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TRUCK BRIGADE
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C.S.O.

These notes refer to the upper level
The motor Transport Group has been disbanded & will
be replaced by a Truck Oper. Group & the Mountain Group

W.R. 29/10/60 J.S.P.

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for 1/10

C.S.O. - J.S.P. 69 for info

End 17/10

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CSO - folio 69 for info

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CSC: There are some matters of policy to be decided in the case of Tn S/C and the Motor Transport Group.

- 1) Motor Transport Group is a part of AC and, as such, should not communicate direct with AFHQ, but through Econ Sec, or through Tn S/C. The M T Group Commander and D/Director, Tn S/C are at variance on this, in interpreting the provisions of Establishment Memo No 2 at folio 16.
- 2) Upon sending M T Group Commander's letter of 6 April to Econ Sec for action (see folio 31), Econ Sec replied as per folio 32 stating that the matter is in hand and a report, with facts, will follow later.
- 3) Disagreement as to use of new vehicles being assembled by RME is evidenced in folios 28, 29, 30 and 33.
- 4) See folios 38 and 39 for correspondence, - irregular and putting AC in a poor light with G-5, AFHQ.
- 5) The Establishment Memo No 2 (folio 16) does not mention actual assembly of new vehicles, - the crux of all this.

It is recommended that it might be well to have an early conference, under Exec. Commissioner chairmanship, as this is concerning both Establishment Sec and Economic Sec., as well as this Motor Transport Group's "Regional" status.

6) Another subject: Marking of Vehicles see folios 20, 25 & Min. 26. *Jeffery*
Major
10 April 45.

CSC: Marking of Allied Commission Vehicles.

- 1) See folio 20, 24, 25 and minute 26 from Economic Section.
- 2) Perhaps the marking ALCOM is more practical but the Public Relations Director does have a good point. As time goes on the Allied Commission will come to be generally identified by the symbol ALCOM.
- 3) Recommend that markings as shown in folio 24 be carried out generally.

12 April 45.

PRO

Pl. See 24 & 25 reference Jan 20
If you feel strongly about this you may
care to raise it at the moment.
Examine meeting. *Fuller*

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Major

10 April 45.

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J.P. Pividy
Major

12 April 45.

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PRO — Pl. See 24 & 25 reference Yms 20
If you feel strongly about this you may
care to raise it at Executive
Executive meeting. *J.P. Pividy*
CSO to Exec. 12/4.

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CSO to E.C.
Under the circumstances
better drop the matter. *J.P. Pividy*
I think we had
YGB 992
PRO 14/4/45

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CSO:

To consider if matter raised in folio 20 by PPO is important enough to be referred to Est. Sect. for action. There might be something in it.

JCP
3/1/3

22.

Establishments:

Re folio 20 - Ok this suggestion possible? Please investigate.

W 2 Apr.

23.

Economic Section:

Passed to you for reply, please. It is presumed that the M/I referred to in folio 20 is Truck Brigade equipment.

W. J.

Ext. Sec.
031050B

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To Executive Commission ✓

Re entry (20)

Since a great many trucks have been marked as indicated in (24) it is considered

that no change should be made at this

time.

E/S-

L. H. Henderson

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Please investigate.

W. B.
2 Apr.

Economic Section:

23.

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Brigade equipment.

W.B.

Gen. Sec.
031058B

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To Executive Commissioner

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marked as indicated in (24) it is considered
that no change should be made at this
time.

E/S-

L.H. Henderson

Col 4A. 005

9/4-45

CSO: 1) for COS to see folios 1-2 for information.

- 2) Agenda for this meeting (Friday 1500) is attached herewith — FD
 3) Col. Thomas will also speak to COS prior to meeting. JCH 8/2

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Col Thomas will produce minutes

10/15/2

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CSO: Minutes of folios 6-8 to see for reference to following comments:

- 1) Since the Brigade will be principally an Administrative unit, the Officer and ENAC personnel should be Admin. personnel and not necessarily MT skilled & trained men. Because this category is in dire short supply and needed directly with the Truck units themselves.
- 2) Policy of turning over all WD vehicles in civilian truck pools to Italian control is dependent upon a. success of ENAC, and b. speed of removal of AC Officers from Free Italy.
- 3) The maintenance and course of spare parts for requisitioned Italian trucks and motor-cars not demands cannibalization. Spare parts can only be supplied for Allied WD vehicles. Perhaps when we get to Milan, situation regarding spare parts for Italian vehicles may improve.
- 4) Were the proposals as stated in folio 7 accepted & agreed upon in toto? JCH 16/2
- 5) A proposal is being sent to AFHQ (54020/771) to see.

