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TRANSFERRING ALLIED COMMISSION

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FILE REFERENCE : G-1B/205/A/O.

† October 1945.

SUBJECT : Compassionate Leave. - "O.M.N. & M.M.N."

10 : Distribution below.

Further to this G.O. letter of even number dated 27 July 45.

Where the basis of the application is a fiancée or other than British nationality a certificate must be included from the applicant's Commanding Officer that application to marry (Form A as laid down by GPO 162/44) has been submitted to him by the applicant. It is not, however, necessary that the applicant should intend to be married during the course of his leave.

BY CO. AND C. H. DEERSON.

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U.S. G-4 (5),
H.Q., Allied Commission.

DISCUSSION

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MEMORANDUM

6 September 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

SUBJECT : LIAP - Policy

TO : Distribution below

Reference GRO 829/45.

1. Changed circumstances necessitate an amendment to para 5 (a) of GRO 829/45. With effect from 17 Sep 45 (LIAP 23) the following classes of personnel will be ineligible for LIAP on the grounds of closeness to PYTHON or release :-

- (a) Personnel due for PYTHON on or before 20 Jan 46.
- (b) Male personnel (including Chaplains) in Age/Service Group 1-23.
- (c) QA LENS in Age/Service Groups 1 - 16 inclusive.
- (d) ATS and members of others women's services in age/service Groups 1 - 34 inclusive.
- (e) Age/Service groups for Doctors and Dentists will be published in the course of the next few days.

2. Those who have deferred release or are for any reason being released at a later date than normal will be treated as belonging to the age/service group due for release at the date when they will in fact be released.

3. It will be observed that no one is now disqualified by reason of closeness to PYTHON or Release unless they have considerable less than six months to serve overseas.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT ESTABLISHMENTS SECTION

G-1 (B)

H.Q. Allied Commission

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1(B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

3 September 1945

SUBJECT : LIAP & LILOP

TO : Distribution below

1. Officers and ORs at present in UK or arriving in UK in future on LIAP or LILOP in Age and Service Groups 18-20 inclusive will not be returned to this theatre unless they have volunteered to defer their release, but will be reverted to home establishment on completion of leave.
2. Personnel in Age and Service Group 21 and later will be returned to C.M.F. on expiration of leave under normal procedure.
3. These instructions are not applicable to Women's Services.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

Longstaffe
G-1(B)
H.Q. Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (E)

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

27 August 1945

SUBJECT : Compassionate LeaveTO : Distribution Below

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Reference this HQ letter of even number dated 27 July 45.

Compassionate leave in lieu of LIAP as outlined in the above quoted letter can now be taken in Gibraltar.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE



J.O. HODGSON,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (E)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
AFC 394
G-1 (D)

REFERENCE : G-1E/205/1/0

23 August 1945.

SUBJECT : Compassionate Leave to European Countries

TO : Distribution below

1. A limited leave scheme to Switzerland on compassionate grounds only has been approved by the War Office. Compassionate grounds on which leave may be authorised are similar to those which would secure reversion to UK under the terms of GRO 165/45 or the fact that the applicants family has been resident in Switzerland since June 1940 and owing to the war the applicant has been unable to see them since that date.

2. If an application is granted it will be subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) Valid British passport and Swiss visa must be in the applicants' possession.
- (ii) Plain clothes must be worn.
- (iii) Currency regulations must be obeyed.
- (iv) Travel from the Swiss border will be at private expense and the individual concerned must be maintained in Switzerland entirely at his own expense or the expense of the persons he is visiting.

3. Compliance with the above conditions will be the applicants' responsibility. A British passport can be obtained from the British Consul Naples (or Athens for personnel in Greece) and a Swiss visa from the Swiss Legation Rome.

4. Applications for leave will be submitted in accordance with GRO 165/45 to this HQ. A firm address at which the applicant will spend his leave if granted must be given. Leave will be for a period not exceeding 28 days from the date of crossing the Swiss Border.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J.C. HODGSON,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (D)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394
G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

11 August 1945

SUBJECT : LILOP

TO : Distribution Below

Reference GRC 823/45 para 1 (b).

1. Although LILOP should only be granted to personnel in age and service groups 27 and later or to those personnel in earlier age and service groups whose release has been deferred for one year or more, the War Office has now granted to Commands the power of discretion in special cases where personnel in earlier age and service groups are concerned.
2. Applications for LILOP may, therefore, now be submitted from personnel in age and service groups 23 to 26 incl (in the case of RAMC medical officers of age and service groups 17 - 26 incl) where the circumstances are such as would seem to merit the case being given special consideration. A statement of the special circumstances should accompany the application on its submission to GHQ 2nd Echelon.
3. Rules with regard to the eligibility of ATS remain unchanged.


J.E. McDONN,
Lt. Colonel,
G-1 (B)

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MEMORANDUM

REFERENCE : C-1E/205/1/0

10 August 1945.

SUBJECT : LIAP

TO : Distribution below

Reference Daily Bulletin No. 221 para 5 dated 9 Aug 45.

1. In view of the fact that personnel due for PYTHON up to and including 31 Dec 45 are likely to have left the Theatre by 31 Oct 45, it has been decided, as a temporary measure, to extend eligibility for LIAP to those personnel who are in Age/Service Groups 20 and 21. This concession will hold good only until the 15th September 45, by which time it is considered that most of the long service men in Groups 20 and 21 will have been granted leave.

2. The ruling contained in GRO 829/45 para 5 will continue to hold good in all respects, with the exception that until 15 September 45 the Age/Service Groups for men will read 1 - 19. After this date they will automatically revert to 1 - 24. Eligibility rules for women remain as at present; medical officers are ineligible if in Age/Service Groups 1 - 11, and Nursing Officers if in Groups 1 - 16.

3. It is emphasised that this relaxation of the current regulations is designed solely to even out differences of leave between the really long service personnel and those who actually qualify for PYTHON. It is NOT to be inferred that the inclusion in LIAP of these two additional Age/Service Groups indicates any retardation of the release scheme. There has been no alteration in the statement made in the House of Commons that the very early twenties will be released by the end of the year.

4. No additional allotment has been made to this HQ over and above that already made for August.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

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C-1E/423/OR

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FOR VICE PRESIDENT, ESTABLISHMENT SECTION

J. C. Hodgson
J.C. HODGSON,
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G-1 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 3274
G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : C-1B/205/1/0

1st August 1945

SUBJECT : LIAP

TO : Distribution below

Copies of this HQ letter to AFHQ, C-1B/205/1/0 of 26 July 45, and AFHQ reply thereto, C-1(Br)/4327/7/44 of 30 July 45 are set out below for the information of all concerned.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 3274
G-1 (B)

REFERENCE : C-1B/205/1/0

26 July 1945

SUBJECT : LIAP

TO : C-1(B) A.F.H.Q.

