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255	Memo, Stearns	22 Oct 45	Est Sec	No record of 4 names recommended on Infante's consolidated list of awards.
256	Cbl 353 HQ ALCOM	17 Jan 46	AC Liais Lamb	Ital Award for Capt Gigli
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237	Ltr, Decs & Awards Bd.	28 Aug 45	CC	Lombardia's recommendations, status.
238	200.6, Densmore	29 Aug 45	MTOUSA	L of M for Col Foley.
239	200.6, Stone	29 Aug 45	MTOUSA	L of M for Rear Adm Warren (B)
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240a	200,6, Stone	30 Aug 45	MTOUSA	Ital award for S/Sgt Stein.
241	A.Infante, 5360/AG	2 Sep 45	Stone	Ital awards for listed AC officers.
242	CC 511, Stearns	4 Sep 45	CO 2675 Regt	Ital awards for listed AC officers.
242a	Infante, 5404/AG	4 Sep 45	Stone	Ital awards for listed AC officers.
243	CC 511, Stone	7 Sep 45	MTOUSA	Ital awards for listed AC officers.
243a	Infante, 5625/AG	13 Sep 45	Stone	Ital awards to 5/A AMG officers.
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244a	CC 511, Stone	15 Sep 45	MTOUSA	Ital awards to 5/A AMG officers.
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225	200.6, Stone, 4 Ind.	25 Aug 45	MTOUSA	Ital award for Lt Cicala.
226	200.6, Stone, 4 Ind.	25 Aug 45	MTOUSA	Ital award for Lt Col Warren.
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227a	200.6, Stone, 4 Ind	26 Aug 45	MTOUSA	San Marino award for Col Bowman.
228	200.6, Stearns	27 Aug 45	MTOUSA	BSM ror Pfc Hess.

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22 October 1945

TO: Establishment Section, Hq., A.C.

Attention is invited to para 2 of the attached letter from General Infante. It will be noted that this concerns award recommendations on 3 officers and 1 EM on which General Infante's office has no record. Accordingly steps should be immediately taken to ascertain either directly from the officers concerned or from basic regimental records as to the original authority for the placing of these names on the consolidated lists.

L. W. STEARNS
Major, A.G.D.
Staff Officer to CC

1 Incl:
Ltr fr Gen Infante
6297/A.C., 10 Oct 45

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19 October 1945

My dear General Infante:

With reference to your letter 5366/A.G. of 5 June, 1945, I am pleased to state that permission has been granted by Headquarters A.F.H.Q.C.B.A. to the following officers to accept the decoration of the Order of Italy from His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm:

Col. R.D. Henderson	-	Grand Officer
Lt-Col. [illegible] Pentak	-	Commander
Major D.E.D. [illegible]	-	Knight Officer
Major D.E. Jethine	-	Knight Officer
Major E.L. Anderson	-	Knight Officer
Capt. J.A. Hanlin	-	Knight
Lieut. R.L. Simon	-	Knight

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

General Adolfo Infante
First Aide de Camp General
to H.R.H. the Lieutenant General of the Realm,
The Quirinale,
Rome.

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File: 200.6 13 October 1945
x-201-Correa, Mathias Frank (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Bronze Star Medal for Major Mathias Frank Correa, USMCR.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army

1. Attached is original and four copies of subject recommendation.

2. Major Correa, now an officer in USMCR and on duty in the Office of the Secretary of the Navy, was formerly a Captain in the AUS-CAC, No. 0280074, and was assigned to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, during the period 31 March to 4 July 1944.

3. This recommendation was not submitted for consideration prior to 1 September 1945 for the reason that I had been informed by Brigadier General Hume that recommendation for award had been submitted to Major General Johnson, C. G. RAAC. Information has just reached me to the effect that General Johnson was transferred to another theatre before a recommendation could be processed and that appropriate recognition of the meritorious achievement and service of Major Correa while assigned to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, has not been given. The delay in submitting the attached recommendation was unavoidable and not due to the negligence of any officer in this command.

4. It is requested that the attached recommendation be approved and transmitted to C. G. MTOUSA with above explanation for delay.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
Recommendation for Award of BSM
dated 12 October, 1945.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

File: 200.6
x-201-Correa, Mathias Frank (O)

13 October 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Bronze Star Medal

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army
(Through 2675th Regiment, APO 394, U. S. Army)

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, it is recommended that Mathias Frank Correa, Major, USMCR, now on duty in the Office of the Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C., formerly Captain CAC, Serial No. 0280074, AUS 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Italy), be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement and service with the Allied Commission in connection with military operations in Italy from 31 March 1944 to 4 July 1944.

2. In March 1944 Major Correa (then Captain AUS) was given the responsibility by Allied Military Government of prosecuting black-market criminals in Naples. He planned and organized the AMG Black-Market Control Unit, consisting of a small allied staff and over one hundred Italian investigators. Black-Market gangs were well organized and were operated by some of Naples' worst racketeers. Large quantities of allied property had been stolen and was being sold at fantastic prices. The situation was most critical. It required hard work, sacrifice of time, great skill and courageous action in the face of real danger to break up and impede these unlawful activities of desperate criminals.

3. Major Correa directed the AMG Black-Market Control Unit and worked directly with CID and the Military Police. In April 1944 more than 5,000 black-market cases were tried by the fourteen AMG military courts in Naples. During that period fines ranging from one million to twenty million lire were assessed each day. Thousands of black-market operators were given heavy jail sentences, among them some of the most notorious criminals in Naples. Major Correa demonstrated great resourcefulness, efficiency, professional talent and courage in accomplishing his mission. Due to his superior ability, outstanding devotion to duty and effective and cooperative work with CID and the Military Police, black-market operations in Naples area were materially reduced and impeded. His services contributed in a great measure to the re-establishment of law and order in an area most vital to our military operations.

4. In June 1944 upon the liberation of Rome, Major Correa was transferred to that city where he continued until 4 July 1944 to distinguish himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in connection with black-market control operations.

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Recommendation for Award of the Bronze Star Medal (Cont'd)

5. Major Correa deserves the award of the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement and service in a position of responsibility under most difficult conditions by performance of duty marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the usual. His service was clearly exceptional. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Major Correa in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States is in keeping with the highest traditions of the U. S. Army and reflects credit upon himself and on the organization to which he was then assigned.

6. The commanding officer of this award was Deputy Chief Commissioner and Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission (Italy) during the period in which the services referred to were rendered. The commanding officer has personal knowledge of the meritorious achievement and service rendered by Major Correa.

7. The entire subsequent service of Major Correa since the performance of the acts and services has been honorable.

8. The commanding officer of this award has no knowledge of any other decorations which have been awarded to Major Correa.

9. Proposed citation attached as Inclosure 1.

By Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl: Proposed Citation
per para. 9.

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CITATION

for

THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL

Major Mathias Frank Correa, USMCR, Office of the Secretary of the Navy, formerly Captain CAC, Army of the United States, Serial No. 0280074, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Italy), for meritorious achievement and service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States in Italy from 31 March to 4 July 1944. As Director of the AMG Black-Market Control Unit and Chief Prosecutor of the black-market criminals in Naples, with a small Allied staff and approximately 100 Italian investigators, he organized and placed in operation an effective law enforcement program which resulted in the conviction of several thousand racketeers. Black-market gangs headed by hardened criminals were well organized. Large quantities of Allied property were being stolen and sold at fantastic prices. Great skill, determination and courageous action in the face of real danger were required to break up and impede the work of these desperate criminals. Working with CID and the Military Police, Major Correa directed the activities of his unit with great efficiency, professional talent and courage. In April 1944 more than 5,000 black-market cases were tried by the AMG courts in Naples. Thousands of convictions were obtained, a number of the most notorious criminals in Naples received heavy jail sentences, and fines amounting to millions of lire were collected. The superior ability, outstanding devotion to duty and effective and cooperative work with CID and the Military Police, demonstrated by Major Corea, contributed in a great measure to the re-establishment of law and order in both Naples and Rome, both of which areas were most vital to our military operations. He distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service in a position of responsibility under most difficult conditions by performance of duty marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the usual. His distinguished service contributed to the Allied war effort. Entered the United States military service from New York City, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

AGH/mc

13 October 1945

AG 201-P-Menapace, Robert B. (Off)

Subject: Award of Foreign Decoration.

To : The Adjutant General, Attention: Decorations and Awards Branch, Munitions Building, Washington 25, D. C.

The Theater Commander has concurred in the acceptance of the indicated foreign decorations to the following individual(s) and notation of such award(s) is requested in accordance with paragraph 35, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943. The document conferring the award is identified in each instance.

Colonel Robert B. Menapace, 0169581, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Grand Officer, Order of the Crown of Italy, per letter of The Office of Lt. General of The Realm, dated 5 June 1945.

For the Theater Commander:

H. C. HYNES
Capt., Inf.
Actg Asst Adj General

cc to:
Chief Commissioner, AC
thru: CO, Hq Comd, AF.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Ward B. Carpenter Jr.
~~Ward B. Carpenter, Jr.~~
1st Lt Inf

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200.6
x-201-Upjohn, Gerald R. (Off)
(13 Oct 45) 1st Ind. CMP/pf
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394,
U. S. Army, 26 October 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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200.6
X-201-Unjohn, Gerald Ritchie (C)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Gerald Ritchie Unjohn, 99694, Brigadier, Welsh Guards, British Army, formerly on duty with the Allied Control Commission and now returned to Great Britain for release, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 November 1943 to 21 August 1945.

2. Brigadier Unjohn served as the Legal Adviser to the Chief Commissioner of Allied Control Comission from 10 November 1943 to 29 June 1944. He gave his sound legal advice to the Chief Commissioner in the myriad legal problems of the Commission, reducing to a minimum, by his tactful skill, the judicial deadlocks incident to a delicate situation. He further functioned as legal mentor to Sections and Sub-Commissions of Allied Control Commission during the same period and, in short, prepared all legal documents required by the Allied Control Commission. This officer's sagacious supervision of Allied Military Courts in Military and Italian Government Territories comprises an inestimable contribution to the reputation, integrity and impartial justice which Allied jurisprudence presently enjoys in the opinion of the Italian populace. His overseeing and guidance of work of the Italian courts and their judicial personnel has been a valuable asset in the vindication of the Allied cause and a demonstration of the sincerity of our intentions toward the Italian Nation. The present smoothness of function in which the Legal Sub-Commission rejoices is in great measure due to this officer's unceasing application to his duty.

3. To appreciate the chaos from which Brigadier Unjohn evolved order it requires mention that when he assumed the post of Chief Legal Officer the Commission was in a highly experimental state. No precedents existed to serve as criteria. The personnel had little or no experience in the realm of military government. The Italian Courts were closed and their personnel were absent. Transport was virtually non-existent, records had been destroyed, witnesses had been dispersed and even the Court rooms had been in great part damaged or demolished. Allied Military Courts had to be created from the ground up and circumstances precluded the obtaining of trained or qualified personnel. The people were demoralized and had lost faith in such institutions, hence had to be indoctrinated by example with an entirely new conception of justice by the representatives of the system which they had been taught for so many years to regard with distrust.

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4. Brigadier Upjohn became the Vice-President of the Civil Affairs Section of the Allied Control Commission on 29 June 1944. From that date he was responsible for the control and guidance of the Legal, Public Health, Public Safety, Local Government, Education, Monuments and Fine Arts and Property Control Sub-Commissions. Later the Property Control Sub-Commission was transferred to become a division of the Finance Sub-Commission. Displaced Persons and Patriots Sections became functions of the Civil Affairs Section which was also responsible for supervising defascistization, mine clearance and primary restoration in devastated areas.

5. He was largely responsible for sending an officer to France to study the French methods of dealing with collaborators, for arranging for the Italian Government to pass the legislation setting up Special Courts of Assize in North Italy and for the drawing up of General Order 35, providing machinery for the removal of Fascists from offices in North Italy, two matters which were of very material importance in the maintenance of law and order in the North. Under his guidance, Patriot Dispersal Centers were set up through which 2,000 patriots passed and were disarmed. He is largely responsible for the preparations for restoring the police services in North Italy and for the plans, for reorganizing, reclothing and reequipping the police forces which have so ably assisted in the return of the North to more normal conditions and in the relatively rapid reduction of crimes. He has been a constant adviser on legal matters in discussions with the Italian Government on proposed legislation, on the preparation of Allied Military Government orders and proclamations and on negotiations for, and the preparation of, documents in connection with the return of territory to the Italian Administration. He has been the advisor of the Commission on International Law and on questions of the bilingual and disputed frontier regions including the line of demarcation between the Allied Yugoslav areas of administration.

6. Brigadier Upjohn has been closely connected with the installation of a democratic system of local government, the formation of the Constituent and Consultative Councils, the preparation of the electoral lists and the preparations for the first democratic elections. Under his supervision the difficult period of transition from the chaos of CLN administration to an orderly system of local government has been achieved in Northern Italy. Under his guidance the text books of Italy have been purged of Fascist matter and the schools and universities of Italy have been cleansed of Fascist professors and teachers. Hundreds of ancient

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buildings damaged by the war have been protected or repaired, thousands of looted pictures or other treasures of inestimable value have been traced, safeguarded and restored to their owners. It was largely due to his planning and energy that the inhabitants of the devastated areas passed through last winter with such a low death rate. Shelter, blankets, clothing and food were organized and stock piles were built up in areas which would be cut off by snow. Throughout the entire period of his service in this capacity the Public Health Service has been such that there have been no large epidemics. The hospital services and medical supply services of the Italian Government have been reorganized and new ideas and methods in Italian welfare services have been inaugurated. A mine clearance service was started and then handed over to the Italian Government after large areas had been cleared of mines. He has been largely concerned with the progress of defascistization during this period of office. Some hundred decrees on this subject have been passed and he has caused numerous other instructions to be issued in Allied Military Government Territory. He has been concerned with the machinery which has set up over three hundred trial tribunals in Italian Government Territory and a complete Allied Military Government defascistization system in Northern Italy.

7. Throughout his entire period of service, Brigadier Upjohn has displayed the highest type of initiative, leadership, resourcefulness, tireless energy and outstanding devotion to duty which exemplifies the highest traditions of the British Army and in turn reflects great credit upon himself and his organization.

8. At the time of his assignment to Allied Military Government the officer was a Colonel; promoted to Brigadier in June 1944. He has occupied the positions of Chief Legal Advisor to the Chief Commissioner, Director of the Legal Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission and Vice-President of the then Administrative Section, now the Civil Affairs Section, Headquarters Allied Commission. He held this last assignment until 21 August 1945 when he was returned to the United Kingdom for release from the service.

9. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Brigadier Upjohn. The entire subsequent services of Brigadier Upjohn have been honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous American decorations.

11. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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7. Throughout his entire period of service, Brigadier Upjohn has displayed the highest type of initiative, leadership, resourcefulness, tireless energy and outstanding devotion to duty which exemplifies the highest traditions of the British Army and in turn reflects great credit upon himself and his organization.

8. At the time of his assignment to Allied Military Government the officer was a Colonel; promoted to Brigadier in June 1944. He has occupied the positions of Chief Legal Advisor to the Chief Commissioner, Director of the Legal Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission and Vice-President of the then Administrative Section, now the Civil Affairs Section, Headquarters Allied Commission. He held this last assignment until 21 August 1945 when he was returned to the United Kingdom for release from the service.

9. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Brigadier Upjohn. The entire subsequent services of Brigadier Upjohn have been honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous American decorations.

11. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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PROPOSED CITATION

Brigadier Gerald Ritchie Upjohn, 99894, Welsh Guards, British Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from September 1943 to 21 August 1945. As Chief Legal Officer, Director of the Legal Sub-Commission and Legal Adviser to the Chief Commissioner and the Sub-Commissions and Sections of Headquarters Allied Control Commission, Brigadier Upjohn, besides advising the Allied Control Commission in all legal aspects relating to its administration of Italy and Allied Military Government territory, reconstituted the entire system of civil jurisprudence which had been entirely disrupted by the defeat of the Fascist system. This officer's accomplishments are the more remarkable in that the conditions inhibiting the performance were exceedingly numerous and there were lacking any precedents to which recourse might be had for the guidance of jurists in ordinary circumstances. Through his own sound performance he has established a model for procedure in the immediate future which will inevitably facilitate our operations of an analagous nature in other theatres of current operations. As the Vice-President of the Civil Affairs Section, Allied Commission, since late June 1944, his control and guidance of seven of the most important Sub-Commissions of Allied Control Commission has resulted in the installation of a democratic system of local Italian Government, the preparation of electoral lists and the preparation for the first democratic elections. Under his guidance, text books and schools have been purged of Fascism, monuments and ancient structures have been protected or repaired and refugees and inhabitants of badly devastated areas have been properly cared for. By his diligence, initiative, tact, sound judgment, outstanding ability and untiring efforts, Brigadier Upjohn has made a great contribution to the successful completion of the Allied cause. He has, by these characteristics, indicated the highest traditions of the British Army and has reflected upon himself and his organization the greatest of credit. Entered the British Army from Peterborough, England.

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PROPOSED CITATION

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200.6
x-201-Long, Walter J. (Off)
(12 Oct 45)

1st Ind. CMP/jtg

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVHD), APO 394, US Army,
26 October 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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200.6
x-201-Legg, Walter J. (O)

12 October 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : The Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Walter John Legg, 115815, Colonel, Royal Army Service Corps, British Army, formerly on duty with Headquarters Allied Control Commission, now returned to Great Britain for release, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 November 1943 to 20 August 1945.

2. As Director of the Food Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Colonel Legg was responsible for the planning, supervision and execution of Commission policies and activities in connection with the supply of food to occupied Italy. At the time, Colonel Legg assumed his assignment, warehousing was not under the jurisdiction of the Food Sub-Commission. Port operations were also under the control of another section of the Headquarters. Allied Military Government's reputation with port authorities was at a low ebb as a result of initial improper management of movement of Allied Military Government supplies from the port to warehouse to final distribution of food throughout liberated Italy, and with a great display of initiative, he undertook the responsibility of organizing port warehousing and of acting as liaison with the Naples Port authorities. He placed warehousing and distribution on a highly efficient basis. Warehouse methods showed immediate improvement and all supplies were dispatched from vessels transporting them in short order. As a result of the system established by Colonel Legg the reputation of the efficiency of military government port and warehousing authorities improved to such an extent that this particular branch of military government operations reached the highest level of attainment of any individual effort of the organization. In October 1944, Colonel Legg turned over entire responsibility for warehousing to Transportation Sub-Commission and as a result of his sound initial planning the entire operation was placed on an efficient basis. The Sub-Commission's policies not only covered the handling of these supplies as outlined but also concerned the examination of policies and their implementation with respect to locally produced food.

3. Colonel Legg was confronted with a serious and never wholly relieved shortage of transport, a widespread and vicious black market, a strong opposition to the unsung program, a shortage of personnel and the prior demands of the fighting forces for shipping space. He showed no regard for his own personal safety, traveling through the Anzio beachhead during the height of that operation to gain first-hand knowledge of the food problems being faced not only by Allied troops but by civilians and refugees in the besieged area.

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12 October 1945

200.6
x-201-Legg, Walter J. (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : The Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Walter John Legg, 125865, Colonel, Royal Army Service Corps, British Army, formerly on duty with Headquarters Allied Control Commission, now returned to Great Britain for release, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 16 November 1943 to 20 August 1945.

2. As Director of the Food Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Colonel Legg was responsible for the planning, supervision and execution of Commission policies and activities in connection with the supply of food to occupied Italy. At the time, Colonel Legg assumed his assignment, warehousing was not under the jurisdiction of the Food Sub-Commission. Port operations were also under the control of another section of the Headquarters. Allied Military Government's reputation with port authorities was at a low ebb as a result of initial improper employment of movement of Allied Military Government supplies from the port to warehouse to final distribution of food throughout liberated Italy, and with a great display of initiative, he undertook the responsibility of organizing port warehousing and of setting up liaison with the Naples Port authorities. He placed warehousing and distribution on a highly efficient basis. Warehouse methods showed immediate improvement and all supplies were dispatched from vessels transporting them in short order. As a result of the system established by Colonel Legg the reputation of the efficiency of military government port and warehousing authorities improved to such an extent that this particular branch of military government operations reached the highest level of attainment of any individual effort of the organization. In October 1944, Colonel Legg turned over entire responsibility for warehousing to Transportation Sub-Commission and as a result of his sound initial planning the entire operation was placed on an efficient basis. The Sub-Commission's policies not only covered the handling of these supplies as outlined but also concerned the enunciation of policies and their implementation with respect to locally produced food.

3. Colonel Legg was confronted with a serious and never wholly relieved shortage of transport, a widespread and vicious black market, a strong opposition to the rationing program, a shortage of personnel and the prior demands of the fighting forces for shipping space. He showed no regard for his own personal safety, traveling through the Anzio beachhead during the height of that operation to gain first-hand knowledge of the food problems being faced not only by Allied troops but by civilians and refugees in the besieged area.

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4. To the solution of these problems Colonel Legg brought an ability to organize, far above the average tact, understanding and humor. He worked long hours requiring nothing of his subordinates that he himself had not already done. The thoroughness of his planning and the accuracy of his execution in carrying out his assigned mission - that of feeding a war torn and impoverished Italy - is borne out by the superior results achieved by the organization which he built virtually single-handed. In the course of solving the myriad problems of food supply and distribution it was necessary for him to establish warehousing units, organize transportation methods and at all times guard against the ever present danger of theft and pilferage. In all of this he succeeded with a handful of Allied personnel who were willing but in most cases untrained for the task.

5. The growth of the activities of the organization built by Colonel Legg has been of tremendous value. Frequently the enemy, in withdrawing from a city, had left it without food and the populace was all but starving. In every such case, by his skillful advanced planning and faultless execution, trucks loaded with essential food stuffs were ready to move in virtually upon the heels of advancing Allied Troops. In addition, thousands of tons of valuable shipping space were saved to the war effort by the use of every available local resource in food stuffs. The effect on the people of Italy has been an important one - saving life and sustaining morale. The effect on the progress of combat operations has been invaluable - saving for the fighting forces the operational stores of food necessary for the troops and insuring uninterrupted lines of communication by reason of a peaceful civil population.

6. Colonel Legg's outstanding leadership, initiative, resourcefulness and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

7. At the time of the officer's assignment to Allied Control Commission and Allied Military Government, he was a Colonel. He occupied the position of Director of the Food Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission throughout the entire period. He was relieved from further assignment and duty with this organization on 29 August 1945, and was returned to Great Britain under British War Ministry Release Group Policies for release to civilian life.

8. The commanding officer of this ward has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Colonel Legg.

9. All subsequent services of Colonel Legg were honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous American decorations.

11. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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Chief Commissioner

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8. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Colonel Legg.

9. All subsequent services of Colonel Legg were honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous American decorations.

11. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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PROPOSED CITATION

Colonel Walter John Legg, 115885, Royal Army Service Corps, British Army, formerly on duty with Headquarters Allied Commission for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 15 November 1943 to 29 August 1945. As Director of the Food Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission, Colonel Legg was responsible for the planning, supervision and execution of Commission policies and activities in connection with the supply of food to liberated Italy. He assumed the responsibility of placing port warehousing and distribution on a sound operating basis and offered himself as liaison with the Naples Port authorities to work out sound and efficient operating procedures. He showed a complete disregard for his personal safety, oftentimes going into fields exposed to strong enemy fire, to acquaint himself with the food problems being faced by both Allied troops and civilians and refugees. The Sub-Commission's responsibilities covered not only the warehousing and distribution of all imported foodstuffs but the enunciation of policies and their implementation with respect to the locally produced foods. Though confronted with a serious and never wholly relieved shortage of transport, a widespread and vicious black market, serious opposition to amassing programs, shortage of personnel and the prior demands of the fighting forces for shipping space, this officer, through his outstanding leadership, high degree of technical skill, perseverance and cheerful cooperative attitude, succeeded in establishing warehousing units, organizing transportation methods, feeding a hungry populace and contributing in the highest degree to the successful prosecution of the Allied War Effort in Italy. His outstanding devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Army and reflects great credit upon himself, his organization and Allied Military Government. Entered the British Armed Forces from Bognor-Regis, Sussex, England.

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ENCLOSED CITATION

Colonel Walter John Legg, 11[illegible], Royal Army Service Corps, British Army, formerly on duty with Headquarters Allied Commission for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 23 November 1943 to 29 August 1945. As Director of the Food Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission, Colonel Legg was responsible for the planning, supervision and execution of Commission policies and activities in connection with the supply of food to liberated Italy. He assumed the responsibility of placing port warehousing and distribution on a sound operating basis and offered himself as liaison with the Italian Port Authorities to work out sound and efficient operating procedures. He showed a complete disregard for his personal safety, oftentimes going into fields exposed to strong enemy fire, to acquaint himself with the food problems being faced by both Allied troops and civilians and refugees. The Sub-Commission's responsibilities covered not only the warehousing and distribution of all imported foodstuffs but the examination of policies and their implementation with respect to the locally produced foods. Though confronted with a serious and never wholly relieved shortage of transport, a widespread and vicious black market, serious opposition to planning programs, shortage of personnel and the prior demands of the fighting forces for shipping space, this officer, through his outstanding leadership, high degree of technical skill, perseverance and cheerful cooperative attitude, succeeded in establishing warehousing units, organizing transportation methods, feeding a hungry populace and contributing, in the highest degree to the successful prosecution of the Allied War Effort in Italy. His outstanding devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Army and reflects great credit upon himself, his organization and Allied Military Government. Entered the British Armed Forces from Bognor-Regis, Sussex, England.

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x-201-Hancock, Arthur N. (Off)
(12 Oct 45)

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HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVHD), APO 394, US Army,
26 October 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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12 October 1945

290.6
X-201-Hancock, Arthur Neville (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit

TO : The Commanding General MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Arthur Neville Hancock 190912, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel and Major), Intelligence Corps, British Army be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 May 1943 to 31 August 1945.

2. Colonel Hancock joined Allied Military Government from the Middle East as a Major. He served in Sicily as Administrative officer of Sicilia Region (then AMGOT Sicily) in May 1943. He was appointed Regional Commissioner of Sicilia Region on 6 February 1944 and held that position until the Region's inactivation on 13 August 1944. He performed with the most commendable proficiency the direction of civil affairs in an area which even in normal times of peace has presented considerable difficulties of administration. It was his lot to supervise the affairs of this island during the critical period between its liberation by the United Nations forces and the time of its return to the Italian Government. Faced with demands for autonomy and even separatism on the part of various ardent factions, he admirably maintained that delicate balance which has forestalled any plausible acquisition of interference in domestic politics beyond those prescribed by military needs on the part of the Allied Nations. His adherence to our declared policy of maintaining order until such time as a completely liberated Italy might settle her own internal affairs was accomplished in the face of trials and difficulties unequaled since the Napoleonic wars of nearly a century ago.

3. Furthermore, Colonel Hancock effected the harvesting of wheat and other agricultural crops within his territory in a fashion which has enabled the island to contribute materially to the supplying, not only of itself, but also of the Italian peninsula with many commodities indispensible to its economy which at this time could not have been fetched from other sources. He accomplished these attainments with a tact and sympathy which an overwhelming majority of the population under his authority must concede, comprising a minimum of coercion and an edifying example of the methods and philosophy of democratic institutions.

4. After his release from Sicilia Region, Colonel Hancock was appointed the Acting Regional Commissioner of Lombardia Region on 1 September 1944 and occupied that position until March 1945 when Colonel Charles Poletti was appointed the Regional Commissioner. He was then appointed the Deputy Regional Commissioner, serving in an important post requiring the experience

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12 October 1945

200.6
X-201-Hancock, Arthur Neville (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit

TO : The Commanding General MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Arthur Neville Hancock 180912, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel and Major), Intelligence Corps, British Army be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 May 1943 to 31 August 1945.

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3. Furthermore, Colonel Hancock effected the harvesting of wheat and other agricultural crops within his territory in a fashion which has enabled the Italian to contribute materially to the supplying, not only of itself, but also of the Italian peninsula with many commodities indispensible to its economy which at this time could not have been fetched from other sources. He accomplished these attainments with a tact and sympathy which an overwhelming majority of the population under his authority must concede, comprising a minimum of coercion and an edifying example of the methods and philosophy of democratic institutions.

