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ASSIGNMENT OF OR'S, OTHER THAN E.C.
DEC. 1944 - SEPT. 1945

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Comm. Sec

Chief Commissioner directs your

attn to folio 30.

15th May.

per Stearns
May

Executive Commissioner

Reference folio 32. A reply is attached at 33 giving reasons why the stenographer of Director W.D. & IPW was removed without replacement.

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Executive Commissioner

Reference Folio 32. A reply is attached at 33 giving reasons why the stenographer of Director WOO & IPW S/O was removed without replacement.

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CSO.

Establishment Sec:

Re folio 20. Further to the matter of personnel for WMD & IPOW S/C, will you kindly submit to this office a complete investigation and report on the difficulties referred to in Col Campbell's letter of the 16th; also, in regards to paragraph 9 thereof, what replies were made, if any?

17 Apr 45

G-1 (A)

23.

See folios 20 and 21. for reply. *high.*18 April
Est. Sec.

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Est Sec

See Minute 73 folio 9003/EC

G-1 (A)

10 May

25.

Executive Commissioner:EXTRACTED AND NON
AT Folio 28.

Your attention is invited to the following reproduction of minutes 73 and 75, file 9003/EC, to Acting W. E., Establishment Section.

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/s/ M. P. WOODCOCK,
1st Lt., AGO
Asst G-1 (A)

Minute 75 "Reference Folio 69 and then 74.

The British commitment is two ORs. Steps have however been taken to obtain a senior W.C.O. and it is hoped to post this soldier in due course.

There are no British stenographer available and it is considered that the clerk-typist should be accepted by WMD & IPOW S/C, as suggested by G-1 (A)."

/s/ J. Ritchie
1st Lt.

G-1 (A)

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See folios 20 and 21, for reply.
hwp.

18 April
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See Minute 73 folio 9003/EC
N.P.P.

29-1 (A)

10 May

25.

EXTRACTED AND NON
AT FOLIO 28

Executive Commission:

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/s/ M. P. THOMPSON,
1st Lt., ADC
Asst C-1 (A)

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/s/ J. Ritchie
Lt. Col.
C-1 (B)

Establishment Section
14 May 1945

William H. P. 21
F. R. WEAUTH
CWO USA

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Executive Commissioners :

To see 13, please.

Ext. Sec.
8 March

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Establishments

Re. folio 17 - What action is being taken ?

fu
16 Apr.

Executive Commissioners ^{19.}

1. G-1(B) has already supplied one student clerk.

2. G-1(A) have sent one qualified clerk-typist for interview. He was rejected by S.C. Accordingly a fully qualified man is being transferred from Naples Commune. He arrives Rome tomorrow, reports Thursday A.M.

Ext. Sec.
17 April

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Pl info sent to [unclear] by signed.

(if not already sent)

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on file 12/1/45

You will wish to read 17 on its way to COS. Est Section should be shown para 3. Col. Marshall's letter to Economic Section at 16 - to which he has received no reply - is dated a month ago.

5 Jan 45.

E. Talbot
Major

COS

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on file 12/1/45

I will take up the points in paras 3 and 4 of the letter when you have read it. The point raised in para 4 is an extremely controversial one and has been raised at a SIENA Conference by Colonel Marshall before.

5 Jan 45.

G.W.I. SHIPP,
Lt. Col.

M.S.L.
5.1.45

Above minutes copied from file 12/1/45.

Establishments

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Re para 9. - Will you please state the background and facts on this case. *for 6 Mar.*

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6-1(B)

To see minute 10 and act accordingly, please.

25. Dec.
7 March

R. Throckmorton

on file 170/001
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E. Talbot
Major

COS

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5 Jan 45.

G.W.I. SHEPP,
Lt. Col.

M.S.L.
5.1.45

Above minutes copied from file 170/001

Establishments

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Re Folio 9. - Will you please state the background and facts on this case. *Per 6 Mar.*

G-1(B):

11.

To see minute 10 and act accordingly by, please.

Det. Sec.
7 March

W. H. H. H. H.

Int. Sec.

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To see memorandum forwarded if approved.

8 Nov 45

*Penultimate
note.*

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

File 31

13 September 1945.

Chief Commissioner.

