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SEPT. 1945 - JULY 1946

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65.

Please see signal at 64. do you
 wish to inform the P.A. of the basic
 idea? We stated some time ago
 that we would advise him of any
 moves that took place.

(See folios 145 of file 8273)

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No. P/A. H.S. 18/6

Alt 1/6

c.s.o. H.S. 16/6

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Folios 76-9 for info, please. Alt 24/6

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folio 56 for the info of the Ex. Comptroller

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C.S.O. ^{True} ^{20/4}
You may be in contact with 32, 31 & 30.
If not, for info. on further Sison Developments

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25/6 Ev. Com.

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See see 35 for info

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Ask for the telegram under reply (by post) - See 38

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41 submitted for signature, in answer to 30. 40
refer.

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Ev. Com.

Please see Folio 44 from Brigadier's Log.

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41 submitted for signature in answer to SO. 40
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Please see Folio 44 from Brigadier's Log.
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Please see Folio 44 for info. 1371
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Also
see see folio 48 for info
will pass to Daper when
then.

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Letter submitted for C.C.'s signature, please. It is reply to
folios 1+2 from the Polish Embassy. These letters dealt with
Polish soldiers of Polish 2 Corps and were sent to AFHQ. as at
folio 3.

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Chief Commissioner.

approval
Attached is submitted for your signature
information

SEP 12 1945

WVZ/Lufg.

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Issue letter

W.C. / J. And.

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~~Page 22~~ reply to page 22 as a result of page 24, submitted for ~~correction~~ ~~the note~~ attached to page 27 explains the delay in receiving that signal.

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W.C. / J. And.

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ROUTINE

MAIN POLICORPS

JUL 15 1946

INFO MISSPOL ATT POLICORPS OC 3 DFR AND ON BARLETTA ALCON

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Details of mothers with children under 12 months in Barletta Trani camp on 13 Jul as follows.

1. Mothers with 1 child under 12 months 437 with 2 children under 12 months 4.
2. Mothers with 1 child under 12 months plus children from 1 to 14 years old as follows : plus one 47 plus two 7 plus three 5 plus four 1 plus five 1.
3. Mothers with 2 children under 12 months plus children 1 - 14 years as follows: plus 4. Total mothers 503. Request signal you signal similar details of mothers with children living outside Barletta/Trani camp on 13 Jul.

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C(SD) Branch,
G2, G2.

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12 Jul 46.

Tele No : Freedom 284.

Subject : Instructions for dependents of
2 Polish Corps moving to UK by
long sea and Medloco D Routes.

Distribution as below.

1. Attached are copies of "Instructions for Dependents of 2 Polish Corps moving to UK by long sea and Medloco D Routes".
2. All dependents will be detailed to move by train 2 Polcorps who will keep CC Barletta/Trani DE Camp informed of all proposed moves of personnel living in that camp.
3. Paragraph 4 of the instructions is subject to War Office approval as is only intended as a guide at present.

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Atkinson

For *Atkinson*
Major General,
Chief of General Staff.

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A (5 copies)
CH, 2nd Division

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A. T. ...
Major General,
Chief of General Staff.

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR DEPENDENTS OF 2 POLISH CORPS
MOVING TO UK BY LONG SEA OR MEDLOC D ROUTES.

1. ROUTES Dependents will move by the following routes :-

- (a) By long sea route in ships with suitable cabin accommodation only.
- (b) By rail in special trains over MEDLOC D Route.
- (c) Women pregnant 6 months and over and women with children under 12 months old, in hospital ships.
- (d) Instructions regarding women in (a) above who have older children as well will follow.

2. DOCUMENTATION

- (a) Certificates of Identification in English will be carried by all dependents moving to UK.
- (b) Printed forms are being prepared and will be forwarded in due course.

Dependents moving before these forms are received will be issued with forms prepared under Corps arrangements giving the following information :-

- (i) Full name of dependent
- (ii) Male or Female
- (iii) Nationality
- (iv) Date of birth
- (v) Place of birth
- (vi) Number, rank, army unit and formation of member of Polish Forces to whom related or on whom dependent.
- (vii) Nature of relationship
- (viii) Signature of dependent
- (ix) Countersignature of Officer of Polish Forces
- (x) Countersignature of British Officer
- (xi) In addition to the above a photograph of the dependent will be affixed to the left-hand side of the form.

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| (vii) | Nature of relationship |
| (viii) | Signature of dependent |
| (ix) | Countersignature of Officer of Polish Forces |
| (x) | Countersignature of British Officer |
| (xi) | In addition to the above a photograph of the dependent will be affixed to the left hand side of the form and over-stamped with a unit stamp, except in the case of dependents in possession of a British Embassy pass with a photograph on it, which will be att to the identity form. |
| (xii) | Children under 5 years old will be included on the mother's card. |

- (c) In addition to the above document dependents should carry any other helpful documents in their possession to help establish their identity.

- (d) Instructions regarding documentation for the journey will be forwarded shortly.

- (e) In order to avoid unnecessary inconvenience on arrival in UK owing to language difficulties all dependents will carry a label tied to the coat lapel and a similar label tied to each article of their luggage. On the labels will be entered :-

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On one side - name of dependent

On the other side - number, rank, name, unit and formation of the person on whom dependent.

(f) In the case of people dependent on units or formations in 2 Polish Corps and not on any individual, particulars of the reason for their classification as dependent and the unit or formation responsible for them will be shown on all documents.

3. MEDICAL

(a) All dependents will be medically examined and certified free from infection within 24 hrs of embarking or entraining for UK.

(b) All pregnant women must be certified as fit to travel.

(c) Any dependents found to be infected with lice will be treated and certified clean before proceeding.

(d) The vaccination and inoculation state of all dependents will be reviewed and it will be ensured that they all proceed to UK fully protected. For full protection the following are the requirements :-

Smallpox - revaccination every two years.

Enteric Fever - reinoculation dose of T.B every year.

Typhus - re-inoculation dose of Typhus vaccine every year.

(e) Children under 2 years do not require to be inoculated against Enteric Fever or Typhus.

(f) Any individual refusing vaccination will be quarantined for 16 days before embarkation or entraining is permitted.

(g) No direct contact with cases or suspected cases of smallpox will be allowed to proceed to UK by sea or overland unless clear after a quarantine period of 16 days.

(j) Measures will be taken to preclude as far as possible contact with local civilian sources of infection whilst awaiting embarkation at RUFLES as the possibility of such contact at that port is constantly present.

4. BAGGAGE

(d) The vaccination and inoculation state of all personnel will be reviewed and it will be ensured that they all proceed to UK fully protected. For full protection the following are the requirements :-

Smallpox - revaccination every two years.

Enteric Fever - reinoculation dose of T.B every year.

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(j) Measures will be taken to preclude as far as possible contact with local civilian sources of infection whilst awaiting embarkation at RAFLES as the possibility of such contact at that port is constantly present.

4. BAGGAGE

(a) Accompanied baggage on all routes will be limited to :-

(i)	Dependents of Officers	2 cwt
(ii)	Dependents of ORs	1 cwt
(iii)	Children from 3 to 14 years old	56 lbs
(iv)	Dependents of units and ships in 2 Polish Corps - Seales will be forwarded as soon as categories of dependents are defined.	

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(b) Personal baggage in excess of the above plus furniture, heavy and bulky articles etc, will be packed and concentrated under Corps arrangements to await calling forward for future shipment from RAFLES. HQ 2 Polish Corps will include this baggage in the weekly return rendered in accordance with paragraph 18(e) of 131/4524 dated 6 Jun 46.

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(ii) Triplet copy will be despatched to the Command Paymaster, No. 8 Base Command Pay Office.

(iii) The fourth copy will be handed to the British Cashier together with the line collected from the families.

(iv) British Cashiers will schedule separately on AF. C182C.

(v) The Command Paymaster will scrutinize the original rolls, check them with the third and fourth copy, and if satisfied that the amounts handed in are reasonable, will despatch the triplicate copy direct to the War Office F. 5. by Air Mail. The Command Paymaster will despatch the original copy of the rolls to the War Office F.1. immediately War Office F.5 authority has been received for the excess amounts to be remitted. Pending War Office F.5. authority for the remittance to be made, the Command Paymaster will carry such sums in his Suspense account. The Command Paymaster will retain the fourth copy of the nominal roll.

(c) IT WILL BE BRASSED TO THE PERSONAL NOTICE OF ALL DEPENDENTS REGARDING A VOUCHERING AND INFRINGEMENT OF THE FINANCE (FINANCE) REGULATIONS PROHIBITING THE TRADING OF MORE THAN £10 (TEN POUNDS STERLING) INTO THE UK IS A CIVIL OFFENCE PUNISHABLE UNDER BRITISH LAW. NOTES REPORTED IN EXCESS OF £10 (TEN POUNDS STERLING) ARE LIABLE TO SEIZURE.

IMMIGRATION OFFICERS ARE STATIONED AT ALL PORTS AND AIRFIELDS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM TO CHECK ON HOLDINGS OF STERLING ON PERSONAL VOUCHERS THE COUNTRY.

(f) (i) Sterling required by Polish Paymasters in order to carry out necessary exchanges up to the limit of £10 referred to in para (a), will be obtained on requisition to the nearest British Army Cashier.

Separate individual exchange slips used not be completed but amounts collected for exchange within the limit of £10 will be entered on nominal rolls prepared as under and signed by the Polish Paymaster.

Surname and Christian Names of Dependent.	On whom Dependent Army No.	Rank	Unit.	Amount of line handed in for exchange.	Signature of Dependent.

(c) IT WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE PERSONAL NOTICE OF ALL DEPENDENTS ENTERING A PORT OF ENTRY THAT INFRINGEMENT OF THE DEFENSE (FINANCE) REGULATIONS PROHIBITING THE TAKING OF MORE THAN £10 (TEN POUNDS STERLING) INTO THE UK IS A CIVIL OFFENCE PUNISHABLE UNDER BRITISH LAW. NOTES REPORTED IN ROLLS OF £10 (TEN POUNDS STERLING) ARE LIABLE TO SEIZURE.

