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AG 334/009 - O

4 October 1944

8 OCT Recd

SUBJECT: Boundaries of Air Priorities Board, AFHQ

TO : All Concerned.

1. AFHQ letter, File AG 334/009 - O, subject as above, dated 7 August 1944 is rescinded.

2. The boundaries of the Air Priorities Board, AFHQ, are those of the North African Theater of Operations as detailed in MATOUSA letter, File AG 323.36/303 - O, subject "Boundaries of North African Theater of Operations", dated 21 March 1944.

By command of General WILSON:

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Adjutant General.

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Civil Affairs Branch

WAR DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR NO. 341

19 August 1944.

RELIEF FROM ACTIVE DUTY OF OFFICERS FOR WHOM NO SUITABLE ASSIGNMENTS EXIST

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I - GENERAL. - 1. There is currently within the Army a number of officers over 38 years of age who have rendered valuable service to the Nation, but who are currently unassigned or assigned to positions established for lower grade and for whom no suitable assignments are available or in prospect. Retention of such officers on active duty is not necessary or desirable in the public interest. However, it is imperative that the value of their contribution be recognized, and that their relief from active duty be accomplished entirely without prejudice. It is also imperative that this procedure be used for the relief from active duty of bona fide surplus officers only. Positions covered by bulk allotments will not be down-graded to render particular officers surplus.

2. The provisions of this circular are not applicable to officers of the Regular Army, or to officers who have not attained the 38th anniversary of the day of their birth.

3. Recommendations for relief of an officer will be submitted within 10 days after the date on which he becomes surplus, unless it appears that retraining for a different category of assignment is reasonably practicable or that a suitable position will become vacant at an early date. In the event that retraining does not prove successful or the position does not materialize, the recommendation for relief from active duty will be submitted without further delay and will indicate the original date the officer became surplus.

4. It is the general policy of the War Department that no officer who has recently returned from overseas assignment will be relieved from active duty because no assignment is immediately available in the United States. Recommendation for relief of such an officer will be submitted over his objection only in exceptional cases, and in any case will include the specific circumstances justifying exception to the established policy. The provisions of this paragraph do not apply to officers who have been designated as surplus by an overseas theater and returned to the United States for relief from active duty.

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II - PROCEDURE. - 5. a. Each officer selected for recommendation for relief from active duty will be given notice of such selection by his immediate or higher commander, and will be given an opportunity to reply thereto. Notification will be in substantially the following form:

- (1) Inclosed is a copy of (or reference is made to) Circular No. 341, War Department, 1944, subject: Relief from Active Duty of Officers for whom No Suitable Assignment Exists."
- (2) It has been decided to recommend to the War Department that you be placed on inactive status under the provisions of the above circular. You are advised that this action is not final and you are subject to reassignment; therefore, it is suggested

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that any arrangements made by you for return to civil life be on a tentative basis only.

- (3) It is desired that receipt of this letter be acknowledged within ----- days after its receipt, together with any remarks you may wish to make.

(NOTE: - Additions or changes to the above letter may be made as desired, except that the reasons for recommendation for relief from active duty will not be amplified beyond that indicated in subparagraph (2) of the above letter.)

b. Recommendation for relief from active duty of an officer for whom no suitable assignment exists will be returned by the officer concerned by endorsement to the initiating officer, with such remarks as he may desire to make. These remarks will include one of the following statements:

(1) I have no objection to relief from active duty.

(2) I desire to continue on active duty for the following reasons:

(NOTE: - A brief statement should also be included of civilian and military experience, supplementing information recorded on the officer's qualification card.)

c. The notification or a copy thereof, together with reply thereto, will be included with the recommendation for relief from active duty.

6. The recommendation for relief from active duty will be made by the officer's immediate commander and forwarded through command channels to The Adjutant General, Attention: Classification and Replacement Branch, The Pentagon, Washington 25, D. C. The recommendation will include the following:

a. Statement that the officer is currently not assigned to an established position, or is assigned to a position established for a lower grade, whichever is appropriate.

b. Statement that there exists no position, and there is no position in prospect commensurate with the officer's grade and qualifications to which he might be assigned.

c. Statement that the officer is entitled to separation under honorable conditions.

d. Statement that no disciplinary action or reclassification proceedings under AR 605-230 are pending or appropriate to the case.

e. The date and a statement in detail of the reason the officer became surplus.

f. A complete and up-to-date copy of officer's qualification card (not original).

7. Each commander taking action on a recommendation for relief from active duty will be required either to reassign the officer within his jurisdiction or to forward the recommendation with a statement that no suitable assignment is available or in prospect within the command.

and - SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR OFFICERS OVERSEAS. - 8. a. Commanders of overseas theaters and departments are authorized to return to the continental United

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States officers whom they recommend to be relieved from active duty. Radio Report of such cases will be made to The Adjutant General.

b. Prior to making the above report, oversea commanders will carefully review current requisitions and will not return to the United States, as surplus, officers with military occupational specialties which the theater is currently requisitioning.

9. All officers for whom no suitable assignment exists within an oversea command and who otherwise qualify under the provisions of this circular should be recommended for relief from active duty and returned to the United States under the provisions of this circular. Rotation quotas will not be utilized for the return of such personnel to the United States.