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12 October 1945

200.6
X-201-Hancock, Arthur Neville (1)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit

TO : The Commanding General MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Arthur Neville Hancock 180912, Colonel, (then Lieutenant Colonel and Major), Intelligence Corps, British Army be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 May 1943 to 31 August 1945.

2. Colonel Hancock joined Allied Military Government from the Middle East as a Major. He served in Sicily as Administrative officer of Sicilia Region (then AMGOT Sicily) in May 1943. He was appointed Regional Commissioner of Sicilia Region on 6 February 1944 and held that position until the Region's inactivation on 13 August 1944. He performed with the most commendable proficiency the direction of civil affairs in an area which even in normal times of peace has presented considerable difficulties of administration. It was his lot to supervise the affairs of this island during the critical period between its liberation by the United Nations forces and the time of its return to the Italian Government. Faced with demands for autonomy and even separatism on the part of various ardent factions, he admirably maintained that delicate balance which has forestalled any plausible acquisition of interference in domestic politics beyond those prescribed by military needs on the part of the Allied Nations. His adherence to our declared policy of maintaining order until such time as a completely liberated Italy might settle her own internal affairs was accomplished in the face of trials and difficulties unequaled since the Napoleonic wars of nearly a century ago.

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4. After his release from Sicilia Region, Colonel Hancock was appointed the Acting Regional Commissioner of Lombardia Region on 1 September 1944 and occupied that position until March 1945 when Colonel Charles Poletti was appointed the Regional Commissioner. He was then appointed the Deputy Regional Commissioner, serving in an important post requiring the experience

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and tact which had enabled him to accomplish his mission in Sicily some months before. His name belongs to that small group of Allied officers who are closely related with the vital history of Allied Military Government from the training schools in Africa to the final phases in Northern Italy. When the time came for planning the occupation of Northern Italy and setting into operation the forces of liberation and restoration, Colonel Hancock moved into his new office and commenced the planning for the Allied Military Government of the industrial and agricultural part of Northern Italy. In April of 1945, Northern Italy commenced to fall before the onslaught of the Allied Armies and Colonel Hancock moved in with the rest of his Regional personnel on the heels of the advancing troops and established headquarters in Milan. Colonel Hancock is one of the few surviving members of an Allied combination that has exemplified the promise and fulfillment to hundreds of thousands of Italians from Southern Italy to the Swiss border. No other officer better merits the respect and affection of the many hundreds of officers and men, both American and British, whom he has led to the successful accomplishment of the Allied Military Government mission. The problems he has faced in civil administration, refugees, transportation, food, clothing, housing, trials of criminals and the care of the sick, aged and infirm have been innumerable. Suffice to say that his record of sound and cooperative administration has been one of the greatest in the successful completion of the Military Government mission.

5. Colonel Hancock's inspiring leadership and unselfish and outstanding devotion to duty exemplify the high traditions of the British Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

6. The officer joined Allied Military Government in Chrea, North Africa, on 11 May 1943 as a Major and has been subsequently promoted to Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel. He occupied the positions of Administrative Officer, Sicilia Region, Regional Commissioner, Sicilia Region, Acting Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region and Deputy Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region. He presently holds the position of the Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region.

7. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Colonel Hancock.

8. All subsequent service of Colonel Hancock has been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous American awards.

10. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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8. All subsequent service of Colonel Hancock has been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous American awards.

10. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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KILKEY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Proposed citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Colonel Arthur Neville Hancock, (then Lieutenant Colonel and Major), 150912, Intelligence Corps, British Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 May 1943 to 31 August 1944. As Administrative Officer and finally Regional Commissioner of Sicilia Region, Allied Military Government, Colonel Hancock gave his benevolent guidance to the Island of Sicily through the difficult interim between its liberation by Allied Forces and the present time, settling all sectional disputes which were disruptive of the peace of the Mediterranean area and gave his efforts toward the successful culmination of the United Nations military operations. He held in abeyance those factors which would presently materially seek to impose, in arbitrary fashion, a form of society not demonstrable to the majority of the people in the present circumstances and produced from a war ravaged country the necessities to nourish in considerable part a mainland prostrated by the struggle for liberation. Having concluded his assignment in Sicily, he became the Acting Regional Commissioner, and later the Deputy Regional Commissioner, of Lombardia Region, Allied Military Government. He lent his wide experience, sound judgment and wise direction toward the formulation of plans for initial occupation of Northern Italy and placed these plans into execution at the time that Lombardia Region commenced the carrying out of its mission. His astute guidance in the problems of transportation, housing, food, clothing and the care of refugees, aged, sick and infirm have given much toward the appreciation of the Italian people for its aid by the Allied Nations during the critical period of the fighting in Italy. His outstanding contribution toward the success of the war effort marks one of the highest milestones in successful completion of burdensome tasks. His inspiring leadership and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service of Great Britain from Derby, England.

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PROPOSED CITATION

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12 October 1945

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x-201-Lapper, Wilfred Mark (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : The Commanding General MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Wilfred Mark Lapper, 294812, Lieutenant Colonel, General List, British Army, formerly on duty with Headquarters Allied Control Commission, now returned to Great Britain for release from the service, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10 November 1943 to 8 August 1945.

2. When Lieutenant Colonel Lapper joined Allied Military Government and Allied Control Commission on 10 November 1943, he was appointed a Deputy Director of the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission and Chief of the Electrical Division which post he held until 2 March 1945. On 3 March 1945 he was appointed the Deputy Director of the Sub-Commission which position he held until his release, on 8 August 1945, for return to England for release from the service. As head of the Electrical Division of the Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper was faced with virtually complete cessation of electric power production in Sicily and in Central, Southern and Northern Italy. Coupled with the partial paralysis of the large power companies, through lack of personnel and enemy war damage to the extent of nearly 90%, he successfully undertook to restore and implement these facilities to a degree where they now function to an extent that would be difficult to conceive as possible were it not for tangible evidence. By reason of his energy, powers of concentration and organizing ability, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper had restored the electrical utilities of liberated Italy so that not only were the essential power needs of the Fifth and Eighth Armies adequately supplied but civilian requirements such as lighting, the operation of trams, the functioning of cinemas and other concomitants of civilized life are now enjoyed to a degree which could not have been reasonably expected eighteen months ago.

3. As the plants and transmission lines of the six principal power companies were restored to operation the need for the pooling and control of these facilities became apparent, principally to insure that the electricity needed for military and essential civilian needs was efficiently and properly distributed. Heretofore the companies had operated practically independently of each other. The bringing together of these companies required diplomacy and tact in order to overcome old established customs and prejudices and to develop an attitude of mutual help and cooperation. Accordingly, on 20 January 1945, a temporary Master Control with a staff

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of eight persons was established in Rome, first at Allied Commission Headquarters and later in the main office of the Societa Romana di Elettricita. The area affected by this control now extends from the Volturno River to a line north of Florence. The combining of these companies presented unusual technical difficulties, the most important of which was frequency. Some systems operated at 42, some at 45, and some at 50 cycles. The personnel and equipment of the Engineering Laboratory of the University of Rome were enlisted to make scientific tests to determine the effect of the frequency on customers' meters, motors, and the delicate control and precision apparatus used by the company to protect and safeguard the generation and transmission of power. Under the Master Control and Central Grid all systems now operate at 50 cycles which permits the importation of a large block of power in Northern Italy. By the end of 1948, Southern Italy will be well on the way to conversion to 50 cycle power, thereby making all of Italy and the adjacent islands operate under one standard, with the exception of some industrial areas in the north which will take a longer time to convert. Four distinct advantages will accrue from this standardization:

(a) The European continent is largely 50 cycle frequency.

(b) It prepares the way for the ready interchange of power between Northern Italy, Southern Italy, and Sicily through a super-grid transmission system which is contemplated for Italy.

(c) It eliminates large investments in equipment required to change frequencies under past methods.

(d) It permits the manufacture of electricity producing and consuming devices that will be of one standard and can be used in Italy and Europe at a great saving in production and cost to the ultimate consumer.

4. Lieutenant Colonel Lapper was not satisfied with an outstanding effort in the control and standardization of electric power but further gave of his initiative and direction in the establishment of electric power generating plants. All of the important generating plants in Central and Southern Italy utilized large machinery which had been manufactured in Northern Italy and Switzerland. The need for electric power was so great, especially in Central Italy, that emergency measures had to be taken to meet the situation. The Terni Steel Works, the Naval Mechanic Works and other companies were directed to fabricate patterns, cast metal and machine large iron and steel castings that had never been attempted by them before. Parts of blasted machines were measured, blue prints were prepared and new parts were manufactured. Small shops such as the M. A. T. E. R. Works in Rome and the Coridini Wire Drawing Works in Naples were enlisted in rewinding damaged transformers, generators and other electrical equipment. The enemy demolition program contemplated destruction to the extent that at least two years would be required to restore the plants to normal operation. As a result of these emergency measures nearly 25% of the electric generating facilities were restored in only one year's time in spite of numerous difficulties of obtaining transportation, skilled workmen, repair materials and supplies. The most outstanding example of Lieutenant Colonel Lapper's direction and accomplishments

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is the Galletto Plant at Terni which has a capacity of 140,000 KW, 108,000 of which are now in operation supplying Central Italy with electric power and an assurance that the balance will be ready for operation in October 1945.

5. In addition to restoring the power and his direction in arranging for a completely overhauled system, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper also looked to the utility rates system so that an established system could be set up to cover all of Italy. All of the electric, gas and water utility companies were facing serious financial difficulties from loss of income and mounting operating costs when Allied Military Government and Allied Commission were established in Italy. Accordingly, under his guidance and supervision, a formula was developed early in 1944 whereby surcharges for limited periods were authorized, permitting the companies to collect sufficient revenue to continue operations. The principles which were developed at that time are now used by the Interministerial Price Committee of the Italian Government providing temporary financial relief to the utility companies throughout Italy.

6. Early in 1944 the need for the control of the use of electric power in Southern Italy was apparent in order to conserve this vital natural resource for operating many factories doing work for the military forces in anticipation of the campaigns of 1944 and 1945. The plans affected included steel works, cement plants, hemp mills, truck, tank and ordnance repair shops, as well as the electric railroad operating between Naples and Foggia which transported military supplies and thousands of military personnel. Steep grades and unventilated tunnels required the use of electric locomotives rather than the coal burning type. Electrification in this area also permitted the release of steam locomotives for use in other parts of Italy. In addition, to insure adequate power supplies for essential civilian needs, such as food processing, food production, irrigation, water pumping and many other institutions which were dependent upon electricity for continued operation, this program was immediately and vitally necessary. Accordingly, under Lieutenant Colonel Lapper's direction and supervision, Royal Decree No. 95, entitled "Regulations for Limiting the Use of Electric Energy" was signed by the King of Italy on 3 April 1944 and was published and became the law of the land on 5 April 1944. This Decree established civilian committees on a provincial basis and a national coordinating committee to the satisfaction of the Government then located in Palermo. As further territory was liberated, additional provincial committees were formed and are operating at the present time. The committee for Rome Province regulates the use of the power in this metropolis at the present time. These committees are maintained at all times and provide a means for exercising necessary controls in areas where power shortages develop and can be used by the Italian Government after the Allies have left the area when it becomes necessary for such control units to regulate the flow of utilities.

7. In order to assist and advise the Italian Government on the electric power industry, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper recognized the need for coordinating committees, composed of power company engineers. Accordingly the technical representatives of the companies in Central Italy were called together on 1 February 1945 under his chairmanship. In successive order, similar area committees were formed for Sardinia, Sicily, Southern

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Italy and Northern Italy. By 27 July 1945 the National Advisory Committee was formed and held its first meeting. Membership in this committee was composed of selected representatives from the area committees and members of the Ministry of Public Works. The individual committees and the national organization provided an organized method to exchange ideas on how best to accomplish the electrical rehabilitation program, select those plants and lines linking the respective company systems together to form unified grids and interchange of power, establish priority in which plants and lines were to be repaired, arrange for the interchange and loan between companies of needed equipment, transformers, instruments and repair supplies, and provided the Italian Government with the needs of utility companies with respect to finance, fuel supplies, transport and equipment.

6. In a further display of sound judgment, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper furnished the partisans in the Po Valley, prior to Allied operations in the spring of 1945, selected lists of power plants which were considered vital to the power supply of Northern Italy in order that the enemy would be unable to devastate the utilities companies to the extent he had done in Central and Southern Italy. The measure of success accomplished by the partisans in their protection of these plants was never definitely determined except that not over 10% of the generating capacity of Northern Italy was lost in operation. Part of the 10% was due to aerial attacks and combat operations in the vicinity of the organization.

7. Throughout his entire period of service, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper has displayed the highest qualities of sound and authoritative direction. He has displayed a high degree of initiative, resourcefulness and energy in the accomplishment of the return of utilities to a normal pre-war basis and to a basis which could be considered an almost 100% improvement over previous methods. He gave of his time and knowledge unselfishly so that all this could be accomplished. His outstanding devotion to duty and the energy he has displayed reflect the finest traditions of the British Army and bring great credit upon himself and his organization.

10. Lieutenant Colonel Lapper held the same grade at the time he joined Allied Military Government in November 1943. He has occupied the positions of Chief of the Electrical Division, Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission and of Deputy Director of the Branch. He was the Deputy Director of the Sub-Commission at the time of his release and return to Great Britain for discharge from the service on 8 August 1945.

11. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Colonel Lapper.

12. All subsequent services of Lieutenant Colonel Lapper have been honorable.

13. The officer has received no previous American decorations.

14. Proposed citation (see inclosure 1).

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15. Also enclosed herewith is a certified true copy of a first indorsement written by Major General D. McCoach Jr., who was then Chief Engineer of the Mediterranean Theatre of Operations, to the original recommendation written in August 1945.

KILBY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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First Indorsement

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Colonel Alfred Mark Lapper, 294812, General List British Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 10th November 1943 to 8 August 1945. In his capacity as Deputy Director and Head of the Electrical Division, Public Works and Utilities sub-commission, Headquarters Allied Control Commission, he successfully and in an incredibly short space of time evolved from the ruins of a war-wrecked power system and organization which in its advance component units now supplies adequate energy for the essential needs of the Allied Forces and the civilian populace and has returned to the civilian populace a semblance of normal living conditions insofar as they relate to the supply of electric power and utilities. Through his wise direction and good judgment, plants have been united in the production of a standard form of kilowatt lighting, machinery for the generation of power has been sent to replace that which was wrecked by the Germans in their systematic destruction of utilities as they retreated to the North. He has established organizations throughout the mainland of Italy and in Sicily and Sardinia for the control and allocation of power and electricity for the demands and operation of large industry, trade, and normal everyday necessities in power and electricity for the military forces and the civilian populace. He has displayed an initiative, resourcefulness and energy in the accomplishment of the return of utilities to normal pre-war basis and to a basis which can be considered an almost 100% improvement over previous methods. In giving of his time and knowledge unselfishly and through his inspiring leadership and outstanding devotion to duty, Lieutenant Colonel Lapper has displayed the finest traditions of the British Army and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the British Army from Manchester, England.

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1st Ind.

Hq. 6th Service Command, 20 N. Wacker Driver, Chicago 6, Ill. 30 Aug 45

TO: Commanding General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, APO 512
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York.

1. As Chief Engineer, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, from approximately 1 September 1944 to 14 May 1945, I exercised technical supervision over the activities of the Electrical Division, Public Works and Utilities Sub-Commission of the Allied Commission and was familiar with the work of Colonel Lapper during this period. I fully concur in the above recommendation.

D. McCOACH, Jr.
Major General, U.S. Army
Commanding

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

F. R. WERNUTH
CWO, USA

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(12 Oct 45) 1st Ind. CMP/pf
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394,
U. S. Army, 26 October 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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WAR DEPARTMENT
CIVIL AFFAIRS DIVISION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

12 October 1945

Rear Admiral Ellery W. Stone, USNR
Office of the Chief Commissioner
Headquarters Allied Commission
APO 394, c/o Postmaster
New York, N. Y.

Dear Admiral:

Upon receipt of your letter of 21 September, I communicated with the War Department Decoration Board concerning recommendations for awards for the British Officers shown on the list which you sent to me. I have been informed that the Board acted favorably on the recommendations for all officers shown on the list with the exception of Col. G. T. Johnson. Due to the fact that Col. Johnson was awarded the Bronze Star in September, I understand that the Board deferred decision on his case for the moment.

I hope that the action that I have taken is satisfactory to you. In the event I can do anything further, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Kindest regards and best wishes.

Sincerely,

J. H. HILLDRING
Major General
Director, Civil Affairs Division

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Translation

6297/A.G.

Rome, 10 October 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

I received with your letter of the 3rd inst. the list of the officers and other ranks of the American Armed Forces about which I asked for your opinion on the advisability of granting awards and Distinguished Service Crosses, under the procedure 'Motu Proprio'.

Thanking you for your kind answer, I want you to know that, according to your suggestion, I forwarded the list to General White, together with the letter of which I hereby enclose a copy, cancelling the names figuring on the enclosed note n. 1, for they haven't been mentioned by this office.

For your information, I went you to know that I also mentioned to General White the names of the officers which appear on enclosure n. 2, about whom I asked for your opinion in my letters n. 5034/ A.G. and 6099/A.G., respectively dated September 17th and 2nd inst.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

E. A. Infante

Admiral Ellery Stone
Chief Commissioner
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Translation

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6271/A.G. Rome, 10 October 1945

Dear General White,

In accordance with the agreements made with you and Admiral Stone, I hereby enclose two lists of officers and non commissioned officers of the American Army Forces to whom His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom has in mind to grant awards and distinguished Service Crosses, under the procedure 'Motu Proprio'.

I shall be most grateful if you kindly let me know your opinion on this matter, for the prince to act accordingly.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(General Adolfo Infante)

Major General H.C.WHITE
C.S.S.
A.C. of S.G-1

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List No. 1

OFFICERS AND NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS CANCELLED
FROM THE LIST SENT BY ADMIRAL STONE

Col. John K. MEYER

Order of Crown of Italy

Captain Oliver D. COMSTOCK

Officer Knight of the Order of Knights of St. Agatha

Captain Anthony SCALFIDI

Cavaliere delle Corone d'Italia

S/Sgt Eric STEIN

Order of Crown of Italy

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LIST N. 2

RANK	NAME & SURNAME	FUNCTION	AWARD PROPOSED
Lt. Col	KOHNZ Raynaud	Attached to Public Health S/C	Knight Off. Cor. Ital.
Major	STEARNS Lloyd W.	Chief of Admiral Stone's private Secretariat	" " " "
Captain	HUBBARD Francis W.	Medical Supply Office, Public Health S/C	Knight of the Crown of Ita
Captain	MASSA Guido	Regional postal officer for Lombardia	Knight Co. Ital.
Captain	MASTROIANNI Orizzonte	Attached to F.S. Sub/Com.	Knight of Cor. Ital.

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6297/A.G.

Roma, li 10 Ottobre 1945

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Caro Ammiraglio Stone,

ho ricevuto con la Sua lettera del 3 corrente l'elenco dei militari delle Forze Armate Americane per i quali avevo chiesto il Suo parere sulla opportunità di concedere "Motu Proprio" onorificenze cavalleresche e croci al merito di guerra.

Mentre La ringrazio per il cortese invio La informo che in seguito a Suo suggerimento ho trasmesso l'elenco stesso al Generale White con la lettera di cui unisco copia depennando i nomi che appaiono nell'annessa nota n.1 perchè non segnalati da quest'Ufficio.

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Per Sua notizia Le comunico inoltre di avere segnalato al Generale White i nomi degli Ufficiali di cui all'allegato n.2, sul conto dei quali avevo chiesto il Suo parere con mie lettere nn.5034/A.G. e 6099/A.G., rispettivamente del 17 Settembre e 2 corrente.

Mi è gradita l'occasione per inviarLe i miei cordiali saluti.

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

Rear Admiral Ellery STONE
Chief Commissioner
ROMA

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Roma, li 10 Ottobre 1945.

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Caro Generale White,

come da accordi intervenuti con Lei e con l'Ammira_
glio Stone, Le invio qui uniti due elenchi di Ufficiali
e Sottufficiali delle Forze Armate Americane ai quali Sua
Altezza Reale il Luogotenente Generale del Regno avrebbe
2 = in animo di conferire, motu Proprio, onorificenze cavalle_
sche e croci al merito di guerra.

Le sarò, pertanto, grato se per norma dell'Augusto Principe volesse esprimere il Suo parere al riguardo.

Le ringrazio anticipatamente e Le invio cordiali sa_
luti.

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

Major General M.G.WHITE
G.S.C.
A.C.of S. G-1
APO 512

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UFFICIO DEL CAPO AIUTANTE DI STATO MAGGIORE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

ELENCO N.I

UFFICIALI E SOTTUFFICIALI DEPENNATI DALL'ELENCO
INVIATO DALL'AMMIRAGLIO STONE

Col John K.WEBER	Order of Crown of Italy
Captain Oliver D. COMSTOCK	Officer Knight of the Order of Knights of St.Agatha
Captain Anthony SCAFIDI	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia
S/Sgt Eric STEIN	Order of Crown of Italy

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ELENCO N. 2

UFFICIO DEL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S. A. R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

G R A D O	COGNOME E NOME	INCARICO	ONORIFICENZA PROPOSTA
Ten.Col.	KENNY Raynaud	Ufficiale addetto alla Sottocommissione per la salute pubblica	Cav.Uff.Cor.Ital.
Maggiore	STEARNS Lloyd W.	Capo Segreterie particolare dell'Amm. Stone	" " "
Capitano	BUSHARD Francis W.	Ufficiale della Medical Supply Office Public-Heàl th Sub-Commision	Cavaliere Cor.It.
Capitano	ALASIA Guido	Regional Postal Officer della Lombardia.	Cavaliere Cor.It.
Capitano	MASTROIANNI Orizzonte	Addetto alla S.Commissione P.S.Alleata	Cavaliere Cor.It.

Roma, li 9 Ottobre 1945.

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Original letter from Hq AMG Naples Commune, Public Safety Division, dtd 9 Oct 45, subject: Acceptance of Award of Co-Belligerent Nation.

Order of the Crown of Italy, Degree of Cavaliere Ufficiale

Name: Major Franklin P. Luckman Jr., 0-901608
Chief Public Safety Officer, AMG Naples Commune

CC 511
x-201-Luckman, Franklin P. (Off)
(9 Oct 45) 3d Ind. EWS/dfe
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, ALLIED COMMISSION, APO 394, U.S. Army,
15 October 1945.

TO: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U.S. Army

Recommend approval.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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CC 511

9 October 1945

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Dear General Infante:

Thank you for your letter 6099/AG of 2nd October. As you have undoubtedly noted, my letter of the 3rd October summarized the action that had already been taken in regard to the recommendations received to date.

In brief, the following is the position:

a. The lists contained in your letters 5360/AG of 2nd September and 5404/AG of 4th September, were sent forward to Headquarters Command, Allied Force, on the 20th of September with my recommendation for approval.

b. Concerning your letter 5625/AG of 13th September, which inclosed a list of AC/AMG personnel which you had forwarded to Headquarters 5th Army, to facilitate action on the list and in view of 5th Army's de-activation, I have indicated my concurrence in your recommendations and Headquarters 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, is now processing this list in formal compliance with MTOUSA's directive on foreign decorations.

c. In regard to the proposals contained in your most recent letter, 6099/AG of 2nd October, I have recommended approval and I am having it processed in the normal manner through the American regiment.

As explained to your assistant, Colonel Ruggeri Laderchi, I would like to receive copies of your letters to MTOUSA in which you forward award recommendations on AC/AMG personnel; in that way I may better coordinate and expedite the action that is being taken through the official military channels.

Sincerely yours,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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General Adolfo Infante
First Aide-de-Camp General to HRH
the Lieutenant-General of the Realm
ROME

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cc: 2675 Regt.

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CC 511 8 October 1945

Subject: Recommendations for Italian Awards for Personnel of AMG 5th Army Submitted by General Infante on the 13th Sept 45.

To: Establisment Section

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1. This list was recently returned to you by Hq Command Allied Force for compliance with Section II of MTOUSA Circular No. 116 dated 25 Sep 45. The Chief Commissioner, after conference with General White, G-1 MTOUSA, desires that Regiment, as soon as they have prepared the necessary information and have it ready for Hq Command, send it to his office, so that he may attach a personal note addressed to the proper authorities at Hq Command Allied Force and to Hq MTOUSA concerning the final clearance of these recommendations with General McNarney and General White.

2. This action will insure proper coordination with the action already taken by General Infante's Office directly with Hq MTOUSA.

/s/ L. W. Stearns

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
SO to CC

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HEADQUARTERS
MEDITERRANEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS
UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 512

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8 October 1945

AG 200.62/044-P

Subject: Award of Foreign Decoration.

To : The Adjutant General, Attention: Decorations and Awards Branch, Munitions Building, Washington 25, D. C.

The Theater Commander has concurred in the acceptance of the indicated foreign decorations to the following individual(s) and notation of such award(s) is requested in accordance with paragraph 35, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943. The document conferring the award is identified in each instance. **Following officers, 2675th Regiment AC, awarded Order of the Crown of Italy in the degree indicated after their names per letter, Office of the Lt. General of the Realm. Reference number 5404/AG dated 4 September 1945.**

Lt. Colonel Carlton J. Eggstaff, 0329544, Commander.
T/Sergeant Ralph Bonomo, 32247528, Knight.
1st Lieutenant Paul Ieos, 01643793, Knight.
Lt. Colonel Edward C. King, 0191976, Knight.
1st Lieutenant Ira Manck, 01309582. Knight.

For the Theater Commander:

J. E. McCREARY
Major, AGD
Asst Adj General

cc to:
Chief Commissioner, AC
thru: CO, Hq Comd, AF.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Ward D. Carpenter, Jr.
WARD D. CARPENTER, JR.
1st Lt Inf

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8 October 1945

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SUBJECT: Acceptance of Italian Government Decorations

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission

TO: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept Italian decorations be granted to the American personnel listed in the attached inclosure, as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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(Ltr 6099/AG dtd 2 Oct 45)

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6 October 1945

AG 201-P-Chapman, John W. (Off)

Subject: Award of Foreign Decoration.

To : The Adjutant General, Attention: Decorations and Awards Branch, Munitions Building, Washington 25, D. C.

The Theater Commander has concurred in the acceptance of the indicated foreign decorations to the following individual(s) and notation of such award(s) is requested in accordance with paragraph 35, AR 600-45, 22 September 1943. The document conferring the award is identified in each instance.

Colonel John W. Chapman, 0204184, JAGD, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission

Knight Officer of St. Maurice and Lazarus, per letter of Lt. General of Realm. Reference number 5034/AG dated 17 August 1945.

For the Theater Commander:

J. E. McCREARY
Major, AGD
Asst Adj General

cc to:
Chief Commissioner, AC
thru: CO, Hq Comd, AF.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

Ward D. Carpenter, Jr.

WARD D. CARPENTER, JR.
1st Lt Inf

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3 October 1945.

Dear General:

I had a talk with General White of MTOUSA with regard to your recommendations for award of Italian decorations to members of the AC.

In line with his letter of some time ago to you, he would like to receive a list from you as well as the official list which I have forwarded. Accordingly, for your convenience, I am enclosing a tabulation of the various recommendations which you have put in. Those with dates shown in the right hand column have already been approved by MTOUSA. The others are still without action. I suggest that you forward this list, saying that you understand that it has already been forwarded by me.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Very sincerely,

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

General Adolfo Infante,
Aide-de-Camp to H.M.H., the Lieutenant General of the Realm,
Italian Government,
Rome.

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NAME		AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROV
Col John J. Albright		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col Clarence B. Birchett		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col Alfred C. Bowman	1.	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
	2.	Knight Noble Officer of the Equestrian Order of St. Agatha	26 Aug 45	H
Col H. Edmund Bullis		Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Col James J. Carnes		Commendatore of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Col John W. Chapman		Knight Officer of St. Maurice and Lazarus	20 Sep 45	Y H
Col Leonard D. Densmore		Order of Crown of Italy	11 Aug 45	Y (24 A
Col Carol M. Gevers		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col W. R. Jordan		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col Paul G. Kirk		Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Col Francis A. Markoe		Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Col Martin H. Meaney		Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Col Robert B. Menapace		Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H Y

* Sent by Italian Government directly to Hq 5th Army on or before 13 September 1945.
Y - Yes N - No H - Not yet approved, papers still with Higher Headquarters.

