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24 November 1944

Subject: Postwar Association of Allied Commission Officers

To : Chief of Staff

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1st Lt. Col. Grossman	- Legal S/O
Major Timmons	- Finance S/O
Capt. Savage	- Pub. Health S/O
Capt. Silveira	- Pub. Health S/O
Capt. Salenberger	- Labor S/O

BRITISH

1st Lt. Col. Robertson	- Mg. Comd't
1st Lt. Col. White	- Civ. Off.
Major Fielden	- Pub. Rel. Br.
Capt. Mayle	- Transp. S/O
Capt. Birch	- Transp. S/O

2. I should be grateful for comment, additions or reductions to the list, and for any suggestions you might care to make.

HUGHAN R. FISHER,
Colonel,
Deputy Chief of Staff

P. A. King
25/6/45

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
CSF
Office of the Chief Staff.

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REF : 531/2/008.

7 October 1944

SUBJECT : ADC Institution.

TO : Establishment Section.

1. Reference is made to attached copy of a letter from Col. Temperley.
2. It is believed that some form of centralising addresses post war, would be welcomed both by American officers interested in contacting other American officers and British officers other British officers. This in addition to the Anglo-American aspects as brought out by Col. Temperley.
3. It would seem desirable to get a cross section of opinion in the Commission and it is suggested that Establishments bring the matter up for discussion before the next Regional Commissioners Conference.
4. Will you please let us have your comments before a reply is made to Col. Temperley.

Col. Temperley
Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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Memorandum per Col. Fiske. 3
 Col. Farrow & I both think it
 a fine idea. Would suggest
 it take the form of our
 Division Association but
 in the States. As after last war
 "27th Division Association" etc.
 The "U.S. ACC Association"
 would make all the members
 of the "Br. ACC Association"
 honorary members & vice versa
 Conventions to be held every two
 years alternating between England
 & U.S. Our Navy & Br. Navy to
 furnish transportation ^{Minister of}
 Charge C.M.P.

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Colonel C.E. VERONLEY, CBE, MC.,
Regional Commissioner,
Headquarters, Southern Region,
Allied Control Commission,
C.M.F.

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3 October 1944.

SUBJECT : AOC Institution.

Dear Brigadier,

During the past year all officers of the Commission have made a great number of friends, both British and Americans. It seems a pity that we should get out of touch with one another after the war. Has the idea been mooted of forming AOC societies in England and America with the dual purpose of putting AOC members in touch with each other (e.g. American members visiting England and vice versa), and organising some kind of an annual reunion in each of the two countries?

If such a step is wished, then it occurs to me that now is the time to appoint secretaries, to circularise all AOC officers with an outline of scheme and to compile lists of members and their home addresses.

Do you think this worthwhile?

Yours

Brigadier M. LUSE,
Executive Commissioner,
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
C.M.F.

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WESLEY H. FISKE,
Colonel,
Deputy Chief of Staff

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22 November 1944

MINUTES OF MEETING OF STAFF'S MEETING - 22 NOVEMBER.

CRS was in the chair. He introduced to the meeting S/Gen. Stone, who was here on a tour of inspection from the C.A. Branch, War Office. He asked Dean of Sections to give her every assistance possible.

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting.

Mr. (S) - Vehicle Situation. DRS, Bus Sec, reported that he was getting out a draft Establishment Memorandum on this subject, and it was agreed that the matter should be discussed by the members of the Transport Committee immediately after their next meeting.

