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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

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Serial No. 55 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 8 Dec 45

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4. The following conditions apply to candidates now made eligible by para 2 above:

(a) If in regimental employment:—

(i) Must have had at least two years' commissioned service on full pay in this war including at least one years' outstanding service in Regimental employment.

(ii) Must have attained the paid rank of Major.

(iii) Must be recommended by CO Brigade, Division and Corps Commanders, Army Commanders and/or C-in-C.

(iv) Interview by Regular Commission and Selection Board not required.

(v) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

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(iii) Must be recommended by CO Bde, Div, and Corps Commanders, Army Commander and/or C-in-C, and each recommendation must be endorsed by an officer of the appropriate Technical Army (as well as being the Formation Commander).

(iv) Interview by Regular Commissions and Selection Board not required, but officers of RAOC and REME, Pnr Corps or General List who apply, must give choice and be

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prepared to serve in [redacted] other of the following:—

Household Cavalry, RAC, RA, RE, RASC, R Signals, Foot Guards, Infantry, in which case two choices of Regiment may be given.

(v) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

5. The names of officers recommended as in para 4 (a) (iii) and 4 (b) (iii) will be included in the War Office register, from which selections will be made to fill the vacancies.

6. Officers selected from the register by the War Office will receive permanent commissions under the following conditions:—

(a) Seniority in Regular Army will be as a 2/Lt from 23rd birthday (Lt as from 25th birthday in the case of RAOC and REME) irrespective of length of service actually rendered. Time elapsed since date of seniority will count for time promotion and increments of pay, but not for retired pay. Any seniority in excess of that which would be due if reckoned as ACIs 1696/42 and 224/42, will not be taken into account when calculating age for eligibility to apply for permanent commission.

(b) Retired pay will be assessed on service actually rendered. Normal Pay Warrant conditions will apply except that a reduction of £20 will be made for each year by which officer's age on first appointment to commission exceeds 27.

(c) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

7. All officers eligible are urged to apply early. Their attention is drawn particularly to the benefits of para 6. Applications by candidates referred to in para 3 will continue to be dealt with as hitherto, but applications by those referred to in para 1 will not be forwarded above Div of equivalent HQ pending further instructions. Vacancies for later class are limited and primary consideration for both classes is the candidate's suitability to take place in the Regular Army as if his commission dated from 23rd birthday (25th for RAOC and REME). Pending further instructions, CMF Form 74 (in quadruplicate) will be used for applications, and SP Form 72 (WOSB) for detailed report on candidate by OC or superior commander.

8. Officers granted permanent commissions are assured that although earmarked for employment in Technical Staff Appointments, they will not for this reason be debarred from General Service on Staff or Regimentally.

9. For reference purposes officers applying under 4 (a) above will endorse their applications as Scheme "A" and those applying under 4 (b) above will endorse their applications as Scheme "B".

10. Applications if recommended, will be endorsed with reference to War Office Signal WO 20643 dated 11 Oct 45, and forwarded through the usual channels to War Office, MS 2 (C).

G1/8A

799—REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONS

Attention of all units is drawn to GRO 1247/45 and the supplement thereto.

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to G1(Br) this HQ [redacted] the case of moral leadership courses.

4. Names and Units of all ordination candidates who wish to avail themselves of this valuable opportunity for study should be submitted to this HQ as soon as possible. Candidates should be ready to fill vacancies allotted at short notice.

(To be repeated in unit orders.)

G1/18A

801—CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS ON OFFICERS

1. The attention of all officers is directed to ACI 1183/45 (which will shortly be available) reinstituting annual confidential reports on Regular Army officers and certain non-regular officers who are likely to serve for a further year.

2. It should be noted that all reports on AFs B2077 and B2078 will be initialled by the officer reported on. If any officers of the categories mentioned in para 2 (a), (b) or (c) of the ACI and para 3 of this CRO have not initialled a report on them by 14 Jan 46 they should draw their CO's attention to the fact.

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4. Reports on non-regular officers will be endorsed with their release age/service group showing any deferment authorized or applied for *eg*, age/service group 19 (DVI) or age/service group 22 (applied DV-GD).

5. Initiating officers will prepare the 1945 reports in triplicate, unless instructed otherwise, so that one copy may be retained by the unit, the second copy will be retained by GHQ and the original forwarded to War Office.

6. Reports will be despatched so as to reach GHQ as early as possible, certainly not later than 7 Feb 45.

7. The use of AF B194D will not be discontinued in this theatre, until further notice. This form will continue to be used in lieu of manuscript reports for the purpose stated in para 9 of ACI 1183/45.

8. Only AFs B2077, B2078, B194D and B194E as issued by Printing and Stationery Service will be used. The use of substitute forms will be avoided.

G1(Br)/21 AGEN

802—LEAVE TO UK, BRITISH PERSONNEL. COMPLEMENTARY LEAVE FOR WIVES

Attention is drawn to GRO 1258/45.

G1/22A2/POL/Y

803—RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC AND REGIMENTAL MONEY

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800—ORDINATION CANDIDATES COURSES AT FORMATION COLLEGE, CMF

1. Notification has been received from Deputy Chaplain-General, CMF, that the Formation College has offered to hold intensive courses for ordination candidates, the main subject of the course being New Testament Greek. Other subjects will be chosen from those required for Matriculation.

2. The duration of the course will be four weeks, and the date of assembly for the first course will probably be 5 Jan 46.

3. The course will be for candidates of all denominations and names of candidates will be forwarded

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Attention is drawn to GRO 1258/45.

G1/22A2/POL/Y

803—RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC AND REGIMENTAL MONEY

GRO 1256/45 is repeated for compliance:—

"A number of cases have occurred in which money of public and regimental funds has been stolen because the cash box, cupboard or drawer in which it was placed has been kept in a room which remained unoccupied for considerable periods, especially at night.

Officers who hold public and regimental funds are responsible for the safeguarding of money of those funds, and the fact that a safe is not provided does not in any way relieve officers of this responsibility. Balances of cash should never be retained unless unavoidable. If it is essential that some cash should be held, the amount should be as small as possible. Where a cash balance is held and no safe is available, it must be

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kept in a properly secured box, which in turn must be handed to the custody of a guard every time there is a possibility of it being left unattended, particularly at night. To have a soldier sleeping in an office in which cash is kept has not proved to be an adequate safeguard, since the occupant may occasionally leave the office untenanted.

Failure to take adequate steps to safeguard public and regimental money renders the officer responsible for its safe custody liable to make good any loss occasioned by his negligence."

G1/23A

804—MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS ON RECEIPT OF POSTING ORDERS

GRO 1262/45 is repeated for compliance:—

"1. The attention of all formation and unit commanders is directed to GRO 754/44, which is a republication of ACI 386/41.

2. Cases are still frequently occurring of delay in executive action being taken after receipt of posting orders from this GHQ.

3. In the majority of cases the delay is caused by the retention of officers whilst application is being made by formations or units for reconsideration or cancellation of the posting.

4. It is emphasized that all posting orders are issued only after careful consideration, having regard to the over-all theatre requirements and priorities as known at this GHQ. The non-arrival, therefore, of an officer at his new unit is bound to have a detrimental effect on that unit.

5. Delay in compliance with posting instructions also frequently reacts unfairly on the officer concerned, who has subsequently to be ordered to his new appointment at short notice. Moreover, where a posting order involves either promotion or an appointment carrying additional pay, any delay may result in a substantial financial loss to the officer in question.

6. Formation and unit commanders who are made responsible in posting orders for arranging movement will at all times ensure that officers are despatched to their new units with the minimum delay and that their estimated time of arrival is notified to all concerned.

7. Where, for any reason, immediate movement is not possible, *ie*, in cases of illness or similar unavoidable circumstances, this GHQ will be notified by signal immediately and a report stating full reasons will be submitted through staff channels, including estimated date of movement.

8. Formation headquarters will review all delay reports received by them under para 7 above, and if it appears that the report is incomplete or that there is insufficient justification for the officer's delay in despatch, an immediate investigation will be made and a full report submitted as soon as possible to this GHQ."

G1/29A7

807—INDIAN ARMY HOTEL AND YMCA, ROME

It is notified for information that the SAN REMO Indian Army Officers' Hotel, ROME, and the Indian YMCA, Casina delle Rose, ROME, will close with effect from 1 Dec 45 and 15 Dec 45 respectively.

G1/44A1

808—WELFARE

1. A great many men who return to the UK on leave have domestic problems. They are inclined to shelve these until the end of their leave. As a result the camp commandants at transit camps in the UK are inundated with enquiries. These queries could have been handled far more satisfactorily if they had been raised with the local Welfare Officer during the leave.

2. OsC units are responsible for bringing the following to the notice of all troops proceeding on leave to the UK:—

(a) It is in the man's interest to make as early an application for help as possible. Such application should be made to his local Welfare Officer.

(b) Application for extension of leave on compassionate grounds should be submitted to the nearest military unit.

G1(Br)/47A

809—HILL-CLIMBING AT "A" BRITISH REST CENTRE

1. All personnel taking leave at "A" British Rest Centre will *invariably* report to the Commandant of the Rest Centre the following details of any projected Hill-Climbing Expedition:—

(a) The objective and the approximate route.

(b) Time of departure from the Rest Centre.

(c) Estimated time of return.

2. The above details are required in case of accidents, when it may be necessary to send out a rescue party.

G1/47A14

810—CLASS "B" RELEASE—STUDENTS

GRO 1254/45 is repeated in full:—

"1. Release under Class "B" is being offered to a limited number of students in order that they may begin or continue their courses in the near future.

2. Such offers are limited to students of the following types who fulfil the conditions shown below and are in age/service groups 1 to 49:—

(a) Art Students. Must have attained scholarship standard.

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G1/29A7

805—REPATRIATION OF FOREIGN-BORN FAMILIES OF SERVICE PERSONNEL

Attention is drawn to GRO 1260/45 and the "Notice Board Information" issued therewith.

G1/33A1

806—PROVISION OF PERSONNEL FOR SERVICE IN ALL THEATRES WITH EFI (NAAFI)

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(d) Medical, Dental and Veterinary Students. Must have given up the reservation to which they were entitled, in order to join the Army, and have joined before the present conditions of reservation were in operation and would have been reserved had these conditions then been in force.

No other classes of students will be released out of turn.

3. No application for release under Class "B" may be made by individuals through military channels. The university, school or Church authorities concerned will forward their list of nominees to the War Office through the Ministry

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of Labour. Releases are only granted on the authority of the War Office in accordance with the normal regulations for Class "B" Release.

4. Enquiries from individuals should be made to the university, school or Church authorities concerned."

G1(56A/Y)

811—RELEASE—TESTIMONIALS

1. A considerable number of postings and attachments to new units of other ranks serving in this theatre are being carried out at this time. In many cases the individuals so posted or attached are in early age/service groups and the OC of the new unit has difficulty in making a fair assessment of character of the testimonial in AB X801.

2. In future, therefore, when a man is posted or attached away from a unit a testimonial will be prepared on an ordinary sheet of paper, and will be attached to the AF B122 of the soldier concerned, in order that, if necessary, the OC of the unit to which the man has been despatched will have some basis for his testimonial.

G1/56A

812—FINANCIAL CONTROL OF EXPENDITURE ON WORKS SERVICES

1. It is necessary to review the situation regarding civilian maintenance parties permanently employed by units in the light of the more stringent financial control of engineer services now in force in this theatre.

2. In future the work done by these parties is to be costed and accounted for by RE, and their activities must therefore be brought more closely under Engineer control.

3. All existing authorities for the employment of civilians by units for maintenance and minor Engineer Works services will terminate on 15 Dec 45.

4. Units desiring to employ such civilians after that date should submit their proposals to 104 CRE Works for consideration by 7 Dec 45. On the basis of proposals received, recommendations will be made if the continued employment of civilians at certain installations is deemed absolutely necessary.

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813—FINANCIAL CONTROL OF ENGINEER WORKS SERVICES

3 District Routine Order No. 226/45, subject as above, is repeated below for strict compliance by all units:—

"1. The system of financial control laid down by the War Office requires a monthly statement to be rendered of expenditure incurred on all Works Services, however performed.

2. Works Services performed by RE personnel are accounted for by the appropriate Works Authority, but the following procedure will be

Roll total actually paid out to these employees will be abstracted by the unit and forwarded to the DCRE at the end of each fortnightly period.

(d) A certificate will be prepared by the DCRE certifying the item or items of Vote 10W against which the expenditure is properly chargeable and this will be returned to the unit for attachment to the top sheet of the Muster Roll prior to submission to Command Paymaster.

3. Payment and provision of mid-shift meal for such civilians will remain the responsibility of the employing authority.

4. No work for which either Civil or Cash expediture is chargeable against Vote 10W will be put in hand by units until financial and administrative approval has first been obtained."

In the case of Units under command of Rome Area Allied Command, the return referred to in para 2(b) of the DRO will be rendered to:

DCRE 362 Works Section RE
Address: Via Pareo Pepoli, 17
Telephone: ROME 588414.

The first return, in respect of Nov 45, will reach him by 2 Dec 45.

G4(Br)/Q171/4

814—RATION INDENTS

1. GRO 1242/45 is repeated below for the attention of all Units:—

"1. When male and female personnel are messed together and consequently rations for the females are drawn at the scale applicable to males in accordance with ACI 963/42, a separate note will be made on the ration indent to show the number of females for whom rations at the scale applicable to males are being drawn.

2. The scale of extras (cigarettes and matches) for females drawing rations in accordance with para 1 above will be that applicable to the Women's Services."

G4(Br)/Q191

815—BEER—RETURN OF EMPTY CONTAINERS

1. GRO 1226/45 is repeated below for attention by all Units:—

"1. In the near future the supply of beer in this theatre will probably be entirely from local production. It is hoped that it will soon be possible to increase the ration to three large bottles per week.

2. Distribution however is being seriously prejudiced by a shortage of bottles. When beer imports cease EFI will be completely dependent on the return of empty bottles from units in order to maintain distribution. It is realized that a certain wastage due to breakage is unavoidable, but figures as high as 25% which have recently come to light cannot be justified.

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"1. The system of financial control laid down by the War Office requires a monthly statement to be rendered of expenditure incurred on all Works Services, however performed.

2. Works Services performed by RE personnel are accounted for by the appropriate Works Authority, but the following procedure will be adopted wef 1 Nov 45 in cases where units carry out work themselves with stores drawn from RE sources:—

(a) Units will maintain accurate daily records of all types of labour engaged on the work, in the following separate categories:

(i) British Military labour

(ii) Italian Military and Italian Civilian Labour

(iii) All other Military and PW labour.

(b) These records will be consolidated by the unit concerned and submitted to the appropriate DCRE by the 2nd of each month.

(c) Where civilian labour engaged by the unit is employed on works, the proportion of the Muster

In the case of Units under command of Rome Area Allied Command, the return referred to in para 2(b) of the DRO will be rendered to:

DCRE 362 Works Section RE
Address: Via Parco Pepoli, 17
Telephone: ROME 588414.

The first return, in respect of Nov 45, will reach him by 2 Dec 45.

G4(Br)/Q171/4

814—RATION INDENTS

1. GRO 1242/45 is repeated below for the attention of all Units:—

"1. When male and female personnel are messed together and consequently rations for the females are drawn at the scale applicable to males in accordance with ACI 963/42, a separate note will be made on the ration indent to show the number of females for whom rations at the scale applicable to males are being drawn.

2. The scale of extras (cigarettes and matches) for females drawing rations in accordance with para 1 above will be that applicable to the Women's Services."

G4(Br)/Q191

815—BEER—RETURN OF EMPTY CONTAINERS

1. GRO 1226/45 is repeated below for attention by all Units:—

"1. In the near future the supply of beer in this theatre will probably be entirely from local production. It is hoped that it will soon be possible to increase the ration to three large bottles per week.

2. Distribution however is being seriously prejudiced by a shortage of bottles. When beer imports cease EFI will be completely dependent on the return of empty bottles from units in order to maintain distribution. It is realized that a certain wastage due to breakage is unavoidable, but figures as high as 25% which have recently come to light cannot be justified.

3. In order to assist production the utmost cooperation of all ranks is required in the following:

(a) Avoiding unnecessary breakage.

(b) Collecting and returning all spare beer bottles to BISs.

(c) Taking necessary action to prevent misuse of bottles, eg, sale to civilians etc.

ALL beer bottles are returnable even though marked in some cases "Not to be returned" or "Not to be refilled."

4. The following system for issue and return of beer bottles and cases will be enforced:

(a) Issues from EFI will be on a bottle for bottle and case for case basis.

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(b) A MAXIMUM allowance of 3% for wastage will be made by EFI.

(c) Where, owing to an increase in strength, a unit's indent exceeds the number of bottles drawn at the previous issue, indents will be endorsed accordingly and signed by an officer. In the event of a decrease in strength, units will return all surplus bottles and cases and draw only the amount to which their strength entitles them.

(d) When a formation or unit moves it will hand in all bottles and cases, to the BIS at its old location and obtain the following certificate signed by the NCO in charge:

"Certified that ..... bottles and ..... cases were handed in by ..... (Unit) ..... to No. ..... BIS".

This certificate will then be handed in to the BIS at the new location where beer issued will be governed by sub paras (a) (b) and (c) above.

5. Unless these instructions are strictly enforced there will be a breakdown in distribution. CEFI will report details to GHQ CMF of any areas where excessive wastage of bottles occurs.

6. Paras 1-4 of this GRO will be repeated in unit orders.

7. GRO 1059/44 is *cancelled*.

(Applicable to all troops.)"

G4(Br)/Q193

816—EFI ISSUES TO TROOPS IN TRANSIT

1. GRO 1243/45 is repeated below for the attention of all units:—

"1. In order that troops in transit should not lose a week's EFI rations through not being with their unit on the day of issue, the despatching unit will endorse the date of the last issue of EFI rations on the Movement Order or Last Ration Certificate referred to in GRO 280/44.

This endorsement will take the following form:

"Certified that last issue of EFI supplies to..... ..... was for the week commencing.....".

2. Transit personnel resident in transit hotels, camps, etc, may receive the then current issue of EFI supplies provided that:

(a) They have arrived from outside the theatre by sea, or

(b) The day of issue is in the period of the week subsequent to that of the last issue as indicated in the endorsement referred to in para 1 above, or

(c) They have been resident in the hotel, camp, etc, for a full week.

3. In order to meet the requirements of transients, transit camps, hotels and similar units regularly receiving and despatching large numbers of personnel are authorised to hold a reserve of EFI supplies not exceeding one week's ration (including items issued monthly) for 25% of their personnel holding capacity.

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to constituting a potential source of danger to other postal traffic, this involves a wastage of shipping space and money.

2. With the approach of Christmas a considerable increase in fruit parcel traffic must be expected and all packages containing fruit will be wrapped in at least one layer of stout paper and will be tied along their length and breadth with at least two strands of strong string. (Instructions governing the packing of fruit parcels are contained in GRO 395/45).

3. Army Post Offices have instructions to refuse any package which is not considered to have been adequately packed. Henceforth these instructions will be applied more rigorously as otherwise UK Postal Authorities may be forced to stop all forms of fruit parcel traffic.

4. This fact will be brought to the notice of all troops.

G4/Q193

818—CHRISTMAS FARE—1945

Reference Area Routine Order 774/45.

1. The following amendments to EFI arrangments are notified.

2. EFI will not be able to provide any fresh turkey; it is possible however that there may be an increased availability of tinned turkey. Attention is drawn to the price quoted of 6/6 lb(net). Prices of other commodities were quoted gross and the equivalent for canned turkey is 7/2½d.

3. Prices are now quoted for the undermentioned items:

Nuts - - - -	2/6 per lb
Oranges - - -	9d. per lb

G4/Q194

819—ISSUE OF WD RATIONS TO ITALIAN CIVILIANS

1. Attention of all Units is drawn to GRO 1266/45 and in particular to paragraph 8 (a).

2. In no circumstances will the Field Service Ration Scale be drawn for consumption by civilian employees when the number of such employees exceeds twenty in any one unit or establishment.

G4(Br)/Q241/5

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5. This order will not be interpreted to alter MEDLOC instructions already in force.

6. GROs 378/45 and 691/45 are hereby *cancelled.*"

G4(Br)/Q193

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2. OsC Transit Camps will ensure that ALL personnel are in possession of two blankets before proceeding on rail journeys necessitating night travel. Authority for issue of blankets to personnel returning from UK by air is contained in GRO 1144/45.

3. To minimize loss, OsC Transit Camp will ensure that a full and accurate record is maintained of all issues of blankets to transit personnel. Personnel will be required to produce clearance certificate from CQMS stores at Transit Camps before being allowed to proceed. Where personnel return to units NOT in possession of two blankets in cases where issue in accordance with para 2 above should have been made, OsC units will refer to OC Transit Camp concerned and take such disciplinary action as may subsequently prove necessary.

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821—BATTLEDRESS

1. GRO 1231/45 is repeated below for attention by all Units:—

"1. In order to improve the standard of turnout of British Troops, authority is given for retention of a part-worn suit of battledress when a new suit becomes necessary.

2. When a new suit of battledress is issued, it will be kept as the "best suit" and reserved for appropriate occasions in order that a high standard of appearance may be maintained.

3. This order will not be taken as authority for bulk intending for a second suit of battledress per man

4. The conditions of GRO 849/45 will still be observed, particularly regarding condemnation of battledress."

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822—CIVILIAN LABOUR

Attention of all Allied Units employing civilian labour is directed to the terms of this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 22 dated 27 Nov 45, distribution of which is now being effected.

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J. A. H. BANKS.
Lt Col, AA & QMG.

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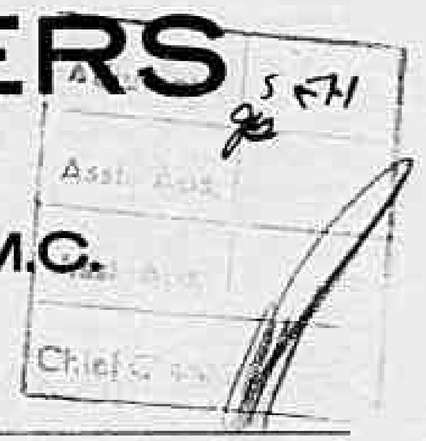

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G3/104

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G3/111

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G1/23A

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G1/14A5

785—CORTINA WINTER SPORTS CENTRE

CORTINA D'AMPEZZO (MR B/5773) is out of bounds to all ranks other than those allotted leave vacancies at CORTINA winter sports centre and those in CORTINA on duty. All personnel visiting CORTINA will be in possession of a leave or duty pass.

Transit personnel will not stay overnight or stage in CORTINA unless in possession of a pass signed by an officer of the rank of Brigadier or higher.

(This order is applicable to all Polish personnel.)

G1/14A8

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G1/26A4

787—TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS—ITALIAN CHILDREN

1. Several accidents have occurred recently in which Italian children have run out from the side of the road and collided with WD vehicles; in several of these cases there have been fatal results; in several cases inquiry has shown that the drivers were driving reasonably carefully and has exonerated them from blame.

2. These cases serve to illustrate the unpredictable action which Italian children may take on the roads, and emphasize the necessity for more than usual care when driving in places where children are seen to be playing.

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788—AQUILA REST CENTRE

1. The Anglo-American Recreational Centre at AQUILA is now closed, and "A" British Rest Centre has opened in its place.

2. The object of this Rest Centre is primarily to provide winter sports facilities for officers and other ranks.

3. No firm allotment of vacancies will be made to units. Units requiring vacancies will submit their requirements direct to OC Rest Centre by signal. The longest possible notice will be given, and in any case not less than five days.

4. Facilities available will include ski-ing, ice-skating and riding.

G1/47A14/Y

789—UNIT POL ACCOUNTING

1. Attention of all OsC units is drawn to GRO 1204/45 for strict compliance.

2. DADST RAAC will appoint a representative to visit units and inspect unit POL accounts and unit storage facilities. OsC units will give DADST's representative every facility.

3. The primary intention of these visits is to assist OsC units in effecting petrol economy and maintaining accurate accounts.

4. Inspections provided for in para 2 above are a local arrangement only and are additional to inspections carried out by GHQ Petrol Inspectorate and other agencies.

G4(Br Sec)Q113

790—MEDAL RIBBON—DEFENCE

1. A very limited supply of Defence Medal Ribbon is now available.

2. Issue will be restricted to entitled personnel being repatriated and released and demands may be submitted to the Office of ADOS HQ RAAC forthwith.

3. The scale of issue is 1" (one inch) per man.

4. OsC units are requested to ensure that issue is made only to those who qualify under the terms of ACI 829/45.

5. Notification will be given when stocks permit of a general issue to all qualified personnel.

OS/100/27

791—VACCINATION BEFORE LEAVING THIS THEATRE

1. It is essential that steps be taken to ensure that all personnel proceeding to UK, Dominions and British Colonies are fully protected against smallpox before proceeding to transit camps.

2. OsC units will arrange with medical officers to check entries in AB 64 with appearance of vaccination scars. All doubtful or unprotected cases must be successfully vaccinated or proved immune by three unsuccessful vaccinations.

3. Vaccination states of all units must be made as complete as possible.

(Med(Br)435)

793—CIVILIAN LABOUR—STRENGTH RETURNS. (Applicable to all Units except U.S.)

1. The following revised instructions are published for information and compliance.

2. All units employing civilian labour will render to 2902 Civil Labour Unit by 1700 hrs. on Friday of each week, a return of the numbers of civilians employed in each of the following grades as on the preceding day:-

(a)	Clerical & Supervisory	(M) Excluding Interpreters
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(f)	Artisans	(F)
(g)	Miscellaneous Skilled	(M)
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(i)	Unskilled Labour	(M)
(j)	Unskilled Labour	(F)
(k)	Juvenile	(M)
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(m)	Grand Total	

3. Returns will be addressed to:

2902 Civil Labour Unit, No. 26 Viale Africa, ROME; or the information may be telephoned to the Statistics Office, Telephone No. 588462.

4. OsC units are responsible for ensuring the prompt rendition of this return.

5. R.A.A.C. Routine Order 596 dated 28 Jun 45 is hereby *cancelled*.

CLG/10 LAB

794—CIVILIAN LABOUR—AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 48

Attention of all employing units is directed to relevant extracts from AFHQ Administrative memorandum No. 48 dated 2 Nov 45 and contained in this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 21, dated 13 Nov 45, distribution of which is now being effected to all concerned.

Lab/637

795—SHOWER BATH FACILITIES

Reference Area Routine Order No. 196/44.

Units are reminded that hot showers are available at

9-11 Via Feruccio, ROME.

Map ref: 758667.

Units will apply to Town Major, 59 Piazza Dell' Esedra, for allocation of times and days, stating:—

(a) Total number

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The baths will not be used by any unit without allotment being given by the Town Major.

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(Med(Br)435)

792—CIVILIAN LABOUR—AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 47

Notice of Termination of Employment to Civilian Employees

1. As military requirements diminish, it becomes necessary to reduce the number of Italian civilian employees in Allied establishments. To make these reductions as orderly as possible, the employing service will give adequate notice of discharge whenever possible. It is suggested that manual workers be given a minimum of one week's notice, and that office workers be notified two weeks in advance of dismissal.

2. In no circumstances, however, will employees be paid in lieu of notice.

(LAB ADM/1)

(e)	Artisans	(M)
(f)	Artisans	(F)
(g)	Miscellaneous Skilled	(M)
(h)	Miscellaneous Skilled	(F)
(i)	Unskilled Labour	(M)
(j)	Unskilled Labour	(F)
(k)	Juvenile	(M)
(l)	Juvenile	(F)
(m)	Grand Total	

3. Returns will be addressed to:

2902 Civil Labour Unit, No. 26 Viale Africa, ROME; or the information may be telephoned to the Statistics Office, Telephone No. 588462.

4. OsC units are responsible for ensuring the prompt rendition of this return.

5. R.A.A.C. Routine Order 596 dated 28 Jun 45 is hereby *cancelled*.

CLG/10 LAB

794—CIVILIAN LABOUR—AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 48

Attention of all employing units is directed to relevant extracts from AFHQ Administrative memorandum No. 48 dated 2 Nov 45 and contained in this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 21, dated 13 Nov 45, distribution of which is now being effected to all concerned.

Lab/637

795—SHOWER BATH FACILITIES

Reference Area Routine Order No. 196/44.

Units are reminded that hot showers are available at

9-11 Via Ferruccio, ROME.
Map ref: 758667.

Units will apply to Town Major, 59 Piazza Dell' Esedra, for allocation of times and days, stating:—

(a) Total number
(b) Strength of parties

The baths will not be used by any unit without allotment being given by the Town Major.

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796—ISSUES OF ENGINEER STORES

ARO 778 dated 8 Nov 45 is hereby amended as follows:—

For "Mondays and Tuesdays" read "Monday to Friday."

RE/A/21

J. A. H. BANKS,
Lt. Col., A.A. & Q.M.G.

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NOTICES

1.—LOST OR STOLEN

Officer's Grip Bag containing: 2 blankets, shaving kit, underwear, 1 pr shoes, personal photos and other small items. Owner's name and number is marked on the grip. The property of: 228722 Capt A. E. WATSON, 34 BSD, RASC. Stolen from vehicle from outside the Town Major's office on 31 Oct 45.

Battle-Dress, the pockets of which contained AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 2195958 A/QMS BRADEN, A. E. R., RE. Stolen from the B5 Army Broadcasting Station on 23 Oct 45.

AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 14594309 Pte DAVIES, E., 1 Welch Regt. Believed lost at the 56 Rest Camp on 26 Oct 45.

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Wallet containing: personal papers, Office Ration Book and NAAFI Card HQ AC No. 628. The property of: Capt H. H. COUCH (304847), HQ Allied Commission. Lost on 5 Nov 45 at the Albergo Flora.

One large sack containing Registered Mail missing on arrival RAAC. D/R travelled on route 3. Lost between FOLIGNO and ROME on 7/8 Nov 45. Any information to: OC 3 Coy L of C Sigs.

One BD Blouse containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), ROME and AC Passes, 200 Lire, Fountain Pen. The property of: 5885026 Pte BUCKLE, S. Northants. Stolen from the games room of the Alexander Club on 5 Nov 45.

Leather Attache Case containing: AB 439, Advance of Pay Book, 3 letters of introduction, set of 7 open razors, compass, various toilet articles, pyjamas and slippers. The property of: Capt F. B. BOLTON, Welsh Guards. Lost from vehicle on 4 Nov 45.

One Kit-Bag containing: gas cape, denim suit, 1 KD trousers and 1 KD shorts, 1 PT shorts, 1 pr boots, 60 rds of TSMG ammo, 1 BD tunic containing AB64 (Parts I and II). Reported by: 7914480 Cpl MASON, D. Lothian and Border Horse Artillery. Stolen from rear of 3-ton Austin on 3 Nov 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), ROME and AC Passes, 500 lire. The property of: 318977 Tpr HUME, A., HQ AC. Lost on 20 Oct 45 in Piazza dei Cinquecento.

One WD .38 Pistol, Smith and Wesson, No. 968706. Lost on the night of 3/4 Nov 45, between NAPLES and ROME. Any information to this office.

One Indian Sports Tyre, No. 270711 YE 600 x 16, tube and spare wheel assembly complete. Lost from RACT Regt Barracks on 1 Nov 45. Any information to: RACTD, CMF.

2.— FOUND

A Cheque Book drawn on the National Provincial Bank, Ltd, Northwood (Middx). Left at the Colibri Club, ROME on 5 Nov 45 by a British Officer.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

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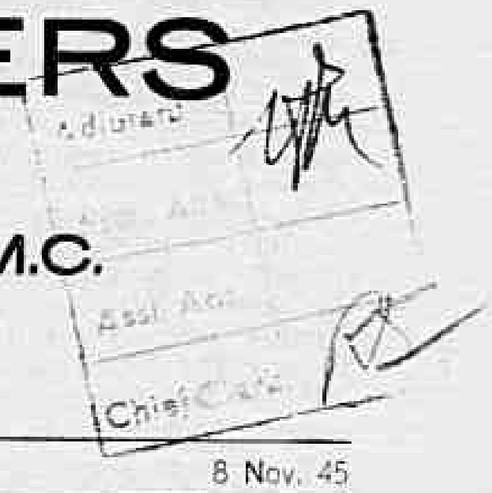

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769—COURSES—SCHOOL OF MECHANICS, CMF

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G-3/24

770—REDESIGNATION OF UNITS

The following unit will be redesignated wef 7 Oct 45:—

Old Designation	*New Designation*
1141 German Increment to No. 7 Veterinary Hospital.	1141 German Increment to No. 4 Veterinary Hospital.

G-3/126

D. A. D. YOUNG,
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Reference ACIs 1696/42, 2441/42, 153/43, 362/44, 919/44, 224/45 and 794/45, regarding the grant of permament Regular Army Commissions.

1. It has been decided that outstanding temporary officers who are up to five years too old for eligibility under the above-quoted ACIs may be considered for permanent commissions if specially recommended by the Army Commander and/or C-in-C.

2. Upper age limits are therefore extended as follows:—

(a) ACI 1696/42, para 3 (f), and Appendix I, para 1, to 29th birthday.

(b) ACI 2441/42, para 2 (a) (I), and Appendix I, para 1, to 33rd birthday.

3. All conditions in the above-quoted ACIs (except that para 6 below may be applied if to their advantage) will continue to apply to all candidates who are within original age limits.

4. The following conditions apply to candidates now made eligible by para 2.

(b) Must possess one of the certificates (SA), (W), (AC), (E), (AC), (F), (AC), (A), (TT), (W), or be in possession of the qualifications which give personal entitlement to Technical Pay under Army Order 58/1943 as amended by Army Order 228/1943, with the exception of those who are eligible for such a form of emolument by virtue only of being enabled to draw Corps, Engineer, or Signal pay respectively under Pay Warrant articles 367 (B), 375 (B), 385 (B).

(c) Must be recommended by CO Bde, Div, and Corps Commanders, Army Commander and/or C-in-C, and each recommendation must be endorsed by an officer of the appropriate Technical Arm (as well as being the Formation Commander).

(d) Interview by Regular Commissions and Selection Board are not required, but officers of RAOC and REME, Pnr Corps or General List who apply, must give choice and be prepared to serve in any other of the following:—
Household Cavalry, RAC, RA, RE, RASC, R Signals, Foot Guards, Infantry, in which case two choices of Regiment may be given.

(e) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

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4. The following conditions apply to candidates now made eligible by para 2.

(a) Must have had at least two years' commissioned service on full pay this war, including at least one year's satisfactory service in a technical staff appointment in:—

(i) A Research Design Experimental Production or Inspection Department under the War Office or Ministry of Supply, or

(ii) A Technical Directorate in the War Office, or HQ Ministry of Supply.

(iii) (Weapons) (Technical) or AFV (Technical) Staff Field Forces, or

(iv) The Military College of Science, or an aggregate of one year must be spent in (i) to (iv).

(b) Must possess one of the certificates (SA), (W), (AC), (E), (AC), (F), (AC), (A), (TT), (W), or be in possession of the qualifications which give personal entitlement to Technical Pay under Army Order 58/1943 as amended by Army Order 228/1943, with the exception of those who are eligible for such a form of emolument by virtue only of being enabled to draw Corps, Engineer, or Signal pay respectively under Pay Warrant articles 367 (B), 375 (B), 385 (B).

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(e) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

5. The names of officers recommended as in para 4(c) will be included in the War Office register, from which selections will be made to fill the vacancies.

6. Officers selected from the register by the War Office will receive permanent commissions under the following conditions:—

(a) Seniority in Regular Army will be as a 2/Lt from 23rd birthday (Lt as from 25th birthday in the case of RAOC and REME) irrespective of length of service actually rendered. Time elapsed since date of seniority will count for time promotion and increments of pay, but not for retired pay. Any seniority in excess of that which would be due if reckoned as ACIs 1696/42 and 2241/42, will not be taken into account when calculating age for eligibility to apply for permanent commission.

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(b) Retired pay will be assessed on service actually rendered. Normal Pay Warrant conditions will apply except that a reduction of £20 will be made for each year by which officers age on first appointment to commission exceeds 27.

(c) Other conditions as in above-quoted ACIs.

7. All officers eligible are urged to apply early. Their attention is drawn particularly to the benefits of para 6. Applications by candidates referred to in para 3 will continue to be dealt with as hitherto, but applications by those referred to in para 1 will not be forwarded above Div of equivalent HQ pending further instructions. Vacancies for later class are limited and primary consideration for both classes is the candidate's suitability to take place in the Regular Army as if his commission dated from 23rd birthday (25th for RAOC and REME). Pending further instructions, CMF Form 74 (in quadruplicate) will be used for applications, and SP Form 72 (WOSB) for detailed report on candidate by OC or superior commander.

8. Officers granted permanent commissions are assured that although earmarked for employment in Technical Staff Appointments, they will not for this reason be debarred from General Service on Staff or Regimentally.

9. Applications if recommended, will be endorsed with reference to War Office Signal WO 20643 dated 11 Oct 45, and forwarded through the usual channels to War Office, MS 2(C).

G-1/8A.

772—REPATRIATION OF BRITISH SERVICE FAMILIES RESIDENT OR EVACUATED ABROAD

1. The attention of all units is drawn to GRO 1161/45.

2. Units will report to G-1(Br) of this HQ on 20 Nov, and thereafter on the 20th of each month, particulars of all cases where families are resident or evacuated abroad. Particulars will be given as in Appendix "A" to the above-quoted GRO.

G-1/33A/Y.

773—VEHICLE LIGHTING

1. Attention of all units is drawn to GRO 1174/45 for strict compliance.

G-4B/Q 131

774—CHRISTMAS FARE—1945

1. The following notification of arrangements for Christmas are notified for information; it will be appreciated that 100% fulfilment of the programme set out in paras 8 to 13 below cannot be guaranteed, but confirmation or otherwise will be notified to all concerned on 15 Nov 45.

Cash Grants

2. The sum of ninepence per head may be claimed from public funds for the following categories if subsisted upon Field Service or fixed ration scales.

(a) British other ranks.

(b) Other ranks of the women's service organization entitled to free rations.

(c) Naval ratings and other ranks of the RAF subsisted upon army rations.

(d) Dominion and allied personnel attached to British units for rations (e.g. in hospitals) and not messed separately.

(e) All troops not included in the above-mentioned quarters in ITALY, except for Polish personnel from within lump sum credit allotment made to them.

S.T. Arrangements

8. All troops, excluding Indian units, will be issued with pork at the scale of 6 oz per man, in place of the normal meat ration.

9. Authority is granted for Indian troops to purchase the following items:—

Atta	4	oz	per	man
Ghi	1	"	"	"
Sugar	2	"	"	"
Milk	2	"	"	"

Repayment price will be 5.282 pence per man.

10. Arrangements are being made for the issue of suitable varieties of tinned and dried fruit within the normal scale in the fortnight immediately preceding Christmas, to enable units to prepare cakes and Christmas fare generally. These issues are made within the bulk ration scale and will not involve expenditure from the cash grant authorized in paras 2 and 5 above.

11. Units wishing to draw compo ration for consumption on Christmas Day may do so, but it is emphasized that the issue will be within normal scales. Notification of the intention to draw should be given to the issuing depot by 4 Dec 45.

E.F.I. Arrangements

12. Christmas fare will be available for sale to units on the undermentioned basis—

Christmas Pudding	4 oz	1/11 lb
Mincemeat	1 oz	1/7 lb
Canned Turkey	4 oz	6/6 lb (net)
Cigars	10 per 100	approx 1/- each
Nuts	2 oz	not yet known
Oranges	4 oz	not yet known
Tinned Fruit	10 tins per 100	various

EFI are also endeavouring to make arrangements for the purchase of a certain quantity of fresh turkey. Details will be notified by GHQ in due course.

13. Special increase in normal allocation for Christmas week:—

Cigarettes	50
Chocolate/Confectionery	4 oz
Cordial	½ bottle
Beer	1 large bottle
Spirits	1 bottle (entitled personnel)
Sherry	1 bottle (entitled personnel)
Port	½ bottle (entitled personnel)

14. Paras 8 to 13 are applicable to all British, Dominion, Colonial and Locally Enlisted troops, and to Polish troops within the then current ceiling.

G-4 Br/Q 194

775—EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. Attention of all units is drawn to GRO 1167/45, giving amendments to "Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour (Italy, Sicily and Sardinia)."

G-4B/Q 243/6

776—CLOSING OF ADOS DUMP

1. For all normal issue and receipt purposes, ADOS Dump, ROME, will close each weekend from 1200 hrs Saturday until 0800 hrs Monday.

OS/950/5

777—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

Reference ARO 222/44

The Area Messing Conference will be held at 199 DID (Via Etruria) at 1030 hrs, Monday, 12 Nov

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(e) All troops not included in the above-mentioned categories who are subsisted upon British rations and who are paid at UK rates of pay.

3. The sum of sixpence will be admissible for all native troops irrespective of faith.

4. Scottish units may if desired, claim the allowance for New Year's Day instead of Christmas Day.

5. Non-Christians may receive the appropriate allowance either on Christmas Day or one other feast day during 1946.

6. Sums admissible will be claimed through unit Imprest account, claims being supported by a certificate in duplicate showing the number actually in mess on the day in question.

7. Excluding personnel referred to in para 2(d), cash grants for New Zealand and UDF personnel are dealt with by their respective administrative headquarters within the Base, without reference to GHQ, expenditure from the cash grant authorized in paras 2 and 5 above.

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OsC British Army Units drawing rations from 199 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

The following will also attend:—

OsC DIDs
Catering Advisor and QMSI
Representative NAAFI/EFI

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778—ISSUES OF ENGINEER STORES

1. With effect week commencing 29 Oct 45, 104 CRE Works Stores, located at Via Umberto Partini, near Tiburtina Railway Station (MR 786677), will be open for issues from 0800 hrs to 1630 hrs on Mondays and Tuesdays. Issues will not be made at any other time.

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779—EDUCATION — REFRESHER COURSE FOR MEN SKILLED IN CIVILIAN TRADES

Ref. GROs 565 and 863/45.

1. Application for courses under the a/m GROs may be submitted on behalf of personnel of release groups to 35 inclusive.

2. No applications should be submitted on behalf of personnel of release groups up to and including 25, unless under exceptional circumstances, *e.g.* deferment of release.

3. Courses 39-44 inclusive. No further applications should be submitted for tailoring courses as the 4 Clothing & Repairing Factory RAOC will not be engaged in manufacturing in the future.

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One Bedroll, colour dark green, with owner's name painted in red letters on both sides, American type. The property of Capt SELF, NAAFI/EFI—Lost from back of vehicle between FROSINONE and ROME on 22 Oct 45.

One WD Valise containing: items of change of clothing, small kit, books, etc. The property of Capt T. H. BELDON, HQ BTA—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office on 25 Oct 45.

2. FOUND

NIL.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brigadier ALBAN LOW, C.B.E., M.C.

Commander British Troops Rome
(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 52 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 27 Oct. 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

752—THEFT FROM WD VEHICLLES

3 District Routine Order No. 85 of 1945 is hereby republished for strict compliance.

2 District Routine Order 141/43 and para. 10 (d) of Appendix to 3 District Routine Order 2944 are hereby cancelled. The following will be substituted for para. 10 (d) of Appendix to DRO 2944:—

10 (d) All loaded vehicles will carry a man in addition to the driver, who will at all times during the course of the journey sit in the back of the vehicle to prevent theft from the load. In view of the man power position some units may not on all occasions be able to provide a second man but this will be the only ground that will be accepted as an excuse for failure to comply with this order.

OsC Units will ensure that this order is constantly brought to the notice of all ranks. (G-1(Br.) 11A5)

753—CORRESPONDENCE AND CASUALTIES — INCLUSION OF TRADE IN REGIMENTAL PARTICULARS

Considerable time is spent by O2E in ascertaining a soldier's trade from records held, when dealing with letters concerning promotions, postings and musterings. In future, all correspondence, and all casualties rendered on AFW 3011A and 3012A relating to postings, promotions or musterings, must state the army trade of the soldiers concerned. G-1 (Br.) 16A

754—TRADESMEN — VOLUNTARY REVERSION TO NORMAL RATES OF PAY

It is commonly supposed that an Army tradesman may elect at any time to relinquish tradesmen's rates of pay.

This is entirely erroneous.

755—OFFICERS—REPORTS ON ARRIVAL IN UK BY AIR

Reference GRO 551/43.

1. It is essential that the War Office knows the exact date of all officers travelling by courier plane to UK on duty, Air LIAP or on medical grounds where a stay of more than seven days is involved.

2. In future, therefore, all officers in the above categories will, prior to departure, be given a blank AF B174A and instructed to complete the form (including the date of arrival) immediately upon arrival in the UK, and forward to the War Office (AG 1 Offrs.) together with Part I of AF W5133 duly completed. Officers will retain Part II of AF W5133.

3. Indents should be submitted to the nearest Stationery Depot for the above forms if and when required.

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G-1(Br.)/16A

756—UNPUBLISHED CASUALTIES

When information from O2E is required by Officers Commanding units as to whether certain casualties published on AF W3011A or 3012A have been promulgated in Part II Orders, certified true copies of these army forms should in all cases be submitted with the queries.

In the event of casualties not having been published, the above procedure will enable immediate Part II Order action to be taken. G-1(Br.)/16A

757—LIAP — PROMOTIONS

It is notified that, as general rule, it is not necessary to obtain the prior authority of GHQ O2E for LIAP promotions. The following procedure should be adopted:—

(a) On assuming duty, casualty should be rendered on AF W3011A, showing promotion to U/A/Rank, with marginal note "See (quote army number, rank, name and arms of service) on LIAP".

(b) On [illegible] casualty should be rendered showing

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Nil.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

752—THEFT FROM WD VEHICLLES

3 District Routine Order No. 35 of 1945 is hereby re-published for strict compliance.

2 District Routine Order 11123 and para. 10 (d) of Appendix to 3 District Routine Order 29/44 are hereby cancelled. The following will be substituted for para. 10 (d) of Appendix to DRO 29/44:—

10. (d) All loaded vehicles will carry a man in addition to the driver, who will at all times during the course of the journey sit in the back of the vehicle to prevent theft from the load. In view of the man power position some units may not on all occasions be able to provide a second man but this will be the only ground that will be accepted as an excuse for failure to comply with this order.

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It is commonly supposed that an Army tradesman may elect at any time to relinquish tradesmen's rates of pay.

This is entirely erroneous.

It is not considered to be in the interests of the service to allow personnel, who have been trained in the trade in which they are mustered, to demuster unless very special circumstances exist.

It is, realised, however, that occasionally circumstances arise which justify the approval of an application for voluntary relinquishment and such cases will be referred to GHQ O2E for decision.

These cases will be considered by GHQ O2E in regard to the trade position in the Corps and it should be noted that in view of the deficiencies in a number of trades, very special circumstances must exist before approval is likely to be given. G-1 (Br.) 16A

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(b) After 21 days, casualty should be rendered showing grant of P/A/Rank.

(c) On return of the NCO from LIAP, casualty should be rendered showing the soldier who was promoted in his stead reverted to his former paid rank, with marginal note <consequent on return of (quote particulars as before), from LIAP>.

The following rulings must be observed:—

(i) Wherever possible, the soldier promoted should be qualified, as regards trade and arm of service, to fill the position on War Establishment that is held by the NCO on LIAP.

(ii) If a soldier holding a LIAP promotion himself proceeds on LIAP, casualty must be rendered showing

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him reverted to his former paid rank on ceasing to perform the duties for which he was appointed, with effect from date of leaving unit.

(iii) War Office have ruled that unpaid acting rank will not be retained by a soldier on LIAP, and accordingly he should be reverted to paid rank with effect from date of leaving unit.

(iv) War Office have also ruled that tradesmen, during leave under LIAP Scheme, will continue to count against trade men's mustering ceiling of overseas command and will not be replaced, either by fresh musterings or grant of trade pay under Art. 846 RW for Pay, 1940. G-1(Br.)/16A

758—MORAL LEADERSHIP COURSES

Reference this HQ letter 18A of 3 Aug. 45, and Daily Bulletin No. 201 of 24 Aug. 45.

1. Three vacancies on each of the following courses have been allotted to this area at the RA Ch. D Moral Leadership School, Assisi.

Course No. 9: 9 Nov.—19 Nov.
Course No. 10: 23 Nov.—3 Dec.
Course No. 11: 7 Dec.—17 Dec.

2. OsC units should submit names of suitable officers and other ranks from all religious denominations (except Roman Catholic) to attend these courses as soon as possible to G-1 (British) this Headquarters. G-1(Br.)/18A

759—WEARING OF INSIGNIA GRANTED BY FRENCH SIGNAL CORPS TO BRITISH OFFICERS FOR SERVICES RENDERED

1. The insignia referred to above may be properly worn with Army uniform when:—

(a) attending ceremonies, parades and functions organised by the French authorities; or

(b) where although these are organised by British official authorities they are designed especially to honour the French Armed Forces or nation and there is an important or predominant French official participation either by the attendance of a French personage of high rank or of a representative detachment or unit(s) of the French Forces.

2. This ruling applies to all similar awards by Allied authorities but does not effect the wearing of foreign decorations or medals which is governed by such specific instructions regarding these as may be issued from time to time.
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760—RELEASE — UNIT HELD DOCUMENTS — DISPOSAL ON RELEASE OF PERSONNEL

1. All documentary evidence that may have a bearing on an individual's claims to disability awards should be available to the Ministry of Pensions. In this connection documents held by units are of primary importance.

2. OsC units will ensure, therefore, that when an individual leaves his unit for the purpose of being released not only his personal documents but also such documents as would bear upon any disability claim the individual may make (e.g. AF B117, Proceedings of a Court of Enquiry on any accident, etc., in which he had been involved), are collected and dispatched to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, for onward transmission to:—

(a) War Office in the case of officers.

(b) Appropriate Record Office for other ranks.

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for a provisional period of four months. This includes Officers of the India Army.

2. Orders regarding Medical Officers will be issued later.

3. Officers for retention will include Class 'B' Releases, except those connected with housing staffs of local authorities, who, unless unwilling, will be released.