1. It is noted that personnel in A/S Group 1 - 21, unless they voluntarily defer their release, are excluded from Leave to UK.
2. There are, however, certain officers in A/S Groups 1 - 21 who have volunteered for Civil Affairs under ACI 473/45. This ACI states, inter alia, "...intending applicants under this ACI, especially those in the early groups for release are warned that should their turn for release come while their services are still required in Civil Affairs it may be impossible, on grounds of military necessity, to release them, and they may have to be retained for substantial period beyond the date upon which they become eligible for release".
3. It is presumed that some of these volunteers may be transferred to Civil Affairs in Germany or Austria where they may well be retained for substantial periods.

4. Please may a ruling be given?

FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

/s/

W.H. HEWICK Major
for M.S. DUSH
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

Copy to : C-5, AFHQ

Subject :- LIAP - Eligibility

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

C-1(Br)/4327/7/44

30 July 45

HQ

Copies of this HQ letter to APO 394 G-1(B)/4327/7/A of 30 July 45 are set out below for
 APOHQ reply thereto, G-1(Br)/4327/7/A of 30 July 45 are set out below for
 the information of all concerned:

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394
G-1(B)

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

26 July 1945

SUBJECT : IIAP

TO : G-1(B) A.P.H.Q.

1. It is noted that personnel in A/S Group 1 - 21, unless they voluntarily defer their release, are excluded from leave to UK.
2. There are, however, certain officers in A/S Groups 1 - 21 who have volunteered for Civil Affairs under ACI 173/45. This ACI states, inter alia, "...intending applicants under this ACI, especially those in the early groups for release are warned that should their turn for release come while their services are still required in Civil Affairs it may be impossible, on grounds of military necessity, to release them, and they may have to be retained for substantial period beyond the date upon which they become eligible for release".
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FOR THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER

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W.H. REMICK Major
 for M.S. LUSH
 Brigadier,
 Executive Commissioner

Copy to : G-5, APOHQ

Subject : IIAP - Eligibility

ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

G-1(Br)/4327/7/A

30 July 45

HQ
Allied Commission

Reference your G-1B/205/1/0 of 26 July 45.

1. The principle involved in this matter is that no one who is due to proceed to the UK within six months will be considered eligible for IIAP.
2. When it is known definitely that any of the personnel in question will be retained in this country for more than six months, their names may be submitted to this HQ for consideration as to eligibility for leave.

3.

In making this submission the following information will be supplied:-

1. Name, rank, number.
2. Age/Service Group.
3. Certificate that personnel will be retained overseas until at the earliest

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for Major General
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J.C. HODGSON,
Lt. Colonel,
C-1 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

AFG 394

G-1 (3)

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/D

26 July 1945.

SUBJECT : Repatriation and Leave to U.K. and Leave to Countries outside U.K. and Eire

TO : Distribution below.

1. The following G.R.Os are reprinted below for information of all British personnel serving in this formation.

G.R.O. 825/45 - Leave in Lieu of PAYMENT (LILOP)

1. Leave may be taken in lieu of PAYMENT subject to the following conditions:-

(a) Personnel eligible shall be those qualified for posting to the United Kingdom under PAYMENT.

(b) Personnel must be in Age/Service Release Group 27 or later (if ARS, Age/Service Release Group 33 or later) or, if in earlier Age/Service Release Groups, must have deferred their release for one year or more.

2. The leave destination is limited to the United Kingdom and places within areas controlled by British or Dominion authorities. In the latter case, the previous sanction of the authority concerned will be obtained by A.T.M.Q. before despatch.

3. Leave to foreign countries will not be considered unless the individual has very strong claims.

4. The period of leave will be 61 days in the country in which leave is authorised.

5. From date of re-embarkation the individual will be deemed to commence a fresh tour of service abroad, limited to a maximum period of two years. Personnel whose Age/Service Release Groups are called forward for release during this two years period will be released with their Age/Service Release Groups.

6. (a) Acting rank will be relinquished by officers and other ranks on the 29th day after leaving this theatre.

(b) Temporary rank will be retained throughout the leave and travelling period.

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On return an officer will be re-assigned into his former vacancy with effect from the date of arrival back at his unit. In the event of his or her unit or formation being disbanded or the War Establishment being reduced so that the former employment no longer exists, temporary rank will be relinquished with effect from the date of

1. The following C.R.O.s are reprinted below for information of all British personnel serving in this formation.

2.5.0. 023/45 - Leave in lieu of PAYMENT (LILIP)

1. Leave may be taken in lieu of PAYMENT subject to the following conditions:-

(a) Personnel eligible shall be those qualified for posting to the United Kingdom under PAYMENT.

(b) Personnel must be in Age/Service Release Group 27 or later (if Age/Service Release Group 33 or later) or, if in earlier Age/Service Release Groups, must have deferred their release for one year or more.

2. The leave destination is limited to the United Kingdom and places within areas controlled by British or Dominion authorities. In the latter case, the previous sanction of the authority concerned will be obtained by A.F.M.G. before despatch.

3. Leave to foreign countries will not be considered unless the individual has very strong claims.

4. The period of leave will be 61 days in the country in which leave is authorised.

5. From date of re-embarkation the individual will be deemed to commence a fresh tour of service abroad, limited to a maximum period of two years. Personnel whose Age/Service Release Groups are called forward for release during this two years period will be released with their Age/Service Release Groups.

6. (a) Acting rank will be relinquished by officers and other ranks on the 29th day after leaving this theatre.

(b) Temporary rank will be retained throughout the leave and travelling period.

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On return an officer will be reclassified into his former vacancy with effect from the date of arrival back at his unit. In the event of his or her unit or formation being disbanded or the War Establishment being reduced so that the former employment no longer exists, temporary rank will be relinquished with effect from the date of disembarkation in this theatre.

(c) Vacancies may be filled and promotion granted to the temporary incumbent with the date of relinquishment by the former holder. Such appointments and/or promotions will be for the travelling and leave period of the former holder. Officers and other ranks appointed or promoted under these circumstances will be so informed on appointment or promotion. Such promotions will in all other respects follow the normal rules.

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(d) Officers and Other Ranks in receipt of African and Colonial Forces rates of pay proceeding on LILOP will remain on those rates until after expiry of the travelling and leave period and will then revert to Pay Warrant rates, unless immediately absorbed into their previous or similar appointments.

7. Nominal rolls of personnel applying to take LILOP under this G.R.O. will be forwarded direct to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon. All rolls will be accompanied by:

- (a) A medical certificate that the individual is medically fit for continued service overseas.
- (b) A signed certificate from the individual stating that he understands his obligation to return and realizes that on return he will begin a fresh tour of service abroad.

