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1/XOA REQUISITIONING VEHICLES
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File: 1/XOA - REQUISITIONED VEHICLES - LIST OF PAPERS.

NUMBER	DATE	FROM	TO	SUBJECT
1	12 Jul 44	Col Clough	SCAO, 5th Army, etc.	Req of Civ Veh's.
2	26 Jul 44	Col Clough	Cons dei Ministri	Cent Req Agency for It Govt.
3	27 Jul 44	Lt Col Scoggins	Army Sub-Comm.	Req of Veh- It Govt
4	27 Jul 44	Lt Col Scoggins	Air Force Sub-Comm.	" " " It Air For
5	27 Jul 44	Lt Col Scoggins	Navy Sub-Comm.	" " " It Navy
6	3 Aug 44	Lt Col Scoggins	Region IV	It Govt Vehicles
7	5 Aug 44	Col Clough	Brig Lush	Req Veh of It Public Administrations.
8	10 Aug 44	Lt Amoruso	Col Clough	Org of It Govt Civ Vehicle Agency.
9	24 Aug 44	Col Clough	SCAO-8th Army	Irregular Reqstn.
10	14 Sep 44	Lt Col Scoggins	CO, 2675th Regt	Rept on Req Veh's.
11	21 Sep 44	Lt Col Scoggins	CO, RAAC	No. of ACC Req Vehs.
12	17 Oct 44	G-5, AFHQ	Hq, AC	Req of Veh's.
13	14 Oct 44	AFHQ	See Distribution	Req of Veh's.
14	20 Oct 44	Col Parkin	Lt Col Shipp	Proc on Req of Vehs.
15	20 Oct 44	Col Parkin	Col Cripps	" " " " "
16	21 Oct 44	G-4 (B)	Col Parkin	Req of Vehicles
17	24 Oct 44	Tn S/C	See Distribution	Req Vehicles.
18	24 Oct 44	Col Parkin	G-5, AFHQ	Req of Vehicles.
19	9 Nov 44	Col Flske	L/U & A/X Regions	" " " " "
20	28 Dec 44	Col Parkin	Liguria Region	Req & Dereq Authty.
21	17 Jan 45	Estab Sec	See Distribution	AC Veh's other than War Department.
22	8 Jan 45	Chief Commr.	G-5, AFHQ	Req Veh of AC.
23	24 Jan 45	Col Flske	Pres del Consiglio	Pass. Veh for AC.
24	24 Jan 45	Col Parkin	G-5, AFHQ	Rept of Civ Veh
25	15 Feb 45	Lt Amoruso	Col Parkin	Records in SR.
26	22 Feb 45	Chief Commr.	G-5, AFHQ	Req Veh's.
27	27 Feb 45	Col Flske	L/U Region	Withdrawal of Civ
28	6 Mar 45	Gen Spofford	Hq, AC	Req Veh fr L/U Reg.
29	25 Mar 45	Col Bowman	Col Parkin	Req Veh's.
30	30 Mar 45	Col Parkin	Col Bowman	" " " " "
31	27 Mar 45	Col Parkin	Col Bowman	Illegal Req of Veh.
32	14 Apr 45	MTUSA	All Concerned	Req, Dereq or Rental
33	27 Apr 45	Col Bowman	Col Parkin	Civ Veh by US Forces
34	26 Apr 45	Col Parkin	Col Bowman	Req Veh's.
35	30 Apr 45	Col Parkin	Liaison O, Palermo	1st Ind to above.
36	27 Apr 45	Col Bowman	Piemonte Region	Req Veh remaining in Sicily.
37	2 June 45	Col Parkin	V.P. Civil Affairs	Auth Req Mot Veh's.
38	17 Dec 44	Hq MTOUSA	All Concerned	Veh Req by AMG/AC
39	24 Jan 45	Col Parkin	AFHQ	Exhibit "A" re: above.

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31	27 Mar 45	Col Parkin	Col Bowman	" " " "
32	14 Apr 45	MTOSA	All Concerned	3265
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39	24 Jan 45	Col Parkin	All Concerned	In Sicily.
40	6 Mar 45	AFHQ G-5	AFHQ	Auth Req Mot Veh's.
41	1 Feb 45	LEGISLATIVE DECRET OF THE LT. GEN. #46	Hq A.C.	Veh Req by AMB/AC
42	28 May 45	AFHQ G-5	Hq AC	Exhibit "A" re: above.
43	22 Jun 45	MAAP	Hq 214 GP, RAP	Exhibit "B" re: above.
44	25 Jun 45	Col Parkin	MAAP	Exhibit "C" re: above.
45	31 Jun 45	Col Parkin	Hq Rome Area	Exhibit "D" re: above.
46	6 Jul 45	Col. Parkin	G-4 MTOSA	Chrysler coupe
47	15 Jul 45	Req Off Co I	G-4 Hq A.C.	Reply to above
				Civ Req. Vehicles
				" " " "
				Req on Civ Vehicles

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INFORMAL ROUTINGHEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394File
CMP

File:

Date

SUBJECT:

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across the sheet just below initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long memos.

No.	From	To	Date	
1	A/VP	G 4 B1	7/23	1. We are above our allotment of Reg Yach on the US side 2. I approve of Par 2 but would like your views. O M P Col
2	G 4 (B)	A/V.P.	7/24	I agree para 2 provided they get a proper discharge from the owners. I expressed this view to Lt Col Hartley when on tour. My suggestion in para 1 was actually withdrawn before I left Bologna. B.H.H.
3	A/VP	G 4 A	7/25	For remarks CMP & letter to G.I.
4	lt. Quinn	A/VP B1 Sec.	7/25	This matter has been discussed with G-4's A & B and Capt Pauselli in relation to (47) return them. J. J. Quinn 1st. Sub.

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COMPANY "I"
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION
(OVERHEAD)
APO 394

15 July 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Vehicles

TO : Headquarters Allied Commission, Office of G-4 (A)

Att: Lt AMOSUSO

1. The authority to requisition the following vehicles have been sent to 8th Army, but a month has transpired and we've had no answer since AND 8th Army is now non-existent and the party concerned in 8th Army cannot be found. Major Haslam suggested that I contact you and ask if the vehicles could be requisitioned thru G-4 (A).

Fiat 508c	Engine #221907	Chassis #221365
Fiat 1100	203309	None
Lancia Ardenn	24/992	28/1993
Bianchi 8/9	54496	54496
Lancia Aprilia	37-2923	None
Fiat 505c	261193	255045
Fiat 508c	253750	48775
Peugeot Saloon	340357	840357
Lancia Augusta	None	None
Fiat 1100	2928883	214719
Lancia Ardea	M.250-4065	74691

2. Request authority to return vehicles to civilians concerned, as requisitioning of these vehicles are still in temporary receipt stage.

Michael R. Faselli
MICHAEL R. FASELLI
CAPT., CAC
Req. Officer

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COLL. C.M. PARKER

FOR ACTION GEORGE DASH FOUR MTCH3A

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6 JULY 45

ROUTINE

RESTRICTED PD

SUBJECT IS UNAUTHORIZED REQUISITIONING OF CIVILIAN VEHICLES PD
PAREN TO FOR ACTION GEORGE DASH FOUR MTCH3A FROM ALCON CITE ACIDA PAREN
 PAR ONE PD REFERENCE YOUR FOX XRAY ONE FOUR ONE FOUR EIGHT OF TWO
 NIGHT JUNE FOUR FIVE REPORTS RECEIVED FROM NORTHERN REGION STATE
 LOMBARDIA REGION HAS PROCURED FOR REQUISITION SIX TWO CIVILIAN VEHICLES
 ON TEMPORARY RECEIPTS AGAINST CEILING OF ONE FOUR ZERO AUTHORIZED BY
 GEORGE DASH FOUR FIFTH ARMY PD PINWORTH REGION HAS PROCURED SIX ONE
 VEHICLES AGAINST A CEILING OF ONE ZERO SEVEN AUTHORIZED BY GEORGE DASH
 FOUR FIFTH ARMY PD REQUISITIONS FOR ALL OF THESE VEHICLES ARE BEING
 COMPLETED FOR TRANSMISSION TO GEORGE DASH FOUR FIFTH ARMY FOR APPROVAL
 PD VEHICLES ARE BEING USED IN OPERATION OF ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
 PERSONNEL IN THE NORTH PD AUTHORITY TO PROCURE THESE VEHICLES IS
 BASED ON PARAGRAPH THREE OF AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM FIVE NINE OF
 ONE THREE DECEMBER FOUR FOUR CMA ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS ABLE GEORGE
 FOUR FIVE ONE SLANT ZERO ONE SEVEN GEORGE EASY GEORGE DASH ZERO OF ONE
 TWO MARCH FOUR FIVE SUBJECT REQUISITIONED VEHICLES FOR USE OF AMG

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OFFICERS AND FIRST INCORPORATION FIFTH ARMY TO ALLIED COMMISSION DATED
TWO FIVE APRIL FOUR FIVE PD REQUISITIONING OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THESE
REGIONS WILL BE PROVEN BY THIS HEADQUARTERS AND IF ABOVE MENTIONED
REFERENCES DO NOT CONSTITUTE A FIRM AUTHORITY TO REQUISITION VEHICLES
IT IS REQUESTED THAT AFHQ APOSTROPHE SUGAR INTERPRETATION OF ABOVE
REFERENCES BE FORWARDED IN ORDER THAT INSTRUCTIONS MAY BE ISSUED TO
NORTHERN REGIONS REGARDING THESE VEHICLES

EXECUTIVE OFFICER (US)

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C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Inf.
Exec. Off. (US)

NICHOLAS FLORENCE
CWO
ASSISTANT ADJUTANT

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Col. C. H.

Ltr, HQ Rome Area, HTUSA, APO 794, dtd 23 Jan 45, sub: "Accountability for Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles".

04/41/A

1st Inf

CMP/TJA/see

HEADQUARTERS, 267TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERS), APO 394, 31 June 45

TO: Headquarters Rome Area, HTUSA, APO 794, U. S. ARMY.

1. Vehicles listed on consolidated shipping ticket are held against T/S of 267th Regiment and this regiment is accountable to Headquarters Command, AF, for same vehicles.

2. Although HQAC did screen all requests of A. C. to requisition these vehicles, this regiment is not responsible to HQAC for them. HQAC's G-4 retained a copy of requisition signed by G-4 (A), A. C., for record only.

3. Consolidated shipping ticket is herewith returned.

CMP
C. H. PARKIN
Colonel, IAF.
Commanding

1 Incl.
Consolidated Shipping Ticket (dup).

Monographed letter

HEADQUARTERS ROME AREA, MTUSA
APO 794, US ARMY

4135
5/6 July 1945
JFL/CHM/az
25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Accountability for Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles.
TO : Allied Military Government.

1. Attached hereto is consolidated Shipping Ticket for Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles issued your organization.
2. Acknowledge receipt by signing Shipping Ticket and returning original copy to this Command without delay.
3. Any deficiencies appearing on Shipping Ticket, request an attached letter giving full particulars.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

/s/ C. B. Murphy
/t/ C. B. MURPHY
Major, AGD.
Adjutant General.

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Col. C. M. PARKIN

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
(Establishment Section)

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GA/RY/C 191X-CD

25 June 1945

SUBJECT: Chrysler Imperial Coupe.

TO : Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, C.M.F.

1. Reference your MAAP/4880/2/34 copy of which was sent this Headquarters, it is noted that your Headquarters is under the impression that subject vehicle is being derequisitioned.

2. You are hereby informed that this Headquarters has not the intention of derequisitioning the vehicle and it is wondered what the source of information was pertaining to its derequisition.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER:

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

COPY

From : Headquarters, Mediterranean Allied Air Forces, C.M.F.

To : Headquarters, No. 214 Group, R.A.F.

Date : 22nd June 1945.

Ref : MAAF/4880/2/EQ.

REQUISITION OF CHRYSLER COUPE.

You are requested to take action to requisition the following vehicle for H.Q. M.A.A.F. (Unit).

Chrysler Imperial - 1937 type Coupe'
License no. CD 191X, engine no. C 147723

2. This vehicle is at present requisitioned by Allied Commission, Rome, which Headquarters is about to derequisitioned the vehicle.

3. When the negotiation has been completed you are to inform H.Q. M.A.A.F. (Unit), copy to this Headquarters, and arrangements will be made to transfer the vehicle from Rome to Caserta.

4. The Chrysler Coupe' is deficient of the following parts:

Radio
All shock absorbers front and rear
Voltage regulator
Headlight Bulbs
Windshield Wipers
Half-shaft broken, and main-shaft ball bearings
broken and damage to the gear box.

and may be accepted in that condition.

s/ ? Wing Commander,
for Air Commodore,
Chief Maintenance Staff Officer.

Copies:
Allied Commission, Rome.
H.Q. M.A.A.F. (Unit)

COPY

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

Ref. T-13

28 May 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394

1. On 6 March a letter was sent to Allied Commission ref T-13 on the subject of 'Requisitioned Vehicles.' This letter authorized 750 vehicles to be held surplus to TE/WE for civilian personnel attached to the A.C. and outlined a detailed procedure whereby all vehicles therefore requisitioned were to be returned to the Italian Government and loaned back by it to the Allied Commission for essential operations. It is understood that action has not been completed in this manner. At a conference held at this HQ on 19 May 1945, at which members of G-4 (A) and G-4 (B) of Allied Commission were present, it was determined that a total of 1,413 Italian vehicles have been requisitioned by or for AG/AMC personnel for civil affairs operations. All these vehicles are presently accounted for by the 2675th Regt. Allied Commission (Ovhd). It was explained that only 786 of these 1,413 vehicles are presently possessed. Of the remainder approximately 40 are unaccounted for.

