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MEDICAL SUPPLIES, SARDINIA
MAR. - MAY 1944

HEADQUARTERS,
MEDICAL CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 59.

R.O. & M.O. Section.

16th May 1944.

Ref: 210/14/Ch.

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia.

TO : Administrative Section.

I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to refer to your
AMC/3072/1/PH of 4th May in regard to the distribution of medical supplies
in Sardinia and to forward you copies of correspondence received from
M.C.S., A.P.M.S. which satisfactorily exonerates Captain Brooke from any
blame in the matter.

(Sgt) A. J. Stewart
Captain,
M. to Executive Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

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MGS: OLL.14-8

12 May 1944

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission

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1. Your letter of 26 April, reference 226/53/CA, is acknowledged.
2. The facts given in your letter appear to this Section to satisfactorily dispose of the questions raised by Mr. Goshie of the Office of the American Political Advisor and referred to in the letter of this Section dated 8 March 1944.
3. Your letter dated 26 April 1944 was referred to the American Political Advisor who likewise states that the questions raised by Mr. Goshie are satisfactorily disposed of. Copies of correspondence in this connection are inclosed.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S.C.
Chief of Section

Incls:
as above.

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J. G. S.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

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MGS: OLA.1A-8

30 April 1944

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia

TO : American Political Advisor

1. There is inclosed a memorandum of the Chief Commissioner, ACC, commenting on observations of Mr. Goshie of your office with respect to the distribution of medical supplies in Sardinia. Mr. Goshie's observations were summarized in the letter from this Section to Headquarters, ACC, dated 8 March 1944, a copy of which was furnished to your office.

2. It would be of interest to this Section to know whether the inclosed letter disposes satisfactorily of the questions raised by Mr. Goshie. Your comments would be appreciated.

/s/ Charles M. Spofford

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Chief of Section

Incls:
as above.

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ALLIES FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Civil Affairs Office

MAY 6, 1944

Memorandum to: Colonel Charles M. Spofford
Chief, Military Government Section
A.F.H.Q.

Subject: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia.

I acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum of April 30, enclosing a memorandum of the Chief Commissioner, ACC, commenting on the observations of Mr. Goshie of the staff of the United States Member, Advisory Council for Italy, regarding the distribution of medical supplies in Sardinia.

I am taking the liberty of transmitting a copy of your memorandum and its enclosures to Mr. Kirk for his information. It would appear to me that the letter in question disposes satisfactorily of the questions raised by Mr. Goshie.

/s/ R.D.M.

ROBERT D. MURPHY
American Ambassador

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 59.

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6th May 1946.

My dear Spofford.

You will have read the Chief Commissioner's 226/53/CA of 25th April on the subject of medical stores in Bardonia.

The Vice President, Administrative Section, has drawn the attention of the Chief Commissioner to the fact that your letter under reply criticized the manner in which Capt. C.O.S. Brooke, R.A.M.C., who is specifically named in that communication, handled the situation.

The General's letter excoriated both the Regional Commissioner, and by inference, his staff, but if you agree with the tenor of the Chief Commissioner's letter perhaps you would be good enough to include in your reply that any allegations against Capt. Brooke are also withdrawn. Capt. Brooke is a professional man in private life and I think that it is fair that this should be done.

Yours ever,

(Sgd) Maurice Lusk

Colonel Charles M. Spofford,
Chief of Military Government Section,
Allied Force Headquarters.

Copy to: Brig. Parkinson, Public Health Sub-Com.
File 2A/CA.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
Administrative Section

ACC/3072/1/PH

4 May 1944

SUBJECT: - Medical Supplies - Sardinia.

TO : - RC & MG Section.

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1. Reference letter from AFHQ, MGS (MGS 014.4-8 dated 8 March 1944) concerning the distribution of medical supplies in Sardinia, and Brigadier Dunlop's reply (dated 15 April 1944) to the points raised in that letter.

2. The AFHQ letter criticises the manner in which Capt. C.O.S. Brooke, who is specifically named in that communication, handled the situation. In view of Brigadier Dunlop's letter, it is requested that action be taken to have the imputation that Capt. Brooke is responsible for unnecessary suffering and even deaths in Sardinia, be formally withdrawn.

HEADQUARTERS
- - MAG 1944
A. C. C.

R. R. CRIPPS
Lt. Colonel,
For VP Adm. Sec.

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Ref: 226/53/CA.

25th April 1944

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia.

TO : Military Government Section,
Allied Force Headquarters.

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1. I have delayed replying to your MGS: 014.4-8 of 8 March 1944 until I could extract all the information available.