IV - MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS. - 10. The complete file on each officer recommended for relief from active duty will be reviewed, prior to final action, by representatives of Army Ground Forces, Army Air Forces, Army Service Forces, and the technical services to ascertain whether the officer's services are needed in their respective commands or services. Any officers selected by one of these representatives will not be relieved from active duty but will be reassigned by The Adjutant General to the command or service concerned.

11. After an officer has been recommended to The Adjutant General for relief from active duty under the provisions of this circular, any permanent reassignment of the officer will be reported to The Adjutant General by the most expeditious means available.

12. a. Officers who have been recommended for relief from active duty may, with their consent, be granted accrued leave pending final action by the War Department.

b. Officers granted leave under this provision will be specifically notified that they are subject to reassignment.

c. Upon final approval by the War Department, relief from active duty will be effective upon completion of any leave granted under the provisions of AR 605-115.

13. The following procedure will govern relative to retention of commissions by officers relieved from active duty under the provisions of this circular.

a. Officers holding commissions in the National Guard or the Officers' Reserve Corps will return to inactive status in the grade held upon relief from active duty. All such officers holding temporary grade in the Army of the United States will retain this grade for the period of the emergency and for 6 months thereafter when they will revert to their permanent grade.

b. Officers holding commissions in the Army of the United States only will retain their appointments on inactive status during the period of the emergency and for 6 months thereafter.

c. All appointments to temporary grade in the Army of the United States (Air Corps) made under the provisions of Public Law 455 - 77th Congress, will be terminated.

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d. Any officer relieved from active duty under the provisions of this circular may submit his resignation, if he so desires, at the time of relief or at any time while on inactive status.

14. Officers relieved from active duty under the provisions of this circular, if otherwise eligible, are entitled to mustering-out pay.

15. Cases submitted prior to the receipt of this circular need not be returned for correction.

16. This circular supersedes Memorandum No. W605-44, 29 February 1944, subject, Relief from Active Duty of Officers for Whom No Suitable Assignment Exists; Memorandum No. W605-44, 23 March 1944, same subject; and War Department letter (A. G. 210.85 (30 Dec 43) PG-A-A), 12 January 1944, same subject.

(A. G. 210.85(14 Aug 44).)

By Order of the Secretary of War:

OFFICIAL:

G. C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff.

J. A. ULIO,
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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(U.S. Contingent) (OVHD) APO 777
U.S. Army

12 September 1944

AG 200.6

SUBJECT: Recommendations for the Legion of Merit. 18 SEP Recd
TO: All Concerned.

1. By letter dated 7 September 1944, the Theater Commander has authorized this headquarters to submit recommendations for the award of the Legion of Merit during the 3-month period beginning 1 September and ending 30 November. The Theater Commander again invited attention to the existing policy that 50% of all recommendations should be for enlisted men.

2. In view of the limited quota allotted this command, it is not intended that a subdivision of quota be made. It is planned that recommendations for the Legion of Merit for members of this headquarters and units assigned thereto will be carefully considered and the most deserving cases will be submitted to the Theater Commander for approval.

3. Section Chiefs and commanders of subordinate elements are invited to submit to this headquarters full particulars relative to cases which they believe warrant the Award of the Legion of Merit.

4. In connection with the preparation of recommendations, attention is invited to MATOUCA Circular #39, dated 10 July 1944.

By command of Major General LEWITZER:

Frank W. Roberts
FRANK W. ROBERTS,
Lieut. Col., A.C.D.,
Adjutant General.

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394, U. S. Army, 18 September 1944.

TO: See Distribution.

1. For the guidance and compliance of all concerned.
2. Recommendations will be forwarded so as to reach this headquarters not later than 15 November 1944.

For the Commanding Officer:

F. R. WERMUTH
WOJG, USA
Asst Adjutant

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Subject: Transfer of Equipment Sicily to Italian Mainland

To: C.A.O., Hq, A.A.I., Caserta
Commanding General, Allied Control Commission, APO 394

1. It is reported that there are forty high-side gondolas in the Messina area, Sicily, over and above requirements. Due to expanding operations on the mainland, these cars should be transferred to the mainland of Italy.

2. Under provisions of A.F.H.Q. 17 March 1944 letter, file AG 453-3 GDS-O, your agreement to the transfer of this equipment is requested.

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SUBJECT: Index of AFHQ Publications.

TO : All Concerned.

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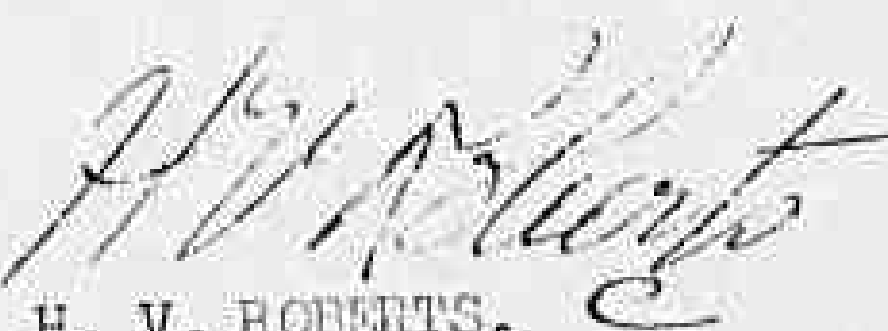
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SUBJECT: Defense Against Sabotage Methods of Biological Warfare in a Theater of Operations.