2. If such action has not already been taken it is requested that the Allied Commission, by exchange of letters with the Italian Government, obtain agreement that all requisitioned vehicles now or previously requisitioned by U.S. or British agencies for use of AG/AMC shall be deemed to have been delivered to the competent Italian authorities under legislative decree No. 46 of 1 Feb 1945 and that all liability in respect thereof rests upon the Italian Government. Arrangements should at the same time be made whereby 750 vehicles authorized by our letter of 6 March and such additional requisitioned vehicles as may be necessary to fill deficiencies in A.C. authorized TE/WE will be loaned to the Allied Commission for essential purposes. Sufficient documents covering the requisition of vehicles now or previously held by Allied Commission should be furnished to the Italian Government, with a statement that such vehicles were acquired for joint US/UK use. The undertaking of the Italian Government should provide for similar treatment of vehicles hereafter requisitioned for use of A.C.

/s/ Charles McSpofford
/t/ CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, U.S.C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5

Copies to : G-4
Q(AE)
Ord(A)
I.C.D.

Exhibit 'F'

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Legislative Decree of the Lieutenant General No. 46 of 1 February 1945.

RULES CONCERNING THE PAYMENT OF INDEMNITIES IN RESPECT OF MOTOR VEHICLES
REQUISITIONED BY THE ALLIED AUTHORITIES.

Umberto di Savoia
Prince of Piemonte
Lieutenant General of the Kingdom

By virtue of power vested in US,

Considering the R. Decree of 18 August 1940, No. 1741, concerning the regulations of the requisitions and payment approved as by R.D. 21 January 1941 No. 688, in respect of the functioning of the "Comitato Giurisdizionale Centrale" for the controversies arising in requisitioning matter;

Considering the Legislative Decree of the Lieutenant General of 1 November 1944 No. 385, concerning the appointment of the "Comitati Giurisdizionali territoriali" for the settling of any controversy relating to the requisitions;

Considering the Consolidated Text of the Laws in respect of the requisitioning of quadrupeds and vehicles for the Italian Royal Army and Italian Royal Marine, approved by R.D. 31 January 1926 No. 452, and the relative rules approved by R.D. 11 December 1927 No. 2598, and its further amendments;

Considering the Art. 4 of Legislative Decree of the Lieutenant General of 25 June 1944, No. 151;

Considering the deliberation of the Council of the Ministers;

Upon proposal of the President of the Council of Ministers, Prime Minister of the State, and Minister for Interior Affairs, together with the Ministers, Secretaries of the State, for Foreign Affairs, of Grace and Justice, Finance, Treasury, War, Marine, Aviation, Public Instruction, Public Works, Agriculture and Forests, Transport, Post

and Telecommunications, Industry, Commerce and Labour;

We have Ordered and hereby ORDER as follows:

Article 1.

The "Ispettorati Compartimentali della motorizzazione civile" (District Inspectorate of Civil Motor Transportation) are entrusted with receiving in their custody from the Allied Authorities all motorvehicles formerly requisitioned by the latter and now returned.

At the moment of the delivery a report, in duplicate, shall be made, containing all the details concerning the identification of said motorvehicles, their actual condition, the place and the period of requisition, plus any other useful information. A copy of such record shall be handed to the Allied Authorities. By so doing the Allied Authorities are discharged of any responsibility as to the expired requisition and use of the motorvehicles.

Article 2.

A Committee composed of (1) the Director of the "Ispettorato etc.", (2) the local official in charge of the public register for motorvehicles, and (3) the local Finance Intendant, is appointed for every "Ispettorato etc".

The secretarial functions are carried out by an official of the Ispettorato appointed by the Director of the same Ispettorato.

The Committee shall take all the necessary steps act to find out the owner of the motorvehicle.

Should the motorvehicles belong to the Administration of the State, Communes, Provinces (or to some of the bodies or persons mentioned in Art. 2 of Consolidated Text approved by R.D. 31 January 1926 No.452, amended by Art. 3 of the Law 24 March 1942, No. 479) the Committee shall take care of their immediate delivery; otherwise the Committee has to

inform the President of the Council of Ministers about the available motorcars undispensed of. The President may order, within 60 days from the date of communication, the requisition of the vehicle, assigning its destination. Such requisition is carried out by the Committee, under the terms of Arts. 41 and following of the R.D. of 18 August 1940 No. 1741, as far as they are applicable.

Article 3.

The indemnity due to the owner for the use and the eventual deterioration of the motorvehicle is settled according to the principles fixed in the Consolidated Text approved by the R.D. 31 January 1926, No. 452, and in the regulations approved by R.D. 11 December 1927, No. 2598, and its further amendments.

The settlement is made by the Committee mentioned in para. 1 of Art. 2.

Article 4.

If the motorcar has been requisitioned in accordance with para. 3 and 4 of Art. 2, the Committee mentioned in para. 1 of the said Article, has to take care of the settlement of what is due to the owner for the requisition ordered by the Allied Authorities as well as by the President of the Council of Ministers, in compliance with the criteria, as far as they are applicable, fixed (1) in the a/m Consolidated Text approved by the R.D. 31 January 1926 No. 452, and (2) the relative regulations and their further amendments.

Article 5.

The owner may file a claim to the Jurisdictional Committees provided by Arts. 77 and 78 of R.D. 18 August 1940 No. 1741, and of the Legislative Decree of the Lieutenant General of 1 Nov. 1944 No. 385,

within 30 days from the date of notification of the provision by which the indemnity is to be settled.

The provisions of R.D. 18 August 1940, No. 1741, and the regulations approved by R.D. of 21 June 1941, No. 668 have to be observed, as far as they are applicable, for the handling of such claims.

Article 6.

If the owner of the motorvehicle has not been traced and if the same motorvehicle has to be requisitioned according to paras. 3 and 4 of Art. 2, the indication prescribed in No. 4 of the Article 42 of the R.D. 18 August 1940, No. 1741 shall be omitted in the order set for by the same Article. The notification of such order has to be given to the secretary's office of the Comune where the Committee is sitting.

As soon as the indemnity has been fixed, the Committee passes communication of it into the Gazzetta Ufficiale of the Kingdom, specifying all the data relative to the identification of the motorvehicle. Such an announcement is to be considered, to all effects, as the official communication to the owner concerned.

At the expiration of 30 days from the date of publication if the proprietor has not yet appeared, the Committee orders the deposit of the amount to be paid, minus the expenses, to the "Cassa Depositi & Prestiti", at disposal of the person entitled to such indemnity, noting all the data necessary for the identification of the motorvehicle.

Upon production of the "libretto di circolazione" of the motorvehicle or of an equivalent document the Cassa Depositi & Prestiti delivers the deposited sum to the persons entitled to it.

The provisions of this article apply also to cases in which the requisition in use may be converted into property.

Article 7.

If the proprietor of the motorvehicle has not been located nor any requisition has been ordered for the same motorvehicle according to paras. 3 and 4 of Article 2, the Committee mentioned in para 1 of the same Article shall make known that the motorvehicle is available, by publishing the particulars of said motorvehicle in the Gazzetta Ufficiale of the Kingdom.

If, upon expiration of 30 days from the date of publication the proprietor has not appeared, the Committee shall take the necessary action for alienating the motorvehicle by public auction through a judicial official, and shall deposit the proceeds, minus the expenses, to the "Cassa Depositi & Prestiti", at disposal of the person entitled to such indemnity. The necessary data as to the identification of the motorvehicle must be furnished.

The indemnity settled under Article 3 has to be deposited together with the proceeds of the sale.

The "Cassa Depositi & Prestiti" delivers the deposited amounts to the persons entitled to, upon production of the "libretto di circolazione" of the motorvehicle or of an equivalent document.

The provisions of the 1, 2 and 4 para of this article apply also to cases in which after expiration of the requisition, the motorvehicle has to be re-delivered to the owner.

Article 8.

The indemnities liquidated under Arts. 3 and 5 are to be paid with the funds put at disposal by the Minister of Transport; those settled under Arts. 4, 5 are to be paid with the funds put at disposal of the Administration on behalf of which the requisition has been ordered by the President of the Council of Ministers.

Article 9.

The members of the Committee are entitled only to the usual attendance fees for those days they are actually sitting.

The secretary of the Committee is entitled to a bonus proportionate to the compensations received by the members of said Committee.

Article 10.

The Minister of Treasury is authorized to issue decrees for the allotment of the necessary funds available for use by the Ministry of Transport.

Article 11.

This Decree shall be effective on the following day of its publication in the "Gazzetta Ufficiale" of the Kingdom.

We order everyone is concerned to obey this decree and to have it observed as a Law of the State.

Issued in Rome on 1st February 1945,

UMBERTO DI SAVOIA

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 51E

T-13

6 March 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. It has been submitted that the vehicle TO/WE of AC does not cater for attached personnel such as Allied Government officials, Foreign Missions and Italian Government officials in AMG territory.

2. The question has been studied by Staff Sections both British and American at this Headquarters, and it is agreed that justification has been made for the use of Italian Civil Vehicles for these attached personnel. It is considered that a total of 375 roadworthy vehicles is necessary to meet the commitments listed. It is further considered that a ratio of 2 to 1 will permit a sufficient pool of vehicles to be maintained in a road-worthy condition. 750 civilian passenger vehicles are, therefore, authorized surplus to TO/WE from Italian Government sources.

3. The proposed plan to transfer to the Italian Government the requisition of vehicles already held by A.C. and then to use the vehicles on loan from the Italian Government for personnel attached to A.C. is agreed, subject to the following stipulations:

a. No precedent is established and the policy defined in AFHQ Admin Memo No. 59 is in no way altered. The vehicles concerned to a total of 750 will be held surplus to TO/WE as a special case on the authority of this letter.

b. Formal approval to the plan must be obtained in writing from the Italian Government who must guarantee to indemnify the Allies against any claims arising in the future from the owners of vehicles.

c. The authority of this letter will be the subject of review quarterly and in the light of events the authority may be withdrawn when, in the opinion of this Headquarters, your commitments for the use of the vehicles have changed.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Brigadier General, G. S. C.
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

Exhibit C

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

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24 January 1945

SUBJECT: Passenger Vehicles for Allied Commission.

TO : Commanding General,
Allied Force Headquarters,
G-3 Section,
APO 512, U.S. Army.

ATTENTION: Colonel J. E. Datterworth, Economics and Supply Section.

1. Reference is made to:

a. Allied Force Headquarters Administrative Memorandum Number 59, dated 13 December 1944, subject: "Requisitioning and Derequisitioning of Civilian Motor Transport."

b. WFOUA letter, AG 451/764 D-0, dated 17 December 1944, subject: "Requisitioning, Derequisitioning, or Rental of Civilian Motor Vehicles by the United States Military Forces."

c. Headquarters, Allied Commission, letter, 92/STT, dated 6 January 1945, subject: "Allied Commission Personnel Vehicles" (other than War Department).

d. Allied Force Headquarters, G-3 Section, letter, T-13, dated 9 January 1945, subject: "Passenger Vehicles for 8675 Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)."

e. Allied Force Headquarters, G-3 Section, letter, T-13, dated 11 January 1945, subject: "Passenger Vehicles for 8675 Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)."

2. The proposed plan of transferring requisitions from U. S. Army paper to Italian Government requisitions and loan of subject vehicles back to the Allied Commission has been communicated to the Italian Government, and the plan is under discussion by the Italian Prime Minister's Office.

3. In order that Allied Force Headquarters may approve a ceiling for vehicles needed for personnel connected with AC not on AC's Table of Organization, the statistics shown below indicate number and type of personnel

Exhibit "B"

COPY

Ltr, Hq. AC, 1st Sec, dtd Jan 45, file 04/41/A, sub: Passenger Vehicles for Allied Commission.

transportation is needed for:

Personnel Other than T/O

a) American and British Officers above T/O	220
b) Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees	
U.N.R.R.A. Officials	
State Department Officials	
United States Public Health Official	175
c) Foreign Military Mission to the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission	
Russian Military Mission	33
Czechoslovakian Military Mission	9
French Military Mission	8
Polish Military Mission	6
Norwegian Military Mission	5
Belgian Military Mission	7
Chinese Military Mission	2
Greek Military Mission	15
Netherlands Military Mission	8
Royal Yugoslav Military Mission	25
N.L.A.Y. Military Mission	29
d) Partisan Groups, Patriots Branch	95
e) Soviet Mission to Allied Commission	9
f) Italian Government Officials in AMG Territory, i.e., Prefects, Sindacos, Intendente di Finanze, Tribunali Members, Carabinieri Officials, Bankers, Tax Collectors	200

TOTAL 202

4. Functions of units listed in paragraph 3 above:

a. The number of officers shown as over and above T/O includes officers, British and American, assigned to Sub-Commissions plus a Civil Censorship Group that consists of officers stationed in all Regions of AC for whom transportation must be afforded in order for them to function efficiently.

b. For the category of Allied civilian personnel attached,

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Ltr. HQ AG, Est Sec, dtd Jan 45, file 65/41/A, sub: passenger Vehicles for Allied Commission.

transportation is essential since:

(1) The Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees includes personnel responsible for establishment of refugee camps all over liberated Italy.

(2) U.N.R.R.A. officials are employed in the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation program for all of Italy.