2. Chief of Staff's Visit to LONDON. CRB gave a brief review of the work accomplished during his recent visit to LONDON. He said that the policy of the War Office in regard to the filling of vacancies by British civilians was that such vacancies should be filled as they occurred by civilians with the necessary qualifications could be found. Points to be filled by War Office will be restricted to B and only to such posts that could be filled permanently by civilians. He said that Major Tinker, who had accompanied Mr. Hamilton to London, had been charged with following up what he himself had done in London, but it would probably be necessary for some time to make a further visit to London to make the final selection. He reported that a Major Thomas would be available shortly for the post of Deputy Director, Transport at the Bus-Gen, and that it was possible that a Mr. Wiley could be available for a similar post in the Bus Sec. Unfortunately, the Ministry of Labour had refused to allow Mr. Brown of the Foreign Office to combine his present assignment with that of Director, Labour Bus-Gen. In this connection Mr. Hamilton pointed out that the A/President intended to take the matter up further in London and CRB suggested that he should send a wire to the A/President forthwith as a reminder. Mr. Hamilton asked what were the possibilities of hiring civilians from A.L.S.C. CRB directed that the matter be taken up through the Bus Sec.

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Stevens, who was born in a town of the same name in the U.S. Branch, War Office. He asked Heads of Sections to give her every assistance possible.

1. Ministry of the East/Foreign.

Mr. 1(b) - Vehicle Situation. DAB, Max Sec, reported that he was getting out a draft substantiating his remarks on this subject, and it was agreed that the matter should be discussed by the members of the "Emergency" Committee immediately after their next meeting.

2. Chief of Staff's Visit to LONDON. DAB gave a brief review of the work accomplished during his recent visit to LONDON. He said that the policy of the War Office in regard to the filling of vacancies by British civilians was that such vacancies should be filled as they occurred if civilians with the necessary qualifications could be found. Posts to be filled by War Office will be restricted to 10 and only to such posts that could be filled permanently by civilians. He said that Major Fulkner, who had accompanied Mr. Hamilton to London, had been charged with following up what he himself had done in London, but it would probably be necessary for someone to make a further visit to London to make the final selection. He reported that a Major Thomas would be available shortly for the post of Deputy Director, Transport, at a Sub-Com, and that it was possible that a Mr. Kilgley would be available for a senior post in the Motor Sec. Unfortunately, the Ministry of Labour had refused to allow Mr. Brynne of the Foreign Office to examine his present assignment with that of Director, Labour Sub-Com. In this connection Mr. Hopkins pointed out that the Assistant intended to take the matter up further in London and DAB suggested that he should send a wire to the Assistant forthwith as a reminder. Mr. Antolini asked what were the possibilities of hiring civilians from U.S.A. DAB stated that the matter be taken up through East Sec.

3. Officers - Visits to the Field. DAB stressed the importance of officers, particularly those of Sections and Sub-Sections, getting out into the field and having personal contact with officers in the field. This applied equally to DAB as in the British officers should not restrict their visits to the territory.

4. Colbertson Mission. DAB reported that a group of 13 civilians, headed by a Mr. Colbertson, had arrived and were studying four main points: the industrial production capacity of the country, transport and export conditions, and the currency exchange position. A report would be prepared by the Mission and the DAB stressed that this should be submitted to him for approval before issuing.