8. Personnel who apply for and are granted LILOP under the terms of this G.R.O. will not be permitted to alter their decision after leaving this Command.

9. Personnel who are granted LILOP and return to this theatre will not normally be posted for service in the FAR EAST, although they will continue to be eligible for such service.

10. It is emphasized that LILOP has never at any time been a general opening of leave. Each case will, therefore, be considered on its merits and will be referred by G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon to A.F.H.Q. for decision.

11. G.R.Os 318/44 and 117, 256, 423 and 556/45 are hereby cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1/P/2471/A1

G.R.O. 824/45 - Long Service Leave - British Personnel not normally resident in the United Kingdom or Eire (D.O.C.O.L.).

1. Officers and Other Ranks of British service or of Colonial Forces administered by the War Office commissioned or enlisted in the United Kingdom or abroad, who are normally resident outside the United Kingdom or Eire, and who have completed four years' military service, including any service with British Naval or Air Forces, outside their country of normal residence are eligible for 61 days leave in their country of normal residence.

2. Leave destination is limited to places within areas controlled by British or Dominion authorities. The previous sanction of the authority concerned will be obtained by A.F.H.Q. before despatch.

Leave to the United Kingdom for personnel not normally resident there is not permitted.

(a) a medical certificate that the individual is medically fit for continued service overseas.

(b) a signed certificate from the individual stating that he understands his obligation to return and realizes that on return he will begin a fresh tour of service abroad.

8. Personnel who apply for and are granted LILOP under the terms of this G.P.O. will not be permitted to alter their decision after leaving this Command.

9. Personnel who are granted LILOP and return to this theatre will not normally be posted for service in the FAR EAST, although they will continue to be eligible for such service.

10. It is emphasized that LILOP has never at any time been a general opening of leave. Each case will, therefore, be considered on its merits and will be referred by GHQ 2nd Echelon to A.F.H.Q. for decision.

11. G.P.Os 318/44 and 117, 236, 123 and 556/45 are hereby cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

31/3/2174/41

G.P.O. 321/45 - Long Service Leave - British Personnel not normally resident in the United Kingdom or Line (DDICOL).

1. Officers and Other Ranks of British service or of Colonial Forces administered by the War Office commissioned or enlisted in the United Kingdom or abroad, who are normally resident outside the United Kingdom or Eire, and who have completed four years' military service, including any service with British Naval or Air Forces, outside their country of normal residence are eligible for 61 days leave in their country of normal residence.

2. Leave destination is limited to places within areas controlled by British or Dominion authorities. The previous sanction of the authority concerned will be obtained by AFHQ before despatch.

Leave to the United Kingdom for personnel not normally resident there is not permitted.

3. Leave for foreign countries will not be considered unless the individual has a very strong claim.

4. From date of re-embarkation the individual will be deemed to commence a fresh tour of service abroad limited to a maximum period of two years. Personnel whose Age/Service Release Groups are called forward for release during that two years' period will be released with their Age/Service Release Groups.

5. (a) Acting rank will be relinquished by officers and other ranks on the 29th day after leaving this theatre.

(b) Temporary rank will be retained throughout the leave and travel period.

On return an officer will be re-absorbed into his former vacancy with effect from the date of arrival back at his unit. In the event of his unit or formation being disbanded or the War Establishment being reduced so that the former employment no longer exists, temporary rank will be relinquished with effect from the date of disembarkation in this theatre.

(c) Vacancies may be filled and promotion granted to the temporary incumbent and the date of relinquishment by the former holder. Such appointments and/or promotions will be for the travelling and leave period of the former holder. Officers and Other Ranks appointed or promoted under these circumstances will be so informed on appointment or promotion. Such promotions will in all other respects follow the normal rules.

6. Officers and Other Ranks in receipt of African and Colonial Forces rates of pay proceeding on DMOOL will remain on these rates until after expiry of the travelling and leave period and will then revert to Pay Variant rates, unless immediately absorbed into their previous or similar appointments.

7. Personnel who apply for and are granted leave under the terms of this G.R.O. will not be permitted to alter their decision after leaving this Command.

8. Nominal rolls of personnel applying for leave under this G.R.O. will be forwarded direct to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon. Such nominal rolls will give full details of service outside the country of normal residence and the leave address in the country of normal residence and will be accompanied by a signed certificate from the individual, to be rendered in the following form:-

" I, No..... Rank..... Name.....
understand the provisions of G.R.O. 324/45 and realize that
on my return I shall be deemed to commence a new tour of
service abroad."

9. The terms of the above G.R.O. are applicable to officers and auxiliaries of A.T.S. in Aco/Service Release Groups 55 or later, or if in earlier Aco/Service Release Groups who have deferred their release for one year or more.

10. G.H.O. 503/45 as amended by G.R.O. 702/45 is hereby cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1/D/2171/A1

G.R.O. 325/45 - Return to UK of Long Service Personnel (PUNISH).

1. As from the date of publication of this G.R.O. the qualifying date for eligibility for return to UK will be that on which four years' unbroken service overseas are completed, reckoned from the date of embarkation in UK for the journey which actually reaches an overseas destination.

2. (a) periods of leave or duty, aggregating not more than six months, spent in the UK during the four years do not constitute a break for the purpose of eligibility and will be counted as overseas service and will contribute towards the qualifying period.

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period of the former holder. Carriers and Other Ranks appointed or promoted under these circumstances will be so informed on appointment or promotion. Such promotions will in all other respects follow the normal rules.

6. Officers and Other Ranks in receipt of African and Colonial Forces rates of pay proceeding on E.O.G. will remain on these rates until after expiry of the travelling and leave period and will then revert to Pay Warrent rates, unless immediately absorbed into their previous or similar appointments.

7. Personnel who apply for and are granted leave under the terms of this S.R.O. will not be permitted to alter their decision after leaving this Command.

8. Nominal rolls of personnel applying for leave under this S.R.O. will be forwarded direct to R.A.Q. 2nd Echelon. Such nominal rolls will give full details of service outside the country of normal residence and the leave address in the country of normal residence and will be accompanied by a signed certificate from the individual, to be rendered in the following form:-

" I, No..... Rank..... Name.....
understand the provisions of S.R.O. 824/45 and realize that
on my return I shall be deemed to commence a new tour of
service abroad."

9. The terms of the above S.R.O. are applicable to officers and auxiliaries of A.T.S. in Age/Service Release Groups 33 or later, or if in earlier Age/Service Release Groups who have deferred their release for one year or more.

10. S.R.O. 505/45 as amended by S.R.O. 702/45 is hereby cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1/3/2174/A1

S.R.O. 825/45 - Return to UK of Long Service Personnel (FATHON).

1. As from the date of publication of this GPO the qualifying date for eligibility for return to UK will be that on which four years' unbroken service overseas are completed, reckoned from the date of embarkation in UK for the journey ⁸¹³⁸ which actually reaches an overseas destination.