(3) State Department officials, i.e., Engineers, Transportation, Shipping, and Welfare experts operate to a large extent in the field and must travel extensively, and United States Public Health officials whose work is done exclusively in the field on typhoid, malaria and other disease prevention projects.

c. The eleven Foreign Military Missions working in conjunction with the Displaced Persons and Repatriation sub-Commission of this Commission are employed throughout liberated Italy, caring and providing relief for nationals of their respective countries and are essential in assisting the Displaced Persons and Repatriation program of Allied Commission.

d. As the Allied Armies move forward, the activities of the Italian partisan groups under the supervision and direction of AG's Patriots Branch necessitate providing transport to various partisan groups who lack suitable transport. Their work has been very helpful to the war effort and their operation in the future depends on the provision of suitable transport by AG.

e. The Soviet Mission to the Allied Commission is a group of Soviet Representatives from Moscow to the Allied Commission, representing the Soviet Government. Their function here has necessitated that AG furnish the Russian General and his staff with transport.

f. Since the Italian Government does not have requisitioning authority in Allied Military Government territory, and since it is necessary for the rehabilitation of that territory that Italian officials and AMG officials work in unity with each other, it has been necessary to furnish transport to Government officials such as:

- (1) Prefect - Governor and his staff
- (2) Intendente di Finanza - Treasury officials
- (3) Carabinieri - Police authorities
- (4) Tribunali officials - Legal authorities
- (5) Consorzio officials - State agricultural officials and food-distributing agencies

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5. The Commission feels that unless sufficient transport can be provided for the various categories of personnel attached to us, other than T/O, Allied Commission and Military Government functions will suffer considerably and units listed in Para 3 will be seriously handicapped.

6. a) The number of civilian requisitioned vehicles on hand by the Commission is nine hundred (900) of which six hundred are in apparent roadworthy condition. The remaining three hundred vehicles are in shops lacking tires and tubes or awaiting repairs which will take considerable time to be effected.

b) In order that minimum needs of transportation can be afforded, it has become necessary to utilize the 900 vehicles that are not at present roadworthy either by interchanging of tires, tubes, batteries, spare parts to other vehicles and sometimes exchanging vehicles to meet with emergencies. The mechanical condition of our present 900 vehicles is such that maintaining 600 vehicles roadworthy at all times is in itself a difficult task. Our experiences have indicated that it takes at least three requisitioned civilian cars to maintain one car in apparent roadworthy condition and at times this is not sufficient.

c) Further justification for the retention of these vehicles is offered in that a newly proposed T/E has been disapproved for 2675 Regiment by the War Department, placing this Organization in a critical position regarding transportation for T/O personnel.

d) It is therefore requested that this Commission be permitted to retain the nine hundred vehicles on our present strength on a proposed loan basis from the Italian Government.

e) If civilian requisitioned vehicles are to be held against T/E deficiencies, it is further requested that civilian cars be charged against the T/E on a ratio basis of three civilian cars to one military passenger carrying vehicle for reasons stated in (b) above.

For the Deputy Chief of Staff.

C. E. HARRIN
Colonel, Infantry,
Executive Officer (US)

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AG 451/764 D-O

17 December 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioning, Derequisitioning, or Rental of Civilian
Motor Vehicles by United States Military Forces.

TO : All Concerned.

1. Reference is made to:

- a. Section II, Allied Force Headquarters, Administrative Memorandum Number 59, dated 13 December 1944, subject: "Requisitioning and Derequisitioning of Civilian Motor Transport".
- b. Allied Force Headquarters Administrative Memorandum Number 95, dated 27 December 1943, subject: "Payments in Italian Territory".
- c. Allied Force Headquarters Memorandum Number 31, dated 1 August 1944, subject: "Payments in Italian Territory".
- d. Allied Force Headquarters Administrative Memorandum Number 57, dated 11 December 1944, subject: "Powers and Rights of Allied Forces in Italian Government Territory".

2. In accordance with above cited, the following organizations are authorized to requisition and derequisition civilian motor vehicles in the areas of their respective responsibility under United States Army jurisdiction, south of the rear boundary of the 15th Army Group:

- a. Peninsular Base Section
- b. Headquarters Command, Allied Force
- c. Rome Area MTOUSA
- d. Adriatic Depot

3. A list of all requisitioned civilian motor vehicles presently on hand will be submitted immediately to this headquarters by the above for each unit under their command. A similar list will be submitted by Army Air Forces Service Command, MTO for all United States Air Force Units. Lists will include the following information, and will be kept up to date by all subsequent changes:

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 dtd 17 December 1944 (Cont'd)

- a. Using unit.
 - b. Model and type of vehicle.
 - c. Make or manufacturer of vehicle.
 - d. Army Registration Number assigned to vehicle.
 - e. Condition as to serviceable, unserviceable, or salvaged.
 - f. AUTHORIZATION: (1) Applies to an approved T/O & E. is authorized by an excess authorization (state authorization), or is an unauthorized excess.
 - g. Vehicle substituted in lieu of War Department vehicle, type _____.
4. All civilian vehicles required by the United States Air Corps will be requisitioned by PERBARE or AERIAL DEPOT in their respective areas of responsibility.
 5. It will be the responsibility of the requisitioning headquarters to maintain and control requisitioned civilian motor vehicles within its area of responsibility in accordance with existing United States Army regulations.
 6. Inasmuch as civilian motor vehicles requisitioned through United States military channels are considered to be the property of the United States Government non-United States Military personnel authorized by commanding officers to operate this transportation will be held individually responsible in case of loss or damage to this property through neglect.
 7. Prior to derequisitioning of a serviceable vehicle to its owner or the Italian Government, approval of this headquarters will be secured.
 8. No vehicles will be rented from without prior approval of this headquarters.

By command of Lieutenant General MONTAGNEY:

/s/ R.H. Freese
 /t/ R.H. FRESE
 Captain, AGD,
 Asst Adjutant General.

DISTRIBUTION

- 2 - CG, 15th Army Group
- 2 - CG, AAF/MTO
- 5 - AAFSC/MTO
- 5 - PEN BASE
- 3 - PEN SOUTH
- 5 - Hq Command, AF
- 5 - Rome Area MTOUSA
- 5 - Aerial Depot
- 5 - G-4 (A)
- 5 - ORD (US)
- 1 - JA
- 1 - IO
- 2 - AG Records

Col. C.M. PARKIN

Vehicles

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
(Establishment Section)

CMP/FJA/sc

G4/41/A

2 June 1945

SUBJECT: Property Requisitioned by AMG/ACC/AC.

TO : Vice President, Civil Affairs Section,
Headquarters, Allied Commission.

1. Beginning with the occupation of Sicily and continuing on the mainland, AMG/ACC and A.C. military authorities requisitioned for military needs in Italy some fourteen hundred (1400) civilian motor vehicles from Italian and other civilians.

2. On May 1, 1944, Headquarters Allied Commission published an Establishment Memorandum Number 14 which laid down rules governing requisitioning of civilian vehicles. It was also agreed at that time that the requisitioning of civilian vehicles, spare parts and other accessories would be effected by U.S. Requisitions since British G-4 instructions were that no vehicles could be held surplus to the British S/E allowances. Therefore at present all fourteen hundred (1400) civilian vehicles on strength of A.C. plus a large number of spare parts and accessories, are U.S. Requisitioned, and are on record in the Requisition Section of G-4 (A).

3. On 17 December 1944, Headquarters MTOUSA published a directive (Exhibit "A" attached) which placed the 8675th Regiment accountable for all vehicles requisitioned by A.C. since these vehicles had been requisitioned on U.S. Army Requisitioning Forms. This MTOUSA directive also provided that all such vehicles be treated in accordance with existing U.S. Army Regulations and that no such vehicles would be held surplus to the T/E of 8675th Regt without proper authority. Requisitioning and Derequisitioning authority previously delegated to A.C. was rescinded.

4. On 24 January 1945, this Headquarters submitted to G-5 AFHQ justification for retention of nine hundred (900) civilian vehicles in excess of T/E (See Exhibit "B").

5. In response to A.C.'s letter offering justification, G-5 answered on 6 March 1945 that authority could be granted A.C. to retain seven hundred

Ltr. Hq, AC, Office of G-4 (A), dtd 2 June 48, file G4/41/A, subject: "Property Requisitioned by AMO/ACC/AC".

and fifty (750) civilian requisitioned vehicles in excess of T/E but that all vehicles and requisitions already held by A.C would be transferred to the Italian Government and the seven hundred and fifty (750) authorized vehicles would be loaned from Italian Government back to Allied Commission. This letter also required that formal approval to the plan be obtained in writing from Italian Government guaranteeing that Allies would be indemnified against any and all claims arising in the future from owners of these A.C requisitioned cars (See Exhibit "C").

6. On 24 January 1948, Allied Commission in a letter to the Italian Prime Minister's office presented the plan of transfer (Exhibit "D") in accordance with instructions received from G-6. To date no reply has been received and many attempts have been made since to obtain a reply without success.

7. On 1 February 1948, the Italian Government published "Legislative Decree of Lieut. General No. 46" (Exhibit "E") which provides that the "Ispettorati Compartimentali della Motorizzazione" is to be the Italian agency to receive in their custody vehicles no longer needed by Allied authorities, and that this agency be responsible for returning these vehicles to their respective owners with reimbursement. The Decree in no way provides for reimbursement to owners of vehicles which A.C requisitioned and no longer have, i.e., vehicles salvaged for spare parts, derequisitioned, stolen, or otherwise disposed of.

8. An inspection of records in G-4 (A) made on VE day, 8 May 1948, showed that of the fourteen hundred vehicles already requisitioned by A.C some 786 remain; the remainder having been derequisitioned, salvaged, transferred or stolen. To date no provisions have been made by Italian Government to provide reimbursement to owners of vehicles A.C no longer possesses nor has the Italian Government designated any agency to receive the requisitions and files from A.C covering all this requisitioned property.

9. At a conference held at Allied Force Headquarters on 19 May 1948, the entire issue of requisitioned vehicles and spare parts held by A.C was discussed, and it was directed that 50% of all Allied Commission's requisitions should be written off to the British Government and 50% to the U.S. Government. Since this would be a tremendously difficult administrative task, it was agreed that all U.S. requisitions for vehicles and other property held by A.C would be stamped "This property is requisitioned jointly for use by U.S. and British Personnel". It was agreed that this stamp would automatically place joint responsibility on both British and U.S. Government in event of any claim arising in the future. It was also directed that A.C contact the appropriate Italian Agency to be able to receive transfer of requisitions and files as soon as possible.

Ltr. HQ, AC, Office of G-4 (A), dtd 2 June 45, file G4/41/A, subject: "Property Requisitioned by AMG/ACC/AC".

10. G-4 (A) for the past two weeks has endeavored to locate the proper Italian Authorities without results.

11. Attached as Exhibit "F", is copy of letter signed by Brigadier General Charles E. Spofford from G-4, directing that A.C transfer civilian requisitioned vehicles records to Italian Government and obtain seven hundred and fifty (750) vehicles in return on a loan basis.

12. In view of conditions set forth in all of the foregoing paragraphs, the following recommendations are presented for immediate discussion and action. It is recommended that:

a. A conference be arranged with persons attending from:

- 1) Italian Prime Minister's office.
- 2) Ministry of Communications.
- 3) Ministry of Finance.
- 4) Ispettorato Generale della Motorizzazione.
- 5) Establishment Section "G-4 (A)".
- 6) Finance Sub-Commission.
- 7) Legal Sub-Commission.

b. That the agenda for the meeting include:

- 1) Explanation of Allied Commission Requisitioning Policy Present Status Concerning Vehicles.
- 2) Italian Government Responsibility for Reimbursement to Owners of Property Requisitioned by Allied Commission.
- 3) Agency to Be Designated (Ispettorato Generale della Motorizzazione) to receive all requisitioned vehicles, files and records from A.C.
- 4) Instructions from Allied Force Headquarters.
- 5) Date for Final Transfer of All Requisitions and Files.

Ltr, Hq, AC, Office of G-4 (A), dtd 2 June 48, file 04/41/A, subject:
Property Requisitioned by AMO/ACG/AC.

13. This entire subject has been one of considerable concern, correspondence and meetings between Allied Commission and Allied Force Headquarters, and it is felt that unless immediate action is taken to clarify the entire question, Allied Force Headquarters will direct A.C. to explain the reasons for not obeying specific instructions.

C. H. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer (US)

Attachments:

Exhibit "A", "B", "C", "D", "E", "F".

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 894
(Establishment Section)

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30 April 1945

SUBJECT: Authority to Requisition Civilian Motor Vehicles.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Piemonte Region,
Allied Military Government.

ATTENTION: 1st Lt. J.A. Davis, Requisitioning Officer.

1. The T/R vacancies passenger carrying motor vehicles in your Region have been forwarded to G-4, Fifth Army, and in accordance with provisions of AC 451/017 GMD-O of 12 March 45, subject "Requisitioned Vehicles for use of AMG Officers". G-4, Fifth Army, have authorized requisitioning of and have approved the procedure to be adopted in procurement of civilian motor vehicles to make up these vehicle deficiencies.

2. Piemonte Region is hereby authorized to obtain sixty (60) civilian motor vehicles in the following manner:

a) Vehicles will be obtained from owners on a temporary receipt (Form R-8). This form will be made in duplicate, original to owner and duplicate will be forwarded to Regional Requisitioning Officer.

b) Regional Requisitioning Officers upon receipt of the duplicate form R-8 will prepare formal requisitions in quintuplicate, present one (1) copy to owner, retain two (2) copies and will forward remaining two (2) copies to G-4, Headquarters, A.C., who will in turn forward these copies to G-4, Fifth Army for final approval. Upon presentation of a formal requisition to owner, temporary receipt will be retrieved.

c) Upon receipt from G-4, Fifth Army, of the approved Requisitions, one (1) copy will be returned to the Region for record. In the event that a requisition is disapproved by G-4, Fifth Army, Regions will be notified.

3. All present Allied Commission directives governing Registration and Accountability for requisitioned vehicles will remain in effect. Copies of Establishment Memorandums 13, 14 and 21 of 1944 and Establishment Memorandum Number 5 of 1945 are attached. Supply of Registration Certificate, Requisition Forms and temporary Receipts have been furnished to Requisitioning Officers.

