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RELEASE INST

opened: Ap. 15, 1945 - Closed: July 5, 1946
From: Feb. 1945 - TO: July 1946

RELEASE INST(365
464)

opened: Ap. 15, 1945. Closed: July 5, 1946
from: Feb. 1945 - TO: July 1946

Subject:- Compassionate Release on
business grounds

HQ 1 Army Gp RA

A 46/232

5 Jul 46.

List 'A' + SO 'A'

All applications for compassionate release
on business grounds must include the following information :-

- (a) The exact nature of the business.
- (b) The date when the business was established.
- (c) Who owns the business, including details of all the partners.
- (d) Whether it is intended that the business shall pass to the applicant as sole proprietor on his father's or mother's retirement.
- (e) The applicant's date of enlistment, his previous connection with the business and whether engaged in the business up to the time of enlistment.
- (f) The number of employees in the business.
- (g) Whether any of the present employees are fit to assume management.
- (h) Whether there is any likelihood of obtaining a manager elsewhere.
- (i) Whether there are any other relatives, and, if so, why none of them is able to assist.
- (j) How the business has been carried on up to the present.
- (k) Why the business cannot continue under present arrangements.

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DAA & CIG

Subject: - Release Books

AC 100/1/1

24 Mar 46

All Units

Ref SARO 277/46.

Date for collection of Release Books is Wednesday 27 Mar and
NOT 26 Mar as stated in above quoted SARO.

In the Field
PBC/bb

[Signature]
Major
D. & J.
201 Sub Area

513LV
A/22
HQ HOME AREA ALLIED COMMAND Telephone:- 66504
APO No 794, US ARMY

Ref:- 56A

SUBJECT:- Kit and Documentation of Troops
proceeding to UK

26 Feb 46

Distribution "B" British

1. A complaint has been received from the War Office concerning the documentation and equipment of troops returning to UK particularly on release.
2. A four day check was instituted on the documentation and equipment of troops arriving in A MEDLOC Camp. Results are attached at Appendix 'A' to this letter.
3. It will be noted that omission in documentation and equipment of men proceeding from this theatre on LLA and duty is far more pronounced than in the case of those proceeding on Release. In particular, 10% apparently arrive without AF H415, making it impossible for the transit camp to decide whether a man has been properly equipped or not by his unit, and whether or not he is deficient of equipment through his own negligence.
4. It is particularly essential that all release personnel are in possession of full entitled retention scale in accordance with Regulations for Release from the Army 1945, Appendix 'D' Sec 1, para 13. This includes two sets of woollen underwear in addition to two pairs drawers cellular. All worn clothing is particularly essential. Attention is directed to ACI 1480 of 1944 in respect of a long sea voyage. Air trooping scale is limited but retention scale must be included.
5. In all cases AF H4157 will be completed to show articles in possession in accordance with the above mentioned regulations Section 11, paras 4,5 and 7.
6. For release under class 'A' the AF H4157 will, in addition, be endorsed to show in detail any articles which are unavoidably deficient from individuals entitled retention scale through no fault of their own. Endorsement will be signed by individual and countersigned by OC unit before departure. Completion to scale will be made only in respect of items where it is confirmed that deficiencies are not occasioned by the individual. Pressure in the disembarkation units makes prolonged enquiries into these matters most difficult in UK.
7. Addressees are requested to take steps to ensure that they comply strictly with regulations.

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J.H. EVANS,
Staff Capt, 462
for Lt-Col,
AM & QMG.

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APPENDIX 'A' TO HQ RAAC letter
56A dated 26 Feb 46.

RESULTS OF CHECK OF DOCUMENTATION 28/31 Jan 46

20 Assembly Centre

'A' Release

Total arrivals	2797
Nos defolient of:	
Blankets	4
Clothing	47
Mov Orders	40
AF H1157	4
IFI Cert	31
Naafi Cert	29
Currency Cert	3
AF B5133	-

311 Transit Camp

LIAP, Duty and Miscellaneous

1299
26
56
42
110
48
80
71
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A/28 45
HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY

Telephone:- 66600

Ref:- 56A

SUBJECT:- Personnel for Release -
Testimonials.

18 Jan 46.

Distribution "B" British.

1. In spite of detailed instructions published from time to time in GROs, soldiers are still arriving from this theatre for release in UK with inadequate testimonials or, in many cases, without testimonials. Specific instances of this are being forwarded.

2. The way in which a soldier is described in his testimonial may have a considerable effect on his return to civil employment and a badly or carelessly written testimonial may indirectly cause him financial loss. It is of importance that officers when writing these testimonials should describe the qualities in the soldier which may interest a civilian employer, bearing in mind the employment which the man wishes to take up on his release.

3. A man's efficiency in a purely military employment must, therefore, be described in terms which will be understandable to a civilian employer. Officers who may be called upon to write testimonials should read ACT 1165/45; this gives guidance on the writing of these.

4. All officers will no doubt realize their responsibility for giving the men who have served under them as full and satisfactory testimonials as they merit and will give to their writing all possible care.

S 26/1
ALBAN LOW,
Brigadier,
Commander British Troops ROME.

785020

HQ ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No 794 US ARMY

Telephone: 66501

Ref:- 56A

SUBJECT:- Retention of Individuals due
for Release

17 Jan 46

Distribution 'D' British

1. A considerable amount of trouble has been caused recently by units delaying in carrying out the procedure laid down in AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 for retaining individuals due for release as operationally vital.
2. This has been particularly so in the case of individuals being held on Court-Martial charges, or as essential witnesses in Courts-Martial.
3. In future, wherever O.S.C. units take or initiate any disciplinary action they will carefully consider the Age-Service Release Groups of all concerned, and if there is any possibility that any individual may have to be retained beyond his normal release date, Appendix 'A' to AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 (in duplicate) will be forwarded to G-1(Br) this HQ at once.
4. Addressees are reminded that Age-Service Release Group Numbers of all witnesses must be shown on all Summaries of Evidence when they are forwarded to this HQ.

B 26/1

J.W. EVANS
Staff Captain,
for Lt Col
AA & QMG

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SUBJECT:- Middle East Regulations for General Discharge - 1945

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

TO :- All Palestinian Diluted Units CMT.

7203/A2

31 Dec 45

Appended below is amendment No 7 to Middle East Regulations for General Discharge 1945.

Delete para 33 and substitute.

183. Application for Class "Z" Discharge supported by documentary evidence where possible, will be submitted as follows :-

- (a) M.E. Form 228, suitably amended (specimen of which is shown at Appendix 'G'), will be submitted in duplicate, in the case of Syrian and Lebanese through H.Q. British Troops in Northern Levant, and, in the case of Cypriots through HQ Cyprus Sub-Area, to GHQ MEF for consideration by the Compassionate Postings Board.
- (b) In the case of Palestinians applications will be submitted in quadruplicate in the first instance, to the appropriate Arab or Jewish Liaison Officer, on the proforma at Appendix 'A' to M.E. General Order 988/45, in accordance with the instruction laid down in this M.E.G.O.

3465/GHQ (SS) - 12/45

/AP

[Signature]
Major General,
D.A.G.

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SUBJECT: - Middle East Regulations for General Discharge - 1945.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

7203/A7

TO : - All Palestinian Diluted Units CMF.

21 Dec 45

Herewith amendment No 6 to Middle East Regulations for
General Discharge 1945.

/AP

Major General,
D.A.C.

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W. B. L. L. L.
Major General,
D.L.G.

/AP

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General Discharge 1945.

Add the following new paras :-

REPATRIATION OF DEPENDANTS

Entitlement to Repatriation.

200. The following repatriation rights are afforded to Palestinian, Cypriot, Syrian and Lebanese personnel:

- (a) A man, marrying, whilst a soldier, outside the country of enlistment, may claim to have his dependants taken back to the country of enlistment at W.D. expense.
- (b) A man electing discharge in the country in which he is serving under para 140 above, may have his dependants brought to join him at W.D. expense.
- (c) Dependants will be defined in accordance with Regulations for Release from the Army 45 para 608.

Procedure for Applying for Repatriation.

201. An individual claiming repatriation of his dependants will apply to his Commanding Officer on AF.X103. The onus of obtaining permission for his dependants to enter the country to which repatriation is desired rests with the applicant, and a certificate of acceptance by the Government of the country concerned will be attached to AF.X 103.

202. The CO. will verify the applicants statements so far as possible from information available at the unit and insert the appropriate Age and Service Group or any other release priority.

203. The form will then be forwarded to O2E. GHQ. MEF for transmission to AG 2 (b) after completion of sections C. D. and E. as applicable. It will NOT be forwarded by the Unit to War Office or O I/c Records, notwithstanding the direction in Section B of the form.

204. AG 2 (b) will investigate the claim and confirm or refuse entitlement. If the claim is confirmed the necessary forms of application for passports, visas, etc. with instructions regarding completion and return, will be sent to the unit.

205. If a claim for repatriation of dependants is rejected, AG 2 (b) will communicate the decision to the Unit, who will inform the applicant. Should he so desire, the applicant may submit an appeal, which will be forwarded to AG 2(b). GHQ. MEF.

Procedure for Repatriation of Dependants.

206. Unless orders are given to the contrary, dependants residing in ME countries will be repatriated whenever possible together with the individual claiming their repatriation.

207. In their case, when AG 2 (b) has approved the application, the Command or Area HQ in which the dependants are situated will be told to arrange their movement. In the case of these dependants requiring movement by sea they will, if necessary, be accommodated at 241 Transit Camp, Ismailia, where they will await embarkation instructions.

208. Dependants of those individuals who have elected to be discharged in

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208. Dependants of those individuals who have elected to be discharged in countries outside ME Command will be accommodated at 241 Transit Camp, Ismailia, when the date of discharge of the applicant is due, to await embarkation.

209. If the dependants are located outside ME Command, AG 2 (b) will arrange with the Military Command concerned to despatch the dependants direct to the final destination so as to arrive, as far as possible, at the same time as the applicant, but in any event, not before.

210. Baggage entitlements and instructions for shipment will be as laid down in IREGO 970/45.

Tel No: VALJEAN 52.

A/28

02E/90370/FR.

Cs:- D.C.

20.12.45.

5 British Liaison Unit. (Ex 52 BLU.)

C.M.F.

Subject:- ACCOUNTING FOR RELEASE BOOKS.

With reference to your letter dated 7.12.45

GRO 1038/45 has now been cancelled by GRO 1200/45 and the returns called for in the earlier GRO are not now required by this HQ.

CMF.

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Brigadier,
DAG,
HQ 2nd Echelon.

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SUBJECT:- Release Documentation.

5 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.

A/28/70

21 Dec 45.

Officer i/c,
GHQ, 2nd Echelon, CMF.

S/127187 W/Cpl Reynolds W.R.

R.A.S.C.

The above NCO who has recently been posted to this Unit is A/S Group 25 and due for release.

In order to complete his A.B. X601 the following information is required please:-

- (a) Trade Courses and Trade Tests passed.
- (b) Army Trade and Class.
- (c) Medical Category.

No indication to the above is available from inspection of his AD 64 Parts I and II.

FHS/fb


Major,
DAM & QNG.

Subject : Release - Officers

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5 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.

A/28/69

17 Dec 45

DAA & QMG,
201 Sub-Area.

Ref. your AG 168/1 of 14 Dec 45.

Herewith list of officers in accordance with para 3.

A/S Group 22..... NIL

A/S Group 23..... NIL

A/S Group 24..... ONE - T/Capt.I. Treleven RASC.

[Signature]
Major,
DAA & QMG.

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Subject:- Release - Officers

AQ 168/1

14 Dec 45

Distribution:- All Units

1. All officers eligible for release in Age/Service Gp 21 will concentrate at 198 Transit Camp on 16 Dec 45. Units known to have such officers have already been notified. 10/15 hrs
2. If any such officer is not despatched on 16 Dec 45 the fact will immediately be reported to this HQ.
3. Units having officers eligible for release in Age/Service Groups 22, 23 and 24 will report the number in each group; any subsequent changes due to postings etc will be notified as they occur. NIL returns are not required.

In the field
JBK/las

Thompson Capt
Major
DMA & QMG
IO1 Sub Area

ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 67

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Transm. Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

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Originator

Date-Time of Origin

131730A

OFFICE DATE STAMP

For Action

TO

HQ 201: SUB-AREA

(W) For Information (INFO)

Message Instructions

GR

3632/GHQP/12-43

Originator's No.

A/280 Unders O Please notify this office movement
instructions for two ORs in A/S Apr 24

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN
BY ANY MEANS EXCEPT

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IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MES-
SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHERORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
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Subject: Medical Examination (W3149)

5 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.
13 Dec 45.

A/28/66

GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

Ref GRO 746/45 herewith Medical Examination Report (AF W3149) in respect of the following personnel :-

1088165	W/Bdr	VERALLO J.	(RA Pd)	A/S Group 24
S/7669751	Pte	SMART NV.	(RASC)	A/S Group 24

Please acknowledge receipt on attached form.

WN/NS

W. R. Selby
Major,
DAG&MG.

RECEIPT FORM

To: OC, 5 British Liaison Unit.

Receipt is acknowledged of AF W3149 in respect of the following personnel :-

1088165	W/Bdr	VERALLO J.	(RA Pd)
S/7669751	Pte	SMART NV.	(RASC)

Date

Signature

RETURN OF PELTAST BOOKS UNDER GR 1038/45

5 British Liaison Unit (Ex 52 BAO)

Commanding or Adm Formation - 59 Area

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SERIAL NOS OF RELEASE BOOKS	ISSUED TO	DATE ISSUED	SERIAL NOS. OF RELEASE BOOKS	ISSUED TO	DATE ISSUED
			58444	1062234 Pte Ingram F.	8 Nov 45
			58445	5381965 Sgt Dixey A	8 Nov 45
			59397	1604413 Gnr Richardson	19 Nov 45
			59398	187870 Wtl Gouthwaite	20 Nov 45
			59399	5203988D Spl Price	22 Nov 45
Total	NIL		Total	FIVE.	
	Mutilated and forwarded to HQ 2nd Echelon		Total	NIL	
5742			60123 60124 60125		452
Total	held in stock		Total	3 held in stock. with 4 accounted for to	

J. H. Thackeray. Major G-II

Copy to : 3HQ 2nd Echelon

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CONFIDENTIAL.Subject : Medical Examination52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.

21 Nov 45.

AQ/28B/60.GHQ,
2nd Echelon.Ref GRO 746/45. herewith Medical Examination
Report (AF W3149) in respect of :

187895 P/A/L/Cpl GARTHWAITE W. REME.

A/S Gp 23

*J. H. Johnson*Major;
for Lieut. Col.
GS.

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WN/hj

*Receipt of AFN 3149 in respect of the a/m
NCO. acknowledged.**P.N.F.**Nov. 1945**RL Harby Lt.
for Brigadier
A.H.G.
5th & 2nd Echelon*

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SUBJECT: Deferment of Release - ORs.

HQ 6 Br Armd Div
59 Area
217 Area
218 (Sp) Area
7 ACRA
60 Sub Area

HQ No.2 District CMF
A/748/5(0)

14 Nov 1945

The following copy of GHQ CMF signal FX.54228 of 23 Nov 45 is forwarded for transmission to all units for necessary action :-

" Subject is release of OR and application of policy laid down GHQ letter DQ/DAG/100 of 5 Oct 45.
ONE(.) Analysis of movement A/S Gps 20 and 21 shows total 4000 OR who failed report assembly centre(.)
TWO(.) Believed this may be result too liberal application voluntary deferment scheme outlined in DQ letter quoted above although few cases yet reported G2E as requested penultimate para that letter(.)
THREE(.) This scheme was devised to cover exceptional cases only and must not affect general rate release of OR(.) Such deferment in future only to be authorised in very special cases and such cases reported immediately to G2E(.) If analysis of next groups still shows large numbers may be necessary cancel scheme "

All voluntary deferments will be notified to GHQ 2nd Echelon immediately, where this has not already been done.