SEP 14 1945

Colonel Parkin has received orders from MTOUSA for redeployment which will reduce the HI strength of the Commission to 50% by 20 September 45. He wished to send a telegram to MTOUSA asking for the suspension of redeployment until 15 October 45 in order to allow a chance for reassignment and to quote your authority to do so. This act will of course chiefly affect HI.

I felt it unwise to ask for suspension of redeployment, particularly in your name and I suggested that the telegram should be so worded as to bring to the notice of MTOUSA the facts and suggest that staggering should be allowed until 15 October 45. I was against the use of your name and felt that it should go from the O.O. Regiment.



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Drigador,
Executive Commissioner.

I concur
GWS

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REMARKS: ALLIED COMMISSION

ADP 594

C-1 (E)

REFERENCE: C-15/432/GR

23 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Postings and Documentation OR

AUG 28 1945

TO: Distribution below

1. It has again been brought to the notice of this branch that insufficient attention is being paid to correct documentation in the despatch of OR to this HQ.

2. In all cases O.R. must be provided with posting or movement order.

3. The following will be despatched under separate cover on the day of movement, or in the case of a responsible HQ, will accompany the personnel despatched:-

Medical Report (M1)

A.R.H. 1157 Clothing and equipment Record

A.R.S. 422 Field Conduct Sheet

A.R.W. 5433 Authority for proceeding to UK (appropriate cases only)

4. In all cases where O.R. are not returning to stations, kit to scale will be dealt with by the Region concerned. O.R. will not be given instructions to report to the HQ with a view to replacing kit deficiencies. In such rare cases where items of kit cannot, for some reason, be provided in Regions, and these should not normally occur, a written explanation of the circumstances will accompany the O.R.

5. Much confusion and delay in the despatch of OR has resulted from past failures to conform to correct procedure. The instructions laid down below will be strictly adhered to in all future cases.

BY COMMAND OF THE ADMIRAL STOUT

/s/

J.C. HODGSON,
Lt. Colonel,
C-1 (E)

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DISTRIBUTION:

Executive Commissioner

Executive Officer (D)

V.P. Establishment Section (6)

V.P. Economic Section (47)

V.P. Civil Affairs Section (40)

Director W.M.D. Sub Comm.

" Communications Sub Comm.

" P.R.S.

Reg. Comm. LIGURIA Region

" " LOMBARDIA Region

Reg. Comm. PIEMONTE Region

" " VENETIA Region

SEMO AME VERONA CIVILIA

Commissioner RIFLES Comando

" LIVORNO Zone

Liaison Officer ANCONA

" " TRIESTE

" " BOLOGNA

" " CATANIA

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APC 394
G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/518/OR

27 July 1945.

SUBJECT : Assignment of Clerical Personnel

JUL 28 1945

TO : Distribution below

On instructions from the Executive Commissioner, no re-assignments by Sub Commissions can be permitted which involve the withdrawal of clerical personnel from the Northern Regions for retention at Headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J.C. HODGSON,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (D)

/pc.

DISTRIBUTION 'B'

Group 1 Less Serials 48, 49, 50, 51, 55, 59, 60.

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, ESTABLISHMENT SECTION, APO 394, U.S. ARMY.
23 June 1945.
TO: Executive Commissioner, Allied Commission.

JUN 25 1945

The stenographer in question, Tec 5 Sammarcelli, was one of several stenographers placed on the 2600th Special Detachment list. He was used by the WMD & IPOW Sub-Commission as a stenographer once a month. This information was furnished by the enlisted man and was concurred in by Major Partidge of the Sub-Commission. At the time his name was submitted, it was believed that a sufficient period of time would elapse before his departure. However, on very short notice and before a replacement could be furnished, Headquarters Command Allied Force gave an order to this headquarters where ^{that} all of the earmarked personnel were to proceed at once. In view of this order from higher headquarters, this office had no other choice but to comply.

FOR THE ACTING VICE PRESIDENT:

N.P. Theodore

N.P. THEODORE,
1st Lt, AGD,
Asst G-1 (A)

*This statement is untrue
and I merely suggest that I
should have had the opportunity
of comparing it with the original
JCS*

*W PNT
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File

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Ref: 7014/EC

21 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Personnel - EM/ORA - WMD & IPW
Sub-Commission.

TO : Establishment Section.