5. San Marino. It was reported that the Republic of San Marino would shortly be out of hands to all but the to an outbreak of typhoid, and an Army Revision Order was being issued to this effect. The Republic had been placed out of hands to traps even after the lifting of the typhoid restrictions, except for day leave parties.
6. Administration of Army Area. CDS reported that AGO 3 Army had made arrangements with Legion Militia for an Italian staff, composed of mixed Regi and Army personnel, to operate under command 320 Army in that part of the Region of present under Army administration. DWS Bat Sec undertook to take up with the AGO 5 Army the possibility of the same arrangements being carried out in 5 Army area.
7. Thanksgiving Day. OS had ruled that there should be a half holiday on Thursday, 23 November 1944, with only a nucleus staff in the office. CDS directed that this nucleus staff should consist of British personnel, and that all American personnel should be granted a half-day holiday.
8. Chief Civilian Officer's Memorandum for the Files. CDS referred to the Memorandum for the Files on the subject of removal of Allied Officers from Southern Italy, and directed that an interim reply should be made to the Italian Revision Minister saying that the matter was under consideration pending Mr. Marshall's talks with the Allied Governments.
9. Office Memorandum. CDS reported that an office memorandum would shortly be issued covering the a month's summer and tools of issues of the vari as types of instructions issued by this HQ.
10. Establishment Requirements. DWS Bat Sec said that there were at present three Bat Sec units in draft: (1) Transfer of American transport from S/O 1. Bat Sec; (2) Evolving of Cars; (3) Civilian Employees. Agreed that there should be discussion after the next Management Committee Meeting.
11. Post War Civilian Administration. DWS Bat Sec said that he was submitting a list of names to CDS for a proposed addition to investigate the possibility of finding such an representative.
12. Case for AMH. DWS Bat Sec reported that AMH were not satisfied with the cars supplied by the Carabinieri. CDS ruled that no more cars were to be sent to try and meet their requirements.
13. Demanded Arrivals. (a) DWS Bat Sec brought up the question of demanded arrivals. In regard to the removal of the glass 100 from desks in HQ, the CDS had ruled that as the glass belonged to the Italian Govt. their approval must be obtained. CDS will clear this point.
- (b) Brig. Upjohn said that the Prefecture meetings were a waste of 3:40

6. Chief Confidential Agent's Memorandum for the File. OAS referred to the OAS Memorandum for the File on the subject of removal of Allied Officers from Southern Italy, and directed that an immediate reply should be made to the Italian Foreign Minister saying that the matter was under consideration pending Mr. Macmillan's talks with the Allied Governments.
9. Office Memorandum. OAS reported that an office memorandum would be issued clarifying the contents, manner and scope of types of the various types of instructions issued by the HQ.
10. Liaison Agent's Report. DWS Sat 5:00 said that there were at present three Sat 5:00 in Italy: (1) Transfer of American troops at 5:00 in Italy 5:00 Sat 5:00; (2) Transfer of German (411) civilian employees. Agreed that there should be discussed after the next "Memorandum" Committee Meeting.
11. Post War Plans. President's. DWS Sat 5:00 said that he was submitting a list of names to the HQ for a proposed committee to investigate the possibility of finding such an organization.
12. Plans for 1946. DWS Sat 5:00 reported that DWS were not satisfied with the plans supplied by the President. OAS ruled that no more plans should be submitted to try and meet their requirements.
13. Demanded Plans. (a) DWS Sat 5:00 brought up the question of demanded plans. In regard to the removal of the glass 1946 from Italy in HQ, the HQ had ruled that on the glass belonged to the Italian Govt. Their approval must be obtained. DWS will clear this point.
- (b) Brig. Macdonald said that the practical meetings were a waste of time, that hardly any one ever turned up and that no positive action was ever taken. He urged the necessity of an expedition and that it was agreed that DWS should take this up with DWS Sat 5:00 without waiting the return of the Director, Post War Plans.
- (c) Brig. Macdonald reported that there was a draft letter in existence which would enable private letters to get public publicity for release.
- (d) Brig. Macdonald said that there was a letter for a Sub-Committee. It was agreed that they should make their plans to DWS Sat 5:00 and that DWS Sat 5:00 should submit a letter for approval of DWS Sat 5:00 forward to DWS Sat 5:00 on the position and asking for a higher priority to be given to demobilized plans for the issue of planning.



- (v) It was agreed that the PMO should publish an appeal in the Press for voluntary collection to give financial aid, and that the matter should also be represented to the I.A.B. by G. Sec with a view to obtaining a higher priority for the release of cement and building materials.

