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MESSAGE FORM

FROM :- H.Q. 217 Area

DATE & TO 17 117 B

TO :- Lists 'A' & 'C'

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AG *R* (.) UNCLASSIFIED (.) CHILDREN'S VISITS (.) RETURN TRAIN  
 LEAVES VILLACH 17 SEP (.) WOULD ANY PARENTS BE WILLING ESCORT TO  
 VICTORIA (.) RETURN FARES TO BE DIVIDED BETWEEN ALL FAMILIES TRAVELLING  
 AS IS BEING DONE IN CASES OF SSAFA ESCORTS ON OUTWARD JOURNEY (.)  
 FORWARD NAMES OF PARENTS WILLING TO THIS HQ

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This message may be sent  
AS WRITTEN by any means

Degree of Priority

Signed :-

/vb.

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*EWB 22/8*

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19 AUG 1946

8/B/2 - 37

SUBJECT :- DILFOR Visits by Next of Kin to  
Service Personnel on DI List in CMF

List 'A' & 'G'

H.Q. 217 Area, CMF.

A 3003.

15 Aug 46.

Reference A 3003 of 12 Aug 46.

1. Cancel para 2 (f), (g), (h) and (j), and substitute :-
- (f) All necessary costs of Transport, rations and accommodations are chargeable to Public Funds.
  - (g) Areas concerned will be responsible for reception, accommodation, subsistence, onward routing (if required), and arrangements for return to UK of the next-of-kin. War Office have been requested to notify areas concerned with the patient, and areas concerned with onward routing of next-of-kin, if required of ETA and point of arrival.
  - (h) Visits will normally be for four days, subject to extension to a total of seven days. Such extension may be authorised by Officers Commanding hospitals. Areas concerned will be notified of all cases where extensions are granted in order that the necessary arrangements for delay of return passage may be arranged.
  - (j) Return passage will be via MedLoc 'C' : authority, War Office cable AWS1/9992 dated 30 July 46. Return air passage will only be authorised in exceptional cases. Areas concerned with the arrangements for the return passage will signal JTD and ETA to the War Office (AWS1)/(A), repeated to GHQ A-4, and this HQ.
  - (k) GHQ 2nd Echelon are responsible only for the despatch of the original signal to the War Office, requesting the visit of the next-of-kin. All matters subsequently arising on this scheme will be referred to GHQ A-4, through this HQ.

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Field.  
TRB/VB.

Lt Col.  
A. & QMG.  
217 Area.



17 AUG 1946

4/18/2-36

SUBJECT L :- DILFOR Visits by Next of Kin to Service H.Q. 217 Area, CMF  
Personnel on DI List in CMF

A 3003

12 Aug 46

List 'A' &amp; 'O'

1. Under GHQ Signal C46049 dated 29 May 46 authority has now been given for visits by next of kin to Service Personnel on DI List to include all Europe.
2. Pending detailed instructions the following procedure will be adopted :-
  - (a) Next of Kin may visit only at direct request of Medical Authority who must be satisfied that the patient is :-
    - (i) On the dangerously ill list and likely to live long enough for next of kin to reach the hospital.
    - (ii) Likely to benefit from such a visit.
    - (iii) Unlikely to be evacuated before visit can be made.
  - (b) Only one relative may visit the sick person.
  - (c) When officer commanding Hospital consider next of kin should be called forward, they should notify Name, Rank, Number Regiment and Diagnosis of patient direct to GHQ 2nd Echelon.
  - (d) GHQ 2nd Echelon will signal Record office or Casualty Branch to whom casualties are normally reported (copy to War Office AWS-1(A) requesting visit by next of kin and giving details of the casualty and the number and location of the Hospital).
  - (e) Codeword DILFOR will precede all signals and correspondence relating to this scheme.
  - (f) All necessary costs of transport and accommodation are chargeable to Public Funds.
  - (g) Areas concerned will be responsible for reception, accommodation, subsistence and arrangements for return to UK of relatives.
  - (h) Visits will normally be for four days, subject to an extension to a total of seven days on application to GHQ 2nd Echelon.

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- (h) Visits will normally be for four days, subject to an extension to a total of seven days on application to GHQ 2nd Echelon.
- (j) Areas will signal direct to War Office (AWS-1(A)), with copy to GHQ CWF, GHQ 2nd Echelon and this HQ, the destination and expected time of arrival of returning relatives.

3. Detailed instructions are now under consideration and will be forwarded later.

4. Return to UK Next of Kin on Medloc C is authorised by War Office.

Field.  
TRB/VE.

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Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

14 1949

4/13/2 - 35

MESSAGE FORM

FROM : HQ 217 AREA

DATE & TOO : 12/15/53

TO : LIST 'A' & 'C'

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UNCLAS (.) BRITISH LEGION ARE PREPARED TO DESPATCH POPPIES FOR SALE IN BRITISH UNITS ON REMEMBRANCE DAY (.) POPPIES AVAILABLE COST THREEPENCE SIXPENCE AND ONE SHILLING (.) ADDRESSEES WILL TELEPHONE (217 AREA 160) THIS HQ NOT LATER THAN 16 AUG NUMBERS OF POPPIES REQUIRED BY PRICE

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Degree of Priority

SIGNED :

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44/B/2-34

14 AUG 1940

Army Welfare Services  
H.Q. 217 Area

W30  
Tele. No 217 Area 118

9 Aug 46

SUBJECT:- Voluntary Help Parcel Scheme.

List 'A' & 'C'  
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Numerous parcels are still being received at G.H.Q. with reference to the non delivery of June sales July delivery Voluntary Help Parcels.

The following extracts from G.H.Q. letter WML/4022W1 are again forwarded, to alleviate any anxiety on the part of Subscribers whose release is imminent.

*Spink + Miller*  
Major,  
D.A.D.A.W.S.  
H.Q. 217 Area.

1. Notification has just been received from the War Office that a crisis has arisen in the maintenance of supplies for the Voluntary Help Parcels Scheme operated by the ISS and AHS, and accordingly the August sale for September has **been cancelled!**
2. Warning has been given that further, all orders forwarded in response to the June sale for July delivery cannot be despatched to the purchasers' nominees for two or three months, until the present difficulties are overcome.
3. It is regretted that earlier warning was not given, which would have enabled this G.H.Q. to cancel the June sale parcels and so avoid disappointment to the purchasers and their nominees.
4. Should this scheme again become operative after August, addressees will be notified.

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(SCD) .. V.I. CHAMPELL,  
Major R.A.  
for Brigadier,  
Director of Army Welfare Services.

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*For V. H. H. Campbell*

Major,  
D.A.D.A.W.S.  
H.Q. 247 Area.