4. Retention of ATS Officers from and including Group 26, but excluding married officers is likely. Further information will be forwarded as soon as received. G-1(Br.)/56A1/Y

763—STRENGTH RETURNS

Reference ARO 607 and 703 of 45.

1. Many units are failing to render Strength Returns, or are submitting them considerably later than the time laid down, i.e., 1800 hrs. on the 1st and 15th of each month.

2. OsC units are responsible for ensuring that this return is rendered promptly in future. G-1(Br.)/63A

764—FROST PRECAUTIONS

1. Attention is directed to GRO 1972 of 1945 for strict compliance. Frost precautions will be observed in this Command w.e.f. 15 Nov. 45.

2. Vehicles and engines to be afforded Anti-Freeze protection in this Command will be those listed in para. 2 (c) of the above quoted GRO.

3. Indents for Anti-Freeze will be submitted to S and T Branch of this HQ by 31 Oct. 45. These indents will show:

(a) Vehicles and engines by numbers and types for which Anti-Freeze is demanded.

(b) The degree of protection on which the indent is based para. 7 of the GRO refers). Vehicles and engines in the immediate vicinity of Rome will be protected against 20 degrees F (-7 deg. C).

4. Anti-Freeze will be issued by 11 MPFC (Tor di Quinto Depot) against approved indents.

5. OsC units located outside Rome and in exposed conditions may, at their discretion, institute precautions prior to 15 November should conditions in their opinion so warrant.

6. The date on which Frost Precautions will cease to be observed will be notified by this HQ in due course.

7. Area Routine Order 301 of 1944 is hereby cancelled.
(G-4 Br./Q119)

765—MT FUEL

All Imports into this Theatre of MT 80 fuel, with exception of the comparatively small quantities required for 'A' vehicles, will cease forthwith.

A lower octane rated fuel known as MT 72 is being brought into use.

72 octane spirit is approved for use in 'B' vehicles and US GP's vehicles. MT 80 will in future only be supplied against requisitions certified in writing by an Officer as being requirements for 'A' vehicles and US Combat vehicles.
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766—REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES

All Allied occupants of requisitioned properties are reminded of the instructions in regard to their vacation.

The practice of giving information which implies that the premises when vacated will be returned to the civilian owner must cease. No opinion on this subject or that of compensation for damages and loss of rent will be given.

All enquiries must be referred to the Real Estate Section, Rome Area Allied Command, in whom rests the sole responsibility as to the future use of such premises.
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767—RETURNS—RC PERSONNEL

All units are requested to submit nominal rolls of RC

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Bulletin No. 201 of 24 Aug. 45.

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761—DOCUMENTATION RELEASE

From and including AS Release Groups 20, units will forward Nominal Rolls of personnel due to proceed on Release direct to *159 Transit Camp*. Nominal Rolls will be despatched as soon as completed, and in no case will they arrive later than one day prior to assembly.

The date of assembly at 159 Transit Camp will be published in the Daily Bulletin. Units will receive no other notification of this date. G-1(Br.)/56A/Y

762—RELEASE OFFICERS

1. All male Officers (excluding Medical) from and including Age/Service Group 21 will be retained as operationally vital is rendered promptly in future.

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767—RETURNS—RC PERSONNEL

All units are requested to submit nominal rolls of RC personnel on their strength direct to the RC Chaplain HQ, Rome Area Allied Command. (RC Chaplain)

768—TECHNICAL EDUCATION — REFRESHER COURSES FOR SKILLED TRADESMEN

Ref. ARO 675/45, and Appendix I to GRO 565/45.

1. The restriction placed on Trade No. 33 Printer (i) Compositor and (ii) Linotype Operator is rescinded.

2. There is therefore no restriction remaining on Trade No. 33 subsections (i) to (vi) inclusive. Edn./153

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Lt.-Col., A.A. & Q.M.G.

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NOTICES

1. LOST or STOLEN

Brief case containing: official documents, petrol coupons, a dairy. The property of: S/Lt. Economidis, Naval Adviser Greek Embassy.—Lost near the petrol point on Route 7 on the 3 Oct. 45.

Complete kitbag containing: 15,000 lire, jewellery (bracelet with cameos and two brooches), cigarettes and shaving kit. On the outside of the kitbag is painted the name of Capt. E. M. Heller. The property of: Capt. Faureau, RCAMC.—Stolen from vehicle parked near the Colosseum on the 2 Oct. 45.

One green canvas holdall with zip fastener, containing: change of clothing, personal papers, AB 439 and AF W3241, 1 camera, 1 bottle of whisky. The property of: Major S. Cruickshank, 3 District.—Lost at the entrance of the Continental Hotel on the 22 Sep. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 1885294 Spr. J. E. Talbot, 517 Fd. Survey Coy., RE.—Lost on the night of 5 Oct. 45.

Light brown leather (Italian) wallet containing: 12,500 lire, photographs of small boy holding toy gun. Lost in Welsome Show between 2000 hrs. and 2200 hrs. on 5 Oct. 45. Any information to: OC, 49 Fd. Bakery (Mobile), RASC.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 4202690 Fus. W. Deakin, RWF.—Lost on the train in Rome on the night of 6 Oct. 45.

AB 64M. The property of: MTS/954291 Sepoy R. Jagannath, RO, 25 Ind. IBT Coy., RIASC, 10 Ind. Div.—Lost on the 23 Sept. 45.

One wheel complete, size 1050 x 100 Dunlop Tyre, No. DE09012, removed from WD vehicle whilst travelling from Central Rly. Stn. to No. 1 Military Prison on 10 Oct. 45. Any information to: 110 GT Coy., RASC.

One parcel containing 12, 16 x 150 Watt Phillips EL bulbs, and a black brief case, shabby at the corners, containing: French driving licence, which is a pink slip with photograph, an England New Testament, small electric torch, dynamo type, brown leather wallet, French and Italian money, other papers and military permits issued by the French Army in '39, a Leica camera and brown hide case, one .38 pistol with 4 rounds of ammo (no holster), a guide to Italy in French and a brown French-German grammar book. The property of: Major F. A. Evans, Salvation Army, HQ.—Believed stolen from vehicle at Porta Maggiore on the 16 Oct. 45.

The following tyres have been stolen from truck WD No. 5321859, GMC, on the night of the 29 Sep. 45.

Nos. 7/R87366 — 6/R60326 — R132483.
Nos. 7/R21145 — 1781760 — 7/R97635.
Nos. 7/R104642 — 7/R104782 — 7/R188213.
Nos. 7/R96155 — 1794060.

Any information re the a/m tyres to: DAPM, 15 Det., 2 L of C Pro. Coy., SACMP, UDF, CMF.

2. FOUND

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

734—CONVERSION OF UNITS—RASC

1. The undermentioned units will be converted to new WEs as shown with effect from 15 Apr. 45.

Unit	*Present WE*	*New WE*
61 Coy., RASC (BPT)	IV/94/2	IV/94/3
141 Coy., RASC (Sta. Tpt.)	IV/93/2	IV/93/3
	IV/93/3	IV/93/4
110 Coy., RASC (GT)	IV/94/2	IV/94/3

2. No increase or decrease in personnel is involved as the new WEs are re-writes of the old WEs incorporating all amendments to date.

3. Any restrictions that are at present placed upon the full implementation of these units will remain in force.

4. Existing designations and mobilisation serial numbers will be retained G-3/126

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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

735—REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONS

1. The attention of all applicants for Regular Army Commissions is drawn to GRO 1950/45 for compliance.

2. In order that no candidate is overlooked units will report immediately to G-1 (Br.) of this HQ the name of any officer under Command who is known to have applied for a Regular Army Commission or has appealed against the decision of a previous Board, giving the following particulars:—

(a) Personal number, rank and name.
(b) Present unit.
(c) Date application was submitted and the unit with which the officer was serving at date of such submission.
(d) Choice of arm.
(e) Whether the officer is making his first application or is appealing against the decisions of a previous Board.

3. Any unit which forwarded the name of any officer will ensure that the documents required have been submitted to AFHQ (MS).

4. It is emphasised that no candidate below modest category «A» can be granted a Regular Army Commission. Candidates now graded «B» (Permanent) or «C» (Permanent) will NOT be sent before the Board unless medical evidence can be furnished that there is a possibility of such candidates being upgraded to «A» in the near future. This does not apply to candidates for the RAPC under AGI 1084/44. G-1(Br.)/SA

737—ORDINARY DRIVING LICENCES

In order to ensure that AFA 2039 (Certificate of passing Driving Tests) is completed for each individual who successfully passes a Driving Test for the group or groups for which qualified the duplicate copy should be forwarded to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, together with AFK/3010/21/12 reporting the Driving Test.

Units will ensure that AFW3010/11/12 in which the Driving Test is reported also shows «AFA 2039 (duplicate) herewith to O2E». G-1(Br.)16/1

738—ENLISTMENT—RECORDING OF THE AGE OF SOLDIERS FOUND TO BE UNDER AGE DECLARED ON ENLISTMENT

In ALL cases where soldiers other than those enlisted as boys, who on production of a birth certificate, are found to be under the age stated on their attestation or Record of Service paper, the following action will be taken:—

(a) Entry as shown below will be made on top of page 2 of AB 64 Part I in RED INK and will be initialled by an officer.

Actual age claimed on ..... (date)

Birth Certificate shows date of birth ..... (date)

(b) Full details will be reported to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

It must be clearly understood that the age recorded on enlistment will NOT be amended, and that this age will be

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	IV/93/3	IV/93/4
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(d) Choice of arm.
(e) Whether the officer is making his first application or is appealing against the decisions of a previous Board.

3. Any unit which forwarded the name of any officer will ensure that the documents required have been submitted to AFHQ (MS).

4. It is emphasised that no candidate below medical category «A» can be granted a Regular Army Commission. Candidates now graded «B» (Permanent) or «C» (Permanent) will NOT be sent before the Board unless medical evidence can be furnished that there is a possibility of such candidates being upgraded to «A» in the near future. This does not apply to candidates for the RAPC under AC/ 1051/44. G-1(Br.)/A

736—RE-ENGAGEMENTS, EXTENSIONS, CONTINUANCES—CANCELLATION OF

Cases are arising where soldiers whose colour service has not expired (i.e., Dlt) make application to have their contract cancelled in order to be released with Age and Service Group.

The War Office state that premature discharge or transfer to Reserve under Klts is still in abeyance and that once formalities have been completed (i.e., approval given by competent authority) cancellation cannot be effected. G-1/Br./16A

737—ORDINARY DRIVING LICENCES

In order to ensure that AFA 2039 (Certificate of passing Driving Tests) is completed for each individual who successfully passes a Driving Test for the group or groups for which qualified the duplicate copy should be forwarded to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, together with AFK/3010/11/12 reporting the Driving Test.

Units will ensure that AFW3010/11/12 in which the Driving Test is reported also shows cAFA 2039 (duplicate) herewith to CCEs. G-1(Br.)/16A

738—ENLISTMENT—RECORDING OF THE AGE OF SOLDIERS FOUND TO BE UNDER AGE DECLARED ON ENLISTMENT

In ALL cases where soldiers other than those enlisted as boys who on production of a birth certificate, are found to be under the age stated on their attestation or Record of Service paper, the following action will be taken:—

(a) Entry as shown below will be made on top of page 2 of AB 64 Part I in RED INK and will be initialled by an officer.

Actual age claimed on (date)
Birth Certificate shows date of birth (date)

(b) Full details will be reported to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

It must be clearly understood that the age recorded on enlistment will NOT be amended, and that this age will be regarded as the soldier's age for all Army purposes other than:—

(a) Drafting overseas.
(b) Eligibility for admission to the married establishment and/or issue of Family Allowance under peace-time regulations.
(c) Reckoning of Age/Service Group where, in the case of Army Class personnel only, obvious clerical errors in the year of birth, as entered in the Record of Service, may be ignored and the proven year of birth accepted. G-1(Br.)/16A

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739—CASUALTIES—NOTIFICATION OF TO NEXT-OF-KIN RESIDENT IN CHAN[illegible] ISLANDS AND IN FORMER OCCUPIED TERRITORY IN EUROPE

Letters of condolence to next-of-kin in the Channel Islands and in former enemy occupied territory in Europe will no longer be sent to the Home Record Office or the Channel Islands Refugee Committee for re-direction, but will be despatched to the next-of-kin.

Alternatively, action may be taken in accordance with GRO 89/44 para 4. G-1(Br.) 16A

740—RELEASE—DELETION OF PREFIX LETTERS TO AGE AND SERVICE GROUP NUMBERS

When a soldier serving on a Regular Army Engagement completes his colour service, OsC units will ensure that a casualty on the following lines is rendered on AFW 3011/12 to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, as soon as possible.

1234567 W/Cpl Jones J. B., 21 Pro. Coy.—Completed period of Colour Service on current engagement on (date). Prefix letters DR deleted from AS Group. AS Group now reads ———— G-1(Br.)/16A

741—UNLOCATED PERSONNEL

Information is sought in respect of the undermentioned soldier who is unlocated in records at GHQ, 2nd Echelon. Any unit holding this man on strength or having knowledge of him will communicate IMMEDIATELY with G-1 (Br.) HQ Rome Area Allied Command.

T/145369 Dvr. Morris I. (RASC). G-1(Br.)/16A

742 APPOINTMENT—OFFICERS

GHQ, 2nd Echelon, is experiencing difficulty in effecting publication of Officer appointments in General Routine Orders through failure on the part of units to submit copies of necessary authority at the same time as AFW 3010 is rendered.

The submission of AFW 3010 without such covering authority is useless and leads to unnecessary correspondence.

Dep. Mil. Sec., AFHQ authority is required for all Staff appointments and appointments to CO and 2-in-C of Regimental units. Appointments to extra-regimental posts such as Town Majors, Commandants of Depots—PW Camps, etc., Instructors etc., require AFHQ G-1(Br.) authority (GRO 605/45 refers).

These instructions apply equally to officers appointed to LIAP, LILOP, etc., vacancies.

HQs formations and units will, in future, therefore, always obtain the authority referred to above before submitting the relevant casualty report to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

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743—OFFICERS' KIT LEFT AT ENFIDAVILLE CAMP, INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA

Units will ascertain whether any officers under their Command have left kit at the above mentioned camp when proceeding on LIAP. If so, nominal rolls should be forwarded to G-1(Br.) this HQ showing items of kit and quoting the number of revolvers where applicable.

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744—ANGLO AMERICAN REST AREA—AQUILA

Units are informed that the Anglo American Rest Area, Aquila, will close wef. 1 Oct. 45, and no further vacancies for the Rest Area will be allotted by this HQ. Units requiring local leave vacancies may still apply to G-1(Br.) of this HQ for such vacancies at 56 Rest Camp.

[illegible] Aquila Ferry Service will cease to operate

5. The wearing of [illegible] web, with battle dress will be at the discretion of Co[illegible]nding Officers, but dress must be uniform within the unit.

6. When collars and ties are not worn the BD blouse will be fastened at the neck and scarfs will not be worn with battle dress.

7. When scarfs are worn with greatcoats, the greatcoat will be fastened at the neck and the scarf will not be visible.

8. Badges of rank, service chevrons, medal ribbons and other insignia will be of regulation pattern.

9. On taking winter clothing into use again it is easier for Commanding Officers to ensure that men are properly dressed and of smart appearance as battle dress is uniform unlike KD which varied considerably in pattern. It is of much importance that Commanding Officers pay attention to the turnout of the soldiers in their units, especially now that hostilities have ceased and the diminishing numbers of troops in this theatre makes each individual soldier more and not less conspicuous. G-1(Br.)/53A

746—RELEASE UNDER CLASS "A"—DOCUMENTATION

Reference GRO 1038/45.

1. This HQ has been notified that units have been signalling direct to GHQ 2nd Echelon numbers in Age Service Groups, in contravention of para. 6 of the above quoted GRO. This will cease forthwith.

2. Para. 6 of the above quoted GRO states that units will forward numbers to their Area HQ, where reports will be consolidated for submission to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

This procedure will be adopted in all cases.

B-1(Br.)/56A/1

747—RETENTION OF OFFICERS

It has been officially stated that owing to the acute shortage of officers in this Theatre it will be necessary to retain in CMF as operationally vital beyond their normal date of release a considerable number of officers in release Group 50 and above. G-1(Br.)/56A/5

748—MARRIAGES

1. There has hitherto been a complete ban imposed by the War Office on marriage between British military personnel (including ex PW) and Austrian, Russian and Polish nationals.

2. This ban has now been partially relaxed in cases where it is considered that the special circumstances would produce much unhappiness and distress if facilities were withheld.

3. Applications to marry in such cases may now be referred to this HQ where details of the regulations appertaining are held and can be seen on application to G-1(Br.) HQ, RAAC. G-1/73A/POL.

749—RESERVE RATIONS

1. Area Routine Order No. 241 of 1944 is hereby cancelled.

2. In future no reserve rations will be held by units.

3. Present holdings of three days will be eaten down over a period of three weeks and necessary underdrawals effected. A certificate that this has been done will be forwarded to G-4 British Section of this Headquarters.

4. These instructions refer to reserves held under Rome Area Allied Command Operations Memorandum, No. 15, dated 20 Sep 45, para. 7S, amendment to which has been issued by B-3(r).

5. OsC units located outside Rome who consider that [illegible]

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completes his colour service. OsC units will ensure that a casualty on the following lines is rendered on AFW 3011/42 to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, as soon as possible.

1231567 W/Cpl Jones J. E., 21 Pro. Coy.—Completed period of Colour Service on current engagement on (date). Prefix letters DR deleted from AS Group. AS Group now reads ..... G-1(Br.)/16A

741—UNLOCATED PERSONNEL

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T/115569 Dvr. Morris I. (RASC). G-1(Br.)/16A

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These instructions apply equally to officers appointed to LIAP, LILOP, etc., vacancies.

HQs formations and units will, in future, therefore, always obtain the authority referred to above before submitting the relevant casualty report to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

G-1(Br.)/16A

743—OFFICERS' KIT LEFT AT ENFIDAVILLE CAMP, INNSBRUCK, AUSTRIA

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G-1(Br.)/22A2/Gen.

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Units are informed that the Anglo American Rest Area, Aquila, will close w.e.f. 1 Oct. 45, and no further vacancies for the Rest Area will be allotted by this HQ. Units requiring local leave vacancies may still apply to G-1(Br.) of this HQ for such vacancies at 56 Rest Camp.

The Rome–Aquila Ferry Service will cease to operate forthwith. Personnel arriving at Aquila after the date of this order will be directed to 56 Rest Camp. G-1/47A14

745—DRESS

1. Winter clothing will be taken into use w.e.f. 1 Oct. 45.

2. OR's will wear battle dress with boots and anklets web of all ranks when on duty. Officers may wear Service Dress.

3. All ranks working in offices may wear shoes, and shoes may be worn by others when walking out.

4. Collars and ties, if of regulation pattern, may be worn when on duty at the discretion of Commanding Officers, but dress must be uniform within the unit. Collars and ties may be worn when walking out.

the turnout of the soldiers in their units, especially now that hostilities have ceased and the diminishing numbers of troops in this theatre makes each individual soldier more and not less conspicuous. G-1(Br.)/53A

746—RELEASE UNDER CLASS "A"—DOCUMENTATION

Reference GRO 1048/45.

1. This HQ has been notified that units have been signalling direct to GHQ 2nd Echelon numbers in Age Service Groups, in contravention of para. 6 of the above quoted GRO. This will cease forthwith.

2. Para. 6 of the above quoted GRO states that units will forward numbers to their Area HQ, where reports will be consolidated for submission to GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

This procedure will be adopted in all cases.

E-1(Br.)/56A/1

747—RETENTION OF OFFICERS

It has been officially stated that owing to the acute shortage of officers in this Theatre it will be necessary to retain in CMF as operationally vital beyond their normal date of release a considerable number of officers in release Group 20 and above. G-1(Br.)/56A/1

748—MARRIAGES

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2. This ban has now been partially relaxed in cases where it is considered that the special circumstances would produce much unhappiness and distress if facilities were withheld.

3. Applications to marry in such cases may now be referred to this HQ where details of the regulations appertaining are held and can be seen on application to G-1(Br.) HQ, RAAC. G-1 71A/POL

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3. Present holdings of three days will be eaten down over a period of three weeks and necessary underdrawals effected. A certificate that this has been done will be forwarded to G-4 British Section of this Headquarters.

4. These instructions refer to reserves held under Rome Area Allied Command Operations Memorandum, No. 15, dated 20 Sep. 45, para. 38, amendment to which has been issued by G-3(r).

5. OsC units located outside Rome who consider that a reserve holding is necessary in view of the possibility of bad weather affecting road communications will make application forthwith to G-4 British Section for such authority stating number of days holding required. (G-4 Br/Q/107

750—ARMY EDUCATION SCHEME—PROVISION OF PERSONNEL

1. Mainly because of the effects of PYTHON and RELEASE, there will shortly be a considerable number of vacancies for SOs (Edn.) Education officers, and other rank instructors in the War establishments of the AEC in CMF.

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2. A vigorous recruitment of qualified personnel is therefore urgently required if the Educational staffs at all HQs are to be maintained at minimum working strength in order that the Army Education Scheme (Release Period) may be efficiently and effectively administered.

3. The shortage of educationists in civil life is equally acute and for many people who, after release, will either be returning to educational work or entering it for the first time, the experience which immediate participation in the Army Education Scheme can give should prove invaluable.

4. Every effort will therefore be made to encourage all suitably qualified personnel, particularly officers below the rank of Major and WOs and Sgts., who are schoolmasters by profession after release, to volunteer either for transfer or to, if they are anxious to avoid breaking regimental connections, for employment with the AEC. Personnel to release groups later than 25 are particularly required.

5. Applications will be submitted through the usual channels in accordance with the Appendix to GRO 439/45. Interview Boards will then be held at Corps and District HQs at which the SOI (Edn.) of the formation concerned will preside. Selected candidates will thereafter be required to attend a short course at the Army School of Education in order that they may be fully instructed in their duties under the Release Period Scheme.

6. Suitably qualified personnel who are interested in becoming instructors at the Formation College, CMF, may still submit applications under GRO 438/45.

7. It is repeated that transfer to or employment with the AEC will in no way affect or prejudice release. Edn.21

751—UNIT EDUCATIONAL STAFF

1. Casualties in respect of OR appointments and promotions to Unit Educational Staffs may now be submitted to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, on AF W 3011A. These will be organised by OC unit and forwarded from OC Group Accounting Unit to the effect that the appointment/promotion is within the Group entitlement under GRO 535/45.

OC Group Accounting Unit will also state on the certificate:—

(a) the number of the Group;

(b) the Area/Sub-Area in which it is located; and

(c) the District authority for the Group to implement the Release Period Education Scheme.

2. Relinquishment of appointments due to the disbandment of a Group or to its reduction in size or for any other reason will be notified promptly to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, by OC unit on the appropriate form. Edn.12

R. H. CAMRASS.
Lt.-Col., AA and QMG.

NOTICES

1. LOST OR STOLEN

Two hand-bags, one of which contained 2prs. silk stockings, 3600 lire, AB 64 (Parts I and II); and the other contained 2000 lire, photos and AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: No. 144717 Pte. Lord and No. 40629 Cpl. McGaffin, ATS personnel.—Stolen from vehicle whilst passing through Rome on the 28 Sep. 45.

Blue kit-bag, bearing the owner's name, containing 2 woollen vests, 2 prs. woollen pants, 1 angola shirt, 1 greatcoat (new), 1 pr. brown civvy shoes, 2 prs. socks, 1 pullover, 2 blankets, 1 pr. mosquito net, 1 groundsheet. The property of: No. 7056611 Pte. G. Rheiberg, Return Stores Depot, 35 AOD, BAOR.—Lost from vehicle between 159 Transit Camp and the Central Rly. Stn. on the 28 Sep. 45.

One greatcoat, KD slacks, KD shirt, groundsheet, mosquito net, 2 blankets, 1 pr. PT shoes, AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 14589215 Tpr. E. Calver, RACTD.—Lost from vehicle whilst travelling in convoy through Rome on the 17 Sep. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: T/1068192 Pte. H. Gerrish, MTH, RASC.—Lost somewhere in Rome on the 26 Sep. 45.

Brown artificial leather dispatch case, containing 1 Manual of Military Law, 1 Archibald's Criminal Procedure, 2 JAG Files.—Believed stolen from PT in Corso Umberto on the 25 Sep. 45. Reported by Capt. A. Williams, DJAG Office, AFHQ.

The following Release Books were lost by Lt. Mabert, IEC/6196, RG Rifles, about 1230 hrs., 26 Sep. 45:—

ORs AVX 801. Serial 97260 to 97272.

Officers AVX 803. Serial 5031.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 1902827 Pte. T. Gillies, L of C Postal Unit, CMF.

Stolen from handbag between 1645 hrs. and 1800 hrs., 11 Sep. 45. Personal documents and 8,274 lire. The property of: Miss M. Stevenson, Labour Sub-Commission, AC.

Lost between 40 Km. on Route 7 and Rome on 17 Sep. 45 one valise containing 2 prs. shoes, 1 pr. pyjamas, shirt, shorts, socks, a small portable radio set, a leather writing case containing personal papers. The property of: Lt. Kemp, 3 Coy., 11 L of C Signals.

2. FOUND

One pr. binoculars, No.2 Mk. II, WD No. 192355.

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or to, if they are anxious to avoid breaking regimental connections, for employment with the AEC. Personnel in release groups later than 25 are particularly required.

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One greatcoat, KD slacks, KD shirt, groundsheet, mosquito net, 2 blankets, 1 pr. PT shoes, AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 14589215 Tpr. E. Calver, RACTD.—Lost from vehicle whilst travelling in convoy through Rome on the 17 Sep. 45.

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Officers AVX 893. Serial 5031.
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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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Commander British Troops Rome
(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 50 | (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) | 26 Sep. 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

715—OUT OF BOUNDS AREA

1. This Headquarters General Order 29, dated 20 Sep. 45, is repeated for compliance:

«The Royal Estate of Castel Porziano, located approximately 25 km. south of Rome, map ref. F6750, Italy 1/50,000 sheet No. 149-II Ostia Lido, is OFF LIMITS to Allied Troops of all ranks effective this date. This property will not be entered except for official purposes and in each instance the visitor will possess a permit issued by this headquarters for each specific visit.»

2. The above Order supersedes General Order 28, dated 25 Oct. 44, repeated in ARO 423/45. G-3/18.

716—ITALIAN CO-OPERATORS—CHANGE OF STATUS

1. On 1 July 45 the status of all Italian co-operators in ITALY was changed and they became members of the Italian Armed Forces administered through Italian military channels.

2. In connection with the foregoing, procedure will be adhered to as laid down in ARO 699/45. G-3/133

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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

717—SAFEGUARDING OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION

1. Each individual officer and soldier is personally responsible for the safeguarding of such arms and ammunition as may be issued to him or placed in his charge. Unit commanders, however, will make such collective arrangements as are possible to relieve individual officers and other ranks of the burden of responsibility to the greatest possible extent.

2. Orders for collective safeguarding must lay down a drill for handing over so that there can be no doubt as to the individual responsible for custody.

3. When possible arms and ammunition will be either carried by the individual or securely locked in or to some immovable box or object.

4. Arms and ammunition held collectively (e.g. in guard rooms, stores or barrack rooms) will be continually guarded by a sentry, storeman or room orderly.

5. Under no circumstances will the arms of drivers or other individuals be left on unattended vehicles; when leaving vehicles for any purpose drivers and passengers will carry their arms with them.

and will have to purchase food. All personnel should be warned of this before proceeding on leave to FRANCE and should ensure that sufficient cash is drawn before departure to cover the period of leave. Claims for ration allowance for the period in which rations are not issued should be made in the normal way. G-1/22A15/POL.

719—ACCOMMODATION STORES AND TENTAGE

1. Accommodation Stores, including Tentage, held by Units in addition to AF G1098 will not be moved from Rome Area without permission of G-4 British Rome Area Allied Command. G-4 Br/Q 127)

720—DEMANDS FOR ENGINEER STORES

1. Formations and units situated in the territory administered by Rome Area Allied Command and within those parts of the Provinces of ROME, VITERBO, RIETI, AQUILA and FROSINONE administered by Commander British Troops ROME which require items of Engineer stores will submit indents to:

OC 362 Works Section, RE.
Via del Parco Pepoli, ROME.
Tel.: ROME 588414.

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4. Arms and ammunition held collectively (e.g., in guard rooms, stores or barrack rooms) will be continually guarded by a sentry, storeman or room orderly.

5. Under no circumstances will the arms of drivers or other individuals be left on unattended vehicles; when leaving vehicles for any purpose drivers and passengers will carry their arms with them.

6. Losses of arms and ammunition will be reported to the appropriate Area/Sub-Area and a Summary of Evidence will be taken without delay and forwarded to the Area/Sub-Area for a decision whether trial by FGCM shall take place.

(To be repeated in Unit Orders.)

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718—COMPASSIONATE LEAVE TO FRANCE

Reference Area Routine Order 646, dated 10 Aug. 45.

Personnel proceeding on compassionate leave to FRANCE will not be issued in FRANCE with rations for the period of their leave. They will receive military ration coupons and will have to purchase food. All personnel should be warned of this before proceeding on leave to FRANCE and should ensure that sufficient cash is drawn before departure to cover the period of leave. Claims for ration allowance for the period in which rations are not issued should be made in the normal way. G-1/22A15/POL.

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Via del Parco Pepoli, ROME.
Tel.: ROME 588414.

2. In no circumstances will stores be issued or obtained without the authority of DCRE, 362 Works Section, RE.

3. ARO 690 of 5 Sep. 45 is hereby cancelled.

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721—RATIONS FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

1. Attention is drawn to ARO 664/45.

2. Indents for rations for civilian employees will be met to Italian Armd. Forces scale unless specific authority of this HQ for issue of Field Service scale has been granted since 1 Sep. 45. G4-(Br)/Q211/5

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722—REQUISITIONED EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

1. Units holding requisitioned plant, stores, vehicles and other equipment will notify the appropriate service at this HQ when any items become surplus to their requirements, and ask for disposal instructions.

2. Such plant, etc., will on no account be returned by units direct to the persons from whom it was requisitioned.

3. Any unit which has so returned any such plant, etc., will report particulars to this HQ so that the position may be regularised. G-4 Br/Q 242/10

723—CIVILIAN LABOUR—EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY SERVICE

1. Exemption of civilian labour from Military service is dealt with in AFHQ Adm. Memo No. 10, dated 20 Feb. 45, which was distributed to units under cover of this HQ letter 7A4 dated 3 Mar. 45.

2. As from 20 Sep. 45, applications for exemption from military service will be submitted in quadruplicate on Appendix A to AFHQ Adm. Memo No. 10, to SLCO, HQ. Rome Area, who will be the local British Labour Representative referred to in para. 2 (a) of the Adm. Memo. These will be accompanied by a single copy of the Certificate (Appendix «B» to the Adm. Memo) prepared for signature but NOT signed.

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4. Applications for the renewal of exemptions will be submitted as in para. 2 above not less than fourteen days before the previous exemption is due to expire, provided that the man in question is still liable to be called up. Forms will be clearly marked «RENEWAL.»

5. When civilians for whom exemption has been granted are discharged or otherwise cease to be employed, the employing unit will:

(a) Withdraw the exemption certificate and forward it to this HQ (G-4 Br), or notify this HQ if the exemption certificate is not available, stating in each case the date of cessation of employment.

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6. The following are hereby cancelled:
AROs 523 and 634 of 1945.
This HQ letters 7A4 dated 3 Mar. and 26 Apr. 45.
G-4 Br/Q2433

724—CIVILIAN LABOUR—WORKING OF SEVEN CONSECUTIVE DAYS

1. ARO 619/45 is amended as follows:

Line 6, *delete* «ADL» and *substitute* «G-4(Br).»

2. Current authorities issued by ADL to non-Service Units to employ civilians for seven consecutive days will remain valid. G-4 Br/Q 213/12

725—PETROL POINTS

The following are the revised times for closing of Petrol

726—PETROL POINT—ROUTE 6

Petrol Point on Route 6 (ROME) Map Reference F 8563 will close w.e.f. 27 Sep. 45.

The nearest other Petrol Points in ROME Area are:

(a) Tiburtina, Route 5, Map Ref. 771674.

(b) Route 7, Map Ref. F 8859. ST/1787

727—CIVILIAN LABOUR

Attention of all Units employing civilian labour is directed to this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin Nos. 19 and 20, dated 6 Sep. 45, distribution of which has been effected. Lab. Cir/6

728—PERSONNEL RETURNING FROM LIAP—MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Personnel returning from leave in the UK are not medically examined before re-embarking for this Theatre.

Officers Commanding units and Medical Officers i/m/c Troops should ensure that men rejoining are medically examined in accordance with King's Regulations, 1940, para. 1589. Particular attention should be paid to undergarments for any evidence of louse infestation.

Med (Br) 535

729—EDUCATION—PALESTINIAN PERSONNEL

1. The Senate, Hebrew University, Jerusalem, have made certain concessions to ex-service men who apply for admission or return to the University within two years of their demobilisation.

2. A copy of these concessions was sent to all Palestinian Units, under AFHQ letter A5/52502/G1(B) of 21 Aug. 45.

3. Individuals who are interested and have not seen the above letter should apply to SO II (Edn) RAAC.

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1. Reference GRO 565/45 Appendix I, trade No. 33 Printer; opportunities existing at Printing and Stationery Depots for training in the above-mentioned trade include the following additional sub-divisions of that trade:

No. 33 Printer.

(ix) Typewriter Mechanic.

(x) Duplicator Mechanic.

(xi) Adding and Calculating Machine Mechanic.

2. Applicants must be fully qualified mechanics, and capable of accepting responsibility for the repair and maintenance of valuable equipment without special training.

3. Applications should be made in accordance with the provisions of the a/m GRO. A clear statement of the refresher course required should be stated in the space provided at Appendix II.

4. The maximum number of vacancies available to this theatre is limited to 12 per course. Each course will be of eight weeks' duration.

5. Training Centres are as stated below. Students will

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G-4 Br/Q2143

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G-4 Br/Q 243/12

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Petrol Point		
Tiburtina (Rome Area P.P.)	—	Closes 1800 hrs. Urgent operational demands to Route 3.
Route 3 (Tor di Quinto) Route 6 Route 7	—	Closes 1900 hrs. Urgent operational demands may be met all night from all these Petrol Points.

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5. Training Centres are as stated below. Students will be instructed to proceed to the nearest available centre whenever practicable.

6. No student should be nominated if due for Release, PYTHON or LIAP before the end of the course.

7. Training Centres:

(a) 21 Stationery Depot, NAPLES — 4 vacancies.
(b) 8 Stationery Depot, BARI — — 4 vacancies.
(c) 17 Adv. Stationery Depot, ANCONA — 4 vacancies.

(Students to be distributed as required.)

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731—EDN. HIGHER TRADE TRAINING—CONCRETERS

Reference GROs 676 and 677/45 amended by GROs 906 and 907/45.

1. It is thought that the qualification of Army Tradesmen — Concreter D III may be preventing suitable nominees from applying for Higher Trade Training Courses in the trade of concreter.

2. On future courses, therefore, one-fifth of the vacancies offered will be open to Army Tradesmen D III and the remainder to men who, though not qualified tradesmen, have had general experience on concreting work.

3. The latter class of men would obtain valuable experience from the course which might help them to qualify for the civilian job of Concrete Ganger or Mixer Operator.

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732—BRITISH ARMY WELFARE SERVICES—RAAC

1. EFI are now prepared to refund the cost in the form of credit to the purchasers' account of CRICKET BATS which have proved to be unsatisfactory through faulty materials or workmanship.

2. Any Unit desirous of claiming for faulty bats should apply to the nearest Staff Officer Welfare who will supply the necessary information and action.

Welfare/21

733—BRITISH ARMY WELFARE SERVICES—RAAC

It is notified for information that the Bathing Beaches, both Officers and Other Ranks, located at Ostia Lido-di-Roma, will be closed as from 1 Oct. 45.

Any persons or parties using the Beach after this date are reminded that they are responsible for the provision of Life Saving precautions before any person enters the water.

Welfare/34

R. H. CAMRASS,
Lt.-Col., AA and QMG.

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1. Considerable confusion has arisen at the Formation College, CMF, from the arrangements made by numerous units for the dispersal of students.

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G 3/126

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ITALIAN CIVIL FIRE SERVICES

Telephone: DIAL 471555, 471894, 478010.

2. English-speaking personnel are available on these telephone numbers, but should response be in Italian, then demand to speak to English-speaking operators must be made.

3. Always give name or number of unit, and location CLEARLY, SLOWLY and IN FULL. This is important.

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3. In no circumstances will matters of administration of Italian Military personnel be despatched to GHQ 2nd Echelon, MMIA (AC), or any other British HQ.

4. Cases have been reported in which personnel of the Italian Army on the strength of or attached to British units have been awarded punishments under British Military Law or under Regulations for the Maintenance of Discipline amongst Prisoners of War, 1939.

5. It is illegal to award such punishments to serving members of the Italian Army, who are subject only to Italian Military Law, which must be administered by Italian officers in accordance with the Italian code. G-3/133

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700—EDUCATION—REFRESHER COURSES FOR SKILLED TRADESMEN

1. The attention of all formations and units is drawn to GRO 565/45, para. 7.

2. The number of men lacking the necessary background to profit by the courses (as explained in GRO 565/45, para. 2) but, nevertheless, being nominated for vacancies, is rapidly increasing. UEOs should seek the advice of a REME officer when in doubt about a prospective student.

3. It is again emphasised that men who are due for Release, LIAP or PYTHON before the end of their course should not be nominated. G-3/135

D. A. D. YOUNG,
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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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Locking arms up in boxes, kit bags, etc., is not satisfactory and orders will be published forbidding this practice.

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When the OC of a unit wishes to recommend a soldier under suspended sentence for LIAP, the AF A3104 along with the OC's recommendation will be forwarded to this HQ for consideration. G-1/22A2

703—STRENGTH RETURNS

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1. Units will show only the number of personnel *actually present* at 0900 hrs. on the day stated. Personnel on LIAP will NOT be included.

2. Returns are still reaching this Headquarters several days late. OsC Units will ensure that they are rendered promptly in future. G-1(Br)/63A

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Reference GRO 872/45.

1. Effective 1 Sep. 45 the following restrictions are imposed on AFW 5192 Blue Labels:

(a) Any parcel bearing one ten-shilling label may not include more than two ounces of tobacco, cigars or 50 cigarettes.

(b) Each additional Blue Label will be authority for extra two ounces up to total value of two pounds.

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(d) Para. 4 of GRO 151/45 is not relaxed. Tobacco from EFI and similar sources may not be sent.

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Reference GRO 965/45.

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Attention is drawn to GRO 995/45, the relevant parts of which are:

1. NORMAL WINTER CLOTHING.

(i) On being posted to the UK for release or under PYTHON, or in the case of men released locally to the Release Centre, summer clothing will be handed to unit QM stores for return to Ordnance.

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2. TIES.

There will be an addition to the Scale of Clothing and Necessaries as detailed in ARO 368/44 by the addition of one tie per man. Demands for ties on this basis will be submitted forthwith through Ordnance channels.

3. SPECIAL WINTER CLOTHING.

The following scale based on ACI 1314/44 is applicable to this theatre:—

Article	*Scale of Issue % of strength of force*	*General Purpose*
Jerkins, leather	80	For all except those employed indoors on base installations.
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Sou'westers Oilskin	2½	Personnel employed on docks
Coats, tropal	2½	Men on particularly exposed work.
Jackets, Oilskin Trousers, Oilskin	30	For use by personnel employed continuously in exposed situations.

4. Units will submit indents through the normal channels forthwith, quoting this ARO. Items in possession will be taken into account when submitting demands.

5. The necessity for economy in the use of all clothing as published in GRO 849/45 is again emphasised. Units are warned that the rates of wastage for clothing have been reduced by War Office very considerably. It will not, therefore, be possible to supply maintenance beyond these reduced rates, which are adequate only provided the utmost economy is exercised.

6. The date on which winter clothing will be taken into use will be published in due course. G-4 Br/Q 256/10

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(b) On the taking into use of winter clothing, summer clothing will NOT be returned to Ordnance but will be dealt with as follows: —

(i) Normally, summer items of clothing will be retained by the individual soldier, and he will take it with him on posting from one unit to another. Summer clothing will NOT be collected under unit arrangements.

(ii) Surplus summer clothing will be handed in at the Release Centre, summer clothing will be handed to unit QM stores for return to Ordnance.

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Trousers, Oilskin		

4. Units will submit indents through the normal channels forthwith, quoting this ARO. Items in possession will be taken into account when submitting demands.

5. The necessity for economy in the use of all clothing as published in GRO 849/45 is again emphasised. Units are warned that the rates of wastage for clothing have been reduced by War Office very considerably. It will not, therefore, be possible to supply maintenance beyond those reduced rates, which are adequate only provided the utmost economy is exercised.

6. The date on which winter clothing will be taken into use will be published in due course. G-4 Br/Q 256/10

707—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

Reference ARO 22/44.

The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 Monday, 1 Oct. 45.

OsC British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 199 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

The following will also attend: OsC DIDs: Catering Adviser and QMSI: Representative NAAFI/EFI.

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708—HASTENING OF ORDNANCE STORES

1. In many instances Units in this area are hastening stores direct at Base Ordnance Depots even when such stores are not urgently required, causing considerable unnecessary work.

2. This will cease forthwith. In future all hasteners for Ordnance Stores will be forwarded through ADOS Rome Area Allied Command. OS/600/5

709—CIVILIAN LABOUR

(Applicable to ALL Units)

Attention of all Allied Units employing civilian labour in that part of RIETI Province under administration of Commander, British Troops, Rome, is directed to the terms of Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 18, dated 6 Sep. 45, distribution of which is now being effected. Lab. CRF/6

710—SUPPLY OF PROPHYLACTICS

1. It is contrary to present policy to limit the issue of condoms to British troops, providing always that they are used for the purpose for which they are intended.

2. Indents are being submitted, however, which exceed normal requirements, and to enable a check to be made on excessive issues, indents will in future give the following information:—

(a) the number of condoms held at the beginning of the month;
(b) the number issued during the month;
(c) strength of the unit;
(d) requirements for the next monthly period.

3. It should be noted that units will indent once a month for these items. Supplementary indents will be approved where necessary, but an explanation should accompany such indents.

4. All indents will be submitted to Surgeon (ADMS) Rome Area Allied Command.

5. Units who are authorised to draw supplies from 25 Field Sanitary Section, RAMC, will do so between the hours of 9 — 11 on Mondays to Saturdays. Med (Br) 321

711—QUARTERLY VACCINATION AND INOCULATION STATE

1. All personnel should be protected by Vaccination and Inoculation against Smallpox, Typhoid, Tetanus and Typhus.

The following are the requirements for protection:—

(a) Smallpox: Vaccination every two years.
(b) TAB: Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.
(c) TET: Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.
(d) Typhus: Three initial inoculations and one maintenance dose every six months.

2. All units will forward a return to Surgeon (ADMS) by 7 Oct. 45, giving the following particulars as at 30 Sep. 45:—

(a) Strength of Unit.
(b) Numbers Protected by Vaccination against Smallpox.
(c) Numbers Protected by TAB inoculation.
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(e) Numbers Protected by Typhus inoculation.

Med (Br) 435

712—REFRESHER COURSES FOR SKILLED TRADESMEN (GRO 565/45)

1. The number of men lacking the necessary background for these courses (as explained in GRO 565/45 para. 2) but nevertheless being nominated for vacancies is rapidly increasing. UEOs should seek the advice of a REME officer when in doubt about a prospective student.

2. Men who are due for Release, LIAF or PYTHON before the end of their course should not be nominated.

Education/126

713—FORCES EDUCATIONAL BROADCASTS

Forces Educational Broadcasts, produced by the BBC in connection with the Release Period Education Scheme, are relayed daily (except Sundays) by British Forces Station, Rome (202.3 metres — 1483 K/cs) at the following times:—

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Education/126

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APPENDIX «A» TO ARO 696

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Ref:
Date:

TO: HQ Rome Area Allied Command (G-3 Br)

(a) Date of fire;
(b) Address and location of fire;
(c) Time of call/s;
(d) Time fire appliances in action;
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(k) Supposed cause of fire;
(l) Casualties (i) Army Fire Service personnel;
(ii) Others;
(m) Names of Officers and/or WOs in attendance;
(n) Remarks.

(Signature)

OC Unit

Copy to: ADAFS, AFHQ
DADAFS, 3 District (2)
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NOTICES

«Owing to pressure of business at present in hand, by Local Resources Section Welfare, it is impossible for this Section to accept any further commitments after 15 Sep. 45 until further notice.»

1. Lost or Stolen

AB 64 (Parts I & II) and personal documents. The property of: 61105 Pte. Josef Marcieca, EFI RASC, 61 Area. Stolen from train at the Central Railway Station on the night of the 6 Sep. 45

AB 64 (Parts I & II). The property of: 1199544 L/Cpl. G. C. Jones, Cheshire Regt.

Brown leather handbag, containing Postal Order for £1, mirror, cigarette case, 200 lire, [illegible] book, pressure gauge. The property of: 31551 Pte. Mains, ATS, EFI Alexander Club. Lost at the Barberini Cinema on 4 Sep. 45.

AB 139, envelope addressed to Major J. Walker, Ancona Ports Pass, User Driver Permit, 700-800 lire, 1-20 & 1-5 franc notes. The property of: Major E. T. Malone, 1023 Ports Operating Coy, RE. Lost on 1 Sep. 45.

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Brown Wallet with P.S. in corner, containing approx. £9 in cash, personal paper, Officer Shop Ration Card, leave pass. The property of: Lt. P. C. Sanderson, Recce Corps, 4th Recce Regt. RAC, CMF. Lost on 3 Sep. 45.

Wallet containing personal paper, Officer Shop Ration Card, photos, 100 lire. The property of: Lt. D. Crowther, East Survey Regt., 1/6 Surveys, CMF. Lost on 3 Sep. 45.

Brown leather wallet, with throng edging, containing approx. 10,000 lire, and personal papers. The property of: 235250 Capt. E. N. Somerfield, RE, att. No. 3 TN Stores Group HQ. RAAC. Lost on 25 Aug. 45.

Enfield Pistol, No. F.22.G.7057, contained in a box. Stolen on 22 Aug. 45. Reported by Col. Parkes, Transportation (B) Main Officers' Mess.

Paybook (DL.239A). The property of: No. 15856V T/WO I D. H. Cunningham, 45 SA ABW. Lost on 16 Aug. 45.

One web belt, 1 blanket, 1 comforter, 1 KD Shirt, 1 pair KD slacks, 1 pair cell pants, AB 64 (Parts I &II). The property of: 192782 Cpl. L. Balaydes, RA. Lost in Area of Porta S. Giovanni, 31 Aug. 45.

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Gold Wristlet Watch (Lady's) Waltham, leather strap, brown, winder on left side (not right). Small piece of white enamel missing near figure four. Lost between Hotel Imperiale and Borghese Gardens on 25 Aug. 45. The property of: W.170552 Pte. J. D. Morrison, Allied Screening Commission, Rome.

AB (Parts I & II). The property of: 11414847 Gnr. M. Siddall, 603 Regt. RA. Lost between Caserta and Santa Maria on railway track.

AB 64 (Parts I & II). The property of: 3912834 Gnr. F. C. J. Quail, 603 Regt. RA. Lost whilst on leave in Rome on 26 Aug. 45.

The following losses of equipment are notified:—

Humber A/C 118963—Spare Wheel Regd. No. B643516 —Firestone.

Humber A/C 119176—Spare Wheel Regd. No. 2756847N —Goodyear.

Humber A/C 118798—Spare Wheel Regd. No. B22519 Firestone.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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Serial No. 48 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 5 Sep 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

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(e) Women and children will *not* be fired upon in any circumstances.

(f) The use of automatic weapons incapable of firing shots is forbidden; automatic weapons capable of firing single shots may be used only as single-shot weapons, unless armed resistance is encountered, in which case automatic fire may be employed.

3. Full protection is guaranteed to any Commander who, in good faith and in accordance with these principles, issues order to shoot, and to every officer and soldier who, in like circumstances, does shoot.

4. If shooting results in the killing or wounding of any person the CO will, within 24 hours, convene a Court of Inquiry, and forward the proceedings as speedily as possible to Rome Area Allied Command, who will decide what further action, if any, should be taken. In cases of doubt on matters of policy, instructions should be sought from this HQ.

The SIB will not be called in to investigate until such time as the Commander British Troops, Rome, so decides.

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4. In all cases the full name and address, together with the name of the father and the mother of subject, must be given.

5. All requests for vetting should be addressed to 276 Field Security Section, CMF. G-3/13

679—SECURITY—DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION CONCERNING «TOP SECRET» OR «SECRET» EQUIPMENT TO CIVILIAN FIRMS BY MILITARY PERSONNEL

ACI 1439/44 is repeated below for information and compliance.

1. Certain civilian firms in considering the post-war employment of such of their employees as are at present engaged on military service, have sent out a form of questionnaire in which Service personnel are requested to give details of the type of work upon which they have been engaged during their period of military service. There will probably be an increase in the number of these and similar requests and the object of this ACI is to ensure that all ranks are aware of their obligations in regard to the disclosure of military information acquired by them during their period of service.

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678—VETTING

1. Complaints have been received concerning the slowness with which security vettings are completed.

2. It should be realised that the volume of vettings required is very large in this Command, and there are only a few security personnel available to carry out this work.

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680—PHYSICAL TRAINING AND SPORTS CENTRE, CMF

Attention is drawn to GRO 897/45, particularly to para. 4 which gives method of application for use of Sports Centre and Stadium by units and formations. G-3/30

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681—TECHNICAL EDUCATION—HIGHER TRADE TRAINING

Attention is drawn to GRO 933/45 which cancels all Courses at School of Signals as set out in GRO 678/45.

