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OTHER OPERATIONS
FEB. - JULY 1944

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 39.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 362/101/QA.

13 July 1944

SUBJECT: Administration of ELBA.

TO : Major Murchie, SCAG, AMG, ELBA.
SCAG, AMG, 5 Army.
R.C., Region VIII.

I am directed by the Executive Commissioner to forward for your information the following extract from HQ AAI letter 25/6(ops) dated 10 July 44:-

- "2. The instructions sent to Col. PETIT appointing him "Deputy Military Governor" were originated by AAI on 30 Jun. The position is therefore clarified.
3. It is agreed that when Region VIII assume control of LIVORNO Province, ELBA will pass to their control.
4. You are, therefore, asked to inform this HQ when Region VIII assume control, so that Col. PETIT's appointment may be rescinded."

(Sgd) C.J.M.

Lieutenant,
PA to Executive Commissioner.

1/30. Elba

1/8 This letter had not
reached Maj Murchie
on this date. 7.

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SUBJECT: Administration of ELBA.

Adv Hq. Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy.

25/C(ops).
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To: A.C.C.

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10 Jul 44
JHT/hgh

Ident-General,
Chief of General Staff.

Copy to: A.C.C. Liaison.

See 101

*Copy to Major Marchia in Elba.
- Reg VIII & 5 Army
18/13/7*

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June 24 1944. 99

Headquarters Allied Military Government -

ELBA

CONFIDENTIAL

TO : The Regional Commissioner,
Region 6, A.G.C.

SUBJECT: Civilian Supplies.

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(a) There is some discrepancy between the total tonnage figure quoted above and the amount of bulk stock actually received at Bastia. Lieut Condict is understood to have reported this in detail to you.

(b) A further discrepancy which will probably be rectified by arrangement with the French Military Authorities has resulted from the fact that stores continue to be landed here unsupported by any form of documentary evidence. This has had the not unnatural result that civilian supplies have been confused with military supplies.

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Soap constitutes another minor problem - in that only 1½ tons arrived in Bastia, although 2 tons were expected. Pilfering was undoubtedly the partial cause of this.

3. A message has been received here stating that a further 400 tons of general stock has arrived at Bastia. This is assumed to be the second monthly consignment-delivered according to schedule and the overlap being due to the delayed start of operations.

4. Future Requirements The present arrangements appear to be quite adequate in so far as quantities of the agreed items are concerned. If possible however the list of commodities should be extended to cover Tinned Milk which is an urgent need, and some form of Fat-preferably oil. Salt is also very urgently required. There is no Island production and stocks are nil.

5. It would be an advantage if a method of direct delivery could be arranged. This would reduce handling and eliminate pilfering. 2033

MAJOR - S.C.A.C.

COPIES TO : A.F.H.Q., A.G.C. Hq. Lt Conduit, File.

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Headquarters Allied Military Government -

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ELBA

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MAJOR - S.C.A.O.
JW

COPY

362
6 JUL 1944

Adv. Hd Headquarters,
Allied Armies in Italy. 97

Subject: Administration of ELBA.

25/G(Ops)

To: A.F.H.Q.

2 July 44

1. In accordance with AFHQ letter of May 1st (BRASSARD) General Magnan was appointed Deputy Military Governor of ELBA.

2. In the final paragraph of this letter it was stated that on relief of General Magnan the senior French officer would be appointed by your HQ as Deputy Military Governor.

3. Gen Magnan has been relieved and as will be seen from the attached Ordre de Mission Col Petit has been appointed Deputy Governor of ELBA by the Commissaire de La Guerre in Algiers, with Col SALAN as his adjutant.

50 AFHQ letter of May 1st (para 2) stated that the French would not participate actively in the administration of the Island.

4. The instructions sent to Col Petit, who is reported to be a French Colonial Administrator, lay down that he will be "responsable de l'Administration avec aide commission de Controle alliee vis a vis General Alexander" (vide C). His adjoint has been appointed to deal with military questions and command of troops.

5. It would appear proper that the Deputy Military Governor (if the title is to continue) should be appointed by your HQ with instructions to delegate his powers to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer, A.M.G., as was done in the case of General Magnan. It may be thought more desirable that Col Petit should be appointed O.C. Troops and that the civil administration should be left to the S.C.A.O. who would have instructions (as elsewhere) to consult the O.C. Troops on all matters of Policy.

6. It is proposed that as soon as Livorno Province passes to the control of Region VIII Allied Military Government that ELBA should return to its original status under Italian regime as part of that Province.

7. It is important, in the interests of administration in ELBA that the position be clarified as soon as possible.

S/A. HARDING, Lt. Gen.
for General,
Commander-in-Chief.

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Appoes A, B, & C taken by
hand of Brig. Mainwaring.

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Subject: Military Government in ELBA.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY,
C. M. F.

? June 1944.

General de Brigade Magnan,
Commandant la 9th D.I.C.

1. I refer to letter dated 5th May 1944 addressed to you by Lieut. General Gammell, Chief of Staff, on the subject of Military Government in ELBA. I have already appointed Major C. P. MURCHIE as Senior Civil Affairs Officer, A.M.G. for the operation "BRASSARD" under your command by a letter which he holds.
2. You should delegate to Major Murchie in his capacity as Senior Civil Affairs Officer all civil powers in the territory which you may occupy and over its inhabitants. The power to impose the death sentence is retained by me and any such cases in which the death penalty is imposed should be referred to me for confirmation.
3. It is particularly important that you should not set up French Courts to try Italians. All Italians should be tried as necessary by Allied Military Courts set up by the Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

(Sgd) H. R. Alexander
General,
Commander-in-Chief.

Elba 1/8 No copy so far received by Maj Murchie

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FOR ACTION HQ AAI FOR INFO ACC MAIN AND AFHQ ADV CP

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TOP SECRET BRASSARD
ROUTINE
CITE...FHGEG

UNDERSTAND THROUGH ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION THAT NO INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED BY YOU TO GENERAL MAGNAN AS TO DELEGATION OF POWERS OF DEPUTY MILITARY GOVERNOR TO SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER ELBA AND THAT RELIANCE PLACED ON INSTRUCTIONS ISSUED HERE TO MAGNAN 5 MAY. THESE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT TO DEFINE LIMITATIONS ON MAGNAN AND ENABLE SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER TO ACT AND IN ADDITION MAGNAN MUST KNOW OFFICIALLY THAT POWER TO IMPOSE DEATH SENTENCE RESERVED TO YOU. COMMUNICATION NOW RECEIVED FROM FRENCH HERE POSES QUESTION AS TO INTENTION TO SET UP ALLIED MILITARY TRIBUNAL IN EPUA AND AS TO ITS JURISDICTION AND STATES FRENCH ON THEIR SIDE ARE ABOUT TO SET UP A PERMANENT MILITARY TRIBUNAL THERE. ESSENTIAL THAT FRENCH DO NOT TRY ITALIAN CIVILIANS. REQUEST AS MILITARY GOVERNOR YOU IMMEDIATELY ISSUE INSTRUCTIONS TO MAGNAN (COPY TO THIS HEADQUARTERS) AS CONTEMPLATED IN ORIGINAL DIRECTIVE TO YOU AND SPECIFICALLY COVER POINT THAT FRENCH THEMSELVES WILL NOT TRY ITALIANS, WHO WILL BE TRIED AS NECESSARY BY ALLIED MILITARY COURTS SET UP BY SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER.

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

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Ref/362/94/CA.

26 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : G-5 Section, A.F.M.O. 93

Reference your G-5, 382-6 of 23 June 1944, it is confirmed that copy No. 60 of the code names for operation BRASSARD has been destroyed.

/RAC.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
For Chief Commissioner.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

25 JUN 1944

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G-5: 381-6

23 June 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394

1. One of the enclosures to MGS letter to you of 28 April was copy No. 60 of the code names to be used for operation Brassard.

2. The operation now having taken place instructions have been received that all copies of the code list are to be destroyed.

3. Please confirm to this HQ that copy No. 60 above has been destroyed.

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

T. B. Jackman

T. B. JACKMAN
Major.

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AGC MAIN (Civil Affairs Branch)

21 June 1944

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YOUR FOX SIX ZERO TWO EIGHT SEVEN OF ONE SIX JUNE ED PAPER TO ADVISE FOR GEORGE

UNRECORDED AAT
FIVE FROM AND NAME PAPER LATTER PREPARED FOR SIGNATURE OF MILITARY GOVERNOR

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ON LINE'S INDICATED YOUR SIGNALS FOX SIX ZERO TWO EIGHT SEVEN OF ONE SIX JUNE AND

FOX SIX ONE THREE TWO FIVE OF ONE EIGHT JUNE ED WILL BE DESPATCHED TO GENERAL

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B/M 89
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ROGER B. DENTY
Capt AGC
Deputy Adjutant

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FOR ACTION HQ AAI FOR INFO A CO MAIN AND AFHQ ADV CP

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TOP SECRET
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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17 JUN 1944 CABR2

TO: ACTION ACC MAIN

SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 102/16

FROM: AFHQ SGD SACMED

CLASSIFICATION: TOP SECRET

REFERENCE No: F60287

PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY

DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JUN 16

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE/PHGEG

-88.
PARAGRAPH 2 OF YOUR 362/88/CA OF 14 JUNE IS SUBJECT. NOT CONSIDERED HERE
THAT LETTER OF INSTRUCTION REFERRED TO BY YOU MAKES SUPPLEMENTARY
INSTRUCTION TO MAGNAN UNNECESSARY. MAGNAN MUST KNOW OFFICIALLY THAT
POWER TO IMPOSE DEATH SENTENCE IS RETAINED BY MILITARY GOVERNOR ADD FROM
POINT OF VIEW OF SENIOR CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICER CONSIDERED MOST DESIRABLE
THAT MAGNAN SHOULD BE DIRECTED OFFICIALLY AS TO DELEGATION OF POWERS TO
HIM. REQUEST MATTER BE TAKEN UP URGENTLY WITH MILITARY GOVERNOR ON
ABOVE LINES

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17 JUN 1944
A. C. C.

DATE and Time of RECEIPT JUN 17

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE

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C.A. Br2

TO: ACC MAIN

FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED
REFERENCE No: F60003
DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: JUNE 16 0955
SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 51/16
CLASSIFICATION: SECRET
PRECEDENCE: ROUTINE
OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE...FHGEG

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ACTION COPY

REPRESENTATIVE FORCE 255 REPORTS UNABLE TO COLLECT CASH REFERRED TO IN YOUR 6018 OF 10 JUNE OWING ALLIED FINANCE DIVISION TRANSFERRED ITALY BEFORE HE COULD COLLECT. REPRESENTATIVE THAT FORCE MAKING VISIT TO YOU TO COLLECT. REQUEST YOU HAVE CASH MADE UP READY FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY TO HIM.

*Col Foley will let us know if
collected yet - not done up 20/6
Probably collected in Sandonia.
20/6*

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DATE and Time of RECEIPT JUNE 16 1305

Distribution:

*Phoned Maj Timmer 20/6 to
in Naples and asked him to have
3 within the line in front of us
(100' 50' x 10') ready to be used by 17/6*

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

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BRASSARD.