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(SCD) .. V.H. CAMPBELL,  
Major R.A.  
for Brigadier,  
Director of Army Welfare Services.

GK/Am



FORM OF INDEMNITY  
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IN CONSIDERATION OF permission being granted for me to travel  
in War Department vehicles, I,

undertake and agree that neither I nor my executors or admin-  
istrators will make any claim against the War Department, its servants  
or agents in respect of any loss or injury to property or person (includ-  
ing injury resulting in death) which I may suffer while being conveyed  
in War Department vehicle or vehicles controlled by the War Department  
and I understand that no compensation whatsoever will be paid by the War  
Department in respect of any such loss or injury and I agree so to bind  
myself, my executors and administrators to indemnify the War Department  
against any claim which may be made by any third party against the War  
Department arising out of any act or default on my part during, arising  
out of or occasioned by my being transported by War Department vehicle  
or vehicles controlled by the War Department.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Date \_\_\_\_\_



14 AUG 1946

SUBJECT :- Children Holiday VisitHQ 217 Area, CMFA 1256LIST 'A' & 'C'Aug 46

1. The majority of children travelling to this theatre on the special holiday train leaving UK on 2 Aug 46 will have had only 1 TAB inoculation.
2. For complete immunisation 2 inoculations at a 10 days interval are required.
3. All children arriving in 217 Area will complete their inoculations after the lapse of the appropriate period.
4. War Office has stated that all children will be in possession of a medical certificate showing the state of their inoculations.
5. In view of the short duration of the visit immunization against typhus is not being carried out.

TRB/ld

Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area

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11 AUG 1946

09/15/2-320

MESSAGE FORM

FROM : 217 AREA

TO : LIST 'A' & 'C'

DATE & TOO : 240900

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 Hq (.) UNCL (.) VERBATIM TEXT OF ANSWER IN HOUSE OF LORDS ON 31 JULY  
 ON SUBJECT OF MARRIAGE OF TROOPS ABROAD READS AS FOLLOWS (.) QUOTE (.) THE  
 PARLIAMENTARY UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR WAR (.) I AM ABLE TO STATE THAT  
 IT HAS BEEN DECIDED THAT LOCAL MILITARY COMMANDERS SHOULD BE AUTHORISED TO  
 RELAX THE PRESENT BAN ON MARRIAGE BETWEEN BRITISH SERVICEMEN AND ALIEN WOMEN  
 OTHER THAN JAPANESE IN CASES WHERE REASONS FOR MARRIAGE ARE GOOD AND THERE  
 IS NO SECURITY OBJECTION (.) THE AUTHORITY TO COMMANDERS IN CHIEF THUS GRANTED  
 IS IN WIDE TERMS (.) MY RIGHT HONOURABLE FRIEND IS CONFIDENT THAT IT WILL BE  
 EXERCISED AT ALL TIMES IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE MEN THEMSELVES AND THAT  
 NO CLOSER DEFINITION OF THEIR DISCRETION IN THIS MATTER IS REQUIRED (.) THIS  
 REMOVAL OF RESTRICTIONS ON MARRIAGES WITH GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN WOMEN AND WITH  
 WOMEN OF OTHER EX ENEMY COUNTRIES WILL IT IS FELT BE IN ACCORD WITH THE  
 GENERAL SENSE OF MEMBERS OF THIS HOUSE AND OF PUBLIC OPINION GENERALLY (.)  
 UNQUOTE (.) THIS POLICY WILL BE IMPLEMENTED FORTHWITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH GRO  
 258/46 (.) ALL APPLICATIONS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THIS HQ (.)  
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Degree of Priority

SIGNED :

TRE/id

*[Handwritten signature]*



6 AUG 1946

SUBJECT :- VOLUNTEERS - OFFICERS FOR TRAINING  
IN PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION

H.Q. 217 Area, CMPA 15321 Aug 46List 'A'

1. Provision of Photographic Interpreters to meet the immediate demands of the army is presenting a very serious problem since the numbers required have not been forthcoming under ACI 1248/45.
2. The War Office have ruled that, in order to meet the immediate requirements, the age limit for officers laid down in para 6 (a) of ACI 1248/45 will be waived until the required number of officers has been found.
3. This ACI will not be altered permanently, and no action is being taken to amend it. Notification will be given when the age limit qualification is re-imposed.
4. The widest publicity to the contents of para 2 above will be given. Applications from volunteers will be forwarded to GHQ (A9) as soon as possible. No officer will be despatched to the UK for interview or a course until orders are issued from this HQ.

Field.  
TRB/vb.

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Lt Col.  
Aa & QMC.  
217 Area.



6 AUG 46

184/B/2 - 30

SUBJECT: Service Diaries 1947.

Lists 'A' & 'C'

Army Welfare Services  
H.Q. 217 Area

W5  
Tel: 217 Area 118

1. The 1947 Edition of the Services Diary published by the Army Sports Control Board, in London, is expected to be ready for distribution in early autumn.
2. Type 'A' is contained in a leather wallet and cost 7/6.  
Type 'B' has a leather cover and costs 3/-.
3. Units are requested to submit estimates of their requirements to reach Welfare, this H.Q., by 9 Aug 46.

C.K.F.  
CK/jm.  
2 AUG 46

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
D.A.D.A.S.  
H.Q. 217 Area.

6 AUG 1946

Y/B/2 - 29

SUBJECT :- 'A' British Rest Centre AQUILAHQ 217 Area, CMTA 1351Aug 46List 'A' & 'C'  
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1. It is considered that there is no longer justification for the retention of 'A' British Rest Centre, AQUILA.
2. Application has accordingly been made for the disbandment of the unit wef 19 Aug 46.
3. It will cease to be open as a Rest Centre wef 19 Aug 46, on that after which date no further allocations will be made, and no personnel will be admitted.

TRE/ia

Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

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6 AUG 1948

SUBJECT :- 'A' British Rest Centre

HQ 217 Area, COME

A 1350

LIST 'A' & 'C'

JUL 46

1. The following charges will be made for accommodation, rations and messing at 'A' British Rest Centre, Aquila.

They will take effect from 1 Aug 46.

2. ACCOMMODATION

Officers and OR's (British and Allied) - NIL

E. R. C. S.	} 450 lire per day when accommodated in Officers Hotels. 200 lire per day when accommodated in O.R.'s Hotels.
EFI	
ENSA	
OVWV	
SSAFA	
Civilians	of Allied Commission ITALY - 450 lire per day
Other Allied Civilians	- 450 lire per day

Families of British Officers - 2/Lieut	} 90 lire per day
Lieut	
Capt	

Maj	} 180 lire per day
Lt Col	

Col and above	} 270 lire per day
above	

Families of British OR's - Wife and Child over 14  
 45 lire per day  
 Child under 14  
 25 lire per day

3. Ration Charges

British and Polish Officers and O.R.'s - NIL  
 Officers and OR's of Allied Forces - NIL

A return giving particulars of all Allied Officers and O.R.'s fed on British rations should be forwarded monthly to FA (Br) GHQ CIMP.