TO: Commanding Generals, ***
Theaters of Operations



1. Purpose. a. This letter supplements the information on defense against sabotage given in letter, AG 361 (9 Feb 44)OB-S-E-M, 14 February 1944, subject: Biological Warfare.

b. The suggested protective measures described herein are based on what has been done in certain theaters considered particularly vulnerable to sabotage methods of b.w. attack. They are published here for the information of the theater commander in the event that, in his judgment, the security of the theater or any of its installations warrants the application of any or all of the defensive measures described.

2. Objectives of B.W. Attack (Sabotage). a. The use of sabotage methods of b.w. against a particular military or naval installation may be expected to have one or more of the following objectives: (1) To deny or lessen the use of the installation to our forces. (2) To facilitate the capture of the installation by attacking enemy forces.

b. Unless the successful use of b.w. in a given case would accomplish one of the objectives listed in paragraph 2a, above, elaborate counter-measures are not warranted.

3. Avenues of Attack by Sabotage Methods of B.W. a. The principal avenues of attack are the water and other beverages that men drink, the food they eat, and the air in which they move. Any anti-biological warfare ("A.B.W.") program is therefore concerned primarily with the preparation, processing, and distribution of foods and beverages consumed in substantial part by military or key civilian personnel. The possibility of the successful introduction of insect-borne diseases should also be considered. The local potential sources of bacterial and chemical contaminants constitute another item for investigation.

b. The principal factors to be considered therefore in connection with any investigation of the possible use by the enemy of sabotage methods of b.w. and with any contemplated A.B.W. program, are as follows: (1) water supplies; (2) fresh milk; (3) ice cream; (4) bottled soft drinks; (5) beer; (6) ice and cold storage plants; (7) bread; (8) meat and butter; (9) civilian laboratories; (10) poisons (available local sources of); (11) insect-borne diseases, and (12) prisoners of war and refugees. The significance of each of these factors will be discussed in greater detail in subsequent paragraphs in this letter.

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4. General Principles of A.B.W. (Anti-Biological Warfare) Protection.

a. The basic principles of a.b.w. protection are for the most part very simple. The protective measures may be broadly divided into two categories, those having to do with (1) physical security and (2) personnel security.

(1) Physical security. - Protective measures include adequate fences, locked gates or doors, guards, patrols, telephone communications and other devices designed to prevent unauthorized access to the premises.

(2) Personnel security. - Protective measures here include principally a check on the subject's background, nationality, citizenship, political tendencies, loyalty, etc., such as is provided by the loyalty investigations of the Provost Marshal General's Office (reported on Form 58, PWCO) and by investigations of other agencies.

b. In practically every food and beverage plant there is usually some one spot (and occasionally more than one) where a subversive could accomplish wholesale contamination of the product. In a bottled soft drink plant, for example, this spot is the syrup room; and in a milk plant it is the room or rooms housing the pasteurizers, coolers and holding tanks; in a water system it may be a pumping plant or a chlorination or filtration plant.

c. The basic principle of a.b.w. protection in any plant in which food or beverage is prepared or processed is to (1) isolate the key portion of the plant where a subversive could accomplish wholesale contamination; (2) make this key area accessible only to the authorized personnel required for operating this portion of the plant; and (3) employ for these key positions at least, and preferably for the entire plant, only personnel that have been thoroughly checked and approved by the PWCO, G-2, F.B.I., CIC, or other available competent agency. Where local conditions make it impossible to secure trustworthy civilian personnel for key positions, consideration may be given to the utilization of military personnel for these positions.

5. Danger From B.W. and Protective Counter-Measures. a. The principal possible dangers from sabotage methods of b.w. along the avenues of attack listed in paragraph 3b above together with the most important specific protective measures designed to prevent or neutralize these dangers are set forth below. In describing these protective measures the phrase "appropriate physical and personnel security measures" will be used for sake of brevity to indicate the type of precautionary measures described in detail in paragraph 4 above.

(1) Water supplies. (a) The drinking water supply of a military or civilian community constitutes the most important single avenue of potential sabotage attack by b.w. The attack may come as a mass bacterial contamination or chemical poisoning of reservoirs or storage tanks, particularly those containing water after it has been treated in a purification plant; another possible danger is that the water may be contaminated or poisoned in a water main or other part of the distribution system carrying treated water direct to the consumer.