2. My Executive Commissioner has seen Mr. Goshie who tells him that he had no intention of implying to you that there was anything seriously wrong but he felt that he had to draw your attention to the fact that medical supplies had been landed in Sardinia and had not yet been distributed. He admitted that it would have been far better had he reported the matter directly to this Commission who could have given him information which would have modified his views, and he now regrets that the matter should have assumed such large proportions.

3. However, it is necessary to answer the points raised by him and the implications made by you that the state of affairs is very wrong. First of all I should like to state that the story about the deaths occurring owing to a lack of medical supplies is untrue. In particular the deaths reported from Nula have been carefully investigated and are now reported by the Medico Provinciale to have totalled six, all of whom died from natural physical causes. The Medico Provinciale reports that it is most improbable that the presence or absence of medicines would have effected the result of the illness and that his concern is close to Benetutti where there is a pharmacy which had reasonable supplies of essential medicines.

4. The delay in distribution of stocks of medicines from the "James Sandell" was due to the fact that no price list had arrived with the drugs and that the eventual price list was made out in US currency and US weights, dosages in US terms and some of the drugs were in a form not familiar to Italian doctors. All the necessary conversion tables, translations and instructions to Italian doctors had to be prepared by Capt. Brooks. The Regional Commissioner, who was aware of the delay and approved of it, rightly states that to have made an empirical broadcast distribution of the "James Sandell" shipment without tables and price lists would have been quite unjustifiable and would have involved gross inefficiency and serious waste of very precious supplies.

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5. The Regional Commissioner considered that distribution should not be made until he had discussed the matter with the Medical Officer in charge of Medical Supplies for this Commission. This officer was unfortunately delayed in Tunis until 28th February.

6. That the officer in charge was unaware of the nature of the supplies was due to the fact that no ship's manifest or shipping list was sent with the supplies and that every case had to be opened in order to prepare a detailed inventory.

7. The Medical Officer in charge of Medical Supplies for this Commission was in agreement with the Regional Commissioner.

8. I think there was delay in distributing these supplies. It is possible that the supplies could have been distributed to the satisfaction of Mr. Goshie and other critics but not necessarily to any great amelioration of the health of the island. Had they been so distributed a scandal would have arisen on the question of finance and undoubtedly a great waste would have occurred.

9. It is very easy on a short visit to pick up criticisms of administration without knowledge of all the facts. It is dangerous to disseminate such criticisms without discovering the facts.

10. I should like you to know that the course taken by Brigadier Dwyer has my approval, that the medical supplies are now being distributed and I should like you to realize the difficulties attendant on the distribution in Italy of unpriced, and to the local population, unknown drugs, without causing loss, waste, and financial difficulties that take many months to overcome.

NOEL MAISON MACPHERSON,
Lieutenant General,
Chief Commissioner.

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MEDICAL STORES SARDINIA. YOUR 3360 OF 17 APRIL REFERRED YOUR REFERENCE ARE NOT UNDER-
STOOD OR IDENTIFIED. PLEASE CLARIFY.

HEADQUARTERS
18 APR 1944
A. C. C.

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- (1) Brigade Carr ✓
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- (3) Brigade ~~Parade~~ Parade

But what interview reply has been

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sent BAFHQ

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M^r Goshie called 1100 17/4 and wanted an interview (Vika Matavazza - phone 121874)

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PASDA (Civil Affairs Branch)

17 April 1944

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L. T. MONTAGUE, Jr.
Major

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DECMedical supplies Sardinia33

Folio
~~2.10~~ This started with MG's writing to Ace, on a report from a Lt. GOSHIE, on 8 March. The letter was sent direct to PH Sc and the first time we saw the letter was on 6 April. The file was at once sent to Brig Dunlop for a report which is enclosed.

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 41-44 2. You will have to read this long report I fear, but I am in agreement with the suggestion in his last para, that we take no action before seeing Lt. GOSHIE (HOSHIE?) who he says is in Naples. Shall I ask him to come and see you?

3. I will send an interim reply to ~~X19~~

4. I will draft a reply to S after consulting PH Sc.

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10 went direct to PH Sec

Letter in Col State

1 - agree with lead para of King J. J. report
that talk with ... would be best

[Handwritten signature]

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Folio

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Capt Wilhelm's report received today alters the whole complexion of the case.

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His report conflicts with Brig Dunlop's (43) statement and Col Williams' report.

In view of this latest information you may care to see Brig Dunlop before I read for Mr. Justice.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

3072/1/PH.

14 Apl 44.

SUBJECT : Medical Stores - Sardinia.

TO : RCMG.
Section

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Enclosed for your information is a copy of Capt WILHELMI's report on the conditions as to distribution of medical supplies he found on arrival in Sardinia, the remedial steps he took and his recommendations.

S.H. White

S.H. WHITE,
Major,
for VP. Adm.

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Medical Supplies - Sardinia.