Ltr, HQ, AG, Establishment Section, dtd 30 April 45, file 04/41/A, sub:
"Authority to Requisition Civilian Motor Vehicles".

4. It is requested that you acknowledge receipt of this communication
as soon as possible.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

G. H. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer (US)

4 Incls.
Incl 1. Est Memo 12.
Incl 2. Est Memo 14.
Incl 3. Est Memo 21.
Incl 4. Est Memo 5.

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Col. G. M. PARKIN

HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

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GA/41/A

26 April 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles Remaining in Sicily.

TO : A. G. Liaison Officer, Palermo, Sicily, APO 394, U. S. Army.

ATTENTION: Lt. Col. Edward P. Norton.

1. Attached herewith for signature are shipping tickets for thirteen (13) U. S. requisitioned vehicles which were left in Sicily for use by A. G. personnel remaining.

2. Since this property is U. S. requisitioned and is considered U. S. War Department equipment, the Senior American Officer, Palermo, will be responsible for this property in accordance with Establishment Memorandum Number 17 of 1 June 1944.

3. All officers in Sicily who are using any of these vehicles should sign a memorandum receipt to you for their particular vehicle and the channel of responsibility will then be the officer using a vehicle to Liaison Officer to G-4 (A), Hq. A. G.

4. It is also requested that monthly returns be forwarded G-4 (A), this headquarters, in accordance with paragraph 13, Establishment Memorandum 21 of 3 September 1944, copy attached.

5. Any officer who refuses to sign a memorandum to you for any of these vehicles will not be permitted to use it under any circumstances.

6. Accountability for these vehicles cannot be overstressed and all precautions should be taken to safeguard these vehicles at all times.

7. Kindly return as soon as possible two (2) signed shipping tickets for each vehicle.

G. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding.

2 Incls.
Incl 1. Shipping Tickets for
13 vehicles.
Incl 2. Establishment Memorandum
No. 21, 3 Sep 44.

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Colonel
C. M. PARKIN

Ltr. Hq AMG, Emilia Region, dtd 19 Apr 45, ref: XIX/AM/R/3/1, sub: "Requisitioned Vehicles".

GM/41/A 1st Ind GMP/TJA/ENG
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, ESTABLISHMENT SECTION, APC 394, 27 Apr 45.

TO: Headquarters, Emilia Region, Allied Military Government.

Since status of subject vehicle is that which you have explained, it is recommended that vehicle be retained and requisitioned in the manner stated in paragraph 7 of basic communication.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE;

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Vice President

HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

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SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles.

TO : Col. C.M. Parkin, Acting Vice President
Establishment Section, Hq A.C.

1. I refer to your 64/41/A, 27 March 1945 which I discussed with you when I was last in Rome. In view of our discussion, I told Capt. Panelli and Major Hughes to defer answering your letter for the present and that I would do so myself, relieving them of any responsibility. Official developments and almost continuous absence have prevented my attending to the matter sooner.

2. The vehicle arrived at this headquarters in the custody of Mr. DeVries in December 1944, bearing a Venezia Region sign and number indicating to us that it had been properly requisitioned by Venezia Region. At that time we were under the impression that Venezia Region still claimed Mr. DeVries as an employee and that he was merely loaned to us. Subsequently we learned that Venezia did not expect him to return and placed him on our payroll.

3. Meanwhile I gave express instructions that all vehicles in the hands of officers and employees claimed by those officers and employees as theirs, be properly requisitioned, as it would be improper to use War Department gasoline in any vehicle not subject to the absolute control of the Allied Forces. It has made very clear that I desired particularly to regularize the position with regard to vehicles as to which individuals asserted some special claim. The DeVries vehicle was painted olive drab with the military star superimposed and I assumed that my instructions had been complied with with regard to it.

4. Later, and I freely admit, after the requisitioning of vehicles had been forbidden, I found that requisition papers had not been filled out for the DeVries car,

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Mr. DeVries having somehow convinced the requisitioning officer that his car was to constitute an exception to a rule to which I had expressly stated there would be no exceptions. I immediately directed that the proper papers be filled out. In so doing I took the position, which I still feel to have been sound, that the car had been de facto requisitioned long before the closing date mentioned in your letter of 17 January and that I was merely regularizing the position. The car had been using military gasoline and was employed all day, every day in Regional business. It then seemed to me, and still seems, that the action taken was proper under the circumstances. In any event, it was done on my specific instructions.

5. I called DeVries in, took him to task for having misled the requisitioning officer; told him what I was doing and that if he behaved himself I might, at a later date, permit the car to be derequisitioned. He fully agreed in this action and I expected to hear no more about it.

6. In addition to all other factors involved, it is quite clear that this vehicle is not in fact the property of Mr. DeVries, but that his only interest in it is based on some "oral agreement with a friend" that he shall have an option to buy it sometime when he gets the money.

7. I feel that it would be a gross miscarriage of justice and would amount to condonation of the illegal use of gasoline to derequisition this automobile under the circumstances. Nevertheless, I will cause this to be done if you expressly so direct. If I do so I shall of course immediately " earmark" the car for re-requisitioning through Army channels. Meanwhile I shall take no further action in the matter until I receive your further instructions. Please bear in mind that DeVries is still an employee of this headquarters and that we do not know the identity of the owner of the automobile in question.

/s/ Alfred C. Bowman
Colonel, JAGD
Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
(Establishment Section)

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GA/41/A

27 March 1945

SUBJECT: Illegal Requisition of Vehicle.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Mellia Region,
Allied Military Government.

ATTENTION: Colonel Bowman.

1. A citizen of Holland, employed in your Region, presented himself to this office and stated that his vehicle had been requisitioned by Mellia Region in March 1945.
2. Owner states that vehicle was taken from him on 7 March 1945, and that he received formal requisition papers (dated 16 January 1945) on 12 March.
3. Instructions governing requisitioning of motor vehicles, reference GA/41/A of 17 January 1945, reminded all requisitioning authority in Regions of this Commission as of 17 January 1945 (copy attached).
4. If the facts stated by this claimant are true, then Captain Panelli and Major Hughes in your Region deliberately back-dated a requisition in order to requisition this car. Such practice will not be tolerated by this headquarters and higher authority would not appreciate this method of requisitioning if this information was made known to them. Owner may just as well have written to AFHQ, for example, and thus placed this Commission in an embarrassing situation.
5. It is requested that Captain Panelli and Major Hughes explain their action with respect to the requisitioning of this vehicle and be cautioned not to repeat such an act in the future.
6. If facts stated by owner are found to be true, then vehicle will be returned to owner immediately.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE:

G. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Acting Vice President

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Incl 1. Cy of Ltr, HQ AG, file
GA/41/A, dtd 17 Jan 45.

4/17/45 Col Bowman called
said he was adjusting 323
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4 (B)Tel. 489081
Ext. 285

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30th March, 1945.

I have received your letter of the 25th March regarding the requisitioning of transport by the Armies. The letter shown to Major Preece is attached for your information.

You will realise that instructions from this Headquarters regarding this cannot be issued until we know exactly what the Eighth Army intends to do about it and what THEY want included in OUR instructions. This is being ascertained by the S.C.A.O., Eighth Army and if their wishes are anything like those of the Fifth Army (which we have received), then the requisitioning of vehicles to complete you to your ceiling will be expedited.

We told the Army that your agreed ceiling of passenger vehicles is 103 and if I may suggest it, little harm would be done in your earmarking suitable vehicles now, so that when the time comes you will be able to tell the Eighth Army just what you want.

I know you will realise that to send out instructions piece-meal from this Headquarters is not a very satisfactory way of dealing with the situation.

C.M. PARKIN.
Colonel.
A/V.P. Establishment Section.

Colonel A. C. Bowman,
Regional Commissioner,
Emilia Region.

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HEADQUARTERS EMILIA REGION
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
APO 394

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25 March 1945

My dear Colonel,

Major Freese has told me of his conversation with you several days ago with regard to the matter of requisitioning of motor transport through the Armies.

I had anticipated that regions would be furnished with copies of the letter discussed and exhibited by you to Major Freese but he reports that this is not the case and that the implementation of the policy announced in the letter will be carried on directly from your headquarters. I can see that there may be very sound reasons for this approach.

However, I should like to point out for your consideration and whatever effect it may have on your treatment of the matter that (1) this region is now in 8th Army Area, enjoying very happy relations with AMG 8th Army and through them, presumably, with the Army itself; (2) this condition may not last very long in that the Army is quite likely to move forward, leaving the Region outside the Army zone and without any means of procuring the requisition of much needed transport.

We have been of material assistance to the Army in this area during the last several months and have never asked for any favors for ourselves. I think that appreciation of our cooperation is a factor which might materially influence 8th Army in exercising any discretion invested in it with regard to requisitioning of automobiles and I hate to see this factor, for whatever it is worth, overlooked.

I hope that you will keep us up to date on developments in this situation at all times and that if opportunity should permit, you will allow us, through our favorable contacts with 8th Army, to strike a blow for the common welfare.

W. C. Lawrence
Colonel, JAGD
Regional Commissioner

Col. C.M. Parkin
Executive Officer, Estab Sect., Hq AC

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CONFIDENTIALALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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6 March 1945.

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission, APO 394.

1. It has been submitted that the vehicle TO/WE of AC does not cater for attached personnel such as Allied Government officials, Foreign Missions and Italian Government officials in AMG territory.

2. The question has been studied by Staff Sections both British and American at this Headquarters, and it is agreed that justification has been made for the use of Italian Civil Vehicles for these attached personnel. It is considered that a total of 375 roadworthy vehicles is necessary to meet the commitments listed. It is further considered that a ratio of 2 to 1 will permit a sufficient pool of vehicles to be maintained in a road-worthy condition. 750 civilian passenger vehicles are, therefore, authorized surplus to TO/WE from Italian Government sources.

3. The proposed plan to transfer to the Italian Government the requisition of vehicles already held by A.C. and then to use the vehicles on loan from the Italian Government for personnel attached to A.C. is agreed, subject to the following stipulations:

a. No precedent is established and the policy defined in AFHQ Admin Memo No. 59 is in no way altered. The vehicles concerned to a total of 750 will be held surplus to TO/WE as a special case on the authority of this letter.

b. Formal approval to the plan must be obtained in writing from the Italian Government who must guarantee to indemnify the Allies against any claims arising in the future from the owners of vehicles.

c. The authority of this letter will be the subject of review quarterly and in the light of events the authority may be withdrawn when, in the opinion of this Headquarters, your commitments for the use of the vehicles have changed.

CHARLES M. SPOFFORD,
Brigadier General, G. S. C.,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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27 February 1945

SUBJECT: Withdrawal of Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles from Lazio-Umbria Region.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Lazio-Umbria Region,
Allied Commission,
APO 394.

1. Upon the withdrawal of Allied Commission personnel from Lazio-Umbria Region, the following will govern in connection with the removal and transfer of all civilian requisitioned vehicles now held in your Region.

2. Since this Commission no longer has authority to requisition civilian vehicles and due to the critical shortage of M.D. vehicles available for issue to Northern Regions, it becomes necessary to utilize all the available civilian requisitioned transport now held by Regions of Allied Commission. Therefore all civilian requisitioned vehicles in Lazio-Umbria Region will be transferred to G-4 (A), Headquarters A.C. and reallocated on an equal basis to Northern Regions as needed. The G-4 (A) pool will consist of vehicles turned in by Sicily, Southern and Lazio-Umbria Regions.

3. Regional Commissioner will take the necessary steps to prevent all officers from taking North any vehicle now assigned to such officer and any violation of this instruction will be the subject for disciplinary action and officers will be held pecuniary responsible for any such vehicles lost through negligence. It should be brought to the attention of all officers in your Region that requisitioned vehicles are charged to this Commission the same as M.D. vehicles and must be treated similarly.

4. Regional Commissioner will submit in writing to G-4 (A), for approval, a list of vehicles needed in Provinces which remain in operation in Lazio-Umbria.

5. The Requisitioning Officer, Lazio-Umbria, will without delay submit a list of all vehicles in your Region which are beyond economical repair that might be returned to their original owners. G-4 (A) will request authority to derequisition these vehicles unless the parts from these vehicles are needed to service others.

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6. All Lazio-Umbria requisitioned vehicles on loan or being used by Italian Government agencies will be retrieved and transferred to G-4 (A).

7. It is absolutely necessary that Lt. O'Donnell, Requisitioning Officer and Sgt Di Mattei, M.C.O in charge of records, remain in Rome to satisfactorily complete the transfer of all vehicles and until the transmittal of the consolidated records on all of your requisitioned cars has been accomplished.

8. In order that Headquarters have the necessary maintenance facilities and space to service and accomodate all vehicles coming from Sicily, Southern and Lazio-Umbria Regions, before reallocation of these vehicles is made, the Region IV Garage (Public Safety) will be turned over to Headquarters Commandant, Headquarters A.C. It is requested that a complete inventory of all vehicles and equipment in the garage be taken before such transfer is effected.

9. Your utmost cooperation in complying with the instructions set forth is requested.

NORMAN M. VISKE

Colonel

Deputy Executive Commissioner

OFFICIAL:

C.M. PARKIN

Colonel, Infantry

Executive Officer (US)

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Ref: 206/129/EC.

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Vehicles.

22 February 1945.TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

1. I refer to your T/13 of 15 February on the question of requisitioning of transport.

2. With respect, I submit that the withdrawal of authority from the Allied Commission of powers to requisition transport shows a failure to appreciate the functions and difficulties of officers of AMG in the forward provinces in the initial stages of occupation.

