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W.D. TRANSPORT
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W.D. TRANSPORT, ADMIN VEHICLES
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Ex Comm

7664914
2/81 JH

18/2

90.

cso.

do you think that folio 89 is a
precis should go in the bulletin, please
Hoke G-4(B) who will take

ADP 19/7

action re bulletin.

H.S. 19/7

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#10(53)

To Ex Com^{ee}
See #8 & #53 While it was
originally agreed that all WD vehicles
in Naples would be B1, I sent a MS
C+R Car on 6/9/45. The requestor Car
left by Col Simpson for Col Perry Cuck as
one of the best in the Commission
C. M. Fuch
A/R/P

6/12/45

(53)

C50

Letter for signature, if approved, replies
to police (53) hunters 6-10 safer.

13/6/45

Sh

As arranged please

St 13/6

Ex. Com.
57 to info of Ex Com

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19/11. 882

Est Sec.

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G4 B.

"Well Done." & now lets try

Signal

British Vehicle

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Left by Lt Col Simpson for Col Perry Cuck as
one of the best in the Commission

C M Fuch
A/R/12

6/12/45

(125)

C50

Letter for signature, if approved, replies
to photo ⁽¹²⁵⁾ hunter 6-10 refer.

13/6/45

As arranged please
Sh

St 13/6

Ex. Com.

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57 to info of ~~Ex. Com.~~ 19/4.
Fuch 19/4

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Est Sec.

(59)

C 4 B.

Signal "Well Done." & now lets try
to get some more good Britz Vehicle

in transfer.

Dr (15) x.

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Estab See

The Ex Com^{ty} requires your proposals for alleviating the serious tpt situation in NAPLES Commune as shown by folio 818. The Commissioner must be mobile & provided with tpt suitable for the dignity of his office. Please treat this as urgent.

Sh. Riden ^{ing}

Office of EC.
9 June 45

750

Ch' (B₁)

Can you get your supply people to make an exception and trade a good car for the one now at Hq H C in Naples

C M Parker
A/V.P.

9 June 45

851

A/V.P. Establishment Section.

Reply of Q(AE) this morning unaltered. They simply have no staff cars available. There are not enough to go ⁸⁸ ~~88~~ ⁸⁸ in the theatre nor in the Commission. As you know we are having great difficulty in fixing up Col Findlay, whose staff car is no better than Col Pennyquick's and whose need must surely be greater. In paragraph 1. Col Pennyquick over looks the fact that his needs were known to & had already been considered carefully by yourself.

Donald H. Haslam 9.14.45

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A/V.P. Establishment Section:

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NAPLES Commission as shown by photo
The Commissioner must be mobile & provided
with top suitable for the dignity of his office.
Please treat this as urgent.

Office of EC.
9 June 45

Shaden ring

750

CH (B₂)

Can you get your supply people
to make an exception and trade
a good car for the one now at
Hq HC in Naples

C.M. Foster
A/V.P.

9 June 45

8.51

A/V.P. Establishment Section.

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no staff cars available. There are not enough to go ^{8.51} ~~filled~~ in
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great difficulty in fixing up Col Findlay, whose staff car is no
better than Col Pennyquick's and whose need must surely be
greater. In paragraph 1. Col Pennyquick over looks the fact
that his needs were known & had already been considered
carefully by yourself.

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A/V.P. Establishment Section:

Naples has twenty ⁽²⁰⁾ requisitioned cars. SR-44 is a
Lorraine down there. Our C.O.R. has been assigned
to Lt. Col. Warner. I feel Naples have more
cars than they need now. SR-44 is a very
good vehicle.

W. Warner
125.

Donald H. Haslam Q.4(B)

Exec Comm:

Your request for a suitable motor car for the Acting President has been acknowledged and AFHQ (see folio 28) has delivered a Daimler car.

A formal note of acknowledgment of its receipt has been sent (see folio 29). No specific reference was made to the return of the Daimler (mentioned in paragraphs 3 and 4 of folio 28) upon the receipt of the Rolls Royce for the reason that it may be desirable for this HQ at least to attempt to retain the Daimler for VIP's, etc.

Quite right

MS/C. 7/12

15/Feb.

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Maj's Stems.

*Please investigate 2040 and
report to Ex Comr early with
a draft reply to Benj Duntlop.*

Ex 22/5.

Please handle *per 23/6*

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Maj. Stems:

*In view of the length of time this file has been outstanding
I feel that you should discuss this with Mr. Fisher in view of
min 41 & it would be up to him to decide as to action to
take on folio 40.*

23/6/45

Mr. Fisher

Too late to answer. P.

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for VIP's, etc.

Quite right
MSK 7/12

[Signature]
15 Feb.

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Maj's Stearns.

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report to Ex Comr Carg with
a draft reply to Benj Duntlop.

Li 22/5.

Please Randall *[Signature]* 23/6

Maj. Stearns:

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I feel that you should discuss this with Mr. Fisher in view of
min 41 & it would be up to him to decide as to action to be
taken on file 40.

23/6/45

[Signature] 28/6/45

Too late to answer. P.C.

Li 30/6.

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Ltr 5/19/EC

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19th July, 1946.

MEMO TO: HQ Commandant.

The Executive Commissioner before he went away spoke to me on the subject of Colonel Frizelle's car. It was agreed between us that Colonel Frizelle should be allowed to retain his car for a few days - at that time I was uncertain when Colonel Frizelle really became part of UNRRA. I understand that Colonel Frizelle is now demobilized but he still has a few matters to clear up connected with this HQs.

I understand that you are agreeable to Colonel Frizelle using his present car until 31st July. I think this is an equitable arrangement and I concur.

MP

Brigadier,
A/Executive Commissioner.

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J. P. G.

5519/37
Tel. No. : ROME 469021, Ext. 510.

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Headquarters,
Allied Commission (ITALY)
C.I.F.

Subject : Civilians Travelling in W.D. Transport.

Ref: XOE/111/A

15 July 1946.

JUL 18 1946

See distribution below.

1. G.P.O. 345/45 specifically forbids the conveyance of civilians in vehicles owned or hired by the W.D. except when such civilians are :-

- a) Government officials or
- b) Travelling on official business directly connected with military matters
- c) Civilians employees of the W.D. or
- d) Accredited British camp-followers whether of officer status or not eg. EMISA, CWTW, SSAFA, BRCS etc.

This prohibition includes transport of civilians in W.D. transport for social purposes.

2. All civilians enumerated in para 1 travelling in vehicles owned or hired by the W.D. will be in possession of a pass as shown at Appendix 'A' to this instruction, and all other civilians so travelling will be required to sign an indemnity certificate as shown at Appendix 'B'.

3. In the case of civilians other than those enumerated in para 1 travelling in W.D. transport the drivers of such transport will be in possession of an authority as shown at Appendix 'C' to this instruction.

4. Proforms as at Appendices 'A', 'B' & 'C' may be obtained from the U.W.O. (S) on Application by Vice Presidents, Heads of Section etc. stating the number of civilians to be carried, the purpose for which transport is required, the route to be followed and that conveyance by civilian transport agencies is in the circumstances impracticable.

5. Any abuse of this concession will result in its immediate withdrawal.

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D. A. Jones
For K. WILHE-JONES
Lieut. Colonel
Executive Officer (B).

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5. Any abuse of this concession will result in its immediate withdrawal.

See 17-90

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W. A. WILBE-JONES
Lieut. Colonel
Executive Officer(D).

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Communications Sub-Commission.
D.P. & R. Sub-Commission.
Finance Sub-Commission.
Food & Agriculture Branch.
G.I (B) Branch, G-4(B) Branch.
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Industry & Utilities Branch.
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APPENDIX 'A'

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H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794

PASS ENTITLING BEARER TO TRAVEL IN W.D. VEHICLES
IDENTITY CARD NUMBER
NAME
ADDRESS

PLACE
DATE

THE A/H CIVILIAN IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO TRAVEL
IN W.D. VEHICLES.

J.S. LYON, Maj. R.A.
M.T.O. BRITISH.

APPENDIX 'C'

H.Q. ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794

1. Authority is given for W/D vehicle No. _____ to
carry _____ civilian passenger(s) from _____ to
_____ Via _____ on _____.
2. Certified that conveyance by civilian transport agencies is
impracticable in this case.
3. Certified that all civilians have signed Indemnity absolving the
WAR DEPT and its agencies from claims resulting from accidents.

PLACE
DATE

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J.S. LYON, Maj. R.A.
M.T.O. BRITISH.

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APPENDIX 'B'

In consideration of the privilege granted me to travel in a WD vehicle, [REDACTED], I acknowledge that I undertake this journey entirely at my own risk and that no claim or demand will be made on the Allied Governments in respect of any accident occurring during the course of the journey.