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Regional Control and Military Government Section.
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Ref: 362/88/CA.

14th June 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in NGA.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
(G-5 Section).

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1. Para. 2 of your G-5 381-6 of 7 June 44 was answered by my signal 6018 of 10 June 44.

2. After consultation with HQ AAI it was considered that the letter of instruction issued by General Gamell to General Magoon on 5th May made the issue of any supplementary instructions by General Alexander unnecessary and none has been issued.

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(Sgd) M. S. Lush.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
for Chief Commissioner.

MBL/JC.

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HEADQUARTERS
FORCE 255.
AP0.22.

3rd June 1944.

To : The Executive Commissioner,
A.C.C. Headquarters.

Subject : Preliminary Report, Force 255.

1. The personal letter from Gen. Noel Mason Macfarlane to Gen. Magnan was duly presented, together with the letter of authority to draw finance signed by Brig. Lush.

FINANCE.

2. The letter of authority referred to above, whilst being accepted in principle by the French, failed to achieve the desired result. What was required was, the creation of a credit in Algiers coupled with the issuing of a mandate, against which the French Tresorier would advance cash according to requirements. Necessary steps to this end have been taken, and although actual cash is not yet available here, the position is satisfactory as established by the copy of telegram from A.F.H.Q. attached hereto. It was considered necessary to send Capt. R.K. Smith (A) over to ALGIERS to attend to this and other matters. Capt. Smith has not yet returned but is expected daily.

PROCLAMATIONS.

3. The copies of the new condensed proclamations which were brought along from A.C.C. HQ. were satisfactory with the exception of No.1, in connection with which a very delicate point arose, in that the letter from Gen. Gammell to General Alexander, dated 1st May 1944, reference "Top Secret Brassard", specifically withholds from Gen. Magnan the right to impose the death penalty. Nevertheless, Proclamation No.1, under Article XII, Section 2, clearly establishes that the General above whose signature the proclamations are issued (in this case General Magnan) may impose the death penalty subject to confirmation in writing. Fortunately this discrepancy was noticed before the amended proclamations were laid before Gen. Magnan for approval. Capt. Smith was sent over to ALGIERS in order to place the printing in hand, with the headings amended to read "I, Harold R.L.G. Alexander GCB., CSI., DSO., MC., General, Commander in Chief Allied Armies in Italy and Military Governor of Occupied Territory, acting through my Deputy Pierre Magnan, General de Brigade, Commandant de Genie, D.I.C."

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hereby proclaims as follows, etc." It was believed that this change of heading would delicately overcome the difficulty referred to. That A.F.HQ. share this view is established by the accompanying copy of telegram already mentioned above.

TRANSPORT.

4. It was found impossible to obtain the two further Jeeps required from NORBS. The difficulty was temporarily overcome by borrowing two from the French. These however, will have to be returned as and when the Division moves on from the initial scene of operations.

CIVILIAN SUPPLIES.

5. Due to over-handling and delayed embarkation, a certain limited amount of damaged stock has accumulated. The exact percentage is at present impossible to estimate. Storage difficulties have also been encountered. No serious problem exists and a further report will be submitted in due course.

FUTURE MOVEMENTS.

6. Still uncertain. Orders have just been received for the waterproofing of vehicles, but beyond that no other indication is available.

Chunneil

Major,

Senior Civil Affairs Officer.

Attached.

Copy of telegram from A.F.HQ.

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COPY OF TELEGRAM FROM A.F.HQ. DATED + 25 MAY 1944

CLASSIFICATION: TOP SECRET -BRASSARD.

FROM: SIGNED SACMED.

TO: FORCE 255 FOR MAJOR MURCHIE.

REF. NO. F50718.

CITE: FHMGS THIS IS BRASSARD

DOCUMENTS AS BROUGHT HERE BY CAPT. SMITH BEING PRINTED WITH
CHANGES AS INDICATED BY YOU X SMITH WILL BE HERE SOME DAYS X
ETA HOURS WILL FOLLOW X MONEY QUESTION DISCUSSED X FOR SECURITY
REASONS CREDIT WILL NOT BE OPENED HERE BUT ARRANGEMENTS BEING
MADE FOR SMITH TO DRAW FIRST INSTALMENT AND BRING IT WITH HIM X
SMITH CAN BE CONTACTED HERE BY YOU BY CITING FHMGS.

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RC & NC Section (Brig. Lush)

10 June 44

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YOUR LETTER GEORGE DASH FIVE THREE EIGHT ONE DASH SIX OF SEVEN JUNE AND
PARA TWO OF LETTER TWO FIVE MAY PD PARA TWO AMHQ FOR GEORGE DASH FIVE
FROM AND MAIN PARM PD AUTHORITY GIVEN PD PARA THREE BOTH LETTERS CMA
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L. T. MONTAGU, JR.,
1st Lieut, ACA,
ADJUTANT.

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by authority of the

BRASSARD

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5 381-6

7 June 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394.
(Attention: Brigadier Lush)

1. Reference is made to this Section's letter of 25 May.
2. It would be appreciated if you would confirm by cable that ACC in Sardinia have been authorised to supply currency to Captain Smith as set out in paragraph 2 of the letter. *78. 11 Dec 79*
3. Will you please also state when a copy of the instructions issued by General Alexander to General Magnan may be expected. *11 Dec 88*

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

D. S. Jackling
D. S. JACKLING,
Lt. Colonel.

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

Ref/278/141/CA

JWC/mrd
1 June 1944

SUBJECT: Clarification of Finance Proclamation

TO : Headquarters, A.F.H.Q., G-5, APO 512

1. The solution of this problem centers in the interpretation of Section 5 of Article VII. The sub-heading of the Section indicates it deals with foreign exchange and does not affect AM or Metropolitan lire.

2. It is felt that should any question arise, which is highly improbable, it should be handled by interpretation as above.

3. It is agreed that in order to remove any possible doubt, AM lire and Italian lire might have been part of the exception in Section 5. However, because it is felt interpretation and usage can meet the problem, because copies of this proclamation are already posted in the newly occupied territory and because it is not deemed advisable to have two sets of proclamations which differ in wording; it does not seem wise to alter the proclamation at this late date.

For the Deputy Executive Commissioner:

JWC 2015
JAMES M. CUNLIFFE
Major
Assistant

SECRET

Ref/278/141/CA

JWC/mrd
1 June 1944

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JAMES M. CONLIEFE
Major
Assistant

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Col Wilmer's Comment

"Agree with comment in letter. Article in question submitted as written by Finance Sub Com. Advise on exact change now required.
(I doubt it very much)

HOWEVER, IF ANY QUESTION IS RAISED, IT COULD BE HANDLED BY INTERPRETATION

On reprint words 'section 1 of ' should be left out in anyevent

Wilmer.

Section #5

On reprint words "Section 1" should be left out in any case.

Interpretation that this section deals with foreign exchange (as stated in first sentence) and does not affect AM or Metropolitan lire.

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Major Timmons

Col W. Jones: Please comment.
(in letter)

Agree with comments & Article in
question submitted as outline by
Finance Sub-committee. Advise on exact
change now required. However if any question arises could be
Richard H. Williams
wccas
handled by
with discretion

ARTICLE VI.

Currency

SECTION 1. United States Coin and Currency and British () and Military Authority Notes. All United States coin and all United States currency bearing a yellow seal on the right side of the face of the bill and known as United States Yellow Seal Currency, and all notes bearing the inscription « British Military Authority » issued by the British Government, as well as all coins of Great Britain, are hereby made legal tender in the occupied territory and no person shall refuse to accept such legal tender for the payment of any amount.

SECTION 2. Allied Military Lira Notes. Lira currency in the form of Allied Military Lira notes of the denominations: one, two, five, ten, fifty, one hundred, five hundred, and one thousand lire is hereby constituted and made legal tender for the payment of any amount in the occupied territory and no person shall refuse to accept such legal tender for the payment of any amount.

ARTICLE VII.**Regulations, Exchange and Foreign Trade**

SECTION 1. Rates of Exchange. The rates of exchange between the currency and coin mentioned in Section 1 of Article VI hereof and any form or denomination of Lira shall be as follows:

The Schedule Rates of Exchange:

1 Dollar in United States Coin or in United States Yellow Seal currency equals 100 Lira (all forms or denomination).

1 Pound Sterling or 20 shillings in coin of Great Britain or in British Military Authority Notes equals 4 dollars in United States coin or in United States Yellow Seal Currency.

SECTION 2. Exchange Obligatory. Within the occupied territory every person in the business of banking or the exchange of money, on demand of any holder of currency or coins described in Section 1 and 2 of Article VI hereof, shall exchange such currency or coins for lire in his possession at the rates specified in the Schedule without charging any commission or fee for making such exchange. No person shall refuse to accept at its face value any form or denomination of lira currency.

SECTION 3. Prohibition of Other Rates. No transaction of any nature in which currency or coins described in Section 1 and 2, Article VI hereof are employed shall be entered into on the basis of rates of Exchange other than outlined by or under this Proclamation.

SECTION 4. Transactions Prohibited. From the effective date of this Proclamation, except as authorized by the Allied Military Government from time to time:

- (a) All transactions in foreign exchange, and the import and export of any coins, currency, securities, and gold and silver bullion are prohibited.
- (b) All financial, commercial or other transactions involving trade or communication of any kind with any person outside the occupied territory are prohibited, only that the same may be conducted with persons in those portions of unoccupied Italy which are freed from German control and denomination, provided always that such dealings are in accordance with Italian law, and provided that they do not conflict with the specific orders or regulations issued by the Allied Military Government.

SECTION 5. Exports, Imports and Possession of Foreign Exchange Prohibited. No currency and no coin of any country may be exported from or imported into the occupied territory except as authorized by the Allied Military Government. Currency and coin of any country, other than the currency and coins described in Section 1 of Article VI hereof, may not be held, possessed, traded, exchanged, bargained or sold, but any such currency or coin must be delivered, against receipt, to the nearest Finance Officer for transfer to the Allied Finance Agency.

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29 May 1944

SUBJECT: Proclamations.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394
(Attention: Brigadier Lush or his Deputy)

1. Captain R. K. Smith, Air Corps, who is deputy to Major Murchie, is here in connection with the preparation of certain printed papers. He points to certain apparent difficulties, which I bring to your attention in order that the present text may be confirmed or corrected. The draft as it now stands is inclosed herewith. Please consider the following:

Section 5 of Article VII forbids possession etc., of any currency except that described in Section 1 of Article VI. Thus both A.M. Lire and Italian Lire are excluded; they must, indeed, be delivered against receipt to AFA. Do you wish to include A.M. Lira and Italian Lira in last sentence of Section 5, Article VII? Do you wish to include Italian Lira in Article VI?

2. It will be evident that a prompt reply, by cable or other fast means, is desired, in order that Captain Smith may be enabled to complete his work in the near future.

J. S. Spofford
for. CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.,
Asst. Chief of Staff 2073

Incl:
as above.