Upon arrival in Cagliari, 28 Mar 44, approximately 799 cases of Medical Supplies were on hand in warehouse. This consisted of two shipments which arrived in Cagliari on 5th and 29th Feb 44.

After reporting to the Regional Commissioner the PHO was contacted and distribution of medical supplies was discussed. The PHO stated that many conferences had been held and plans worked out for distribution. However he could give no tangible evidence or instruction for immediate action. He was requested to make immediate disposal of supplies on hand but this was objected to for various reasons, that is:

- (1) No inventory had been taken.
- (2) The Provinces could not put up the amount of money necessary for large shipments.
- (3) Lt Col Williams had stated no more supplies would be sent Sardinia until 1st July and it would be necessary to issue supplies in small quantities in order to conserve supply against emergencies.
- (4) No financial arrangements had been completed for any issue whatever.
- (5) Certain commitments had been made regarding distribution of certain supplies. Example: Insulin had been promised to the Italian Red Cross distribution.

Brigadier Carr was contacted and it was pointed out that an emergency existed and that immediate distribution was necessary. Also that certain statements listed in 1 to 5 (above) were either erroneous or against policy of Executive Memo No 34.

Brigadier Carr stated he had issued orders to the PHO to make immediate distribution of medical supplies. Check of records showed that 22 cases of medical supplies were shipped to each of three Provinces on 22 Mar 44. No payment had been made for these shipments.

Brigadier Carr requested this officer take charge of distribution of medical supplies on hand and to inform the PHO of results and method of distribution.

Action;

- (1) Immediate inventory was taken.
- (2) Supplies were divided on a basis of 5-3-2, consistent with the population of the three Provinces.
- (3) Medico Provinciali were contacted and advised that supplies were available and would be turned over upon payment.

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(4) Medico Provinciali made immediate payment and all supplies in warehouse were shipped.

(5) This action accomplished in five days.

(6) PHO was informed of all action taken.

(7) Excellent assistance was rendered by Lt Martinogli and the Italian foreman in charge at the warehouse. Commendation is due these men.

While making distribution throughout Sardinia the following facts were determined:

(1) Mr Goshie's statements regarding distribution of medical supplies were found to be correct.

(2) Even after receipt of Mr Goshie's letter in Sardinia, no distribution of medical supplies were made until arrival of Brigadier Carr who issued immediate order for distribution.

(3) Only 66 cases of a total 799 were issued on this order.

(4) Major Shirk (A), Nuora Province, showed copies of repeated demands for medical supplies covering several months - all of which were unanswered.

(5) Major Dollar (B), Sassari Province, stated he was refused supplies (as unavailable) which were actually in warehouse at Cagliari.

(6) Original supplies which arrived in Cagliari in December were given to Italian Red Cross for distribution. This is strictly an Army Organisation and distribution did not reach beyond Cagliari.

(7) Lt Col Dobos has now taken over as PHO in Region VI. It is believed he will correct the unsatisfactory condition that has existed.

(8) It is recommended this officer be sent to Sardinia on or about 1st May to assist Lt Col Dobos in distribution of May supplies, time being necessary approximately 4 days.

George H. Wilhelmi,
Captain, SNC
Assistant MSO.

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HEADQUARTERS REGION 4
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
A. P. O. 394

*Copy handed to
Lt. Cripps 4th Cent.*

TO : HQ, ACC (R.C. & M.G. Section)
FROM : Brigadier J. K. Dunlop **15-21**
SUBJECT: Medical Stores - Sardinia
REF : Your 225/27/CA of 8 April and 13 April, 1944
DATE : 15 April, 1944 **10**

1. At Folio 22 on the attached file is a letter written on March 8 by Lt. Colonel Parkman from AFHQ, following a visit paid to that HQ on that day by Mr. Hoshie.
2. It is to be noted that this letter was marked "Confidential". It was forwarded to Sardinia under date 10 March (Folio 23). This covering letter was not marked "Confidential". In fact, however, it was my custom to open personally, any mail arriving after office hours and it was so opened by myself on its arrival on 15 March. (Note red ink date on lower left hand corner). This letter was, therefore, thereafter treated as "Confidential".
3. Lt. Colonel Parkman's letter makes several very serious allegations which, clearly, not only affect the Medical Officer, Region 6, but also my own management of Island affairs.
4. The criticisms and answers thereto can be briefly summarised as under:-
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This allegation is simply not true and investigation was made of the deaths at Nule and the complete account is at Appendix "A". **24**

(b) That the shipment which arrived on the James Randall on 3 February, was still in warehouses undistributed on 3 March.

(i) That this was so was due entirely to my own direct orders to Captain Brooke. My action was known to the Public Health Sub-Commission. It was my considered opinion that distribution should not be made until further information was available in respect of the shipment and a discussion had been held with Colonel Griffin, Officer in Charge of Medical Supplies.