2. (a) Periods of leave or duty, aggregating not more than six months, spent in the UK during the four years do not constitute a break for the purpose of eligibility and will be counted as overseas service and will contribute towards the qualifying period.

(b) Time spent in UK aggregating more than six months will constitute a break in an overseas tour, and a new tour of overseas service starts on the next date of embarkation.

(c) Time spent in UK in the following circumstances will be ignored in assessing the six months referred to above:-

(i) As a patient in a Medical Unit or M3 Hospital after admission immediately on disembarkation.

(ii) On leave in addition to FATHON (LLAP).

(iii) On leave granted to personnel from overseas before posting to the Far East.

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3. (a) For the purpose of this GRO overseas service will include, in addition to all overseas commands, service in
 - (i) AM, RMAR, Faroe Islands and Iceland.
 - (ii) Service afloat in the case of personnel serving on vessels based overseas.
 - (iii) Periods spent overseas as a Prisoner of War.
 - (iv) Civilian service overseas cannot be computed when assessing eligibility for PYTHON or LILIP.
4. (a) Subject to the above para a soldier is eligible to be considered for inclusion in the PYTHON Scheme provided that :-
 - (i) The overseas Commander does not consider his retention is necessary on operational grounds.
 - (ii) He was enlisted or commissioned in the United Kingdom into British Service.
 - (iii) He was enlisted or commissioned locally into British Service and either his normal residence is in the United Kingdom or he would normally be returning to the United Kingdom at intervals during his employment abroad.
 - (iv) Personnel enlisted or commissioned into local forces are not eligible to return to the UK under the PYTHON Scheme, but an officer commissioned into local forces and contemporaneously or subsequently granted a King's Commission is thereby rendered eligible for inclusion in the PYTHON Scheme subject to residential qualifications as in para 4. (a) (iii) above. In such cases overseas service for PYTHON purposes will date with effect from the date of the King's Commission.
5. British Service personnel who are eligible for return to UK and who have been away from INDIA for a period of four years may be posted to INDIA in lieu of return to UK, subject to the conditions given in para 6 below. Periods of leave or duty, not exceeding in the aggregate six months, spent in INDIA during the four years do not constitute a break for the purpose of eligibility.
 - (a) Posting to INDIA under para 5 above will be confined to those personnel who have definite roots in INDIA, as follows :-
 - (i) those resident in INDIA on enlistment or commissioning, or before joining the British Army.
 - (ii) Those married to Indians or Anglo-Indians.
7. Personnel posted to INDIA under para 5 above will be granted 28 days' repatriation leave. Before being posted to SRAO or elsewhere they will be granted a further 14 days embarkation leave.
8. Personnel eligible for PYTHON and in Age/Service Release Groups 27 or later, or if in earlier Age/Service Release Groups whose release has been deferred, who are normally domiciled in the U.K., may apply for 54 days' leave in lieu of posting to the UK (LILIP), subject to the conditions laid down for LILIP.
9. Personnel of British Service in Age/Service Release Groups 27 or later, or in an earlier Age/Service Release Groups whose release has been deferred, NOT domiciled in the U.K. or whose release is not eligible for PYTHON, but may apply for 61 days' leave to their country of domicile (SAROE) on completion of 4 years' overseas service outside the country of domicile subject to the conditions laid down for DODOL.

4. (a) Subject to the above para 3, a soldier is eligible to be considered for inclusion in the PYTHON Scheme provided that :-
 - (1) The overseas Commander does not consider his retention is necessary on operational grounds.
 - (ii) He was enlisted or commissioned in the United Kingdom into British Service.
 - (iii) He was enlisted or commissioned locally into British Service and either his normal residence is in the United Kingdom or he would normally be returning to the United Kingdom at intervals during his employment abroad.
 - (iv) Personnel enlisted or commissioned into local forces are not eligible to return to the UK under the PYTHON Scheme, but an officer commissioned into local forces and contemporaneously or subsequently granted a King's Commission is thereby rendered eligible for inclusion in the PYTHON Scheme subject to residential qualifications as in para 4 (a) (iii) above. In such cases overseas service for PYTHON purposes will date with effect from the date of the King's Commission.
5. British Service personnel who are eligible for return to UK and who have been away from INDIA for a period of four years may be posted to INDIA in lieu of return to UK, subject to the conditions given in para 5 below. Periods of leave or duty, not exceeding in the aggregate six months, spent in INDIA during the four years do not constitute a break for the purpose of eligibility.
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 - (b) Those married to Indians or Anglo-Indians.
7. Personnel posted to INDIA under para 5 above will be granted 28 days' repatriation leave. Before being posted to INDIA or elsewhere they will be granted a further 14 days' embarkation leave.
8. Personnel eligible for PYTHON and in Age/Service Release Groups 27 or later, or if in earlier Age/Service Release Groups whose release has been deferred, NOT included in the U.K. or EIRE are not eligible for PYTHON, but may apply for 61 days' leave to their country of domicile (DOMCOL) on completion of 4 years' overseas service outside the country of domicile subject to the conditions laid down for DOMCOL.
9. Personnel of British Service in Age/Service Release Groups 27 or later, or if in an earlier Age/Service Release Groups whose release has been deferred, NOT included in the U.K. or EIRE are not eligible for PYTHON, but may apply for 61 days' leave to their country of domicile (DOMCOL) on completion of 4 years' overseas service outside the country of domicile subject to the conditions laid down for DOMCOL.
10. Personnel will be eligible to be called forward by GHQ 2nd Echelon as soon as their overseas period is completed. In some cases personnel may necessarily be called forward shortly before or after the actual completion of the qualifying period. In the event of an officer or other rank who considers himself eligible not being called forward he will notify his commanding officer who will forward his name to GHQ 2nd Echelon stating the circumstances.
11. Where, due to the exigencies of the service, a man cannot be spared, a certificate to this effect, signed by an officer not below the rank of Brigadier will be forwarded to G.H.Q. 2nd Echelon, who will delay his calling forward for a period of one month.