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	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROVAL
	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
1.	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
2.	Knight Noble Officer of the Equestrian Order of St. Agatha	26 Aug 45	H
	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
	Commendatore of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Knight Officer of St. Maurice and Lazarus	20 Sep 45	Y ~~H~~ 6 Oct 45
	Order of Crown of Italy	11 Aug 45	Y (24 Aug 45)
	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	N Y (13 Oct 45) - 25 Sy

...ment directly to Hq 5th Army on or before 13 September 1945.
H - Not yet approved, papers still with Higher Headquarters.

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPRO
Col Thomas N. Page	1. Order Militare ed Ospitaliero di S. Maria di Bettelemme	16 Aug 45	H
	2. Order Militare ed Ospitaliero di S. Giovanni D'Acri e S. Tommaso	16 Aug 45	H
	3. Order Equestre di S. Antonio di Monte Paolo	16 Aug 45	H
	4. Ordine Militare ed Ospitaliero di San Lazzaro and di Maurizio de Jerusalemme	14 Aug 45	Y (23
	5. Order of the Knights of Malta	27 Jul 45	Y (2 A
	6. Order of St. Hubert	12 Jun 45	Y (4 J
	7. Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col Charles Poletti	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col Arthur E. Sutherland, Jr.	Commendatore di S.S. Maurizio e Lazzaro	*	
Col Floyd E. Thomas	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col J. B. Thornhill	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Col John K. Weber	Order of Crown of Italy	21 Aug 45	
Lt Col Stanley Andrews	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col John S. Arnold	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col R. Cherry	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col John W. Clarke	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	

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1. Order Militare ed Ospitaliero di S. Maria di Bettelemme	16 Aug 45	H
2. Order Militare ed Ospitaliero di S. Giovanni D'Acri e S. Tommaso	16 Aug 45	H
3. Order Equestre di S. Antonio di Monte Paolo	16 Aug 45	H
4. Ordine Militare ed Ospitaliero di San Lazzaro and di Maurizio de Jerusalemme	14 Aug 45	Y (23 Aug 45)
5. Order of the Knights of Malta	27 Jul 45	Y (2 Aug 45)
6. Order of St. Hubert	12 Jun 45	Y (4 Jul 45)
7. Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Commendatore di S.S. Maurizio e Lazzaro	*	
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Order of Crown of Italy	21 Aug 45	H
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	

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NAME		AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPRO
Lt Col Carlton J. Eggstaff		Commendatore of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Lt Col Harry G. Hershenson		Cavaliere Ufficiale Nell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia	14 Sep 45	H
Lt Col Elmer H. Holmgreen		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Edward C. King		Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Lt Col Thomas A. Lane		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Richard E. Lollar		Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Robert A. Martino		Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Lt Col Edwin J. Mercer		Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Edward P. Morton		Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col William E. McBratney		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Gordon W. McKean		Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Lt Col E. R. McPhee		Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col John Nygaard		Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Lt Col James H. Penick		Order of Crown of Italy		Y (11 Se
Lt Col Norman Ramsey		Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col H. Mead Rogers		Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lt Col Henry H. Scudder		Commendatore of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Lt Col Lendon Snedeker	1.	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	2.	Order of St. Agatha	*	Y (5 Jun

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	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROVAL
gstaff	Commendatore of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H Y 8 Oct
henson	Cavaliere Ufficiale Nell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia	14 Sep 45	H
reen	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
y	Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H Y 8 Oct 45
e	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
llar	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
tino	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
er	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
ton	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Gratney	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
an	Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
k	Order of Crown of Italy		Y (11 Sep 45)
	Commendatore della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
er	Commendatore of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
r	1. Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	2. Order of St. Agatha	*	Y (5 June 45)

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROV
Lt Col Guy I. Warren	Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 Se
Lt Col William F. Waugh	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Robert N. Albright	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Sherman L. Anderson	Order of Crown of Italy	29 Aug 45	H
Major S. A. Austin	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Richard P. Ayre	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major James M. Blackwell	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Francis J. Burns	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Louis L. Cox	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Donald M. Gaither	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Henry L. Glenn	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major G. G. Green	Cavaliere S.S. Maurizio e Lazzaro	*	
Major Frank A. Gulotta	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Barry D. Kile	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Major Andrew J. Malatesta	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major David D. Mathias	Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 S
Major F. O. Mavis	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Wendell E. Phillips	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Poppiti	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Major E. H. Richardson	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	

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Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	X (11 Sep 45)
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Order of Crown of Italy	29 Aug 45	H
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia .	*	
Cavaliere S.S. Maurizio e Lazzaro	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	X (11 Sep 45)
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Coronn d'Italia	*	
Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Ufficiale dolla Corona d'Italia	*	

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FRD	APPROP
Major J. C. Rively	Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Major Hartwell J. Rosson	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Ralph R. Temple	Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Major Benson E. L. Timmons	Order of Crown of Italy	25 Aug 45	H
Major Alfred Jacques Tria	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Major J. Marquand Walker	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Major Stephen M. Young	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Robert J. Asquini	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Charles P. Benatti	Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Captain James H. Brown	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Fred R. Brownyard	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Orlando Cassani	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Oliver D. Comstock	Officer Knight of the Order of Knights of St. Agatha	22 Sep 45	H
Captain D. Goodman	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Herman F. Keeney	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lieut. J. Lannin, USNR	Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Captain Richard A. Loeb	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	

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Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Order of Crown of Italy	25 Aug 45	K y (24 Oct
Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Officer Knight of the Order of Knights of St. Agatha	22 Sep 45	H
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROV
Captain Angus W. McDougall	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Lieut.(N) Lawrence C. Moore	Order of Crown of Italy	27 Aug 45	H
Captain Samuel V. Noe	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Abraham Perlman	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Willis E. Pratt	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Murray Richards	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Robert E. Richert	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Jeff A. Robertson	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Victor H. Rust	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Anthony Scafidi	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	29 Aug 45	H
Captain Z. M. Santini	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Harry A. Schmitt	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Thomas R. Swisher	Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Captain Marion H. Scott	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain William Scully	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Dominich Trifiro	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
Captain Edward A. Valentine	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Sidney B. Wmugh	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Captain Theodore H. Wilcox	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	

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l	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
re	Order of Crown of Italy	27 Aug 45	H
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
t	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
n	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	29 Aug 45	H
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
r	Knight of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	H
ine	Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia	*	
	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
cox	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROV
Sgt Vincent Tallarico	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Sgt Louis F. Tozzi	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Cpl Ernest J. Lematrice	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Pfc David Cunthorpe	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Pfc Henry R. DePenfilis	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Pfc Axel A. Johanson	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	

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AWARD	DATE SENT FHD	APPROVAL
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	

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NAME	AWARD	DATE SENT FWD	APPROVAL
1st Lt Joseph A. Cicala	Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 Sep 45
1st Lt Nicholas L. Giunta	Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 Sep 45
1st Lt William A. Giustiniani	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
1st Lt Frederick Hartt	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
1st Lt Paul Leos	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	NY (8
1st Lt Harry J. Laiolo	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
1st Lt Ira Manck	Knight of the Order of St. Maurice & Lazarus	20 Sep 45	NY (8
1st Lt Marino Pierattini	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
1st Lt J. J. Scanlan	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Mr. George V. Bickel	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Mr. Rock Ferris	Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
S/ Sgt Ralph Bonomo	Knight of the Order of St. Maurice & Lazarus	20 Sep 45	NY (8
S/Sgt Frank E. Cicone	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
S/Sgt Eric Stein	Order of Crown of Italy	31 Aug 45	Y (17 Sep
Sgt Walter Epstein	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Sgt Mario Maggenti	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Sgt Joseph Previte	Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	

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Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 Sep 45)
Order of Crown of Italy	28 Aug 45	Y (11 Sep 45)
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy	20 Sep 45	N Y (8 Oct 45)
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Knight of the Order of St. Maurice & Lazarus	20 Sep 45	N Y (8 Oct 45) order of Crown of Italy (2 Copies)
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia	*	
Knight of the Order of St. Maurice & Lazarus	20 Sep 45	N Y (Oct 8, 1945) — (2 Copies)
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Order of Crown of Italy	31 Aug 45	Y (17 Sep 45)
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
Croce al Merito di Guerra	*	
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Translation

6099/A.G. Rome, 2 October 1944

Dear Admiral Stone, (293)

(241) (24) referring to my letters n. 5300/A.G. - 5401/A.G., and 5625/A.G., dated 2/9 - 1/9 and 15/9, I hereby forward a fourth list of American officers proposed for an Italian decoration in acknowledgement of their work during their stay in Italy.

I shall be grateful if you let me have your opinion on this matter, to know what action is to be taken.

I shall also be most grateful if you let me know what has been decided about the proposals sent to you with the above mentioned letters.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly,

A. A. Infante

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

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Admiral Ellery Stone
A.C.

Rome

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AMERICAN OFFICERS OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION PROPOSED FOR THE GRANTING OF DECORATIONS

RANK	NAME & SURNAME	POST	DECORATION PROPOSED
Lt. Col	HENRY Raymond	Attached to Public Health S/C	Cav. Uff. Corona Italia
Major	STRANG Lloyd W.	Chief of Admiral Stone's private Secretariat	" " " "
Capetain	RUSSANO Francis W.	Officer of the Medical Supply Office - Public Health S/C	Cavaliere Corona Italia
Captain	ALASIA Guido	Regional Postal Officer for Lombardia	Cavaliere Corona Italia

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Roma, 2 OTT. 1945

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Caro Ammiraglio Stone,

a seguito delle mie lettere n. 5360/A.G. - 5404/A.G. e 5625/A.G. rispettivamente in data 2/9 - 4/9 e 13/9 c.a., Le trasmetto un quarto elenco di Ufficiali Americani proposti per la concessione di onorificenze italiane, in riconoscimento delle benemerenze acquisite durante la loro permanenza in Italia.

Per averne norma circa il seguito da dare a tali proposte Le sarei grato se volesse esprimere il Suo parere al riguardo.

Le sarei altresì molto grato se, con l'occasione, volesse informarmi dell'esito delle proposte inviateLe con i fogli sopraindicati.

Nel ringraziarLa anticipatamente Le porgo i migliori miei saluti

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

All'Ammiraglio Ellery STONE
A.C.

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UFFICIALI AMERICANI DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA PROPOSTI PER LA CONCESSIONE DI ONORIFICENZE

GRADO	COGNOME E NOME	INCARICO	ONORIFICENZA PROPOSTA
Ten. Col.	KENNY Raynaud	Ufficiale addetto alla Sottocommissione per la salute pubblica.	Cav.Uff.Cor. Italia
Maggiore	STEARNS Lloyd W.	Capo Segreteria particolare dell'Amm. STONE.	" " " "
Capitano	BUSHARD Francis W.	Ufficiale della Medical Supply Office Public-Health Sub-Commission.	Cavaliere Cor.It.
Capitano	ALASIA Guido	Regional Postal Officer della Lombardia.	Cavaliere Cor.It.

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HQ ALLIED COMMISSION, APO 394, U. S. Army, 26 September 1945

TO: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

Various reports indicate that General Cerica rendered valuable assistance to the Allied cause, and inasmuch as Fifth Army has concurred I can only assume that the award is merited, and I therefore concur in the recommendation.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Basic Communication: Letter, 7 Aug 45, from HQ FIFTH ARMY, APO 464, U.S. Army, addressed to G-4 Executive Hq Fifth Army, APO 464, signed by Major R.C.Van Kirk, Sr. (MMLA) LO, 5th Army.

Award of Legion of Merit to Angelo Cerica, Lieut. General, Commending General, Territorial Hq No. 6 Bologna.

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21 September 1945

Dear General Hilldring:

As you know, the makeup of the Allied Commission and of Allied Military Government in Italy is quite different from that existing in Germany and Austria in that in Italy, the organization has been integrated and our occupation has not been zoned. Thus, in all parts of Italy and with both the 5th and 8th Armies, my AMG and AC organizations, and the same applies to Headquarters, have been composed of American and British officers and men working under single commands.

Under this setup, our American personnel have, in effect, been serving the British Government, and likewise the British personnel have been serving the American Government. Recognizing this, the British Government has so far awarded many British decorations to my American officers. Although I have so far recommended some 20-odd senior British officers who have done outstanding work for the Legion of Merit, none have so far been approved. My senior American officers and I are embarrassed by what appears to be a failure on the part of our Government to give suitable recognition to the outstanding work of certain British officers in this organization.

I understand that my recommendations for the British officers shown on the attached list have already been forwarded by MTOUSA, recommending approval. More will follow. I should be very grateful to you if you could have someone in your organization expedite favorable action by the appropriate agency of the War Department as I am most anxious that, with the early windup of the Commission's activities, my British officers receive the awards for which they have been recommended while they are still on duty with the Commission.

Anything you can do to further this will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

EILERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Major General J. H. Hilldring, U.S. Army,
Director, Civil Affairs Division,
War Department,
Washington, D.C.

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List of British Officers attached to Allied Commission (Italy) who have been recommended for award of the Legion of Merit and whose recommendations have been forwarded by MTOUSA to Washington: - -

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Brigadier M. CARR

Brigadier A.P. GRAFFTEY-SMITH

Brigadier M.S. LUSH

Brigadier G.S. PARKINSON

Colonel C.B. FINDLAY

Colonel J.L. JONES

Colonel J.L. HENDERSON

Colonel H.G. CRAWSHAW

Colonel G. T. JOHNSON

Lieutenant Colonel T.W.J. WALTERS

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CC 511

21 September 1945.

Dear General Hume:

I have received your letter of 9 September suggesting that General Infante might appropriately receive an American award. However, there were a number of inaccuracies in your letter, which I am returning in case you desire to revise and resubmit it to me as a basis for reconsideration.

In the third paragraph of your letter you stated that "he subsequently relieved German occupation forces in parts of Greece", which would mean subsequent to 11 September when he had concluded a "pact of cooperation". General Infante relieved German occupation forces in Greece as part of the Axis policy prior to the Armistice. It is therefore hardly a deed for which he should receive an American award.

In the same paragraph you also state, "From March 1944 to July 1944 he was Deputy Chief of Staff on the Supreme Allied Command ...." I assume you mean that he held this position on the Italian Comando Supremo, since no Italian officer, as you know, has ever been included in the staff at AFHQ.

If you care to resubmit your letter, I should be glad to give it further consideration.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Brigadier General Edgar Erskine Hume, GSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5,
United States Forces in Austria,
APO 777, U.S. Army.

Sent 27 Sept 45

446 ACC copies of Gen. Hume's letter of 9 Sep 45 returned.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

CC 511 20 September 1945.

SUBJECT: Awards.

To : Commanding General, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, U.S. Army, APO 512.

1. Attached is a copy of a letter dated 4 September 1945 from Colonel Norman E. Fiske, Deputy Executive Commissioner, requesting reconsideration of the recommendation for the award of the Legion of Merit to Colonel Robert P. Marshall, formerly Regional Commissioner, Piemonte Region.

2. I should like to add my own very strong personal recommendation that Colonel Marshall be reconsidered for award of the Legion of Merit. His work was outstanding and fully the equal of any of the other Regional Commissioners, all of whom have been awarded the Legion of Merit.

3. I should be most grateful for favorable action on this request.

(s) ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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HQ 2675 REGT.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

NAVY 728 - BOX 35

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(CC 511)

18 September 1945.

From: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission (Italy).
To : Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.

Subject: Lieutenant John LANNIN, (S), USNR (149553) - Request for Authority to Accept Appointment as Knight of the Crown of Italy from Italian Government.

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Enclosure: (A) Translation of ltr 5300 A.G. dated 2 September 1945 from Italian Government, proposing subject award.
(B) Affidavit and request for authority to accept subject award, executed by subject officer.

1. Enclosure (A) is a translation of a letter received from the Aide-de-Camp to the Lieutenant General of the Realm proposing awards to certain officers of the Allied Commission, including a proposed appointment as Knight of the Crown of Italy to Lieutenant John Lannin, USNR, for his services while assigned as Aide to the Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission (Italy).

2. Enclosure (B) is an affidavit and a request for authority to accept the proposed award, executed by subject officer in accordance with regulations issued by Headquarters, Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

3. In the case of Army personnel nominated for awards in Enclosure (A), recommendations have been made to the Army Theater Commander.

4. It is recommended that permission be granted to subject officer to accept the proposed appointment as Knight of the Crown of Italy.

Ellery W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR

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18 Sept

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00 511 15 September 1945

SUBJ OT: Acceptance of Italian Government Decorations.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

THRU : Commanding Officer, 367th Regiment, Allied Commission.

1. Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept Italian decorations be granted to the American officers of the 367th Regiment, Allied Commission, listed in the attached inclosure, as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

2. Individual affidavits as required under the provisions of paragraph 33b, AR 600-45, as amended, and paragraph 11, Circular 73, Hq MTOUSA, dated 12 May 1945 are submitted herewith.

KELLEY C. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Incls
As above

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15 August

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(15 Sept 45) 1st Ind. CMP/pf
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 20 September 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Approved.

2. I certify that the officers and enlisted men listed in the inclosure to the basic communication have not participated in negotiations for Lend Lease Allocations, nor made any recommendations to any agencies authorized to act on such recommendations. They are not members of any board, rearmament committee, or other agency charged with Lend Lease negotiations, recommendations for, or the allocation of Lend Lease materials.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

Incls:
n/c

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210.5 - 2d Ind EJM/vli
Hq Headquarters Command Allied Force, APO 512, US Army, 28 September 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, APO 394, US Army.

Returned for compliance with Section II, paragraph 3c, Circular No. 116, Headquarters MTOUSA, dated 25 September 1945.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MALONEY:

Incls:
n/c

E. J. McKELVEY,
Captain, Cav.
Asst Adjutant.

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Roma, li 13 Settembre 1945

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

5625/A.G.

Caro Ammiraglio Stone,

il Comando della V^ Armata ha qui segnalato per il conferimento, Motu Proprio, di onorificenze cavalleresche e di croci al merito di guerra i militari delle Forze Armate Americane, indicati nell'accluso elenco , che hanno collaborato con l'Armata stessa durante la campagna d'Italia.

1 = Per averne norma circa il seguito da dare a tali proposte Le sarei grato se volesse esprimermi il suo parere al riguardo.

Mi è gradita l'occasione per porgerLe i miei migliori saluti.

(Generale Adolfo Infante)

Rear Admiral Ellery STONE
Chief Commissioner

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Hdqtrs off to C.C

HEADQUARTERS
2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

JRR/rsl

13 September 1945

File: 200.6

SUBJECT: Wearing of Ribbons.

TO : Units this Regiment.

1. A number of officers and enlisted men have been observed recently wearing their combat and service ribbons in improper order. It is desired that all American personnel entitled to wear such ribbons, insure that they are worn in the manner prescribed by AR 600-40.

2. Ribbons will be worn on the left breast in order from right to left of the wearer about 4 inches below the middle point of the shoulder in one or more lines as follows: Congressional Medal of Honor, Distinguished-Service Cross (Army), Navy Cross (Navy), Distinguished-Service Medal (Army), Distinguished Service Medal (Navy), Legion of Merit, Silver Star, Distinguished-Flying Cross, Soldier's Medal (Army), Navy and Marine Corps Medal, Bronze Star Medal, Air Medal, Purple Heart, Medal for Merit (State, War, and Navy Departments), Gold Life-Saving Medal (Treasury), Silver Life-Saving Medal (Treasury Department), United States of America Typhus Commission Medal, Good Conduct Medal (Army), and Good Conduct Medal (Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard). Service ribbons will follow the above decorations in the order of the date of the service performed. For information regarding foreign decorations, see paragraph 71, AR 600-40.

3. Attention is also invited to paragraph 81, AR 600-40 which provides that "No civilian decoration, jewelry, watch chain, etc., will appear exposed on the uniform."

BY ORDER OF COLONEL PARKIN:

JAMES R. REED
Capt Inf
Actg Adjutant

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Translation

5625/A.G. Rome, 13 September 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

We forward to the Command of the Vth Army the enclosed list of officers and other ranks of the American Armed Forces who are to be given, under the procedure 'Motu Proprio', decorations and Distinguished Service Crosses; they collaborated with the said Army during the Italian Campaign.

I shall be most grateful if you let me have your opinion, to know what action is to be taken about this matter.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

S. A. Infante

(Gen Adolfo Infante)

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Rear Admiral Ellery Stone
Chief Commissioner
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13 Sept.

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First Lieutenant Harry J. Isiolo
First Lieutenant Marino Pierettini
First Lieutenant Frederick Hartt
First Lieutenant J. J. Scanlon
Mr. Rook Ferris
Mr. George V. Bickel

6. Croce al Merito di Guerra

Colonel H. Edmund Pullis
Colonel Francis A. Markoe
Lieutenant Colonel John Nygaard

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Staff Sergeant Frank E. Cicone
Sergeant Vincent Tallarico
Sergeant Nerio Maggenti
Sergeant Walter Epstein
Sergeant Louis F. Tozzi
Sergeant Joseph Previte
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

CC 511

7 September 1945

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Italian Government Decorations.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept Italian decorations be granted to the American personnel listed in the attached inclosure, as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

2. Individual affidavits as required under the provisions of paragraph 33b, AR 600-45, as amended, and paragraph 11, Circular 73, Hq MTOUSA, dated 12 May 1945 are submitted herewith.

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FILEEY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Incls
As above

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7 Sept

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Translation

5404/A.G.

Rome, 4 Sept., 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

(172a)

referring to my letter N. 5034/A.G. of August 17th, n. C.C.511, I send you a second list of American officers proposed for an Italian decoration, whose cases had remained in suspense till they were authorized to receive the decorations.

Believe me,

Yours very truly,

S. A. Infante

(Gen. Adolfo Infante)

Admiral Ellery Stone
A.C.
Rome

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AMERICAN OFFICERS OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION PROPOSED FOR A DECORATION

RANK	NAME & SURNAME	CHARGE	DECORATION PROPOSED
Lt. Col.	* EGGSTAFF Carlton J.	Deputy Director of the Air Force Sub-Commission Allied Com.	'Commenda' of the Order of the Crown of Italy
Lt. Col.	* KING Edward C.	Chief of Property Control Division	Knight Officer of the Crown of Italy
Lt. Col	Mc KEAN Gordon W.	Chief of Civil Censorship Group of A.C.	id.
Major	TEMPLE Ralph R.	Deputy Director of Local Government Sub-Commission	id.
Major	JACQUES TRIA Alfred	Chief of Postal Section Censorship Group of A.C.	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy
Major	POPPITI Michael A.	Chief of the Censorship Office for P.O.W. and Interned Civilians in Germany	id.
Captain	TRIFIRO' Dominich	Deputy Chief of the Censorship Office for P.O.W. and Interned Civilians in Germany	id.
1st Lt.	* LEOS Paul	Aid to Lt. Col. C.L. EGGSTAFF	Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy
Lt.	* MANCK Ira	Attached to Property Control Division	Knight of the Order of St.Maurice & Lazerus
Staff Set.	* BONOMO Ralph	Attached to Property Control Division	

* — See Appendix

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CC 511

4 September 1945

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Italian Government Decorations.

TO : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

1. Reference Chief Commissioner's letter, file and subject as above, dated 22 August 1945, and General Infante's letter, 5034 A.G. of 17 August 1945.

2. Attached is the list General Infante submitted on 17 August of Italian decorations which His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm wishes to confer on officers of the Commission, but amended to include the exact award details. The Chief Commissioner directs that the certificates be properly completed and sent forward to MTOUSA without further delay.

3. Notify this office when such action has been taken.

L. W. STEARNS
Major, AGD
Staff Officer to CC.

Incls
As above

2 copies of this ltr
& 3 copies of incls.
were forwarded to
CO, #2675 Regiment.

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Reg. 4122

Translation

5360 A.G. Rome, 2 September 1945

To Admiral Ellery Stone

A. C.

ROME

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Referring to my letter of August 17th, n. 5038/A.G. and your oral request, I forward you the enclosed list of officers; next to each name is the Italian decoration to be given.

Believe me,

yours very truly,

THE FIRST AIDE DE CAMP GENERAL
General of Division
(Adolfo Infante)

A. Infante

Seen by CC

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AMERICAN OFFICERS OF THE ALLIED COMMISSION TO BE GIVEN A DECORATION

- Colonel John William CHAPMAN
  Director of P.S. Sub-Commission
  already Commendatore of the Crown of Italy, to be made Knight officer of St. Maurice and Lazarus.

- Colonel Martin H. MALEY
  Chief of the Police, Allied Commission
  Grand officer of the Crown of Italy

- Colonel Paul G. KIRK
  Director of P.S., Allied Commission
  Grand officer of the Crown of Italy

- Colonel James J. CARNES
  Commander of the Special Motortransport Brigade A.C. -
  Commendatore of the Crown of Italy

- Colonel Leonard DEMAREE
  Chief of Staff and Acting Vice President, Economic Section, A.C.
  'Commenda' of the Crown of Italy

- Lt. Colonel Henry H. SOUDER
  Director of Communications Sub-Commission
  'Commenda' of the Crown of Italy

- Major Barry Burnaby KILE
  M.M.I.A. - Knight officer of the Crown of Italy

- Captain Charles P. BENATTI
  M.M.I.A. - Knight of the Crown of Italy

- Captain Orizzonte MASTROIANNI
  Attached to P.S. Sub-Commission, A.C. - Knight officer of the Crown of Italy

- Captain Thomas R. SWISHER
  Attached to supplies Special Motortransport Brigade, A.C.
  Knight of the Crown of Italy

- Major J.C. RIVELY - Economic Section
  Knight officer of the Crown of Italy

- Lt. J. LAMMIN - Flag Officer to Admiral Stone
  Knight of the Crown of Italy

- Lt. Colonel Robert A. MARTINO
  Economic Section, A.C.
  Knight Officer of the Croen of Italy

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5034/A.G.

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Roma, li 2 Settembre 1945

SEP 8 RECD

All'Ammiraglio Ellery STONE
A. C.
R O M A

A seguito della mia lettera del 17 agosto N. 5034/A.G. ed in relazione alla Sua richiesta verbale, Le trasmetto l'accluso elenco
= I = di Ufficiali, a fianco di ciascuno dei quali è segnala l'onorificenza italiana proposta.

Voglia gradire, con l'occasione, i più distinti saluti.

IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
Generale di Divisione
(Adolfo Infante)

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UFFICIO DEL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

UFFICIALI AMERICANI DELLA COMMISSIONE ALLEATA PROPOSTI PER LA CONCESSIONE DI ONORIFICENZE.

= Colonnello John William CHAPMAN
Direttore Sottocommissione P.S.Alleata
Già Commendatore della Corona d'Italia, riproposto per
Cavaliere Ufficiale dei Santi Maurizio e Lazzaro

= Colonnello Martin H. MEANEY
Capo della Polizia della Sottocommissione Alleata
Grande Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia

= Colonnello Paul G. KIRK
Direttore della P.S.della Sottocommissione Alleata
Grande Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia

= Colonnello James J. CARNES
Comandante della Brigata Speciale Autotrasporti A.C.
Commendatore della Corona d'Italia

= Colonnello Leonard DENSMORE
Capo di S.M. e f.f.di V.Presidente, Sezione Economica,C.A.
Commenda della Corona d'Italia

= Ten.Colonnello Henry H. SCUDDER
Direttore Sottocommissione per le Comunicazioni
Commenda Corona d'Italia

= Maggiore Barry Burnaby KILE
M.M.I.A. - Cav.Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia

= Capitano Charles P. BENATTI
M.M.I.A. - Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia

= Capitano Orizzonte MASTROIANNI
Addetto alla S.Comm.P.S.Alleata - Cav.Ufficiale Corona Ital

= Capitano Thomas R. SWISHER
Addetto ai rifornimenti Brigata Speciale Autotrasporti A.C.
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia

= Maggiore J.C. RIVELY - della Sezione Economica
Cavaliere Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia

= Tenente J. LANNIN - Ufficiale d'Ordinanza dell'Amm. Stone
Cavaliere della Corona d'Italia

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Ten.Colonnello Robert A. MARTINO
Sezione Economica A.C.
Cavaliere Ufficiale della Corona d'Italia

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Award - Cavaliere Ufficele of the Crown of Itely - recommended by the Minister of Pardon & Justice, Italian Covernment, fxr in recognition of meritorious service. Ref: Ltr, Ministry of Justice, 25 August 1945. (S/Sgt Stein is assigned to Legal Sub-Com)

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X-201-Stein, Eric (Enl)
(27 Aug 45)

2nd Ind. EWS/ejj

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
U. S. Army, 30 August 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, APO 394.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to S/Sgt Stein, as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER
APO 394, U. S. ARMY

30 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. Under the provisions of AR 600-45, as amended, it is recommended that Major General Langley Browning, P/5253, British Army, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service.