Director, WMD & IPW Sub-Commission tells me that his stenographer was removed from him on 1st April in spite of instructions from Colonel Piske that he was not to be removed without replacement. His replacement arrived last week. An explanation is required.

M. S. LUSH

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

MSL/JG.

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per file 33

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION
APO 394

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NPT/eh

12 May 1945.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

MAY 14 RECD

The shortage of personnel in the Signal Center was called to my attention on the morning of 5 May. This status was brought about by the rotation of two men, for whom no replacements had been received, and by the fact that, until a few days previously, we were not able to requisition enlisted personnel because of our enlisted overstrength.

A requisition was prepared immediately and taken to Headquarters Replacement and Training Command by Lt Simmons personally before noon 5 May. He made a personal appeal for prompt delivery of the enlisted men and through personal contacts at the 27th Replacement Depot, the best men available were assigned. In order to obtain quick delivery, a 1st Sergeant and a vehicle were dispatched from this headquarters on the morning of 6 May and returned in the afternoon of 7 May.

The replacements have been working in the Signal Center since the morning of 8 May and have had sufficient training in the fundamentals of Signal Center operation. Within ten days they will be able to carry their share of the work. During this emergency situation, Lt Simmons, in addition to his regular duties, has been taking his eight hours' shift with the two trained enlisted men so that there would be no breakdown or delay in the functioning of the Signal Center.

G.M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Executive Officer (US)

Original in C.C. files.

(See M 31)
PA
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(MAS STEARNS)

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Please see minutes 73 and 75.

Est. Sec.

12 May 45.

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Hutchinson
CWO with

14th May.

(ABOVE MINUTE EXTRACTED)
FROM 9003/EC

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NOTE: Advised 16 MAY 45 by May Steamship Co. Ltd. Sec
dealing direct with WMD + IPOW SC

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Acting Vice President, Establishment Section

The War Material Disposal & Italian Prisoners of War Sub-Commission desires a stenographer replacement for Tec 5 Sammarcelli. There are no stenographers available and therefore competent clerk-typists have been sent to the Sub-Commission for approval before assignment thereto. They have been disapproved by the Director because they are not stenographers. Within a short time after the Director of the WMD & IPW Sub-Commission indicates that a clerk-typist is acceptable, an enlisted man will be assigned to his Sub-Commission.

N.P. Theodore
N.P. THEODORE,
1st Lt, AGD,
Asst G-1 (A)

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G-1 (2)

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Re Jolis 69. What is the present position of British commitments of personnel for this subcommission, please?

Est Sec,
11 May 45

W. H. H. H.
CWO ulh

45.

Acting Vice President
Establishment Sec.

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Reference Jolis 69 and then 44.

The British commitment is two O.Rs. Steps have however been taken to obtain a second T.O. and it is hoped to post this soldier in due course.

There are no British stenographers available and it is considered that the clerk-typist should be accepted by WMD & IPW Sec. as suggested by G-1 (A)

When a short time after the Director of the WND & IPCW Sub-Commission indicates that a clerk-typist is acceptable, an enlisted man will be assigned to his Sub-Commission.

N.P. Theodore
N.P. THEODORE,
1st Lt, AGD,
Asst G-1 (A)

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G-1 (B)

(26)

Re Jolis 69. What is the present position of British commitments of personnel for this subcommission, please?

*Statement to
CWO vlt*

Ext. Sec.
11 May 45

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Acting Vice President
Establishment Sec.

(26)

Reference Jolis 69 and Trin 44.

The British commitment is two OOs. Steps have however been taken to obtain a second H.C.O. and it is hoped to post this soldier in due course.

There are no British photographs available and it is considered that the clerk-typist should be accepted by WND 9886 S/C. as suggested by G-1 (A)

*Immediate
Lt. Col.
G-1 (B).*

G-1 (B)
12/5/45

(ABOVE MINUTES EXTRACTED
FROM 9003/EC)

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Re folio 69.

What is this S/c actual position?

7th May.

W. Stearns
Maj72G-1 (A)

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Re folio 69. What is position of American
commitments of personnel for this subcommission?Est Sec.
7 May 43H. W. Smith
CWO USA(ABOVE MINUTES EXTRACTED
FROM FILE 9003/EC)

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SUBJECT : Rendition of Monthly Reports.
TO : Executive Commissioner.