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12. Personnel returning to the U.S. under this scheme will be struck off strength of this theatre with effect from the date of embarkation. They will be granted 28 days' restriction leave, and before being posted to another theatre will be granted a further 14 days' embarkation leave. Unless they volunteer for service in any other theatre, they will only be liable to be posted to North-West Europe.
13. Acting rank will be relinquished by officers and other ranks with effect from the date of leaving the unit or appointment. Temporary rank of officers will be retained for a period of 61 days with effect from the date of disembarkation in UK/INDIA or until taken on the strength of a unit and filling a specific vacancy in the War Establishment of that unit, carrying a lower rank, whichever is the earlier.
14. This scheme is voluntary on the part of those qualified. In all cases where an officer or other rank does not wish to take advantage of this scheme, his name will be returned to HQ 2nd Echelon accompanied by a signed certificate to that effect. Such certificates may not be revoked until six months from the date on which they were signed. Cases in which earlier revocation is required for exceptional reasons will be submitted to AFHQ through the usual channels. Full statement of the circumstances involved will accompany the application.
15. Nominal rolls of personnel applying for posting to INDIA in lieu of return to the UK under para 5 above will be forwarded direct to HQ 2nd Echelon, CMA. All rolls will be accompanied by a recommendation of the commanding officer stating that the individual concerned fulfils the conditions given.
16. Attention is drawn to HQ 319/44, as amended by HQs 10/45 and 465/45 whereby married personnel may apply for the return to the UK of their wives and children. This application should be made six months before personnel become entitled to repatriation; in view of the large number of families involved it may not otherwise be possible to return families at the same time.
- As from 1 Jul 45, personnel listed at para 4 (c) (iii) above returning to the UK under PUTHON or LILOP who are granted passages at US expense for their families will NOT be entitled under the Release Regulations, Chapter VI, to further passages for the repatriation of their families, even if on release the individual himself is eligible for repatriation under the Regulations.
- Personnel who are affected by this rule who, because of it, do not wish to take PUTHON or LILOP will be allowed to defer without the restriction contained in para 14 above.
17. The provisions of this HQO are applicable to officers and auxiliaries of the ATS for whom the qualifying period referred to in para 1 above will be two years.
18. Officers and auxiliaries of the ATS who so desire may be permitted, provided the ADATS, AFHQ, and the medical authorities are in agreement, to serve overseas continuously for a maximum period of three years. Postponement certificates and medical certificates will be rendered to AFHQ (G4(Dr)) for approval.
- Officers and auxiliaries of the ATS who desire to take LILOP or DCMCOL

discontinuation in UK/INDIA or until taken on the strength of a unit and filling a specific vacancy in the War Establishment of that unit, carrying a lower rank, whichever in the earlier.

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15. Nominal rolls of personnel applying for posting to INDIA in lieu of return to the UK under para 5 above will be forwarded direct to GHQ and Echelon, CMB. All rolls will be accompanied by a recommendation of the commanding officer stating that the individual concerned fulfils the conditions given.

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17. As from 1 Jul 45, personnel listed at para 4 (a) (iii) above returning to the UK under FIFTH or LIIOP who are granted reserves at HQ expense for their families will NOT be entitled under the Release Regulations, Chapter VI, to further passages for the repatriation of their families, even if on release the individual himself is eligible for repatriation under the Regulations.

Personnel who are affected by this rule who, because of it, do not wish to take FIFTH or LIIOP will be allowed to defer without the restriction contained in para 14 above.

18. The provisions of this GHO are applicable to officers and auxiliaries of the ATS for whom the qualifying period referred to in para 1 above will be two years.

19. Officers and auxiliaries of the ATS who so desire may be permitted, provided the ADATS, AMHQ, and the medical authorities are in agreement, to serve overseas continuously for a maximum period of three years. Postponement certificates and medical certificates will be rendered to AMHQ (G4(Ex)) for approval.

20. Officers and auxiliaries of the ATS who desire to take LIIOP or DOMCOL (para 8 and 9 above refer) must be in AGW/Service Release Group J3 or later, or if in earlier AGW/Service Release Group must have deferred their release.

21. Attention is drawn to GHO 263/45 - "Cases of VE under surveillance - Return to United Kingdom".

22. GHOs 661, 695, 994, 1071/44 and 262 and 332/45 are hereby cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1/3/2158/44

G.S.O. C29/45 - Leave to UK - LHM

1. Allotment of Vacancies within Unit

LHM vacancies will in future be allotted within units according to length of continuous service overseas, subject to the exceptions in para 5 below.

2. Allotment of Vacancies within Formations.

In order to achieve uniformity within formations, so that personnel with comparatively short service are not sent on leave in one unit, while in other units personnel with longer service are kept waiting for vacancies, formations will allot vacancies in the following manner:-

- (a) Vacancies will first be allotted in proportion to numbers of men with over 3 years and less than 5½ years service overseas plus those with over 5½ years service who have relinquished Python until all such individuals have been granted vacancies. These personnel will be known as Group 1.
- (b) As soon as Group 1 have been allotted vacancies, the proportional allotment will be made in accordance with numbers of personnel with over 2½ years service and under 3 years, and thereafter in succession to those with over 2 and under 2½ and those with over 1½ and under 2 years continuous overseas service. These groups of personnel will be known as Groups 2, 3 and 4 respectively.

3. Allotment of Vacancies by ARHQ

- (a) A similar system will be followed by this HQ in allotting vacancies to armies and Districts. To enable this to be done, each Army and District and other formation receiving a direct allotment from this HQ will forward a monthly return to reach this HQ by the seventh day of each month showing numbers of eligible men under command on the first day of the month in each of the four groups specified in para 2 above. Monthly allotments will be made by this HQ on the basis of these returns about the tenth of the month.

- (b) As trains will be arranged on the basis of the monthly allotments made three weeks in advance it will not be possible for vacancies to be carried from one Army or District to another by units moving from one to another; except where large numbers are involved and special arrangements can be made. Normally a unit so moving will surrender its vacancies and obtain a new allotment when reaching its destination. Owing to the number of vacancies available, this should not cause hardship. When large movements occur, the Army or District from whose command the movement takes place will send details as soon as possible to G4(2r)A4 in order that allotments can be adjusted.

4. Eligibility

All officers and other ranks of the following categories are eligible for LHM except those made ineligible by para 5 below:-

- (a) British personnel of the British services.

compensatively about service are not sent on leave in the unit, while in other units personnel with longer service are kept waiting for vacancies, formations will allot vacancies in the following manner:-

- (a) Vacancies will first be allotted in proportion to numbers of men with over 3 years and less than 5 1/2 years service overseas plus those with over 3 1/2 years service who have relinquished Python until all such individuals have been granted vacancies. These personnel will be known as Group 1.
- (b) As soon as Group 1 have been allotted vacancies, the proportional allotment will be made in accordance with numbers of personnel with over 2 1/2 years service and under 3 years, and thereafter in succession to those with over 2 and under 2 1/2 and those with over 1 1/2 and under 2 years continuous overseas service. These groups of personnel will be known as Groups 2, 3 and 4 respectively.

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- (a) A similar system will be followed by this HQ in allotting vacancies to Armies and Districts. To enable this to be done, each Army and District and other formation receiving a direct allotment from this HQ will forward a monthly return to reach this HQ by the seventh day of each month showing numbers of eligible men under command on the first day of the month in each of the four groups specified in para 2 above. Monthly allotments will be made by this HQ on the basis of these returns about the tenth of the month.