In considerazione del privilegio concessomi, di viaggiare su di un veicolo militare, [REDACTED], io sono a conoscenza che intraprendo questo viaggio completamente a mio rischio e pericolo e che nessun reclamo o domanda di risarcimento sarà da me fatta verso il Comando Alleato riguardo a qualunque incidente che possa succedermi durante il corso del viaggio.

Signed

Firma

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FILE. 86

Ref. : 5819/ /EG

12 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Transport.

TO : Executive Officer (Br)
HQ., A.C.

It is frequently necessary for the officers of this Section to visit the various Embassies RAC etc. on duty for the Executive Commissioner and considerable delay and waste of time is often caused through having to wait for one of the reduced number of A.C. taxis.

Consequently it would be greatly appreciated if a car could be assigned to this office permanently.

Should this not be possible, my arrangements please be made for a car to be made available by the A.C. garage "on demand".

By Command of Rear Admiral Stone:

M. W. HIND-SMITH

Chief Staff Officer
to Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 5819/85/EC.

12 June 1946.

SUBJECT: Assignment of Cars to
Individual Officers.

TO : A/Vice President,
Economic Section.

I have considered the question of allotment of cars to Lt.Col. HORN and Major MOTTEY raised this morning. We are so short of British cars that I am afraid I cannot allot one personally to each of these officers but I have given orders that a car shall be allotted daily on week days to the British staff of the Economic Section, for which you will make the interior allocation.

M. S. LUSH

MSL/JG.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Ex. Off (B)

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JA
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1. No. NOTE: 429001, 429002, 429003.

Subject: Assignment of Cars to Individual Officers.

See p.

Headquarters,
Allied Commission (THAN)
C.M.F.

Ref: NOT/111/A.

11 June, 1946.

JUN 11 1946

Executive Commissioner.

Reference the request made at your meeting this morning by Colonel WALTON for cars to be assigned severally to Lt. Colonel HORN and to Mr. HORN, I ask your consideration of the following points.

The assignment of cars to individuals (as against the policy of the allotment of transport) is not a suitable subject for discussion at your meeting because (a) it is too small a subject for a General meeting (b) it is a matter for the Headquarters Commandant, who is not present at the meeting.

This morning, after Colonel WALTON had spoken, you said to me "That is the answer to that!" I gave the answer, but apparently the form of it was somewhat too direct. This I regret, but may I suggest that, if such a matter should arise again, it might be better for me to be given at the meeting but for you to direct me to see what can be done and to report to you later. It places me in a somewhat difficult position to be asked questions to which the truthful answer is unacceptable.

Lt. Colonel HORN had already approached Headquarters Commandant with the request for a car to be permanently assigned. Lt. Colonel GRIFFIN refused, whereupon Lt. Colonel HORN enquired "What do I do at night?" Lt. Colonel GRIFFIN formed the opinion that the car was wanted chiefly for recreation.

Lt. Colonel HORN approached Major SMITH with the same request, and on being refused said "Well, put me down for recreational transport for the week-end". Major SMITH'S conclusion was the same as Lt. Colonel GRIFFIN.

Lt. Colonel HORN was told by Headquarters Commandant that he could have priority on land service. He was also informed that he could have an extension of the normal time during which an officer may keep a taxi, or could have a special car laid on if urgency required.

Lt. Colonel GRIFFIN has recently made a personal visit to all offices in the building. When he visited Lt. Colonel HORN he was informed by Lt. Colonel HORN that he had no work to do. Lt. Colonel HORN has also been to see me on two occasions to tell me the same thing and to point out that he was far more usefully employed in THAN 873
stated that there at least he had a car.

JUN 11 1946

Reference the request made at your meeting this morning by Colonel WALTON for cars to be assigned hereafter to Lt. Colonel HOYT and Major ROBERT, I ask your consideration of the following points.

1. The assignment of cars to individuals (as against the policy of the allotment of transport) is not a suitable subject for discussion at your meeting because (a) It is too small a subject for a General meeting (b) It is a matter for the Headquarters Commandant, who is not present at the meeting.
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3. Lt. Colonel HOYT had already approached Headquarters Commandant with the request for a car to be presently assigned. Lt. Colonel ROBERT refused, whereupon Lt. Colonel HOYT enquired "What do I do at night?" Lt. Colonel WALTON formed the opinion that the car was wanted chiefly for recreation.
4. Lt. Colonel HOYT approached Major ROBERT with the same request, and on being refused said "Well, put me down for recreational transport for the week-end". Major ROBERT'S conclusion was the same as Lt. Colonel WALTON.
5. Lt. Colonel HOYT was told by Headquarters Commandant that he could have priority on that service. He was also informed that he could have an extension of the normal time during which an officer may keep a taxi, or could have a special car laid on if urgency required.
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7. The American side has not withdrawn from the taxi service. They have allotted to every American officer a jeep or a share in a jeep. This places a greater strain on the British side to keep our taxi service going for British officers. Our transport is in a bad state. Vehicles are B.I.A.'s mostly without replacements. I suggest this is not the time to bring to this headquarters officers who, according to their own admission, have nothing to do, and then to ask for cars to be individually assigned to them.

8. Major RUMBLE has performed his duties up to date without a car. However I know that he has a fair amount to do, which would perhaps justify a daily assignment to him. Hence my answer this morning which gave Major RUMBLE the benefit of the doubt.

9. I suggest that Colonel WATSON may not have made a personal investigation into the need for cars for these two officers, and so may have taken the word of the officers themselves somewhat too readily. My Colonel WATSON be asked to furnish a complete list of the duties of Lt. Colonel WATSON which warrant the assignment of a vehicle to him. You will then, I think, be better able to decide whether Lt. Colonel WATSON shall have a car or not.

Chubert

K. WILSON-JONES,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer (D).

WJ/jh.

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VLD/eb

Ref: 5819/81/10

27 April 1946

SUBJECT: "B" Vehicle Census

TO : Rome Area Allied Command
FOR: Ordnance (British)

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1. Reference year 05/650/18 of 15 April 1946 regards Car 6 str. Pullman
Number W.D. No 4575714.

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2. No part X Order was previously sent from this office for the a/m car.
Attached hereto please find a Part X Order.

3. Copies of the Extensive Repair Certificate, Vehicle Svao, Permit and
Receipt for the a/m vehicle are enclosed so that your office may not lack the
detailed information you may need.

VICTOR L. ODDI

Brigadier
Acting Chief Commissioner

Encls: Part X Order
Extensive Repair Certificate
Vehicle Svao, Permit
Receipt from 408 RIF - 38 Veh. Coy.

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SECRET.

PART X ORDER No. P/.....

In lieu of
(In lieu of)

UNIT.....

DATE.....

AKI

LAST PART X ORDER No. P/.....

Dated.....

Sheet No.

LOCATION, AREA or DISTRICT.....

Distribution of Part X Orders:

Original To: Statcentre (Census) GHQ, MEW.

Duplicate To: ADOS HQ RAC.

Triplicate - Retained by Unit

REPORTING ALL MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES OF "B" VEHICLES
(EXCLUDING 2nd LINE REPAIRS)

(To be rendered within 24 hours of a movement or casualty occurring).

(unreplicate - 144 Coy RAC)

W.D. No.	Type and Capacity	Make	Designation of Unit		To	Wasted*	Autho
			From	To			
X. 4575714	Fuller	Busby	AKI	408 B.V.P.		(c)	AKI BACD 23/3

Ref: 64/630/10 of 13 April 1946 RAC out (B)

Note: as no Part X Order exists
in the AKI files, this office was to fit
to hereby issue order to terminate
further enquiries on the a/a vehicle.

+ (a) Enemy Action (b) Fire: (c) Accident: (d) Wear and Tear, or (e) Otherwise B.L.R.

Signed.....
Victor L. G.
Capt. G.W.

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PART X ORDER No. P/.....

In Lieu of Census Form 136
(In lieu of A.S. G.3929)

DATE.....

25/4/46

LAST PART X ORDER No. P/.....

Dated.....

Sheet No..... of.....

DISTRICT.....

RAC

at X Orders:
Centre (Census) HQ, AEF.
OS HQ RAC.
ained by Unit

REPORTING ALL MOVEMENTS AND CASUALTIES OF "B" VEHICLES
(EXCLUDING 2nd LINE REPAIRS)

(To be rendered within 24 hours of a movement or casualty occurring).

4 Coy RAC

Type and Capacity		Make		Designation of Unit		To	Wasted+	Authority
From	To	From	To	From	To			
Pullman		Humber		AM		408 R.V.P.	(e)	AM 1043 from 114 Coy RAC (OS.R.V.P.) dated 23/3/46

13 April 1946 RAC out (3)

Order exists
this office sees to fit
in order to complete
the a/a vehicle.

