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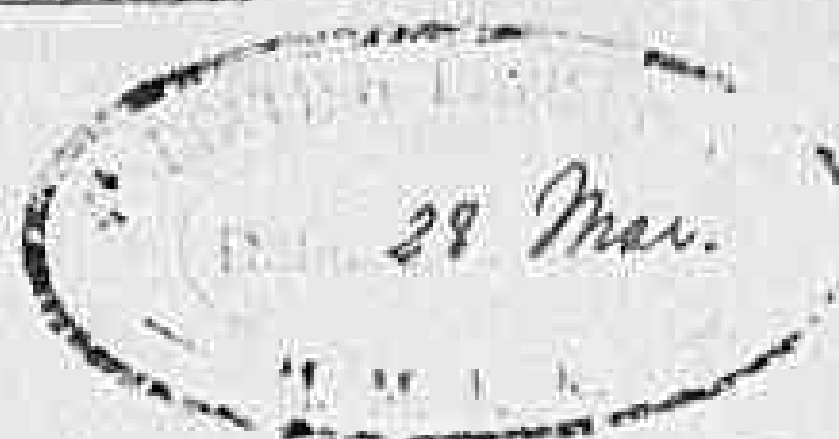
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NOV. 14, 1945 - Apr. 2, 1946

SUBJECT :- Weekly Multiple Return

HQ 217 Area, CMG

Lists 'A' & 'C'



A 1740

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1. Reference this HQ letter A 1740 of 1 Mar 46.
2. After "Unit" on the weekly return called for in the above letter, insert particulars as under in respect of CC Unit and 2 i/c if any.

Personal No	Rank	Name	Decorations	Regt	A/S Co	Date due Python
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217 Area.

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HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMANDWeekly Administrative Bulletin

Serial No 1.

19th March 1946

1. INTRODUCTION

The HQ Rome Area Allied Command Weekly Administrative Bulletin will be published each Tuesday. Its purpose is mainly to notify units of items of information which, whilst outside the scope of the "Daily Bulletin", do not warrant publication in Rome Area Allied Command Routine Orders and which hitherto have been promulgated in letter-form on "List 3".

2. LIAP ELIGIBILITY

It has been brought to notice that certain units are not clear as to the present terms of eligibility for LIAP. This is as laid down in this HQ letter 22A2/POL/Y of 8 Jan 46, and is repeated hereunder:-

ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Personnel who have had 12 months continuous overseas service;
- (b) Personnel who proceeded on LIAP 12 months ago, and ~~423~~ will have four months service to do on return.

Any change in the above terms of eligibility will be published by this HQ.

(22A2/POL)

3. BAGGAGE - ANDLOC ROUTE "B"

- 1. A considerable amount of delay and confusion is being caused at

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ELIGIBILITY

- (a) Personnel who have had 42 months continuous overseas service;
- (b) Personnel who proceeded on LIAP 12 months ago, and ~~12~~ ¹⁸ months ago, and have four months service to do on return.

Any change in the above terms of eligibility will be published by this HQ.

(22A2/POL)

3. BAGGAGE - MEDLOC ROUTE "B"

- 1. A considerable amount of delay and confusion is being caused at MILAN Central Station because the instructions relating to the labelling of baggage for personnel travelling to UK on MEDLOC route "B" are not being fully observed.
- 2. Approximately 30% of the kit bags received do not bear the appropriate coloured labels and consequently the kit bags have to be sorted on the platform.
- 3. It is essential that the correct labelling of kit bags should be adhered to, and that all personnel proceeding on the MEDLOC feeder should be issued with the appropriate labels.
- 4. Personnel should be informed that their kit bags will be placed in the baggage van and should not contain any articles required on the journey.

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LIRA COMPENSATION

Reference this HQ signal AG 6924 of 3 Feb 46.

1. British Army Personnel who were on LIAP in December 1945 and January 1946 and drew no pay from 1-29 Jan 46 (both dates inclusive) may be paid Lira compensation as follows:-

(a) Other Ranks:

Actual cash holdings on the date of their unit parade less any amounts drawn as pay on or since 30 Jan 46. If such net sum exceeded 7 days net pay as verified from AB 64 Pt II compensation may be paid on a maximum of 7 days net pay only.