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682—REPORTING OF OUTBREAKS OF FIRE

1. All outbreaks of fire in which WD interests are involved will be reported to Headquarters Rome Area Allied Command whether the fire has been extinguished by the military or civil fire service. If the estimated damage caused by the fire exceeds £100 a report will be submitted by telephone or signal. If the damage is less than this figure, report will be by letter.

2. The attention of all unit commanders is directed to "Regulations for Army Fire Service in War, 1942," as amended by Amendment No. 1 dated 30 Sep. 44. G-3/121

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2. The regulations governing the preservation and destruction of documents are set out in the pamphlet "Submission of War Diaries and Preservation of Historical Documents" issued with GRO 327/45. Any unit or headquarters not in possession of that pamphlet should apply for a copy to: 10 Publications Depot, CMF. G-3/126

684—RE-DESIGNATION OF UNITS

The following units are designated w.e.f. dates as shown:

Old Designation—
HQ. 2 Coy., 1 L. of C. Sigs.
No. 4 Special Counter Intelligence Unit, Type "A".
New Designation—
HQ. 4 Coy., Eighth Army Sigs.
No. 1 Civil Control Unit.
Effective Date—
28 Jul. 45.
26 Jul. 45. G-3/126

685—DUTIES OF 516 ITALIAN ADM. REGT.

1. In order to assist units which have BR-ITI, ex-Co-operator BR-ITI or ITI-ITI personnel on strength in the matter of administration of such Italian personnel, the following summary of the responsibilities of 516 Italian Adm. Regt. is given.

2. *Responsibilities*:—
(a) Organisation of Supplies of all kinds.
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(c) Discipline.
(d) Leave.
(e) Discharge.
(f) Reinforcements.
(g) Welfare, compassionate postings, etc.

3. Italian O/C of the units concerned (whether BR-ITI, ex-Co-operator BR-ITI or ITI-ITI) should be strongly encouraged to look to and refer to OC, 516 Italian Adm. Regt., in ALL matters of Italian administration except those pertaining to their employment by the British Authorities.

4. The location of 516 Italian Adm. Regt. is:—
14, Torre Gaia, Route 6, MR 8762.
Tele: 791871. G-3/133

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

686—MALARIA CONTROL

1. There is a risk of personnel acting as train guards, orderlies and permanent staff contracting Malaria whilst travelling on trains.

2. The following anti-Malarial precautions will be brought into force forthwith and will be complied with irrespective of whether a train is passing through a malarial area or not:

(a) All ranks will sleep under mosquito or sandfly nets.
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(d) All ranks will take one tablet of Atebrine/Mepacrine daily. G.1/26A2

687—ALLIED SCREENING COMMISSIONS ITALY AND GREECE

1. There is an urgent demand for Captains and Subalterns for Allied Screening Commissions, Italy and Greece, who are

688—REHABILITATION COURSES FOR THEATRICAL PERFORMERS

1. A series of courses for Service personnel is being organised by the Central Pool of Artistes, Army Welfare Services at the CPA Theatre—HQ. Army Welfare Services, Naples.

The object of these courses is to assist in the rehabilitation and return to civilian life of performers and entertainers now serving in the Forces, by performing in AWS shows. As a result of the scheme additional entertainment for the Services will be made available at a time when the amount of entertainment from the United Kingdom is decreasing.

2. Courses will be of three weeks' duration and will be entirely practical. Students will gain fresh experience in acting, production, lighting and stage management and, if successful, will join AWS CPA show for a six weeks' tour immediately on completion of the course. When the period of attachment ceases students will return to their units.

3. The course is open to all officers and other ranks of both sexes of all British Services other than Nursing Officers of the QAIMNS and is available for both amateur and professional performers.

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2. Officers should be of Age and Service Group 24 and over or should have elected and been accepted for deferment. They also should not be within 9 months of Python.

3. Linguistic qualifications are desirable but not essential.

4. Will addressees please forward their nominations, giving full particulars of rank, names and initials, present units, etc., to this HQ.

5. Each officer so nominated will be required to attend a short interview in order to ascertain his suitability for such employment. G-1 Br/42A/Y

688—REHABILITATION COURSES FOR THEATRICAL PERFORMERS

1. A series of courses for Service personnel is being organised by the Central Pool of Artistes, Army Welfare Services at the CPA Theatre—HQ. Army Welfare Services, Naples.

The object of these courses is to assist in the rehabilitation and return to civilian life of performers and entertainers now serving in the Forces, by performing in AWS shows. As a result of the scheme additional entertainment for the Services will be made available at a time when the amount of entertainment from the United Kingdom is decreasing.

2. Courses will be of three weeks' duration and will be entirely practical. Students will gain fresh experience in acting, production, lighting and stage management and, if successful, will join AWS CPA show for a six weeks' tour immediately on completion of the course. When the period of attachment ceases students will return to their units.

3. The course is open to all officers and other ranks of both sexes of all British Services other than Nursing Officers of the QAIMNS and is available for both amateur and professional performers.

4. Applications by personnel to attend these courses will without exception be submitted through COs direct to HQ, AWS, AFHQ. Vacancies together with dates of commencement of courses will be notified to all concerned by HQ, AWS, together with joining instructions. The form of application is set out in Appendix "A" to this AIRO. HQ, AWS, when they have selected officers whom they consider to be suitable to attend these courses will obtain prior approval for attachment—

(a) in the case of officers filling MS appointments from Dep. Mil. Sec., AFHQ;
(b) in the case of all other male officers from G.1(Br) A9/10 AFHQ; and
(c) in the case of ATS officers from G.1(Br) A8, AFHQ.

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5. Candidates selected to attend course will remain on the strength of their units and will be attached to HQ, AWS, for all purposes for the duration of the course and tour.

6. This GRO is restricted to personnel who are ineligible for service in the Far East in accordance with the terms of GRO 784/45.

7. Retention of acting or temporary rank will be governed by the provisions of ACIs 774/44 and 1145/44.

8. Appropriate casualties covering the period of attachment will be rendered to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, by the unit concerned and HQ, AWS, respectively in respect of each officer and other rank affected. G.1/47A

(To be re-published in Unit Orders)

689—REPATRIATION OF CIVILIAN FAMILIES

1. The problem of finding accommodation for families of soldiers arriving in the United Kingdom is still acute.

2. In future it will not be possible to allot quarters to families of soldiers not serving a Regular army engagement.

3. However, the Ministry of Health in consultation with service authorities will ensure that when families of soldiers on non-regular engagements have no address in the UK to proceed to, that temporary accommodation will be made available until a permanent place of residence is found.

4. All applications for repatriation of families will state whether the soldier is regular or non-regular.

G-1 Br/58A

690—DEMANDS FOR ENGINEER STORE

1. Formations and units wishing to demand items of Engineer store will submit indents to the DCRE of the area within which the formation or unit is located.

Within the territory administered by Rome Area Allied Command the DCRE concerned is:—

OC, 362 Works Section, RE.

Location: Via del Parco Pepoli, Rome.

Telephone: Rome 588414.

Within those parts of the provinces of Rome, Viterbo, Rieti, Aquila and Frosinone administered by Commander, British Troops, Rome, the DCRE concerned is:—

OC, 372 Works Section, RE.

Location: RIETI.

Telephone: Rieti 138.

2. In no circumstances will stores be issued or obtained without authority of the appropriate DCRE.

3. Area Routine Order No. 492 of 11 Apr. 45, is hereby *cancelled*. G.1/Q17

691—DYSENTERY

1. Cases of Dysentery are occurring amongst units in this area.

2. All units will strictly comply with GROs 338/45 and 486/45.

3. Particular attention will be paid to the washing and treatment of uncooked vegetables and fruit, and the relevant paragraph of GRO 338/45 is repeated here for convenience.

The following methods of treatment of all uncooked vegetables and fruit (other than thick-skinned fruit, e.g. oranges) will be adopted under unit arrangements:—

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(b) Once cleansing and preparation are complete, this will be followed by *immersion for 30 minutes* in water containing a solution of chlorine (1 scoopful WSP to 2 gallons of water) with frequent agitation. The WSP will be made up as a strong solution before being added to the water.

(c) The treated vegetable or fruit will then be rinsed in drinking water to remove all taste of chlorine.

N.B.—Thick-skinned fruit, e.g. oranges, should be washed before consumption. (Med(Br)382)

692—CIVILIAN LABOUR

Attention of all employing units is directed to this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin, No. 16, dated 22 Aug. 45, distribution which is now being effected.

(LAB CRP/6)

APPENDIX "A" to ARO 688/45

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Christian names
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If deferment applied for
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Date

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2 Base Area RAF—Share of NAAFI rebate for period Jul 44 to 28 Apr 45	30,000	NAAFI rebate from Alexander Club (NET [illegible] after deducting amount credited to AFHQ	

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Lilliput shows, etc.	808,786
Sports Equipment	368,000
56 Rest Camp	229,763
58 Small Rest Camp	13,430
Welfare and Education	39,650
Sundries	12,062
Decorations Information Room	10,700
Expenses FA Touring Team	10,294
	1,783,685

INCOME	Lire
NAAFI rebate from Alexander Club (NET after deducting amount payable to AFHQ Central Welfare Fund)	694,811
50% Gate Money FA Match	14,500
EXCESS of EXPENDITURE over INCOME for quarter	1,074,374
	1,783,685

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BALANCE-SHEET as at 30 Jun. 45

Sundy. Creditors — — —		543,211	Cash at Bank — — — — — — 655,062
Accumulated Fund—			Sundry Debtors — — — — — — 1,110,000
Balance 1 Apr. — — —	2,296,225		
Deduct excess Expenditure over Income for quarter — —	1,074,374		
		1,221,851	
		1,765,062	1,765,062

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Leather purse containing: 1,000 lire, 1 Palestinian pound note, leave pass, opera ticket and miscellaneous papers. Reported by: 6703 Pte. Y. Reznik, 555 Palestine Ordnance Coy.—Believed stolen on Circular Sinistra Tram on the 18 Aug. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brigadier ALBAN LOW, C.B.E., M.C.

Commander British Troops Rome
(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 47 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 24 Aug. 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

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D. A. D. YOUNG,
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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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11 Via del Mancino, 19 Via della Cuccagna, 29 Via Cavour, 22 Via Belsiana, 80 Via Buonarroti; 83 Via delle Muratte, 88 Via Nazionale, 96 Via Marsala, 198 Via Flaminia, 19 Piazzale Flaminio, Piazza San Silvestro, Piazza di Porta San Giovanni, Porta Pinciana.

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2. Enquiries will be made on the proforma attached at Appendix <A> to these orders and will be directed to:—

Allied Commission, Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission, Records Bureau, [illegible]E.

3. Enquiries will be sent direct to these agencies and not through any other channel.

4. This instruction applies to personnel of the Armed Forces as well as to civilians.

5. When British Red Cross and Allied Commission units leave the country, enquiries will be submitted direct to the Italian Red Cross. G-1(Br.)/33A/Y

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664—RATIONS FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

1. The terms of GRO 842/45 will be complied with by all hotels, clubs and restaurants, unless permission to the contrary is obtained from this HQ.

2. Any hotel, club or restaurant which requires such permission will make written application to this HQ therefor, setting out reasons why it is impracticable for the terms of the GRO to be carried out.

3. It will be borne in mind that the necessity for strict economy in the use of foodstuffs dictates the introduction of this GRO, and it is the duty of all concerned to contribute the maximum effort to ensure that the Field Service scale of rations is not consumed by Italian civilians where this can be avoided and the correct Italian Armed Forces scale used in lieu. G-4(Br.)

665—ISSUES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO ITALIAN-DRIVEN WD VEHICLES

1. Area Routine Order No. 389/45 is hereby CANCELLED.

2. The attention of all units employing Italian drivers for WD vehicles is now directed to the following order, for strict compliance:—

(a) No Allied military vehicle driven by an Italian will be supplied with petroleum products from WD petrol points and depots except that the driver produces a work ticket, trip ticket or carnet de bord properly completed and endorsed by a rubber stamp or, if unavailable, endorsed in red ink «ENTITLED TO DRAW POL FROM ALLIED MILITARY STOCKS».

(b) Rubber stamps may be had on written application to DADST, RAAC. G4B/Q118

666—CUSTOMS FREE CONCESSION LABELS (AF W 5192)

1. Reference GRO 151/45, para. 1(c), and Rome Area Daily Bulletin No. 186 of 6 Aug. 45, para. IV.

2. The following personnel are *not* entitled to Customs Free Concession Labels:—

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Civilians visiting the theatre in an official capacity (e.g., MPs, Lecturers, etc.).
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MOWT employees.
Civilians employed by TELECOM, EFI, ISLD.
War correspondents.
Civilian wives of British military personnel.
Scripture readers and Christian Science personnel.
Civil Servants.
Technical representative REME.

3. OsC Units will ensure that no labels are made available to them. G-4Br./Q184

667—TRANSIT RATIONS

1. Units which draw transit rations from 159 Transit Camp will ensure that indents are clearly written, that all figures are written as well as given in numerals, and that indents are signed either by an officer or by the WO or NCO i/c. G-4 Br./Q 197

669—MEDAL RIBBON ITALY STAR

1. Sufficient stocks will shortly be available to permit a general issue of Italy Star Medal Ribbon.

2. It is emphasised that this issue will be based only on the scale of 1 1/4 ins. per man.

3. Indents will be submitted in the normal manner. (OS/100/27)

670—CIVILIAN LABOUR

(Applicable to All Units)

1. Attention of all Employing Units is directed to the terms of this Command Civilian Labour Bulletin No. 13 dated 10 Aug. 45, distribution of which is being effected. (LAB CRP/6)

671—CIVILIAN LABOUR—SERVICE CHARGES IN HOTELS AND MESSES.

(Applicable to ALL Hotels and Messes)

1. W.e.f. 16 Aug. 45, the remuneration of civilian employees of all Hotels and Messes under Allied Control will consist of authorised wages within the Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale only. The practice of augmenting employees wages by means of a Service or other charge or levy on officers will cease w.e.f. above-mentioned date.

2. The existing ten (10) per cent differential between the maximum rates applicable to Hotels of «De-Luxe» standard and the maximum rates applicable to all other Hotels will remain operative, and in no case will these rates be exceeded.

3. Hotel Managers will take all possible steps to discourage tipping by guests and will cause «No Tipping» notices to be posted in prominent places in all Hotels. (LAB HTL/1)

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1. Attention of all Employing Units is directed to the following amendments to «Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour» (the Buff Book) which will shortly be promulgated in GROs *w.e.f. the first pay period subsequent to 31 Jul. 45.*

(a) *Para. 29 (b)*

Line 5. After «Employees eligible for overtime pay» *Add* «and employees paid under Appendix «A» who are ineligible for overtime pay».

Lines 11/12. Delete «Actual number of working days in the particular month». *Substitute* «TWENTY-SIX (26)».

Line 13. After «Employees ineligible for overtime pay». *Add* «i.e., Hotel, Mess and Club employees paid under Appendices 'B' and 'C'».

Lines 19/20. Delete «Actual number of days in the particular month (SUNDAYS included)». *Substitute* «THIRTY (30)».

(b) *AF O1603 (CMF)*

«On side of sheet headed 'PAY LIST OF MONTHLY EMPLOYEES' at foot of page under 'INSTRUCTIONS' *Delete all detail* and *Substitute:*—

«Basic Pay, Overtime Pay, Cost of Living Bonuses and Deductions for non-attendance are calculated as laid down in paras. 26, 29 (b) and 35 of 'Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour (ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA)». (LAB CRP/6)

673—VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CENTRE

1. Rome Area Education Branch has opened a Vocational Information Centre at the Alexander Club (Third Floor). It contains all the available official information as issued by the Ministry of Labour and other bodies.

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668—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. Reference ARO 222/44.

2. The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 hrs., 3 Sep. 45.

3. OsC British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 199 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

4. The following will also attend.

OsC DIDs.
Catering Adviser and QMSI.
Representative NAAFI/EFI.
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1. W.e.f. 16 Aug. 45, the remuneration of civilian employees of all Hotels and Messes under Allied Control will consist of authorised wages within the Allied Forces Basic Wage Scale only. The practice of augmenting employees wages by means of a Service or other charge or levy on officers will cease w.e.f. above-mentioned date.

2. The existing ten (10) per cent differential between the maximum rates applicable to Hotels of «De-Luxe» standard and the maximum rates applicable to all other Hotels will remain operative, and in no case will these rates be exceeded.

3. Hotel Managers will take all possible steps to discourage tipping by guests and will cause «No Tipping» notices to be posted in prominent places in all Hotels. (LAB HTL/1)

672—CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. Attention of all Employing Units is directed to the following amendments to «Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour» (the Buff Book) which will shortly be promulgated in GROs *w.e.f. the first pay period subsequent to 31 Jul. 45.*

(a) *Para. 29 (b)*
Line 5. After «Employees eligible for overtime pay» *Add* «and employees paid under Appendix «A» who are ineligible for overtime pay».
Lines 11/12. Delete «Actual number of working days in the particular month». *Substitute* «TWENTY-SIX (26)».
Line 13. After «Employees ineligible for overtime pay». *Add* «i.e., Hotel, Mess and Club employees paid under Appendices 'B' and 'C'».
Lines 19/20. Delete «Actual number of days in the particular month (SUNDAYS included)». *Substitute* «THIRTY (30)».

(b) *AF O1603 (CMF)*
«On side of sheet headed 'PAY LIST OF MONTHLY EMPLOYEES' at foot of page under 'INSTRUCTIONS' *Delete all detail* and *Substitute*:—
«Basic Pay, Overtime Pay, Cost of Living Bonuses and Deductions for non-attendance are calculated as laid down in paras. 20, 29 (b) and 35 of 'Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour (ITALY, SICILY and SARDINIA)». (LAB CRP/6)

673—VOCATIONAL EDUCATION CENTRE

1. Rome Area Education Branch has opened a Vocational Information Centre at the Alexander Club (Third Floor). It contains all the available official information as issued by the Ministry of Labour and other bodies.

2. The Centre will be open daily (including Sundays) from 1830-2030 hrs. and an AEC Instructor will be in attendance to give advice and assistance. Edn.

674—DISPOSAL OF CONDEMNED FOODSTUFFS

1. Condemned foodstuffs will not be disposed of by dumping in swill bins or at garbage disposal points.

2. It is pointed out that such foodstuffs constitute a danger to human life when consumed.

3. All condemned foodstuffs will be destroyed by incineration or other means, in the presence of an officer or responsible NCO.

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4. Particular attention should be [illegible] to the examination of tinned foodstuffs before use. Any [illegible]ns suspected of being «blown», i.e., the sides being convex instead of flat, or damaged excessively, or perforated by rust or nail holes, should be presented to the Unit Medical Officer for condemnation. (Med.(Br.)358)

675—TECHNICAL EDUCATION — REFRESHER COURSES FOR SKILLED TRADESMEN

Ref. Appendix I to GRO 565/45 (Courses for men skilled in civilian trades).

1. Applications for trade No. 31, Painter and Sign-writer, and Trade No. 33 (i) Printer—Compositor and (ii) Printer—Linotype Operator exceed the vacancies available.

2. Units will withhold further applications for these trades until the present holdings have been absorbed.

3. The relaxation of these instructions will be notified in due course. Education 153/EDN

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Appendix «A»

RED CROSS ENQUIRY/MESSAGE

Stamp of issuing Red Cross

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ENQUIRER — RICHIEDENTE

Name/Cognome .....

First Names/Nome .....

Address/Indirizzo .....

Original Home Address (in the case of a Displaced Person)/ Domicilio nel luogo di origine (se profugo)

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Relationship of Enquirer to Addressee/Grade di parentela col ricercato .....

The enquirer desires news of the Addressee and asks that the following message should be transmitted to him

Il richiedente vorrebbe notizie del ricercato e desidera che gli venga trasmesso il messaggio seguente

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Date .....

Date

ADDRESSEE — RICERCATO

Name/Cognome .....

First Names/Nome .....

Date of Birth/Date di nascita .....

Place of Birth/Luogo di nascita .....

Nationality/Nazionalita .....

Single married widow (or) divorced

(Delete all irrelevant matter.)

Celibe coniugato vedovo divoriziato

(Cancellare le parole che non servono.)

Profession/Professione .....

Last known address/Ultimo indirizzo conesciuto

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The Addressee's reply to be written overleaf (not more than 25 words).

La risposta del destinatario (non piu di 25 parole) dove essere scritta a tergo del modulo.

The inquiry form shown is obtainable upon application to Headquarters, Allied Commission, Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub Commission, Italy and Headquarters, British Troops Austria, AMG Records Bureau. However, if the form is not available facsimile should be made and filled out in block letters or with typewriter-and all blank spaces filled in. In no case should money be forwarded with the inquiry.

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AB 64, AF 1250, R(No. not known), National Savings Book containing £30 of Savings Stamps, and leave pass. The property of: 1158047 Sgt. Hall, HQ, 214 Group att. 40 PTC, WOs and Sgts. Rest Centre—Stolen on the 3 Aug. 45.

Leather dressing-case, officer's advance of paybook, toilet articles, pipe, cigarettes and tobacco-pouch. The property of: 165228 Capt. J. F. Hall, RA, 214 PW Camp—Stolen from vehicle on the 5 Aug. 45, outside the Town Major's office.

Wallet containing: 30 pounds in lire and 1 opera ticket. The property of: 1562580 Cpl. W. Grant, 104 Sqdn., RAF, 15th RAF Rest Camp—Believed lost in or in the vicinity of the Welcome Show on the 6 Aug. 45.

Wallet containing: letters, 600 lire, photographs. The property of: 7384880 Cpl. McFarl[illegible]—Pickpocketed at a tram stop on the 7 Aug. 45. Any information to: 104 Br. Gen. Hosp.

KD shirt containing AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 1809781 S/Sgt. Skittrell—Stolen from vehicle on the 7 Aug 45. Any information to this office.

AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 4079040 Cpl. Jarrett—

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Stolen from vehicle on the 7 Aug. 45, in the Colosseum area. Any information to this office.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The prope[illegible] of: No. T/174149 Cpl. J. E. Barnes, 839 GT Coy., RASC—Last seen in the Alexander Club on the evening of the 8 Aug. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), 2 angola shirts and a brown wallet. The property of 14390827 Gfn. E. W. Dines, 506 Forward Delivery Sqdn.—Lost in Naples on the 8 Aug. 45.

A gold brooch valued at £20. The property of: 1749057 Rfn. J. Healey, London Irish Rifles, att. 159 Transit Camp—Lost in the Piendilly Club on the 11 Aug. 45.

AB 64 M, 2 bush shirts, 3 towels, 1 purse containing 3,200 lire, one fountain-pen, 1 pocket watch, 1 pr. goggles, 1 pr. boots, 1 pr. socks, switch key of vehicle. The property of: MTN 961690 Sepoy Mohamed Shaffi, RIASC—Stolen from vehicle parked near the Indian YMCA on the 1 Aug. 45.

AB 64 (Part I). The property of: 7381388 Sgt. J. E. Hill, RAMC, 48 (Br.) Gen. Hosp.—Lost on the 1 Aug. 45.

Satchel ATS containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), ACA and Rome Area passes, wallet with 150 lire, watch, fountain-pen, cigarettes and lighter, compact and cosmetics, address book. The property of: W/46133 Cpl. E. J. Page, ATS—Lost from vehicle between Fregene and Rome on the 5 Aug. 45.

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Army pack containing: 1 pr. KD shorts with a bunch of keys in its pockets, 1pr. canvas shoes, 1 large towel, 1 bathing costume, 1 civilian shirt, 1 white scarf, 1 comb. The property of: Lt.-Col. R. S. Devereux, ACA—Lost from WD M/C between Nettuno, Anzio and Dadiglione on the 5 Aug. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 2827139 Pte. R. McClure, Seaforth Hldrs., att. 3 District HQ—Lost on the 11 Aug. 45.

Bedroll, large packages, 1 case containing personal kit, 1 WD pistol (No. unknown). The property of: Lt. Brown, 309 FDS, RAC—Stolen from vehicle on the 14 Aug. 45.

Pigskin wallet containing: personal papers, £20 in various currency—Believed s[illegible]a from Room 117 of the Eden Hotel on the night of the 13 [illegible]g. 45. The property of: Maj. Winn, Northumberland Fus., att. 1/4th Bn. Hamps.

Complete 1157 issue less KD slacks, BD blouse, vest, pants and beret. Included in the kit was a Smith and Wesson pistol No. 414653 and 12 rounds ammo. The property of: 7920245 Cpl. A. N. Dennis, 637 Fd. Sqdn., RE—Stolen from vehicle between 159 Transit Camp and the Alexander Club on the 17 Aug. 45.

Two blankets, KD slacks, shirt, socks, towel and washing kit. The property of: 6354727 L/Cpl. R. D. Cook, 637 Fd. Sqdn., RE—Stolen from vehicle between 159 Transit Camp and the Alexander Club on the 17 Aug. 445.

Blue leather wallet containing: personal papers, £25 in lire, advance of paybook. The property of: Capt. Leader, Chaplains Centre—Believed lost at the Eden Hotel on the 13 Aug. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 3387125 Bdr. R. Holden, RA, LAA—Lost in the vicinity of 56 Rest Camp on the 12 Aug. 45.

Pigskin leather wallet containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), Rome Area and AC passes, photographs. The property of: 14514320 Fus. J. Stavage—Lost between Terme di Caracalla and Via Principe Amedeo on the 11 Aug. 45.

AB 429, advance of paybook, AFW 3241 revised, leather suitcase containing personal kit. The property of: 185603 Lt. J. R. Hayes, REME, No. 1 Adv. Base W/Shops—Lost between the 25-26 Jul. 45, whilst in transit from Rome to Graz.

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3. Fires which are not likely to spread to the above will be dealt with by the Unit concerned, and Army Fire Services will not be called upon to attend.

4. Unit Commanders will ensure that all ranks are made aware of the above instructions, and that they are strictly enforced. Where necessary, action will be taken immediately to comply with this order.

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PRECAUTIONS — FIRE

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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

646—COMPASSIONATE LEAVE TO EUROPEAN COUNTRIES

1. Although AFHQ rulings on many questions concerning this subject are awaited, this HQ is willing to accept for consideration applications for leave on compassionate grounds to FRANCE, BELGIUM and HOLLAND.

2. Compassionate grounds on which reversion will be authorised are similar to those which would secure reversion to UK under terms of GRO 165/45, but the fact that the applicant's family has been in FRANCE, BELGIUM or HOLLAND while those countries were occupied by the enemy and has not been seen by the applicant since May or

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Jun. 40 will usually be considered a s[illegible]g ground in itself

3. Applications for leave will be submitted in accordance with GRO 165/45. A firm address to which it is intended to proceed will be given as it is not possible to authorize individuals to go in search of relatives or property.

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647—CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS—OFFICERS

In future, all confidential reports of the AF B 194 series submitted to this HQ will state:—

(a) Age and Service Group:

(b) Whether the officer has deferred his release under GRO 541/45, stating period of deferment. G-1/21A

648—MARRIAGE IN UK

For those who may wish to be married with as little delay as possible on their return to the UK, the following ruling has been given:—

1. For the purposes of the Marriage Act, the home town of a person serving overseas may be regarded as place of residence.

2. Banns may therefore be published:

(a) at the home parish of the person overseas:

(b) the parish of the person to whom he (or she) is to be married.

NOTE.—Publication of Banns in *one Parish only is allowed*, provided that the marriage is to take place in that Parish.

It is therefore possible for a soldier to arrange for publication of Banns prior to his return to UK, and for him to be married as soon after his arrival as is conveniently possible. G-1(Br)/73A

649—APPLICATIONS FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE TO UK

In many cases when applications are submitted to this Headquarters for compassionate leave to UK to be granted to an officer or OR, the age/service Group of the applicant is not stated.

Age/Service Group must be given in all cases, otherwise applications will not be considered. G-1(Br)/22A2/Pol

650—SAFEGUARDING OF WD VEHICLES

Reference is made to GRO 160/45.

1. The above mentioned GRO lays down that WD and requisitioned vehicles (including motor-cycles) will never be left unattended except:

(a) when essential on operational grounds:

(b) on account of other urgent necessity:

(c) by holders of user-driver permits.

2. However, losses of vehicles owing to theft in this area continue to occur.

3. In some such cases vehicles had been immobilised, but this had proved a totally inadequate precaution to prevent determined thieves from stealing them even when the person in charge was only away for a short time.

4. The Commander British Troops Rome is of the opinion that at the present time it is absurd to invoke operational necessity in an area such as Rome, and considers that in [illegible] should be accompanied by a second person.

1. This letter req[illegible]d Commanding Officers to submit the names of suitable personnel to attend the Leadership Course at the Chaplains Centre, ASSISI.

2. The Chaplains' Centre at ASSISI is known as the RA Ch. D Moral Leadership School, and is for personnel of all denominations other than Roman Catholic.

3. The Roman Catholic Leadership School is located at the RC Chaplains' Centre at FLORENCE.

4. Recommendations will be made by Commanding Officers in respect of Roman Catholic personnel and personnel of other denominations when replying to the above-quoted letter.

5. First nominations to attend courses at either of these centres will be submitted to this HQ not later than 13 Aug. 45.

6. Subsequent nominations will be submitted at the discretion of COs. G-1(Br)/18A)

652—BOUNDS

1. Area Routine Order 582/45 is cancelled.

2. The Wine Bar in Via Quattro Strade 11 RIETI has now been placed «IN BOUNDS» to Allied Troops.

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653—SALT—EXTRA ISSUES

1. During the present hot weather it is desirable that the salt ration should be increased for men engaged in heavy work or otherwise exposed to conditions likely to cause excessive perspiration and salt loss. In particular an increase in salt intake is necessary for troops travelling by train.

2. Units affected will draw extra salt ration as laid down in GRO 414/44.

3. This extra ration is an ST. not Medical, supply.

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654—HYDROPHOBIA

Within the last 60 days 19 rabid dogs (Hydrophobia) have been picked up in Rome by the city officials. The month of August will probably bring an increase of these figures. Unit Commanders must warn all personnel of this danger. Units desiring stray dogs to be impounded may telephone 580078 and request this service. (Medical)

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as possible on their return to the UK, the following ruling has been given:—

1. For the purposes of the Marriage Act, the home town of a person serving overseas may be regarded as place of residence.

2. Banns may therefore be published:

(a) at the home parish of the person overseas;

(b) the parish of the person to whom he (or she) is to be married.

NOTE.—Publication of Banns in *one Parish only is allowed*, provided that the marriage is to take place in that Parish.

It is therefore possible for a soldier to arrange for publication of Banns prior to his return to UK, and for him to be married as soon after his arrival as is conveniently possible. G-1(Br)/73A

649—APPLICATIONS FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE TO UK

In many cases when applications are submitted to this Headquarters for compassionate leave to UK to be granted to an officer or OR, the age/service Group of the applicant is not stated.

Age/Service Group must be given in all cases, otherwise applications will not be considered. G-1(Br)/22A2/Pol

650—SAFEGUARDING OF WD VEHICLES

Reference is made to GRO 169/45.

1. The above mentioned GRO lays down that WD and requisitioned vehicles (including motor-cycles) will never be left unattended except:

(a) when essential on operational grounds;

(b) on account of other urgent necessity;

(c) by holders of user-driver permits.

2. However, losses of vehicles owing to theft in this area continue to occur.

3. In some such cases vehicles had been immobilised, but this had proved a totally inadequate precaution to prevent determined thieves from stealing them even when the person in charge was only away for a short time.

4. The Commander British Troops Rome is of the opinion that at the present time it is absurd to invoke operational necessity in an area such as Rome, and considers that in future drivers should be accompanied by a second person, not necessarily a driver, who can assume charge of the vehicle in the absence of the driver: also that all holders of user-driver permits should be accompanied by a person who can assume responsibility for the vehicle during the absence of the driver.

5. This order will be brought to the notice of all ranks, and in future, if enquiries into the theft of WD or requisitioned vehicles disclose that the provisions of para. 1 above have not been complied with, Commanding Officers will be required to provide an explanation. G-1(Br)/5A1

651—MORAL LEADERSHIP COURSES

Reference is made to GRO 598/45 and to this HQ letter of even number dated 3 Aug. 45, not to all units.

652—BOUNDS

1. Area Routine Order 582/45 is cancelled.

2. The Wine Bar in Via Quattro Strade 11 RIETI has now been placed <IN BOUNDS> to Allied Troops.

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653—SALT—EXTRA ISSUES

1. During the present hot weather it is desirable that the salt ration should be increased for men engaged in heavy work or otherwise exposed to conditions likely to cause excessive perspiration and salt loss. In particular an increase in salt intake is necessary for troops travelling by train.

2. Units affected will draw extra salt ration as laid down in GRO 414/44.

3. This extra ration is an ST, not Medical, supply.

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Education (Br) 126

657—EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. Reference is made to Routine Order No. 495 of 25 Apr. 45, para. 1.

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2. In cases where Units have submitted the necessary applications for increases in W.E. the continuation of employment in excess of WE of Civilians in Groups I and II is allowed after the expiration of the two-month authority granted by AD Labour this HQ and until a decision is communicated to Units on the result of their applications. (Lab Appx/L)

658—CIVILIAN LABOUR-SUPPLEMENTAL RATIONS

1. This Command Admin. Instruction No. 4, dated 25 May, 45, refers.

2. W.e.f. Monday, 13 Aug. 45 the control and distribution of Supplementary Ration Cards for civilian workers employed by *British Units* in Rome Area Allied Command has been delegated by Labour Branch this HQ to 2902 CLU, 26 Viale Africa, Rome.

3. Indents will in future be submitted to and ration cards collected from 2902 Civil Labour Unit in accordance with the terms of a/q Admin. Instruction. (Lab RET/4)

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2. The contents of this booklet are too detailed and lengthy to reproduce to units.

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2. All nominations submitted to this HQ in respect of this type of training will be invariably accompanied by Appendix I to GRO 676/45, in triplicate, for each student.

3. Technical interviews, either by CRE or REME Lt-Cols., will then be carried out without further delay on orders issued by G-3 (British) Section.

4. The result, after elimination by CRE and REME interviews, will be communicated to units by return and allotment of vacancies for successful students then made.

5. Compliance with para. 2 above is most important and will ensure that last minute rushes are avoided. G-3/39

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627—COURSE NOMINATIONS—RENDITION

1. The rendition to this HQ of nominations for Courses, particularly for those required in respect of the various grades of Education Courses, is proving very unsatisfactory.

2. In many cases returns are arriving 2-3 days after closing date, and although, where possible, these are forwarded to higher authority, this procedure must inevitably reflect adversely on both the unit and this HQ.

3. Target dates often do not allow a great deal of margin; this is unavoidable, but the longest possible notice is invariably given to units.

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(b) not yet ready for Officer's Training School but likely to make the grade after a course of pre-cadet training, or

(c) unfit for a commission.

2. The age limits for candidates for pre-cadet training are now 18-25 years.

3. A senior Indian Army Officer will sit on the Board and act in an advisory capacity.

4. All applications will be forwarded to AFHQ—G-1 (Br).

5. Kitchener College is now known as the United Services Pre-Cadet College. G-1(Br.)/8A

632—ARMY GIFT SHOPS

1. It would appear that there may be some misunderstanding among individuals purchasing goods at Army Gift Shops as to whether or not such goods are liable to duty on arrival in the UK.

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

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634—CIVILIAN LABOUR — EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY SERVICE

1. Further to Area HQ No. 323 of 16 May 45 and this HQ letter ref. 7A4 dated 26 Apr. 45, therein referred to.

2. All units employing civilians to whom exemption from Military Service with the Italian Forces has been granted

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628—SUS AND SAT—MOVES

1. SUS and SAT are being sent to 21 CM and HC with very little, if any, indication of their ultimate destination.

2. To avoid any future misapprehension as to the destination of SUS or SAT when moved by 4A Court-Martial Escort Unit vehicles on normal schedule runs, all units or formations will despatch with the SUS or SAT nominal rolls in quadruplicate showing the destination of each man and reason for the move. (G-1 (Br) 59A1)

629—VOLUNTARY DEFERMENT OF RELEASE

1. Applications for voluntary deferment of release under para. 320 of Release Regulations 1945, when once confirmed, will not be withdrawn except where the following provisions apply:—

(a) When special circumstances have arisen since the application to defer release was made.

(b) When application to withdraw is submitted before the starting date of the deferment.

2. Officers and OIIs sent to the UK specifically for release who declined to defer whilst serving overseas may apply for deferment on arrival in the UK the policy being that personnel who are—

(a) eligible for PYTHON will be permitted to defer their release under normal rules;

(b) Ineligible for PYTHON will be permitted to defer their release after their arrival in UK, only on the understanding that they are liable to be returned immediately to the Command from where they came or elsewhere overseas.

3. Those in categories 2 (a) and (b) above will be required to apply for deferment of release before leaving the Military Disembarkation Camp Unit in the UK.

4. Applications submitted by Officers and OIIs after reaching the Military Dispersal Unit will not be considered.

5. Paras. 2, 3 and 4 above apply only to personnel embarking from overseas before and including 31 Jul. 45.

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630—RELEASE — PALESTINIAN AND CYPRIOT TROOPS

Any units having Palestinian or Cypriot personnel on strength *not* in possession of the following will apply for copies to this HQ forthwith:—

AFHQ letter G1(Br)/7803/A7 dated 11 Jun. 45.

AFHQ letter G1(Br)/7203/A7 dated 30 Jun. 45 (enclosing Middle East Regulations for General Discharge 1945).

AFHQ letter G1(Br)/7203/A7 dated 9 Jul. 45 (enclosing Amendments to Middle East Regulations for General Discharge 1945).

AFHQ letter G1(Br)/7203/A7 dated 12 Jul. 45.

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631—PRE-CADET TRAINING FOR CANDIDATES FOR EMERGENCY COMMISSIONS—INDIAN ARMY

1. When recommending a candidate for pre-cadet training the recommendation will be treated as one for an Emergency Commission and the candidate will be called forward by AFHQ for interview by WOSB. The candidate will be interviewed along with other applicants for Emergency Commission and it will be decided whether he is:—

(a) fit for Officer's Training School;

(b) not yet ready for Officer's Training School but likely to make the grade after a course of pre-cadet training, or

(c) unfit for a commission.

2. The age limits for candidates for pre-cadet training are now 18-25 years.

3. A senior Indian Army Officer will sit on the Board and act in an advisory capacity.

4. All applications will be forwarded to AFHQ—G-1 (Br).

5. Kitchener College is now known as the United Services Pre-Cadet College. G-1(Br.)/8A

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2. All units employing civilians to whom exemption from Military Service with the Italian Forces has been granted will on notifying this HQ when such civilians are discharged or otherwise cease to be employed also specify the actual date thereof. Q 2436 G-4(Br.)

635—WINTER CLOTHING

1. QsC units will inform ADQS BAAC of their present unit strengths and holdings of winter clothing.

2. This information is required in order that as accurate an estimate as possible may be arrived at of the coming winter's requirements.

3. Indents submitted in accordance with GRO 735/45 will be held pending the receipt of winter clothing. (QS/100/17)

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636—ANTI-GAS CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

1. Units will report to ADOS RAAC that they are in possession of full personal scale of anti-gas equipment and 50% 1st Line reserve.

2. Indents in respect of any deficiencies will be submitted forthwith. (OS/100/7)

637—AFsG 998

1. In many instances, AFsG 998 are submitted to ADOS for immediate pricing and certification.

2. It must be appreciated that the required prices are not always immediately available, and to ensure accuracy, care in pricing is necessary.

3. Units will ensure, therefore, that submission is made at least *three* days prior to the date on which the Court of Enquiry is held. (OS/500/19)

638—REME WORKSHOP SERVICES

It has been brought to notice that units are applying to REME Base Installations in this area for workshop services: such applications are irregular and will cease.

Applications for normal REME Workshop Services will be made by submission of AFG 1045 to 638 L of C Workshop, REME.

Any cases of difficulty should be referred to DADME, Rome Area Allied Command. (REME/34)

639—CIVILIAN LABOUR (MESS STAFFS)

Attention of all Employing Units is directed to the terms of ACI 880 of 1945.

Units at present employing civilian staff (with the authority of OC and/or Labour branch this HQ), under the provisions of ACI 132/40 (now cancelled) and some of whom (rank and file Mess Orderlies), by reason of the terms of ACI 880/45 are no longer authorised to be employed, will review such employment forthwith. They will then if necessary apply to AD Labour this HQ on proforma laid down in Appendix 'L' to «Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour (Italy, Sicily and Sardinia)» for authority to continue the employment for a period of two (2) months only w.e.f. 29 Jun. 45, of any personnel, the retention of whose services are considered absolutely essential. Remainder will be discharged on or before 31 Jul. 45.

(LABOUR AFX/L)

640—CIVILIAN LABOUR—AFHQ ADMINISTRATIVE MEMORANDUM No. 34

1. Attention of all Employing Units is directed to relevant extracts (applicable to Southern Italy) from AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 34 dated 29 Jun. 45, and contained in this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No 11 dated 9 Jul. 45, distribution of which has been effected to all concerned.

2. Where wage rates and/or cost of living bonus scales do not agree with those contained in this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletins Nos. 8, 9 and 10 dated 11 May 45, 25 May 45 and 16 Jun. 45 respectively, the latter will prevail in so far as they relate to Units within the boundaries of Rome Province.

3. The amendments to «Regulations for the employment of Civilian Labour (Italy, Sicily and Sardinia) now made necessary as a result of this new Administrative Memorandum will be promulgated in due course in General Routine Orders. (LabyCRP/6)

641—CIVILIAN LABOUR—INCREMENTS OF PAY

1. Attention of British Units employing civilian labour is redirected to para. 27 of «Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour (Italy, Sicily and Sardinia)» and to the method of initiation and disposal of AFs C370 as follows:—

(a) SERVICE UNITS will submit recommendations for increases of pay to civilian employees on AF C370 to ADL (Br.) this HQ for screening and countersignature. ADL (Br.) will forward all copies to the Head of Service, this HQ who after approval or otherwise will return them to the unit. The unit will forward one copy of the approved AF C370 to 2902 CLU for information in addition to attaching one copy to the Pay Roll on which the initial payment at the increased rate appears. AFs C370 will therefore be initiated in three copies (plus any extra copies required for Service purposes).

(b) NON-SERVICE UNITS will submit AFs C370 to ADL (Br.) this HQ for screening and approval. ADL (Br.) will return all copies, approved or otherwise, to the unit which will forward one copy to 2902 CLU for information, as well as attaching a copy to the Pay Roll on which the initial payment at the increased rate is made. Non-Service units will therefore initiate AFs C370 in 3 copies (plus any extra copies required for their own purposes). (LABOUR)

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One large pack containing sundry items of WD clothing 1 Duffle bag, 2 GI blankets, 1 pack carrier, 1 carbine rifle belt, 1 first aid pack, 1 head net (mosquito), 2 cartons cigarettes, 2 bars Ivory soap, and various other articles. The property of Pte Charles Gordon, ASN 3551370, 1971 QM Trk. Coy., APO 650—Stolen from RAAC Car Park on 2 Jul. 45.

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Brown suitcase containing various WD and personal property. Reported by Cpl. H. W. Bacon, RM, PO/X 4802—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office on the 10 Jul. 45.

Haversack containing holdall, messtins, and other articles. The property of 7592973 Cpl. E. Ellis, «X» Special Reception Camp—Stolen from vehicle on the 7 Jul. 45.

1 Duffle bag, 2 GI blankets, 1 pack carrier, 1 carbine rifle belt, 1 first aid pack, 1 head net (mosquito), 2 cartons cigarettes, 2 bars Ivory soap, and various other articles. The property of Pte Charles Gordon, ASN 35511870, 1971 QM Trk. Coy., APO 650—Stolen from RAAC Car Park on 2 Jul. 45.

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Brown leather case, pack, respirator and .38 Smith and Wesson pistol. The property of Maj. Wortley, and blankets and pack belonging to the batman—Stolen from vehicle whilst on tow to 638 REME on the 18 Jul. 45. Any information to this office.

Bed roll containing: 2 blankets, 1 [illegible]coat, 1 gas cape, 1 respirator, 2 prs. socks, 2 vests, 1 mosquito net, AB 64 (Part I). The property of No. 10678075 Dvr. E. Cahill, RASC, att. 48 Br. General Hospital—Lost at the Central Rly. Stn., on 14 Jul. 45.

One rifle No. 47225 Mk. IV—Left in train when proceeding on 1 Jul. 45 to Foligno—Forli—Rimini—Ancona. Reported by Formation College (CM).

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

600—AMMUNITION AND EQUIPMENT — UNAUTHORISED EXPERIMENTS

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Accidents have occurred through individuals unscrewing these fuses, which are fitted with very sensitive detonators, and attempting to break them down.

5. Disciplinary action will be taken against anyone disobeying this instruction.

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2. Every endeavour will, therefore, be made to note the exact location of any projectile which fails to explode and to render it harmless before the troops engaged in the practice vacate the firing area.

3. In cases where the projectile has been located but cannot at once be destroyed, a danger notice must be erected. In cases where after careful search, a projectile that is known to have failed to explode, cannot be located, similar notices must be erected to warn persons away from the area where it is likely to be located.

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2. Arrangements for the billeting of Allied Military personnel on temporary duty or in transit will only be made by 52 Town Major, Rome, except where arrangements are made for such personnel to live with units located in Rome Area Allied Command.

3. Leave personnel will live only in the Rest Centres, Rest Camp or Military Hotel to which they have been assigned for the period of their leave in Rome.

(To be repeated in Unit Orders).

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604—CAPTURED ENEMY MATERIAL

GRO 731/45 is repeated herewith:—

1. In view of reports that numbers of pistols and other weapons are coming into the hands of individual Allied soldiers and being sold or bartered to civilians, attention is drawn to ACI 1051/44, which expressly states that captured and surrendered material of whatever nature is the property of HM Government.

2. The unauthorised retention or disposal of such material is an offence, and offenders will normally be tried by Court Martial.

3. To be repeated in unit orders at intervals of three months.

4. GRO 267/44 is hereby cancelled.

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605—FIELD GENERAL COURT MARTIAL

All applications for FGCM will in future be accompanied by a statement showing Age/Service Group of the accused and Military Witnesses.

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606—DRESS—SUMMER CLOTHING

1. The rate of sickness due to Malaria in this district is increasing. It is thought that this is largely due to the non-observance of the regulations regarding dress between the hours of 19.30 and 07.00.

2. The attention of Commanding Officers is drawn to this HQ letter RLC/1EC/lg dated 30 Apr. 45 for strict compliance.

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607—STRENGTH RETURNS

1. A return will be rendered twice monthly by all units showing the numbers actually present at 09.00 hours on the 1st and 15th of each month, as follows:—

(a) Officers.
(b) Warrant Officers and Sergeants.
(c) Rank and File.
(d) Total.
(e) Italian Army Personnel.

2. The return will be despatched to reach G-1 (British) by 18.00 hours the same day without fail.

3. ARO 419 is cancelled.

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608—DOCUMENTATION—CLASS «A» RELEASES

1. As a result of the scrutiny of the release books of Age/Service Group 1 the following errors have been noted.

(a) AB X 801 (Soldier's Release Book) and AB X 802 (ATS and VAD Release Book).

(i) Page 3 Parts I and II not completed and Part III of AB X 801 not filled in.
(ii) Testimonial on back cover (AF X 202) not agreeing with page 3 entry.
(iii) Part I of Authority for Release on Page 2 unsigned.

(b) AB X 804 (Women Officers' Release Book).

(i) Page 4 not filled in.
(ii) Page 6—items 6 and 7 filled in. (These items should be left blank vide Appendix «D» Sec. VI to Release Regulations).
Items 16 and 18 not filled in.
(iii) Page 7—no address given.
(iv) Page 8B—No indication given as to whether or not National Health deductions have been made.
(v) Page 12 Part II—not completed where applicable.

(c) AF B 122 Stated to be attached to documents but not received.

2. Whilst it is appreciated that these were the first despatches to be made and a number of units are suffering from clerical shortage, it is of great importance that complete and accurate documentation of release books as laid down in Release Regulations is carried out by OC units. Mistakes and omissions will cause delay and inconvenience to individuals and attention of OC units is drawn to the errors enumerated in para. 1 in order that they can be rectified in the future.

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609—RELEASE—WOMEN'S SERVICES

1. The undermentioned table shows the proposed phasing of release in UK of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 11-25 inclusive.

2. A. From 13 Aug. to 26 Aug. Groups 11-13.
B. From 27 Aug. to 9 Sep. Groups 14-16.

610—RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC AND REGIMENTAL MONEY

ACI 786/41 is repeated for information and compliance.

A number of cases have occurred in which money of public and regimental funds has been stolen because the cash box, cupboard or drawer in which it was placed has been kept in a room which remained unoccupied for considerable periods, especially at night.

Officers who hold public and regimental funds, are responsible for the safeguarding of money of those funds, and the fact that a safe is not provided does not in any way relieve officers of this responsibility. Balances of cash should never be retained unless unavoidable. If it is essential that some cash should be held, the amount should be as small as possible. Where a cash balance is held and no safe is available, it must be kept in a properly secured box, which in turn must be handed to the custody of a guard every time there is a possibility of it being left unattended particularly at night. To have a soldier sleeping in an office in which cash is kept has not proved to be an adequate safeguard since the occupant may occasionally leave the office unattended.

Failure to take adequate steps to safeguard public and regimental money renders the officer responsible for its safe custody liable to make good any loss occasioned by his negligence.

G-1/23A

611—DOCUMENTATION AT COURT MARTIAL AND HOLDING CENTRES

The following instructions are issued in addition to those contained in paragraph 5 of GRO 64 of 1945:

(a) The committal of a soldier awaiting disposal to prison should not be delayed until such a report is obtained. If necessary this report should be forwarded to the prison after the soldier has been committed. The two copies of this report, which should be sent to 02E, will however be attached to the AF B 252. The AF B 252 will not be despatched until these reports are obtained.
(b) If the words «committal report to follow» are entered on AF B 252, 02E will await AF W 3012 to show committal and will not observe unless committal is not reported within four weeks.

