serious consequence. But for the observance of this office these addressees would not have received any copy of signal.

*H. H. Taylor*  
HERRITT H. TAYLOR  
Director.

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APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Ref. 991/29/EC

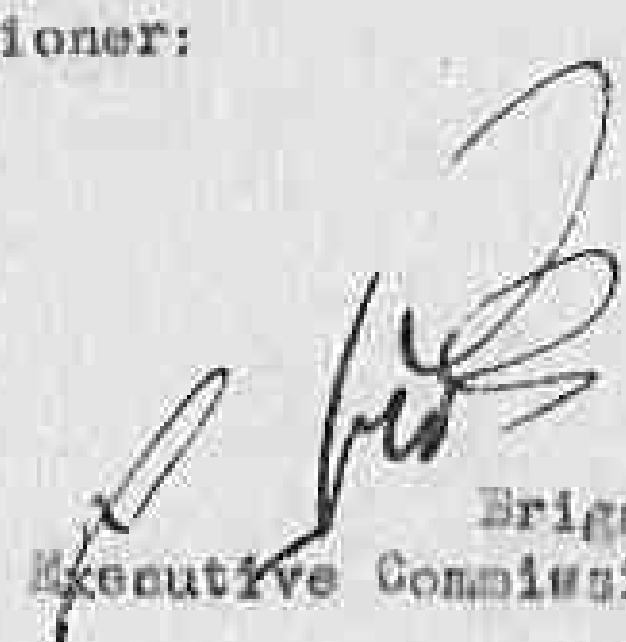
27 February 45

SUBJECT: Preparation of Mail for Dispatch through A/MDS Channels

TO : Headquarters, Peninsular Base Section, APO 762  
(Attention: Signal Officer)

1. Reference your letter file 311.4 BP310, dated 24 Feb 45, your courtesy in calling to our attention the discrepancies noted therein is sincerely appreciated.
2. Appropriate action is being taken to correct this matter.

For the Chief Commissioner:

  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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IN REPLY REFER TO

311.4 BPSIG

HEADQUARTERS  
PENINSULAR BASE SECTION  
OFFICE OF THE SIGNAL OFFICER  
A. P. O. 782

HLP/RLJ/jmv  
24 February 1945

Subject: Preparation of Mail for Dispatch through  
A/MDLS Channels.

FEB 27 1945

To: Signal Officer, HQ Allied Commission, APO 394

1. A registered envelope bearing ADLS registry number IR-0230 and your headquarters registry number 1126 was received today by Peninsular Base Section Signal Center. Within this large brown envelope there were 5 other envelopes and a mimeographed copy of Allied Commission letter of 20 February, subject: "Interviews with Italian Journalists". Also enclosed was a prepared receipt form to be executed by the Signal Center acknowledging receipt of "One Pouch of Official Mail".

2. An inspection of the contents of this dispatch revealed that there was not a single piece of classified mail, not even Restricted. Neither did the contents appear to be such that they would be difficult to reproduce since they consisted of mimeographed copies and an inter-office memorandum. In this connection your attention is invited to paragraph 3d. of AFHQ Circular Number 2, dated 6 February 1945, a copy of which is enclosed. You will note in paragraph 3d (1)(a) that only articles classified Confidential or higher will be registered.

3. The importance of delivering all dispatch material to addressees is recognized by this headquarters. However to register each item handled would seriously delay all dispatches and in some instances might prove an impossible task. Accordingly it is requested that you instruct your Signal Center personnel that they comply to AFHQ Circular Number 2 and handle as registered items only those which are entitled to such treatment.

4. Your internal receipt is returned herewith unsigned.

*Herman L. Purkiser*  
HERMAN L. PURKISER  
Lt. Col., Signal Corps,  
Acting Signal Officer.

2 Incls:

- #1 - HQ Allied Commission Receipt
- #2 - AFHQ Circular Number 2

cc: CSO AFHQ, Att'n: Major J. M. Wortsman.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS  
G-5 Section  
APO 512

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G-5: 386

24 February 1945

FEB 27 1945

SUBJECT: Property in Asmara of the late Dr. Antonio Caridi.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. Reference your 991/27/COS, this subject dated 20 February 1945.

2. Inclosed herewith are copies of your 505 - CA, dated 25 Oct 44, and of our G-5: 386, dated 27 Oct. 1944.

3. Under date of 22 Feb. 1945 the report in question was forwarded to you (our G-5: 386, 22 February 45).

For the Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5:

Incls:  
as above.