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Surname and Christian Names of Dependent.	On whom Dependent Army No.	Rank	Unit.	Amount of Lire handed in for exchange.	Signature of Dependent.
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/ /46. (Sgd) _____ Rank. Paymaster _____ Unit.

(ii) Lire collected for exchange together with nominal rolls and unexpended balance of sterling will be handed to the British Cashier from whom the original sterling was drawn.

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(g) The question of remittance of Dowries in respect of Italian born Polish Wives has been referred to the War Office and the Treasury have ruled that Dowries will not be remitted to the UK through Army channels. As they do not represent savings from allowances etc, issued from Army funds they should be disposed of in accordance with para (b) above, i.e. by private banking etc.

(h) In the event of Polish Dependents proceeding by MILLOC Route, the following action will be taken in connection with currency exchanges :-

(i) Dependents will be allowed to take with them a maximum of 9,000 lire, which will be exchanged for sterling at the channel ports.

(ii) Lire in excess of 210 which represents genuine savings from allowances issued, will be collected and listed on nominal rolls in accordance with instruction quoted in para (c) above. Nominal rolls will be disposed of in accordance with para (d). This will be carried out prior to entrainment in Italy.

(iii) Lire in excess of 210 which does not represent savings from allowances issued will not be collected by Paymasters from Polish Dependents. Such amounts must be disposed of under private arrangements either by banking or other non-military means of safe custody.

7. RATIONS. When Dependents have been core under military arrangements for movement to UK, Rations will be issued to those already drawing them in their own right i.e. PWs or IFS. Rations will be issued on repayment to those not entitled to draw in their own right.

8. E.R.I.

(a) Dependents will be permitted to purchase RMI supplies at the same scale as members of the Womens Services of the rank equivalent to the rank of the person on whom they are dependent. Supplies will be purchased when core for movement or in the case of persons in Barlette/Transit on day prior to move. 7 days supply for those going on MILLOC & 14 days on long sea route.

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- (iii) Lire in excess of £10 which does not represent savings from allowances issued will not be collected by Paymasters from Polish Dependents. Such amounts must be disposed of under private arrangements either by banking or other non-military means of safe custody.

7. RATIONS. When Dependents have been come under military arrangements for movement to UK, Rations will be issued to those already drawing them in their own right i.e. PWs or Ds. Rations will be issued on repayment to those not entitled to draw in their own right.

8. E.R.I.

(a) Dependents will be permitted to purchase EMI supplies at the same scale as members of the Womens Services of the ranks equivalent to the rank of the person on whom they are dependant. Supplies will be purchased when come for movement or in the case of persons in Barbetta/Transit on day prior to move. 7 days supply for those going on LILLOO & 14 days on long sea route.

(b) The following special scale of EMI items for children may be purchased :-

Chocolate or Confectionery	4 ozs weekly
Chewing Gum	2 pkts weekly
Soap - Toilet	1 tablet 1342
Washing	$\frac{1}{2}$ lb weekly
Flakes	$\frac{1}{2}$ lb weekly
Cordials	1 bottle weekly

(c) Expectant and nursing mothers may purchase supplies from EMI in accordance with GPO Signal C 50485 dated 25 Jun 46.

9. PETS. No dogs, cats or pets of any description will be allowed to move to UK by any route.

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AFHQ FROM G (SD) CFP

MAIN POLCORPS, INFO: MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS - POLBASE - MISSPOL ATT
POLBASE-ALCOM - 3 DPR AND SC CAMP BARLETTA - TROOPERS

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ROUTINE

JUL 13 1946

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Warning order.

1. Approx 300 dependents of 14 WIELKOPOLSKI ARMED BDE and 2 WARSAW ARMED DIV will be prepared to move from BARLETTA and PORTO CIVITA-NOVA 21 July.
2. Families to travel will be detailed by you working on the following scale
 - (A) 4 males per compartement
 - (B) Women with children under 12 years old 3 persons per compartment
 - (C) Women and children over 12 years old 4 persons per compartments each train has approx 90 compartments.
3. All families living with units in south ITALY will come with baggage packed and labelled in BARLETTA/TRANI DP camp 48 hrs prior to departure for documentation.
4. Families living in the north will come in PORTO ST GIORGIO camp. Nominal roll of all personnel despatched through this camp who are registered with BARLETTA/TRANI camp will be forwarded to 3 DPR and SC after the departure of each train.
5. Signal soonest breakdown of males females and children detailed with entraining stas and also family groups by units.
6. For troopers. These dependents will all be wives and children of members of polcorps and husbands of PWAS.

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ROUTINE

AFHQ FROM G(3D) CMF
TROOPERS LONDON, INFO: ALCON

JUL 12 1946

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Subject polcorps families.

1. Wives & children of members of polcorps & husband of PWAS as follows.

PMN	MALES	FEMALES	CHILDREN OVER 12 MONTHS
14 WIELKOPOLSKA ARMED BDE	10	97	14
2 WARSAW ARMED DIV	40	384	57
2 AGPA	10	82	16
BASE POLCORPS INCL 7 DIV	56	554	223
CORPS TPS	121	1090	347
3 CARP INF DIV	39	458	85
5 KRES INF DIV	78	596	185

2. Above figures excl women pregnant 6 months & over and women with children under 12 months. Details will follow.
3. Details other relatives and dependents to follow

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ROUTINE

MAIN POOL CORPS

INFO MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS ALCOM

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Further to FX 68376 of 27 Jun and FX 68453 of 28 Jun war office can now accept 600 dependents of corps and base troops allotted to western COMB provided they do not arrive in UK before 20 Jul. Please FWD following particulars soonest.

- (A) Numbers of males females and children EXCL.
- (B) Numbers of women pregnant 6 months and over.
- (C) Numbers of women P with children under 12 months.
- (D) Entraining STAS of A B and C.
- (E) Units to which relatives belong.

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9 July 1946

JUL 9 1946

The Allied Commission presents its compliments to the Polish Embassy and has the following observations to make in reply to the Polish Ambassador's letter of 14 June 1946.

It is regretted that there seems to be considerable misunderstanding regarding conditions in the Camps at Barietta and Trani. It is hoped that the information forwarded herewith will clarify the questions raised.

Allied Commission is responsible for the feeding and general care of Displaced Persons in Italy, and the size and functions of the British Camp Staff at Barietta and Trani is in line with normal Allied Commission practice. If more Allied Officers with adequate knowledge of the Polish language were available, use of members of II POLCORPS would be unnecessary. Unfortunately this is not the case.

Camp Commanders of all Displaced Persons Camps under control of the Allied Commission have been instructed that political propaganda is not allowed. Every effort is made to enforce this instruction.

It is believed that no such passports or certificates as referred to in the Ambassador's letter have been issued since last August when the Polish Welfare Office of the British Embassy was formed. But since Mr. Lotnicki is an employee of that office, the British Embassy might give the Ambassador further information on this subject.

It is understood that the representatives of the Polish Welfare Office of the British Embassy issue registration cards to all Polish Displaced Persons who apply for them. These cards show that the holders are entitled to benefit from certain welfare services, but they can in no way be construed as certificates of nationality or passports.

In Camps the size of Barietta and Trani it is always possible that undesirables may obtain permission to enter the Camps through false pretences. The Displaced Persons Sub-Commission is investigating a very small number of cases and after the necessary evidence has been obtained, they will be dealt with.

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In conclusion the following points are stressed:-

- 1.. Allied Commission has no knowledge of the issue of any documents other than the personal registration card.
2. This Commission has always considered that it is desirable that representatives of Governments should be permitted to visit a Camp housing Displaced Persons belonging to the countries they represent. At the same time the possibility of such a visit not being well received by the inmates at Barletta and Trani Camp has been clearly indicated.
3. With changing circumstances it is not possible to give any assurance that the Barletta Trani Camps will be reserved for Poles exclusively.
4. As far as the presence of Polish military personnel at Barletta and Trani is concerned, this will not in any case continue for long, since the Polish Corps is now in process of leaving Italy

For the Chief Commissioner.

M. S. LUGH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Polish Embassy
Via Pompeo Magno 9
Rome.

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ROUTINE

JUL 9 1946

AFHQ FROM Q. MOVEMENTS GHQ CMF

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DISTHREE; ALCOM; MOV LIAISON ROME

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Subject is movement of Polish families and dependants by
Medloc D.

1. Confirming tele conversation hughes (QM4) constable 5 July
following is proposed movement plan.
2. Train composed of 10 upper class coaches 2 baggage vans and
1 Italian state RLY buffet car seating capacity approximately
300 including children.
3. Departure once weekly on standard Medloc D path first departure
22 July. This will be additional to normal ~~patnamakt~~ point-ovelt
trains.

Feeder trains to VERONA timed to avoid overnight stay in
VERONA.

4. Accompanied baggage to be limited to (A) dependants of officers
2 CWTs. (B) Children (over 3) 56 LBS. (C) Dependants of ORS 1 CWT.
(D) Children (over 3) 56 LBS
5. Polcorps to provide baggage party of 6 or for each train.
6. Excess baggage within maximum allowance to be sent by MFO long
sea route polcorps to provide escort through.

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7. Polcorps to provide meal at VERONA before entbalmment. Other meals at meal halts en route in accordance with train schedule. Buffet car to service light refreshments en route polcorps to provide rations and staff.
 8. In view of limited number of males expected to travel by these trains and limited facilities for females at meal halts presume toilet and ablution facilities normally. Used by male personnel at meal halts may be used if necessary. No other trains are normally scheduled to be fed at same times. Usual toilet facilities will be available on these trains.
 9. Polcorps to provide 1 medical officer and 1 nursing sister with each train.
 10. Request your early agreement to above plan and details of documentation required.
 11. For polcorps.
- This is planning stage only no action required from you at present.
CC - ORD: G(SD) AND Q

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AFTR. "A" BRANCH CHQ. CNY

URGENT INFO: ALCOH- BIRMINGHAM POLICE

JUL 8 1946

URGENT:

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Your 10427334 of 2 July. All possible action being taken to expedite decision.
Will inform you soonest.