JEC/RE

Colonel
DA & QMG

The following copy of GHQ CTF signal IX.54243 of 23 Nov 45 is forwarded for transmission to all units for necessary action :-

" Subject is release of OR and application of policy laid down
CHQ letter DO/DAG/100 of 5 Oct 45.
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Q Salvage
CE Welfare
CSO Fin
Mov Camp
Chaplain Wire
ST V & R
Med ERI
Ord CC A/Q
PENT 23 Pnd Base Pay Office
Pro O.IC JAG Branch
Postal CMM
601 Coy ATS RATE Inspectorate.
2 Med GP

Colonel
DA & CHG

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Subject : Medical Examination

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMB.
21 Nov 45.

AQ/283/61.

GHQ,
2nd Echelon.

Ref GRC 746/45, herewith Medical Examination
Report (AF W3149) in respect of :

187895 P/A/L/Cpl GARTHWAITE W. REME,

A/S Gp 23

J. H. Johnston

Major;
for Lieut. Col.
GS.

WN/hj

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Subject: Medical Examination.

52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.

15 Nov 45.

AG/23B/60

GHC,
2nd Bohelon.

Ref GHO 746/45, herewith Medical Examination
Report (AF #3149) in respect of :-

160413 Gnr RICHARDSON G.E. RA(LAA) A/3 Cp 23.

WH/MS

A. F. ...
Major,
For Lieut-Col.
GS.

RETURN OF PLEASE BOOKS UNDER GR 1038/45

Unit
52 British Reaction Unit

Commanding or Adm Formation	- 59 Area

OFFICIALS

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SERIAL NOS OF RELEASE BOOKS	ISSUED TO	DATE ISSUED	SERIAL NOS. OF RELEASE BOOKS	ISSUED TO	DATE ISSUED
5691	Lieut J. H. BREAKSPER (RANG) (313684)	8 Oct	58441	405360 Sgt. DAYGAT.	8 Oct
			58442	2817351 CSM MURRAY.S	8 Oct
			58443	2818946 Tpr DUFF.S.	20 Oct
Total	ONE		Total	THREE	
	utilized and forwarded to HQ 2nd Echelon				
Total	NIL		Total	NIL	
				58444 58445	
Total	NIL	held in stock	Total	Two held in stock.	
Date: 5 Nov 45 p. Record					
Unit Designation					
447					

Copy to : 3HQ 2nd Echelon

52 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
C. M. F.

SUBJECT:- Lecture on Release Documentation.

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59 Area.

49 A 4.

2 Nov 45.

ALL UNITS.

Ref this HQ 49 A 4 dated 28 Oct 45. ⁻⁵⁴

It is regretted that it is not now possible to hold the lecture by
Lt Col NEW on 5 Nov 45.

Time and date of a future lecture to be held will be notified in due
course.

FJ/J.

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O. J. Law
1st Lt Col. Capt
AA & QMG.

SUBJECT :- Offrs Release and Leave

All Units

Internal

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HQ 59 Area
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1 Nov 45

In an endeavour to alleviate as much as possible any hardship caused to offrs by deferment of release, certain concessions have now been made. The situation may now be summarised as follows :-

(a) Age/Service Gp 21.

- (i) Offrs in this gp should not be retained unless it is quite impossible to do without them. Recommendations for release will be made to this HQ in accordance with the instrs contained in ARO 796/45. Such recommendations may be made at any time but should in all cases be made as early as possible.

- (ii) Offrs in this gp are not eligible for LIAP or for 14 days compensatory compassionate leave.

(b) Age/Service Gps 22, 23 and 24.

- (i) Offrs in these Gps may apply for reversion to home establishment and/or release on compassionate grounds or if they would otherwise lose a good civil appointment which they had already contracted to fill. Such applications will be made to this HQ in accordance with the instrs given in ARO 796/45 para (c).

- (ii) Offrs in these Gps are not eligible for LIAP but may apply for 14 days compassionate leave to UK in cases where they have suffered hardship by having lost their LIAP due to deferment of release. All such cases are to be given very favourable consideration. Applications will be made to this HQ in accordance with instrs given in this HQ letter 32 A 7 dated 22 Oct 45.

(c) Age/Service Gp 25.

All offrs in this GP who are eligible for LIAP under the normal rules will be sent on 28 days leave not later than LIAP 30 (4 to 14 Nov). In submitting nominal rolls for LIAP 30 units will draw special attention to offrs who are being sent under this ruling.

- (d) The above rules which apply to male offrs may be taken as more or less applicable to AUS offrs based on the following comparative table of age/service Gps :-

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(c) Age/Service Gp 25.

All offers in this gp who are eligible for LIAP under the normal rules will be sent on 28 days leave not later than LIAP 50 (4 to 11 Nov). In submitting nominal rolls for LIAP 50 units will draw special attention to offers who are being sent under this ruling.

- (a) The above rules which apply to male offers may be taken as more or less applicable to ATS offers based on the following comparative table of age/service gps :-

<u>Male</u>	<u>ATS</u>
21.	28
22	29
23	30
24	31
25	32

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Lt Col
A. & QMG

Chapman

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CONFIDENTIAL

Subject: Medical Examination.

52 British Liaison Unit,

OTF

1 Nov 45.AD/28B/56CWO
2nd Echelon.Reference CWO 7-6/45, herewith Medical Examination Reports
(AF W3149) in respect of the following :-

5381968	WS/Sgt DIXIE A	CWO Bucks	A/S Group	22
1063223	Pto INGRAM P.	ACU	"	22

A. V. BORDA. 445

(A.V. BORDA) Major,
For Lieut-Col.
CS.

W1/PS

SUBJECT: Release of Officers
- Palestinian.

CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS.
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES.

7205/42.

21 Oct 45.

Distribution Below.

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later is NOT applicable to Palestinian officers.

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Jewish Soldiers Welfare Committee.

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G-2 OTH (3)

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(I.S.M. FOTHERINGHAM) Captain,
S/Captain,
Maj-Gen,
DAG.

Retarding of release of officers in A/S Groups 21 and
later is NOT applicable to Palestinian officers.

David M. Thompson, Capt.
(I.S.M. FOTHERINGHAM) Captain,
S/Captain,
Maj-Gen,
DAC.

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AQ/25

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CONFIDENTIAL59 Area
49 A428 Oct 45SUBJECT:- Lecture on Release DocumentationALL UNITS

1. ARO 760/45 ordered the attendance of COs and senior Adm Offrs of all units at a lecture to be given by Lt Col NEW of GHQ 2nd Ech.
2. The attendance at this lecture was most unsatisfactory. It is fully realised that the notice given to units was short and that the date for the lecture was changed after the publication of the ARO.
3. At the same time, examination of the attendance roll shows that COs of many units were content to be represented by a junior offr or an NCO and did not attend themselves. The Area Comd wishes it to be known that discourtesy of this kind cannot be tolerated.
4. The object of the lecture, which was part of a tour organised by GHQ GME, was to explain to COs and their Adm Offrs the vital importance of the documentation carried out by units in respect of men being released. This unit documentation is at present being done very badly.
5. A further lecture will therefore be given by Lt Col NEW at the Palladium Theatre MILAN at 1100 hrs 5 Nov 45. This lecture will be attended by all COs and senior Adm Offrs who were not present at the lecture on 24 Oct 45. An attendance roll will be taken and an explanation will be required by the Area Comd in any cases of absence.

GRH/DWL

Lt Col,
AA & QMG.*Ch. Hartley*

*Will they give me credit for
I am not C.O. I am a Staff Officer. Capt Galt is
from my CO.*

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Subject : 2818946 Tor DUFF J.H.

52 British Liaison Unit,
CMF.

24 Oct 45.

10/28B/53.

OC,
Lovat Scouts.

The above named who came with me when I left the Lovat Scouts is A/S Co 21 and is due for release (reporting to Assembly Centre, MILAN on 6 Nov).

I have received a letter from O2E stating that they have never received AF W3149 and that Tor DUFF has now been repatriated to UK for release. (which is far from being correct).

The difficulty arises in the fact that he has never been officially attached to this Unit, and I can only suggest that I publish a casualty when he is due for release, showing him :

"SOS Lovat Scouts on posting to X/8(a) List and despatched to Assembly Centre on 6 Nov 45. = Release Co.21"

I am sending his W3149 off today to O2E as he was only medically examined yesterday.



(J.S.H. DOUGLAS) Lt. Col.
GS.

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" 6. Assuming that the basis of the Order is virtually a four months moratorium on the release of Officers, on present calculations this would mean that Groups 21 to 24 are likely to be most affected, while the release of later Groups may be correspondingly delayed, though it is hoped not to a great extent. It is likely that a number of individuals in Groups 21 to 24 may, in expectation of early release, have made private arrangements in connection with their return to civil life, the cancellation of which would involve them in considerable hardship. It is therefore proposed that special allotment of 14 days leave, nominally a modified form of LIAP, but actually compassionate leave, should be granted to deserving cases in Groups 21 to 24 where genuine hardship has been experienced by Officers, even if the Officer has had LIAP already. Permission to grant this special leave will be delegated to BTA, 13 Corps, Districts, LF GREECE and BTNA, but it is emphasised that it will only be granted to genuinely deserving cases. Apart from this, Officers in Groups 21 to 24 will not be granted LIAP, since they will be within some four months of release, assuming that the ban is lifted early in March or possibly sooner.

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NAB/DWL

NAB/comm/JF
for Lt.Col,
AA & QMG.

AR/28

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Subject:- COMPULSORY RETENTION OF OFFICERSCONFIDENTIAL59 Area
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22 Oct 45

ALL UNITS
INTERNAL

The following memorandum has been issued by GHQ CME. It will be brought to the notice of all Officers.

Reference para 6 of the memorandum when cases of hardship exist, applications for 14 days special compassionate leave will be forwarded to this HQ.

1. The object of this memorandum is to clarify as far as possible the situation regarding the compulsory retention of Officers from Group 21 inclusive, and particularly to take fully into the confidence of GHQ CME, those who are mainly affected by the application of this measure.

2. It is probably known to all that the Middle East and BAOR have already been forced to retain a considerable number of Officers, and certain recent Press articles indicate that SEAC has also taken similar steps.

The present shortage of officers in CME on existing War Establishments is of the order of 4,000. As, however, certain extensive disbandments are impending, it would probably be correct to say that the true shortage is of the order of 2,500. To this must be added the incidence of LIAP which further aggravates the shortage.

3. It may be alleged that one way to meet the shortage would be to stop or drastically curtail LIAP; indeed some of those Officers whose release has been compulsorily deferred may feel that they are being retained mainly in order to allow others to go on leave.

In this connection it must be clearly stated that it is the official view at GHQ CME that the LIAP project of getting all those home on 28 days leave who have been 18 months or more in the theatre must be carried out, for reasons of morale and welfare; or, in other words, that LIAP is just as much a commitment which has to be met, as is the provision of a garrison in GREECE or the occupation of AUSTRIA and VENEZIA GUINIA.

4. Reverting again to the world wide shortage of Officers, it was ascertained about three weeks ago that the War Office were contemplating shortly issuing an Order stopping all Officer release from (including) Group 20 for four months. In order to give those concerned as much notice as possible, a warning order was sent out from this HQ. Later information disclosed that the War Office Order would probably only be operative from (including) Group 21, and in consequence the GHQ CME instruction has been amended accordingly.

5. Now it is not yet known what exactly will be the terms of the War Office Order, nor what condition may be attached to it. For this reason it is not desired to amplify the GHQ CME Order until the War Office Order is received; otherwise it may simply mean a succession of amendments, which is clearly undesirable. It is hoped that the War Office Order will be received within about a fortnight from now.

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NAB/DWL

NAB comm L
for Lt. Col,
Lt & MG.

Tel No : VALJEAN 147

BY APS

Officer Commanding

52 B.L.U.

02E/R3/Perth/Lovat/68

SUBJECT :

Release - Completion of AF W3149

19 Oct. 45.

2818946.

Tpr. Duff J.H.

The Lovat Scouts.

There is no trace in this HQ of the receipt of AF W3149 in respect of the personnel enumerated above and who have now been repatriated to UK for release.

Will you please confirm that medical examination on AF W3149 has, in fact, been carried out, and state disposal of this form.

The importance of AF W3149 cannot be over emphasised as any claim on account of disability that the individual may make in the future is considered in the light of the information contained on that form.

CMF

Le Baron
Brigadier
D.G.
CHQ 2nd Echelon

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CONFIDENTIAL.Subject : Medical Examination AF W3149.52 British Liaison Unit,
C.M.F.24 Oct 45.AQ/28B/51.GHQ,
2nd Echelon.Ref GRO 746/45 herewith Medical Examination
Report (AF W3149) in respect of :

2818946 Tpr. DUFF J.I. Lovat Scouts A/S Group 21.

A. V. Borda(A. V. BORDA) Maj Jor,
for Lieut. Col.
GS.

AVB/hjj

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SUBJECT: - Release Documents

52
British Liaison Unit
CMF

24 Oct 45

AQ/28b/52

Officer Commanding,
21 Base Stationery Depot

Reference GRO 1038/45

May this unit please be supplied with the undermentioned forms as soon as possible.

CMF Form 94 (RED) - BAGGAGE LABEL = Qty = 24

Certified this demand does not exceed the number required to cover this unit's next TWO release group requirements.

/WN.

A. V. Borda
(A. V. BORDA)

Major.
A/DAA&CHQ.
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SUBJECT:- Release of Offrs.

59 Area.
47 A.

5 Oct 45.

All Units
Internal

1. The following text of AFHQ signal C 24811 dated 3 Oct is repeated for infm :-

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"In view of present/shortage of offrs coupled with prospective acceleration of Army Release generally it will be necessary to retain in CMF as operationally vital a considerable number of offrs probably starting with those in (incl) A/S Gp 20 (.) Above is likely to affect nearly all arms (.)"

2. It is regretted that further definite details are not yet available regarding such questions as period of deferment, arms of the service affected, effect on LIAF eligibility etc. Urgent representations are being made for infm on such points to be given. As soon as this infm is available it will be circulated.

3. In the meantime the contents of this letter will be brought to the personal notice of all offrs.

CPH/AL.

CPH/AL
Lt Col.
AA & QMG.

SUBJECT: ME Regulations for General Discharge - 1945.

RESTRICTED.

All Pal Units in CMF.
All Pal Diluted Units in CMF.

CHQ CMF.

7203/A2.

2 Oct 45.

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HQ Br Tps in Pal & T.J.

HQ L of C EACR

CHQ 023 CMF (4)

HQ Land Forces Greece

HQ E.T.N.A.

HQ E.T.A.

Rear HQ 13 Corps

Lt 56 (Army) Area

HQ 2 District (10)

HQ 3 District (10)

HQ P.A.A.C. (10)

SCF (5) HQ RAAC

Jewish Soldiers Welfare Committee.

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G-5

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Survey

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Further to AFHQ letter G1(Er)/7203/47 dated 1 Sep 45.

Amendment No. 4 to ME Regulations for General Discharge
- 1945 is forwarded herewith.

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 Jewish Soldiers Welfare Committee.

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 Medical (B)
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 REME
 Welfare
 RASC TD
 RE TD

Further to JFH, letter G1(EH)/7203/17 dated 1 Sep 45.

Amendment No. 4 to IE Regulations for General Discharge
 - 1945 is forwarded herewith.

E. W. L. Howell-Jones

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(E.W.L. HOWELL-JONES) Major D.G.,
 + Maj-Gen D.G.

cf.

RESTRICTED
GHQ MEF
Ext 654
81418/AG17

24 Sep 45

SUBJECT: ME Regulations for General Discharge, 1945.