2. General Browning was assigned as Director of the Land Forces Sub Commission, AC (Military Mission Italian Army) from 2 April 1944 to date.

3. Entering upon his duties at the time the Mission was in the formative stage, General Browning became charged with the prodigious and delicate task of rehabilitating and reorganizing the demoralized and disorganized Italian Army for the support of the Allied war effort in Italy. Confronted with untrained and apathetic Italian Army personnel, and with the intricate problems involved in connection with organizing British and US personnel into an effectively operating staff team for the accomplishment of the mission involved, General Browning, with untiring zeal, force, tact, superior judgment and keen and flawless understanding of the task in hand, produced an effective Italian force so that at the cessation of hostilities the Allies were actually being materially assisted by an Italian Army of 350,000 men.

4. Under the direction of General Browning, the organization, training and equipment of five combat groups was accomplished. General Browning diligently and unselfishly devoted his services to this important task, overcoming innumerable obstacles in regard to provision of personnel, completely reorganizing the groups on a new table of organization which was necessarily adjusted to the equipment available from British sources, providing for the necessary manuals in order to teach the Italians to use British weapons and therefore British tactics, and training, guiding and directing the British supervising personnel, and inciting the Italians to greater efforts, produced these divisions in a relatively short period of time, so that four actually took part in combat against the enemy, and the fifth was ready when hostilities ceased. This accomplishment so

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expeditiously and fully realized, afforded additional and useful strength to the Allied Armies, materially hastening the defeat of the enemy and saving the lives of many Allied soldiers and the use of much Allied equipment.

5. In the face of the many confusing and perplexing problems connected with the political situation and the Italian Government, General Browning, with keen insight into Italian mentality, and a vast knowledge of military problems as affecting the civilian government, rendered an invaluable service to the Allied cause by his wise decisions, faultless appraisal of personalities and prudent counsel with the high Allied Command. Under his forceful and steady direction, and inspired by his sincere efforts, the high officials of the Italian Army rendered full and complete cooperation to the Allies and established the foundation of a sound military force for the assistance of the Allies and instilling a wholesome influence on the Italian Government and people, producing out of chaos an organized and substantial arm of government, with renewed confidence in itself and capable of recreating the respect of the population in it, and its accomplishments.

6. Throughout his service, General Browning has always been cooperative and helpful, inspiring all around him to maximum efficiency and eagerness to serve. He has always zealously safeguarded the interests of the Allies. His decisions have been marked by complete impartiality in accordance with his orders. His services have been of inestimable value to the Allied war effort.

7. a. The initiating officer has personal knowledge of the acts or services rendered by the officer recommended.

b. Rank at time services were rendered- Major General.

c. Full title at time of rendition of services: Major General, Director, Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission (Military Mission Italian Army).

8. No previous US awards or decorations.

9. Proposed Citation:

Langley Browning, Major General, British Army, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services as Director, Land Forces Sub Commission, Allied Commission (Military Mission Italian Army) from 2 April 1944 to 1 August 1945. Charged with the responsibility of reorganizing and rehabilitating a new Italian Army from the disorganized and demoralized Italian troops available in Italy after the armistice,

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General Browning with dynamic energy, keen foresight, superior initiative, and a thorough understanding of the many political and military problems involved, so fully accomplished his task that the Allied Armies were served by an organized force of 350,000 Italian troops at the conclusion of hostilities. Starting with a mass of demoralized Italian personnel and limited British equipment, faced with the necessity of training a combat force in a completely new organization with British weapons in a limited time, General Browning, overcoming the old Italian doctrine, instilling new life and vigor into the units, training, directing and controlling the British supervising personnel, produced five combat groups in a remarkably short period of time, so that four groups actually entered combat against the enemy before the conclusion of hostilities, thereby materially aiding the Allied Armies in hastening the defeat of the Germans and saving the expenditure of Allied lives and materials.

General Browning, with force, vigor, sincerity, and complete impartiality, so inspired the high officials of the Italian Army that full cooperation was rendered by them to the Allies, at all times, thus attaining the maximum result in the stabilization of the Italian Government. His judicious counsel with Allied Headquarters, determined decisions in carrying out established policy and his maintenance of cordial relations with the Allied and Italian Command was of material benefit to the war effort. His foresight, long range planning and his ready solution of many intricate problems increased the morale of the Italian Army and Government and produced renewed respect in the Army by the population. His devotion to duty has resulted in a contribution of inestimable value to the Allied war effort.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

File: 200.6
x-201-WARREN, Guy L. (Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, A.P.O. 512, U.S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Guy L. WARREN, Rear Admiral, Royal Navy (then Commodore), attached to Headquarters 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious service and outstanding achievement during the period 19 January 1945 to 31 August 1945.

2. Rear Admiral Warren (then Commodore) reported to the Allied Commission for duty as a member of the Navy Sub-Commission on 19 January 1945. In this capacity he represented the Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC whose duties required him to remain at Taranto, Italy, where the operation of the Italian Fleet is controlled. On account of the transfer of the Italian Ministry of Marine Headquarters from Taranto to Rome on August 6, 1944, the entire administration of the Italian Navy is controlled by the Navy Sub-Commission, AC. For this and other administrative reasons, the Navy Sub-Commission was reorganized by an Allied Force Headquarters Directive on 7 March 1945, with additional responsibilities and functions directly under the Allied Commission. Commodore Warren was appointed head of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC and promoted to Rear Admiral. Under this reorganization the Navy Sub-Commission is responsible for the general administration of the Italian Navy not directly affecting the operation of the Italian Fleet, including professional matters, logistics and supply, and international relations. The work of the Navy Sub-Commission has consistently been recognized throughout the Theater to be of increasing importance. The standing of the Navy Sub-Commission and the Allied Commission as representative of the United Nations has been considerably enhanced by the excellent professional ability and personal qualities of Rear Admiral Warren. He has consistently sought and achieved a high degree of efficiency for the Navy Sub-Commission, AC in dealing with representatives of the United States and British military, naval and air forces in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and with Allied and Italian authorities in Italy. Co-operation and mutual understanding with the Italian Ministry of Marine have been increased. The Navy Sub-Commission, AC has performed exceedingly useful services in co-ordinating the demands on the Italian Ministry of Marine towards utilizing the Italian Navy in the best interests of the Allied war effort. The operation of Italian ports by the Italian Navy, through the Director General of the Italian Mercantile Marine, utilising the Italian Captain of Port Organization, has been sponsored by the Navy Sub-Commission, AC and considerable progress has been made toward the turning over of port operations to the Italian Government in order to relieve Allied naval and military forces from this responsibility, resulting in a direct reduction of the Allied personnel required in the Theater for this purpose.

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3. Rear Admiral Warren from the period of his initial assignment to duty with the Navy Sub-Commission, AC has distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to duty, loyalty to the Allied Commission, sound judgment, excellent administrative ability, tact and resourcefulness. His distinguished services are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal Navy and the United Kingdom and are an inspiration to his subordinate officers and reflect great credit on himself and the Allied Commission.

4. The officer recommending this award has personal knowledge of the services performed by Rear Admiral Warren during the entire period covered.

5. Rear Admiral Warren was a Commodore for part of the period during which these services were rendered. He was promoted to Rear Admiral, Royal Navy, on 19 February 1945. His principal assignment has been Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC, in which capacity he is still serving.

6. The entire subsequent services of Rear Admiral Warren have been honorable.

7. Rear Admiral Warren has received no decorations to date while serving in the Allied Commission.

8. A proposed citation is attached hereto as enclosure 1.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Enclosure 1:
Proposed Citation

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Proposed Citation

Rear Admiral Guy L. WARREN, Royal Navy, Headquarters 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, Italy (Overhead), for exceptionally meritorious service and outstanding achievement from 19 January 1945 to 31 August 1945. Admiral Warren was appointed as a member of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC on 19 January 1945, and as Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC on 7 March 1945, in which capacity he is still serving. As Chief of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC he has distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to duty, loyalty to the Allied Commission, sound judgment, excellent administrative ability, tact and resourcefulness. The Navy Sub-Commission, AC is responsible for the general administration of the Italian Navy, including professional matters, logistics and supply, and international relations. Admiral Warren has consistently sought and achieved a high degree of efficiency for the Navy Sub-Commission, AC in dealing with representatives of the United States and British military, naval and air forces in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and with Allied and Italian authorities in Italy. By his high standards and energetic ability he has increased the efficiency of the Italian Navy and enabled and assisted the Italian Naval Forces in performing highly useful services in the Allied war effort. He has directed and encouraged the Italian Ministry of Marine to assume authority and control of port administration and operation of ports which are returned to Italian Government control and thereby reduced the number of Allied personnel required in the Mediterranean Theater for this purpose. He is responsible in a high degree for the close co-ordination and mutual co-operation between British and American naval and military authorities in dealing with the Italian Navy. His distinguished services are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal Navy and the United Kingdom and are an inspiration to his subordinate officers and reflect great credit on himself and the Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

NPT/jp
28 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Review of Recommendations for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission.

1. In compliance with paragraph 4, letter from Office of the Chief Commissioner, subject "Recommendation for Award of Legion of Merit", dated 28 August 1945, the board reconvened and the following members were present:

Col	NORMAN E. FISKE	Cav	04741
Col	CHARLES M. PARKIN	Inf	05206
Col	JOHN W. CHAPMAN	JAGD	0204184
Lt Col	ROBERT A. MARTINO	Spec Res	0272815
Lt Col	LESLIE S. MOORE	AGD	0216697
1st Lt	NICHOLAS P. THEODORE	AGD	01001062

2. The first order of business was the analysis of the figures of Legion of Merit recommendations.

	Submitted	Approved
Lombardia	15	5
Piemonte	3	2
Naples Commune	6	1
Toscana	20	2
Emilia	10	3

3. After reconsideration, the Board decided to recommend Lt Col Bizzozero for the Legion of Merit. After re-examining the other three cases, the Board felt that citations properly fitted the award of the Bronze Star Medal and adhered to its original policy, as per minutes of last meeting.

4. The Board is not prepared to accept the implication of discrimination as contained in para 3 of the Chief Commissioner's letter. The members of the Board feel that they have acted on recommendations submitted with complete impartiality and fairness to the best of their ability. While the figures quoted in para 3 of the CC's letter are correct, they are also incomplete. The figures for Naples, Emilia and Toscana were not included.

C.M.P.
N.P. THEODORE,
1st Lt, AGD,
Recorder.

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28 August 1945.

SUBJECT: Recommendations for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : HQ AC Decorations and Awards Board.

1. There are returned herewith for reconsideration four recommendations made by the Regional Commissioner, Lombardia Region, for the Legion of Merit which have been downgraded by your board to the Bronze Star Medal.

2. I have reviewed these recommendations carefully and am not willing to forward them as prepared for my signature.

3. Colonel Poletti is probably my best regional commissioner and the greatest weight should be given to his recommendations. Analysis shows that the board has approved only one third of his recommendations for the Legion of Merit, whereas two thirds of the recommendations for the Legion of Merit for PIEMONTE were approved by the board, one half of such recommendations from VENEZIE were approved by the board, and two thirds of the HQ AC recommendations were approved by the board. If these four cases are approved it will equalize the LOMBARDIA Region's ratio with the VENEZIE ratio and still be under the HQ AC ratio.

4. I strongly recommend that the board approve the recommendations for the Legion of Merit as submitted by the Regional Commissioner. It is requested that the board reconvene in order that final action may be taken today.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

cc: Estab. Sec.

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TABLE SHOWING AWARDS
RECOMMENDED AND PASSED
BY A.C. REGIONS

Award Name	LOMBARDIA Rec	LOMBARDIA AC Bd.	LOMBARDIA Fin Act.	TOSCANA Rec	TOSCANA AC Bd.	TOSCANA Fin Act.	EMILIA Rec	EMILIA AC Bd.	EMILIA Fin Act.	NAPLES Rec	NAPLES AC Act	NAPLES Fin Act.	PIEMONTE Rec	PIEMONTE AC Bd.	PIEMONTE Fin Act.	VENEZIA Rec	VENEZIA AC Bd.	VENEZIA Fin Act.
DSM	0	0	-	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
LM	15	5	-	20	2	-	10	5	1	6	1	1	3	2	0	15	8	3
BSM	27	19	-	1	18	9	0	6	4	0	2	1	1	2	4	1	8	7
Cit.	0	15	-	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	1	1
Disapproved-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
No Action	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6
Total	42	42		22	22		10	10		6	6		4	4		17	17	

Officer	69	45	51	7	74	59
EM	98	69	82	17	82	82
Total Str.	167	114	139	24	156	141
Ratio of Award Recom. to Total Str.	25.2 %	19.3	13.9	25.0	2.5	12.0

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AWARDS - HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

	RECOMMENDED	A.C. BOARD	FINAL ACTION
DSM	1	1	
LM	46	32	7
BSM	1	14	28
CITATION IN G.O.		4	4
SOLDIERS MEDAL	1	1	1
DISAPPROVED			6
NO ACTION			6
TOTAL	52	52	52

Strength - Officers - 205
EM - 457

Total Str. 662

236 Ratio of Award Recom to Total Str - 7.9 %

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

HMF/FRW/fjp

28 August 1945

File: 200.6
-x-201-Howell, Edmund O., Jr. (Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Edmund O. Howell, Jr., 0138157, Colonel, Infantry, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 12 September 1943 to 31 July 1945.

2. In September 1943, Colonel Howell was assigned as Regional Finance Officer for Region IV, Allied Military Government. The Regional organization was at that time being initiated and the duties which developed upon this officer included the selection and training of personnel, setting up of accounting and statistical procedures and the complete development of a sound financial system to govern Allied Military Government operations. His experience as a financier in private life, added to many years of army service, together with unusual native skills and abilities, enabled him to establish a finance program that was to be a pattern for future operations in many regions of Allied Military Government and the Allied Commission in Italy. With great discernment, he assembled a group of competent and hard-working financial agents, and overcoming the many obstacles that confronted the organization in its initial stages, he produced a well integrated and smoothly functioning division that was to play an important part in all Allied Military Government programs in Italy. He continued in Region IV until September 1944.

3. From mid-September 1944 to April 1945, this officer was Regional Finance Officer for Region XII. In this tour of duty he applied the proven practices and procedures which he had earlier originated in Region IV. In addition to his regular duties, he was Acting Executive Officer for Southern Region, Allied Commission, from 15 January 1945 to 31 March 1945. The full and complete performance of the duties of these two important offices required incessant toil, continuous travel and constant tact, as well as the exercise of good judgment. He set an example of efficiency and tirelessness to the officers and men working under his direction and was able to produce in each of the important posts that he directed an esprit de corps that contributed in no small measure to the success which Allied Military Government accomplished in Region XII and Southern Region.

4. From 16 April 1945, preceding the final battle that ended in

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the surrender of the enemy in Italy, until 5 July 1945, this officer was Senior Finance Officer, Allied Military Government, Fifth Army. With fearlessness and determination he pursued his objectives, without thought of personal comfort of safety, and it was largely through his direct efforts that much of the financial resources of the captured areas was conserved. During the course of the foregoing tours of duty, this officer planned and directed the training of Provincial Finance Officers and it was done so well that persons trained under his supervision became Regional Finance Officers for Toscana, Emilia, Venezia, Piemonte and Venezia-Giulia Regions.

5. In the initial occupation of Region IV, banks and state financial agencies had practically all been looted, closed or destroyed. In the provinces of Frosinone, Littoria and part of Roma, not one financial institution was functioning. Under the capable and experienced direction of Colonel Howell, within thirty days, cash, personnel, supplies and records were collected and dispatched, banks were re-established and opened, the offices of the Intendente di Finanzia and tax collection were reopened and the normal financial life of the area was reactivated. In communes, this accomplishment was extraordinary and was made possible only because of the initiative, high skill and outstanding ability of Colonel Howell. The net result of the resumption, to restore the confidence of the people, was the restoration of their belief both in the good intentions of the Allied Forces and in their own ability to re-establish an economic life.

6. One of the outstanding services performed by this officer was the seizure of enemy accounts in banks, as war booty. In Region IV alone, under his direction, over twenty three million lire were so seized. During May 1945, military action in Bolzano Province, while serving with Fifth Army, Colonel Howell brought about the seizure of six billion, nine hundred three million, eight hundred twenty nine thousand, six hundred sixty seven lire in enemy accounts, in addition to large amounts of all types of foreign currencies. Had it not been for the prompt and expert services of this officer, these vast amounts of money would, almost certainly, have disappeared and thus not have been available for future legitimate use. While with Fifth Army, he initiated and directed the collection of approximately two billion lire from enemy field units. He directed the impounding of funds and securities of Republican Fascist Ministries to an approximate value of sixty million Lire, thus preventing them from being looted and destroyed.

7. As Senior Finance Officer, Allied Military Government, Fifth Army, this officer was responsible for securing, equipping, training and sending into the field many of the Provincial Finance Officers in North Italy. As a result of his foresight and good judgment, banks were reopened within a few days after Allied occupations. He planned and arranged the transportation of one billion lire to the Bank of Italy at Milano from Bolzano at a critical time when the banking institutions of Milano, Turin and Genoa were practically destitute of cash, and he transferred from Bolzano to Rome an additional billion Lire. Under his direction, the twenty three tons of gold captured by the 85th Division at Fortezza was safely and securely transferred to Rome.

8. Colonel Howell's resourcefulness, initiative, inspiring leadership and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest

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traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces.

9. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Colonel. He has occupied the positions of Regional Finance Officer, Region IV and Venezia Region, and as Senior Finance Officer of Allied Military Government, Fifth Army. The officer is presently a Colonel and is performing duties as Deputy Regional Commissioner of Venezia Region.

10. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Colonel Howell.

11. All subsequent services of this officer have been honorable.

12. Colonel Howell has received no previous awards.

13. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

NORMAN B. FISKE
Colonel CAV
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Proposed Citation

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-x-201-Howell, Edmund C., Jr. (Off)
(23 Aug '45) 1st Ind HPT/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AUS
Recorder

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200.6
-x-201-Howell, Edmund C., Jr. (Off)
(28 Aug '45) 2nd Ind EWS/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

WALKER W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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200.6
-x-201-Howell, Edmund C., Jr. (Off)
(28 Aug '45) 3rd Ind CMP/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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PROPOSED CITATION

Edmund O. Howell, Jr., Colonel, Infantry, 0138157, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 12 September 1943 to 31 July 1945. Colonel Howell initiated and organized the entire financial division and system of procedures in Region IV which became a pattern of future operations. As Regional Finance Officer, first in Region IV and later in Region XII, and as Senior Finance Officer of Allied Military Government, Fifth Army, he overcame continuous difficulties in setting up the financial controls which made it possible for civilian economic life to be resumed promptly in the wake of the advancing army, thus lessening the hazards of rear-action sabotage and discontent. He displayed especially good judgment in the selection of financial personnel and in directing their training. Officers trained by him subsequently became Regional Finance Officers for five important regions in Northern Italy. While serving with Fifth Army, he directed the seizure of vast sums of money and securities, formerly held by the enemy or by Republican Fascist Ministries, as well as twenty three tons of gold captured by the 88th Division at Fortezza, and accomplished their safe transfer either to Rome or to cities in Northern Italy where economic life was at a standstill because of a lack of currency. With great discretion and direction, he brought about the reopening of banks and financial institutions in an incredibly short time after occupation, thus establishing the confidence of the people of Italy in the good intentions of the Allied Forces and in their own ability to re-establish their own financial institutions. His service reflected great credit upon the civil affairs program of the liberating armies, and was in the best tradition of the Army of the United States. Over and beyond the call of duty, he worked at his difficult and intricate task in all kinds of weather, and in areas that had been so completely destroyed that the revival of industry and commerce seemed almost impossible. He maintained cordial and friendly relations with the officers in the various Allied Armies with whom his duties brought him into contact and he reflected great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces by his resourcefulness, initiative, inspiring leadership and outstanding devotion to duty. Colonel Howell entered the military service from Cape May Court House, New Jersey.

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2675TH REGIMENT
ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD)
APO 394

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28 August 1945

SUBJECT: Commendations in General Orders

TO : Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Reference telephone conversation 15 June 1945 between Captain J. P. Meister, Assistant Adjutant, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, and CWO F. R. Wermuth, Assistant Adjutant, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), the attached commendations for the following named enlisted men are forwarded:

Technician Fourth Grade Jerry Andiorio - 32762258

Technician Fourth Grade Rocco A. Rizzo - 20254755

2. It is requested that suitable publication be made in General Orders of Headquarters Command, Allied Force, and that copies be sealed and forwarded to this headquarters for distribution to the individuals concerned.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

F. R. WERMUTH
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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Proposed General Order Commendations

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(28 August 1945) 1st Ind NFT/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army. 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

M. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AGD
Recorder

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(28 August 1945) 2nd Ind EWS/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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201.22/300.4
(28 August 1945) 3rd Ind CMP/fp

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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GENERAL ORDER COMMENDATION

Technician Fourth Grade Jerry Andiorio, 32762258, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, is commended for exceptional performance of duty from 15 August 1943 to 31 May 1945. As a clerk in the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, Technician Fourth Grade Andiorio gave of his time and personal efforts in solving many pressing problems concerning public health and welfare. In the early days of Allied Military Government, he met with and encouraged superintendents and other officials of Eleemosynary institutions throughout Sicily and Italy. In directing the completion of administration in the sub-commission, he has accomplished outstanding feats of immediate and complete accomplishment of the administrative tasks of the office. As a result of his thorough knowledge of the Italian language, he was able to listen to the pleas of needy Italian civilians and aid them as conditions would permit. He accepted cheerfully the responsibility of all matters pertaining to civilian employees. Before definite plans were set up for the handling of refugees and homeless victims of the war, Technician Fourth Grade Andiorio accepted responsibility far beyond those required of his position and with a sacrifice of his own time and energy. His outstanding and unselfish service has reflected great credit upon the work of the Public Health Sub-Commission and has been a large factor in forwarding welfare work in Italy. His outstanding services are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect the greatest credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Hortendyke, New Jersey.

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GENERAL ORDER COMMENDATION

Technician Fourth Grade Rocco A. Rizzo, 20254755, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, is commended for exceptional performance of duty from 13 January 1944 to 12 August 1945. As Chief Clerk of the Public Health and Welfare Sub-Commission of Southern Region, Allied Commission, Technician Fourth Grade Rizzo performed outstanding services in organizing an efficient and well-balanced staff and in caring for countless matters that lay outside the sphere of his duty. He is highly commended for his complete disregard of his own health and welfare at the time of the typhus and smallpox epidemics when he stayed through long hours at night in aiding the Regional Welfare Officer to distribute and safeguard cots, blankets, medical supplies and other articles required in stamping out the epidemic. His safeguarding and careful distribution of supplies prevented sorely needed materials from entering into black market channels. Concerned with the welfare of individual Italian civilians employed by the headquarters, he took upon himself to study, on his own time, the application of certain drugs for wounds and injuries. He applied his knowledge in that he treated countless numbers of Italian civilians who were injured or needed medication in and about the headquarters. He offered his services on several occasions to act as an interpreter for Public Health and Welfare Officers. Some of this work took him through the evening hours and at times, far into the night. Without regard for rest or recreation, Technician Fourth Grade Rizzo offered his services wherever and whenever they could be used. He reflects the most splendid type of American soldier and his services are worthy of the highest emulation. Technician Fourth Grade Rizzo's zeal and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

LDD/sc

28 August 1945

File: 200.6
x-201-Boulder, Henry H. (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding Officer, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR-600-45, it is recommended that Henry H. Boulder, O-205393, Lieutenant Colonel, Signal Corps, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services with the Allied Commission in Italy from 20 March 1944 to 28 August 1945.

2. Lieutenant Colonel Boulder served as Deputy Director and Director of Communications Sub-Commission of the Allied Control Commission and the Allied Commission during the above period and as such displayed great initiative and marked ability in assuming the responsibility of his position and carrying through to final action decisions on many important and pressing problems relative to communications affecting Military Government, the Italian Government and the Italian civilian population.

3. This officer, at the time of the transfer of the Italian Government from Brindisi to Salerno, was responsible for the coordination of the use by Allied Military forces, Allied Military Government, the Italian Government and the civilian population of all civilian communication facilities in then-liberated Italy. These facilities, due to war damage and great demands for use by the Military, were inadequate to supply minimum needs. Lieutenant Colonel Boulder directed with great skill the plans for rehabilitation and re-establishment of civilian communication facilities and in cooperation with Allied Signal authorities established a system of signal communications which contributed greatly to the efficiency and successful operation of military government and likewise contributed to the successful establishment of governmental authority throughout the territory which was returned to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government.

4. Working with limited and meager facilities, he demonstrated great resourcefulness, efficiency and talent. Due to his superior ability, outstanding devotion to duty and his efficient and diplomatic work with the military authorities, not only were facilities made available for the Italian Government and civilian use, but maximum utilization of civilian facilities by Allied Military was made possible. Lieutenant Colonel Boulder contributed effectively to the Allied prosecution of the war.

5. This officer planned and directed the rehabilitation and re-establishment of telephone and telegraph service throughout Italy as the territory was liberated. The early functioning of these vital communica-

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tion services contributed greatly to Italy's progress toward economic recovery.

6. Lieutenant Colonel Scudder deserves the award of the Legion of Merit for his noteworthy courage, exceptional ability and ceaseless application to the task of restoring vital communications in war-torn Italy. His performance of duty was in a position of responsibility and was marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the usual.

7. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Colonel Scudder is in keeping with the traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization.

8. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Colonel Scudder.

9. This officer was a major upon joining the Allied Control Commission; he was promoted to the grade of lieutenant colonel on 27 July 1944.

10. The entire subsequent service of Lieutenant Colonel Scudder has been honorable.

11. This officer has received no United States awards to date.

12. Proposed citation attached as inclosure.

KIRKE W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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THE LEGION OF MERIT.

...

Lieutenant Colonel Henry H. Scudder, O-205393, Signal Corps, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services in Italy from 20 March 1944 to 23 August 1945. As Deputy Director and Director of the Communications Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Lieutenant Colonel Scudder displayed great initintive, marked ability and sound judgment in assuming the responsibility of his position and in carrying through to final action decisions many important and pressing problems relative to communications affecting Military Government, the Italian Government and the Italian civilian population. He was responsible for the coordination of the use by Allied Military forces, Allied Military Government, the Italian Government and the civilian population of all civilian communication facilities in then-liberated Italy. He directed with great skill the plans for rehabilitation and re-establishment of civilian communication facilities and in cooperation with Allied Signal authorities established a system of signal communications which contributed greatly to the efficiency and successful operation of Military Government and likewise contributed to the successful establishment of governmental authority throughout the territory which was returned to the jurisdiction of the Italian Government. Working with limited and meager facilities, he demonstrated great resourcefulness, efficiency and talent in a position of responsibility. He planned and directed the rehabilitation and re-establishment of telephone and telegraph service throughout Italy as the territory was liberated. The early functioning of these vital communication services contributed greatly to Italy's progress toward economic recovery. Due to his superior ability, outstanding devotion to duty and his efficient and diplomatic work with the Military authorities, not only were facilities made available for the Italian Government and civilian use, but maximum utilization of civilian facilities by Allied Military authorities was made possible. He contributed effectively to the Allied prosecution of the war by performance of duty marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the usual. Entered the military service from Old Lyme, Connecticut.

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200.6
x-201-Anderson, Sherman L. (Off) HEL/pf
(25 Aug 45)

1st Ind.

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394.
U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

For your approval or disapproval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

HOWARD E LEE
Capt Inf
Adjutant

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x-201-Anderson, Sherman L. (Off) EWG/ejj
(25 Aug 45)

2nd Ind.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August, it is recommended that the Italian decoration to be granted posthumously to Major Anderson, as proposed by his Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm, be approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Award (Posthumously) - Order of the Crown of Italy - recommended by General Infante - Ltr 5 June 45, for aiding in the recovery of the numismatic collections of H.M. the King. (Major Anderson was assigned to AFA - Fin S/C)

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200.6 1st Ind. EWS/ejj
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
U. S. Army, 28 August 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. I concur most strongly in basic communication.