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JUL 5 1946

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Subject demobilisation of Poles in Italy.

1. There are approx 2000 Poles married or about to be married to Italians of these approx 600 wish to remain in Italy. Understand from a telegram to the Foreign Office from Brit Minister Rome Ref No 807 of 27 May 46 that the Italian Government agree in principal to the demob in Italy of Poles who have contracted local obligations by marriage to Italians.
2. It is requested that instrs may be given as soon as possible as to the disposal of these Poles as many of them belong to firms already moving to U.K.
3. A definition of their legal status is also requested. Any arrangement which might render them liable to interference from the Warsaw Embassy in Rome would be most undesirable and is a source of considerable anxiety to the Poles concerned.
4. For Main Polcorps. All members of Polcorps married or about to be married to Italians who wish to be demobilised in Italy will be held in Italy pending further instructions.

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ROUTINE

AFHQ G (SD) CMF

MAIN POLCORPS INFO MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS DISTHREE ALCOM

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Ref. FX 68271 of 25 June. Please despatch following reps to UK as shown. Chief comd lady Cathleen Rollo by air soonest Mrs Anders Colonel Wyzouchowa and Major Zylinska on Duckess of Bedford 15 Jul. On arrival in UK they should contact brig Davy Wols (Poles) authy for moves war office cable 61866 SD2(A) of 2 Jul.

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MAIN POLCORPS:

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REFERENCE FX 68231 OF 25 JUNE.

1. CABIN ACCN ON SILICIA NOT REQUIRED FOR FEMALE STAFF OF 3 POLISH HOSPITAL. MY FX 68623 OF 2 JULY REFERS.

2. ALCANTARA NOT DUE ITALY UNTIL AUGUST BUT BID FOR CABIN ACCN FOR PWAS AND FEMALE DEPENDENTS REQUIRED URGENTLY.

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INFO: MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS; ALCON ROME.

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FURNISH TO FX 68376 OF 27 JUNE.

1. IN ADDITION TO FAMILIES OF 2 ARMED DIV WAR OFFICE CAN NOW ACCEPT IN UK ABOUT 20 FAMILIES OF 14 ARMED BRIGADE UP TO 105 MEN AND WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND 3 ARMED DIV UP TO 645 MEN WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

2. PLEASE FORWARD FOLLOWING PARTICULARS SOONEST.

- A. NUMBERS OF MALES FEMALES AND CHILDREN EXCLUDING B AND C BELOW.
- B. NUMBERS OF WOMEN PREGNANT OF 6 MONTHS AND OVER.
- C. NUMBERS OF WOMEN WITH CHILDREN UNDER 12 MONTHS.
- D. ENTRAINING STATIONS OF AB AND C.
- E. UNITS TO WHICH RELATIVES BELONG.

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ALLIED COMMISSION HOME FOR COL FINLAY DISPLACED PERSONS

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Following are figures of families and dependents 2 polish corps. Total males 380. Total females 3435. Total children 895. Total 4710. Total family groups 3340. Total wives of men of 2 polish corps military and para military 260. Civilian 2350. For purposes of these figures definition of families and dependents in closes relations I.E. Father mother wife son daughter together with all other persons who are directly assisted financially by a man of 2 polish corps. These figures obtained by means of return from all units. Each man told must declare all family and dependents or they would not go to UK so presumed figures are largely accurate. Must emphasize however still chance of more families being declared.

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Ref car LA 68231 of 25 June . War Office say they can accept families of 2 expd
Div to arrive UK not before 20 July. According to our item this involves 325
families composed of 21 males 325 females and 54 children. Please confirm these
figures and signal nearest extraining stat and full details of units to which
their relatives belong. Women pregnant 6 months and over and women with children
under 12 months old will be shown separately as special arrangements will be
made for their movement.

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ATHQ FROM G(80) CMF

ROUTINE

MAIN POLCORPS, INFO: MISSPOL APT POLCORPS - TROOPERS LONDON ALCOM

JUN 26 1946

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1. Considered desirable following reps should visit uk at earliest opportunity to discuss problems arising from move of families and female members of polcorps.

A) Mrs ANDERS (head of polish Red Cross BARLETTA & TRANI camps)

B) Colonel WYBOWICZOWA (Inspector PRAS)

C) Major ZYLINSKA (Principal station polish hospital nurses)

D) Chief Commander Lady KATHLEEN ROLLO (nats 26 blu)

2. Suggest (A) (B) & (C) go to uk on ALGANTARA STA NAHES approx 12 July and (D) go gone by air earliest.

3. Please sig this CMQ AND each rep.

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AFHQ G(SD) CMF.

MAIN POLCORPS INFO: TO MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS ALCOM

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1. The following cabin Accn allocated in the July shipping programme is suitable for females

ALCANTARA 594

DUCHESS OF BEDFORD 271

CILICIA 243

2. Please sig GHQ soonest (A) details of pwas of female dependents you wish to send on these ships. Showing in which command in UK they will be required. This last infm most urgently required for Accn purposes. (B) Some of these cabins will be required for senior male officers junior officers will be accommodated on troop decks.

3. As families will be accommodated in same comd as units to which husbands belong dependents should move in same order of priority as polish Tps.

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AFHQ G(SD) CMF

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Reference my FX 67420 of 8 June and Troopers 60382 SD 2(A) of 14 June neither to all.

1. It is our considered opinion that the definition of a dependent of 2 Polish Corps eligible for transfer to the resettlement corps should be:
(A) The following relatives of members of 2 Polish Corps wives blood relations adopted children step children.

(B) Widows and orphans of former members of the corps

(C) In-law relatives of members of the corps if of polish nationality.

(D) Schoolmaster and schoolmistresses if of polish nationality.

(E) Members of cadet units at present dependent on the corps.

(F) Ex officers and CR of the corps supported by the corps but no longer on its strength for medical reasons.

2. Doubtful categories in addition to the above to be referred to this Cq to you for decision.

3. Members of para military orgs Eg polish Red Cross polish white Cross polish womens catholic league polish welfare Org polish Ymca are considered members of the corps itself.

4. In view of the recommendation at 1(E) above cadet coys affiliated to 14 Armd Bde and 2 Arms Div are being despatched earliest so that they may rejoin their parent formations.

5. Request your agreement earliest to the definitions in 1 and 3 above.

6. A decision regarding the future of members of 2 polish corps serving sentences in polish military prisons is also urgently required.

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Sometimes your CO/1/46 dates Jun 16.

1. You are advised with regret that CIB have not approved the issue of 700 actions to Page J B WILSON - GARYDALE and about 2 conditions.

2. The names of those who reply to our application on your behalf are as follows:-

"As there is not no longer any contribution of Polish soldiers being affected from us through the channels, the issue of those other nations is transcendable."

4. Existing authority for 28 sections duly continues to be effective.

Chas. W. Fenoy Capt

A. M. STUBBS
L-7061
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Copies to: ARN: Mr. Holton
Executive Director, Inner Allip Commission
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AFHQ G(SD) CMF

MAIN POLCORPS DISTHREE INFO MISSPOL ATT POLCORPS 211 SUB AREA
ALCOM MOV BOLOGNA 52 SUB AREA MOV NAPLES NAPLES AREA
OC X SPECIAL RECEPTION CAMP TROOPERS

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Ref FX 67750 of 15 June and confirming telephone conversation
Davies Disthree-Travers/ Move of occupation TRG COY from Barletta
is cancelled. Baggage for polcorps. Regret sudden change in plan
but this Unit must remain Barletta pending clarification of status
of cadets.

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ROUTINE

AFHQ FROM G-5

BERGOMB, INFO: ALCOM ROME, UNHRA ROME

JUN 20 1946

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Movement - Polish displaced persons.

1. Request authority for movement from ITALY to POLAND of 300 Polish displaced persons. All in possession visas from Polish Embassy - ROME.
2. Breakdown as follows: 196 men, 74 women, 30 children.
3. Party will be assembled at concentration camp REGGIO EMILIA by 25 June 46.
4. Grateful you advise most convenient route, so that movement arrangements, be made.

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Ref. : 2225/72/21.

19 June 1946.

SUBJECT: German POW claiming Polish Nationality.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.F.H.Q.

I forward for your information a copy of letter to. 2/4/46/ 12/7/46 dated 14 June from the Polish Embassy here, together with a copy of the enclosure mentioned.

The suggestions appear to be reasonable and your views on the matter would be appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner:

A. W. Knisely.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref. : 2225/71/33.

19 June 1946.

My Dear Counsellor,

I have to thank you for your letter No. 2/492/3R/7/46 dated 14 June 1946 regarding German Prisoners of War claiming Polish Nationality.

I have forwarded this to the appropriate Allied authorities and will be pleased to advise you of their reply in due course.

Yours Very Truly,

N. W. HIND-SMITH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Counsellor P. Ogrodzinski,
Polish Embassy,
Via Caspaccio Magno 9
Rome.

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Ref: DMR/12-2/DA

SUBJECT: Disposal of Polish Displaced Persons.

TO : G-5 Section,
A.P.H.Q. (2)

1. Your letter G-5 383.7-11 dated 17 June, 1946, gives general information regarding the move of Polish Displaced Persons.

2. In order that risk of confusion may be avoided, would you kindly forward administrative instructions regarding the move of POLCOEPS and Displaced Persons to U.K. It is considered that clear instructions on the following are required:-

- (a) Medical inspections, vaccination, inoculations and certificates.
- (b) Documentation.
- (c) Order, categories and dates on which Displaced Persons Group moves will take place.
- (d) Definition of dependant.

It is estimated that 14 days notice is essential before any movement takes place.

3. Vide para 4 of your letter, is it your intention that D.P.R.S.C. Camp Commander Barletta and Trani will receive his orders from POLCOEPS and not through this H.Q. This will leave selection entirely to POLCOEPS.

4. Some confusion has arisen due to this H.Q. receiving instructions from G (SD) GHF reference number F 67597 dated 12 June stating that occupational Trg. Coys composed of Displaced Persons would accompany POLCOEPS. Your office informed us verbally on 17 June 1946 that only dependants would proceed to U.K. I understand you are clarifying this position.