HQ British Tps in North Levant (32)
HQ British Tps in Palestine & Transjordan (36)
HQ ETE (20)
HQ Cyprus Sub Area (30)

HQ Tps Sudan (8) HQ Cyrenaica Area (3)
HQ PAIO (3) HQ Tripolitania Area (3)

AFHQ (260) HQ British Army of the Rhine (3)

Copy to: - MA to C-in-C Brig AG(O)
PA to MGA Brig AG(PS)
PA to DAG Brig Q(AE)
PA to DQME Brig OZE
Col AG(CLT)

Copy to: - MS S C(Ops)1 SD1 SD2 G(Trg) E X Inf
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AG12 (31) (For distribution to ATS Gp HQs & Palestinian and Cypriot ATS Units).

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OC RASO BD MEF Jewish Bde Depot MEF (3)
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Herewith Amendment List No 4 to ME Regulations for General Discharge,

1945.

Amendment List No 4

Para 59(b)

Add at end "and clothing and equipment will be reduced as far as possible to the retention scales set out in Chap IX, AFH 1157 will be adjusted accordingly."

Para 72 (i)(a)

Amend the first and third columns of the three tables and the Note in the instruction of "Missing Officers" before "A.T.S."

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MDU (Egypt) MEF

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/MCH.

P. Harding-Edgar

W. C. R. Maj Gen
DAG

(P. HARDING-EDGAR)

CONFIDENTIAL

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SUBJECT:- Medical Examination AFW314952 British Liaison Unit
CMP.4 Oct 45AO/28B/46To:- Officer i/c
GHQ 2nd Echelon

Ref GRO 746/45 herewith Medical Examination
Reports (AFW3149) in respect of the undermentioned
personnel of this Unit of A/S Group 19.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Arm of Service.	A/S Group.
313684	Lieut	J.H. Breakspear	RAMC	19
2817359	CSM	Murray.J.	CMP	19
405360	Sgt	Day.C.T.	Manch Regt	19

/WN.

(H.A.FERRO)


Major for,
Lieut-Col.
G.S.

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SUBJECT: Release - Palestinians Police Force.

ARMED FORCE HEADQUARTERS,

CI(DEF)/7803/47.

19 Sep 45.

All Pal Units in CMF.
All Pal Diluted Units in CMF.

Copy to: GHQ MEET (for AG.9)

- Col AG (CMF) GHQ MEET (for AG.9)
- HQ B.A.C.R.
- GHQ OZE CMF (4)
- HQ Land Forces Greece
- HQ B.T.N.A.
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- S.O.F. (J)
- Jewish Soldiers Welfare Committee.
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- G.1(Br)A-11
- G.2 Org (3)
- G-4 Mov & Tr (5)
- G-5.
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- Survey
- S & T
- Medical (B)
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- Welfare
- PASC TD.

Under authority GHQ MEET letter 81418/AG.17 dated 11 Sep.45 service in temporary additional police (which includes Jewish Settlement Police) and supplementary police branches of the Palestine Police has been ruled to be reckonable for age and service grouping. This ruling will be held to apply to ME enlistments.

W. H. Jones
(E.W.L. HOTTEN-JONES) Cap.t
S. Capt.
1st Lieut-Gen. DAG.
C.I. (B).

CHQ OZB GMT (4)
 HQ Land Forces Greece
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Frank Jones

(E.W.L. HOWELL-JONES) Capt.
 S. Capt.
 Brig-Gen. D.L.C.
 G.I. (D).

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SECRET.

In lieu of AF A16.

RECEIPT FORM.

52 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT
C. M. F.

To be completed and
returned immediately to :

Document	No of Copies	Copy No	Dist.
Release Book			Pythar & Folias.
AB.X801	1		See
CMF forms 94	3		GTHQ 2nd.
			Exchequer.

Received the above listed documents.

Date 18 Sept 45

Signature [Signature]

Unit GTHQ 2nd Exchequer (PR Section)

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SUBJECT: Personnel in UK on leave.

D.A.G.

G.H.Q.,

2nd Echelon C.M.F.

52 British Liaison Unit.
C.M.F.

18th September, 1945.

Ref A/30/39.

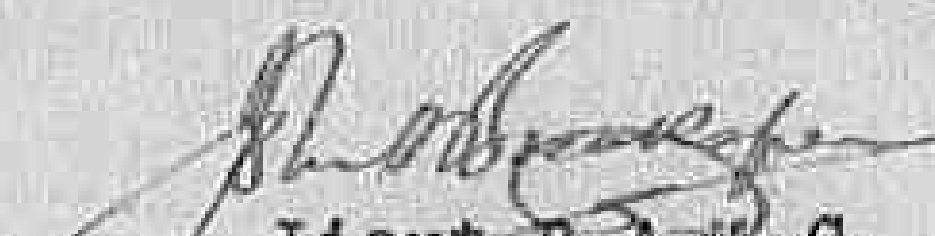
Reference your letter O2E/R/3/Manch dated 14th Sept., 1945, regarding 405360 W/Sgt Day, T.G., Manchester Regiment.

This N.C.O. proceeded on LIAP 17, leaving this unit on 4th August, 1945.

Part II Order No 68 (Manchester Regiment) dated 13th Sept., 1945, states that he was "SOS CMF and X(1) List w.e.f 9.9.45 on reversion to Home Establishment (WO Signal AG1B 12960)". However, as no instructions were received by Sgt Day whilst on leave regarding posting to Home Establishment, he returned to CMF with his LIAP party on completion of leave, arriving at this unit 16th September, 1945. Casualty covering his re-joining is attached herewith.

This N.C.O is of Age/Service Group 19 and should be due for release shortly. May instructions please be given regarding his disposal.

JHB/B.


Lieut F.A.M.C.
A/Camp Commandant.

CC DAA/CMG 52 BLU

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Appendix "A"
to RPI 380/731

Tel: Val Jean 147

02E/R/3/Manch

14 Sep 1945

OC, 52 B.L.U.,
C.M.F.

Personnel in UK on leave

1. The undermentioned, at present in UK on LIAP/~~LIAP~~ leave are being retained pending release in the United Kingdom and have been sos CMF vide Pt II Orders quoted.

2. Attached please find extract of AF X202/A in respect of testimonial and certificate of military conduct which you are requested to complete and forward to this HQ early accompanied by AF B122.

X 3. Kits of individuals concerned should be packed and held ready for despatch. Disposal instructions will be issued by this HQ at an early date.

<u>No</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Part II Order sos</u>
405360	W/Sgt	Day T.G.	68 dated 13.9.45.
	(Manchester Regiment)		

X Kit should be despatched to owners private address C/O MFO, POD, UK, through the nearest MFO in this theatre.

If home address is not known, despatch kit to Infantry Records Office, Preston, C/o M.F.O., P.O.D, U.K.

CMF

J. T. Brookes Capt
Brigadier,
DAG,
GHQ 2nd Echelon.

Extract of AF 1202/A

RELEASE LEAVE CERTIFICATE

Army No..... Present Rank.....
 Surname(Block letters).....
 Christian Name/s.....
 Unit, Regt or Corps.

Military Conduct:

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Testimonial :

.....

Place:.....

Date:.....

Officer's
 Signature.....

Signature
 of soldier.....

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SUBJECT:-- Release - Palestinian and Cypriot
Personnel.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G1(Br)/7203/A7

DISTRIBUTION AS AGREED

7 Sep 45

1. GHQ. MEF has notified that the release of Palestinian and Cypriot personnel under Class "X" Groups will be effected in country of enlistment between the following dates :-

Men:

- Gps 17 and 18 between 8 and 21 October.
- " 19 and 20 between 22 October and 11 November.
- " 21 between 12 November and 2 December.
- " 22 between 3 December and 23 December.
- " 23 between 24 December and 20 January.

Women

- Gps 26 and 27 between 29 October and 11 November.
- " 28 to 31 between 12 November and 2 December.
- " 32 to 34 between 3 December and 31 December.

2. Personnel, excluding DV and DOV, will be required at report centres, referred to in para 51 of ME Regulations for General Discharge - 1945 by dates quoted in para 1.

3. Applications for Voluntary deferment by personnel of Groups 17 - 25 (men) and Groups 26 - 43 (women) and deferment on grounds of military necessity will be submitted forthwith to this Headquarters under the same conditions and provisions as for UK personnel (Chaps V and VI of MERCED refers) - Closing date for applications of voluntary deferment will be as follows :-

Gps 17 and 18 - 20 September 45.
Remainder of male groups and all women's groups five weeks before date of commencement of discharge of that group.

4. Names of applicants for deferment will be signalled immediately to GHQ. OZE. CTF so that such personnel will not be called forward with the release groups.

5. Instructions for Medical Officers will be issued later.

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E. W. L. Howell-Jones
(E. W. L. HOWELL-JONES) Captain.
S/Captain
Maj-Gen DAG.

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DISTRIBUTION

ALL Palestinian Units in CMF.
ALL Palestinian Diluted Units in CMF.

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HQ R.A.A.C. (5)
Jewish Chaplain
Jewish Soldiers Welfare Committee
G-1(B)A-1
G-1(B)A-8 (10)
G-1(B)A-11
G-2 (Org) (3)
G-4 (Mov & Tn) (5)
Engineer Sec.
Survey
Medical (BR)
Ordnance (BR)
Welfare
R.A.S.C. TD.

AQ/286/43

Copy to Camp

SUBJECT :- Medloc.HQ 59 Area
57 A 22 Sep 45.All Units.Camp

Copy of AFHQ message FX 40198 dated 1 Sep 45 is appended for necessary action by all concerned.

RP/LEJ.

[Signature]
Lt Col,
AA & QMG.

C O P YMESSAGE FORM

FROM : FREEDOM SIGNED SACRED CITE HQAB

011236B

TO : HQ BTA LAND FORCES GREECE DISTWO DISTTHREE
59 AREA RAAC

Orig No : FX 40198 (.) RESTRICTED (.)

REF OUR FX 24893 DATED 19 JULY (.)
PERSONNEL FOR MEDLOC STILL ARRIVING TRANSIT CAMPS AND ASSEMBLY CENTRE
WITHOUT CO'S CERTIFICATES COVERING CURRENCY FOR EXCHANGE OR REMITTANCE
TO ACCOUNTS IN UK (.) OSC TRANSIT CAMPS AND ASSEMBLY CENTRE WILL
NOT ISSUE CERTIFICATES TO PERSONNEL NOT IN POSSESSION (.)
CURRENCY WILL NOT BE EXCHANGED OR REMITTED EXCEPT ON PRODUCTION
OF NECESSARY CO'S CERTIFICATES

The following details
ary action:-

Release Instructions are published for information and necessary action:-

1. Personnel unavailable for despatch to the Assembly Centre
The following action will be taken by OC Unit in cases where personnel authorised for release are unable to be despatched to the Assembly Centre for reasons enumerated below:-
(a) In close arrest, whether serving) In each case the authority is to be
a sentence or awaiting PGM.) considered inoperative and all enclosures
(b) Ineligible for Release under) returned to this HQ immediately.
GRO 712/45.) Disposal slip attached to each authority
(c) Not now serving with Unit.) will be endorsed with the reason for
(d) Deferred Volunteer.) unavailability. In the case of (c)
any known details of latest location
will be entered on the disposal slip.

2. The following paragraphs of AFHQ Release Instructions 1945 should be noted.

- Para 19 Documents accompanying the Officer or OR on return to UK.
- Para 20(a) Documents in the charge of the Draft Conducting Officer (see para below)
- Para 20(b) Organising of drafts on Brigade or Sub-Area basis.
- Para 22(b) Completion and disposal of Release Books (see also para 3 below)
- Para 23 Completion of drafts by Assembly Centre.
- Para 24(a) On proceeding to Assembly Centre, Officers and ORs will be posted to X8(a) List and NOT X4(b) List as stated in para 24(a) "AFHQ Release Instructions 1945."

- Para 24(b) Publication of casualty striking off strength. Note: One copy only

of this form will be forwarded with Release Book(s) and a duplicate copy will not be rendered to O2E.

- Para 26 Disposal of documents of individuals admitted to Hospital while in transit (see also para 7 below).
- Para 27 Relinquishments of appointments for purpose of Release.

3. Release Books. Items 5, 6 on page 7 of AB X801 and AB X802, and items 6, 7 on page 6 of AB X803 and AB X804, are not now required to be completed.

4. Your attention is drawn to GRO 746/45 as amended by GRO 767/45. If AFW3149 has not already been sent to GHQ 2nd Echelon in accordance with the above quoted GROs, it must be completed and despatched together with Release Book to Assembly Centre with the individual. Failure to comply with this instruction may delay release.
5. Baggage Labels are enclosed for the following distribution:-
Officers 6
Other Ranks 3

All baggage will be labelled with the Official Labels which will be issued and attached to each piece of baggage before the individual leaves his unit, and should be addressed to the UK address of the individual.

6. The Movements HQ when allotting reservations for movement to Milan will give the entraining station date and time of departure of train. All personnel will report to the RTO one hour before the departure of the train.
7. In consequence of the Assembly Centre being established at Milan and movement of personnel overland, the slip attached to AB 64 Part I, AB 459 or AF D420 as enumerated in "AFHQ Release Instructions 1945" appendix 'E' para 6 will be amended to read as follows:-

"The above named is included on the nominal roll of personnel of this Unit called forward by GHQ 2nd Echelon CUP to the Assembly Centre/MILAN between (date) and (date)....for evacuation to UK on Release. Authority.....If detached from his draft on account of admission to Hospital, the above named should be onward routed to MILAN/DIEPPE/CAIAIS as when available (X that not applicable to be deleted by DCO or the Assembly Centre.)"

Paragraph 8 of AFHQ Release Instructions 1945, Appendix 'M' will be amended accordingly.

8. In each case the above will be amended accordingly.

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- Paragraph 8 of AFHQ Release Instruction 1945, Appendix 'E' will be amended accordingly.
8. In each case the attached AF H1157 will be completed and despatched with Release Book(s) and any existing AF H1157 WILL BE DESTROYED.
9. It is essential that serial 13 of AF X801/13 (Military ORs) is completed correctly. The entry of army trade will be made for all mustered tradesmen and "N/T" for non-tradesmen. The official title of the trade as described in "Army Tradesmen Regulations & Trade Tests 1943" will be used, if available. Class (ie. I, II or III) will always be entered in the appropriate space.

SUBJECT :- Release - Officers.

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52 British Liaison Unit
CMT

3 Sep 45

AQ/28B/39

HQ 59 Area

Ref your 49 A 3 of 31 Aug 45.

1. The following officers are available and have not deferred their release.

40667 Major HD LESLIE Gp 15

160701 Major GW GORDON Gp 15

2/ 105940 Major CL ACKERLEY Gp 16 (a regular soldier) has been posted away from this unit to 17 Fd Regt RA.

/AA

[Signature]
Lieut Col
GS

AQ/280/

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SUBJECT :- Release.HQ 59 Area
49 A 331 Aug 45.

272 Fwd Delivery Sqn.
52 BDU.
655 AOP Sqn.
3 Spec W/T Gp.
5 Assembly Wing.
849 Smoke Coy Par Corps.

Major	WILSON	A.	(92270)	Gp 16	272 Fwd Del Sqn
Major	LESLIE	HD	(40067)	Gp 15	52 BDU
Capt	LLOYD	RA	(148645)	Gp 15	655 AOP Sqn
Major	ACKERLEY	CL	(105940)	Gp 16	52 BDU
Lt Col	KNOWLES	AR	(87288)	Gp 15	3 Spec W/T Gp
Capt	PHARAOH	H	(228533)	Gp 15	3 Spec W/T Gp
Major	SMITH	FA	(152271)	Gp 16	3 Spec W/T Gp
Capt	BARRETT	F	(47360)	Gp 15	5 Assembly Wing
Major	GORDON	GW	(160701)	Gp 15	52 BDU
Lieut	FINN	B	(322897)	Gp 16	849 Smoke Coy

17 141 Regt RA

1. Notification has been received that it is intended to evacuate the above mentioned officers to UK under release groups 15 & 16.
2. Please confirm availability and that they have not applied to defer their release.

