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SUBJECT:- Revised Maintenance Procedure

15 Army Group (10)
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CC PBS
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MIA (2)
No. 1 District
Rome Area Allied Command

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for Lieutenant General

MTA (2)
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for Lieutenant General
Chief Administrative Officer
A.P.H.Q.

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ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM

NUMBER

December 1944

PROCEDURE FOR MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS OF FORCES UNDER

A.F.H.Q. CONTROL WITHIN THE MEDITERRANEAN

GENERAL

1. (a) Allied Forces in the Mediterranean theatre, are maintained by :-
 - (i) Shipment of requirements from extra Mediterranean sources.
 - (ii) Intra-Mediterranean movement by sea of existing resources.
 - (iii) Internal Rail Movement.
- (b) The procedure for placing demands for movement by sea to meet the maintenance requirements of Allied Forces in the Mediterranean theatre is divided into:-

- (1) LONG TERM PROCEDURE
- (ii) SHORT TERM PROCEDURE

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LONG TERM PROCEDURE

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- (i) US Army Ground Forces
- (ii) US Navy
- (iii) Royal Navy
- (iv) British Army
- (v) Air Forces - US and British
- (vi) Civilian Supplies
- (vii) SOMMO
- (viii) Common User Items i.e. Coal
P.O.L.
Transportation Stores
Forage

(b) The tonnage allocation will be made in the light of :-

- (i) the estimate of discharge capacity for each port or group of ports which will be published by A.F.H.Q. five (5) days previous to each Tonnage Allocation Meeting.
- (ii) the troop strengths, U.S. and British, required to be maintained during the relevant month.

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SHORT TERM PROCEDURE

FOR ITALY

4. (a) At least thirty seven (37) days in advance of each successive ten (10) day maintenance period all users will submit to Q(Maint) A.F.H.Q. (for purposes of consolidation) their bulk tonnage requirements through all ports in Italy.
- (b) Thirty five (35) days in advance of each successive ten (10) day maintenance period a Meeting will be held at A.F.H.Q. to consider bids made under paragraph 4 (a) in relation to the estimated port capacities. This meeting will take place only if bids made are in excess of estimated port capacities).

FOR GREECE

5. The procedure for short term maintenance of GREECE will be in accordance with instructions contained in AFHQ AG 400/081 GDS-0 of 1 Dec 44.

FOR ITALY, GREECE, SOUTHERN FRANCE, NORTH AFRICA, SARDINIA, SICILY and CORSICA

6. At least twenty six (26) days before each successive ten (10) day maintenance period, Q(Maint), A.F.H.Q. and MTOUSA respectively, will receive and examine bids from all users for all destinations shown above, including acceptances under paragraph 4 (b) above, and submit finalised demands to G-4 (Mov & Tr) A.F.H.Q.
7. Twenty four (24) days in advance of successive ten (10) day maintenance periods a Shipping Priority of Movements Meeting will be held at A.F.H.Q. **3399** meeting will :-
 - (a) Arrange to meet the requirements as notified under paragraph 6 above, for the relevant period. These demands will be met as far as acceptance of ships will permit, by the diversion of stores ships scheduled to arrive during the relevant period from extra Mediterranean sources.
 - (b) Decide tonnages to be moved by sea within the Mediterranean having taken account of extra Mediterranean shipments under paragraph 7 (a) above.
 - (c) Set up additional tonnages under paragraph 7 (b) required to be moved by intra Mediterranean shipment.
 - (d) In the light of availability of shipping and port acceptance capacity decide where necessary the priority of movement of stores bid for shipment.

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Subsequent to each Shipping Priority of Movements Meeting, A.F.H.Q. will notify all concerned the convey and stores programme set up from all sources for shipment under the short term procedure.

NEW OPERATIONAL AREAS WITHIN THE MEDITERRANEAN

- 8. (a) Operational Areas which may in future be opened in the Mediterranean under control of A.F.H.Q., and which require maintenance by sea, will normally be maintained for the first thirty (30) days under special arrangements detailed in the administrative plan for the operation.
- (b) Subsequent maintenance will be in accordance with short term procedure as in paragraphs 4 to 7 above.

MAINTENANCE BY RAIL MOVEMENT IN ITALY

GENERAL

- 9. (a) Rail Priority of Movements Meetings to cover seven (7) day periods will be held weekly at A.F.H.Q.

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- (b) Bids by commodities for Rail Movement in ITALY will be submitted by Users to A.F.H.Q. for each period as instructed in Annexure I.