2. The records of these officers, the signal and distinguished services which they have in every case rendered the Allied Commission and the United States Government, their brilliant performance of duty and whole-hearted cooperation, are such as to warrant a careful reconsideration of each of these recommendations.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Basic Communication Summary:

Letter 200.6, 28 Aug 45, subject: Awards to British Officers, from Col. Perkin, to CG, MTOUSA, thru CO, Allied Force. Recommendations for awards to following British officers returned for reconsideration:

Brig. Upjohn
Air Commodore Benson
Col. Hancock
Col. Legg
S/SM Angibault
Lt Col Lapper

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Award - Cavaliere of the Crown of Italy - recommended by Minister of Air - Ltr 21 June 45 (Capt Scafidi is assigned to Lombardia Region)

200.6
x-201-Scafidi, Anthony (Off)
(21 Jun 45) 9th Ind. EWS/ojj
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
US Army, 28 August 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Capt Scafidi as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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AG 201-P-Timmons, Benson E. L., III (Off) 1st Ind
(27 Aug 45)
Hq MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army, 14 September 1945

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394

The recommendation for the award of the Legion of Merit to Major Benson E. L. Timmons, III, 0353545, has been carefully reconsidered by this headquarters, but it is considered that the Bronze Star Medal awarded in lieu of the Legion of Merit is the appropriate award.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCNARNEY:

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
25 SEP 1945
RECEIVED

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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7 August 1945

SUBJ CT: Request for Substitution of Award of Legion of Merit for Bronze Star - Major Benson B.L. Timmons III (O 353 545).

To: CG MTOUSA.

1. I write to request that the award of the Bronze Star to Major Benson B.L. Timmons III (O 353 545) be replaced by the award of the Legion of Merit. The Bronze Star award to him was made by MTOUSA General Order 193 dated 19 August 1945. The recommendation submitted by Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, in its letter of 5 June 1945 was that Major Timmons be awarded the Legion of Merit.

2. I have been personally familiar, for a considerable time, with Major Timmons' performance and qualifications. It would be difficult to find a more zealous and more effective and productive officer. I have been carefully following the awards of decorations to the officers of AC/AAO and it is my strong conviction that Major Timmons is fully as deserving of the award of the Legion of Merit as other officers who have recently received that decoration. His work has been of such a superior character, his efficiency so outstanding and his performance over and above the usual expectancy so well established, that I earnestly urge your reconsideration of the case and the amendment of the above mentioned order to the effect that Major Timmons be awarded the Legion of Merit.

FILEY W. REID
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

cc: Finance S/C
Estab. Sec.
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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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File: 200.6
x-201-Warren, Clyde A. (O)

27 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Clyde A. Warren, 0521565, Major (then Captain), Specialist Reserve, 2575th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 25 June 1944 to 30 June 1945.

2. Major Warren, then a Captain, was appointed the Provincial Commissioner of Pesaro Province on 25 June 1944. Advancing with the combat army along the coast of Italy, he and his provincial team entered the province immediately upon its liberation. The entire area was one which saw some of the hardest fighting between the Allied and German armies throughout the entire Italian campaign. Many towns were a complete rubble. Others were overcrowded with refugees. Disease, malnutrition, lack of medical and housing facilities, food and water were some of the initial problems facing this officer. Despite lack of transportation and communications, Major Warren applied himself with a boundless energy in directing the administration toward an immediate and efficient government of the entire territory. Using whatever transportation could be found in the outlying areas, Major Warren initiated immediate repair and reconstruction of these vehicles so that they could carry food and materials required by the hungry and homeless refugees which looked to Allied Military Government for assistance. Roads and bridges which were required for the success of immediate combat operations were sorely in need of immediate repair and reconstruction. Improvising the materials from whatever source located, recruiting Italian labor to assist in the reconstruction and working long hours in his direction of the work, roads and bridges were repaired in short order so that they could immediately aid the movement of supplies and material to the combat fronts. Thousands of refugees passed through the territory governed by this officer. Despite the fact that he was unable to initiate local housing accommodations, food and medical care for the local population he improvised throughout the entire period so that these poor and homeless people could be properly administered. His sound and efficacious performance of duty in this area not only helped to return it to a normal form of government but has inculcated in the local Italian people a feeling of respect and thankfulness toward the Allied forces.

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3. Upon completion of his assignment in Pesaro Province, Major Warren was assigned the duties of Provincial Commissioner of Varese Province in Lombardia Region. Immediately after liberation, Major Warren entered the province to commence administration. He found the province in a state of chaos and confusion. Political vengeance and abuse were created by a certain element who called themselves "partisans". Even the Questura, the local government body, was involved. People were unjustly accused, vilely abused, tortured and jailed. Lootings and killings were being perpetrated with impunity not found anywhere else in liberated Italy. Food and merchandise were being hauled to black markets in the South. Workers, instigated and advised by certain political factions, had taken control of plants and had ousted proprietors and directors.

4. Major Warren, exhibiting extraordinary ability and sound judgment, immediately ordered a general "house cleaning" in the Questura. He dismissed the Questore, much against the hostile opposition and threats of the CLN, the local press and certain political factions. Under his sound and astute direction the appointment of local officials was accomplished and the Questura was soon made a law enforcing organization instead of the abusive political instrument it had previously been. Proceeding along similar lines, Major Warren entered the prisons and conducted investigations, weeding out those persons who had been unjustly accused by political factions. Ruling with an iron hand of sound justice, he returned the province to complete and sound administrative control and stamped out disorder and abuse in a short space of time.

5. Major Warren has demonstrated an unusual appreciation of Italian government problems and a more sympathetic concern for the welfare of the Italian people under his jurisdiction. He has been able to maintain the most cordial relations with the Italian Government authorities and has eliminated the friction which existed between them and the local CLN. He has assisted industry in every possible way with a view to keeping plants in operation and thus avoiding a serious unemployment problem and industrial paralysis in the province. His concern for the welfare of the people is again shown by his refusal to lower the normal consumer bread ration to one hundred grams daily as proposed by the local authorities. The local authorities had made this proposal as a result of the wheat shortage in the province. Major Warren ruled that the ration remain as established by Allied Military Government and immediately mobilized truck convoys to bring in the grain from the Po Valley. This action averted a very serious alimentation difficulty for the province and has not only assured that the ration would be maintained presently but would even be increased in the coming months. Major Warren has served with an intelligence and fidelity which in themselves are displayed in the marked success of his administration. His complete impartiality and his concern for the welfare of the people will leave a lasting impression of good will and good government upon them. It is certain to influence them in time to come in their choosing of the proper officials to govern and administer them.

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6. Major Warren's sound and impartial leadership, his outstanding zeal and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself and his organization.

7. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Captain. He was promoted to Major on 7 January 1945. He has occupied the assignments of Chief of the Police Division, Naples Province, as Provincial Commissioner, Pesaro Province, and finally, as Provincial Commissioner, Varese Province, Lombardia Region, Allied Military Government.

8. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Warren.

9. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous awards.

11. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

NORMAN E. FISKE
Colonel, Cavalry
Deputy Executive Commissioner

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Proposed citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) Clyde A. Warren, 0521365, Specialist Reserve, 267th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 25 June 1944 to 30 June 1945. As the Provincial Commissioner for both Pesaro and Varese Provinces, Major Warren entered these localities immediately after liberation. He found the Provinces in a state of chaos and confusion, where political vengeance and abuses were created by certain elements who called themselves "partisans". People were unjustly accused, vilely treated, tortured and jailed. Lootings and killings were being perpetrated and food and merchandise was being hauled to black markets in the South. Certain political factions had taken control of plants and had ousted proprietors and directors. Major Warren immediately commenced "house-cleaning" from the Questura down to the smallest of the organizations. He immediately secured appointment of new civil officials and processed a law enforcing organization to care for the administration of the province. He has shown a sympathetic concern for the Italian people and their problems and has always lent a hearty hand in helping to solve countless problems which have faced him and the Italian government organizations. He has served with intelligence and fidelity and will leave a lasting impression of good will and good government on the minds of the people of the provinces which he has administered. His contribution to the allied war effort and to the Allied Military Government has been an outstanding one and will leave with Italian government officials an example of the soundness and impartial activity of Allied officials. His resourcefulness, zeal and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed forces. Entered the military service from Portland, Oregon.

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x-201-Warren, Clyde A. (O)
(27 August 45) 1st Ind. HPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

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200.6
x-201-Warren, Clyde A. (O)
(27 August 45) 2nd Ind. HPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

HILARY N. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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x-201-Warren, Clyde A. (O)
(27 August 45) 3rd Ind. CHP/rem
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

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27 August 1945.

From: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission (Italy).
To : Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Northwest African Waters.

Subject: Lieutenant Lawrence C. MOORE,(S) USNR (73835) - Request for Authority to accept Italian Decoration.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of ltr. 3864/A.G. from Italian Government, proposing award, with translation attached.
(B) Affidavit and request for authority to accept subject award, executed by subject officer.

1. Enclosure (A) is a copy of a letter received from the Aide-de-Camp to the Lieutenant General of the Realm proposing awards to certain officers of the Allied Commission in recognition of their efforts in recovering and arranging for the return of the numismatic collection of the King of Italy.

2. Enclosure (B) is an affidavit and a request for authority to accept the proposed award executed by subject officer in accordance with regulations issued by Headquarters, Mediterranean Theater of Operations.

3. In the case of Army personnel nominated for awards in Enclosure (A), recommendations have been made to the Army Theater Commander.

4. It is recommended that permission be granted to subject officer to accept the proposed appointment as Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USN

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Translation

3866/A.G.

Rome, 5 June 1945

Dear Admiral Stone,

the Allied officers mentioned in the enclosed list have most efficiently contributed to recover the numismatic collection of H.M. the King.

His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Kingdom would be happy to give these officers a token of his gratitude for the work they have done, granting them the Order of the Crown of Italy.

Will you kindly let me know whether you have any objection to make on this subject.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Yours very truly,

S.A. Infante

(Gen. Adolfo Infante)

Admiral Ellery Stone
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Enclosure (A)

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Translation

Officers of the Allied Armed Forces

*Brigadier A.P. GRAFFTEY-SMITH Joint Director Finance Sub-Commission Headquarters Allied Commission	-(Br) - Grand officer
-Colonel Robert B. MENAPACE Joint Director Finance Sub-Commission Headquarters Allied Commission (Commander of the Crown of Italy)	-(U.S.)- "
Lt-Col. E.P. WATERS Finance Sub-Commission Headquarters Allied Commission	-(Br) - Knight officer
Major B.E. TIMMONS Assistant to the Joint Directors Finance Sub-Commission Headquarters Allied Commission	-(U.S.)- "
Lt. Laurence C. Moore Finance Sub-Commisaion Headquarters Allied Commission	-(U.S.)- Knight
Lt-Col. James H. FENICK Chief of Allied Financial Agency	-(U.S.) Commander
Major E.J. GITS Deputy Chief of AFA	-(Br) Knight Officer
Major W.F. COOK Allied Financial Agency	-(Br) " "
Major D.B. MATHIAS Allied Financial Agency	-(U.S.) " "
Major S.L. ANDERSON Chief of A.F.A. Rome Branch	-(U.S.) " "
Lt. Joseph A. CICALA Allied Financial Agency	-(U.S.) Knight
Lt. Nicholas L. GIUNTA Allied Financial Agency	-(U.S.) "

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COPY

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IL PRIMO AIUTANTE DI CAMPO GENERALE
DI S.A.R. IL LUOGOTENENTE GENERALE DEL REGNO

Roma, li 5 giugno 1945.

Caro Ammiraglio Stone.

Gli Ufficiali Alleati segnati nell'accluso elenco si sono validamente interessati per il recupero della collezione numismatica di S.M. il Re.

Sua Altezza Reale il Luogotenente Generale del Regno sarebbe ben lieto di attestare agli Ufficiali in parola, in modo tangibile, il suo apprezzamento per l'opera da essi svolta, conferendo loro decorazioni dell'Ordine della Corona d'Italia.

La prego di volermi cortesemente indicare se Ella ha obiezioni a riguardo.

La ringrazio fin d'ora e Le porgo con l'occasione i piu distinti saluti.

(Signed): Generale ADOLFO INFANTE

Ammiraglio Ellery STONE
A.C.
ROMA

A Certified True Copy

L. W. STEARNS. C.M.P.
Major. AGD.

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UFFICIALI DELLE FORZE ARMATE ALLEATE

-Brigadier A.P. GRAFFTEY-SMITH - (Br.) - Grande Ufficiale
Joint Director
Finance Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission

-Colonel Robert B. MENAGH - (U.S.) -
Joint Director
Finance Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission
(Comm. della Corona d'Italia)

-Lt Col. E.P. WATERS - (Br.) - Cavaliere Ufficiale
Finance Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission

-Major B.E. TIMMONS - (U.S.)
Assistant to the Joint Directors
Finance Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission

-Lt Laurence C. MOORE - (U.S.) - Cavaliere
Finance Sub-Commission
Headquarters Allied Commission

-Lt. Col. James H. PENICK -(U.S.) - Commendatore
Chief of Allied Financial Agency

-Major R.J. GITS - (Br.) - Cavaliere Ufficiale
Deputy Chief of A.F.A.

- Major W.F. COOK - (Br.) - " "
Allied Financial Agency

-Major D.B. MATHIAS - (U.S.) " "
Allied Financial Agency

-Major S. L. ANDERSON - (U.S.) - " "
Chief of A.F.A. Rome Branch

-Lt. Joseph A. CICALA - (U.S.) - Cavaliere
Allied Financial Agency

-Lt Nicholas L. GIUNTA - (U.S.) - Cavaliere.
Allied Financial Agency

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A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

L. W. STEARNS,
Major, AGD.

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AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 33b, AR 600-45, as amended, and paragraph 11, Circular #73, Hq MTOUSA, dated 12 May 1945, permission is hereby requested for the undersigned to accept the award of the Order of the Crown of Italy (Knight) from the Italian Government.

"I have not participated in negotiations for Lend Lease Allocations, nor made any recommendations to any agencies authorized to act on such recommendations. I am not a member of any board, rearmament committee, or other agency charged with Lend Lease negotiations, recommendations for, or the allocation of Lend Lease materials."

Headquarters 2675th Regt.
Allied Commission,(Ovhd)
APO 394, U.S. Army.

S/ Lawrence C. Moore

T/ LAWRENCE C. MOORE
Lt USNR

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 2nd day of July 1945, at APO 394, U. S. Army.

Headquarters 2675th Regt.
Allied Commission, (Ovhd)
APO 394, U. S. Army.

s/ F.R. Wermuth,
t/ F.R. WERMUTH
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant.

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x-201-Moore, Lawrence C. (Off)
(2 Jul 45)

1st Ind. HEL/pf
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 20 August 1945.

TO: It Lawrence C. Moore, USNR, Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

1. Request that evidence be submitted to this headquarters to the effect that the Italian Government has decided to award you a decoration.

2. This evidence is necessary prior to submission to higher headquarters for approval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Howard E Lee
HOWARD E LEE
Capt Inf
Adjutant

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2nd Ind. LCM/ic
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, FINANCE SUB-COMMISSION, (Allied Financial Agency) APO 394, U.S. Army, 22 August 1945.

TO: Headquarters, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, (OVHD), APO 394, U.S. Army.

1. Complied with.

Laurence C Moore
LAURENCE C. MOORE,
Lt.,USNR.

Incl. 1 - Copy and translation ltr from Aide-de-Camp General to Lt. General of Italy, notification of award.

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x-201-Moore, Lawrence C. (Off)
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HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVID), APO 394, US Army,
23 August 1945.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

Forwarded for your approval or disapproval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

F. R. WERMUTH
CWO USA
Asst Adjutant

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Chief Commissioner
APO 394

File: 200.6 29 August 1945
x-201-WARREN, Guy L. (Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of Legion of Merit

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Guy L. WARREN, Rear Admiral, Royal Navy (then Commodore), attached to Headquarters 2676th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious service and outstanding achievement during the period 19 January 1945 to 31 August 1945.

2. Rear Admiral Warren (then Commodore) reported to the Allied Commission for duty as a member of the Navy Sub-Commission on 19 January 1945. In this capacity he represented the Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC whose duties required him to remain at Taranto, Italy, where the operation of the Italian Fleet is controlled. On account of the transfer of the Italian Ministry of Marine Headquarters from Taranto to Rome on August 6, 1944, the entire administration of the Italian Navy is controlled by the Navy Sub-Commission, AC. For this and other administrative reasons, the Navy Sub-Commission was reorganized by an Allied Force Headquarters Directive on 7 March 1945, with additional responsibilities and functions directly under the Allied Commission. Commodore Warren was appointed head of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC and promoted to Rear Admiral. Under this reorganization the Navy Sub-Commission is responsible for the general administration of the Italian Navy not directly affecting the operation of the Italian Fleet, including professional matters, logistics and supply, and international relations. The work of the Navy Sub-Commission has consistently been recognized throughout the Theater to be of increasing importance. The standing of the Navy Sub-Commission and the Allied Commission as representative of the United Nations has been considerably enhanced by the excellent professional ability and personal qualities of Rear Admiral Warren. He has consistently sought and achieved a high degree of efficiency for the Navy Sub-Commission, AC in dealing with representatives of the United States and British military, naval and air forces in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and with Allied and Italian authorities in Italy. Co-operation and mutual understanding with the Italian Ministry of Marine have been increased. The Navy Sub-Commission, AC has performed exceedingly useful services in co-ordinating the demands on the Italian Ministry of Marine towards utilizing the Italian Navy in the best interests of the Allied war effort. The operation of Italian ports by the Italian Navy, through the Director General of the Italian Mercantile Marine, utilizing the Italian Central of Port Organization, has been sponsored by the Navy Sub-Commission, AC and considerable progress has been made toward the turning over of port operations to the Italian Government in order to relieve Allied naval and military forces from this responsibility, resulting in a direct reduction of the Allied personnel required in the Theater for this purpose.

3. Rear Admiral Warren from the period of his initial assignment to duty with the Navy Sub-Commission, AC has distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to duty, loyalty to the Allied Commission, sound judgment, excellent

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administrative ability, tact and resourcefulness. His distinguished services are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Royal Navy and the United Kingdom and are an inspiration to his subordinate officers and reflect great credit on himself and the Allied Commission.

4. The officer recommending this award has personal knowledge of the services performed by Rear Admiral Warren during the entire period covered.

5. Rear Admiral Warren was a Commodore for part of the period during which these services were rendered. He was promoted to Rear Admiral, Royal Navy, on 19 February 1945. His principal assignment has been Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC, in which capacity he is still serving.

6. The entire subsequent services of Rear Admiral Warren have been honorable.

7. Rear Admiral Warren has received no decorations to date while serving in the Allied Commission.

8. A proposed citation is attached hereto as enclosure 1.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

Enclosure 1:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Rear Admiral Guy L. WARREN, Royal Navy, Headquarters 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, Italy (Overhead), for exceptionally meritorious service and outstanding achievement from 19 January 1945 to 31 August 1945. Admiral Warren was appointed as a member of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC on 19 January 1945, and as Chief, Navy Sub-Commission, AC on 7 March 1945, in which capacity he is still serving. As Chief of the Navy Sub-Commission, AC he has distinguished himself by his outstanding devotion to duty, loyalty to the Allied Commission, sound judgment, excellent administrative ability, tact and resourcefulness. The Navy Sub-Commission, AC is responsible for the general administration of the Italian Navy, including professional matters, logistics and supply, and international relations. Admiral Warren has consistently sought and achieved a high degree of efficiency for the Navy Subcommission, AC in dealing with representatives of the United States and British military, naval and air forces in the Mediterranean Theater of Operations and with Allied and Italian authorities in Italy. By his high standards and energetic ability he has increased the efficiency of the Italian Navy and enabled and assisted the Italian Naval Forces in performing highly useful services in the Allied war effort. He has directed and encouraged the Italian Ministry of Marine to assume authority and control of port administration and operation of ports which are returned to Italian Government control and thereby reduced the number of Allied personnel required in the Mediterranean Theater for this purpose. He is responsible in a high degree for the close co-ordination and mutual co-operation between British and American naval and military authorities in dealing with the Italian Navy. His distinguished services are in keeping with the highest traditions of the Naval Navy and the United Kingdom and are an inspiration to his subordinate officers and reflect great credit on himself and the Allied Commission.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

August 1945

File: 200.6
-x-201-Foley, Edward H. (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Edward H. Foley, Colonel, 0911946, QMC, formerly on duty with the Allied Commission in Italy, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 18 November 1943 to 10 October 1944.

2. As Deputy Chief Finance Officer, and later as Joint Director of the Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Colonel Foley was responsible for the supervision of all financial operations of Allied Military Government, including the providing of funds for the payment of troops and for payment of supplies and services. He was also charged with the responsibility of enforcing the economic and financial terms of the Armistice between Italy and the Allies.

3. Colonel Foley was confronted by tremendous obstacles in the fulfillment of his assignment. Not only was there a complete stoppage in the Italian financial system, but also the supply of personnel and equipment with which to operate was pitifully inadequate and operating in remote sections of the country with poor communication facilities.

4. This officer's unusual ability and tact in handling people, his tireless energy and outstanding resourcefulness has greatly stimulated the resumption of financial operations by the Italian Government. His invaluable assistance in the coordination of Italian and Allied efforts has made a vital contribution to the work of the Allied Commission.

5. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Colone Foley, is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization.

6. The officer was a Colonel at the time these services were rendered and was assigned first as Deputy Chief Finance Officer and later as Joint Director of the Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission. He served in the United States, on temporary duty with the War Department, from 15 August 1944 to 23 December 1944 on which date his release from active duty was effected.

7. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Colonel Foley.

8. All subsequent services of Colonel Foley have been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous awards.

10. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1)

/s/ t
LEONARD D. DUMMORE
Colonel, FA Chief Staff Officer

1 Incl: Proposed citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Edward H. Foley, Colonel, 0911946, QMC, formerly assigned to Headquarters, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 18 November 1943 to 10 October 1944. As Deputy Chief Finance Officer, and later as Joint Director of the Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Colonel Foley was responsible for the supervision of all financial operations of Allied Military Government, including the providing of funds for the payment of troops and for payment of supplies and services. Colonel Foley was confronted by tremendous obstacles in the fulfillment of his assignment. With unusual ability and tact, tireless energy and outstanding resourcefulness, this officer greatly stimulated the resumption of financial operations by the Italian Government. His valuable assistance in the coordination of Italian and Allied efforts has made a vital contribution to the work of the Allied Commission. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Colonel Foley is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the service from New York, New York.

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200.6
x-201-Foley, Edward H. (O) 1st Ind
(25 Aug 45)
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394
U. S. Army, 25 August 1945

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)
APO 394, U. S. Army

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

/s/ t M. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AGD
Recorder

1 Incl: n/c

200.6
-x-201-Foley, Edward H. (O) 2nd Ind
(25 Aug 45)
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO
394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead)
APO 394, U. S. Army

Approved.

/s/ t ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl: n/c

200.6
-x-201-Foley, Edward H. (O) 3rd Ind
(25 Aug 45)
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD) APO 394,
U. S. Army, 25 August 1945

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army

Approved.

/s/ t C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl: n/c

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210.5- Foley, Edward H. (O) 4th Ind
Hq HEADQUARTERS COMMAND, ALLIED FORCE, APO 512, US Army, 31 August 1945

TO: Commanding General, ETOUSA.

Approved.

/s/ t J. E. MALONEY
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl: n/c

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CITATION FOR BRONZE STAR MEDAL

EDWARD H. FOLEY, 0311040, Colonel, Quartermaster Corps, Headquarters, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in the Mediterranean Theater from 18 November 1943 to 10 October 1944. As Deputy Chief Finance Officer, and later as Joint Director of the Finance Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Colonel Foley was responsible for the supervision of all financial operations of Allied Military Government, including the providing of funds for the payment of troops and for payment of supplies and services. Colonel Foley was confronted with tremendous obstacles in the fulfillment of his assignment. With unusual ability and tact, tireless energy and outstanding resourcefulness, he greatly stimulated the resumption of financial operations by the Italian Government. His valuable assistance in the coordination of Italian and Allied efforts made a vital contribution to the work of the Allied Commission. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Colonel Foley was in keeping with the highest traditions of the Army of the United States and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered service from New York, New York.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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File: 200.6
-x-201-Temple, Ralph R. (Off)

27 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Ralph R. Temple, 0523224, Major (then Captain), Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 4 November 1943 to 31 July 1945.

2. Major Temple was assigned to the Interior Sub-Commission (now Local Government Sub-Commission) of the Allied Commission on 4 November 1943. He has been second in command of the sub-commission since January 1944 with the titles of Chief Executive Officer and later Deputy Director. During the Director's absence from the theatre in October-November 1944, he was formally designated Acting Director. He is the only American officer in the sub-commission. Major Temple initiated and took a leading part in the planning and execution of the work of his sub-commission, spending about sixty percent of his time at Headquarters and forty percent in the field. The mission of the sub-commission has been to re-create an efficient and honest communal and provincial administration in Italy on a uniform basis, having regard to the general functions of the Allied Commission and in particular to the abolition of the Fascist system and the enforcement of the Armistice terms. During the past three months the mission has expanded to include the organization of national organs of government.

3. The Italian system of government found when the Allied came here was a highly centralized, undemocratic, fascist-controlled one. It was necessary to abolish this system which did not countenance interferance with the executive by any other organ, and replace it with one which restored as much of pre-fascist democratic rule as war conditions warranted. It was realized that this involved a long-term policy. Since elections could not be held in a country which was a battleground, a new system was devised based upon appointments carefully and scrupulously made by the Italian Prefects after consultation with local Committees of Liberation and other local people, and duly approved by AMG authorities. All fascist bodies were abolished and replaced by popularly selected organs in the provinces and communes, representing all walks of life and political affiliations. The success of this pattern of local government in the early stages made it desirable to extend it on a uniform basis throughout the different phases of military government, pending restoration of elections. Accordingly, after consultation and conferences with the Ministry of Interior, the Italian Government issued Royal Decree No. 111 of 4 April 1944

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which was then implemented for application in Military Government Territory with the exception of Fifth and Eighth Army areas. For these areas, the Allied Commission issued Executive Memorandum No. 39 which preserves the same pattern of local government. Thus an effective organization of civil government was accomplished without creating any break in the continuity of the pattern as Military Government passed through its various phases of control. Its success, both in the early and later stages of occupation, bespoke the realization of the desirability of reviving democratic pre-fascist local bodies as soon as possible to ease the burden of administration by the Allied authorities and to engender a sense of responsibility and active participation on the part of the Italians. In eighty-nine provinces and seven thousand nine hundred communes under our direct or supervisory control, local boards have been established in practically all of them. In the fulfillment of this task, Major Temple designed the basis for Royal Decree No. 111 and wrote Executive Memorandum No. 39. In order to assist Allied Military Government officers in the execution of the plans, Major Temple worked with AMG Fifth Army in its forward areas during August 1944 and has visited a large portion of the provinces, consulting with Provincial Commissioners and Italian officials. To further assist Provincial Commissioners in their job, Major Temple wrote a guide on organization of local government. Throughout this position he displayed industry, thoroughness, tact and energy.

4. At the request of the Regional Commissioner, Lazio-Umbria Region, in July 1944, Major Temple conferred with and advised the Italian Government with regard to the administrational reorganization of the city of Rome. As a result of these conferences, a form of municipal government abolishing the Fascist "Governoratorato" and establishing an adequate degree of independence, subject to necessary controls by higher Italian authority, together with a high degree of democratic rule, has been provided by a decree published recently. A special pattern had to be devised for Rome because it is the capitol of Italy, a seat of culture and art, the center of the Roman Catholic world and little tangible taxable resources.

5. In order to properly prepare officers for the difficult tasks of organizing civil government, several short courses of instruction on Italian administration were given by the Local Government Sub-Commission at Salerno in March-April 1944. These officers came from the Armies and the Regions. Many of them are at present Regional or Provincial Commissioners and Civil Affairs Officers. Major Temple helped plan, organize and delivered lectures for the courses.