5. You will no doubt agree that it is essential that clear instructions be issued, otherwise confusion will result.

For the Chief Commissioner.

Sgt. M.S. Lunt 1339
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
AFC 512

G-5: 383.7-11

17 June 1946

SUBJECT: Disposal Of Polish Displaced Persons. JUN 15 1946

TO : Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission, AFC 794
(Attn: C.P. & R. Sub Commission).

Reference telephone conversation (Colonel Fothergill - Senior
Commander Grant).

1. It is confirmed that the question of the disposal of the Polish displaced persons in the Barletta/Trani Camp is still under consideration. No definite plans for the evacuation of all the Polish DPs have yet been made, but the wives and children, and other direct relatives of members of the Polcorps will be sent to the United Kingdom.

2. Polcorps has been asked on many families could be made available for the first move and by what date the party could be ready. This enquiry, however, was for planning purposes only and is not intended to be an authority for a movement to take place.

3. A proposal has been made to the War Office at General Andrie's request that the 700 boy cadets at Barletta/Trani should be sent to United Kingdom at an early date, but no confirmation of this signal has been received.

4. Polcorps has been instructed by this Headquarters to ensure that all Polcorps personnel, personnel of Polish Red Cross, Polish White Cross, Polish war relief services, Polish YMCA and Polish Displaced Persons in Barletta/Trani Camps and elsewhere in CMF fill in a questionnaire which is required by the War Office. Further Polcorps has been instructed to bundle separately the questionnaires of the Polish Displaced Persons as follows:-

a. Displaced who are attached to Polcorps by family ties or by ties of dependency.

b. Other Polish Displaced Persons.

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5. It is regretted that no more definite information on the ultimate disposal of the residual persons can be given at this time, but as soon as a more detailed policy is established you will be advised.

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BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

J. H. Richardson
for Lt. Col. GSC.
A. L. HAMBLEY
Brigadier General, GSC
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy to: Liaison Section, AFHQ.

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AMBASSADE DE POLOGNE
& ROME

Via Pompeo Magno 9
Tel. 275.623
275.628

No. 2492/33, R/16
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Rome, le 14th June 1946

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Headquarters Peninsular Base Section APC 702 in its letter (copy attached) requested to be informed about the repatriation to Poland of POW Richard SZKARZYK, Ogost, 91-6-25-767-11.

The above mentioned case is not a singular one, it is an example of many alike requests submitted to this Embassy by German POW's claiming Polish Nationality.

In order to sum up all these requests and to solve them conforming to the same rule - this Embassy suggests the following procedure:

1. All German POW's, claiming Polish Nationality and wishing to be repatriated to Poland would be concentrated in one for this purpose destined camp.
2. Their national status will be verified by a competent Polish authority.
3. The conversations would be started on the arrangements of their repatriation to Poland.

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For the Ambassador

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Headquarters Peninsular Base Section APO 782 in its letter (copy attached) requested to be informed about the repatriation to Poland of POW Raymond SZUMARZYK. Omer, 82-6-23-767-II.

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For the Ambassador

P. Grynchinsky
P. Grynchinsky
Counselor

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Allied Control Commission Headquarters

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HEADQUARTERS
PERMANENT BASE SECTION
APC 782

May 20 1946

AG 303.6 REATO

SUBJECT: Request for Repatriation of POW

TO : Polish Embassy
44, Via Virgilio
Rome, Italia

1. Attached is a letter from POW SLOANOWSKI, Ryszard, 02077, 81-3-525 767-11, claiming Polish Nationality.

2. At a recent interrogation (10 May 1946) by this headquarters, the following information was revealed:

"Subject was born 17 December 1916 at SLOANOWSKI, Poland as the son of Jan and Walecia maiden name WILKIN. Both parents are Polish citizens. His home is SLOANOWSKI, Poland where his parents are still living. He attended Polish schools and his mother's language is Polish. After German occupation was drafted into the German Army at KATOWICE, 24 July 1942. He saw himself up near Bologna, 21 April 1945. He states to have been interrogated by the Polish Mission in June 1945 and recognized as a Polish citizen."

3. Subjects 201 file confirms the above statements. Request this headquarters be informed of the acceptance or disapproval of subject POW's request for repatriation as a Polish National.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

/s/ Gordon A. Gifford
Captain A.C.D.
Assistant Adjutant General

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of subject PW's
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In conformity:

1. Attached is a letter from POW SZLOANCIUK, Rydard, Oesfr, DI-C-625 767-B, claiming Polish Nationality.

2. At a recent Interrogation (10 May 1946) by this headquarters, the following information was revealed:

"Subject was born 17 December 1916 at SZCZESNICE, Poland as the son of Jan and Walecha maiden name MILAN. Both parents are Polish citizens. His home is SZCZESNICE, Poland where his parents are still living. He attended Polish schools and his mother's language is Polish. After German occupation was drafted into the German Army at KATOWICE, 24 July 1942. He saved himself up near Bologna, 21 April 1945. He states to have been interrogated by the Polish Mission in June 1945 and recognized as a Polish citizen."

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FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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/s/ Gordon A. Gillen
Captain A.C.D.
Assistant Adjutant General

in conformity:

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: EX 67659

Message Centre No: H/3917

Date/Time of Origin: JUNE

Date Time Rec'd: JUNE 15 1130

FROM: G (SD) CLIF

Precedence: ROUTINE

TO: MAIN POLCORES, INFO: MISSIOL ATT POLCORES TROOPERS DISTRESS MAIN 13 CORPS

JUN 15 1948

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Ref our EX 66745 of 25 May.

1. War Office have agreed Polish FMNS will move to UK in the following order of priority.

(A) 14 Armcd EDE. (B) 2 Armcd Div 16 Pomorski EDE will move last of 2 Armcd Div Tps.

(C) 7 Div with all Corps and base tps not required to administer (D) and (E) (D)

3 Carpathian Div (E) 5 Kresowa Div.

2. Please FWD earliest priority list of units within fms showing order of move, present

Locns and Strs.

3. The phasing out of families shoals, dps etc during the next few months under active consideration and details will be forwarded as soon as possible.

4. Planning should allow for the withdrawal of approx 20000 Troops per month. 600 by rail every 2 days the balance by sea.

5. Except for Fwas units in advance parties no Polish service women will be detailed to move to UK until called forward by this GHQ owing to ACCM difficulties in UK.

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HOME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 79A US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

3 23/4

Ref: 6450,
10 June 46

SUBJECT: Rations

JUN 11 1946

TO : G-4 (2)

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Further to our 4 23/4 Dated 8 Mar 46.

1. G-4 have authorized the issue of a further 6 rations to the Polish Military Mission.
2. You are therefore authorized to issue a total of 22 rations daily to the a.m. Mission.

Chas. E. Jones Capt
 Lt-Col
 AA 6 243

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Copy to: AMB, Advance Mission

→ Executive Committee Allied Commission
 Polish Military Mission (on receipt by this office of G-4
 clearance in respect of Capt J. J. Villan -
 Gortchicki and Lt. J. Hgimicki authority for a further two rations will be issued.)

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O.C. Bt. det.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

Q 241/4

Tel: 66544
25 May 46

SUBJECT: Rations for Polish Military Mission

TO : HQ CEF

Reference your 2596/Q - 1 dated 3 Mar 46.

1. Col SIDOR has requested the issue of a further 6 additional rations to the Polish Military Mission.

2. In accordance with para 3 of the above mentioned letter a complete list of the Mission personnel is enclosed in order that the additional personnel may be cleared through your HQ.

/s/ W. H. HUGHES
Lt-Col
AA & QMG

WHP/gf

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Adv AMHQ Liaison Section Lt Col Count De Salis
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Ref.2225/61/30

13 May 1946

SUBJECT: Drawing of Rations.

TO : Chief of the Polish Military Mission
Via Arnegildo Pistelli 2
Rome.

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Reference your letter to Major Priest DAQMD HQ. EAAC of 30 April 1946.

Authority had previously only been given for the drawing of 18 rations (ref GHQ letter 2596/Q-1 of 4 March).

A formal written application for the additional six rations would be appreciated so as to obtain further authority from GHQ for the drawing of these rations.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

P. H. TUNNARD

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY
(G-4 British Section)

Q241/4

Tel: 66544
6 May 46

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SUBJECT: Polish Military Mission

TO : Executive Commissioner Allied Commission
AFHQ Adv Liaison (Lt.Col. Count de Salis)

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Reference is made to this HQ letter Q 241/4 dated 8 Mar 46.

1. Authority was given in the a.m. letter for the issue of a maximum of 16 rations daily to Polish Military Mission.
2. The enclosed return has now been received from the Mission indicating an overdrawal of 6 rations daily from Ration Store Allied Commission.
3. In view of instructions received from GHQ that, in the event of the strength of the Mission being increased, the additional personnel must be cleared through their Headquarters, it will be appreciated if an application with the personnel listed in this connection is forwarded by return to this office for onward transmission to GHQ.

W. Hughes
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ALBAN LOW
Brigadier
Commander

TEP/gf

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Polish Military Mission
Rome, Via Erenegildo Pistelli Nr 2
Telefon: 31808

Rome 30 Apr 46

This is to certify that rations are drawn by this Mission
for 22 personnel from British Ration Store A.C. and, that rations are not drawn
from other sources.

Names of personnel as follows:

1. Colonel	Sidor	Kasimierz
2. Mrs	Sidor	Alicja
3. Major	Salkowski	Jozef
4. Capt	Sieminski	Wladyslaw
5. Cpt	Kowalski	Jaroslaw
6. Mrs	Sieminska	Maria
7. Mrs	Kowalaka	Halina
8. Lt	Pawlowski	Zygant
9. Lt	Szaniawski	Edmund
10. 2nd/Lt	Szaniawska	Maria
11. 2nd Lt	Babicz	Zofia
12. 2nd Lt	Dobrowolski	Jozef
13. S.M.	Pasikowski	Stanislaw
14. S.M.	Wojciechowicz	Piotr
15. S/Sgt	Gdanski	Michal
16. Sgt	Czerwinski	Alfons
17. Sgt	Zmuda	Roman
18. Cpl	Madon	Walenty
19. Mrs	Madon	Jadwiga
20. Cpl	Broda	Leon
21. Pte	Pisarek	Wladyslaw
22. Pte	Pawlusiewicz	Jan

CHIEF OF THE POLISH MILITARY
MISSION

/-/ K. S I D O R
Colonel

To Major Priest
DAQI HQ RAAC
CMF

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* RE FOR EISENHOWER FROM LEE, INFORMATION TO CLARK AND STONE.