BRCS	} NIL
CVWV	

A special recovery arrangement exists for personnel of these organisations.

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450 lire per day which accommodates  
 ENSA } Officers Hotels. 200 lire per day when  
 CVVW } accommodated in O.R.'s Hotels.  
 SSAPA }

Civilians } of Allied Commission ITALY - 450 lire per day  
 Other Allied Civilians - 450 lire per day

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ERCS }  
 CVVW } NIL  
 MFI }  
 ENSA }

A special recovery arrangement exists for 280 personnel of these Organisations.

Civilians of Allied Commission, ITALY - 145 lire per day  
 Other Allied Civilians - 145 lire per day

### Families of British Officers and ORs

Recovery will be at the cooked ration rate (i.e) 3/2 per day in respect of the number of rations drawn per week.

### 4. Extra Messing

All British and Allied Military and Civilians will be required to pay the extra messing charges as laid down in P.M.I 3, para 18, in addition to any charge for rations under para 3 above.

TRB/id

*(Signature)*  
 Lt Col.  
 AA & QMG,  
 217 Area.

6 AUG 1946

4/8/2-27

SUBJECT: "Get you Home" Scheme.

List 'A' & 'C'

Army Welfare Services  
H.Q. 217 Area

W26

Tel: 217 Area 118

31 Jul 46

1. Attached herewith is copy of War Office letter 53/Gen/6804 (A.W.S.I.) dated 4 June '46.
2. Please arrange that this is brought to the notice of all ranks.

C.M.F.  
GK/jm.

S.C. Welfare  
for D.A.D.A.W.S.  
H.Q. 217 Area.

C O P Y

THE WAR OFFICE,  
60, Eaton Square,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

53/Gen/6804 (A.W.S.1)

4. June, 1946

Subject: "Get You Home" Scheme

Sir,

1. I am directed to refer you to War Office letter 53/Gen/6804 (A.W.S.1) dated 18th January, 1945, and 1st November 1945.

2. The re-introduction of this scheme was made possible by the public spirited action of those ladies and gentlemen who were willing to drive their own cars and pay petrol costs to meet more urgent requirement of service personnel, many of whom were on short leave from overseas and likely, owing to transport difficulties, to be obliged to arrive at railway stations after public transport had ceased for the night.

3. This state of emergency no longer exists. The leave period is longer, travelling time is allowed for and transport conditions have improved.

4. It has therefore been decided that with effect from 1st August 1946,

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C.M.F.  
GK/jm.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
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S.C. Welfare  
for D.A.D.A.W.S.  
H.Q. 217 Area.

C O P Y

THE WAR OFFICE,  
60, Eaton Square,  
LONDON, S.W. 1.

53/Gen/6804 (A.W.S.1)

4 June, 1946

Subject: "Get You Home" Scheme

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3. This state of emergency no longer exists. The leave period is longer, travelling time is allowed for and transport conditions have improved. **279**
4. It has therefore been decided that with effect from 1st August 1946, the "Get You Home" Service will cease to operate.

I am, Sir,  
Your obedient Servant,

(SGD) *[Signature]*  
Lt. Colonel,  
for Director of Army Welfare Services.

2. Please arrange that this is brought to the attention of the relevant authorities.



6 AUG 1946

8/10/2-26

SUBJECT :- Families Scheme 'B'H.Q. 217 Area, C.M.F.A 1252.Aug 46.

List 'A' &amp; 'C'

1. Numerous applications are being received for passage to this Theatre for families now resident in countries outside the British Isles and who are not therefore within the terms of ACI 375/46.
2. The conditions of eligibility to claim a passage under these circumstances are laid down in ACI 179/46 and require each applicant to be engaged on a tour of overseas service of not less than 2 years of which a minimum of 1 year must be in hand at the date of application.
3. Applicants who enlisted outside the UK may claim the benefit of this ACI if the country to which a passage is desired is not the country of enlistment, e.g. a soldier who enlisted in EGYPT who is now serving in Italy may claim a passage to Italy.
4. Families granted passages to this theatre under ACI 179/46 will not be entitled to the benefits of Families Scheme A unless they originally proceeded overseas with War Office approval under ACIs 1175/45 or 375/46. Families not so entitled will however be entitled to the benefits of Families Scheme B provided that military accommodation has been allotted.
5. Families who proceeded overseas after 1 Jan 40 at private expense and under private arrangements without War Office approval are not entitled to a passage under ACI 175/46. Such families will however be entitled to a passage to the country in which the husband elects to be released at the time at which he proceeds to that country on release.
6. Before the families of military personnel may enter Italy it is necessary for an Entry Visa to be obtained from the Italian Government. This Visa must be obtained by the family of the applicant in their present country of residence by means of an application to the local Italian representative. If no such representative has been accredited to the country in question the family should approach their own Consulate or Legation who will obtain the Visa through diplomatic channels.
7. An Allied Force Permit granting permission to enter Austria may be obtained by application to G2 (CI) GHQ., or Allied Commission, Austria.
8. It is emphasised that the obtaining of Entry Visas and Allied Force Permits is purely a civilian responsibility and that no passages can be authorised until the necessary clearance has been obtained.

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4. Families granted passages to this theatre under ACI 179/46 will not be entitled to the benefits of Families Scheme A unless they originally proceeded overseas with War Office approval under ACIs 1175/45 or 375/46. Families not so entitled will however be entitled to the benefits of Families Scheme B provided that military accommodation has been allotted.
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8. It is emphasised that the obtaining of Entry Visas and Allied Force Permits is purely a civilian responsibility and that no passages can be authorised until the necessary clearance has been obtained.
9. Applicants whose families cannot obtain this clearance, should be instructed to communicate with their consular representative in Italy. Cases of extreme difficulty may be referred to this HQ.
10. Applications may be forwarded to this HQ before the necessary clearance has been obtained in order that the eligibility of the applicant may be confirmed but it is stressed that no action can be taken to move the family until such time as notification is received from the applicant that the requisite clearances have been obtained.



11. Applications should be submitted on the Appendix to ACI 375/46. In addition the following information is required in respect of applicants who enlisted outside UK.

- a. Place of enlistment.
- b. Date of enlistment.
- c. Duration of engagement.
- d. Place of birth and present nationality of all persons for whom a passage is required.

Field.  
TRE/vb.

Lt Col.  
AA & QM.  
217 Area.