6. Realizing that the only true basis for a democratic government are freely held elections, the Allied Commission has cooperated with the Italian Government toward that end since November 1944. Intensive research on the machinery of voting and the preparation therefor, as well as numerous conferences with Italian officials and Allied officers, have been necessary. The modification of the Italian decree to permit the compilation of election registers while territory was under Allied Military Government control was secured in June 1945. The transportation of about one hundred fifty tons of electoral material to forty provinces and four thousand communes, followed by personal visits to Allied Military Govern-

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ment Regional and Provincial Commissioners and Italian Prefects and preparation of instructions had to be done. The lack of experience of Italian officials after twenty-five years of Fascism, the physical destruction of essential records presented difficulties which are being overcome by the aid and advice given by the Allied Commission. In all of the afore-mentioned work, Major Temple has played a leading part, displaying enthusiasm, zeal and resourcefulness.

7. Near the end of July 1945, Major Temple visited Venezia Giulia to ascertain what system of civil government was in effect and to advise generally on administration problems. He found a make-shift variety of schemes, complicated by the presence of the different racial groups, the hurried installation of Slovene systems and by the cutting up of formerly whole provinces and communes by the Morgan Line of control. At the request of the Deputy Senior Civil Affairs Officer of XIII Corps Allied Military Government, Major Temple drew up a plan of civil government based on Italian precedents, but designed to meet the problems of representation engendered by the presence of several ethnic groups. This scheme was approved by the Senior Civil Affairs Officer, XIII Corps, Allied Military Government and the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Commission and is being put into effect. In solving this difficult problem of civil government, Major Temple displayed originality and organizational ability.

8. The resourcefulness, practical judgment and outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Major Temple are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Military Government.

9. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Captain. He was promoted to Major on 7 January 1945. He has occupied assignments with the Interior Sub-Commission as Chief Executive Officer and later as Deputy Director of the Local Government Sub-Commission and as the Acting Director of the same sub-commission. The officer is presently a Major and his present assignment is that of Deputy Director of the Local Government Sub-Commission.

10. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Temple.

11. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

12. Major Temple has received no previous awards.

13. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

JOHN M. CHAPMAN
Colonel JAGD
Director, Public
Safety Sub-Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) Ralph R. Temple, 0523284, Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 4 November 1943 to 31 July 1945. As Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Director and Acting Director of the Interior Sub-Commission, now the Local Government Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, Major Temple has applied a boundless amount of industry, thoroughness, tact and energy in assisting Allied Military Government officers and the Italian Government to return to an orderly and democratic form of administration. Spending at least forty percent of his time in the field he has spoken with and advised Provincial Officers and Provincial Commissioners and local Italian Government officials in the process of sound and worthy administration. This sub-commission, in the course of its operations, found a highly centralized, un-democratic and Fascist controlled system of administration. It was necessary to abolish this system and replace it with one which restored as much of the pre-fascist democratic rule as war conditions warranted. Accordingly, after consultation with the Ministry of Interior, the Italian Government issued Royal Decree No. 111 which implemented a democratic form of government in all of the occupied territory. Through the efforts of Major Temple, this decree was published and again, as a result of his untiring energy, individual local boards were organized in eighty-nine provinces and seven thousand nine hundred communes under our direct or supervisory control to assist in easing the burden of local provincial and communal administration. His assistance in returning the city of Rome to a sound and free government has displayed the resourcefulness of the American officer to an outstanding degree. His preparation and delivery of important civil government courses to all Civil Affairs Officers on duty with the Allied Commission has aided immeasurably in educating these officers and in clarifying to them the situations which could be found as they entered newly liberated territory and helpful suggestions to aid them in their sound administration of local government. His contribution to the return of order in Italy is one worthy of highest commendation. His boundless energy, tact, industry and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Military Government in Italy. Entered the military service from Brooklyn, New York.

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-x-201-Temple, Ralph R. (Off)
(27 Aug '45) 1st Ind HPT/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AGD
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
-x-201-Temple, Ralph R. (Off)
(27 Aug '45) 2nd Ind EWS/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
-x-201-Temple, Ralph R. (Off)
(27 Aug '45) 3rd Ind CMP/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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File: 200.6
x-201-Hess, Karl D. (Enl)

27 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under provisions of paragraph 15b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Karl D. Hess, 33603364, Private First Class, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 July 1944 to 31 May 1945.

2. As Chief Clerk of the Dispatch Section, Message Center, of the Main Headquarters Allied Commission, Private First Class Hess assumed responsibilities far above those required of an enlisted man of his rank. This Message Center Department was responsible for the registration and dispatch of all correspondence which emanated from the Headquarters. As Chief Clerk, Private First Class Hess was required to have the complete and expert knowledge of both United States and British Signals, ANLS and FLS regulations and services, as well as a thorough knowledge of both United States and British Army Postal Regulations.

3. The daily average of seventy registered and five hundred unregistered items have been handled by this soldier, certain of which are sometimes in the form of freight. Omitting the latter, an average of at least twenty two pouches of bagged material have been cleared by him to AMG/AC offices in the field, to Allied Force Headquarters and other military organizations. In addition to the bagged material, local deliveries engage five dispatch riders. These dispatch riders were controlled by Private First Class Hess in the performance of their daily duties.

4. A system of handling, logging, registration, pouching and recording was introduced by Private First Class Hess in its entirety. He had the necessary message center boxes for facilitation of handling and mail bag racks installed to facilitate pouching. He maintained a separate register for classified and unclassified material. To expedite registration and to enable immediate search of individual items, he accomplished a registry of unclassified material to AMG/AC offices in the field separate from the material forwarded to other than AMG units and formations.

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5. To safeguard all classified material he introduced the following system of checking and receipts

(a) In each pouch was enclosed a receipt for signature and return on all classified items therein.

(b) From the first signals ADLS or MLS point in transmission a receipt for each pouch was taken.

(c) The dispatch rider or messenger accepting delivery to the Dispatch Office signed for each pouch he had taken away.

(d) Receipt No. 3 was destroyed upon return of receipt No. 2 and No. 2 destroyed upon receipt of No. 1. As a result classified items could be accounted for by him at any time required.

6. Private First Class Hess has always impressed upon his staff of both American and British personnel the necessity of timely clearance. He supervised an integrated allied staff of seven British Other Ranks, three American Enlisted Men and two Italian civilians and possessed for this task the essential qualities of tactfulness and inspiring leadership. He has been denied the recognition of a well deserved promotion because of the lack of promotion vacancies in the 2675th Regiment for nearly a year. This fact has not deterred this enlisted man in the accomplishment of important and difficult tasks. His personal and untiring efforts have resulted in an extremely well organized department which displays the highest type of efficiency in operation. His contribution cannot be measured in man hours in the successful completion of Allied Military Government operations. By his immediate and forceful conclusion of the operations of his section he has contributed materially, and in some cases in a highly important manner, the immediate commencement and completion of administration in occupied territory.

7. Private First Class Hess' resourcefulness, inspiring leadership, and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself and his organization.

8. At the time of the enlisted man's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Private First Class. He is presently a Private First Class and throughout the period has been Chief Clerk of the Dispatch Section, Message Center, Headquarters Allied Commission.

9. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the outstanding services rendered by Private First Class Hess.

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10. All subsequent services of the enlisted man have been honorable.

11. The enlisted man has received no previous awards.

12. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

L. W. STEARNS
Major, A.G.D.
Staff Officer to the
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Private First Class Karl D. Hess, 33606634, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 July 1944 to 31 May 1945. Private First Class Hess, as Chief Clerk of the Dispatch Section of Message Center, Headquarters Allied Commission, has supervised an integrated allied staff of seven British Other Ranks, three American Enlisted Men and two Italian civilians. As a result of his boundless energy, resourcefulness and tact, he has established and maintained an efficient system of dispatch operations to Military Government forces in the field and to the higher headquarters with which Allied Commission has been associated. Handling a daily average of seventy registered and five hundred unregistered items, controlling the operations of five dispatch riders, handling, locating, registration, pouching and recording have been daily accomplished in an outstanding manner by this enlisted man. He introduced the entire systems of Message Center operations and carried to completion, in a highly successful manner, a sound checking system on all classified items. Impressing upon his staff the necessity of timely clearance, Private First Class Hess has materially contributed to the successful completion of military government operations in Italy. His personal and untiring efforts have resulted in an extremely well organized department, highly efficient in its operations. His outstanding devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects greatest credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Berwick, Pennsylvania.

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X-301-Hess, Karl D. (Enl)
(27 August 45) 1st Ind. RPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (OVhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
n/c

300.6
X-301-Hess, Karl D. (Enl)
(27 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWB/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (OVhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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X-301-Hess, Karl D. (Enl) 3rd Ind. CMP/rem
(27 August 45)
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 27 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKER
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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20 Sept 45

Chief Commissioner:

The Regiment has just now informed me that Commanding General, MTOUSA, has authority to approve acceptance of all foreign decorations, both co-belligerent and neutral. Accordingly, it is no longer necessary to forward such award recommendations to The Adjutant General, Washington, D.C. CG, MTOUSA, has already approved two San Marino awards--Lt Col Snedeker and Capt Daitz, both of Public Health Sub-Commission.

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Basic communication is letter from Hq 4016 XII Corps, signed by Col. Alfred C. Bowman, ref. 13C/AMG/3/8/13, 26 Aug 45, subject: Permission to accept Decoration.

Decoration: "Knight, Noble Officer of the Equestrian Order of Saint Agatha"

From: Letter N. 631/8/627, 4 Aug 45, from the Secy of State of the Republic of San Marino.

200.6
x-201-Bowman, Alfred C. (off)
(26 Aug 45)

4th Ind. MPS/dfe

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, US Army, 20 September 1945.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

Recommend approval.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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26 Aug 45

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

HMB/FRW/rmm

25 August 1945

File: 200.6
K-201-Germann, Ralph F. (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 15g, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Ralph F. Germann, 01303138, First Lieutenant (then Second Lieutenant), Infantry, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 5 December 1943 to 31 May 1945.

2. In October 1943, Lieutenant Germann was assigned to the Agriculture Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission. During the winter of 1943-44, Lieutenant Germann developed most of the basic livestock and grain production statistics for the Allied Control Commission. He began his work in December 1943 when there were no agricultural statistics available at the Ministry of Agriculture, then located in Bari. The information which he compiled was set up for nine provinces in Sicily and eleven provinces in Southern Italy. The statistics covered seed needs, crop production estimates, and supplies of grain available in the Ammassi, all of which were necessary to develop the food requirements for the population of the then Liberated Area. As in other cases of military government operations, Lieutenant Germann was hampered in his work by serious problems of lack of transportation and a precedent whereby he could work.

3. Lack of adequate transport made it imperative, if he were to complete the outstanding job he has performed, for him to hitchhike over the entire island of Sicily and then through Southern Italy to make direct contact with Italian farmers and inspectors of agriculture. His travels took him to far out-of-the-way places. He mingled with the farmers, not only ascertaining the information he required in compiling his reports, but he has made a definite contribution to the agricultural program in ascertaining the feelings of the individual Sicilian and Italian farmer toward the present needs of agriculture. He obtained for himself a firsthand picture of the entire farm situation up to the battlelins. In visiting and making inquiries upon the inspectors of agriculture he found that the inspectors had no contact with the government, hence the figures were first processed in the offices of the Agriculture Sub-Commission and were then passed to the Ministry of Agriculture with the proposals and a plan of final action.

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4. The statistics furnished through the outstanding efforts of Lieutenant Germann formed the basis for all crop production estimates until the liberation of Rome made available the records of the Ministry of Agriculture. These statistics have since been incorporated into the records of the Italian Ministry and now form the only record of agriculture in Southern Italy and Sicily during the autumn of 1943 and the spring of 1944. To attest to the excellent results of Lieutenant Germann's efforts one need only look at the bumper crop which has been produced for the years 1944 and 1945 and the present crop which is now being harvested, which from all indications, will far exceed the previous figures.

5. Lieutenant Germann's resourcefulness and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

6. At the time of the officer's assignment to 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Second Lieutenant. He was promoted to First Lieutenant on 27 April 1944. He is now and has always been assigned as crop estimator for the Agriculture Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

7. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the outstanding services rendered by Lieutenant Germann.

8. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous awards.

10. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

HAROLD M. BERGERSEN
Captain, C.M.C.
Senior American Officer
Agriculture Sub-Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

First Lieutenant, (then Second Lieutenant) Ralph F. Germann, 01303138, Infantry, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 5 December 1943 to 31 May 1945. Lieutenant Germann is responsible for the development of the basic stock and grain production statistics for the Allied Control Commission. In the late fall of 1943 when there were no agricultural statistics available to the Ministry of Agriculture, Lieutenant Germann compiled a complete set of statistics for nine provinces of Sicily and eleven provinces of Southern Italy covering seed needs, crop production estimates, available supplies of grain, and other necessary crop information, all of which were important in the development of food requirements for the population of the liberated area. It became imperative, as a result of lack of transport, for Lieutenant Germann to hitchhike over Sicily and Italy to make contact with Italian farmers and inspectors of agriculture. These statistics Lieutenant Germann gathered formed a basis for all crop production estimates until the liberation of Rome made available the records of the Ministry. These records now compiled at the Ministry form the only record of Agriculture during the fall of 1943 and the spring of 1944. The success of the crops in the following two years attest to the soundness of the investigations and researches and to the basic value of the statistics compiled by Lieutenant Germann. Lieutenant Germann's outstanding resourcefulness and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Fairview, Kansas.

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200.6
x-201-Germann, Ralph F. (O)
(25 August 45) 1st Ind. NFT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, apo 394
U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Cvhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE,
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
x-201-Germann, Ralph F. (O)
(25 August 45) 2nd Ind. EME/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394
U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Cvhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
x-201-Germann, Ralph F. (O)
(25 August 45) 3rd Ind. CHP/rem
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (CVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Warren, Guy I. (Off)
(15 Aug 45)

3d Ind. FRW/pf

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION, (OVERHEAD), APO 394.
U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Chief Commissioner, Allied Commission, APO 394, U. S. Army.

Forwarded for approval.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

F. R. WERMUTH
CWO USA
Asst Adjutent

2 Incls:
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200.6
x-201-Warren, Guy I. (Off)
(15 Aug 45)

4th Ind. DWS/ejj

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Lt Col Warren as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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AWARD: CAVALIER of the order of the Crown of Italy for Gen Adolfo Infante - Proposed by his Royal Highness the Lt. General of the Realm —

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Award: Cavaliere of the order of the Crown of Italy.

Ltr from Gen. Adolfo Infante dtd 5 June 45 enclosing list of Allied officers who aided in recovery of numismatic collection of His Majesty the King.

200.6
x-201-Cicala, Joseph A. (Off)
(25 Jun 45)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Lt Cicala as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

(s/ Ellery W. Stone)

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Award: Commander of the Order of the Crown of Italy

for

Ltr from Gen. Headq. Supreme Allied Officers announcing list of recipients of decoration of Hon. the King

200.6
x-201-Penick, James H. (Off)
(25 Jun 45) 4th Ind. EWS/ejj
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394,
US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Lt Col Penick as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

(s) ELLERY W. STONE

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Award: Knight Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy

for Lt. Gen. Ralph Lafferty

Ltr from Gen Hq enclosing a list of Allied Officers who aided in recovery of Nuremberg Collection by 1st Lt. Mathias

200.6
x-201-Mathias, David B. (Off)
(25 Jun 45)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Major Mathias as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

/s/ Hillery W. Stone

HILLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Award: Knight of the Order of the Crown of Italy
per
Ltr from Gen Wedemeyer to Gen Marshall dtd 5 June 45 endorsing a list of Allied Officers who aided in recovery & transmittal of information of the Axis collection of which the Axis

200.6
X-201-Giunta, Nicholas L. (Off)
(25 Jun 45)

4th Ind. EWS/ejj

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394.
US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Lt Giunta as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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Award: Knight Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

per

Ltr from Gen. Adolfo Infante of 5 June 45 enclosing list of Allied Officers who aided in recovery of numismatic collection of H. M. the King.

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X-201-Timmons, Benson E.L. (Off) 4th Ind. EWS/ejj
(25 Jun 45)
HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, US Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, US Army.

THRU: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission.

Pursuant to the instructions contained in MTOUSA letter, from the Deputy Chief of Staff, dated 7 August 1945, it is recommended that permission to accept an Italian decoration be granted to Major Timmons as proposed by His Royal Highness the Lieutenant General of the Realm.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
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CSH/FHS/hmb

File: 200.6
K-801-McSweeney, John (O)

26 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Legion of Merit

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that John McSweeney, O-164741, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 6 November 1943 to 31 July 1945.

2. Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney attended the Military Government School at Tizi Ouzi, Africa 17 September until 5 November, 1943. Here he became a member of the planning group of the Interior Sub-Commission for Italy. On 6 November 1943 he reported to the Interior Sub-Commission for Italy. On 6 November 1943 he reported to the Interior Sub-Commission, Allied Military Government at Palermo, Sicily. He was one of the principals in setting up the Interior Sub-Commission which worked so effectively in the early days of military government in Sicily. On 5 December 1943 he was assigned to the position of Liaison Officer from Interior Sub-Commission to the Italian Government located at Brindisi, Italy. When Allied Military Government Headquarters was moved to Salerno, Italy, in January 1945, he was assigned to the Local Government Division of the Interior Sub-Commission where he assisted in setting up this Division and where he served until 22 February 1944.

3. On 22 February 1944, Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney was transferred to the Public Health Sub-Commission and was shortly thereafter assigned as Regional Welfare Officer for Region III, with headquarters in Naples. He served in this capacity until 4 December 1944. In this capacity he did service of such outstanding quality that when the position of Chief, Welfare Branch at Headquarters Allied Commission became vacant he was immediately transferred to fill the vacancy. Some of his outstanding accomplishments as Regional Public Welfare Officer in Region III were: (1) Setting up Probation and Parole System at Naples for boys convicted in both Allied Military Government and civilian courts. At one time there were more than three hundred boys on parole. (2) Through his untiring efforts thousands of homeless children were taken off the streets of Naples, placed in homes, fed and clothed. (3) He planned the Christmas Party for children in Naples in December 1944. This party was heralded as a great success

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by the Italian press of Naples. (4) He spent many hours after closing time locating tires for ambulances when every other means by those responsible for this type of work had failed.

4. As a result of his splendid welfare activity in Region III he was called in special audience by the Pope as well as the King and Queen of Italy and thanked for his successful efforts on behalf of the poor and homeless in Region III. The Pope presented him with a medal for his welfare activities. As a recognition of his welfare work for the Allied Commission on behalf of the destitute in Italy he was awarded the highest decoration of the Order of Malta.

5. On 5 December 1944, Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney was named Chief, Welfare Branch, Public Health Sub-Commission where he has served up to the present time. The winter of 1944-45 was dreaded not only by the Italian Government but by high officials of the Allied Commission. Some in high position referred to the situation as "We are sitting on a powder keg". This was the situation that Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney faced when he took over as head of the Welfare Branch. He made it a policy to house, feed, and clothe the homeless, hungry and ill-fed as a first order of business with welfare organizations and long time planning as secondary. He thus informed the welfare staff in the field to concentrate on present needs. He urged the organization of welfare committees and the recognition of established committees. He worked with the Army to secure salvage clothing and shelter; he worked with military messes to secure scrap food. He soon had the confidence of Italian welfare leaders and of his field staff as well as the cooperation of the military and other Sub-Commissions able to assist. His pleasant personality, his untiring efforts beyond the call of duty and his contagious enthusiasm brought results beyond the fondest hopes. The winter was passed without untoward incidents so far as welfare needs were concerned.

6. He was asked to serve on the Advisory Committee of American Relief for Italy by Mr. Myron C. Taylor, Chairman of the Committee. His knowledge of welfare needs in Italy enabled him to advise the Committee as to distribution of the clothing, food and medicines brought in by them with the result that thousands of people received these items almost as soon as they arrived, with the very minimum of warehousing. He coordinated the available transportation belonging to several organizations in moving these stocks as well as people. This required work with the Joint Distribution Committee, Ente Nazionale Distribuzione Soccorsi in Italia and UNRRA. As soon as the war in Europe ended he was invited to become the Foreign Representative of America Relief for Italy and the Army has been asked to release him for this essential post-war work.

7. Tons and tons of salvage material was secured by him from military dumps and sent forward to the Regional Welfare Officers for distribution. It came to his attention in the early spring of 1945 that no provision had been made by the Allied Commission for any Sub-Commission to assist in providing materials for the manufacture of orthopedic equipment for civilians mutilated by bombs and mines.

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He took on the extra duty of trying to obtain from military and other sources, aluminum, leather and iron. He soon secured enough of these materials from military salvage alone to start four plants in operation. Possibly the outstanding achievement of Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney in his capacity as Chief of the Welfare Branch was the securing and the distribution to the ultimate user of clothing, blankets and comforters to meet anticipated needs for the coming winter, thus allaying the fear and dread of the previous winter. Several million dollars worth of winter clothing has been distributed during the summer months. Three hundred sixty thousand blankets and comforters have been distributed. A staff writer for the Stars and Stripes in the December 24, 1944 issue in a feature article referring to Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney stated "His work in the Allied Comaission's Public Welfare Division probably has meant more to the children of Italy than that of any other one man."

8. The resourcefulness, humaneness, inspiring leadership and outstanding attention to duty displayed by Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces.

9. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Major. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on 18 January 1945. He has occupied the positions of a member of the original planning group of the Interior Sub-Commission for Italy, as liaison officer for Interior Sub-Commission with the Italian Government and as Chief of the Welfare Branch, Public Health Sub-Commission Headquarters Allied Commission. The officer is presently a Lieutenant Colonel and still occupies the position as Chief of the Welfare Division, Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

10. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney.

11. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

12. The officer has received no previous awards.

13. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer (US)

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) John McSweeney, 0164741, Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 6 November 1943 to 31 July 1945. Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney initially performed outstanding services with the planning group of the Interior Sub-Commission for Italy. In performing these services, he lent boundless help to the success of the initial operations of military government in Sicily. As Regional Welfare officer for Region III, Allied Military Government and later as the Chief of the Welfare Division of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, he has displayed the highest type of humaneness, resourcefulness, boundless energy and attention to duty in lending an inspired leadership toward the successful completion of public welfare activities throughout all of Sicily, Italy and Sardinia. His efforts on behalf of the poor and homeless in Italy have been of the highest degree. He has received special awards and commendations from His Holiness the Pope and from the Order of Malta. He not only conducted the organization of welfare committees but he urged, by a forceful degree of leadership, that they put forth their utmost in securing the necessary clothing, food, medicines and normal daily necessities with which a human being might subsist. His outstanding services came to the attention of the Personal Representative of the President of the United States when the Hon. Myron C. Taylor requested that Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney be made Chairman of the Advisory Committee for American Relief for Italy. Lending his knowledge of welfare needs to this organization, he has coordinated the work of the Joint Distribution Committee, UNRRA, and the Italian "Ente Nazionale Distribuzione Soccorsi in Italia". When referring to his work in newspaper articles, correspondents have stated "Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney's work in the Allied Commission's Public Welfare Division probably has meant more to the children of Italy than that of any other one man." Lieutenant Colonel McSweeney's untiring efforts, outstanding efficiency and unusual resourcefulness have been of outstanding aid to the welfare of the Italian people and reflect the highest traditions of the United States Army. His high qualities of leadership and devotion to duty reflect greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces. Entered the military service from Wooster, Ohio.

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200.6
X-201-McSweeney, John (O)
(25 August 45) 1st Ind. MPT/rum
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army. 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

W. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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X-201-McSweeney, John (O)
(25 August 45) 2nd Ind. EMS/rum
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

HILLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-McSweeney, John (O)
(25 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/rum
HEADQUARTERS, 2675th REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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JTCW/ATEW/rmma

25 August 1945

File: 200.6
x-201-Papps, Eric A. (Br. OR)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 15b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Eric A. Papps, S 13058698, British Army, R.A.S.C. Sergeant, Headquarters Allied Commission be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 August 1943 to 31 May 1945.

2. In August 1943, Sergeant Papps was assigned as Chief Clerk, Legal Sub-Commission, Allied Commission. At the outset of his assignment he laid the groundwork for the organization of the filing system for the three sections of this Sub-Commission, namely, Italian, Judicial and Chief Counsel. The unified system proved to be most reliable and workable throughout the two year period of the Sub-Commission's functioning. No established army routine could be followed in keeping records of the activities of the Sub-Commission involving intricate relations with innumerable Italian and Allied Military agencies and concerning thousands of various and interrelated subjects. He designed a card index system enabling the Italian Section of this Sub-Commission to control the movements of thousands of members of the Italian Judiciary and Clerical Staff throughout all of Italy.

3. Sergeant Papps has been in complete charge of the office, including the custody of all documents and records, the safeguarding of classified papers, the personal typing of secret opinions and legal documents, and the management of the office staff. He supervised and coordinated the work of a staff which averaged approximately fifteen military and civilian personnel. The speed with which much of the work had to be produced involved many long hours of duty. The production of agreements with Italian authorities required the most careful searching and supervision of texts in both Italian and English. The volume of work to be performed frequently entailed overtime by the entire staff (entailing long periods of duty for the military personnel) whose cooperation Sergeant Papps was able to obtain only because of his fairness and justness at all times.

4. Sergeant Papps was unflagging in his personal energy. His devotion to duty was outstanding and his efficiency was of the highest order. His absolute fairness, loyalty and quiet efficiency has gained for him the respect and affection of the entire staff. As a result of his efforts he maintained in the office a spirit of the greatest efficiency, harmony and cordiality between American, British and

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Italian personnel. Sergeant Papps was personally responsible for the preparation of complex legal documents with relation to handover of the territory to the Italian Government, for the editing of the various proclamations, orders and notices of Allied Military Government and the supervision of the promulgation of the Italian Gazette throughout Italy without which no law is official in Italy. The entire arrangement of the office has been outstandingly successful due in a large manner to Sergeant Pappâ' cheerful, tactful and pleasant disposition, together with his inspiring personal efforts and leadership. Sergeant Papps' has performed duties which are far greater than those which would normally be required from a person of his rank.

5. Sergeant Papps' outstanding devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Armed Forces and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization.

6. The soldier has been a Sergeant for the entire period of his services with Allied Commission. He has performed duties for the entire period as Chief Clerk, Legal Sub-Commission.

7. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Sergeant Papps.

8. All subsequent services of the soldier have been honorable.

9. This soldier has received no previous awards.

10. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

JOHN K. WEBER
Colonel
Chief Judicial Officer

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Sergeant Eric A. Pepps, S 13058698, British Army, R.A.S.C. on duty with the Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 August 1943 to 31 May 1945. Sergeant Pepps, as Chief Clerk for the Legal Sub-Commission, laid the groundwork for the organization of a three-section filing system covering Italian, Judicial and Chief Counsel papers and information. No established routine could be followed in keeping these records which involved intricate relations with innumerable Italian and Allied military agencies and concerning thousands of various and interrelated subjects. A card index which he prepared enabled the Italian Section to control the movements of thousands of members of the Italian Judiciary and Clerical Staff through all of Italy. He has rendered outstanding services in his custody of all documents and records, the safeguarding of classified papers and the preparation of secret opinions and legal documents, in addition to his supervision of the officestaff. Working long and tiring hours, he has supervised and coordinated the work of the entire Sub-Commission, advancing the work of the legal and judicial officers in the accomplishment of their mission. The result of his absolute fairness, loyalty, quiet efficiency and tireless personal efforts and leadership has created a high degree of respect, esprit de corps and cordiality between American, British and Italian personnel. His preparation of complex legal documents with relation to the turnover of territory to the Italian Government, for the editing of proclamations and Allied Military Government orders and the promulgation and supervision of the Italian Gazette throughout Italy has been of the highest material aid to the return and reestablishment of law and order throughout Italy. Sergeant Pepps' outstanding devotion to duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Armed Forces and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the service of Great Britain from Weybridge, Surrey, England.

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200.6
X-201-Papps, Eric A. (Br. OR)
(25 August 45) 1st Ind. MPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Cvhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

M. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-Papps, Eric A. (Br. OR)
(25 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWS/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Cvhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-Papps, Eric A. (Br. OR)
(25 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/rem
HEADQUARTERS, 2675th REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (CVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 25 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEAD QUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

AG/PW/mm

24 August 1945

File: 200.6
x-301-Latella, Joseph P. (Enl)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 16b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Joseph P. Latella, 33450760, Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) Headquarters Company 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 12 September 1943 to 31 May 1945.