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Ex Com

Minutes of Truck Brigade meeting opposite.

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CSO: to see folios 11 and 12, which were cleared thru this office from Econ. Sect. prior to signature and dispatched on Econ. Sect. files. JCH 22/2

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C SO: Minutes at folios 6-8 to see for reference to following comments:

- 1) Since the Brigade will be principally an Administrative unit, the Officer and E M/C R personnel should be Admin. personnel and not necessarily M T skilled & trained men because this category is in dire short supply and needed directly with the Truck units themselves.
- 2) Policy of turning over all WD vehicles in civilian truck pools to Italian control is dependent upon a. success of E N A C, and b. speed of removal of A C Officers from Free Italy.
- 3) The maintenance and source of spare parts for requisitioned Italian trucks and motor-cars yet demands cannibalization. Spare parts can only be supplied for Allied WD vehicles. Perhaps when we get to Milan, situation regarding spare parts for Italian vehicles may improve.
- 4) Were the proposals as stated in folios 7 accepted & agreed upon "in toto"?
- 5) A proposal is being sent to AFHQ (540/20/Tn D) to see.

JCF 14/2

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Ex. Com.

Minutes of Tank Brigade
meeting opposite.

H. 16/

17/2

13.

C SO: to see folios 11 and 12, which were cleared thru this office from Econ. Sect. prior to signature and dispatch on Econ. Sect. files. JCF 22/2

H. 22/2

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C SO: See folio 17 for information on G T companies. JCF 27/3

H. 22/3911

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION
APO 394

REFERENCE : 90.4/EST

11 October 1945

SUBJECT : Establishment of Truck Transport and
Maintenance Groups (A.C.)

OCT 12 1945

TO : CHQ, GEF for G-1 (Br) (2)

'A' Truck Maintenance Unit (A.C.)

(W.E. G/1073/1)

Pop. Serial No. 95776

M/R
EC

1. Reference A.F.H.Q. letter AG 537/177 GDS-O of 13 May 45 (para 6) as amended by AG 537/177 GEG-C of 11 July 45; also the above mentioned W.E. created as a result of para 3(e)2 of the latter letter for the purpose of providing the Br. personnel enumerated therein.
2. It is now notified that the Group ceased functioning w.e.f. 1 Oct 45 in accordance with the aforementioned letter, and officer and O.R personnel of 'A' Truck Maintenance Unit (A.C.), as listed in Appendix 'A' attached are now available for posting.
3. Formal authority for disbandment of the unit authorized by the W/E in question and mobilized under Pop. Order L.P.H.Q. G-1(Br)/1160/L.1 (Serial 3017) of 24 Aug 45 is also requested.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

/ME

M.S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

Copies to:-

G-5, A.F.H.Q.
CHQ, GEF for G-3 (OEG) (2)
CHQ 2nd Echelon. (2)
HQ R.A.A.C. (Your 43/1/191/G-3 (Br) refers.) (2)
Executive Commissioner
G-1 (B) (4)
G-4 (B)
Director, Transportation Sub Commission
HQ Maintenance Group, A.C.
HQ Comdt.
Est. File 32.1/XOL

File
- info Enid

(CARR WHITE)

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ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

27 July 1945.

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)

AUG 2 1945

NUMBER 12)

INACTIVATION OF THE 2d TRUCK BATTALION. TRUCK OPERATING
GROUP, ALLIED COMMISSION (ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL)

1. Announcement is made of the inactivation of the 2d Truck Battalion, Truck Operating Group, Allied Commission (Italian Army Personnel), as of 2400 hours this date.

2. This battalion consists of a battalion headquarters and eight (8) companies, designated as 9th to 16th Truck Companies inclusive, of Italian Army Personnel.

