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ACCEPTANCE OF HONORARY AWARDS
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Reestablishment Section

Ref/155/57/EST

12 December 1945

SUBJECT: Decoration from the Italian Government

TO : Commanding General,
Hq. MTOUSA
APO 612

THRU : Channels

1. Reference is made to our letter 155/EST, subject as above, of 19 November 1945.

2. Attached herewith is a true copy of an Aide Memoire signed by the Italian Government Liaison officer with this Headquarters.

3. If approval is given, it is suggested that the award of this decoration will not increase the officer or enlisted man's score for redeployment.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Inf.,
A/Vice President.

Incl:

as per para. 2

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A.C. ITALIAN DIVISION OF ICE WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY

MEMORANDUM

7 December 1945

The Medal of the "Guerra di Liberazione" (war of liberation against the Germans) is granted to every member of the Italian Armed Forces who have been in a mobilized unit during the war between Italy and Germany at least three months.

For a minimum of service, during the same year, the holder of the decoration has the right to wear a Silver Star on the ribbon. Three months service during the following year entitles the wearer to another Silver Star and so on.

The Italian Government proposes to confer the medal upon American military personnel in Italy under the same conditions.

Signed: Bontasael, Dr.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

G. S. BARNES, III
Captain, Cavalry

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TO C G. MTOUSA

1. Reference our letter
2. Attached here with is a true copy of an Aide Memoire signed by Italian Government liaison officer with this headquarters
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For the C C

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at
A/V.P.

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Ministero degli Affari Esteri
Ufficio di Collegamento
con la C.A.

AIDE-MEMOIRE

The Italian Government have the intention of conferring upon military personnel in service at the Allied Commission the decoration of the "Guerra di Liberazione" (War of Liberation against the Germans).-

We are informed that British personnel are allowed - for present time - to accept Italian decorations, according to British military regulations.-

As far as the American personnel is concerned, we would appreciate to be informed whether the granting of said decoration would be considered with favour.-

Rome, 14 November, 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 324
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

Ref/155/Est

19 November 1945

SUBJECT: Decoration from the Italian Government.

TO : Commanding General, Hq. MTOUSA, APO 512.

THRU : Channels.

1. This office has received an official communication from the Liaison Officer of the Italian Foreign Office, which states that the Italian Government has the intention of conferring upon military personnel in service with the Allied Commission a decoration designated as "Guerra di Liberazione" (War of Liberation). (See attached copy.)

2. It is requested that authority be granted for members of the 2675 Regiment A. C. to accept this decoration.

C. M. PARKIN
Col. Infantry,
Actg. Vice-President.

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TO : Commanding General, Hq. STOMBA, APO 512.
THRU : Channels.

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2. It is requested that authority be granted for members of the 2875 Regiment A. C. to accept this decoration.

C. M. PAMIN
Col. Infantry,
Actg. Vice-President.

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4 September 1945

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Italian Government Decorations.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

1. Reference Chief Commissioner's letter, file and subject as above, dated 22 August 1945, and General Infante's letter, 5034 A.G. of 17 August 1945.

2. Attached is the list General Infante submitted on 17 August of Italian decorations which His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm wishes to confer on officers of the Commission, but amended to include the exact award details. The Chief Commissioner directs that the certificates be properly completed and sent forward to HQUA without further delay.

3. Notify this office when such action has been taken.

Incls
As above

L. W. STANES
Major, AGD
Staff Officer to CG.

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Translation

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5360 A.G.

Rome, 2 September 1945

To Admiral Ellery Stone

A. C.

ROME

Referring to my letter of August 17th, n. 5034/A.G. and
your oral request, I forward you the enclosed list of officers;
next to each name is the Italian decoration to be given.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

THE FIRST AIDE DE CAMP GENERAL
General of Division
(Adolfo Infante)

A. A. Infante

trans. e/o

AMERICAN OFFICERS OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION TO BE GIVEN A DECORATION

- Colonel John William CHAPMAN
Director of P.S. Sub-Commission
already commendatore of the Crown of Italy, to be made Knight Officer
of St. Maurice and Lazarus.
- Colonel Martin H. MEANEY
Chief of the Police, Allied Commission
Grand Officer of the Crown of Italy
- Colonel Paul G. KIRK
Director of P.S., Allied Commission
Grand Officer of the Crown of Italy
- Colonel James J. CARNES
Commander of the Special Motortransport Brigade A.C.
Commendatore of the Crown of Italy
- Colonel Leonard DERRIDGE
Chief of Staff and Acting Vice President, Economic Section, A.C.
'Comanda' of the Crown of Italy
- Lt. Colonel Henry H. SCUDDER
Director of Communications Sub-Commission
'Comanda' of the Crown of Italy
- Major Barry Burnaby KILL
M.M.I.A. - Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy
- Captain Charles P. RENATY
M.M.I.A. - Knight of the Crown of Italy
- Captain Grizzante MASTROLIANI
Attached to P.S. Sub-Commission, A.C. - Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy
- Captain Thomas R. SMISHER
Attached to supplies Special Motortransport Brigade, A.C.
Knight of the Crown of Italy
- Major J.G. RIVELY - Economic Section
Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy
- Lt. J. LAMMIE - Flag Officer to Admiral Stone
Knight of the Crown of Italy
- Lt. Colonel Robert A. MARTINO
Economic Section, A.C.
Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy

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Translation

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Rome, 2 September 1945

To Admiral Ellery Stone

A. G.

ROME

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your oral request, I forward you the enclosed list of officers;
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Believe me,

Yours very truly,

THE FIRST ADJUTANT GENERAL
General of Division
(Adolfo Infante)

G. A. Infante

trans. e/o

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Economic Section, A.C.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

CC 511

14 August 1945

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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Italian Decorations.

TO : See Distribution.

To avoid any misunderstanding, paragraph 3 of the Chief Commissioner's letter, subject and file as above, dated 8 August 1945, which begins "Because the status of the relationship" is amended so that this paragraph will read: "Because the status of the diplomatic relationship between the British and Italian Governments differs from that which exists between the U. S. and Italian Governments, British personnel, for the present, are not permitted to accept Italian decorations."

Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

DISTRIBUTION:

All Regional Commissioners (5)
SCAC, Venezia Giulia
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Awards & Decorations

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1 Aug 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

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File: 200.6

23 June 1945

SUBJECT: Award from Italian Government.

TO :

1. This headquarters has been informed that the Italian Government wishes to confer upon you the award of the Order of the Crown of Italy ().

2. Army Regulations require that the attached affidavit be accomplished and submitted to Hq MTOUSA for concurrence prior to the acceptance of this award.

3. Upon completion of affidavit, it will be forwarded to this headquarters for transmission.

1 Incl:
Affidavit (Blank).

Howard E Lee
HOWARD E LEE
Capt Inf
Adjutant

AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 39b, AR 600-45, as amended, and paragraph 11, Circular #78, Wg MFOUSA, dated 12 May 1945, permission is hereby requested for the undersigned to accept the award of _____

"I have not participated in negotiations for Lend Lease Allocations, nor made any recommendations to any agencies authorized to act on such recommendations. I am not a member of any board, rearmament committee, or other agency charged with Lend Lease negotiations, recommendations, for, or the allocation of Lend Lease materials."

(Name - Typed)

(Rank) (Arm or Branch)

31 July 1945

Dear Professor:

The Italian Government's proposal, reference your letter of 23 July, to reward officers of the Public Health Sub-Commission with the "Benemeriti della Saluti Pubblica" is sincerely appreciated. However, as expressed in my letter of 6 December 1944, instructions from higher authority still do not permit officers of the Allied Commission to accept awards of this character.