Sgt Nelson

RE/LEW.

All available except Maj. Nelson -
give names for the evacuation.

[Signature]
Lt Col,
AA & QMG.

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SUBJECT :- Release Timings.

RESTRICTED

HQ 59 Aron
49 A1 Sep 45.All Units.Internal.*Copy for Notice Board.***NO**

Herewith for information copy of AFHQ signal FX 38238 dated 25 Aug 45, giving dates for the release of male personnel in Groups 19 - 23 :

- " ONE (.) FOLLOWING DATES NOTIFIED FOR RELEASE OF MALE AGE/SERVICE GROUPS IN UK (.) GROUPS 19 AND 20 FROM 22 OCT TO 11 NOV (.) GROUP 21 FROM 12 NOV to 2 DEC (.) GROUP 22 FROM 3 TO 23 DEC (.) GROUP 23 FROM 24 DEC to 20 JAN (.)
- TWP (.) THESE INSTRUCTIONS WILL REMAIN RESTRICTED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE (.)
- THREE (.) APPLICATIONS FOR REPATRIATION UNDER PARAS 50 - 53 AFHQ RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS MAY NOW BE SUBMITTED BY INDIVIDUALS IN GROUPS 19 - 23. "

RP/LEJ.

[Signature]
422
for Lt Col,
AA & QMG.

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Tel No: VALJEAN 32

02E/ 14 / 1010 / ES

20 AUG 45

O.C. 52. BLU
CMFSUBJECT : RELEASERelease Book NoNumberRankNameIntArm

88651. 1/maj PINFOLD

L.A. RASC.

2711

1. Authority is given for the above named to be returned to the UK in accordance with "Regulations for Release from the Army 1945".
2. It is essential that immediately on receipt of this authority you will render details of the number of personnel detailed above for Release to your local Movement Area or Sub-Area HQ, requesting movement to the Assembly Centre, EUGENIO BARRACKS, MILAN, to arrive between 6 and 19 SEP 45.
3. No movement from the unit will be made until ordered by the appropriate Movement HQ mentioned in paragraph 2.
4. The attached pro-forma will be completed and returned to this HQ at the earliest possible moment, in accordance with the attached instructions.
5. Your attention is drawn to the attached instructions for action.

CMF
PCK
(Encls)Copy to:- HQ 'R'
File

Martin Capri
Brigadier
DAG
CHQ 2nd Echelon

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SUBJECT : Returns - Officers Release Scheme.

52 British Liaison Unit

CMF

28 Aug 45

AQ/28B/35

'A' Branch
HQ 59 Area

T/Major H D Leslie (R.A.) DAA&QMG
(40667)

Ref your ARO 310/45., it is anticipated that the above named officer who is Age/Service Group 15 will be leaving this theatre during the coming month.

WN/ea

Wah
Lieut Col
GS

420

AQ/28B

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SUBJECT: Discharges - Colonial & Local Troops.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

G-2 (Org).
 G-4 (Mov & Tn) Mov 4.
 Engr Sec.
 Survey Directorate.
 S & T.
 Ord (Dr).
 Medical.
 GHQ 024 CMF.
 Rear HQ BIA.
 HQ Fifth Army (Br Incr).
 HQ RAAC.
 HQ 1 District.
 HQ 2 District.
 HQ 3 District.
 All Palestinian Units CMF.
 All Palestinian Diluted Units CMF.
 All Cypriot Units CMF.

G1(Br)/7205/A7.

21 Aug 45.

WHL

Copy to:- HQ,
 L of C 21 Army Group BIA.

Further to this Headquarters letter of even reference dated 12 Jul 45 (not to all addressees).

GHQ MEF has notified the intention that Palestinian and Cypriot troops will be discharged in the country of their enlistment by Age and Service Groups on dates equivalent to those groups being released in UK.

C. Howell Jones
 (C.W.L. HOWELL-JONES) Captain,
 S/Captain,
 Maj-Gen D.G.,
 G-1 (B).

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SUBJECT : Release Books.

52 British Liaison Unit
CMF

26 Aug 45

AQ/28B/33

Python and Release Section
GNQ 2nd Echelon

766430 TS/Sgt Crosby C T

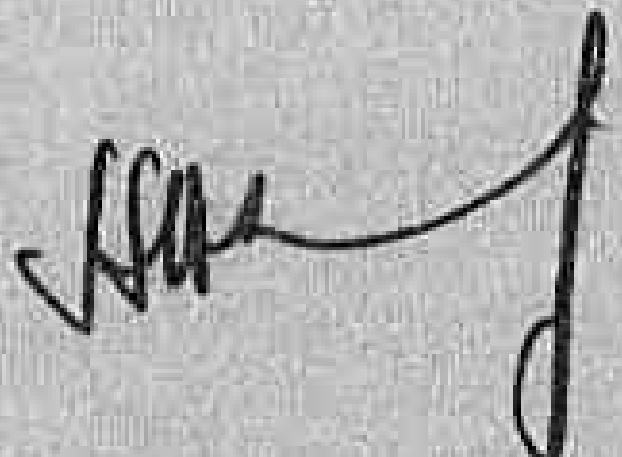
Ref your O2E/14/68/PR of 20 Aug 45.

Release Book (AB X801) and CMF Forms (4)(3) in respect
of the above NCO are returned herewith.

This NCO has applied for deferment of Release.

Please ack on attached A.16.

WN/aa


Lieut Col
GS

Tel : VALJEAN 32

02E/14/ 68 /PR

OC

20 AUG 45

52, Br. Liaison Unit (Sig)
CMFSUBJECT : RELEASE

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>INIT</u>	<u>ARM</u>	<u>RELEASE BOOK NO</u>
2319870	Sgt	ANTHONY	A	R. SIGS.	44124
766430	"	CROSBY	CT	RAOC	44147

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3. No movement from the unit will be made until ordered by the appropriate Movement HQ mentioned in paragraph 2.

4. The attached pro-forma will be completed and returned to this HQ at the earliest possible moment, in accordance with the attached instructions.

5. Your attention is drawn to the attached instructions for action.

Mark Lays

Brigadier.
DAG.
GHQ 2nd Echelon.

CMF.
FGK.
(Encls)

Copy to:- HQ 'R'
FILE

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AQ 183

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SUBJECT: Release - Palestinians.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS,

G1(Br)/7803/A7.

7 Aug 45.

All Pal Units, CMF.
 All Pal Dilution Units, CMF
 GHQ O2E CMF.

Copy to: HQ B.T.A.

5 Army Br Incr.

1 District (10) For distribution to areas & sub-areas.
 2 " (10) " " " " "
 3 " (10) " " " " "

R.A.A.C.

G1(Br)A-11.

Army Welfare Services.

1. Discharge of the following Age/Service Groups Class "X" will take place in country of enlistment between dates quoted in Col.1. Deferments will be submitted to reach this HQ by dates quoted in Col.2.

Mon	Col. 1	Col. 2
Group 13	27 Aug - 9 Sep	10 Aug - in order to reach GHQ MEF not later than 17 Aug.45.
" 14	10 Sep - 23 Sep	24 Aug " 1 Sep.45.
" 15 & 16	24 Sep - 7 Oct	5 Sep " 12 Sep.45.

Instructions will be issued by O2E CMF.

2. Medical examinations for all personnel of these groups will be carried out forthwith and AFs.W.3149 will be retained by units pending receipt of instructions by O2E CMF.

3. Applications for voluntary deferment and for deferment on grounds of military necessity will be submitted under same conditions and procedure as for UK personnel. MERGED Chaps. 5 & 6 refers.

(R.T. DRANFIELD) Major DAAG.
 Maj-Gen.DAG.
 G.1.(B).

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ARMY FORM C2136 (Small)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 192

 Call
MEM H
AZ
Srl No.
V512

Priority

Tr. Mission Instructions

QV 58

AQ/28P

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

Originator

DOSTWO

Date/Time of Origin

061130B

OFFICE DUTY STAMP



TO

(W) For Information (L,FO)

51BLU

52BLU

Message Instructions

CH

Q Q X 47

Originator's No.

MD200 @ Re-tweeted @ For MED @ Inform all 140's
 immediately that men under surveillance or treatment
 for VD due to return to UK must be certified fit to
 travel if found free from infection or contagion on
 medical examination under para 1168 KEAS memo @
 DMS AFHQ 60/45 surgery cancelled

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN
BY ANY MEANS { ENCRYPT } WIRELESSIT IS LIKELY TO BE INTERCEPTED OR TO
FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS. THIS MES-
SAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHERORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

SIGNED

SIGNED

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Time	System	Op.
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Time cleared	1755	

Subject: ReleaseAR/286/ CONFIDENTIAL 29HQ No. 2 District, GMP.
A/248/7(0)

4 Aug 45.

52 B.L.U. ✓

Herewith details of officer it is intended to
evacuate to U.K. under release group 14.

Authority OZE/79601/PR dated 30 Jul 45.

Major PINFOLD. L.A. 88651 52 B.L.U.

VME.

Colonel,
DA & QMG.

May. Larpin to me.

HOL.

See.

Solly god. Luck - Ser 111

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SUBJECT Returns - Officers Release Scheme

52 British Liaison Unit
CMF.

2 August 45

To:- 'A' Branch
HQ 59 Area

AC/28B/28

T/Major *H3 HESKIE RA*
L.A. PINFOLD. (R.A.S.C.)
(88651) *40667*

Ref your ARO 310/45., it is anticipated that the above named officer who is Age/Service Group 14 will be leaving this theatre during the coming month.

/WN.

W. J.
Lieut-Col.
G.S.

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SUBJECT:- Release () Medical Students.

H.Q. 2 District, C.M.F.
Tel:- Blenheim, Ext 65.
9500 M

25 Jul 45.

A.Ds.M.S., 6 (81) Armd Div.
59 Area.
60 Sub Area.
151 Sub Area.
215 Sub Area.
D.A.D.M.S., 66 A.A. Bde.
M.L.Os. 51 B.L.U.
52 B.L.U.

The appended extract from War Office microgram BM/2534 (A.M.D.1) dated 6 Jul 45 regarding the release from military service of personnel who were formerly medical students, in order that they might continue their medical studies, is forwarded for your information and communication to all concerned.

"You are informed that the release of students has been carefully considered and it has been decided that as many thousands of young men called up were at some stage of study it is not possible to release them out of turn".

1st Breakfast

*Sir
This is add to you
but I'll keep it in
here if you wish*

RE.

Bennie Brown Major
for Brigadier,
D.D.M.S.

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112 62 B.L.U. Cont. 27

64(Br)/7805/A7.

12 Jul 45.

Reference ACT 536/45 and GRO 608/45.

1. It has now been ruled by CHQ MEF that Palestinians are allowed to count as vice in the Palestine Police Force for Age and Service Grouping under the conditions of the a/q AGI and GRD.
2. The authority for this ruling is CHQ MEF letter 894/AG17 of 5 Jul 49.

(R. V. L. HOWELL, JAMES C. GIBBS,
J. H. J. - Gen. DAG.
C. 1. (B).)

Cop. to:- GHQ O2E COT
Rear HQ FIFTH ARMY (Br Invt)
Rear HQ FIFTH ARMY
HQ No. 1 District.
HQ No. 2 District.
HQ No. 3 District.

HA 62320 26
CMT

SUBJECT:- Discharges - Colonial
& Local Troops.

GHQ OZE CMT.
Rear HQ Eighth Army.
HQ Fifth Army (Br Incr).
HQ RAAC
HQ No.1 District.
HQ No.2 District.
HQ No.3 District.
HQ Jewish Inf Bde Gp.
All Palestinian Units CMT.
All Palestinian Diluted Units CMT.
All Cypriot Units, CMT.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

Gl(Br)/7203/A7.

12 Jul 45.

Copy to:- Gl(Br)A.11.

The following information has been received from Middle East
and is passed to you for your information.

1. Discharge of Palestinian and Cypriot men class X Groups 10 and 11 will be affected in country of enlistment between 31 July and 12 August 1945, and group 12 between 13 and 26 August 1945.
2. Personnel of groups 10 and 11 excluding DV and DOV will be required at report centres quoted in para 51 ME Regs for Gen Discharge 1945 between 31 July and 12 August 1945.
3. Personnel of group 12 excluding DV and DOV will be required at report centres between 13 and 26 August 1945.
4. Applications for voluntary deferment by personnel of groups 10 to 12, and deferment on grounds of military necessity will be submitted forthwith under same conditions and procedure as for UK personnel. MEER CD Chaps. V and VI refer. Closing date for applications for voluntary deferment groups 10 and 11 will be 20 July 1945 and group 12 4 August 1945.

Attention is specially drawn to para 4 above. Applications for voluntary deferment will be completed in accordance with Middle East Regs for Gen Discharge 1945 and will be forwarded to this Headquarters as soon as possible.

The names of any applicants for deferment will be signalled immediately to GHQ OZE CMT so that steps can be taken not to call them forward with their groups.

All Cypriot Units, CMF.

Copy to:- G1(Br)A.11.

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(A.E. WILLIAMSON) Major DAG.
Maj-Gen DAG.
G1(B).

Subject : Medical Examination - AFW 3149

52 British Liaison Unit
CMF

17 July 45

AO/28B/25

Officer i/c
GHQ 2nd Echelon

Ref GRO 746/45 herewith Medical Examination Reports
(AFW 3149) in respect of the undermentioned personnel of this
unit between Age/Service Gps 8-16 incl.

<u>No</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>AAM OF SERVICE</u>	<u>A/S Group</u>
40667	Major	HD Leslie	RA(LAA)	15
88651	Major	LA Pinfold	RAFC	14
160701	Major	GW Gordon	RAOC	15
839381	BQMS	H Flowers	RA(HAA)	16
6400766	S/Sgt	SP Watling	REMG	16
766430	Sgt	CT Crosby	RAOC	15
400714	Sgt	A Latham	RAOC	15
2319870	Sgt	A Anthony	A.C. Sig	14

/aa

Major
DAA&QMG

Subject: Release and Desobilisation
"SOUTH AFRICAN" Personnel.

Hq 1 Area.
Hq 62 Sub Area.
Hq 191 Sub Area.
Hq 215 Sub Area.
Hq 66 A.A. Bde.
Hq 6 B.A. Armcd. Div.
51 B.L.U.
52 B.L.U. ✓

Hq No. 2 District, GEF.
A/215(0)

10 Jul 45.

Reference GEF 611/45.

1. As far as possible "SOUTH AFRICAN" personnel who wish to be considered for desobilisation under the Union Scheme and who have submitted an application on Appendix 'A' to the above GEF, will be returned to UHF Control, and repatriated to the Union at the same time as UHF personnel in similar Desobilisation Groups.

2. The priority of Desobilisation Groups is based on date of attestation and the groups are shown below:-

Date of Attestation.	Group.
Sep 39 to 30 Apr 40	A
1 May 40 to 30 Jun 40	B
1 Jul 40 to 31 Dec 40	C
1 Jan 41 to 30 Apr 41	D
1 May 41 to 31 Dec 41	E
1 Jan 42 to 30 Jun 42	F
1 Jul 42 to 31 Dec 42	G
1 Jan 43 to 30 Apr 43	H
1 May 43 to 31 Dec 43	I
1 Jan 44 to 30 Jun 44	J
1 Jul 44 to 31 Dec 44	K
1 Jan 45 onwards	L

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3. It may now however be possible in every case to effect repatriation at the same time as UHF personnel, as all "SOUTH AFRICAN" records are kept at Pretoria and delays in documentation may therefore occur. This should be pointed out to those concerned particularly in the early Groups.

4. No general phasing of the release of the groups is at present available.

5. Authority: AMHQ letter G-1(Br)/12208/A.11 dated 5 Jul 45.

HAB/EDS.

Colonel,
IA & GEF.

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SUBJECT: Rehabilitation Scheme
Professional Golfers.

52 British Liaison Unit
C.E.

28 June 45

To: "A" Branch
HQ 2 District

AQ/28b/22

Reference Brit Iner Fifth Army letters
52/3A of 4th and 27th June 45.