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_____ CAPTAIN SMITH OF MAJOR MURCHIES STAFF WILL CALL
ON YOU IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE AND IS AUTHORISED TO DRAW FROM YOU INITIAL
AMOUNT OF THREE MILLION LIRE WITH AUTHORITY TO DRAW SIMILAR AMOUNTS
AS NECESSARY UP TO MAXIMUM OF THIRTY MILLION LIRE FOR SPECIAL MISSION PD
PAREN TO FABLE FOR ACC REGION SIX FOR RFO FOR ALLIED FINANCIAL AGENCY
FROM ACC MAIN SIGNED MACFARLANE PAREN ARRANGE TO HANDLE THROUGH OTHER
FINANCE OFFICERS IF CAPTAIN SMITH HAS NOT ARRIVED BEFORE YOU LEAVE PD
YOU REPORT NAMES WEDNESDAY THREE ONE MAY IF POSSIBLE PD HAVE TRAVEL
ORDERS ISSUED THERE

L. T. MONTAGNY, JR. ²⁰¹¹
1st Lieut AGD
ADJUTANT

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25 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA

TO : HQ, ACC (For attention: Brigadier Lush)

1. For your information, Capt. Smith on Major Murchie's staff has arrived here bringing with him the proclamations for printing. Facilities are being made available to him for that purpose.
2. It appears that the French were only prepared to allow Major Murchie to draw funds from them if a deposit in lire were made in Algiers to be followed by the issue of a letter of credit to Major Murchie to enable him to draw from the French. For security reasons, it is not possible to agree to the opening of an account in a French Bank here which might in any way point to a forthcoming operation in which the French might be interested in lire and accordingly it has been thought better for ACC (through Sardinia) to supply currency as required. Capt. Smith will accordingly call at Sardinia on his way back to Corsica and it would be appreciated if you would signal Sardinia to enable him to collect the initial amount required. Major Murchie is understood to be of opinion that the initial amount should be 3 million lire with facilities to draw similar amounts as necessary up to a maximum of 30 million lire.
3. Will you please let this Section have a copy of the instructions issued by General Alexander to General Magnan.

C.S. Spofford
for. CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Colonel, G. S. C.
Ass't Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy for Major Murchie
(by hand of Capt. Smith)

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Copy given Personally to Col Broffey Smith who
will confer with Brig. Carr on his arrival a 29/5.

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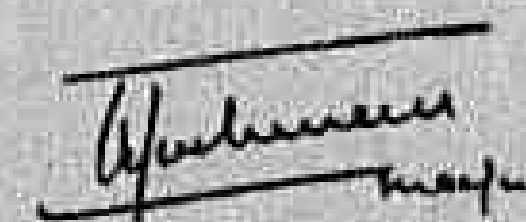
SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA

TO : HQ ACC (for attention Brigadier Lush)

1. Attached for your information is copy 28 of letter of 18 May signed by the Chief of Staff on the postponement of Operation BRASSARD.

2. In view of the terms of the letter to General de Lattre de Tassigny, no communication on the matter has been sent to Major Murchie, but he will no doubt become aware of the postponement after General Martin has received the information.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5:


T. B. JACKMAN
Major

Incl. as above.

Ex Comm: D Lee

Major Murchie left 12 May & presumably
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18 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Operation BRASSARD.

TO : All Concerned.

The attached letter from the Chief of Staff to General de Lattre de Tassigny, Commander of Army "B", is forwarded for your information and guidance.

By Command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMBELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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By Command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMMELL,
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18 May 1944

SUBJECT: Operation "BRASSARD".

TO : General of Army de L'ATRE de TASSIGNY, Commander French Army B.

1. It is desired to confirm our conversation with reference to the decision made by the Supreme Allied Commander that Operation BRASSARD is postponed until the June moon period.

2. As agreed, General of Army Corps MARTIN will not be advised of the postponement of this operation until you inform him during your visit to CORSICA about 20 May.

3. As was also agreed the other French commanders and troops are not to be informed of the postponement in order that training and preparation may continue at full scale.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

JRW/rw

J. A. H. GAMBELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: Operation "BRASSARD".

TO : General of Army de LATRE de TASSIGNY, Commander French Army B.

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For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. CANNELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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12 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Military Government of MIBA.

TO : Military Government Section, A.P.H.Q.

1. I refer to letter FBI/mt of 10 May 1944.
2. Following is paraphrase of cable despatched to you today :

"Major G.P. MURCHIE, 3 Officers, 8 EM/DR, 2 Jeeps embarked 1300 hrs today. Agree that further information may be sent to him direct with copy to this H.Q. Major Smallwood for supplies already in SARDINIA selecting suitable Supply Officer for CORNICA. Name awaited."

3. Major Murchie has a copy of BTD/K/226 mentioned in your letter 28 April. It is agreed that any further information on the operation should, to save time, be sent to him direct with copy to this H.Q.

4. An officer of the Food Sub-Commission was sent to Sardinia to select from experienced Supply Staff there a suitable officer to go to Corsica for the supplies side. His instructions are to cable the name of the selected officer which will be reported to you on receipt. This officer will contact Major Murchie on arrival. It is suggested that all communications for this Supplies Officer be addressed through Major Murchie.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner,
For Chief Commissioner.

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Military Government Section

TBJ/mit

10 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA.

TO : HQ, ACC. (For attention: Brigadier M. S. Lush)

1. Reference is made to the attached copies of three letters signed by the Chief of Staff as follows:

a. Appointing General Alexander as Military Governor of ELBA.

b. Transmitting to General of Army de Lattre de Tassigny appointment of General Magnan as Deputy Military Governor and asking for his agreement and confirmation that it has been forwarded to General Magnan.

c. The appointment of General Magnan as referred to in "b".

2. It is understood that copies of ^{THE} above are being forwarded to you from G-3, but it was thought you would be glad of a spare set and to know that General de Lattre de Tassigny has transmitted the letter of appointment to General Magnan.

3. Attached also for your information is Copy No. 22 of Liaison arrangements for the operation.

4. Lt. Col. Knox, of the Allied Liaison Section here, is now in Corsica and has been requested by his Section to take up formally with the French the question of provision of transport for your team up to a maximum of 4 jeeps.

5. As the acknowledgments to this Section's letters of 28 April and 4 May were returned without comment, it is assumed that there is no further information which you desire this Section to obtain for you, but it would be appreciated if you would inform this Section whether Major Murchie and his team are now in Corsica and have made contact with Force 255. If you agree, it is suggested that to save time any further information which comes to hand here on the operation should be sent to him direct from here via the Liaison Detachment with the French with copy to you for your information.

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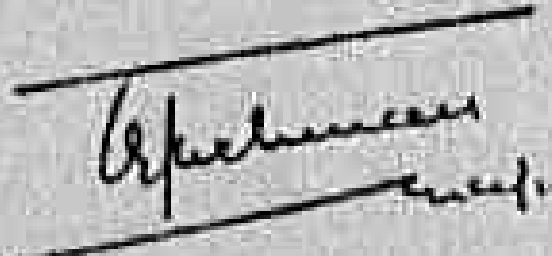
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6. On the question of supplies, will you please confirm for the information of the Economics Sub-Section here that you have arranged for a representative to be in Corsica for the Supplies' side (see paragraph 4 of this Section's letter of 4 May) and give his name and address at which he could be contacted.

For the Chief of Section:


T. B. JACKMAN
Major.

Incls. as above.

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1 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : C-in-C, AAI.

GENERAL

1. Operation BRASSARD, which is to seize the Island of Elba by amphibious attack, may be mounted in the near future from Corsica. The troops employed will be French and will consist of the 9 DIC under command of General de Brigade Magnan. The latter is under command of General of Army Corps H. Martin, commanding the I Army Corps, for all purposes except as regards the Military Government of Elba, as described below.

2. Allied Military Government will be established in Elba. It will follow the same pattern as that obtaining in forward areas in Italy. The French will not participate actively in the Military Government of the Island. As soon as it is expedient to do so, the civil administration of the Island will be handed over to the jurisdiction of the Allied Control Commission.

APPOINTMENT OF MILITARY GOVERNOR

3. You are hereby designated as Military Governor of the Island of Elba.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MILITARY GOVERNOR

4. General de Brigade, Magnan, Commandant of the 9th D.I.C., is designated as Deputy Military Governor of Elba, responsible to you in that capacity. You will instruct him to delegate his powers to a Senior Civil Affairs Officer who will be provided with sufficient staff by HQ, A.C.C. The Power to impose the death sentence will be retained by you.

ADMINISTRATION

5. HQ, A.C.C. have already carried out a study of the scope of military government personnel considered necessary for the Island, and have earmarked a team of 2 American and 2 British officers, with 4 EM/OR for the purpose.

6. The following provisions will appertain to Military Government of the Island: 2001

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- a. The rate of exchange will be fixed at 400 AML to £ 1, or 100 to \$1.
- b. Proclamations will be posted in Italian and English and copies in French will be supplied to the French troops taking part in the operation.
- c. Responsibility for the supply of medical stores and food for the civil population in the Island will rest with the Allied Control Commission and not with the French authorities.

7. A copy of the letter of appointment issued to General Magnan is attached. Supplementary instructions will be issued by you direct to General Magnan, with a copy to this Headquarters.

8. It is anticipated that General Magnan will only remain on the Island for a short time after its seizure, and when he is relieved, a senior French officer with troops on the Island will be designated by this Headquarters as Deputy Military Governor in his place.

By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

Incl. - As above.

Copy to: HQ, A.C.C.

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5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA.

TO : General of Army de Lattre de Tassigny.

1. With reference to our conversation of 28 April on the subject of Military Government in ELBA, there is attached hereto the appointment of General Magnan as Deputy Military Governor. It would be appreciated if you would agree to this letter of appointment and advise this Headquarters when it has been forwarded to General Magnan.

2. In the letter of appointment as Military Governor issued to General Sir Harold R.L.G. Alexander, C-in-C AAI, he has been informed that General Magnan will be relieved at some date subsequent to the capture of the Island and that in the event a senior French officer with troops on the Island will be designated by this Headquarters to replace him as Deputy Military Governor.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : General de Brigade, Magnan, Commandant la 9th D.I.C.

1. With the seizure of the Island of ELBA as contemplated in Operation "BRASSARD", Allied Military Government will be established on the Island. As soon as conditions permit, the civil administration of the Island will be taken over by the Allied Control Commission.

2. In order that there may be continuity in the matter of Military Government, it is desirable to vest the Military Governorship of the Island in General Sir Harold R.L.G. Alexander, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy, who is already Military Governor of Occupied Territory in Italy and is the representative of the Supreme Allied Commander on the Allied Control Commission. A Team of American and British Officers, drawn from the Allied Control Commission, will be provided to accompany the combat troops in order to carry out the administrative work of establishing Allied Military Government in the Island. General Alexander is accordingly being appointed Military Governor of ELBA by directive from the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.