ALLOCATION OF RAIL CAPACITY

10. (a) A.F.H.Q. will notify 15 Army Group weekly the provisional allocation of overall rail capacity available for users in the Army Areas.
- (b) Capacity will be expressed in terms of nett tonnages per day and will cover personnel, ambulance trains, stores and vehicles.
- (c) 15 Army Group will recommend to A.F.H.Q. allocations between the various users in the Army Areas as follows :-
- (i) to Eighth Army
 - (ii) to British Increment Fifth Army
 - (iii) to U.S. Ground Forces
 - (iv) to Air Forces who do not bid through Army H.Qs.
 - (v) to Civil Relief which is not bid through Army H.Qs.
 - (vi) to any other user who is not covered by (i) to (v) above.

The capacity notified by A.F.H.Q. will cover the requirements of any of the above users in the Army Areas even though such tonnages are required to be delivered at a Railroad behind the Army Rear boundaries.

- (a) On receipt of 15 Army Group recommendations A.F.H.Q. will notify all concerned of allocations finally approved

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PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTING RAIL MOVEMENTS

11. Detailed instructions for implementing rail movement are given in Annexure I attached.

OPERATIVE DATES

12. (a) The first month to which the Long Term Maintenance procedure will apply will be MAY 1945, the tonnage allocation meeting for which will be held at A.F.H.Q. on 24 Jan 45.
- (b) The first ten (10) day maintenance period to which the Short Term procedure will apply will be from 5 February 1945 to 14 February 1945, requirements for which are due at A.F.H.Q. on 30 December 1944, and 12 January 1945, (see para 4 (a) and 6)

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- (c) The first period to which the Rail Procedure will apply will be from 15 to 21 January 1945, bids for which are due at A.F.H.Q. on 5 January 1945.

CANCELLATION OF PREVIOUS INSTRUCTION

- 13. A.F.H.Q. Administrative Memorandum No. 37 of 5 September 1944 is cancelled.

By command of Field Marshal ALEXANDER:

AGD
Actg Adjutant General

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Annexure I

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PROCEDURE FOR IMPLEMENTING RAIL MOVEMENT IN ITALY

ANNEXURE I to Adm Memo Number

1. Weekly on Tuesdays, A.F.H.Q. will notify 15 Army Group total rail capacity expressed in terms of nett tons daily available for users in the Army Area, for delivery in the week beginning twenty days later, together with A.F.H.Q. priority allocations (if any).
2. On receipt of notification of rail capacity available as at para 1 above, 15 Army Group will recommend to A.F.H.Q. at least seventeen days in advance of the weekly maintenance period the distribution of this tonnage capacity as shown in para 10 of the basic document. A.F.H.Q. will inform all concerned of final allocations.

RAIL MOVEMENT INTO THE ARMY AREAS

3. Bids for rail movement within the tonnages allocated in para 2 above will be submitted as follows to arrive at A.F.H.Q. ten (10) days in advance of the weekly maintenance period :-

(a) For Eighth Army and British Increment Fifth Army

Tonnage requirements by destinations broken down by commodities and including A.F.Vs, ambulance, and Personnel Trains, will be submitted by respective Army H.Qs. 3897

At the same time Services at Eighth Army and British Increment Fifth Army will submit their detailed breakdowns within these tonnages to Services at A.F.H.Q.

(b) For Fifth (US) Army

Tonnage requirements by destinations broken down by commodities, in respect of Ground Forces in the Fifth (US) Army Area will be submitted by G-5 AFMUSA.

(c) For Air Forces

Tonnage requirements by destinations broken down by commodities, for Air Forces located in the Army Areas, which have not been covered by bids made through Army H.Qs., will be submitted by AAFSC/ATO and MAIF as applicable.

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(d) For Civil Relief

Tonnage requirements by destinations broken down by commodities, for Civil Relief in Army Areas which have not been covered by bids made through Army H.Qs. will be submitted by H.Q. Allied Commission.

(e) For Other Users

Tonnage requirements by destinations broken down by commodities, for movement into the Army Areas, not covered by (a) to (d), above, will be submitted by the responsible Headquarters.

RAIL MOVEMENT OUT OF THE ARMY AREAS

4. Demands for movement by rail out of the Army Areas will be submitted under the same procedure and by the same H.Qs. as shown at para. 3, above.