3. Provincial teams of officers will have to move into Northern Italy with rapidity. They will fan out into their various Provinces and to a very great extent will be compelled to set up their administrations and local governments without communication with Corps or Army Headquarters, or their Regions. They will be, because our HQ/TO is over 300 WD vehicles short and because requisitioned cars cannot make the journey say from Sicily and Southern Region to the North, desperately short of civilian motor transport. The first duty of a Provincial AMG Officer, whatever may be his functions, is to visit every corner of his Province and set the machinery going again. He cannot do this without transport. He cannot, because the normal military machinery will not be present or functioning in the early days, go through the process of approaching the nearest military HQ and asking their leave to requisition a car for this and that. He must be mobile.

4. It is, of course, possible to give a wider interpretation to the concession granted in Paragraph 5 of your letter but I cannot understand why the position cannot be regularised by the Regional H. of the Allied Military Government, provided powers are delegated to them.

5. You do not refer in your letter to the question of hiring transport. This has proved successful during the short time in which AMG officers have practised it. There are several points which make hiring preferable to requisitioning. We pay the vehicle and the driver only during actual use; many vehicles which would otherwise be hidden come to light together with experienced drivers; responsibility for the maintenance of the vehicle is with the owner. There are, of course, disadvantages. There is some difficulty in control; there is difficulty in accounting for petrol and in assessing responsibility in the event of an accident. But it does present an opportunity and a normal means of

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producing that mobility for AMG officers which is absolutely essential if they are to carry out the functions for which they are responsible to me and for which I am responsible to SACMED.

6. I must repeat that the absence of powers of requisitioning and of hiring are already stragling the work of military government and will add enormously to the difficulties of administering government in the North. At a recent meeting of my Civil Affairs Section and the Regional Commissioners for Northern Italy to consider the plan for dealing with partisans in Northern Italy, it was agreed that no plan could be evolved unless officers had the power either to requisition or to hire motor transport. I would ask that in this respect the Allied Commission be not regarded as a military unit with its full complement of WD vehicles which are replaced regularly and for which a WD/TO has been established after long experience, but as a large and elastic formation which is compelled to live from hand to mouth, particularly in the initial stages of occupation, and which cannot work within the narrow lines of military regulations but must be allowed a certain amount of latitude if it is to fulfil its functions properly.

7. I would ask, therefore, for reconsideration of this ruling and for permission for me to delegate powers to Regional Commissioners in Allied Military Government territory to requisition, or to hire, civilian motor transport against vacancies in the recognised WD/TO of their Regions, as necessity arises. I will give you my assurance that this concession will not be abused.

/s/ HILARY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Vehicles

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4

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15 February 1945

SUBJECT: I. Report of Inspection of Civilian Vehicle Records in Southern Region.

II. Discussion of Plan to Transfer Civilian Vehicles from S.R.

TO : Col. C.M. Parkin.

I. Report of Inspection of Civilian Vehicle Records in S.R.

An inspection of Civilian Vehicle records in Southern Region made by Lt. F.J. Amoroso, G-4 (A) Section, to ascertain what action had been effected to correct deficiencies found in a previous inspection made on 1 November 1945, indicates the following:

(A). Appointment of a full time Requisitioning Officer.

1. Although a full time requisitioning officer has not been designated, Lt. J.E. Amoroso has been employed, in addition to his other duties, as Requisitioning Officer and has spent the major portion of his time in making necessary adjustments to complete the records of requisitioned vehicles.

(B). Civilian Staff.

1. The requisitioning officer has organized a section composed of civilians and this staff is in efficient operation at present. Similar staffs have also been created in zones of Southern Region in an effort towards better and more efficient maintenance of records.

(C). Reduction of Number of Requisitioned Vehicles.

In accordance with instructions received from this headquarters, a program for the scrapping of some thirty vehicles has been successfully completed and records forwarded this headquarters.

(D). Correction of Records - Files.

In connection with the above, the following has been accomplished:

1. Individual files have been set up on the same form of those maintained in headquarters for each and every vehicle.

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2. All vehicles in S.R. have been re-numbered according to Establishment Memorandum 12, dated 21 April 1944.
3. Practically all irregular requisitions have been or are in the process of being formally requisitioned.
4. A master and distribution list has been set up on same form as those lists in Headquarters A.C.

E. SUMMARY

Due to the limited amount of time that Requisitioning Officer has had to make the necessary adjustments, the records of S.R. were found to be in a very satisfactory condition and it is evident that Requisitioning Officer has taken the fullest advantage of the recommendations made by this headquarters after the last inspection, and has taken the steps necessary to effect the changes informed of.

II. Discussion of Plan to Transfer Civilian Vehicles from S.R. to Northern Regions.

At a meeting at Southern Region attended by Brig. Dunlop, Col. Howell, Capt. Zerra, and Lts F. J. Amoroso and J. E. Amoroso, the following points were discussed in connection with the transfer of personnel and civilian vehicles to Northern Regions:

- (A). The number of civilian vehicles now in Southern Region that are running is one hundred and five (105). Of this total 30 can be expected to make long trips to Northern Regions, the rest being of fair mechanical condition.
- (B). The number of civilian vehicles to remain in Southern Region for the personnel remaining, will be determined on basis of the number of officers remaining.
- (C). Those vehicles in Naples and in zones of Southern Region that cannot be driven to Naples or Rome for use by A.C., will be turned over (less all V.D. equipment) to the Italian Government in each case. Captain Zerra is making a tour of Southern Region to accomplish this. Method of transfer to Italian Government has been explained to Lt. J.E. Amoroso, Requisitioning Officer.
- (D). It was agreed that as personnel from Southern Region are transferred to Northern Regions, civilian vehicles will not be taken out

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of S.R. without the written approval of G-4 (A), A.C. Headquarters. Brig. Dunlop was asked to keep in mind the fact that Venesia Region would probably be last into operation and that Northwest Regions should be given priority on civilian cars. The Brigadier assured Lt. F.J. Amoruso that Venesia Region requests would be kept at an absolute minimum. It was stated that as Venesia Region needed cars later on, these would be furnished from vehicles turned over to G-4 (A) from Lazio-Umbria and Abruzzi-Marche Regions.

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(E). The balance of Southern Region civilian vehicles, after those vehicles for which authority to go North is granted, those which remain in S.R. and those turned over to Italian Government, will be sent to G-4 (A), Headquarters A.C., serviced and placed in the G-4 (A) pool for assignment to other Regions.

(F). Capt. Zerra and Lt. J.E. Amoruso were instructed as to the proper method of closing out all of the Southern Region records and transmittal of Records to G-4 (A), Headquarters A.C., upon completion of their work.

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ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

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24 January 1945

SUBJECT: Passenger Vehicles for Allied Commission.

TO : Commanding General,
Allied Force Headquarters,
G-5 Section,
APO 518, U.S. Army.

ATTENTION: Colonel J. E. Butterworth, Economics and Supply Section.

1. Reference is made to:

a. Allied Force Headquarters Administrative Memorandum Number 59, dated 13 December 1944, subject: "Requisitioning and Derequisitioning of Civilian Motor Transport."

b. MEMOR letter, AG 451/764 D-0, dated 17 December 1944, subject: "Requisitioning, Derequisitioning, or Rental of Civilian Motor Vehicles by the United States Military Forces."

c. Headquarters, Allied Commission, letter, 92/AST, dated 8 January 1945, subject: "Allied Commission Personnel Vehicles" (other than War Department).

d. Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section, letter, T-13, dated 9 January 1945, subject: "Passenger Vehicles for 2675 Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)."

e. Allied Force Headquarters, G-5 Section, letter, T-13, dated 11 January 1945, subject: "Passenger Vehicles for 2675 Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)."

2. The proposed plan of transferring requisitions from U. S. Army paper to Italian Government requisitions and loan of subject vehicles back to the Allied Commission has been communicated to the Italian Government, and the plan is under discussion by the Italian Prime Minister's Office.

3. In order that Allied Force Headquarters may approve a ceiling for vehicles needed for personnel connected with AC act on AC's Table of Organization, the statistics shown below indicate number and type of personnel

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transportation is needed for:

Personnel Other than T/O

a) American and British Officers above Y/C		220	
b) Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees	}	175	
U.N.R.R.A. Officials			
State Department Officials			
United States Public Health Official			
c) Foreign Military Mission to the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission	}		
Russian Military Mission			33
Czechoslovakian Military Mission			9
French Military Mission			6
Polish Military Mission			6
Norwegian Military Mission			0
Belgian Military Mission			2
Chinese Military Mission			2
Greek Military Mission			16
Netherlands Military Mission			8
Royal Yugoslav Military Mission			85
N.L.A.Y. Military Mission			29
d) Partisan Groups, Patriots Branch		95	
e) Soviet Mission to Allied Commission		9	
f) Italian Government Officials in AMG Territory, i.e., Prefects, Sindacos, Intendente di Finanze, Tribunali Members, Carabinieri Officials, Bankers, Tax Collectors		300	
TOTAL		908	

4. Functions of units listed in paragraph 3 above:

a. The number of officers shown as over and above T/O includes officers, British and American, assigned to Sub-Commissions plus a Civil Censorship Group that consists of officers stationed in all Regions of AC for whom transportation must be afforded in order for them to function efficiently.

b. For the category of Allied civilian personnel attached,

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transportation is essential since:

(1) The Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees includes personnel responsible for establishment of refugee camps all over liberated Italy.

(2) U.N.R.R.A. officials are employed in the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation program for all of Italy.

(3) State Department officials, i.e., Engineers, Transportation, Shipping, and Welfare experts operate to a large extent in the field and must travel extensively, and United States Public Health officials whose work is done exclusively in the field on typhoid, malaria and other disease prevention projects.

c. The eleven Foreign Military Missions working in conjunction with the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission of this Commission are employed throughout liberated Italy, caring and providing relief for nationals of their respective countries and are essential in assisting the Displaced Persons and Repatriation program of Allied Commission.

d. As the Allied Armies move forward, the activities of the Italian Partisan groups under the supervision and direction of AD's Patriots Branch necessitate providing transport to various Partisan groups who lack suitable transport. Their work has been very helpful to the war effort and their operation in the future depends on the provision of suitable transport by AC.

e. The Soviet Mission to the Allied Commission is a group of Soviet Representatives from Moscow to the Allied Commission, representing the Soviet Government. Their function here has necessitated that AC furnish the Russian General and his staff with transport.

f. Since the Italian Government does not have requisitioning authority in Allied Military Government territory, and since it is necessary for the rehabilitation of that territory that Italian officials and AMG officials work in unity with each other, it has been necessary to furnish transport to Government officials such as:

- (1) Prefect - Governor and his staff
- (2) Intendente di Finanza - Treasury officials
- (3) Carabinieri - Police authorities
- (4) Tribunali officials - Legal authorities
- (5) Consorzi officials - State agricultural officials and food-distributing agencies

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5. The Commission feels that unless sufficient transport can be provided for the various categories of personnel attached to us, other than T/O, Allied Commission and Military Government functions will suffer considerably and units listed in Para 3 will be seriously handicapped.

6. a) The number of civilian requisitioned vehicles on hand by the Commission is nine hundred (900) of which six hundred are in apparent road-worthy condition. The remaining three hundred vehicles are in shops lacking tires and tubes or awaiting repairs which will take considerable time to be effected.

b) In order that minimum needs of transportation can be afforded, it has become necessary to utilize the 300 vehicles that are not at present roadworthy either by interchanging of tires, tubes, batteries, spare parts to other vehicles and sometimes exchanging vehicles to meet with emergencies. The mechanical condition of our present 900 vehicles is such that maintaining 600 vehicles roadworthy at all times is in itself a difficult task. Our experiences have indicated that it takes at least three requisitioned civilian cars to maintain one car in apparent roadworthy condition and at times this is not sufficient.

c) Further justification for the retention of these vehicles is offered in that a newly proposed T/E has been disapproved for 267D Regiment by the War Department, placing this Organization in a critical position regarding transportation for T/O personnel.

d) It is therefore requested that this Commission be permitted to retain the nine hundred vehicles on our present strength on a proposed loan basis from the Italian Government.

e) If civilian requisitioned vehicles are to be held against TE/WE deficiencies, it is further requested that civilian cars be charged against the TE/WE on a ratio basis of three civilian cars to one military passenger carrying vehicle, for reasons stated in (b) above.

For the Deputy Chief of Staff.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry,
Executive Officer (US)

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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64/41/A

24 January 1945

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Motor Vehicles of Allied Commission.

TO : Presidenza del Consiglio
(Attention: Sottosegretario della Presidenza)

1. This Commission has been considering the position arising on the requisitioning of motor vehicles and certain questions of accountability thereunder.

2. As you are aware in Military Government Territory vehicles are requisitioned to meet the needs both of the Allied Military Government and of the Italian state and provincial personnel. In Italian Government Territory requisitioning to meet Italian state or provincial requirements is effected solely by the Italian Government. To meet requirements of the Allied Commission, vehicles have still to be requisitioned; under the Terms of Restoration of Territory the Allied Commission has retained the right to make these requisitions themselves but in fact the requisitions are always made through Italian agencies.

3. Both in Military and Italian Government Territory the cost involved in these requisitions forms part of the costs of occupation which, as you are aware, are to be borne by the Italian Government.

4. It occurs to this Commission that the present manner of dealing with the accountancy problems involved in these requisitions is unsatisfactory. All the vehicles which are new, or have up to this time been, requisitioned by the Allied Commission are borne on the books of the Allied Commission and no differentiation is made between vehicles which are required for the needs of Military Government and those required for the needs of Italian state and provincial personnel.