(b) Fire: (c) Accident: (d) Wear and Tear, or (e) Otherwise B.L.R.

Signed.....

Victor L. Gadd
Capt. Gen. (American)

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
ORDNANCE (BRITISH)

Subject:- 'B' vehicle census.

Ref : OS/650/18
Tel : Rome 66588
Date: 13 April 1946.

TO :- Executive Commissioner
H.Q. Allied Commission.

APR 17 1946

car 6 str. pullman Humber W.D. No. 4575714

1. Enquiries are being made by Statcentre (census) as to the present whereabouts of the a/m vehicle.
2. your office ^{was} ~~has~~ previously contacted on the subject and a copy of AFG 1043 showing evacuation to 144 Coy R.A.S.C. was forwarded under cover of your memo dated 25 March 1946.
3. The AFG 1043 states that the vehicle was evacuated to 408 R.V.P. However, no record of this transaction can be traced in the files of the RVP.
4. In view of the fact that no part X order was published at the time of the vehicle's disposal, may further enquiries please be made.

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D. A. D. O. S.

Major
D. A. D. O. S.



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Tel. Wxt. 511.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
INTER-ALLIED REPRESENTATION
EXECUTIVE OFFICER (R)

REFERENCE : XOM/111/A.

18 February, 1946.

SUBJECT : American Cars in Milan for visitors.

FEB 18 1946

TO : Executive Commissioner.

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In my minute C-18/111/A dated 16 Feb 46 I informed you that Col. PARKIN would look into the transport situation at MILAN.

Col. PARKIN now states that 5 extra U.S. cars are being sent to MILAN to be used for American visitors.

See 11-77

Chubert

E. WILHELM-JONES
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer (R).

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

File 78

Ref: 5819/30.

15 February 1946.

SUBJECT: Transport - BARI.

TO : G-4 (B).

The Executive Commissioner directs me to draw your attention to the following extract from a IX report received from AC CLO BARI.

"I have not been lucky with the car given me in ROME. I had to abandon it on my way from ROME to BARI in a RUMSE workshop and only yesterday did it come out of the local shop here - after crawling its way into BARI. The other vehicle, a PU, is a runner but neither vehicle had a fifth wheel or tyre. I have notified this defect as regards both cars and am only now in a position to sally forth."

N. W. HIND-SMITH

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Executive Commissioner.

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Tel. Rpt. 520.

HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM
EXECUTIVE OFFICER (B)

REFERENCE : 0-13/111/A

16 February, 1946.

SUBJECT : American Cars in Milan for visitors.

FEB 15 1946

TO : Executive Commissioner.

Yesterday you made the suggestion that 3 cars should be allotted to Major G.L. WATERS in MILAN so that they can be used by American visitors. I took the subject up with Col. PARKER, who has promised to enquire into the transport situation in MILAN on the American side, and to send 3 extra cars if they are needed.

Arthur Jones

R. WILHELM-JONES,
Lt. Colonel,
Executive Officer (Br).

Copy to : Executive Officer (A).

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HEADQUARTERS
LOMBARDIA REGION LIAISON GROUP
ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Liaison Officer

Tel: 12641, Ext. 2023

17 Jan 46

G-4/TN/11

JAN 27 1946

SUBJECT : Establishment Memorandum No. 20 -
Transfer of Vehicles.

TO : Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

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1. Reference Establishment Memorandum No. 20 dated 21 Dec 45, Appx 'E', para (b) 'Vehicles', the overall plan of redistribution does not seem to be working and, for reasons recently come to light, it seems extremely doubtful that the transfers will be completed for some considerable time yet.

2. The principal cause is an insufficient number of running vehicles on the British side. British AC transportation has consisted only of their WE of military vehicles, plus a small number of private cars requisitioned through 13 Army Corps. Otherwise, for the sake of convenience only, all private cars have been American requisitioned even though in the first place the car was located and used by a British Officer.

3. The result is that there is now a surplus of transport on the American side while the British are seriously deficient. American requisitioned vehicles previously used by British personnel are being deadlined to no immediate purpose and we are having to repair and make roadworthy vehicles lent through the courtesy of CML. In consequence the work of British Officers is being seriously impaired through lack of transport.

4. In my Liaison Group I have had officers immobilised for several days until a few British controlled vehicles were made roadworthy for them. In my own particular case the car I am using was located by myself and, according to the regulations in force at the time, it was requisitioned under American authority. This car has been called in by 'C' Coy 2675 Regt and it is only by a temporary courtesy agreement I am permitted to use it. As I feel under a moral obligation concerning the vehicle, (and mine is not the only case), I do feel that a modification of the present procedure might be introduced

SUBJECT : Establishment Memorandum No. 20 -
Transfer of Vehicles.

TO : Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters,
Allied Commission.

1. Reference Establishment Memorandum No. 20 dated 21 Dec 45, Appx 'B', para (b) 'Vehicles', the overall plan of redistribution does not seem to be working and, for reasons recently come to light, it seems extremely doubtful that the transfers will be completed for some considerable time yet.

2. The principal cause is an insufficient number of running vehicles on the British side. British AC transportation has consisted only of their WE of military vehicles, plus a small number of private cars requisitioned through 13 Army Corps. Otherwise, for the sake of convenience only, all private cars have been American requisitioned even though in the first place the car was located and used by a British Officer.

3. The result is that there is now a surplus of transport on the American side while the British are seriously deficient. American requisitioned vehicles previously used by British personnel are being deadlined to no immediate purpose and we are having to repair and make roadworthy vehicles lent through the courtesy of CEM. In consequence the work of British Officers is being seriously impaired through lack of transport.

4. In my Liaison Group I have had officers immobilised for several days until a few British controlled vehicles were made roadworthy for them. In my own particular case the car I am using was located by myself and, according to the regulations in force at the time, it was requisitioned under American authority. This car has been called in by 'O' Coy 2675 Regt and it is only by a temporary courtesy agreement I am permitted to use it. As I feel under a moral obligation concerning the vehicle, (and mine is not the only case), I do feel that a modification of the present procedure might be introduced whereby these vehicles can be transferred to the British Motor Pool and eventually restored to their rightful owners.

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5. As the Lombardia Motor Pool is being used as the medium for the inter-regional transfer of cars I am told that few vehicles have come in for redistribution and in consequence other Liaison Groups (British) are also crying out for transport.

Redistribution figures to date :

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	15-cwt	- 11	-
Piemonte	3-ton	- 1	-
	15-cwt	- 3	-
Venezia	-	-	3
Venezia Giulia	-	-	1
Liguria	-	-	-
<u>VEHICLES ISSUED</u>			
HQ AC Rome	-	-	1
Liaison Officer Bari	-	-	1
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Liguria	15-cwt	- 1	-

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It will therefore be seen that each of the above Regions has a holding of one passenger vehicle per officer and the following reserve:-

While Venezia Region is showing the smallest Reserve of the four Regions they were directed by the Executive Commissioner in his cable 5142 dated 11 September 1945 to reduce their holding of civilian type vehicles by 50% by 29 September 1945 which would have been 65. Their present known holding of British civilian type vehicles is 114 and therefore if any Region is considered to be short of closed passenger carrying vehicles it is recommended such vehicles be withdrawn from Venezia Region.

R. H. GREEN
S. Comd. A.C. (S)
C-4 (E).

(i) The figures for Lombardia Region include officers and vehicles in the Regional H.Q. and Office of the Economic Commissioner N. Italy, Milan.

(ii) In view of the difficulties experienced by British Officers in Lombardia in obtaining transport, eleven captured enemy vehicles have been taken on loan for the use of British Officers and which are not included in the above figures.

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- (iii) Venezia Region were ordered in October 1945 to transfer one passenger carrying vehicle to Venezia Giulia, one to Lombardina Region H.Q. and eight to Major Moyle, for use of the British officers, but which orders have not yet been obeyed, and as a result of which the loan mentioned in (ii) above has had to be made.
- (iv) Transport in the Regions West of the Morgan Line has been an American commitment and that in the East a British commitment.

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APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Tel: 489081

Ext: 343

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G-1/101/10

9. December 1945

SUBJECT:- Vehicles from A.C.I.

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TO :- GHQ, MEF.
(Attention Maj. Gen. A.C. Duff OBE, MC.)

1. Further to our conversation of even date (Brigadier Lush - Lt. Col. Webber, Q (AE)).

2. It is understood that on the disbandment of the Advisory Council for Italy certain transport will become available for redistribution including three Pullman Staff Cars, and that authority has been given by GHQ, Q (AE), (but not yet received in this H.Q.) for such transport to be transferred to RAAG less the Pullman Cars.