26 FEB 1945

*Julius Byles*  
JULIUS BYLES  
Major, F.A.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Tel: 478201

20 February 1945

Ref: 991/27/008

SUBJECT: Property in ASMARA of the late Dr. Antonio GARIBI.

TO : G-5, AMHQ.

*Transferred to Political Section*

1. Reference your G-5: 386 of 15 February 1945, subject as above.

2. As no trace can be found at this HQ of the correspondence in question it would be appreciated if a copy of 505-GA dated 25 Oct 44 and your G-5: 386 dated 27 Oct 44 could be forwarded please, to enable us to trace.

For the Chief Commissioner:

*[Signature]*  
Brigadier,  
Executive Commissioner.

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**ALLIED COMMISSION**  
**OFFICE OF THE HEADQUARTERS COMMANDANT**

**SUBJECT:** Official Mail Deliveries.

**FILE No.** HQC/33

**TO** Chief Staff Officer  
to Chief of Staff.

12 February 1945

**FEB 13 1945**

Reference your 991/COS, dated 10 Feb 45.

The complaint made in your letter has been fully investigated and it would appear that the error was largely due to a new man being unfamiliar with the procedure regarding official mail.

Steps have been taken to ensure that a repetition of such an occurrence will be avoided in future.

*R. H. Robertson*

R. H. ROBERTSON  
Hq. Commandant.

Colonel

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*P. H. Robertson*  
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
APO 394  
Office of the Chief of Staff  
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Tel: 289

Ref: 991/COB

10 February 1945

SUBJECT: Official Mail Deliveries.

TO : HQ Comdt.

1. On the afternoon of Wednesday, 7 Feb 45, following a query regarding the non-delivery of official mail to this HQ by the Chianciano Courier, and after it had been established that the Courier had in fact reported with mail to the Headquarters, enquiry was made inter alia at the British Post Office. The personnel of the post office indicated that all material had by then been cleared and there was nothing outstanding.
2. However, on the following morning, 8 February, two pouches containing the mail in question were discovered in the post office still unsorted although delivery had been made at approximately 1400 hours the previous day.
3. It is therefore requested that the postal staff be instructed to ensure that in future every effort be made to avoid the hold up of any official mail which may be delivered to that office.

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*[Signature]*

Chief Staff Officer  
To the Chief of Staff.

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Tel : 478201

9 Feb 1945

Ref/991/23/003.

SUBJECT : Official Mail.

TO : R.C. Venezia Region.

1. Reference your RXII/311.18 dated 31 Jan 1945.

2. Para 2 of your letter is not understood and there would appear to be some misunderstanding regarding the delivery of mail to EMILIA Region at RICCIONE. The system at present in operation for transmission of mail from this HQ to EMILIA and VENEZIA Regions is set out hereunder for your guidance.

3. All official mail for EMILIA Region which is sent by courier from this HQ is delivered direct to that Region and is not enclosed in your pouch under any circumstances. On days when the courier is not operating mail is despatched through ADLS channels and is cleared to you through No. 3 Beach Group Pesaro. Material for EMILIA Region and VENEZIA Region is enclosed in the same pouch, which is addressed to you. This is necessary in order to accede to the requirements of the ADLS authorities in keeping record work to a minimum.

4. EMILIA Region have already been advised of these arrangements and have been instructed to arrange for collection from your Advance R.Q. In order to assist in this you are requested to arrange for the pouch to be opened at your advance HQ and the package for EMILIA Region removed and held for collection by a representative of that Region. It is considered that this could be effected without any undue inconvenience to you.

*[Signature]*  
Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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Copy to : EMILIA Region Main  
" " Rear.

*[Signature]*  
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HEADQUARTERS VENEZIA REGION  
Allied Commission  
APO 394

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TO : HQ Comandant, HQ A.C.  
Message Centre, HQ A.C.

31 Jan 45

SUBJECT: Mail

FILE No: RXII/311.18

HEADQUARTERS  
FEB 1945  
A. C.

1. For some time now mail destined for Emilia Region Main HQ has been routed via the Advance HQ of this region at CATTOLICA, a practice which does not appear to be desirable as a considerable loss of time is involved.