FROM TALKS WITH GENERAL MORGAN, SACRED, I BELIEVE THAT CONSIDERABLE NUMBERS OF 2 POLISH CORPS MEMBERS WILL HAVE TO BE PLACED OTHER THAN IN POLAND. BECAUSE OF THEIR UNSURPASSED FIGHTING SERVICE IN OUR 15TH ARMY GROUP, AS ATTESTED BY GENERAL MARK CLARK, AND THEIR OBVIOUSLY FINE PERSONAL QUALITIES, PHYSICAL, MENTAL, AND MORAL, I RECOMMEND THAT APPROPRIATE STEPS BE TAKEN TO OFFER UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP TO SUCH OFFICERS, MEN, AND WOMEN, OF 2 POLISH CORPS AND THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILIES AS MAY DESIRE TO ACCEPT. IF THE LEGISLATION NEEDED FOR SUCH A PROPOSAL (ACCORDING TO DEPARTMENT OF STATES HOWARD K. TRAVERS, NOW HERE) CAN NOT PROMPTLY BE OBTAINED, I RECOMMEND THAT THE ENTIRE POLISH IMMIGRATION QUOTA BE GIVEN TO GENERAL ANDERS AND HIS GALLANT 2 POLISH CORPS.

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INFO ACTION: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

INFO: EXEC COMMISSIONER *me*

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(Capt. K)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY
(C-4 British Section)

Q 241/4

Tel: 66544
8 Mar 46

MAR 11 1946

SUBJECT: Rations for Polish Military Mission

TO : Executive Commissioner Allied Commission
AFHQ Adv Liaison (Lt.Col. Count de Salis)

1. It is advised that authority has been received from GHQ (reference 2596/Q-1 dated 4 Mar 46) for the issue of 7 further rations daily to Polish Military Mission in Italy, making a total of 16 rations daily.

2. Should the Mission's strength be increased at any future date, it is requested that this HQ is advised immediately as the additional personnel must be cleared through GHQ.

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for ALFAN LOW
Brigadier
Commander British Troops ROME

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Copy to: Allied Commission for o/c
British Detachment - Please treat this
letter as authority for issue of 7
additional rations daily

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US Army

Q 241/4

8 February 1946

SUBJECT: Rations for Polish Military Mission

FEB 1 1946

TO : GHQ (Q1)
CMF

In reference to your 2596/Q1 dated 30 January 46 and further to this HQ letter Q 241/4 dated 4 February 1946.

U.M. Ambassador in ROME has now stated that he is prepared to make the recommendation required by your letter of 30 January.

He is of opinion that there is no logical ground for confining the provision of rations to the first arrivals, but has no means of judging what numbers would be reasonable for the Mission.

This Headquarters is not in a position to make any judgment as the work of the Mission is outside its scope.

In the circumstances it is presumed that the issue of rations to the nine first arrivals for whom they have hitherto been provided should be continued.

Decision is requested as to the seven later arrivals referred to in this HQ letter No Q 241/4 dated 23 January.

Alm

Brigadier
Commanding

British Troops in Rome

Copies to: Executive Commissioner, HQ Allied Commission
Adv AFHQ Liaison Section (Lt-Colonel Count de Salis)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
A/C No 734 US Army

Q 241/4

4 February 1946

FEB 6 1946

SUBJECT: Rations for Polish Military Mission

TO : CHQ CHQ (Q1)

In reference to your 2596/Q1 dated 30 Jan 46.

It is regretted that some confusion has arisen in regard to the Polish Military Mission for Repatriation.

The original "Mission" arrived sometime about September or October 1945 and consisted of nine persons.

This was the subject of correspondence between CHQ and Allied Commission, of which this Headquarters was not aware, and authority was given by AFHQ signal F 43924 dated 16 October 45 for reasonable facilities to be accorded, specifying rations, etc. In the strength of this authority rations have till now been issued by Allied Commission.

On 16 January 1946 Colonel SIDOR, the Head of the Mission, reported through AFHQ Advanced Liaison Section to this HQ that an additional seven persons had arrived and requested the issue of rations. These were the persons named in this HQ letter Q 241/4 dated 23 January 1946.

The matter has now been referred to H.M. Ambassador for his recommendation.

In the circumstances it is felt that it is not the intention to revoke the former authority, and I am therefore proposing to continue the issue of rations to the original nine members of the Mission, and to leave the question of the additional seven pending decision.

Attn

Brigadier
Commanding
British Troops in Rome

Copy to: Lieut-Colonel Count de Salis, Adv AFHQ Liaison Sec
HQ Allied Commission (Office of the Executive Commissioner)

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Headquarters,
Rome Area Allied Command

2nd February, 1946

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Q 241/4

Yesterday I had a conversation with the Ambassador in regard to the so-called Polish Military Mission for Repatriation.

As is known to you, this mission has for some months been in Rome and consisted originally of the following nine persons:

Colonel E. SIDOR and Mrs A. SIDOR
Major M. JAWORSKI
Lieut E. JUREK-SZANIEWSKI and Mrs JUREK-SZANIEWSKA
S. PASIKOWSKI
M. SZOSTEL
S. MIYULA
W. RADOM

For these persons rations have, till now, been supplied by Allied Commission on the authority of AFHQ Signal F 48924 dated 16 Oct 45, a copy of which was passed to E.M. Embassy.

Owing to the contraction of Displaced Persons Sub-Commission, Allied Commission are no longer able to continue to provide rations, but I anticipate no difficulty in their being supplied by this Headquarters on the earlier authority, providing such a course is approved by you.

On 15 January 1946 Colonel SIDOR, the Head of the Mission, reported to AFHQ Advanced Liaison Section, ROME, the arrival of the following seven additional members to his Mission making a total of sixteen persons.

Captain W. BIELECKI and Mrs BIELECKA
Lieut S. KOWALSKI and Mrs KOWALSKA
Mr T. GASTROWSKI
Mrs MADON
Mrs ULANOWICZ

Colonel K. SIDOR and Mrs A. SIDOR
Major M. JANOWSKI
Lieut E. JUNGOSZA-SZANIAWSKI and Mrs JUNGOSZA-SZANIAWSKA
S. PASIKOWSKI
W. SZOSTEL
C. MITULA
W. KADON

For these persons rations have, till now, been supplied by Allied Commission on the authority of AFHQ Signal P 45924 dated 15 Oct 45, a copy of which was passed to R.M. Embassy.

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Captain W. SIEMINSKI and Mrs SIEMINSKA
Lieut S. KOWALSKI and Mrs KOWALSKA
Mr T. CASIOWSKI
Mrs MAJON
Mrs ULKOWICZ

This application was in due course passed to this Headquarters and referred to G.H.Q.

A reply has now been received to the effect that no official information has been received by G.H.Q. of the Mission concerned, and that there is no intention to authorize any further issues of British rations to officials of the Polish Government unless such a request is received through R.M. Ambassador and has his strong recommendation.

Sir Noel Charles intimated to me in conversation that he would be disposed to make such a recommendation.

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I shall be grateful if you will examine the matter and, if seen fit, initiate the necessary request, specifying the numbers which would be considered reasonable.

In the meantime I am prepared provisionally, on the strength of the earlier authority, to continue the issue of rations to the nine original members of the Mission, but cannot, without your recommendation and further reference to G.E.Q., exceed this number.

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A.O.E. Malcolm, Esq.,
H.M. Embassy,
ROME.

Copies to: Executive Commissioner Allied Commission (2225/41/EC) ←
Lieut-Colonel Count de Salis, Adv AFHQ Liaison (AFL 313)

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Ref: 2225/41/EO

20 December 1945

My dear Mr. Key,

Further to my letter of 16 November 1945 on the subject of a Polish Army Repatriation Commission.

Allied Force Headquarters have now informed me that the British Foreign Office have indicated to the Polish Government that they would be prepared to accept the proposed military repatriation mission under Colonel SIDOR on the understanding that it is accredited to Allied Force Headquarters and that its activities are governed by the general principles agreed between British military authorities in LONDON and General MODELSKI's mission in the U.K.

The Foreign Office wish, therefore, that Colonel SIDOR's mission be made subordinate to the Polish Military Mission in LONDON, so that all matters concerning repatriation questions in ITALY which cannot be settled on the spot, can be referred back to the War Office for general settlement with General MODELSKI.

General Ridgway has replied to this effect to a similar enquiry from WASHINGTON.

I would be grateful if you could communicate the substance of this letter to your Ambassador to enable him to make a reply to the Polish Foreign Office. If the Polish Government agrees to the above, the Mission can then be accredited to Allied Force Headquarters.

Sincerely yours,

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier

ELLEN W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

David McK. Key, Esq.
Charge d'Affaires ad interim
American Embassy
Via Vittorio Veneto 119
Rome

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G-5: 091.711-1 Poland

DEC 15 1945

SUBJECT: Polish Army Repatriation Commission

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 394, U.S. Army

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Reference your letter CG 563, 19 November 1945.

1. The British Foreign Office have indicated to the Polish government that they would be prepared to accept the proposed military repatriation mission under Colonel SIDOR on the understanding that it is accredited to Allied Force Headquarters and that its activities shall be governed by the general principles agreed between British military authorities in LONDON and General MOBELSKI's mission in the U.K.

2. The Foreign Office wish, therefore, that Colonel SIDOR's mission be made subordinate to the Polish Military Mission in LONDON, so that all matters concerning repatriation questions in ITALY which cannot be settled on the spot, can be referred back to the War Office for general settlement with General MOBELSKI.