G-1/67A3

612—REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONS

Notification is made that the names of those officers graded «A» or «B» only will be placed on the Register held at AFHQ subject to them fulfilling the conditions of ACIs 1626/42 or 2441/42. The names of those graded «C» or «D» have not been placed on the Register and, should any of these officers who have not already appealed under ACI 362/44 now wish to do so, they should take action without delay. It has been recommended that officers graded «X» should appear again before a Selection Board one year from the date of their first appearance before such Board, should they so desire and subject to the present scheme still being then in operation.

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613—FGCM—DELAY REPORTS

1. Avoidable delay is frequently occurring in bringing men to trial by FGCM. The importance of trial at the earliest possible moment cannot be over emphasised.

2. Where a WO, NCO or man has been under arrest 14 or more days awaiting trial, reports will be made by signal to G-1 (Br) this HQ as follows:—

First Report (to be rendered on the 15th day after arrest)
Serial Ref. CMI:—
(a) No., rank, name and unit.

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the 1st and 15th of each month, as follows:—

(a) Officers.
(b) Warrant Officers and Sergeants.
(c) Rank and File.
(d) Total.
(e) Italian Army Personnel.

2. The return will be despatched to reach G-1 (British) by 1800 hours the same day without fail.

3. AIIO 419 is cancelled.

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608—DOCUMENTATION—CLASS «A» RELEASES

1. As a result of the scrutiny of the release books of Age/Service Group 1 the following errors have been noted.

(a) AB X 801 (Soldier's Release Book) and AB X 802 (ATS and VAD Release Book).

(i) Page 3 Parts I and II not completed and Part III of AB X 801 not filled in.
(ii) Testimonial on back cover (AF X 202) not agreeing with page 3 entry.
(iii) Part I of Authority for Release on Page 2 unsigned.

(b) AB X 804 (Women Officers' Release Book).

(i) Page 1 not filled in.
(ii) Page 6—items 6 and 7 filled in. (These items should be left blank vide Appendix «D» Sec. VI to Release Regulations).
Items 16 and 18 not filled in.
(iii) Page 7—no address given.
(iv) Page 8B—No indication given as to whether or not National Health deductions have been made.
(v) Page 12 Part II—not completed where applicable.

(c) AF B 122 Stated to be attached to documents but not received.

2. Whilst it is appreciated that these were the first despatches to be made and a number of units are suffering from clerical shortage, it is of great importance that complete and accurate documentation of release books as laid down in Release Regulations is carried out by OC units. Mistakes and omissions will cause delay and inconvenience to individuals and attention of OC units is drawn to the errors enumerated in para. 1 in order that they can be rectified in the future.

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609—RELEASE—WOMEN'S SERVICES

1. The undermentioned table shows the proposed phasing of release in UK of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 11-25 inclusive.

2. A. From 13 Aug. to 26 Aug. Groups 11-13.
B. From 27 Aug. to 9 Sep. Groups 14-16.
C. From 10 Sep. to 23 Sep. Groups 17-19.
D. From 24 Sep. to 7 Oct. Groups 20-22.
E. From 8 Oct. to 28 Oct. Groups 23-25.

3. Members of ATS and VAD in Age/Service Groups 1-25 inclusive domiciled outside UK prior to enlistment, may now submit claim to repatriation on AF X 103 in accordance with Chapter VI Release Regulations.

4. This information may be notified in Unit Orders.

5. The phasing given in para 2 above is subject to movement and other considerations.

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at night. To have a soldier sleeping in an office in which cash is kept has not proved to be an adequate safeguard since the occupant may occasionally leave the office unguarded.

Failure to take adequate steps to safeguard public and regimental money renders the officer responsible for its safe custody liable to make good any loss occasioned by his negligence.

G-1/23A

611—DOCUMENTATION AT COURT MARTIAL AND HOLDING CENTRES

The following instructions are issued in addition to those contained in paragraph 5 of GRO 64 of 1945:

(a) The committal of a soldier awaiting disposal to prison should not be delayed until such a report is obtained. If necessary this report should be forwarded to the prison after the soldier has been committed. The two copies of this report, which should be sent to O2E, will however be attached to the AF B 252. The AF B 252 will not be despatched until these reports are obtained.
(b) If the words «committal report to follow» are entered on AF B 252, O2E will await AF W 3012 to show committal and will not observe unless committal is not reported within four weeks.

G-1/67A3

612—REGULAR ARMY COMMISSIONS

Notification is made that the names of those officers graded «A» or «B» only will be placed on the Register held at AFHQ subject to them fulfilling the conditions of ACIs 1696/42 or 2411/42. The names of those graded «C» or «D» have not been placed on the Register and, should any of these officers who have not already appealed under ACI 362/44 now wish to do so, they should take action without delay. It has been recommended that officers graded «XY» should appear again before a Selection Board one year from the date of their first appearance before such Board, should they so desire and subject to the present scheme still being then in operation.

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First Report (to be rendered on the 15th day after arrest)
Serial Ref. CMI:—
(a) No., rank, name and unit.
(b) Section of AA under which man is charged.
(c) Open or close arrest.
(d) Date of arrest.
(e) Brief reasons for delay.

Second Report (to be rendered every 10 days after the First Report).
Serial Ref. CMII:—
(a) No., rank, name and unit.
(b) Brief reasons for continued delay.
(c) Anticipated date when case will be ready for FGCM.

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614—ECONOMY IN USE OF SUPPLIES

1. Owing to the deterioration in the world food supply situation it is necessary at the present time that the utmost economy is exercised by all concerned in dealing with rations so that any form of waste is avoided.

2—

(a) Indents for rations will be signed by an Officer, who will check the number demanded against the actual unit strength.

(b) Surpluses of unwanted ration items will not be allowed to accumulate in unit ration stores. Where such surpluses exist corresponding underdrawals will be made, or the surplus commodities returned to DIDs.

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615—DRAWING OF SUPPLIES

Reference RAAC Daily Bulletin Number 93 dated 18 April, 1945, para IV.

In view of the warmer weather, and the more perishable nature of certain fresh supplies it has been found necessary to amend the instructions regarding issues of fresh supplies from DIDs:

Wef 2 Jul. 45, ALL UNITS will draw fresh items daily.

No exception to this order will be permitted.

ST 211/S

616—SANDFLY FEVER

1. Sandfly Fever and other fevers of short duration are becoming increasingly prevelant in the City of Rome.

2. These Fevers are spread by small insects, the defence against which is similar to the defence against mosquitoes.

3. The two most important ways of combatting these insects are by use of insect repellant and anti-mosquito spray (Flysol, Flit).

4. Units will ensure that billets are sprayed out morning and evening with anti-mosquito spray.

5. Insect repellant should be used by all personnel working or resting in places where biting insects are found. It is to be noted that most of these insects such as Sandflies, unlike mosquitoes, bite both by day and night. Insect repellant should be applied not only to exposed skin surfaces but also to socks and stockings round the ankles.

6. Mosquito nets give no protection against sandflies and it is not proposed at present to order the general use of sandfly nets. It may, however, be necessary to order the use of these nets in specific instances where Units are having large numbers of cases.

Med (Br) 399

617—No. 10 OFFICERS SHOP

1. W.e.f. 11 45, Wednesday will be recognised as half day closing for 10 Officers Shops.

2. The time of closing will be 12.30 hours.

(OS/100/10)

618—INSPECTION OF SMALL ARMS

All units in possession of small arms will render a return to DADME by 15 Jul. 45, of such weapons not inspected by an Armourer since 1 Jan. 45, stating type, quantity and location where held.

REME/41/1

619—CIVILIAN LABOUR—WORKING OF SEVEN CONSECUTIVE DAYS

The attention of all employing Units is directed to para. 35 of «Regulations for Employment of Civilian Labour, 1945» (the «Buff Books»).

Applications (stating grounds), by non-Service Units for authority for the working of seven consecutive days may now be submitted to AD Labour this HQ for approval.

Similar applications by Service Units will be submitted to the Head of Service at this HQ who should request authority or delegated powers to grant authority in suitable cases from Head of Service at AFHQ.

Each case will be decided on its individual merits and although a Unit may be authorised to work seven consecutive days, every effort will be made to allow civilian employees one day's rest per week when circumstances permit.

(LAB-CRP.6)

620—«ACCIDENTAL» ILLITERATES

1. It has been recommended that a series of courses for «accidental» illiterates be organised in each area.

2. Units are therefore asked to render a return of all illiterates to this HQ by 18 July.

54/EDN

621—DAY LEAVE RESTAURANTS

Units are notified that the OR's DAY LEAVE RESTAURANT, formerly operating at the VALIANI RESTAURANT, CENTRAL STATION, closed w.e.f. Sunday, 8 Jul. 45.

The DAY LEAVE RESTAURANT operating at the RISTORANTE DAL BOLOGNESE, PIAZZA DEL POPOLO will continue to serve meals as at present.

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Wine coloured, Ladies' shoulder bag with zip fastener containing ACA Pass, 1 permit for entry into Italy, 1 cigarette case, 2 pairs sun glasses, 800 Lire and personal effects. Lost between Borghese Gardens and Monte Testaccio at about 22.00 hours 26 Jun. 45.—The property of: Mrs. H. C. Oatec. Information to Major Lambert, «E» Division AC Austria, Tel 212.

Gold locket, monogram on back «GH» and photograph inside. Lost between the Alexander Club and the YMCA between the hours of 10.00 and 11.00 27 Jun. 45. Reported by: 2585967 Sig. Rollard.—Signals Group SBS.

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Two brown leather valises, one containing clothes, name on both bags: Capt. Gobernik. Stolen at a point 84 kilos from Rome on Route 6, from the back of a Ford PU on 18 Jun. 45.

One dark brown leather wallet containing five One Pound Postal Orders (Blank), 900 Lire and notes mostly 100's, photographs, a Permanent Pass.—The property of: 2619643 Gdsmn. McMillen, att. 8 Command Pay Office.

Two valises, stolen from 3 ton vehicle outside the YMCA 19/20 Jun. 45. Reported by Mrs. Tott.

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Lost from Continental Hotel Rome, between 4th and 7th Jun. 45: Two army packs fastened together and each bearing on the reverse the name Greenhill. Contg kit and personal papers of sentimental value. If found please forward to: Major R. S. B. Greenhill—c/o Town Major, Villach, Austria.

Wallet containing: AB 64 (Part 1) and A.M. Lire. The property of: 1624967 Cpl. Davies (ACC)—att 34 LAA Bty. RA.—Lost about 22.30 hrs. 12 Jun. 45 in Santa Marinella.

Rifle No. 4 Mk 1 Registered No. 18844. Lost off Naples—Ancona train at Formia Station at about 01.00 hrs. 9 Jun. 45. Any information to 605 Regt RA.

Wallet containing 2,500 Lire, 159 Transit Camp Pass and photographs. Number and initials in gold leaf on wallet.—The property of: 1439061 Ctn. A. E. Bird.—13 Corps Veh. Sect.—Stolen whilst in cafe in Via Marsala on 20 Jun. 45.

Kit bag containing WD Kit.—The property of: 2003301 L/Cpl. McLaughlan.—540 E. & M Coy. RE.—Lost at Rome Station on the morning of the 15 Jun. 45.

One large green suitcase with leather corners, containing kit.—The property of: 188608 Lt. E. E. Perry.—PC 14 Airfield Group.

Brown and red leather wallet containing: 1,000 Lire, and personal effects, leave pass for Rome area 56 Rest Camp. Lost on 1 Jul. 45.—The property of: 13301973 Pte. Welster.—338 Alien Coy. PC. att CRASC.

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Attache case containing: Personal effects. Lost on the night of 2 Jul. 45.—The property of: 297638 Lt. Angus Jones.—att 122 Road Maintenance Unit Indian Engineers.

Bedroll containing WD clothing and a portfolio containing Birth Certificate and personal papers. Lost on 2 Jul. 45.—The property of: 1656089 Sgt. W. Daniels.—307 HAA Bty. 55 HAA Regt. RA.

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Ladies handbag, red, yellow and green striped, containing: personal documents, 1 p[illegible]t for ACA building, bunch of keys, 1 key separate, £7 [illegible]ling, gold watch, narrow gold bracelet, silver cigarette case with initials E. J. E., leather wallet, blue (Italian) fountain pen, cigarette lighter, wheel operating, gilt powder case with blue eagle. The property of: Miss E. J. Edward.—ACA.—Lost on 30 Jun. 45, at Lake Albano.

Three prs. boots, brown leather wallet and 2,500 lire, large valise containing: pullover, leather wallet, small pack, AB 64 (Parts I and II). Property of: 7395657 Pte. McDonald.—48 Gen. Hosp.—Lost on 10 Jun. 45.

AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 798307 Sgt. M. G. Harwood.—No. 1 Military Prison and Detention Barracks.—Lost outside the Alexander Club on 3 Jul. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). The property of: 2370145 Cpl. W. Kelly.—3 Coy., 11 L of C Signals.—Lost on 4 Jul. 45.

One pr. spectacles and case (special lenses). Reported by: 2602851 Sgmn. A. G. E. Hoedl.—SCU 4 Det., Rome.—Lost on 1 Jul. 45.

One bush shirt, containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), 1 set feeler gauges, 1 comb, 1 pr. sun glasses and approximately 650 Lire. The property of: 5672906 Gnr. A. E. Pow.—121/20 LAA Regt., RA.—Lost between 1000 and 1200 hrs. on 4 Jul. 45.

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AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 14209482 Pte. G. Westerman.—ACC.—Found on 21 Jun. 45.

AB 64 (Part II). The property of: 5951190 Pte. J. A. Ansell.—Found on 19 Jun. 45.

2 Pistols: 1 No. A1385 x 1941.—1 Enfield No. 3209.

The undermentioned WD tyres have been recovered.
1 tyre, Jeep, Dunlop No. B1347.
1 tyre, Jeep, Dunlop No. C3411.
1 tyre, Jeep, India No. B1251.
1 tyre, Jeep, Good Year No. C338.
1 spare wheel tyre, No. 083E4640. Good Year six 6.00x16.
1 tyre, Good Year 6.00x16 No. D4614950.
1 tyre, Firestone Six, 8.25-15. No. 187378.
1 tyre, Goodrich Six, 8.25-15. No. 5082323646.

Brown leather purse with zip fastener containing: 1 Postal Order (20/-) counterfoil, 1 berthing card, 48 Lire.—Found in the Alexander Club on 26 Jun. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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Commander British Troops Rome
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Asst Acs.
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Serial No. 43 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 28 June 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

575—PREVENTION OF DAMAGE TO SIGNAL EQUIPMENT EVACUATED TO BASE

1. A considerable amount of unnecessary damage to signal equipment during its evacuation to base is being caused by inadequate packing and marking, and by improper handling in transit.

2. To ensure the minimum amount of damage during evacuation, the attention of all unit commanders is drawn to GRO 552/45 for strict compliance. G-3/130

576—LOCATIONS

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1. GRO 130/44 is cancelled wef 31 May 45.

2. Wef 1 June 45, location reports will be rendered as follows:—

3. Districts and Areas will continue to send their location statements to AFHQ as at present.

4. All units, less divisional troops, will report their new locations within twenty-four hours of completing the move, direct to G-3 Org., AFHQ, with a copy to each District, Area or Sub-Area concerned and the unit's next higher formation.

5. The following is a specimen report:—
(a) Designation unit
(b) Move-from
(c) Move to
(d) Date of departure
(e) Date of arrival
(f) WO Mob Serial No.
(g) Veh. Marking No.
(h) WE

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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

577—RELEASE—REFERENCE TO AGE SERVICE GROUPS

1. When reference is made to Age and Service Groups the words <HIGH> <LOW> <ABOVE> and <BELOW> will NOT be used as these terms are liable to misinterpretation.

2. Wherever possible and appropriate the precise numbers of groups will be shown, e.g., <1 to 25> or <26 to 43> etc.

3. Where this is impracticable the words <EARLY> <EARLIER> <LATE> and <LATER> will be used when referring to the priority of a group or groups.

G.1/56A

578—BATHING BEACH—LIDO DI ROMA

Reference ARO 518 of 31 May 45.

With effect from date of this Order, the Bathing Beach at LIDO DI ROMA is placed <Out of Bounds to All British Troops> between 1900 hrs. in the evening and 0600 hrs. the following day.

All British personnel will be clear of the beach between

2. In future all applications for commissions on AF B.2617 will show in Part III the candidate's Age and Service Group and the period of deferment where applicable for which they have applied or which has been approved.

3. Candidates in Groups 1—26, inclusive, may be interviewed by WOSB but will not be accepted for training for commissions unless deferment has been applied for and confirmed and candidates concerned can complete their cadet training and serve as officers for twelve months.

4. As dates of release for Groups 12 to 26 have not yet been published, the decision to accept those candidates who apply for one year's deferment only will be made only by War Office until such times as the dates of these Groups are notified.

G.1/8A

580—APPLICABILITY OF GROs.

1. Doubts have arisen with regard to the applicability of certain GROs to units of various nationalities now serving

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5. The following is a specimen report:—

(a) Designation unit
(b) Move from
(c) Move to
(d) Date of departure
(e) Date of arrival
(f) WD Mob Serial No.
(g) Veh. Marking No.
(h) WE

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3. Where this is impracticable the words «EARLY» «EARLIER» «LATE» and «LATER» will be used when referring to the priority of a group or groups.

G.1/56A

578—BATHING BEACH—LIDO DI ROMA

Reference ARO 548 of 31 May 45.

With effect from date of this Order, the Bathing Beach at LIDO DI ROMA is placed «Out of Bounds to All British Troops» between 1900 hrs. in the evening and 0600 hrs. the following day.

All British personnel will be clear of the beach between these times.

It is essential that this order be obeyed due to the highly malarious area concerned. G-1 (Br) 26A2

579—CANDIDATES FOR EMERGENCY COMMISSIONS

1. War Office have ruled that emergency commissions will NOT be granted to potential officers unless they can serve at least 12 months as officers before the date of their release under their Age and Service Group or, alternatively, the date of release after their election for deferment under para. 326 of Release Regulations as amplified, viz., for one or two years, has been confirmed.

2. In future all applications for commissions on AF B.2617 will show in Part III the candidate's Age and Service Group and the period of deferment where applicable for which they have applied or which has been approved.

3. Candidates in Groups 1—26, inclusive, may be interviewed by WOSB but will not be accepted for training for commissions unless deferment has been applied for and confirmed and candidates concerned can complete their cadet training and serve as officers for twelve months.

4. As dates of release for Groups 12 to 26 have not yet been published, the decision to accept those candidates who apply for one year's deferment only will be made only by War Office until such times as the dates of these Groups are notified.

G.1/8A

580—APPLICABILITY OF GROs.

1. Doubts have arisen with regard to the applicability of certain GROs to units of various nationalities now serving in this theatre.

2. To make the applicability clear the following types of applicability will be adopted as standard:—

Applicable to UK troops.

Applicable to Indian Army.

(Applicable to units of the Indian Army Establishment).

Applicable to Dominion troops.

(Applicable to Canadian, Australian, New Zealand and UDF units).

Applicable to Colonial and CLT.

(Applicable to units from Newfoundland, East Indies,

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West Indies, West Africa, Gibraltar, Ceylon, Mauritius, the Seychelles, Malta, Cyprus, East Africa, Bechuanaland, Swaziland, Palestine, Syria and the Lebanon).

Applicable to Commonwealth troops.

(Applicable to all those stated above).

Applicable to all troops.

(Applicable to all stated above and to Allied troops under British Command).

3. If a GRO is to apply to British maintained troops of the Italian Army a note to this effect will be inserted at the end of the GRO. G.1/72A

581—MAN POWER ASPECT IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE

Reference this HQ letter 56A dated 1 June 1945 para 3.

1. <Local Promotion> signifies that vacancies can be filled by promotion of personnel of the unit, as distinct from personnel being posted from reinforcements.

2. Application for authority to promote will still be made in the normal manner to GHQ 2nd Echelon.

G-1 Br/56A

582—BOUNDS

Effective from the date of this order, the Wine Bar in Via Quattro Strade No. 11, RIETI, is placed OUT OF BOUNDS to all British personnel. G-1/148A8

583—ALLIED REST CENTRE—AQUILA

1. It is notified for information that married couples who are both members of the Services can be accommodated at the Allied Rest Centre at AQUILA.

2. Such couples will take up ordinary vacancies, but their Commanding Officers will notify the Rest Centre beforehand of their arrival.

G-1/47A11

584—ACCOMMODATION—TENTAGE

1. In view of scarcity of accommodation it is essential all units moving into Eighth Army Area are equipped with tentage to appropriate scale in CMF Accommodation Schedule 1945.

2. Applications to be submitted to G-4 Br this Headquarters. G-4 Br/Q122

585—FREE ISSUE OF MATCHES, CIGARETTES, ETC. FOR NAAFI PERSONNEL AND CIVILIANS

1. The attention of all Units is drawn to GRO 652/45 the effect of which is as follows:

(a) Free issue of matches, cigarettes or tobacco will henceforth NOT be issued to any civilians who are entitled to draw full Field Service Ration Scale or Ration Scale for Women's Services.

(b) RASC/EFI and ATS/EFI *enlisted personnel* who are issued with complete army rations on repayment are entitled to draw the issue of cigarettes or tobacco and matches appropriate to the ration scale concerned.

(c) Where chocolate or sweets are included in a ration scale as basic or alternative items, they may be issued to all personnel, including civilians, who draw from RASC full Field Service Ration Scale or the Ration Scale for Women's Service.

2. All Units will in future ensure that the number of rations for civilians for which application is being made is indicated separately on the Indent Form (AB55) and that the organisation concerned, such as YMCA, YWCA, Salvation Army, etc., is also stated. G-4 Br/Q130

588—SUMMER CLOTHING

GRO 619/45 is repeated for attention of all concerned:

"1. Certain other rank personnel are issued with shoes on medical authority.

2. During the period when the Summer scale of clothing is in force an issue of stockings to the scale of two pairs per man in lieu of hosetops may be made to personnel authorised to wear shoes."

G-1 Br/Q256/9

589—PETROL POINTS

1. The following petrol points have been closed.

SIENA.—There are now no petrol points on Route 2 between ROME and FLORENCE.

CALVI RISORTA.—Route 6.—Emergency refuelling may be obtained at the petrol depot SPARANISE.

US operated petrol point at CASERTA and FERTILIA will refuel WD vehicles, casual and convoys.

2. The following petrol points are in operation north of Rome:—

FOLIGNO, AREZZO, FLORENCE, BOLOGNA
FALCONARA, RIMINI, FORLI, FERRARA.

G-4 Br/Q111

590—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 hours on Monday, 9 July, 1945.

2. O's C. British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 190 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook and Storeman attend this meeting.

3. The following will also attend:—

O's C. DID's.
Catering Advisor and QMSI.
Representative NAAFI/EFI.

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591—RELEASE REGULATIONS—MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Reference RAAC Routine Order No. 541 of 11 May 45.

1. Nominal Rolls of all officers and other ranks showing Release Group will be forwarded to the Medical Officer who usually attends to unit sick with a copy to Surgeon (ADMS) RAAC. Rolls will be compiled alphabetically by Groups and will be submitted not later than Monday, 2 July, 45.

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592—QUARTERLY VACCINATION AND INOCULATION STATE

1. All personnel should be protected by Vaccination and Inoculation against Smallpox, Typhoid, Tetanus and Typhus. The following are the requirements for protection:

(a) Smallpox—Vaccination every two years.
(b) TAB—Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.
(c) TET—Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.
(d) Typhus—Three initial inoculations and one maintenance dose every six months.

2. All units will forward a return to Surgeon (ADMS) by 7 Jul. 45 giving the following particulars as at 30 Jun. 45:—

(a) Strength of Unit.
(b) Numbers protected by Vaccination against Smallpox.
(c) Numbers protected by TAB Inoculation.
(d) Numbers protected by TET Inoculation.
(e) Numbers protected by Typhus Inoculation.

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FUTURE

Reference this HQ letter 56A dated 1 June 1945 para 5.

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2. All Units will in future ensure that the number of rations for civilians for which application is being made is indicated separately on the Indent Form (AB55) and that the organisation concerned, such as YMCA, YWCA, Salvation Army, etc., is also stated. G-4 Br/Q195

586—CONSERVATION OF WATER

1. Attention is drawn to General Order No. 19 dated 11 Jun. 45 which has now been issued to all units and all installations controlled by the Allies. Allied military personnel will ensure that the instructions contained therein are carefully followed. G-4 Br/9171/1

587—CIVILIAN LABOUR — EXEMPTIONS FROM MILITARY SERVICE—AIR FORCE PERSONNEL

1. AFO No. 563/45 is hereby cancelled. The provisions of AFHQ Administrative Memorandum No. 10 of 20 Feb 45 remain as originally issued.

G-4 Br/Q243/6

between ROME and FLORENCE:

CALVI RISORTA.—Route 6.—Emergency refuelling may be obtained at the petrol depot SPARANISE.

US operated petrol point at CASERTA and TEPTHILLA will refuel WD vehicles, casual and convoys.

2. The following petrol points are in operation north of Rome:—

FOLIGNO, AREZZO, FLORENCE, BOLOGNA, FALCONARA, RIMINI, FORLI, FERRARA.

G-4 Br/Q111

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Med Br/720

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(d) Numbers protected by TET Inoculation.
(e) Numbers protected by Typhus Inoculation.

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593—RETURN TO UK OF PERSONNEL SUFFERING FROM VENEREAL DISEASE

1. There appears to be some doubt about the position of men who are under treatment, or who have been under treatment, for Venereal Disease, and are entitled to repatriation to UK.

2. GRO 263/45 lays down that such men will not be allowed to proceed to UK unless they are in possession of a certificate of freedom from infectivity which is signed by a Medical Officer.

3. Such certificates will only be issued under the following conditions:—

(a) Gonorrhoea and Soft Sore (Chancroid).

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After the Final Test of Cure — three months after treatment has been completed.

(b) Syphilis.
The length of time depends on the treatment given, but the *minimum* time is four and a half months after treatment has started.

4. It is pointed out that even after the lapse of the times stated above, a certificate will not be given if there is any doubt whatsoever regarding the patient's freedom from infection.

5. This ruling applies to all personnel due for repatriation except those being evacuated through Medical channels, and those being returned to UK on compassionate grounds.

6. The ruling is in no way to be regarded as a punishment but is solely intended to safeguard the health of those at home.

(To be repeated in Unit Orders.) Med Br/389

594—DEATHS OUT OF HOSPITAL

1. All cases Brought in Dead to Hospitals must be examined Post-Mortem by a Pathologist.

2. To perform the examination properly the Pathologist must have as much information as possible concerning the circumstances of death if known or the circumstances of finding the body.

3. A report in writing will therefore be compiled by a responsible officer or NCO from careful examination and cross questioning of the individual finding the body, and submitted if possible with the body to the hospital and certainly within 12 hours thereafter.

4. The attention of all personnel will be drawn to this order by republication in Unit Daily Orders.

Med Br/343

595—RETURN OF STORES TO ADOS DUMP, ROME

1. The attention of all units is directed to ARO Serial No. 37/493 dated 11 Apr. 45 for strict compliance.

2. Returned Stores recently received in ADOS Dump have proved that little or no attention has been paid to the instructions set forth therein.

3. Officer i/c ADOS Dump has been instructed to refuse receipt of stores in RSD unless they conform to the above ARO.

OS/600/25

596—CIVILIAN LABOUR—RETURNS

Commencing Friday, 6th July, 1945, all units employing civilian labour will render to 2902 Civil Labour Unit by 17.00 hours on Friday of each week, a return of the numbers of civilians employed in each of the following grades as on the preceding day.

(A) Clerical and Supervisory	(M) Excluding Interpreters
(B) Clerical and Supervisory	(F) Excluding Interpreters
(C) Interpreters	(M)
(D) Interpreters	(F)
(E) Artisans	(M)
(F) Artisans	(F)
(G) Miscellaneous Skilled	(M)
(H) Miscellaneous Skilled	(F)
(I) Unskilled Labour	(M)
(J) Unskilled Labour	(F)
(K) Juvenile	(M)
(L) Juvenile	(F)
(M) Grand Total.	

The address to which the return should be forwarded is:—
2902 Civil Labour Unit, 4, Via Torino, Rome, or
the information may be telephoned to: Rome 478817.

Units employing less than 25 civilian employees will only render the initial return on Friday 6 Jul. 45, and thereafter inform the Civil Labour Unit of any fluctuation that may occur.

All previous instructions regarding the rendition of civilian labour statistical returns to 2902 CLU are cancelled w.e.f. Friday, 6 Jul. 45.

Lab./CLG/10

597—CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES—PAY PROCEDURE

Attention of Units employing civilian labour is directed to the following change in pay procedure which will be adopted forthwith.

Original copies of Muster Pay Rolls and any other vouchers relating to civilian employees will be sent direct by the paying Unit to No. 8 Command Paymaster, CMF.

The paying Unit's Imprest number must be clearly stated on each voucher and the Area in which the paying Unit is situated at the time of payment (i.e. Rome Area Allied Command), will be written clearly in the right hand top corner.

Lab CRP/6

598—EDUCATION—TRANSFER TO AEC

1. It should be ascertained from all candidates recommended for transfer to or employment with AEC, whether or not they have volunteered for deferred release until one year, two years or general demobilisation and the appropriate prefix letters inserted after their Release Group Nos. on their application forms.

2. The trade (if any) and classification will be inserted clearly at the top of page 1 of the application form.

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599—TECHNICAL EDUCATION (RELEASE PERIOD) COURSES FOR MEN SKILLED IN CIVILIAN TRADES

1. In accordance with GRO 565/45 OsC Units will submit applications in quadriplicate (as per *pro forma* in appendix II GRO 565/45) to Education RAAC for onward transmission to AFHQ G1/Br/A5.

2. Applications may be submitted forthwith.

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and those being returned to UK on compassionate grounds.

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(B)	Clerical and Supervisory	(F) Excluding Interpreters
(C)	Interpreters	(M)
(D)	Interpreters	(F)
(E)	Artisans	(M)
(F)	Artisans	(F)
(G)	Miscellaneous Skilled	(M)
(H)	Miscellaneous Skilled	(F)
(I)	Unskilled Labour	(M)
(J)	Unskilled Labour	(F)
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(L)	Juvenile	(F)
(M)	Grand Total.	

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2. Applications may be submitted forthwith.

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NOTICES

1. Lost or Stolen

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 14539033 Pte. Riley.—RAMC 104 (Br) General Hospital. Lost on 13 Jun. 45.

Wallet containing 1,000 Lire, leave pass, photographs, etc. The property of: No. 1987158 Cpl. P. Ansell—HQ Movements, Rome.—Stolen whilst he was in the shower bath at Alexander Club on 11 June 45.

Wallet containing 4,000 Lire (approx.), Red Cross Certificate, 6 photographs and leave pass. The property of: 4347767 Pte. J. Grayson—IDCL—Lost in the vicinity of the Alexander Club on the evening of 9 Jun. 45.

One large pack, bedding, zip fastened s[illegible] containing: personal documents, box containing [illegible], wallet, 1 pr. brown shoes, 1 colt .45 pistol. Lost from rear of vehicle between Siena and Naples on 7 Jun. 45. The property of: Capt. Duff-White, HQ No. 2 Command Bde.

One Pigskin case, camera and films, personal kit, letters and Officers Withdrawal Book. Lost between Rome and Capua on Route 7 on 7 Jun. 45. The property of: Lt. A Benjamin.—281 Field Park Coy., RE.

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S.43A (Pay and Identity Book) containing: 500 Lire, curfew pass, Rome Area Pass and HQ Pass. The property of: T/1 C.IX 671012 Signalman J. Brown—AC HQ Rome. Stolen whilst in the Alexander Club.

Lady's Red Leather Handbag containing: Passport (Dutch), permit of Alien, 800 Lire, Cheque UNRRA 2,100 Lire on Banca D'Italia. The property of: Mrs. Reebers Rendricka of No. 4 Via Balbo, believed left in WD Vehicle which gave her a lift from 48 (Br.) General Hospital to Civitavecchia. Vehicle believed to be a GMC driven by an Italian in charge of an English soldier.

Enfield Pistol No. K.76521 and Web Belt and Holster, also Web Haversack. The property of: Lt. H. E. Russell, ARC Kitting and Store Sect. RAOC att. 273 Armd. Dely Sqdn. Lost at about 13.00 hrs. 9 Jun. 45.

In the vicinity of the Security Prison, Rome, on 10 Jun 45, AB 64 Part I, the property of: 3663015 Pte. A. Steele.—30th Cheshire Regiment.

Leather wallet containing: S43A (Naval Pay and Identity Book), 4,000 Lire and personal papers. The property of: ERA 4th Class N. Smales. Believed lost in the vicinity of Canteen and Sgts Rest Room at 56 Rest Camp on 7 Jun. 45. Any information to Maintenance Commander R.N., Rome.

Large black handbag containing: ACA Pass, fountain pen, Ladies' compact and small amount of money. The property of: Miss H. M. Ascott.—ACA.—Lost near ACA HQ on 11 Jun. 45.

Kit bag containing: soldiers kit and seven days rations. The property of: 1457425 Spr. T. Mayes.—RE.—Lost on 14 Jun. 45.

Complete kit. The property of: GSF/5663 Pte. Lachman, 10th Bde. Coy. Indian Supply Corps. Believed stolen in the Central Railway Station, Rome on 14 Jun. 45.

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The u/m WD Tyres have been recovered:—

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

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(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 41 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 31 May, 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

534—PASSIVE AIR DEFENCE

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G-3/10

535—AFHQ VEHICLE SIGN

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2. It is expected that the new Vehicle Sign will be available for issue in early June. Indents will be submitted on ADOS, Rome Area Allied Command, on the basis of two transfers for each vehicle held against unit entitlement.
G-3/119

D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

536—APPLICATION FOR DEFERMENT OF RELEASE

Reference GRO 541 of 18 May, 45.

All officers' applications for Deferment will be forwarded to G-1 (British), Rome Area Allied Command.

ORs' application will be forwarded direct by the Unit to GHQ 2nd Echelon.
G-1 56A1

537—EFI SUPPLIES—AVAILABILITY LIST

Reference ARO 532 dated 16 May, 45, appendix (A), Section I, rationed items.

Delete Matches 1/4 box.
G-4 Br Q193

538—SALVAGE

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G-4 Br/Q183

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From 2000 hrs. to 0700 hrs there will be available at the P.Ps. duty personnel who will refuel vehicles and convoys on operational or emergency duties.

541—RELEASE REGULATIONS—AF W3149

1. All personnel for release will be medically examined in accordance with Release Regulations, Appendix «D», Section 1, Para. 3, before embarkation for the U.K. and the results recorded on AF W3149.

2. In order to facilitate the examination the following procedure will be adopted in this area:—

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(e) *Proforma* will only be accepted in lieu when complete in every detail with the latest print of AF W3149.
(Med (Br) 552)

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3. Petrol point Route 5 (M.R. 771673 Rome Town Plan) will be open from 0700 hrs. to 2000 hrs. only.

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540—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 hrs., 10 Jun. 45.

2. Os.C. British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 199 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook and Storeman attend this meeting.

3. The following will also attend:—
Os.C. DID's.
Catering Adviser and QMSI.
Representative NAAFI/EFI.

ST/240/S

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2. If wine of high acid content is stored in galvanised containers it is liable to dissolve large quantities of zinc within a short time.

3. In no circumstances will unit water vehicles be employed for the collection or storage of wine.

(Med (Br) 445)

543—SMALL ARMS—MODIFICATION OF

Reference A.C.I. 377/44.

All units in possession of Guns, Machine, Bren, .303, will submit AF G1045 covering modification to slings, to OC, 638 L. of C. Workshop, R.E.M.E.

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544—EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIANS LIABLE TO MILITARY SERVICE

Italian male civilians of the 1914-24 classes are liable for service in the Italian Armed Forces, and consequently will not in future be employed as civilians by the Allied Forces unless at the time of their engagement they are in possession of:—

(a) An exemption certificate issued by the Territorial Headquarters, Italian Army, or

(b) A certificate of discharge from service issued by the competent Italian Military Service. (Lab. MOB/2)

545—CIVILIAN LABOUR

«CIVILIAN LABOUR—MIDSHIFT MEAL AND SUPPLEMENTARY RATIONS»

Attention of all employing units is directed to this Command Administrative Instruction No. 4, dated 25 May 45, distribution of which is now being effected. (Lab. RAT/3)

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«The amount of compensation payable to the employee is based upon the wage rate. This rate is entered by the employing unit as Item 9 on Form SI-1 and as Item 3 on Form SI-2.

«It has been agreed by the Italian Government and all Allied employers of civilian labour that, in completing Forms SI-1 and SI-2, only the Allied Forces Basic Wage Rate (or Rome Province Special Rate, if applicable), will be shown. Italian officials will then make the adjustments necessary to translate this figure into an amount comparable to that of the Italian industry basic wage.» (Lab. CRP/6)

547—WO's and SGT's CLUB

It is notified for information that a WO's. and Sgt's. Club has now been opened in Rome. The Club is located in the Via Nationale in the building previously occupied as the Canada Club.

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To be repeated in Unit Orders. (WEL/70)

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Transport to and from the Lido will be a unit responsibility and will be chargeable as recreational transport. Vehicles will approach and leave by signposted route. Car park will not be a guarded car park and units will be responsible for the safe custody of their own vehicles.

All bathing will be prohibited when a red flag is being flown above the NAAFI pavilion.

Persons i/c parties will be responsible with acquainting party with existing life saving facilities before any member of the party enters the water.

Only that portion of the beach marked «British OR's. Bathing Beach» will be used and no person will be permitted to enter wired off areas marked «Mines».

Changing accommodation for females will be in the building adjoining YMCA pavilion and duly signposted.

Bathing beach for Officers will also be available as from 1st June with changing accommodation, male and female, in villas previously occupied by HQ 2 District. In addition, the top deck of the NAAFI OR's. pavilion will be reserved for Officers. Snacks will be served there.

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550—SHOWER BATHS

1. Reference Area Routine Order 436/45.

2. With effect from date of publication of this order the Baths at 9-11 Via Ferruccio, Rome, will be closed all day SUNDAYS until further notice.

3. The Baths will be open on weekdays as usual between 08.00 hours and 18.00 hours.

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R. H. CAMRASS,
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One officers bed roll, 1 valise, 2 packs.—The property of: Lt. R. Tuck.—REME att 43 SA Adv. Base Wkshops. Lost on 15 May. 45.

One valise. The property of: 7897734 Cpl. E. Wright.—North Irish Horse.—Lost from vehicle driving from Foggia to Rome on 16 May 45.

One Camera Serial No. R.45-139815, type C-3, belonging to: Photographic Sec. 57 Air Serv. Group. APO 520.—Stolen from vehicle parked in the Victor Emanuel Piazza on 18 May 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), one shirt angola, containing: wallet with photos, private papers and a quantity of money, one pair of boots. The property of: 1659180 Pte. J. Langford—18 Inf. Bde. Ord. Fd. Park—Lost somewhere between Via Flaminia and Rome on 17 May 45.

One pack (marked Lt. R. I. Brown, on back), containing: one .38 pistol (No. not known), and holster (named), 1 pouch and 45 rounds of ammo., 1 pair of denim overalls, 1 pair of socks, 1 shirt. Reported by: No. 278666 Lt. R. I. Brown—No. 1 ARR.—Lost at the Central Rly. Station, Rome on 13 May 45.

AB 64 (Part I) and BD blouse, the property of: T/14217419 Dvr. H. Clark.—750 Coy. RASC, att. NOIC—and AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse, leave pass, 6,000 lire, the property of: T/14521568 Dvr. H. Legg.—All above property has been stolen from 15 cwt. vehicle whilst stationary in Piazza Esedra.

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One Camera Super-Ikon. E.A. [illegible] No. 2059266. Taking pictures 1 3/4 in. x 2 3/4 in. The property of: Lt. Gronle—Army Film Unit.—Stolen from vehicle on 14 May 45.

One German wallet (German name printed inside of it) containing: 8,000 lire, 1 photo, one leave pass. The property of: 5511177 Dvr. D. Ryan—385 GT Coy, RASC.—Lost on 17 May 45.

Light brown wallet containing: 1,800 lire, £8 in POs, leave pass and personal letters. The property of: 10484 Pte. Silberman, Herman.—Support Coy, 1st Jewish Bde.—Lost on 19 May 45.

BD blouse containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, PT Florence Area, 1,500 lire, letters, photographs. The property of: 6093177 L/Bdr. V. Winchester.—RA Att. CM Holding Centre.—Stolen from the washing room in the Alexander Club on 16 May 45.

One BD Blouse containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet with 1,100 lire in it, the property of: T/289614 Dvr. G. Drummond—353 Coy RASC (STA TPT).—Lost from the Cloak Room of the Alexander Club on 9 May 45.

Wallet containing: confidential papers and 200 lire. The property of: 781280 Pte. R. Campbell.—150 Coy Pioneer Corps.—Lost on the night of 11 May 45, between the Alexander Club and Central Rly Station, Rome.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 3973867 Gdsm. E. Pierce. Reported by: 56 Rest Camp on 9 May 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2346125 Sigmn. K. Houlison.—93 Construction Section Royal Signals.—Lost on the 10 May 45 in the vicinity of Palombara Sabina.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 7887896 Cpl. D. Cameron W.—RACTD.—Lost on 9 May 45.

One Rifle No. 13407. Reported by: 159 Transit Camp.—Lost on the evening of 17 May, 45.

Brown leather satchel containing:

No. 5 Postal Book made out with the following amount of money:—

1. 19.000 : lire. 2. 20.000 : lire. 3. 10.000 : lire. 4. 4.900 : lire.
the above four Postal Book are issued by Military Post Office.

5. 1.500 : lire issued by the Civil Postal Office of Verona.

No. 1 Commendation silver medal on the field.

No. 1 Commendation bronze medal on the field.

No. 1 Commendation iron medal on the field. II Class.

No. 1 Coffee Pot.

No. 1 new-paper <ARENA> with an article on it written by Lt. Cucino Andrea. Reported by: Capt. Cucina Andrea. 155 Regt. Arty. Gruppo Combattimento <FRIULI> PM 79.—Left on 3-ton Bedford driven by an Italian civilian. Vehicle believed on charge to a British Unit, probably situated in Rome. The loss occurred on 7 May 45 at about 1800 hours.

Naval Pay and Identity Book, Form 5430, the property of: P/JX360211 Tel. L. R. Knight.—Lost between Rome and Leghorn on 1st May, 45. Any information to: Office of Maintenance Commander, Royal Navy, Rome.

Wallet containing 2,000 lire, photographs, Rome Day Pass and Rome Curfew Pass, the property of: 1477913 Gnr.

One Handbag containing: Gold wristlet watch, wallet, 1,500 lire, HQ AC/A pass, Rome Area Pass, fountain pen, 1 pair of khaki stockings, 1 tie, 4 handkerchiefs, lipstick and personal letters. The property of: W/45064 Cpl. L. Kinley.—ATS.—Lost from vehicle whilst travelling towards 45 SA W/Shops near Route 6 on Sunday 20 May 45.

One small pack containing: towel and shaving kit, BD blouse with AB 64 (Parts I and II) and wallet in it. The property of: 2385757 Dvr. W. G. Hamilton.—SCU4 (IDET) CMF.—Stolen from beside his bed in the rear of a 3-ton Ford, on the night of 19/20 May 45.

Light brown leather wallet containing: personal photographs and 1,000 lire, the property of: 1900742 Spr. A. H. Coombes.—REs patient at No. 10 (Br.) Convalescent Depot. Lost on the 17 May 45 between the Church of St. Paulo and the Exhibition Buildings on Route 8.

Brown wallet containing: one golden half-sovereign, 1,050 in lire notes, four or five Naval Forms S150, one photograph, one small brooch with a miniature of a Dutch girl with an umbrella. The property of: Skipper Lt. F. Brown—RNR.—Lost on the 21 May 45 in a tram in Via Gioberti, Rome. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, Royal Navy, Rome.

Four blankets, one great coat, 1 groundsheet, 2 KD shorts, 1 big pack and change of laundry, 1 small pack. The property of: 6094712 Dvr. V. H. Webb.—717 Coy, RASC.—Stolen on 19 May 45.

Lee Enfield Rifle No. N.3692. On charge to: 5246317 Pte. Johnston. Lost from train Rome-Terni on the evening of 23 May 45. Any information to: RACTD.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: T/6844561 Dvr. C. L. Clapton.—<A> Pl 64 Coy RASC (BPT).—Lost on 20 May 45.

One wheel complete with tyre No. 2133831. Stolen from Artillery Barracks on 24 May 45. Reported by 296 Coy, RASC.

Wicker basket containing: 3 blankets, 1 mosquito net, 3 pairs socks, slippers, gas cape, 2 KD shirts, 2 trousers, 2 shorts, 2 vests, 2 towels, wallet, fountain pen, photos. All WD kit marked with soldiers number. The property of: 3912958 Dvr. D. Kettle.—Lost from vehicle travelling from Naples to Rome on the 25 May 45. Any information to the Office of the Provost Marshal.

Civilian handbag containing: 6 English pound notes, 4,000 lire, personal paper and effects. Reported by: Miss Neville.—Allied Commission for Austria.—Lost outside the Town Major's Office on the evening of 25 May 45.

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Holding Centre.—Stolen from the washing room in the Alexander Club on 16 May 45.

One BD Blouse containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet with 1,100 lire in it, the property of: T/289614 Dvr. G. Drummond—353 Coy RASC (STA TPT).—Lost from the Cloak Room of the Alexander Club on 9 May 45.

Wallet containing: confidential papers and 200 lire. The property of: 781280 Pte. R. Campbell.—150 Coy Pioneer Corps.—Lost on the night of 11 May 45, between the Alexander Club and Central Rly Station, Rome.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 3973867 Gdsm. E. Pierce. Reported by: 56 Rest Camp on 9 May 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2346125 Sigmn. K. Houlison.—93 Construction Section Royal Signals.—Lost on the 10 May 45 in the vicinity of Palombara Sabina.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 7887896 Cpl. D. Cameron W.—RACTD.—Lost on 9 May 45.

One Rifle No. 13407. Reported by: 159 Transit Camp.—Lost on the evening of 17 May, 45.

Brown leather satchel containing:

No. 5 Postal Book made out with the following amount of money:—

1. 19.000 : lire. 2. 20.000 : lire. 3. 10.000 : lire. 4. 4.900 : lire.

the above four Postal Book are issued by Military Post Office.

5. 1.500 : lire issued by the Civil Postal Office of Verona.

No. 1 Commendation silver medal on the field.

No. 1 Commendation bronze medal on the field.

No. 1 Commendation iron medal on the field. II Class.

No. 1 Coffee Pot.

No. 1 newspaper «ARENA» with an article on it written by Lt. Cucina Andrea. Reported by: Capt. Cucina Andrea. 235 Regt. Arty. Gruppo Combattimento «FRIULI» PM 79.—Left on 3-ton Bedford driven by an Italian civilian. Vehicle believed on charge to a British Unit, probably situated in Rome. The loss occurred on 7 May 45 at about 18.00 hours.

Naval Pay and Identity Book, Form S.43a, the property of: P/JX360211 Tel. L. R. Knight.—Lost between Rome and Leghorn on 1st May, 45. Any information to: Office of Maintenance Commander, Royal Navy, Rome.

Wallet containing 2,000 lire, photographs, Rome Day Pass and Rome Curfew Pass, the property of: 1477944 Gnr. Aslin.—«B» British Army Newspaper Unit.—Lost between Via del Tritone and Via del Mare, Rome, on the night of 16 May 45.

One wallet containing: 1 pair shoes, 2 shirts, 2 vests, 2 pairs pants, 6 handkerchiefs, 4 pairs socks, 2 plates, 1 torch, 1 pair shoes canvas, 1 set cleaning brushes, 1 towel, 1 groundsheet, 2 pairs ladies silk stockings. The property of: 227393 Capt. F. Rawlins.—RE.—Lost whilst travelling from Ancona to Naples passing through Rome on 20 May 45.

One canvas bag. The property of: 218967 Lt. W. A. Sharp.—RE.—Lost on 19 May 45. Any information to: No. Special Reception Camp.

Colonos.—Three patients at 240. F. (Evac.) Convalescent Depot. Lost on the 17 May 45 between the Church of St. Paulo and the Exhibition Buildings on Route 8.

Brown wallet containing: one golden half-sovereign, 1,050 in lire notes, four or five Naval Forms S450, one photograph, one small brooch with a miniature of a Dutch girl with an umbrella. The property of: Skipper Lt. F. Brown—RNR.—Lost on the 21 May 45 in a tram in Via Gioberti, Roma. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, Royal Navy, Rome.

Four blankets, one great coat, 1 groundsheet, 2 KD shorts, 1 big pack and change of laundry, 1 small pack. The property of: 6094712 Dvr. V. H. Webb.—717 Coy, RASC.—Stolen on 19 May 45.

Lee Enfield Rifle No. N.3692. On charge to: 5246317 Pte. Johnston. Lost from train Rome-Terni on the evening of 23 May 45. Any information to: RACTD.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: T/6844561 Dvr. C. L. Clapton.—«A» Pl 64 Coy RASC (BPT).—Lost on 20 May 45.

One wheel complete with tyre No. 2133831. Stolen from Artillery Barracks on 24 May 45. Reported by 296 Coy, RASC.

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Brown leather wallet containing: 34 one pound Postal Orders, 5/- piece, 2/- piece, two 1/- pieces, 10 franc silver piece, one Crucifix, leave pass. The property of: 1555032 Gnr. Aitkins.—32 Bty 11th Regt [illegible].—Lost in the Alexander Club on 21 May 45.

One Officer's valise containing: personal and shaving kit, photographs, writing materials, advance of pay book (No. not known), AB 139. The property of: Capt. Lewis.—RASC.—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office on 29 May 45.

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One WD valise containing: 1 pair [illegible] slacks, 1 WD shirt and various other articles. The property of: 3661 CSM E. Sharman.—750 Base W/shops, REME.—Lost on the 22nd May 45.