2. The present system is that this mail is brought to CATTOLICA by the A.C. Courier from ROME, then collected by us and brought to our Main headquarters at MONDAINO for sorting. The following day it is returned to CATTOLICA re-addressed to RICCIONE for onward transmission by the same Courier from ROME on its next journey some days later.

3. It is therefore suggested that all mail for Emilia Region Main headquarters be addressed to them at RICCIONE and delivered there by the A.C. Courier from ROME when it passes that town on its way to HQ AMG 8th Army.

*[Signature]*  
Acting Regional Commissioner

Copies for information to:-  
Main HQ Emilia Region  
Rear HQ " "

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MEMO FOR MAJOR TALBOT.

Lt.Col. Friend James spoke to me on the telephone today and pointed out that the mail is being sent from this HQ on a Thursday each week by 14th Signals Centre courier and not by an AC courier. He pointed out that this was a departure from our old policy and requested me to take action with a view to having the mail sent by AC courier as before. I have since made inquiry and have ascertained that the position is as follows :

Some time ago we were sending the mail to 15 Army Group by Dispatch Rider every Thursday but we had two or three accidents by reason of the road being in a poor state of repair and bad weather conditions. Accordingly an arrangement was made by S/Sgt Kavanagh in the Message Centre with the Chief Clerk at Civil Affairs Section, 15 Army Group, whereby the mail as stated above on a Thursday was to be sent by the motor courier of the 14th Signals Centre this location to the ELS Office at 15 Army Group. It is understood that the said courier leaves here at 5 o'clock each morning and is scheduled to arrive at the ELS Office at 1540 hrs in the afternoon. Recently, however, by reason of snow and resultant road-blocks the courier has been delayed and has not reached the ELS Office until approximately 1900 hrs, resulting in the mail not being distributed until the following morning. It would appear that Lt.Col. Friend James did not have knowledge of this arrangement when it was originally made and this delay in delivery in the mail has now brought the fact to light.

I have spoken to Major Birch, the Transportation Officer, and he would prefer, if possible, to continue sending the mail by the 14th Signals Centre courier.

In view of the fact that the mail now being dispatched from this HQ to the Civil Affairs Section, 15 Army Group, is not on such a high level as it was in the past and in the interests of economy, in transportation, petrol and manpower, I do not think there is any justification for an AC courier duplicating a run which is now being done by 14th Signals.

26 Jan 45.

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*Reg. Lt. Col. Friend James*

*PA 27/1*

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Ref: 289

Ref: 991/18/008

25 January 1945.

SUBJECT: Wage Scale.

TO : Economic Section for Finance Sub-Commission.

1. Reference your 13896/Y/4/2 dated 24 Jan 45 which has been passed to this office by Establishment Section. Letter, reference 119 dated 18 Jan 45, from RPO SICILIA Region is returned herewith.
2. It is regretted that no spares are held by this Hq of AMSC Admin. Memo. No.2 of 1945, distribution of all available copies having already been made.
3. Any further copies of this publication which may be required by RPO Sicilia Region must be met by reproduction.

*[Signature]*  
Chief Staff Officer,  
To the Chief of Staff.

Copy to: Estab. Section.

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*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

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Ref: 991/17/008

Tel: 478201

25 January 1948.

SUBJECT: AFHQ - MFOUSA Publications.

TO : AFHQ (Atten: Office of Adjutant General)

1. Reference AFHQ - MFOUSA Distribution List No. 1, dated 20 Nov 44.
2. It is requested please that the entry in Part V - Miscellaneous relating to ALLIED COMMISSION (ALCOM) be amended in so far as lists G, D, Y and Z are concerned to show 40 in each case.
3. The present distribution of 35 under these lists is insufficient for the requirements of this HQ.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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ALLIED COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE HEADQUARTERS COMMANDANT

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SUBJECT: Dispatch Riders.

FILE No. HQC/10/11

TO : Chief of Staff.

13 January 1945

JAN 20 1945

1. Reference your letter 991/15/COS, dated 18 Jan 45, in regard to T/10680011, Dvr. Allen, E.S.
2. Instructions have been issued today to the British Motor Pool for another motorcycle to be issued to this dispatch rider.
3. As stated in your letter, the result of the Court of Inquiry on the loss of Dvr. Allen's motorcycle is still awaited. It should be noted, however, that this driver is on charge of losing by neglect.