A NIL return is submitted for this Unit.

/WN.

As. Ponsa

h Major
DA 1204G

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AQ/28A

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SUBJECT:- Release - Palestinians.REGISTERED.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS.

CI(BF)/7805/A7.29 June 45.HQ 52 B.L.U.

Enclosed herewith are 1 Pamphlets which should be issued to all Palestinian personnel under your Command.

Should the number be in excess of your requirements please return to this Section as early as possible.

Set Spitz 26.

R. T. Dimsfield
(R.T. DIMSFIELD) Major DAAG.
Maj-Gen DAG.
CI(B).

Recd on 5 July 45
Brooklet

Signed for Sgt.

SUBJECT: Rehabilitation Scheme - Professional Golfers

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6 SA Armed Div
216 Sub Area
50 BIL
52 BIL
53 BIL

British Increment (A Branch)
HQ FIFTH Army
COT

Phone No: Lightning 262

52/3A

27 Jun 45

Copy to: 1 District
2 District

Reference our 52/3A dated 4 Jun 45 not to information addressees, requesting the names and Age/Service Groups of all golf professionals serving under command.

1. These returns including "BIL" returns should be forwarded to the formation under whose command addressees are now serving.

2. 2 District are notified that 216 Sub Area have forwarded a "BIL" return.

DMG/MT

[Signature]
Col
COT

DA 4

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SUBJECT: Rehabilitation Scheme - Professional GolfersBritish Increment (A Branch)
HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Phone No: Lightning 262

52/3 A4 Jun 456 SA Armd Div
215 Sub Area
116 Sub Area
50 BLU
52 BLU
53 BLU

1. In connection with the Post Hostilities Education Scheme, it is desired to give opportunities for professional golfers to get back into practice and at the same time to offer opportunities for Officers and O.Rs on leave to receive instruction.

2. It is proposed that 2 or more professionals shall do a rehabilitation Course at ROME, FLORENCE and MILAN and possibly at a centre in AUSTRIA.

3. It is requested that you forward the names of all golf professionals who may be serving under your command, stating their Age/Service Group and length of service overseas.

DJC/ET

Nlh.
a/b*Forwell* Major
DA 2/ Col
CMG

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AR
 Subject: LIAP and AIR LIAP - Release

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 and
 British Increment 'A' Branch
 HQ FIFTH Army
 GMP

6 SA Armd Div
 50 BLU
 52 BLU
 53 BLU
 215 Sub Area
 216 Sub Area

Phone No: Lightning 262

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20 Jun 45

Copy to:- G-3 (Br)
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 RAME

The following amendment is being made to para 330 of the regulations for Release from the Army 1945.

1. All JAG Staff and all Remount officers are included under para 330.
2. Officers of the rank of Colonel and above of or late of cavalry, RAC, RA, RE, R.Sigs, Infantry, RASC and Pioneer Corps in Age/Service Groups 1 to 11 inclusive may be released with their Age/Service Groups.

Other Colonels and above are still included under the terms of para 330.

The above information is published in advance of the GRC in order to determine eligibility for LIAP and AIR LIAP.

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Rowell Major
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SUBJECT: Phasing of Release.

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British Increment 'A' Branch
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19 Jun 45

6 SA Armd Div
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The War Office have laid down the following dates for release in the UK, subject to movement and other considerations.

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| (a) | Group 12 | between | 13 Aug | and 26 Aug |
| (b) | Group 13 | between | 27 Aug | and 9 Sep |
| (c) | Group 14 | between | 10 Sep | and 23 Sep. |
| (d) | Group 15 | between | 24 Sep | and 7 Oct |
| (e) | Group 16 | between | 8 Oct | and 20 Oct. |

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Col,
Q.C.

SUBJECT: Parliamentary Candidates -
Temporary Release

British Element 'A' Branch
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Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

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24 Jun 45

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 for information and action where necessary.

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British Increment (A Branch)
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10 Jun 45

The attached copy of AFRG letter varying the terms of eligibility for service in the Far East is forwarded for information.

AFRG letter CE/229/C-1(Br) dated 15 Apr 45 was forwarded to addressees under covering letters referred to in this HQ letter 172A dated 27 May 45. Copy was forwarded to HQ 216 Sub Area under OAR 175A dated 2 May 45.

Rec'd 13 Jun

Col.
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1. Since this HQ letter OR/253/6-1 (or) dated 15 Apr 45 was issued the terms and conditions of eligibility for service in the War East have been clarified and are contained in the following paragraphs.

2. At the present time personnel are eligible for service in the War East who:-

(a) Are in Age/Service 27 and later, including in Age/Service Groups 1 - 26 have been accepted for allotment of release for 1 or 2 years or until general demobilization under para 326 (as amended - see ORG 541/45) of Regulations for Release from the Army 1945 and

(b) Have not more than two years qualifying PITHON service at the time of embarkation in this theatre.

3. The conditions of eligibility for Medical Officers are different in the following respects:-

(a) Those in Age/Service Groups 16 and later are eligible in addition to those whose allotment of release has been approved.

(b) Those with not more than 2 years 6 months qualifying PITHON service are eligible.

4. Personnel who are ineligible for service in the War East may volunteer provided they are willing to undertake to serve in the War East for a period of 12 months. This may be done either by deferring release as in para 2(a) above, or by postponing their PITHON rights.

5. Whilst MILOP has been extended as mentioned in para 4 of our previous letter, it has now been restricted to personnel in Age/Service Groups 18 and later and those in Age/Service Groups 1 - 17 who have agreed to defer their release (ORG 556/45 refers).

6. Where units to be despatched to UK cannot be completed with eligibles and volunteers, they will be made up with personnel due for PITHON and personnel of Age/Service Groups 23 and later who have more than 4 years qualifying PITHON service.

7. The above-quoted letter of 15 Apr 45 is cancelled in so far as it is inconsistent with this letter.

2. at the present time personnel are eligible for service in the Far East who :-

- (a) Are in Age/Service 27 and later, or being in Age/Service Groups 1 - 26 have been accepted for deferment or release for 1 or 2 years or until general demobilization under para 306 (as amended - see ARD 541/45) of Regulations for Release from the Army 1945 and
- (b) Have not more than two years qualifying PITMEN service at the time of embarkation in this theatre.

(a) Those in Age/Service Groups 16 and later are eligible in addition to those whose deferment of release has been approved.

- (b) Those with not more than 2 years 6 months qualifying TYNON service are eligible.

4. Personnel who are ineligible for service in the War East may volunteer provided they are willing to undertake to serve in the War East for a period of 42 months. This may be done either by deferring release or in para 2(a) above, or by postponing their PATION rights.

5. Walcut LILCO has been extended as mentioned in para 4 of our previous letter, it has now been restricted to personnel in Ago/Service Groups 18 and later and those in Ago/Service Groups 1 - 17 who have agreed to defer their release (OHO 356/45 refers).

6. Where units to be accepted to UK cannot be completed with eligible and volunteers, they will be made up with personnel due for release and personnel of age/service groups 25 and later who have more than 4 years qualifying PUNTS service.

7. The above-quoted letter of 15 Apr 46 is cancelled in so far as it is inconsistent with this letter.

(Sgt.) M. J. H. HARTING
Major - General
MAG 6-1 (Gr)

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SUBJECT: Parliamentary Candidates -
Temporary Release

ALLIED PRINTING HEADQUARTERS

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12 JUN 45

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1. Personnel who are Parliamentary Candidates are now being posted to the Home Establishment for temporary release to the appropriate reserve, in order that they may conduct their election campaign.
2. The terms under which this temporary release is permitted have just been promulgated and are given hereunder. It is requested that you will acquaint all individuals affected with the facts before accepting their decision to proceed to UK. Those who have already left will be notified under arrangements made by the War Office.

- (a) All Parliamentary Candidates are entitled to a maximum of 20 days' leave, which will terminate on the day upon which their temporary release commences.
- (b) As a special concession all ranks will retain temporary or acting rank, or leave appointment during the whole period of leave and temporary release.
- (c) The rank or appointment so retained during leave or temporary release will not count towards the qualifying period for conversion to temporary or war substantive rank.
- (d) Individuals will be struck off the strength of this theatre w.o.f. the date of embarkation. It is important that they should understand that no guarantees can be given to employ them in their acting or temporary rank or leave appointment should they return to military duty upon the termination of their release period.
- (e) Pay and Allowances are admissible up to the maximum of 20 days from commencement of temporary release to the Reserve.

(Sgt.) R. J. HILL, Major MAC
for Major-General
DAG C-1 (Gr).

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3. ROUTES

- (a) All Parliamentary Candidates are entitled to a maximum of 28 days' leave, which will terminate on the day upon which their temporary release commences.
- (b) As a special concession all ranks will retain temporary or acting rank, or lance appointment during the whole period of leave and temporary release.
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SUBJECT: Manpower not in Immediate
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Copy to: All Branches & Services.

2 Jun 45

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Subject: Man Power Aspect in Immediate Future

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HQ Eighth Army
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HQ Land Forces, GREECE
HQ BTNAALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G.1(Br)384/41
31 May 45

1. During the next few months an acute shortage in officers and senior NCOs is anticipated and must be faced. This is largely due to the high proportion of these categories in the earlier release groups, and in the case of the younger officers to the fact that they are required for service in the FAR EAST, if eligible.
2. Replacements from UK for our officer wastages are not likely to be forthcoming in large numbers due to the priority for the maintenance of units at WE passing to the operational zones in the FAR EAST. Moreover the War Office have recently ruled that in future no War Emergency Commissions will be granted to personnel in Age/Service Groups 1-26, unless their deferment of release has been granted. The field for future officers selection is thus severely restricted. It must, therefore, be accepted that in this theatre units will have to operate well below their full officer establishment and every economy in the use of officers must be exercised.
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4. It is realised considerable improvisation will be necessary during the difficult period of the next few months, but with the closing of active operations in this theatre, it is necessary that priority should be given to the mounting of future operations in the FAR EAST, which must of necessity not be delayed in any avoidable way.

(Sgd.) M.W.M. MACLEOD.
Major-General, DAC.
G.1(Br)

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SUBJECT: Repatriat 1

Rear HQ 6 SA Armd Div
 215 Sub Area
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 British Increment (A Branch)
 Rear HQ Fifth Army
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Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

172 A1 Jun 45

1. AFHQ were asked to give a ruling as to whether refugees from GERMANY who have enlisted in the British Forces may be repatriated on release to GERMANY even although in the meantime they have taken up residence elsewhere prior to enlistment.

2. AFHQ have replied that if such a person enlisted under the Palestinian recruiting scheme, he will be returned to PALESTINE for discharge. If he is classed as a British Service Personnel he will be entitled to apply for repatriation to GERMANY in accordance with Release Regulations 1945 para 605.

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~~LESS THAN 2 YEARS 5 MONTHS QUALIFICATION BEFORE SERVICE AND ARE AN AGED/SERVICE GROUP 16~~
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52 BRITISH LIAISON UNITNotice Board InformationFAR EAST SERVICE

1. In accordance with Instructions received today, the following are the revised terms of eligibility for Service in Far East.

"Any Officer or O.R. with LESS than 2 years Overseas service and of Age/Service Group 27 or over are eligible for Service in FAR EAST".

2. It is emphasised that this is no guarantee, and that if men within suitable categories cannot be found others will be sent.

31 May 45.

ADP
Major.
for, DAA&QMG.
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(.) THIRD(.) EMPHASIS THERE ARE NO VESTED RIGHT UNDER THESE CONDITIONS AND WILL IF MEN WITHIN SUITABLE CATEGORIES CANNOT BE FOUND OTHERS WILL BE SENT(.) FOURTH(.) AFHQ LETTER CR/229/G1(B) OF 15 APR IS AMENDED ACCORDINGLY

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SUBJECT: Conditions during Post Hostilities Period

6 SA Armd Div
50 BLN
52 BLN
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215 Sub Area
216 Sub Area

British Increment (A Branch)
Rear HQ Fifth Army
CMB

Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

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27 May 45

1. The attached copy of AFHQ letter G1(B)/229/DAG dated 21 May 45 is forwarded for action as indicated in para 3.
2. AFHQ letter G1(B)/229/DAG dated 15 Apr 45 was forwarded *Major Pinfold*
 - (a) to 215 Sub Area and 52 BLN under our 175 A dated 18 Apr 45
 - (b) to 6 SA Armd Div under our 175 A dated 2 May 45 copies of this letter are attached for 50 and 53 BLN.
3. AFHQ letter G1(B)/229/DAG dated 7 May 45 also referred to was *John 8* forwarded
 - (a) to 6 SA Armd Div, 215 Sub Area, 216 Sub Area under our 172 A dated 10 May 45.
 - (b) to 50, 52 and 53 BLNs under our 172 A dated 25 May 45.

Dje/et

Robert May
Col
DA & CMB

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Subject : Conditions during Post Hostilities Period.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-1(B)/229/DAG

24 May, 45

To : Main HQ Eighth Army.
 HQ Fifth Army (Br Incr).
 HQ 15 Army Group.
 No 1 District.
 No 2 District.
 No 3 District.
 HQ LF GREECE.
 LFA.
 BTNA.

In view of the necessity for keeping troops informed as far as possible of future conditions affecting such matters as leave, PYTHON, release, service in the FAR EAST, etc, two letters, Nos G-1(B)/229/DAG of 15 April and 7 May, were sent out from this HQ, giving as much information on these subjects as possible.

2. It appears from reports received from heads of Branches and Directors of this HQ who have recently visited troops, that little or none of this information has so far reached the latter.

3. It is realised that this may have been due partly to the need for withholding such information until hostilities were ended, and partly owing to difficulties of communication and moves.

Commanders will, however, now ensure that the above information is promulgated to all concerned, except such matters as moves of formations and units to INDIA, which must necessarily remain secret.

W.D. MORGAN,
 Lieutenant General,
 Chief of Staff.

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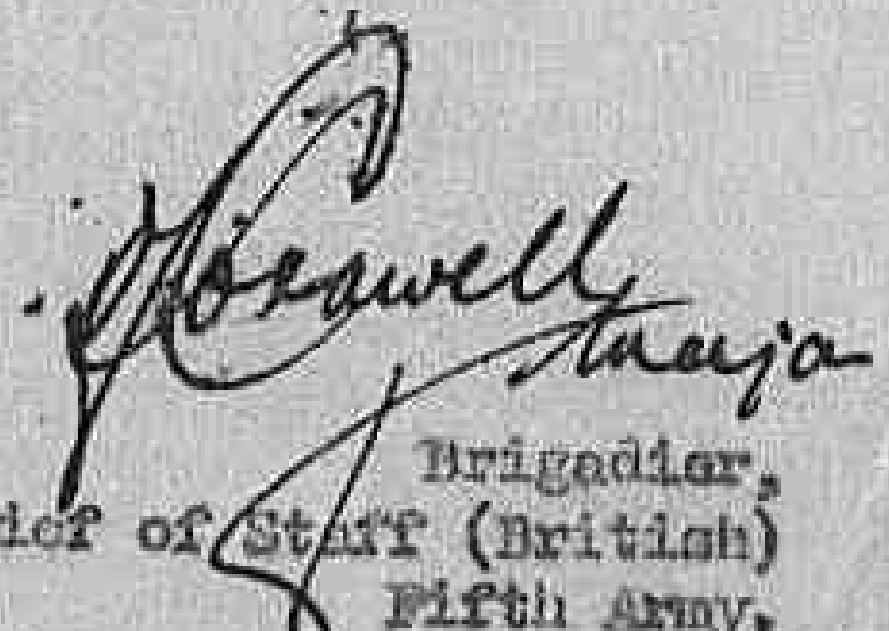
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1. Copy of AFHQ letter G-1(B)/229/DAG dated 7 May 45 on the subject of conditions during Post Hostilities Period is forwarded for information and the guidance of Commanding Officers.
2. With reference to the final para of the attached letter, any further "A" points on which information is desired should be referred to this HQ through the normal channels.