(b) The most effective a.b.w. protection of water supplies is chlorination and the maintenance of an adequate chlorine residual in all active

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parts of the distribution system. Current War Department directives specify that in general this residual shall be at least 0.4 parts per million in fixed plants (1.0 p.p.m. in the field). The presence of an adequate chlorine residual is the best protection known against bacterial contamination, either deliberate or accidental. Certain types of chemical poisons also will eliminate or reduce the chlorine. Frequent and regular checks should therefore be made of the chlorine residual. If practicable, laboratory facilities should also be provided for making the regular tests for chemical poisons which have been devised for this special purpose in the event of the sudden disappearance or sharp reduction of the chlorine residual or because of other suspicious circumstances. Appropriate physical and security measures should be instituted.

(2) Fresh milk. (a) Fresh milk offers an excellent vehicle for the spread of disease by b.w. methods. In certain theaters, where it has been found impossible to control satisfactorily production and distribution, the use of fresh milk by military personnel has been prohibited.

(b) Deliberate wholesale contamination of fresh milk is most feasible after pasteurization and cooling. Accordingly, appropriate physical and personnel security measures should be applied to the rooms or areas housing the pasteurizers, coolers and holding tanks for the cooled milk. Sanitary measures should be rigidly enforced, and the performance of the pasteurizer should be carefully checked.

(3) Ice cream. (a) If the ice cream is made entirely from prepared mixes imported from the United States, and is not pasteurized before freezing, the vulnerable area of the ice cream plant is the mixing room. If, however, the ice cream is compounded locally from a number of ingredients from various sources, it is usually pasteurized before freezing; in this case the vulnerable portions of the plant are the rooms containing the pasteurizer and cooling and holding tanks, and the mixing and blending tanks.

(b) Assuming that the ice cream has been approved by proper authority from other standpoints, the principal specific a.b.w. protective measures indicated is the application of appropriate physical and personnel security measures to the vulnerable portions of the plant indicated above.

(4) Bottled soft drinks. (a) The most vulnerable spot in a bottled soft drink plant is the syrup room where the extracts are mixed with sugar, syrup and other ingredients. Secondary vulnerable areas are the storage rooms for sugar, extracts and other ingredients. 6468

(b) The principal protective measure indicated is the application of appropriate physical and personnel security measures to the areas listed in (a) immediately above.

(5) Beer. (a) Bottled beer is not a good vehicle for the spread of bacterial contamination since the second last step in processing is pasteurization (the last step is cooling). This is not true of draft beer which is not pasteurized. The danger of chemical poisoning is confined largely to the storage, brewing, cooling and fermentation rooms.

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(b) Principal countermeasure is the application of appropriate physical and personnel security measures to the vulnerable areas listed in (a) immediately above.

(6) Ice and cold storage plants. (a) Ice is not a very effective instrument for b.w. attack for reasons which need not be discussed in detail here. There are sufficient possibilities, however, to warrant giving at least some attention to this product.

(b) From the a.b.w. standpoint, the two principal protective measures are (1) freezing the ice from potable water containing an appreciable amount of residual chlorine and checking to assure that there is free chlorine in the unfrozen core water just before the core is sucked, and (2) appropriate physical and personnel security measures applied to the freezing tanks, open, forced-coolers, etc. The latter type of security measures applies also to the storage rooms in cold storage plants.

(7) Bread. (a) Bread is not a good vehicle for dissemination of bacterially produced disease. The danger from chemical poisoning is confined principally to the mixing room and to the ingredients used in the preparation of the dough.

(b) Principal protective steps are appropriate physical and personnel security measures applied to the rooms in which mixing is carried out and ingredients are stored. Many Army bakeries are operated exclusively by military personnel; the protective measures called for in such cases will usually be merely those relating to the physical security of the bakery.

(8) Meat and butter. (a) Effective large-scale deliberate bacterial contamination of meat in storage, with the object of causing widespread epidemics of human disease, is difficult. More to be feared is the introduction of animal diseases in localities where this might be a serious consideration. Butter, on the other hand, is more readily susceptible to wholesale and deliberate contamination, particularly if the source of supply does not permit careful inspection of production.

(b) The obvious protective measures from the a.b.w. standpoint are (1) careful inspection of these food products at the source of supply, and (2) the exclusive use of products originating in sources of supply which are subject to the rigorous inspection and control required in the case of meat and butter designed for use by troops on duty in the continental United States.

(9) Civilian laboratories. (a) The possibility of deliberate contamination of foods or beverages by bacterial or chemical agents may make it desirable to check on civilian laboratories, both bacteriological and chemical, as possible sources of the contaminating agents. In hot climates only comparatively simple apparatus would be required for the production of large quantities of certain types of bacterial agents.

(b) Where danger from this source is feared, all civilian laboratories may be required to register with the appropriate military or civilian authorities; stating the names and addresses of the laboratory personnel employed at present and for the past several years, the type of work done by the laboratory,

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an. the cultures, if any, on hand. The registration is followed by a check of the personnel, an inspection of the laboratory, and the destruction of any cultures of pathogenic organisms for which no necessity is apparent.

(10) Poisons. (a) Chemical poisons have a prompt effect and therefore may lend themselves particularly well to sabotage methods, especially in connection with a concentrated, localized attack.

(b) Protection against the subversive use of potent chemical poisons may be secured by freezing the stocks of these materials, with subsequent sale thereafter made only with the specific permission and approval of the military or competent civilian authorities.