One large green officers rucksack, 1 officers small valise, 1 .45 US pistol (number not known), 2 full magazines, 1 brown leather case with name on it, and other articles.—Stolen from vehicle parked outside Town Major's Office on 20 May 45. Reported by: Major McLean.—Royal Berkashire Regt.

One small kit containing WD and personal property. Stolen on 20 May 45. Reported by: 800287 L/Bdr. A. J. Baigent.—C Troop 48th Bty. 6th Fld Regt., NZ Artillery.

One valise containing washing kit, personal kit, 1 shirt, 1 vest, 1 towel, 1 pair boots, 1 pair swimming trunks, 1 pullover, and KD slacks. The property of: 2664693 Gdsm. E. Taylor.—Coldstream Guards, Guards Bn. IRTD.—Stolen on 20 May 45.

One small pack containing: 1 toothbrush, 1 shaving brush, 1 boot brush, 1 towel, 1 BD blouse, four blankets, 1 shirt, 2 vests, 2 pairs socks, 1 cap FS, 1 towel. The property of: 1797061 Spr. Welch.—255 Army Fld. Coy, RE.—Stolen on 20 May 45.

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1 M/C Tyre No. 549350.E.G. Firestone.

1 Rifle No. 11C6962.—1 Mauzer Pistol No. 214984.

1 Pistol .38 Smith and Wesson No. 744819.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 3786304 Gnr. F. Gilligan.—R.A. (L.A.A).—Found on 15 May 45.

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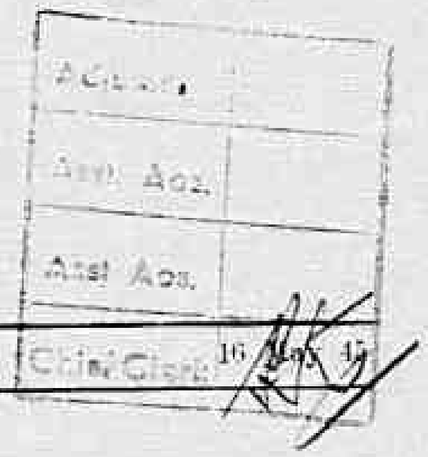

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2. In spite of notices to the effect erected on the site, units have continued to deposit tins and rubbish in this area. This practice will cease forthwith.

3. To be repeated in Unit Orders.

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D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

523—EXEMPTION FROM MILITARY SERVICE

Further to this HQ letters 7A4 dated 3 Mar. and 26 Apr. 45.

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G-1 Br Q2136

524—CIVILIAN LABOUR

Reference this Command Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 7 of 29 Mar. 45.

Attention of all employing units is directed:—

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G-4 Br Q/233

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All units will return empty carboys in their possession forthwith to ADOS Stores, Via Etruria, Rome.

(OS/500/5)

527—FROST PRECAUTIONS

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(b) to the following correction to above mentioned Bulletin Page 3 Appendix «B» line 2 (heading). *Insert* after «Clubs» the words «and Messes»

Lab/CRP/6

525—DAMAGE TO ELECTRIC POWER LINES

1. It has come to the attention of this Headquarters that Allied troops have caused interruptions of electric power supply to industrial installations by shooting at insulators on electrical transmission lines. Recently the salt mines at Tarquinia were without power, and therefore inoperative for four days, due to this cause.

2. The soldiers who indulge in this pastime would not wish to be considered as saboteurs, but the practical effect of their act is the same as though it were committed by an enemy agent. No facility in the theatre is of more vital importance to the war effort than the supply of electric power to the various industries, the production of which is needed to sustain the armies as well as the civilian economy.

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527—FROST PRECAUTIONS

Reference Area Routine Order No. 304 dated 21 Nov. 44.

1. With effect from 15 May 45, anti-frost precautions will be discontinued.

2. Procedure as under will be followed:—

Water cooled engines and all vehicles other than AFVs, wheeled, tracked and half tracked, will:—

(a) Drain entire contents of cooling system.

(b) Flush with clean water.

(c) Refill with clean, preferably soft, water.

(d) Obliterate all markings signifying anti-frost precautions have been taken.

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3. The drained solution will be allow[illegible] run to waste.

4. Unopened containers will be returned to 11 MPFC Route 3, Map Reference 745725, Rome Town Plan North.

5. For AFVs wheeled, tracked and half-tracked, see procedure laid down in para. 2 (d) of GRO 47545.

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528—EDUC—RELEASE PERIOD SCHEME

1. The DCEO and SOI Educ. AFHQ will outline the duties and responsibilities of Commanding Officers in a ONE-DAY Course at the Scuola Militare Rome, on Tuesday, 22 May. Time-table and further details will be forwarded to those selected to attend.

2. A special one-day (Briefing Course) for ALL UNIT EDUCATION OFFICERS will be held in the Scuola Militare Rome on Monday, 21 May. The time-table will be as follows:—

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1015-1100 hrs.	The scheme at Unit Level	Lt. J. Howell, AEC
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1530-1600 hrs.	Open Forum	

All Unit Education Officers are required to attend this important briefing conference, and each one will bring note-books and copies of GRO 421 to 457 dated 20 Apr. 45 and GRO 499 dated 4 May.

Educ. 60/EDN

529—UNIT EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS—TECHNICAL EDUCATION

1. A number of vacancies on courses for Unit Education Instructors in Technical Education have been surrendered on the last course at the Army School of Education. It is already evident that during the Release Period the greatest demand will be for instructors in technical subjects, and it is imperative that units not only train now their first line instructors but also build up a reserve to offset the inevitable drainage due to release.

2. Therefore, the qualifications set out in GRO 170/45 should be read in the light of the above. Commanding Officers are asked to use their discretion in interpreting the qualifications, and if a man seems, in his opinion, to be a satisfactory potential instructor for his unit, and likely to benefit from a course at the Army School of Education, then the limits of the qualifications may be stretched, e.g., to include Tradesmen Groups A to C, Class 2, civilian tradesmen, with less experience, and so on. Educ. 65/EDN

530—MEN'S MESSING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1. Units are reminded that ACI 394/41 (as amended by [illegible]) [illegible] to this theatre and that the

(b) Men's representation will be on the basis of one soldier per 30 men and care will be taken to ensure that the proportion of NCOs is not excessive. The Senior Cook may attend for consultation.

(c) The Committee will meet weekly in the case of units over 400 in strength and fortnightly in smaller units.

(d) Minutes will be kept. These will be submitted to the OC for his comments and instructions. They will also be available for inspection by the Catering Adviser.

(e) Names of members of the Messing Committee will be published in Unit Orders and time and date of Meetings notified in advance.

(To be repeated in Unit and Formation Orders)

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531—OIL, FUEL, COOKING AND SPACE HEATING—ESSENTIAL FIRE PRECAUTIONS

1. A large number of fires have been caused through the faulty construction and improper use of oil fuel cooking apparatus. These fires have resulted in some cases in serious accidents.

2. Unit Commanders will inspect oil fueled cooking and heating apparatus already installed and ensure that:—

(a) The oil container is not situated too near the cooking range and that it is securely fastened in position.

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(c) Stoves are not installed on wooden floors and that brick or cement base is constructed to cover a sufficient area.

(d) Burners are cleaned regularly and particular attention paid to keeping the jets clean.

3. Choked jets and water in the fuel are the main causes of lighting difficulties which have led to the practice of adding petrol to the fuel. This practice will cease as mixing petrol and DERV results in the apparatus becoming exceedingly dangerous due to flashbacks caused through the fuel vaporising too quickly. A draw off tap for water should be fitted at the bottom of all fuel containers.

4. RE advice is available and must be utilised in the construction of all oil fuel apparatus.

HM/CA/516/2

532—EFI SUPPLIES—AVAILABILITY LIST

1. Owing to shortage and the curtailment of shipping, the list of rationed EFI articles has had to be extended.

2. Appendix 'A' to this Routine Order shows:—

Section I—Rationed items.

Section II—Unrationed items.

Section III—Items which will be rationed and issued when available.

3. The new scales came into effect with effect from week commencing 29 Apr. 45. G-4 Br/Q193

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2. ACI 394/41 lays down the general principle upon which Men's Messing Committees will be formed and meetings held. In this Theatre it will be interpreted in accordance with the requirements of individual units, but the following main rules will be observed:—

(a) The Unit Messing Officer will invariably attend the Meetings and, when the PRI or 2 IC is not present, he will preside.

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APPENDIX "A" TO ABO 532

SECTION I — RATIONED ITEMS

1. *Available All Ranks*	*Per Head per week*
Cigarettes	80
Tobacco	1/2 oz.
Chocolate	3 oz. in all
Confectionery, pkts. or loose	
Chewing Gum	1 pkt.
Razor Blades	2
Soap, Toilet	1/2 tablet
Boot Polish	1/4 tin
Matches	1/4 box
Fruit Squash or Cordial	1/4 bottle
Lemonade Powder, sweetened	1 oz.
Beer, Rept Quarts	1 1/2 bottles or as allocated

2. *Available All Ranks*	*Per 100 per week*
Brushes, Boot Polishing	1
Brushes, Nail	2
Cotton, Khaki	2 reels
Cotton, White	2 reels
Cloths, Glass or Kitchen	1
Dusters	2
Razors, Safety	1
Swabs	1
Vaseline, tins or jars	1
Handkerchiefs	12

3. *Available for Officers Only*	*Per Head per week*
Soap, Laundry	4 oz.

4. *Available for Officers, WOs and Sgts. Only*

Whisky, Gin, Sherry, Port—Allocated as available.

5. *Available for Female Personnel Only*

Hair Brushes (ladies)	Allocated as available
Hair Curlers	
Handkerchiefs (ladies)	
Lipsticks	
Nail Files	
Powder Compacts	
Tail Combs	
Soap, Flakes (Lux, Rinso, etc.)	1/2 pkt.

SECTION II — UNRATIONED ITEMS

1. *Available for All Ranks*

Ammonia
Antiseptics
Batteries, 120 volt (wireless)
Biscuits
Blanco, khaki
Brushes, shaving
Brushes, tooth
Buttons, bachelor
Button Sticks
Cigarette Papers
Custard Powder
Dates
Disinfectant
Dubbin
Egg Powder
Embrocation and Liniment
Envelopes
Fruit Dried, large (apple rings, prunes, etc.)
Gramophone Needles
Gramophone Records
Gravy Salt and Browning
Hair Preparations
Health Salts
Headache Tablets (aspros, aspirin, Dolmol, etc.)
Herbs, mixed
Housefluunel
Ink and Ink Pellets
Laces, boot
Laces, shoe
Lemon Juice Powder (unsweetened)
Meat Extract (Meatex, Bovril, etc.)
Meat Cubes (Bouillon, oxo, etc.)
Metal Polish
Muslin
Mustard
Ointment
Paste, meat and fish
Pencils, ordinary
Pencil, leads
Penholders
Penguin Type Books
Pen Nibs
Pipes
Pipe Cleaners
Pudding Cloth
Soap, shaving
Schick Razor Blades
Stationery, pkts.
Stomach Powder, tablets and Equid
String
Studs, collar (back and front)
Syrup, golden
Talcum Powder
Tooth Paste and Powder
Vegetable Extract (Vegemite, Marmite, etc.)
Wool, black (RAF only)
Wool, khaki
Writing Pads

2. *Available for Female Personnel Only*

Cold Cream and Hand Cream
Deodorant
Emery Boards
Face Powder
Face Tissues
Hair Grips
Hair Nets
Hooks and Eyes
Hose, white
Liquid White Shoe Cleaner
Nail Buffers
Nail Scissors
Nail Sticks
Nail Polish
Nail Polish Remover
Needles
Pins, ordinary
Pins, safety
Powder Puffs
Rouge
Sanitary Belts
Sanitary Pads
Sanitary Towels
Shampoos
Shoe Laces, white
Skin Lotion
Tape, white
Tweezers
Vanishing Cream
Wools, asstd.

SECTION III — ITEMS WHICH WILL BE RATIONED AND ISSUED WHEN AVAILABLE

Cigarette Cases
Cigarette Lighters
Cigarette Lighter Flints and Wicks
Cigarette Lighter Fuel
Fly Swatters
Fountain Pens
Fruit Juice, tinned
Fruit, tinned
Knives, pocket
Marking Ink
Mirrors, shaving
Mugs, enamel
Pencils, propelling
Pickles and Chutney
Primus Type Stoves
Primus Stove Prickers
Sauces
Soap Boxes
Socks, khaki
Sock Suspenders
Steradent
Sunglasses
Tobacco Pouches
Torches
Torch Batteries
Wallets, pocket
Watches
Watch Straps

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as allocated

2. *Available All Ranks* — *Per 100 per week*

Brushes, Boot Polishing	1
Brushes, Nail	2
Cotton, Khaki	2 reels
Cotton, White	2 reels
Cloths, Glass or Kitchen	1
Dusters	2
Razors, Safety	1
Swabs	1
Vaseline, tins or jars	1
Handkerchiefs	12

3. *Available for Officers Only* — *Per Head per week*

Soap, Laundry	4 oz.

4. *Available for Officers, WOs and Sgts. Only*

Whisky, Gin, Sherry, Port—Allocated as available.

5. *Available for Female Personnel Only*

Hair Brushes (ladies)	Allocated as available
Hair Curlers	
Handkerchiefs (ladies)	
Lipsticks	
Nail Files	
Powder Compacts	
Tail Combs	
Soap, Flakes (Lux, Rinso, etc.)	1/2 pkt.

SECTION II — UNRATIONED ITEMS

1. *Available for All Ranks*

Ammonia
Antiseptics
Batteries, 120 volt (wireless)
Biscuits
Blanco, khaki
Brushes, shaving
Brushes, tooth
Buttons, bachelor
Button Sticks
Cigarette Papers
Custard Powder
Dates
Disinfectant
Dubbin
Egg Powder
Embrocation and Liniment
Envelopes
Fruit Dried, large (apple rings, prunes, etc.)
Gramophone Needles
Gramophone Records
Gravy Salt and Browning
Hair Preparations
Health Salts
Headache Tablets (aspros, aspirin, Dolmol, etc.)
Herbs, mixed
Housefiannel
Ink and Ink Pellets
Laces, boot
Penholders
Penguin Type Books
Pen Nibs
Pipes
Polishes (Cherry Blossom, Nugget, Meltonian, Marmite, etc.)
Wool, black (RAF only)
Wool, khaki
Writing Pads

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Torches
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Wallets, pocket
Watches
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NOTICES

1. Lost or Stolen

Three blankets, 1 groundsheet, 1 greatcoat. The property of: 5834416 L/Cpl. H. Risbridger, RAC Training Regt.—Stolen from the back of vehicle whilst passing through a street in Naples on 27 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 839416 Bdr. H. H. Lambert, 359/138 Field Regt., RA—Lost in Rome on 9 Apr. 45.

One dark brown wallet (ammunition pouch) containing: one £50 Egyptian note worth £52 10s. 0d. sterling, dated 1919, 1 ration card with name, 1 leave pass, 1,200 lire, photographs, etc. The property of: Capt. H. I. Deuter, RETD—Lost at the golf course on 20 Apr. 45.

Bedroll containing: 4 blankets, 1 groundsheet, 1 pair shoes, canvas. The property of 11062401 Pte. Jell—Presumed stolen at the Central Railway Station, Rome, on 22 Apr. 45. Any information to: Adm. HQ CEMTRAC.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet, cash and personal belongings. The property of: 873390623 Pte. S. L. Abate, 21 Stationery Depot—Lost in the Alexander Club on 27 Apr. 45.

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One wallet blue in colour containing: personal paper, snapshots, legal documents signed by Irish commission Officers Shop Clothing Ration Card, 600 lire. The property of: Sister Diffley (P266075) QAIMNSR, 104 (Br.) General Hospital—Lost in Naples on 25 Apr. 45.

Army Book 439 and personal papers. The property of: Sister K. Cave (nee Walsh) P266165 QAIMNSR, 104 (Br.) General Hospital—Lost in the Naples Area on 28 Apr. 45.

Army Book 439 contained in a case—Stolen from the back of vehicle in which Sister Oldham was travelling to Naples by Route 6. This Book is still in her maiden name of Hickey. The property of: Sister F. M. Oldham (P274084), QAIMNSR, 104 (Br.) Gen. Hospital.

Pay Book (DD 239A). The property of: 389857V Pte. N. J. van Geems, 45 SA Adv. Base Wksp. (R and H), TSC—Lost on 26 Apr. 45.

One suitcase containing personal clothes and books. Name printed in large letters on front. Both clasps broken —Stolen from 15-cwt. travelling between 48 (Br.) Gen. Hospital and Corso Umberto on 4 May 45. Reported by: Mrs. Pearson, att. UNRRA.

Four blankets, 1 pair slacks, 2 towels, 1 shirt, 2 pairs pants, 2 vests, several handkerchiefs, housewife and holdhall, razor, toothbrush, button brush, clothes brush, photographs, soap, matches and mirror. The property of: 10695557 Dvr. A. L. Bates, 13 Light Field Amb., RASC.—Stolen from vehicle on the 2nd May, 45.

Four blankets, 1 Egyptian rug, 1 valise containing: 1 pullover, 2 vests, 2 pairs socks, 2 towels, 2 wristlet watches, several handkerchiefs, boot brushes (stamped with No.) The property of: 2106314 Pte. Trotman, 13 Light Field Amb, RASC.—Stolen from vehicle on the 2nd May, 45.

One greatcoat and a number of WD blankets marked with one of the following two numbers: 59611 or 590838. Stolen by a British soldier [illegible]se description is: possible name Caldercott, about 24 y[illegible] of age, height 5ft. 4in., carrying a small brown suitcase. Reported stolen from billet on 4 May by: 94 C. G. D. Coy, SAEC.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 10554260 Pte. A. Reid, No. 1 ABW REME.—Lost in the Alexander Club on 8 May 45.

One pair grey trousers containing 1 gold wrist watch with name on back, 1 silver cigarette case with initials RF on back, 1 Dunhill silver cigarette lighter, 1 diary 1945 and 300 Lire.—The property of: Mr. M. Stuart—1st Attache British Embassy.—Stolen from the beach whilst bathing in the sea off Fregene on 10 May 45.

Wallet containing: £20 in 1,000 lire notes, Naval paper, 1 Clothes Rationing Card.—The property of: Major N. G. M. Munro—43 Royal Marines Commandos, RM, CMF.—Lost on 9 May 45 at the entrance of the Vatican City.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 14576524 Dvr. J. Edwards—No. 1 Adv. B. Wksp. REME.—Lost on or about the 23 Apr. 45 between Salerno and Pompei.

One canvas grip bag containing 2 shirts, 1 pair khaki shorts, pants, vest, other underclothing, canvas shoes, toilet kit, AB 439, Cash Book. Reported by: Lt. W. H. Marmorek—588 Army Troops Company, RE.—Believed stolen between Rome and Foligno on 29 Apr. 45.

Kit Bag containing Rifle No. 2431 and various other articles. The property of: 1591975 Fus. Butler—8th Royal Fus.—Stolen from vehicle on 7 May 45.

BD Tunic the pockets of which contained: AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet with 3,999 Lire, leave pass, photos, letters and one fountain pen. The property of: 10679680 Dvr. D. G. Elms—46 BSD RASC.—Stolen whilst washing at the YMCA on 7 May 45.

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2. Found

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 4278212—W. M. Gannon.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 1158316—P. J. Drake. —RA.—Found on 30 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 6017783—A. P. Coutts.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 7537467 Pte C. Mayers.

The following WD tyres and firearms have been found during the week ending 6 May 45:

No. 5 Good Year Tyres Nos. 73PZ9130, 3P989460, 770Z1378, R16E9488, 198Z6630

No. 2 Dunlop Tyres Nos. 325 x 19, 38386LS, 88759.

1 Rifle No. 7201—1 Walter Pistol Model 9 No. 515467 Cal. 6.35.

1 Colt Pistol No. 808612 Cal. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II) and photos. The property of: T/1620137 Cpl. D. Livingstone.—Found on 11 May 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: T/6203271 Dvr. F. Chapman.

The following property has been recovered in the Alexander Club:

1 Identity bracelet marked 1088380 SEU.

2 Identity discs, property of: 981341—M. Tattersal.

1 Identity disc, property of: 3/5987—W. Connel.

2 Identity discs, property of: R301526 x 3461485—S. J. Cunningham.

2 Identity Discs, property of: 873220—P. Healey.

2 Identity discs, property of: 2933989—Slavin.

2 Identity discs, property of: 1632023—R. R. Wood.

1 Identity bracelet brass, property of: Pal/8228 N. Guertzovsky.

The following WD tyres have been found during the week ending 13 May 45:

5 M/C Tyres Firestone No. 55379293, 649959EG., G649729EG, 6117941, 5788333.

3 M/C Tyres Dunlop Nos. CT030432, 62035975, 53-K.5629.

1 M/C Tyre Matador (Goliath) No. 451911PE.

1 Tyre Complete Michelin WD No. FEN73573.

8 Tyres Dunlop: 4 size: 900 x 16 No. OGU No. 159187, OGU 160145., YW04428, LH6254. 3 size 325 x 19 Nos. 42040595, 52011725, 16532EV. 1 size 750 x 20 No. 25003498.

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2 Tyres Firestone Nos. and size: 325 x 19 No. 629574EG, 325 x 19 No. FT620033.

1 Tyre Good Year size 325 x 19, No. 9M065E.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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417 " " " " "
1767 Italian Independent Wksp Pl

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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

514—CLAIMS AND HIRINGS — CHANGE OF LOCATION

1. As from 23.59 hours 30 Apr. 45, DAD No. 66 Claims and Hirings RIETI will close down.

2. Claims and Hirings matters arising in the area previously covered by that office will be dealt with by DAD No. 53 Claims and Hirings located at 46 Via delle Botteghe Oscure, ROME. Tel. No. ROME 66246. G-4 Br/Q230

515—RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC AND REGIMENTAL MONEY

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ACI 786/41 is repeated for information and compliance.

1. A number of cases have occurred in which money of public and regimental funds has been stolen because the cash box, cupboard or drawer in which it was placed has been kept in a room which remained unoccupied for considerable periods, especially at night.

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2. Officers who hold public and regimental funds are responsible for the safeguarding of money of those funds, and the fact that a safe is not provided does not in any way relieve officers of this responsibility. Balances of cash should never be retained unless unavoidable. If it is essential that some cash should be held, the amount should be as small as possible. Where a cash balance is held and no safe is available, it must be kept in a properly secured box, which in turn must be handed to the custody of a guard every time there is a possibility of it being left unattended, particularly at night. To have a soldier sleeping in an office in which cash is kept has not proved to be adequate safeguard, since the occupant may occasionally leave the office untenanted.

3. Failure to take adequate steps to safeguard public and regimental money renders the officer responsible for its safe custody liable to make good any loss occasioned by his negligence. G-1/23A

516—ISSUE OF SOAP YELLOW TO CIVILIANS

1. Authority is given in AFHQ/9184/Q(AE) of 13 Apr. 45 for the issue, on repayment, of 1 oz. of soap yellow per week per civilian, employed in the following capacities.

(a) Civilians employed in civilian bakeries which are working wholly or substantially on the production of bread under contract to the British Army for consumption by military personnel.

(b) Civilian employees handling Derv and Kerosene at Cs RASC to minimise the risk of contraction of skin diseases.

(c) Civilians directly employed by Military Units on types of work specified in (a) and (b).

2. Issues, on repayment, will be made against indents, submitted to Ordnance in the usual manner, quoting the above authority.

3. It is emphasised that issues authorized will be made only when soap is not available to the civilian contractors through civilian sources. G-4 Br Q 2567

517—STOVES OIL HEATING

1. Attention is directed to GRO 229/45 and to GRO 137/45.

2. Non static units will submit AFG 1033 on ADOS RAAC who will give necessary disposal instructions.

3. Any stoves found to be beyond unit repair will be returned to ADOS Stores. AFG 1033 will be clearly endorsed to the effect that these stoves are beyond unit repair.

4. Units will submit a report to ADOS RAAC not later than 22 May 45 stating the numbers of Stoves Oil Heating by types in possession. Indents, showing the type of stove held, will be submitted at the same time for any parts, wicks, etc., required as replacements. OS/100/18

518—DDT SPRAY

1. There appears to be some misunderstanding as to the exact mode of action of DDT.

2. This chemical is dissolved in kerosene and sprayed on walls as a wet but rapidly drying spray.

3. Insects coming in contact with sprayed surfaces die after a time lag varying from two hours to two days, depending on the size of the insect. Mosquitoes usually die after two hours, bed bugs may live for two days.

4. DDT has no repellant effect. It will not keep flies or mosquitoes out of a room although it will kill those that [illegible] DDT is persistent and will

of the Army and the Auxiliary women's services. The courses given will be full-time and of about one month's duration.

2. This advanced work will require highly qualified instructors. Appendix I to this GRO gives details of the principal subjects, which will be offered and for which full-time, residential chief instructors and instructors, both officer and other rank, will be required. An indication is also given of the qualifications instructors should possess.

3. OsC units will ensure that all ranks suitably qualified complete at the first opportunity the pro forma shown at Appendix II to this GRO. The pro forma will then be forwarded in duplicate direct toAFHQ (G1/B/A5).

4. The fact that an officer or OR is employed in duties in connection with the Army Education Scheme will in no way prejudice his eligibility for release under the normal rules laid down in Release Regulations or for repatriation under Python.

(To be repeated in all formation and unit orders). EDN

520—ARMY EDUCATIONAL CORPS—PROVISION OF OFFICERS AND OTHER RANKS

GRO 439/45 is repeated.

PART I.—GENERAL.

1. Waiting lists will be compiled by G1 (B) A5, AFHQ, of officers and ORs who wish to be employed with the AEC:

(a) In vacancies under existing establishments.

(b) During the release period, when there will be increased opportunities for those qualified in Art, Music, Agriculture and a wide variety of technical and commercial subjects.

The inclusion of his name on a waiting list is no guarantee that an applicant will necessarily be selected for a vacancy.

2. Applications for inclusion in the waiting list will be considered from:—

(a) serving officers:

(b) ORs who wish to be transferred to the AEC:

(c) ORs who wish to be considered for emergency commissions in the AEC:

subject in each case to their fulfilling the conditions specified below.

3. Candidates, who may be of any arm of the Service, must not be less than 25 years of age on the date on which the application is submitted.

4. Until the establishments for the Army Education Scheme during the Release Period becomes effective, vacancies in existing establishments will not be filled by candidates on the waiting list who are:—

(a) Under 33 years of age and in medical category A.

(b) Officers holding permanent commissions in the Regular Army unless found permanently unfit for other duties on medical grounds.

(c) Other rank tradesmen.

5. Applications on a form obtainable from all Staff Officers Education will be submitted in triplicate through the usual channels to AFHQ. In the case of ORs applications will be accompanied by one certified true copy of AF B122.

6. All applicants who are qualified in accordance with paras. 10 and 14 below will be interviewed by a Board. Candidates will be informed by the President of the Board whether a recommendation for inclusion on the waiting list will be forwarded to higher authority or not.

7. Instructions for the conduct of Interviewing Boards will be issued to the authorities concerned.

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be adequate safeguard, since the occupant may occasionally leave the office untenanted.

3. Failure to take adequate steps to safeguard public and regimental money renders the officer responsible for its safe custody liable to make good any loss occasioned by his negligence. G-1/23A

516—ISSUE OF SOAP YELLOW TO CIVILIANS

1. Authority is given in AFHQ/9181/Q(AE) of 13 Apr. 45 for the issue, on repayment, of 1 oz. of soap yellow per week per civilian, employed in the following capacities.

(a) Civilians employed in civilian bakeries which are working wholly or substantially on the production of bread under contract to the British Army for consumption by military personnel.

(b) Civilian employees handling Derv and Kerosene at Cs RASC to minimise the risk of contraction of skin diseases.

(c) Civilians directly employed by Military Units on types of work specified in (a) and (b).

2. Issues, on repayment, will be made against indents, submitted to Ordnance in the usual manner, quoting the above authority.

3. It is emphasised that issues authorised will be made only when soap is not available to the civilian contractors through civilian sources. G-4 Br Q 256/7

517—STOVES OIL HEATING

1. Attention is directed to GRO 229/45 and to GRO 137/45.

2. Non static units will submit AFG 1033 on ADOS RAAC who will give necessary disposal instructions.

3. Any stoves found to be beyond unit repair will be returned to ADOS Stores. AFG 1033 will be clearly endorsed to the effect that these stoves are beyond unit repair.

4. Units will submit a report to ADOS RAAC not later than 22 May 45 stating the numbers of Stoves Oil Heating by types in possession. Indents, showing the type of stove held, will be submitted at the same time for any parts, wicks, etc., required as replacements. OS/100/18

518—DDT SPRAY

1. There appears to be some misunderstanding as to the exact mode of action of DDT.

2. This chemical is dissolved in kerosene and sprayed on walls as a wet but rapidly drying spray.

3. Insects coming in contact with sprayed surfaces die after a time lag varying from two hours to two days, depending on the size of the insect. Mosquitoes usually die after two hours, bed bugs may live for two days.

4. DDT has no repellant effect. It will not keep flies or mosquitoes out of a room although it will kill those that come in and light on the wall. DDT is persistent and will continue to act for periods varying from two to four months after spraying.

5. So far as is known DDT spray has no harmful effect on walls or other treated surfaces. Med (Br) 408

519—INSTRUCTORS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE RELEASE PERIOD EDUCATION SCHEME

GRO 438/45 is repeated.

1. As part of the Release Period Education Scheme, it is proposed to establish at least one Formation College in CMF the function of which will be to provide advanced tuition in a wide variety of subjects for officers and ORs forwarded in duplicate direct to AFHQ (G1/B/A6).

4. The fact that an officer or OR is employed in duties in connection with the Army Education Scheme will in no way prejudice his eligibility for release under the normal rules laid down in Release Regulations or for repatriation under Python.

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subject in each case to their fulfilling the conditions specified below.

3. Candidates, who may be of any arm of the Service, must not be less than 25 years of age on the date on which the application is submitted.

4. Until the establishments for the Army Education Scheme during the Release Period becomes effective, vacancies in existing establishments will not be filled by candidates on the waiting list who are:—

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6. All applicants who are qualified in accordance with paras. 10 and 14 below will be interviewed by a Board. Candidates will be informed by the President of the Board whether a recommendation for inclusion on the waiting list will be forwarded to higher authority or not.

7. Instructions for the conduct of Interviewing Boards will be issued to the authorities concerned.

8. Where an applicant serving in this theatre cannot produce documentary evidence of educational qualifications the board may recommend him if they are satisfied that he is in every way suitable, but the application form will be endorsed as follows:—

«Documentary evidence that the applicant holds the following qualifications was not produced.»

This endorsement will be brought to notice on the occasion of any change in appointment or recommendation for promotion in the AEC in order that documentary evidence may be produced at the first convenient opportunity and the endorsement cancelled.

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9. The fact that an officer or OR employed on duties in connection with the Army Education Scheme will in no way prejudice his eligibility for release under the normal rules laid down in Release Regulations.

PART II.—OFFICERS.

10. *Qualifications.*—Officers who wish to be included on the waiting list must have graduated at a British University or hold a recognised qualification which may be accepted in lieu.

11. Officers holding permanent commissions in the Regular Army will not be accepted for employment with the AEC without the previous authority of the War Office.

12. Officers selected for employment with the AEC will be required to serve on probation for two months in the first instance. Those found suitable at the end of the period of probation will be transferred to the AEC if holding emergency commissions or be held to serve with the AEC if holding other than emergency commissions.

13. Officers who are recommended as suitable for employment with the AEC will attend a short course at the Army School of Education, CMF, as soon after interview as possible under instructions issued by AFHQ.

PART II.—ORs.

14. *Qualifications*—

(a) ORs who wish to be commissioned in the AEC must:
  (i) have graduated at a British University; or
  (ii) hold a recognised qualification which may be accepted in lieu.

(b) ORs who wish to be transferred to the AEC must:
  (i) have matriculated or qualified for admission to a British University; or
  (ii) hold a recognised qualification which may be accepted in lieu; or, as an exceptional case,
  (iii) be certified by the senior education officer of formations not lower than armies or districts as having done outstandingly successful work in the Army under the war-time education scheme.

15. Tradesmen will not be accepted for employment in the AEC without the previous authority of GHQ, 2nd Echelon.

16. The granting of emergency commissions in the AEC to ORs and the transfer of ORs to the AEC during the period between the date of publication of this GRO and the date on which the Army Education Scheme for the release period comes into operation will be subject to the restrictions set out in para. 4 above.

17. *Emergency Commissions.*—Appointments to emergency commissions in the AEC will be subject to the normal procedure for selection (including interview by an officer selection board) and commissioning of officers now obtaining in this theatre, in addition to the provisions of para. 6 above. In these cases the recommendation of the Board as in para. 6 above will be regarded as evidence of the candidates' suitability only from the educational point of view.

18. *Transfers.*—ORs recommended for transfer (except those recommended for emergency commissions) will be required to serve with the AEC on probation for two months, a part of which will be devoted to a short course at the Army School of Education. If found suitable at the end of the probationary period they will be transferred to the AEC with effect from the first day of their period of probation.

19. GRO 1043/44 is hereby *cancelled.*

(To be repeated in formation and unit orders.)
(Applicable to all troops.)

R. H. CAMRASS,
Lt.-Col., AA and QMG.

NOTICES

1. Lost or Stolen

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), lost in Rome on 22 Apr. 45. The property of 1794489 Gnr. Griffiths, C. R., 122 LAA Regt., RA., att. School of Artillery.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet containing RAAC pass, lost between Piazza Barberini and No. 10 Officers' Shop on 25 Apr. 45. The property of 1987328 Pte. Tomlinson, A., Army Welfare Training Centre, RAAC.

One sandbag containing 49 letters and was labelled under the following number, 11627, and rubber stamped RAAC, addressed to No. 8 CPO, lost on 26 Apr. 45 between RAAC message centre and 24 Cash Office. Any information, No. 8 Command Pay Office.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of 2624201 Pte Day, A., stolen from vehicle parked outside 104 (Br.) General Hospital on 14 Apr. 45, together with two tunics and driving licence in name of 6400804 Pte. Lawrence, V. C. Wallet containing AB 64 (Part II), lost at Lido di Roma on 15 Apr. 45. The property of 6400804 Pte. Lawrence, V. C., 1 Coy., 1 Base Pet. Depot.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), contents 3,000 lire, lost in the vicinity of Alexander Club on 21 Apr. 45. The property of 14582461 Gnr. Dale, E. A., 252 Battery, 12 Medium Regt. RA.

BD blouse, containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), special pass to wear civilian clothes, 1,500 lire, 1 fountain pen, wrist watch, diary and wallet, stolen from the bathroom of the Alexander Club on 22 Apr. 45. The property of 2600181 Sgmn. Williams, D., No. 4 SCU Idet., RCS.

AB 64 (Part II), lost on 20 Apr. 45. The property of 7948621 Dvr. Hughes, F., 6 Bn. Y and L.

Wallet containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), 200 lire. The property of 1435869 Pte. Newman, ACC att. Central Purchase and Production, Rome.

Box containing 1 slide rule, 1 protector and a set of equipment complete with water bottle, bayonet and scabbard, lost on Rome Station on 20 Apr. 45. The property of 1000662 Gnr. Glover, A., 61 Heavy Regt., RA.

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Wallet, containing AB 64 (Part II), cash, Allied Commission Passes, etc., lost on 21 Apr. 45 in Via Cavour. The property of T/4544272 Dvr. Latham, S. (RASC), British Detachment, HQ, Allied Commission, CMF.

BD blouse containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, wallet and cash, exchanged in the Alexander Club on 23 Apr. 45. The property of 14278708 Pte. Frear, A., 108 Vehicle Park, RAOC.

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Valise containing various articles including personal effects, stolen from WD vehicle in the vicinity of Town Major's Office on 24 Apr. 45. The property of 2081521 L/Sgt. D. H. Smith, 543 Coy., RE.

New white kit bag, not marked, containing 1 cape A/G, 1 pair shoes canvas, 1 pair drawers wool, 1 knife clasp and 1 pack, attached to kit bag, 1 gre[illegible], 1 helmet steel, 1 respirator complete, also haversack containing washing kit. The attachments to the kit bag and haversack were marked with the owner's name, rank and number. The property of 7899556 Tpr. Daley, J. P., RAC Training Regt., CMF.

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The following three wallets were lost from the 78 Ambulance Train during the night 25-26 Apr. 45:—

(1) Brown leather wallet containing: Approx. 700 lire, 2 Div. signs (Rhino), stamps value 5s. and Rome leave pass. The property of 1778508 Gnr. F. C. May, RA.

(2) Brown leather wallet containing: Approx. 500 lire, stamps 5s., personal photographs, Rome leave pass, AB 64 (Part I) and AF W3050. The property of 7359661 Pte. G. Lindsay, RAMC.

(3) Black leather wallet containing: 2 photographs, Rome leave pass, personal papers and approx. 1,500 lire. The property of 14584330 Pte. S. F. Adams, RAMC.

White kit bag, a bed roll and a pack, none bearing any any identification marks, containing various articles, lost on the train from Rome to Terni on 21 Apr. 45. The property of 1904704 Tpr. Hatton, J., RAC Training Regt., CMF.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, battle dress and personal kit, stolen on 24 Apr. 45 from Jewish Soldiers Club. The property of PAL/30748 Dvr. Sternlight, 179 (GT) Coy., RASC., att. Jewish Soldiers Club.

One bag containing 1 shirt, 1 towel, personal kit and reflector camera No. 486641, stolen from outside the Church Army at Naples. The property of Mr. Jeffries, R. D., Friends Ambulance Unit.

Wallet, containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), 2,500 lire and personal photographs, lost at Centocelle on the night 2/3 Apr. 45. The property of T/291191 Dvr. Barrett, W., 228 Coy., RASC (Tk. Tptr.).

TSMC No. 121846—1928 A1 and various other articles, stolen on night of 23/24 Apr. 45. The property of 942924 Gnr. Cartwright P., 58th A/Tk. Regt., RA.

Naval pay and identity book, S.43.A. lost in Piazza Vittorio Emanuele, Rome, on 22 Apr. 45. The property of Petty Officer D. B. Cordwell LT/KX (139539), H.M.B.Y.M.S. 2056.

1 BD blouse, AB 64 (Parts I and II), cigarette case, wallet, photograph case and Parker fountain pen, lost between Acquapendente and Montefiascone (Route 2) on 20 Apr. 45. The property of Sgt. Viles, A. (2324695), 14 L of C Signals, CMF.

AB 64 (Parts I and II) in Rome on 17/18 Apr. 45. The property of T/70792 Dvr. Wright, G. G., Q Mech. Equip. Pk. Coy., RE.

American Musette bag, containing underwear, socks, shirts, large size toilet kit, towels, etc., stolen from small Fiat car parked outside Town Major's Office on 27 Apr. 45. The property of Vol. F. Graham Matheson, American Field Service Coy., 485 Pln (D.)

Naval pay and identity book, S.43.A. lost in the Alexander Club on 23 Apr. 45. The property of Seaman C. Burtinshaw LT/JX 327656, H.M.S. (Tarana.)

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One m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. P.52002010; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 6893 KE; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 13K4154; one m/c tyre (Good Year) No. F.1736E.368; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 220011300; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 72022088; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 43021773; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) No. 62031403; one m/c tyre No. 33048903; one Jeep tyre No. P.312A; one tyre WD No. BE99218; one tyre (Firestone) 750 x 20 No. 424859; one Firestone tyre m/c 3.25 x 19 No. 5773333 WD; one complete wheel size 900/16 WD No. 174G518N; one tyre (Indian) 10.50-16; one tyre (Firestone) 10.50-16; one tyre (Firestone) 8.25-15; one WD tyre Tread; 2 WD tyres (Dunlop) 10.50.20 Nos EZ64649 and 56286; one large tyre with inner tube (Good Year) WD 29231E; one m/c tyre (Dunlop) 325 x 19 No. 42032636; one Firestone m/c tyre 3.25 x 19 No. 637194 E.G.D. WD; one rifle No. 83043; one Smith & Wesson pistol No. 698493 RAF; one Sten machine carbine Mk. III No.A.41953.

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

NIL.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

495—EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. Reference is made to Routine Order 177 of 28 Mar. 45.

All units in this Command employing Group I and II Civilian employees in excess of WE who have made application prior to 22 Apr. 45 for the inclusion of such personnel in their WE, are authorised to continue to employ these civilians until further notice.

2. Attention is directed to the fact that Cooks, Waiters, and Orderlies may be employed under Group II within the scale laid down in AGFs 133/40 and 1222/42.

3. Where application for increase to WE has been made but not submitted through this Headquarters, notification will be made to G-1 (Br.) immediately on receipt of this order of the number of Group I and II Employees requested together with particulars of the date and formation to whom the application was forwarded.

4. Units referred to in para 3 above who fail to notify G-1 (Br), will not be authorised to pay Group I and II employees held in excess of WE after 22 Apr. 45.

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496—SOLDIER BOOKMAKERS

All Allied military personnel are prohibited from operating as bookmakers at all public race tracks and other sporting events conducted by Italian agencies. G1/23A

497—ACCEPTANCE OF BRIBES

1. A number of cases have bene reported in which officers and other ranks have been offered bribes by Italian civilians.

2. In such cases it is the duty of the individuals to whom the bribe is offered to report the facts immediately to his commanding officer. Should he actually have accepted money he will hand it over to his commanding officer, who will pay it to the nearest Field or Area Cashier, with a full statement of the circumstances. G1/23A

498—BATHING

1. All units sending organised parties to bathe either in

499—DEMANDS FOR ENGINEER STORES

1. The first paragraph of Area Routine Order No. 492 of 11 Apr. 45 in no way interferes with the powers conferred by AGI 860 of 1941, as repeated in Area Routine Order No. 342 of 12 Dec. 44.

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500—FRUIT PARCELS

1. Despite the instructions contained in GRO 548/44 fruit parcels from this Command are still arriving in the UK in a damaged condition with the contents unfit for consumption. The fault lies invariably in inadequate packing.

2. In addition to fruit parcels provided in certain EFI and CVWW establishments civilian retailers offer them for sale in increasing quantities. Troops seeing these parcels on sale assume, usually without justification, that they comply with the postal regulations and that they are safe in purchasing them. All troops will be warned that they must ensure that parcels are fit for postage and will accordingly be fully informed as to the contents of para 3 of the above-quoted GRO.

3. Fruit is the most popular parcel which the troops can send home and probably the only gift purchasable at a reasonable price. If, however, the condition of these parcels does not improve, there is a danger that the UK Postal Authorities may be forced to stop this traffic entirely. It will be readily appreciated that damaged fruit in the mail can do considerable damage to other traffic.

G-4 (Br)/Q193

501—STORES ON AFG 1098 SURPLUS TO REQUIREMENTS

1. Attention of all formations and units is called to GRO 312 of 45 which is repeated below:

"1. GROs 57 and 528 of 1943 are hereby cancelled.

2. Units will review their holdings of stores from time to time in order to discover any items they do not require or cannot carry. Any stores, other than anti-gas equip-

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All units in this Command employing Group I and II Civilian employees in excess of WE who have made application prior to 22 Apr. 45 for the inclusion of such personnel in their WE, are authorised to continue to employ these civilians until further notice.

2. Attention is directed to the fact that Cooks, Waiters, and Orderlies may be employed under Group II within the scale laid down in ACI's 133/40 and 1222/42.

3. Where application for increase to WE has been made but not submitted through this Headquarters, notification will be made to G-1 (Br.) immediately on receipt of this order of the number of Group I and II Employees requested together with particulars of the date and formation to whom the application was forwarded.

4. Units referred to in para 3 above who fail to notify G-1 (Br). will not be authorised to pay Group I and II employees held in excess of WE after 22 Apr. 45.

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496—SOLDIER BOOKMAKERS

All Allied military personnel are prohibited from operating as bookmakers at all public race tracks and other sporting events conducted by Italian agencies. G1/23A

497—ACCEPTANCE OF BRIBES

1. A number of cases have been reported in which officers and other ranks have been offered bribes by Italian civilians.

2. In such cases it is the duty of the individuals to whom the bribe is offered to report the facts immediately to his commanding officer. Should he actually have accepted money he will hand it over to his commanding officer, who will pay it to the nearest Field or Area Cashier, with a full statement of the circumstances. G1/21A

498—BATHING

1. All units sending organised parties to bathe either in the sea or lakes will be responsible for taking adequate safety precautions, which will always include the following:—

(a) Life guards will be detailed to watch the bathing area while the men are in the water. During this period of duty they will not bathe.
(b) Life guards will always be equipped with a life line.
(c) The flanks of the bathing area will be defined and the life guards empowered to order men back into the area if they swim or drift outside it.
(d) No bather will swim out of his depth.
(e) A recce will be carried out by the unit before bathing is allowed and a place picked where the current is not dangerous and where the beach is known to be free of mines. G-1

499—DEMANDS FOR ENGINEER STORES

1. The first paragraph of Area Routine Order No. 192 of 11 Apr. 45 in no way interferes with the powers conferred by ACI 860 of 1941, as repeated in Area Routine Order No. 342 of 12 Dec. 44.

G-4 Br/Q173

500—FRUIT PARCELS

1. Despite the instructions contained in GRO 548/44 fruit parcels from this Command are still arriving in the UK in a damaged condition with the contents unfit for consumption. The fault lies invariably in inadequate packing.

2. In addition to fruit parcels provided in certain EFI and CVWW establishments civilian retailers offer them for sale in increasing quantities. Troops seeing these parcels on sale assume, usually without justification, that they comply with the postal regulations and that they are safe in purchasing them. All troops will be warned that they must ensure that parcels are fit for postage and will accordingly be fully informed as to the contents of para 3 of the above-quoted GRO.

3. Fruit is the most popular parcel which the troops can send home and probably the only gift purchasable at a reasonable price. If, however, the condition of these parcels does not improve, there is a danger that the UK Postal Authorities may be forced to stop this traffic entirely. It will be readily appreciated that damaged fruit in the mail can do considerable damage to other traffic.

G-4 (Br)/Q193

501—STORES ON AFG 1098 SURPLUS TO REQUIREMENTS

1. Attention of all formations and units is called to GRO 312 of 45 which is repeated below:

"1. GROs 57 and 528 of 1943 are hereby cancelled.

2. Units will review their holdings of stores from time to time in order to discover any items they do not require or cannot carry. Any stores, other than anti-gas equipment, so found will be returned to ordnance and a report made to this HQ through the usual channels, stating the reasons for such return.

3. The return of stores under this order will not preclude the re-drawing of the items concerned if, at a future date, they are found to be necessary.

4. Unit Commanders in making such review will bear in mind the fact that the return of such stores to ordnance may not only save shipping space but will ensure that the stores will be properly maintained when they might otherwise deteriorate."

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502—EPIDERMOPHYTOSIS (ATHLETE'S FOOT)

1. This is a fungus infection of the foot spread from one man to another and acquired by walking with bare feet on an infected surface.

2. The most common places in which infection is picked up are showerhouses and swimming pools. The fungus causing the disease can live on duck boarding and on concrete and tiled floors for some days.

3. The complaint may appear to be a trivial one, but the number of men affected by it may assume alarming proportions and seriously interfere with the working efficiency of a unit.

4. Officers Commanding Units will ensure that the measures for preventing this disease are carried out at all times.

The measures are

(i) *Foot Inspections*

These should be carried out by unit officers at intervals of not more than one week. Men with obvious defects in their feet should be seen by a Medical Officer immediately.

(ii) *Care of Showerhouses and Swimming Pools*

(a) A footbath should be so placed that men have to walk through it both going into and coming out of the showers and swimming pool. The footbath should contain a solution of Water Sterilizing Powder (WSP), 1 scoop to the gallon. Where showers are in use right through the day, the footbath should be re-activated every two hours by adding 1 scoop WSP for each gallon of water.

(b) Duckboards should be scrubbed daily with a weak solution of cresol and then dried in the sun. The floor of the showerhouse and the surroundings of swimming pools should be scrubbed down daily with a similar solution.

(c) Special arrangements should be made for men suffering from epidermophytosis, who should not be allowed to use swimming pools or common showerhouses. Med (Br) 899

503—SECURITY—CIVILIANS TRAVELLING IN WD TRANSPORT

1. Vehicles owned or hired by the WD will not be used to convey civilians unless:—

(a) They are Government officials or

(b) They are travelling on official business directly connected with the prosecution of the war or

(c) They are civilian employees of the WD or

(d) They are accredited British camp-followers whether of officer status or not, e.g. ENSA, CVWW, SSAFA, BRCS, etc.

2. All civilians travelling in WD vehicles under the conditions set out in para 1 above will be in possession of an official permit prepared in accordance with the pro-forma shown below. Such permits will be signed by OC the unit authorising such travel.

PASS ENTITLING BEARER TO TRAVEL IN WD VEHICLES.

(Identity No.)

(Full Name)

(Unit or affiliation)

units will indent direct to the nearest Stationery Depot for the number they require.

5. Disciplinary action will be taken against any officer or other rank found conveying civilians in contravention of the above orders. G-1/14A5

504—CENSORSHIP—BREACH OF GREEN ENVELOPE PRIVILEGE

1. Cases have been reported of green envelopes being handed to Italian photographers in order that films left for developing might be returned to the owner by post. The envelopes have been addressed to the owner of the films and the certificate, stating that the contents of the envelope relate to nothing but private and family matters, signed by him and the unsealed envelope handed to the photographer. This is an abuse of the green envelope and is also likely to lead to breaches of security.

2. Under the Censorship Regulations all ranks are forbidden:—

(a) To hand to any civilians any envelope or other cover addressed to them and capable of being transmitted by post.