DJG/WE


Brigadier,
Deputy Chief of Staff (British)
Fifth Army.

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SUMMARY: Conditions during Post Hostilities Period

REF.

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

O-1(3)/229/DAG

7 May 45

To: Main HQ Eighth Army
 HQ Fifth Army (or lower)
 HQ 15 Army Group
 No. 1 District
 No. 2 District
 No. 3 District
 HQ 1st Group
 LPA
 BTHA

1. It is probable that as soon as hostilities with GERMANY end, there will be certain expectations and anxieties in the minds of soldiers in this theatre. These will probably include:-

- (a) A desire on the part of those due for release to get home as quickly as possible.
- (b) An expectation, among those remaining in the theatre, of increased leave to the UK.
- (c) An anxiety amongst those who are not eligible for early release to know whether or not they are likely to be sent to the FAR EAST.
- (d) A hope that it may be possible to allow a certain number of families to join troops in areas of occupation in GERMANY.

It is of the utmost importance that during the period immediately following the end of hostilities with GERMANY, that troops should, as far as possible, be taken into the confidence of those in authority, and every effort made to explain the factors which govern the fulfilment of their hopes or fears. It should be made clear to them that their interests are closely watched and every reasonable step taken to secure these interests.

2. The main factor which conditions all post hostilities plans is that of shipping. There is a world wide shortage of personnel shipping, and in spite of the fact that the war with GERMANY is over, the claims on that type of shipping are increasing rather than decreasing.

Personnel shipping will be required for:-

- (a) Amphibious operations, both British and American, during the war against JAPAN.
- (b) Redeployment of British and American forces from EUROPE to the FAR EAST including Indian formations from EUROPE to INDIA.
- (c) Repatriation of British and American soldiers to their own countries for release. This includes repatriation of large numbers of Dominion and Colonial personnel, the direction of whose movement is entirely opposite to that of UK and US personnel.
- (d) Movement in connection with PYTHON, LILAC, LILAC etc.
- (e) Miscellaneous movement of PW, displaced persons, civilians etc.

3. In theory it is desirable that all the above movement should, if possible, be simultaneous, but, in fact, this is impracticable. Shipping is literally not available to compete with all these demands. Moreover, many of the ports which we would wish to use have been severely damaged either by the enemy or by ourselves, since have to be swept, wrecks cleared, and so on. For this reason there are likely to be, for some time, considerable limitations on berthing and loading or unloading ships, and a limitation of the shipping available.

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The Army Command have, in consequence, found it necessary provisionally to define the priorities of certain classes of non-operational movements, which will considerably affect personnel in this theatre. This order of priority is as follows:-

- (a) Class 'A' Releases.
 - (1) By order of priority in Age and Service Groups.
 - (11) Within any particular Age and Service Group, on the basis of age only.
- (b) Compensation cases for transfer to the Home Establishment, unless of such exceptional urgency as to warrant priority over Class 'A' Releases.
- (c) Delayed PYTHON personnel.
- (d) MILOP personnel.
- (e) PYTHON personnel.
- (f) LIAP personnel.
- (g) Class 'B' Releases.

The above order of priority may, of course, change from time to time.

5. It may be contemplated that troops in the Mediterranean theatre should not be dependent on the shipping for their movements; that facilities exist for rail and possibly air movement, which should be adequate to cope with the requirements of this theatre, for example, in respect of leave to the UK. The use of the railways in EUROPE is under active examination, but it must be remembered that extensive demolitions and destruction of locomotives and rolling stock by bombing will seriously affect the capacity of these railways for some time; moreover, they will have many and extensive commitments to meet in EUROPE. As regards aircraft, there will be big demands for the war in the Far East, and furthermore, there is a projected scheme for using aircraft to supplement shipping for carrying troops to the FAR EAST. It will thus be realized that it may be some time before we can extend the use of railways and aircraft to cover such requirements as leave, which must necessarily be given a lower priority than redeployment, release, PYTHON, etc. However, the whole question of movement in GERMANY and NORTHERN EUROPE has recently been the subject of Conferences at SHAHR and in LONDON at which AWM has been represented. It is hoped that it may be possible to issue some information on this before long.

6. As far as can be foreseen at present, assuming that 'A' Day will be the day on which releases start, the table shown below gives some idea of the probable progress of release. The date of calling forward in GUP of the various release groups is likely to be some 3 weeks earlier than that shown in column (b) of the table below.

TABLE SHOWING RELEASE DATA FOR 1st 6 MONTHS.

Groups	Date of release in UK	Numbers in Percentage of total Force Groups			Officers OR			Officers OR		
		Officers 50,000, OR 465,000			Officers OR			Officers OR		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)
1 & 3	"A" + 8 weeks to "A" + 8 weeks	472	376	1.6%	0.00%					
4 to 7	"A" + 8 weeks to "A" + 10 weeks	499	1393	1.7%	0.3%					
8 & 9	"A" + 10 weeks to "A" + 12 weeks	486	2100	1.6%	0.45%					
10 & 11	"A" + 12 weeks to "A" + 14 weeks	623	3180	2.4%	0.68%					
		1500	20300	11%	1.3%					

- (a) Delayed PLYMOUTH personnel.
- (d) LILAC personnel
- (e) PLYMOUTH personnel
- (f) LILAC personnel
- (g) Class 'B' releases.

The above order of priority may, of course, change from time to time.

5. It may be contended that troops in the Rail transport theatre should not be dependent on the shipping for their movement; that facilities exist for rail and possibly air movement, which should be adequate to cope with the requirements of this theatre, for example, in respect of leave to the UK. The use of the railways in EUROPE is under active examination, but it must be remembered that extensive demolitions and destruction of locomotives and rolling stock by bombing will seriously affect the capacity of these railways for some time; moreover, they will have many and extensive commitments to meet in EUROPE. As regards aircraft, there will be big demands for the war in the FAR EAST, and furthermore, there is a projected scheme for using aircraft to supplement shipping for carrying troops to the FAR EAST. It will thus be realised that it may be some time before we can extend the use of railways and aircraft to cover such requirements as leave, which must necessarily be given a lower priority than redeployment, release, PLYMOUTH, etc. However, the whole question of movement in CENTRAL and WESTERN EUROPE has recently been the subject of Conference at SHAER and in LONDON at which AIRC has been represented. It is hoped that it may be possible to issue some information on this before long.

6. As far as can be foreseen at present, assuming that 'A' Day will be the day on which releases start, the table shown below gives some idea of the probable progress of release. The date of calling forward in ONE of the various release groups is likely to be some 3 weeks earlier than that shown in column (b) of the table below.

TABLE SHOWING RELEASE DATA FOR 1st 6 MONTHS.

Groups	Date of release in UK	Numbers in Percentage of total Force Groups		OFFRS		OR	
		(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)		
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)		
1 & 3	"A" + 6 weeks to "A" + 3 weeks	472	376	1.6%	0.08%		
4 to 7	"A" + 8 weeks to "A" + 10 weeks	499	1393	1.7%	0.3%		
8 & 9	"A" + 10 weeks to "A" + 12 weeks	486	2100	1.6%	0.45%		
10 & 11	"A" + 12 weeks to "A" + 14 weeks	623	3180	2.1%	0.68%		
12 to 17	"A" + 14 weeks to "A" + 26 weeks	3200	20300	11%	4.3%		
TOTAL released by "A" + 6 months		5380	27349	18%	5.8%		

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It will be noted from the above table that only some 6% of the total in service in the US Army is to be released by 1960 + 6 months, and a very large proportion of this consists of enlisted men. The high proportion of officers in the US Army is due to the fact that only release groups include any "retention" of the last war and men in their 40's. The rate of release during the second 6 months is likely to be slightly accelerated, and numbers are much higher than those shown during the first 6 months. In addition, the proportion of officers to enlisted men is very considerably higher. It is not possible yet to give any figures for the second 6 months as a percentage basis, since the theatre ceiling is bound to have decreased considerably by then.

It must be made clear to all concerned that the lack of personnel obliging is not the only factor which imposes limitations on the rate of release. Even if it were feasible to move large bodies of troops home quickly, it would not be possible to absorb them immediately or satisfactorily into employment in the UK. It must be clearly understood that the UK is not a country to readjust itself to the change in conditions which will necessarily follow the defeat of GERMANY. Any large scale return of personnel to the UK must therefore be reasonably phased.

Finally, release as a whole must be maintained by the need for retaining enough men to carry on the war against GERMANY. From such evidence as has been obtained up to date, the necessity for bringing this war to a quick and successful end is not seriously threatened.

7. An average service in the US Army, the target for the qualifying period for release of which we are aiming, is 3 years and 6 months. The majority of those who have been in the service of GERMANY since the war would like to see the global qualifying period reduced to 3 years; this must be regarded as a hope, and not as a goal. So long as the proportion of the British (UK) Army serving overseas materially exceeds that serving at home, it is doubtful whether the manpower situation will allow the manpower minister to agree to a reduction in the qualifying period of 4 years, or a further reduction, and 4 to 6 years elsewhere.

The criterion of eligibility for service in the US Army is that no man should be sent there who has less than one year to serve on arrival. This rule will not be applied in the American Army/Service Groups 1-15, and, under the most optimistic hopes of a reduction in the qualifying period for release, might be changed to rule out all men under the age of 21 and abroad for just under 2 years. But this means 3 years 9 months service abroad for those who are sent by the War Office, and the time before a man's return which is not eligible for service in the US Army. If the qualifying period for release in the US Army is reduced to a year and 6 months, then the limit of 1 year and 9 months service abroad might be raised to 2 years and 6 months.

The fact that an individual is eligible does not necessarily mean that he will be posted to the US Army. An indication of the formations and units required from each of the US Army, viz, 3 British Divisions, plus certain additional units, has already been given in para 6 of Army Letter 00/22/5-21(x) of 15 Apr 45. The filling up of these formations and units will not necessarily use up all eligible of all arms in the US Army who are taken will, as far as possible, be selected with due regard to their battle service, i.e., those with the most battle service will be taken first.

The War Office have ruled that, no matter how long or how short a period they have been overseas, all British service personnel are to have 28 days leave in the UK before being sent to the US Army. The War Office have ruled that all British personnel of the Indian Army who have been less than 3 years overseas shall receive 28 days leave in the UK; all those who have been more than 3 years shall receive 63 days unless they leave within the last year of their service, in which case it is left under the Indian Army leave rules.

only factor which imposes limitation on the rate of release. Even if it were feasible to have large bodies of troops home quickly, it would not be possible to absorb them immediately or satisfactorily into employment in the U. S. It is not obviously true that the U. S. is the country to readjust itself to the change in conditions which will necessarily follow the defeat of GERMANY; any large scale return of personnel to the U. S. must therefore be reasonably phased.

Finally, release as a whole must be controlled by the need for retaining enough men to carry on the war against JAPAN. Every such ordinance has been obtained up to date, the necessity for bringing this war to a quick and successful and as yet essentially unclouded.

7. As regards service in the war zone, the target for the qualifying period for release in which we are dealing, is 3 years and 2 months. The number of months for the war zone in the hands of Germany that he would like to see the United Kingdom, ended around to 3 years; this must be regarded as a hope, and not as a certainty. No long as the probability of the British(UK) Army securing overseas substantially exceeds that of Germany, it is probable whether the war zone administration will allow the necessary number of troops to be based on a qualifying period of 4 years, or 3 for months less, in the first place, and 4 to 6 years elsewhere.

The criterion of eligibility for service in the war zone is that an individual be sent there who has less than two years to serve in Germany. This takes all all individuals in Releasee Army/Service Groups 1, 2, 3, and 4, under the most optimistic hopes of a substantial in the qualifying period for release, which is deemed to include all personnel who have been abroad for less than 2 years. For this reason 1 year 9 months service abroad has been taken by the War Office, for the time being as a basis above which an individual is not eligible for service in the war zone. In the qualifying period for release in the war zone, an individual who has been abroad for less than 1 year, with the limit of 1 year and 9 months service abroad might be reduced to 2 years and 6 months.

The fact that an individual is eligible does not necessarily mean that he will be posted to the war zone. As indication of the formations and units required from GUP for the war zone, viz. 3 Indian Divisions, plus certain additional units, has already been given in para 6 of AMHQ letter of 22/4/45 (22) of 15 Apr 45. The filling up of these formations and units will not necessarily use up all eligibles of all arms in GUP. Those who are taken will, as far as possible, be selected with due regard to likely battle service, i.e. those with the most battle service will be taken last.

The War Office have ruled that, as matters how long or how short a period they have been overseas, all British service personnel are to have 28 days leave in the UK before being sent to the war zone. The War Office have ruled that all Indian personnel of the Indian Army who have been less than 2 1/2 years overseas shall receive 28 days leave in the UK; all those who have been more than 2 1/2 years shall receive 61 days unless they have, within the last year of their service, proceeded on a leave under the Indian Army leave rules.

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It will be appreciated in Ames, Minn., etc., would forward to this in reply to this letter, any additional major points affecting a nation and relating to conditions in the future about which they would like further information.

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22 BRITISH LIAISON UNIT.NOTICE BOARD INFORMATION.RELEASE OF BRITISH SERVICE PERSONNEL

1. The War Office proposes to release 1 - 9 Age/Service Groups in accordance with the following schedule.

AGE/SERVICE GROUP

1 - 3
4 - 7
8 - 9

DEMORILISED

18 June - 2 July
2 July - 16 July
16 July - 30 July

2. It has been announced in the House of Commons that it was hoped to release Age & Service groups up to the "middle twenties" by the end of the year, and therefore, official details are awaited, and will be published as soon as available.

25 MAY 47.
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Major.
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SUBJECT: Release of British Service Personnel

6 SA Area Div
215 Sub Area
216 Sub Area
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52 BIN
53 BIN

British Increment (A Branch)
Near HQ Fifth Army
OS

Phone No: LIGHTNING ROAD 162

172 A

21 May 45.

Further to war 172 A dated 14 May 45 copy attached, for 50 and 53 BIN's, forwarding a copy of AFHQ letter G1(Br)/12052/A11 dated 12 May 45.

1. The information given in para 1 of the above-cited AFHQ letter may now be communicated.

2. In view of the statement recently made in the House of Commons that it was hoped to release Groups up to the middle twenties by the end of the year from the Army, the placing given in paragraph 3 for the release of Groups 18 - 26 should not be published for the moment, as the War Office has been asked for a more definite statement.

[Signature]
Col.
A. G. C.

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SUBJECT: Release of British Service Personnel

British Inurement (^A Branch)
Rear HQ Fifth Army
CMF

Phone No: LIGHTNING REAR 162

52 BLU

172 A

22 May 45

Reference conversation LESLIE/CORNWELL of 21 May 45.

Herewith copy of our 172 A dated 14 May 45 forwarding copy of
AFHQ letter G-1(Br)/12052/A.11 dated 12 May 45. Its omission from our
172A of 18 May 45 is regretted.

DJC/MY

*Copies sent
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DAGOS
EME Camp*

Lawrence Meyer
Col.
DA & CMG

SUBJECT: Release of British Service Personnel

British Increment 'A' Branch
Rear 1 FIFTY Army

Phone No: Lightning Rear 432

6 SA Armd Div

7 ACRA

215 Sub Area

British Increment BOLOGNA City Allied 86 Armd

All Branches and Services

172 A

14 May 45

Copy of AFHQ letter G1(r)/12052/AIL dated 12 May 45 is forwarded for information.

WJ/TLE

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SUBJECT: Release of British Service Personnel

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-1 (r)/12052/A.11

12 May 45

1. The information table shows the suggested timing of release in the UK of AGO/Service Groups 1 - 17.

1 - 3
4 - 7
8 - 9
10 - 11
12 - 17

13 Jun/ 2 Jul 45
14 Jul/ 16 Jul
16 Jul/ 30 Jul
30 Jul/ 12 Aug
12 Aug/ 5 Nov

2. These in Age/Service Group 1 who are eligible for release will travel in MTP 45 and be released in UK on 10 June and those in Group 3 will travel on MTP 46 and be released in UK, between 26 Jun - 2 Jul. Shipping forecasts cannot be given beyond MTP 46.