I have again referred this matter to higher headquarters with the recommendation that the restriction be lifted, and will inform you as soon as a reply is received.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Professor Ferruccio Parri
The Minister of the Interior
Italian Government
R o m e

cc: Executive Commissioner
VP, Establishment Section
CC Files

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File

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Establishment Section

Ref/155/45/EST

23 July 1945

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H.E., The Grand Master of the
Orders of Saints Maurice and Lazarus
and of the Crown of Italy

Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of the 23rd of June, 611/2, concerning the award to Colonel Robert G. Kirkwood of the Order of the Crown of Italy, degree of Commendatore.

Colonel Kirkwood's assignment to the Allied Commission has now terminated, and it is believed that authority may now be obtained for the acceptance of this decoration. The appropriate authorities are now being asked for this, and upon receipt of their reply, you will be informed.

by
C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Inf.,
Actg Vice President.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

File: 155-156/EST

13 July 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Government Awards

TO : All Concerned

1. The following information relative to the acceptance and wearing of awards from the Italian Government, is published for the guidance of all concerned.

2. American Personnel:

a. Direct combat award: Allied Commission American personnel, attached to an Army unit, are authorized to accept and wear Italian decorations, provided the services for which such award is made, were performed with the Army or a unit thereof, prior to 12 May 1945, and further provided that the Army Commander concurs in the acceptance of the award in question.

b. It is not known, as yet, whether the provisions of Circular Number 73, MTOUSA, dated 12 May 1945, will be interpreted as reversing previous policy as to the acceptance of Italian awards by Allied Commission American personnel. It is anticipated, however, that some expression of policy from MTOUSA should issue shortly. Upon its receipt, appropriate announcement thereof will be made.

3. British Personnel:

No authority for the acceptance or wearing of Italian decorations by British personnel is now existent.

C. M. Parkin

C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Actg Vice President.

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ALLIED [REDACTED] COMMISSION

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

Ext: 301

SUBJECT: Italian Award

FILE No. 155/EST

TO : Legal Sub-Commission
(Attn: Col. Behrens)

20 June 1945

Reference your AC/4075/1/L of 15 June, passed to this office under cover of 7003/27/EC of 18 June, your attention is invited to attached copy of letter from 2675 Regiment. Action on the British side will be notified to you as soon as received by this office.

L.T. Montant, Jr.
L.T. MONTANT, JR.,
Captain, AGD
Staff Officer

1 Incl: copy letter, 200.6
20 June 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

File

Date

19 June

FROM

TO

Deputy Ex. Commissioner

Staff Officer

Executive Officer (A)

Executive Officer (B)

G-1 (A)

G-1 (B)

G-4 (A)

G-4 (B)

Headquarters Commandant

Adjutant, 2675th Regt

FOR:

Appropriate action,

Comment

Draft of reply

Investigation and report

Answer

Signature

Approval/Disapproval

Your Information

Your File

Return, please

by

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSIC

APO 394

Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 7003/21/SG.

18 June 45. 41

Subject: Italian Awards.

To: Establishment Section.

Attached please find letter received from Colonel
METHRENS on the above subject, together with a copy of our reply.
Will you please deal with him direct on this matter.

E. S. O.

C.S.O.

To Executive Commissioner.

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Ref: 7003/26/EC.

18 June 45. 40

Subject: Italian Awards.

To: Colonel W.E. Behrens.

Ref. your AG/4075/1/L of 15 June. This is a matter for the Establishment Section, who would no doubt wish to be informed of the nature of the proposed awards. I have passed your letter on to them for action.

G.S.O.
To Executive Commissioner.

Copy to :- Establishment Section. ✓

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LEGAL SUB-COMMISSION

CONFIDENTIAL.

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AC/4075/1/L.

15 June 1945.

SUBJECT : Italian Award.

16 JUN 1945

TO. : Executive Commissioner, HQ, AC.

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1. The Minister of Justice has written to me that he wishes to propose the grant of an Italian award to Lt.Col. Hammaford, Lt. Col. Thackrah, S/Sgt. Stein and myself for the services we are alleged to have rendered to his Ministry.

2. Since I understand that official authority from AFHQ must be granted before an Italian award can be accepted and worn, I request that at the appropriate time a request for such authority may be made.

W. E. Behrens

W. E. BEHRENS,
Colonel,
Chief Legal Advisor.

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Phone 478183

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Establishment Section

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Ref/155/Est

NEF/mrd
15 December 1944

Dear Con:

The Chief of Staff has asked me to reply to your note about the San Marino decorations and to tell you that the acceptance by a British officer of a decoration by a neutral state must be referred to the War Office and the King. U.S. officers are not permitted to accept any foreign decorations except with the consent of Congress. The set drill is to forward such decorations as may be offered to the War Department which in turn sends them over to the the State Department. If there is no political objection, the latter, once every few years, lumps them all together and passes them up to Congress recommending legislation authorizing acceptance.

I am afraid, therefore, that we can not in the near future greet each other as fellow "Grand Uffs" in the serene republic's "Order of St. Agata".

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff

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Ref/155/37/Est

NEF/ard
6 December 1944

My dear Mr. Prime Minister:

I am indeed pleased that the Allied officers of the Public Health and Welfare Subcommittee have been of service to the civil population and deeply appreciate the desire of the government to reward these officers with the "Benemeriti della Salute Pubblica".

Present instructions do not make it possible for officers of the Allied Commission to accept awards of this nature, but it is hoped that at some time in the future these instructions may be altered and I shall then be only too glad to make whatever arrangements may be necessary.

Very truly yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Ivanoe Bonomi,
The President of the Council of Ministers,
Italian Government,
Rome.

Translation

Ministry of the Interior

Rome, 10 November 1941

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Dear Admiral,

Considering the special merits, gained by some Allied officers of the Health sub-commission in the field of auxiliary organization of and assistance to the civilian population, I should like to express the gratitude of my Government for these services by rewarding these officers as well-deserving from the public wealth.

The necessary arrangements were made at the beginning of September, and the decree conferring the rewards should now be issued.

Will you kindly let me know what you think of the whole matter, telling me if there is any objection.

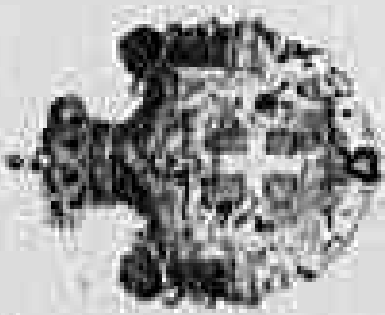
I remain,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ I. Bonomi

Admiral Henry Stone
Chief of the Allied Commission
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trans. L.C.



Il Ministro dell'Interno

Roma, 10 Novembre 1944

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Caro Ammiraglio,

in considerazione degli speciali meriti, acquisiti da alcuni Ufficiali Allenti della Sottocommissione per la Salute Pubblica nel campo della organizzazione ed assistenza sanitaria della popolazione civile, avrei in animo di manifestare il riconoscimento di questo Governo per i servizi resi, conferendo agli Ufficiali stessi ricompense quali "Benemeriti della Salute Pubblica".

La relativa pratica fu iniziata ai primi di settembre u.s. ed occorrerebbe ora emettere i decreti di conferimento delle ricompense.

Le sarò però grato se vorrà essere così gentile da far conoscere preventivamente il Suo pensiero al riguardo precisando se nulla osti da parte Sua.

Colgo l'occasione per esprimere i sensi della più profonda stima.