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4. Eligibility

All officers and other ranks of the following categories are eligible for LLAP except those made ineligible by para 5 below:-

- (a) British personnel of the British service.
- (b) British personnel of Colonial Forces administered by the War Office
- (c) British personnel attached or permanently attached (i.e. those on British rates of pay) to the Indian Army.

5. Disqualifications

The following are ineligible for LLAP:-

- (a) Personnel within six months of Pardon or Release, except as stated in

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para 6 (b) below. The Age/Service Groups which for this purpose are to be considered likely to be released within six months will be notified from time to time. At present, the groups are 1 - 24 for men and 1 - 38 for women, except for certain categories such as full Colonels and above and SOs, whose rate of release is likely to be slower than the normal.

(b) Personnel under suspended sentence unless authorised by Corps or District Commanders.

(c) Personnel with less than eighteen months continuous service overseas (twelve months in the case of members of the Women's Services) and those who have previously had ILAP or similar leave, except as stated in para 6 (b) below. Such personnel are likely to receive leave under different conditions when all entitled to ILAP have had leave.

6. Leave on Compassionate Grounds

(a) COs may give ILAP vacancies to a limited number of eligible men before their turn on the basis of length of service overseas, on reasonable compassionate grounds.

(b) Vacancies may be given by Formation, etc. Commanders on reasonable compassionate or other grounds to personnel ineligible under para 5 (a) and (c) above.

(c) Leave on Compassionate grounds will not normally be granted unless the applicant does not wish to be posted or has been refused posting or is likely to be refused posting.

7. Officers Vacancies

No fixed proportion of vacancies will be allotted to officers. Vacancies will be allotted to all ranks on the basis of eligibility specified above.

8. Period of Leave

The period of leave will in future be 28 days in U.K. starting on the day after leaving the U.K. Transit Camp.

9. Paras 2, 3, 4 and 5 of GPO 1013/44 are cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1(Br)/4327/44

2. Every British Officer and O.R. should be made acquainted with the contents of these GPOs and any requests for further information forwarded to C-1 (H) this Headquarters.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

J.O. HODGSON,

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(c) Personnel with less than eighteen months continuous service overseas (twelve months in the case of members of the Women's Services) and those who have previously had LMP or similar leave, except as stated in para. 6 (b) below. Such personnel are likely to receive leave under different conditions when all entitled to LMP have had leave.

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- 9. Paras 2, 3, 4 and 5 of GNO 1045/44 are cancelled.

(APPLICABLE TO UK TROOPS)

G1(DP)/4327/44

- 2. Every British Officer and O.R. should be made acquainted with the contents of these GNOs and any requests for further information forwarded to G-1 (3) this Headquarters.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 594
C-4 (B)

REFERENCE : C-4B/205/4/C

27 July 1945.

SUBJECT : Compassionate Leave in C.M.F. & M.E.F.

TO : Distribution below

1. There are cases where officers and C.M.s have their wives, fiancées or families in MEF or CMF. Such personnel may apply for leave in MEF or CMF on compassionate grounds.

2. In order to be eligible for leave of this kind an officer or OR must:
(a) Have wife, family or fiancée in the country to which leave is sought, and
(b) have been offered in his turn based on his length of service overseas and have refused in writing, a MEF vacancy.

(c) relinquish in writing all claim to a MEF vacancy for 6 months.

3. Requests for leave in these cases will be put up to this H.Q. They will not be submitted in accordance with GRC 155/45 but will merely give the following information and certificate:-

(a) name and regimental particulars of person asking for leave.

(b) name and address of person to be visited.

(c) Relationship of person to be visited.

(d) Certificate that conditions of para 2 above are satisfied.

4. Leave will be for 25 days.

5. (a) The number of individuals who may be sent to MEF under this scheme is limited by agreement with CMF MEF.

(b) Applications for leave in CMF which comply with the above conditions will normally be granted subject to availability of transport. It is pointed out, however, that living with civilians in CMF other than NORTH AFRICA is forbidden.

6. This leave is compassionate leave and MEF rules as to retention of rank etc will not apply.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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2. In order to be eligible for leave of this kind an officer or OR must:

- (a) Have wife, family or fiancée in the country to which leave is sought, and
- (b) Have been offered in his turn based on his length of service overseas and have refused in writing, a LIAF vacancy.
- (c) Relinquish in writing all claim to a LIAF vacancy for 6 months.

3. Requests for leave in these cases will be put up to this H.Q. They will not be submitted in accordance with GAO 165/45 but will merely give the following information and certificate:-

- (a) name and regimental particulars of person asking for leave.
- (b) name and address of person to be visited.
- (c) Relationship of person to be visited.
- (d) Certificate that conditions of para 2 above are satisfied.

4. Leave will be for 28 days.

5. (a) The number of individuals who may be sent to LIAF under this scheme is limited by agreement with GHO MEF.

(b) Applications for leave in LIAF which comply with the above conditions will normally be granted subject to availability of transport. It is pointed out, however, that living with civilians in LIAF other than NORTH AFRICA is forbidden.

6. This leave is compassionate leave and LIAF rules as to retention of rank etc will not apply.

BY ORDER OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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G-1 (B)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

G-1 (E)

REFERENCE : G-1E/205/1/0

25 July 1945.

SUBJECT : LIAP

TO : Distribution below

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1. This H.Q. letter of even number dated 7 Jul 45 is cancelled in so far as it affects AMC/AC personnel in the field.

2. The following LIAP procedure will be taken into effect forthwith.

(a) For Field Personnel.

H.Q.s Regions and Communes, Livorno Zone and Liaison Officers will, in future, be allocated LIAP vacancies by the Districts and Areas in whose territory they are located. Movement and documentation instructions, will be carried out in accordance with existing policy issued by the District and Area Headquarters concerned. Any applications for Compassionate Leave which have been submitted to this H.Q. can no longer receive consideration and should be dealt with under local arrangements. It is of the utmost importance that this H.Q. be notified immediately an officer or O.R. is granted a LIAP vacancy, and also the date of proceeding on leave. This may be done on A.C. Form R.3 which will be forwarded by the fastest possible means.

(b) For H.Q. Personnel

Vacancies on future LIAP drafts will continue to be allotted to this H.Q. for personnel located within the territorial boundaries of R.A.A.C. Such vacancies will be reallocated on the principle outlined in this H.Q. letter of even number dated 7 Jul 45, but personnel will be placed into one of the following four groups.

- (i) Group 1. Personnel who have between 3 and 3½ years service overseas.
- (ii) Group 2. Personnel who have between 2½ and 3 years service overseas.
- (iii) Group 3. Personnel who have between 2 and 2½ years service overseas.
- (iv) Group 4. Personnel who have between 1½ and 2 years service overseas.