3. The W.E. of this Commission includes 2 x Staff Cars 6 Str. and 47 x Staff Cars 4 Str. against which our holdings are 1 x Staff Car 6 Str. and 22 x Staff Cars 4 Str. While it is believed that the Pullman Staff Cars mentioned above are required for officers of the rank of Major-General and above, it is particularly requested that these cars be transferred to this Commission for the use of the Regional Commissioners in the North. In addition to the fact that these Senior Officers have to travel long distances over difficult country, they are the Heads of Allied Military Government and as such it is essential that they maintain Allied prestige when meeting Italian Government officials and visiting the Provinces.

4. It would therefore be appreciated if authority could be given for the transfer of the three Pullman Staff Cars from A.C.I. to this Commission.

For the Chief Commissioner

M S LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: G-4/101/10.

7 December 1945.

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I had meant to speak to you about this yesterday.

No time.

If we are to do our job we must be mobile. We have a number of cars on paper - very few on the road.

Can you help? The Advisory Council cars (Pullmans & all) would be splendid.

M. S. LUSH

Major-General A.C. Duff, OBE, MC,
Chief Administrative Officer,
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

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Ref: G-4/101/10.

6 December 1945.

MEMORANDUM TO MAJOR-GENERAL A.C. DUFF,
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, A.F.H.Q.

W.D. TRANSPORT -- ALLIED
COMMISSIONER.

1. The present position concerning the passenger carrying vehicles of this Commission is as follows:

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4. The condition of the W.D. passenger vehicles is also much the same in that they have all covered an excessive mileage and are only fit for evacuation as being beyond local repair. Again we can get no replacement. We are in fact dependent on about 100 cars and are only about half mobile - we cannot operate effectively in this state.

5. While it is known that reliable staff cars are in short supply it is understood that two shipments of New PU's are expected in this theatre during this month and, therefore, it would be appreciated if every help may be given to the demand for such vehicles which we have submitted in our letter G-4/101/10 dated 4 Dec 45 addressed to your HQ for Q(AB).

MSL/JG.

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PART TO ALCON MILAN FROM ALCON CITY ACTION PAPER

PARA TWO PD EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER SEATES WELL DONE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

Originator's Reference: File No. 4

Message Centre No: G 3777

Date/Time of Origin: 161130A

Date Time Rec'd: 170930A

Precedence: Routine

FROM: ACTPT MILAN sgd for Fiske Moyle

TO : Brig Luseh Exec Comm Alcom (Repet to G-4 B Alcom)

NOV 13 1945

Restricted.

British passenger vehicles for this Hq is subject.

Have secured 10 satisfactory vehicles on permanent loan today.

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Pia Opera Maria SS Della Strada
 Roma, Via de Confalone, 32

To Admiral Stone - Chief of the Allied Commission

JUL 21 1945

The undersigned, Father Ariodante Brandi, draws the attention of this Command on the following point:

In Rome, there is a cooperative which supplies an humble but powerful organization, called 'Pia Opera di Maria SS della Strada', that includes all the workers attached to the services of the Rome Sanitation Department.

This cooperative has been created to help the humble workers who work with discipline and Christian spirit for the welfare and hygiene of the city. It was to supply them with foodstuffs at a cheap price, for they cannot go to the black market, considering that their small salary barely covers their most urgent requirements.

As there is no way of transporting the foodstuffs which might be bought cheap in the various parts of Italy, the undersigned asks the Command to give a truck to this organization; it would be registered in the Vatican, and would be used by the Soc. Cooperativa. Madonna della Strada.

This vehicle would enable us to solve a very important problem, and give cheap foodstuffs to our 8000 members; it would also be a very good way of fighting black market.

Trusting that this Command will grant this request, I remain,

The Director,

Sac. Ariodante Brandi

Rome, 4 - 7 - 1945

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Ref: 5819/BO.

Tel: 478201

14 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Transportation.

TO : Commissioner,
AMB NAPLES Commune.

1. With reference to your letter of 6 June 1945, reference R/1949, I have had the question of your personal transport investigated and I am afraid it is impossible to send you a British staff car in replacement for the one you now have. They are in extremely short supply and there is a great scarcity in the theatre, let alone in the Commission.

2. I am informed that you have a limousine No. GR-44 left with you by Lt. Col. Simpson which, according to report, is in excellent condition. If this is not the case please let me know its present state.

3. Another step which has been taken to ameliorate your position is to send you a C&R car which was despatched to you on 9 June.

/s/ E. TARTAGLIA
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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LIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO. 394

6 June, 1945.

R/1949.

SUBJECT : Staff Car.

JUN 8 1945

TO : HQ. A. C.
(Attention Executive Commissioner). ✓

1. I attach a copy of a letter written on the 29th of May asking for replacement for the staff car now at these HQ., and the reply, signed Major Haslam, dated 1st June. The request appears to have been summarily rejected after very short consideration and I should be grateful if this could be given further consideration.
2. We must maintain some contacts with the Provinces for which we have liaison responsibilities, and I determined to make the journey to Catanzaro and Cosenza in spite of the conditions of the vehicles available. There is, however, no civilian car that can be relied on, not one, allowing for the roads, and the lack of tyres and spare parts. Consequently through unofficial channels, I got a new half shaft fitted to the back axle of the only staff car and after altering my programme, left on the 31st of May in this vehicle, the only W.D. car supposedly capable of carrying out such a journey.
3. It broke down south of Salerno and was patched up by the courtesy of the B.O.D. after a long delay. It broke down again near Cosenza and was patched up by the help of artificers of the Società Meridionale Eletticità. It finally broke down altogether on the return journey near Cosenza and after much further delay, I had it towed to Castrovillari and left it in a garage there, being given a lift in a truck, that fortunately happened to pass me, until I could get within reach of Naples and have a requisitioned car sent out to me.

(Haslam)

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4. The staff car is now 8 hours away from Naples and will again have to be towed in, over a difficult road, a most uneconomical process. The waste of time and effort not only to me but others whom I expected to meet, by this performance, and by its previous failures, and the expense to all concerned, has been such that a decision must be taken: either no liaison responsibility can be expected with Southern Italy, or we must be allotted the not unreasonable allowance of one reliable staff car, as shown on our establishment.
5. I formed the opinion that my visit to the two Prefects was very necessary and will send a report in due course. You will see from the attached letter of the 29th of May, that we have explored alternative means of transport such as by plane, and found other HQ. very ready to help and cooperate as far as they were able, but there appears to be no other way to meet this duty. I should, therefore, be very grateful if re-consideration could be given to the replacement of the worn out vehicle by a reliable staff car to allow this HQ. one single suitable vehicle for essential touring to visit Prefects, etc. outside Naples.



J. A. C. PENNYQUICK
Colonel
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4 (B)

Tel. 489081
Ext. 596

G-4/101/0/3

1 June 1945

SUBJECT:- Staff Car.

TO :- Commissioner, AMG NAPLES Commune.

1. Reference your R/1928 of 29 May 1945.
2. It is regretted that at the present time there are no staff cars available for issue.
3. Nearly all the staff cars in this Commission are in the same state as yours and for that reason the best requisitioned car in Naples was left for your use.
4. There are still several staff cars deficient on W.E. and if these are replaced it should be possible to allot one to yourself. However this is, I am afraid, not very hopeful at the moment as vehicles are being moved out of rather than into this theatre.

By command of Rear Admiral STONE:

/s/ D.H. HASLAM

/t/ D.H. HASLAM
Major R.A.
G-4 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
NAPLES COMMUNE
APO 394

29 May, 1945

R/1928

SUBJECT: Staff Car.

TO : HQ. A.C.

1. Under the terms of AFHQ order A.G. 091 1/081 GEG/O dated 29th March 1945, this HQ. has A.M.G. functions in Naples Commune and has liaison duties for the 8 provinces of Naples; Salerno, Benevento, Avellino, Campobasso, Cosenza, Catanzaro and Reggio.
2. Visits are therefore, essential to these provinces and questions arise suddenly necessitating inspections. e.g. reports of plague of locusts, smallpox outbreaks, etc., some reliable means of communication are therefore essential.
3. We have, however, to use unreliable requisitioned cars as the small amount of military transport is worn out and we have no vehicle capable of doing a long journey. Attempts to visit the southern Provinces have twice been frustrated by a breakdown of the only staff car.
4. I appealed to the R.A.F. and had an aeroplane put at my disposal only to find that all the landing grounds in South West Italy are out of action.
5. The only staff car on our strength is Ford M.4956530 which now has a back axle half shaft broken (for the second time). The workshops inform me that apart from this the car needs a new gear box, new engine and new front axle assembly. It is in fact worn out as it has been in continuous hard use for over 20 months and has done an immense mileage under severe conditions. It is useless to try and do tours with this vehicle, though it may still be used for town work.