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Sig. Ammiraglio ELIS STONE

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18 NOV 1945
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Ellis Stone

Sig. Ammiraglio ELLIS STONE
Capo della Commissione Alleata

R O M A

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

Phone 478183
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Ref/155/Est

LIM/mrd
28 October 1944

SUBJECT: Awards and Decorations by Italian Government to
Officers of the Allied Commission.

TO : DCCAO, Hq., AAI

1. Attached is a copy of Establishment Memorandum
No. 26, 17 October 1944.

2. It is requested that this directive be brought,
through the proper channels, to the attention of the Army
Commanders, with the request that they make it applicable
to AMG officers on their staffs.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff

Encl. - Est. Memo. #26

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1. ^{To} Col. Fiske:

Doesn't the NATOUSA ruling apply only to U.S. members of A.C.C.

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EWS

2. ^{To} Commadore Stone:

Reference your note attached to Establishment Memorandum No. 25, the ruling of NATOUSA does apply only to U.S. personnel. However, Col. Fiske discussed this with the Chief of Staff and since the British policy agreed with the NATOUSA ruling, the memorandum was published in its present form.

s/ C.M. Parkin
CMF

Col. Fiske:

Above is exchange of notes between Commadore Stone and Col. Parkin re Establishment Memorandum no. 26.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION
APO 394

17 October 1944.

ESTABLISHMENT MEMORANDUM

NUMBER

26th

1. In accordance with the policy recently established by higher authority, awards, medals, decorations, honors, degrees and gifts of any nature whatsoever will not be accepted by members of the Allied Control Commission from the Italian Government, local sub-divisions thereof and Italian institutions. This prohibition applies whether the persons concerned are presently members of the Commission or have severed their connection thereto.

2. Executive Memorandum Number 81 is accordingly rescinded.

By command of Commodore STONE:

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

C. M. PARKIN,
Colonel, Inf.,
Executive Officer (U.S.)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTER OFFICE MEMO

From: Office of the Chief of Staff.

SUBJECT: Honours and Awards.

FILE NO. 210/11/COS

TO: Deputy Chief of Staff,
Establishment Section.

18 October 1944

Reference to Minute No.9 of the minutes of Chief of Staff Meeting
14 October 44, Chief of Staff has directed as follows :

"We should in sending copy of directive to AAI ask them to
instruct Army Commanders to make it applicable to AME
officers on their staffs."

W. Lipp 2343

Chief Staff Officer,
To the Chief of Staff.

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Basic: Fr Hq ACC, File: Ref/176/ /CA, Subj: Acceptance of Awd and Decs
of the Ital Govt by US Personnel of the ACC.

AG 200.62/460-P
(19 Sept 44)

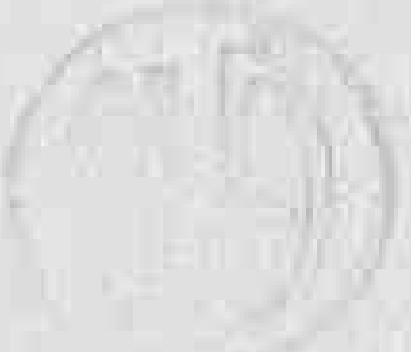
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Headquarters, NATOUSA, APO 534, U. S. Army, 4 October 1944.

TO: Commanding General, Allied Armies in Italy (US Contingent)(Ovhd). ✓

Offers of the Italian Government to confer decorations, orders, medals or emblems upon members of the Allied Control Commission will not receive the concurrence of this headquarters regardless of whether the individual to whom the award is proposed is at that time serving with the Commission or has been relieved therefrom.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:


R. H. Christie
R. H. CHRISTIE, c
Colonel, AGD,
Asst Adj General.

AG 200.6

2d Ind.

WLS/ap

HQ ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY (U.S. Contingent)(Ovhd), APO 777,
U.S. Army, 10 October 1944.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, ACC(Ovhd), APO 394,
U.S. Army.

W. S. H.

MEMORANDUM

Ref 176/44/CA

22nd September, 1944

SUBJECT: Honorary Awards.

TO : Col. Fiske.

1. Please see Executive Commissioner's comment at 43 in regard to your memo at 40.

2. With regard to the request made by Col. White at 43, under the terms of your memo at 40 there would presumably be no objection to his receiving the freedom of AVELLINO, since he has been assigned to PIEMONTE Region and is now in ROME on his way to take up the new assignment.

3. Would you please say whether you wish to discuss the matter with the Executive Commissioner or want to carry out the amendment as suggested by him. In the latter case would you draft yourself or would you like me to do it.

G. W. I. SHIPP
Lt. Colonel

22/9. It seems to be fully established for US personnel by the Ex memos 81 and NATOUSHA orders. Is any clarification required to regularize the British position?

Spoke to Farrow - he is going to find out from G. F. Jones
See British file folio 31

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

Phone 478183

Ref/176/ /CA

NEF/mrd
19 September 1944

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Awards and Decorations of the
Italian Government by U.S. Personnel of the
Allied Control Commission.

TO : Commanding General, NATOUSA, APO 534, U.S. Army

Reference is made to Circular Number 108, Para. III, dated 1 September 1944. In view of the peculiar relationship of the Allied Control Commission to the Italian Government, it is the view of the Commission that the acceptance of non-combat decorations, medals, orders and emblems from the Italian Government by personnel of the Commission should be deferred until the individual concerned has severed his connection with the Commission. If you agree, the Commission proposes that tenders of such honors be forwarded to you for concurrence as prescribed, but that it be a condition of concurrence that the person to whom the award is made be no longer on duty with the Commission.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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CAB

REFERENCE Folio 12 - Be memo to BH.

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I think we should insist on reference BTR
before acceptance is made. Should we not
also modify a ref to my letter of March 8
in this context?

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

Ref/176/CA

19 September 1944

EXECUTIVE MEMORANDUM)

NUMBER

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HONORS, AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

1. Because of the peculiar relationship which exists between the Allied Control Commission and the Italian Government, it is the policy of the Commission that honors, noncombat decorations, orders, medals and emblems which may from time to time be offered by that Government to personnel of the Commission be not accepted until such time as the individual concerned shall have terminated his services with the Commission.

2. Similarly, Municipal and Academic honors shall not be accepted until the individual to whom they are offered has relinquished his post in the Municipality or Province, or is no longer in a position in the Commission where he exercises direct influence upon the municipality or institution concerned.

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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Awards and Decorations of the
Italian Government by U.S. Personnel of the
Allied Control Commission.

TO : Commanding General, NATOUSA, APO 534, U.S. Army

Reference is made to Circular Number 108, Para. III, dated 1 September 1944. In view of the peculiar relationship of the Allied Control Commission to the Italian Government, it is the view of the Commission that the acceptance of non-combat decorations, medals, orders and emblems from the Italian Government by personnel of the Commission should be deferred until the individual concerned has severed his connection with the Commission. If you agree, the Commission proposes that tenders of such honors be forwarded to you for concurrence as prescribed, but that it be a condition of concurrence that the person to whom the award is made be no longer on duty with the Commission.

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I --- MARRIAGE OF MILITARY PERSONNEL

Paragraph 2a (5), Section I, NATOUSA Circular Number 4, 1944, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

"(5) The rank, serial number, present assignment and a brief and concise description of the applicant's duties."

II -- AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

1. Instances have been noted wherein recommendations for awards have come into possession of the person recommended. Such recommendations are properly the concern of the initiating officer, each commander in the chain of command, and the awarding authority.

2. A recommendation which is administratively correct but which is disapproved for award should be filed at the headquarters or the office authorized to take final action and the recommending unit or agency notified by letter of the action taken. The reason for disapproval need not be stated by the letter of notification.