Into Group 1 also fall such personnel who are eligible for PYTHON, but have relinquished their rights to repatriation and have not taken LIAP. The name of any officer and O.R. who falls into this category and who is desirous of LIAP will be forwarded without delay to G-1(E) this H.Q., through the correct channels.

It is the policy to despatch all Group 1 personnel on leave first and then to follow with the other 3 Groups. In this way it will be ensured that every individual will receive a vacancy in turn. Periodical returns will be requested by medium of the Daily Bulletin and it is of the utmost importance that these returns are accurately compiled. Should an individual, who considers himself eligible, not receive a vacancy in turn, application may be submitted

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Into Group 1 also fall such personnel who are eligible for pension, but have relinquished their rights to repatriation and have not taken LIAP. The name of any officer and O.R. who falls into this category and who is desirous of LIAP will be forwarded without delay to G-1(Br) this H.Q., through the correct channels.

It is the policy to despatch all Group 1 personnel on leave first and then to follow with the other 3 Groups. In this way it will be ensured that every individual will receive a vacancy in turn. Periodical returns will be requested by medium of the Daily Bulletin and it is of the utmost importance that these returns are accurately compiled. Should an individual, who considers himself eligible, not receive a vacancy in turn, applications of eligibility have been through the appropriate channels to G-1(Br). Conditions of eligibility have been notified in a previous directive and continue to apply. Documentation and movement will be dealt with (a) in the case of officers by G-1(Br) and (b) for O.Rs by O.C. British Detachment, and will be done in accordance with instructions for Documentation - MEDLOC, copies of which have been forwarded to O.C. British Detachment under separate cover. All leave travel will, in future, be by overland route the code name of which is MEDLOC.

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3. The only personnel of Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission who will receive LIAP vacancies from this H.Q. are those located in the territorial boundaries of R.A.A.C. Others will be dealt with in accordance with para 2 (a) above.

4. The attention of all ranks is directed to G.R.O. 824/45 which outlines the LIAP Scheme in detail.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE



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Lt. Colonel,
G-1(E)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1 (B)

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21 July 1945.

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

SUBJECT : PYTHON

TO : Distribution below

1. The reduction in qualifying service for PYTHON has produced a large backlog which cannot be cleared immediately.

2. It is not possible at present to make firm promises, but provided the latest movement forecasts are fulfilled and there are no major breakdowns in the proposed rail and air lifts, the following figures are given as a guide for the future movement of PYTHON personnel:-

August	15,000
September	11,000
October	5,000

3. The effect of this will be that everyone due for PYTHON by the end of September, including the total backlog due to shortening of overseas period, should have left for UK by 30 September, and that everyone due for PYTHON during the period October - December should have left for UK by 31 October.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

Sir J.E.T. KITCHIE Bt.
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO 394

C-1 (5)

REFERENCE : C-1E/205/1/3

10 July 1945.

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SUBJECT : Compassionate Leave/Posting
to the Channel Islands

TO : Distribution below.

1. Compassionate leave on a limited scale is now open to JERSEY and GUERNSEY but not yet to ALDERNEY; leave can only be granted ex UK and this means that personnel in this theatre must first be reverted to Home Establishment except as provided below.

2. Compassionate posting to UK, where the object is to obtain a period of compassionate leave in JERSEY or GUERNSEY, will be authorised by AFHQ in cases where the grounds are such as would obtain a compassionate posting to UK under the terms of GHO 165 of 1945 had the application been one for compassionate posting to UK. Long absence from the CHANNEL ISLANDS by itself is not considered to be sufficient hardship.

3. Personnel returning to UK on LILOP or normal leave and who have grounds for a grant of compassionate leave in the CHANNEL ISLANDS may make application to the War Office for such leave but, to avoid accumulation of individuals awaiting passages, should not be despatched to UK on normal leave out of turn solely for the purpose of visiting the CHANNEL ISLANDS.

4. LILOP, normal leave and compassionate reversion cases should on arrival in UK make detailed application to the War Office, Whitehall, London S.W.1 submitting full particulars and an address in the islands where enquiries can be made.

5. Application for compassionate reversion to UK in cases of this nature will be submitted in the form prescribed by GHO 165 of 1945 and should be accompanied by supporting evidence and in this connection attention is invited to GHO 707 of 1944.

6. A War Office ruling as to whether personnel domiciled in the CHANNEL ISLANDS are eligible for DCMOL under GHO 505 of 1945 has been requested.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE St.
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9 JUL 1945

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C-1 (E)

REFERENCE : C-1B/205/1/0

7 JULY 1945.

SUBJECT : LIAP

TO : Distribution below

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4. Nominees are selected primarily by length of service, a nominal roll of both officers and C.Rs being maintained for this purpose. Due to the increased number of new personnel joining the Commission, these rolls are becoming increasingly difficult to maintain with complete accuracy, and to ensure an absolutely fair allocation of LIAP vacancies it will be necessary to request periodical nominal rolls of officers and C.Rs with dates of embarkation for different periods. This will be done by means of the Daily Bulletin. The nominal rolls should only include eligible personnel who are available and desire LIAP. This method will obviate the necessity of this HQ having to confirm these two points, prevent the consequent loss of time and the necessity of having to reallocate the vacancy.

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(b) All ranks will carry mosquito nets which will be handed in at the Reception Camp and re-issued on return.

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 - (a) British personnel of the British Service
 - (b) British personnel of the Colonial Forces administered by War Office.
 - (c) British personnel attached or permanently attached (i.e. those on British rates of pay) to the Indian Army.
7. Personnel who come within the following categories, however, disqualify for consideration when allotments are made:-
 - (a) Personnel within 6 months of PUTION, i.e. personnel with 3 1/2 years or more overseas service.

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(b) Personnel within 6 months of Release. It is ruled at present that this will apply to those in Age/Service Groups 1 - 24 inclusive. Individuals within Groups 1 - 24 who have volunteered to serve on for a period not less than 12 months or who for any other reason will not be released with their Groups are however eligible.

(c) Soldiers under suspended sentence unless special authority has been obtained.

(d) Personnel who have less than 18 months continuous service overseas and those who have already had leave to U.K. In the case of Womens Services, the minimum is 12 months.

It is now possible to consider compassionate cases for LIAP, but applicants must have either been refused or are not desirous of a compassionate posting. It must be borne in mind that LIAP is primarily a reward for good service and careful consideration should be given to all applications for compassionate leave before submission to this HQ.

Conditions enumerated in paras 6, 7 and 8 above are also applicable to AIR LIAP and should be read in conjunction with this HQ letter of even number dated 2 July 1945.

It is again pointed out that the above is subject to alteration, particularly in relation to the introduction of ROAD LIAP for personnel of this formation, and advice will be given as soon as AFHQ policy is known.