(b) Officers:

Actual cash holding on the date of their unit parade less any advances drawn on or since 30 Jan 46 up to a maximum of five pounds.

2. Claims from units will be submitted direct to the Command Paymaster who may authorize compensation, subject in all cases to the production of a suitable certificate signed by the CC Units.

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5.

PARACH 34B

1. Personnel who embarked in May 1942 will be eligible for PARACH 34B for evacuation during April, excluding the following personnel, who will report for Class 'A' release as follows:-

Officers in A/S Group 26 between 4 - 29 April
 OR's in A/S Group 27 up to 14 April
 OR's in A/S Group 28 between 15-29 April

actual cash holding on the date of their unit parades less any advances drawn on or since 30 Jan 46 up to a maximum of five pounds.

2. Claims from units will be submitted direct to the Command Paymaster who may authorise compensation, subject in all cases to the production of a suitable certificate signed by the OC Units.

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5. PYTHON 34B

1. Personnel who embarked in May 1942 will be eligible for GHQ 34B for evacuation during April, excluding the following personnel, who will report for Class 'A' release as follows:-

Officers in A/S Group 26 between 4 - 29 April
CR's in A/S Group 27 up to 14 April
CR's in A/S Group 28 between 15-29 April

2. Authorities are being issued by GHQ 2nd Echelon immediately.

3. All units are requested to telephone this office (Tel:56629) the approximate number of personnel who are eligible for PYTHON 34B between 0830 and 1000 hours Friday 22 Mar 46.

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6. PYTHON

Further to serial 5 above, herewith further information.

1. Wef 1 April PYTHON service will be reduced to three years nine months, this will entail the following acceleration in repatriation.

Month of Embarkation

April May 42
June July 42
Aug Sep 42

Month of Repatriation

April
May
June

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2. By 1 July all personnel with overseas service of more than three years mine north should have been repatriated and the new scheme fully implemented.

3. The additional loss to units is expected and attention is directed to para 14 of GPO 25/45 which authorizes deferment by one month of repatriation of operationally vital personnel.

4. If the repatriation of individuals on PYTHON involves the deferment of a class 1st release individual within the same unit, it is preferable that PYTHON should be postponed for one month rather than release should be deferred, since it is considered less hardship to postpone leave than to defer the return to civilian life.

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T. A. HEDIN

Major

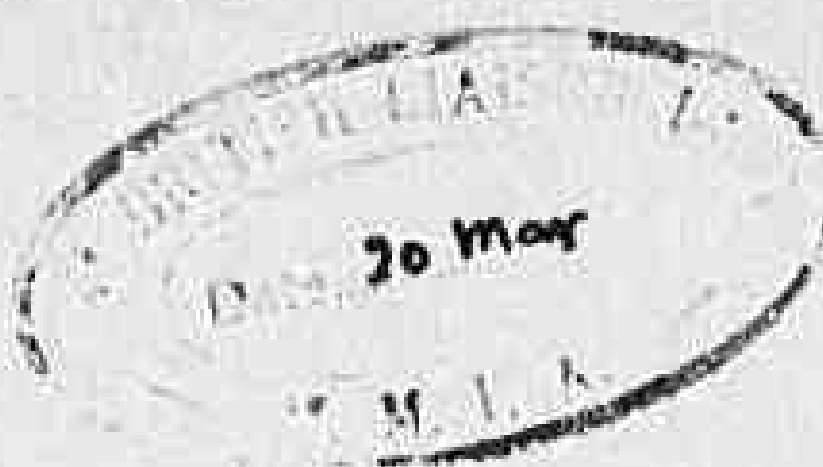
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Lt Col Area Allied Command

Sgt Dawson please return

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SUBJECT :- Returns.

HQ 217 Area, CWF

A 1740

Lists 'A' and 'C'

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1. In future the various returns listed below will be rendered to this HQ on the proforma set out at Appendix 'A'.

(a) Strength return by nationalities.

(b) LIAP - return of vacancies required.

(c) Local leave - return of vacancies required.

(d) Release - Nos of ORs in the Five Groups next to be called forward, i.e., today. Eng 80 - 32

(e) Release - Officers.