5. It should be pointed out that the maintenance of the records necessary to deal with this situation has involved the establishment of a large REQUISITION RECORDS SECTION, and it is felt that unless similar records are maintained by the Italian Government considerable difficulties will arise over the future settlement of claims for vehicles already requisitioned.

6. It is suggested therefore that it would be both simpler and more

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satisfactory if all requisitioned vehicles were in fact requisitioned by, and held on the books of, the Italian Government. If this procedure is adopted no question of accountability will arise. The vehicles will be requisitioned by the Italian Government in every case. Those vehicles required for Italian purposes will be retained at the disposal of the governmental or provincial personnel concerned; those required by AC/AMO will be handed over to AC/AMO for so long as they are needed and when no longer needed will be returned to the Italian Government.

7. If you agree to these suggestions the necessary instructions for future requisitioning can be issued forthwith. So far as concerns vehicles which are now, or have in the past been, requisitioned, arrangements can easily be made for the transfer of the requisitions to the Italian Government forthwith. The necessary records will be made available to the Italian Government. The vehicles, of course, will remain for the present at the disposition of AC/AMO.

8. Please consider this question as a matter of urgency and advise this headquarters as soon as possible whether you agree to the suggestions made.

For the Chief Commissioner:

HORACE E. FLEKE
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff

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8 January 45
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SUBJECT: Allied Commission Personnel Vehicles
(Other than War Department)

TO : Commanding General, Allied Force Headquarters
(Attention: G-5 Section)

1. Reference is made to Administrative Memorandum No. 59, MTOUSA letter AG 451/764 D-O of 17 December 1944 and G-5 letter of 15 December 1944.

2. The TE/WE of the Allied Commission was initially established as a minimum requirement of War Department transport for the Military Government of Italy up to the Pisa-Rimini line. It was the intention that this minimum requirement should be supplemented by civilian requisitioned transport in the field and authority was given to the Commission to effect such requisitioning. The minimum TE/WE has in fact not been filled. Supplemental TE/WE, to include the whole of Italy, have been forwarded for approval but have not yet been established.

3. It is, therefore, impracticable for the Commission to perform its military government functions without recourse to requisitioning. The fluidity of operations and the uncertainties as to civilian transport that may be found in the presently German occupied Italy, make it, in my judgement, imperative that requisitioning authority heretofore granted to the Allied Commission be continued. This was in fact, I understand, agreed to in a conference at AFHQ prior to the issuance of Administrative Memorandum No. 59.

4. The statement made in G-5 letter of 15 December that "Under the present methods A.C. has a number of requisitioned civilian vehicles which it uses to transport some of its own personnel but mostly Italian civilians employed in various capacities whose duties require motor transportation." is not an accurate statement. The civilian vehicles requisitioned by the Commission are utilized essentially for the transport of its own personnel and

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Occasionally for the transport of Italian civilians actually employed by and working for the Commission. The Commission has been called upon from time to time to supply transport for personnel of the Advisory Council, the Diplomatic Missions who are members of the Advisory Council, the Foreign Missions who are attached to the Displaced Persons Sub-Commission and American Relief in Italy. These are Allied commitments which the Allied Commission has endeavored to meet insofar as practicable.

5. Many of the vehicles now held by the Commission are a legacy from the early days of military occupation. Since the reorganization, the Commission has made strenuous efforts to complete the records on these vehicles and the mechanical condition of the majority of them and the critical situation with respect to spare parts and tires has kept and is keeping many of them off the road. It would be most unrealistic to attempt to set up a ceiling on this type of vehicle, as it is entirely a question of what can be found and what can be made to run.

6. As to the suggestion that arrangements be made with the Italian Government to furnish vehicles to the Commission, the Italian Government is now in no position to furnish vehicles for us. The initial requisitioning is done in Allied Military Government territory where the Italian Government has no jurisdiction. By the time the territory is handed back to the Italian Government, there is usually little if anything left to requisition. While it would perhaps be possible in Italian Government territory to derequisition the vehicles now held by the Commission and to have them rerequisitioned by the Italian Government and then to enter into the contract with the Italian Government for their use by the Commission, such procedure would place the Commission in the awkward situation of being in a measure dependent on the Italian Government for its transportation needs. There would be also many legal points to be settled and it is doubtful whether a contract suitable to the needs of the Commission would be agreed to by the Italian Government.

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7. In view of the foregoing, I urge requisitioning authority continue to be vested in the Commission and that civilian vehicles continue to be utilized to supplement the admittedly inadequate TE/WE. When the whole of Italy is liberated and conditions are known, ceilings can then be established which will be progressively reduced as the Military Government commitment in Italy is liquidated.

t/ ELIERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner.

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cc to Col. Parkin,
Executive Officer

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE (US)
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28 December 1944

SUBJECT: Civilian Requisitioned Vehicles.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Liguria Region,
Allied Military Government,
APO 394.

1. Records at this Headquarters indicate that upon Capt. E.A. Volstad's transfer to Liguria Region, civilian vehicle HQ-2062, Fiat 1200, License No. LR 5107, was taken from Rome to Liguria Region.
2. At the same time civilian vehicle HQ-2063, Lancia Sedan Augusta, License No. 3561, was also taken from Rome to Liguria by a Lt. Ventriglia (Italian Army Officer) an employee of Allied Commission.
3. Both these vehicles were among those requisitioned by the Italian Government for A.M.G. authorities in Salerno, and upon transfer to Rome both of the above-mentioned cars received A.M.G. Registration Certificates and were added to the strength of G-4 (A) stock vehicles.
4. A check of the records at this Headquarters discloses that both cars were taken from Rome without authority from Executive Officer (A) or any other competent authority.
5. It is therefore directed that both vehicles be delivered to the A.C. Super Garage, Rome, without delay and that Captain Volstad reply by indorsement, explaining why vehicles were taken out of Rome without authority.

By command of Rear Admiral STONE:

C. H. PARKIN,
Colonel, Infantry,
Executive Officer (US)

copy to:
Capt Volstad
Lt Ventriglia

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CMP/NDJ/jp
9 November 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioning Civilian Motor Vehicles.

TO : Regional Commissioners:
Lazio-Umbria Region,
Abruzzi-Marche Region,
Allied Commission.
APO 394, US Army.

1. Effective this date, authority delegated to Regional Commissioners for requisitioning of civilian motor vehicles in all territories of Lazio-Umbria and Abruzzi-Marche Regions, whether such territory be under AMG jurisdiction or Italian Government control, is rescinded.

2. Regional Commissioners concerned will take immediate steps to notify all Provincial Commissioners under their command accordingly.

3. It is requested that Regional Commissioners acknowledge receipt of this communication and that they notify this Headquarters by endorsement hereon when steps mentioned in paragraph 2 above have been complied with.

By command of Commodore STONE:

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel
Deputy Chief of Staff.

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24 October 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Civilian Motor Vehicles.

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Reference AFHQ/EO35/Q(AE) dated 14 October 1944.
2. Reference Para 2.

It is agreed that the vehicle situation has changed, but in one respect only. Whereas, previously, a critical vehicle situation existed only in AOC, this situation would now appear to have extended to the American and British Armies. The position is still acute insofar as AOC is concerned. Demands for requisitioned cars for urgent AOC duties are still far in excess of the present availability, due to the following reasons:

- a. The rapid expansion of AOC responsibilities and personnel.
- b. The fact that an appreciable percentage of existing cars requisitioned by AOC is continually off the road, owing to the unreliable condition of tires, tubes, batteries, etc., etc.

3. Reference Para 2 (a).

- a. The processing of requests for civilian cars, through Ordnance channels, would involve many officers who are not qualified to judge the needs of AOC for cars, as they are not familiar with its functions.
- b. The time element required by Ordnance to set up a requisitioned car depot, procure cars and parts therefor, would be excessive to say the least.
- c. Allied Control Commission has personnel already familiar with the restrictions as to what property may be requisitioned. It must be remembered that persons unfamiliar with such procedure may place the Allied Governments in an embarrassing position by requisitioning property that has been exempted therefrom.
- d. It is believed that the usual Ordnance procedure would be adopted, which means cars would be requisitioned and removed from the various Provinces, to a central depot; this means that the vehicular wealth

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of a Province is being depleted. Thus, additional hardship is placed upon the Provinces, when the future release of cars would be made; as it may be readily understood that the flow of cars for civilian use will be greatly curtailed due to damage of factories and scarcity of vital material. The policy adopted by Allied Control Commission was one to avoid such a procedure as the conservation and restoration of material wealth is a definite concern of the Allied Control Commission.

e. It is also felt that considerable delay would arise in cases where requisitioning would become necessary in isolated districts where no Ordnance is available.

f. It is recommended that requisitioning authority be delegated in AMG areas to Regional Commissioners as it has been in the past.

4. Reference Para 2 (b).

To charge civilian cars against deficiencies in VE/VE would be considered unfair as the need for vehicles of WD type is much greater now than at any time heretofore. This is due to the rapid advance made by the Armies since last May. The amount of territory to be supervised requires that present WD vehicles be kept on the road constantly. As most vehicles received by the ACC were class "B", the maintenance of the vehicles has been a task which with the shortage of mechanical personnel and parts presents an additional burden, as class "B" vehicles are not dependable. Further, civilian requisitioned cars in lieu of WD vehicles are only adding to the burden of maintenance unless such civilian cars be charged to the deficiency on the ratio of two civilian cars to one WD vehicle.

5. Reference Para 2 (c).

It has been the policy of ACC in the past not to remove a vehicle from the area in which it was requisitioned to another. When a vehicle becomes beyond economical repair, it has been the practice of ACC to either return the vehicle to its owner or salvage the vehicle and utilize the parts to service others. It is requested that ACC be permitted to continue disposing of its requisitioned vehicles in this manner since it helps solve two problems, first that of future claims, and secondly, it offers an availability of parts needed for other cars. It would be very difficult also to move vehicles from areas in which they were requisitioned to Ordnance units which may be many miles away.

6. Reference Para 2 (f).

As the Allied Control Commission operates jointly with the Italian Government in both forward and rear areas, it is necessary that such transportation as ACC and AMG possess be used by various officials of the Italian Government. Italian Government engineers, bank and legal officials, and many others must be provided necessary transport in the forward areas to carry out their functions in conjunction with ACC and AMG personnel, in order to accomplish the combined task of rehabilitation of the Italian people. To withdraw the use of ACC transportation from Italian officials would greatly curtail the operation of both the Italian Government and ACC-AMG

personnel. The use of AOC transport by Italian Government officials has been necessary due to the fact that the Italian Government does not have requisitioning authority in AOC areas.

7. Reference Para 2 (g).

It does not seem feasible to register with and have Ordnance mark vehicles with military registration numbers for AOC. All vehicles requisitioned by AOC have an AOC Registration Certificate Number assigned by the Region requisitioning. Registration Cards are made in duplicate, giving complete details of the vehicle, and a copy of the Registration Card is forwarded to G-4, Headquarters AOC, for file. G-4(A), Headquarters AOC, has in its files a record of all registration numbers, a registration card, and a copy of the requisition to cover vehicles in all Regions.

G. W. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

DEH/7b

GA/120/6

21 October 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Vehicles.

TO : Col. C.M. Parbin.

1. I agree in principle that requisitioning should be done against an Establishment but in our own case there are many things that A.F.H.Q. should appreciate before we can accept the idea. The diverse and complex duties carried out by officers in this Commission, are so different from those of the Army, or from any other organisation, that I consider it wrong in principle to bind it by military regulations. *hostage detainees held, early.*

In this Commission, as already pointed out, practically all officers require a vehicle to enable them satisfactorily to work.

2. Then our TE/33 should be altered to bear some relation to the commitments which we are expected to fulfil in Italy.

Figures to support this were submitted last June and we have still no increased Establishment.

3. I am afraid that the idea in the minds at A.F.H.Q. is to say that we can have an Establishment increased by 600 vehicles; then point out that we have already over 700 requisitioned vehicles and tell us to give up 100.
4. I think we can make use of some requisitioned vehicles permanently for the towns but don't think we should keep more than about 100.
5. Outside the towns a W.D. vehicle is worth two requisitioned vehicles and if we are to have an increased Establishment and keep within it at least 80% of the increase should be implemented by reliable W.D. vehicles.
6. I do not agree with para (e). If requisitioned vehicles become surplus to Military requirements the Commission should decide where they can best be used by Civilians.
7. Para (f) seems sound but at present it is not intended that the Italian Government should requisition in A.F.H.Q. territory. If this paragraph is accepted some provision would have to be made so that C.A.Os and Provincial Officers could ensure that civilians requiring cars could get them.

8. Transportation Sub-Commission is concerned with this subject. It is bound to delay us if we have to ask A.F.H.Q., or Ordnance authority to *supply* apart from having to explain the necessity in detail.

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Carried out by officers in this establishment, and I consider it wrong in principle to bind it by military regulations. *What the hell is it worth?*

In this Commission, as already pointed out, practically all officers require a vehicle to enable them satisfactorily to work.

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8. Transportation Sub-Commission is concerned with this subject. It is bound to delay us if we have to ask A.P.H.Q., or Ordnance authority to ~~approve~~ apart from having to explain the necessity in detail. Take for example the recent order by the C.O.S. for Transportation Sub-Commission to requisition Control Cars for the Truck Companies.

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S. W. Miller

S. W. MILLER
Lieut. Col.
G-4 (2)

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INFORMAL ROUTING

HEADQUARTERS
~~22721X~~ RESIDENT
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 (XXXXXX) Establishment Section
 APO 394

File:

Date 20 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of vehicles.

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across the sheet just below initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long memos.