3. Allied military personnel will be withdrawn in compliance with Letter, AFHQ, file AG 537/177 GEG-O, subject "Provision of Personnel for Truck Transport and Maintenance Groups AG", dated 11 July 1945.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Actg Vice President.

OFFICIAL:

J. L. Jones
J. L. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (P)

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ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

19 July 1945

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER 10) CHANCE NO. 1

In paragraph 3, Establishment Memorandum Number 10, this headquarters, dated 28 May 1945, delete so much as reads: "The Commanding Officer Truck Operating Group and the Commanding Officer of the Maintenance Group, will report to the Vice President of the Economic Section, Allied Commission", and substitute therefor: "The Commanding Officer Truck Operating Group and the Commanding Officer of the Maintenance Group will report to the Director, Transportation Sub-Commission, Economic Section, Allied Commission".

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry,
Actg Vice President.

OFFICIAL:

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SIR J. E. T. RITCHIE
Lt Colonel
Actg Executive Officer (B)

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ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)

22 May 1945

NUMBER

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CHANGE NUMBER 1

MAY 23 1945

1. Establishment Memorandum Number 7, this Headquarters, dated 1 May 1945, is hereby amended as follows:

a. Paragraph 4.

Delete the present paragraph and substitute the following:

"4. The functions and responsibilities of the 2nd and 3rd Truck Battalions, Motor Transport Group, Allied Commission, (Italian Army Personnel), are the same as those laid down for the 1st Truck Battalion, in establishment memorandum No. 2, of 3 March 1945."

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

C. L. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Actg Vice President.

OFFICIAL:

J. L. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (E)

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1 May 1945.

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER

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MAY 8 REC'D

ORGANIZATION OF THE 2ND AND 3RD TRUCK BATTALIONS, MOTOR TRANSPORT GROUP, AL-
LIED COMMISSION, (ITALIAN ARMY PERSONNEL)

1. Announcement is made of the organization of the 2nd and 3rd Truck Battalions, Motor Transport Group, Allied Commission, (Italian Army Personnel).
2. These truck battalions will consist of a battalion headquarters and eight (8) companies each from Italian Army personnel.
3. The activities will be supervised by the 2696th Technical Supervision Company, (Ovhd), (assigned to 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd)), and Company "T", 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, (Ovhd).
4. The 2nd and 3rd Truck Battalions, Motor Transport Group, Allied Commission, (Italian Army Personnel), is hereby placed under the control of the Vice President, Economic Section, Allied Commission, for maintenance, operation and supply.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Vice President.

OFFICIAL:

J. L. JONES,
Colonel,
Executive Officer (B)

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29 APRIL 1945

ROUTINE

APR 30 REC'D

SIGINT PD

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP SIGNAL GEORGE FOUR DASH FIVE
FIVE DASH TWO SEVEN APRIL PD

PAREN TO AFHQ FOR GEORGE FIVE FOR INFO FIFTEEN ARMY GROUP FROM HQ
ALCOM CITE ACTIT PAREN

PARA TWO PD ESSENTIAL THAT TWO TRUCK BATTALION AND TWO TWO ONE AND TWO
TWO TWO ITALIAN TRANSPORT COMPANIES ALCOM ARE RETAINED TO MEET ESSENTIAL
PRIORITY HAULAGE IN ANCONA CHAPLORCH AND LEGHORN PD LIFT PREVIOUSLY
PROVIDED BY SIX EIGHT ZERO TRUCKS NOW LOANED TO ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP WAS
TWO ZERO FOUR ZERO TONS PD LIFT OF TWO TRUCK BATTALION AND TWO TWO ONE
AND TWO TWO TWO COYS IS ONLY ONE ONE TWO ZERO TONS PD DEFICIENCY OF LIFT
WILL BE TAKEN UP BY OPENNING OF ORTONA TO ANCONA LINE ONE FIVE MAY AND
LEGHORN TO FLORENCE LINE ALREADY OPEN PD