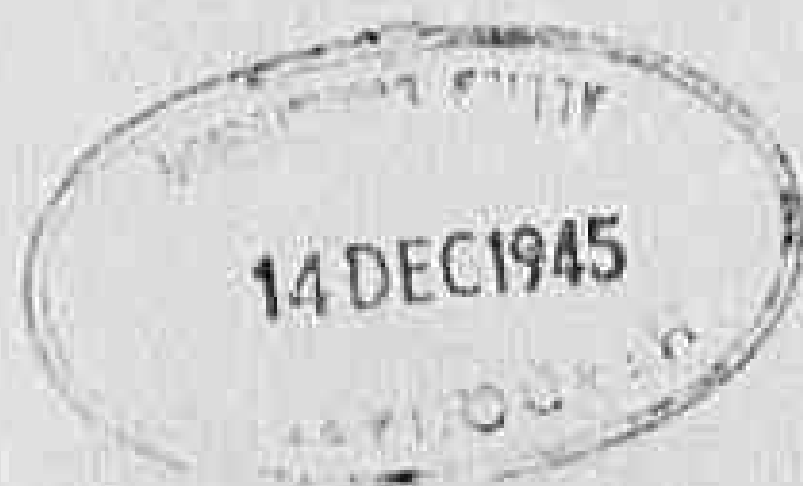
3. As soon as the Polish government agree to the above principles, the Mission will be accredited to Allied Force Headquarters.

4. General Ridgway has replied to this effect to a similar enquiry from WASHINGTON.

By command of LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A.D. Ward
A.D. WARD,
Major General,
Chief of Staff.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 254

6 December 1945

SUBJECT: Visit of Polish Mission to Barletta-Trani
DP Camps

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.
(Attn: Chief Commissioner).

Reference telephone conversation of to-day (Major Simcock -
S/Comd Grant).

Please advise this headquarters in advance of the date on which representatives from the Polish Mission propose to visit the DP camps at Barletta-Trani, and also the name of the accompanying senior Allied Commission officer.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

A. L. HAMLEN,
Brigadier General GSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Copy to: Liaison Section AFHQ (Attn: Lt Col J. T. Rankin)

Original sent to Displaced Persons + Regal S/C

*Major S. has been in touch with AFHQ:
They are not in hurry for answer
since proposed visit will not be for
some weeks.*

*Visit sometime after the New Year,
with Col. Tothall accompanying
the Poles. AFHQ will be informed.*

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it crops up.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 2225/38/EC

1 December 1945

SUBJECT: Polish Repatriates

TO : A Branch (HQ) CMF

Reference your signal EX54529 of 27 November 1945
to Troopers information Acom.

May a copy of the Troopers signal 85901 CA (DP) of
22 November referred to in yours please be sent to this
Headquarters for information.

For the Chief Commissioner:

C. R. BRAYBROOKE

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: **FX54529**
Date/Time of Origin: **NOV 27 1415**

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Message Centre No: **G/4467**
Date Time Rec'd: **NOV 28 0930A**
Precedence: **"OP" PRIORITY**

FROM: **A BRANCH GHQ CMF**

TO : **ACTION: TROOPERS INFO: ALCOM**

NOV 29 1945

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Reference your 85901 CA (DP) of 22nd November.

1. Your paragraph 1. The Camp in question is at CERVINARA and holds soldiers of the Polish forces who elected in writing to be repatriated to Poland. We have refused visits by Russian Mission to this Camp. See our FX49044 of 16th November para 10? 11?
2. Approximately 300 of these men have since changed their minds and now say they wish to be repatriated to Soviet Union.
3. At a meeting at this GHQ on 8th November with plenipotentiary SMK USSR for the repatriation of Soviet Citizens in Italy he was offered a list and details of these men for his decision as to whether or not they would be accepted as Soviet citizens. This offer was accepted and the list will be handed over by 29th November. It was explained to the Russian representative that we had undertaken to repatriate these men to Poland and that they would leave Italy as Polish soldiers with the repatriation parties as arranged and it would therefore be incumbent upon the Soviet and Polish Governments to arrange whether these men should be diverted to Soviet Union after leaving Italy.
4. This policy has been adopted in the case of some men wishing to go to Czechoslovakia for which see our letter 3687/1/42 of 17th November.
5. Russian representative asked if these men in question could be transferred to the Russian collecting centre at Pesaro. He was informed that this was NOT possible owing to our understanding to repatriate to Poland as soldiers all men ex Polish forces who were willing.
6. These men signed statements opting for repatriation to Poland but NOT to Soviet Union. Since then they have expressed themselves verbally as desirous of return to Soviet Union. Further some changed their mind a second time hence the list has not been constant.
7. Repatriation of the Polish soldiers commenced on 25th November but the approximate 300 in question are being kept together and retained until later training pending decision of Soviet and Polish Governments.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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Originator's Reference:

Message Centre No: G/4467

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FROM:

TO :

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8. Your paragraph 2. No camp area BENEVENTO other than camp in para 1 above. Area TRANI and BARLETTA. These are DP camps holding Polish citizens NOT opting for Poland. No Soviet citizens as recognized by HMG are held in these camps. Area LAKE GARDA. There is a DP Transit Camp at PESCARINA. Any Soviet citizens passing through would be routed to appropriate collecting centres. None are known to be there at present. In cases of Soviet citizens recognised as such being uncovered in DP cages Soviet authorities would be informed.

9. Your paragraph 3.

- (A) Note in your para 1 or 2 administered as PW.
- (B) Occupants of camps mentioned your para 2 are DP.
- (C) See para 1 above. We have no details as to any of Soviet citizenship apart from the approximate 300 now desirous of evacuation to Soviet Union whose Soviet citizenship will NOT be properly established until acceptance by the Russian Mission.

DISTRIBUTION *Displaced Persons/c.*

ACTION: EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER 2

INFO: CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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CC 563

19 November 1945

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SUBJECT: Polish Army Repatriation Commission
to the Allied Commission

TO : G-5, AFHQ

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1. Enclosed is a letter just received from the American Embassy concerning the Polish Provisional Government's desire to accredit a Polish Army Repatriation Commission to the Allied Commission.

2. I am forwarding this request to you for such action as you may consider appropriate; however, I see no necessity for accrediting such a Commission to this Headquarters at the present time.

[s] Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Nov 13 to Admiral
Stone

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(L. J. ORAYOROCKE) *WBS* 20/11

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16 November 1945

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My dear Mr. Key:

Thank you very much for your letter of 13 November in regard to the Polish Government's desire to accredit Colonel Kazimierz Bidor, Major Michael Jaworski and Lieutenant Edmund Janusz-Szanlawski to the Allied Commission for Italy as the Polish Army Repatriation Commission.

I shall give the matter my immediate attention and forward my reply to the Ambassador shortly.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

David McK. Key, Esq.
Charge d'Affaires ad interim
American Embassy
Via Vittorio Veneto 119
ROME

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE
OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY

Rome, November 13, 1945

NOV 20 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

The Embassy has been informed by the American Embassy at Warsaw that the Polish Provisional Government wishes to accredit Colonel Kazimierz Sidor, Major Michael Jaworski and Lieutenant Edmund Janusz-Szanlawski to the Allied Commission for Italy as the Polish Army Repatriation Commission. The Commission, which would have headquarters in Rome, would, according to the Polish Foreign Office, "accelerate activities connected with the repatriation of soldiers of the Second Corps, Polish Army."

The American Ambassador has asked me what reply he should make to the Polish Foreign Office and I would be grateful for your consideration of this request. I shall, of course, be happy to transmit a reply from the Allied Commission through the same channels.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the British Embassy.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ David McK. Key
Charged d'Affaires ad interim

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone,
Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
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Ref: 2225/27/30

26 October 1945

SUBJECT: Polish Military Commission for Repatriation

TO : Colonel K. Sider
Polish Military Commission for the Repatriation
of Polish Citizens to Poland

1. I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter 11/10/45 MJ/HS of 8 October 1945 and say that pending receipt of official instructions from higher authority confirming your official status, arrangements are being made for the issue to your commission of rations and all other reasonable facilities.

M. B. LUSH

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

Copy to: Liaison Division

DRAR S/O

Hq Galt

For necessary action; attached is list of personnel of the commission.

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LIST OF PERSONNEL OF POLISH COMMISSION

Colonel K. [REDACTED] of Mission.
Major M. Jaworski, Chief Assistant.
Lt E. Juncoska-Szaniawski, Member.
Mrs A. Sidor, Typist
S. Pasikowski
W. Szostak
W. Madon
S. Mitula

} NOOs and men

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ADVANCED ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

LIAISON SECTION

U.S. ARMY MESSAGE CENTER

OUTGOING MESSAGE

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TO FOR ACTION ; - ALCOM. Please pass to British Embassy, Rome

Reference number. F. 4 8 9 2 4

SIGNED ; SACRED CITE FWDSC

1. With reference to letter addressed to you on fourth October by Colonel SIDOR of so-called POLISH MILITARY

Chief Clerk, Message Centre, explains that the reason why no copy of this cable was passed to Alcom for action was owing to the fact that two cables arrived at the same time, one addressed to British Embassy, Rome (Alcom please pass) and the one at present in the file addressed to Alcom, please pass to British Embassy, Rome. Only one copy of each of these cables were received and both were sent to British Embassy direct. Both cables dealt with the same subject.

STATUS BY HIGHER AUTHORITY.

3. You may however make reasonable issue of rations and other facilities to Colonel SIDORs Commission making it clear that this does not imply recognition but is done as a matter of civility to Allied Officers. It is done without prejudice to any action that may be necessary on instructions from TROOPERS.

October by Colonel SIDOR of so-called POLISH MILITARY

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ORIGINATOR : DC/S

INFORMATION : SACS CAO
G-3 AFHQ G-5

AUTH : J.C. SWEETMAN, LT COL

USPOLAD REMAIN LIAISON G-3

Signal handed
to me today
by Lt. Col. de Sali

FW
1400
23/10.

Note. Colonel Sidor is at 104 British General Hospital.