*Mr. Pickens to inform*  
*MC*  
*25/1/45*  
*Done. PA 20/1*  
*445247*  
*Robertson* Lt.col.  
R. H. ROBERTSON  
Hq. Commandant.

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Tel. 269

18 January 1945

Ref. 991/15/COS.

SUBJECT: Despatch Riders.

TO : Hq Commandant.

1. T/10680011, Dvr ALLEN, E.S. who has been employed as a D.R. and attached to Message Centre for duty, lost his motor cycle 31 Dec 44, since which date he has been without a motor cycle.
2. A court of Enquiry has in the interim taken place and the result is awaited.
3. Apparently the British Transport Officer at the Super Garage will not issue another machine without your authority so the Message Centre is meantime deficient of a DR. May authority be given either to issue another machine to Dvr Allen or to appoint another DR, as the DR duty roster must be filled without delay.

*[Signature]*  
Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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Ref. 991/14/COS

14 December 1944

SUBJECT: Tracing of Correspondence  
Subject "Dr. Lionello LINDI".

TO : D.A.D. Claims  
48 Claims and Hirings  
NAPLES.

1. Reference your CC3/48/968/A dated 14 Nov 44.
2. A very thorough search has been made at this HQ for your letter, reference as above, dated 20 Oct 44 but it is regretted there is no trace.
3. It is suggested you direct further enquiry to HQ Southern Region, AC., Provincia Edg., NAPLES.

Copy to: HQ Southern Region.

Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

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Subject : Claim.

To : HQ., Allied Commission,  
Rome.Dr. Lionello LINARDI, 8 Via Armando Diaz, Naples.

I understand that a letter and enclosures (reference as above) addressed by me to Naples Zone on 20 October 44 have been passed to you for attention.

Can you inform me please whether you can get yet let me have the comments of the officer concerned.

Major,  
D.A.D. Claims,  
43 Claims and Hirings.

Naples  
14 Nov 44  
NC/R.

NOTE:

LETTER UNDER REF. RECEIVED BY  
ESTAB SEC 16 Dec 44. ORIGINAL OF THIS  
FOLIO ACCORDINGLY PASSED TO THEM WITH  
COPY OF FOLIO 14. 14/12

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Tel Ext 341

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## Office of the Chief of Staff

MTOUSA Message Form

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The Adjutant, 2675th Regiment, AD

11/20/44 December 44

Reference attached MTOUSA messageform dated 27 November 44, this office also has no record of ever having received the correspondence referred to. Accordingly, it is suggested that a complete file of this case be requested from MTOUSA.

1 Incl.

MTOUSA messageform, 27/11/44.  
file AG 220.37/283-P

*[Signature]*  
Chief Staff Officer  
To the Chief of Staff

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*[Signature]*

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S-1, 2675th Regiment  
Allied Commission

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4 December 1944

6 DEC 1944

SUBJECT: Monies of Enlisted Men.

TO : Chief of Staff Office, Allied Commission, (Attn: Major STEARNS).

Thorough check with Message Center and files reveals no information on this. Note the address.

For the Commanding Officer:

*N. W. Dragneff*

N. W. DRAGNEFF  
Major, AGD  
Adjutant

1 Incl:  
MTCUSA Messageform, dtd 27 Nov 44.

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I have spoken to  
C.C. CA Sec who will  
cooperate in any obvious  
misdirection of communication  
by M.C.

He stated that  
in many instances on the  
site list he could not  
say on receipt that  
action was NOT CA Sec.

Re file this

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND BASE POST OFFICE

EVL/jvc

APC 790

30 November 1944

12 DEC 1944

SUBJECT: International Red Cross Mails.

TO : Postal Officer, APC #394, U. S. Army

1. Further reference is made to our letter of 30 November 1944 relative to dispatch of International Red Cross mails in International Mail Bags.
2. A Message received from International Red Cross in Rome requested information as to where they might find such mail bags.
3. Request that you notify the senders that International Red Cross mails should be handled thru the Italian Civilian Postal Service who in turn will enter the mail in the Army Postal Service.

For the Commanding Officer:

EDWARD V. LYNCH,  
Captain, A.G.D.,  
Postal Officer.

/jbb

394TH ARMY POSTAL UNIT, APC #394, U. S. ARMY, 2 December 1944.  
1st Ind.

TO: International Committee of the Red Cross, 79 Via Sardegna, Rome, Italy.