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6. To enable this HQ. to carry out its normal role may a new, or at least a reliable staff car, please, be issued in lieu of the above vehicle and may this please be treated as urgent.

/s/ J. A. C. Pennycuik

/t/ J. A. C. PENNYCUICK
Colonel
Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
VENEZIE REGION
Allied Military Government
APO 394

19 May, 1945.

TO :HQ, A.C., Attention Executive Commissioner.

MAY 21 1945

SUBJECT: Transport

FILE NO: RXII/386.834 (V)

I should be glad if you would be good enough to see the attached copy of a report received by me from the Field Officer who went down to Lazio Umbria Region to collect transport. I would like particularly to bring to your notice the statement ascribed to Captain Wardropper. I cannot believe that at this stage of the war it is really the intention of HQ, A.C. in Rome to take for itself motorcars which have been ordered forward to Regions in the North. I am sure however that there is a complete misunderstanding in Rome of the car position here in Region Venezia. Lt. Colonel Dawson who has just arrived tells me that in Rome he was not allowed to take forward the car he had been using in Southern Region on the basis that we had in Venezia all the cars that we needed. This is entirely incorrect.

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G-4 instructed us to collect and Lazio Umbria to hand over 25 War Department vehicles and 15 private cars. The attached report shows what in fact has taken place.

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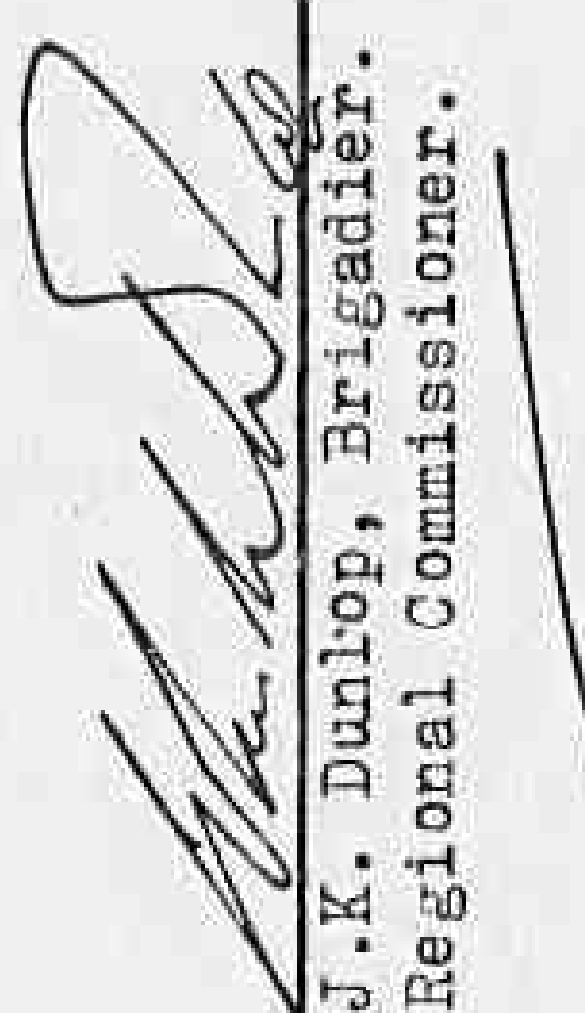
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Moreover both 7th and 8th Armies have decided that much of the German transport shall of necessity be used for the administration of the large captured German Army.

You will see that the situation has developed in a manner most unsatisfactory for us. All this has been explained on the spot to Brigadier Henn both by Air Commodore Benson and the writer.

I assure you that we will continue to do our job even if we have to do it on muleback. It would however be very much more efficient if we could have transport on the scale originally assigned to us.

JKD/lgc


J.K. Dunlop, Brigadier.
Regional Commissioner.

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VENEZIE REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

17 May, 45.

To : Regional Commissioner,
H.Q. Venezia Region, AMG.

Subject : Vehicles taken on charge from Region V.

File No : XII/TG/3.

1. On the 14 May 45, Major Evans together with 5 British O.R.'s including three fitters, and ten Italian drivers departed this H.Q. destined for H.Q. Region V, Perugia for the purpose of collecting fifteen W.D. vehicles, comprising of 1, Staff Car, 7 Jeeps, 4 P.U.'s and 3 x 15 cwt. Maj. Evans was instructed that in the case of any of the W.D. vehicles being unroadworthy to make the number up from the 25 civilian cars also assigned to this Region.

2. On arrival at H.Q. Region V the vehicles to be collected were examined by the three fitters and only six were selected, which in their opinion were capable of making the return journey - to wit - 4 Jeeps, 1 x 15 cwt and 1 P.U. A further 2 x 15 cwt. were selected by Major Evans although the fitters had rejected them. A second P.U. was collected from Ancona by Major Evans and not examined by the fitters.

3. Of the civilian cars only four were roadworthy, the remainder being without wheels etc. no doubt having been subject to cannibalisation. Major Evans was informed by Capt. Wardropper that the four roadworthy vehicles had been earmarked for H.Q. Rome, and was refused collection.

4. On the return journey the P.U. collected Ancona was left in REME workshops at Ferrara, 2 x 15 cwt. left in REME workshops at Cesena, whilst the 15 cwt. arriving this H.Q. was leaking heavily of oil at the sump. The condition of the remaining vehicles is fair, all needing workshop attention. No spares or tools.

5. In a number of instances, the 406's are blank, others were made out in the presence of Major Evans and 47 certainly not showing a true state of the vehicle.

6. Every endeavour will be made to put all vehicles on the road but there is the likelihood of the 3 x 15 cwt. being BLR.

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4. On the return journey the P.U. collected Ancona was left in REME workshops at Ferrara, 2 X 15 cwts left in REME workshops at Cesena, whilst the 15 cwt arriving this H.Q. was leaking heavily of oil at the sump. The condition of the remaining vehicles is fair, all needing workshop attention. No spares or tools.

5. In a number of instances, the 406's are blank, others were made out in the presence of Major Evans and 847 certainly not showing a true state of the vehicle.

6. Every endeavour will be made to put all vehicles on the road but there is the likelihood of the 3 X 15 cwts being BLR.

7. In the opinion of both Major Evans and the fitters further collection of vehicles, WD or Requisitioned, would be worthless.

/s/ J.H. Hines Wragg, Lieut.
Regional Maintenance Officer

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Ref: G-4/101/6/1.

4 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Transportation Requirements - Allied Commission.

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

MAY 5 1945

1. Reference is made to conference at AFHQ on 12 April 1945 when it was arranged that detailed survey of transport requirements of this Commission should be sent to Brigadier Kern, drawn up on a joint Anglo-American basis.
2. Enclosed are four copies of such detailed survey and the suggested needs of this Commission on the complete occupation of Italy.
3. I would like to emphasize that the important time for these vehicles is at the beginning of the occupation, and though the policy of requisitioning, which has been approved, will assist materially, I am afraid that the impressed vehicles will not stand up to the heavy work which they will have to do if my officers are to function adequately.
4. For this I do most strongly urge that these impressed vehicles be replaced at the earliest possible time by good WD vehicles.
5. This will have the added advantage of our then being able to make mobile the many civilian officials who will be working with us.

/s/ Elmer V. Stone

ELMER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Ref: 5819/36/EC.

24 April 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Regional Commissioner, Venezia Region

Reference the attached letter, records of this Headquarters indicate that Major Collins is now on duty with your Region. Your comment on the attached letter is desired.

NORMAN E. FISKE

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel

Acting Executive Commissioner

1 Incl.
Cy ltr from Walter Collins
to Brigadier Lush

Drop it, there's a War
going on.

[Signature]
21 May

[Signature]
Noted

[Signature]
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*Personal***United Press Associations**

VIA DELLA MERCEDE 54 - ROMA - TELEF. : 66-569 - 66-428

TELEGRAMMI : UNIPRESS - ROMA

April 12th, 1945.

Dear *Brigadier*,

Some time ago you were kind enough to say that if ever I wanted you to help my young nephew-Major K.G. Collins, Finance Officer, Rieti Province -- you would do what you could.

My nephew has just come to Rome to see me and he tells me that his car has been withdrawn as it was a Lazio machine. He is at Rieti without transport. His request is to be temporarily supplied with a car.

I must apologise for troubling you like this and shall quite understand if it is impossible to grant the request.

Have just taken over the management of United Press in Italy and find myself here at a busy time but hope to call on you whenever the present rush is over,

With Kind Regards,

Yours *Sincerely*
Walter Collins

Brigadier M.S. Lush. C.B.E. M.C.
 Executive Commissioner.
 Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APG 394

RTX/HQ/T/2/4/1

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20 April 1945

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SUBJECT: Regional Table of Equipment, Motor Vehicles.

