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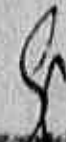
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23 May 1944

SUBJECT: Chemical warfare.

TO : R.C.'s Regions IV and V.
SCAO's 5th & 8th Armies.

Forwarded herewith is copy of letter from
Mr. AAL, ref. 404/04 dated 19 May 1944 for your
information.


WILLIAM E. FISHER
Colonel
Deputy Executive
Commissioner

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Headquarters
Allied Armies in Italy.

404/CN.

SUBJECT: No. 23 Anti-Gas Laboratory SAEC.

To : 5 Army. 1 District.
8 Army. 2 District.
5 Corps. 3 District.
23 Anti-Gas Laboratory SAEC.

1. No. 23 Anti-Gas Laboratory SAEC has arrived in this country and is now located at N.296456 Italy 1/100,000 Sheet 184 NLPOLI and is under command of this HQ.
2. The analysis of explosives, chemicals, metals and other substances will be undertaken by this unit. All requests for analysis or other work will be forwarded in the first instance to G(CW) at this HQ, who will be responsible for onward transmission and for assigning priorities to the work. Captured enemy material will not, in future, be despatched to North Africa without the consent of this HQ.
3. In the event of the enemy employing gas, Corps and Armies ONLY may send samples direct to the Laboratory, informing this HQ by signal that they are doing so.
4. Samples must be of reasonable size and volume. They must be securely packed and accompanied by full details in duplicate. Missiles will NOT be sent unless rendered safe before despatch.
5. Reports on items of general interest will be circulated through the normal channels. Reports on routine examinations, e.g. of the contents of our own shell, A.G.ointment etc., will be sent to those Formations or Branches directly concerned.

19 May '44.
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for Lieut-General,
Chief of General Staff.

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