SUBJECT :- 55 Rest Camp VENICE LIDO

H.Q. 217 Area, CMF

A 1350

List 'A' & 'C'

21 Jul 46

4/10/2-25

16 AUG 1946

1. The following charges will be made for accommodation rations and messing at VENICE LIDO REST CAMP.

2. Accommodation:

Officers and ORs (British and Allied) - Nil.

- B.R.C.S.
- E.F.I.
- E.N.S.A.
- C.V.W.W.
- S.S.A.F.A.

} 450 lire per day when accommodated in Officers Hotel. 200 lire per day when accommodated in ORs Hotels.

Civilians of Allied Commission

- 450 lire per day.

Other Allied Civilians

- 450 lire per day.

Families of British Officers - 2/Lieut  
Lieut  
Capt)

- 90 lire per day.

Maj )  
Lt Col)

- 180 lire per day.

Col and )  
above )

- 270 lire per day.

Families of British ORs

- Wife and child over 14  
45 lire per day.  
Child under 14  
25 lire per day.

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3. Ration Charges

British and Polish Officers and ORs  
Officers and ORs of Allied Forces

- Nil.  
- Nil.

2. Accommodation:

Officers and ORs (British and Allied) - Nil.

B.R.C.S.

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## 3.

Ration Charges

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Officers and ORs of Allied Forces

- Nil.

A return giving particulars of all

Allied officers and ORs fed on

British rations should be forwarded

monthly to Fa(Br). GHQ CMF.

B.R.C.S.

C.V.W.W.

E.F.I.

E.N.S.A.

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2/....Families

Families of British Officers and ORs

Recovery will be at the cooked ration rate (i.e. 3/2 per day) in respect of the number of rations drawn per week.

4. Extra Messing

All British and Allied Military and Civilians will be required to pay the extra messing charges as laid down in BAI 3, para 18, in addition to any charge for rations under para 3 above.

5. GHQ CMEF letter 6446/14 dated 30 Apr 46 forwarded under cover of this HQ letter 330/10A dated 10 May 46 is cancelled.

Field,  
TRB/VB.

(Handwritten initials)

Lt Col,  
AM & QMG,  
217 Area.





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2 AUG 1948

MESSAGE FORM

DATE & TOO:- 30 01 33 B

FROM:- HQ 217 Area

TO:- Lists "A" and "C"

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QG 212 (.) UNCLAS (.) CANCEL THIS HQ QG 209 OF 29 (.) FURTHER INSTRS

FOLLOWING.

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Signed:-

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2 AUG 1946

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM:- HQ 217 Area  
TO:- Lists "A" and "C"

DATE & TOO:- 29/6/30 B

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QG 209 (.) UNCLASS (.) FURTHER TO THIS HQ SIG QG 190 DATED 221600B CHARGES RAISED FOR RATIONS ISSUED UNDER ALLOWANCE REGS 1944 PARA 30 WILL BE AS FOLLOWS (.) FAMILIES ACCOMMODATED IN HOTELS ETC AT WHICH THE COOKED RATION IS SERVED WILL BE CHARGED AT THE S 3/2 RATE (.)

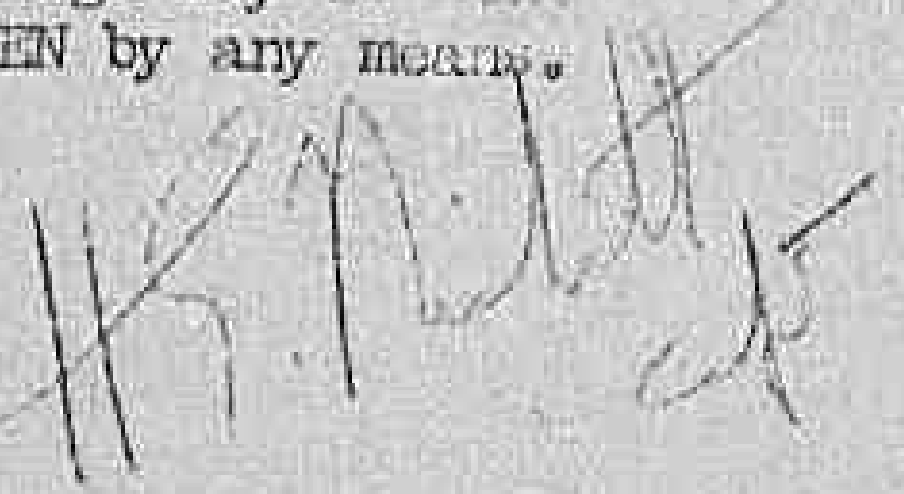
EXAMPLE WIFE AND ONE CHILD GET ELEVEN RATIONS PER WEEK (.) WIFE GETS ONE HALF RATION PER DAY FREE CHILD GETS ONE QUARTER RATION PER DAY FREE MAKING A TOTAL OF FIVE AND ONE QUARTER RATIONS PER WEEK FREE THIS LEAVES FIVE AND THREE QUARTER RATIONS TO BE PAID FOR AT S 3/2 PER RATION A TOTAL OF S 18/2. 1/2 (.) FAMILIES DRAWING UNCOOKED RATION WILL BE CHARGED AT THE S 2/2 RATE RECEIVING THE SAME FREE RATIONS AS STATED ABOVE (.) THEREFORE A WIFE AND ONE CHILD WILL DRAW 11 RATIONS OF WHICH FIVE AND THREE QUARTER RATIONS WILL BE CHARGED AT S 2/2 GIVING A TOTAL OF S 12/5. 1/2.

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Signed:-



HGN/MPL



2 AUG 1946

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SUBJECT :- Volunteers - Officers for Training  
in Photographic Interpretation

HQ 217 Area, CEF

A 1532

21 Jul 46

LIST 'A' &amp; 'C'

1. Provision of Photographic Interpreters to meet the immediate demands of the Army is presenting a very serious problem since the numbers required have not been forthcoming under ACI 1248/45.
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3. This ACI will not be altered permanently, and no action is being taken to amend it. Notification will be given when the age limit qualification is re-imposed.
4. The widest publicity to the contents of para 2 above will be given. Applications from volunteers will be forwarded to GHQ (A9) as soon as possible. No officer will be despatched to the UK for interview or a course until orders are issued from this HQ.

DGD/id

for Lt Col  
MA 217  
217 Area.



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21 JUL 1946

04/B/2-21

*h.g.*  
*[Signature]*

SUBJECT : Courses - Officers

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
A 361

23 July 46

TO : No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,  
9, 10, 11, 12 B.L.U.

Forwarded herewith GHQ CME letter 6402/A9 dated  
17 July 46. *For information*

JHE/1

*J.M. on.*  
*J.A.A.G. Maj*  
Major General  
M. M. I. A.