(b) To notify their unit addresses to any civilian. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

3. To be repeated in unit orders every three months. G-1/40A

505—BOUNDS—FERENTINO

1. FERENTINO is clear of Small Pox.

2. Routine Order No. 437 is cancelled accordingly. G1/14A5

506—USE OF EXPLOSIVES FOR FISHING

1. It has been reported that Military personnel have been using explosives for fishing.

2. It will be brought to the notice of all ranks that the use of explosives for fishing is expressly forbidden and that disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

3. To be repeated in Unit Orders. G-1/23A

507—CENSORSHIP

1. Letters written by soldiers under close arrest, whether awaiting trial or promulgation or finding and sentence, and by soldiers under sentence, will be unit censored. Such soldiers will not be allowed to use Green Envelopes and their air letters will not be privileged from unit censorship.

2. This order applies to soldiers under close arrest or under sentence whether they are held in units, Court Martial and Holding Centres, or elsewhere, but not to soldiers under sentence in Military Prisons and Field Punishment Camps, where special rules are already in force. G-1/40A

508—PALESTINIAN PERSONNEL SERVING IN UNITS OTHER THAN PALESTINIAN UNITS

1. All units (excluding Palestinian units) including Palestinian personnel either in part or by dilution, on their strength, will forward forthwith details of such personnel to G-1/B/A7, AFHQ.

2. Units which receive Palestinian personnel in the future will immediately notify G1/B/A7, AFHQ, giving details of such personnel. G-1/29A8

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(Identity No.)

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is hereby authorised to travel in WD vehicles in accordance with the terms of GRO 345 of 1945.

(Date)

Commanding (Rank) (Unit)

3. Apart from the disciplinary aspect, the practice of giving casual <lifts> to unauthorised civilians constitutes a serious threat to security in that it impairs the effectiveness of existing controls designed to limit the movement of undesirable elements. Enemy agents are known to be using this mode of travel.

4. Every passenger-carrying vehicle will in future carry a windscreen label designed to draw attention to the above danger. This label has been printed as CMF Form 87 and

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1. With the approach of the summer, the correct organisation of messing facilities and hygiene becomes of the utmost importance, and Unit Commanders must ensure that all ranks connected with messing are conscious of this.

2. It is within the scope of the average unit to ensure, by improvisation and minor works, that every facility is afforded for storage, preparation, cooking and serving food under healthful summer conditions and that every safeguard against contamination by flies and dust is avoided.

3. It is suggested that, in units where there is more than one Cookhouse, inter-cookhouse competitions should be held regularly to promote and maintain the interest of all connected with messing.

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4. An *inter unit* competition will be held during May and is open to all British Units in Rome Area Allied Command.

(a) Certificates and Prizes will be awarded for the three best units and final judging for these will be by the Commander British Troops, Rome on 25 and 26 May. 45.

(b) Entries will be submitted to Catering Adviser this HQ not later than 16 May. 45.

(c) Preliminary inspections to decide which units will compete for final judging will take place during the week commencing 20 May. 45 and will be carried out by DADH and CA this HQ.

5. Points and hints on messing organisation and hygiene will be found at Appendix 'A' to these orders.

HM/CA/518/C

R. H. CAMRASS.
Lt.Col. AA and QMG.

NOTICES

APPENDIX 'A'

Points and Hints for Healthful Summer Messing

1. *Ration Waggon*—clean. Containers for meat and bread and smaller containers for loose dry goods.

2. *Ration Store*—Stock Book and Ration Entitlement Book. Fly Proofed Bread Rack. Fly proofed cold or ventilated store for meat (with hanging rail and drip trays). Racks for vegetable storage—Duck Boards for potatoes. Labelled bins and containers with well fitted lids for dry goods.

3. *Preparation Room*—All windows and doors fly proofed. Walls whitewashed regularly—floor clean and dry. Fly proofed covers for food. Improvised chopping and carving boards. Marble slab for pastry and butchery. Improvised graters, vegetable peelers, measures, pastry cutters, scoops, scrapers, etc. Fly proofed meat safe with hanging rail and drip trays. Labelled fly proofed containers for stores, etc. Clean vegetable sink—tables scrubbed both sides.

4. *Cookhouse*—Walls whitewashed regularly. Floors clean and free from grease. Wood triangles to protect tables from sooty vessels—tables clean both sides. Rack on wall for small utensils and equipment. Potwash bench and draining boards clean (covered with tin). Batten racks for utensils (to allow air to circulate). Swill bins covered, clean inside and out. Cooking range clean, flues and ovens cleaned daily—Hot plate clean inside and out. Old cloth hung on rail near oven for handling hot dishes. Equipment bright and free from grease. Improvised whisks, spoons, ladels, etc. Box or cupboard for cleaning materials, flit gun, etc.

5. *Notice Board*—Sanitary Rules. FFI and Health Nominal Roll. Bill of Fare—Cooks Duty Roster, etc.

6. *Cooks Room*—Soap, nail brush, towel, wash bowl, etc.

7. *Boiler Area.*—Boilers clean inside and out. Whole area free from litter, fly traps.

8. *Swill Area.*—On cement or hard core. Covered Bins (well fitted lids) cleaned inside and outside daily. All tins cleaned before placing in covered Tin bin. Area clean and free from litter. Fly traps scattered between Area and Cookhouse and Dining Hall.

9. *Dining Hall*—Hot Plate for service—table for cold service. Bright Posters and Decorations—flowers. Floor clean and dry. Tables and Forms scrubbed white (both sides). Bottles for water—three piece improvised cruets—bread racks or trays—improvised covered dishes for Jam and Margarine. Menu Board up to date. Improvised wash, rinse and sterilise with lazy man boiler at exit. Cupboard for cleaning materials—Flit gun, etc.

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One Battledress—unmarked, Naval Pay and Identity Book, leave pass, wallet containing 6,000 lire, miscellaneous photographs and two pencils. The property of D/JX 616057 Ord. Seaman. E. A. J. Stapleton.—Lost in the Alexander Club on 8 Apr. 45. Any information to: Maintenance Commander.—RNVR, Rome.

Adv. Pay Book, AB 439, personal papers, 2700 lire, leave pass. The property of: Lt. A. B. Scott—Att. School of Arty., CMF.—Lost on 11 Apr. 45.

One suit complete, the pockets of which contained: AB 64 (Parts I and II), £50—in War Bonds. One haversack containing small kit. Reported by 66017 Dvr. R. Muir —175 Station Transport Coy., RASC.—Stolen from Vehicle on 11 Apr. 45.

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One small case containing: AB 64 and other articles, the property of: Capt. R. Q. O. [illegible]ham—24th Field Regiment RA.—Stolen from his baggage in the Area of Rome Station on 14 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), one black wallet containing about 400 lire, 3 photographs, 1 ten drachma note (Greek), the property of: 1127801 Pte. D. Murphy.—4 Bn. Para. Regt. AAC.—Stolen near Piazza Barberini on 1 March 45 by four Americans.

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One DB blouse, AB 64 (Parts I & II), AFW 5135, AFH 1157, wallet containing photos and civilian driving license. The property of: 205945 Pte. R. H. Kerr 107 Coy RASC.—Lost on the 10 Apr. 45 near the Rly Stn. Rome.

One BD blouse, AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, brown leather wallet, fountain pen, one cigarette case, leather, with initialled <A.J.> on it, cigarette lighter. The property of: T/222874 Cpl. A. J. Neale—RASC—Lost on the night of 12 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 6085542 Fus. J. Mulgrew.—Any information to: Reallocation Centre.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

One small sized Italian light brown wallet containing: 1,300 lire, one photograph and leave pass. The property of: D/KX 731289 Sto. W. H. C. Mirfield.—Lost on the 14 Apr. 45. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, RN, Rome.

One Smith and Wesson pistol No. 399687. On charge to: 7676559 Tpr. A. E. Spicer.—17/21 Lancers.—Stolen from the tent in which he was billeted at 159 Transit Camp on 13 Apr. 45.

One Camera (Leica), Advanced Paybook, 1 pr. boots, 1 pr. shoes, 1 shirt, 1 cotton vest, 1 towel, 1 pr. socks, 1 pr. woollen pants, 1 woollen vest. The property of: Lt. Sumner, 375 G. T. Coy, RASC.—Stolen from vehicle on 18 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 6400804 Dvr. U. C. Lawrence.— 54, Kinema Section RAOC.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 2624201 Pte. A. Gray—54 Kinema Section RAOC.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

One BD blouse the pockets of which contained: 1 wallet with approx 2,500 lire and one vest pocket camera No. 127. The property of: 1675711 Gnr. W. Everett.—121 Bty. 29 LAA. Regt. RA.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

Wallet, British made, well worn and torn on one side containing: 9,000 lire in 500 lire notes. The property of: L. A. C. Stewart.—39 Sqdn. RAF.—Lost in the Alexander Club on 16 Apr. 45.

One blue service kite-pack with shoulder support strap bearing the number 995912 and containing out-going mail. —Lost in the vicinity of Garibaldi Monument on 19 Apr. 45. —Reported by: 37 Flight, RAF.

One wooden camp bed, 1 khaki valise, with leather straps, 1 USA type sleeping bag containing various WD articles. The property of: 162882 Lt. E. G. Blackledge.—247/29 LAA Regt. RA— and 1 groundsheet, 5 blankets, the property of: Gnr. Williams of same unit. All property lost from back of vehicle whilst travelling between Continental Hotel and the PP on route 7 on 17 Apr. 45.

One BD blouse containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), 1 pr. WD spectacles, fountain pen, photographs. The property of: T/125275 Dvr. J. Connelly.—750 Coy RASC att. RN (Party Mike).—Stolen from vehicle outside the Town Major's Office on 14 Apr. 45.

One RAF Service Dress with badges of rank, 1 pr. green pyjamas, 1 dressing gown, 1 pr. black slippers, 1 RAF blue shirt, 1 pr. socks, 24 H/chiefs in satchel, 1 vest woollen, 1 pr. pants woollen. Reported by: FL/Lt. A. P. Woodyatt. —RAF, DAF, 244 Wing.—Stolen from vehicle on 15 Apr. 45.

BD blouse containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), AF B295, photographs, the property of: 14206170 Pte. L. Whitnane—Royal West Kent Regt. att 56 Rest Camp.—Stolen from the Alexander Club on 15 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), a watch and other personal belongings, one BD blouse. The property of: T/88171 Dvr. I. A. Shears—RASC—277 Coy.—Lost on the 11 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), identity discs and various other articles. The property of: 7397267 Pte. L. Levitch.—79 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night of 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Station, Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), and various other articles. The property of: 14293537 Pte H. Evitt.—79 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night of 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Stn., Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). Identity discs and various articles. The property of: 7398671 Pte. D. F. Lehane—79 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Stn., Rome.

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2 *Found*

The following WD tyres and firearms have been found during the week ending the 15 Apr. 45.

2 Dunlop tyres Nos. 43-B0564 and FT 577057—1 Dunlop tyre 825 x 19 WD No. 72-A. 1769—1 Goodyear 325 x 19 WD 044A. 02E318—1 Firestone 325 x 19 WD 6410141.—2 tyres M/C Dunlop 24-K. 3144 Firestone 682604 EG.—2 tyres M/C 624/9803, 13A4602.—1 Goodyear 600 x 16 No. 133 Y/C 408.—1 tyre WD 900 x 16 No. T9453728.—1 Firestone 600 x 16 No. 6705353—2 M/C tyres Nos. 21028E18 size 325 x 19 and 325 x 19 (No. not known).—1 Firestone M/C No. 630517 size 325 x 19—2 Goodyear tyres Nos. 700 x 16 015MC863 and 700 x 16 181501 K.— 1 M/C Dunlop No. 66568 NW.—1 Pistol Longote cal. 32 No. 274718 (USA) Made.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 5729365 Pte. W. J. Downton.—Found on the 18 Apr. 45.

One cigarette case (chromium M. Austria marked on it), and four photographs.—Found on 7 Apr. 45.

One valise containing various articles and private papers addressed to: B30457 Pte. M. Small.—Found on 15 Apr. 45.

One K.T. bag containing various articles and one parcel of letters. The bag is marked: T/292973 Easter, R. A., RASC.—Found on 14 Apr. 45.

One small pack containing various articles, letters and private papers addressed to: O/72103 Laxman Gandkar.—Found on 12 Apr. 45 near Central Rly. Station, Rome.

One small valise marked No. 1129051 at the back, containing: 2 combs, 1 shirt KD, 1 towel, 1 set shaving kit, 1 box US rations, 1 mug, 1 mirror.—Found on 29 Mar. 45.

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Apr. 45. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, RN, Rome.

One Smith and Wesson pistol No. 339687. On charge to: 7676559 Tpr. A. E. Spicer.—17/21 Lancers.—Stolen from the tent in which he was billeted at 159 Transit Camp on 13 Apr. 45.

One Camera (Leica), Advanced Paybook, 1 pr. boots, 1 pr. shoes, 1 shirt, 1 cotton vest, 1 towel, 1 pr. socks, 1 pr. woollen pants, 1 woollen vest. The property of: Lt. Sumner, 375 G. T. Coy. RASC.—Stolen from vehicle on 18 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 6106804 Dvr. F. C. Lawrence.— 54. Kinema Section RAOC.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 2624201 Pte. A. Gray—54 Kinema Section RAOC.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

One BD blouse the pockets of which contained: 1 wallet with approx 2,500 lire and one vest pocket camera No. 127. The property of: 1675711 Gnr. W. Everett.—121 Bty. 29 LAA. Regt. RA.—Lost on 14 Apr. 45.

Wallet, British made, well worn and torn on one side containing: 9,000 lire in 500 lire notes. The property of: L. A. C. Stewart.—39 Sqdn. RAF.—Lost in the Alexander Club on 16 Apr. 45.

Major's Office on 11 Apr. 45.

One RAF Service Dress with badges of rank, 1 pr. green pyjamas, 1 dressing gown, 1 pr. black slippers, 1 RAF blue shirt, 1 pr. socks, 24 H/chiefs in satchel, 1 vest woollen, 1 pr. pants woollen. Reported by: FL/Lt. A. P. Woodyatt. —RAF. DAF. 244 Wing.—Stolen from vehicle on 15 Apr. 45.

BD blouse containing AB 64 (Parts I and II), AF B295, photographs, the property of: 14296170 Pte. L. Whitsane—Royal West Kent Regt. att 56 Rest Camp.—Stolen from the Alexander Club on 15 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), a watch and other personal belongings, one BD blouse. The property of: T/88171 Dvr. I. A. Shears—RASC.—277 Coy.—Lost on the 11 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), identity discs and various other articles. The property of: 7397267 Pte. L. Levitch.—70 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night of 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Station, Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), and various other articles. The property of: 14293537 Pte H. Evitt.—70 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night of 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Stn., Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II). Identity discs and various articles. The property of: 7398671 Pte. D. F. Lehane—70 Ambulance Train, CMF.—Stolen on the night 16/17 Apr. 45 at the Central Rly. Stn., Rome.

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One valise containing various articles and private papers addressed to: B.91457 Pte. M. Small.—Found on 15 Apr. 45.

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One small pack containing various articles, letters and private papers addressed to: O/72103 Laxuman Gandkar.—Found on 12 Apr. 45 near Central Rly. Station, Rome.

One small valise marked No. 1120054 at the back, containing: 2 combs, 1 shirt KD, 1 towel, 1 set shaving kit, 1 box US rations, 1 mug, 1 mirror.—Found on 29 Mar 45.

LOST

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Will any service personnel or Unit having knowledge of the present or past use of a vehicle described as a dark Buick No. M. or N. 11603 and driven by <G. Smith> of RAAC which is alleged to have been involved in a traffic accident with a civilian in the Largo Tartini at 1800 hrs. on 12 Nov. 44. please communicate with DAD. 53. Claims and Hirings. CMF.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brigadier ALBAN LOW, C.B.E., M.C.

Commander British Troops Rome
(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 37 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 14 Apr. 45

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

484—HYGIENE COURSES

1. Unit and Sub Unit Commanders will inform G-3 (Br.) Section by 20 Apr. of the number of vacancies required for the undermentioned Courses which will be arranged shortly within Rome Area:—

(a) Water Duties.
(b) Sanitary Duties. G-3/21

485—BOUNDS

1. The premises at Prato Smeraldo near Cecchignola, MI 773.564 (Map 1/100,000 sheet 150), in use by EIAR (Radio Rome) as technical stores are «Out of Bounds» to all ranks.

2. To be repeated in Unit Orders at frequent intervals.

G-3/117

486—COURSES: ARMY WELFARE TRAINING CENTRE

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2. Joining instructions are contained in GROs 776/44 and 957/44.

3. Nil returns not required. G-3/34

D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

487—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. Reference ARO 222/44.

2. The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 hrs., 16 Apr. 45.

3. OsC British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 199 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

4. The following will also attend:—

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Catering Adviser and QMSI.
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488—RIDING IN TRAILERS

1. Many serious injuries have occurred as the result of persons travelling in trailers, and this practice will cease forthwith.

2. Officers or NCOs in charge of convoys or individual vehicles and drivers of vehicles will be held responsible that this order is obeyed.

(To be repeated in Unit Orders)

G-1 (Br.)/11A5

490—OFFICERS' ADVANCE BOOKS—AFs W3241

1. The attention of all officers is drawn to para. 4 Section 194 of Field Service Regulations, Vol. I, 1936, which is repeated hereunder:—

«4. Officers who have exhausted their books may obtain a renewal from the field cashier of their formation on production of the counterfoils of the last book. No officer is permitted to be in possession of more than one advance book, and the counterfoils must not be removed from the book. Before issuing a new book the field cashier will indicate on the old counterfoils the date of issue of the new book.»

2. Any officer who is in possession of more than one advance book (AF W3241 or W3241 (Revised)) will immediately hand in the additional book to his commanding officer who will forward it to the local command paymaster for cancellation.

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G-1/31A

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G-1 (Br.)/14A3

489—LIAP—PERSONNEL WITH LONG CIVILIAN MILITARY SERVICE OVERSEAS

1. It has recently been confirmed by the War Office that civilian service overseas cannot be computed when assessing eligibility for PYTHON or LILOP.

2. It is recommended, however, that personnel whose military service does not render them eligible for PYTHON or LILOP, but who have had a long term of combined civilian and military service in tropical or semi-tropical climates, be considered when allotting LIAP vacancies. G-1/22A2

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G-1/31A

491—POL CONTAINERS

1. There is a shortage of serviceable 44 gallon barrels in the area.

2. Cases of misuse of these containers have been reported, and Unit Commanders will take the necessary steps forthwith to ensure that serviceable containers are used solely for the storage of POL.

3. If required for other purposes, application for unserviceable containers should be made to Salvage.

4. It is also of the utmost importance that the serviceable barrels are returned to RASC Petrol Units clean and complete with bungs. G-4/Q 115

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492—DEMANDS FOR ENGINEER STORE

1. Formations and units wishing to demand items of Engineer store will submit indents to the DCRE of the area within which the formation or unit is located. The following table shows the areas covered by DCsRE within Rome Area Allied Command and 201 Sub Area. In no circumstances will units undertake independent action and obtain stores without first obtaining permission of appropriate DCRE.

Boundaries	*Works Section*	*Address*	*Telephone*
ROME AREA			
In that part of Rome Area to the west of Route 2 and Route 7 and inside the metropolitan area of Rome, to the west of Via Flaminia, to the south of Via del Tritone, to the west of Via Torino, Via Carlo Alberto, Via E. Filiberto and Via Appia Nuova.	362	Via del Parco Pepoli, Rome	588414
The remainder of Rome Area.	372	Artillery Barracks, Rome	478221
201 SUB AREA			
In the province of Rieti and that part of the province of Viterbo within 201 Sub Area.	360	Rieti	Rieti 52
In that part of the province of Rome outside Rome Area but within 201 Sub Area.	372	Artillery Barracks, Rome	478221
The remainder of 201 Sub Area.	362	Via del Parco Pepoli, Rome	588414

G-4 Br/Q 179

493—RETURN OF STORES TO ADOS DUMP, ROME

1. A recent review of stores received from units into the RSD at ADOS Dump, Rome, indicates that insufficient care is being exercised by units in the selection and loading of stores for return with the result that valuable, repairable stores become unserviceable en route and considerable time and labour is expended in the segregation and conditioning of such returned stores.

2. It is a unit responsibility to ensure that *all* stores are packed in such a way as to allow safe travel and easy handling.

Future consignments to ADOS Dump will be packed as indicated at Appendix "A" to this order.

3. Ammunition will not under any circumstances be returned to RSD. Disposal Instructions will be sought from HQ. RAAC.

4. Items which are obviously beyond economical repair will not be returned to Ordnance, e.g. chipped enamelware, expendable tools, crushed or holed water containers or similar stores. Such items will be disposed of by the unit. Dry and new, or nearly new, camouflage nets, only, will be returned. All others will be destroyed by the unit.

5. In all cases new stores will be kept separate from doubtful or repairable items. Packages, bundles, cartons or cases wood packing will be clearly endorsed "New Stores" where applicable.

6. Units should consider whether stores for disposal are capable of renovation with a view to reissue or are merely salvage. If the latter they will be disposed of direct to Salvage and *not* to RSD.

7. The above General Instructions should be read in conjunction with any specific instructions regarding the return to Ordnance of a particular type or types of stores published from time to time in GROs or other orders.

OS 600/25

494—PASSENGER DISCIPLINE IN WD VEHICLES

1. Passengers will not sit on the tailboard when a vehicle is in motion.

2. Passengers will not ride on vehicle canopies, wings or cab roof.

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4. When personnel other than the driver travel on a loaded vehicle at least one passenger will travel in the back of the vehicle to prevent theft from the load. G-1/14A5

R. H. CAMRASS,
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NOTICES

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One civilian sport vest, 1 pr. civilian grey flannel trousers, 1 pr. jhodpurs, 1 battle jacket bottle green, 1 pr. slacks for each of the above jackets, 4 prs. socks, several handkerchiefs, 2 lunghis silk, 1 Kodak camera, 45 lens in leather case. The property of: Capt. R. P. Hamilton-Nash, 120 Indian Mobile Workshops Coy.—Stolen from rear of vehicle outside the San Remo Hotel on 24 Mar. 45.

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the metropolitan area of Rome, to the west of Via Flaminia, to the south of Via del Tritone, to the west of Via Torino, Via Carlo Alberto, Via E. Filiberto and Via Appia Nuova.	372	Via del Parco Pepoli, Rome	588414
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Mail bag containing personnel mail—Lost between Naples and Rome on 25 Mar. 45. Reported by: 5884746 Cpl. Roberts, 1st SIS.

One valise containing change of washing, greatcoat, one web haversack containing 100 12 Bore cartridges. Reported by: 14247337 Dvr. T. Davitt, 296 HQ Car Coy., RASC—Stolen from vehicle on 15 Mar. 45.

One AB 439 (Advance of pay book, personal papers, fountain-pen <Parker> type, grip bag (with initials J. D. J.), quantity of personal kit. The property of: 220533 Lt. J. D. James, 534 TT Coy., RASC—Stolen from the Staging Area at Centocelle on the night 23-24 Mar. 45.

One civilian sport vest, 1 pr. civilian grey flannel trousers, 1 pr. jhodpurs, 1 bus jacket bottle green, 1 pr. slacks for each of the above jackets, 4 prs. socks, several handkerchiefs, 2 lunghis silk, 1 Kodak camera, 45 lens in leather case. The property of: Capt. R. P. Hamilton-Nash, 120 Indian Mobile Workshops Coy.—Stolen from rear of vehicle outside the San Remo Hotel on 24 Mar. 45.

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AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 6375625 Pte. D. Burridge, Pioneer Corps—Lost in or near ABC Barberini Cinema on 26 Mar. 45.

A naval service raincoat, the property of: X101257 Chief Eng. D. Fielding, LTC LMMS—Lost in the Alexander Club on 28 Mar. 45.

Three naval suitcases, all are marked with names W/S Rundell, Pudell and Burgess, one case contained naval uniform, bank book (No. not known), and cash; the other two

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contained uniforms and personal [illegible]. All property stolen from the back of vehicle between Naples and Rome on 27 Mar. 45—Any information to: W/S Rundle, c/o 224 Naval Base.

Three blankets, 1 greatcoat and 1 fur jacket, the property of: 2828303 Tpr. A. Smith, 60 Sub Area—Stolen from the back of vehicle on 27 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 10578854 Pte. J. E. Fountain, RAOC, att. AGRA Training Centre W/Shop. REME.—Lost on 25 Mar. 45.

Large brown suitcase containing: clothes, WVS uniform, shoes, etc., 1 oil painting of country house, case of private letters and papers. The property of: Miss Mary Dyott, WVS, c/o ACE FI HQ, EFI—Lost whilst travelling from Naples to Rome in a WD vehicle on 29 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet containing 5,000 lire, the property of: 5773062 Dvr. Harvey, HQ. 2 Dist.—Lost in Piazza Vittorio Emanuele on 29 Mar. 45.

Three blankets, 1 BD containing pay book and 2,000 lire, the property of: 75625 Pte. N. Sconinsky, 14 Armd. Div., <Z> Line Transport W/Shops—Stolen from back of truck on 29 Mar. 45.

One bed roll containing shirts, etc., 1 pr. Wellington boots, 1 pr. shoes and personal kit, the property of Capt. A. P. Haythornthwaite, Chaplain, HQ 3 District—Stolen from stationary WD vehicle somewhere on Route 7 on 24 Mar. 45.

One bed roll containing: greatcoat, washing and personal kit, the property of: Sepoy Mahard, 21 Indian Fd. Amb. Unit—Stolen from back of vehicle outside the Hotel S. Remo on the night of 27-28 Mar. 45.

Wallet containing: 1,500 lire, leave pass, photos, tickets for watches under repairs, the property of: 2619531 Gdsn. A. Khapp, 3rd Bn. Grenadier Gds., att. 202 Transit Camp—Lost in the Alexander Club on 29 Mar. 45.

Small pack containing advance pay book in the name of: Lt. D. Cottom, 3 Welsh Gds., AB 439, photographs, personal effects and pay book, the property of: 2738866 Gdsn. Nicholls, same unit—Stolen from outside the Town Major's Office on 30 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 7059099 Pte. D. Eynon, 30th Cheshire Regiment—Lost near Artillery Barracks, Rome, on 17 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 3248465 Pte. D. Cameron, A & SH—Lost on 31 Mar. 45.

One S43A naval pay and identity book, the property of: Shipt. 4 H. Burgess, D/MX 74618 and three green naval suitcases marked H. B. Winsford, RHB and WR respectively Lost from vehicle between Naples and Ancona via Rome on 28 Mar. 45. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, NVR.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), 3,000 lire, a watch and 1st Fd. Dressing L, the property of: 1785567 Pte. A. J. John, ACC att. 128 Salvage U[illegible]. Stolen by a group of soldiers on 30 Mar. 45 at the Co[illegible] Rly. Stn.

One haversack containing washing kit, etc., also 7 o'clock razor, the property of: 1107535 LAC D. Briggs, 72 Sqdn., RAF, att. 51st RAF Rest Camp—Lost on the night of the 29 Mar. 45.

One haversack containing personal belongings, 1 map catalogue, 2 maps (non secret), the property of: Maj. C. Hunter, DAP Survey HQ, 3 Dist., att. 54 Area—Stolen from jeep parked outside the Town Major's Office on 30 Mar. 45.

Eight WD blankets, 1 suitcase containing: 1 leather jacket, 1 change of clothing, 1 camera, make—Contax No. 30786, size 5 cm 2.00 lens, the property of: 33677V Ft/Sgt. W. M. Lieberman, Adv. Transit Camp, SAAF—Stolen from vehicle whilst travelling from Piazza Colonna to the Minerva Hotel on 4 Apr. 45.

One BD blouse containing: AB 64 and the amount of £7, the property of: L/Nk. 22404 Purna Nand, 5 Fd. Coy., Ind. Engineers—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office on 3 Apr. 45.

One canvas case containing: one lead and plug for microphone and various other wireless articles. Reported by: Capt. Davies, British Forces Radio Station—Stolen from vehicle outside the Alexander Club, on 5 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 10593279 Pte. G. T. Grummitt, MT Stores Coy., 35 AOD.

One set web equipment, 1 pistol holster containing German pistol, 1 compass, 1 binoculars in case, 2 pouches. Thought left on 3-ton vehicle at Naples, supplied by <B> Transit Camp, when attending WO Selection Board. Reported by: Maj. K. W. Linford, 3/18 Royal Garhwal Rifles, on 5 Apr. 45.

AB 439 and personal papers, the property of: 180980 Lt. E. L. Metcalfe, W Regt., No. 1 CRU, CMF—Lost in the Excelsior Hotel on or about the 4 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), leave pass, the property of: 6104728 Gnr. L. J. Wilson, 209 Bty., 64 A/T Regt.—Lost on 4 Apr. 45.

Two large valises containing personal kit. Reported by: 2360435 Cpl. R. Potter, No. 3 Coy., 15 HQ Sigs., RCS—Stolen from vehicle at the PP on Route 3 on 5 Apr. 45.

One box camera, size 120 fabric case, the property of: 10670942 Dvr. R. Kingsbury, 633 Railhead Evac Sec., REME—Lost in the Alexander Club on 6 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2698312 Gdsn. A. Wilde—Any information to: 56 Rest Camp.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of 4911112 Pte. F. Reed, 8 HRTD—Lost on 1 Apr. 45.

One black wallet containing bundle of letters, 1 pr. brown shoes, 1 shirt, 1 towel, 1 leather jerkin, 1 pr. overalls, 1 army boots, the property of: 7019151 Dvr. C. Bromley, 9th Armd. Bde. Gp. W/Shop., REME—Stolen from vehicle whilst passing through Rome on 31 Mar. 45.

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2. *Found*

AB 64 (Parts I and II), aircraft recognition guide, the property of: 1689002 Gnr. J. Walker, LAA, RA—Found in the Alexander Club on 26 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 11405220 E. H. Aylward.

One permanent pass, the property of: 3907814 Pte. W. Mitchell.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 8358 Rfn. Deb Sing.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 4204294 Fus. G. Banford—Found on 6 Apr. 45.

Rifle, equipment and bedding, found unattended at Rome station on 22 Mar. 45. Name on pack is: Fus. Beetham, No. 456400.

Militia Book M1 (Part II), the property of: 1393503 P. G. Mitchell—Found on 3 Apr. 45.

The following WD tyres and firearms have been found during the week ending the 8 Apr. 45:—

5 Tyres, 750x20—4 Michelin, Nos. 78281, 64102, D834444,

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to Rome in a WD vehicle on 29 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), wallet containing 5,000 lire, the property of: 5773062 Dvr. Harvey, HQ 2 Dist.—Lost in Piazza Vittorio Emanuele on 29 Mar. 45.

Three blankets, 1 BD containing pay book and 2,000 lire, the property of: 7562[illegible] Pte. N. Seominsky, 14 Armd. Div., <Z> Line Transport W/Shops—Stolen from back of truck on 29 Mar. 45.

One bed roll containing shirts, etc., 1 pr. Wellington boots, 1 pr. shoes and personal kit, the property of Capt. A. P. Haythornthwaite, Chaplain, HQ 3 District—Stolen from stationary WD vehicle somewhere on Route 7 on 24 Mar. 45.

One bed roll containing: greatcoat, washing and personal kit, the property of: Sepoy Mahard, 21 Indian Fd. Amb. Unit—Stolen from back of vehicle outside the Hotel S. Remo on the night of 27-28 Mar. 45.

Wallet containing: 1,500 lire, leave pass, photos, tickets for watches under repairs, the property of: 2619531 Gdsn. A. Knapp, 3rd Bn. Grenadier Gds., att. 202 Transit Camp—Lost in the Alexander Club on 29 Mar. 45.

Small pack containing advance pay book in the name of: Lt. D. Cottom, 3 Welsh Gds., AB 439, photographs, personal effects and pay book, the property of: 2738866 Gdsn. Nicholls, same unit—Stolen from outside the Town Major's Office on 30 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 7959999 Pte. D. Eynon, 30th Cheshire Regiment—Lost near Artillery Barracks, Rome, on 17 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 3248465 Pte. D. Cameron, A & SH—Lost on 31 Mar. 45.

One 848A naval pay and identity book, the property of: Shipt. 4 H. Burgess, D/MX 74618 and three green naval suitcases marked H. B. Winsford, RHB and WH respectively Lost from vehicle between Naples and Ancona via Rome on 28 Mar. 45. Any information to: Maintenance Commander, RNVR.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), 3,000 lire, a watch and 1st Fd. Dressing L, the property of: 1785507 Pte. A. J. John, ACC

whilst travelling from Piazza Colonna to the Minerva Hotel on 1 Apr. 45.

One BD blouse containing: AB 64 and the amount of £7, the property of: L/Nk. 22404 Purna Nand, 5 Fd. Coy., Ind. Engineers—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office on 3 Apr. 45.

One canvas case containing: one lead and plug for microphone and various other wireless articles. Reported by: Capt. Davies, British Forces Radio Station—Stolen from vehicle outside the Alexander Club, on 5 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 10503279 Pte. G. T. Grummitt, MT Stores Coy., 35 AOD.

One set web equipment, 1 pistol holster containing German pistol, 1 compass, 1 binoculars in case, 2 pouches. Thought left on 3-ton vehicle at Naples, supplied by <B> Transit Camp, when attending WO Selection Board. Reported by: Maj. K. W. Linford, 3/18 Royal Garhwal Rifles, on 5 Apr. 45.

AB 439 and personal papers, the property of: 180989 Lt. E. L. Metcalfe, W Regt., No. 1 CRU, CMF—Lost in the Excelsior Hotel on or about the 4 Apr. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), leave pass, the property of: 6104728 Gnr. L. J. Wilson, 209 Bty., 64 A/T Regt.—Lost on 4 Apr. 45.

Two large valises containing personal kit. Reported by: 2360435 Cpl. R. Potter, No. 3 Coy., 15 HQ Sigs., RCS—Stolen from vehicle at the PP on Route 3 on 5 Apr. 45.

One box camera, size 120 fabric case, the property of: 10677942 Dvr. R. Kingsbury, 633 Railhead Evac Sec., REME—Lost in the Alexander Club on 6 Apr. 45.

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AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 3521354 Tpr. J. Leahy.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 119937 Dvr. J. Ryan.

One bed roll containing: clothing articles and private papers addressed to: Sep. Kashorchand, No. 31075 N/B FF Rifle, 8 Coy., B PLG, c/o Base Air Post Depot Karachi—Found on 26 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 1542428 Pte. J. W. Gill.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 6148101 P. A. Tooth—Found on 6 Apr. 45.

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APPENDIX "A"

Ordnance Stores

METHOD OF PACKING FOR RETURN

Type of Stores	*How Packed*	*Remarks*
Anti-Gas Stores	In cartons or cases	Contents of packages clearly marked. Only Gas-Capes with high standard of serviceability will be returned
Blankets	In bundles of ten	
Boots	In pairs, securely tied	Sacked if possible
Clothing	In bundles of ten	New items to be separate from part worn
Kettles, Camp	Nested in fives	Lids to accompany
Necessaries	In sacks of kit bags by types	Contents clearly marked on label
Picks, Shovels, etc.	In bundles of ten	
Small Arms & Gun Stores	Small arms in bundles or chests by types, small items of gun stores in cartons	Packages marked to indicate contents and quantities
Stoves, Soyer	Loose	Smoke pipe placed in boiler and lid secured
Tools	Bundles of ten	By types
Tentage	In valise. Poles bundled in sets. Pegs sacked	Must be dried under unit arrangement before return
	Bivouacs in bundles of ten	
Wireless & Signal Stores	Carefully packed in cases to avoid damage	Items to be labelled by types. Scrap telephone wire and wooden reels to be destroyed by unit

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

474—TRAINING AMMUNITION

1. Attention is drawn to GRO-803/44. Units are reminded that demands for training ammunition and expedients for drill purposes will be submitted to this Headquarters on a *monthly* basis by the 10th of the month preceding the one for which it is required.

2. Casual demands will not be met unless a satisfactory reason is given as to why the request could not have been included in the monthly requirements. G-3/11

475—TIME CHANGE-OVER

1. Effective at 0200A hours Monday, 2 Apr. 45, Greenwich Mean-Time plus TWO hours will be introduced by advancing the clocks ONE hour.

2. All units therefore will change over from <Ables time to <Baker> time by advancing clocks ONE hour at 0200A hours, 2 Apr. 45. G-3/117

476—OUT OF BOUNDS AREA

1. The barracks Caserma Torre Spaccata at CENTOCELLE, map ref. 825637, are OUT OF BOUNDS to Allied military personnel of all ranks. G-3/132

D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

477—EMPLOYMENT OF CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. Attention is directed to Civilian Labour Information Bulletin No. 6, dated 14 Mar. 45, and to the booklet <Regulations for the Employment of Civilian Labour, 1945,> Part III, para. 12.

2. It is pointed out:—

(a) that after 22 Apr. 45 all employees in Groups I and II must either be held against a vacancy in an authorised War Establishment, or (in the case of Mess Staff and Servants only), within the scale of ACIs 133/40 and 1222/42.

and

(b) that new covering authority for any period of employment of grades referred to, subsequent to 22 Feb. 45, is required from AD Labour, HQ this Command, and application therefor will be made on proforma, in QUADRUPLICATE, specified at p. 73 of the above-quoted Regulation.

3. Unit Commanders who consider that it is absolutely

facilities and paragraph 11 (c) 1 prohibits correspondence with civilians in Italy.

4. It is evident that all ranks are not thoroughly aware of these restrictions as offences are frequently reported by Base Censor.

5. Commanding Officers of units will ensure that the provisions of the Censorship Regulations are brought to the attention of all ranks as soon as possible after publication of this order. G-1

479—WINTER SPORTS CENTRE

1. ARO 438 is cancelled.

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480—SUMMER CLOTHING FOR REINFORCEMENTS

1. In accordance with para. 2 (a) of Area Routine Order No. 456 of 1945, reinforcements or units arriving in Army areas during the period 1-30 Apr. 45 will be despatched equipped to both winter and summer scales.

2. Such personnel will also be issued with kit bags, which [illegible] on arrival in the Army Area.

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3. Unit Commanders who consider that it is absolutely essential that a civilian employee in either Group I or II is retained must make application for increase to the War Establishment of the Unit.

4. This proposal should be made in the form of a request for a Civilian Increment to the WE. G-1(Br)

478—BRITISH MILITARY CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS

1. The British Military Censorship Regulations were published with GRO 99/44 and amended by GRO 387/44.

2. It is important that all ranks are conversant with the instructions contained in these regulations.

3. Paragraph 6 prohibits the use of the civilian postal facilities and paragraph 11 (c) 1 prohibits correspondence with civilians in Italy.

4. It is evident that all ranks are not thoroughly aware of these restrictions as offences are frequently reported by Base Censor.

5. Commanding Officers of units will ensure that the provisions of the Censorship Regulations are brought to the attention of all ranks as soon as possible after publication of this order. G-1

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G-1(Br)/47A9

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2. Such personnel will also be issued with kit bags, which will be withdrawn on arrival in the Army Area.

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481—RETURN OF TINS TO DID's

1. Empty biscuit tins in good condition are urgently required for the manufacture of flytraps.

2. Units having such tins in their possession or receiving them with future issues of biscuits will return them promptly to DID from which they normally draw rations.

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482—RETURN OF BROOM STICKS

1. The present shortage of broom sticks is seriously jeopardising the manufacture of Brooms.

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2. Future issues of replacement Brooms will be made only on exchange of the u/s Broom. OS 600/4

483—SPORTS

1. It is notified for information that the Theatre Championships in the following sports will take place as indicated:

Track and Field Events — —	15 Jul., 45.
Swimming — — — —	20 Aug., 45.
Tennis — — — — —	15 Sep., 45.

2. All these championships will be run under the auspices of the Allied Sports Commission.

3. The track and field events and the swimming will be run according to International Olympic Rules as modified by the Allied Sport Commission. WEL/130

R. H. CAMRASS.
Lt. Col. AA and QMG.

NOTICES

1. *Lost*

One valise and 1 haversack containing vest, pants, wallet, photos, writing pad, shaving kit, 1 pair shoes, the property of: 5620594 Pte. Rowland, att 13 Corps HQ—Lost on 15 Mar. 45.

One pack containing 1 battle dress and change of underclothing and various books, personal papers, the property of: Major J. L. Raikes, 754 Army Field Coy—Stolen from the back of vehicle on 24 Feb. 45.

Suitcase, colour brown-blue, name painted thereon in white R. W. Fane. The case has three locks, two in the normal position at each end with the third in the middle. The case contained 1 sheet, 1 pair pyjamas, 2 shirts, 2 collars, 2 vests, 3 pairs grey socks, 2 pairs brown socks, 6 handkerchiefs, 2 towels, photos, shaving kit, etc., the property of: Lt. R. W. Fane, HQ 26 BLU—Stolen from vehicle near Town Major's Office on 26 Mar. 45.

Handbag containing green wallet with about 600 lire in it, silver cigarette case with inscription: «To Gwyn, Aversa Refugee Camp, June, 1944, from Jimmy,» diary, vanity case, etc., belonging to Miss Wallis, G., BRC, and handbag containing black wallet with 2,000 lire in it, also £3 in postal orders, personal paper, letters, photos, etc., belonging to: Miss Rudge, H. M., BRC—All property stolen from vehicle parked in the car park outside the Tuscolo Theatre on 11 Mar. 45.

One Service .45 revolver No. 202175, on charge to: Naval Office, Party «JIG»—Lost on 2 Mar. 45.

One «Sam Browne» leather belt with makers' name «Peal & Co., Oxford Street, London» endorsed thereon. Will finder please return to Col. J. G. Selby, M.C., Rear Headquarters, Piemonte Region, 6 Via Lucullo.

One wallet, colour light brown: contents: AB 64 Part II, Rome Area pass, and personal photos, the property of: No. 1991941 Spr. J. D. Peel.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: 150982 Cpl. Bassett, W., ACC, p/a No. 1 Rehabilitation Wing, RAMC.—Lost between Stadio Nazionale and San Paolo on Sunday, 11 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1794259 Pte. G. Lanchpury, 150 Pioneer Corps—Lost in the vicinity of Alexander Club on 19 Mar. 45.

Two binoculars Nos. 126710 and 125824, 1 revolver Colt long barrel .38 No. 671334—Lost from Civitavecchia barracks [illegible] 1 by 102 Med. Regt., RA.

One spare wheel complete (No. not known), removed from Humber (Staff) WD No. 5194558. Reported by: T/299431 Dvr. H. Roberts, 296 Coy., RASC (GHQ Car), on 20 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), 2,000 lire, photographs and letters, leave pass. The property of: No. 13025374 Pte. E. Shankster, Pioneer Corps, Att. 370 POW Camp—Stolen in the Alexander Club on 17 Mar. 45.

Black leather note case containing: field advance book, leave pass, travellers cheques, £14 in Allied currency, the property of: Junior Commander Hichens—Lost on 20 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1700765 Gnr. A. Coulter, RA—Lost on 20 Mar. 45.

Wallet containing: leave pass, 2,000 lire, photos, the property of: 920682 LAC J. James, 65 Staging Post, RAF—Lost on 21 Mar. 45, between YMCA and the Alexander Club.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2156305 Spr. C. H. Nash, RE—Believed lost at the Alexander Club, Rome, on 20 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II) and leave pass, the property of: 423252 Tpr. Moore, 2nd L. and Border Horse—Lost on 19 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, driving licenses (civil and military), 120 cigarettes, the property of: 950624 L/Bdr. L. C. Ridge, 309 Battery, 75 Highland Heavy Regt., RA, Att. to 51 Rest Camp—Stolen at the Alexander Club on 20 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), leave pass, photographs, 1 fountain pen, 5,000 lire, the property of: 2154531 Spr. J. C. Thompson, 540 FM Coy., Royal Engineers—Stolen from Alexander Club on 20 Mar. 45.

One BD, 3 Polish stars, 1 dressing gown, 1 pr. shoes size 8 with trees, 1 parcel addressed to Capt. M. N. Rihal containing officers clothes, 1 leather case containing maps and papers, 1 envelope with 200 photos, 1 belt and brushes, 1 case gazelle skin brushes with MR initials. Toilet articles, 1 .38 Enfield pistol (No. not known), 1 Ammo. pouch, 1 pr. leather slippers, pyjamas, towels, and tie, the property of: Capt. M. N. Rihal, 383 GT Coy., RASC—Stolen from WD vehicle on 21 Mar. 45.

Light brown valise, name on it, containing: 1 vest, 1

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7656796 Cam. F. Tack, REME—Lost whilst staying at 159 Transit Camp on 18 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), one battledress complete, 5,000 lire, various items of personal property. The property of: T/96588 MSM S. H. Shaw, 761 (Italian) General Transport Company, RASC—Stolen from vehicle on the Staging Area at Centocelle on the night of 15-16 Mar. 45.

One spare wheel complete (No. not known), removed from Humber (Staff) WD No. 5194588. Reported by: T/200431 Dvr. H. Roberts, 296 Coy., RASC (GHQ Car), on 20 Mar. 45.

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Light brown valise, name on it, containing: 1 vest, 1 towel, 1 pr. pants, 1 dress suit, 1 brown shirt, 1 pr. slippers, washing bag, malaria slides, the property of: Maj. Yoeli, RAMC—Stolen from billet at Via Vincenzo Bellini, No. 31, on 22 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1812662 Spr. G. E. Butcher, 1917 Port Op. Coy., RE—Lost during the night of 20-21 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2087734 Gnr. G. W. Spoors, RA Fd.—Lost on the 8 Mar. 45.

Wallet containing: 11,000 lire, various private and personal papers, the property of: Capt. Fluke, 1st Bn. Scots Gds.—Lost on 23 Mar. 45, at trotting races (Villa Glori).

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 3962034 L/Sgt. Maund, A. R.—Found on 15 Mar. 45.

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One Lee Enfield rifle No. A0824 (less magazine)—Found on 14 Mar. 45, on the Anzio Road.

One goodyear 600x16 tyre No. 180206, one Dunlop Fort 600x16 tyre No. 113713 RE—Found on the 27 Feb. 45.

One valise marked on it «Kudla», containing various articles and one small parcel addressed to: 599 Pan Franciszek Kudla—Found on 1 Mar. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

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Chief Clerk 14 Mar. 45

Serial No. 34 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only)

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

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1. Until shortly before the invasion of NW Europe, patients evacuated to the UK from this theatre, and other overseas theatres, were distributed on arrival to hospitals near their homes.

2. Owing to large scale movements of troops and equipment just prior to these operations, and which still continues, rail facilities have been curtailed to an extent which precludes this arrangement being continued.

3. All patients due for evacuation to the UK are warned prior to embarkation by the hospital authorities that this scheme is no longer in operation, but the knowledge that such a scheme has been in force is so widespread amongst troops in CMF that there is a tendency amongst some hospital patients to disregard this warning.

4. As a result, they suffer disappointment when on arrival in UK they are informed it will not be possible to continue their treatment in hospitals located near to their homes.

5. This information will be brought to the attention of all ranks.

(To be repeated in unit orders)

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452—NATIONAL SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

1. NATIONAL SAVINGS CERTIFICATES (7th Issue) of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 unit values will be on sale to BRITISH TROOPS only at the British Army Post Office, Piazza Cinquecento, ROME, with effect from Monday 12 Mar. 45.

Unit values are as follows:—

15/- (1 unit)	£1/10/- (2 units)	£2/5/- (3 units)
£3 (4 units)	£3/15/- (5 units)	£7/10/- (10 units)

2. Certificates may be purchased by individual members of the British Forces only:—

(a) in his own name for his own benefit;

(b) on behalf of another person residing in the United Kingdom including a child under seven years of age.

(c) ON NO ACCOUNT MAY SAVINGS CERTIFICATES BE PURCHASED BY OR ON BEHALF OF ITALIANS OR CIVILIANS RESIDING OUTSIDE THE UNITED KINGDOM OR BY MILITARY PERSONNEL OTHER THAN MEMBERS OF THE BRITISH FORCES.

3. Holder's Registered Number Card, P.647G, should be produced at the time of purchase if issued in respect of a Certificate of the current or any previous issue.

4. It is emphasised that Certificates will be sold to individual members of the British Forces only AND NOT THROUGH POST ORDERLIES.

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453—TRANSPORT—CARRIAGE OF CIVILIAN LABOUR

1. The provisions of GRO 1082/44 on the number of passengers which may be carried in WD vehicles will not apply to civilian labour on short journeys within Rome Area.

2. A maximum number of 30 and 35 civilians will be permitted to travel in 3-ton and 6-ton lorries, respectively.

3. The detailed instructions issued to the Officer or NCO i/c detail will indicate the numbers permitted to travel in each vehicle.

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454—PRICES—EFI SUPPLIES

1. It has been reported that in some cases units are selling EFI supplies at prices higher than NAAFI/EFI retail prices.

2. Attention of Units concerned is drawn to the fact that this practice is irregular and must cease forthwith.

G-4 Br/Q193

455—HANDKERCHIEFS—AVAILABILITY

1. Attention is drawn to the fact that only a limited supply of handkerchiefs can be made available for sale through NAAFI in the UK to personnel returning on leave from overseas.

2. Handkerchiefs come under the Clothes Rationing Scheme in the UK, and are therefore unobtainable by OUs except on production of a certificate signed by the individual's CO, or by the Camp Commandant of the UK Leave

2. Reinforcements [redacted]nits *arriving* in Army Areas:

(a) During period 1-30 April will be despatched equipped to both Summer and Winter scales.

(b) After 1 May to be equipped to Summer scale only.

(c) After 1 May all reinforcements will be equipped with anti-malarial equipment to scale.

3. All concerned with the despatch of reinforcements will see that the above procedure is adhered to in order to ensure uniformity throughout, and to avoid delays occurring in reinforcements arriving in Army Areas incompletely and improperly equipped.

G-4/Q 256/9

457—ISSUES OF POL

1. Attention is drawn to GRO 341 of 1944, para. 2 (a) (i) reading as follows:—

> PACKED SUPPLIES. Unit requiring supplies will prepare AFG 828 in triplicate, the first and third will be stamped with the unit stamp and signed by an officer. All three copies will be conveyed to the issuing unit by the driver detailed to collect requirements. The issuing unit will stamp and sign the second copy, signifying that the requisition has been met, and return it to the receiving unit by the driver in exchange for the first and third copies, which will be receipted by the driver and retained by the issuing unit to support the POL account.