2. This return will be rendered weekly as at 1200 hrs. each Saturday and will reach this HQ as soon as possible after that time. **4434**

3. Please acknowledge on substitute ASA 26 below.

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*Lt Col.
AM & QMG.
217 Area*

TNT/gc

Copy to :- A 1301
A 1355
A 1341

Appendix 'A' to
217 Area letter
A 1740 of 1 mar 46

ARTICLE RETURN

Unit
Location
Telephone Number
(A) Nationality Return.

Male		Female	
Offrs	GRs	Offrs	GRs

British
Other nationalities
(To be named)

(b) LTAP Return. Vacancies required for LTAP No.
(Week commencing)

Offrs	GRs
.....	GRs

(c) Local Levy. Vacancies required for week commencing
(Second Monday from date of letter)

Male		Female	
Offrs/NO. Sater/A R	GRs	Offrs	GRs

CORONA

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(Others as notified from time to time)

(d) Rollback - GRs.

Under 30 years + (a)	30 - 35 years (a) (b)	35 - 40 years (a) (b)	40 - 45 years (a) (b)
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Subject: Invent y of Files

To: "G" Branch
(MMIA) ROME

Headquarters
4 BLU BOLZANO
Ref 4/GB/6-11
Feb 21.'46

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Reference your G/99/1 of 13 Feb.'46 herewith return
duly completed of files held by this Unit.

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Lt.Col.
G.S.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394.
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMISSIONER.

Ref No:- 19/AB.

9th February 1946.

SUBJECT:- Inventory of Files.

To:- Distribution as below.

In order to ascertain the amount of space required to house Allied Commission files and to assess the total number of files to be Micro-filmed, returns as per attached pro-forma will be rendered direct to Archives Branch not later than 28th February 1946.

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

TR.

M S List
Brigadier.
Executive Commissioner.

DISTRIBUTION.
"A"

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Subject: Correspondence

Hq. Headquarters
4 B.L.U.
BOLEZANO
Ref: 4/GB/S-8
30 Jan 46

To: Hq 4 Terr Comd

1. It is again emphasised that correspondence for Allied HQs should be carried out through this liaison unit. Unless the communication has the support of this unit no reply will be received from appropriate Allied HQ.
2. Correspondence has been going astray and time lost because letters are not being delivered to the "Orderly Room" of this unit.
3. In future it is suggested that all depts., deliver correspondence to the office of Lt BURATTI and it will be forwarded to the "Orderly Room" 4 B.L.U. at 0930 hours daily.
3. All correspondence for 4 Terr Comd will be delivered at 0930 hours to Lt BURATTI.

RGP/jwa

Major
GS

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Subject: - RETURNSLIST

Headquarters
60 Sub Area
C.M.S.
Tel No: 3482
23/4
4 Jan 1946

i. Considerable unnecessary work and delay in compiling consolidated returns for onward transmission is being experienced at this HQ due to units not complying with instructions as to information required and date due.

2. The following is a list of returns together with the date on which the return is required at this HQ.

Return	Information required	Date required at this HQ	Nil return
Strength as appendix 1. Return as at 1200 hrs each Saturday		1200 hrs Monday each week	
Jeeps	No of Jeeps & trailers held on last day of previous month	1200 hrs 1st of each month	not required
Riding horses	No of Riding horses held on last day previous month	1200 hrs 3rd of each month	not required
Motor Readings	Readings on the last day of each month	1200 hrs on 3rd of each month	
Unit Canteens	Application for renewal of authority	1200 hrs on 12th of each month	not required
Holdings of MAF & RAF	(a) Number of Soldiers awaiting trial held (b) Number of Soldiers awaiting trial whose sentences are estimated to exceed 6 months (c) Number of Soldiers awaiting promulgation held (d) Number of soldiers awaiting promulgation whose sentences exceed	1800 hrs Friday each week	not required