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15 April, 1944

(ii) A time table of events is given in Appendix "B". It will be seen that unfortunately, Colonel Griffin was held up at Tunis and did not arrive until 28 February 1944.

(iii) To show the complexities of the problem of distribution of medical supplies for Sardinia, it may be added that a revised price list arrived on 28th February, but this was in U.S. currency and U.S. weights. The dosages were expressed in U.S. terms and some of the drugs were not in forms familiar to Italian doctors. All the necessary conversion tables, translations and instructions to Italian doctors had to be prepared by Captain Brocke.

To have made an empirical broadcast distribution of the "James Randall" shipment without tables and price lists would, in my opinion, have been quite unjustifiable and would have involved gross inefficiency and serious waste of very precious supplies.

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(i) Captain Brocke was the only ACC Medical Officer in the whole of Sardinia. He had to deal with the whole of the most important Malarial problem, with the V.D. problem, with the organisation of the Medici Provinciali and with Welfare. He is not a superman but an ordinary, decent fellow doing his best to cope single-handed with the medical affairs of an island nearly as large as Sicily, which experience has shown needs 6 Medical and Welfare Officers.

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(ii) Lt. Colonel Williams' report on medical supply and related problems in Sardinia, (Folio 25), substantiated this view and continues "it is felt that the R.F.H.O. has the local situation in hand, that he has a sound and workable program in course of development."

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(d) That the Officer in Charge was unaware of the nature of supplies, etc.

(i) Captain Brooke knew on March 3 that there were in warehouse a total of 12 C.A.D. units.

(ii) He had one out of date copy (some 20 typed pages) of the articles supposed to be in one C.A.D. unit, and an out of date price list.

(iii) A quick check had disclosed discrepancies with actual arrivals. On the outside of each of the 945 cases was nailed an envelope containing one original copy of the contents of the case.

(iv) No ship's manifest or shipping list was available and many of the cases had to be opened in order to

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prepare a detailed inventory of the contents.

5. If, therefore, the question had been the simple one of refuting accusations made, there would have been little difficulty. There was, however, a further consideration which did weigh with me considerably.

6. Mr. Goshie's visit to Sardinia came at a time when I was at Naples at a Chief Commissioner's Conference. Colonel Henry Hale, my second in command, was in charge of Sardinia in my absence. As far as I have been able to gather, Colonel Hale unfortunately failed to present a complete and fair picture of all the relevant facts and allowed Mr. Goshie to leave Sardinia with a most one-sided impression of the position in respect to medical supplies.

7. That my second in command should, in my absence, associate himself with a violent (and in my opinion unfounded) criticism of my administration, was distinctly disturbing. My reaction was, however, governed by the following knowledge. Colonel Hale had, throughout the Autumn and Winter, suffered from a painful and worrying illness. Early in February, he had had a minor operation which had been successful. However, at the period in question he was still in a somewhat nervy state and given to pessimism. On 3 March, he heard of the reported deaths at Nule and unfortunately, without waiting to check the facts, he assumed the worst. On the morning of March 4, he summoned Captain Brooke to an interview in the presence of Mr. Goshie. It was unfortunate interview. Captain Brooke may perhaps not have given clear explanations and Colonel Hale may have been impatient of explanations.

8. A reference to the time table of events, Appendix B, will show that only 4 days previously, on Tuesday, 29 February, there had been a full conference between Colonel Griffin, Captain Brooke and myself in HQ Cagliari, at which Captain Brooke's plan for distribution of medical stores had been fully discussed and explained to Colonel Griffin's satisfaction. The full scope of this meeting was known to Colonel Hale, yet he apparently made no mention of this to Mr. Goshie. In fact, Para 4 of Lt. Colonel Parkman's letter seemed to indicate that Mr. Goshie

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9. My own first reaction, on 15 March, to the ACC letter of 10 March, was to ask for a full enquiry in order to clear myself and Captain Brooke of very serious allegations. I reflected, however, that such an enquiry must have repercussions on Colonel Hale, an officer who had - except for this one incident - served me loyally, and who was in my opinion far from well. In further justice to Colonel Hale, I should add that I do not think he realized that his accusations were in fact against myself.

10. The visit to Sardinia of Lt. Colonel Williams on 16 March, and the tenour of his report (Folio 25) so favorable to Captain Brooke, made me consider this possibility of another

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course, especially as my own imminent journey to Naples gave me an opportunity of discussing the matter with Brigadier Parkinson. I therefore wrote D/O to Brigadier Parkinson on 17 March (Appendix C).