2. Indents are being received by RAAC POL Depots and Installations which do not conform with the conditions set out in the above para. in so far as they do not bear the unit stamp, are not signed by an officer, or received in the original only.

3. In many cases these conditions may be difficult to satisfy and the following alternatives will be accepted:

Where there is:

(a) No officer: The specimen signature of the WO or NCO in charge of unit or detachment will be sent to the issuing POL Depot. This will be checked against indents before issues are made.

(b) No unit stamp: This should be certified on the indent.

4. No indents in future will be acceptable to the RAAC POL issuing depots and installations unless they comply either with the conditions of GRO 341 of 1944 or the alternatives set out in para. 3 above.

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458—CIVILIAN FOOD-HANDLERS

1. All Units are reminded that no civilian personnel will be employed for any purpose which involves the handling of food other than through the agency of the local Civil Labour Unit which will be prepared to recommend suitable candidates for employment.

2. It will be the responsibility of the employing unit or Service to ensure that such employees are medically examined and that they are in possession of an official Certificate of Fitness, before final engagement and commencement of employment.

3. Units employing civilians for purposes referred to in para. 1 will ensure at all times that adequate washing facilities exist, including soap, nail brush and towels.

4. Foodhandlers, once employed, will be subject to a monthly FFI inspection. This will be carried out as

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3. In view of the difficulty which personnel may experience in purchasing handkerchiefs in the UK, they should be advised to take advantage of the opportunity to obtain their requirements of this item from the NAAFI in the overseas theatres from which they are returning.

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456—SUMMER CLOTHING FOR REINFORCEMENTS

1. During the period of change-over from winter to summer clothing, the following procedure will be followed:—

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(a) Hotel, canteen, cafés and other Welfare establishments, by Civilian Medical Practitioner who will visit place of employment.

(b) Other units, by arrangement with the Medical Officer normally attending to sick parade.

5. On the last day of each month a certificate will be rendered to G.1 (Br), this Headquarters stating that all military and civilian personnel have had an FFI Inspection during the month and that all food-handlers are in possession of a certificate of fitness.

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459—QUARTERLY VACCINATION AND INOCULATION STATE

1. All personnel should be protected by Vaccination and Inoculation against Smallpox, Typhoid, Tetanus and Typhus. The following are the requirements for protection:—

(a) Smallpox: Vaccination every two years.

(b) TAB: Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.

(c) TET: Two initial inoculations and one annual maintenance dose.

(d) Typhus: Three initial inoculations and one maintenance dose every six months.

2. All units will forward a return to Surgeon (ADMS) by 7 Apr. 45 giving the following particulars as at 31 Mar. 45:—

(a) Strength of unit.

(b) Numbers protected by Vaccination against Smallpox.

(c) Numbers protected by TAB inoculation.

(d) Numbers protected by TET inoculation.

(e) Numbers protected by Typhus inoculation.

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460—EDUCATION—LECTURER IN AGRICULTURE

1. A series of lectures will be given by Major J. W. Bee (Lecturer in Agricultural Chemistry at the University of Reading, 1929-1[illegible]) as detailed below, at each of the following HQs which should be regarded as lecture centres by units in the vicinity. OCs of neighbouring units will inform the lecture centre of the number of personnel from their unit likely to attend. Transport will be provided by the units concerned to collect the lecturer from HQ, RAAC.

Mon. 19 Mar. Morning, 1100 hrs.: 56 Rest Camp.
«Training for a Career in Agriculture.»
Afternoon, 1430 hrs.: 104 Gen. Hospital.
«Training for a Career in Agriculture.»
Evening, 1700 hrs.: CSDIC.
«Small Holdings.»

Tues. 20 Mar. Morning, 1145 hrs.: 30 Cheshires.
«The Future of British Farming.»
Afternoon, 30 Cheshires.
«Discussion Groups.»

Wed. 21 Mar. Morning, Tour of Rome with SO II Edn.
Afternoon, 1430 hrs.: 69 Gen. Hospital.
«Training for a Career in Agriculture.»
Evening, 1945 hrs.: 502 Coy. MAC (ATS).
«Farming Practice.»

Thur. 22 Mar. Afternoon, 1530 hrs.: 2 Para. Bde. HQ.
«Small Holdings.»

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AB 64 (part II), the property of: Pal/17171 Pte. Reich, Y., Pal. Regt.—Lost on the 5 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 2663802 L/Sgt. O'Brien, A., Support Coy. Carriers, 2nd Bn. Coldstream Gds. —Lost on 6 Mar. 45 at Via della Croce, Rome.

Four blankets, one groundsheet, one greatcoat marked with name and number and 559 is on the inside of the belt, one pr. BD trousers, 200 cigarettes, the property of: 2359260 Sgmn. Harley, W. J.—15 H.Q. Royal Corps of Signals.—Stolen from rear of vehicle on Route 1, near Rome, on 7 Mar. 45.

One Airborne Shelter (canopy portion of silk) in a canvas bag approx 3ft. x 3ft. x 6in., one Avo-minor electrical test meter. Stolen from Jeep parked near Piazza Venezia on 5 Mar. 45. Reported by: 2 Ind. Para. Bde. W/Shops.

AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 16038 Pte. Kharara, L., 1934 (Basuto) Coy., APC.—Lost on 28 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 13908022 Pte. Wallet containing: money, photographs, letters, the property of: 2660243 Gdsm. Stokes, 2 Bn. Coldstream Gds.—Lost on 4 Mar. 45.

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AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 2939584 Pte. Murray, D., 5 Para. Bn.—Lost on 1 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 10545371 Pte. Hoyle, E., RAOC.—Lost on the 3 Mar. 45.

Pay Book (DD 2338A), the property of: 216245V Pte. Van der Westhuizen, N. G., 45 SA Adv. Base W/Shop (R and H) (V), TSC.—Lost on 26 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (parts I and II), leave pass, photos, letter, the property of: 6848566 Rfm. Beck, A., «D» Coy., 1st King Royal Rifle Corps.—Lost on 5 Mar. 45.

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AB 64 (parts I and II), the property of: 1650134 Gnr. Hutchinson, 29 LAA Regt., RA.—Lost on 2 Mar. 45.

Agfa Camera, the property of: Lt. Johnson, R. A., Royal Navy, NZVR.—Lost at the Forum Cinema, probably picked up by two US soldiers.

AB 64 (part I and II), property of 4452434 Pte. Graham, T., 30 Cheshire Regt.—Lost on Route 8 between the Pyramid and Exhibition Bldgs., Rome, on 5 Mar. 45.

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2. Found

AB 64 (parts I and II), the proper[illegible]f: 4468441 Fus. Uren, J.

AB 64 (part I), the property of: 7264908 Pte. Soilitt, D., RAMC—Found on 9 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (part I), the property of: 2601396 — Good, J. P.—Found on 10 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (parts I and II), one cigarette case, letters, photos, the property of: 3450[illegible]ar. Gibbons, W., RA 102 Medium Regiment—Found on 5 Mar. 45.

One black bag containing: WD and personal property, belonging to: Lt. Harris, J., 2377685 (JEW)—Found on 4 Mar. 45.

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1. The Main State Telephone Cable and the principal open Wire Routes have been damaged frequently by units working on roads, culvers, bridges, water mains, and power lines. These damages have seriously interrupted vital Theatre Wire Communications for appreciable periods of time.

2. To prevent unnecessary damage to underground cables, no digging, grading, excavating, or blasting will be done along the main roads until the officer in charge of the proposed construction has coordinated his plans with the Signal Officer, Rome Area Allied Command.

3. When damage, or potential damage, to cable or open wire is discovered by military personnel, a report will be made immediately to the Signal Officer, Rome Area Allied Command. G-3/130

433—REDESIGNATION OF UNITS

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G-3/126

D. A. D. YOUNG,
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PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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G-1/14A8

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5. The provisions of this instruction will be brought to the notice of all drivers of military vehicles.

G-1/14A5

436—BATHS

1. All Public Baths in Rome Area Allied Command are Out of Bounds to all ranks.

2. There are baths in Rome for the use of British Officers and ORs which are located at

9-11 Via Ferruccio,
off Piazza Vittorio Emanuale (MR 757656)

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3. Vacancies are available on 5-14 Mar 45, and thereafter at approximately nine days' intervals. The period of leave is one week, giving six clear days at Terminillo.

4. Applications for the leave vacancy should be submitted to G-1 (Br) this HQ. It is stressed that anyone not prepared for strenuous exercise should not apply.

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G-1(Br)/47A9

439—DYEING OF TENTAGE AND MOSQUITO NETS

1. Units and reinforcements moving into Army Areas, will, in future, do so with mosquito nets dyed and tentage camouflaged.

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2. Demands for Cutch and Sodium Bichromate will be placed with A1098, Rome Area Allied Command, as required
G-4(Br)/Q122

440—PUBLICATIONS

1. Units not in possession of the Publication, «Unit Accounting for Clothing and Equipment, 1943» may obtain copies by indenting on No. 10 Publications Depot, CMF.
G-4 Br/Q20/2

441—CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES — SUPPLEMENTAL RATIONS FOR HEAVY WORKERS

1. The attention of Units and Services employing civilian labour is directed to Rome Area Allied Command Instruction No. 2, dated 21 Jul. 44, and in particular to the conditions of eligibility for supplementary rations for heavy workers as defined in para. 2(e), which reads:—

«Heavy Workers» can be defined as persons doing work of a heavy nature involving the continuous and strenuous application of physical energy in such processes as lifting, conveying, loading, unloading, cleaning, and other operations of a similar nature, and are those classified as «Lavoratori Pesanti» or «Lavoratori Pesantissimi» as defined by Italian Law, but shall not include «Lavoratori Leggieri» or «Lavoratori Agricoltori.»»

2. The individual classifications of heavy workers are shown in Appendix «B» to the Instruction referred to, and no other civilian employees are entitled to any supplement to the normal civilian ration, except office employees who are entitled to a modified mid-shift meal only (Vide Rome Area Allied Command Administrative Instructions No. 3, dated 20 Feb. 45).

3. Commanding Officers are reminded of their responsibility to safeguard against any abuse of the scheme, and in future all weekly requisitions forwarded to Labour Branch (Br) for Supplementary Ration Cards will be certified and personally signed by the Commanding Officer of the demanding unit, service or establishment.
LAB/RAT/3.

442—EDUCATION—CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

1. OsC Units are required to report forthwith to this HQ under the following headings:—

(a) The number of cases in the Unit in which an applicant for a Correspondence Course has had to wait more than two months for a reply from UK.
(b) The number of applicants who have received an acknowledgement, but no text books.
(c) Any other matters relating to Correspondence Courses.
59/EDN

443—EDUCATION—LECTURERS FROM UK

1. Two lectures entitled respectively «Post War Collective Security» and «Issues of the War» will be given by Prof. Stewart, as detailed below, at each of the following HQs. which should be regarded as lecture centres by units in the vicinity. OsC of neighbouring units will inform the nearest lecture centre of the number of personnel from their unit likely to attend.

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65/EDN

444—SPORT CROSS-COUNTRY RUN

1. Notice is given that a Team Championship Run will be held at the beginning of April, 1945, for British units in Rome Area Allied Command.

2. Teams will consist of eight runners, six to count, and the course will cover five miles in the immediate vicinity of the City of Rome.

3. The winning team will be awarded a trophy and the team members will receive medals.

4. This notice will give units an opportunity to train and select teams, and entries will be requested during the last week in March.
WEL/33

445—CHESS TOURNAMENT

1. Will Units wishing to enter teams for a chess tournament please contact Director WVS, Alexander Club, for full particulars.
WEL/163.

446—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. Reference ARO 222/44.

2. The Area Messing Conference will be held at 92 DID at 1030 hrs. 12 Mar. 45.

3. OsC British Army units drawing rations from 92 DID and 99 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

4. The following will also attend:—
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Officer representative NAAFI/EFI.
ST/240/8.

447—BOOKING OF HOTEL ACCOMMODATION—OFFICERS

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TM/27/8.

448—INSPECTIONS OF SMALL ARMS AND MACHINE GUNS

1. All units in possession of small arms and machine guns will render a return to DADME by 12 Mar. 45 of such weapons not inspected by an Armourer since 1 Oct. 44, stating type, quantity and location where held.
REME/11.

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NOTICES

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Kit containing: 3 blankets, groundsheet, underwear, small pack containing shaving and cleaning kit. Officer's suitcase which was locked, contents unknown, colour brown, normal size. Reported by: 952908 Gnr. Fate, HQ, 26 BLU, Att. Main, HQ 2 Polish Corps—Stolen on 24 Feb. 45, from the rear of vehicle parked outside the Town Major's Office.

Kit bag and valise containing: WD and personal property, belonging to: 7880946 Sgt. A. Lathwell, RAC, TD—Stolen on 24 Feb. 45, from the rear of vehicle, either whilst travelling from Cerzano to Rome or when the vehicle was parked in the Traffic Post, on Route 7.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: T/120676 Dvr. J. Bewick, 13 MPFC, RASC—Lost on 18 Feb. 45.

One valise containing: 1 pillow and case, 1 pr. of shorts, 3 blankets, ISD suit and 1 camel hair sleeping bag, the property of: Maj. J. S. Allison, RAOC Tech. Stores Coy., 35 AOD—Stolen on 23 Feb. 45, from rear of truck whilst proceeding from Eden Hotel to ADOS.

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Pay book, leave pass and 1[illegible] lire, the property of: 5419V Pte. W. Urquhart, 58th S. African QM Coy.—Believed stolen by Italian civilian near Alexander Club.

BD blouse, pay book, fountain-pen, wallet with 700 lire, the property of: 17062 Pte. W. Hughes, NZPR—Stolen from rear of vehicle at Corso Trieste on 1 Mar. 45.

Wallet containing: 6,000 lire, 3 small photos, leave pass, the property of: No. 2584783 Dvr. C. Rooney, 2 Coy., 7 Air Formation Sigs.—Believed lost in vicinity of photographers in Alexander Club on 28 Feb. 45.

BD jacket containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2737431 Gilman G. Mantle, 3 Bn. Welsh Guards—Believed stolen by an Italian civilian on 2 Mar. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), wallet containing 1,000 lire, private papers, wristlet watch, the property of: 2062771 Spr. J. C. Jones, 212 A Tp. Coy., RE—Stolen in Bar at No. 62 Via Palestro on 28 Feb. 45.

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One valise, hand-grip (labelled in black paint «H. Dodey»), containing: various articles; sundry guide-books and personal effects, bearing the name of the owner, the property of: Capt. T. D. S. Holliday, RAMC.

Black leather wallet containing: photographs, personal papers, in the name of: 18726 Ensign Wise, 300 FSS—Lost at the Opera House on 20 Feb. 45.

Spare wheel for Hillman PU No. 1776920, tyre number 18020—Stolen on the night of 22-23 Feb. 45, when vehicle was parked at Piazza Mignanelli.

Kit containing: 4 blankets (3 Br., 1 American), mattress, pillow, 1 pr. brown boots, 1 pr. black boots, 1 pr. desert boots, sheet and pillow slip, coat hanger(tents), collapsible table, shooting stick, canvas wash bowl and stand, valise marked PW Shaw; bed roll containing groundsheet and blankets belonging to the batman. Any information to Maj. Shaw, 2 Coy., 9 AF Sigs., Topnotch (Naples)—Stolen from rear of vehicle between the petrol point on Route 3 and the 51 Rest Camp on the night of the 17 Feb. 45.

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 903568 Spr. McNay, 679 AW Coy., RE—Lost in the Alexander Club on 20 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), 4 blankets, 1 suit of battledress, 1 greatcoat, 1 large pack containing complete change of underclothing. The property of: No. 877705 L/Sgt. G. Williams, 156 Fd. Regt., RA—Stolen from rear of vehicle [illegible] Rest Camp on 11 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1443475 Pte. J. Hart, 30 Cheshire Regt.—Lost near 73rd American Fieldl Hospital, Rome, on 18 Feb. 45.

Brown leather wallet containing: 2,500 lire, British postal stamps, leave pass expiring 22 Feb. 45, from Rest Camp. The property of: No. 941313 Gnr. E. Anderson, 152 Fd. Regt., RA, CMF—Lost or stolen in the Alexander Club on 19 Feb. 45.

Red roll containing: 1 valise, sleeping bag, 4 blankets, pyjamas, pillow, pillow case, 2 sheets, toilet articles, 2 towels, haversack. The property of: 1/292758 Lt. H. C. T. Cook, 1801 (Barley) Pl., RASC, CMF—Believed stolen from 15-cwt. Bedford on night 20 Feb. 45, between Robinson Club and Town Major's Office.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse and permanent pass for Rome Area. The property of: No. 14359876 Sigmn. J. Bighton, 11 L. of C Signals, 3 Coy., 48 L/M Section—Stolen from Ford 15-cwt. on 13 Feb. 45, whilst parked in Via Panisperna for approximately two and a half minutes.

Brown leather holdall bag with zip fastener, marked on outside «J. C. GOLLICHER.» The property of: Major J. C. Gollicher, 127 Para. Fd. Amb., RAMC, 2 Indep. Para. Bde. Gp.—Dropped out of Jeep on Route 7 between Rome and Capua on 20 Feb. 45.

Large Pack containing: 1 shirt, angola, 1 towel, 1 knife, 1 fork, 1 spoon, 1 pr. anklets web, 1 jersey pullover, 1 housewife, 1 holdall, 1 razor, 1 shaving brush, 1 tooth brush, 1 hair brush, 2 prs. socks worsted. Any information to: 15 Army Group Bridging Camp.—Property fallen from Jeep whilst moving, on 19 Feb. 45, from Spoleto to Rome.

AB 64 (parts I and II), a wallet containing cash and miscellaneous photographs, the property of: No. 2381509 Sgt. Godley, D. G., SCU 4 (Idet.), CMF.—Lost whilst travelling in Rome on the tramway on the night of 17 Feb. 45.

1 WD blankets, one vehicle bonnet rug, 1 WD large pack containing private property, one pocket watch, the property of: No. 1682100 Dvr. Sellers, G. H., 349/76 HAA, RA.—Stolen from the rear of vehicle whilst proceeding through Rome from 159 Transit Camp to Alexander Club on 22 Feb. 45.

One black leather wallet containing: AB 64 (parts I and II), one leave pass, 3,400 lire, various photos, the property of: No. 1793493, Pte. Sibley, «D» Coy., 1st Welsh Regt.—Lost or stolen in the Alexander Club on 22 Feb. 45.

Lee Enfield Pistol .38 (WD issue), No. not known, one greatcoat, one pr. gloves, one boot, the property of: 2187956 Dvr. Robbins, A. J., 517 Fd. Survey Regt.—Stolen from 15 cwt. Bedford, which was parked outside the Jewish Soldiers Club, on 22 Feb. 45.

One valise marked with number and name, the property of: 28485 Lt. N. J. Moore, Queens Regt.—Lost in Rome on 22 Feb. 45.

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AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 6098151 Pte. Humphreys—Found on the 24 Feb. 45, at 101 (Br.) General Hospital.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 453522 T. Robertson—Found on 28 Feb. 45.

One overcoat, 2 jackets, 1 groundsheet and 1 pr. trousers—Found on the 25 Feb. 45, on the road in the vicinity of Centocelle.

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), envelope containing 5 photographs and personal correspondence, the property of: No. 462364 Pte. Shoesmith, Welfare Centre—Lost on 20 Feb. 45.

Kit containing officer's valise, green with T. C. Thompson marked thereon, 6 blankets, 2 white sheets, 1 pr. boots black, 1 pr. gaiters, sleeping bag, the property of: Capt. R. S. Rowe, 1st Bn. Scots Guards, and 4 blankets, groundsheet, greatcoat and valise with washing and shaving kit, the property of: Gdsmn. Rutherford, 1st Bn. Scots Guards—All property stolen from 15-cwt. Ford, somewhere between YMCA and Opera House on 19 Feb. 45.

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One valise marked with number and name, the property of: 288485 Lt. N. J. Moore, Queens Regt.—Lost in Rome on 22 Feb. 45.

2. *Found.*

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 6038151 Pte. Humphreys—Found on the 23 Feb. 45, at 104 (Br.) General Hospital.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 153522 T. Robertson—Found on 28 Feb. 45.

One overcoat, 2 jackets, 1 groundsheet and 1 pr. trousers—Found on the 25 Feb. 45, on the road in the vicinity of Centocelle.

Three cases containing tins of Compound Anti Freeze, 11 tins containing Compound Anti Freeze, 4 pick-axes, 4 hoses, 1 case containing hose and elbo, markings on cases <ALOL—67-QM 11, STO-POL-22 Assembly Parts Protector, Field MI>—Found on the 22 Feb. 45, [illegible] the Railway Station, Rome.

One valise and one small pack marked <19525V (DAW)> containing various articles—Believed thrown from an Allied vehicle by a boy who escaped, on 18 Feb. 45.

One valise containing various articles, markings on valise as follows: 22154 — 7918220 Tpr. Paris—Found on 23 Feb. 45.

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AE 64 (part II), the property of: 614749 Eames J.—Found in the Alexander Club on 20 Feb. 45.

Log Book of Willys 5 cwt. WD No. M.4232531.—Found in the American Provost Station on 19 Feb. 45.

1 Package containing one Umbrella addressed to: Miss Angela Lacey, Wheatsh[illegible] Inn, Figheldean, nr. Salisbury, Wilts. (Censor stamp [illegible]5398.)—Found on 12 Feb. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brigadier ALBAN LOW, C.B.E., M.C.

Commander British Troops Rome
(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

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3. Training will be carried out by unit Medical Officers. Where no unit Medical Officer is available training will be carried out at 25 Field Sanitary Section.

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2. Personnel making such records with a view to sending them home are merely wasting money. It is therefore brought to the notice of all ranks that the making of such records is forbidden. G/14/Br.

422—REMOVAL—BUILDING MATERIALS

1. The practice of removing marble, wood, glass, building materials and similar stores from the grounds of The Exhibition Buildings, off Route 8, map ref. 7459, without authority, will cease forthwith.

2. In no circumstances whatsoever will these stores, which are of civil origin, be removed *without written authority* issued by Rome Area Allied Command.

3. To be repeated in Unit Orders. G-3/117

423—OUT OF BOUNDS AREAS

General Order 28 dated 25 Oct. 44, and General Order 2 dated 22 Jan. 45, of this Headquarters are quoted for the guidance of all concerned:—

«The Royal Estate of Castel Porziano located approximately 25 km. south of Rome, map ref. F6750 Italy 1/50,000 sheet No. 149-II Ostia Lido, is «Off Limits» to Allied Troops of all ranks effective this date.»

«All pump-houses and transformer-houses in the Lido di Roma area are «Off Limits» and «Out of Bounds» for all Allied military personnel.» G-3/18

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1. All personnel will be warned that the trolley wire, or catenary, has been energised on the following railway lines:—

(a) Between Rome Terminal — Tuscolana — Ostiense — Trastevere.

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1. It has recently been necessary to take disciplinary action in the case of units who have improperly occupied and/or damaged railway property or premises, or have removed goods or property belonging to railways, without reference to this Headquarters.

2. Railway property or premises will in no circumstances be occupied without reference to Real Estate Section, Rome Area Allied Command, nor will goods or material be removed without reference to G-4 Section. G-4/Q105/2

426—POL: ISSUES TO CIVILIAN CONTRACTORS WORKING FOR MILITARY ACCOUNT

1. Attention is drawn to AFHQ Memo No. 49 dated 24 Nov. 44, Para. 7. "Contractors requirements on Military Account."

"Contractors working for Allied Military Account will draw their requirements of POL through Civil Oil Companies (CIP) at full retail price including taxes."

2. The following procedure will be followed:—

(a) Requirements of Contractors (civilians working for military account) will be notified by the employing service after verification to the authorising agent—AFSC Rome Area Allied Command.

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These demands will be signed by the head of the Service.

(b) Coupons enabling the contractor to purchase petroleum products from CIF will then be issued by AIDST Rome Area Allied Command.

3. It is essential that applications are completed in accordance with the pro-forma set out at Appendix 'A' to these orders. Applications will not be accepted if this is not complied with.

4. Applications should reach S and T Branch by the 25th day of the month preceding that in which the petroleum products are required.

5. The validity of the coupons will be for the month of issue only.

6. It is the responsibility of the employing service to ensure that only the minimum amounts of petroleum products are demanded to allow of the adequate fulfilment of the contract.

7. The contractor is responsible for making payment to CIF for POL drawn.

8. RAAC Routine Order No. 93 of 1944 is hereby cancelled.

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427—INTRODUCTION OF «ZZ» TYRES

1. Issue is being made of reconditioned covers of various sizes which have the letters 'ZZ' branded in front of the serial number on the side wall. In addition a 6 in. bright green bar will be painted on one side wall of tyre.

2. These covers will only be used on non-driving wheels or carried as spares.

3. As far as possible issue will be restricted to Base or L of C Units.

OS/300/16/3

428—UNATTENDED VEHICLES

1. Vehicles are still being stolen owing to them being left unattended.

2. Attention is directed to the provisions of GRO 113/41 which must be strictly complied with by all personnel.

3. COs will ensure [illegible] clear instructions to drivers are published in unit orders at intervals forbidding them to leave vehicles unattended at any time unless under guard.

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429—LEAVE TO UK—LIAP

1. A return by months is required from all units showing numbers of Officers and Other Ranks who embarked in the UK between 1 Apr. 41, and 31 Mar. 42.

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430—MILITARY PASSENGER TRAIN SERVICE

1. Train services as set out below are now in operation. Accommodation will be arranged through HQ Movements, Rome Area (Traffic Office, telephone 66441/2), for parties of 5 and over. Individuals and parties of less than 5 will arrange accommodation direct with RTO Rome Termini (telephone 478119).

2. Personnel originating in the Rome Area for Arezzo and destinations on the Rimini line will normally be despatched on Tuesdays each week for Arezzo, and on Sundays each week for Rimini. The through services from Naples to Arezzo and Leghorn will normally be filled on arrival at Rome, but limited accommodation will be available for urgent moves of small parties.

3. Personnel for entrainment will report to RTO, Rome Termini, at least one hour before the scheduled departure time, and will present a Troop Movement Order or its equivalent, in exchange for which the RTO will issue a General Railway Warrant. Troop Movement Orders will always specify the entraining and detraining stations, e.g. from Rome to Arezzo, the number of troops in the party, and the *authority for the journey*.

All personnel will entrain with 48 hours rations.

4. Duty personnel will not be permitted to travel on returning leave trains to Rimini and Arezzo, as these trains are now filled to capacity with official leave parties from 8th and 5th Armies. This rule will only be relaxed in the case of an individual officer or OR on extremely urgent duty.

5. This HQ Instruction Mov. 3/225 dated 23 Dec. 44, as amended by Mov. 3/225 dated 4 Feb. 45, is cancelled.

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	Arezzo	1000 „	Rome Termini	Monday	2130 „
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	Rome	1300 „	Rimini	Monday	0700 „

Sleeping Car Service

A Sleeping Car Service operates between Rome and Rimini [illegible]

Reservations will be made through HQ Movements, Rome Area (telephone 66441/2) before 1800 hrs. on the day previous to departure. Officers who have booked berths on the

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Rome Termini—Dep. 1300 hrs. Weds. and Suns.

Falconara (for Ancona)—Arr. 0300 hrs. Thurs. and Weds.

Rimini—Arr. 0700 hrs. Thurs. and Mons.

Rimini—Dep. 1300 hrs. Thurs. and Mons.

Falconara (for Ancona)—Dep. 1700 hrs. Thurs. and Mons.

Rome Termini—Arr. 0800 hrs. Fris. and Tues.

The service is primarily intended for General and Field Officers of AFHQ proceeding on duty, but 10 berths are available for General and Field Officers on duty originating in the Rome Area.

Reservations will be made through HQ Movements, Rome Area (telephone 66441/2) before 1800 hrs. on the day previous to departure. Officers who have booked berths on the sleeping car are required to collect a Sleeper Ticket from RTO, Rome Termini, and claim their berths not later than 1230 hrs. on the day of departure. Berths not claimed by 1230 hrs. will be deemed to have been relinquished, and will be allocated to any other officers who wish to travel.

Mov. 3/225

R. H. CAMRASS,
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APPENDIX "A"

Application for the supply of POL to Civil Contractors working for Military Account for the month of

Name and Address of Contractor

Employing Service

Nature of Work

Details of Vehicles or Machinery employed, ie. make, hp, Reg. No., etc.

MAKE and MODEL LICENCE No.

...ty. Demanded (litres)	MT 80 (Gasoline)	Derv. (Diesel)	Kero. (Paraffin)	Lubricating Oils	Grease (Kilos.)

CERTIFIED that the above-named Contractor is working on Military Account and that the quantities demanded are in accordance with requirements for the month.

Date (Signed)

Employing Service

NOTICES

1. *Lost or Stolen*

Bed roll containing: one green valise, five blankets, one leather jerkin, one sleeping bag, one light raincoat, pyjamas and other clothing, the property of: Mr. W. N. Grieve, YMCA Section, 21st Bn. 2nd NZ Expeditionary Forces, CMF —Stolen from the rear of vehicle parked outside the Albergo Quirinale, on 9 Feb. 45.

Brown leather wallet containing: 1,000 lire note, photographs and leave pass, the property of: No. 1888185 L/Cpl. R. Middleton, 237 Fd. Coy., RE, 51 Rest Camp—Lost on 11 Feb. 45.

One spare wheel No. 1F3413972 complete with tyre and inner tube, was removed by persons unknown from ambulance car, Chevrolet WD No. A5618477, on night of 28/29 Jan. 45. Any information to: No. 1 Fd. Remount Depot, RAVC.

One spare wheel No. V525346 removed from Morris PU No. 4297117, on the evening of 13 Feb. 45, whilst parked outside the main entrance to 164 (Br.) Gen. Hosp. Any information to: 23 AGL, SAEC (FS).

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 12076 Pte. [illegible] Pol Rest—Lost on 16 Feb. 45.

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Light brown leather wallet containing: photographs, duty pass, some money, postal stamps, the property of: No. 1928106 SQMS H. J. L. White, British Army Post Office, Rome—Lost in Sala Pichetti on 29 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 7908365 Pte. G. Brown, ACC, att. 98 Coy. RASC (GT)—Lost on 11 Feb. 45.

Brown khaki holdall marked initials F. L. Whitehead, RWF, with personal kit, including a camera (Rollecorde), also welfare clock from local purchase, white bakelite—Lost in Rome on traffic circuit joining Route 7 and 4, on 12 Feb. 45. Any information to: Maj. F. L. Whitehead, HQ Welfare Services, AFHQ.

One spare wheel No. 1183453973 complete with tyre and inner tube, was removed by persons unknown from ambulance car, Chevrolet WD No. A3618477, on night of 28/29 Jan. 45. Any information to: No. 1 Fd. Remount Depot, RAVC.

One spare wheel No. V525316 removed from Morris PU No. 4207417, on the evening of 13 Feb. 45, whilst parked outside the main entrance to 101 (Br.) Gen. Hosp. Any information to: 25 AGL, SAEC (FS).

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. 12576 Pte. S. Kamzel, Pal. Regt.—Lost on 16 Feb. 45.

Kit bag, the property of: No. 10690956 Cpl. Eastwood, 26 Armd. Bde., 6 Br. Armd. Div.—Stolen from rear of vehicle on 15 Feb. 45, between Route 7 and Route 3.

One wood sleeping bag and bed, with regulation army canvas cover, name on inner cover, one greatcoat, the property of: Lt. W. J. Henderson, HQ 1st Cdn. Corps—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Grande Hotel on 15 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), with leave pass inside, the property of: No. 1903569 Spr. R. McNay, 679 Artisan Works Coy., RE—Lost near Alexander Club on 15 Feb. 45.

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), set of upper garments, the property of: 1431208 Pte. M. Wade, 30 Armoured Reconnaissance Regiment—Lost on route between Tuscolana railhead and Artillery Barracks, Rome.

Capt. R. E. Combs, Q. Movements, Rome Area, checked his greatcoat into the cloakroom at the Delle Orso restaurant on the night of 6 Feb. and received a numbered check for same.

On demanding his greatcoat he was told that it was missing. No trace of this officers greatcoat can be found.

AB 64 (Part I and II), in a waterproof cover together with personal photographs and discharge documents of last war, the property of 1929758 Pte. A. Harmer, "D" Coy., 30 Som. Lt.—Lost in the Rome Area on 10 Feb. 45.

Spare wheel of Dodge No. Z5627269, on charge to: HQ, 2nd AGRA—Stolen on the night of 4 Feb. 45, outside the Enss Argentina.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse, personal effects, the property of: T3782433 Dvr. K. J. Mahon, 548 Arty. Pl., RASC (Hy)—Stolen from the shower house at 51 Rest Camp, on 28 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse, wallet and contents, the property of: 4341488 Rfn. W. Fulcher, Cameronians Regt., att. 1st Bn. HRTD—Stolen from vehicle at 8 Giovanni, Rome, on 3 Feb. 45.

One pack containing: 8 prs. handcuffs, 1 holdall, with complete shaving kit, 1 tooth brush, 1 rain cape, 1 towel, 1 cap comforter, the property of: Pal/633 Pte. L. Heller, HQ Coy., 1st Bn. Pal. Regt., CMF—Stolen from vehicle parked in the RAAC Car Park, Piazza Venezia, on 4 Feb. 45.

WD greatcoat, the property of: 14076263 Tpr. S. Timson, 2125 Tank Bde. Sqdn., Royal Armd. Corps Training Depot—Stolen from the rear of vehicle whilst stationary on Route 7, on 5 Feb. 45.

One bed roll, one greatcoat, one cape anti-gas, one pr. gloves, one net mosquito, the property of: 8293451 Pte. N. Miller, HQ Inf. Coy., AFHQ—Stolen from vehicle whilst stationary at Corso Umberto, Rome, on 4 Feb. 45.

The following WD articles were stolen from the rear of vehicle whilst filling up at the petrol point, reported by: 2111402 S/Sgt. J. Ladner, REME, on 4 Feb. 45:—

One officer's greatcoat, one pr. Wellington boots, the property of: Capt. J. B. Blobaly, REME.

One small pack containing personal kit, the property of the above named NCO.

One small pack and one large pack both containing personal kit, the property of: Cpl. Burgess, REME.

One valise containing personal kit, the property of: 1023010 Gnr. J. Harte, 67/75 3rd. Fd. Regt., RA—Lost at the Central Railway, Rome, on 3 Feb. 45.

One camp bed, one navy oilskin, three white navy blankets, one brown tarpaulin, the property of: Dvr. Angelo Draghi, RNMC—Stolen from a Morris 15 cwt. parked in the Car Park outside Hotel Nazionale, Rome, on 5 Feb. 45.

Pay Book (Parts I and II), one mirror, one case brown, 1/50 Inv., the property of: 1506357 L/Cpl. E. P. R. Loukes, 36 ASP, RAF—Lost inside the Alexander Club, Rome, on 6 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7/22730 Sgt. E. C. Hale, RAMC—Lost on 7 Feb. 45.

One bed roll containing: three blankets, three comforters, three greatcoats,

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Militia Book M1 (Part I), the property of: A68231 Pte. A. McLeod—Picked up at Tuscolana Station on 9 Feb. 45.

Militia Book M1 (Parts I and II), the property of: No. C11441 J. A. McPherson—Found at the Alexander Club on 9 Feb. 45.

One bed roll containing: three blankets, one groundsheet, one kit bag, bearing the name of: No. 11405607 Wright, containing: one valise, one denim blouse, one hand towel, two prs. underpants, one cotton vest, one cap comforter, property stolen from vehicle on 8 Feb. 45, in locality Acqua Bullicante.

Pocket wallet containing: personal paper, 19 photographs, one seaman's discharge certificate, one chit of authority for collecting firewood and bearing Town Major's stamp, the property of: No. 1853446 L/Cpl. G. F. Pickie, RCASC—Found on 8 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts II), the property of: No. 1140681 Pte. E. Lippner.

Small pack containing: WD and personal property, the property of: No. 1709267 Gnr. T. N. Tasker—Found on 9 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 2124278 Cpl. J. T. Naisbitt—Found on 7 Feb. 45, at 199/149, RASC.

One cigarettecase 8 x 7lb. of stabilised chloride of lime, markings on case: 2/114504 of 15. 132 Fd. AB Ambulance, AD908 | BRIT. Int. Div. FORM MG 12.10/44—Found in Via Prenestina on 14 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1003762 Duncan McArthur.

Militia Book M1 (Part II), the property of: M10431 Robert Cook.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: No. 10680011 Edward Sydney Allen—Found in the Alexander Club on 12 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: No. 2153491 Arthur Michael Brown—Found in the Alexander Club on 12 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 2343189 Alfred Richard Bailey—Found in the Alexander Club on 12 Feb. 45.

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SAAF pay book, the property of: 72706V F/Sgt. J. Bell.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 2879738 James McClure.

RAF pay book, the property of: 990181 Edward Ramsden—Found in the YMCA Club on 15 Feb. 45.

Militia Book M1 (Parts I and II), the property of: A3217 Cpl. A. C. Earhart.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 14/30615 Gnr. R. H. Keene, RA. LAA.

One bed roll containing: WD and personal property, private papers, the property of: 5123516 Tpr. L. F. Greenland, No. 2 Sqdn., RAC TD, CMF.

One national savings certificate book, containing: (1) Holder's Card Regd. No. JP 54956. 2 units 1st 15/- Nos. 70/c-507754 and 103/c-296780. Name on card of owner: M. Dendulk—Found in the YMCA Club on 15 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 291077 W. L. Morine, NZEF—Found on 7 Feb. 45.

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AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse, personal effects, the property of: T/87253 Dvr. K. J. Mahon, 1548 Arty. Pl., RASC (Hy.)—Stolen from the shower house at 51 Rest Camp, on 28 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), BD blouse, wallet and contents, the property of: 1341198 Rfn. W. Fulcher, Cameronian Regt., att. 1st Bn. HTFD—Stolen from vehicle at S. Giovanni, Rome, on 3 Feb. 45.

One pack containing: 8 prs. handcuffs, 1 holdall, with complete shaving kit, 1 tooth brush, 1 rain cape, 1 towel, 1 cap comforter, the property of: Pal/623 Pte. L. Heller, HQ Coy., 1st Bn. Pal. Regt., CMF—Stolen from vehicle parked in the RAAC Car Park, Piazza Venezia, on 4 Feb. 45.

WD greatcoat, the property of: 14676293 Tpr. S. Tinson, 21/25 Tank Bde. Sqdn., Royal Armd. Corps, Training Depot—Stolen from the rear of vehicle whilst stationary on Route 7, on 5 Feb. 45.

One bed roll, one greatcoat, one cape antigas, one pr. gloves, one net mosquito, the property of: 8294154 Pte. N. Miller, HQ Inf. Coy., AFHQ—Stolen from vehicle whilst stationary at Corso Umberto, Rome, on 4 Feb. 45.

The following WD articles were stolen from the rear of vehicle whilst filling up at the petrol point, reported by: 211402 S/Sgt. J. Ladner, REME, on 4 Feb. 45:—

One officer's greatcoat, one pr. Wellington boots, the property of: Capt. J. D. Bletody, REME.

One small pack containing personal kit, the property of the above named NCO.

One small pack and one large pack both containing personal kit, the property of: Cpl. Burgess, REME.

One valise containing personal kit, the property of: 663040 Gnr. J. Harte, 65/75 3rd. Fd. Regt., RA—Lost at the Central Railway, Rome, on 4 Feb. 45.

One camp bed, one navy oilskin, three white navy blankets, one brown tidek, the property of: Dvr. Angelo Draghi, ENMC—Stolen from a Morris PU parked in the Car Park outside Hotel Nazionale, Rome, on 5 Feb. 45.

Pay Book (Parts I and II), one mirror, one case brown, 1,200 lire, the property of: 1506357 LAC E. P. R. Loakes, 26 ASP, RAF—Lost inside the Alexander Club, Rome, on 6 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7522730 Sgt. E. C. Hale, RAMC—Lost on 7 Feb. 45.

Three complete kits, three comforters, three greatcoats, six blankets, three BD suits, three groundsheets, reported by: 7585378 ASM W. Dennis, 770 Base Workshops, REME—Stolen from truck on the 7 Feb. 45.

Pistol .38 cal. Smith and Wesson, No. 125481, the property of: 14421217 Sjt. G. King, Royal Armd. Corps, Training Depot—Stolen from rear of a vehicle whilst stationary on Route 7, on 5 Feb. 45.

AB 412, AFG 3548, and two other MT books (Nos. unknown) all appertaining to Morris PU No. 477944, reported by: 869730 Gnr. A. A. Oxley, 265 HAA, 62nd Regt., RA—Lost on 8 Feb. 45.

Two greatcoats, four blankets, two haversacks, reported by: IRTD—Stolen from vehicle on 5 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I), the property of: No. 1744083 Pte. L. Lippner.

Small pack containing: WD and personal property, the property of: No. 1702267 Gnr. T. N. Tasker—Found on 9 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 2121278 Cpl. J. T. Nesbitt—Found on 7 Feb. 45, at 190 DID, RASC.

One cigarette case 8 x 7½, of stabilised chloride of lime, marking on case: 2/11504 of 15, 132 Fd. AB Ambulance, ADOS 4 BRIT. Inf. Div. FORM M67 19/10/44—Found in Via Prenestina on 14 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1003762 Duncan McArthur.

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AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 291677 W. L. Morine, NZEF—Found on 7 Feb. 45.

Brown leather wallet containing: AB 64 (Parts I and II), seven 3d. NZ stamps, the property of: 805217 Pte. J. Tuhaka, NZEF—Found on 8 Jan. 45.

Army Book 64-M and one album, the property of: 947159 M. T. Mohd. Yahoob—Found on 7 Feb. 45.

Black leather wallet containing: 9,400 lire, 5 francs in Algerian currency, personal papers, 1 passes, the property of: 1076954 Gnr. J. F. Bence, 227 HAA Bty., RA—Found on 6 Feb. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 446859 Pte. J. Brown, Army Catering Corps—Found on 6 Jan. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

405—WAR ESTABLISHMENTS

1. GRO 96/45 is repeated for compliance:—

2. «Wef 1 Jan. 45, the following alterations to the titles of existing NORTH AFRICA War Establishments will take place:—

(a) Substitute prefix CM/- for prefix NA/ in all War Establishments.

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No amendments will be issued to individual War Establishments but such Establishments will be amended on the authority of this GRO.

(Auth: WO letter 0184916/SEGC of 11 Jan. 45») G-3/126

406—REDESIGNATION OF UNITS

1. The following unit will be redesignated wef 26 Dec. 44.
Old designation.—45 SA Wksp. Coy. (R and H) (V)-TSC.
New designation.—45 SA Adv. Base Wksp (R and H) (V). G-3/126
TSC.

407—OFFICIAL MAIL

System

1. Despatch letter services (DLS) are established for the carriage of all urgent official mail whether classified or not. TOP SECRET and SECRET mail will always be sent by Despatch Letter Service and never through Army Postal Channels.

2. In accordance with GS Instr. No. 5, Addendum No. 2:

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(b) Non-urgent unclassified packets and non-urgent packets of the classification «RESTRICTED» will always be sent through Army Postal channels.

Despatch

3. All official mail, whether carried by Despatch Letter Service or Postal Service, and whatever its security classification:

(a) If passed by APO, only the Theatre (e.g. CMF, MEF) where unit is serving.

5. Unauthorised abbreviations will NOT be used.

6. Packets will NOT exceed the following weights and sizes:—

(a) Motor Despatch Letter Service (MDLS):
Weight — 7 lbs.
Size — 1 Cubic Foot.

(b) Air Despatch Letter Service (ADLS):
Weight — 2 lbs.
Size — NOT to exceed 2 ft. in length.

Registration

7. All mail bearing the security classification «CONFIDENTIAL» and higher will be registered. Other mail will be registered if the sender considers special reasons justify so doing.

8. Despatch by DLS Packets for registration will bear:—

(a) On the outer cover. File or reference number, which will ensure registration automatically.

(b) On the inner cover where such is required (i.e. «TOP SECRET» and «SECRET» mail and in certain cases «CONFIDENTIAL» mail), security classification.

Packets will NOT be marked «REGISTERED» or with a blue cross.

9. Despatch by Army Postal Channels. Registered packets will bear on the outer cover:—

(a) The endorsement «REGISTERED».

(b) A blue cross across the face of the packet.

Packets need NOT carry a reference or file number on the outer cover.

10. If the mail is of such a nature that it must be in the personal custody of an officer from origin to delivery, the notation «By Officer Courier» will be placed on the outside cover followed by the signature of an officer, together with his rank and unit. Such certifications will be restricted to the bare minimum. Notations such as «By Couriers», «Air Couriers», «Couriers», «Safe Hand» will NOT be used. Such mail will be taken direct to the nearest Courier Transfer Office or AFHQ ADLS Field Office by an officer of the originating unit.

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Despatch

3. All official mail, whether carried by Despatch Letter Service or Postal Service, and whatever its security classification will:—

(a) Be enveloped, wrapped or bagged in accordance with their security classification as prescribed in the War Office Pamphlet «Classification and Handling of Protected Documents, 1944.»

(b) Bear on the outer cover:—

(i) Correct address.

(ii) Official return address (which will not, of course, give location).

4. Official mail for British L of C and Base units *only* will include in the address of the unit addressed:—

(a) If passed by DLS, Area/Sub Area/Grn. wherein unit is located.

(b) If passed by APO, only the Theatre (e.g., CMF, MEF) where unit is serving.

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Courier Transfer Offices are situated at:—

(a) NAPLES.

(b) FOGGIA.

Such mail will be listed on Form NA [illegible] in duplicate.

Air Transmission outside CMF Theatre

11. Official mail for air transmission outside the theatre by Despatch Letter Service will bear the notation «Air Service Required» and will be followed by the signature and rank of an officer or chief clerk. Only mail of security classification «CONFIDENTIAL» and above will be treated in this manner. Other mail will be transmitted within the CMF by Despatch Letter Service as far as possible, and then

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handed over to the Army Postal Service for onward transmission by surface means. The Army Postal Service will NOT clear official mail by air to destinations outside this theatre.

General

12. Personal mail and packages will NOT be transmitted through Despatch Letter Services. Mail suspected to be of an unofficial nature may be opened by officers in charge of Despatch Letter Services and a full report showing sender and addressee, together with a description of the contents, will be sent to the Signal Officer, RAAC. Mail of security classification 'TOP SECRET' or 'SECRET' will NOT be opened in this way.

13. Money may only be transmitted by Despatch Letter Services when of an urgent operational or special nature. It will be properly wrapped and classified and treated as any other document. In the event of loss, financial liability will NOT be accepted by personnel operating the Despatch Letter Service. SIGS/212

D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

408—RELEASES — REQUESTS FOR RELEASE OF OFFICERS AND MEN FROM MILITARY SERVICE ON GROUNDS OF NATIONAL IMPORTANCE

1. COs are reminded that they cannot deal with requests from firms and individuals for the release of officers or other ranks on the grounds that they are urgently required for work of national importance. A courteously worded reply to this effect will be sent pointing out that the application should be submitted to the Government Department primarily concerned with the work for which release is required.

2. If the Government Department consider that the circumstances justify release they will submit a recommendation to the War Office where the request will be considered in the light of both civil and military needs. In the majority of cases the Ministry of Labour and National Service is *not* the Government Department to which application should be made and COs will not instruct applicants to refer to that Ministry or to any other named Government Department.

3. COs will not, even in response to an enquiry, indicate to any Government Department, employer, or individual serving under their command, that such individual is surplus to army requirements or can easily be spared, or that a request for release is likely to be successful. G-1/23A.

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410—SHOWER BATHS

1. It is noted that several units which have been allotted bathing periods at the shower baths, 9/11 Via Ferruccio, are not informing the Town Major when they are no longer required.

2. As the shower baths are working to capacity it is essential that the Town Major (Tel. No. 178041) be informed immediately, so that cancelled periods may be reallotted. G-1 Misc./TM

and the commencement of the festival should be notified to this Headquarters (G-4 British).

4. Personnel proceeding on leave during the period of the Passover will be permitted to take with them their ration of unleavened bread. G4(Br.)/Q194

412—SHORTAGE OF GREATCOATS

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2. The present position will therefore be brought to the notice of all units and the vital necessity for economy and care in usage impressed upon all ranks.

3. Depending on the circumstances of the loss, it will be a matter for consideration by the Commanding Officer dealing with any case of loss by neglect as to whether a stoppage of pay to make good the loss is a sufficient punishment. G-4/Q.256

413—AL 63

1. AL 63 is at present in short supply. In order to conserve supplies, routine dusting of troops in this Area will be discontinued. Routine dusting of civilians may be continued, where it is considered necessary, on the advice of a Medical Officer or Hygiene NCO. Care will be taken to ensure that troops bath regularly and that a regular medical Inspection is carried out. Med.(Br.)/362

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1. An APTC Instructor is attached to HQ RAAC, and is available to visit units in Rome Area to advise and assist in Physical and Recreational Training. Application for the services of this Instructor should be made to DADAWS, RAAC. WEL/33

415—ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

1. The following changes should be noted:—

President: Major E T Cuthbert, 30 Bn. Cheshire Regt. vice Major J Kennedy.

Secretary: CSM Baird, 1 ABW, REME, vice CSM Harvey. WEL/128

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411—UNLEAVENED BREAD FOR THE FESTIVAL OF THE PASSOVER, 1945

1. Para. IV of Rome Area Bulletin No. 31 dated 5 Feb. 45 called for a return of personnel desirous of receiving unleavened bread during the Passover (28 Mar.-5 Apr. 45) in lieu of the normal issue ration.

2. Any unit which has not submitted this information should do so immediately to G-1 British Section by the fastest means. This includes all British, Dominion, Colonial and Allied troops, including RAF, whose subsistence is a British responsibility. Nil returns are NOT required.