TO : G-4 British, Headquarters Allied Commission.

1. This refers to our RTX/TP/2.1 (Major Hughes) of April 1945, and to your signal in reply.

2. I don't wish to press the point but feel that I must recall the circumstances under which I understood the Executive Commissioner to agree that the Table of Equipment of each Region would be expanded to the extent of one additional vehicle per province.

3. The occasion was the meeting of the Regional Commissioners for all northern Regions in Col. Fiske's office, on Monday April 9th. Also present were the Vice-President of the Civil Affairs Section, the Director of the Local Government Sub-Commission and the latter's Executive Officer for Patriot matters. These three officers all stressed the absolute necessity that the officer designated in each province to perform Patriot duty be mobile at all times.

4. Col. Marshall thereupon suggested that in order to accomplish this, the respective Regions' Tables of Equipment be enlarged to the extent of one vehicle per province, as the pool or quasi-pool transport arrangements planned for most Regions would not permit assignment of a car full-time to a provincial officer.

5. My recollection is that the Executive Commissioner agreed to this, and that it was "so ordered". None of the G-4 people were present at the time.

6. My memory may be faulty, but I feel that before you state unequivocally that the Executive Commissioner did not make this commitment, you ask him about it.



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If he says he didn't, that's the end of it as far as I'm concerned.

7. After you have obtained the final word on this, I should appreciate your communicating it to this headquarters.

Col. Alfred C. Bowman

Colonel, JAGD
Regional Commissioner

cc: Exec Commissioner, Hq AC —
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RC file

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Extract of Minutes of Executive Commissioner's Meeting held on 2 March 1945.

Reallocation of Cars from the South. Est Sec said it was proposed to bring all cars up from the South, overhaul and service them here and reallocate them to Regions. Econ Sec asked that cars should not be withdrawn from olive oil officers until the unassing was completed. Ex C directed Est Sec to make sure that these cars would not be touched. Est Sec asked if cars could be withdrawn from SARDINIA and SICILY now and Ex C agreed.

The question of using the garage now used by LAZIO UMBRIA Region was raised. Ex C said that LOMBARDIA Region might require part of this garage for a time.

Ex C stated that a British Major and an OR had been interrogating drivers outside this building. Est Sec should take up this matter. The officer, if discovered, should be brought before HQ Commandant to give an explanation of his activities.

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Extract of Minutes of Executive Commissioner's Meeting held on 6 March 1945 .

Disper S/C Transport. Est Sec asked for a ruling on whether Disper transport was under HQ and Regional control. Ex C ruled that it was.

Copy filed on 2204/EC

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HEADQUARTERS ARMED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref. 5819/29/EC

15 February 48

SUBJECT: Receipt of Vehicle for Acting President

TO : AFM (C-4(B))

1. Reference is made to your letter AFM/270/4 (taint) dated 11 February 45.
2. This will acknowledge receipt of the Daimler car for the Acting President.
3. Your prompt action in this matter is sincerely appreciated.

For the Chief Commissioner:


Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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SUBJECT:- Vehicle for Acting President.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

AFHQ/2704/G(Maint).

11 Feb 45.

FEB 12 1945

TO :- H.Q., Allied Commission.

1. Reference your 5819/25/CO S dated 4 Feb 45 requesting that a motor car and driver be put at the disposal of the Acting President of the Allied Commission for use in Rome.

2. Arrangements have been made for a Daimler car and driver to travel to Rome on Monday 12 Feb 45 and this will report to the office of the President, H.Q., Allied Commission. It is understood that it will not be necessary to retain the driver and it will be much appreciated if the driver can be released to return to his duties with A.F.H.Q. as early as possible.

3. It is believed that a Rolls Royce car is being purchased for use by the Acting President in Rome and will shortly be available. In view of the acute shortage of cars at the disposal of A.F.H.Q., it will be much appreciated if consideration could be given to the return of the Daimler when the Rolls Royce has been received.

4. It is suggested that when the Rolls Royce is available, a temporary replacement for that car, which may be required from time to time, could be supplied by a temporary loan of a car from your resources.

HEADQUARTERS
12 FEB 1945

L. B. S. Sheldon

L. B. S. SHELDON, Lt. Col.,
for Major-General,
G-4 (B).

Copy to:- G-4 (B).

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Ref: 5819/27/COS.

7 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Transport -- P.R. Branch.

TO : HQ. Commandant.

Please see that PRO has a good staff car allocated to him to do a tour of AMI territory lasting one week. He will discuss permanent allocation with C-4(B).

M. S. LUSH

MSL/JG.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

Copy to: PRO.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

Office of the Chief of Staff

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201/PRB

6 February 1945
FEB 7 1945

SUBJECT: Transport.

TO : Colonel N.E. Fiske, Establishment Section.

1. It was decided by the Man Power Committee that the W.E. of the Public Relations Branch should include 3 officers in the Army areas. These officers have now been appointed viz. Major Bullock who remains Deputy Director with 15th Army Group, Captain Ellison who goes to 8th Army AMG, and Mr. Rock Ferris who is being transferred from PWB to work with 5th Army AMG and is already in fact working there.

2. It is essential that these officers be supplied with transport, without which they cannot carry out their normal tasks. One P.U. has been allotted to Major Bullock in place of the Jeep which he has returned. Jeeps - or another form of transport suitable for forward areas - are necessary for Captain Ellison and Mr. Ferris. I should like these to be supplied as soon as possible. I understand that the P.R. Branch has recently returned a Command car to the pool as well as the four cars turned in previously.

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

COS. NO ALLOCATED
CAR STRENGTH except 1 old
P.R.O. - civilian car which went to
Florence and Bullocks jeep which
Better put on the slow bowler - what
is your allocated car strength & how is
it distributed? Mr (6/2) See 270.1

H.Q. Command.

Please see that PRO has
a good staff car allocated to
him to do action of ADG territory
last week. He will discuss
the permanent allocation with G.H.B.

MS (6/2)

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Ref: 5819/25/008.4 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Vehicle for Acting President.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
 Attn: Chief Administrative
 Officer.

1. The Acting President, The Right Hon. Harold Macmillan, has asked that a motor car and driver may be put at his disposal and carried on the Establishment of the Allied Commission in addition to the car at present provided for him as Resident Minister, Allied Force Headquarters.

2. The Allied Commission does not possess a suitable car, either WD or requisitioned and the Chief Commissioner would be grateful if a car could be made available from AFHQ.

MSH/JG.

Brigadier,
 Chief of Staff
 for the Chief Commissioner.

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(MRS STARR)
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THE QUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the President
APO 394

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JAN 27 1945

Chief Commissioner

I am directed by the Acting President to ask that a motor car and driver may be put at his disposal and carried on his establishment in the Commission.

The cars which Mr. Macmillan at present uses were provided for him as Resident Minister at A.F.H.Q. at Caserta by H.M. Treasury, on whose Vote his office there is carried. They are not enough to meet his requirements in the additional post of Acting President of the Allied Commission in Rome.

Mr. Macmillan would be very glad if he could have an American driver and car.

John Wyndham.

Personal Assistant

27/1/1944

P.A.

Hen Russell

Rf. for discussion with C.A.O. AFHQ

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HEADQUARTERS ELLIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APG 394

HIA/PC

23 December 1944

28 DEC 1944

TO: Col. Norman S. Pison, Deputy Chief of Staff,
Establishment Section, Headquarters Allied Commission.

My dear Colonel,

At the present time ten Ellia Region vehicles have been certified "beyond local repair" and turned in against future replacements. One has been stolen and not yet replaced. Investigation of this case is in progress.

The number of vehicles originally allotted to the Region was 67. This was never regarded as adequate but since four other regional teams were competing and time was then wasted of the essence, we took what we could get, both in quantity and quality.

By reason of the retirement of these vehicles (all merely died of "old age" and were not wrecked or otherwise misused) the number of effective vehicles of all types we now have has been reduced to 57, of which Headquarters has only 22, exclusive of motorcycles and water carts.

To relieve this situation we have, in several cases over the protest of the Armaes who are using them, called in vehicles from provincial teams--an unusual procedure since most of them had been almost entirely repaired by the provinces who, losing them now, will likewise lose incentive for properly maintaining other vehicles.

Region Ellia now finds itself in the midst of a front-line job under extremely difficult climatic and road conditions, short by ten vehicles of even the inadequate minimum of "War Department transport" originally allotted for our use. Replacements have been very slow and civilian transport available for requisition or renting has been almost non-existent. Such civilian cars as are obtained are utterly unsuitable for use under the conditions now existing here. The P.R.O. knew what he was talking about in the December 16 issue of his bulletin when he said, "The only likely way to reach where one wants to go is in a jeep..."