*twb*  
*1/8*

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Subject:- VOLUNTEERS - OFFICERS FOR TRAINING IN  
PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION

GHQ CMT

FREEDOM 226

6402/A9

17 Jul 46

To:- HQ BTA (20)  
Rear HQ 13 Corps (for 'A' Branch) (20)  
HQ 1 Arm'd Div (20)  
HQ 46 Div (20)  
HQ 56 Div (20)  
HQ 78 Div (20)  
HQ 3 District (12)  
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J. Stalings  
Brigadier,  
D.A.G.

FCH/ED.

Copy to:- Dep Mil Sec  
DaG  
E (T-1)

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FCH/ED.

Copy to:- Dep Mil Sec  
 DaG  
 G (Int)  
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*J. Stalham*  
 Brigadier,  
 DaG.

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4/5/2-20

29 JUL 1946

Subject: - Married Families

HQ 217 Area, GMF

A 1251

25 Jul 46

List A & O  
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1. The following decision by the War Office is notified for information.

2. Families who proceed to GMF otherwise than as sponsored passengers of the War Office.

All families who may proceed overseas "under their own steam" to join husbands, or who, having been granted entitlement to passage, become impatient and prefer to make their own arrangements instead of waiting their turn under official arrangements, will penalise the family as a whole.

Para 11 of ACI 179/46 is thus intended to be a deterrent to those who may try to travel "illegally". Strictly from the Movements point of view, it is essential that the progression of families overseas must be orderly. It would be wrong in principle for those who manage to travel unbeknown to the War Office, without going through the "drill" of the ACI, to obtain the benefits prescribed for those who have travelled as sponsored passengers of the War Office.  
Authority: - War Office letter 13/Gen/A/821(Q(M)1(a)) dated 11 Oct 1945.

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*Handwritten signature:* R. S. ...  
Lt Col,  
AA & QMG,  
217 Area,

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29 JUL 1946

415/2 - 19

SUBJECT:- Chaplains.

HQ 217 Area, CMF

A 1050

29 Jul 46

List "A"  
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1. There is at present a serious shortage of Chaplains in CMF and the situation is not likely to improve in the near future.
2. The work of every Chaplain is now spread over a wide area with the result that frequent visits to units to conduct Padre's hours, discussion groups, etc is not possible.
3. The help and co-operation of unit commanders in the past is fully appreciated and it is hoped that, in future, every effort will continue to be made to make available as many men as is possible when a Chaplain visits a unit.

Field  
PCJ/MPL

*EWB  
29/7*

*[Signature]*  
Lt Col,  
AA & QMG,  
217 Area.



29 JUL 1946

G/B/2 - 18

SUBJECT: Supply of Material - Unbleached Calico.

Lists 'A' &amp; 'C'

Army Welfare Services  
H.Q. 217 AreaW18  
Tele. No. 217 Area 1181 Jul 46

1. A large supply of unbleached calico has been released to Welfare 217 Area for issue to Units and Married Families.
2. This material is particularly suitable for use as furniture covering due to its hard wearing qualities.
3. Units requiring calico will submit demands to D.A.D.A.W.S. stating quantity and purpose for which required.
4. Samples may be inspected at the Welfare Store H.Q. 217 Area daily except Sunday between 0830 - 1245 hrs and 1430 - 1815 hrs.
5. You are asked to bring this letter to the notice of all married personnel in the Unit.

C.M.F.  
ATM/jm

Sub 29/7

*[Signature]*  
Major,  
D.A.D.A.W.S. 269  
H.Q. 217 Area.



24 JUL 1946

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MESSAGE FORM

FROM :- HQ 217 Area

Date & Time <sup>B</sup>  
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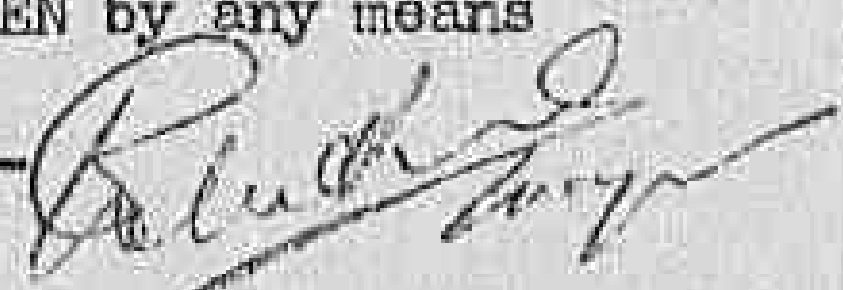
TO :- List 'A' & 'C'

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QG 190 (.) UNCL (.) REF THIS HQ QG 164 OF 3 JULY 46 (.) PARA 2 HEREBY  
CANCELLED (.) ARMY COUNCIL AGREED PROVISION OF ALLOWANCE REGS 1944 PARA  
30 CONTINUE UNTIL 31 DEC 46  
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Signed :-  
HGN/VB.



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22 Jul 1946

SUBJECT Children's Holidays from UK.

H.Q. 217 Area, CMP

List 'A' & 'C'

A 1251

18 Jul 46

Reference our A 1251 dated 10 July 46 concerning children ex U.K. on holiday.

1. Last possible time for application under this Scheme, by telephone if necessary, is 1200 hrs 23 July.
2. Please note that applications will be made direct to HQ 3 District.

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TRE/VB.

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Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

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22 JUL 1946

4/B/2 - 15

SUBJECT :- The National Trust for Scotland -  
CULZEAN CASTLE appeal

HQ 217 Area, GMP

A 1988

18 Jul 46LIST 'A' & 'C'

1. Forwarded herewith are copies of an appeal for funds for CULZEAN CASTLE.
2. The objects of the scheme are set out in the appeal. It is the second, namely the provision of houses on the estate for ex-Service men and men of the Merchant Navy, that we are asked to support.
3. Contributions, consolidated by units, should be sent to :-  

The Secretary,  
The National Trust for Scotland,  
4, Great Stuart Street,  
EDINBURGH, 3.
4. The Commander in Chief wishes this appeal to be brought to the notice of all ranks.

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*23/7*

*TRB*  
*26/7*

Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

9 Jul 1946

4/10/2 - 14

SUBJECT :- Ordination Candidates Course,  
Church of England

HQ 217 Area, CMF

A 1052

13 Jul 46

Lists 'A' & 'C'

1. It is proposed to hold a course for Church of England Ordination candidates at the Chaplains' Centre, Ligano.
2. The course, will assemble on Monday 29 July 46, and will disperse on Tuesday 6 August 1946.
3. Candidates are eligible to attend the course whether they have attended a selection board or not, and irrespective of the decision of that board.
4. A detailed programme of the course will be issued by the Commandant, Chaplains' Centre.