File No. WMD/5A/25

Reference your 9003/63/EC dated 3 May 1945.

1. It has been pointed out from time to time, that the reason for delay in the rendering of Monthly Reports from this Sub-Commission is due to the lack of sufficient personnel.
2. Until the strength of the Sub-Commission is made up to the establishment agreed to by the Manpower Committee (my WMD/25A/22 dated 16 April 1945 refers), I can give no assurance that the work and Reports of this Sub-Commission can be kept up-to-date.

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,
WMD & IPOW Sub-Com.

(ORIGINAL ON FILE 9003/EC)

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To: Art 341

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(22)

Ref: 7014/22/20

17 April 1945

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Director, WMD & IPOM S/c

Reference your letter WMD/25A/22, subject "Personnel - Officers and Other Banks," dated 16 Apr 45. This matter is being fully investigated and a report of the results thereof will be given to you as soon as completed.

Major L. W. STEARNS

Chief Staff Officer
To Acting Executive Commissioner

(See M 25)
PA 14/5

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

A P O 394

War Materials Disposal and Italian
Prisoners of War Sub-Commission

WD/25A/22

16 April 1945

APR 17 Rec'd

SUBJECT: Personnel - Officers and Other Ranks.

TO : Acting Executive Commissioner.

1. Reference attached correspondence.
2. I understand that Tec/ Marcus SAMMARCELLI has left this HQ contrary to your explicit orders that he should not leave my Sub-Commission without a suitable replacement being found.
3. SAMMARCELLI has been AWOL from this Sub-Commission since the afternoon of 2nd. April 1945, and so far, no suitable replacement has reported.
4. The work of the Sub-Commission is now in arrears, and it is not possible to continue overworking the remaining staff indefinitely. (I have had to refuse my Chief Clerk leave, although overdue for a considerable time.)
5. The blatant disobedience of orders and the manner in which the case of SAMMARCELLI has been dealt with makes it extremely difficult for my Chief Clerk to maintain discipline in the office.
6. Wrapped up in this question is the greater one of the establishment and standard of the staff necessary for the Sub-Commission to carry on properly. The proposed strength for the Sub-Commission was agreed at the Manpower Committee Meeting on 1st. October 1944, and the proposals were Director, Deputy Director, 2 Senior Officers, 3 Junior Officers, and 4 EM/ORs, subject to reconsideration as and when any increase was considered necessary.
7. Although these figures were agreed to, no Deputy Director has yet been appointed, and the Sub-Commission has remained under strength by one Senior Officer, which leads me regretfully to the conclusion that full consideration to the requirements of the Sub-Commission in respect of staff has not had the attention it merits.
8. As regards the case of SAMMARCELLI, it would appear that the direct instructions issued by you have not been complied with, and I feel impelled to request your enquiry into this case.
9. As no answer has yet been received to my letters of 5th, 7th, and 10th April 1945, an early reply to this letter would be appreciated.

See M 21

SEE (22)

J.A. CAMPBELL,
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director,
WD & POW Sub-Com.

7014

10 April 1945

WID/25A/20

SUBJECT: Personnel - other ranks.

TO : Establishment Section,
Headquarters, A.C.

1/. The following is the position with regard to the Military Clerks in this Sub-Commission :

I have a WE/10 of 4 clerks, to include 1 Chief Clerk who is SQMS I. McNeil. When it was agreed that this Sub-Commission could carry on with 4 Military clerks, it was on the understanding (at least on my part) that my staff would be of a certain standard.

Since then, I have had a number of changes - 1 EM Pvt. MIDDLEBROOK, Jack, sent as replacement, has proved absolutely useless as a clerk. Pfc. TOCHTERMAN, A., who is a good clerk, has, unfortunately, been ill off and on for a considerable time, which prevents continuity in his work. Tec/5 SAMMARCELLI, M. (my WMD/16/61 dated 3 April 1945 refers, copy attached) is still, as far as I know officially - AWOL. Sjt. PRINCI, E.M., who was, in every way, a sound clerk, was posted away from the Sub-Commission without any replacement being provided.

2/. It is quite impossible to carry on the duties of this Sub-Commission with such a staff, especially as the work of the Sub-Commission is increasing steadily, day by day, in both Divisions.