3. You are hereby designated Deputy Military Governor of ELBA, and as such will be responsible to General Alexander in all matters concerning Military Government in the Island and will carry out such instructions and make such delegation of powers to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer as the Military Governor may direct. Nothing in this directive is to be construed as placing you under General Alexander for operational purposes, and you will continue to act in such respects under the orders of General Martin.

4. The objectives of the Military Government as applied to the Island will be:

- a. To relieve the combat troops of the necessity for providing for civil administration.
- b. To restore law and order and normal conditions among the civil population as soon as possible, procure the necessary supplies for them, and where necessary, provide relief and maintenance for destitutes within available resources.
- c. To assist, as may be desirable, in making available to the occupying forces any economic resources of the Island.
- d. To promote political and military objectives of the Allied Forces through efficient government of the Island.

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Note: Fundamentals of the system of Military Government will be based on the rules annexed to the Hague Convention of 1907 and usages and customs of International Law.

5. The following provisions will appertain to Military Government in the Island:

- a. The rate of exchange will be fixed at 400 AML to £ or 100 to \$1, which is the same as that established in Italy.
- b. Proclamations will be posted in Italian and English, and copies in French will be supplied to the French troops taking part in the operation.
- c. Responsibility for the supply of medical stores and food for the civil population on the Island, and the supervision of the administration of justice so far as the civilian population are concerned, will fall on the Allied Control Commission (Allied Military Government) and not on the French authorities, but the combat troops will give such assistance to the Military Government as may be found necessary.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff

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Date: 7 May 1944.

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SUBJECT: Liaison, Operation BRASSARD.

TO : General Martin, Ground Force Commander Force 255.

1. All orders and directives from AFHQ to Force 255, and all messages from Force 255 to AFHQ, will be in the English language and will be sent by U.S. Signals.

2. Communications between other headquarters will be in French when both sender and receiver are French, and in English when different nationalities are concerned.

a. Force 255 to 9 DIC will be in French by French Signals.

b. Naval and Air communications to 9 DIC, when necessary, will be in English. U.S. or British signals will be provided to deal with such communications.

c. During such time as 9 DIC has not established French signal communications, signals may be in English, i.e. Naval.

3. Allied Liaison Service are providing a detachment with HQ Force 255 comprising the personnel shown below. The detachment will be responsible for the translation of all messages, in or out, between AFHQ and HQ Force 255.

a. <u>Personnel</u>	<u>Officers</u>	1 Colonel 1 Lt Colonel 1 Major 1 Major 2 Captains	G-2 and G-3 G-4 QM Ordnance G-2 and G-3 (Translators)
	<u>Enlisted Men</u>	1 M/Sgt 1 S/Sgt 2 T/4 2 T/5 4 Pfc	Chief Clerk Chief Clerk Stenographers Clerk-Typists Drivers (Two fluent in French for translating)
	<u>Total</u>	6 Officers 10 Enlisted Men	
	<u>Vehicles</u>	2 Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4 1 Truck $\frac{3}{4}$ ton W/C 1 Truck $\frac{3}{4}$ ton 6 x 6 Cargo	

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		1 Lt Colonel	G-4
		1 Major	QM
		1 Major	Ordnance
		2 Captains	G-2 and G-3 (Translators)
	<u>Enlisted Men</u>	1 M/Sgt	Chief Clerk
		1 S/Sgt	Chief Clerk
		2 T/4	Stenographers
		2 T/5	Clerk-Typists
		4 Pfc	Drivers
		(Two fluent in French for translating)	
	<u>Total</u>	6 Officers	
		10 Enlisted Men	
	<u>Vehicles</u>	2 Trucks $\frac{1}{2}$ ton 4 x 4	
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		1 Trailer $\frac{1}{2}$ ton	

4. Allied Liaison Service are providing a detachment with the 9 DIC comprising the following:

<u>a. Personnel</u>	<u>Officers</u>	1 Lt Colonel	G-2 and G-3
		1 Major	G-4
		1 Captain	Signals
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		2 Captains	Interpreters-Translators

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	2	Interpreters-Translators
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5. Coordination of all documents dispatched from AFHQ to the Ground Force Commander of the Operation has been provided for by a daily visit to the G-3 Section, AFHQ, by a senior staff officer from the Headquarters of General of Army de Lattre de Tassigny.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theater

Approved for General
de LATTRE de TASSIGNY
by: Colonel Glie.

J. A. H. GALLMILL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

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For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

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de LATRE de TASSIGNY
by: Colonel Olie.

J. A. H. GALLELL,
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

TBJ/mit

10 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA.

TO : HQ, ACC. (For attention: Brigadier M. S. Luch)

1. Reference is made to the attached copies of three letters signed by the Chief of Staff as follows:

a. Appointing General Alexander as Military Governor of ELBA.

b. Transmitting to General of Army de Lattre de Tassigny appointment of General Magnan as Deputy Military Governor and asking for his agreement and confirmation that it has been forwarded to General Magnan.

c. The appointment of General Magnan as referred to in "b".

2. It is understood that copies of ^{the}above are being forwarded to you from G-3, but it was thought you would be glad of a spare set and to know that General de Lattre de Tassigny has transmitted the letter of appointment to General Magnan.

3. Attached also for your information is Copy No. 22 of Liaison arrangements for the operation.

4. Lt. Col. Knox, of the Allied Liaison Section here, is now in Corsica and has been requested by his Section to take up formally with the French the question of provision of transport for your team up to a maximum of 4 jeeps.

5. As the acknowledgments to this Section's letters of 28 April and 4 May were returned without comment, it is assumed that there is no further information which you desire this Section to obtain for you, but it would be appreciated if you would inform this Section whether Major Marchie and his team are now in Corsica and have made contact with Force 255. If you agree, it is suggested that to save time any further information which comes to hand here on the operation should be sent to him direct from here via the Liaison Detachment with the French with copy to you for your information.

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6. On the question of supplies, will you please confirm for the information of the Economics Sub-Section here that you have arranged for a representative to be in Corsica for the Supplies' side (see paragraph 4 of this Section's letter of 4 May) and give his name and address at which he could be contacted.

For the Chief of Section:

T. B. JACKMAN
Major.

Incls. as above.

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1 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : C-in-C, AAI.

GENERAL

1. Operation BRASSARD, which is to seize the Island of Elba by amphibious attack, may be mounted in the near future from Corsica. The troops employed will be French and will consist of the 9 DIC under command of General de Brigade Magnan. The latter is under command of General of Army Corps H. Martin, commanding the I Army Corps, for all purposes except as regards the Military Government of Elba, as described below.

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APPOINTMENT OF MILITARY GOVERNOR

3. You are hereby designated as Military Governor of the Island of Elba.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MILITARY GOVERNOR

4. General de Brigade, Magnan, Commandant of the 9th D.I.C., is designated as Deputy Military Governor of Elba, responsible to you in that capacity. You will instruct him to delegate his powers to a Senior Civil Affairs Officer who will be provided with sufficient staff by HQ, A.C.C. The Power to impose the death sentence will be retained by you.

ADMINISTRATION

5. HQ, A.C.C. have already carried out a study of the scope of military government personnel considered necessary for the Island, and have earmarked a team of 2 American and 2 British officers, with 4 EM/OR for the purpose.

6. The following provisions will appertain to Military Government in the Island:

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- b. Proclamations will be posted in Italian and English and copies in French will be supplied to the French troops taking part in the operation.
- c. Responsibility for the supply of medical stores and food for the civil population in the Island will rest with the Allied Control Commission and not with the French authorities.

7. A copy of the letter of appointment issued to General Magnan is attached. Supplementary instructions will be issued by you direct to General Magnan, with a copy to this Headquarters.

8. It is anticipated that General Magnan will only remain on the Island for a short time after its seizure, and when he is relieved, a senior French officer with troops on the Island will be designated by this Headquarters as Deputy Military Governor in his place.

By command of General WILSON:

J. A. H. GAMMILL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

Incl. - As above.

Copy to: Hq, A.C.C.

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5 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA.

TO : General of Army de Lattre de Tassigny.

1. With reference to our conversation of 28 April on the subject of Military Government in ELBA, there is attached hereto the appointment of General Magnan as Deputy Military Governor. It would be appreciated if you would agree to this letter of appointment and advise this Headquarters when it has been forwarded to General Magnan.

2. In the letter of appointment as Military Governor issued to General Sir Harold R.L.G. Alexander, C-in-C AAI, he has been informed that General Magnan will be relieved at some date subsequent to the capture of the Island and that in the event a senior French officer with troops on the Island will be designated by this Headquarters to replace him as Deputy Military Governor.

For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. GAMBELL,
Lieutenant General, 1990
Chief of Staff.

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SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : General de Brigade, Magnan, Commandant la 9th D.I.C.

1. With the seizure of the Island of ELBA as contemplated in Operation "BRASSARD", Allied Military Government will be established on the Island. As soon as conditions permit, the civil administration of the Island will be taken over by the Allied Control Commission.

2. In order that there may be continuity in the matter of Military Government, it is desirable to vest the Military Governorship of the Island in General Sir Harold R.L.C. Alexander, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy, who is already Military Governor of Occupied Territory in Italy and is the representative of the Supreme Allied Commander on the Allied Control Commission. A Team of American and British Officers, drawn from the Allied Control Commission, will be provided to accompany the combat troops in order to carry out the administrative work of establishing Allied Military Government in the Island. General Alexander is accordingly being appointed Military Governor of ELBA by directive from the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.

3. You are hereby designated Deputy Military Governor of ELBA, and as such will be responsible to General Alexander in all matters concerning Military Government in the Island and will carry out such instructions and make such delegation of powers to the Senior Civil Affairs Officer as the Military Governor may direct. Nothing in this directive is to be construed as placing you under General Alexander for operational purposes, and you will continue to act in such respects under the orders of General Martin.

4. The objectives of the Military Government as applied to the Island will be:

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- a. To relieve the combat troops of the necessity for providing for civil administration.
- b. To restore law and order and normal conditions among the civil population as soon as possible, procure the necessary food supplies for them, and where necessary, provide relief and maintenance for destitutes within available resources.
- c. To assist, as may be desirable, in making available to the occupying forces any economic resources of the Island.
- d. To promote political and military objectives of the Allied Forces through efficient government of the Island.

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For the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. GAMBELL,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff 1988

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RECEIPT FORM

In lieu of Army Form A16

To be signed below and
returned immediately
in a single unregistered
envelope to

(H.Q. Allied Control Commission
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I hereby acknowledge the receipt of the undermentioned:-

Reference Number

Distribution

362/53/CA dated

G.O.C. Force 255

11 May 1944

Signed.....

Address.....

Date.....

11.5.1944

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NOTE: The title of a Secret or Confidential Document must not be written on this form.

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Ref/362/34/GA.

11 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Military Government - Operation "BRASSARD".

TO : Major C. P. MURCHIE, 122570, (B), General List.