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*19/7*

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*Cap*  
Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

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19 JUN 1946

8/10/2-13

SUBJECT :- Registration of Marriages

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ 217 Area, CWF

A 1400

11 Jul 46

LIST 'A' & 'C'

1. War Office letter 46/L/2423 (A.G.3.B.) dated 22 June 46 is reprinted hereunder for compliance.

2. The validity of the marriage certificate in question has been carefully examined, and it has been established that the marriage was celebrated by an Italian priest in an Italian Church according to Italian law. AFA 43a was, however, wrongly completed, and purported to show a marriage in the lines under Sec 22 of the Foreign Marriage Act 1892.

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(A. G. 3. B. Sec)  
Lt Col.  
M. & QMG.  
217 Area.

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C O P Y  
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46/L/2423 (A.G.3.B.)

THE WAR OFFICE,

LONDON, S.W.1

22nd June 1946.

C O N F I D E N T I A L

Sir,

I am commanded by the Army Council to inform you that representations have been made to them by the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in connection with a case of registration in the Army Register of Marriages of a marriage celebrated by an Italian Parish Priest between a British soldier and an Italian woman, purporting to be a marriage solemnized within the lines of the British Army under Section 22 of the Foreign Marriage Act 1892.

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Lt Col.  
A. & OME.  
217 Area.

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2. Having regard to the fact that the Priest was not, and in the nature of things, could not be, acting under the orders of the British Army Commander, the Foreign Secretary is advised that, unless the marriage was subsequently registered by the Italian Civil Authority, it neither conforms to the requirement for a valid *lex loci* ceremony, nor constitutes a marriage valid either under the common law or under Section 22 of the Foreign Marriage Act. He is of the opinion that the mere concurrence of the British Military Authorities, as indicated by the registration of the Marriage in A.B. 143, is not sufficient to validate a religious marriage solemnized by a local priest.

3. The validity of the marriage being thus in doubt, I am to request that instructions be issued to all military officers concerned with such registration to refrain from registering marriages celebrated in occupied territory and purporting to be celebrated within the lines of the British Army in cases where it is doubtful if the marriage complies with the requirements of Section 22 of the Foreign Marriage Act 1892.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant.

*461 gmr*

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SUBJECT: - Recreational Travelling.CONFIDENTIALHQ 217 Area, CMFQ 308828 Jun 46

Dear

*Douglas*

The problem of conveying partners to and from unit and other organised dances is, as you are aware, not wholly covered by any authority. We all know that, where there are no public services and use of WD transport is essential, it is in fact arranged in most of CMF by varying methods. While official sanction has not been given to these methods, it is important that there should be no abuses that could lead to withdrawal of any official privileges at present enjoyed. Certain conditions must therefore be observed to prevent any abuses. They are:-

- (a) Conveyance of civilians must be a privilege granted personally by the OC unit under organised arrangements in the interests of his unit.
- (b) Conveyance must be confined to the minimum mileage (i.e. within the billeting area).
- (c) Form of indemnity must be signed by all civilians carried (copy attached). This can be done by the driver carrying a book, inscribed with the necessary declaration, and himself securing the signatures.
- (d) Unit Commanders will see that, when recreational transport is used, appropriate payment is made to imprest (vide GRC 233/45).

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Lt-Col,  
AA & QMG,  
217 Area.

FCJ/MEL

Distribution:- List 'A'.



15 JUL 1946

NO. B.L.C. BOLZANO

4/B/2-11

SUBJECT : Staff College Entrance Examination - 1947LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION  
A.C. (M. M. I. A.) R O M E  
A 3616 July 46DISTRIBUTION : List 'A' & 'B'

1. Ref. ACI 424/46.
2. 5 copies of Syllabus for the Staff College Entrance Examination 1947 are available in 'A' Branch.
2. Since the Syllabus is shortly to be incorporated in an ACI, it is NOT proposed to circulate copies. If any Officer however desires to see the Syllabus, prior the publication of the ACI, he may do so on application to DAAG (Brit).

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 Major General

Major General  
 M. M. I. A.

JHE/ml

25 JUL 1948

4/10/2-10

SUBJECT :- Policy - Posting of ORs Whose Applications to Marry ITALIAN Females have been approved

HQ 217 Area, CMF

A 1400

Lists 'A' & 'C'

10 Jul 48

1. Difficulties have been experienced in posting from disbanding base installations personnel whose marriage to ITALIAN females has been approved.
2. In the past every effort has been made to keep such personnel in the same areas as their fiancées. On the other hand there must obviously be no preferential treatment over others who happen to be unencumbered.
3. In order therefore that posting orders issued by GHQ 2nd Echelon shall be reasonably filled and Units kept up to WE as far as possible, the procedure outlined below will be adopted.
4. Should a posting order be received for a soldier who has been given permission to marry an ITALIAN girl on a date which is within two months of the date of the posting order, another soldier of exactly equivalent qualifications may be sent from within the Formation concerned and GHQ 2nd Echelon notified immediately of the change.
5. Where, however, a posted soldier has a period longer than two months to wait before his permitted date of marriage, he should be despatched to fill the posting order and not given leave until his marriage is imminent.
6. The primary consideration in dealing with these circumstances is that the posting order shall be filled immediately by a man of the required qualifications.

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*15/7*

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*15/7*

Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.



15 JUL 1946

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SUBJECT :- Married Families 'A' & 'B'H.Q. 217 Area, CMPA 1254List 'A' & 'C'11 Jul 46

Reference ARO 373/46.

1. It has been brought to the attention of this HQ, that some units are not complying with this Order.
2. Units will render a return showing one of the following, as applicable.
  - (i) Amendments to original return in each scheme.
  - (ii) A return showing :-
    - (a) Rank, name and number of husband.
    - (b) Address family staying.
    - (c) Names, with ages and sex of children.
3. NIL returns are not required.

Field.  
EDA/VB.JHB  
17/6TRD 260  
Capt1. Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.



15 JUL 1946

04/B/2 - 8

SUBJECT :- Children's Holidays from UKHQ 217 Area, CMFA 1251Lists 'A' & 'C'10 Jul 46

Reference HQ 3 District signals AG 670 dated 6 July and AG 692 dated 8 July to this HQ.

1. A scheme for bringing out children of families already in CMF under Families Scheme 'A', has been arranged.
2. Party will travel by Medloc C on repayment escorted by SSAFA guides to Calais where GHQ CMF will arrange for party to be met.
3. Only children 8 years of age and over are allowed and no relatives may accompany them on journey.
4. Departure UK will be about Aug 1 and return about Sept 15.
5. It is essential that parents should arrange for vaccination and inoculation forthwith.
6. In view of the shortage of time it is hoped to dispense with passports when not possible to obtain in time.
7. Action will be taken forthwith to arrange inoculations, and passports will be obtained if there is sufficient time.
8. Units will forward the following information direct to HQ 3 District as soon as possible.
  - 1) Father's name, rank, number, unit & formation.
  - 2) Names, ages and sex of children
  - 3) Name and address of responsible person with whom War Office can arrange journey.

