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# PROGUREMENT AND PAYMENT POLICY IN "ITALIAN TERRITORY" FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

Paragraph 3, Administrative Memorandum Number 21, this headquarters, 1945, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"3. Nothing in this Memorandum will be construed as affecting the allocation of certain types of supplies made under the provisions of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 54, 1945. Similarly, it will in no way affect the established policies in regard to captured enemy materia, or equipment."

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

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Ref: 4614/13/EC

11 May 1945

SUBJECT: Payment for Military Requisitions

TO : Acting President

Further to the Executive Commissioner's memorandum 1614/5/ED, of 12 March, subject as above, the Executive Commissioner wishes to invite your attention to the attached copy of AFMI Administrative Memorandum No. 21 on the procurement and payment policy in "Italian Territory" for supplies and services. This is the new memorandum referred to on that date.

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PROCUREMENT AND PAYMENT FOLICY IN "IT/LIAN TERRITORY" FOR SUPPLIES AND SERVICES

AFHQ Administrativo Memorandum Number 95, 1943 is rescinded.

- 1. The provisions of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum 31, 1944 are medified to the extent of permitting certain cash (lire) payments to be made by the military forces, United States and British, in accordance with paragraphs 5 and 8 below, pending the establishment of suitable arrangements along the general lines of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 31, 1944. The provisions of this Memorandum are not retroactive and do not authorize payment of any unpaid invoices covering supplies furnished or services rendered prior to this date, which heretofore were not proporly payable under the terms of Administrative Memorandum Numbor 31, 1944.
- 2. Separate instructions will be issued by AFHO/MTOUSA to cover disposal of bills not payable under the terms of this directive or AFHQ Administrative Memoranda Numbers 31 or 95,
- 3. Nothing in this memorandum will be construed as affecting the controlled allocations of certain types of supplies, made by the AFLE Board, vide Section III, AFHO Administrative Memorandum Number 45, 1944. Similarly, it will in no way affect the established policies in regard to captured enemy material or equipment.

#### METHODS OF PROCUESTENT

- There are two methods of procurement for supplies and services:
  - Requisition.
  - "Payment in cash" (Purchase or Rental).
- 5. While this headquarters authorizes "Payments in Cash" as an oldernate method of procurement, such action is not to be considered as an indication that the Italian Government is not responsible under the terms of the Armistice to furnish supplies and services to Allied Governments in Italian Territory at the expense of the Italian Government. Procurement by payment in cash is reserted to in general as a matter of expediency in order to insure a continuing supply of essentials necessary for the prosecution of the war effort.

## DEFINITIONS OF METHODS OF PROCUREMENT .

6. The two methods of procurement are defined as follows:

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Allied Forces, or the use thereof, are acquired from their owners, regardless of their wishes in the matter or of the price or rental they require, against delivery to them of a requisition receipt note. It is left to the requisitioning authority to decide, in accordance with the terms of this directive whether to determine and pay a fair compensation, in cooperation with AMG/AC representatives wherever possible, or to turn over a copy of the requisition receipt note to the civil government, through such channels as may be directed by the respective forces (United States and British).

b. Payment in Cash - The term "Payment in Cash" shall mean a transport action between the owner of property or the purveyor of a service, or his duly authorized agent, and a purchasing officer of one of the Allied Forces whereby, at a price or rental in conformity with any price restriction measures, etc, in force agreed between proprietor and buyer, the ownership or use of such property is transferred to or the service is received by one of the Allied Forces and proprietor is paid in cash.

## REGULATIONS GOVERNING PROCEDURE

### 7. Requisitions

- a. Procurement by requisitioning will be used to the maximum extent consistent with the policies set forth herein.
- b. As requisitioning on the civilian population is apt to be a source of friction and misunderstanding, which can be substantially lessened in many cases by the avaidance of direct dealing between the requisitioning officer and the owner of the property to be requisitioned, arrangements will be made whenever possible whereby the service of requisition orders and the taking of property are effected by recognized local civil officials.
- c. The requisitioning procedure will be used for the procurement of all items for which "Payment in Cash" is prohibited by paragraph 9 below.
- d. The requisitioning procedure may be used in combat zones in those instances where it is impossible or inconvenient to arrange for purchase or rental. In such instances the requisitioning procedure will provide for prompt settlement of the requisition whenever payment in cash is appropriate as stated in paragraph 8 below.
- e. The requisitioning procedure may be used in those cases where the owner cannot be located or ascertained with reasonable certainty or whenever it is considered that the price, rental or other terms asked are unreasonable.
- f. Supplies and Services are not to be requisitioned unless strictly required for military purposes, the test being whether, if payment had to be made, the charge would be admissible against public funds.
- g. Procurement authorities will normally exercise such authority within the areas of their respective area commands. Procurement by one authority in an area of another command will not be mide except with the recovered of sont of the area commander cone mid.

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- 8. Payment in Cash (Furchase or Rental) "Payment in Gash" is authorized in any of the following cases:
  - a. Small day to day procurements.
- b. There this is necessary for operational or security reasons or to insure a continuing supply or
- $^{\circ}\text{c}_{\,\bullet}.$  There hardship to an individual would result from delay in payment.
  - 9. No payment in cash will be made for the following:
- a. All public property to include supplies and facilities taken over from or owned by and services performed by state or local authorities or state owned enterprises.
- b. All communications, transportation and utilities including all ports, harbors, POL installations and other services rendered by or the supplies and facilities of concerns engaged in rendering public services.
- c. Private moveable property except as authorized in paragraph 8 above.
- d. All fixed assets in roal estate including machinery, plant, equipment, etc, installed therein.

#### REAL ESTATE

10. The methods for procurement and payment described above will not be employed in obtaining the use of real estate. The real estate sections and hirings officers of the respective Forces shall continue to acquire buildings, land, and all other types of real estate, including accommodation and furnishings thereof, through the Italian Government Commando Genio Militare.

11. Claims will be processed by the various claims sections and passed to the Italian Government for payment under the system now in operation.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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Ref: 4614/5/EC.

12 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Payment for Military Requisitions.

TO : Acting President.

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Brigadier Lush.

From:

Mr. Macmillan.

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In the course of my trip, and from various other indications, it seems to me that the question of early payment for army requisitions is one of the most important now awaiting settlement.

I hope you will keep me informed of what progress is made towards its solution. I am not so much concerned about the return of property as the payment of cash in order to keep production going.

10th March, 1945.

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