(11) Insect-borne diseases. (a) Enemy attempts to introduce insect-borne diseases in a given area may originate locally, or may be combined with attempts at introduction from the outside.

(b) Strict enforcement of quarantine regulations is one of the most effective methods of protecting against the deliberate as well as accidental introduction of insect-borne diseases. Immunization of the military and civilian populations against infectious diseases most likely to be introduced also merits consideration. In addition, the examination of insects and rats in connection with routine or intensified insect and rodent control programs may provide information on possible enemy attempts to introduce diseases through these vectors. Finally, since it will be difficult in many cases to recognize an attempt to introduce an insect-borne disease until cases of the disease actually occur, it is evident that medical officers and civilian medical authorities should be on the alert to detect the presence of any new or unusual disease, especially when accompanied by a fever of undetermined origin.

(12) Prisoners of war and refugees. An infected prisoner of war or refugee may serve, either accidentally or deliberately, the purpose of b.w. Medical officers should be alert to this possibility and should take appropriate preventive measures.

6. Distinction Between A.B.W. and Medical Viewpoints. From the foregoing paragraphs, it will be evident that the a.b.w. viewpoint is quite distinct from the medical and sanitary viewpoint although in many cases the measures taken to implement both types of programs will coincide. It will be clear, however, that it is entirely possible to have a well-sanitized food or beverage plant or a water system which is still wide open to attack by sabotage methods of b.w.

7. Designation of A.B.W. Officer. For the reasons set forth in paragraph 6 immediately above, it is believed that it would be generally desirable to have on the staff of the theater commander an officer designated as the theater A.B.W. Officer, possibly in addition to his other duties. This officer might be the Theater Surgeon, or one of his assistants. It would be the general responsibility of this officer to see that the a.b.w. viewpoint is kept in mind in the fields and activities where this viewpoint is necessary to the security of theater, and to make appropriate recommendations to the theater commander. A specific and continuing responsibility of this officer would be to put into effect any a.b.w. measures decided on by the theater commander and checking by means of field inspections to see that they are kept in effect.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Reproduced Headquarters MATUSA, 9 June 1944.

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/s/ J. A. ULIO
/t/ J. A. ULIO
Major General
The Adjutant General

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WAR DEPARTMENT,
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VOTING BY MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

Election--Primaries in certain States. Section I
Amendment of Circular No. 119, War Department, 1944. II

I -- ELECTION--PRIMARIES IN CERTAIN STATES.

1. General

a. This circular gives information concerning primaries in nineteen States during July (to the extent not already published) and during August, 1944.

b. (1) Information concerning primaries occurring in May, June, and early July was published in Circular No. 66 and Circular No. 119, War Department, 1944, as follows:

May Primaries (Circular No. 66)	June Primaries (Circular No. 119)	Early July Primaries (Circular No. 119)
Alabama	New Jersey	Idaho
California	North Carolina	Iowa
Florida	Ohio	Maine
Indiana	Oregon	New Mexico
Maryland	South Dakota	North Dakota
	West Virginia	Georgia
		Michigan
		Minnesota
		Mississippi (first)
		Oklahoma
		Washington

(2) Information concerning other primary and general elections will be furnished at appropriate later dates.

c. The information below, including paragraph 2a and b, is published for the guidance of all members of the Army and "attached civilians," as defined in paragraph 1b(2), section I, Circular No. 120, War Department, 1944, herein collectively called "soldiers," whose voting residence is in Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, or Wyoming, and will be specifically brought to the attention of soldiers from such States who desire to vote in their primaries.

2. Arizona primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Arizona may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Arizona law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Phoenix, Arizona, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Phoenix on, or as soon as possible after, 15 May 1944.

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3. Arkansas primaries.--Soldiers having voting residence in Arkansas may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Arkansas law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Little Rock, Arkansas, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Little Rock: in the case of the first primary, on, or as soon as possible after, 6 May 1944; in the case of the second primary, on, or as soon as possible after, 1 August 1944. A separate application is required for each primary, unless the soldier writes on the first application that he desires it to be treated as an application for both primaries.

4. Delaware primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Delaware may vote in the primary only by appearing in person at the proper local election polling place. Delaware does not provide a State absentee ballot for the primary election.

5. Kansas primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Kansas may apply for State absentee ballots by mailing a special application form furnished by Kansas. Soldiers may request such a special application form by writing to the Secretary of State, Topeka, Kansas (or to the appropriate local election officials, if known), or by forwarding the post card referred to in paragraph 21 upon which the soldier has written that he wishes it treated as a request for an application for a State absentee ballot. Such request should be made at the earliest possible date.

6. Kentucky primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Kentucky may apply for State absentee ballots (covering Federal offices only) either in accordance with Kentucky law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Frankfort, Kentucky, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Procedures to administer the new State law not yet having been set up by the State, no official information is available as to when applications should be made by soldiers or may be acted upon by the State. Such applications should, therefore, be made at the earliest possible date.

7. Massachusetts primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Massachusetts may vote in the primary only by appearing in person at the proper local election polling place. Massachusetts does not provide a State absentee ballot for soldiers in the primary.