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*W. B. Baker*  
 Lt Col.  
 AA & QMG.  
 217 Area.

TRB/id



12 JUL 1946

SUBJECT :- Education - Formation College (CM) - Courses Eleventh Series.

Distribution :- Lists 'A' & 'C'.

Edn/5126

8 July '46.

Ref GPO 1107/45 and 225/46 amended by GPO 280/46 and 342/46 -  
GPO 1326/45 amended by GPO 70/46.

1. Courses have been arranged at the Formation College (CM) as follows :-

<u>Course</u>	<u>Assembly Date</u>	<u>Dispersal Date</u>
Series 11 Wings 1,2,3,4 and 6	4 Aug 46	31 Aug 46
Series 11 Instructor Training	17 Aug 46	31 Aug 46
Series 11 Prospective Teachers	4 Aug 46	31 Aug 46
Series 11a Transfer Course	4 Aug 46	17 Aug 46
Series 11b Transfer Course	17 Aug 46	31 Aug 46.

2. The subjects to be studied are as follows :-

Wing 1 (Pure and Applied Science and Mathematics)

Course A	Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry
Course B	Chemistry and Biology
Course C 1	Pure and Applied Maths with Physics
Course C 2	Pure and Applied Maths with Geometry and Mechanical Drawing.
Course D	Mathematics, Mechanical & Electrical Engineering Science
Course E	Advanced Mathematics and Advanced Chemistry.

Wing 2 (Commercial Subjects)

Course A	Advanced Accounts.
Course B	Intermediate Accounts.
Course C	Elementary General Commerce.

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Wing 2 (Commercial Subjects)

Course A	Advanced Accounts.
Course B	Intermediate Accounts.
Course C	Elementary General Commerce.

Each student may take in addition one of the following minor subjects :-

- (a) Excutorship
- (b) Secretarial Practice
- (c) Auditing
- (d) Economics.

Wing 3 (Arts and Modern Studies.)

<u>Principal Subjects</u>		<u>Subsidiary Subjects.</u>	
Course A	English Literature and Language	(a)	English
B	French	(b)	French
C	History	(c)	German
D	Geography	(d)	Italian
E	Psychology	(e)	Elementary Mathematics.
		(f)	Civic Studies

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Each student will select one principal subject and one subsidiary subject from the above lists. The standard of the above courses will be Grade 3 revision and upwards. There will also be advanced courses on which students may work tutorially. Candidates for ordination, other than Roman Catholics, may be allotted vacancies on this wing.

Wing 4 (Arts, Crafts and Music)

- Course A Drawing, Painting and Design.  
 B Architecture and Town Planning  
 C Modelling and Sculpture  
 D Lettering and Pottery.

The following are eligible :

- (1) University, Art School or Technical College students whose studies have been interrupted by the war, or
- (2) Artists whose work has been shown at exhibitions open to the public.

Music.

The general music course is for those wishing to widen their understanding and appreciation of music. Technical knowledge is not essential, but there are facilities for instrumentalists to practice. The advanced course provides for study under tuition of the following subjects:

- (a) Harmony and Composition
- (b) Counterpoint and Fugue
- (c) General Musicianship (IRM and RCM standard)
- (d) Instrumental and vocal performance.

Wing 6 (Domestic Science)

Home Management Course.

Wing 7 (Instructor Training)

- (a) Unit Education Instructors Course
- (b) Current Affairs and EWP Discussion Leaders Course
- (c) Prospective Teachers Course, for those who wish to enter the teaching profession on release from HM Forces.
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3. Nominations for vacancies will be signalled to reach HQ 5 clear days before assembly date of each course.
4. Further details of the above courses can be obtained from SO II (Edn) HQ. 217 Area.
5. GRO 225/46 amended by GRO 280/46 and 343/46 contains the joining instructions for Wings 1 to 4 and Wing 6; and GRO 1326/45 as amended by GRO 70/46 those for Wing 7.

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Lt. Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.



12 Jul 1946

SUBJECT: Officers Country Club - Bologna.

List 'A' & 'C'

Army Welfare Services  
H.Q. 217 Area

WLB  
Tele. No. 217 Area 118

4 Jul 46

Attached herewith is poster relative to the British Officers  
Country Club Bologna.

Please insure that all other posters are removed as they contain  
misleading information.

C.M.F.  
GK/jm.

S.C. Welfare  
for DADAWS  
HQ 217 Area.



10 JUN 1946

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SUBJECT :- Repatriation of FamiliesH.Q. 217 Area, CMFA 1736List 'A' & 'C'  
-----5 Jul 46

Reference our A 1736 dated 11 June 46.

1. It is apparent from a recent War Office cable that locally married personnel proceeding to UK on release, Python, etc. are being informed that their wives (and families) will follow them immediately.
2. This practice has caused considerable embarrassment and numerous Parliamentary enquiries, and will cease forthwith.
3. The enquiries conducted in UK by the War Office (as detailed in the above quoted letter) on receipt of notification from GHQ CMF that application for repatriation of wife (and family) has been submitted, do occasion a certain amount of delay, and in consequence GHQ is unable to state ETD of the family until War Office sanction to the repatriation has been given.
4. To avoid unnecessary delay unit commanders should ensure that applications for repatriation of families are submitted well in advance of the husband's return to UK, and should also ensure that applications conform with the instructions which have been issued on the subject. (see GRO 444/46.)
5. The above will be brought to the attention of all locally married personnel as soon as possible.

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AA & QMG.  
217 Area.

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4/10/2-4

18 JUL 1946

Subject:- MARRIAGE

CONFIDENTIAL

HQ 217 Area, CMF

A1400

4 Jul 46

LISTS 'A' AND 'C'

HQ 3 District have published the following instructions in their letter 361/A dated 29 June 46.

1. Many applications to marry are being received at this HQ without the CO's statement laid down in Part I, para 5 of pamphlet, "MARRIAGE REGULATIONS CMF", issued as Appx to GRO 258/46,
2. A certificate from GHQ 2nd Echelon that the Next of Kin is the Father, Mother, or other relative is no proof that the applicant is unmarried. It is for the CO to satisfy himself by enquiries and unit records and, when he is satisfied, a certificate worded as in para 5 (a), (b), and (c) of, "MARRIAGE REGULATIONS C F", should be forwarded.
3. It should also be noted that a Security Report from Italian sources only cannot be accepted unless endorsed by a F.S. Section to the effect that there are no Security objections and that she is a fit and proper person to hold a British Passport.

