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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS, CMF.

S.T. BRANCH

Subject:- Ration Scales

69/ST6

10 Apr 46

Ref GHQ 69/ST6 dated 19 Feb 46 as amended.

1. Appendix 'A' to this Directorate instruction under reference will be further amended as shown at attached amendment sheet.

W. J. Williams
Brigadier,
Director of Supplies and Transport.

Distribution:- DDST, PEA
DDST, 13 Corps (Rear)
DDST, 2 District
DDST, 3 District
DDST, HQ Land Forces Greece
DADST, Rome Area Allied Command
OC RASC, BINA

Copy to :- DST, GHQ, MEF
DDST, 2 Polish Corps
ADST, 26 HLU
ADST, LF Sub Commission, AG (MFA) →
HQ, 14 GRASC (Supply Units)
HQ, 22 GRASC (Supply Units)

Chief Catering Adviser
WDA, GHQ, HQ 13 Corps (Rear)
OC, RASC Trg Unit (CM) CMF
No.1 Supply Depot Inspectorate

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Amendment Sheet to APPENDIX

Basic Item	Ration Scales Applicable	Number of Issues	Alternatives
<u>Sheet 1</u>			
<u>Delete</u>			
Meat Frozen	1 and 2	6 per week (approx 60% Beef and 40% Mutton)	V. Meats M & V Ration Meat Preserved Meat Dehydrated
<u>Substitute</u>			
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<u>Sheet 2</u>			
<u>Delete</u>			
Fruit Fresh	1 and 2	6 per week	Fruit Tinned
<u>Substitute</u>			
Fruit Fresh	1 and 2	100% issues when available	Fruit Tinned Fruit Dried Fruit Cordial Fruit Juice

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Amendment Sheet to APPENDIX 'A' to 69/ST6 dated 19 Feb 46

Cable	Number of Issues	Alternatives	Number of Issues.
			Per Month
6 per week (approx 60% Beef and 40% Mutton)	V. Meats M & V Ration Meat Preserved Meat Dehydrated	2) In Italy, 1) Sicily & 1) Austria	1) In Greece 1) and 2) BUNA Not unless specially instructed by DST.
			Per Month
6 per week (approx 60% Beef and 40% Mutton)	V. Meats M & V Ration Meat Preserved Meat Dehydrated		1/2 1 2.1/2 Not unless specially instructed by DST
6 per week	Fruit Tinned		1 per week 1 further issue per week of one of following may be made in diminution of Fresh Fruit issues: Fruit Tinned } in accordance with Fruit Dried } Supply Memo No. 24 (27 Fruit Cordial } Aug 45) when stocks Fruit Juice } require turnover.
100% issues when available	Fruit Tinned Fruit Dried Fruit Cordial Fruit Juice		Not more than 2 per month. in accordance with Supply Memo No. 24 (27 Aug 45) when stocks require turnover.

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ROMA AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO 794, US ARMY

REC'D 21 MAR 1946

Q 191
19 Mar 46

SUBJECT: Conservation of Food Supplies

DISTRIBUTION: " R " (British)

1. The Army Council has advised all Commands at home and overseas that in view of the present critical food situation the Prime Minister has directed that special action must be taken by all Services to ensure that stringent precautions are taken immediately to prevent any possible form of food wastage.

2. The gravity of the world food situation is such that the fullest co-operation of every individual of every nation is essential if catastrophe on a large scale is to be averted. Even if this is attained, large areas will be reduced to practically famine conditions. The results may cause not only widespread disease and starvation in these areas but may also entail the spreading of disease to British populations, quite apart from the serious political factors involved among all countries.

3. The Council therefore direct that a new approach must be made hitherto to this vital subject. Every member of His Majesty's Army must realize it is his or her personal responsibility to prevent any kind of food wastage, and every Commanding Officer is responsible that this point of view is brought home to every soldier and auxiliary under his Command. Negligence of any kind leading to waste of food must be dealt with as a serious offence.

4. The Council consider that two aspects are involved. First, it is of paramount importance that under-drawals of entitlements are effected wherever possible (e.g. at weekends and general holidays, etc). Consequently ration indents must be scrutinised and signed only by responsible officers. Second on no account must stocks be permitted to accumulate and rigid domestic economy and inspection must be practised.

5. It is fully appreciated that the rapid run-down of the rationing system has created special difficulties and that

fullest co-operation of every individual of every nation is essential if catastrophe on a large scale is to be averted. Even if this is attained, large areas will be reduced to practically famine conditions. The results may cause not only widespread disease and starvation in these areas but may also entail the spreading of disease to British populations, quite apart from the serious political factors involved among all countries.

3. The Council therefore direct that a new approach must be made forthwith to this vital subject. Every member of His Majesty's Army must realize it is his or her personal responsibility to prevent any kind of food waste, and every Commanding Officer is responsible that this point of view is brought home to every soldier and auxiliary under his Command. Negligence of any kind leading to waste of food must be dealt with as a serious offence.

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5. It is fully appreciated that the rapid run-down of the Army Catering Corps has created special difficulties and that detailed skilled supervision is no longer possible in some units. It is on this account the more important that all officers make special and strenuous efforts to counter-balance this serious disadvantage.

6. Suitable posters and notices are being drawn up and Units will be advised as soon as they are available for collection.

7. Commanding Officers will therefore take immediate and energetic steps to comply with the foregoing and inaugurate at once an anti-waste of food campaign within units under command.

Dist:- D.