5. RAIL MOVEMENT IN REAR OF ARMY BOUNDARIES

All Headquarters and Users having requirements for movements by rail behind the Army Rear Boundaries will submit their requirements to arrive A.F.H.Q. ten (10) days in advance of the weekly maintenance period.

5. (contd)

Stores bid will show tonnages required by commodities, source of supply, and destination. Acceptance of bids for local movement is delegated in certain instances to subordinate Movements (Br) and Transportation (A) Headquarters. Bids for such movements will be submitted to the relevant Movements (Br) and Transportation (A) Headquarters and not to A.F.H.Q.

6. Weekly at 1430 hours on Mondays, a Rail POM Meeting to consider bids for the period commencing seven days later will be held at A.F.H.Q. at which the following will be represented :-

A.F.H.Q.

C-4 (Mov & Tr)

Q (Maint)

Q (AE)

C-1 (B)

C-3

C-5

Pet Sec

QM Coal Sec

British Services

HQ MILIT

CT MTCUSA

PBS

LAFSC/INTO

MRS

AC

ISMLA

Transportation (A)

7. Following the POM Meeting, A.F.H.Q. will notify all concerned the firm allocations of rail tonnages made. Final loading instructions to supplying agencies will then be issued through normal channels by the relevant authorities. These instructions will reach supply agencies before noon each TUESDAY. 3.26

EMERGENCY BIDS

- a. (a) Alterations to bids, within existing allocations, will be submitted to A.F.H.Q. for a decision.
- (b) Alterations to bids in excess of the tonnages allocated, for movement into the Army Area, will be submitted to A.F.H.Q. and to 15 Army Group. 15 Army Group will recommend or otherwise to A.F.H.Q., together with proposals for compensating cuts in other tonnages.
- (c) Application for adjustment of rail tonnages must be received at A.F.H.Q. at least six (6) days before delivery is required.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

Subject: Maintenance into the
Operational Zone - Period
27 Nov - 6 Dec 44

ATHQ/3501/69/Q(Maint)

5 Nov 44

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A.A.I.
C.M.F.
(15)

1. Reference AAI Letter 1021/46/31 dated 29 Oct 44 (not to information addressees) which showed :-

- (a) Bulk tonnages by Main Users at ports in the Operational Zone during maintenance period 27 Nov - 6 Dec 44.
- (b) Breakdown of the tonnage allocation to the British Army by Service and destination for the same period.
- 2. (a) It is proposed to meet your requirements through ANOCAL for maintenance period 27 Nov - 6 Dec 44 as shown in Appendix 'A' attached.
- (b) Appendix 'B' shows the planned loadings on British Army 3095 account only through LEGHORN.

3. The figures in the appendices are approximate only as they show tonnages it is intended to load. Exact quantities loaded will be notified through movement channels in due course.

4. Coal requirements to LEGHORN and ANOCAL for maintenance period 27 NOV - 6 DEC 44 will be met by diversion of extra Mediterranean colliers due to arrive in ITALIAN base ports.

5. Regarding maintenance period 17 - 26 NOV 44, additional 500 tons RE Stores (Asphalt) has been set up to replace 500 tons US Air Force Stores. It was not possible to set up similar tonnage in time for maintenance period 7 - 16 NOV 44. Your cable Q1715 of 3 NOV 44

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H. MOLEAN, Lt. Col.,
for Lieutenant General,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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CHQ REF (6)	HQ ACC	TN (4)
HQ REAR EIGHTH ARMY (6)	TN INC AMI	TN (B)
HQ BR INC FIFTH ARMY (6)	AMSC/ATO 24	ST (3)
CG COM ZONE M TOUSL	G-4 (1)	ORD (B)
HQ NLD	G-4 (B)	EFT
MAAF CISO	L/DGIC	CM (COML SEC)
MAAF (Rear) DES	G-4 (Mov & Tn) (5)	PTT SEC
MAAF (Rear) Movements	G-5	Brig. Q (Maint)
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218 Gp SESCO	Works	War Diary (2)
214 Gp SESCO		
HQ PES		