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Deaths	No of Jews & Arabs held on last day of previous month	1200 hrs 1st of each month	not required
Reading hours	No of reading hours held on last day previous month	1200 hrs 3rd of each month	not required
Water readings	Readings on the last day of each month	1200 hrs on 3rd of each month	
Mail Contacts	Application for renewal of authority	1200 hrs on 12th of each month	not required
Holdings of SAP & SIP	(a) Number of Soldiers awaiting Trial held (b) Number of Soldiers awaiting Trial whose sentences are estimated to exceed 6 months (c) Number of Soldiers awaiting promulgation held (d) Number of soldiers awaiting promulgation whose sentences exceed 6 months (e) Number of soldiers awaiting admission to Military Prisons Detention and Field Punishment Barracks (f) Number of soldiers awaiting admission whose sentences exceed 6 months	1200 hrs 23rd of each month	not required
RFI Soap for Army workers	Number of Entitled personnel	1200 hrs 23rd of each month	not required

3. Units will in future ensure that returns are made in accordance with these instructions.

Richard J. Cap
For Major
Paul & Galt.

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APPENDIX C
STRENGTH RETURN SECRET

H2. MAX HOLDING

Description	Officers		Oka
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A British			
B Indian			
C UDF Other than in (D)			
D 6 (SA) and Div Troops			
E 6 (or) and Div Troops			
F Div Tps other than Part of (D) & (E)			
G Palestinian			
H Italian			
I German GMP with Units on Dr BR or att'd to Dr Units	M	P	

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23 Dec 45
Cannelling appx
to A/43 (Gen d 27/45)

ALLOCATION OF DUTIES - 'A' BRANCH HQ NO 2 DISTRICT.

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(Lieut Colonel J.B. TAYLOR, MBE, SOM LI)

All 'A' Policy
Planning
Confidential Reports
Honours and Awards
Changes in Command
Education

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DAAG (Org)
(Major WA SHUTE, RASC)

Org Policy
Contraction of theatre resources
MS matters
Transit Camps
Town Majors
Reception Camps
Medico
WES
Moves
Liaison etc
ATS matters

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DAAG (PS)
(Major LJ GHOST, RA)

Discipline - generally
FGCSM
Reviews
Summary disposal
Military Prisons and EPDBs
Provost
Absentees and deserters
Welfare generally
Officers Messes
Morale
Legal Aid
Ministerial Enquiries
Office Instructions

1
SCA (Org) 1.

SEP
Formations
Conversions
Disbandments
Displaced persons
All ex-FW
Civilian internees
Strength returns
Dealings with civilians

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SCA (Org) 2.

Release
Information room
Staff Lists
Postings and Promotions
Transfers and Discharges
Commissions
PROs
War Diary
Ceremonial
Civil Affairs-
Selection Board

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SCA (PS)

Welfare Imprest A/c
Spiritual Welfare
Courts of Inquiry
Traffic accidents
Claims
Writes-off
Audit boards
Pay and Allowances
Outstanding accounts
Visitors
Burials and Graves
Military cemeteries
Duty officers' roster
Newspapers
Courses
Marriages
Rest Camps
Local Leave
Python
LIAP
Compassionate leave
and postings.

SUBJECT: Economy of Subsistence

TO : Minister for War

1. Requirements of foodstuffs for the Italian Interim Army have been met for the month of January, with the exception of 450 tons of flour.

2. As advised in my Directive No. 1 of 8 Nov. 45 subsistence for the Italian Interim Army is an Italian Government responsibility. Procurement of requirements is to be effected through Italian indigenous resources and from importation. The Allied Military Headquarters could not promise to make any subsistence available after 1 January 1946.

3. It developed during December that certain items; i.e., flour, macaroni, meat/fish, sugar, coffee, pepper, and dried vegetables could not be procured from either indigenous resources or importation for requirements in January, February or March. Representation was made to AFHQ for release of these items from Allied military stocks, either on repayment in kind or for dollar purchases. Only after lengthy consideration were these items released.

4. A world food shortage has resulted in the cancellation of many shipments to this Theater for the Allied military; consequently, there are negligible surpluses available.

5. Your requirement of flour for one month is 3450 tons. The Allied Military have made 3000 tons available and stated that further quantities of flour can not be released without detriment to the Allied position and could not be considered without the full examination into Italian Government availabilities.