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ALBAN LOW

Brigadier

Commander British Troops RCM

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APO 394
OFFICE OF G-4 (B)Tel: 489081.
Ext: 285.

GH/114/12

8 February 1946.

SUBJECT : Subsistence of British Elements of Liaison Units.
TO : Land Forces Sub-Commission (LFA).

1. Attached copy of reply from G.H.Q. C.M.F. to this office letter G-4/100/32 dated 21 January 1946. Your Q.258 dated 12 January 1946 refers.
2. It will be seen that the information supplied is not very helpful and it would appear extremely difficult at the present time to lay down a definite plan for joint subsistence for the future.
3. So far as is known to-date no difficulty has been experienced by any of the A.C. Liaison Groups in the matter of supplies and it is suggested that in the event of any of your units in the future finding difficulty contact be made with the nearest A.C. Liaison Officer with a view to joint subsistence in that area.

By Command of Rear Admiral STONE

D.C. MOYLE
Major, R.A.
A/G-4 (B)Copy to:- Executive Commissioner.
H.Q. Commandant.Our G-4/100/32 dated
21 January 1946 refers.G.B.
9/2/46.Informing { Praybrooke
Romm 23 3 F. CofS to Exec Comm.

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we do not propose to move the matter

ST. Keep in informed of any difficulty arising in G. Secy

RAC

See file

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Subject : Subsistence of British
elements of Liaison Units

G.H.Q. C.M.F.

2581/Q-1

4 Feb 46

Headquarters Allied Commission

Ref your letter G4/100/32 dated 21 Jan 46.

1. Present information available makes it extremely difficult to give you any exact locations of depots left in ITALY during the latter half of 1946.
2. We can however say with reasonable certainty that up till the end of September there will be ST & EFI depots at:

VENICE

BOLOGNA

NAPLES

ROME
3. There is no information at present as to which if any of these places will still be open after the end of September.

/s/ J.H.D. Sibree,
J.H.D. SIBREE, Major
for Major General,
MGA.

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OFFICE OF G-4 (B)

Rel: 489013.
Ext: 285.

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21 January 1946.

SUBJECT: Subsistence of British elements of Liaison Units.

TO : G.H.Q., C.E.F.

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1. Owing to the anticipated closing down of many supply installations in the near future it is feared that difficulty will be experienced by groups of both A.C. and MIA Liaison personnel in obtaining:-
 - a. Rations.
 - b. Petrol.
 - c. MFI Supplies.
2. It is suggested that arrangements may be possible for the joint subsistence of these units as the locations of both are similar. (Unit strength and location chart attached).

3. A request is made for any advance information that could be supplied on the subject particularly with regard to what supply installations it is proposed by G.H.Q. shall remain and where to help both A.C. and MIA in the matter of planning to meet the contingency mentioned in para.1 above, if and when it should occur.

For the Chief Commissioner

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(Sgd) F.H. Nelson

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- b. Petrol.
- c. IFF Supplies.

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For the Chief Commissioner

(Sgd) F.H. Nulany.
M.S. LISH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

Copies to:- Land Forces Sub-Commissioner / Your 0.258 dated 12 Jan. '46 refers.

R.O. Commandant.

Recd 0.258
See by A/S 25 Jan

APPENDIX 'A'

GROUP	A.C. Offrs.	A.C. C.Ms.	A.C. Total	MLA Offrs.	MLA C.Ms.	MLA Total	Combined Strength	Ital. Civil.
5 MILAN	8	2	10	5	12	17	27	--
3 LOMBARDIA	8	22	30	--	--	--	30	--
2 LIGURIA <i>Gym</i>	4	6	10	2	4	6	16	5
1 FIENQUITE <i>Team</i>	9	11	20	3	12	17	37	--
1 VERONESE	4	7	11	--	--	--	11	--
9 BARI	2	1	3	2	4	6	9	5
6 BELLUNA	3	4	7	2	4	6	13	5
4 BOLZANO	3	8	11	3	12	17	28	--
10 NAPLES	2	5	7	5	12	17	24	5
11 TRIESTE	1	2	3	2	4	6	9	--
1 ANCONA	1	1	2	--	--	--	2	5
7 LANCERON <i>Team</i>	1	2	3	5	12	17	20	--

In addition to the above MLA have an approximate strength in Rome
5 of 200 and in Venice 2 Officers, 4 O.Ms. and 5 Italian Civilians.

Subject: Subsistence Liaison Units.

Land Forces Sub Commission A.C.
(M. M. I. A.) ROME.

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// January, 1946.

To: A.C. for Executive Commissioner.

1. This Sub Commission has liaison units in various parts of Italy, corresponding in most cases to the location of A.C. I.Cs. as per A.C. letter reference 212/261/EC dated 4 Jan 46.

2. Some of these liaison units are a distance from Allied Supply Installations and the number of such cases is likely to increase in the near future. In view of the fact that your liaison units will no doubt be in the same position, this Sub Commission is desirous of arranging a co-ordinated plan for maintaining these units, and would like to receive any proposal you might have regarding their joint subsistence.

RAC
Major General,
M. M. I. A.

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Copy to: S. & T.

RAC/rem

Translation

From: M of W

ref. 20898/3/I

Copy to: MMIA

2 Nov. 45

Subject: Bulk and Food Distribution Depots.

Maj. Nelson MMIA, Rome further to his visit to E.W. sector Bulk and Food Distribution Depots, has informed us that the service is very efficient and well organized.

I wish to praise the Communist Directors to whom this letter is addressed and the officers and Gns under command for their activity in the service and for the results they have obtained.

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