No	From	To	Date	
1.	Col Parkin	Col R.R. Cripps Civil Affairs Section.		It is requested that your comments on the attached paper be in this office by 1600 hours on Saturday, 21 October 1944, as we are required to make a report not later than 23 October to AF, G-5. For the Vice Pres. Est Section: <i>C.M. Parkin</i> C.M. PARKIN, Col, Inf., Executive Officer (US). 1 Incl: Procedure on Requisitioning of vehicles from AFHQ dated 14 Oct 44. <i>P.S. Note Par 2 f</i>
2.	C.A. Section	Establishment Section.	21/10.	As Transportation Sub Commission are taking up the question direct with you and may probably attend G-5 we do not wish to make any comments save that we are strongly opposed to the scheme as proposed. We should like to have an opportunity of commenting on any further proposals at a later date if the scheme is going forward. <i>J. Reaney Maj.</i> C.A. Section.

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IMMEDIATE
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INFORMAL ROUTING

HEADQUARTS
~~227TH REGIMENT~~
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 (XXXXXX) Establishment Section.
 APO 344

File:

Date 20 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of vehicles.

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across the sheet just below initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long memos.

No	From	To	Date	
1.	Col Parkin	Lt Col Shipp Chief of Staff Section.		It is requested that your comments on the attached paper be in this office by 1600 hours on Saturday 21 October 1944, as we are required to make a report not later than 23 October to AF G-5. For the Vice Pres Est Section: <i>C.M. Parkin</i> C.M. PARKIN Col, Inf., Executive Officer (US).
1 Incl: Procedure on Requisitioning of vehicles from AFHQ dated 14 Oct 44. <i>P.S. Note Pac 2 (b) (c) (f)</i>				
2.	Chief of Staff.	Establish- ment Sec.	21.10.44.	Colonel Clough and yourself should proceed to AFHQ to attend the TE/EE Conference in order to watch the interests of A.C.C., and represent the Commission. <i>MSL</i> Brigadier. Chief of Staff.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Tel. No. Freedom 256
AFHQ/8038/Q(AE)
14 Oct 44.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Vehicles.

TO : Distribution below.

1. At a meeting held in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), on Friday 13 Oct 44, it was suggested that the present practice of requisitioning vehicles in this theatre should be reviewed in view of the shortage of certain types of military vehicles.

2. At present vehicles in Italy can be requisitioned only on behalf of the ACC except in cases of operational necessity. This rule was made by AAI at a time when the shortage of vehicles in the ACC was acute compared with the situation in the American and British Armies. This situation has now changed. The following new procedure is suggested, and will be discussed further at a meeting in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), at 1500 hours on Wednesday 23 Oct 44.

- (a) All requisitioning both on the US and British sides will be done through Ordnance channels. Authority to requisition lies with AAI in the forward areas and AFHQ in the rear areas, but may be delegated by these Headquarters to subordinate Headquarters.
- (b) All requisitioned vehicles will be held against deficiencies in the TR/WE. This rule applies to all military units and the ACC.
- (c) No requisitioned vehicles will be held surplus to the TR/WE without the written authority of AAI in the forward areas or AFHQ in the rear areas.
- (d) When it is necessary to requisition a vehicle in excess of TR/WE as a matter of urgency this can be done without waiting for the written authority of AAI or AFHQ. Such authority will be obtained as soon as possible.
- (e) All requisitioned vehicles held surplus to TR/WE and for which authority is not granted by AAI or AFHQ will be returned to the Ordnance who will dispose of them as follows:-
 - (1) to units who have deficiencies in their TR/WE.
 - (11) to their original owners.

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ing new procedure is suggested, and will be discussed further at a meeting in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), at 1800 hours on Wednesday 25 Oct 44.

- (a) All requisitioning both on the US and British sides will be done through Ordnance channels. Authority to requisition lies with AAI in the forward areas and APHQ in the rear areas, but may be delegated by those Headquarters to subordinate Headquarters.
- (b) All requisitioned vehicles will be held against deficiencies in the TS/WE. This rule applies to all military units and the AOC.
- (c) No requisitioned vehicles will be held surplus to the TS/WE without the written authority of AAI in the forward areas or APHQ in the rear areas.
- (d) When it is necessary to requisition a vehicle in excess of TS/WE as a matter of urgency this can be done without waiting for the written authority of AAI or APHQ. Such authority will be obtained as soon as possible.
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 - (i) to units who have deficiencies in their TS/WE.
 - (ii) to their original owners if these can be traced.
 - (iii) to workshops for breaking up and removal of essential spares.
- (f) Requisitioned vehicles will not be used by Italian civilians or Government officials. Any such vehicles which are now being used in this manner will be derequisitioned.
- (g) All requisitioned vehicles will be registered by Ordnance and marked with military registration numbers.

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/s/
J. G. COSLEY
Brigadier, Q(AE)

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 318

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17 October 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Vehicles

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, APO 394
Attn: Chief Executive Officer

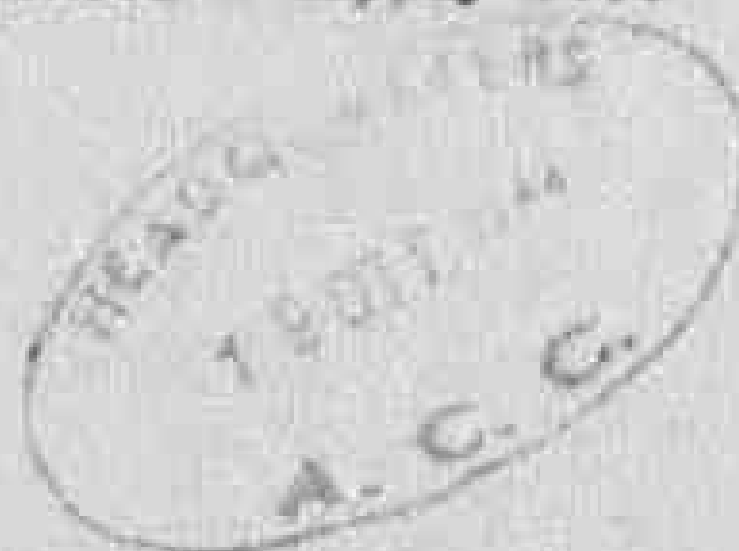
1. Attached hereto is copy of AFHQ circular AFHQ/8036/1(AE) dated 14 October 44 dealing with the a/m subject. It is requested that your comments on the procedure now proposed be submitted to this headquarters not later than 23 October.

2. It is further requested that Lt. Ambruzzi of G-4 A.C.C. be made available to attend the meeting which will take place on 25 October.

For the Assistant Chief of Staff G-5:

Incl: as above

G. S. Franklin
G. S. FRANKLIN
Lt. Colonel, R.C.A.S.C.
Economics & Supply Div.



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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Tel. No. Freedom 2556
AFHQ/8035/1 (AM)
14 Oct 44.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of Vehicles

TO : Distribution below.

1. At a meeting held in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), on Friday 13 Oct 44, it was suggested that the present practice of requisitioning vehicles in this theatre should be reviewed in view of the shortage of certain types of military vehicles.

2. At present vehicles in Italy can be requisitioned only on behalf of the AOC except in cases of operational necessity. This rule was made by AAI at a time when the shortage of vehicles in the AOC was acute compared with the situation in the American and British armies. This situation has now changed. The following new procedure is suggested, and will be discussed further at a meeting in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), at 1500 hours on Wednesday 23 Oct. 44.

- (a) All requisitioning both on the US and British sides will be done through Ordnance channels. Authority to requisition lies with AAI in the forward areas and AFHQ in the rear areas, but may be delegated by these Headquarters to subordinate Headquarters.
- (b) All requisitioned vehicles will be held against deficiencies in the TE/RS. This rule applies to all military units and the AOC.
- (c) No requisitioned vehicle will be held surplus to the TE/RS without the written authority of AAI in the forward areas or AFHQ in the rear areas.
- (d) When it is necessary to requisition a vehicle in excess of TE/RS as a matter of urgency this can be done without waiting for the written authority of AAI or AFHQ. Such authority will be obtained as soon as possible.
- (e) All requisitioned vehicles held surplus to TE/RS and for which authority is not granted by AAI or AFHQ will be returned to the Ordnance who will dispose of them as follows:-
 - (i) to units who have deficiencies in their TE/RS.
 - (ii) to their original owners if there can be traced.
 - (iii) to Workshops for breaking up and removal of essential spares.
- (f) Requisitioned vehicles will not be used by Italian units.

the following new procedure is being initiated: The following is being referred to as a meeting in the office of the Brigadier, Q(AE), at 1800 hours on Wednesday 24 Oct. 44.

- (a) All requisitioning both on the US and British sides will be done through Ordnance channels. Authority to requisition lies with AAI in the forward area and AFHQ in the rear area, but may be delegated by these Headquarters to subordinate Headquarters.
- (b) All requisitioned vehicles will be held against deficiencies in the TE/WE. This rule applies to all military units and the ACP.
- (c) No requisitioned vehicle will be held surplus to the TE/WE without the written authority of AAI in the forward areas or AFHQ in the rear areas.
- (d) When it is necessary to requisition a vehicle in excess of TE/WE as a matter of urgency this can be done without waiting for the written authority of AAI or AFHQ. Such authority will be obtained as soon as possible.
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- (g) All requisitioned vehicles will be registered by Ordnance and marked with military registration numbers.

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/s/
J. G. CONLEY
Brigadier, Q(AE)

Distribution:

Col.	Robbins.	A. S. AUSTIN.	Capt. A.H. Brookes	Comp Zone Ord.
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Major	B.P. Tobin.	Ord (A).		

cc to Executive Officer (A)

Tel. 489081, Ext. 477

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

FJA/HIS/wrp

GA/41/A

21 September 1944

SUBJECT: Requisitioned Civilian Vehicles.

TO : Commanding General,
Rome Allied Area Command.

1. In accordance with request made by Captain Tolliver, Assistant G-4, concerning the number of vehicles requisitioned by ACC Headquarters since our arrival in Rome, the following figures are forwarded:

- a. Total number of civilian cars requisitioned - 275.
- b. Total number derequisitioned and scrapped - 36
- c. Number of vehicles now assigned and being utilized - 239

2. It is very difficult to estimate the number of vehicles this Headquarters contemplates requisitioning in the near future since the needs of Sections, Branches and Sub-Commissions cannot be determined at this time. We can, however, assure you that this figure will be kept at an absolute minimum.

WALTER P. SOGGIEN
Lt. Colonel, USMC
G-4

Phoned GH - RAAC 9-22-44
Stated that they were not screening
our requisitions & that this letter
was the result of information
desired by Gen Brown. CMJ201

Ext. 477

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

WPS/wrp

GA/41/A

14 September 1944

SUBJECT: Report on Requisitioned Vehicles.

TO : Commanding Officer,
2675 Regiment.

1. For information and guidance of those concerned, this report includes an explanation of all phases of requisitioning, registration and assignment of civilian vehicles plus information explaining records kept by this office covering same.
2. a. The Establishment Memorandums attached, listed below, contain all information concerning requisitioning procedure, registration marking and assignment of all civilian vehicles:
 - (1) Establishment Memorandum No. 12
 - (2) Establishment Memorandum No. 14 and change thereto
 - (3) Establishment Memorandum No. 21
- b. Requisitioning authority granted to ACC is contained in Administrative Instruction No. 95, AFHQ.
3. The records contained in this office at present covering requisitioned vehicles include:
 - a. Formal requisition forms for all requisitioned cars.
 - b. A registration certificate, copy attached, with complete history of each vehicle in all Regions and Headquarters.
 - c. Derequisition forms - see form attached - when vehicles have been returned to owners.
 - d. Scrap certificates where vehicles have been scrapped.
 - e. An assignment list showing vehicles assigned by Branches, Sections and Sub-Commissions in Headquarters.
4. a. The records of this office are as nearly perfect as can be expected under the circumstances. Upon the arrival of this office it was

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found that over two hundred and fifty (250) cars had been requisitioned in Headquarters and assigned without formal requisitions being given to owners in most cases, and receipts for vehicles were not obtained from officers or Sections, Branches and Sub-Commissions of ACC to whom vehicles were assigned, leaving no one accountable on paper for the vehicles. The then Transportation Officer in charge of the ACC Super Garage had not maintained all the necessary records and files to account for each vehicle requisitioned and assigned.

b. This office has been able, after much work, to regularize the requisitions and assignment of almost all the vehicles now in our use. A few still remain unaccounted for. These vehicles are probably somewhere in the field, and correspondence is out on most of them in an effort to locate them and have someone accept responsibility for them.

5. This office has been the sole authority in ACC for assigning vehicles within our organization.

6. The ACC Super Garage, under the control of Transportation Sub-Commission at present, and formerly under the Headquarters Commandant's Section, ACC, has never been under the control of this office, and close liaison has been necessary between the officer commanding the garage and G-4. The garage maintains an assignment list of vehicles and a duplicate set of registration cards on all ACC requisitioned cars. Changes in the G-4 list are sent to the garage for their information, and copies of all correspondence concerning assignment of vehicles are passed back and forth so that G-4 and the Officer in Charge of the garage are fully informed of all transactions.

Recommendations:

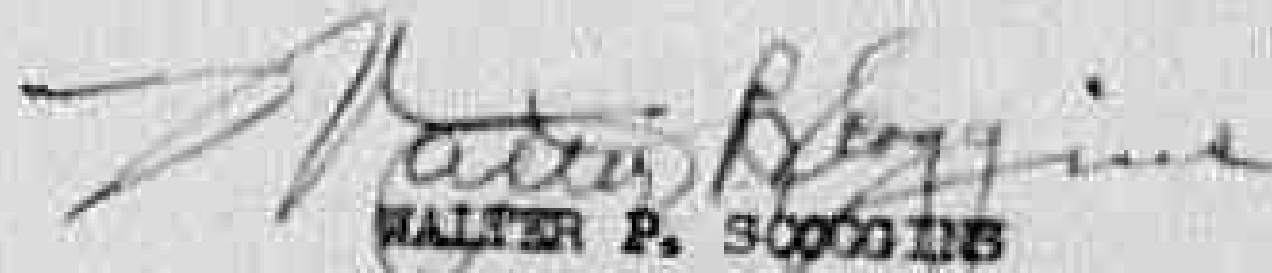
7. This office has encountered many difficulties in the actual locating, getting vehicles ready for assignment and the assignment of requisitioned vehicles due to the fact that the Super Garage was under the control of the Headquarters Commandant and is now being operated by the Transportation Sub-Commission.