1. You have been appointed Senior Civil Affairs Officer, AME, for Operation "BRASSARD".
2. Your team will consist of four officers and 8 EM/OIL, as in Nominal Roll, Appendix "A".
3. Your transport will consist of 4 Jeeps, 2 from A.C.C. transport and 2 to be drawn from G.H.Q. Force 255 - French (under authority AMHQ, MGS letter TBJ/mit of 28 April 1944).
4. You will collect your team at once and arrange to proceed to SILVERSTICK without delay where you will report to Force 255. You will proceed with planning under the direction of Headquarters, Force 255, in consultation with the appropriate officers (Lt.Col.le Parco, (G-3), and Lt.Col. TEISSIER, (G-4), at French Corps Headquarters, FAIRBAGO.
5. You will arrange with Economic Section for co-ordination of supplies for the civil population. A representative of the Economic Section will proceed to SILVERSTICK at the same time as yourself in order to co-ordinate the problems of accommodating and forwarding of supplies from that Island.
6. You will make yourself acquainted with the general military directions and will take copies of essential instructions from Headquarters file (362/GA). You will furnish yourself, after consultation with the Legal Sub-Commission, with the necessary proclamations. In this respect documents appointing General Alexander as Military Governor and General Maguan as Deputy Military Governor have been issued; copies are attached.
7. On arrival in SILVERSTICK you will come under command of Force 255 but you will, with consent of the Commanding Officer, send reports and demands to this Headquarters, whom you will keep fully in touch with the situation during the planning period and afterwards.
8. You will not divulge your ultimate destination to other members of your team without the consent of the Officer Commanding, Force 255.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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APPENDIX "A" to J62/54/UA dated 11 May 1944NATIONAL ROLL

Capt.	P.E. CLARKE	242952	Int Corps	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)
Capt.	T. GOODAGRE	287702	Gen List	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)
Capt.	RUTHVEN K. SMITH	0904565	AC	HQ. A.C.C.	(A)
2nd Lt.	HENRY ELLIOTT	01310695	Inf	HQ. A.C.C.	(A)
S/Sgt.	MARIO G. BELLINI	6716470		Region III	(A)
Sgt.	W. ALLEN	21877617	Clerk	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)
Pfc.	Mario A. D'Amato	33506408	Clerk	HQ. A.C.C.	(A)
Pfc.	BIRCHARD PADJORENXY	12025738	Driver	HQ. A.C.C.	(A)
Pfc.	ANTONIO J. CAMAROTA	32307425	Driver	HQ. A.C.C.	(A)
Pfc.	C.H. MAATHY	14611731	Driver	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)
Pfc.	P.J. DONAGHY	T/10674388	Driver	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)
Cmnr	W. EVES	1035005	Gen Duty	HQ. A.C.C.	(B)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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Ref/362/53/CA.

11 May 1944. *R*

SUBJECT: Operation "BRASSARD".

TO : G.O.C. Force 255.

1. The bearer, Major C.P. MURCHIE, has been appointed Senior Civil Affairs Officer for Operation BRASSARD, and is the officer authorized to receive money for the conduct of Civil Affairs and the operation of Military Government in the territory with which the operation is concerned.
2. Arrangements for accounting for advances will be as desired by the Finance Officer for the operation.
3. Specimen signatures are appended hereto.

WDW/RAC.

M.S. Murchie
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.
For Chief Commissioner.

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1 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in ELBA.

TO : C-in-C, AAI.

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GENERAL

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7. A copy of the letter of appointment issued to General Magran is attached. Supplementary instructions will be issued by you direct to General Magran, with a copy to this Headquarters.

8. It is anticipated that General Magran will only remain on the Island for a short time after its seizure, and when he is relieved, a senior French Officer with troops on the Island will be designated by this Headquarters as Deputy Military Governor in his place.

For the Supreme Allied Commander Mediterranean Theatre:

J. A. H. GARNER,
Lieutenant General,
Chief of Staff.

Incl.-As above.

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Copy to: Mil. Gov. Sec.

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1 May 1944

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SUBJECT : Military Government in ELBA

TO : General de Brigade, Mignan, Commandant la 9th D.I.C.

1. With the seizure of the Island of ELBA as contemplated in Operation "HABSBARD", Allied Military Government will be established on the Island. As soon as conditions permit, the civil administration of the Island will be taken over by the Allied Control Commission.

2. In order that there may be continuity in the matter of Military Government, it is desirable to vest the Military Governorship of the Island in General Sir Harold R.L.G. Alexander, Commander-in-Chief, Allied Armies in Italy, who is already Military Governor of Occupied Territory in Italy and is the representative of the Supreme Allied Commander on the Allied Control Commission. A Team of American and British Officers, drawn from the Allied Control Commission, will be provided to accompany the combat troops in order to carry out the administrative work of establishing Allied Military Government in the Island. General Alexander is accordingly being appointed Military Governor of ELBA by directive from the Supreme Allied Commander, Mediterranean Theatre.

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J.A.H. GAMMELL,
Lieutenant General,
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of Elba.

TO : HQ, ACC (For attention: Brig. Lush)

1. This follows on this Section's letter of 28 April amplifying our letter of 18 April referring to your 362/16/CA of 8 March.

2. It has still not been possible to issue the documents appointing General Alexander as Military Governor or General Magnan as Deputy Military Governor, but the principle has now been cleared with the French High Command and the issue of the formal documents can be expected shortly.

3. In the above circumstances and in view of the probable D Day, of which you have already been notified, it is suggested that your team should now, if it has not already done so, proceed, subject to agreement with General Alexander, to Corsica and link up with the Force 255 representatives there in order to work out details.

4. So far as supplies are concerned, the letter from the Economics and Supply Subsection here, enclosed with this Section's letter of 28 April, has been amplified by the following cables despatched to your HQ as follows:

- a. 40989 of 3 May
- b. F-41254 of 4 May

The question of the necessity for your having a representative on Corsica to look after supplies referred to in paragraph 4 of this Section's letter of 18 April has been stressed by G-4 (M & TN) here, and it is suggested that such a representative, separate and distinct from the AMG team for Elba, should proceed forthwith to tie up the question of space for housing the supplies on Corsica and of seeing to their reception and onward transmission as necessary.

5. The question of transport for your team still remains outstanding for the reason given in paragraph 6 of this Section's letter of 28 April, and it is suggested that it would be well for your senior member of the team to take up the question with the French on arrival in Corsica and see what informal arrangements can be made. In this connection you will no doubt like to know that it is intended by the French that General Magnan and his troops should be relieved as soon as practicable after the seizure and be replaced by other French troops from Corsica.

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T. B. JACKMAN
Major.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

File No. 313.3

30 April 1944.....
(Date)

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Document(s).

TO : Brig. M. S. Lush, Executive Commissioner, Regional Control & Mil. Gov. Sec.,
APO 394

is copy
1. Forwarded herewith are.... 1 ... copies of... Ltr. dated 28 Apr. 1944 with
6 attachments as described therein. (MGS Out 5068) (Planners).....

2. Please acknowledge receipt on the form below, detach and return
immediately to Military Government Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO
#512.

Done,
H. H. 4/5/44

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

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Received from R.C. & M. Section,
one sealed "TOP SECRET" envelope
addressed to Colonel Adams, Vice
President, Economic Section.

Signed.....

Date: 2nd May 1944

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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TBJ/mit

28 April 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of Elba.

TO : HQ, A.G.C. (For attention: Brig. Lush)

1. This letter is to amplify our letter of 18 April, which referred to your 362/16/CA of 8 March.

2. It has not yet proved possible to get a reply from the French agreeing to designate General Magnon as Deputy Military Governor, and until this is received, G-3 here cannot issue formal instructions to General Alexander and to General Magnon.

3. The French team here have now left to set up their Headquarters at the French Corps Headquarters at Ajaccio, where the detailed planning will be carried out, and it is suggested that the senior member of the AMG team for the island should, when the instructions as to Military Government are issued, go there to work out details rather than come here as was originally suggested. The appropriate officers to contact would be Lt. Col. le Parco (G-3) and Lt. Col. Teissier (G-4), who are officers on General Martin's staff who are supervising the planning for the operation on the G-3 and G-4 sides.

4. Attached is a note prepared by the Economics & Supplies Sub-Section here as to the steps already taken on the Supply Side and as to the basis for the calculations. Col. Butterworth, of this Section, has already discussed the basis of supply with Col. Teissier when the latter was in Algiers.

5. It is not known whether you have a copy of the Special Report on the Island of Elba prepared by ISTD in Aug. 43 (ISTD/K/226). One copy only is available here but will be sent to you immediately if you desire to have it.

6. So far as transport is concerned, it is not possible to supply special transport from here. When the question of the Military Governorship is finally settled, the French will be asked to supply transport for your team, but in case it is impossible to arrange this, you should earmark transport from your own resources for the purpose. In the latter connection, it is suggested that in view of the small size of the Island motorcycles could well be employed with say two jeeps for load carrying purposes.

7. It is understood that ancillary to the main operation the small Island of Pianosa is to be taken by elements of the 9 DIC. No information exists here as to conditions on that island.

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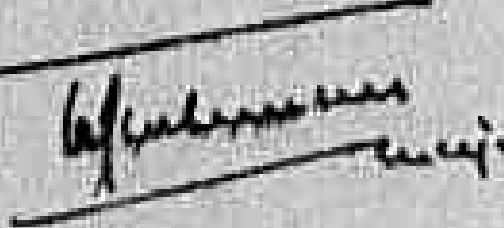
8. So far as communications are concerned, wireless communication will be established between Elba and Corsica and between Pianosa and Corsica; and from Corsica to North Africa and Italy, the channel will then be through normal installations. In view of the traffic expected, however, it is urged by Signals here that the fullest use be made, for communications, of the boat service which will operate between Elba and Corsica and between Pianosa and Corsica.

9. For your information, FWD are organising a team of approximately 10 to accompany the operation and operate on the islands.

10. The following documents are enclosed for your information:

- a. List of code names to be used for the operation with a copy of the covering security instructions. ³⁷⁻⁴¹
 - b. Tentative schedule of events. ³⁶
 - c. A separate envelope, the contents of which are to be destroyed by fire after perusal, giving probable D day.
 - d. A copy of AG 370-U-D-O of 21 April, subject "Assignment of Responsibilities for Mounting Operation BRASSARD." ³⁵
 - e. Extract on administration (with appendix referred to) taken from the original outline plan for the main operation. ³²
11. Will you please state whether there is any further information which you require.

For the Chief of Section:


T. B. JACKMAN
Major.

Incls. (6) as above.

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P.S. The Headquarters (now at Ajaccio) for the operation has been officially designated as FORCE 255. Mail for that force will be addressed "FORCE 255, APO 22" and cables are addressed simply to "FORCE 255."

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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28 April 1944

SUBJECT: Estimate of Civil Supplies - Force 255

TO : HQ A.C.C. (for Colonel Adams)

1. Based on conversations with G-4 Plans and with Lt. Col. Teissier, G-4 of the French forces, it is proposed to make available the supplies listed below.

2. A telegram from NOR BASE, N-1112 of 21 April, advises that there is covered storage available at BOMA for civilian supplies, 20,000 cubic feet. This will take care of approximately 400 tons.