In view of the critical character of the present situation of this Region as compared with that of Regions Liguria, Piemonte, Lombardia,

28 DEC 1944
A.G. C.

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and Venezia, I feel that I am being quite reasonable when I request:

- (a) That replacements of all vehicles, American and British, turned in to Ordnance or to M2B by this Region as "beyond local repair", be given priority over replacements for similar vehicles turned in by inactive regions;
- (b) In the event that replacements are coming so slowly that even this will not relieve the situation, that vehicles be furnished from the Headquarters pool or from the allotment of inactive regions sufficient to bring the number of our War Department vehicles at once up to the inadequate quota above referred to, and;
- (c) That our allotment be increased by 1 command car, 7 jeeps, and 3 3/4-ton trucks which would give roughly the amount of "War Department" transport originally requested by this Region (see our letter to G-4 British dated 18 July 1944).

I have understated the situation in an effort to preserve the reputation I hope I have for conservative, temperate evaluation. The Region is de facto operational under AM 8th Army. While this enables us to get going early on tasks which must normally await the regional control phase, much more that could be done is necessarily neglected because of the enforced immobility of officers.

We have made few requests of this kind. Your early sympathetic consideration of this one is urgently requested.

BERRY CHRISTIAN and RABY NEW YORK

Sincerely,

Ans

Regional Commissioner.

Est file # 72/Est 4 Jan 45

Ans file 44

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

91/20/EST

9 December 1944

19 DEC 1944

SUBJECT: Service and Repair of French Military Vehicle

TO : Chief of Staff

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1. Reference your 5804/COS of 6 December and inclosed XS/TP 1006 of 4 December from office of the French Representative.

2. Arrangements have now been made to have the subject vehicle serviced and repaired, as requested, per copy attached.

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Norman E. Fiske
NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff

1 Incl: HHC/10, 8 December

copy to: Major General X. de Sevin,
French Representative to A.C.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Headquarters Commandant

SUBJECT: Transport.

File No. HQC/10
8 December 1944

TO: C.O. Super Garage.

General DeSevin, French Representative at this Headquarters, has a French military vehicle, Buick V-4 No. K74310, Model 1939.

This vehicle will be serviced and repaired at the Super Garage.

Lt. Col.
R. H. ROBERTSON
Hq. Commandant.

Copy to:

Deputy Chief of Staff, Establishments Section - your letter 91/16/EST
dated 7 Dec 44, refers.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO #394
Office of the Chief of Staff

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7 December 1944

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SUBJECT: Transfer of Tec 5 Edward L. Gzajkowski, 32729842, and US WD
1/4-ton GCM Vehicle #20332463 (Hq AGC 103)

TO : S-5, AFHQ - (Attention: Captain FRANK J. SLAUGHTER)

1. On or about 20 November 44, Tec 5 Edward L. Gzajkowski, 32729842, driving US WD 1/4-ton GCM Vehicle #20332463 (Hq AGC 103), proceeded on temporary duty to Caserta acting on instructions received from Mr. Macmillan, Acting President, Allied Commission. It is understood that this enlisted man and vehicle were later transferred to Athens, Greece, and are at the present time being used by Mr. Harold A. Gaccia, formerly Joint Vice President, Political Section, Allied Commission.

2. To date no formal clearance of this transfer of personnel and property has been received at this Headquarters. It is desired that proper authority be turned over to the Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, in order that his personnel and property records may be appropriately cleared.

3. Attention is invited to the attached correspondence on the above matter. The letter from the Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, to the Political Section was referred to the Chief of Staff.

For the Chief Commissioner:

for [Signature]
Brigadier
Chief of Staff

3 Incls.

Incl 1 - Cy of ltr to Mr. Hopkinson fr
Mr. Macmillan, 20/11/4.

Incl 2 - Cert cy par 14, Hq AG SO #293, 20/11/4.

Incl 3 - Ltr Hq 2675th Regt to Pol Sec, 30/11/4.

Sub: Return of Mtr Vehicle & Personnel.

Copies to : Chief of Staff
Political Section
2675 Regiment.

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HEADQUARTERS
2675th REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION
(OVERHEAD)
APO 394

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30 November 1944

SUBJECT: Return of Motor Vehicle and Personnel

TO : Joint Vice-President, Political Section, Allied Commission

1. It is requested that US War Department vehicle, 1/4-ton C&R Serial No. 20332463, marked "Headquarters ADC, 103", issued to Mr. Harold A. Caccia, be returned to the Regimental Headquarters, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

2. It is further requested that Tec 5 Edward L. Czajkowski, 32729842, be directed to report to the Commanding Officer, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, without delay for further instructions.

/s/ C. M. Parkin
/t/ C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Inf
Commanding

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Office of the Chief of Staff

Service and Repair of French
Military Vehicle at Super Garage
The Establishment Section, Bq. AC

5804/COS

16 6 December 44.

Kindly take the necessary steps to arrange for the service
and repair referred to in the attached memorandum and inform this
office of the action taken.

1 Incl.
Memo. 45/10 1006, 4/12/44,
fr French Rep. Bq AC: to
Office COS

[Signature]
Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the French Representative
APO 394

December 4, 1944
XS/N°1006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Office of the Chief of Staff

SUBJECT: Permission for French Military Vehicle

In reference to a conversation between the French Representative and the COS concerning a French Military Vehicle loaned to the French Representative by the French Army it would be appreciated in accordance with the conversation referred to if a written authorization could be given to this Office allowing this vehicle to be serviced and repaired at the Super Garage.

The particulars of the car are:

Buick V 4; N° K 74310; model 1939.

For General de SEVIN
French Representative

/s/

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
Liaison Division
APO 394

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Ref: 6511/14/COS

31 October 1944

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of U.S. Army vehicles

TO : A.F.H.Q. G-5 Section APO 512
(Attn Lt Col T.B. Jackson)

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1. Reference your G-5 537-8 of 25 October 1944.
2. The Duke of Aosta is not, so far as is known, performing any services for this HQ.
3. The Duke is at present General Inspector of E Boats, and as such holds the equivalent rank of Coastal Flag Officer. His headquarters are in Taranto.
4. He is carrying out duties in the Allied interests in that the E Boats are working with the Allied Navies, and for Allied Intelligence purposes.

For the Chief Commissioner

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Brigadier
Chief of Staff

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Tel Ext 341

LWS/sl

Office of the Chief of Staff

Change of ACC initials on Vehicles

209/13/005

The Establishment Section

30 October 44

The Acting Chief Commissioner directs that the initials on all Allied Commission vehicles be immediately repainted to read AG instead of ACC.

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[Signature]
Chief Staff Officer
To the Chief of Staff

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- The L.O. of story intimating reports of info from a Duke of York say that Mr. H.H. is General Inspector of E boats and his H.Q. is in Bonaville. They don't know if he is carrying out any duty in the Allied interests except that the E boats are working with the Allied forces and for Allied intelligence purposes.

30 Oct. 1944

JP Portote Lt Comdr
L.O. of the A/Cs

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ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: A/Chief Commissioner

28 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: Vehicle Markings

FILE No.

27 October 1944

TO: Chief of Staff

Will you kindly issue orders to have all Commission cars repainted to show that the initials of the Commission are "AC" and no longer "ACC".

W
MILBRY W. STONE

Commodore.

Acting Chief Commissioner

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cc: 'A' Files

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 537-8

25 October 1944

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of U.S. Army Vehicles.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission
APO 394

- 25 OCT Recd
1. In June last HRH The Duke of Aosta was issued, on loan, with a command car and trailer by P.B.S. in order to carry out duties in the Allied interest particularly with regard to the Sea Commando School operated by OSS (American) in the Pozzuoli - Baia region.
 2. In September last PBS called for the return of the vehicles in accordance with their general policy to recover for operational use vehicles previously loaned in special circumstances to private individuals.
 3. The car and trailer have not yet been returned and it is understood that the Duke claims that these are indispensable to him for his work on behalf of the Allies.
 4. In order to arrive at a decision in the matter it is desired to have at this HQ particulars of all duties carried out by the Duke in the Allied interests.
 5. With this object in view it is requested you state whether the Duke is performing services for you ~~originally~~ which would warrant his retention of army transport.

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

T. B. Jackman
T. B. JACKMAN
Lt. Colonel.

Copy to:- G-4



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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

SMA/HBRC/1b

G-4/101/14

22 October 1944

SUBJECT:- Vehicle Transfer.

24 OCT Recd

TO :- Col. C.M. Parkin, Executive Officer (A).

Reference conversation re C & R Car for Group-Captain C.E.
Benson, S.C.A.O., A.M.C., 8th Army.