3. It is requested that any change of location by complete Jewish Units between the date of submission of the return and the commencement of the festival should be notified to this Headquarters (G-1 British).

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2.—

(a) The normal system for movement of personnel within Italy is through transit camps. These camps have an executive staff responsible for arranging movement and, where necessary, obtaining GHQ 2nd Echelon authority for movement.

(b) No movement is admissible without a posting order authorising such movement.

3. As from the publication of this order the procedure will be as follows:—

(a) All reinforcement officers below the rank of Lt.-Col. (except officers arriving by air without camp kit) will move through transit camps and will not be entitled to use hotels.

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(b) Officers directed to transit hotels will be responsible for reporting their arrival and obtaining where necessary their posting orders from AFHQ. Lt.-Cols. and above and officers arriving to take up staff appointments in this theatre will report to the Deputy Military Secretary, AFHQ, for instructions. Immediately on arrival at a transit hotel every officer will obtain and fill in the proforma shown at Appendix "A" to these orders and thereafter hand such proforma to the British personnel of transit hotel, who will be responsible for ensuring that all such proformae are transmitted daily to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, by DRLS —the cover being marked "URGENT." A suply of these forms will be kept at all transit hotels.

(c) Having obtained posting orders, the officers specified in sub-para. (b) above will contact OC Transit Camp of the Area, who will arrange with Movement Staff the necessary forward movement.

(d) OC Transit Camp will then give each officer a written movement order containing essential travel details and will make necessary arrangements for move of baggage to the entraining station or embussing point.

(e) Officers ex hospital or convalescent depots will not be entitled to return direct to their units. They will report to the nearest transit camp for onward routing.

4. At least one copy of this order will be displayed in a prominent place in every transit camp and officers' transit hotel.

5. Notices giving a summary of the rail and road facilities and methods of booking passage will shortly be issued for display in transit hotels. G-1/20A7

417—REPORTING OF UNUSUAL INCIDENTS

1. Incidents of an unusual nature occur frequently in this Command, but many of them are not being reported as instructed in this HQ Daily Bulletin of 7 Sep. 44.

2. It is a mater of the greatest importance that all incidents of an unusual nature are reported immediately to G-1 Rome Area AFHQ Command, giving as much information as is available.

Reports should be made in cases of

(a) Death by misadventure;

(b) Serious accident;

(c) Cases of shooting or assault;

(d) Incidents involving soldiers under sentence or soldiers in custody;

(e) Other incidents of an unusual nature involving Allied troops.

3. Commanding Officers will ensure that their men make reports any any incidents which come to their attention or in which they are involved without delay. G-1/9A

418—COURTS OF INQUIRY — INJURIES AND DEATHS

The attention of all COs is drawn to the fact that the COURT will NOT record an opinion in the above cases. KRs 1940 para. 473 (d) and GRO 40/41 para. 2 (d) refer. G-1/35A

419—STRENGTH RETURNS

A return will be rendered WEEKLY by all units showing the numbers actually present at 0900 hrs. on Fridays as follows:—

(a) Officers;

(b) WOs and Sgts.;

(c) Rank and File;

(d) Italian Co-operators;

(e) Italian Civilians employed.

The return will be despatched to reach G-1 by 1800 hrs. on Fridays without fail.

MONTHLY return will NOT be rendered until further notice. G-1/63A

R. H. CAMRASS,
Lt.Col. AA and QMG.

Appendix "A"

(This form will be despatched daily by DRLS (URGENT) to GHQ Second Echelon.)

ARRIVAL REPORT

Date

To be completed by every officer arriving in Italy from a Theatre Overseas.

Rank (W/S, A or Temp.)	Initials and Name	Personal No.	Arm of Service	Last Unit and Theatre	Purpose of Arrival (If holding a Posting Order the reference No. will be quoted)

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are transmitted daily to GHQ, 2nd Echelon, by DRLS —the cover being marked "URGENT". A supply of these forms will be kept at all transit hotels.

(c) Having obtained posting orders, the officers specified in subpara. (b) above will contact OC Transit Camp of the Area, who will arrange with Movement Staff the necessary forward movement.

(d) OC Transit Camp will then give each officer a written movement order containing essential travel details and will make necessary arrangements for move of baggage to the entraining station or embussing point.

(e) Officers ex hospital or convalescent depots will not be entitled to return direct to their units. They will report to the nearest transit camp for onward routing.

4. At least one copy of this order will be displayed in a prominent place in every transit camp and officers' transit hotel.

5. Notices giving a summary of the rail and road facilities and methods of booking passage will shortly be issued for display in transit hotels. G-1/29A7

417—REPORTING OF UNUSUAL INCIDENTS

1. Incidents of an unusual nature occur frequently in this Command, but many of them are not being reported as instructed in this HQ Daily Bulletin of 7 Sep. 44.

2. It is a mater of the greatest importance that all incidents of an unusual nature are reported immediately to G-1

3. Commanding Officers will ensure that their men make reports any any incidents which come to their attention or in which they are involved without delay. G-1/9A

418—COURTS OF INQUIRY — INJURIES AND DEATHS

The atention of all COs is drawn to the fact that the COURT will NOT record an opinion in the above cases. KRs 1940 para. 773 (d) and GRO 4044 para. 2 (d) refer. G-1/33A

419—STRENGTH RETURNS

A return will be rendered WEEKLY by all units showing the numbers actually present at 0600 hrs. on Fridays as follows:—

(a) Officers;
(b) WOs and Sgts.;
(c) Rank and File;
(d) Italian Co-operators;
(e) Italian Civilians employed.

The return will be despatched to reach G-1 by 1800 hrs. on Fridays without fail.

MONTHLY return will NOT be rendered until further notice. G-1/63A

R. H. CAMRASS,
Lt.-Col. AA and QMG.

Appendix "A"

(This form will be despatched daily by DRLS (URGENT) to GHQ Second Echelon.)

ARRIVAL REPORT

Date

To be completed by every officer arriving in Italy from a Theatre Overseas.

Rank (WS, A or Temp.)	Initials and Name	Personal No.	Arm of Service	Last Unit and Theatre	Purpose of Arrival (If holding a Posting Order the reference No. will be quoted)

NOTICES

2710

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Will any person who witnessed an accident opposite No. 38, Via Appia Nuova, in the suburb of Caroni, at about 2300 hrs. on the 1 Jan. 45, in which a four-wheeled cart drawn by two horses, was hit from the rear by a WD vehicle, injuring two persons, please communicate with Claims and Hirings officer, 53 Claims and Hirings, CMF.

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1. *Lost or Stolen*

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: AS 2202 Dvr. Mosala, 658 Coy., RASC (Basuto), Gen. Tpt.—Lost on 23 Jan. 45.

Black fabric, similar to a brief case, containing photographs of wife and family and personal letters, the property of: Capt. J. Praysner, RC Regt., Canadian Army—Stolen on 24 Jan. 45, from vehicle standing outside the Canada Club, Rome.

One bedroll—Woods Canadian—marked, Capt. A. H. Tuttle, 2 A Amb. Services, CASF; One Gladstone bag initialed A. H. T. containing personal kit; drivers kit including shaving materials, towels, souvenirs, etc.—Lost from truck while travelling from Avellino to Rome on 27 Jan. 45. Reported by: Capt. A. H. Tuttle, (SA) PTCLI.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7392830 Pte. R. Holland, 69 Gen. Hosp., RAMC—Lost in Alexander Club on 27 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), Leave pass and about 1000 lire, the property of: 1138143 Tpr. R. Tonsett, C. Sqdn., 10 Royal Hussars—Lost near Central Station, Rome on 27 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), approx. 500 lire, the property of: 765453 Pte. H. J. Lashman, c/o AIDS, RAAC—Lost on 28 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7296225 Pte. J. E. Louden, RAMC, 3 Ind. Lt. Fd. Amb.—Lost near No. 2 Car Park on 18 Jan. 45 (also a BD Blouse containing: fountain pen, watch, and wallet containing money and photographs was missing).

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 13105537 Pte. I. Fisher, 51 ML and RU, RAOC, att. 16 British Hosp. Laundry, Rome—Lost on 30 Jan. 45.

One valise containing: one red silk dressing gown, one leather shaving case (complete), one pr. black shoes, one pr. pyjamas, the property of: Capt. Pegg, Florence Command HQ—Removed from vehicle parked near the Eden Hotel on 29 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 14518748 Tpr. Bell, 21/25 Tk. Bde., RACTD—Lost on 26 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1833449 Cfn. M. C. Murphy, REME—believed to have been lost in the Civitavecchia area on night 19/20 Jan. 45.

S.B.M.I (Parts I and II), soldier's Service and Pay book, the property of: K[illegible] R. N. Hayes, Cdn. Postal Corps—Lost on 22 Jan. 45.

Kodak Retina II camera, with rangefinder attached, 35 mm film, lens No. 124077, f2 to f16, shutter speed 1/500 to 1sec. Reported by: Capt. F. P. Pook, 209 Mob. Unit—Lost on Route 3 between Fabriano and Rome on 29 Jan. 45.

Black wallet containing 6,000 lire, leave pass, movements orders, other officer papers, the property of: Maj. W. P. Lunn-Rockliffe, 78 Div., RA—Lost on 1 Feb. 45, near Town Major Building.

Blue leather wallet containing: personal paper, 8,000 lire, advance pay book and other papers. The property of: 228503 Lt. McMillan, 12 RHA—Lost near Hotel S. Giorgio on 31 Jan. 45.

One double-barrelled hammerless ejector shotgun made by Webley and Scott, in a leather case marked J. I. Medlicott C 15: in white paint. Reported by: OC, 27 Lancers, CMP—Lost from vehicle while travelling between Rome and Cervia on 9 Jan. 45.

One wheel No. NSE 524 Hillman-Pt. Reported by: 1120240 Sgt. G. W. Brown, Enns HQ, Rome—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Stage entrance of the Argentina Theatre on 1 Feb. 45.

The following property has been stolen from truck Dodge No. 1,565,488:— Bedroll containing: 6 blankets, 1 pillow, the property of: Lt. F. M. Liddle, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome. The following property is owned by same officer and lost between Bari and Foggia on 29 Jan. 45: one leather bag colour brown, zip-fastener, containing: shaving kit, writing case, shirts, and other property. Initials on bag, F. M. L.

One bedroll, one large pack and one small pack containing various articles, the property of: Pte. S. C. Leitch, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome.

One bedroll containing: 6 blankets, 1 pillow, 1 groundsheet, 1 strap, the property of: Pte. G. D. Stwart, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: AS/13883 Gnr. M. Meuppe, AFC, att. 173/62 HAA Regt. RA.

2. *Found.*

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 5346177 F. S. Bateson, found at Corso D'Italia, Rome, on 31 Jan. 45.

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Pte. Holland, 69 Gen. Hosp., RAMC—Lost in Alexander Club on 27 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), Leave pass and about 1,000 lire, the property of: 14281843 Tpr. R. Tennett, 'C' Sqdn., 10 Royal Hussars—Lost near Central Station, Rome on 27 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), approx. 500 lire, the property of: 7056453 Pte. H. J. Lashman, c/o ADOS, RAAC—Lost on 28 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 7266225 Pte. J. E. Lendon, RAMC, 3 Ind. Lt. Fd. Amb.—Lost near No. 2 Car Park on 18 Jan. 45 (also a BD Blouse containing: fountain pen, watch, and wallet containing money and photographs was missing).

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 13116587 Pte. I. Fisher, 51 ML and BU, RAOC, att. 16 British Hosp. Laundry, Rome—Lost on 30 Jan. 45.

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AB 64 (Part II), the property of: 14518748 Tpr. Bell, 21/25 Tk. Bde., RACTD—Lost on 26 Jan. 45.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: 1893149 Cfn. M. C. Murphy, REME—believed to have been lost in the Civitavecchia area on night 19/20 Jan. 45.

Webley and Scott, in a leather case marked C.F. I. Medficott C 15; in white paint. Reported by: OC, 27 Lancers, CMF—Lost from vehicle while travelling between Rome and Cervia on 9 Jan. 45.

One wheel No. N8U 524 Hillman-PU. Reported by: 1120216 Sgt. G. W. Brown, Ensa, HQ, Rome—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the Stage entrance of the Argentina Theatre on 1 Feb. 45.

The following property has been stolen from truck Dodge No. 1265428:— Bedroll containing: 5 blankets, 1 pillow, the property of: Lt. F. M. Liddle, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome. The following property is owned by same officer and lost between Bari and Foggia on 29 Jan. 45: one leather bag colour brown, zip-fastener, containing: shaving kit, writing case, shirts, and other property. Initials on bag, F. M. L.

One bedroll, one large pack and one small pack containing various articles, the property of: Pte. S. C. Leitch, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome.

One bedroll containing: 6 blankets, 1 pillow, 1 groundsheet, 1 strap, the property of: Pte. G. D. Stwart, RDLI, UDF, on 31 Jan. 45, at Rome.

AB 64 (Parts I and II), the property of: AS/3883 Gnr. M. Mompo, APC, att. 173/62 HAA Regt. RA.

2. *Found.*

AB 64 (Part I), the property of: 3346477 F. S. Bateson, L and at Corso D'Italia, Rome, on 31 Jan. 45.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Brigadier ALBAN LOW, C.B.E., M.C.

Commander British Troops Rome
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Adjutant	
Asst. Adjt.	
Asst Adjt.	
Chief Clerk	

Serial No. 30 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only)

PART I—GENERAL STAFF

Nil.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

390—CONFERENCES

1. A number of conferences have been held in ROME in the past where arrangements have been made between the OC Units or Heads of Services with 52 Town Major for the accommodation of the officers attending.

2. Most of the available hotel accommodation in ROME is allocated by AFHQ to Formations in order that officers may come to ROME on leave and the accommodating of officers coming to ROME to attend conferences may interfere with these arrangements.

3. In future no arrangements will be made by any Unit or Organisation in this Command with 52 Town Major for the accommodation of officers attending conferences who will require to live in one of the leave and transit hotels without reference first being made to G 1 (Br.) Rome Area Allied Command. G-1/13A5

394—RETURN OF EMPTY BEER BOTTLES

1. When returning to NAAFI beer bottles of the hinged stopper type, the stoppers should be open. This conserves the life of the rubber washers which are in short supply.

G-4/Q/93

395—SUPPLY OF WD RATIONS TO CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES

1. Units are not complying with the provisions of ARO 163 of 12 Sep. 44, in regard to the indenting for these rations which is repeated for strict compliance.

Rations for civilian employees will be shown separately on each Unit ration indent (AF 56A) quoting Rome Area Authority and will be drawn from the Units normal ration.

G-4/224/5

396—ADOS DUMP

1. An increasing number of enquiries by telephone are being made to the ADOS Dump, Via Etruria, on matters for which the Dump is not intended, nor equipped, to give an [illegible] work is being hampered thereby.

4. The following will also attend:—
OsC DIDs
Catering Adviser and QMSI.
Representative NAAFI/EFI. S1/290

398—RATIONS

1. As adequate supplies of fresh fruit are available, the issue of Vitamin Tablets authorised by RAAC Routine Order No. 330/44 is now no longer necessary and will cease w.e.f. the date of this order. These tablets will not in future be issued without the Authority of Surgeon (ADMS), Rome Area Allied Command.

2. RAAC Routine Order No. 330/44 is cancelled.

Med. (Br.) 122

399—BILLIARD HALL

1. *Billiard Hall*—Sponsored by Army Welfare Services and Special Service, RAAC.

2. *Address*—Via Francesco Crispi, 12 (30 yds. from cor. Via Francesco Crispi and Via Tritone, opposite tunnel). Opens MONDAY, 22 Jan. 45, *for use of Allied Forces only* from 1800 to 2200 hrs. daily. 17 Billiard Tables; Card Tables; 2 Table-tennis Tables. Hourly Charge: Billiards —20 Lire: 15 Ball Pool—30 Lire.

(To be published in Unit Orders)

Wel/165

400—EDUCATION—WAR OFFICE LECTURERS

1. Snr. Comd. Frankau, ATS, is touring this theatre in connection with the scheme for Army Education, and will lecture on Tuesday, 6 Feb. at 1500 hrs. in the 104 Gen. Hosp. to a mixed audience composed of Unit Education Officers, members of the ATS, and ORs. Subject—Events at Home.

2. The lecture will be repeated on Wednesday, 7 Feb., at 1630 hrs. at the YWCA, Rome. EDN/6A

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PART I—GENERAL STAFF

NIL.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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2. Most of the available hotel accommodation in ROME is allocated by AFHQ to Formations in order that officers may come to ROME on leave and the accommodating of officers coming to ROME to attend conferences may interfere with these arrangements.

3. In future no arrangements will be made by any Unit or Organisation in this Command with 52 Town Major for the accommodation of officers attending conferences who will require to live in one of the leave and transit hotels without reference first being made to G 1 (Br.) Rome Area Allied Command. G-1/13A/3

394—RETURN OF EMPTY BEER BOTTLES

1. When returning to NIS beer bottles of the hinged stopper type, the stoppers should be open. This conserves the life of the rubber washers which are in short supply.

G-4/0393

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1. Units are not complying with the provisions of ARO 163 of 12 Sep. 44, in regard to the indenting for these rations, which is repeated for strict compliance.

2. Rations for civilian employees will be shown separately on each Unit ration indent (AFD 55A) quoting Rome Area Authority and will be drawn from the Units normal DID.

G-4/02417/5

396—ADOS DUMP

1. An increasing number of enquiries by telephone are being made to the ADOS Dump, Via Etruria, on matters for which the Dump is not intended, nor equipped, to give an answer and the day-to-day work is being hampered thereby.

2. In future all enquiries relating to Ordnance matters (other than collection of stores), will be made at ADOS office, HQ Rome Area Allied Command, and not to the Dump. OS/600/4

397—AREA MESSING CONFERENCE

1. Reference ARO 222/44.

2. The Area Messing Conference will be held in 92 DID, at 1030 hrs. on 12 Feb. 45.

3. One British Army Units drawing rations from 92 DID and 109 DID will ensure that their Messing Officer and Senior Cook or Storeman attend this meeting.

4. The following will also attend:—

One DID's.
Catering Adviser and QMSI.
Representative NAAFI/EFI. ST/240

398—RATIONS

1. As adequate supplies of fresh fruit are available, the issue of Vitamin Tablets authorised by RAAC Routine Order No. 530/44 is now no longer necessary and will cease w.e.f. the date of this order. These tablets will not in future be issued without the Authority of Surgeon (ADMS), Rome Area Allied Command.

2. RAAC Routine Order No. 530/44 is cancelled.

Med. (Br.) 422

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2. *Address*—Via Francesco Crispi, 12 (30 yds. from cor. Via Francesco Crispi and Via Tritone, opposite tunnel). Opens MONDAY, 22 Jan. 45 *for use of Allied Forces only* from 1800 to 2200 hrs. daily. 17 Billiard Tables; Card Tables; 2 Table-tennis Tables. Hourly Charges: Billiards —20 Lire; 15 Ball Pool—30 Lire.

(To be published in Unit Orders)

Wel/163

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2. The lecture will be repeated on Wednesday, 7 Feb., at 1630 hrs., at the YWCA, Rome. EDN/6A

401—RESERVE RATIONS

1. All Reserve Rations held by Units which have been issued by DIDs in this Command, will be vouchered to the receiving Unit on AF G1033 (Issue and Receipt Voucher). Similarly, all future issues of reserve rations will be vouchered on AF G1033.

2. At the end of each month, to arrive not later than the 5th of the following month, all Units will render to the issuing Depot, a certificate in duplicate to the effect that:—

(a) Reserve Rations are held as per Issue Voucher No.

(b) The supplies are in good condition and have been properly turned over to avoid deterioration.

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3. Units leaving the Area will return the Reserve Rations to the Issuing Depots. If this is not done the DID concerned will adjust the last Ration Certificate accordingly.

4. Units will record any Reserve Rations held by them in the Verification of Ration Entitlement Book kept in accordance with GHQ 892 14 ST 14

302—FGCM PROCEEDINGS

It is published for information of all ranks that No. S.169259 W/Cpl. W. O. Davis, RASC, was tried by FGCM on the 26th day of January 1945.

Charge (Section 18 (4) Army Act).—WHEN ON ACTIVE SERVICE STEALING PUBLIC PROPERTY

in that he

in the field on or about 23 Dec. 44, stole two one-hundred pound sacks of flour, public property.

Finding and Sentence. GUILTY

To be reduced to the ranks and to undergo imprisonment without hard labour for one year.

The Finding and Sentence of Reduction to the Ranks was duly confirmed, the sentence of imprisonment being commuted to one year's Detention by the Commander British Troops, Rome, on 27 Jan. 45. G 1/1A30

(To be repeated in Unit Orders)

303—DISCIPLINE—DESERTERS

1. Under the Release Regulations, a soldier who deserts on or after 1 Feb. 45, will, on conviction by Court-Martial for the offence of desertion, forfeit all service prior to the date of such desertion, for the purpose of release from the Army under the Age-and-Service Group Scheme.

2. The result is that a soldier who deserts after 1 Feb. 45, and is convicted by a Court-Martial, is in the same position as regards release as if he had been called up on the day on which he is discharged from prison. G 1/1A29

301—CIVILIAN DRIVEN RASC TRANSPORT ATTACHED TO UNITS

1. The largest proportion of RASC vehicles in this area are civilian driven with the result that some units have RASC vehicles in charge of civilian drivers attached to them.

2. It is brought to the attention of the OsC of these units that they are responsible for the administration, ensuring that local precautions are carried out, etc., and security of these attachments. ST 4/1

R. H. CAMPASS,
Lt-Col. A.A and Q.M.G.

NOTICES

1. *Lost or Stolen*

AB 64 Part I on 7 Jan. 45, the property of 2155291 Spr. A. Brown.

Stolen from SAPR Mess, Pensione Terrazza, Rome, between 2200 hrs. and 2359 hrs. on the night of 16 Jan. 45: Matchless solo motor-cycle No. 3261857, Engine No. H/G31, 69510, frame No. 204/23/31050, brown colour, white canvas sponge rubber pillion seat. No panniers, practically new, new Dunlop Fort tyres, numbers not known. Any information to: D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, FDF, CMF.

Dark brown soft leather wallet containing the following property: DH 239A (Paybook) in the name of No. 7429387 Lt. A. W. Perkins, of 51 Squadron, SAAF, FDF, CMF, £31 in 500 Lire notes, and one 100 Lire note, numbers of notes not known: Blue SAAF Identity Card with photograph attached: Flying-cloth Card yellowish colour: Leave Certificate in the name of Lt. Perkins dated 5 Jan. 45, to 11 Jan. 45: Approx. 5/- worth of 3d. stamps, two 6d. stamps, and two 1d. stamps: a letter addressed to Mrs. Perkins No. 62 West Bourne Rd., Port Elizabeth, SA, at the Minerva Hotel, Rome, on the 5 Jan. 45. Any information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, FDF, CMF.

Spare wheel complete with Dunlop tyre No. 7221 LH size 600 x 16 practically new, from the Minerva Hotel car park, Rome, on the night of 8 or 9 Jan. 45. All information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, FDF, CMF.

BSA solo motor-cycle No. 389132, 500cc side valve engine, engine No. 54439, Grey in colour, practically new, front Firestone tyre No. 0729226210, rear Firestone tyre No. 0517225E7, from FDF Adm HQ (Main) car park, during the month of Dec. 44. All information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, FDF, CMF.

AB 64 Parts I and II and Leave Pass, the property of: No. 1911089 Spr. Fitzgerald, G.—39 Fd. Construction Coy., RE, on 17 Jan. 45

Spare wheel of Jeep WD No. 5389286, on charge to 37 Mil. Mission, reported by Capt. Drury, 37 MM on 11 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. 7406015 Pte. Oliver, J.—RAMC, 18 (Br.) Gen. Hosp., on 13 Jan. 45.

Militia Book No. 1 Parts I, II and III, AF C.3538, Leave Pass, Personal document, the property of: No. F.14211 Gnr. Proffit, F. H., 64HQ, 1st Med. Regt., RCA, Canadian Army, CMF, lost in the vicinity of the Via Marsala at about 2100 hrs. on 11 Jan. 45.

TSMO Number 422807, on charge to No. 2458865 Dvr. Larkman, J., 2 Coy., 7 Air. Fmn. Sigs.

Haversack containing: one safety razor, one shaving soap, two tubes shaving soap, one hair-brush, one bottle TCP, one shaving brush, two toothbrushes, one towel, one bottle Brilliantine, 60 Craven A cigarettes, the property of: No. 14320670 Gnr. Sharlowes, K., 35 Dty., 2nd Fd. Regt., RA, 3rd Inf. Bde., 1st Inf. Div., lost at No. 7 Platform, Central Railway Station, Rome, on 13 Jan. 45.

Set Golf and Valise (written on the outside of it, Capt. C. E. Parker, No. 210211), the property of: No. 210211 Capt. C. E. Parker, 51 Khyber Section, CMF, lost or stolen at 150 Transit Camp on night 13 Jan. 45.

Cable drum, barrow, wheel, stolen from a garage at Poggio Mirteto, on 12 Jan. 45, serial number of the tyre is 5166, the property of: 71 Construction Section.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: No. T/256421 Dvr. March, H., 564 Coy., RASC (Tk. Tpt.).

AB 64 Parts I and II, leave pass, the property of: No. 10632139 Pte. Andrews, E. R., 659 L of C Workshops, REME, 8th Army, on 11 Jan. 45.

Two wallets containing 11,200 Lire, photos, AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. 14305658 Gnr. Wade, L. E., 4th Welsh Fd. Regt., RA, on 11 Jan. 45.

Valise is brown in colour, with initials «G. A. P.» thereon

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Finding and Sentence. GUILTY

To be reduced to the ranks and to undergo imprisonment without hard labour for one year.

The Finding and Sentence of Reduction to the Ranks was duly confirmed, the sentence of imprisonment being commuted to one year's Detention by the Commander British Troops, Rome, on 27 Jan. 45. G.1.A.69

(To be repeated in Unit Orders).

2. It is brought to the attention of the Unit of these units that they are responsible for the administration, ensuring that these precautions are carried out, etc., and security of these attachments. STAFF

E. B. CAMERASS,
Lt-Col. AA and QMG.

NOTICES

1. *Lost or Stolen.*

AB 64 Part I on 7 Jan. 45, the property of 2/5391 Sgt. A. Brown.

Stolen from SAUH Mess, Pensione Terrazza, Rome, between 2200 hrs. and 2530 hrs. on the night of 16 Jan. 45: Matchless solo motor cycle No. 5261887, Engine No. G 3/31, 69510, frame No. 20/2383950, brown colour, white canvas sponge rubber pillion seat. No numbers, practically new, new Dunlop Fort tyres, numbers not known. Any information to: D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, UDF, CMF.

Dark brown, soft leather wallet containing the following property: DD 220A (Paybook) in the name of No. 542858 Lt. A. W. Perkins, of 31 Squadron, SAAF, UDF, CMF. £31 in 5/6d Lire notes, and one 100 Lire note, numbers of notes not known. Blue SAAF Identity Card with photograph attached; Flying cloth Card yellowish colour; Leave Certificate in the name of Lt. Perkins dated 5 Jan. 45, to 11 Jan. 45. Approx. 5/- worth of 3d. stamps, two 6d. stamps, and two 9d. stamps; a letter addressed to Mrs. Perkins No. 62 West Bourne Rd., Port Elizabeth, SA, at the Minerva Hotel, Rome, on the 5 Jan. 45. Any information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, UDF, CMF.

Spare wheel complete with Dunlop tyre No. 7220 LE size 600 x 16 practically new, from the Minerva Hotel car park, Rome, on the night of 8 or 9 Jan. 45. All information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, UDF, CMF.

38 V solo motorcycle No. 389132, 500cc side valve engine, engine No. 51149, Grey in colour, practically new, front Firestone tyre No. 072026240, rear Firestone tyre No. 051729EC, from UDF Adm. HQ (Main) car park, during the month of Dec. 44. All information to D/Asst. Prov. Marshal, SACMP, UDF, CMF.

AB 64 Parts I and II and Leave Pass, the property of: No. 1041069 Spr. Fitzgerald, G.—10 Fld. Construction Coy., RE, on 17 Jan. 45.

Wallet containing: AB 64 Parts I and II, Leave Pass and 1800 Lire, the property of: T/20401 Dvr. Croft, W. G.—350 GT Coy., RASC, CMF—on 17 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: 7893125 Tpr. Read, C.—RAC Training Regt. Lost at Riet.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: 1469755 Tpr. Smith, C.—RAC Training Regt. on 10 Jan. 45.

Bed Roll containing: one valise, one sleeping bag, one wool coat, four blankets, one pr. pyjamas, one bottle whisky, the property of: Capt. Douglas, K. W.—1st Army Transport Control, RASC, 8th Army, stolen from truck at the Car Park of the Minerva Hotel on 18 Jan. 45.

Spare wheel of Jeep WD No. 538286, on charge to 67 Mfl. Mission, reported by Capt. Ferury, 67 MM on 14 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. 7/39015 Pte. Oliver, L.—RAMC, 18 Gen. Gen. Hosp., on 13 Jan. 45.

Militia Book M1 Parts I, II and III, AF G/3518, Leave Pass, Personal documents, the property of: No. F/14211 Gnr. Pratt, F. R., RHQ, 1st Med. Regt., RCA, Canadian Army, CMF, lost in the vicinity of the Via Marsala at about 2100 hrs. on 11 Jan. 45.

ESBO Number 69907, on charge to No. 237865 Dvr. Buckman, J., 2 Coy., 7 Air. Fmn. Sigs.

Haversack containing: one safety razor, one shaving soap, one talcum soap, one hair-brush, one bottle TCP, one shaving brush, two toothbrushes, one towel, one bottle brilliantine, 90 Craven A cigarettes the property of: No. 14363070 Gnr. Sharlottes, K., 15 Bty., 2nd Fd. Regt., RA, 3rd Ind. Bde., 1st Lab. Inv., lost at No. 7 Platform, Central Railway Station, Rome, on 15 Jan. 45.

Dat Roll and Valise (written on the outside of it, Capt. C. E. Parker, No. 240211), the property of: No. 240211 Capt. C. E. Parker, 51 Kimama Section, CMF, lost or stolen at 150 Transit Camp on night 13 Jan. 45.

Cable drum barrow wheel, stolen from a garage at Poggio Mirteto, on 11 Jan. 45, serial number of the tyre is 3/09, the property of: 91 Construction Section.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: No. T/263424 Dvr. March-Ll., 551 Coy., RASC (Tk. Tpt.).

AB 64 Parts I and II, leave pass, the property of: No. 10632439 Pte. Andrews, E. R., 659 E. of C. Workshops, REME, 8th Army, on 11 Jan. 45.

Two wallets containing 11,200 Lire, photos, AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. 14305078 Gnr. Wade, L. R., Jewish Fd. Regt., RA, on 14 Jan. 45.

Valise is brown in colour, with initials (G. A. P.) thereon and contains small portable typewriter (Remington) and personal property, the property of: Chaplain Plimmer, RAAC (Tel. 17852), lost from vehicle travelling on 22 Jan. 45, between Naples and Rome.

Tyres No. U851, M2870 and GRIM9670, Standard for Willys bantam reported stolen by HQ, 3 Bn. Pal. Regt., on 21 Jan. 45.

Valise and suitcase containing various personal property and personal papers, the property of: Lt. H. N. Bennett, 8th Survey Regt., RA—Fabrizio Area—Stolen from vehicle parked outside the 51 Officer's Rest Camp, on 24 Jan. 45.

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Black Billfold with zip fastener and initials F. A. M. in gold in corner containing approx. 2,500 Lire, personal papers and photographs, the property of: Capt. F. A. McGroarty, No. 1 CRC Postal Unit, CMF, lost on 24 Jan. 45, possibly in or in vicinity of Broadway Bill Night Club.

Haversack and small kit, the property of: No. 3713081 Cpl. T. Moss, RACTD, lost or stolen from vehicle between Foggia and Naples on 15 Jan. 45.

Blankets and Cape A/G the property of: No. 1476170? Tpr. E. Watson, RACTD, lost or stolen from vehicle between Foggia and Naples on 15 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Part I, the property of: 14267313 Pte. T. Morton, 150 Coy., Pioneer Corps, lost on 20 Jan. 45, in the village of Quadraro, Via Tuscolana, Rome.

Smith and Wesson .38 revolver No. 614031, lost on 21 Dec. 44, between Afragola and B Transit Camp; Webley .38 revolver No. 46846, lost on 26 Dec. 44, on train between Caserta and Cassino. Reported by RACTD.

2 600 x 16 WD tyres (number not known), 1 jeep tyre (number not known), 1 inner tube (number not known), reported missing by: No. 14395 Dvr. N. Clayton, RASC, British Army Newspaper Unit, lost on 18 Jan. 45.

1 Blankets, 2 vests (winter issue), 1 WD valise, 2 prs. pants (winter issue), 3 prs. socks, 1 pr. officer's brown shoes, 2 towels, 1 pr. protective spectacles, 1 cape AG, 1 groundsheet, 2 shirts—Angola, 2 prs. stockings (issue), 1 set pyjamas (blue), 1 wallet containing personal papers and photographs, small pack containing cleaning materials, 1 metal box containing personal papers, souvenirs and mess tins, the property of: No. 196530 Sgt. W. Woodbridge, HEME Inspectorate HQ, AFHQ, lost or stolen on 20 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. T/202254 Dvr. K. Godfrey, 98 Coy., RASC (GT), lost at Bicd on 17 Jan. 45.

2. *Found*

One English [illegible] No. 916158, found on 11 Jan. 45.

One handkerchief, one beret (badge RA), found on 12 Jan. 45.

One pr. civilian shoes, one lighter, found on 10 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Part II, the property of: No. 1250394 Spr. Swallow, C. W., Royal Engineers.

1 towel, 1 spoon, 1 water bottle, 1 shaving brush, 1 tin anti-mosquito cream, 2 tablets soap, 1 armlet, 1 bottle hair cream, 1 handkerchief, half packet sweets, 1 Mess tin, 1 mug, 1 holdall, 1 tooth brush, 1 safety razor, 1 pullthrough, 1 necktie, 1 packet razor blades, 3 English pennies, 1 small file, property found at Piazza Vittorio Emanuele, Rome, on 25 Jan. 45.

Blue wallet containing: photos, 9 razor blades, Allied ex-Services Association card, bowl scraper (PAB), Rest Camp ticket, papers, 8 stamps (3d), the property of 14360 Pte. M. Morgan.

Brown wallet with impression of aeroplane on front wallet, containing 1745 Lire, 1 pr. nail clippers, found at the Alexander Club on 26 Jan. 45.

Militia Book M1 Part II, the property of: No. 3153412 Burke, Arthur Hilliard, found at the Alexander Club on 24 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Part II, the property of: 10548529 Pte. E. Howell, found at the Alexander Club on 25 Jan. 45.

AB 64 Part II, the property of: 2672865 Cpl. Oram, A. E., found on 24 Jan. 45.

Haversack containing: hat (RAF), puttees, found on 18 Jan. 45.

1 canvas bag (kitbag type) containing 1 balloon, property found on 17 Jan. 45.

1 blankets, 1 groundsheet, 1 bivouac, soap box, 4 dusters, 1 pr. socks, 2 towels, 1 mirror, 1 holdall, 1 hair brush, 1 razor, 170 cigarettes, 2 tooth brushes, 1 shoe brush, 1 comb, 1 bars soap, 1 set mess tins, 1 ration bag, knife, fork, spoon, cleaning kit, 1 web belt, 1 pr. braces, 1 box of kit cloths (used). Property found at Rocca on 25 Jan. 45.

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AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of: No. T.260253 Dvr. K. Godfrey, 98 Coy., RASC (GT), lost at Rieti on 17 Jan. 45.

Service Association card, bowl scraper (RAF), Rest Camp ticket, papers, 8 stamps (5d), the property of 143691 Pte. M. Morgan.

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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(Deputy Commander Rome Area Allied Command)

Serial No. 29 (Applicable to British Units and Troops only) 17 Jan. 45

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(f) The minimum force will be used to obtain the object. In particular the utmost care will be taken to avoid casualties to women and children.

(g) Types of weapons to be carried and the opening and control of fire will be in accordance with Rome Area Allied Command Operations Memorandum No. 1 dated 9 Jan. 45, para. 47, and Appendix «M» thereto.

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«2. In many such cases personnel have been requested to leave their military addresses so that they may be notified of orders which cannot be executed and the necessary refund made.

«3. The above practice, both of placing orders and of leaving military addresses, will cease. Because of

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Treasury regulations the transmiss[illegible] of funds to the United Kingdom by Italian civil[illegible] firms is prohibited, so that none of the orders have been or can be executed. Moreover, the leaving of military addresses constitutes a danger to security.

«4. Troops desirous of having flowers delivered in the United Kingdom and other parts of the world should remit funds through normal APO channels direct to a florist or make use of one of the official schemes which are sponsored by EFI or Army Welfare.» G-2/G/39/Br.

D. A. D. YOUNG,
Lt.-Col., G.S.

PART II—ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

383—AUDIT BOARDS

1. Attention is drawn to King's Regulations (1940) 85.

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384—CAR PARK

A guarded vehicle park will open in Rome on 13 Jan. 45, for all Allied vehicles.

This park will be open 24 hours per day.

The location is off the Viale Tiziano near the PNF Stadium (Town Map Ref. 732697).

There is no other authorised guarded vehicle park in Rome and vehicles must not be left unattended in any other part of the city. G-1/14A5

385—ROME AREA FUND

A fund is established at this HQ known as the Rome Area Fund. This fund is controlled by the Commander British Troops Rome and is intended to be used for the following purposes:—

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Units making application for grants from this fund must take into consideration funds already available in the unit and must state at the time application is made for a grant exactly what sum is already at their disposal for expenditure.

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A normal grant is 10/- per head.

It is pointed out that unit funds must always be utilised before a request is made to this HQ for a [illegible] G-1/15A

Trucks, 15-cwt., 4 x 4.
Lorries, 3-ton, 4 x 4.

Units who have not submitted their returns will do so immediately. Nil returns are required. Q.131/3

387—ELECTRICITY

1. The following extract from Rome Area Allied Command General Order No. 24 dated 21 Sep. 44, is republished for compliance by all units:—

2. «No military unit or individual is entitled to the use of permanent current without the authority of the Electricity Control Board, Rome Area Allied Command.

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The following restrictions will apply to the actual consumption of electricity within billets and premises occupied by military personnel:—

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Civilian staffs employed in hotels and military units will be advised of these restrictions.

No exemption will be given to these rules except in the case of hospitals and selected places of entertainment, etc., sponsored by Welfare or Special Services. In all cases strict economy will be observed and the instructions contained in paragraph 4 (a) above will apply to all resident Welfare personnel.

All applications for exemption will be submitted to the Chairman, Electricity Control Board, Rome Area Allied Command.

Military units and personnel will allow entry to authorised agents of the Electricity Power Companies bearing a pass stamped by G-4 Section, Rome Area Allied Command, to examine meters and make necessary disconnections where ordered by the Board.

The Military Police have been instructed to enforce the observance of these orders.»

3. The display of all Electric Advertisement signs by Neon or incandescent lamps on the outside or the inside of military or civilian premises is specifically prohibited. This prohibition also applies to signs that are supplied with electricity from pri- [illegible] G.A.O. 22/3

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386—4-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLES FOR FORWARD UNITS

This Headquarters' letter Q.131/3, dated 19 Dec. 44, subject as above, required units to submit to G-4 British Section, by 31 Dec. 44, a list of CLASS I 4-wheel drive vehicles held, of the following types:—

Cars, 5-cwt., 4 x 4.

Cars, 4-seater, 4 x 4.

Ambulances, 4 x 4.

Trucks, 8-cwt., 4 x 4.

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388—DISINFESTATION

1. Personnel despatched to 25 Field Sanitary Section or to Disinfestation Centre, Artillery Barracks for disinfestation will have in their possession:—

(a) Shaving Brush.

(b) Razor.

(c) Soap.

(d) Towel.

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389—ISSUES OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS TO ITALIAN DRIVEN WD VEHICLES

1. No Allied military vehicle driven by an Italian will be supplied with petroleum products from WD petrol points and depots except that the driver produces a work ticket, trip ticket or carnet de bord properly completed and endorsed by a rubber stamp in red «ENTITLED TO DRAW POL from Allied Military Stocks.»

2. Rubber stamps may be had on written application to ADST RAAC.

3. Formations and units serving under direct Allied Military Command in Army Areas are exempted from this order. ST/1/4

390—GYMNASIUM FOR ALLIED TROOPS

No. 1 RAAC Gymnasium will open on Monday, 15 Jan. 45. Lungotevere Flaminia (East bank of Tiber). It is a fully equipped gymnasium and is available for use by Allied Troops during the week. Mon 15 — Sun 21 Jan. from 0900 — 1230 and 1400 — 1630 hrs. daily.

Application for allocation to Unit parties up to 50 strong should be made to DADAWS, RAAC. Tel. No. 66508/9. Units can be granted 1½ hour periods for this week.

A Recreational Course for Unit NCOs will be run at the gymnasium during the period Mon. 22 — Wed. 24 Jan., and hours of availability for periods subsequent to the Course will be notified in Orders. WEL/33

391—COAL GAS

The use of coal gas is prohibited to all military units and personnel except hospitals and Medical Aid Stations, unless special authority in writing has been given by this HQ. G-4/Q237

392—FILM «SEX HYGIENE»

16 mm. copy of the film «Sex Hygiene» is now available and arrangements will be made to show the film in this command. Units requiring to be included in these arrangements should apply to G-1 (Br.) this HQ forthwith. G-1/26A1

R. H. CAMRASS,
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NOTICES

TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

Will the officer who accompanied by his driver, and both of RAAC, witnessed an accident in Piazza Tuscolo on 2 Dec. 44, at about 1100 hours, involving WD vehicle No. 516635 and driven by a Sgt., please communicate with Claims and Hirings Officer, 53 Claims and Hirings, CMF. PM/3

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ABs 64, Parts I and II, containing Day and Curfew passes belonging to—

4394507, Cpl. W. A. Dunn.

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2. AB 64, Part I and II, the property of 14315255, Pte. J. Gilmour, RAMC, 99 (Br.) General Hospital.

3. Wallet, brown leather, containing about 1,200 lire, photographs and leave pass. Property of 2157978, Spr. F. A. Marden, 270 Field Coy., RE, 46th Division.

4. White kit bag. The property of Lt. Berney, 2 Bn. Hampshire, IRTD.

5. Pay Book. The property of 229938V, Pte. B. Janson van Resburg, 45 (SA) Workshop Coy. (R and H), TSC, UDF.

6. Battle dress blouse, size No. 10, containing wallet, 1,400 lire, civilian driving licence, army driving licence, three photographs, AB 64 (parts I and II). The property of T/6353608, Dvr. H. G. Wedge, RASC, 1577 Platoon (Arty.) (Light).

AB 64 Part I on 5 Jan. 45, the property of:— PAL/30752 Pte. Kreutzberger, 178 Coy., RASC (Pal-Inf-Bde).

One Lancia Aprilia sparewheel tyre and tube and one foot pump, have been stolen from the locked rear compartment of Lancia Aprilia WD No. M.5667038, on charge to 53 Claims and Hirings, CMF.

Green Suitcase, with name in red paint and No. 73 on back, containg:— binoculars, German type, various articles of personal clothing, shoes, one mackintosh, one blanket, US pattern, the property of:— Maj. D. S. M. Thorn, c/o RAC Training Depot, CMF.

Bed Roll consisting of four blankets and one groundsheet, the property of:— No. 977752 Pte. Collins, 152 Fire Fighting Company.

AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of:— No. 3862034 Sgt. F. Feeney, «D» Company, 1st Bn. Loyal Regt., 2nd Inf. Bde., 1st Inf. Div.

4 WD Blankets, 1 WD Groundsheet, 1 Palliasse, 1 Wallet, 1 Fountain Pen, stolen from WD vehicle outside Town Major's office, 5 Jan. 45, the property

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6. Battle dress blouse, size No. 10, containing wallet, 1,400 lire, civilian driving licence, army driving licence, three photographs, AB 64 (parts I and II). The property of T/6353608, Dvr. H. G. Wedge, RASC, 1577 Platoon (Arty.) (Light).

7. Paybook. The property of C318272V, Pte. Williams, 40 (R and B) Rly. Tel. Coy., L of C, SACS.

8. Great coat, purse containing AMC lire 6,000, paybook (duplicate issue). The property of Sep. Hussain Zamurad (18716), 1/12 FFR.

9. Wallet containing 5,000 lire, leave pass, one Opera House ticket, 11 postage stamps, identification wristlet disc, razor blades. The property of 38001, Pte. J. Back, «B» Coy., 3rd Bn., Palestine Regiment.

10. AB 64 (parts I and II). The property of 2364825, Sgmn. S. Midgley, 13 Corps HQ Sigs.

AB 64 Part 1 on 5 Jan. 45, the property of:— PAL/30752 Pte. Kreutzberger, 178 Coy., RASC (Pal-Inf-Bde).

One Lancia Aprilia sparewheel tyre and tube and one foot pump, have been stolen from the locked rear compartment of Lancia Aprilia WD No. M.5667038, on charge to 53 Claims and Hirings, CMF.

Green Suitcase, with name in red paint and No. 73 on back, containg:— binoculars, German type, various articles of personal clothing, shoes, one mackintosh, one blanket, US pattern, the property of:— Maj. D. S. M. Thorn, c/o RAC Training Depot, CMF.

Bed Roll consisting of four blankets and one groundsheet, the property of:— No. 977752 Pte. Collins, 152 Fire Fighting Company.

AB 64 Parts I and II, the property of:— No. 3862034 Sgt. F. Feeney, «D» Company, 1st Bn. Loyal Regt., 2nd Inf. Bde., 1st Inf. Div.

4 WD Blankets, 1 WD Groundsheet, 1 Palliasse, 1 Wallet, 1 Fountain Pen, stolen from WD vehicle outside Town Major's office, 5 Jan. 45, the property of:— No. 14340450 Pte. Collins, No. 37 Vehicle Coy., Transit Vehicle Park, RAOC.

One Kit Bag containing, 2 prs. Boots (1Brown), 3 prs. Brown shoes, 1 Trench coat, 1 Greatcoat (officers complete), with Chaplains buttons, Camera, 4 Blankets. One Kit Bag (ORs) contents not known and 5 Blankets, from WD vehicle inside American Chaplains Hostel «Maryknoll» Via Sardegna, Rome, onthe 3 Jan. 45, the property of: — No. 128987 Rev. (Capt.) J. Connelly, Chaplains Corps, c/o Senior Chaplain, RC Rome Area.

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Greatcoat (British type). Univ[illegible] buttons with the exception of the right hand top button, which is an Artillery Regt. type, centre button of the belt is missing, contents 500 lire, 1 pr. Gloves, on 7 Jan. 45, in the bar Gambrinus, Piazza dei Cinquecento, the property of:— No. 957688 Gnr. R. Laycock, 277/70 Fd. Regt., RA, 46 Div, 8th Army.

Dark Brown Leather attaché Case containing clothing and personal belongings of:— J. G. E. Turner, 71st HAA Regt., RA, 8th Army.

AB 64 (parts I and II), Leave pass and 1,000 lire, the property of:— No. 3663245 Dvr. Op. Millward L. «A» Eqdn., 51 RTR, 25th Tank Bde., 8th Army.

One Hat Box containing 2 Fur Bags, One Black and White Suitcase containing 1 Grey suit, 1 Blue suit, 1 pr. Brown trousers, 5 prs. shoes, 1 Green sweater, the property of Mrs. Mark Kerr. One Green Suitcase containing 1 Uniform SD, 1 Sports Coat, 1 pr. Grey flannels, Khaki shirts, writing materials, Pants, Shoes, Vests, etc., the property of:— Maj. D. Thom., Royal Armoured Corps Depot; both stolen from WD Vehicle on 7 Jan. 45.

Wallet brown leather containing: Civilian driver licence, personal documents, about 2,000 lire, some photos, stamps, lost at Rome on night 12 Jan. 45, the property of:— Capt. Gardner, 352 Coy., RASC (GT), CMF

One Brown Suitcase, Haversack, Bedding, lost on 11 Jan. 45, near Albergo Igea, the property of Lt. Drew (Bays.).

Thirteen (13) American Express Company Travelers' Checks, the property of Col. J. Murray Mitchell.

2. *Found*

1. One web belt, two pouches, 2 brace attachments, 1 water bottle and carrier, 1 knife (Ghurka type), 1 pair pliers, 1 field dressing, 70 rounds .303 ammunition, 1 bayonet and scabbard.

2. Four British postal orders—
Nos. 15,080813/14/15/16.

3. AB 64, parts I and II, bearing the following particulars: No. 4268619, Fus. J. McBride.

4. Light brown wallet (Egyptian pattern), bearing the name J. W. Harris; 2 black wallets; 4 WD Web belts; 2 pairs, anklets, web; 1 pr. puttees; 2 metal finger rings; 4 empty spectacles cases; 1 pr. spectacles in case; 1 tin mosquito repellant; 1 cap, FS, khaki; 1 WD haversack; 4 identity discs, two with the particulars, No. 1113620, ? Hooper, No. 1567352, W. Merry.

One valise containing: 7 Spanners, 1 Grease Gun, 1 Inflator, property found on 8 Jan. 45.

Cheque Book for the Midland Bank and a Photograph, property found on 6 Jan. 45.

AB 64 part II, the property of No. 942548 Gnr. G. R. Christie, RA.

AB 64 parts I and II, the property of No. 446859 Pte. Brown J., Army Catering Corps.

One TSMC No. 8.27658, 5 Magazines, 88 rds. of 45 Ammn., property found on 10 Jan. 45.
WD Enfield Rifle No. AA.9149.
WD Enfield Rifle No. AG.6200.
WD Enfield Rifle No. C.33719.
WD Enfield Rifle No. R.32066.

The above property has been found at the No. 2 Car Park on 10 Jan. 45.

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