3. In a shipping schedule dated 16 April 1944, Ref MGS/C-7, subject: Civil Supplies - Maintenance Period 21 - 30 April, we advised in par 7 (b) that additional supplies were being sent into Sardinia the use of which would be advised later. Please advise the RCAF, Sardinia, in properly classified documents, that the monthly requirements for operation BRASSARD will be:

	Grams Per Person Per Day	Calories Per Person Per Day	Month per 30 M in Met Tons
Flour (1)	300	1060	270
Meat (2)	55	80	50
Veg, dried	28	98	25
Sugar	8	30	7
Total of subsistence	391	1268	352

Soap - 2 oz per person per month

Medical Supplies

Total Tons per month

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(1) Wheat may be substituted upon report from field on milling facilities.

(2) Fish is reported plentiful. Meat may be eliminated, or reduced, later upon confirmation from field.

Total TPD -

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Copy to
Col. Adams
in 2/4/44
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4. On 26 April notice was sent by this office to M & Tn requesting that a coaster be set up to transship civilian supplies from PH 138 HENRY GROVES CONNOR at Cagliari to Porto Vecchio:

Flour	300 metric tons
Meat	50 " "
Veg (dried)	25 " "
Total	375

Also from ACC warehouse, Cagliari:

Sugar	7 metric tons
Soap	2 " "
Medical Supplies	0.125 metric tons
Total	9.125
Grand Total	385 metric tons

5. The two paragraphs immediately preceding, while not identical for tonnage, are approximately the amount of tons to be shipped per month from Sardinia as called forward by the team being set up by your office to administer the area. We will follow your future instructions if there are any changes from the plans made by us. Will you please instruct your team on these arrangements and let us have any questions concerning them at the earliest possible moment.

J. E. BUTTERWORTH
Colonel, Infantry
Economics & Supply Division

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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Personnel and Unit Baggage Data Form		
Unit Vehicle Data Form		
Detailed Plan of Attack		D - 15
Stowage Plans agreed with Task Force		D - 14
Orders Issued Covering Movement of Vehicles, Personnel and Supplies to Port		D - 13
Supplies Start Moving to Port		D - 11
Vehicles and Personnel Start Moving to Port		D - 10
Loading of Vehicles and Supplies		D - 8
Embarkation and Loading Completed		D - 6
Sail for Exercise		D - 5
Return from Exercise		D - 4
Start Reloading		D - 4
Complete Reloading		D - 2
Sail for Assault		D - 1

It is requested that other tentative dates be submitted to
G-3 (Ops) by 15 April.

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1. SUPPLY.

a. Supply.

Supply and maintenance calculations have been based on the following estimates of strengths:-

Serial	Unit	Strength	Tanks	Vehicles	Mules
a.	Hq and Signals	50			
b.	One Gp Commandos	1000		4	50
c.	One Gp Goums (less elements)			4	
d.	One I.A.A. Bn	1400		6	450
e.	One Bn. Arty	800		40	
f.	One det. Lt Tanks	500		36	
g.	Dets Bn du Choc	100	10	5	
h.	Engr Coy	100		2	
i.	Engr Platoon	175		12	
j.	Beach Group	50		6	
k.	Signal Platoon	150		20	
l.	Det. C.M. Coy	50		11	
m.	Collecting Coy	15		2	
n.	Clearing Coy	90		10	
o.	Clearing Platoon	50		2	
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- (1) The first 7 days, during which the island is captured and mopped up, high ammunition and P.O.L. expenditure may be expected. No allowance is made for the civil population for the two days after landing. Island stocks should in any case cover a longer period. During this period 1000 Germans and 3000 Italian P.Ws may have to be fed. It is assumed they will have been evacuated by D + 4.
- (2) For the period D + 8 onwards, ammunition expenditure may continue to be high, mainly in repelling enemy air attacks, but P.O.L. expenditure will be restricted to a minimum.
- (3) No special allowance has been made for accommodation or defense stores or for any constructional works.
- (4) If a M.T.B. base is to be established in ELA, its supplies will be an additional commitment.
- c. The following stores are estimated as required:

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Period D to D + 7 incl.		Period D + 8 to D + 15.	
Rations	340 tons (1)	394 tons (2)	
T.B.A.	57 "	57 "	
F.C.L.	20 " (3)	10 "	
Forage	15 " (4)	15 "	
Engr Med & QM	57 " (5)	85 "	
Ann	392 " (6)	140 "	
say	880 "	say	700 "

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- (1) Troops @ 8 lbs p.d., P.W. 3 days @ 5 lbs p.d., Civil 5 days @ 3 lbs p.d.
- (2) Allows for no P.W.
- (3) All vehicles @ 4 galls p.d.
- (4) @ 10 lbs p.d. per mule.
- (5) @ 4 lbs p.d. increasing to 6 lbs after one week.
- (6) 4 days @ 68 t.p.d., 3 days @ 40 t.p.d.
- d. It is desirable that the first 7 days requirements should be landed as early as possible, thereby affording some reserve. A minimum of 2 days requirements = 260 tons, should be landed immediately after the assaulting troops.
- e. Some prior training will be required in the handling of mules for carriage of weapons and stores as it is probable that some of the troops may not be experienced in their management.
- f. Before any shipping is brought into PORTO PIERAIO the A.A. guns must be in position to afford protection during discharge. Local labor should be fully used for port working.

2. EVACUATION.

- a. Wounded. In view of the short distance between ELBA and CORSICA, it is considered that wounded should be evacuated from ELBA in returning craft and consequently no hospital facilities have been included in the Troop basis. One Collecting Company and One Clearance Platoon have been allowed for.
- b. Such prisoners of war as are captured on the island should be evacuated as fast as circumstances permit. Returning craft and small boats should be able to handle this lift.
- c. It may be necessary to remove certain civilians from ELBA after occupation by our forces. These will be determined by AUG.

3. CIVIL AFFAIRS

Allied Military Government will be applied to ELBA under the Allied Military Governor of ITALY. Organization and supply of personnel for this detachment will be the responsibility of Headquarters Allied Control Commission. All Allied Military Government personnel who will be employed in ELBA are at present on the mainland of ITALY.

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21 April 1944

SUBJECT: Assignment of Responsibilities for Mounting Operation BRASSARD

TO : All Concerned.

The assignment of responsibilities outlined herein will govern the mounting of Operation BRASSARD and is published for information and guidance of all concerned.

1. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMANDING GENERAL, OPERATION BRASSARD.

a. Prepare and furnish to this headquarters and SOS NATOUSA a complete troop list showing location in SILVERSTICK of units, vehicles, (general purpose and combat by types) and weapons (by types for each Sub-Task Force involved), broken down if practicable, by echelons of Sub-Task Forces.

b. Submit to SOS NATOUSA, through NORBS, final PHASED requisitions for equipment and supplies to accompany each echelon of each Sub-Task Force.

c. Assemble and turn over to SOS NATOUSA, through NORBS, data required by Appendices A, B, C and D of letter, Headquarters NATOUSA, dated 30 January 1944, file AG 370.26/375 D-0, subject: "Standing Instructions for Movement by Water"; these data to be grouped by Sub-Task Forces and echelons within Sub-Task Forces.

d. Loading for the Assault:

Designate Transport Quartermasters with necessary assistants, one for each group of six LOT's scheduled to carry M/T, equipment and/or supplies required to be discharged, according to specified priorities established by Task Force Commander. Transport Quartermasters will:

- (1) Work out with SOS NATOUSA the details for the stowage of each craft, insure that the discharge of troops and cargo at destination will be in accordance with the desires of the Task Force Commander and indicate the priority of unloading supplies.
- (2) Represent Task Force Commander during the loading out of craft to which assigned.
- (3) Supervise debarkation and unloading at destination.

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e. Supplies for continued maintenance:

Submit to headquarters, SOS NATOUSA, through NORBS, requisitions for Class II and IV maintenance supplies and equipment. These requisitions to be by supply services, each set of requisitions to cover 30-days' maintenance for the entire force plus the desired additional supplies for reserve buildup. Requisitions should reach headquarters SOS not later than the 5th day of the month prior to the one in which supplies will be delivered. Class I supplies will be furnished automatically by Headquarters, SOS NATOUSA. Forage for animals will be supplied through British sources, but should be included in phased requisitions. Class III and V supplies will be furnished by Headquarters, SOS NATOUSA, on the basis of daily reported expenditures. Supplies for each 30-day period will be delivered spread-loaded over the necessary number of craft, to be delivered at regular convoy intervals to be established.

f. Provide adequate personnel for discharge operations.

g. Make available, to the Port Commander for loading each vessel, the same personnel who will discharge the vessel. Such personnel will thus be familiar with details of cargo stowage.

h. Waterproof all vehicles (waterproofing supplies and technical advice to be furnished by SOS).

i. Designate representatives, to remain in Mounting Areas after departure of Task Force, who will have full authority to represent the Force on all matters relating to the forwarding of personnel, vehicles and supplies remaining in Mounting Areas.

j. Make available to Naval Commander necessary personnel as required for liaison and planning purposes.

k. Equipment and Supply of French Forces.

The Task Force Commander is responsible that the French forces involved are equipped, in accordance with established Lend-Lease procedures, to scales determined by this headquarters and within the limitations of the approved Rearmament Program as necessary to success of the mission. Initial equipment and maintenance for participating French forces while in North Africa and SILVERSTICK will be provided from French sources. Deficiencies in initial equipment of French forces participating will be provided as outlined in letter, Headquarters NATOUSA, "Supply and Maintenance of French Forces", file AG 400/466 D-O, dated 7 April 1944. SOS will be responsible for the supply of all equipment and supplies for maintenance after the forces have embarked from SILVERSTICK for the operation and as outlined in letter, this headquarters, subject as above, file AG 400-1 (French) GDS-AGM, dated 11 February 1944.

2. RESPONSIBILITIES OF AIR COMMANDER-in-CHIEF, MAAF.

a. The Air Commander-in-Chief, MAAF, will be responsible for general overall supply provisioning for Allied Air Forces engaged in the operation, and will take necessary steps to insure that units engaged in the operation are furnished with such equipment as is necessary to equip them to approved scales.

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b. In the case of Royal Air Force units engaged in the operation, necessary steps will be taken through usual RAF channels to equip these units to approved scales.

c. French Air Force units engaged in the operation will be equipped to approved scales for "common items" by procedure outlined in paragraph 1 k.

3. RESPONSIBILITIES OF C-IN-C MEDITERRANEAN

a. Provide and man the craft allocated for the operation.

b. Position shipping at embarkation and loading points mutually agreed upon for loading of personnel, vehicles and stores, and render such assistance as is necessary in loading, other than labor.

c. Maintain a buildup convoy cycle within the capacity of available shipping and escorts as mutually agreed.

d. Operate the Naval installations at ports of loading or unloading.

e. Navy personnel will also be made available to SOS NATOUA for the specific purpose of approving for the Navy Task Force Commander, pre-stowage plans for craft during their preparation.

f. Make available to SOS NATOUA, if required, personnel for planning purposes.