3. It is probable that the release of groups 13-26 will be as under:-

13 - 23 to be released in UK Nov 45 - Jan 46
24 - 26 " " " Feb 46 - Apr 46.

4. Until details of movement policy in the next few months are known, personnel are liable to be called forward from their units in GEP a proximately 3 weeks before the date of release in UK.

5. The phasing given in this letter does not apply to Women's Services for whom separate instructions will be issued in due course; nor does it apply necessarily to those classes of officers specified in para 330 of the Release regulations whose release is subject to individual sanction by the War Office.

6. The War Office have been asked whether this information may be promulgated to

Copy of AMHQ letter CL(R)/12052/ALL dated 12 May 45 is forwarded for information.

W/HEH

W. B. S. Miller
D. G. M.

SUBJECT: Release of British Service Personnel

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-1 (R)/12052/A.11

12 May 45

The undermentioned table shows the proposed phasing of release in the UK of 1st Airborne Group 1 - 17.

1 - 3	18 July	2 Jul 45
4 - 7	2 Jul	16 Jul
8 - 9	16 Jul	30 Jul
10 - 11	30 Jul	12 Aug
12 - 17	12 Aug	5 Nov

2. These in Age/Service Group 1 are eligible for release will travel in ATF 45 and be released in UK on 16 June and those in Group 3 will travel on ATF 46 and be released in UK, between 28 Jun - 2 Jul. Shipping forecasts cannot be given beyond ATF 46.

3. It is probable that the release of Groups 13-26 will be as under:-

13 - 23	to be released in UK Nov 45 - Jan 46.
24 - 26	" " Feb 46 - Mar 46.

4. Until details of movement policy in the next few months are known, personnel are liable to be called forward from their units in C.I. a proximately 3 weeks before the date of release in UK.

5. The phasing given in this letter does not apply to Women's Services for whom separate instructions will be issued in due course; nor does it apply necessarily to those classes of officers specified in para 530 of the Release Regulations whose release is subject to individual sanction by the War Office.

6. The War Office have been asked whether this information may be promulgated to the troops, but pending further instructions the contents of this letter will be treated as confidential.

(sgd) [Signature]

for Major-General

FM G-1(B)

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TO 6 SA ARMD DIV

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ADVISE DEPUTY MILITARY SECRETARY ABLE FOX ROW QUEEN THAT A REPLACEMENT
IS REQUIRED NO ACTION TO PROVIDE REPLACEMENTS WILL BE TAKEN PAREN
(FROM BRITISH INCREMENT ABLE BRANCH FIFTH ARMY FOR ACTION TO REAR
SIX SOUTH AFRICAN ARMoured DIVISION OMA FIVE ZERO BAKER LOVE UNCLE
OMA FIVE TWO BAKER LOVE UNCLE OMA FIVE THREE BAKER LOVE UNCLE OMA
ONE FIVE SUB AREA OMA BRITISH INCREMENT BOLOGNA CITY ALLIED COMMAND
PAREN

*33/1A Subject is replacement officers in MS appts
who are released @ Until formation advise DMS,
AFHQ that replacement is required. No action to
provide replacements will be taken.*

- (i) each arm or branch of the Service for personnel held within War Establishment,
- (ii) each arm or branch of the Service for personnel attached in excess of War Establishment,
- (iii) officers,
- (iv) other ranks.

Rolls will be prepared in the same manner as the rolls enclosed with this letter. ALL particulars in columns (1) to (7) on the rolls will be completed by you from such information as is available within the unit. It is essential that the individual's parent unit (or X(4) list if applicable), date of joining the unit under your command, and the unit from which received, be inserted in the "Remarks Column". Such rolls will be clearly headed -

"Personnel serving with (unit) and NOT included on Release Rolls Serial Nos forwarded by O2E on (date)"

Both copies of release rolls so prepared will be despatched to this HQ without delay. On receipt of release rolls prepared by other units under the provisions of para 5(a) above, verification of particulars shown on those rolls will be carried out by you in accordance with the provisions of para 5(a), (b), and (c) above. Those rolls will then be despatched to this HQ where a cross-check of the two rolls so compiled will be carried out.

6. It is again emphasized that the speedy evacuation of all personnel to UK or elsewhere and their subsequent release from the Army in their turn will be largely dependent on strict compliance by O2C units with the foregoing instructions. It is requested, therefore, that the provisions of this instruction are complied with both accurately and at the earliest possible moment. It is further requested that all insertions on release rolls or rolls prepared by units should be typewritten but where this is not possible insertions and rolls should be produced in block letters in non-indelible pencil.

CME,
RCVC/GE.

K. L. ...
Brigadier,
DAG,
HQ 2nd Echelon.

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STATEMENT ATTACHED" in the case of ORs or "OFFICER'S STATEMENT TO AFHQ" in the case of officers. Two copies of the signed statement in respect of ORs will be prepared in accordance with para 326 of Release Regulations and AFHQ Release Instructions, Appx "C". Such statements will be endorsed "RECOMMENDED" and signed by CO unit and will then be pinned to one copy of the TWO completed release rolls which will be returned to this HQ at the earliest possible moment. The remaining two copies of release rolls will be retained by you. Statements in respect of officers will be forwarded to AFHQ in accordance with the provisions of AFHQ Release Instructions 1945, page 7, para 14.

(d) Where personnel shown on release rolls are for any reason no longer serving with the unit under your command, the names of such personnel will be extracted on to fresh rolls to be prepared in quintuplicate by you as release rolls (ie, in the same manner as those enclosed with this letter). Names of personnel so extracted will be ruled through on original release rolls and the word "EXTRACTED TO (unit)" inserted in the "Remarks Column".

Separate rolls will be prepared for -

- (i) each arm or branch of the Service,
- (ii) officers,
- (iii) other ranks,
- (iv) each unit to whom ALL personnel shown on the appropriate roll have been despatched.

Three copies of the appropriate roll/rolls so prepared will be addressed ON THE ROLL and forwarded to the unit, including hospitals, depots, transit camps, etc, to which the individual/individuals were despatched. The remaining two copies will be despatched to this HQ. All copies of such rolls will show the date individuals were despatched from the unit under your command. Rolls will be clearly headed -

"PERSONNEL NO LONGER SERVING WITH (unit) as shown on Release Roll Serial No forwarded by O2E on (date)."

Units receiving such rolls from other units will take action on rolls in accordance with the provisions of para 5(a), (b), and (c), above, or, if the individual/individuals have meanwhile been re-despatched, take action in accordance with this sub-para.

In connection with the provisions of this sub-para, it is anticipated that in isolated cases O2E units will not be in a position to know to which units, hospitals, etc, certain personnel have been despatched. Failing within this category will be personnel who have been evacuated from forward areas as battle casualties or normal sickness casualties. In such cases nominal rolls of all this personnel will be prepared and forwarded to this HQ only, and release rolls will be endorsed in "Remarks Column" "LOCATION UNKNOWN - EXTRACT TO O2E" against each appropriate individual's name. It is emphasized that resort to this procedure should be made only in cases where it is not possible to ascertain the present whereabouts of the individual/individuals concerned. Abuse of the use of this

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(e) Where personnel are serving with the unit under your command but whose names do not appear on the attached release rolls, action will be taken by you to prepare release rolls in respect of those personnel. Rolls will be produced in duplicate. Separate rolls will be prepared for -

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- ① *Quel Signale* (1)
 ② *R. 100* *
 ③ *Quel Signale* (4)
 ④ *René*
- (i) each arm or branch of the Service for personnel held within War Establishment,
 (ii) each arm or branch of the Service for personnel attached in excess of War Establishment,
 (iii) officers,
 (iv) other ranks.

Rolls will be prepared in the same manner as the rolls enclosed with this letter. ALL particulars in columns (1) to (7) on the rolls will be completed by you from such information as is available within the unit. It is essential that the individual's parent unit (or X(4) list if applicable), date of joining the unit under your command, and the unit from which received, be inserted in the "Remarks Column". Such rolls will be clearly headed -

"Personnel serving with (unit) and NOT included on Release Rolls Serial Nos forwarded by OZE on (date)"

Both copies of release rolls so prepared will be despatched to this HQ without delay. On receipt of release rolls prepared by other units under the provisions of para 5(d) above, verification of particulars shown on those rolls will be carried out by you in accordance with the provisions of para 5(a), (b), and (c) above. Those rolls will then be despatched to this HQ where a cross-check of the two rolls so compiled will be carried out.

6. It is again emphasized that the speedy evacuation of all personnel to UK or elsewhere and their subsequent release from the Army in their turn will be largely dependent on strict compliance by OSG units with the foregoing instructions. It is requested, therefore, that the provisions of this instruction are complied with both accurately and at the earliest possible moment. It is further requested that all insertions on release rolls or rolls prepared by units should be typewritten but where this is not possible insertions on rolls should be produced in block letters in non-indelible pencil.

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 RC/MC/GE.

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 D.S.,
 GHQ 2nd Echelon.

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RCVC/GE.

K. L. L. L.
Brigadier,
DAG,
CHQ 2nd Echelon.

Tel: Valjean 442

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23 APR 45

To:

O.C.
52 B.C.U.

Subject: Class "A" Release Rolls

1. At the time when the procedure for dealing with the release of officers and other ranks from the Army was received, it was the intention that Release-Rolls should be despatched to all units by GHO 2nd Echelon overseas after hostilities with Germany had ceased. The effect of such a procedure would have been that release rolls would have been received by Oso at a time when their units would have been comparatively static. Units would not have been engaged in battle and the movement of personnel between units, hospitals, and depots would have been at a low ebb.
2. Information has now been received, however, that it is probable that release from the Army of early age and service groups will be speeded up, and accordingly it is now necessary that release rolls in respect of personnel in this theatre should be produced without delay. In order that the release plan may be implemented and that the machinery may work smoothly, it is essential that the instructions contained in the paragraphs which follow are complied with precisely. Your fullest co-operation in this connection is thus requested. It will be appreciated that the information to be supplied or initiated by you will assist materially in forming the basis of the structure of the machinery by means of which release will be effected.
3. Enclosed are four copies of Class "A" release rolls in respect of officers and other ranks held within the War Establishment and attached surplus to the War Establishment of the unit under your command.
4. These rolls have been prepared in accordance with para 312 of the publication "Regulations for Release from the Army 1945", and are compiled from the latest data held in this HQ. It is appreciated that these rolls will not necessarily represent a complete nominal roll of the officers and other ranks surviving with the unit under your command at the time these rolls are received by you.
5. Will you now please take the following action without delay:-
 - (a) Verify the particulars in respect of each individual whose name appears on the rolls. In cases where all particulars shown are agreed by you the word "AGREED" will be entered against the individual's name in Column (7) "Remarks Column" of release roll. If item of variance is age and service group, the alleged correct age and service group will be shown in the "Remarks Column" only, together with a short statement to support the alleged correct age and service group. The and service groups as shown in column (5)

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(a) Verify the particulars in respect of each individual whose name appears on the rolls. In cases where all particulars shown are agreed by you the word "AGREED" will be entered against the individual's name in Column (7) "Remarks Column" of release roll. If item of variance is age and service group, the alleged correct age and service group will be shown in the "Remarks Column" only, together with a short statement to support the alleged correct age and service group. Age and service groups as shown in column (5) of release rolls will NOT be amended. An example of recording a challenge of this nature is set out in para 5(b) below. In cases where particulars shown on the release roll other than age and service group are NOT agreed, an appropriate remark will be made in the "Remarks Column", the incorrect particulars will be ruled through, and the correct particulars inserted as shown in the examples at para 5(b) below. In cases where personnel held on the strength of the unit are no longer with unit on account of LIAP, release rolls will be entered as "LIAP" in "Remarks Column"; "LIAP. NO CONFIRMATION OF PARTICULARES", but in the event of it being possible to confirm

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ALL particulars from existing data within unit, confirmation will be notified by adding after the word "LIAP", "Particulars confirmed". In any event, LIAP personnel will be given the opportunity of querying age and service groups themselves on their return to their former unit and OGC will thus subsequently confirm by letter that age and service groups are agreed or not as the case may be.

Personnel who are held within unit WE but detached for duty, or training (ie, on courses), with a unit elsewhere will be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of para 5(d) below. The only exception to this provision is in cases where the unit to whom the individual is attached is in the immediate vicinity. In such cases action will be taken to contact the OC unit and confirm, in conjunction with the individual concerned, the particulars on the release roll.

(5) CLASS "A" RELEASE ROLL (OFFICERS) SERIAL NO: 75

Unit and Regt or Corps: 800 LAA Regt, RA

(1) Serial No	(2) Personal or Army No	(3) Surname Block letters	(4) Christian Names	(5) Age & Service Group	(6) Prefix Letter if Applicable	(7) Remarks
1	12472	ABLE	Charles John	1	0	Agreed
2	13475 13547	ARCHER	George	1	0	Personal number incorrect - should read 13547
3	72483	BULL	Frank Ernest	15(c)	-	Age & Service Gp should be 14. Born 7 Feb 1907. Joined army 3 Sep 39 - continuous reckonable service since joined. Extracted to 900 LAA Regt LIAP - No confirm- ation of particulars
4	135421	JAMES	Percy	16(c)	-	Extracted to 900 LAA Regt
5	135421	JAMES	Edward George	18	-	LIAP - No confirm- ation of particulars
6	174801	BURNS	Ronald Frederick	19	DV	DV. Officer's statement to AFHQ
7	201171	JONES	Frank Haliburton	22	-	LIAP - Particulars confirmed
8	998701	PHILPOT	Bobbie Morton	22	-	Location unknown - extracted to O2E
9	117809	MONTGOMERY	Basil Edward	22	RS	First christian name incorrect -

action will be taken to contact the OC unit and confirm, in conjunction with the individual concerned, the particulars on the release roll.

(b) CLASS "A" RELEASE ROLL (OFFICERS) SERIAL NO: 75

Unit and Regt or Corps: 800 LAA Regt, RA

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2	13475 13547	ARCHER	George	1	0	Personal number incorrect - should read 13547
3	72483	BULL	Frank Ernest	15(c)	-	Age & Service Gp should be 14. Born 7 Feb 1907. Joined army 3 Sep 39 - continuous reckonable service since joined. Extracted to 900 LAA Regt
4	63501	ALLISON	Percy	16(c)	-	LIAP - No confirm- ation of particulars
5	135421	JAMES	Edward George	18	-	DV. Officer's statement to AFHQ
6	194801	BURNS	Ronald Frederick	19	DV	LIAP - Particulars confirmed
7	201171	JONES	Frank Haliburton	22	-	Location unknown - extracted to 02E
8	998701	PHILPOT	Bobbie Morton	22	-	
9	117809	MONTGOMERY	Basil David Edward	22	RS	First christian name incorrect - should read BASIL
10	115801	CHARLESWORTH	Frank Kershaw	25	-	Agreed.

(a) In cases where personnel are NOT desirous of being released from the Army (in accordance with the provisions of para 328 of Release Regulations) AND PROVIDING THAT the CO recommends that individual should be allowed to be retained, the letters "DV" will be inserted in column (6) (Prefix letters) of the release roll against the relevant individual's name. The letters "DV" will also be inserted in the "Remarks Column" together with the words "SOLDIER'S

/STATEMENT.....