6. Cognizant of the general world food situation it is incumbent upon you to exercise every means of conservation and strict economy of stock existent at your disposition. A program of economy must

LAND FORCES SUB COMMISSION
A.C. (M. I. A.) R. O. A. D.
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17 December 1945

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6. Cognizant of the general world food situation it is incumbent upon you to exercise every means of conservation and strict economy of stock existent at your disposition. A program of economy must extend from your Bulk Food Depots down to the unit mess. A strict observation of control should be exercised in the physical inter-depot transfer of stocks to avoid losses by thefts, etc., rigid control to avoid issues to unauthorized personnel, insistence on prompt disbandment of units no longer required, etc.

7. a. Your letter 23911/3/1 of 10 Dec. 45 requested that a double ration for Italian Armed Forces be made for Christmas Day. This request was transmitted to AFHQ. Reply has been received that a double ration could not be authorized for US-ITI & BR-ITI Service Units, Air Force, and Navy for the same reasons stated in para. 4 above, and further that no additional issues were being made to Allied troops for Christmas.

b. A double issue to the Italian Interim Army for Christmas will obviously prejudice future provision, particularly in regard to the basic item of flour. Economy in December will assist in meeting the January deficit.

8. No assurance can be obtained for procuring requirements of flour in February and March. It is, therefore, essential that you conserve existing stocks for future requirements in view of the world food shortage.

9. My staff will assist you in every way possible in the procurement of subsistence; however, it is incumbent upon you to exercise strictest economy in regard to subsistence made available to you.

L. Browning

MAJOR GENERAL
M. M. I. A.

Copy to: List "B"
 HQ Allied Commission for Chief Commissioner
 " " " " Economic Section
 " " " " Food & Agriculture Sub Commission
 " " " " Navy Sub Commission
 " " " " Air Forces Sub Commission
 AFHQ for G-4, MTCUSA
 " " Q(Maint), GHQ, CMF

Internal: ADST, MMIA.

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MINISTERO DELLA GUERRA
GABINETTO

Il (1) _____

della Commissione Francese per il Recupero Materiali è autorizzato a visitare Reparti e Stabilimenti Militari Italiani.

Roma, _____

d'ordine

IL CAPO DI GABINETTO

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(1) Grado, Casato e Nome.

NOTA - Il titolare della presente autorizzazione è pregato esibire, a richiesta, al Comando del Reparto o Stabilimento che intende visitare i propri documenti di identificazione.

4/98/6

SUBJECT :- Anti-freeze for the Combat Groups.

ST/1610

14 Dec 45

Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (M.F.A.)

ROME

Tel : Rome 489081 Ext 526

To :- COMINCHIEF, COMINTRE, AND COM.

1. Further to telephone conversation Maj PETERSON - Capt GARY, the requirements of Anti-freeze for the Combat Groups are confirmed as follows :-

<u>Group.</u>	<u>Quantity.</u>	<u>Required At.</u>
MANROVA	15 bbls	GENOA
WAGERS	6 "	MILANO
BRIVIA	6 "	VENEZIA
LOREANO	17 "	MILAN
CEMOMA	4 "	TORIN
Total	52 "	

2. Original bids for Anti-freeze were made to AFM Pet Sec on Nov 7th (ref ref ST/1610), but quantities have not yet been made available by C.I.P.
3. In view of the high locations of the majority of units in these groups, and the severity of conditions under which recovery units etc. have to work, any urgent steps please be taken to expedite this matter.

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for Lt. Col. ADSE.,
Land Forces Sub Comd A.C. (M.F.A.)

Copies to :-

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SUBJECT :- Clothing of Allies

4/9/46
Headquarters,
60 Sub Area,
CMF.
350/Q.
Tele No:-Bolzano,
Ext 55

18 Dec 45

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Attached are copies of GHQ CMF. letter GHQ/
9170/Q(AE) dated 4 Dec 45 and War Office letter Q(AE)
2/1121/1 of 20 Nov 45 for your information.

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for Major, *Capone*
DAA & QMG.