PLANNED LOADINGS TO ANCONA - MAINTENANCE PERIOD
27 NOV - 6 DEC 1944

All in DWLT per ten days

SOURCE	SHIP	RE	SUPS	ORD VOTE	ORD CASED VEHS	AMN	EFT	PRINTS	TOTAL BRITISH ARMY	FORAGE
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	(l)
U.K.	FORT GLENORL (ex KMS 69)	681	871(L)		(B)	2170		1	3723	
U.K.	FORT PIC (ex KMS 69)	250	656(C)	66	(D)	2030			3002	
U.S.A.	ROBERT G INCERSOLL (ex UGS 60)		2169		1105(E)	217	850		4341	
U.S.A.	EASTWOOD PARK (ex UGS 60)		1767(G)	2	1576(H)	258	380(J)		3983	
MIDEAST	To be nominated		1413(K)			168(K)			1581	
ALGIERS	-do-	1300				59			1359	
NAPLES	-do-	2500(L)							2500	
HEEL	-do-	1450	2000	2500		406	500		6856	400
CROTONE	-do-	1500							1500	
TOTAL		7681	8876	2568	2681	5308	1730	1	28845	400
BIDS by AMI		7700	8600	2500	1500	9600	1500		31400	400
Deficiency or Surplus		-19	+276	+68	+1181	-4292	+230	+1	-2555	-

NOTES:-

- (A) Incls 660 tons tinned potatoes.
 (B) Also carries 91 units wheeled vehicles and 112 units
 A vehicles.
 (C) Tinned potatoes.
 (D) Also carries 124 units wheeled vehicles and 77 units
 A vehicles.
 (E) Also carries 136 units wheeled vehicles, 101 units
 A vehicles, 6 units GUNS 155 mm, 35 units tanks M4A1
 2 units Tanks M24
 (F) Railway Bridging.

- (G) FLOUR 14
 (H) Also car
 (J) Incls BE
 (K) This ton
 NOV to f
 (L) PSP
 (M) Incls 22
 FT FUEL
 (N) Collier
 source.

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SECRETAppendix 'A' to AFHQ/3501/69/Q(Maint)
dated 5 NOV 44.TO ANCONA - MAINTENANCE PERIOD
NOV - 6 DEC 1944

ORD BASED VEHS	AMV	EFI	PRINTS	TOTAL BRITISH ARMY	FORAGE	AIR FORCES (BR)	AIR FORCES (US)	POL	TN STORES	US ARMY	COAL	TOTAL
(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)	(q)	(r)	(s)
(B)	2170		1	3723					27			3750
(D)	2030			3002		42			60			3104
105(E)	217	850		4341					626(F)			4967
576(H)	258	380(J)		3983								3983
	168(K)			1581					21			1602
	59			1359								1359
				2500								2500
	406	500		6856	400	850	500	2350(L)	1200	100	4000(N)	16256
				1500								1500
681	5308	1730	1	28845	400	892	500	2350	1934	100	4000	39021
500	9600	1500		31400	400	850	500	2350	1900	100	4000	41500
181	-4292	+230	+1	-2555	-	+42	-	-	+34	-	-	-2479

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ed vehicles and 112 units

ed vehicles and 77 units

ed vehicles, 101 units
55 mm, 35 units tanks M41

- (G) FLOUR 1475 tons. Canned Herrings 292 tons.
 (H) Also carries 25 units tanks 76 mm.
 (J) Incls BEER 214 tons. Matches 6 tons.
 (K) This tonnage may be shipped in maintenance period 17-26 NOV to fill shipping space offering in that period.
 (L) PSP
 (M) Incls 2250 tons Kerosene and IUBS, also 100 tons FT FUEL and/or ANTIFREEZE.
 (N) Collier will be nominated from extra MEDITERRANEAN source.

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PLANNED LOADINGS TO LEGHORN - MAINTENANCE PERIOD 27 NOV- 6 DEC 1944.

All in DWT per ten days.

SOURCE	SHIP	TN	SUPS	AMN	EPI
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
MIDEAST	To be nominated	-	-	512	-
ALGIERS	-do-	-	-	212	-
NAPLES	-do-	900	1400	1267(A)	200
TOTAL		900	1400	1991	200
TOTAL bid by A.A.I.		900	1400	7200	200
Deficiency or Surplus		-	-	-5209	-

NOTE:

(A) Includes transshipment of 750 tons from S.S. "OFFINGTON COURT" ex KMS 69 period.

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SEG-ORV - MAINTENANCE PERIOD 27 NOV- 6 DEC 1944.

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Appendix 'B' to AFHQ/3501/69/
Q(Maint) dated 5 Nov 44.

	IN	SUPS	AMN	EPI
	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
ted	-	-	512	-
	-	-	212	-
	900	1400	1267(L)	200
	900	1400	1991	200
	900	1400	7200	200
	-	-	-5209	-

Includes transshipment of 750 tons from
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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD AT AFHQ ON 24 OCTOBER, 1944, TO DISCUSS TONNAGE ALLOCATION FOR ITALY IN FEBRUARY 1945.