8. Mississippi (second) primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Mississippi may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Mississippi law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Jackson, Mississippi, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Jackson, on, or as soon as possible after, 8 July 1944. The first primary occurs on 4 July 1944. An application for the first primary suffices for the second primary, but see paragraph 21b(4).

9. Missouri primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Missouri may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Missouri law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Jefferson City, Missouri, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Jefferson City on, or as soon as possible after, 5 May 1944.

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10. Montana primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Montana may apply for State absentee ballots by mailing a special application form furnished by Montana. Soldiers may request such special application form by writing to the Secretary of State, Helena, Montana (or to the appropriate local election officials, if known), or by forwarding the post card referred to in paragraph 21 upon which the soldier has written that he wishes it treated as a request for an application for a State absentee ballot. Such request should be made at the earliest possible date.

11. New Hampshire primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in New Hampshire may vote in the primary only by appearing in person at the proper local election polling place. New Hampshire does not provide a State absentee ballot for soldiers in the primary.

12. New York primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in New York may vote in the primary only by appearing in person at the proper local election polling place. New York does not provide a State absentee ballot for soldiers in the primary.

13. South Carolina (first) primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in South Carolina may vote in the primary only by appearing in person at the proper local election polling place. South Carolina does not provide a State absentee ballot for soldiers in the primary.

14. Tennessee primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Tennessee may apply for State absentee ballot either in accordance with Tennessee law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Nashville, Tennessee, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications must reach Nashville: in the case of persons outside the United States, not later than 1 June 1944; in the case of persons inside the United States, not later than 10 July 1944.

15. Texas primaries.--Soldiers having voting residence in Texas may apply for State absentee ballots in accordance with Texas law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Austin, Texas (or appropriate local election officials, if known), the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such post card must be accompanied by poll tax receipt or affidavit of its loss. Such applications should reach Austin: in case of the first primary, on, or as soon as possible after 2 July 1944; in the case of the second primary, on, or as soon as possible after, 6 August 1944. A separate application is required for each primary, unless the soldier writes on the first application that he desires it to be treated as an application for both primaries. Soldiers who are members of the Regular Army (that is, the permanent military establishment) on active duty are not eligible to vote in Texas.

16. Utah primaries.--Soldiers having voting residence in Utah may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Utah law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Salt Lake City, Utah, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Salt Lake City on, or as soon as possible after, 15 June 1944. One application will suffice for both the first and second primary.

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17. Vermont primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Vermont may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Vermont law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Montpelier, Vermont, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Montpelier on, or as soon as possible after, 19 June 1944.

18. Virginia primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Virginia may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Virginia law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Richmond, Virginia, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Richmond on, or as soon as possible after, 10 May 1944.

19. Wisconsin primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Wisconsin may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Wisconsin law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Madison, Wisconsin, the post card referred to in paragraph 21. Such applications should reach Madison on, or as soon as possible after, 12 July 1944.

20. Wyoming primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Wyoming may apply for State absentee ballots by mailing a special application form furnished by Wyoming. Soldiers may request such special application form by writing to the Secretary of State, Cheyenne, Wyoming (or to the appropriate local electric officials, if known), or by forwarding the post card referred to in paragraph 21 upon which the soldier has written that he wishes it treated as a request for an application for State absentee ballot. Such request should be made at the earliest possible date.

21. Post card application for ballot.--Commanders of all echelons will assure themselves that the necessary quantities of post cards (W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 560) are made available to members of their commands having voting residence in the foregoing states. In regard to the continued use of W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 560, see section II, Circular No. 128, War Department, 1944; section I, Circular No. 152, War Department, 1944. In lieu of application by such post card, soldiers may apply for a ballot by letter, using the text set forth on the post card as described in paragraph 1, section II, Circular No. 128, War Department, 1944. Full name, serial number, and complete military mail address must be clearly stated in card or letter. Applications should be distinctly marked and bear the appropriate air mail marking, as prescribed in Section I, Circular No. 155, War Department, 1944.

22. Publicity.--Organization commanders will bring the subject of these primaries to the attention of soldiers whose voting residence is in Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, New York, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming, in time to permit the mailing of requests for ballot applications, the mailing of ballot applications, the return of ballot applications and of ballots to applicants, and the mailing of ballots by voters in time to be eligible to be counted.

23. Use of influence prohibited.--No commissioned, warrant, or noncommissioned officer shall attempt to influence any member of the armed forces to vote or not to vote for a particular candidate. See paragraph 4c AR 600-10 (C-4) paragraph 1944, Section I, Circular No. 128 War Department, 1944.

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2a. Specific Information.--a. Dates.