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11. On 24 March, I visited Salerno and suggested to Brigadier Parkinson the desirability of settling the matter by verbal explanation to Lt. Colonel Parkman. See my M.S. endorsement on Folio 23.

12. Unfortunately, since then, further letters have been handled by the Public Health Sub-Commission on this subject. Folios 31 and 14 to 20.

13. It may be, therefore, that settlement in the way I envisaged is not now so practicable.

14. Moreover, Captain Brooke's position must be considered. I am, myself, quite willing in the cause of Allied unity to stand a good deal of unsubstantiated criticism without comment. Captain Brooke is, however, a professional man and in view of the additional publicity which has occurred since 24th March, it may be considered fairer to him to have a full enquiry at which Mr. Hoshie and Colonel Hale could give evidence.

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John H. D. ...

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John R. D. ...
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APPENDIX "A"

Report by Captain Brooke

DEATHS IN NULA

Medico Provinciale's information is that six deaths had occurred in the above commune in the period before March 3.

- One - from Heart Failure
- One - from Tuberculosis of the Intestines
- Three - from Bronchitis or Broncho-pneumonia
- One - from Diabetes

The commune is close to Benetutti where there is a pharmacy with a reasonable supply of essential medicines.

In the case of five of the above quoted deaths, it is most improbable that the presence or absence of medicines would have effected the result of the illness. For the treatment of Diabetes a supply of Insulin had been available in the island since December 1st, 1943.

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APPENDIX 'B'

- Feb. 3 "James Randall" arrived at Cagliari. Brigadier Dunlop left Sardinia for Chief Commissioner's conference.
- Feb. 4 Brigadier Dunlop informed Brigadier Parkinson and Colonel Griffin of arrival of supplies. Asked for Colonel Griffin to come to Sardinia to advise on distribution. This was agreed to.
- Feb 22 Brigadier Dunlop heard from Capt Young at ELMAS Airport (Sardinia) that Col Griffin had already left Naples and was at Tunis awaiting air transportation.
- Feb 24 Mr. Grady, Colonel Adams and Colonel Murphy, visited Sardinia and confirmed that Col Griffin was on his way, but presumably held up at Tunis.
- Feb 28 Colonel Griffin arrived Sardinia having returned to Naples from Tunis. Conference on distribution medical supplies (Brigadier Dunlop--Colonel Griffin--Captain Brooke). Distribution through Italian Red Cross agreed to by Col Griffin. Advanced instruction and price list given to Capt Brooke by Col Griffin. Col Griffin promised to send an additional officer to handle medical supplies.
- Feb 29 "Mount Everest" arrived. Col Griffin left Sardinia with Brigadier Dunlop to Chief Commissioner's Conference, Naples.
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APPENDIX "C"

17 March, 1944

Dear Parker,

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In view of his recommendations, I am going to suggest to you that I do not make a formal reply to your official letter of the 10th March, signed by Griffin. I think that in a whole lot of ways it would be far better if I brought the papers over with me on Wednesday next and discussed the whole situation with you - - - - -

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.C. Section
APO 394

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Ref/226/57/CA.

13 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Medical Stores - SARDINIA.

TO : Brig. J.K. Dunlop, R.C. Region IV.

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1. Further to our 226/27/CA of 8 April 1944, the file in question is enclosed herewith.
2. The delay in forwarding this file is regretted.

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G.W.I. SHEPP,
Lieut. Col.

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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

AGO/3072/PH

7 Apr 44

SUBJECT : Medical Supplies & Distribution, SARDINIA.

TO : Executive Commissioner.

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1. In continuance of my AGO/3072/PH dated 4 Apr 44, I forward the following documents:

- AFHQ letter O14.4-8 dated 26 Mar 44. — 19
- Cable # 1742 FABLES TO FAFIDA 31 Mar 44. — 18
- Cable FAFIDA 2734 to FABLE 29 Mar 44. — 17
- Public Health Sub Comn letter PH/093M 29 Mar 44. — 16 19

2. The report referred to in para 2 AGO letter O14.4-8 dated 26 March was NOT been received in this section and it is therefore not known to what it refers.

3. Public Health Sub Comn has been instructed that in NO circumstances will they communicate direct with AFHQ in future.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

26 March 1944

MGS: 014.4-8

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia
TO : HQ, ACC

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1. Reference is made to this Section's letter of 8 March requesting that a report be submitted on the above matter.
2. It is noted from the copy of the weekly report dated 20 March received in this Section and addressed to the Regional Allied Commissioner Region 6 and Chief Mining Div. HQ ACC that it is stated that no medical supplies had yet reached Maj. Patrick's district and that numerous reports of death from starvation have been brought to attention and that efforts are being made to obtain verification.
3. It is requested that the report previously asked for be furnished at a very early date.