3. Strict compliance with the above procedure is a responsibility of all commanders in order to prevent an unnecessary administrative burden being caused by units in other commands or theaters of operations resubmitting copies of the recommendations with unfavorable indorsements withdrawn or causing needless letters of inquiry to be written.

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III - AWARDS AND DECORATIONS OF COBELLIGERENT NATIONS

1. It has become increasingly apparent that personnel in this theater are not obtaining proper concurrence prior to the acceptance of non-combat decorations, orders, medals, and emblems from cobelligerent nations as required by paragraph 33b, AR 600-45, as modified by Change 3, 25 April 1944.

2. Effective upon the date of this publication, awards of this nature, which have not received the concurrence of the proper authority, and for which no action has been taken prior to the date of this publication to obtain such concurrence as outlined by paragraph 14, MATOUSA Circular Number 89, 1944, will be considered as unauthorized decorations within the meaning of paragraph 34, AR 600-45, as modified by Change 3, dated 25 April 1944.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

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Major General, GSC,
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Subject : Acceptance of gifts and honorary citizenship.

To : Region VII.

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1. Herewith are letters from the Prefect and General Secretary of Reggio Calabria with reference to the intention to make gifts and to grant Honorary Citizenship to Capt. Edward T. Lonson.

2. I am directed to inform you that to accept either of these honours is considered to be in contravention of the spirit of the Executive Commissioners directive 176/3/CA of 3 March 44.

3. It is much regretted therefore that Capt. Lonson will have to decline to accept the honours it is proposed to confer on him. As Capt. Lonson is no longer on your staff will you kindly advise the Prefect accordingly.

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel,
Deputy Executive
Commissioner.

Copy to: Capt. Edward T. Lonson
Attached AMC 8 Army from Reg. 8.

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see folio 9

1. Ref 17-22 the officer referred to is with Reg 8, att 8 army. He was Prov Gfr Reg 1.
2. Presume same policy applies as ^{(British) 6} folio 10.

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NATOUSA Circular Number 26; Section II, Circular Number 38; Section II, Circular Number 44; Section II, Circular Number 52, 1944, are rescinded and the instructions below, together with War Department publications listed in appendix "A", substituted therefor:

1. Authority to Award. a. Under the provisions of and subject to the limitations contained in paragraph 8, Section II, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943, as amended, the Theater Commander hereby delegates his authority to award United States military decorations as follows:

- (1) To commanders of any force or command which is commanded by, or the appropriate command of, a Major General or higher: Silver Star, Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star Medal (see par 3, below).
- (2) To Commanding Generals of Fifth Army, Seventh Army, Army Air Forces, MTO and SOS NATOUSA: Distinguished Service Cross.
- (3) To commanders of any force or command of the Army Air Forces, MTO commanded by, or the appropriate command of, a Major General or higher: Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal.
- (4) (a) To the Commanding Generals of Fifth and Seventh Armies: Air Medal to Field Artillery liaison pilots and observers.
(b) The Theater Commander's authority to award the Distinguished Flying Cross to Field Artillery liaison pilots and observers may not be delegated.
- (5) Commanding Generals, Fifth Army, Seventh Army, and SOS NATOUSA may award the Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star, Soldier's Medal, and Bronze Star Medal to members of the French Armed Forces and Italian Armed Forces under the circumstances set forth in paragraph 8c (3), AR 600-45, as amended. (For awards to British personnel, see paragraph 15, below).
- (6) Commanding General, Army Air Forces, MTO may award the Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross, Silver Star, Soldier's Medal, Bronze Star Medal, and Air Medal to members of the French Armed Forces and Italian Armed Forces under the circumstances set forth in paragraph 8c (3), AR 600-45, as amended. (For awards to British personnel, see paragraph 15, below.)
- (7) The authority to award the Purple Heart is contained in paragraph 8, Section II, AR 600-45, as amended. To expedite the award, it is further extended to include: commanders of combat

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teams, regiments, or similar units and of separate battalions; commanding officers of base sections; Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force; United States Army medical officers on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief, Allied Force; and on the Theater Commander's staff; United States Army commanders of any hospital or medical installation including regimental, battalion, or similar organization dressing stations. (See paragraph 11a.)

b. Under the authority contained in Civilian Personnel Regulations 104, revised, 12 April 1944, the Theater Commander delegates his authority as follows:

- (1) The Commanding Generals, Fifth Army, Seventh Army, Army Air Forces, MTO and SOS NATOUSA are authorized to award all civilian emblems described in CPR Number 104, revised 12 April 1944 (except Emblem for Exceptional Civilian Service), to qualified civilian employees of the War Department who are citizens of the United States.
- (2) The Commanding Generals, Fifth Army, Seventh Army, Army Air Forces, MTO and SOS NATOUSA are authorized to award the Emblem for Civilian Service (CPR 104, paragraphs 1-3, a(1) and 1-4, a(1)) to civilian employees of the War Department, not citizens of the United States, who have had not less than one year of continuous service and whose performance of duty has been outstanding.
 - (a) All recommendations for awards to non-citizen civilian employees other than those noted in (2), above, will be forwarded through channels for approval by the Theater Commander. (Attached form, Appendix "D")
 - (b) All recommendations for the award of the Emblem of Exceptional Service to both citizens and non-citizens will be forwarded through channels to this headquarters for dispatch to the War Department.

2. Legion of Merit - To provide a more comprehensive and uniform basis for the submission of recommendations for the Legion of Merit, the following instructions will apply:

a. The provision of AR 600-45 that:

"The accomplishment of the duty for which the award is recommended should have been completed, or it should have progressed to an exceptional degree if the person rendering the service has been transferred to other duties prior to its full accomplishment."

is interpreted as follows: A recommendation for an award may be made regardless of the fact that the officer or enlisted man continues in the same position, if the accomplishment can properly be considered as completed in connection with one of the following phase lines:

- (1) The end of the Tunisian Campaign, 13 May 1943.
- (2) The end of the Sicilian Campaign, 17 August 1943.
- (3) The capture of the Volturno River line in the Italian Campaign, 13 October 1943.

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- (4) The fall of Rome in the Italian Campaign, 5 June 1944.
(Other phase lines will be announced from time to time.)

This will not be construed as authority to recommend a second or subsequent award of the Legion of Merit for duty performed while the officer or enlisted man occupies the T/O position in which he performed the duties on which the original award was based.

b. Unless otherwise directed, at least 50% of all recommendations will be for enlisted men.

c. An allotment of a certain number of awards will be granted by this headquarters each three months, first period ending 31 May 1944, to all major commands (i.e., higher headquarters, armies, air forces, base sections, etc) in this theater. Such commands will in turn divide their allotment among those units serving under them. Due care will be exercised to see that a proper balance is maintained between units. Prior to the start of a three month period each command will be advised by letter from this headquarters of the number of awards allotted for the period. This number will be based on the strength of a command at the time of the allotment, the number of Legion of Merit awards previously granted to members of the command, and its operational functions. The allotment granted will also eliminate the present disparity which exists in the number of awards granted personnel of higher headquarters and those granted lower units. It is the Theater Commander's desire that the number of awards to personnel of lower units be increased.

d. Once an allotment has been made by a command to a unit under it, it will not be changed by reason of reassignment or attachment of the unit to another command. However, units no longer under the headquarters which are granted their allotment will transmit their recommendations through their present headquarters to the headquarters which made the grant. Direct correspondence between headquarters is authorized in this connection.

e. Recommendations may be forwarded as soon as an allotment is received. It is strongly desired for administrative reasons that the recommendations be spread over the period. Higher commanders will take positive action to insure an even flow of recommendations to higher headquarters. Each recommendation will contain statement: "For allotment period ending _____ 1944."

f. The granting of an allotment to a command does not mean that each command is required to furnish the number involved or that all forwarded will be approved. If a unit does not use its total allotment in a particular period, the unused balance will be cancelled; it may not be transferred to another unit nor continued into the next allotment period. Unless each recommendation clearly shows the award to be justified, it will be returned disapproved and counted as part of the allotment. "Disapproved" recommendations will not be forwarded to this headquarters.