2. Technician Fourth Grade Latella was below height standard for the Army, but through great perseverance he succeeded in obtaining a special waiver in being inducted into the Army. He is a lawyer, having been admitted to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Bar while in the Service. He earned his Bachelor of Arts (1938) and L. L. B. (1943) at Duquesne University. Due to his peculiarly apt qualifications he was, on 18 September 1943, assigned to the Office of Chief Judicial Officer of the Allied Commission. The functions of this office consist of the supervision of Allied military courts and review of their sentences. Technician Fourth Grade Latella was assigned the responsible position of supervising the examination and disposition of the many thousands of records of Allied military court cases. From the inception of his assignment his professional qualifications enabled him to handle this work with a capacity far above the normal standard expected from an enlisted man of his grade. He has, throughout the twenty-two months of his military government service, displayed outstanding qualities of initiative, reliability and devotion to duty. He has been of the greatest possible assistance to the various chief judicial officer when he has served.

3. His work has far exceeded the scope of purely clerical duties. Again due to his professional qualifications and due to his fluent knowledge of the Italian language and understanding of Italian law, his preparation of cases for review and recommendations for the disposal of individual cases proved of the utmost assistance. He commenced his military court duties in Sicily and continued them in Naples, Salerno, and finally, in Rome. The number of individual cases handled by him during this period is upward of 10,000. During these two years he has been solely responsible for the supervision and handling of these records. During the same period he has been continually exposed to the pressure of Italian attorneys seeking to intervene on behalf of their clients sentenced by Allied Military Courts. In

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his contact with the Italian legal profession he has displayed dignity, firmness, tact, impartiality and good judgment. His understanding and firm sympathy in handling many emotional relatives of petitioners who attempted to plead on their behalf did a great deal to stress the fairness and justice of Allied military judicial procedure. Technician Fourth Grade Latella's unbounded loyalty, his limitless patience, and his own substantial qualifications have enormously facilitated the important work of the Chief Judicial Officer and have thus contributed in the highest possible degree to the successful administration of justice in Allied military courts.

4. Technician Fourth Grade Latella's zeal and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army, and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

5. At the time of the enlisted man's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Corporal. He was promoted to Technician Fourth Grade on 28 October 1944. He has continuously performed duties as assistant to the Chief Judicial Officer from the time of his joining this organization.

6. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Technician Fifth Grade Latella.

7. All subsequent services of this unlisted man have been honorable.

8. This enlisted man has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

JOHN K. WEBER
Colonel, Infantry
Ass't. Chief Legal Advisor

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Technician Fourth Grade (then Technician Fifth Grade) Joseph F. Latella, 33430760, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 12 September 1943 to 31 May 1945. Assigned to the office of the Chief Judicial Officer, Allied Commission, Technician Fourth Grade Latella was given the responsible position of supervising the examination and disposition of many thousands of records of Allied military court cases. He has been in handling upward of 10,000 military government court cases. In addition, he has taken it upon himself to prepare cases for review and recommended the disposal of individual cases forwarded to this office for final disposition. His fluent knowledge of the Italian language and understanding of Italian law have enabled him to supervise and handle these records with the utmost care and efficiency. In his contacts with the Italian legal profession he has displayed dignity, firmness, tact, impartiality, and good judgment, and has done a great deal to stress the fairness and justice of Allied military judicial procedure. His unbounded loyalty and limitless patience and his own substantial qualifications have enormously facilitated the important work of the Chief Judicial Officer and have thus contributed in the highest possible degree to the success of the administration of justice in Allied military courts. Technician Fourth Grade Latella's outstanding loyalty and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces. Entered the military service from Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

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x-201-Latella, Joseph F. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 1st Ind. HPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovid), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Latella, Joseph F. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWS/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovid), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
x-201-Latella, Joseph F. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/ram
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVID), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

CMP/FTS/rem

File: 200.6
K-201-D'Aleo, Guy V. (2nd)

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 15, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Guy V. D'Aleo, 32856657, Technician Fifth Grade, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Sicily and Italy from 16 November 1943 to 15 November 1944.

2. In December 1943, Technician Fifth Grade D'Aleo was assigned to the newly-organized Typhus Control Service. It was with this organization, especially during the early stages of its development, that the manifold abilities and outstanding qualities of this soldier asserted themselves. His capacity to grasp and retain detail contributed materially to the orderly functioning of the Epidemiological Section. While the record system was being established, his intimate knowledge of typhus disease and case records was invaluable at the time when a number of officers having immediate access to these records made it almost impossible to complete them in order. Through his courteous and tactful conduct he has effected and maintained essential liaison between the sub-divisions of the Typhus Control Service and the numerous auxiliary agencies with which the organization worked. He assisted immeasurably in compiling and placing in order case records and the complete conduct of typhus control in serious epidemics which broke out in North Africa and Sicily in late 1943. Again during the typhus fever epidemic in Naples he assumed all types of responsibility in assisting superior officers in their conduct of the typhus control and prevention program. He labored long hours in obtaining supplies, equipment and transportation to assist in the curtailing of the serious epidemic prevalent at the time. He has contributed materially not only to the stamping out of this disease among the civil population, but has also aided the military forces in that his assistance has contributed to the success of the entire typhus control program.

3. When the pressure of work in the Typhus Control Service decreased, Technician Fifth Grade D'Aleo was transferred to the Malaria Control Demonstration Unit. This unit was a part of the Public Health Sub-Commission and at the request of its director,

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Dr. Louis A. Riehl, the soldier was transferred to this section for duty. Dr. Riehl delegated to him responsibilities in the demonstration of malaria control for the benefit of troops and civilians alike. These responsibilities were far greater than those given to an enlisted man of any grade. His duties again covered the requisitioning and handling of all supplies, equipment, transportation and personnel engaged in malaria control, and in the absence of Dr. Riehl, he was supervisor of all field projects. In the prosecution of these duties he has applied himself most effectively and has contributed valuable technical suggestions. He has been commended on several occasions for his comprehensive understanding of the principles as well as the details of the projects. Although denied by the nature of his assignments the opportunity of the combat soldier to distinguish himself by a single outstanding act, Technician Fifth Grade D'Aleo, by his outstanding performance has set a fine example of conscientious and efficient service worthy of the highest emulation.

4. This enlisted man's outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

5. At the time of his assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, the enlisted man was a Technician Fifth Grade. Because of lack of promotion vacancies in the organization, he has been unable to obtain a rank in keeping with the duties he has performed. He has performed duties throughout the entire period with the Typhus Control Service and Malaria Control Unit of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Allied Commission. He is presently a Technician Fifth Grade, assigned as a clerk with the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

6. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Technician Fifth Grade D'Aleo.

7. All subsequent services of this enlisted man have been honorable.

8. The enlisted man has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed Citation (See Inclosure 1).

PAUL S. SAVAGE
Major, Specialist Reserve
Executive Officer
Public Health Sub-Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Technician Fifth Grade, Guy V. D'Aleo, 32859637, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Sicily and Italy from 15 November 1943 to 15 November 1944. Technician Fifth Grade D'Aleo performed outstanding services with the newly formed Typhus Control Service and the Malaria Control Demonstration Unit of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, by demonstrating a keen appreciation of the urgency of the situation. As a result of serious outbreaks of typhus and malaria he gave unstintingly of his time and efforts in assisting in the control and stamping out of serious typhus fever epidemics which occurred in Sicily in 1943 and Naples in 1944 and throughout several locations on the mainland of Italy. In the absence of the director of these units he has acted as supervisor of the field projects concerned with the education of military personnel and civilians alike in the prevention and control of these serious diseases. He has in addition arranged for the requisitioning of supplies, equipment, transportation and personnel and has performed outstanding services in obtaining, through one of the most unusual sources, immediate necessities for the successful completion of the medical program. His energetic and efficient performance and his outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from New York, New York.

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X-201-D'Alco, Guy V. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 1st Ind. NFT/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394,
U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd),
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. F. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-D'Alco, Guy V. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWS/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394,
U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd),
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone
ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-D'Alco, Guy V. (Enl)
(24 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/ram
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S.
Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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File: 200.6
x-201-Bullock, Richard B. (O)

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Richard B. Bullock, 024198, Captain Infantry, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 9 September 1944 to 31 May 1945.

2. On 9 September 1944, Captain Bullock was assigned to the Roads Division, Transportation Sub-Commission, and on 20 October he was appointed Chief of the Tire Division. At that time the Tire Division was a requisitioning and distributing agency for new and repaired tires from Army stocks. The availability of these tires, however, was very limited and it was impossible for the office to cope with all the demands for tires which were constantly pouring in. On his own initiative, Captain Bullock commenced an investigation to discover the possibilities of retreading and repairing non-serviceable tires of military origin. By the middle of November 1944 he had established five such plants and had made arrangements for the importation of the necessary repair materials. Realizing the tremendous importance of tires to the Italian economy, Captain Bullock was not content to rest with the repair of tires alone. By December of 1944 he had a complete picture of the new tire production facilities available in liberated Italy. The distribution system finally underwent the change by which tires and tubes were no longer handled by the Tire Division and distribution was then handled by the Regional Commissioner on a priority scale. In place of the individual applications the Tire Division received a consolidated requisition for tires and tubes which was prepared by the Regional Office on the basis of individual requests received. All available tires and tubes were then shipped against the total number requested in the requisitions received. This procedure lasted as long as the Tire Division existed and was finally amalgamated to become the Rubber Division. Since Captain Bullock had done such outstanding work on his own initiative in arranging to place five tire-repair plants in operation, the Chiefs of both the Transportation and Industry Sub-Commissions proposed the appointment of Captain Bullock as Chief of the Rubber Division of the Industry Sub-Commission. Thus, he was charged with the entire responsibility of the rehabilitation of the rubber industry in Italy and about the same time inquiries began pouring in from all different sources. Encouraged by his first successful

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steps, Captain Bullock commenced surveys throughout the entire territory of liberated Italy in order to determine the condition, equipment and capacity of all plants, both large and small. Pirelli was by far the largest establishment of its kind in Italy. One tire-repair plant in Rome which had been requisitioned by the British Army, a reclaiming plant in the City of Rome, and a tire factory at Tivoli comprised part of this large organization's holdings. The latter two plants, although heavily damaged by bombing and artillery, were immediately repaired and ready to operate if properly fed with material.

3. The idea of making all these firms work again induced Captain Bullock to chance the submission of a requisition for rubber material from the United States. This step meant doing something toward relieving the tire shortage problem which was all the more felt as time passed. A requisition of this type stood as a feeling of hope to the managers of the Pirelli Company, who had been doing their utmost to get their plants in order. As Captain Bullock had hoped, the requisition he forwarded to the Zone of Interior was approved and material was expected to arrive early in March. In the meantime a small quantity of rubber items arrived and these were used to repair and retread a number of tires for military use. This work was given to one of the Rome tire-repair shops as the Pirelli plant was not available since, as was already stated, the plant was requisitioned by the British Army. While Captain Bullock awaited the raw materials from the United States he watched closely the work of the Pirelli management in the total rehabilitation of their factories at Tivoli to pre-war standards. He kept contact not only with this plant but with every tire and rubber unit in all of liberated Italy. At the time of cessation of hostilities the Pirelli factory at Tivoli was ready for production. Through Captain Bullock's investigations he found that good use could be made of all the entire unserviceable tires stocked in Army depots located in Southern Italy and since the Pirelli factory was ready for production he pressed the point to get large quantities of these tires so that the reclaimed rubber could be prepared while the factories at Tivoli commenced making soles, heels and rubber sheets. This step solely accomplished on the initiative of Captain Bullock proved to be of great advantage toward the rehabilitation of the battered Italian economy and will become even of greater advantage as the quantity of reclaimed rubber increases and the factories using this material in the North will be able to prepare themselves for production.

4. One of the larger problems which indicate the outstanding resourcefulness and painstaking effort of Captain Bullock was his reactivation of the synthetic rubber plant at Ferrara. This plant was also badly damaged and almost cleared of its machinery by the German forces. All possible efforts have been put forth by Captain Bullock in order to aid this plant to resume production. Receiving aid from the Pirelli Company, with which it was affiliated prior to the war, it has now advanced its work far ahead of schedule and if materials needed for the proper production arrive on schedule, operations will begin very shortly.

5. As is well known, transportation was one of the most important and critical problems confronting the Allied in Italy. Railroads were largely destroyed and those which had been placed into operation were necessary for military requirements. Tires were only available

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for twenty five percent of the civilian trucks which were found in operating condition. Even the most vital necessities, such as food, could not always be moved. Perishable items either rotted or were in danger of rotting before they could be transported. Tires in sufficient numbers could not be imported from any source. It may be safely stated that the Rubber Division and Captain Bullock's individual untiring efforts in the rehabilitation of the Italian rubber industry is one of the prime factors in reestablishing the economy of Italy. As a result of his tireless efforts, factories are now ready to resume production and some of them are already operating. The Pirelli Company, the largest and most important rubber concern in Italy, owes the entire success of its present advancement to this officer. He is not only entitled to enjoy the gratitude of the managing staff and owners of other individual plants, but to the Italian Nation as a whole for his overwhelming and outstanding contribution to the Italian Nation. Captain Bullock's outstanding energy, resourcefulness, zeal and inspired devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect the greatest credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces in Italy.

6. The officer has been a Captain since the time he was assigned to the 2675th Regiment. He has occupied positions in the Roads Division the Tire Division of the Transportation Sub-Commission, and is presently Chief of the Rubber Division, Industry Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

7. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Captain Bullock.

8. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous awards.

10. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

JOEL ROSENBAUM
Major, Infantry
Senior American Officer
Industry Sub-Commission.

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Captain Richard B. Bullock, 024198, Infantry, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 9 September 1944 to 31 May 1945. During a period of eight months Captain Bullock has displayed outstanding energy, zeal and resourcefulness in investigating, surveying, and preparing plans for returning to operation all Italian rubber and tire plants in Liberated Italy. With reclaimed rubber which he located in Army depots in Southern Italy and obtaining raw materials from outlying sources and through requisition to the United States he has been able to place into operation several plants of the Pirelli Company, the largest tire manufacturer in Italy. Through his constant aid, advice and cooperation with Italian plant managers and manufacturers, he has secured necessary materials for the repair of buildings, reconditioning of machinery and shipment of raw materials to accomplish an outstanding task in the contribution of the return of sound economy in Italy. Rubber and tires are now in the process of production as a result of the outstanding initiative of this officer. His valuable assistance to this important industry in Italy is one of the outstanding accomplishments in the entire realm of military government operations. Captain Bullock's outstanding energy, resourcefulness and inspired devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect the greatest of credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces. Entered the military service from Fayetteville, Arkansas.

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200.6
X-201-Bullock, Richard B. (O)
(24 August 45) 1st Ind. MPT/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

M. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-Bullock, Richard B. (O)
(24 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWB/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
X-201-Bullock, Richard B. (O)
(24 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/rem
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

CMP/FNS/rem

File: 200.6
x-201-Bergin, Thomas C. (O)

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Thomas C. Bergin, 0382710, Major, FAB, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 5 May 1944 to 9 May 1945.

2. As Deputy Director of the Public Relations Branch, Allied Commission, Major Bergin has had six major responsibilities. He has directed the preparation of the Daily Digest of the Rome Press, involving the daily reading of twenty-one newspapers with a minimum of assistance in order to provide the Commission with a quick and pithy condensation of the news and opinions appearing in the Italian press, the better to serve as a guide to the Commission in its formulation of policies and as a reflection of the execution of those policies. He has had charge of supervising the activites of neutral correspondents in Italy which involved the administration of their travel, liaison with Allied authorities, telegraph communications, and the weekly briefings of those correspondents as to Allied activities in Italy, information given there being used as the basis for articles which were transmitted to the neutral newspapers.

3. Major Bergin has prepared a weekly summary of the political situation for the AFHQ Sitrep telegram, has written the weekly political columns for the Public Relations Branch Weekly Bulletin and has acted as a special interpreter and adviser to successive Chief Commissioners--General Joyce, General Macfarland, Rear Admiral Stone--in meetings with Italian political representatives, including the heads of the Italian Government. As second in command of the Public Relations Branch, he has been responsible for the continued high efficiency of general public relations operations and of so advising the executives of the Commission as to the best course to pursue in the expression and formulation of official policies in relation to their reactions, particularly on the public and press of Italy. He has taken it upon himself to assist the Italian Government in the reestablishment of its own public relations offices by constant advice and practical help at a time when the Italian Government was struggling to reassume the functions of a government, with few trained personnel and scarce equipment.

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4. Major Bergin's outstanding performance of duty, his resourcefulness, initiative and diplomacy are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization, and the Allied Armed Forces.

5. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Major. He has been Deputy Director of the Public Relations Branch since joining the organization. The officer is presently a Major and remains in the same assignment.

6. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Bergin.

7. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

8. The officer has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer (US)

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major Thomas G. Bergin, 0528710, MAB, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 May 1944 to 9 May 1945. As Deputy Director of the Public Relations Branch, Headquarters Allied Commission, Major Bergin has directed his efforts toward the maintenance of sound public relations between the Allied Forces, local governments, and neutral countries. He has prepared the daily digest of Rome press which has provided the executives of the Allied Commission with an accurate condensation of news in the Italian press to serve as a guide in the formulation of policies and as a reflection in the execution of those policies. He has supervised and briefed all neutral correspondents in their activities and has given them a basis for articles forwarded to their countries. In addition, he has acted on several occasions as a special interpreter and adviser to the successive Chief Commissioner in meeting with heads of the Italian Government. He has been responsible for a high degree of efficiency and in advising the executives of the Commission in their expression and formulation of official policies he has contributed materially to the high standard of public relations with mainly the Italian Government and other foreign governments concerned with our operations. He took upon himself the responsibility of heading the Italian Government to reestablish its own public relations offices by constant advice and practical help at a time when the government was struggling to reassume its functions. His material aid to foreign governments and their representatives, his unselfish devotion to duty and untiring energy are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Ithaca, New York.

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200.6
x-201-Bergin, Thomas G. (0)
(24 August 45) 1st Ind. MPT/rmm
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. TEEDOM
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Bergin, Thomas G. (0)
(24 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWS/rmm
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
x-201-Bergin, Thomas G. (0)
(24 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/rmm
HEADQUARTERS, 2675th REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

EJP/PIN/pam

File 300.6
x-201-Spann, William M. (O)

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that William M. Spann, 0300170, Lieutenant Colonel, (then Major), CE, 3675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 21 September 1943 to 31 May 1945.

2. Lieutenant Colonel Spann assumed his duties as Regional Engineer in Sardinia on 21 September 1943. He was faced with a great responsibility in the reconstruction of roads and bridges, heavy clearance, particularly in Cagliari, rehabilitation of housing accommodations for the homeless on the entire island, and reconstruction of public utilities, particularly those affecting the health of important communities. Lieutenant Colonel Spann used boundless resourcefulness in the completion of his mission. He met with a serious deficiency of mechanical equipment, material and local civilian labor. Despite these difficulties, he procured parts and material from outlying sources and in many cases had to improvise materials so that at least emporary construction could be completed. He recruited labor from all over the island in order to accomplish his reconstruction objective.

3. In July 1944, Lieutenant Colonel Spann was assigned as Regional Engineer, Emilia Region. The longest parts of the Gothic Line were situated in this area and this was the most stabilized defense position in this campaign. Consequently, this area offered the most serious and complete war damage of any of the regions, especially in the destruction of farm habitations and buildings. In addition to his duties of engineering and reconstruction, he was confronted with an extensive program of land reclamation and with the problem of providing for flood control in the farming area. Because of his excellent cooperation with Army and other military agencies he succeeded in placing into initial operation a program to cover rehabilitation in the entire area with a minimum of delay. Lieutenant Colonel Spann supervised this entire area in a most thorough manner and was able to classify the work to be done on actual basis of merit and submitted his projects in the highest

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possible technical manner. The magnitude of his operations was in excess of those of any other regions, yet he dispatched them with complete efficiency and regularity.

4. Lieutenant Colonel Spann has proven his preeminent resourcefulness and foresight, demonstrated very high technical ability, noteworthy tact, and impartiality and has accepted responsibilities without hesitating, accomplishing the tasks with which he was faced in an outstanding manner. His qualities of leadership and devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest tradition of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization.

5. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Major. He has occupied the positions of Regional Engineer for Emilia and Sardinia Regions. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on 7 January 1945. He is presently occupying the position of Chief of the Public Works Division, Headquarters Allied Commission.

6. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Colonel Spann.

7. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

8. The officer has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

E. J. RITTENDT,
Colonel, C. E.
Acting Director,
Public Works & Utilities
Sub-Commission

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) William M. Spann, 0260170, CAC, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 21 September 1943 to 31 May 1945. As Regional Engineer for Sardinia and Emilia Regions, Allied Military Government, and as Chief of Public Works Division for Headquarters Allied Commission, Lieutenant Colonel Spann has been faced with exceedingly great difficulty in the accomplishment of outstanding services. In the construction of roads and bridges, heavy clearance, rehabilitation of housing accomodations, flood control and land reclamation he has displayed an outstanding degree of resourcefulness. Despite the lack of material, mechanical equipment, and local civilian labor with which to complete his task he has improvised throughout the period in forreting out spare parts from all over the area, improvising repair materials and recruiting civilian labor so that he couldcomplete the tasks in the shortest space of time. His duties have taken him into some of the most highly devastated war areas. As a result of his foresight and planning and upon the merit of the projects which he has planned, rehabilitation and engineering accomplishments of Allied Military Government have exceeded the highest expectations. His preeminent resourcefulness, foresight and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the U. S. Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Forces in Italy. Entered the military service from Kansas City, Missouri.

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200.6
x-201-Spann, William M. (O)
(24 August 1945) 1st Ind. MPT/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Spann, William M. (O)
(24 August 45) 2nd Ind. EWS/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Spann, William M. (O)
(24 August 45) 3rd Ind. CRT/ram
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

G. M. PARKER
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

CMP/ETH/mcm

File: 200.6
x-201-Leoncavos, John P. (O)

24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that John P. Leoncavos, 0914260, Major (then Captain) MAB, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 11 March 1944 to 9 May 1945.

2. Major Leoncavos has been responsible for the production and for release to Allied correspondents and Italian newspapers of news which has reflected the operations of the Allied Commission in Italy and the understanding of such operations in Allied countries. Major Leoncavos was the first public relations officer to issue official communiques on Allied Military Government activities during campaign operations, accompanying forward elements into the newly liberated towns for the first estimates of the civil affairs situation in the 1944 campaigns. He was required to return to Headquarters from the combat front to write a communique, have it censored and have it dispatched for release by radio to the Anzio beachhead press camp, the Fifth Army main press camp, and the Naples Public Relations Office. Major Leoncavos is responsible for the gathering of information on all aspects of the Allied Commission's activities, both in Headquarters and from the field, personally writing at least 400 of the more than 500 press releases issued by the Allied Commission during the period of its operations.

3. He has directed a project for sending home-town news to the preferred publications of every United States Army officer and enlisted man in the 2675th Regiment, and in this project, has written more than seven hundred such releases. Major Leoncavos performed outstanding services as the editor of the Weekly Bulletin of the Allied Commission which had distribution among the highest echelons of both the War Department and the War Office and in this theatre. This bulletin is a result of his thorough and prompt coverage of the most important current events of the week. Major Leoncavos has regularly gathered the information and has written three fourths of each issue each week. He has undertaken the necessary research for, and has written, the full history of the Allied Commission and of Allied Military Government in Italy, covering all the work of every Sub-Commission and Region of the organization. This work of one hundred

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fifty pages (printed) was approved in full and will be published shortly in one hundred thousand Italian and one hundred thousand English copies, production and distribution of which have been assumed by this officer. In his contacts with the Italian press, Major Leocacos has displayed outstanding tact and diplomacy in issuing to the members of the press necessary news of Allied rules and ordinances and has set up the initial system of accrediting Italian correspondents after due investigation has been made. His contribution to the success of public relations of the Allied governments with the Government of Italy and other concerned foreign countries has been of immeasurable help in closely welding together these forces of government and press in a wholehearted cooperation toward the success of the Allied effort.

4. Major Leocacos' resourcefulness and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces.

5. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Captain. He was promoted to Major on 7 May 1944. He has always been Chief of the News Production Division, Public Relations Branch, Allied Commission.

6. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Leocacos.

7. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

8. The officer has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Executive Officer (US)

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) John P. Leacacos, 0914269, MAC, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in performance of outstanding services from 11 March 1944 to 9 May 1945. This officer produced for release to Allied correspondents and Italian newspapers the news which reflected operations of the Allied Commission the understanding of such operations in Allied countries. He was the first public relations officer to issue official communiques on Allied Military Government activities during combat operations entering newly-liberated towns with the forward elements for first estimates of civil affairs situations in the 1944 campaign. He has written at least four hundred of the more than five hundred press releases issued by the Allied Commission during its course of operations. He has directed a project for home-town publication sending news on officers and enlisted men of the Commission to preferred papers in the United States. In editing the weekly bulletin of the Allied Commission, Major Leacacos has rendered outstanding services in preparing a thorough and prompt coverage of the most important current events which have been distributed among the highest echelons of the War Department, the War Office, and the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. A one hundred fifty page book, the result of Major Leacacos' individual efforts covering the full history of Allied Commission and Allied Military Government in Italy is in the process of publication for one hundred thousand English and one hundred thousand Italian copies. He has displayed outstanding tact and diplomacy in issuing to the members of the Italian press the necessary news of Allied rules and orders and in the initial system of accrediting Italian correspondents after due investigation had been conducted. Major Leacacos' tact, diplomacy and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Forces. Entered the military service from Cleveland, Ohio.

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200.6
X-201-Leocacos, John P. (O)
(24 August 45)

1st Ind. MPT/ram

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEOLOPE
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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X-201-Leocacos, John P. (O)
(24 August 45)

2nd Ind. EWS/ram

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
X-201-Leocacos, John P. (O)
(24 August 45)

3rd Ind. CHP/ram

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARETTI
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

File: 200.6 JR/FRW/rwm
x-201-Giardina, Dennis (Enl) 24 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 15b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Dennis Giardina, 35435782, Technical Sergeant, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 24 September 1943 to 10 May 1945.

2. Technical Sergeant Giardina joined the first AMGOT organization in North Africa and assisted in the planning of operations for the initial functions of the Allied Military Government. He was assigned to the Industry and Commerce Division of AMGOT in September 1943 and arrived in Italy on 24 December. As Chief Clerk of the Industry and Commerce Division, and subsequent to July 1944, as Chief Clerk of the Industry Sub-Commission, he has held a position of exceedingly great responsibility and trust. War-torn Italy did not have records available for a complex industrial economy in which thousands of concerns were engaged in the reconstruction of industry and tens of thousands of people had been employed. To hold disease and unrest at a minimum it was necessary to reactivate as much of the Italian industry as was possible in the production of products for the prevention of disease and in the employment of thousands of unemployed civilians in the prevention of unrest and disorder. Sound decisions would have been impossible on the part of the officer personnel of Industry Sub-Commission without the use of adequate records. Largely on his own initiative (officer personnel were few in number and extremely busy with plant inspection and the interviewing of industrialists) he organized an office staff of nearly fifty Italian civilians. He established files and office procedure in such a manner that great volumes of correspondence and records written in both English and Italian were accurately registered, indexed, and accounted for. He evolved a filing system through which officer personnel, both British and American, could quickly ascertain a multiplicity of facts. These facts concerning the availability of raw materials, the status of particular plants in accordance with types of manufacture, the decision of higher headquarters pertaining to control and allocations of critical materials, the progress of reconstruction and rehabilitation and other pertinent factors entered into the system of supplying information to the directors of the Sub-Commission.

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3. The magnitude of his task can be more readily appreciated by the fact that the Germans employed a staff of some three thousand people to accomplish a similar task in Northern Italy when Italian industry was comparatively undamaged in the North. The correspondence and records maintained by Technical Sergeant Giardina were of the greatest importance to the Allies in the determination of systems in which the Allied Military Government could assist the Armed Forces, importation of critical materials could be accomplished, the necessary movement of materials within Italy at a time when transportation was practically not available could be carried out, the dereguisitioning of plants and equipment, and the furnishing to the Allied Governments industrial information as to the expectations of aid for the war effort could be supplied. Throughout the entire period Technical Sergeant Giardina has not only performed outstanding tasks of an administrative nature but has offered his assistance on numerous occasions in advising individual officers on the condition of certain industries and organizations. His work has been boundless in amount, highly technical in nature, and exceedingly trying hours have been put forth by this enlisted man in order that the Industry Sub-Commission could successfully accomplish its assignment.