For the Acting Chief of Section:

[Signature]
T. B. JACKMAN
Major

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28 MAR 1944
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CLASSIFICATION: CONFIDENTIAL	DATE/TIME SENT : 311228
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FROM : FABLE FROM CARR	CITE : NR AC 267
TO : FATIMA	

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SUBJECT IS MEDICAL STORES IN REPLY TO YOUR UNSERIALIZED MESSAGE OF 291440A MARCH. MGS, AFHQ LETTER MGS 014. 4-8 OF 8 MARCH AND ENDORSEMENT NO IN POSSESSION THIS HQ. REPORTED THAT DUNLOP TOOK PAPERS WITH HIM ON HANDING OVER. CANNOT TRACE THAT DETAIL OF SUBJECT MATTER WAS PASSED ON TO ME. SUGGEST YOU CONTACT DUNLOP. IF FURTHER ACTION REQUIRED THIS HQ REQUEST COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE BE SENT URGENT.

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I. T. MONTAGUE JR
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HEADQUARTERS
ARMED FORCES COMMISSION
Public Health Sub-Commission
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MSB/ach
29 March 1944

Refer : HI/09/18

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia

TO : MSB, AFHQ

1. Acknowledge receipt of your MSB: OLA.4-8, subject: "Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia", dated 26 March 1944.

2. Your letter MSB: OLA.4-8, subject: same as above, dated 8 March 1944, was referred by this office to Regional Commissioner, Region VI (Sardinia) on 10 March 1944 for a reply. To date no reply has been received in this office.

3. An officer from this headquarters is now in Sardinia and will investigate the matter. Just as soon as his report reaches this office a complete report will be made to your office without delay.

For the Director of Public Health:

H. R. GRIFFIN, COLONEL
Medical Supply Officer
Supply Service

Copy to:
Regional Commissioner, Region VI
(For Regional Public Health Officer)

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED GENERAL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

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Ref/226/27/GA.

8 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Medical Stores - SARDINIA.

TO : Brig. J.K. Dunlop, R.C. Region IV.

1. With reference to our conversation the other evening, you will see from para. 5 on 26 that V.P. Administrative Section considers you may be able to throw some light on this matter. I will be grateful if you would supply any information of this nature in your possession.

2. A contributory cause would appear to be that MRS's letter (21 & 22) of the 8th March appears to have been sent by Adjutant General, H.Q. A.C.C., direct to Public Health Sub-Commission, so that the first information which this Branch had of the matter was the receipt of Brig. Carr's letter (20) on the 5th April.

G.W.I. SHIPP,
Lieut. Col.

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HEAD HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION.
AGC 354
ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION

AGC/3072/7E

4 Apr 44

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Supplies, Bardinia.

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TO: Executive Commission, HQ AGC AGC 354.

1 Enclosed are AFHQ OMA.4-3 dated 3 Mar 44 (forwarded direct to Medical Supply Branch, Public Health Sub Comm by AG Naples) and the endorsement made by that Sub Comm addressed to Region VI.

2 As a result of visits by Col. M. S. WILKINS (SSPWS - 1 Mar) and Lt. Col. WILSON S. WILLIAMS (14 - 13 Mar) it was considered in view of the potential size of the malarin problem and of the work generally the medical team needed strengthening. The following officers have therefore been assigned to Region VI:

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4 Lt. Col. WILLIAMS visited the Region by order of the Director, Public Health Sub Comm after receipt of AFHQ OMA.4-3 a copy of his report on return is attached for your information.

5 In view of the fact that it is alleged that a delay in the distribution of medical supplies has occurred, and that this may be due to an order by the S. S. to hold up issue pending the arrival of the price list, you may consider it necessary to call for a report from Brigadier BUCKLE before replying to the basic document.

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TF Adm Sec.

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TF Adm Sec.

Incls: (3) ARHQ MS letter 014.1-8 dated 8 Mar 44
1st. ind to above dated 10 Mar 44
Report on visit to Region VI by Lt. Col. Williams dated 19 Mar 44.

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W.C. Williams

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION
(MAIN HQ.)
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19 March 1944.

SUBJECT: Visit to Regional HQ, Region VI.

TO : DPH, Public Health Sub-Commission.

Visit was made at request of DPH, HQ, APO for purpose of conferring with the Regional Commissioner and RPHD on medical supply and related problems. Narration of details of findings is not considered necessary at this time for purposes of future service planning. Briefly summarized, conditions appear basically as follows:

1. One man cannot be expected to handle satisfactorily all health and welfare problems in the area.
2. Most of the drugs received prior to February, 1944, were distributed through the Italian Red Cross. No doubt some shortages have existed and will continue to exist both in medical supplies and medical services for civilians. The experience here is not materially different from that existing in many other places in Italy and perhaps in selected places in the U.S. and U.K. Many of the Italian physicians insist on special preparations and are loathe to use the basic drug in simple form or a substitute. For instance:
 - a. Special compounds of quinine are urged in lieu of atabrine.
 - b. Ampoules of morphia salts instead of powder or hypo tablets.
 - c. Special Calcium products for subcutaneous injection.
 - etc. etc. etc.