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
State	Primary date	Earliest date State will receive soldier's application for absentee ballot	Earliest date State will mail absentee ballot to applying soldier	Date on or before which soldier's executed absentee ballot must be received back by appropriate officials within State in order to be eligible to be counted
Arizona.....	18 July...	At any time...	18 July....	18 July.
Arkansas (first)...	25 July...	At any time...	6 July....	25 July.
Arkansas (second)...	8 August.	At any time...	1 August..	8 August.
Delaware.....	Not fixed	No provision for absentee serviceman voting in primary..		
Kansas.....	1 August.	1 April.....	1 July....	31 July.
Kentucky.....	5 August.	**	**	**
Massachusetts.	11 July	No provision for absentee serviceman voting in primary		
Mississippi (second)...	29 August.	At any time...	8 July....	29 August.
Missouri.....	1 August.	At any time...	5 July....	2 August
Montana.....	18 July...	19 June.....	30 June....	18 July.
New Hampshire.	11 July...	No provision for absentee serviceman voting in primary		
New York	1 August.	No provision for absentee serviceman voting in primary		
South Carolina* (first)	29 August.	No provision for absentee serviceman voting in primary (At any time before)		
Tennessee.....	3 August	(1 June if outside U.S. at any time) (before 10 July if inside U.S.)	10-15 June	3 August.
Texas (first)	22 July..	At any time...	2 July....	19 July.
Texas (second)	26 August.	At any time...	6 August..	23 August.
Utah (first)...	11 July...	At any time...	15 June....	11 July.
Utah (second)...	15 August.	At any time...	19 July....	15 August.
Vermont.....	8 August.	At any time...	19 June....	8 August.
Virginia.....	1 August.	At any time...	10 July....	21 July.
Wisconsin.....	15 August.	At any time...	12 July....	15 August.
Wyoming.....	18 July...	1 July.....	3 July....	18 July

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*See b(3) below

**The State has not set up any administrative procedures, information not now available.

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8. Instructions to soldiers having voting residence in above States.

(1) Under existing State law, a soldier must be at least 21 years old at the election date in order to vote.

(2) In certain States, it may be necessary for absentee voters to take steps in addition to filing a ballot application in order to receive a State absentee ballot. A soldier desiring to vote under State law who is uncertain as to his eligibility should immediately inquire by letter to the Secretary of State of the State of his voting residence as to what, if any, steps he must take to register, pay poll or other taxes, or meet other requirements in order to be eligible to vote under State law. In order to enable a satisfactory reply to be made, such letter should include substantially the following paragraph:

I am a citizen of the United States. The date of my birth was _____ For _____ years preceding the election in _____ my home residence has been in the State of _____. For _____ years preceding such election my home residence has been in the city, town or village of _____, in the county of _____ at (street and number, if any, or rural route) _____ My voting district to the best of my knowledge is _____ I am in touch of election with respect to which inquiry is made.

(3) The applicant for a primary ballot must state in his application his party affiliation in order to receive a proper ballot.

(4) Although an applicant has previously filed with his State an application in connection with a prior election, a new application should be made for an election shown above. Even where not required, a new application is essential to provide a correct mailing address in case applicant's address has changed since prior application.

(5) In addition to signing an application, a soldier should legibly print his name and give his Army serial number.

(6) A soldier, upon receiving his absentee ballot, should immediately execute and return it.

(7) In making application to vote, soldiers outside the United States should have in mind the time interval between column 4 and column 5.

(8) This circular is prepared on the basis of State and Federal laws as they exist at its date of publication. It is understood that the State of South Carolina is holding or may hold legislative or party sessions which may result in some change in the facts as given.

W.D. Circular No. 166 (cont'd)

II -- AMENDMENT OF CIRCULAR NO. 119, WAR DEPARTMENT, 1944

Enactment of new State laws in Maine, North Dakota, and Oklahoma, and the rescission of Circular No. 321, War Department, 1942 (See Cir. No. 128, W.D., 1944) necessitate amendment of information previously provided concerning primary elections in these States. Paragraphs 5, 10, 11, 13, and 17a, Circular No. 119, War Department, 1944 are accordingly rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

5. Maine primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Maine may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Maine law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Augusta, Maine, the post card referred to in paragraph 13. Such applications should reach Augusta on, or as soon as possible after, 10 May 1944.

10. North Dakota primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in North Dakota may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with North Dakota law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Bismarck, North Dakota, the post card referred to in paragraph 13. Such applications should reach Bismarck on, or as soon as possible, after 27 April 1944.

11. Oklahoma primary.--Soldiers having voting residence in Oklahoma may apply for State absentee ballots either in accordance with Oklahoma law or by mailing to the Secretary of State, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, the post card referred to in paragraph 13. Such applications should reach Oklahoma City on, or as soon as possible after, 15 May 1944.

13. Post card application for ballot.--Commanders of all echelons will assure themselves that the necessary quantities of post cards (W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 560) are made available to members of their commands having voting residence in the foregoing States. In regard to the continued use of W.D., A.G.O. Form No. 560, see section II, Circular No. 128, War Department, 1944; Section I, Circular No. 152, War Department, 1944. In lieu of application by such post card, soldiers may apply for a ballot by letter, using the text set forth on the post card as described in paragraph 1, section II, Circular No. 128, War Department, 1944. Full name, serial number, and complete military mail address must be clearly stated in card or letter. Applications should be distinctly marked and bear the appropriate air mail marking as prescribed in section I, Circular No. 155, War Department, 1944.

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17. Specific Information.--a. Dates.

