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I. QUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 39.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.
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3927/GA

10th June 1944

My dear General,

I must thank you very much for writing to
Mrs. Bryans to ask for Mrs. Angus to come here. She
is a grand person.

I am glad to hear that you are fit again.

Yours sincerely

(Sgd) Francis Lusk

Lt. General Sir Bertram Sargison Brooke,
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A.C.C. APO 394
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6th June, 1944.

Dear Lush

Mrs. ANGUS.

I am writing to Mrs. Bryans and am asking her to arrange for Mrs. Angus to come over here, but I am afraid that other Kenya Red Cross workers are earmarked for the Balkan fronts.

Thank you very much, I am much better.

Bertram Sergison-Broske
Commissioner.

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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 594

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 399/5/GA.

1st June 1942.

my dear General.

Thank you for your letter of 30th May. I know Mrs. Angus well and would very much like to have her over here. Would it be possible for her to bring some of the Kenya Red Cross workers with her?

I am so sorry to hear that you have been laid up and do hope that you are fit again.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) Maurice Lush.

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Brigadier M.S. Lush
Headquarters,
Allied Control Commission
APO 394.

30th May, 1944.

Dear Brigadier Lush,

A Mrs. Angus, of the Kenya Red Cross has arrived in Cairo with some of the Kenya Red Cross Civilian Workers who are destined for the Balkans. She states that the Italians are most anxious to have her in Italy. Also that Kenya and M.E.R.R.A are agreeable to her going over there. According to her letter she has done a lot of previous work with Italians in Abyssinia and Kenya. If you consider that she is suitable I will arrange for her to come over here and join Major Knight & Civil Relief and work under him. Will you let me know as soon as possible.

Dictated but not signed.

Dorothy Payne
For Commissioner.

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Ex Comm.ANGUS UNIT.

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A reply from MERRA has been received (folio 2)
in which Mr. Matthews says: -

a) The transfer of a unit is not in his hands but has to be arranged between AFHQ and AMHQ (in ME).

b) He personally approves the idea of the unit being used here pending developments in the Balkans; it might be necessary to have this on a temporary basis.

2. If you approve I will write to AFHQ asking for permission to transfer the unit, but more details of the unit composition etc. than appear on this file will be necessary.

This should first be cleared with
ARC. Whom do you wish to approach.
Mr. Jefferson?

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25 APR 1944 (Sic Com)
OFFICE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE

MIDDLE EAST RELIEF & REFUGEE ADMINISTRATION

HEADQUARTERS

3. SH. AHMAD PASHA, GARDEN CITY,
CAIRO.

Tel. No. 45301.

Ref. No. *CVS.2/*

Executive Commissioner,
HQ Allied Control Commission,
CMF.

25 APR 1944

A. C. C.

20th April, 1944.

Dear Lush,

I have your letter, together with the enclosed letter from
Mrs. Angus of the Kenya Red Cross.

The position with regard to the Kenya Balkan relief unit
is that it is one of the many units which we have called forward
from different voluntary societies for work in the Balkans at the
request of Allied Military Headquarters. Our only responsibility
at the moment in this matter with regard to these units is a delegated
one of coordination from the Allied Military Liaison's Headquarters
for each of the Balkan territories. Any transfer of personnel
called forward by AMLs through us would not be for us to arrange
but would have to be arranged as between Allied Forces Headquarters
in Algiers and AMHQ here.

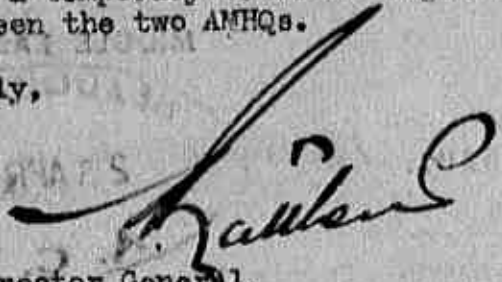
We have already in the Middle East over two hundred members
of voluntary societies called forward for these units and are expecting
many more in the near future. While they are here they are being
exceedingly useful to us in helping to staff the refugee camps for
Greeks and Yugoslavs in the Middle East for which we are responsible.
This is of course excellent training and experience before the teams
are despatched to the Balkans but it does seem that many of these
units might well be used in your area if the arrangements for the
transfer could be made between the two AMHQs. It might be necessary
for this to be on a temporary basis until such time as the needs in
the Balkans become very pressing.

On 1st May we become UNRRA and we have been exceedingly
busy negotiating the change over. It is not clear what UNRRA's
responsibilities in Italy will be, and in any case the UNRRA mission
here will only cover the Balkans and the Middle East. *3/18/44* UNRRA we
shall be taking a much fuller part from the very beginning in the
plans for relief with AMHQ and will be responsible for these voluntary

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soci y teams and will of course need all that we can get hold of. .
but it does seem that at least a temporary transfer might be arranged
as I have suggested above between the two AMHQs.

Yours sincerely,


Director General.

HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
C. E. F.

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

22/24/CA.

17th April 1944.

I have received a letter (enclosed) from Miss Angus which I am passing to you as I am not sure what exactly the position is regarding the Kenya Ballan Relief Unit.

If there is a complete unit fully equipped for field work which might be made available for this country we should welcome it, particularly one such as this which is used by Italians.

It appears from this letter that the Unit in question comes from a point of view of planning and general administration under you and consequently this is referred to you.

We are having an extremely busy time with Italian refugees and to date have had to take over 60,000 from forward areas and transport and disperse them in Southern Provinces.

A. Matthews, Esq.,
Director of M. R. P. R. A.,
c/o C. E. F.,
MIDDLE EAST FORCES.

Executive Commissioner.

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