Statements of local officials, including physicians, to the effect that serious local conditions have developed as a result of failure of any branch of AHC or AC to provide essential drugs should have the closest scrutiny before being accepted at face value.

3. The delay in formal approval and release of Executive Memorandum No. 3, and Price List, the initial draft of which was prepared early in January, has been a contributing factor. The price List was released the latter part of February. So far as can be ascertained the Executive Memorandum outlining basic plan and policies of regional procedure has not been released for regional guidance.

4. The RPHD has had a meeting of the Medico Provinciali of the island and definite plans made for each Medico Provinciale to assume responsibility for distribution of drugs within their respective provinces. Adequate and well arranged space had been selected and repairs were practically complete on the base depot for medical supplies.

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In view of the conditions outlined in the preceding sections it is felt that the WTRC has the local situation in hand, that he has a sound and workable program in process of development, and that he should remain status quo pending future developments. Two (2) medical officers are considered to be the absolute minimum requirement for this area; also an officer experienced in medical supplies should be made available immediately for a limited period of time to assist in the follow-up of existing plans for handling medical supplies.

A recheck should be made on the area in about sixty (60) days.

W. W. Williams
WILSON C. WILLIAMS, Lt. Col M.C.
Depty Director, P.H. Sub-Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS, PUBLIC HEALTH SUB-COMMISSION, ACC

WFG/cjd
10 March 1944

TO: REGIONAL COMMISSIONER, REGION VI
(Through Executive Officer, Hq, ACC.)

1. The undersigned visited Cagliari, Sardinia on 29 February 1944 and had conference with the Regional Commissioner and the Regional Public Health Officer. A set of advance instructions on accounting were given to the Regional Public Health Officer with price lists. Copies of Executive Memorandum No. 35 with corrected prices were since sent to Region VI.

2. As a result of this conference and inspection of the medical supplies on hand the undersigned promised to send to Sardinia an officer trained in medical supply work to assist in warehousing and accounting. Due to the withdrawal from this Service of Captain Coerr who is under orders for permanent change of station and with one officer in hospital it was impossible to keep this verbal agreement and the Regional Commissioner was so notified. A request was submitted to U-1 (Br) on 5 March 1944 asking that a British Officer with warehouse experience be sent to Region VI or assigned to this office to handle the warehousing and accounting problems of Medical Supplies for Region VI it being felt that the present Regional Public Health Officer lacked organizing ability to do this himself.

3. The Director, Public Health Sub-Commission, ACC was also informed verbally that it was the opinion of the undersigned that a change in Public Health Officers was indicated. The Director, Public Health Sub-Commission informed the undersigned this date that a change will be made in the immediate future and an officer with very good organizational ability sent to Region VI.

4. In order to properly answer the basic communication, the comments of the Regional Commissioner and the Regional Public Health Officer are desired.

For Brigadier PARKINSON

MRS. W. J. OFF
M. E. BRIVAN, Col.,
Medical Supply Officer.

10-11-44

*Returned to Brigadier Parkinon. 24 June
with verbal report.*

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REF: 014.4-8

8 March 1944

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia.

TO : HQ ACC.



1. Mr. Goshie of the American Minister's office, who is also engaged in work in connection with the Advisory Council, has today called here on his return from Sardinia and has strongly urged that immediate steps be taken to inquire into and rectify the situation in Sardinia so far as medical supplies and their distribution are concerned. According to him the trouble lies not in the absence of medical supplies, two large consignments of which have arrived at Cagliari docks, but in the lack of proper accounting for and distribution of them to those to whom they could be of value. He states that the present state has already caused unnecessary suffering and some deaths.

2. The following points are made by Mr. Goshie as to stocks available:-

- (a) On February 3, 1944, the steamship James Randall unloaded at Cagliari some 451 cases of assorted medical supplies and some 19 cases of insect powder. This consignment was delivered to the Via Merello Warehouse in Cagliari and the goods were still there and undistributed on the 5th March.
- (b) On February 29 a further shipment arrived on the Monte Everset containing another 494 cases of medical supplies. These were again promptly sent to the Via Merello Warehouse, but by March 4 nothing had been done in the way of distribution and the officer in charge is stated on that date to have been unaware of the nature of the supplies which the shipment contained.
- (c) The warehouse is stated to be in charge of Capt. C.O.S. Brooke (B).