BY ORDER OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1(B)

3 July 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

SUBJECT : PYTHON

TO : Distribution Below

Para 5 of this H.Q. letter of even number dated 13 June 45 is amended as follows.

Delete "later than 27" and insert "Groups 27 and later".

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
G-1(B)

2 July 1945

REFERENCE : G-4B/205/1/0

SUBJECT : AIR LIAP - British Officers

TO : Distribution Below

1. One Air LIAP vacancy is now allotted to this formation each month. Officers not below the rank of Lt. Colonel are eligible providing they qualify for LIAP.
2. Special attention is drawn to the fact that officers within 6 months of PYTHON are not eligible. To ensure uniformity it will (for LIAP purposes alone) be taken that only groups 1-17 will be released within six months, and therefore officers in those Age and Service Groups are not eligible unless they have volunteered for service for a minimum period of 12 months after the release of their Age and Service Group.
3. Nominees are selected primarily by length of service overseas and a complete nominal roll is maintained for this purpose. Instructions will be issued for the selected officer to report to this H.Q. to collect relevant documents before onward transmission to the assembly point.
4. Attached are consolidated Admin Instructions for Air LIAP which are forwarded for the information of all concerned.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE


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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR AIR LIAP

1. SUMMATION

- (a) Air LIAP vacancies at present number 12 per week. These are allotted weekly to Armies etc in proportion to their numbers of eligible officers.
- (b) Vacancies may be given only to officers of the rank of Lt Col and above. They should normally be allotted in accordance with length of service overseas, but Commanders of formations to which allotment is made by this HQ may give priority to officers of shorter service in special cases.
- (c) Vacancies will not be given (except as in sub-para (e) below) to officers who are ineligible for LIAP. Special attention is drawn to the rules making ineligible those within a certain period of FIMON or release.
- (d) Vacancies will not be given on compassionate grounds.
- (e) Officers of the Indian Army, and British Service Officers attached or permanently attached Indian Army, are eligible.
- (f) Air LIAP vacancies do not count against the LIAP quota.

2. PERIOD OF LEAVE

The period of leave will be 28 days in the UK unless they cannot be spared for so long.

3. TRAVEL

- (a) Number of vacancies allotted and dates of travel will be signalled weekly to Armies etc in respect of the week beginning the following Thursday.
- (b) Armies etc will at once inform this HQ by signal of the names of the officers given vacancies, giving the following particulars:-

- (i) Personal number.
- (ii) First Christian name.
- (iii) Initials.
- (iv) Surname.
- (v) Arm of Service or Regiment.
- (vi) Next of kin.
- (vii) Address of next of kin.
- (viii) Appointment held.

- (c) All travel orders and requests for air passage will be initiated at this HQ, and passed to A.P.B. Officer, LATS Building, 7 Piazza Vittorio, NAPLES, or Standard Oil Building, Boulevard Victor Hugo, ALGERIA as necessary. (This does not apply in the case of HQ ITC).

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(d) Officers given vacancies will proceed on the day stated to the appropriate LAMS Building, where they will collect their air ticket and travel orders from the A.P.B. Officer.

4. RANK AND APPOINTMENTS

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(a) If the officer returns to his unit within 21 days he retains his rank and appointment throughout.

(b) If he is absent from his unit for more than 21 days the rules in the LIAP Administrative Instructions apply. Casualty reports for such promotions will not be rendered until 22nd day of leave absence.

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5. DOCUMENTATION

Casualties will be rendered in the normal manner and worded as follows:-

- (a) Lt Col..... proceeded on AIR LIAP wef.....
- (b) Lt Col..... returned from AIR LIAP wef

6. CENSORSHIP

No mail or parcels will be carried except under the conditions laid down in the Appendix to GRO 99/44.

7. IDENTIFICATION

Officers will carry their AF D459 and their identity document or card. Two extra photographs are NOT required.

8. CLOTHING COUPONS

Clothing coupons may be obtained by addressing an application in writing to the War Office, 037.

9. PETROL

Enquiries regarding petrol should be addressed to the nearest TA Association in the U.K.

10. REPORTING

- (a) The names of all officers proceeding on AIR LIAP will be notified in advance to JCS Branch AFHQ.
- (b) On arrival in the UK officers should report their presence in writing to the War Office.
 - (i) Substantive Colonels, Brigadiers and Generals..... ISIA.
 - (ii) All other officers..... appropriate personnel Branch.

11. RETURN PASSAGES

To ensure that they secure a return passage by air officers will submit their passage application in writing to the War Office immediately on arrival. The application will state that they are on 'AIR LIAP' and must be accompanied by one of the five copies of the AFHQ travel order.

12. INDIAN ARMY

The foregoing regulations are framed to meet the needs of British Army officers. Any additional requirements of Indian Army officers will be notified direct to the formation concerned.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 324
G-1(B)

16 June 1945

REFERENCE : G-1B/205/1/0

SUBJECT : PYTHON

TO : Distribution Below

Reference this HQ letter of even number dated 13 June 45.

It is emphasized that only personnel who return to UK under PYTHON and are subsequently posted to N.W. Europe receive 6 weeks leave. Other personnel will receive only 4 weeks repatriation leave.

BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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Sir J.E.T. RITCHIE Bt.
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REFERENCE : C-1B/205/1/0

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: Distribution below

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2. The minimum period in U.K. will be reduced from the present 5 months to the period of leave only, which will be a minimum of 6 weeks consisting of 4 weeks restriction leave and 2 weeks exarbitration leave. This rule will take effect for those arriving in U.K. on or after 1 Aug 45. Subsequent overseas posting remains limited to N.W. Europe only.

3. Implementation of the reduced qualifying period will be made as soon as possible, the present snipping position being under review by War Office.

4. In view of the recent publication in the 'UNION JACK' the contents of para 3 above will be brought to the attention of all officers and C.O.s, who should be informed that owing to the large numbers involved, slight delays may be unavoidable.

ILICP will only be granted to personnel in Age and Service Groups 5, ~~6 and 7~~ 6 and later or earlier groups if release deferred for one year or more. Authorization already issued for personnel of earlier Age Service Group to proceed on ILICP will stand.

The necessary amendments to G.R.Os will be published in due course.

BY COMMAND OF THE ADMIRAL STONE

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1. The qualifying period of PRISON is now reduced to 4 years service overseas.
2. The minimum period in U.K. will be reduced from the present 3 months to the period of leave only, which will be a minimum of 6 weeks continuous or 4 weeks reprobation leave and 2 weeks embarkation leave. This rule will take effect for those arriving in U.K. on or after 1 Aug 45. Subsequent overseas posting remains limited to N.W. Europe only.

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Groups 27 and 28
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BY COMMAND OF REAR ADMIRAL STONE

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