3/. I therefore request that immediate action be taken to replace Sjt. PRINCI by a British Sergeant clerk, that Tec/5 Sammarcelli be replaced immediately by a Stenographer, and Pvt. MIDDLEBROOK, J. be reassigned to some appointment to which he is more suited.

4/. Unless some immediate action is taken in this matter, I shall find myself without any Military staff, as my Chief Clerk is already suffering from over-work - lack of any time off, and, however willing, can hardly be expected to do the work of three.

5/. I understand that the clerks in my Sub-Commission are dissatisfied on the grounds that they are being over-worked and are kept at it all the time, but this is absolutely necessary if the work has to be kept anything like up to date, unless an increase in establishment can be agreed.

Copy to

Exec. Commr.
(act - by Talbot)

See M. 18+19

J.A. Campbell
J.A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director
WID & IPOM Sub-Commission

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7 April 1945

APR 17 REC'D

Dear Colonel Fiske,

I spoke with you last Saturday night regarding the Tec/5 who is with the Sub-Commission as stenographer.

I left early on Monday for Caserta and Naples, and on my return on Wednesday, found that Lieut. Theodore had called on my Acting Deputy and stated that if Major Partridge would not order Sammarcelli to go, that he (Lieut. Theodore) would.

When it was pointed out that other instructions were issued by you, Sammarcelli remained until about 14.30 hours, when he absented himself, and has not returned. It is understood that he reported sick and was given three days sick in billets - this office has had no official intimation of this, - and he has been seen out in Rome.

It is not my wish to cause any sore feeling in this matter, but I think I can hardly be expected to condone such a bad example of discipline, which in the face of it, looks as though it was connived at by others senior to Sammarcelli.

I also regret to state that Sammarcelli before leaving the office turned to my Sergeant-Major and said "I don't care what you do to me, you can court-martial me or put me in jail for the rest of my life, but I will not do any more work for the Sub-Commission".

I understand from my Chief Clerk that the cause of the whole trouble is that the three BMs in the Sub-Commission consider they are being overworked.

As it is impossible for me to carry on one short (especially a stenographer-typist), and as the others complain of overwork, it would appear that an increase in the strength of the Sub-Commission is necessary if the work has to be handled properly and with any efficiency.

I shall be pleased to have your remarks, or to discuss the matter with you.

Yours

Col. H.E. Fiske,
Deputy Executive Commissioner,
HQ, Allied Commission.

(JAGS. J.A. CAMPBELL).
Lieut. Col.
Director.

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C O P Y

WMD/16/61

5 April 1945

SUBJECT: Re-assignment - Tec 5 Marcus SAMMARCELLI

TO : Officer Commanding
2675th Regt. (Ovhd) Allied Commission, APO 394

Reference Special Orders No. 91 dated 1 April 45 item 12.

1. The question of the re-assignment of Tec 5 Marcus SAMMARCELLI 19080610 (A) was discussed with Col. Fiske, when it was agreed that no re-assignment would take place for the present, or until a SUITABLE substitute was found.

2. The above named soldier has been absent from his duties since Monday afternoon 2 April 45; it is understood that he is supposedly sick, but no official intimation to that effect has been received in this office.

J. A. CAMPBELL
Lieut.-Colonel,
Director
WMD & IPOW Sub-Comm.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO-777

WWE/rs
6 March 1945

Ref: G-5/2/2.1

SUBJECT: Postings - O.Rs.

MAR 8 1945

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

1. Reference previous correspondence.
2. I am sure you would wish that it should be brought to your personal notice that the replacement for our orderly arrived by yesterday's courier without G-1 (B) first telephoning to state he was coming.
3. As, for some strange reason, however, your Personnel Officers have sent a qualified driver mechanic who are so greatly in demand, to replace an orderly, I have returned him to your Headquarters.

Nelson W. Monfort
NELSON W. MONFORT
Colonel, G.S.C.
DCCAO

P.S.
Since writing
this letter Lt Col Ritchie
has approved by phone
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Tel. Ext. 412

MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : G-4B/495/OR

SUBJECT : Postings - O. Rs

TO : Executive Commissioner

FROM : G-1(P) H.Q. A.C.

8 March 1945.

Reference your Minute 11 - File 7014/EC.