Present:-

Brig. V.C.E. SHARP
Col. D.A. GREENHILL
Col. J.P. LEESE
Col. I. DODENHOFF
Col. J.E. BUTTERWORTH
W/Cdr. A.S. WOODCOTE
Lt. Col. B.J. PECK
Lt. Col. H.G. LASSEK
Major S.G. GASKELL
Major J. RIDDELL
Major D.L. BROWN
Major L.J. GLENN
Major GROEBURGER
Lt. H. WILKINSON
Major R.M.C. FISHER

(In the Chair)
Mov & Tn
Tn (B)
COMZONE NATONAL
G-5
MAIT DIS
AIF/ITO
PET SEC
Q(AE)
QW (COAL SEC)
G-4 (L)
G-5
AIF/ITO
COMZONE NATONAL
Q (MAINT) Secretary

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MAJ.A.	102
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1. GENERAL.

The Chairman stated that the bids for imports into ITALY for the month of FEBRUARY except for the Northern Ports on the West Coast were within estimated port capacities and allocations would be made accordingly.

2. PORT CAPACITIES.

The bids made for Western ITALY ports North of NAPLES exclusive of CIVITAVECCHIA showed an excess over port capacity of 91,550 tons. G-4 (Mov & Tn) stated that the port capacity of 300,000 tons was based on the availability of allied port troops. If GENOA was in fact open and working by FEBRUARY and self help was provided by the Italians the capacity would exceed the 300,000 tons estimated.

3. EXCESS TONNAGE.

It was decided that cuts must be made to conform to the existing estimated port capacity on the West Coast North of NAPLES, and that where cuts were

Major J. J. GILMER
Major GROBBER
Lt. E. MULHAUSER
Major F. A. C. FISHER

MAJ/ATO
COLZONE MATOUS
9 (S.M.T.) Secretary

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2. PORT CAPACITIES.

The bids made for Western ITALY ports North of NAPLES exclusive of CIVITAVECCHIA showed an excess over port capacity of 91,550 tons. G-4 (Mov & Trn) stated that the port capacity of 300,000 tons was based on the availability of allied port troops. If GENOA was in fact open and working by FEBRUARY and self help was provided by the Italians the capacity would exceed the 300,000 tons estimated.

3. EXCESS TONNAGE.

It was decided that cuts must be made to conform to the existing estimated port capacity on the West Coast North of NAPLES, and that where cuts were imposed, planning might proceed on the figure originally bid, on the basis of the remarks in para 2 above. A close supervision must be exercised during the future weeks to assure the programme was kept within the actual capabilities of the ports.

4. CUTS.

HQ COLZONE MATOUS offered to reduce their tonnage bid to 115,000 tons. The British Army tonnage bid was reduced by 3,000 tons.

5. CIVIL SUPPLIES.

The Civil Supplies tonnage was reduced from 66,000 tons to 62,000 tons in view of the fact that 24,000 tons would probably go through CIVITAVECCHIA.

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6. COAL.

27,720 tons of coal, is expected through CIVILIAN COAL. A cut of 50,000 tons was imposed with the proviso that the allocation might be increased if GENOA was open.

7. TONNAGE ALLOCATION.

Tonnage allocations for the month of FEBRUARY will be published separately.

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MINUTES OF CONFERENCE HELD AT A.F.H.Q. ON 23 SEPTEMBER 1944 TO DISCUSS IMPORT TONNAGE ALLOCATIONS FOR JANUARY 1945.

Present:- Maj. Gen. R.G. LEWIS (in the chair)
 Brig. De Phe WILLIAMS, D.Q.M.G. (Mov & In)
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 Brig. M.C.E. SHEPP, Q(Maint).
 Lt. Col. H. KOLMAN, Q(Maint).
 Capt. W.J. SHAW, Pet Sec.
 Major G. RIDDELL, QM/Coal Sec).
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 Major D.H. REYNOLDS, Tn(B).
 Lt. Col. K. ANDERSON, M.W.T.
 Lt. Col. W.B.S. SHELTON, (Secretary).

1. Attendance at Conference.

(a) The Chairman directed that future meetings will be attended by Senior representatives from H.Q's, Branches and Staff Sections concerned.

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H.Q's, Branches and Sections concerned

(b) The Chairman stated that C-in-C Med need be represented at future meetings only when there was information that abnormal Naval tonnages were expected during the period under discussion.