8. It has been practically impossible to properly perform these functions from this office when the actual operations are located one mile away and under the control of the Transportation Sub-Commission.

9. It is therefore strongly recommended that the responsibility of locating, obtaining and assignment of requisitioned vehicles in this Headquarters be transferred from G-4 (A) to the Transportation Sub-Commission. The Headquarters Motor Pool Officer, now under the

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Transportation Sub-Commission, to do the actual assigning of the vehicle. The Office of G-4 (A) to retain the responsibility and functions of the preparation of formal requisition papers, the assignment of vehicle numbers and the records pertaining thereto but not the records of assignment of vehicles.


WALTER P. SCOONES
Lt. Colonel, OMC
G-4

- 5 Incls.
Incl. 1. Est Memo No. 12.
Incl. 2. Est Memo No. 14 w/change.
Incl. 3. Est Memo No. 21.
Incl. 4. Reg Cert in blank.
Incl. 5. Dereqn form in blank.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 304
(Executive Office)

Tele. 489081 - Ext. 280

REF-EX-1/550.1

24 August 1944.

SUBJECT: Irregular requisitioning.

TO : S.C.A.O. 8th Army.

1. This Headquarters is in receipt of correspondence from Headquarters A.A.I. and Rear Headquarters 8th Army, regarding several instances of irregularities in requisitioning stores for troops.

2. Will you please call to the attention of all your officers the provisions of Establishment Memorandum # 14, dated 1 May 1944, and enjoin strict compliance therewith.

3. The specific instances involved concern use of notes or temporary requisition forms used in lieu of AF 361, in which the NCOs doing the requisitioning had stated the designation of their units, thus violating security. This procedure is also in violation of GHO 124 and ARO 165.

4. Headquarters A.A.I. and Headquarters 8th Army, as well as this Headquarters are seriously concerned that requisitioning be done in the proper manner. It is therefore requested that you take immediate steps to inform all your ARO officers in the proper manner of requisitioning for troops.

F. L. CLOUGH
Colonel, A.C.D.
Executive Officer.

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Ext. 477

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

TJN/WEP

GA/AL/A

10 August 1944

SUBJECT: Organization of Italian Government Civilian Vehicle Agency.

TO : Executive Officer,
Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394.

1. On 10 August 1944 at 1100 hours a meeting was held in the office of Marchese Farace to organize an Italian Government Requisitioning Agency to screen requests for the requisitioning of civilian vehicles on behalf of Ministries of the Italian Government.

2. The meeting was attended by 1st Lt. F. J. Amoroso, Asst. G-4, AOC. General Petterelli Lallata appointed President of Requisitioning Agency and Marchese Farace, Liaison Representative of Italian Government to AOC. Two additional members to the Requisitioning Agency to be appointed.

3. Policy and procedure to be adopted and enforced by the newly created Agency were explained by Lt. Amoroso; which included preparing requisition forms, processing of same; procedure to be followed in obtaining circulation permits for the requisitioned cars. The new Italian State Service sticker to be placed on the vehicles above the regular circulation permits was also discussed.

4. The Italian Government Requisitioning Agency will be located at the Palazzo Viminale, Rome, in Room 11.

5. The meeting terminated at 1245 hours and the undersigned assured both General Petterelli Lallata and Marchese Farace that the G-4 office would be happy to advise General Petterelli Lallata and his staff on any matters arising in connection with their new task and help them in any way possible.

FRANK J. AMOROSO
1st Lt., Infantry
Asst. G-4

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394
(Executive Office)

Tele. 489081 - Ext. 280

5 August 1944.

MEMORANDUM TO: Brig. M.S. Lash,
Executive Commissioner.

SUBJECT : Requisitioned property of Italian Public Administrations.

1. Reference your A/CC 386.8, 28 July 1944 and attached correspondence regarding requisitioning of buildings, furniture, cars and accessories, property of the Public Administrations.

2. Arrangements have been completed and are now in process of accomplishment for the exemption from requisition, and licensing of essential motor vehicles for official use only. These vehicles fall into the following categories:

- a. Vehicles which are the property of the various Ministries of the Italian Government;
- b. Vehicles privately owned by the highest officials of the Italian Government;
- c. Vehicles of the Diplomatic Corps;
- d. Vehicles of the Vatican.

3. An unknown number of vehicles, property of the Italian Government, were requisitioned or impounded by various units of the Armed Forces, including R.A.A.C. and A.C.C. Of these vehicles some 35 have been returned to their proper Ministries by A.C.C., and R.A.A.C. has returned an unknown number of vehicles and is in process of returning all in their possession.

4. The exemption and licensing referred to in paragraph 2 is being handled in the following manner:

For vehicles of the Italian Government and privately owned vehicles of Government officials, a Central Screening Committee has been set up within the framework of the Italian Government for processing requests for requisitioning and licensing. These requests are vetted by the Committee and forwarded to G-4 A.C.C. who further screens them and issues an A.C.C. permit and refers the request to Region IV or to R.A.A.C.

5. In addition to the Committee above referred to, a representative of the Italian Government in the person of Marchese Cittadini Cesi has been appointed to the Real Estate Board of R.A.A.C. The Marchese will arrive in Rome on August 6th and will start functioning on the 8th.

6. In discussions with Sub-Commissions and with the R.A.A.C. it was decided that little, if any, unnecessary requisitions of property of the Public Administrations have been accomplished. The de-requisitioning of such property as might be returned has been left in the hands of the Sub-Commissions in direct contact with the Ministries of the Italian Government.

7. I trust that the above will inform you of the current situation with regard to requisitioning.

E.L. STANUM,
Colonel, A.D.P.,
Executive Officer.

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Col CLOUGH

Tel. 489061, Ext. 477

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

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3 August 1944

SUBJECT: Italian Government Vehicles.

TO : Regional Commissioner,
Region IV,
Allied Military Government.

ATTENTION: Lt. Colonel Ames.

1. Attached hereto, list of nineteen (19) Italian Government Motor vehicles that will be operated from the garage at Via Rossini Campanello 10.

2. These vehicles will have the official Allied Military Government circulating permits together with the Italian Government red, white and green "Service of State" sticker, which has been approved by the Allied Control Commission.

3. If any additional vehicles are acquired by the Italian Government, your office will be furnished with a list of same.

WALTER P. BOOGHEM
Lt. Colonel, G-4
G-4

1 Incl.
List of 19 It.
Gov. Mot. Vehs.

C O P Y

LIST OF VEHICLES FOR WHICH A CIRCULATING PERMIT IS
REQUESTED FROM THE A.C.C.

A.

PRESIDENZA DEL CONSIGLIO DEI MINISTRI

1. Make - LANCIA
type - ARTEA
Plate - 72445 ROMA 19HP.
Registration n° 5983
(Cabinet of the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri).
2. Make - FIAT
Type - DALELLA 508
Plate - 33240 ROMA 12HP
(H.E. Vittorio Emanuele Orlando - Presidente della
Camera dei Deputati).

B.

MINISTERO DEGLI AFFARI ESTERI

1. Make - LANCIA
Type - APRILIA
Plate - 61197 ROMA 15HP.
(H.E. Marchese Visconti Venosta, Undersecretary of State
for Foreign Affairs).
2. Make - FIAT
Type - 1100
Plate - 63395 12HP ROMA
(Liaison Office with Allied Authorities - Ministry of
Foreign Affairs)

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Incl.

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3. Make - FIAT
Type - 1100
Plate - 55596 12HP
(Liaison Office with Allied Authorities - Ministry for Foreign Affairs).
4. Make - FIAT
Type - 508 c
Plate - 71890 ROMA 12HP.
(Chief of Cabinet of H.E. the Minister for Foreign Affairs).
5. Make - LANCIA
Type - ARTEA
Plate - 50250 ROMA 15HP.
(Cabinet of H.E. Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs).
6. Make - FIAT
Type - 1100
Plate - 66663 ROMA 12HP.
(Cabinet of the Secretary General of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs).

C.

MINISTERO DELL'INTERNO.

1. Make - LANCIA
Type - ARTEA
Plate - 79842 ROMA 12HP.
(Cabinet of the Ministry for the Interior).
2. Motorcycle Official use for the Cabinet of the Ministry for the Interior.

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- a) Make - GUZZI
Type - 350
Plate - 211 Polisia
- b) Make - GUZZI
Type - 350
Plate - 1336 Polisia
- c) Make - GUZZI
Type - 350
Plate - 55 Polisia
- d) Make - GUZZI
Type - 350
Plate - 16239 Polisia

D.

MINISTERO DI GRAZIA E GIUSTIZIA

- 1. Make - FIAT
Type - 1100
Plate - 69572 ROMA 12HP.
(Head of Cabinet of H.E. the Minister for "Grazia e Giustizia").
- 2. Make - FIAT
Type - 1100
Plate - (none) 12HP
(For the use of the General Director of the Ministry)

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MINISTERO DEI LAVORI PUBBLICI

- 1. Make - LANCIA
Type - ARTENA

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2. Make - LANCIA
 Type - ASTURA
 Plate - 32189 ROMA 13HP
 (for the use of the Railroad Construction Office)

3. Make - FIAT
 Type - 1100
 Plate - 79280 ROMA 13HP.
 (for the use of the Office for electrical services).

4. Make - BIANCHI
 Type - 8/5
 Plate - 02864 R.E. 16HP.
 Head of Cabinet of R.E. the Minister).

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
OFFICE OF G-4
APO 394

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27 July 1944

SUBJECT: Procedure for the Requisitioning of Vehicles for the Italian Navy.

TO : Director, Navy Sub-Commission.

1. It is desired that the following procedure be followed in the requisitioning of vehicles for the Italian Navy.

a. All requests or applications for the requisitioning of civilian vehicles for use of the Italian Navy to be made to the Navy Sub-Commission, who will screen such requests and submit to G-4 (A), Allied Control Commission, for approval and submission to the Rome Allied Area Command for final approval.

b. Vehicles to be located by Italian Navy. Requisition and other papers to be prepared by the Navy Sub-Commission.

2. It is requested that a representative of your office call at Room 6, Fourth Floor, and a full explanation of the procedure in preparing the necessary papers will be made.

For the Establishment Officer:

WALTER P. SCOCORDE
Lt. Colonel, GSC
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO # 194
(Executive Office)

26 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Central Requisitioning Agency for Italian Government.

TO : Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri
Palazzo Venezia, Rome.

1. General Order #11, Rome Area Allied Command, states that requests for requisitioning of vehicles for the Italian Government will be screened by the Allied Control Commission.

2. It is requested that the Italian Government set up an agency to handle all requests for requisitioning of vehicles for use of the Italian Government.

3. This Agency when organized should screen all requests for requisition of civilian vehicles, make out the actual requisition papers in English, and approve them before they are sent to G-4, Hq. A.C.C., so that G-4, Hq. A.C.C. need only sign them to show his approval.

4. G-4, Hq. A.C.C. has, however, the right to refuse approval of any requests for requisition that he thinks are not justified.

S.L. BLOUGH,
Colonel, A.S.G.,
Executive Officer.

cc. for
G-4 (A) (info)
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO # 394
(Establishment Branch)

12 July 1944.

SUBJECT: Requisitioning of civilian vehicles.

TO : SCAD AMG 5th Army ✓
SCAD AMG 8th Army ✓
C.O. ACC Headquarters ✓
R.C. Rome Region ✓
R.C. Region IV. ✓

1. Attention is directed to the requirements set forth in ACC Estab. Memo # 14 1-5-44 relating to procedure for requisitioning and recording of vehicles. A copy of ACC Estab. Memo # 14 is attached for information.

2. Each of above units will appoint a Requisitioning Officer immediately. His name with four (4) specimen copies of his signature will be forwarded to Trans. Officer G-4 for record in authenticating the requisitioning of vehicles.

3. Each Requisitioning Officer will complete, at once, the records required by ACC Estab. Memo # 14 and forward copies to ACC Transportation Officer G-4 on or before 20 July 1944. Registration cards as per Appen. B of Estab. Memo # 12 may be secured from ACC Transportation Officer G-4, Fourth Floor, Room 5, ACC Hq.

4. Each Requisitioning Officer will file complete lists of all requisitioned vehicles with ACC Trans. Officer G-4 on or before 15 July 1944. Each make of vehicle will be in a separate list. The lists will contain the following information:

- a. Italian license number
- b. Current AMG registration number
- c. Make and model
- d. Owner from whom taken
- e. Present location of vehicle
- f. Officer or division using vehicle

5. The duly appointed Requisitioning Officer of each of above units will complete, only, the requisitions for those vehicles used by that organization.

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6. Records, temporary receipts and other papers for vehicles secured by one unit for another will be compiled by units and forwarded to AGO Trans. Officer G-4 for recording and completion of the requisitioning. As for example R.A.C. has prepared temporary receipts and record cards for vehicles being used by Rome Region and AGO. It is requested that the Requisitioning Officer of R.A.C. complete the formal requisitions only for those vehicles being used by R.A.C. and forward other papers to AGO Trans. Officer.


E.L. CLOUGH
Colonel, A.G.D.,
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