1. Your attention is invited to the basic communication.
2. For compliance with paragraph 3 of basic communications

Copy to:

Chief of Staff, Allied Commission  
Message Center, Allied Commission.

HEIL FARRIS,  
1st Lt., AGD,  
Postal Officer.

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30 November 1944

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Message Center, Allied Commission.

NEIL FARRIS,  
1st Lt., AGD,  
Postal Officer.

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Ref. 991/7/COS

Tel. 489081 Ext. 289

30 November 1944.

SUBJECT: Adm Memo No 47.

TO : ANG EMILIA Region.

1. Reference your R IX/HQ/L/1/1 dated 25 Nov 44. The number of AMHQ Administrative Memoranda received allows distribution of only one copy to each Region and no spares are held at this Headquarters.

2. In the circumstances therefore, it is regretted that this HQ is not in a position to meet your request for extra copies.

3. Additional requirements when necessary should be met by reproduction at your H.

*E.H.*  
Brigadier,  
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: HQ/COS  
Message centre.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION  
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT  
APO 394

25 November 1944

REF : RIX/HQ/L/1/1

SUBJECT: Distribution

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Request 12 additional copies of Administrative Memorandum Number 47, AFHQ, dated 16 November 1944 to be distributed upon receipt as follows:

|                          | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|
| 1 Ea Province            | 8     |
| 1 Finance Officer        | 1     |
| 1 Asst Executive Officer | 1     |
| 1 Reg Hq Sub Accountant  | 1     |
| 1 OC, British Detachment | 1     |

2. Only two copies were received initially, and these were distributed as follows:

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| 1 | Regional File              |
| 1 | CO, Company I, 2675th Regt |

For the Regional Commissioner:

*Duane D. Freese*  
DUANE D. FREESE  
Capt, CMP  
Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS SECOND BASE POST OFFICE  
APO 790

EVL/jwc

20 November 1944

SUBJECT: International Red Cross Mails.

TO : Postal Officer, APO #394, U. S. Army

1. International Red Cross Mails can only be handled in closed bags.
2. A number of packages from the International Red Cross have been received from your office addressed to Marseilles, Geneva and Naples, as loose parcels.
3. Please advise the International Red Cross that these mails should be dispatched in International Mail bags.

For the Commanding Officer:

EDWARD V. LYNCH  
Captain, A.G.D.,  
Postal Officer.

1st Ind. HF/jbb  
394TH ARMY POSTAL UNIT, APO #394, U.S. ARMY, 23 November 1944.

TO: International Committee of the Red Cross, 79 Via Sardegna, Rome, Italy.

1. Your attention is invited to the basic communication.
2. It is requested that mail from your office be placed in International Mail bags and sealed prior to presentation at the Message Center, Allied Commission.

NEIL FARRIS  
1st Lt., A.G.D.,  
Postal Officer.

Copy to:

Chief of Staff, Allied Commission  
Message Center, Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS  
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
APO 394

21 NOV Recd

Suspense

Date 21/10/44

| FROM                           | TO                                  | FROM                    | TO |
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| <del>Chief Staff Officer</del> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Patriots Branch         |    |
| Secretary General              |                                     | Security Branch         |    |
| Archivist                      |                                     | Establishments Branch   |    |
| Admin Section                  |                                     | Director                |    |
| Interior                       |                                     | Executive Officer (A)   |    |
| Public Safety                  |                                     | Executive Officer (B)   |    |
| Public Health                  |                                     | G-1 (A)                 |    |
| Property Control               |                                     | G-1 (B)                 |    |
| Legal                          |                                     | G-4 (A)                 |    |
| Education                      |                                     | G-4 (B)                 |    |
| Monuments & Fine Arts          |                                     | H.Q. Comdt              |    |
| Economic Section               |                                     | Adjutant                |    |
| Agriculture                    |                                     | Message Center          |    |
| Commerce                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Orders & Bulletins      |    |
| Finance                        |                                     | 2675th Regt             |    |
| Food                           |                                     | Political Section       |    |
| Industry                       |                                     | Navy                    |    |
| Labor                          |                                     | Army                    |    |
| Mining Division                |                                     | Air                     |    |
| Public Works & Utilities       |                                     | Communications          |    |
| Requisition Division           |                                     | Civil Censorship Group  |    |
| Shipping                       |                                     | W.M.D. & P.O.W.         |    |
| Transportation                 |                                     | Public Relations Branch |    |
| R.C. & M.C. Section            |                                     | U.N.R.R.A.              |    |
| P.A. to Executive Commissioner |                                     |                         |    |
| Civil Affairs Branch           |                                     |                         |    |
| Information Division           |                                     |                         |    |
| Liaison Division               |                                     |                         |    |
| I. & D.P. S.C.                 |                                     |                         |    |
| Italian Refugees Branch        |                                     |                         |    |