The H.Q. Commandant has selected C & R Car No. HQ-60, W.D.
No. 20185100, as his best car, so perhaps you will kindly issue
instructions for its despatch accordingly.

Donald H. Haslam

S.W. MILLER
Lieut. Col.
G-4 (B).

Copies to: G-4 (A).

Group-Captain C.E. Benson, S.C.A.O., A.M.C., 8th Army.
Office of Chief of Staff (for Major Lloyd W. Stearns).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

LWS/el

From: Major L. W. STEARNS
Office of the Chief of Staff

SUBJECT: Car for Group Capt BENSON

FILE No.

TO: Executive Officer (A), Hq, ACC

20 October 44 194

Reference G-4 memorandum, file G4/101/14, dated 16 October 44.
Subject: British Staff Cars, information is requested as to the status
of assignment of staff or C & R car to Group Capt Benson.

G H H will call 10/21/44 - CMIP

[Signature]
L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
Office of the C/S

*approval has been given
for a C & R Car*

CMIP

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C O P Y

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

SWM/hhj

G4/101/14

16 October 1944

TO: Col C. M. Parkin, Executive Officer (A) - for Vice-President,
Establishment Section

Re British Staff Cars.

1. Group Capt Benson requires a covered car. He has just turned in his worn-out staff car.
2. Today Brigadier Parkinson has asked you for a staff car. ✓ *He got a car.*
3. Apart from the staff car allotted to Col Farren, we have no WD closed car fit to undertake the work required by Group Capt Benson.
4. AFHQ say there are no staff cars available in the country. For some time they have issued only P.U.s against B.L.R.'d Staff Cars.
5. Today in a letter (sent for you to see) we have again told AFHQ the position re worn-out staff cars, and asked if they can find a suitable 4 wheeled drive vehicle for Group Capt Benson. I doubt if they will.
6. Col Farren has asked you for Requisitioned Car no. 5A-8, turned in by Col Albright. If he gets the car, his staff car can then be made available for re-assignment.
7. In my opinion an American C & R car would stand up to Group Capt Benson's work better than a staff car, and I recommend an exception should be made in his case regarding the non-employment of USA vehicles in the 8th Army zone. Group Capt Benson could be relied upon to ensure proper maintenance of the vehicle.

/s/ S. W. Miller
/t/ S. W. MILLER
Lieut-Colonel
G-4

Copies to: Chief of Staff Office - for attention of Major Lloyd W. Stearns
(reference conversation with Lt. Col Miller).

Executive Officer (B)
HQ Commandant

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TO: Establishment Section.

1. A new proposed distribution of Jeeps submitted by you in your letter No. G-4/101/14 of the 3rd of October is approved.

W. Shipp Lt Col

for
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

6th October, 1944

Col. Farran. PAF 7
These vehicles will be drawn

Col. Parkin. C.M.P.
on 9 Oct 44
7 Oct 44.

Please see.
S. Miller. Lt Col.
G.H.

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Chief of Staff.

I.O.M. 6

noted thank you.
10 Oct 44.

S. Miller. Lt Col for 819.
Division Lab: Sec.

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Col.

94 D. submitted at 3 a revised distribution of Jeeps and other vehicles. I think this is the best that can be done. The allocation made is that S. Region have lost their 7 Jeeps to Reg IX, & Col. Thompson will be handed off their cars.

Will you say whether you approve. W. Smith Ltr

5-10-44.

C.C.

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This is better. If D.C. & S. Est. agree it can go forward. We must not forget S. Region in the next allotment.

W. G. L.

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W. G. L.

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HEADQUARTERS

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

OFFICE OF G-4

APO 394

3rd October, 1944.

3-4/101/14.

SUBJECT: Proposed Distribution of Vehicles.

TO : Chief of Staff, Allied Control Commission.

Reference your 209/2/C.O.S. of 2 October 1944.

1. A new proposed distribution is attached for approval of C.O.S.
2. The Regions referred to in your Min. I are equipped with American vehicles. The policy has been NOT to mix them for maintenance reasons.
3. Today, G-4 (A) has allotted 5 American vehicles to Liguria Region. Fifteen additional vehicles have been released to 2675th Regt. and these will shortly be available for allotment to Northern Regions equipped with (A) vehicles.
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5. An additional 21 vehicles are now to be released by A.P.H.Q. in replacement of B.L.Rs.
6. The original plan sent to the C.O.S. yesterday visualised the issue of vehicles now to actual vehicle users, who are short on their B.L.Rs. I reasoned that those to be released vide para. 5, would arrive in time for the Northern Regions, who are not actual vehicle users at present, and may not be for a little time to come.
7. Your para. 2. This has long since been done.

Copy to: Executive Officer (A).
" " (B)
G-4 (A)
Major Cunliffe.

S.W. Miller
S.W. MILLER.
Lieut-Colonel,
G-4.

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G-4.

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" " (B)

G-4 (A)
Major Cunliffe.

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VEHICLE RELEASES

The following vehicles have been released by A.F.H.Q. for this Commission:-
35 Jeeps 6 x 15 cwts. 6 x M/Cycles.

Proposed Distribution

A. 35 Jeeps

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|---------------------------------|----|
| 1. Region 9. | 12 |
| 2. 8 Army | 1 |
| 3. Displaced Persons & Refugees | 2 |
| 4. Region 5. | 11 |
| 5. Region 12. | 9 |

1. Replaces 12 American Jeeps to be available for Liguria, Piemonte and Region 11. Policy to keep British vehicles on Eastern side.
2. Replaces B.L.R.
3. Replace B.L.R. P.Us. They badly need Jeeps.
4. Replace 1 B.L.R. Replace 10 American Jeeps to be available for Liguria, Piemonte and Region 11. Policy as in 1 above.
5. Replace 4 B.L.R. P.Us. 5 additional to make up our commitments.

B. 6 x 15 cwts

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| 1. Region 12. | 5 | - To complete commitments. |
| 2. Displaced Persons & Refugees | 1 | - To replace B.L.R. |

C. 6 x M/Cycles.

All to Region XII.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CMF
Office of the Chief of Staff

Ref/209/R/008.

2 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Proposed Distribution of Jeeps.

TO : Establishment Section.

1. Distribution submitted by you of jeeps is not approved by the Chief of Staff. It is noted that only one of the northern Regions has any appreciable number. Liguria Region is unable to make the La Spezia team mobile. Piemonte and Lombardia teams both complained of shortage of W.D. vehicles at the last conference at Siena.
2. Vehicles must be taken from Southern Regions and made available for those in the north.

D. W. L. SHIPP

Brigadier,
Chief of Staff,
For Acting Chief Commissioner.

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P.A.:

If Chief of Staff agrees
to this proposed distribution
we can get on with
it. The policy is to
provide the Eastern Region
with British vehicles &
the Western (2 Region E)
with American.

L. A. Miller Lt Col.

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35 Jeeps. 6 x 15 cwts. 6 x M/Cycles.

Proposed Distribution

A. 35 Jeeps.

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|---------------------------------|----|
| 1. Southern Region | 7 |
| 2. 8 Army | 1 |
| 3. Displaced Persons & Refugees | 6 |
| 4. Region V. | 11 |
| 5. Region IX. | 1 |
| 6. Region XII. | 9 |

1. Replaces 2 B.L.R. 5 additional to cover cross country commitments.

2. Replace B.L.R.

3. Replace B.L.R. P.U.s. They are badly off for Jeeps.

4. Replace 3 B.L.R. Replace 8 American vehicles to be available for Liguria, Piemonte and Region XI. *Policy to keep B.L.R. vehicles on East side.*

5. Replace P.U. B.L.R.

6. Replace 4 B.L.R. P.U.s. 5 additional to make up our commitments.

B. 6 x 15 cwts.

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| 1. Southern Region | 1 | } All replace B.L.R.s. |
| 2. Region V. | 1 | |
| 3. Region IX | 2 | |
| 4. Displaced Persons & I.R.B. | 2 | |

C. 6 x M/Cycles.

All to Region XII.

Plan for Drawing

25 x Jeeps from Lucera by H.Q. Commandant.

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B. 6 x 15 cwt.

- 1. Southern Region 1
 - 2. Region V. 1
 - 3. Region IX 2
 - 4. Displaced Persons & I.R.B. 2
- All replace B.L.R.s.

C. 6 x M/Cycles.

All to Region XII.

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Plan for Drawing

25 x Jeeps from Incoera by H.Q. Commandant.

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|---------------|---------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 10 x Jeeps | } from Cayna. | 7 x Jeeps | } By Southern Region. |
| 6 x 15 cwt. | | 1 x 15 cwt. | |
| 6 x M/Cycles. | | 3 x Jeeps and remainder | |

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