Patriotic DAB Sec reported that he had held a conference with Bill G. Sec. 6. which is discuss the measures necessary for the reception of large numbers of patriots which the Italian authorities will be coming through the lines. It had been decided to set up camps in any areas where the patriots would be dispersed, receive their necessities, be recruited for the army, provided with equipment, or dispersed to their homes. It had been agreed at the last DAB conference that 3 army would take 6 patriots representatives but some were required by 3 army. DAB asked DAB to co-ordinate policy with the army. It was agreed that all should be asked to approach DAB with a view to a policy being laid down for the feeding, clothing, and hospitalization of patriots by the army. DAB Sec also reported that Mr. 1. Special 3 was had agreed to increase the scope of their "Mustard" reports and that the reports supplied by the army would be also continued. DAB asked for more information on the conditions side in these reports and instructed DAB to inform Sec 1. arrange for use of his staff officers to scrutinize the reports then received and have the necessary extracts forwarded to the appropriate Sub Com.

USGI Directive DAB Sec said that in his mind the draft USGI Directive was not practical. DAB Sec's comments would be ready to-day. DAB pointed out that the USGI felt very strongly on the matter and he did not wish the negotiations to be a hindrance on the draft as previously suggested by USGI.

Communication Col. Hadden reported that civil relief and only arrangements scheduled to continue if the matter had not yet been agreed, as it had not been found possible to reach agreement on a controlled basis.

Italian Soldiers in S.E. France Col. Campbell reported that there were large numbers of Italian soldiers in S.E. France who were unemployed and starving and it was desired to repatriate to Italy. Mr. Hadden said that the French authorities had agreed to the repatriation of Italian soldiers in Paris, Marseilles and Toulon. It would be one of their duties to report on the flight of these Italians to the French authorities. DAB noted that there should be no question of repatriation of Italian soldiers of a French and that it would not be possible to accept anyone who lived north of the Paris-Pisa line. The matter had been put up to DAB for representation to a army group. Col. Campbell said that Italian soldiers from other countries for the repatriation of

15. 1943 Narrative. DWS on Sec said that in his mind on the draft issue directive was not practical. Sec's comments would be ready today. DWS pointed out that the DWS felt very strongly on the matter and he did not wish the negotiations to be continued on the basis of previously suggested by DWS.
16. Communications. Col. Henderson reported that civil radio and cable communications scheduled to commence 15 November had not yet been opened, as it had not been found possible to reach agreement on a ceasefire basis.
17. Italian Soldiers in S.E. France. Lt Col. Campbell reported that there were large numbers of Italians in S.E. France who were unemployed and starving and it was desired to repatriate to Italy. Mr. Hopkins said that the French authorities had agreed to the repatriation of Italian soldiers in Paris, Marseilles and Toulon. It would be up of their duties to report the plight of these Italians to the French authorities. DWS ruled that there should be no question of repatriation of Italians except in France and that it would not be possible to accept anyone who lived north of the Rhine-River line. The matter had been put up to AFHQ for representation to 6 Army Group. Col. Campbell said that representation was also being made for the repatriation of Italian soldiers from other countries such as Bulgaria and Romania.
18. Matters for Discussion with AFHQ. DWS, AFHQ, said that matters concerning AFHQ should be submitted to him for investigation before being referred to AFHQ. AFHQ.
19. Transport. Mr. Lattin reported that the 1700 J-tan trucks promised to the Commission had been refused to 15-ton trucks, when in effect halving the numbers promised. 20th Sep will prepare a memorandum on this for General Spafford to take to Washington.
20. Manufacture of Military Equipment. Mr. Cleveland reported the formation of a committee who will meet shortly to discuss the policy involved.
21. Perquisitioning of Industrial Plants. Mr. Cleveland mentioned the number of requests by the Prime Minister to the CIO for the requisitioning of industrial plants and said that he would endeavor to get the Italian Government to submit those on a lower level to the Sec instead of making to the CIO. The latter would then submit the requests to the Industrial Commission.

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22. Information Bureau. Mr. Cleveland asked whether it would not be possible to establish some sort of information office to which Italians could go with their problems. OAG ruled that PIO should get out a press statement as to what help AS can give in Italian Government territory. Evans Sec would supply a list of questions with answers on some of the more common points. Such information bureau should be run by the Italians themselves if it were decided to set one up.

Mr. Spindel

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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