The Polish Embassy is at VIA VIRGILIO 44, near Piazza

CAVOUR. Telephone number 3 5 0 6 1. Perhaps it would be

best to address reply to MAJOR JANCZEWSKI, Sidor's assistant.

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To: Col K. Sidor,
Polish Military Commission for the Repatriation
of Polish Citizens to Poland

The Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission in
Italy, is in receipt of the letter dated 4th October
45 from the Polish Military Commission for the
Repatriation of Polish Citizens to Poland.

He will communicate with him again in due
course.

12th October, 1945

I. P. CARRILLO

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PA Refly in 3rd ^{acknowledge} ^{signature} ^{place}
that we will inform him of time
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

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Find out please if Diaper. know
anything of this man or ask their
advice as to whether I should
deal with him

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Polish Military Commission
for the Repatriation
of Polish Citizens to Poland

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F.C. Personal -
Pls handle this I receive this
officer. His authority to enter theatre
should be requested. *Ans 23*
Admiral E.W. STONE *8*
10 *CC*

Chief Commissioner in Allied Commission

I have the honour to communicate you that the
Polish Provisional Government of National Unity
had charged me with the repatriation of our
compatriotes, being in Italy, to the native
country.

With the above I would highly appreciate your
kindness in giving me the opportunity to discuss
this matter with you.

I await myself of this opportunity to convey you,
Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

K. Sidor
Colonel

Rome, the 4th of October 1945.

Col de Salis phoned re a Polish Colonel Sidor who
wrote to Admiral Stone on 4th October re the repatriation
of Polish Soldiers to Poland. He believes the matter
was referred to Brigadier Lush. He has just received
a message from AFHQ saying just to acknowledge receipt
of letter but to put complete stall on it for the time
being.

Col de Salis says he will call and see the Brig some
time about it and explain the whole situation. ~~He~~

He left the message on behalf of AFHQ. *LIAISON*
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No. 15/18/45
HJ/RS

, the 8th October 4

The Polish Embassy in Rome confirms hereby that, according to the presented documents, there is now in Italy a Polish Military Mission for repatriation of Polish citizens from the territories of Italy, Palestine, Syria and Africa.

The Mission is composed as follows:

1. Colonel Kazimierz SIDOR - Chief of the Mission
 2. Major Michał JAWORSKI - Chief Assistant
 3. Lieutenant Edmund JUKOSZA -
- SZANLAWEKI - Member of the Mission
 4. Mrs. Alicja SIDOR - Typist
 5. Stanisław PASIKOWSKI
 6. Wacław SZOSTAK
 7. Walenty MADON
 8. Stanisław MITULA
- n.o. officers
service men and drivers

The Polish Embassy in Rome in the name of the Polish Provisional Government of National Unity asks all the competent military and civil authorities to give to the mentioned Mission all necessary help and assistance

in conformity:

[Signature]

CHARGE D'AFFAIRES

B. BARCZAK

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AMBASSADE DE LA REPUBLIQUE DE POLOGNE

ROME the 8th October 1945.

No. 11/10/45
MJ/HS

I have the honour to ask the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, to kindly assign some office and dwelling premisses and to provide with food and oil the Polish Military Mission for repatriation affairs, composed as follows :

1. Colonel Kazimierz SIDOR - Chief of the Mission
 2. Major Michal JAWORSKI - Chief Assistant
 3. Lt. Edmund JUNCZA -
SZANIAWSKI - Member of the Mission and Mrs.
 4. Mrs. Alicja SIDOR - Typist
 5. Stanislaw PASIKOWSKI
 6. Wacław SZOSTAK
 7. Walenty MADON
 8. Stanislaw MITULA
- n.c. officers
service men and drivers

The Polish Military Mission for repatriation affairs is actually in possession of 2 motor-cars viz.

- 1/ Chevrolet No. 05181
- 2/ "Gaz" No. 000007

I beg to hand you hereby enclosed for your information the copy of the letter sent to Admiral F.W. Stone, of the 4th October 1945, as well as a letter of the Polish Embassy in Rome.

CHIEF OF THE POLISH MILITARY MISSION
FOR REPATRIATION AFFAIRS

Signed

Colonel K. SIDOR

Colonel FINDLAY,
Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission,
Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 2225/20/EC

2 October 1945

SUBJECT: Wladyslaw Nawrocki
TO : Civil Affairs Section

Ref. SD/540.08 dated 28 September 45.

1. The subject was detained in the 104 General Hospital. It is understood that he is now no longer an inmate.

2. He can be contacted through the Polish Town Major's Office, Lt Wojtowicz, telephone 66361, or the Polish Liaison Officer, Major Wegorek at the Boston Hotel, telephone 478561.

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Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A.P.O. 394
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

REF : SD/540.08

28 September 1945
OCT 3 1945

SUBJECT : WLADYSLAW NAWROCKI

TO : Office of the Executive Commissioner
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1. Reference 2225/13/EC of 22 September 1945.
2. Please supply particulars of the hospital in which Subject is detained.

R. P. P. Bonner
Capt

JOHN W. CHAPMAN,
Colonel J.A.G.D.,
Director Public Safety,
Sub Commission.

CBH/nb

104 Gen. Hosp.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Office of the Chief of Staff

G1(Br)/3687/1/A2

25 Sep 45

SEP 28 1945

SUBJECT: Poles who have elected to return to Poland.
MEMO to: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

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With reference to the Polish Charge d'Affaires' letters No. 1/Rep Woj and No. 2/Rep Woj of 5 Sep 45, addressed to you, regarding Poles of II Polish Corps who have elected to return to Poland, attached is a copy of this Headquarters' letter to the Polish Charge d'Affaires on this subject.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

DATE	26/9
TO	112
FROM	3687/1
BY	

W.D. Morgan

W.D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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G1(WR)/3687/1/A2

25 Sep 45.

SUBJECT : Poles who have elected to return to POLAND.

TO : Charge d'Affaires,
Embassy of the Polish Republic,
VIENNA.

With reference to your letters No. 1/Rep.Woj and No. 2/Rep.Woj of 5 Sep 45, addressed to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

Your feelings regarding the early repatriation of Poles from II Polish Corps, who have elected to return to POLAND, and their well-being pending such repatriation, are feelings that are fully appreciated and shared by this Headquarters.

It is the wish and intention of this Headquarters that all Poles within II Polish Corps shall have an entirely unhampered opportunity of opting to return to POLAND. The Commander II Polish Corps has repeatedly stated that he will be glad to investigate any allegations of victimisation, and, if documentation in support of such allegations is forwarded to this Headquarters, action will at once be taken to see that such cases are thoroughly investigated.

The 13,000 Poles of II Polish Corps who have already elected to return to POLAND are assembled in a British Controlled Polish Repatriation Camp where they enjoy amenities equal in every way to those enjoyed by the remainder of II Polish Corps. The desirability of providing these Poles with a camp apart from Poles who hold different views will be appreciated, and, of course, it is essential to have an assembly point to facilitate repatriation when repatriation movement commences.

Arrangements have been made for a conference to take place in VIENNA on 24 Sep 45 to discuss ways and means of effecting the early repatriation to POLAND of all Poles who have elected to return there.

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One Polish Officer and one Polish Other Rank, from the British Controlled Polish Repatriation Camp, will attend the conference in order that they may see for themselves what is being done to bring about their early repatriation. The Polish Other Rank will be a man selected by the Poles within the camp as a man well known to, and well trusted by them.

It is hoped that the above information will be sufficient to allay the anxiety expressed in your letters and you are assured that these problems are fully appreciated and are receiving the fullest and most urgent consideration of this Headquarters. The whole question of policy regarding the repatriation of Polish nationals throughout EUROPE is, however, being discussed on the highest level between the Governments concerned and it is therefore suggested that any enquiries which you may wish to make regarding this policy will be more satisfactorily answered if directed through diplomatic channels.

By command of Field Marshal Alexander:

W. D. MORGAN,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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Translation

Polish Embassy

Rome, 21.9.1945

n.5/23. Rep. Civ.

Admiral Henry W. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission
Rome

SEP 21 1945

I thank you for forwarding my letters regarding the question of Polish troops in Italy, to Marshal Alexander's Headquarters.

I shall be most grateful if you kindly ask for a quick answer to the questions I asked in my letters (n. rep. civ./1, rep. civ./2, rep. civ./3) about Polish civilians at present in allied camps and depending from the authority of the former Polish Government in London. It is useless to mention that the Polish Temporary Government of National Unity is anxiously waiting for this answer.

I take this opportunity to ask once more that my task to visit all camps in Italy where Polish civilians are gathered, be facilitated.

I remain, my dear Admiral,

Yours sincerely,

Charge d'Affaires

S. E. Markowski

trans. e/s

NO DIST - 24 Sept 1945

Action : G A Sec (2)
Info : Chief Commr
Exec Commr

(Capt Braverman)

(2 Copies)

Ref: 2225/13/HC

21 September 1945

SUBJECT: Polish Factions in Italy

TO : Civil Affairs Section

1. The enclosed statement was handed to the Chief Commissioner by Major Wegerok, Polish Liaison Officer.
2. Will you please take the necessary action.

To: CA Sec (2 copies)

for Rusk
Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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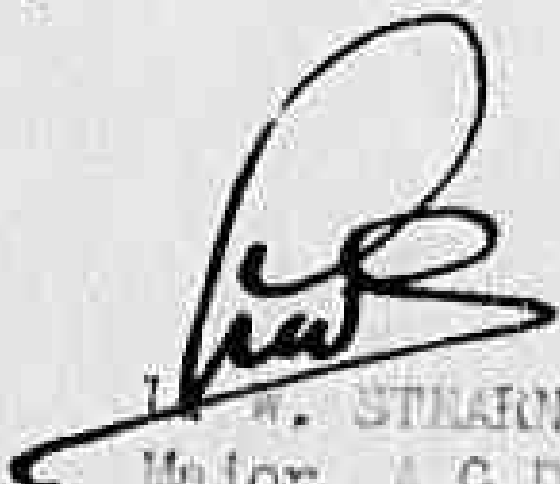
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TO: Executive Commissioner, Hq., A.C.

