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PERSONNEL (DEATH OF
TEC. 5 CZAJKOWSKI)
DEC. 44 - JAN. 45

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

File _____ Date 15 Jan 45

FROM	TO
Deputy Chief of Staff	
Staff Officer	
Executive Officer (US)	<i>Noted</i>
Executive Officer (B)	<i>CMP</i>
G-1 (A)	
G-1 (B)	
G-4 (A)	<i>Don't mis-</i>
G-4 (B)	<i>place</i>
Headquarters Commandant	<i>this</i>
Adjutant	<i>paper</i>

FOR:

Draft of reply for signature of _____

Please see/telephone me about this _____ *CMP*

Investigation and report

Answer _____ *2972*

Signature

Approval/Disapproval

✓ Your Information and return, please _____

Your File _____ *Adjutant*

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COPY/IF.

Text of telegram received 9th January, 1945.

Following from Caccia for Brigadier Lush, Allied Commission.

Your letter of 21st December has just arrived.

2. On 18th December instructions were received by Greekmil from Allied Force Headquarters in telegram number F 70,884 cite F.G. cite E.G. that Jeep driven by Czajkowski should be turned over to United States contingent Military Headquarters Balkans and this has been done.

3. General Sadler, United States Commander, Military Headquarters, Balkans, has undertaken to raise the matter at A.F.H.Q. where he is going today with a view to providing another Jeep for Allied Commission in substitute. 2971

COPY TO : ESTABLISHMENT SECTION ✓

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Phone from
G 5 A F

1/12/45

They will ~~contact~~
G H A F + try
to have this jeep
replaced with a
Class A Cu.

CMT

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COPY OF MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM ATHENS, 8 Jan 45.

Following from Caccia for Brigadier Lush, Allied Commission:

Your letter of 21st December has just arrived.

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3. General Sadler, U.S. Commander, Military Headquarters, Balkana, has undertaken to raise the matter at AFHQ where he is going today with a view to providing another jeep for Allied Commission in substitute.

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HD 13A
DGO 220200

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EST SEC
95747
DGO 290830
ROUTINE

O C 97 BRITISH GEN HOSP

OO HSTOUSA U S ARMY APO 534 (ATTENTION CASUALTY BRANCH) INFO OO 2675 REGT
U S ARMY

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682729842 PFC CZAJKOWSKI E. 2675 Regt U.S. Army died in this hospital 28 December
44 diagnosis G.S.W. buttocks (B. G.). Next of kin father I. CZAJKOWSKI, 269, CHAMBERS
Street, BUFFALO, NEW YORK.

PC DIST
- Inv Act 2675 Regt (A)
- Inv Comm Commissioned
EST SEC
G-1 (A)
FILE (A)
PROAT

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29 DEC 1944
A.C.E.

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DEC 291A30A
IMMEDIATE

DEC 28/46

CG CONTINGENT US M(A) HQ BALKAN GREEK MILITARY SIGNED BADLER
AFTR PASS TO ALGOM DEPARTMENT 7 (?)

HEADQUARTERS
79 DEC 1946
A. C.

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Reference your 8759 from PARKIN.

This HQ received report this morning from 97 General Hospital (British) that
Tec 5 EDWARD L. GZAJKOWSKI 32729842, 2675 Regt ALLIED COMMISSION died at 0120 hours
this date 28th December cause of death was SEPTICEMIA death was result injury
received on 12 December 1130 hours as NON PARTICIPANT in ATHENS action at time of
injury GZAJKOWSKI was on duty driving for Mr. CACCIA, British Political Advisor.
Injury was received whilst GZAJKOWSKI was waiting in street in front Mr. CACCIA's
office (HQ 3). Wound was shrapnel penetrating lower part right BACINUM with track
leading through the bone to the left buttock. This HQ quote (?) GZAJKOWSKI injury
as battle repeat battle injury and in line duty. Personal effects of GZAJKOWSKI
both Army and personal will be despatched ALLIED COMMISSION by air as soon as
possible.

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(Note: Message received badly
corrupt check of required)

LIST
INFO-ACTION: 2675 Regt 2
INFO: Chief Commissioner
Inf Sec
G-1(A)
Inf Sec
File 2
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DEC 27/1030

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DEC 28/1530
ROUTINE

CC 97 BRIG GEN HOSPITAL
CC KATOUSA US ARMY APO 534 (ATTN CASUALTY BRANCH), INFO;
CC 2675 REGT US ARMY.