4. RESPONSIBILITIES OF NAVAL TASK FORCE COMMANDER

a. Command the Army and Navy elements of the Task Force while water-borne and until the Army is firmly established ashore.

b. Convoy to mutually agreed localities and place ashore all elements of the Force transported by sea.

c. Make available to the Task Force Commander, if required, necessary Navy personnel for planning and liaison purposes.

5. RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMANDING GENERAL, SOS NATOUA

a. Fill, if required, requisitions for T/O-E shortages of Task Force units for vehicles, supplies and equipment as stated in paragraph 1 k.

b. Prepare for overseas shipment, including re-packaging and water-proofing as required, and assemble in dumps or depots convenient to final loading-out ports or embarkation points, all supplies and equipment covered by approved Task Force PHASED requisitions.

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- c. Advise the Task Force Commander of any inability to meet his demands.
- d. Pre-stow all vessels and craft in accordance with the desire of the Sub-Task Force Commanders and furnish copies of pre-stowage plans to Sub-Task Force Commanders (See paragraph 3 e).
- e. Assist in movement of troops, baggage, equipment, and vehicles to ports of embarkation points, in accordance with plans of the Task Force Commander, and Movement Orders issued by this headquarters.
- f. Load out, with such assistance from the French army as may be necessary, all troops, baggage, equipment, vehicles and supplies in accordance with pre-stowage plans.
- g. Make available to Naval Commander, if required, necessary personnel for planning and liaison purposes.
- h. Furnish all supplies and technical advice, as required, for the waterproofing of vehicles.

6. CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION, NATOUA

- a. Prepare an outline plan for the mounting of Operation BRASSARD insofar as pertains to ports of embarkation, positioning of shipping, schedule of completion dates for loading and movements incident to the mounting.
- b. Act as adviser to Task Force Commander, on matters pertaining to movement and transportation in connection with Operation BRASSARD.
- c. Plan and coordinate the movements of organizations, their vehicles and equipment, and other personnel incident to initial assembly, training, and arrival at final embarkation ports.
- d. Prepare movement orders for issuance by this headquarters for the execution of the duties indicated in c above.

7. CIVIL AFFAIRS -- Civil affairs in the Island will be administered by Military Government. The preparation and early submission of requirements for civil needs and rehabilitation is a Military Government responsibility. Price lists for civil commodities should be established to prevent profiteering by local dealers.

8. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATION -- All requests for shipping space for supplies and equipment for the Task Force, Sub-Task Forces, Air Forces, Navy, or other special units will be made on the Task Force Commander, who will allocate shipping space to all participating units and will inform SOS NATOUA of space requirements and allocations.

By command of General WILSON:

H. V. Roberts
H. V. ROBERTS
Colonel, AGD
Adj. Int. General

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A-G NIGHT ARMY FIED AND FIVE CORPS

CAPTAIN CLARK NOT REPORT NOT REQUIRED AT PRESENT ID PAREN TO
AND NIGHT ARMY FIED AND FIVE CORPS FROM PATIMA PAREN ID HE SHOULD
RETURN TO DUTY ID WILL BE CALLED FOR WHEN REQUIRED

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L.T. MONTAG JR
A.G.D., 2/12
ADJUTANT

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SUBJECT: Operation "BRASSARD".

21 April 1944.

TO : Chief Commissioner.

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5. General Alexander wishes to discuss this plan with you.

M.S.L.

Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

C.C. has seen. Will see Cui. C. tomorrow 1958

Murchie to remain here

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
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Ref 362/25/DA.

21 April 1944

SUBJECT: Personnel.

TO : Establishment Branch.

1. The following personnel are required to be earmarked for a special purpose in NAPLES and held at 24 hours notice:

2. Officers.

- (a) One American Captain with practical AMG experience - known to be capable and resourceful, and with some knowledge of extractive problems.
- (b) ~~One British Police Officer - Captain or Lieut., preferably with AMG experience in the field.~~
- (c) One American Lieut. with experience of Supply problems preferably Italian speaking.

3. EN/USA.

- 1 - N.C.O. Clerk. (British)
- 1 - N.C.O. American - Italian speaking.
- 2 - G.D. Men (one American, one British, preferably Italian speaking).
- 4 - Drivers (Two American, two British, with linguistic ability, if possible, one to be a L/Opl. or P/O i/c vehicles)

4. These personnel should come if possible from Regions I and II.

M. S. MSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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21 April 1944.

SUBJECT: Operation "TRASSARD".

TO : Chief Commissioner.

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YOUR TELEGRAM FOX THREE FIVE ZERO SEVEN FIVE RECEIVED PD PAREN TO AMIA FOR BRASSARD
FROM PATINA PAVEN PD MURCHIE HELD IN NAPLES PD YOUR LETTER OF ONE EIGHT APRIL 18
RECEIVED PD ACTION BEING TAKEN PD REFERENCE PARAGRAPH FIVE CMA FOUR REPEAT FOUR JEEPS
CONSIDERED MENTION PD REQUEST YOU PROVIDE AND ARRANGE TRANSPORT TO CORSICA PD
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Deputy Ex Comm:

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Ref 18

The action on this is clear.

- a) Alert the Team for a "special duty". (*)
- b) Send Major Murchie to Algiers
- c) Consult Supply, Finance and Legal
Int Commissions on paras 4 & 6.
- d) Warn Establishment to evacuate the
transport.

2. This means telling Establishment and
three Int Commissions. I think only head of
Sections and Int Commissions should be at this
stage.

(*) Suggested that people be given the Il 2/4
idea that they are going to join "Gerry's party",
and no mention of true plan made. 1954 Major
Murchie agrees.

3. Ref 19 - which arrived while this was
being written, Major Murchie is required to
stay here at present. He is working in
Liaison Branch at AEC Sta Naples.

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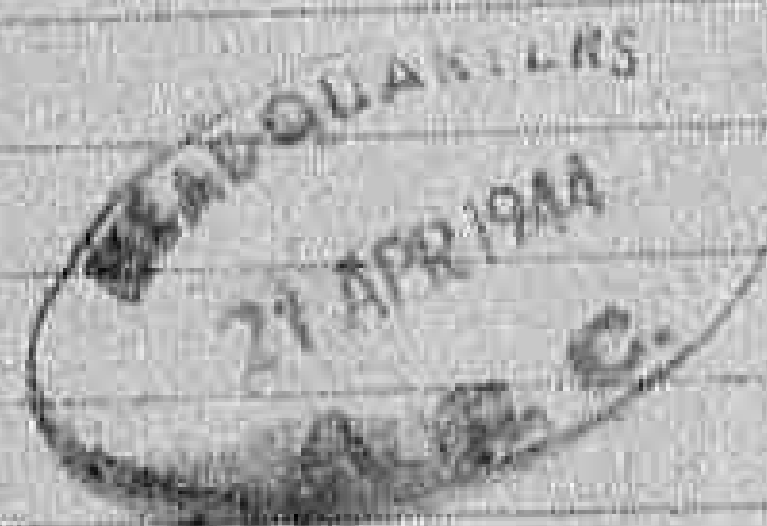
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FACT GENERAL ALEXANDER DESIRES DISCUSS BRASSARD WITH GENERAL MACFARLANE, HOLD MURCHIE
UNTIL MATTER CLEARED

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

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18 April 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA

TO : HQ ACC (For attention Brig. Lush)

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1. Reference is made to your 362/16/CA of 8 March on the above subject.

2. It has now been decided to put on the operation in the near future, the operation to be mounted from Corsica with French troops of 9 DIC under General of Division Magnon. Military Government on normal lines is to be imposed on the Island and the suggested team of 4 officers and 4 EM/ORS under Major Murchie has been approved.

3. It is anticipated that General Alexander will be designated Military Governor of the Island with General Magnon as Deputy, but the latter will be required to delegate most of his powers to Major Murchie. Appropriate instructions have been prepared for signature here but may not be ready for some little time. It is desirable, however, that your team should now be alerted for action and that Major Murchie should be sent here forthwith in order to get in touch with the Planning Staff and work out details. He should report to this Section in the first instance.

4. So far as supplies are concerned, it is proposed that the stocks should come from Sardinia with a stockpile in Corsica, which center would be replenished monthly from Sardinia. In view of this and as supplies to Elba will have to be ferried continuously by small craft from Corsica, it will be necessary for you to have a representative in Corsica charged with looking after these matters.

5. So far as transport for the AMG team is concerned, ~~it~~ ¹⁴⁵⁴ can be got independently to Corsica, it could be included in the lift to Elba. It is essential, however, that the amount should be kept to the absolute minimum. In view of the small size of the Island, it is felt that two jeeps would be sufficient. Your views are urgently requested on this.

6. So far as general provisions are concerned, the rate of exchange will be that fixed for the mainland and proclamations are to be posted in Italian and English, with copies in French for the use of the French troops taking part in the operation. It is not intended that the French should actively participate in the Military Government of the Island.

For the Chief of Section:

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A. B. Jackman
T. B. JACKMAN
Major

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

TBJ/mit

12 March 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba

TO : HQ. A.C.C.

1. Your letter of 8 March, reference 362/16/CA, has been received and will be filed for future reference should the plan be put into action (see para 2 of this Section's letter of 24 February).

2. For your information, it should be noted that although the question of transport for any AMG team was raised at the discussions which took place, it appeared most unlikely that space would be provided for AMG vehicles, although one or two might be allowed, and the opinion was expressed that civilian vehicles requisitioned on the spot would have to serve.

T. B. Jackman
T. B. JACKMAN
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

R.C. & M.G. Section

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Ref. 362/16/CA.

8 March 44

SUBJECT: Military Government of ELBA.

TO : M.G.S., A.F.H.Q.
attention of Col. Spofford.

Reference letter TRS/mit of 24 Feb 44.

1. Cable FARGO 1087 of 19 Feb 44 as follows is confirmed:-

"Subject is MG in ELBA 15 Feb. Detachment Commander
Major MURCHIE C.P. British. Strength Officers 4.
EN/OR 8. Letter coming."

2. Major MURCHIE has been informed and has been allowed to see the papers.
He has been instructed to study all the information available on the island.

3. Major MURCHIE has been chosen for the following qualifications:-

- (a) Excellent knowledge of French (bi-lingual).
- (b) Knowledge of the French Army and people through residence in France.
- (c) Proved resourcefulness in the early years of the war when he was a member of the "return to U.K." organisation in Marseilles, himself escaping through Spain where he suffered imprisonment.
- (d) His knowledge of general police work in France and U.K.
- (e) His training as R.A.S.C. Officer (Supplies).

4. The remaining officers have been earmarked with the following considerations in mind:-

- (a) One American Captain with practical AMG experience - known to be capable and resourceful, and with some knowledge of extraordinary problems.
- (b) One British Police Officer - Captain or Lieut., preferably with AMG experience in the field.
- (c) One American Lieut. with experience of Supply problems preferably Italian speaking.

5. To be equally divided between American and British.

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5. EN/ORS. To be equally divided between American and British.

1 - N.C.O. Clerk.

1 - N.C.O. American - Italian speaking.

2 - C.D. Men (one American, one British, preferably Italian speaking).