Release Plt to Camp

Read

NA
JWHMESSAGE FORM

FROM: 1st Trans British Increment
Rear HQ Fifth Army

DATE/TIME OF ORIGIN
12 1000 E

TO: 6 SA Arm'd Div 215 Sub Area
7 AGRA Br Incr BOLOGNA City Comd
FLORENCE Comd 52 BLU

INFO: All Branches and Services

Restricted (.) 172 A (.) Release warning order (.) Age Service Group 1
will be called forward from Units by O2E on or after 21 May (.) Wamall
command take necessary preparation in accordance Release Regulations and
ATHQ Release Instructions (.) Attention drawn para 18 of AMHQ Release
Instruction and Appx "D" to War Office Release Regulations

Non-applicable
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Signed:

LONG-COL
AAG

DEGREE OF PRIORITY

ELS

52 BLU - NOMINAL ROLL

OTHER RANKS

Sgt Day. G. ✓
 Sgt Madhwa. ✓
 Sgt Spitzer. E. ✓
 Sgt Morrissey. D. C. M. ✓
 Bdr Aiken. A. ✓
 Cpl Hewkins. H. D. ✓
 Cpl Barber. B. ✓
 L/Cpl Butcher. H. ✓
 Pte Smart. E. ✓
 Pte Jenkins. V. ✓
 Pte Shearing. P. ✓
 Pte Ticino. P. ✓
 Pte Ingram. F. ✓
 Pte Rose. R. ✓
 Pte Habbershaw ✓

Sgt Anthony. A. ✓
 Sgt Green. N. ✓
 L/Sgt Deering. S. ✓
 Cpl Beaton. W. ✓
 Cpl Norman ✓
 Cpl Haigh. H. ✓
 Cpl Odell. A. ✓
 L/Cpl Smith. G. A. ✓
 L/Cpl Martindale. T. ✓
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 Signn Gibson ✓
 Signn Link ✓
 Signn McDonald ✓
 Signn Preston ✓
 Signn Underhill ✓
 Signn Rackhouse ✓
 Dvr Taylor ✓

W.O. II Yarrow ✓
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 S/Sgt Sharples ✓
 S/Sgt Birkinshaw ✓
 Cpl Cairns ✓
 Sgt Latham ✓
 Sgt Crosby ✓
 Pte Frost ✓
 Pte Booth ✓
 Pte Beaumont ✓
 Pte *Doncath* ✓

Pte Duff ✓
 Pte Vickers ✓
 BOMS Flowers ✓
 X Sgt Preston ✓
 X Dvr Griffiths ✓
 Dvr Mitchell ✓
 Pte Cotgrove ✓
 Gnr Richardson ✓
 Pte Hanawi ✓

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 Signn Chidlow ✓
 Signn Hobson ✓
 Signn Glindon ✓
 Signn Bean ✓
 Cpl Golden-Hamm ✓
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Pte Westwood ✓
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 Sgt Bowker ✓
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 L/Cpl Adams ✓
 L/Cpl Pearce ✓
 Cfn Southgate ✓
 Cfn Garthwaite ✓

Pte Booth (ACC) ✓

Att:- S/Sgt Richards ✓
 Sgt Bowker ✓
 Cfn Mason ✓

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Major Edmunds.

52 BLU - NOMINAL ROLL

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Sgt Bowker ✓
Cfn Mason ✓

Pte Booth (ACC) ✓

52 B.L.U. NOMINAL ROLL
(OFFICERS)

Lieut-Col DOUGLAS, J.S.H. ✓
Major Luckock, T.P. ✓
Major Gwyther, R.W. ✓
Major Gordon, G.W. ✓
Major Ackerley, C.L. ✓
Major Pinfold, L.A. ✓
Capt DAVIES, C.I. ✓
Capt Gold-Adams, R.J.M. ✓
Capt Smith W.P.J. ✓
Capt Nelson, P.H. ✓
Lieut Downing, R. ✓
Lieut Breakspear, J.H. ✓

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Major Ferro, H.A.R.
Major Borda, A.V.
Major Tabona, G.Z.
Major Fenech, L.C.
Lieut Montalto, A.
Lieut Pace-Bardon, M.
Lieut Camillieri, P.A.
Lieut Micallef, S.E.

MALTA

Lieut White, A. ✓
Lieut Walton, P. ✓
Lieut Bow ✓
Lieut Taylor ✓
Major Leslie, H.D. ✓
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Int Corps
R. Sigs
S. Lances
R.A. (Temp DAA&QMG)

Lieut Downling.R. ✓
Lieut Breakspear.J.H. ✓

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Lieut Taylor ✓

Major Leslie.H.D. ✓

'C' TRAINING INC

Major Hope Johnston H.I.N.
Major Hamilton ✓
Major Evans
Major Edmunds
Major Peak ✓
Major Hill ✓
Major Kewley

RENE

Int Corps

R.Sigs

S.Lanes

R.A. (Temp DAA&CMG)

No.	SURNAME	CHRISTIAN	COAS	Age. Group.
2331282.	DEARING. SGT.	SAMUEL. RICHARD	RES. —	26. ~~27~~
2348698.	BEATON. COL.	WILLIAM. B.D.	RES. —	31.
2328300.	GIBSON. Pte.	STANLEY.	RES. —	28. (REG.)
2326633.	BETTS. Pte.	FRANK. J.	RES. —	30. (REG.)
2364052.	UNDERHILL. DRV.	WILFRED. HENRY.	RES. —	27. ✓
2358406.	PRESTON.	RAYMOND.	RES. —	34. ✓
4127605.	HARTMOND. ✓	THOMAS. JAMES.	RES. —	25. ✓
6019772.	LINCOLN. CPL.	JAMES. REGINALD.	RES. —	26.
14154130.	GOLDEN-HAMMILL	CECIL HENRY.	RES. —	39.
2570429.	NORMAN. COL.	VICTOR. ARTHUR	RES. —	26. ✓
2351586.	ODALL. CPL.	ALFRED ALAN	RES. —	22. ✓
2319870.	ANTONY. SGT.	ALBERT.	RES. —	(14) ✓
243 5213.	SMITH. L/CPL.	GEORGE ARTHUR	RES. —	26. ✓
2601429.	HOBSON.	DEAN. VICTOR.	RES. —	44.
966715.	DEAN.	LEONARD JAMES.	RES. —	27.
2566677.	LINK.	JOHN EDWARD	RES. —	21. ✓
2352986.	MACDONALD.	FRANCIS JOSEPH.	RES. —	25. ✓
7922747	HAIGH	MORACE	RES. —	23. ✓
984698.	GREEN.	NORMAN. HENRY.	RES. —	25. ✓

No.	SURNAME	CHRISTIAN	CORP	Age Group
52654.	LUCOCK.	THOMAS. PETER.	SLI.	18.
286014.	BOW.	JOHN. WALKER.	RCS.	51. *
27182.	DOUGLAS.	JOHN. SHORT. ARMY.	SEAFORTH ARMS.	10.
148331.	GOULD - ADAMS	RICHARD. JOHN.	R.S.	23.
105940.	ACKERLEY.	HORATION. CHARLES. LOAN.	R.A. [field]	16. *
1297826.	WALTON.	CYRIL. PEARCY.	1. COYS. [M.W.]	23. *
273099.	TAYLOR.	DENNIS.	SHERWOOD FOR [SOUTH LANCE]	25.
301443.	MONTALTO.	ALEXANDER.	R.H.A.	~~41~~ 41.

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5677411.	BUTCHER. CH.	HAROLD. LIVINGSTONE	S.L.I.	26.
1704061.	NIKEN. 3DA.	ARTHUR.	RA. [HAA].	26. ✓
5/14647761.	JENKINS. 1K.	HECTOR. JAMES.	RASC.	40. ✓
7669751.	SMART.	NORMAN. VIVIAN.	RASC.	24. ✓
1433.	SPITZER. 8AT.	IRVING.	RASC.	39. *
14109291.	VICKERS. CPLY.	JOSEPH.	SCOTS.	43. ✓
2818946.	DUFF. ✓	JOHN.	"	21. ✓
99961.	DRABY.	HERBERT. S.A.N.S.	R.A.O.C.	25. ✓
839381.	FLOWERS. ✓	HAROLD.	RA. [HAA].	16. ✓
2625119.	COTGROVE.	ALFRED.	GRAN.	REG.
31441.	HAYAWI.	GEORGE. A.	RASC.	45. *

Number	Rank	Name	Unit	Branch of Service
6091392	Sigmn	Denyer T.T.	52 British Liaison Unit	R.C. Sigs
400714	Sgt	Latham A.	" "	R.A.O. C.
7653922	Pte	Doncaster L.E.	" "	R.A.O.O.
S/14663725	Pte	Shearing F.	" "	R.A.S.C.
S/136153	Cpl	Barber B.	" "	R.A.S.C.
798532	Sgt	Naden W.	" "	R. A. Fd.
6105283	Sgt	Morrissey D.	" "	Queens
T/6144498	Cpl	Hewkins H.	" "	R.A.S.C.
7382632	Pte	Ticino P.	" "	R. A.M.C.
1062234	Pte	Ingram F.	" "	A.O.O.
10697077	Dvr	Rose R.	" "	R.A.S.C.
U5380	Sgt	Day G.	" "	Man Regt.
1604413	Gnr	Richardson G.	" "	R.A.
2381049	Sigmn	Ohidlow J.	" "	R.C. Sigs
	Sigmn	Glindon	" "	R.C. Sigs

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tham A.	" " " "	R.A.O. C.	27 ✓
ncaster L.E.	" " " "	R.A.O.C.	35 ✓
earing F.	" " " "	R.A.S.C.	32 ✓
erber B.	" " " "	R.A.S.C.	27 ✓
den W.	" " " "	R. A. Fd.	28 ✓
orrissey D.	" " " "	Queens	44 ✓
wkins H.	" " " "	R.A.S.O.	26 ✓
oino P.	" " " "	R. A.M.C.	28 ✓
gram F.	" " " "	A.O.C.	22 ✓
se R.	" " " "	R.A.S.C.	44 ✓
y G.	" " " "	Man Regt.	19 ✓
harrison G.	" " " "	R.A.	24
idlow J.	" " " "	R.O. Sigs	41
ndon	" " " "	R.O. Sigs	43

No	Name in Full	Unit	Branch of Service
Sic 6091392	DENYER THOMAS EDWARD	52 British Liaison Unit.	ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS
Sgt 400714	LATHAM	"	R.A.O.C.
Pte 7653922	DONCASTER. LEONARD EDWARD	"	R.A.O.C.
" 14665725	SHEARING FRANK.	"	RASC.
CHS S/ 136153	BARBER BRADLEY	"	RASC.
Sgt 798532	NADEN WILLIAM	"	~~RA~~ RA Fd
Sgt 6105283	MORRISSEY	"	OUSENS
Sic	GLINDON	"	RC Sigs
" 581049	CHIDLOW JOHN	D of B. 4/11/20 D of EN. 15/1/42	RC. Sigs.
CH T/ 6144498	HEWKINS HAROLD.	"	RASC.
Pte 7382632	TICINO PETER	"	RAMC.
" 1062234	INGRAM FREDERICK	1901-10 D/E 7/41	ACC
DVR 10697077	ROSE RONALD.	"	RASC.
Sgt 405360	DAY GEORGE	"	MAN REGT.
Sgt 1604413	RICHARDSON GEORGE.	"	R.A.

Unit	Branch of Service	Age Group
WARD 52 British Liaison Unit.	ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS	26.
WARD EDWARD "	R.A.O.C.	15
ANK. "	R.A.O.C.	35
	RASC.	24
ADLEY "	RASC	27
LLIAM "	~~RA~~ RA Fd	26
	QUEENS	
	RC SIGS	BIRTH 43 ENLISTMENT 2-2-23 29-12-41
JOHN D of B. 4/11/20 D of En. 15/1/42	RC. SIGS.	41
HAROLD, "	RASC.	26
PETER "	RAMC.	28
FREDERICK * D of E 7/41	ACC	
RONALD. "	RASC.	
GEORGE "	MAN REGT.	19
GEORGE. "	R.A.	24.

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Phone No: Lightning Rear 162

7 ACRA
52 BIV
FIONHON Command
215 Sub Area175 A

18 Apr 45

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2. Copy of AFHQ letter referred to in para 9 of the attached letter was forwarded to addressees under cover of this HQ letter 175 A dated 28 Feb 45. (Copy attached for 7 ACRA and 52 BIV)

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13 Corps 'A'
6 SA Armd Div
10 AGRA
62 AA Bde
FLORENCE Command
21 Beach Group

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23 Feb 45

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OR/1758 /C-1(Br)26 Feb 45

FIFTH Army	1 Dist
EIGHTH Army	2 Dist
ML & LF GREECE	3 Dist
LFA	HQNA

1. In so far as the exigencies of the service permit it is intended that the ultimate movement of British service personnel to SEAC and INDIA either in units or as individuals shall be governed by the following conditions :-

- (a) The current qualifying period for PTFOR in INDIA and SEAC is 3 years and 3 months continuous overseas service. No one will be sent to INDIA or SEAC who has at date of embarkation less than 15 months service to complete before qualifying for PTFOR viz. at present no one will be sent who has completed more than two years and five months continuous overseas service.
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- (c) All personnel sent to INDIA or SEAC will be given not less than 20 days leave in the U.K. before proceeding.

2. It should be stressed that the above does not mean that every single man who is thus eligible for transfer to the Far East will necessarily be so transferred. The extent of the army commitment for the war against JAPAN, after GERMANY is defeated is not yet known to AFHQ.

3. These rulings may be promulgated to all ranks of the British Army provided that it is made clear that they merely represent an intended policy and are liable to variation as may be required by the exigencies of the service.

4. The conditions under which personnel who are ineligible under the rulings given in para 1 (a) and (b) above may volunteer for service in INDIA or SEAC are not yet available. Individual applications will be submitted through the usual channels to AFHQ.

(Sgd) M.W. LACLED.
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Copy to:- 15 Army Group.

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To : Main HQ EIGHTH ARMY.
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15 Apr 45

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It is stressed that there are no vested rights under the above limitations, and if sufficient men within the qualifications of eligibility as defined in (a) and (b) above cannot be found, it may be necessary for the War Office to widen these qualifications.

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Volunteers can be accepted from age/service groups 1 to 26 provided that they are willing to defer their release until general demobilisation after the end of the war with JAPAN; also provided that, if they wish to retain their PYTHON rights, they have not more than 2 years qualifying PYTHON service or are willing to guarantee to serve a minimum period of one year in the FAR EAST.

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It is understood that the War Office are considering periods of deferment of release for volunteers who wish to serve on, as opposed to their having to serve on until general demobilisation. The proposed limited periods of deferment of release are believed to be 2, 3 or 4 years; full details will be promulgated as soon as they are known.

4. It is possible that volunteers may also be forthcoming under the new terms of LILCP. Hitherto LILCP has been restricted to two general classes of personnel :-

- (a) Those with experience of non-UK troops,
- (b) Those with a special knowledge of the theatre in which they are serving.

LILCP has now been extended to cover senior ranks and key personnel, the loss of whom would affect battle efficiency of units. Moreover, the further tour of overseas service for personnel who elect LILCP will be limited to a maximum of two years.

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- Acting rank - until the 29th day after embarking for leave destination.

6. As indicated in AFHQ letter No HSD/300 of 12 April 45, (not to all addressees), it seems likely that the War Office will require the release in priority as shown below, of the following formations and units after the end of hostilities with GERMANY :-

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It is not yet certain which Indian Divisions will be withdrawn first.

7. The process of sorting out eligibles and ineligibles for the FAR EAST within the formations and units affected under para 6 above will be as follows:-

(a) British formations and units will proceed to UK with their own eligibles, plus eligibles crossposted from other CMF units of the same arm or service. They will, if necessary, be made up to WE before proceeding to UK, by filling up with near-PYTHON personnel. Infantry units may have to be made up with eligible or ineligible personnel of wrong cap badges.

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(b) 21 Army Group will send to the UK a sufficient number of eligibles to replace the near-PYTHON personnel in the formations and units. In exchange 21 Army Group will receive the near-PYTHON personnel. Formations and units proceeding to the FAR EAST will thus ultimately be made up to strength wholly with eligibles.

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