3. Bronze Star Medal. a. Letter, this headquarters, AG 200.6/417 A-0, dated 10 June 1944, subject: "Award of the Bronze Star Medal", is rescinded.

b. The Bronze Star Medal is awarded to any person, who, while serving on or after 7 December 1941, in any capacity in or with the Army of the United States, distinguishes or has distinguished himself by heroic or meritorious achievement or service in connection with military operations, not involving

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participation in aerial flight, against an enemy of the United States.

c. The Bronze Star Medal may be awarded for acts of gallantry or meritorious service either in actual combat or in direct support of combat operations. It provides a means for recognizing performance of duty beyond the ordinary but which is not sufficiently outstanding to warrant the award of a Silver Star or Legion of Merit. It should be used freely in the Infantry and other branches to recognize minor acts of heroism and courageous conduct in combat and with increasing restraint as the distance from the area of close combat increases, or as the conditions of combat decrease.

d. Announcement of the award will be made in general orders and include name, Army serial number, grade, arm or service, organization, date(s) and the geographical locality where the action occurred. Complete citations describing the actions for which the award is made will not be published in general orders. If it is so desired, the complete citation may be prepared for presentation to the individual and for recording in his 201 File with one additional copy for reading at the presentation ceremony.

e. In the case of posthumous awards or to personnel missing in action, or prisoners of war, the full citation will be prepared and forwarded to the War Department, along with the general orders announcing the award, for presentation to the next of kin.

4. Purple Heart - Awarded under the provisions of paragraph 16, AR 600-45, as amended. Borderline cases will be forwarded with all available information to higher headquarters for final decision.

5. Air Medal. a. Field Artillery liaison pilots and observers qualify for the award of the Air Medal only after completing the following pre-requisites:

- (1) Thirty-five (35) sorties.
- (2) Any single meritorious act while participating in aerial flight

b. Definition of "sorties" - A sortie is deemed to have taken place when a flight has been ordered which involves:

- (1) Adjustment of artillery fire on any enemy installation.
- (2) Surveillance of artillery fire on any enemy installation.
- (3) Registration of artillery fire in enemy territory.
- (4) Front line reconnaissance of at least one hour duration.
- (5) Any flight in which the airplane has been attacked by enemy aircraft.
- (6) Credit for only one sortie will be given regardless of any combination of the above missions which may be accomplished on any one flight.
- (7) Credit for sorties will be given only when every effort for the success of the mission has been made. Such credits will be specified and approved by the battalion, group, brigade, division, corps, or army artillery commander.

6. Awards to Units - In addition to the provisions of War Department Circular Number 333, 1944 the following procedure is prescribed:

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a. A company, battalion (air force squadron or group), or similar unit which is cited by the commander of a division, or of a comparable organization, will be entitled to a battle streamer upon approval of the citation by the Theater Commander, Army Commander, or Commanding General, Army Air Forces, MTO. Such approved citations will automatically be confirmed by the War Department and published in War Department General Orders. Upon approval of the citation by the Army Commander or Commanding General, Army Air Forces, MTO, a request will be submitted to this headquarters to have citation published in War Department General Orders to which there will be attached two (2) official copies of the citation.

b. Any unit larger than a battalion, or group, which is cited by the commanding officer of the next higher unit, will become entitled to a streamer only when the citation is approved by the War Department and published in War Department General Orders. Two copies of the citations, together with supporting data, will be forwarded through channels to this headquarters for transmission to the War Department in exact compliance with paragraph 2d (2), Section IV, War Department Circular Number 333, 22 December 1943.

c. When a unit has been awarded a Distinguished Unit battle streamer, members of the unit are entitled to wear the Distinguished Unit Badge. Individuals who actually participated in the action for which the unit was cited may wear the badge permanently. Those who did not participate, and those who later became members of the organization, are entitled to wear the badge only during the time they are assigned as members of the organization.

7. Battle Participation Awards. a. A list of battles and campaigns in this theater recognized by the War Department has been published in War Department General Orders Numbers 75 and 83, 1943.

b. A list of units entitled to battle honors, together with the campaigns for which such awards are authorized, has been published in secret NATOUSSA letter, dated 23 December 1943, file AC 200.6/263 P-O, subject: "Battle Participation Awards", as amended by secret NATOUSSA letters published monthly. As units become entitled to battle honors by virtue of participation in operations, this list will be amended to include such units. Units omitted from any list published by this headquarters announcing battle honors, which are entitled to such honors under the provisions of AR 260-10 and as outlined herein, may be included by making application to this headquarters through channels.

c. Streamers to indicate service in this theater, which are attached to the staffs of colors or standards, will bear the names and dates of campaigns or battles for participation in which the unit is entitled to battle honors. (See AR 260-10, as amended).

d. This headquarters will authorize battle honors, after careful study of official reports, for certain units not entitled to such honors for any designated campaign, who qualify under any of the items "antisubmarine", "ground combat", or "air combat" now listed without reference to combat zones, time limitations, or units in the general orders and publication referred to in paragraphs a and b, above. These items are to cover actual participation in combat against the enemy in areas or at times which, by reasonable interpretation, are definitely distinct from and cannot be associated with any of the named battles or campaigns. Such special credit will be accorded a unit or an individual only once during current war.

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e. Individuals who are eligible to wear the appropriate theater service ribbon, if qualified under the provisions stated below, may wear bronze service stars on the appropriate theater service ribbon to indicate battle participation. (See WD Circular 62, 1944 and WD Circular 195, 1944)

- (1) Provided the individual served honorably, and was present for duty, as a member of a unit, or attached to a unit at some time during the period in which the unit participated in battle and was awarded credit therefor under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 260-10; or
- (2) In cases of individuals not members of or attached to units, provided the individual served honorably under competent orders in the combat zone at some time between the limiting dates of the battle or campaign as established by War Department General Orders and was:
 - (a) Awarded a combat decoration.
 - (b) Furnished a certificate of a corps or higher commander that he actually participated in combat.
 - (c) Served at a normal post of duty (as contrasted to occupying the status of an inspector, observer or visitor serving on a temporary duty basis).

8. Combat and Expert Infantryman Badges. -- The following requirements are prescribed in addition to those outlined in War Department Circular Number 186, dated 11 May 1944.

a. Combat Infantryman Badge. -- To qualify for this badge under the provisions of paragraph 3b of War Department Circular Number 186, 1944, individuals assigned to Infantry regiments or lower units must satisfactorily perform duty in action against the enemy in one of the following, which are hereby announced as major operations as distinguished from campaigns announced in War Department General Orders Number 75 and 83, 1943:

- (1) Algeria - French Morocco.
 - (a) Combat zone - Algeria, French Morocco, and adjacent waters.
 - (b) Time limitation - 8 to 11 November 1942.
- (2) Tunisia.
 - (a) Combat zone - Tunisia and Algeria east of a north-south line through Constantine, and adjacent waters.
 - (b) Time limitation - 8 November 1942 (air), 17 November 1942 (ground) to 13 May 1943.

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(3) Sicily.

- (a) Combat zone - Sicily and adjacent waters.
- (b) Time limitation - 14 May 1943 (air), 9 July 1943 (ground) to 17 August 1943.