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Georgia....	4 July..	Any time....	15 April....	4 July...
Idaho.....	13 June..	Any time....	1 June.....	13 June...
Iowa.....	5 June..	Any time....	11 April....	4 June...
Maine.....	17 June..	Any time....	10 May.....	19 June...
Michigan...	11 July..	Any time....	22 June.....	11 July...
Minnesota..	15 July..	Any time....	10 May.....	10 July...
Mississippi (first)	4 July..	4 May.....	4 May.....	4 July...
New Mexico.	6 June..	No provision for absentee voting in primary		27 June...
North Dakota	27 June..	13 April....	27 April....	11 July...
Oklahoma...	11 July..	Any time....	15 - 20 May	Must be marked and mailed on or before 11 July and received by 5 August.
Washington.	11 July..	Any time....	27 May.....	

(AG 014.35 (20 Apr 44))

By order of the Secretary of War:

G. C. MARSHALL,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:

ROBERT H. DUNLAP,
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By command of General WILSON:

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17 March 1944

SUBJECT: Supervision and Operation of Sicilian Railways.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph I, 7, e, Administrative Memorandum Number 76, this headquarters, dated 9 November 1943, effective 18 March 1944, all railways in Sicily will be returned to civilian operation under the supervision of the Allied Control Commission, Internal Transportation Sub-Commission, as contemplated in paragraph 1, General Orders Number 60, this headquarters, dated 22 October 1943.

2. The Director General, Military Railway Service, this headquarters, will retain the right to transfer locomotives and rolling stock from Sicily to the mainland of Italy, subject to the prior agreement of Headquarters Allied Armies in Italy and Headquarters Allied Control Commission.

By command of General WILSON:

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16 February 1944

SUBJECT: Operation of Italian Radio Circuits

TO : Regional Commissioners
S.C.A.O.s 5 and 8 Army, AMG

Attached copy of AFH letter AG 311-20 SIG-AGM of 7 February 1944 is forwarded for information and action where necessary.

By order of Lieutenant General MASON MACFARLANE:

Norman E. Fiske
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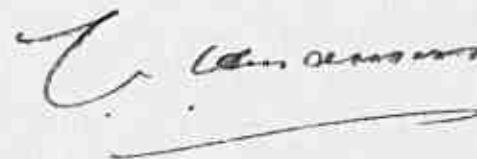
13th February, 1944

Subject: Operation of Italian Radio Circuits.

To: Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Haveish ten (10) copies of AFHQ letter AG 311-20
SIG-ARM dated 7th February, 1944 for distribution to Regions.

All matters in connection with this subject should be
raised through this Sub-Commission.



J.L. Henderson
Colonel,
Director, Telecommunications and Posts Sub-Commission.

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AG 311-20 SIG-AGM

7 February 1944

SUBJECT: Operation of Italian Radio Circuits.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Letter this headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 22 November 1943, is rescinded, and the following substituted therefor, effective upon receipt.

2. The operation of radio equipment by the Italians presents a serious security problem. Strict control over the use of radio by the Italians must be maintained by Allied commands. To accomplish this end, the following policy is set forth and will become effective immediately:

a. The operation of all radio stations, both military and civil, by the Italians will be prohibited except as follows:

- (1) Naval stations authorized and supervised by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
- (2) Stations essential to the operations of Italian aircraft, authorized and supervised by the Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean.
- (3) Essential stations authorized and supervised by the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Force.
- (4) Stations specifically authorized by this headquarters, including Italian broadcast stations which are controlled and supervised by Information and Censorship Section, this headquarters.

b. The plain text of all authorized Italian radio traffic will be turned over to the Allied authority charged with supervision of the individual circuit.

c. All Italian held radio transmitting equipment except that specifically authorized under sub-paragraph a, above, will be immediately turned over to Allied representatives designated by Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean; General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Force; Air Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean; and Allied Control Commission. To effect this:

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- (1) The Allied Control Commission will order the Italian Government to take necessary action in areas under its control.
- (2) General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Allied Central Mediterranean Force, will take necessary steps to effect action in areas under his control.

d. Italian traffic, except as covered in paragraph a, above, will be handled as follows:

- (1) URGENT high level messages in Allied cipher by Allied facilities when necessary.
- (2) Other communications by landline or cable and by other such means, excluding radio, as may be available.

3. In exercising the authority as indicated in paragraph 2a, above, commanders concerned should assure themselves that the need for Italian radio communication arises in the course of handling military operational messages, and that no authorization is given as a matter of convenience in the handling of administrative communications. In all cases, when adequate wire or messenger service becomes available, the use of radio should be discontinued.

4. All of the authorities listed in paragraph 2a will report to this headquarters without delay, the Italian operated radio communications which they have heretofore authorized, and will report from time to time such additional communications as may be put in operation. This report should cover the following points:

- a. Location of transmitter.
- b. Power of transmitter.
- c. Frequencies used.
- d. Designation of Italian agency authorized to operate the transmitter.
- e. Purpose for which transmitter is authorized to operate, including stations to which it passes traffic.

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F. Description of cipher used.

G. Arrangements for Allied supervision and monitoring.

By command of General WILSON:

J. L. TARR
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