3. The following further points are made by Mr. Goshie as to the need for distribution and as to the consequences of non-distribution:-

- (a) There is a critical shortage of medical supplies in the hands of doctors and normal suppliers, and it is stated that Lt. Col. E. A. Baring Gould (B) had reported to regional HQ in the latter part of February that seven deaths had occurred in the town of NULE near BENETUTTI which the local doctor asserted could have been prevented if ordinary medical supplies had been available to them.

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- (b) It is obviously no good importing medical supplies, at cost to the Allies, if they are not distributed at once in conditions such as exist in Sardinia where normal medical supplies have been exhausted.
- (c) The political and practical effects of non-distribution in such circumstances are obvious.

4. If the state of affairs is as is described by Mr. Goshie, it appears apparent that there is something very wrong with the accounting for and distribution of medical supplies in the Island, and it is felt that the matter is of such importance that Colonel Griffen should be sent to Sardinia to investigate and make report and do all that is necessary.

5. Mr. Goshie has felt it advisable to approach this section informally on the matter, and it would be appreciated if you would cause the earliest investigation to be made, and for a report to be submitted here as early as possible.

HEADQUARTERS
10 MAR 1944
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Henry Parkman, Jr.
HENRY PARKMAN, JR.,
Lt. Colonel, G.S.C.,
Acting Chief.

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Headquarters, A.C.C. (R.C. & M.G. Section,

Headquarters, Region 6, A.C.C.

Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia

REFERENCE: PE/1512

2nd April 1944.

1. With reference to enclosed copy of Public Health Sub-Commission letter PS/O9/MS of 29 March, I wish to state as follows:
2. The Officer referred to ⁱⁿ Para.3 of the enclosed letter is presumably Captain WILHELM. This Officer arrived at this Headquarters on Tuesday, 28th March. In his advisory capacity concerning the distribution of medical stores his arrival was most welcome. No information was available to me at this stage as to his being sent here to carry out an investigation and Captain WILHELM states that he had received no detailed instructions in the matter.

It was not until receipt of your telegram of 29th March (copy enclosed for easy reference) that this matter of investigation came to my notice. I replied to this telegram in my AC 267 of 31st March (copy enclosed).
3. In connection with this matter my observations are as follows:
 - (a) I respectfully suggest that if an Officer is sent to make investigations, possibly affecting the actions of Officers in this Region, I should not be informed of this in a letter not addressed to this H.Q. but of which a copy is sent to the Regional Public Health Officer. Moreover the letter does not give the name of the investigating Officer, and further, the letter arrived at this H.Q. on 1st April, i.e. five days after the Officer had commenced his temporary duty here.
 - (b) From the knowledge I have of this matter in the absence of the papers (as explained in my telegram of 31st March) I respectfully suggest that in view of the fact that the Regional Public Health Officer is a Captain of the British Service and that possibly other more senior Officers might be affected, it may not be in the best interest to assign this matter of investigation to an Officer of the rank of Captain in the American Army.
4. As indicated in my telegram of 31st March (copy enclosed) in the absence of the papers I could not give the matter of investigation proper consideration. I therefore instructed Captain WILHELM to take no action in the matter.
5. I trust that the papers were found with Brigadier DUNLOP so that any further action required can be determined.

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5 APR 1944
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Brigadier,
Regional Commissioner.

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Copy to: Captain WILHELM

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDICAL CONTROL COMMISSION
Public Health Sub-Commission
APO 394

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29 March 1944

Refer : PH/09/MS

SUBJECT: Medical Stores and Distribution in Sardinia

TO: MGS., AFHQ.

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For the Director of Public Health;

(Sd) M. R. GRIFFIN, COLONEL
Medical Supply Officer 2097
Supply Service

Copy to:
Regional Commissioner, Region VI
(For Regional Public Health Officer)

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FROM: FABLE FROM CARR

TO: FATIMA

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(sd) M. CARR,
Brigadier.

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Medical Supply Officer
Supply Service 2097

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(For Regional Public Health Officer)

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FATIMA REAR FOR GRIFFIN

(TO FATIMA REAR FOR GRIFFIN USE PLS PASS FROM FABLE FROM GARR CITE AC 261)

MISUNDERSTANDING HERE REGARDING MEDICAL SUPPLIES. ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR DISTRIBUTION OF SUPPLIES NO ORDER. REQUIREMENTS 12 CAD UNITS MONTH OF MAY AND 12 CAD UNITS MONTH OF JUNE (NEW UNIT QUANTITIES) TO BE SHIPPED FROM NAPLES. PLEASE EXPEDITE CONFIRMATION THIS MATTER. ALSO CONFIRM ARRANGEMENT WHETHER WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION MAY BE USED ALLOWING 15 PERCENT FOR EXPENSES.

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