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COPY.Subject :- Clothing of AlliesGENERAL HEADQUARTERS CMFTel No. Freedom 128GHQ/91/O/Q(AE)4 Dec 45

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Rear HQ 13 Corps	(10 copies)
HQ LF GREECE	(10 copies)
HQ No. 2 District	(10 copies)
HQ No. 3 District	(10 copies)
Rome Area Allied Command	(5 copies)
HQ BTNA	(2 copies)
Land Forces Sub Commission	
(AC) MMIA	(2 copies)

1. The attached copy War Office letter Q(AE)/2/1121/1 dated 20 Nov 45 is forwarded for information and compliance.
2. Attention is particularly drawn to para 2 of the War Office letter. Commands directly responsible for administration of, or liaison with, Allied Forces will take immediate steps to bring the fact of reduction in maintenance to the notice of the Allies concerned.
3. In the past a considerable amount of correspondence has taken place on the question of additional items, or variation of scales, and also in respect of issues of clothing for Allied Forces and persons covered by this directive. In view of the attached War Office letter there can only be one answer to future applications. They should be refused quoting this letter and without further reference to this GHQ. It is hoped in this way a considerable amount of correspondence will be obviated.

(signed):- Y??

W.B. WEBBER, Lt.Col.,
for Major General,
Major General Administration.

RWB/NH

Copy to :

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Q(Maint)

Ordnance

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Ta (Br)

Welfare

Financial Adviser

Labour

Provost

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Whitehall 9400 Ext. 1242

Q.M.G. HOUSE,
10 WHITEHALL PLACE,
LONDON, S.W.1
20th November, 1945Q(AE)2/1121/1

Memorandum for :-

General Headquarters, Central Mediterranean Forces.

" " Middle East Forces.

Headquarters, British Army of the Rhine.

Headquarters, British Land Forces in Norway.

British Military Mission to Netherlands.

" " " to Czechoslovakia.

Clothing of Allies.

1. Owing to the poor global stock position and to the shrinking production capacity available to the War Office no new capital commitments to clothe Allies, or to issue Blankets to them, or any increases in the scales of these items, can be accepted.
2. Furthermore, with effect from the date of this letter, all maintenance issues of clothing and blankets to Allies, other than to those directly under British Command, will be based on not more than 50% current British wastage rates.
3. Further restrictions in maintenance issues to Allied not directly under British Command may be necessary after 31 March 46 and if so you will be advised accordingly in due course.
4. The foregoing is notified to you for action where applicable under para 2, and so that the general position can be advised to Allied Military Authorities in response to any enquiries that may be made.

(signed) A- ????

J.W.N. HAUGH,

Deputy Quarter-Master General
(Army Equipment).

Copies to : HQ British Troops in Austria
British Military Mission France
" " " Denmark
" " " Belgium
" " " Greece
" " " Norway

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Subject : Admin of BRI-ITI's.

6 British Liaison Unit.

c/o 217 Area.

Tel : Vicksburg 119

Ref : G/6/1

10 Dec 45.

To : 4 British Liaison Unit.

1. Ref HQ. M.A.A. Letter 3D/35/2 dated 5 Dec 45, Appendix "A". Serial No. 3.
2. 717 Admin Regt. will be responsible for Bri-Iti units in 4 BOLZANO Terr Comd.
3. In order to study the locations of HQ. 717 Regt in relation to units under command, please may this office be supplied with a list of Bri-Iti units, giving locations & if possible future intentions in regard to disbandment or movement of these units.

W. R. ...

Forwarded to Major Bryant
1200 hrs 13 Dec 45.

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To : 4 British Liaison Unit.

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Forward to Major Byatt

1200 hrs 13 Dec 45.

PJH/jc
C.A.F.

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Subject ; Visit of Commander 60 Sub Area.

Headquarters.

L. B.L.U. (ex 53.1111)

C. M. P.

Ref: CO/PT/1

26 Nov'45

To ; Commanding General.
"Friuli" Infantry Division.
LEVILO.

Copy To ; H.Q., 60 Sub Area.

1. It is confirmed that Colonel A.C.Purves M.C. Commander 60 Sub Area, will visit your division for a tour of inspection on Thursday 29 Nov'45.
2. Capt.Wirth, R.M.A. of this Headquarters will act as this H.Q. representative.

[Signature]
Lieut.Col.
G.S.