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32729842 Pte CRAJKOMSKI R 2675 Regt US ARMY placed on
dangerously ill list 27 December. 44. Diagnosed gunshot wound chest
(battle cas) nok father LEN CRAJKOMSKI 263 CHANDLER Street BUFFALO,
NEW YORK.

DIST.

Info-Action: 2675 Regt (2)
Info: Chief Commissioner
Est Sec
G-1 (A)
File

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28 DEC 1944
A. C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

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Ref: 28th December 1944

Subject: Report on Corporal Czajkowski.

To: Officer Commanding, 2675 Regiment, APO 394.

1. The following further telegram dated December 29th has been received for you from Mr. Caccia in Athens.

Begins:

Very greatly regret to say that Corporal Czajkowski had a relapse last night and died suddenly at 01.20 hours in hospital this morning. Cause of death was septicemia.

Commanding General, U.S. contingent M.I. Greece is telegraphing separately giving short report and will send full medical particulars as soon as possible. He is also making arrangements for his personal effects.

May I say how distressed I am that this should have happened after all the loyal, cheerful and efficient service which Czajkowski had given to Political Section in Italy and to me in Greece during the last eleven months. I should be most grateful for address of his next of kin so that I can write to them. Please tell me if there is anything you wish me to do.

Ends:

2. On December 27th, Mr. Caccia had sent the following telegram to you via the British Resident Minister's Office at Caserta.

Begins:

Following is a report about Corporal Czajkowski from Surgical Specialist, 57th General Hospital, dictated yesterday over the telephone which is still the only means of communication.

Requies
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Begin:

Admitted December 12th suffering from a penetrating mortar wound of his back his general condition was very poor on admission due to severe Haemorrhage.

Operation a large penetrating wound was found over lower part of right sacrum with a track leading through bone to left buttock. A large piece of mortar shell was removed from left buttock. The sacrum was badly shattered.

Present condition: he has made moderate progress. At the moment his condition is only fair.

He will not be fit for duty in the near future but eventually he should make a good recovery. Signed J. Seed, Major, RAMC.

Ends:

Caserta please inform relevant branch of Allied Force Headquarters with reference to their signal PMSAG No. Y 70884 to Creek Hill of December 18th.

Ends:

For the Chief Commissioner:

H. d'ia. Hopkinson

H. I. d'ia. HOPKINSON,
A/Vice President, Political Section.

Copy to: British Embassy.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
POLITICAL SECTION
APO 394

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Ref:

28th December 1944

Subject: Report on injury sustained by Corporal
Czajkowski in Greece.

To: Officer Commanding, 2675 Regiment, APO 394.

- 1. The following telegram has been received for you from Mr. Casalis in Athens.

Begins:

Greatly regret Corporal Czajkowski received shell wound in the back penetrating pelvic region on 12th December while getting out of jeep near military Liaison Headquarters at a time when EIAS were sporadically shelling the centre of Athens. He was treated on the spot in the regiment aid post and was examined by Colonel van Vlack who is senior U.S. medical officer to M.I. Greece. He was then evacuated to the 77th British General Hospital on the same day, where the shell splinter was removed.

This hospital is still in EIAS territory and it is therefore impossible to obtain first hand detailed report. All that can be ascertained is that he is not on the danger list and that his condition today is "comfortable". As soon as I can visit him I will send further report.

I have already reported this in writing to Brigadier Lusk and by word of mouth to General Rooks, U.S. Please let me know if there is anything further that you would wish me to do.

Ends:

Copy to:
British Embassy.

For the Chief Commissioner:

E.L.S.A. **2963**
Acting Vice President, Political Section.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 201-OZAJKOWSKI (EM) 19 December 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer of Tec 5 Edward L. Ozajkowski, 32729842,
and US WD $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton G&R Vehicle #20332463 (Hq AGC 103)
TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. Reference is to your letter of 7 December 1944 on above subject.
2. Information here indicates Ozajkowski suffered kidney injury in Athens.
3. SAC has advised Comdr III Corps that U.S. War Department has not authorized presence in Balkans of any U.S. enlisted personnel and that Ozajkowski should be evacuated by U.S. ATC aircraft earliest possible consistent with his well-being to 26th General Hospital, Bari and that vehicle be turned over to U.S. Contingent MHQ (Balkans), Athens.
4. 26th General Hospital will notify you when Ozajkowski arrives.
5. Please communicate directly (through cable address GREEK MIL) with U.S. Contingent MHQ (Balkans) Athens to settle final arrangements for transfer or return of vehicle.

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

F. T. HAMMOND, JR.
Colonel, Ord
Legal Advisor

Cable

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