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Remarks & Recommendation \_\_\_\_\_  
Information \_\_\_\_\_  
Approval/Disposal \_\_\_\_\_  
Appropriate Action \_\_\_\_\_  
Investigation & Report \_\_\_\_\_  
Dispatch \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS

MR Pickens

As you know, this affair has now been satisfactorily cleared and attached letter is passed to you for file please.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND  
OFFICE OF THE SIGNAL OFFICER  
APO 794, US ARMY.

Ref. No : X/24.

20 November 1944.

Subject : Loss of Registered Mail.

21 NOV Recd

To : Director,  
Communications Sub-commission,  
Allied Commission.

1. At 1500 hours on 17 November, 4 registered packages and 2 unregistered packages were handed over by R.A.A.C. Message Center to an Allied Commission D.R. (J.G. Savage). The numbers of the registered packages were 68227, 68228, 68270 and 68256.

2. At 1700 hours on the same day, 3 of the registered packages and the 2 unregistered packages were returned to the Message Center by G-2 Branch, having been found by an Italian civilian and handed over to the Military Police. These packages were again signed for by the Allied Commission D.R. at 1730 hours.

3. Package No. 68256 was not amongst those packages found, and investigation was made with A.C. Signals to ascertain whether this package had been received by them. Unfortunately, this information could not be given without first ascertaining the contents of the package from the originating section in A.F.H.Q., since no record is kept by A.C. Signals of the registered numbers of packages received.

4. In view of the importance of maintaining accurate records of despatch and receipt of registered traffic, it is thought that you would wish to investigate this matter.

FJGB/jh.

21 NOV 1944  
A. C.

Louis P. Reeves

LOUIS P. REEVES.  
Lieut-Col., Signal Corps,  
Signal Officer, R.A.A.C.

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Ref: 991/2/COS

Ref. 239

9 November 1944

SUBJECT: Insertion for Daily Bulletin.

TO : The Adjutant.

1. May the following be inserted in the Daily Bulletin tomorrow, 10 November:

Communication with AMBUZZI-MARCHIE Region

There are no longer facilities for transmission of signals to HQ AMBUZZI-MARCHIE Region by electrical means. All communications will be sent by motor courier which leaves this HQ daily at approx 1400 hrs.

In the case of multiple addressed signal messages an additional copy will now be required for transmission to AMBUZZI-MARCHIE Region by motor courier.

(Sgd) L.W. S

Chief Staff Officer,  
To the Chief of Staff.

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Copy to: Ltr 990/COS ✓

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9 November 44.

PROPOSED INSERTION FOR DAILY BULLETIN

Communication with ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region

FOR TRANSMISSION OF SIGNALS

By ELECTRICAL MEANS.

There are no longer ~~signal~~ facilities to Hq ABRUZZI-MARCHE Region.  
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In the case of multiple addressed signal messages an additional  
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by motor courier.

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*991 Message Centre Open Co.S.*

To: HQ Allied Commission.  
From: HQ AMG/AC Abruzzi Marche Region.  
Subject: Communications.  
Ref: R5/501/13  
Date: 8 November 1944.

9 NOV Recd

Your Signal 5978 dated 4 November 1944 reached this HQ on 7 November 1944.

I should be most grateful if it could be made clear to all Sub - Divisions at your HQ that there is no signal communication with this HQ. Any signals, therefore, emanating from your HQ for this office must be despatched by the Courier service which runs daily from Rome at about 2 p.m. Signals written in the morning, and similarly letters of course, will thus reach here the same evening. If, however, a signal is despatched through the telegraphic service, then it takes anything up to 3 or 4 days.

The above mentioned signal arrived after I had left for the conference to which it referred.

CHAF/rgy

*C.H.A. French*  
C.H.A. FRENCH.  
Colonel.  
Regional Commissioner.

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