1. The posting of low medical category personnel to Regions is not a matter which is governed by the whims of officers of this Branch, but is dictated solely by the orders of G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, and the location in Regions of high medical category personnel.
2. This Formation is not consulted by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon about the qualifications or personality of Other Ranks posted to it as replacements. Notification is merely received that named Other Ranks of low medical category are being posted to this Formation to replace, for example, "5 Ptes Infantry," "1 Cpl Foot Guards," or "3 Dvrs RASC" of high medical category.
3. In the case in question, Pte Starbury was one of five men posted to this H.Q. to replace 5 Ptes Infantry, and Pte Denton (A.2 and 21) was one of the last remaining Ptes Infantry available for posting, with the exception of 5th and 8th Armies.
4. It is not the policy, nor is it possible or practicable for this H.Q. to consult Regions, prior to replacements being sent to them, and this right has never been claimed by them. This H.Q. could not be expected to circulate Regional Commissioners with the descriptions of men available as replacements in the hope that someone would agree to accept them. Although loath to lose men they know, Regions have been content to make the best of the replacements provided.
5. Representatives from 5th and 8th Armies have in the past visited this Branch, and have never claimed the above right. Their only complaint has been that they do not wish to lose A.1 personnel at all, and this matter has been the subject of lengthy correspondence between this H.Q. and G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.
6. Col. Jones instructs me to add that he did not receive the message of 5th March and that at 0920 hrs on 6th March he was visiting various Sub Commissions with Cp. Capt. Benson and Major Barratt to discuss personnel for Austria.
7. The undersigned went sick in quarters immediately after the conference on 4 March 1945.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

J. E. T. Ritchie
Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

/pc.

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Reference your Minute 11 - File 7014/EC.

1. The posting of low medical category personnel to Regions is not a matter which is governed by the whims of officers of this Branch, but is dictated solely by the orders of G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, and the location in Regions of high medical category personnel.
2. This Formation is not consulted by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon about the qualifications or personality of Other Ranks posted to it as replacements. Notification is merely received that named Other Ranks of low medical category are being posted to this Formation to replace, for example, "5 Ptes Infantry," "1 Cpl Foot Guards," or "3 Dvrs RASC" of high medical category.
3. In the case in question, Pte Stanbury was one of five men posted to this H.Q. to replace 5 Ptes Infantry, and Pte Denton (A.2 and 21) was one of the last remaining Ptes Infantry available for posting, with the exception of 5th and 8th Armies.
4. It is not the policy, nor is it possible or practicable for this H.Q. to consult Regions, prior to replacements being sent to them, and this right has never been claimed by them. This H.Q. could not be expected to circulate Regional Commissioners with the descriptions of men available as replacements in the hope that someone would agree to accept them. Although loath to lose men they know, Regions have been content to make the best of the replacements provided.
5. Representatives from 5th and 8th Armies have in the past visited this Branch, and have never claimed the above right. Their only complaint has been that they do not wish to lose A.1 personnel at all, and this matter has been the subject of lengthy correspondence between this H.Q. and G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.
6. Col. Jones instructs me to add that he did not receive the message of 5th March and that at 0920 hrs on 6th March he was visiting various Sub Commissions with Cp. Capt. Benson and Major Barratt to discuss personnel for Austria.
7. The undersigned went sick in quarters immediately after the conference on 4 March 1945.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

Forwarded.

Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt.Colonel,
G-1 (B)

/pc.

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HEADQUARTERS 15TH ARMY GROUP
G-5 SECTION
APO 777

NWM/FFJ/mjm
4 March 1945

Ref: G-5/2/2.1

SUBJECT: Postings - O.Rs.

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

8 MAR 6 1945

1. Reference attached letter from G-1(B), HQ Allied Commission, of 26 February 1945.

2. I am sure it would be your wish for this to be brought to your personal notice, as the removal of personnel without consulting the officers who command them is exactly what has been complained about by A.M.G. Fifth and Eighth Armies for many months.

3. Quite frankly, I thought the complaints of the Armies were exaggerated, but now that it has happened to me, I can only assume that the transference of personnel without consultation is normal procedure.

4. This is the first time that this has happened to me, and if it happens again I shall go directly to the Army Group Commander and insist that all personnel in this Section be actually assigned, thus placing them beyond the reach of the whims of your personnel officers.