PARA THREE PD TWO TWO THREE CMA TWO TWO FOUR CMA TWO FIVE AND TWO TWO
SIX ITALIAN TRANSPORT COYS AND THREE TRUCK BATTALION WILL BECOME AVAILABLE
FOR NORTH ON ACTIVATION PD ACTIVATION OF THREE TRUCK BATTALION EXPECTED
TO COMMENCE MID MAY PD NO DATES KNOWN FOR FORMATION OF FOUR NEW ITALIAN
TRANSPORT COYS OTHER THAN THOSE STATED IN LIA LETTER SUGAR DOG PLANT
THREE DATED ONE FOUR APRIL PD

PARA FOUR PD EQUIVALENT LIFT OF ONE AND HALF TON TRUCKS OF

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THREE THORN BATTALION AND FOUR ITALIAN TRANSPORT COYS IS
 FIVE EIGHT SIX ARMY THREE TEN VEHICLES OF EACH ONE AND HALF
 TON TRUCK LIVES AND TONS TO

PARA FIVE PD EMPHASIZED THAT EARLY ACTIVITIES WOULD CANNOT
 REPEAT CANNOT MOVE INTO NORTH AND OPERATE EFFICIENTLY UNLESS
 LAD AND WORKSHOP EQUIPMENT IS AVAILABLE AND SPARE PARTS ARRIVE
 FROM CHOLE LUGAR PD

List

Edon Dec
 President
 Chief Commissioner
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 To 30 3
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S. Humphreys
L. Chab.

NICHOLAS FLORES
 CWO U.S.A.
 Assistant Adjutant

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Ref: 5821/55/10.

26 April 1945.

Subject: Motor Transport Group.To: Acting VP,
Economic Section.

I refer to the Motor Transport Group letter AG/TR/105/2 of 23 April addressed to G-5 AFHQ (through Economic Section, Hq AG).

I would draw your attention to para. 3(11) of my letter 5821/41/AG of 11 April, in which it is clearly laid down that the Motor Transport Group are not in order in addressing communications direct to higher authority. I should therefore be grateful if you would again draw their attention to this, and comply with the request made in para. 4 of the above-mentioned letter 5821/41/AG.

Major E. Talbot

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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15 Army Group Info AFHQ, 8 Army, 5 Army, 4 Corps

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16 April 45

Operational Priority

APR 20 REC'D

~~SECRET~~ PD

PARA ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR SIGNAL CAS FOUR TWO THREE DATED ONE FIVE PD

PARA TWO PD REFERENCE PARA TWO PD REPEAT RELIEF DRIVER INCREMENT NOT AVAILABLE PD

PAREN TO FIFTEEN ARMY GROUP FOR INFO AFHQ CMA EIGHT ARMY CMA FIVE ARMY AND FOUR
CORPS FROM HQ ALCOM CITE ACTPT PAREN

PARA THREE PD REFERENCE PARA THREE PD ALCOM HAVE NO RESOURCES LEFT TO MOVE
PERSONNEL AND STORES OF REGIONS IF ALL TRUCKS MENTIONED IN PARA THREE OF OUR
SIGNAL FIVE TWO NINE FIVE ARE ALLOTTED TO ONE FIVE ARMY GROUP PD

PARA FOUR PD REPLY TO PARA ONE WILL BE SENT ON RECEIPT OF YOUR REPLY TO THIS
SIGNAL PD

Copy to : Economic Section
Transportation Sec (3)
M.T. Group A.S.

Transportation Subcom

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NICHOLAS PIOMBINO CWO USA
ASST ADJUTANT.

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to ltr. AC/TB/100/ dt. 10.4.45 adds. Chief
of Staff, H.Q., A..

ENCLOSURE N. 2

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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APO 394

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

Ref: AC/317/TN.5

6 April 1945

SUBJECT : Vehicles being assembled by REME.

TO : Commanding Officer,
Motor Transport Group.

1. Attached correspondence in regard to disposition of
vehicles being assembled by REME is passed to you for action.

2. Please forward this office a copy of your reply.

GEORGE G. CROSS

Chief,

Roads Division.

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C. Gs. British Cadres 1000 General Tpt. Coy (Italian)

1004 General Tpt. Coy (Italian)

C.O. RASC 207 Sub-Area.

CRASC 29 General Transport Column.

Capt. Bent A.M.C. Ancona.

1001 General Tpt. Coy (Italian) 1002 General Tpt. Coy (Italian)

CRASC Army troops transport column.

C.O. RASC 209 Sub Area.