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2. Coal Bid.

It was decided to cut coal bid to West Coast

Major G. ALDEN, QM/Coal Sec).
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 W/Comd. A.S. WOODGATE, HAF (Hear).
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| 2. <u>Coal Bid.</u> | QM (Coal Sec) |
| It was decided to cut coal bid to West Coast ports North of NAPLES by 50,000 tons due to SARDINIA's loading capacity for this month being 50,000 tons only as against 100,000 tons on which bid was based. | |
| 3. <u>Packed POL.</u> | Secretary. |
| The Chairman directed that, in view of the low bid for Packed POL, comparative figures of bids and actual imports over three months be presented to Pet Sec. | |
| 4. <u>Supplies for Italian Armed Forces.</u> | SOS NATOUSAL |
| SOS NATOUSAL confirmed that supplies for International Italians were provided for in their bid for US Army Ground Forces. | |

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5. Tonnage Allocations.

Tonnage allocations to Users for JANUARY 1945 will be published separately. Q(Maint).

[Signature]

H. MURAN, Lt. Col.,
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PROCEDURE FOR MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS OF ALLIED FORCES
IN ITALY, NORTH AFRICA, SICILY, SARDINIA AND CORSICA

Section II, AFHQ Administrative Memorandum Number 25, 1944, is rescinded and the following substituted therefor:

GENERAL

1. a. Allied Forces in the Mediterranean theater are maintained by --
 - (1) Shipment of requirements from extra Mediterranean sources.
 - (2) Intra-Mediterranean movement by sea of existing resources.
 - (3) Internal rail movement.

b. Reference is made to letter, Allied Force Headquarters, file AG 323/035 GDS-O, dated 20 August 1944, with Annex "B" which details the British administrative reorganization on the mainland of Italy whereby AAI is responsible within a defined area called the Operational Zone, subject to policies laid down from time to time by AFHQ - NATOUSA.

c. The procedure for placing demands to meet the maintenance requirements of Allied Forces in the Mediterranean theater is divided into:

- (1) LONG TERM PROCEDURE
- (2) SHORT TERM PROCEDURE

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LONG TERM PROCEDURE

2. The loading of convoys from extra Mediterranean sources for the United States and British Forces, for which AFHQ has a maintenance responsibility, will be arranged by AFHQ for British Forces, and by Commanding General, NATOUSA, for United States Forces, based on forecasts of requirements made by them or on troop strengths.

3. In order to ensure that the loading of ships for Italy in extra-Mediterranean convoys is related to port acceptance capacity and overall requirements in Italy,

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AFHQ Adminis Memo Number 37, dtd 5 Sept 44

a. A Tonnage Allocation Meeting attended by AFHQ representatives will be held at AFHQ one hundred (100) days before the first day of each month, the purpose of which will be to allocate tonnages for all requirements for each port or group of ports to the following users:-

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| (1) US Army Ground Forces | (see paragraph 10) |
| (2) US Navy | |
| (3) Royal Navy | |
| (4) British Army | |
| (5) Air Forces - US and British | (see paragraph 11) |
| (6) Civilian Supplies | (see paragraph 12) |
| (7) SOMTO | |
| (8) Common User Items | (see paragraph 13) |

(NOTE:

- (1) Users will provide, within their total tonnage allocations, for the requirements of Italian Forces' personnel employed by them.
- (2) For Italian Forces employed internationally, separate instructions will be issued as to the method by which their requirements will be arranged.)

b. The tonnage allocations will be made in the light of -

- (1) the estimate of discharge capacity for each port or group of ports, which will be made by AFHQ and published five (5) days previous to each Tonnage Allocation Meeting.
- (2) the troop strengths, US and British, required to be maintained during the relevant month
- (3) a statement submitted monthly by AAI to AFHQ outlining the anticipated operational situation in the month under consideration and including any special requirements such as mountain warfare equipment, waterproofing material or other special supplies.

SHORT TERM PROCEDURE

4. For Italy only. At least twenty-eight (28) days in advance of successive ten (10) day maintenance periods, AAI will furnish the following information in respect of the Operational Zone:-

a. General: Notify AFHQ and SOS NATOUSA the estimated tonnages acceptable during the relevant ten (10) day period at each of the ports and groups of railheads within the operational zone, together with the allocation of these tonnages to those main users (see paragraph 3 a) operating within the zone.

b. For British Forces only: Notify a breakdown by commodities and destinations.

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