5. I have no complaint against Pvt Denton being posted to an IRTD. He carries out his duties satisfactorily as our orderly and we shall be sorry to lose him. At the same time, he is in the appropriate medical category (A-2) and it is right that he should go. However, as you yourself would do in the same circumstances, I insist upon being consulted on his successor.

6. I think you should know that yesterday morning at approximately 1000 hours I endeavored to speak on the telephone to both Col J. L. Jones and Lt Col Ritchie to discuss this. I was informed that they were about to go into a conference and asked that they would phone back when the conference was over. Neither of them did so. This morning at 0920 hours I endeavored to contact Col Jones at his office, but there was no reply to the telephone.

Nelson W. Monfort
NELSON W. MONFORT
Colonel, G.S.C.
DCCAO

all M.10
5 MAR 1945
A. G.

P.S.
11.55 hrs.

I have just tried
to reach Ritchie by
phone. No answer.
W. H.

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Tel. Ext. 412

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFO 394
G-1 (B)

28 February 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/496/OR
SUBJECT : Postings - O.Rs.
TO : DCCAO Civil Affairs Section HQ, 15 Army Gp.
HQ, Commandant
O.C. Br. Det.

5631194 Pte Stanbury, P. - Hamps.

Authority is given for the above named O.R. to be posted to Civil Affairs Section 15 Army Group w.e.f. 26 February 1945. He will replace

5892487 Pte Denton, R.G. - Northampton.

who will be posted to IRTD immediately Pte Stanbury arrives at Civil Affairs Section HQ, 15 Army Group.

Please submit appropriate casualties to this HQ when movement is effected.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J. Ritchie
Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

/gp

Copy to : GHQ 2nd Echelon,
IRTD
S/Capt OZE c/o IRTD

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Ref: 7007/COS.

5 January 1945.

TO : Establishment Section.

I forward for your information and any action you consider necessary an extract from a letter from Colonel Marshall to Brigadier Lush.

"Lt. Col. Lushill has been ordered home and I am advised that similar orders will issue at an early date in respect to Major Washer. This will leave us short one Provincial Commissioner. I hope the necessary replacement may be received in the near future so that the new P.C. may be keyed into the organization in the appropriate assignment at this time. He can, of course, be attached for TD elsewhere as soon as this has been done. Other officer deficiencies in our T/O may well remain as in for the present although our acute shortage in clerical personnel is a matter which I hope may be ameliorated, at least partially, at this time."

see folio 4
Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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EXTRACT FROM PIERMONTE REGION LETTER DATED 3 JAN 45

Lt. Col. Lansill has been ordered home and I am advised that similar orders will issue at an early date in respect to Major Washer. This will leave us short one Provincial Commissioner. I hope the necessary replacement may be received in the near future so that the new P.C. may be keyed into the organization in the appropriate assignment at this time. He can, of course, be attached for TD elsewhere as soon as this has been done. Other officer deficiencies in our TO may well remain as is for the present although our acute shortage in M/OR clerical personnel is a matter which I hope may be ameliorated, at least partially, at this time.

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ALLIED ~~CONTROL~~ COMMISSION (2)
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Postings - O.Rs

FILE No. G-1B/1,96/OR

TO : Office of the Chief of Staff
H.Q., A.C.

7 December 1944

7 DEC 1944

3781000 Pte. ATKINSON, W. - Kings. Regt.

Reference your 7014/1/COS dated 4 Dec 1944, regarding the above named O.R.

1. Authority has been given to A.M.G. 8th Army to retain Pte Atkinson pending further instructions being received from G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION.

J.L. JONES,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B).

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Ext: 300.

4 December 1944

Ref: 7914/1/01E

SUBJECT: No. 3781000, Pte ATKINSON, W. (The King's Regt.)

TO : C-1 (B).

1. I refer to communication (JONES-SHUP) of to-day's date and forward a letter which was given to me when I was in Eighth Army Area a few days ago, on the subject of Pte ATKINSON.

2. As Pte ATKINSON appears to have been Major MARSHALL's batman since the beginning of the war and served in most quarters of the globe, and as his master is now Colonel Officer with a Division in the line, it would be much appreciated if the orders pending Pte ATKINSON to the REB could be cancelled.

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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4 December 1944.

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Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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