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Lt Col.  
A1 & QMG.  
217 Area.

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SUBJECT :- Marriage.

H.Q. 217 Area, CMF.

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List 'A' & 'C'

4/5/2-3  
4 Jul 46.

GHQ CMF have published the following instructions in their letter 6151/A4 dated 26 June 46.

1. It appears that in certain cases GRO 258/46, paras 2 and 3, is being misinterpreted.
2. The following instruction is therefore issued, and it is requested that addressees will take steps to ensure that it is brought to the notice of all subordinate formations and Chaplains to the Forces.

GRO 258/46 requires that :-

- a. An applicant for permission to marry shall be interviewed by a chaplain of the denomination to which the applicant belongs.
- b. When the two parties are of different religions or denominations the CO shall consult the chaplain of both religions or denominations.

There is NO instruction that an applicant shall be interviewed by any chaplain who is not of the applicant's religion or denomination.

This GRO is concerned only with the steps that a CO is required to take, and expressly refrains from giving any directions as to what, if any, religious advice or instruction shall be given by a Chaplain.

It is considered that it should be possible for mutual agreement to be reached by Chaplains concerned, but this is a Departmental, not a Staff matter.

No British military authority can require an Italian civilian to produce a religious certificate from an Italian priest or clergyman, and the latter has every right to refuse to produce one.

It is only personnel subject to military law who can be required to produce such a certificate.

For the guidance of all unit commanders it is thought to publish a comprehensive new instruction on procedure in cases of marriage as soon as certain points have been clarified by HQ 3 District.

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*TR-Barker Capt*  
Lt Col.  
AA & QMG.  
217 Area.



18 JUL 1946

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M E S S A G E F O R M

FROM :- HQ 217 AREA

Date & Time : 031231B

TO :- Lists 'A' & 'C'

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QG 163 (.) UNCLASSIFIED (.) SUBJECT IS PAYMENT FOR GAS ELECTRICITY AND SOLID OR LIQUID FUEL USED BY MARRIED FAMILIES (.) ONE (.) CONSEQUENT UPON INTRODUCTION OF NEW PAY CODE MARRIED OFFICERS AND ORS OCCUPYING MARRIED QUARTERS WILL PAY FOR FUEL AND LIGHT FROM 01 JUL 46 (.) TWO (.) SOLID AND LIQUID FUEL MAY BE PURCHASED FROM MILITARY STOCKS (.) THREE (.) AS RATES OF MARRIAGE ALLOWANCE ARE UNIVERSAL PURCHASES OF FUEL AND LIGHT WILL FOR THE PRESENT BE CHARGED FOR AT FOLLOWING FLAT RATES WHETHER AT HOME OR OVERSEAS (.) (A) COAL SIXTY FOUR SHILLINGS A TON (.) (B) COKE SEVENTY SHILLINGS A TON (.) (C) GAS ELEVEN PENCE HALFPENNY A THERM (.) ONE THERM EQUALS SIX CUBIC METRES (.) (D) ELECTRICITY THREE HALFPENNY A UNIT (.) FOUR (.) RATES FOR WOOD AND KEROSENE STILL TO BE NOTIFIED (.) WOOD FOR KINDLING PURPOSES WILL REMAIN FREE ISSUE ON PRESENT SCALES (.) FIVE (.) UNIT COMDS WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR RAISING ALL CHARGES EXCEPT IN B T A (.) FOLLOWING PROCEDURE WILL BE FOLLOWED (.) (A) GAS AND ELECTRICITY (.) WHERE METERS ARE INSTALLED THEY WILL BE READ ON 01 JUL AND THEREAFTER ON 1ST DAY OF EACH MONTH (.) UNITS WILL MAINTAIN A RECORD OF ALL METER READINGS AND A CARD SHOWING MONTHLY READINGS WILL BE ATTACHED TO EACH METER (.) DEBIT VOUCHERS WILL BE RAISED AT RATES AS IN THREE (.) WHERE NO METERS INSTALLED OR IN HOTELS PERSONNEL OCCUPYING QUARTERS WILL BE ADVISED THAT CHARGE FOR GAS AND ELECTRICITY WILL BE INCLUDED IN RENTAL WHEN NOTIFIED (.) (B) SOLID OR LIQUID FUEL DEBIT VOUCHERS WILL BE RAISED AT



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M E S S A G E F O R M

FROM :- HQ 217 AREA

Date & Time 30 Jul 46 B

TO :- LIST 'A' & 'C'

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QG 164 (.) UNCLASSIFIED (.) SUBJECT IS REPAYMENT RATE FOR RATIONS ISSUED TO CIVILIANS INCLUDING OFFICERS AND ORS FAMILIES (.) ONE (.) FOLLOWING NEW ARRANGEMENTS EFFECTIVE 1 JUL 46 AND WILL BE PROMULGATED IN DUE COURSE BY ARMY ORDER (.) TWO (.) ISSUE UNDER ALICE REGS 1944 PARA 50 OF FREE RATIONS TO FAMILIES OF ORS CEASES (.) THREE (.) RATIONS MAY STILL BE ISSUED TO MILITARY FAMILIES UP TO THE SCALES AUTHORISED (.) REPAYMENT CHARGE WILL BE : (A) FOR RATIONS COOKED UNDER MILITARY ARRANGEMENTS THREE SHILLINGS AND TWO PENCE PER RATION (.) (B) WHEN IN TRANSIT OR ON LEAVE IN MILITARY HOTELS CHARGE OF THREE SHILLINGS AND TWO PENCE PER DAY WILL BE COLLECTED AT HOTEL IN WHICH BREAKFAST MEAL TAKEN (.) (C) FOR UNCOOKED RATIONS RATE IS TWO SHILLINGS AND TWO PENCE PER RATION (.) (D) WHERE UNCOOKED RATIONS ARE DRAWN FOR SERVANTS REPAYMENT RATE IS TWO SHILLINGS AND TWO PENCE PER RATION (.) COOKED RATE IS THREE SHILLINGS AND TWO PENCE (.) FOUR (.) RECOVERY AT RATES AS IN THREE WILL BE RESPONSIBILITY OF UNIT COOK OR MILITARY MANAGER OF HOTEL AS APPROPRIATE (.) FIVE (.) COOKED RATION WILL APPLY TO ALL OTHER CIVILIANS WHEN RATIONED IN MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS (.) UNCOOKED RATE TWO SHILLING AND TWO PENCE WILL APPLY TO ALL OTHER CIVILIANS WHEN THEY DRAW UNCOOKED RATIONS (.) SIX (.)

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