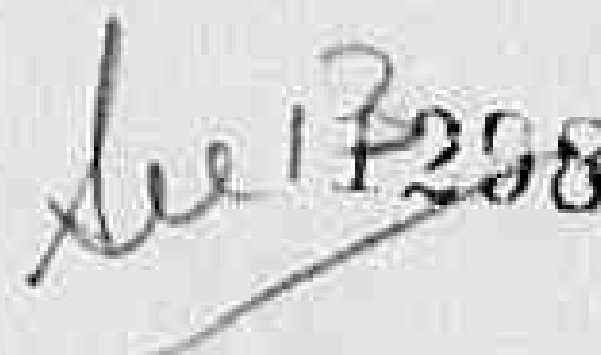
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Major Węgorek, Polish Liaison Officer, brought this in to the Chief Commissioner. It is believed that this matter should be followed up by Public Safety Sub-Commission.

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L. W. STRAINIS
Major, A.G.D.
Staff Officer to CC


(Nas Kenslet)


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A Pole, Wladyslaw NAWROCKI, living and having his family in France had decided to join the Polish Army. He was sent by the Polish Military Authorities in France to Marseille from where with a group of other comrades in similar position, he was brought to Rome where he arrived on September, 1st. The group was sent to the Polish Transit Military Camp.

Having some trouble with the intestine, he applied to the Polish Red Cross and received a letter of introduction to the British Hospital.

On Saturday, September, 8th at about 4 p.m. being on the Piazza Venezia (by him described: 'near a huge white monument with enormous horses') he was approached by two civilians in a car (seeming to be a taxi) who offered themselves to help him and convey to the hospital.

Instead, they arrived to the villa of the representative of the Provisionary Government of Warsaw and there the Pole has been interviewed and affirms that he has been induced to return to Poland. Having replied that he had no family there (all his family is in France) and that he is not a communist but a Pole, he received a kick in the back. Still refusing to agree with his interlocutors he had his Polish Eagle torn out from his cap, threatened or death if joining the Polish Army and with a last kick turned out of doors. A passing-by American military car took him at his request to the British Hospital.

Upon the whole it results that there was a kind of kidnapping, threats with blows and incitements against the Polish Army.

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Upon the whole it results that there was a kind of kidnapping, threats with blows and incitements against the Polish Army.

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Translation

No. Rep. Civ./2

Rome, 5.9.1945

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission in Italy
Rome

SEP 10 1945

In Italy, there are camps for non-military Polish citizens, for instance, the Gurletta camp, near Bari, which are under the control of the authorities of the ex-Polish Government of London.

In these camps are numerous people who wish to return to Poland and haven't yet been able freely to express this intention.

In conformity with the agreements signed by the representatives of the three main powers in Berlin, I have the honour of asking the Allied Commission to examine the possibility of taking under its control, as soon as possible, all the camps in question.

To enable us to realize the real intentions of our citizens we think it is essential to prevent the control of the ex-Polish authorities, and create an atmosphere of freedom and impartiality.

Trusting the Allied Commission will take this request in due consideration, I remain, Sir,

Yours sincerely,

Charge d'Affaires

Markovski Eug.
(E. Markovski)

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EMBASSY OF THE POLISH REPUBLIC

N. Rep. Civ. /2

Rome, 7 September 1945

Admiral Willy W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
in Italy

R O M E

SEP 10 1945

- 1) I have the honour of asking you to supply the Polish Embassy with informations concerning:
 - a) the number and location of the camps for Polish refugees on Italian territory.
 - b) the name of the people who are at present in these camps.
- 2) Will you please give me the necessary authorization and help to visit as soon as possible the camps for Polish citizens in Italy,
- 3) as well as the repatriation camps for Polish officers and other ranks in the neighbourhood of Naples.

Trusting that the Allied Commission will take this request in due consideration, I take this opportunity to send you, my dear Admiral, the expression of my very great consideration.

Charge d'Affaires a.i.
S. Markowski H.

(S. Markowski)

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Embassy of the Polish Republic

Nr.Rep. Civ./1

June, 9.9.1945

Admiral Elie ry W. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission to Italy

R o m e

SEP 10 1945

A considerable number of Polish citizens, formerly deported to Germany, are now gathered in Allied Camps in Italy. This number is continually increasing, and it appears that it already amounts to over 15,000 people.

In conformity with the decisions taken at the Berlin conference, foreseeing the repatriation of all Polish citizens who wish to do so, I have the honour of drawing your attention on what follows:

1) To have these people who suffered so much under Nazi occupation go back to their families, to help their return to a sound and normal life, it seems indispensable to put an end to the constant uncertainty in which they are at present living, and which might bring them to complete moral and material disaster.

I take the liberty of appealing to the Allied Commission, which disposes of the necessary and adequate means, to have all possible assistance guaranteed to the acknowledged Polish authorities, as well as moral support to guarantee and demand the repatriation of all Polish citizens that are at present in Italy, either in Allied camps, or in the camps controlled up to now by the authorities of the ex-Polish Government in London, or living outside the camps.

2) I have the honour of begging the Allied Commission to take the necessary action to prevent the one-sided interference of the authorities of the ex-Polish Government in the camps where there are Polish subjects.

3) The propaganda made by the authorities of the Polish ex-Government in the said camps is of course harming Polish national interests, as well as those of the persons concerned.

4) Therefore, in the interest of our citizens that we do not want to be without a country, I ask the Allied Commission to receive as soon as possible all Polish citizens in camps which are exclusively under the impartial control of the Allies.

This is the only way in which we can obtain a free decision from our citizens.

5) If this problem is solved as soon as possible, the Polish authorities in the country and the people concerned will be spared the serious complications and difficulties which would occur in Poland in winter.

6) Considering that Poland doesn't have the necessary means because of the sacrifices she made during this war, I have the honour of asking the Allied Commission to see that the Allies grant her all necessary transport.

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Trusting that the Allied Commission will take this request in due consideration, I take this opportunity to send you the assurance of my consideration.

Charge d'Affaires

a. Markovski Eug.

(E. Markovski)

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13 September 1945

Ref: 2225/14/EG

SUBJECT: Polish Soldiers in Italy

TO : The Embassy of the Polish Republic

1. Your letters No. 1/Rep. Woj. and No. 2/Rep. Woj. on the subject of Polish soldiers in Italy have been received.

2. As the matters raised are not properly the competence of the Allied Commission, the letters have been forwarded to Allied Force Headquarters with the request that any further correspondence should pass direct between AFHQ and the Polish Embassy.

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ELERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Ref: 2225/3/20

10 September 1945

SUBJECT: Polish Soldiers in Italy

TO : AFHQ, Liaison Section

1. Enclosed please find two letters reference 1/Rep. Woj. and 2/Rep. Woj. both dated 5 September 1945 from the Polish Embassy on the above subject.

2. As the subject does not come within the scope of this Commission, would you please take up the questions raised direct with the Polish Embassy.

For the Chief Commissioner:

2 Incls:
as above

E. TALBOT
✓ Brigadier
Executive Commissioner

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Translation

EMBASSY OF THE POLISH REPUBLIC

N. 2/ Rep. Woj.

Rome, 29.9.1945

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission
R o m e

According to what Polish soldiers say, the commanders of the Second Corps haven't always behaved democratically towards the soldiers who wanted to return to Poland.

In several units, enlisted men had two days to make up their mind about their return to Poland. In many cases, soldiers were influenced and even threatened.

Many of those who had signed the statements for repatriation were called by their various commanders, sometimes eight times running. An attempt was thus made to have them change their mind.

In some detachments, the soldiers who had asked for repatriation had the eagles of their berets and their military insignia torn off. Almost everywhere they were called traitors.

The weaker elements couldn't withstand such disgusting and unjustified action, and preferred, for the time being, to withdraw their statement.

They are now asking for your help which they deem necessary to guarantee the freedom which they need to make their choice without fear of reprisals.

For reasons of principle, and after the above mentioned facts about which we can supply a precise documentation, I state what follows:

1) the legal Polish Authorities cannot acknowledge any validity, for what concerns repatriation, to the one-sided action of the command of the Second Corps.

2) the legal Polish Authorities cannot acknowledge any validity to this action because it takes place under a regime of terror.

3) for what concerns the soldiers who are still in the ranks of the Second Corps, I shall let you know my definitive point of view after I have contacted the Warsaw Government.

I hope the Allied Commission will take this request in due consideration, and I remain, Sir,

Yours sincerely,
Charge d'Affaires
Markowski Eug.

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AMBASSADE DE LA REPUBLIQUE POLONAISE

N. 1/Rep. Woj.

Rome, 5.9. 1945

Admiral Ellery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission
R o m e

In six or eight Allied camps (Brit. Centr. of. Pol. Repatr.) in the neighbourhood of Naples are at present no less than 12 thousand soldiers of the Second Polish Corps who have expressed their wish to return to Poland.

These soldiers, many of whom have high military decorations won in the battles fought at the side of the Allies have now been in these camps for several weeks. They expressed their anxiety and bitterness because nobody was able to tell them the date of their departure.

These soldiers send us desperate messages threatening to starve themselves or desert in masse if no one takes an interest in them.

The Polish Embassy wants to do all it can to prevent these soldiers being driven to accomplish unlawful actions that would complicate a question which is in fact simple.

We want to repatriate them all together as they all fought together.

We trust, that in conformity with the Berlin agreements, the competent Allied Authorities who often expressed their admiration for the Polish soldiers - we do all they can to grant their ardent and just wish: to go back home.

1) for this reason, I ask the Allied Commission to see how it can help the authorities of the temporary Polish Government immediately to contact the soldiers gathered in Allied camps for repatriation.

2) to improve the morale of our soldiers, and spare them farther sufferings, I shall greatly appreciate it if the Allied Commission agrees to fix the date for the repatriation of all the Polish soldiers already gathered in these camps, and lets them know this date as soon as possible.

3) I hope the competent Allied organisms will supply the necessary transport, which Poland is entirely lacking because of the war.

Hoping that the Allied Commission will take this request in due consideration I remain, Sir,

Yours sincerely

Charge d'Affaires

S. Markovaki Eug.

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