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SUBJECT:- Visits.

53 B. L. U.

Headquarters,
60 Sub Area
CMF

Tel No: BOLZANO 3481 and
Ext 61

521/c

23 Nov 45.

Confirming telephone conversation Lt Col MARKES/Major W.J. WILSON.

1. The Commander wishes to visit the FRIULI Inf Division on Thursday 29 Nov 45.
2. He will wish to visit as many of the CEM Dumps and Guard Commitments of FRIULI Inf Division in the TRENTO Province as possible in the day.
3. Will you please arrange for one of your officers to see the Commander prior to his visit to acquaint him with details of the Commitments, and also that one of your officers accompanies the Commander during his visit.

WJW/SZ

W. J. Wilson
Major,
General Staff.

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1. 50 ELM in accordance with instructions has now ceased duty with PRULU Inf Div., and set up office at the Territorial Comd, KILIB.
2. The following points are recorded to give the position of PRULU at the time of the redeployment.

i) Operational. The div was, and is still, carrying out an extensive Allied commitment, under command of 60 Sub Area. The picture is complicated however, due to something like 50% of the commitment being outside 60 Sub Area, and overlapping into 217 Area territory and the GEMING Province which neither area seemed to own. On the day of the ALU's departure, a visit was made by LOUISH to the area apparently instructed to take over the PRULI commitment which overlapped into 217 Area, i.e. commitments in the VERDIL and VIGILIA Provinces. The matter was left in the air due to no specific instructions being given by Higher Authority. The main difficulty which arose was there to hand the PRULI troops on their relief. Even in the area concerned it is acutely short and it would be impossible to house double the number of troops. This relief involved one complete rest and 1 bn of the second rest. The take over and relief is bound to be complicated and it is thought that this will be worsened by the absence of the BLU. In order to obviate the difficulties as much as possible, 53 BLU were informed and a rep of 50 BLU left with PRULI. It is considered that from the standpoint it would have been difficult to have chosen a more inopportune moment for the desertion of PRULI by their BLU.

ii) Adm. The main adm problems on the redeployment are largely concerned around ORD and HRS. PERULLI, up till the 20 Nov, 5 days after the change over was supposed to be effective had received no info regarding the provisioning of them with the necessary items of eqpt either personal, veh, or controlled. In fact the picture was even worse as the Territorial Comd at BOLZANO, on being visited expressed complete ignorance as to from where or how eqpt was to be provided. Their attitude was that you can render your demands but don't expect any action as we have nothing to give you. Further, no instructions were issued through the ITALIEN Comd regarding provision of spare parts, disposal of BLA vehs and eqpt. The BLU were told to take responsibility on 15 Nov and on 15 Nov an ITALIEN responsibility

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11) Adm. The main main problems on the redeployment are largely centred around ORU and REAR. PRUHLI, up till the 20 Nov, 5 days after the change over was supposed to be effective had received no info regarding the provisioning of them with the necessary items of equipment, either personnel, veh, or controlled. In fact the picture was even worse as the Territorial Command at BOLZANO, on being visited expressed complete ignorance as to from where or how equipment was to be provided. Their attitude was that you can't make your demands but don't expect any action as we have nothing to give you. Further, no instructions were issued through the MILITARY Command regarding provision of spare parts, disposal of BLU vehicles and equipment. The BLU were told that all these matters were now and not 15 Nov or 17 Nov responsibility and were assured that all types of stores etc were available. No detail however could be given i.e. how stores were to be obtained, where the various depots were etc, and the PRUHLI Inf Div have in consequence been left by the BLU completely uninformed as to how things were to work by both the ITALIANS and BRIT.

3. This BLU feels that PRUHLI has been left in the air without any visible means of support. It is felt that there should have been a period of transition during which period there would have been a gradual closing down on BLU resources of support as the MILITARY system got working. The BLU also feels that they have been brothers in arms with the PRUHLI and that by this sudden departure from them and leaving them without some organised system of support they have let the air down. This can only detract from the esteem which PRUHLI had for the BRIT and thus it is felt the hard work of the past year may well be wasted apart from the fact that it is impossible to maintain the present morale of the BLU unless the necessary orders are available from some source or other.

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