(4) Italy.

- (a) Combat zone - Italy (exclusive of Sicily and Sardinia), Corsica, and adjacent waters.
- (b) Time limitations - 18 August 1943 (air), 9 September 1943 (ground). Final date to be announced later.

b. Expert Infantryman Badge.-- In addition to the method prescribed in War Department Circular Number 322, 1943, this badge may be awarded for satisfactory performance of duty in any action against the enemy not necessarily those listed above.

c. Eligibility.-- It is emphasized that these awards are for Infantry personnel assigned to Infantry regiments or lower units, excepting only Medical Department and Chaplain Corps officers, warrant officers and enlisted men similarly assigned.

d. Former Members of Unit.-- Action will be taken by units to determine whether any of their former members are entitled to either award. Regimental and similar commanders will have published in orders the names of former members, deemed to have qualified, and will mail two (2) copies to each recipient, through channels, for presentation.

9. Overseas Service Bars. a. Bars consisting of gold lace or bullion, $\frac{1}{4}$ " in width and $1\frac{3}{8}$ " in length, on a cloth background forming a border $\frac{1}{8}$ " around the bar, to be worn on the overcoat, service coat, or field jacket, are authorized for each six months period overseas, including Alaska, from 7 December 1942 until a date six months subsequent to termination of the war. Bars are also authorized for wear on the shirt. These will be made of golden, yellow cloth on a khaki background. Procurement of this device by commands is authorized through facilities available pending issuance through normal supply channels.

b. The bar is to be centered on the outside half and parallel to the end of the left sleeve with the lower edge of the bar four inches above the end of the sleeve. Additional bars will be worn parallel to and above the first bar with $\frac{5}{16}$ " space between bars, this space being formed by the background. When the bar is worn on the service coat or overcoat with service stripes (enlisted men with three years honorable service) or with chevrons indicating World War I overseas service, the bar will be worn immediately above the uppermost stripe or chevron.

10. Recommendations. a. Recommendations for all awards which must be acted upon by the Theater Commander, together with supporting papers, will be forwarded so as to reach this headquarters in duplicate.

b. Particular emphasis should be placed on the recommendation, and the facts contained therein, with the accompanying citation being a concise summary of the recommendation.

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c. Each recommendation will indicate all previous awards made to the individual or unit, including designation of the headquarters and general order number announcing the award. If the recommendation is being resubmitted, that fact will be shown.

d. Recommendations will be submitted in a manner similar to that shown on the Model Form (Appendix "B") and forwarded through proper command channels. Each commander will personally sign the recommendation, indicating his recommended approval or disapproval. Grade and assignment at the time service was rendered, as well as the grade and assignment at the time recommendation is made, must be shown.

11. Publication in Orders. a. Paragraph 4, Section I, AR-600-45, directs that awards of decorations made by authorized commanders be announced in general orders of their commands. Such announcement will include name, army serial number, grade, arm or service, organization, date(s), and the general geographic locality where the action occurred for which the award is made. The home address, address at the time of entry into the service, or entry into the United States Military Academy will be shown. In cases of posthumous, missing in action, or prisoner of war awards, the full name, relationship, and address of the next of kin will be included in the general orders.

b. The above instructions are also applicable to the general orders announcing the award of the Purple Heart. (For suggested form see Appendix "C").

c. The commanding general of the command will establish pertinent policies concerning the type of information which should be omitted from the citation as published in general orders and furnished the individual. Copies of the general orders furnished this headquarters and the War Department will contain all of the information required in subparagraph a, above.

d. General orders will be classified RESTRICTED and in addition to the copies required by the War Department, one (1) copy of all general orders will be furnished this headquarters marked: Attention, Personnel Division, AG Section. The three (3) copies for the War Department will be forwarded promptly direct to The Adjutant General, Attention: Decorations and Awards Branch, Munitions Building Washington 25, D C.

e. The individual may be furnished official copies of the citation which will contain no more information than was published in the general orders. These official copies will not be classified. It is not necessary to prepare letter orders. A copy of the citation to the individual will suffice.

f. Medal numbers will not be published.

12. Presentation. a. As prompt recognition of services increases the value of awards, every effort will be made to expedite their presentation.

b. No request to present a decoration awarded to any individual posthumously, missing in action, or prisoner of war will be sent to The Adjutant General or other headquarters, and under no circumstances will medals be forwarded. The War Department will make presentation to the next of kin upon receipt of general orders announcing such awards.

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c. Should an individual to whom an award has been made, or for whom an award has been recommended to this headquarters, depart prior to presentation, a report will be forwarded this Headquarters without delay setting forth all pertinent facts. A copy of the general orders announcing the award will be inclosed. If the recipient's new location is known and is within this theater, direct correspondence is authorized. No medal will be forwarded nor will any medal be engraved when it appears that the specific medal will not be presented.

13. Awards to be Noted in Records. a. Awards of decorations, dates, and places of presentation will be noted in the historical records of organizations and in the service records of enlisted men, and for all others on WD AGO Form No 66-1 (Officer's and Warrant Officer's Qualification Card), also where applicable in appropriate personnel files and efficiency records. This will include entries concerning to eligibility of individuals to wear appropriate Service Medals, Bronze Battle Stars, Bronze Star for the American Defense Service Medal, Expert and Combat Infantryman Badges, Distinguished Unit Badge, and all other badges. Unit commanders will cause a periodic check to be made of such records to see that necessary entries are made for personnel now present in their organization.

b. The Purple Heart will be presented immediately after eligibility has been determined. In cases where the individual's personnel records are not available, entry of the award will be made on his Emergency Medical Tag or Report Card (WD MD Form No 52). The award will be announced in general orders and in addition to the distribution required in paragraph 11 above, one copy will be furnished the individual and the individual's unit commander.

14. Acceptance of Awards from Cobelligerent Nations. a. In accordance with paragraph 33b, Change 3, AR 600-45, dated 24 April 1944, offers by the governments of cobelligerent nations or the American republics of decorations, orders, medals, and emblems to United States Army personnel, except offers of immediate combat awards which may be concurred in by the senior field commander present, will be forwarded through channels to the Theater Commander for concurrence in their acceptance, containing the statement in paragraph 2 below.

b. Officers and enlisted men engaged in transactions involving the allocation of Lend Lease materials or credits will not be permitted to accept decorations from the nations with which they are dealing. This includes those individuals who participate in negotiations for Lend Lease allocations, or who make recommendations to any of the agencies authorized to act on such recommendations, or who are members of boards, rearmament committees, or other agencies charged with Lend Lease negotiations, recommendations for, or the allocations of Lend Lease materials. This prohibition does not apply to the acceptance of "immediate combat" awards, or to persons who are merely engaged in shipping or transporting Lend Lease materials.

c. Requests for authority to accept cobelligerent awards will be forwarded through command channels and contain the following statement: "I have not participated in negotiations for Lend Lease allocations, nor made any recommendations to any of the agencies authorized to act on such recommendations. I am not a member of any board, rearmament committee, or other agency charged with Lend Lease negotiations, recommendations for, or the allocation of Lend Lease materials."

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15. Awards to Military Personnel of Cobelligerent Nations. a. Recommendations for awards both combat and non-combat to British personnel, all grades, will be forwarded this headquarters for final decision. Recommendations for other than combat awards will not be presented to British commanders for concurrence except by this headquarters. All recommendations received for non-combat awards will be held at this headquarters for action of the Theater Commander at appropriate periods.