4 - Drivers (Two American, two British, with linguistic ability, if possible, one to be a L/Opl. or P/c i/c vehicles).

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6. Vehicles.

It is considered that each officer should have a vehicle.

Type - Jeep

No. required - four (4).

It is not considered necessary to provide larger supply carrying vehicle.

7. Major MURCHIE is at present employed on General Liaison duties at this HQ. During the waiting period it is proposed to use him on special liaison duties with the French Army.

NORMAN E. FISKE,
Colonel, Cavalry,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

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Luqa memo. W from bases
of letter to AFHQ (MGS)

This comprises an message
of 19.2.44 whereby you
were informed that the Detachment
Command will be British Major Charles
Plowman Murchie, who will be
assisted ~~the~~ by 3 officers and 8 O.A.s
not yet detailed.

Major Murchie has been ^{informed} ~~advised~~
and is at present studying the
proposition as a whole in the light
of the limited information so far
available.

It is proposed, in so far as may
be possible, to detail equal numbers
of British & American personnel.

The officers chosen, whilst
being to some extent specialists, will
be selected by reason of their
allround experience. It is
hoped by this means to cover

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the whole potential range of AMG
in the Island.

Maun Kunchie has 9 years residential
business experience of France, and
has, in addition, lived for 2
years in Occupied and the occupied
France. He will have no
difficulty in working in the
closest possible harmony with the
French.

2/ We shall be glad if an early
opportunity can be found for
Maun Kunchie to effect contact
with the Planning Dept. and/or
the French officers in charge
of the project.

Some indication will be appreciated
as to the day
on which AMG will disembark;
and also the probable duration

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4 AMG activities in the Island
~~will be appreciated.~~

Transport

- ✓ Can we hope to find any on island?
- ② If not - at least 2 - 4 wheel drive cars should be made available in addition to Jeeps
- ③ What about American amphibious vehicle - small island - rugged coastline

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Not Sent

C.A.B.

The Chief Commissioner heard about the plan in attached papers yesterday for first time. That was my fault. But it is equally infant that I should be told of planning and be shown papers as when they arrive - or issue - so that I can tell the C.C.

We should now send the ~~for~~ better processed in our ~~test~~ telegram of 19/2/44

MS (28/2/44)

1945

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of planware and be shown papers as when
they arrive - or issue - so that I can tell
the CC.

We should now send the ~~pro~~ letter ~~proposed~~
in our ~~last~~ telegram of 15/12/44

W (28/1/45)

1945

These papers should be placed in a
Most SECRET file kept under security

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MOST SECRET.

27th February 1944.

Subject: Occupation of ELBA.

To : Chief Commissioner.

1. Occupation will be made by French troops and will be mounted from BASTA.
2. AMG will be established under the Allied Military Governor of Italy.
3. A party of 4 Allied officers with 8 O.Rs under British Major MURCHIE has been earmarked.
4. I understand from Colonel Spofford that there is no great urgency. Major Murchie is at present studying.

ThL
M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

1943

- (3) Miralme - Mgr.
(4) Whelling - Capt.
(B) Gale - Lt.
(A) Warren? - Capt. 84

Cpl. Rupa ? CODA.

— Capt. NELLING R.M.
— Reg III.

— Cpl. WARREN CA.
— O-5213F3
— Spec. Res.
— AMG & Army

~~Panga job file~~
~~assessments file~~

- 4 Offs.
2 NCo. St. Spentberg
2 G.D. men
4 Drivers
4 Jeeps.

CIRCULATION SLIP
Please pass file QUICKLY

FROM	OFFICER	TO
	Brig.M.S.Lush	
	Col.N.E.Fiske	
	Lt.Col.T.Parley Smith	
	Major Driffield-White	
	Major Van Dusen	
	Capt. Talbot	
	Capt. Carr	
	Capt. Stewart	
	Registry	

REMARKS

Initial HERE and FOLIO referred.

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Only 2 people
has seen this
Mr. Piken + Mrs.
Women who brought
it up himself.

Q/S
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Def. Ex. C.

CR staffed was
decline with this & had
the file. Will you make
proposals as soon as
possible. M/19/2/44

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Insider for M.G.S.

Subject is M.G. in ELBA letter one five
FEB x DET Commander Major MURCHIE Charlie
Peter BRITISH x STRENGTH Officers four
EM/OR EIGHT x letter ~~follows~~ coming 1942
seen by Col Fiske WJ

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WAGO 1087

WAGO (Lash - Executive Commissioner)

19 February 1944

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FREEDOM FOR ME

_____ Subject is ME in ELBA 15 Feb. Detachment Commander
Major MURCHIE C. P. British. Strength Officers & EM/OR 8. Letter coming.

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Adjutant General

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Military Government Section

ATM/D/JW

1 February 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government at Elba.

TO : The Chief of Staff.

I. Discussion.

1. The plans at present being prepared for a military occupation of Elba requires the establishment of Allied Military Government in that Island.
2. It is considered desirable that an Allied Military Government detachment should be drawn from the personnel at present operating on the mainland of Italy.
3. Organization and planning should be the responsibility of Headquarters Allied Control Commission.
4. Government of Elba should be included under the jurisdiction of General Alexander as Military Governor of Italy.
5. The Military Government Detachment for Elba should be placed under operational command of the French Military Commander.
6. The necessity of withdrawing the detachment from Italy, prior to the mounting of the operation, makes it essential that organization and planning should start at once.

II. Action Recommended.

7. That the attached preliminary order be despatched by hand of an officer who is proceeding the Headquarters Allied Control Commission, 2 February 1944.

III. Concurrences. G-3 *apc*

Incl:
as above.

A. T. Maxwell
A. T. MAXWELL
Colonel, Acting Chief
Military Government Section

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*Antony
Barker
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

ATM/D/jw

1 February 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba.

TO : Headquarters Allied Control Commission.

1. Plans are being prepared at this headquarters for the military occupation of Elba by French Forces.
2. Allied Military Government will be established under the Allied Military Governor of Italy.
3. Planning and assignment of personnel will be carried out by Headquarters, Allied Control Commission from within their present resources.
- // 4. Planning will be completed by 20 February.
5. A summary of certain statistics of Elba is attached.
6. Allied Military Government personnel will be placed under command of the French Military Commander of operations against Elba.
7. Time and place for the mounting of the operation and military forces to be employed will be notified later.
8. The name of the Military Government Detachment commander for Elba will be reported to MGS AFHQ as soon as possible.
9. Particular attention will be paid to mineral resources.

Incl:
as above.

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A. T. MAXWELL
Colonel, Acting Chief
Military Gov't Section

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STATISTICS OF ELEA

Population. (1939)

Total 30,000.

Porto Ferraro

and District, 11,650. Other towns -- Capolioni, 2000;
Porto Longone, 2000; Rio Marina, 2000.

65 % (9000) of working population engaged in agriculture.

20 % (2800) Industry.

Geography.

140 Sq. miles. 17 miles E to W. 11½ N to S at broadest,
2.5 miles narrowest. Mountainous. Roads 3rd or 4th grade.

Industry.

One of two main sources of Italian Iron Ore concentrated
at Porto Ferraro.

Plant owned by Societa Alti Fomi Ilva to whom ore
deposits are leased by the Government.

- 3 Blast furnaces.
- 2 Bessemer converters.
- 2 Batteries of Koppers coke ovens, 40 and 50
ovens, respectively.

Output of ore, 1938, 500,000 tons. 51% iron content.
Low to medium phosphorus content.

Output of pig iron (with Piombino) 350,000 tons P.A.
(estimated).

1938

Cement Works. Soap factory. Wine production.

Quarries limestone marble granite.

NAPHTHA installation of several thousand ton capacity.

Agriculture and Food Supplies.

Porto Ferrajo
and District. 11,650. Other towns -- Capolivini, 2000;
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Predominately small-holding: growing a little wheat and vege-
tables, goats and poultry. Low yield, bean and cereals.

Wheat importation about 2000 tons annually.

All sugar imported.

Little livestock. Meat probably imported.

Fish important part of diet and plentiful.

Fish canning - two plants, with small fleet.

Population used to frugal diet and is largely self supplying -
unlikely any local rationing.

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Transport.

About 100 civilian vehicles, including 8 motor busses.
Unknown amount of military vehicles. Facilities for every kind of repair in plant workshops.

Air.

No landing grounds known. Report of seaplane base.

Water.

Adequate supply to Porto Ferrao by pipe line - but sometimes a summer shortage. Wells serve most of island.

Power.

One coal fired power station, capacity 8,200 kw.

Military.

Naval and Military Barracks.

Port Facilities.

Porto Ferrao is main port.

Clearance 500 - 750 Tons per day.
Believed number of lighterage and harbor craft.
4 piers (600 - 1200 feet) with rail heads, craneage for Iron ore plant, and electric lighting.
Other smaller piers in old harbour.
Quayed basin.
Average 30 foot depth, soft mud bottom.

Other ports.

Of no importance, a few moles and jettys round the island.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Military Government Section

TBJ/mit

24 February 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba

TO : HQ. A.C.C.

1. Reference is made to this Section's letters of 1 February and 15 February, and to your cable PBS 8792 of 19 February cite FARGO 18087. In connection with the cable, the letter referred to as "coming" has not yet arrived here.

BRIG. LUSH

2. The Joint Planning Staff have now prepared a plan, but it is emphasized that the plan is based on a number of assumptions and conditions and that the plan is to be held in cold storage until such time as it may be required. In the circumstances, therefore, no personnel should be alerted from A.C.C. until further instructions are received. *

3. For your information, the principle that AMG would be applied has been approved and no objection raised to ~~a team~~ of 4 officers and 8 EM/OR as the number of an AMG team for the island.

For the ^{Acting} Chief of Section:

* alerted - posted.

T. B. Jackman

T. B. JACKMAN
Major

Ex Com

* Letter not yet sent.

coms/mcc consider that the O.S., AMG Section Detachment should be nominated first.

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Military Government Section

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TBJ/mit

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15 February 1944

SUBJECT: Military Government in Elba.

TO : HQ A.C.C.

1. Reference is made to letter from this Section under above heading dated 1 February handed personally by Lt. Col. Henry Parkman, Jr. to Col. Spofford.

2. An early meeting is to be held here of the Joint Planning Staff concerning the proposed operation at which details have to be furnished of the AMG plan. It is, therefore, essential that this Section be advised immediately of the following:

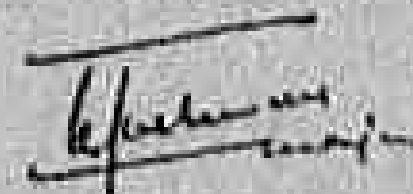
a. The name of the Military Government Detachment commander as asked for in para 8 of the letter of 1 February.

b. The strength in officers and EM/ORs of the proposed Military Government Detachment.

For your information, it is proposed that the operation should be mounted from BASTIA and that the land forces should comprise in all some 4200 troops, including 400 forming a Detachment of Service Troops.

3. An immediate reply is requested to the above.

For the Acting Chief of Section:



T. B. JACKMAN
Major

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