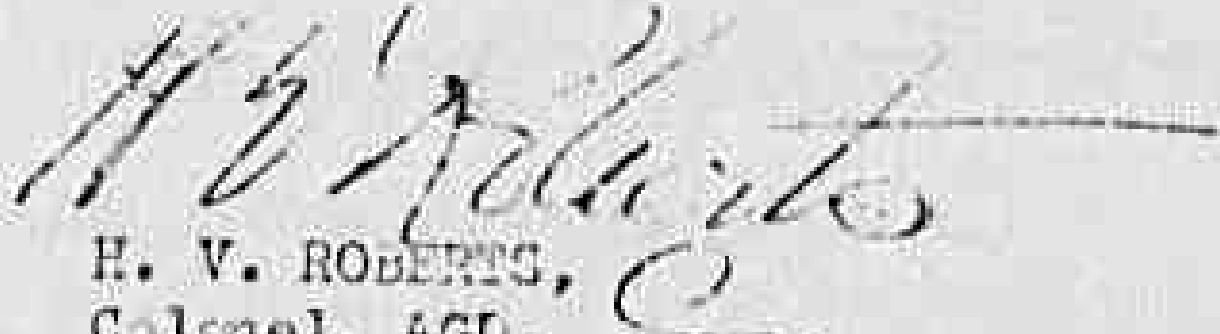
b. Immediate combat awards authorized for our allies may be made to all other cobelligerent military personnel provided the recipient is below the grade of Colonel, or its equivalent, and provided concurrence of the senior field commander present, of the recipient's forces, has been obtained. (This officer must be equal to or the equivalent of the rank of Brigadier General, United States Army).

c. Recommendations for the award of the Air Medal will not be initiated for British personnel.

By command of Lieutenant General DEVERS:

DAVID G. RARR,
Major General, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

OFFICIAL:


H. V. ROBERTS,
Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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Bronze Star Medal	Bull 3, Sec II, 1944
Campaign Medals	Cir 62, 1944 Cir 195, 1944 (rescinds Par b & c(2), Cir 62, 1944)
Citations, Units	Cir 333, Sec IV, 1943 Bull 22, Sec I, 1943 Cir 26, Sec III, 1944
Commendation	AR 600-55
Decorations, General Provisions	AR 600-46 (w/4 changes) AR 600-85 AR 600-90 (w/1 change) Cir 180, Sec V, 1942 Cir 323, Sec III, 1942 Cir 6, Sec IV, 1943
Flags, Colors, Standards & Guidons	AR 260-10 (w/14 changes) Cir 48, Sec V, 1944 Cir 226, 1944
Glider Badge	Cir 220, Sec IV, 1944
Good Conduct Medal	AR 600-68 (w/1 change) Bull 6, Sec II, 1943 Cir 36, Sec II, 1944 Cir 103, 1944 (amends Par 7, AR 600-68)
Infantryman's Badge, Expert & Combat	Cir 322, 1943 Cir 14, 1944 (amends Par 2, Sec I, & Par 10, Sec III, Cir 322, 1943) Cir 136, 1944 Cir 213, 1944 (rescinds Par 5g Sec III, Cir 322)

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SUBJECT	WD PUBLICATION
Lapel Button (Honorable Discharge)	Cir 79, Sec V, 1944 Cir 213, Sec II, 1944 (rescinds Par 8 & 10, Sec V, Cir 79 1944)
Legion of Merit	Bull 40, 1942
Medal for Merit	Bull 40, 1942 Bull 9, Sec II & III, 1943
Motor Vehicle, Driver & Mechanic Awards	Cir 248, Sec II, 1942 Cir 119, Sec I, 1943
Occupation of Germany Medal	Cir 359, Sec IV, 1942
Supply of Service Medals	AR 600-65 (w/1 change) AR 600-90 AR 600-85 (w/1 change) Cir 323, Sec III, 1942
Typhus Commission Medal	Cir 142, 1944
Uniform, Prescribed Wearing of	AR 600-35 (w/28 changes) AR 600-100 (w/30 changes)
WAC, Service Medal	Bull 17, Sec II, 1943
Good Conduct Medal	Cir 36, Sec II, 1944
Guidons	Cir 79, Sec V, 1944
Wound & War Service Chevrons	Cir 6, Sec IV, 1943 Cir 224, Sec I, 1943

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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award.

TO :

1. Under the provisions of _____ it is recommended that NAME _____
ASN _____, GRADE _____, ARM _____ SERVICE _____, ORGANIZATION _____
(Including staff section if on duty with a headquarters), be awarded the _____
(appropriate award - see reverse side) _____, for _____
(appropriate remark - see reverse side) _____

2. Complete description of action: In case of service awards such as Legion of Merit, a complete description of service rendered in detail should be listed. In recommendation for other awards, a detailed and factual description of the incident is of utmost importance. Do not use general statements. The most common error in recommendations is that they do not contain enough detail.

3. In recommendations for combat decorations, specific information should be included as nearly as is reasonably possible, regarding each of the following (using operations, maps, narrative statement, or any other convenient form):

- Character of the terrain, of hostile observations, and of enemy fire.
- Visibility, time of day, and atmospheric conditions.
- Location of enemy.
- Morale, that of our forces and that of the enemy.
- Casualties sustained.
- Effect or results of deed in question, etc.

(Not applicable to Legion of Merit)

4. Statement as to personal knowledge of the initiating officer. If he has no personal knowledge of the incident or service rendered, two affidavits from eye-witnesses or persons having knowledge must be inclosed.

5. Each basic recommendation for the award of a decoration will show the exact status of the person who is being recommended at the time of rendition by him of the service upon which the recommendation is based. Grade and assignment at the time of this incident or at the time service was rendered as well as the grade and assignment at the time recommendation is made.

6. Statement that entire subsequent service of individual since performance of act cited has been honorable. In case of Distinguished Service Medal or Legion of Merit recommendation, statement that the individual has completed his service in the position, or that it was substantially complete at time he was transferred to other duty should be added.

7. List of previous awards to include general order number and headquarters of issue.

8. Proposed Citation, which will include: a. Name, ASN, Arm or Service _____
Grade, Organization, period of time (inclusive dates) of service rendered, and the general or specific locality or campaign.

APPENDIX "B"

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b. A condensation of the letter of recommendation including all pertinent facts upon which award is based. When an award is made, only the citation is published in orders; therefore, a resume of the act or service rendered must be in sufficient detail to justify the award.

c. The last sentence will include the individual's home town and state at time of enlistment, induction, entry into West Point, or present home address. (In cases of Posthumous, Missing in Action, or Prisoner of War awards, include name and relationship of nearest relative, house number, street or rural route, city and state.)

(Forward through proper command channels. Each _____ NAME
commander will personally sign the recommenda-
tion, indicating his recommended approval or dis- _____ GRADE & ORGANIZATION
approval) _____
COMMANDING OR OFFICIAL DESIGNATION

* * * * *

MEDAL OF HONOR: Conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at risk of life, above and beyond call of duty, in action involving actual conflict.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CROSS: Extraordinary heroism in action.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE MEDAL: Exceptionally meritorious service in duty of great responsibility.

LEGION OF MERIT (in four degrees): For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services.

1. Chief Commander
2. Commander
3. Officer
4. Legionnaire

LEGION OF MERIT (without degree): For exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services.

SILVER STAR: Gallantry in action.

DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS: Heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights.

SOLDIER'S MEDAL: Heroism not involving actual conflict.

BRONZE STAR: Heroic or meritorious achievement or service in action not involving participation in aerial flight.

PURPLE HEART: Wounded in action, or as a direct result of enemy action.

AIR MEDAL: Meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flights.

MEDAL FOR MERIT (civilian award): Exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services or an exceptionally meritorious act in furtherance of the war effort.

GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL: Demonstrated fidelity by faithful and exact performance of duty, efficiency, and behavior deserving emulation completing one year's service as an EM of AUS, after 7 December 1941, or three years after 27 August 1941.

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HEADQUARTERS
NINTH ARMORED DIVISION
APO 259

GENERAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 00)

00 March 1944

AWARD OF PURPLE HEART

Under the provisions of Army Regulations 600-45, as amended, the Purple Heart is awarded to the following for wounds received in action against the enemy:

GEORGE W. BROWN (00000000), Pvt, Inf, Company "A", 17th Infantry, Sicily, 15 August 1943. Entered service from Neary, New Jersey.

WILLIAM S. GREEN (00000000), Pvt, FA, Battery "B", 13th Armored Regiment, Tunisia, 13 May 1943. Entered service from Atlanta, Georgia.

JOHN L. SMITH, (00000000), Pfc, FA, Battery "A", 99th Field Artillery Battalion, Corsica, 14 November 1943. Entered service from New York, New York.

JEROME W. BROWN (00000000), Pfc, FA, Company "C", 307th Tank Destroyer Battalion, Italy, 15 December 1943. Entered service from Syracuse, New York.

JOHN J. DOE (00000000), Capt, FA, Service Battery, 21st Armored Field Artillery Battalion, Italy, 14 December 1943. Entered service from Norfolk, Va.

By command of Major General BUTLER:

OFFICIAL:

HARRY B. BLACK,
Colonel, GSC,
Chief of Staff.

W. L. WALLACE,
Lt Colonel, AGD,
Adjutant General.

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(Name of submitting

organization)

(Date)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Civilian Award.

TO :

THROUGH:

1. Under the provisions of Civilian Personnel Regulations 104, 12 April 1944, it is recommended that _____ (full name), a civilian whose legal residence is _____ (address), now currently employed by _____ (command), in the position of _____ (job title or descriptive term indicating nature of duties) be awarded the Emblem for _____.

2. In support of the proposed award following additional personnel data for this individual is submitted:

- a. Country of birth _____.
- b. Country of citizenship _____.
- c. Current efficiency report rating is _____, or current rating on performance of assigned duty is _____.
- d. Date services commenced _____.
- **e. Services performed by _____ which are considered by the undersigned to merit the award indicated in paragraph 1, above, are outlined below:

3. It is certified by the undersigned that the above information is a true extract of official records, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, this individual's services have been honorable and that his loyalty to the Government of the United States and the Army of the United States is above question.

(signature)

**(Complete only for Emblem for Exceptional Civilian Service or Emblem for Meritorious Civilian Service)

NOTE: To be approved or disapproved by each commander in the chain of command prior to forwarding.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.O. & M.G. SECTION
APO 394

Ref/176/7/CA

4 May 1944

SUBJECT: Allied Officers on Refugee Service.

TO : The Minister of the Interior,
Italian Government, SALERNO.

I am desired by the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission to refer to your letter of 18 April 1944 and to say that the proposal to express gratitude to Allied officer engaged in the Refugee service by means of an award has received earnest consideration.

Whilst appreciating the thought that prompted the proposal it has been decided that it is not desirable at this stage that any group of officer of the Commission should be selected from the many groups for special recognition for the proper performance of duty.

It is, however, proposed to notify each officer concerned of your kind acknowledgement of their services.

Brigadier
Executive Commissioner
For Chief Commissioner

CAB

The matter has been referred
to the Chief Commissioner who does not
any further action taken unless Marshall
Padoglio returns to the charge. Left 11/4 7 1944

Col. Inki

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Please see attached.

It was handed to me without comment
by P.A. to Exec. Comm.It would seem to require a ruling on
policy, at a high level, regarding the
acceptance of "onorificenza" - "honour"
from a power with whom we are
technically still at war.We have had a decision against
fetterization between Allies & Italian
Officers and have also discussed rewards
& awards to Italians doing us special
services.

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Decision at present is "NO AWARDS"
- legal status may change -
Refugee Bd should reply
accordingly in polite language.

C O P Y

TRANSLATION

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MINISTERO dell'INTERNO

N. 8/1498

Salerno, 18 April 1944

OGGETTO:

Allied Officers on service
for refugees assistance.

TO : ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION

ITALIAN REFUGEE BRANCH

M A P O L I

This Ministry follows with great sympathy the humanitarian action lead, with a spirit of real comprehension, by the Allied Authorities for the refugees.

This Ministry desires to offer to the Officers on such service acknowledgement of our gratitude. We beg, therefore, the Allied Control Commission to communicate us their names for concede them a honorary award.

We beg also to include in the list those Officers which were working in the same Branch in East-Africa.

We remain awaiting for a kind answer.

Signed for the Minister

TAPASSO

*Handed to me by Capt Stewart
Sunday morning Apr. 30th*

C O P Y

C O P Y

MINISTERO dell'INTERNO

N. 8/1494

Salerno, 18 Aprile 1944

OGGETTO :

Ufficiali Alleati preposti al
servizio di assistenza ai pro-
fughi di guerra.

ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
ITALIAN REFUGEE BRANCH

N A P O L I

e.p.c.

MINISTERO AFRICA ITALIANA

S A L E R N O

Questo Ministero segue con particolare simpatia l'opera umanitaria che, con spirito di vera comprensione, svolge le Autorita' Alleate in Italia a favore dei profughi di guerra.

Poiche' e' desiderio, pertanto, di questo Ministero dare agli Ufficiali preposti a tale servizio un segno del nostro animo riconoscente, si prega Codesta Commissione di voler comunicarci i loro nominativi affinche' si possa far luogo alla concessione di una onorificenza.

Nell'elenco si prega di voler includere anche quegli Ufficiali che abbiano svolto analogo incarico in Africa Orientale.

Si resta in attesa di una cortese comunicazione al riguardo.

PEL MINISTERO

Is/ Tapasso

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4 MAR 1944

2 MAR 1944

29th February 1944.

Subject: Acceptance of Honorary Degrees, etc from
Italian Authorities.

To : Vice Presidents,
Administrative Section
Economic Section
Political Section

You will remember that the question of the acceptance from the Italians of honorary degrees, etc, was raised at yesterday morning's conference. I attach a draft which it is proposed to issue on this subject. May I have your agreement.

MS Lush

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

I approve draft
Hes
agree Stamp
2 MAR 1944

agree
SH
HRC

Stam
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HEADQUARTERS,
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION,
APO 394

*Recd Secy Gen
Feb 27 1944*

Regional Control and Military Government Section.

Ref: 176/3/CA

8 March
February 1944

Subject: Acceptance of Honorary Awards from Italians.

To : Distribution Below.

1. It has come to the notice of the Chief Commissioner that Italian authorities *have been* are in the habit of offering honorary academic degrees and honorary ranks to Allied Officers in the A.C.C.

2. Allied Officers will discourage such offers. Acceptance of them is forbidden just as is acceptance of gifts or other tokens from Italians. The reason must be obvious to all.

MSL/JG.

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

DISTRIBUTION: Regional Commissioners,
Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VIII, IX.
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S.C.A.O., AMG, 8 Army.
Land Forces Sub-Commission.
Navy Sub-Commission.
Air Sub-Commission.
Telcom Sub-Commission.
War Material Disposal Sub-Com.
Political Section.
Economic Section (10)
Administrative Section (8)
Displaced Persons Sub-Commission.
Italian Refugees Branch.
Security Branch.

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I suggest this change of wording - I think it is not so much a "habit" as it is an emergency by Allied officers

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