4. Technical Sergeant Giardina's zeal, tireless energy and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Armed Forces.

5. During the entire period of his services with the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, the enlisted man has been a Technical Sergeant. Since this organization had not been supplied with sufficient promotion vacancies, the enlisted man has been unable to receive highly deserved advancement. He is presently a Technical Sergeant, and is assigned as Chief Clerk of the Industry Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

6. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Technical Sergeant Giardina.

7. All subsequent services of this enlisted man have been honorable.

8. This enlisted man has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

JOEL ROSENBAUM
Major, Infantry
Senior American Officer
Industry Sub-Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Technical Sergeant Dennis Giardina, 35435782, Headquarters Company, 2675th Regiment, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 24 September 1943 to 10 May 1945. As Chief Clerk of the Industry Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, Technical Sergeant Giardina has performed in an outstanding manner duties of great responsibility and trust. Largely on his own initiative he has organized an office staff of nearly fifty Italian civilians who have handled files, volumes of correspondence and records which were written in both English and Italian, and has lent his aid in an immeasurable degree to industrial officers concerned with the rehabilitation of Italian industry and commerce. Sound decisions would have been impossible on the part of the officer personnel of this organization without the adequate records kept by this enlisted man, containing such facts as the availability of raw materials, the status of particular plants in accordance with types of manufacture, the decisions of higher Headquarters pertaining to control and allocation of critical materials, the importation of these materials, the necessary movement of materials within Italy, the requisitioning of plants and equipment and the furnishing of information to the Allied Governments concerning the return of Italian industrial economy. Despite long and tiring hours, this enlisted man has applied a high degree of initiative, resourcefulness and inspiring leadership in contributing directly to the material success achieved by industrial officers throughout all of Italy. His resourcefulness and outstanding devotion to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Military Forces. Entered the military service from Kimball, West Virginia.

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X-201-Giardina, Dennis (Enl)
(24 August 45)

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

H. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
X-201-Giardina, Dennis (Enl)
(24 August 45)

2nd Ind. EWS/ram

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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X-201-Giardina, Dennis (Enl)
(24 August 45)

3rd Ind. CHP/ram

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 24 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
TERRITORY
APO 394

AFHQ

23 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendations

TO : Major General U. S. Grant
Civil Censorship Division
Headquarters, Allied Commission

1. Since there was, I was asked by AC to submit to AC my recommendations for reorganization considerations. The matter was given much thought by me and certain recommendations were made accordingly to my best judgment on the basis of information and facts. Many of the recommendations were made on the basis of my years of knowledge of the work and the officers concerned.

2. How I am advised by AC that the recommendations have been substantially altered. Of course, I have no objection to this. AC has full power to do what it wishes to do in the case. However, I must in duty to myself and my staff personally object to the present [illegible] to AC recommendations - [illegible] to be judgment. By adopting the [illegible] unfair thing as far as my judgment is concerned. Hence, I wish to advise you that I am not in a position to [illegible] the conclusions at AC HQ. The criticisms at AC HQ are free to proceed when they wish, as they have done in the past, no [illegible] to them.

3. May I also point out that the [illegible] is a second [illegible] to AC HQ as they are closely associated with [illegible] personalities, many of [illegible] the whole [illegible] recommendations. As personalities, [illegible] has been forced to [illegible] the principle of [illegible] closely connected [illegible]. Of course, [illegible] assumed [illegible] AC HQ which have [illegible] personally. Those are very important.

4. Hereto [illegible] Lt. Colonel Orlando J. [illegible] has been called by me for [illegible] of duty. He has headed Public Health and Welfare [illegible] Sardinia Sections of Italy, commencing in Sicily in the first days of the invasion. He has done exceptional work. If you wish to be informed of [illegible] Italian authorities, ask the Italian Red Cross, ask Ambassador Lyman Taylor, with whom he worked in connection with the Ambassador's activities in Italy, ask Bishop [illegible] who knows the Pope. No officer in all of AC-AS has done more to obtain the good will of the Italian people to efficient

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and intelligent and understanding performance of his duties than has Colonel Sizemore. And yet, my recommendation for the Legion of Merit - which after all is being given to a large number of officers - has been turned down by AG HQ and now I am asked to recommend Colonel Sizemore for a Bronze Star. Since my judgment so strongly indicates that he most fully deserves the Legion of Merit, I just can't recommend him for a Bronze Star.

5. Other instances could be cited. In short, I feel that you understand my point and why my conscience has prevented permitting me to sign and subscribe to the decisions made by certain officers at AG HQ.

Charles Poletti

CHARLES POLETTI
Colonel
Regional Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION
MONUMENTS, FINE ARTS AND ARCHIVES SUB-COMMISSION
APO 394

MFAA/FRW/fp

23 August 1945

File: 200.6
-x-Ward Perkins, John Bryan (Br.Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that John Bryan Ward Perkins, 97025, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), Royal Artillery Regiment, British Army, Headquarters, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 4 March 1944 to 28 July 1945.

2. As Acting Director of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, during the period stated, this officer, with an exceptionally clear vision of both the military and the scholarly values involved, supplied the necessary energy for the creation, adoption and prosecution of a practical program for implementing the expressed desire of the Commander-in-Chief and of the Allied Governments to avoid needless damage to the artistic and cultural heritage of the Italian battleground. Although the Commander-in-Chief had expressed this desire in December 1943, little or no progress had been made toward putting it into effect before March 1944, when Lieutenant Colonel Ward-Perkins became Deputy Director of this sub-commission. He immediately formulated a plan of action whereby Headquarters, AAI (Adv Echelon), issued its Administration Instructions No. 10 of 30 March 1944 for the "preservation of property of historical or educational importance in Italy", supported by the printed volumes of "Lists of Protected Monuments", collated and pushed through to completion by the administrative drive of this officer assisted by a small group of personnel. Despite the lack of any but the fragmentary basic information, despite the huge editorial task with little or no help, and despite the chaotic condition of the Italian printers who were perforce employed, this detailed work was completed in time for use in the 1944 offensives.

3. Due largely to this officer's personal enthusiasm and persuasion, Fifth and Eighth Armies agreed to have MFAA officers assigned to their units in time to advance with the battle. The work of MFAA officers with the Armies throughout the campaign was signally aided by this officer, whose intervention frequently prevented the insistent demands of American, British and Italian civil sentimentalism from interfering with the practicality of operations in the field. The highly efficacious neutralization of enemy propaganda regarding destruction of monuments was in the main directed by Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins. Through his efforts, our own radio broadcasts regarding enemy removals of works of art to the north

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so thoroughly worried the enemy that eventually it was possible to recover all but a few of the missing items. This officer, on his own initiative, worked out cooperative schemes with the Allied Air Forces whereby the location of the most important cultural monuments was pointed in advance of operations. This alone resulted in the avoidance of much serious destruction that would otherwise have been unwittingly caused to great psychological detriment without military gain.

4. Since the German surrender, this officer has played a noteworthy role in the interrogation of Prisoners of War concerning removals of works of art; notably, he investigated personally in Italy and Austria the illegal movement of private and public collections and libraries across the Austrian border by the enemy. His final detailed report on this is a scholarly and immensely practical document. Recent investigations have proven the value of the detailed system set up by this officer. It has been possible to record and trace all reported cases of displaced works of art and has already resulted in forestalling the disappearance of many valuable items and will serve as a firm basis for adjudication of subsequent claims for restitution.

5. Throughout this period of service Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins has demonstrated outstanding qualities of scholarly energy, military decision, alertness, practicality and drive. He has been the mainspring of the work of this sub-commission's headquarters; without him it is doubtful that the sub-commission could have achieved such success in carrying out the Commander-in-Chief's directive.

6. Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins' fidelity and attention to duty reflect the highest traditions of the British Armed Forces and bring great credit upon himself and his organisation.

7. The officer has been a Major and Lieutenant Colonel throughout the period and has occupied the positions of Deputy Director and Acting Director, Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission, Allied Commission.

8. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins.

9. All subsequent services of this officer have been honorable.

10. The officer has received no previous awards.

11. Proposed Citation (see Inclosure 1).

NORMAN T. NEWTON
Major AG
Acting Deputy Director

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) John Bryan Ward Perkins, 97025, Royal Artillery Regiment, British Army, Headquarters, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 4 March 1944 to 28 July 1945. As Acting Director of the Monuments, Fine Arts and Archives Sub-Commission, Headquarters, Allied Commission, Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins, with an exceptionally clear vision of both military and scholarly values involved, supplied the necessary energy for the creation, adoption and prosecution of a practical program for the safeguarding of monuments and fine arts which fell in the wake of war over the entire Italian battleground. As a result of his efforts, printed volumes of lists of protected monuments were published in time for use in the 1944 offensives. Due to this officer's tireless efforts and persuasion, the Commanding Generals of the Fifth and Eighth Armies agreed to have MFAA officers proceed with combat units in the field and enter the towns of Italy immediately upon liberation so that they might immediately assist in the preservation of the cultural heritage of Italy. The highly efficacious neutralization of enemy propaganda regarding the destruction of monuments was in the main directed by Lieutenant Colonel Ward Perkins. As a result of his efforts our own radio commentary regarding enemy removal of works of art to the north of Italy made it eventually possible to recover all but a few of the missing items. He has worked out on his own initiative cooperative schemes with the Allied Air Forces in locating on pinpoint maps most important cultural monuments which were to be spared if at all possible during the military operations. He investigated personally the illegal movement of private and public collections in Italy and Austria and has submitted a final detailed report concerning the location of all monuments and works. This report can eventually serve as a firm basis for adjudication of subsequent claims for restoration. His scholarly energy, military decision, alertness and forceful performance of duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the British Armed Forces and reflect great credit upon himself and the Military Forces of Great Britain. Entered the military service from Oxford and London, England.

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-x-Ward Perkins, John Bryan (Br.Off) HPT/FRW/fp
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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AGD
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
-x-Ward Perkins, John Bryan (Br.Off) HPT/FRW/fp
(23 Aug '45) 2nd Ind

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
-x-Ward Perkins, John Bryan (Br.Off) CMP/FRW/fp
(23 Aug '45) 3rd Ind

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. H. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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EMB/FRW/fp

23 August 1945

File: 200.6
-x-201-Stearns, Lloyd W. (Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Lloyd W. Stearns, 0303761, Major (then Captain), AGD, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 November 1943 to 31 July 1945.

2. As Senior Assistant Adjutant General of the Allied Control Commission, Major Stearns was primarily responsible for setting up and maintaining an efficient systematic administration in the Adjutant General's Section of ACC/AMG Headquarters in Palermo, Sicily and later in Naples, Italy (from 5 November 1943 to 29 February 1944). Completely without precedent in AMG operation, at a time when embryonic AMGOT was in a much confused state, he succeeded in harmoniously coordinating the British and American administrative systems. During this early period, the Adjutant General was almost entirely occupied with the formulation of high AMG/ACC policy. Consequently, organization and operational responsibilities were largely delegated to Major Stearns. His careful selection of personnel, planning and foresight contributed substantially to maintaining a reliable flow of essential information and orders to Allied Military Government personnel in all sections of Italy including Sardinia and Sicily.

3. With the reorganization of the headquarters in February 1944, he was appointed G-1 American. At that time considerable pressure was being placed on all Rear Echelon units to reduce their strength and make available personnel for direct combat service. With a small but highly efficient staff, he set about reducing the enlisted men strength of the organization by about four hundred, approximately half of which were taken directly from the headquarters. These four hundred men were thus made immediately available to the Combat Replacement Depot at a time when the responsibilities of AC/AMG were rapidly increasing and would not permit any work curtailment. It was only through careful readjustment and personal analysis that these reductions were made without causing any organizational disruptions. As a means of partially compensating the loss of military personnel, Major Stearns took the initiative and established under his control the Italian Civilian Personnel Section, and by a carefully planned publicity program, several hundred qualified Italian civilians were recruited. During the same period, Major Stearns worked untiringly in cooperation with G-1 British in the recruitment and organization of balanced regional teams to assume duties in the northern areas as liberated.

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His work was further complicated by the necessity of selecting a specialized Allied Military Government Cadre for the Southern France operation. As G-1 American, he exhibited the tact, courtesy, and loyalty to his superiors and to all of the officers and men with whom he dealt. He continually displayed outstanding ability to select officers and men with the proper qualifications for any type of position in AGO/AMG. His sincere devotion to duty and complete appreciation of the task at hand enabled him to select personnel qualified to successfully carry out Allied Military Government operations.

4. In the Fall of 1944, as a result of his continual superior performance in Headquarters, AC/AMG administration, he was selected as the Senior American Staff Officer to the Executive Commissioner (then Chief of Staff). In this position, he was responsible for the proper coordination and processing of all complex problems presented to the Executive Commissioner by the Establishment Section and Independent Sub-Commissions, including Air Forces, Land Forces and Navy. In this capacity, he continually displayed superior ability to deal tactfully with senior officers of all nationalities which resulted in his appointment, in May 1944, as Staff Officer to the Chief Commissioner. His executive ability and broad administrative knowledge has contributed materially toward the success of AC/AMG in Italy.

5. Major Stearns' outstanding devotion to duty, ingenuity and tact are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect greatest credit upon himself and his organization.

6. The officer was a Captain at the beginning of the period during which these services were rendered and on 17 May 1944 was promoted to Major. He is, at present, assigned as Staff Officer to the Chief Commissioner.

7. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Stearns.

8. All subsequent services of Major Stearns have been honorable.

9. The officer has received no previous awards.

10. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

MILREY W. STONE,
Rear Admiral, USNR,
Chief Commissioner

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Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) Lloyd W. Stearns, 0303781, AGD, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 November 1943 to 31 July 1945. As Senior Assistant Adjutant General, Allied Control Commission, Major Stearns organized and maintained the efficient systematic administration of ACC/AMG Headquarters in Palermo, Sicily and Naples, Italy. Completely without precedent in Allied Military Government operation, and with two entirely different administrative procedures, he coordinated the formulation of all essential information and orders to Allied Military Government personnel in all sections of Italy including Sardinia and Sicily. At a time when personnel were taken from the organization for combat infantry training, it became necessary for Major Stearns, then G-1 American, to cut in half the enlisted strngth of the organization. It was only through careful readjustment and personal analysis on the part of this officer that allowed for no organizational disruption. He organized an Italian Civilian Personnel Section at this time to augment military personnel performing administrative duties in the headquarters. In cooperation with G-1 British, he arranged for the proper assignment of personnel in the organizations of the Northern Regional Teams to occupy northern areas as soon as they were liberated. He was instrumental in selecting a highly specialized Military Government Cadre for the Southern France operation. In the Autumn of 1944, as a result of his valuable performances in his previous positions, he was selected as Senior American Staff Officer to the Executive Commissioner. He properly coordinated and processed the many complex problems presented to the Executive Commissioner both from within the headquarters and from representatives of the local government with such efficiency that he was appointed, in May 1944, as Staff Officer to the Chief Commissioner. He has continually displayed superior ability, foresightedness and tact in the fulfillment of these extraordinary difficult tasks. Major Stearns' ingenuity, tact and outstanding devotion to duty have materially contributed to the success of Military Government operations in Italy and these characteristics are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself and his organization. Entered the military service from Scituate, Massachusetts.

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-x-201-Stearns, Lloyd W. (Off)
(23 Aug '45)

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HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394,
U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead),
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt. AGD
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
-x-201-Stearns, Lloyd W. (Off)
(23 Aug '45)

2nd Ind

CWP/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394,
U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
ECONOMIC SECTION
APO 394

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File: 200.6
x-201-Mulieri, Bruno C. F. (C)

23 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Bruno C. F. Mulieri, Lieutenant Commander (then Lieutenant), USCG, Headquarters, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 5 November 1943 to 8 May 1945.

2. Lieutenant Commander Mulieri has been responsible for the full rehabilitation of the Italian fishing industry which is now harvesting fish at a rate of about ninety thousand tons a year, almost normal pre-war production, and in creating employment for over one hundred thousand persons within the industry itself and in aiding in giving employment to thousands of other industries such as net manufacturing, shipbuilding, canning, marine motor manufacturing, etc. Responsible for this achievement is the officer's initiative for, in addition to the regular duties, he initiated projects on his own account. Outstanding among these are:

a. A proposed international conference of Mediterranean countries to further develop all the possible local resources, permission for the necessary arrangements having been granted by Allied Force Headquarters.

b. The stepping up of ocean fishing which would add another one hundred thousand tons of fish a year to Italy. Boats suitable for this activity are now being recovered and refitted.

c. The importation of salted fish from Spain, which has already started.

d. Arrangements for importing fresh fish from Turkey.

3. Lieutenant Commander Mulieri devised a chart for the location of mines and underwater obstructions. By the use of the chart, information could be disseminated to prevent loss to life and property. An outstanding characteristic of the officer is his ability to establish close liaison relation with others. Evidence of this was the effective

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cooperation and assistance given by the American, British and Italian Navies in relaxing restrictions, salvaging craft and in reestablishing the Captains of the Port Offices.

4. In November of 1943, by making continuous surveys in the field with the fishermen themselves, at times going out to sea in small craft in mine-laden waters, Lieutenant Commander Mulieri was able to make efficient recommendations to the Commandant of the Naval Operating Base at Palermo and later to the Flag Officer, Western Italy, Flag Officer, Taranto Liaison, Italy and Vice-Admiral, Malta. Night fishing, for the first time in almost five years, was permitted in Sicily as early as November 1943. Fishing by day was going on in the bay of Naples and almost as far North as Gaeta when the Army was at the Anzio Beachhead. In May and June 1944, the first shipment of tuna was accomplished from Sicily to Naples for the Allied hospitals and in March 1945, Vice-Admiral, Malta, consented to the harvest of fish in Lampedusa to alleviate the food shortages in the large consuming centers of Naples and Rome. Commercial fishing kept up with the progress of the Fifth and Eighth Armies and the daily harvests, irrespective of dangerously mined waters, was never more than fifty kilometers behind the front lines.

5. Experiences in Sicily and Italy in the rehabilitation of the Fishing Industry were published in a Civil Affairs Manual issued by the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations in September 1944 (OPNAV 13-19) for the officers studying Military Government for the Pacific Area. A booklet,"Reactivation of Italian Agriculture", issued jointly by the Agriculture Sub-Commission and the Ministry of Agriculture has had wide dissemination and the articles on Fisheries have served as a model for other European countries.

6. In a letter to Lieutenant Commander Mulieri, Lieutenant Colonel Hartman, Former Director of the Agriculture Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, said in part:

"Your specific contribution to such constructive progress as has been made to date by Allied Control Commission and the Italian Government has, in my opinion, made a lasting impression. Your vision, industry and effective liaison with the Italian Government from almost the first day you arrived in this theater and became a member of our Sub-Commission has, I feel confident, moulded a pattern of operations which would otherwise not have been conceived by either the Italian Government and surely not by any of the rest of us in the Sub-Commission. Regardless of the fact that you have been handicapped by not having had more than one technical associate on a full time basis, you succeeded in activating Fisheries Industry from the individual fisherman on up through a national unit of organization within the Ministry of Agriculture. Italy and Allied Control Commission owe you a debt of gratitude".

7. As early as 16 April 1944, the Italian Government, then composed only of a skeleton group, had recognized the work of Lieutenant Commander Mulieri and the contribution it was making to the alimentation of the country. Minister of Agriculture Lucifero wrote as follows to the Allied Commission:

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"Following several inspections in the various provinces, I have the right and the satisfaction to signalize to the Allied Control Commission the appassionate and efficient work done by Lieutenant Commander B. C. F. Mulieri, Chief of the Fisheries Division, Agriculture Sub-Commission, for the rehabilitation of the fisheries in Liberated Italy, and this work was done during a very difficult time. He, from the very beginning, has been steadfastly conscious of the fundamental importance of fisheries in Italy due to the insufficiency of other food, and I am sure that if Lieutenant Commander B. C. F. Mulieri is continued to complete the task, we will, day by day, make other progress with great advantage to the alimentation of the people of Italy, and, therefore, directly and indirectly for the United Nations".

8. The condition of the fishing industry, as a whole, was almost disastrous in 1943. There had been a terrific loss of boats and the shortage of supplies and equipment was acute. Yet the Spring of 1944, for instance, saw thirty tuna nets at work for the first time in five years. Hemp was provided from Naples at terrific odds due to lack of transportation and the shortage of tin plate to can the tuna was remedied by salvaging empty "C-I" cans from the IBS dumps at Palermo. The Spring of 1944 also saw the tuna nets at work at the island of Ischia only a short distance from the front lines of the Fifth Army. Cork had to be brought up from Sicily and grass ropes improvised to save time as fishermen had improvised the use of large stone blocks in Sicily in substitution of lead. The work was not only of a planning nature. Often it required personal supervision. This officer personally supervised the loading of trucks at Frattamaggiore and then led them in a convoy to the docks of Naples to make sure that the hemp bales for Sicily would be loaded on the first schooner going south.

9. In planning his work, this enterprising officer, as early as November 1943, made a complete survey of the materials that Sicily would need from the United States and the United Kingdom. The first requisition of imported supplies for Sicily and Southern Italy was approved and dispatched to Washington and London. The supplies began to arrive in the Fall of 1944 and by that time the Allied Commission and the Italian Government had set up headquarters in Rome. In addition to his many operational and planning duties, Lieutenant Commander Mulieri established a Fisheries Bureau for the Ministry of Agriculture in Rome as one of his first tasks after arriving in the National capitol. As a second major organization action he organized a special unit under the Ministry of Agriculture to distribute the imported supplies from abroad direct to the fishermen. Up-to-date, more than six thousand boat owners have received direct distribution of cotton paints, fish hooks, steel cables and sailcloth direct from the units of the Ministry created by Lieutenant Commander Mulieri. The distributing agency has kept the supplies from going to middlemen and to the blackmarket and as a result the boat owners received their supplies at landing cost plus twenty five percent. Decrees to discipline the distribution of diesel oil, benzine and kerosene were drafted by the officer as were decrees to establish and discipline collection centers for the harvests and distribution of hemp. The work of this officer extended outside of fisheries. He kept in close contact with shipyards, cordage manufacturers and canning industries and helped them secure materials needed.

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10. The resourcefulness, outstanding energy, inspiring leadership and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Commander Mulieri are in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States Coast Guard.

11. At the time of his assignment to the Agriculture Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, the officer was a Lieutenant. He was promoted to Lieutenant Commander on 1 October 1944 and at the present time holds the position of Chief of the Fisheries Division, Agriculture Sub-Commission, Allied Commission, with his rank of Lieutenant Commander.

12. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Lieutenant Commander Mulieri.

13. All subsequent services of this officer have been honorable.

14. The officer has received the "Commendatore Corona d'Italia" award presented by the Italian Government and approved by the Secretary of the Navy of the United States on 10 April 1945.

15. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

LEONARD D. DENSMORE
Colonel FA
Chief Staff Officer

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Commander (then Lieutenant) Bruno C. F. Mulieri, United States Coast Guard, Headquarters Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service from 5 November 1943 to 8 May 1945. Lieutenant Commander Mulieri has been responsible for the full rehabilitation of the Italian fishing industry which is now harvesting fish at a rate of about 80,000 tons a year, and through this officer's efforts ocean fishing will be stepped up to add an additional one hundred thousand tons a year to Italy. His reactivation of the industry has also aided in giving employment to thousands of other manufacturing concerns in net manufacturing, shipbuilding, canning, and marine motors. He has initiated several projects concerning this important industry, in addition to his regular duties. In devising a chart for the location of mines and underwater obstruction, information has been disseminated in the prevention of loss to life and property. Making continuous surveys with the fishermen themselves, at times going to sea in small craft in mine-laden waters, Lieutenant Commander Mulieri has been able to make efficient recommendations to his superior officers in all naval operations. He has been instrumental in the publication of a civil affairs manual issued by the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, which is now being used as a model for all European countries and as a guide for military government officers in the Southwest Pacific Area. He has been highly commended by important officials of the Italian Government for his work in contributing materially to the restoration of normal living, food implementation and the rehabilitation of one of the most important industries in Liberated Italy. He has displayed outstanding resourcefulness in salvaging empty "C-I cans" from military dumps to replace a shortage of tin plate required in canning operations, to salvage grass rope and other commodities which have been used as substitutes to return the fishing industry to normal pre-war production. Lieutenant Commander Mulieri's outstanding and forceful leadership and attention to duty are in keeping with the finest traditions of the United States Coast Guard and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Forces. Entered the United States Coast Guard Service from Augusta, Georgia.

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X-201-Muliari, Bruno C. F. (O)
(23 August 45) 1st Ind. HPT/FRW/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394,
U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd),
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

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x-201-Muliari, Bruno C. F. (O)
(23 August 45) 2nd Ind. EMS/FRW/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394,
U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd),
APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved. /s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Muliari, Bruno C. F. (O)
(23 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/FRW/ram
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S.
Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Forces, APO 512,
U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

LED/FRW/fp

2nd August 1945

File: 200.6
-x-201-Bocchino, Eliot J. (Off)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 15b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Eliot J. Bocchino, 0377876, Major (then Captain), Inf, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 18 September 1943 to 8 May 1945.

2. Major Bocchino, then a Captain, served as Headquarters Commandant of the Allied Military Mission. He established, during September 1943 under the most adverse conditions, all headquarters facilities and transport including billeting and messing for Allied officers and enlisted personnel at Brindisi where the first Badoglio Government was located. Working with meager facilities and a small detail of enlisted personnel, he demonstrated great resourcefulness, efficiency and talent. Due to his superior ability and outstanding devotion to duty, an efficient establishment was set up and maintained which contributed greatly to the success of the Allied Military Mission.

3. He was responsible for planning, organizing and supervising the physical transfer of the then Italian Official Government from Brindisi to Salerno in February 1944, an accomplishment which further demonstrated the ability of this officer. At Salerno, Major Bocchino became the United States Headquarters Commandant and Commanding Officer of the United States detachment of enlisted personnel. Here, in the Palace of Justice, a building much damaged by the invasion, he directed with great skill necessary repairs and set up headquarters facilities for Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission. The nature and results of his work were such as to contribute immeasurably to the efficiency, comfort and well-being of both officers and enlisted personnel of his command.

4. The outstanding devotion to duty displayed by Major Bocchino is in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflects great credit upon himself and his organization. He distinguished himself by meritorious achievement and service in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States by performance of duty marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the normal requirement.

5. In May 1944, he was promoted to the rank of Major and in July 1944 became Assistant Headquarters Commandant for the Allied Commission in

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Rome. At the present time, in the rank of Major, he holds the position of Assistant Headquarters Commandant.

6. The commending officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Bocchino.

7. All subsequent services of this officer have been honorable.

8. Major Bocchino has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

L. D. DENSMORE
Colonel FA
Acting Vice President,
Economic Section, Allied
Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) Eliot J. Beeching, 0377676, Inf, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious achievement in the performance of outstanding services from 18 September 1943 to 8 May 1945. As Headquarters Commandant of the Allied Military Mission, under most adverse conditions, with meager and limited facilities and only a small detail of enlisted personnel, he established in September 1943, at Brindisi; headquarters, transport, housing and messing facilities in a manner that contributed greatly to the success of the military mission. The movement of the Italian Government from Brindisi in February 1944, which was accomplished under his planning and supervision, was in itself a meritorious achievement. At Salerno as United States Headquarters Commandant and Commanding Officer of the United States Detachment, in the Palace of Justice, a building severely damaged by bombardment, he directed with great skill necessary repairs and set up headquarters facilities for Rear Headquarters, Allied Control Commission, in such a manner as to contribute immeasurably to the efficiency, comfort and well-being of the command. In Rome, as Assistant Headquarters Commandant, he continued to distinguish himself by performance of duty marked by extraordinary fidelity and a measure of efficiency conspicuously above and beyond the call of duty. Entered the military service from Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

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200.6
-x-201-Bocchino, Eliot J. (Off)
(23 Aug '45) 1st Ind MPT/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army. 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt AGD
Recorder

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
-x-201-Bocchino, Eliot J. (Off)
(23 Aug '45) 2nd Ind EWS/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army. 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Overhead), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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-x-201-Bocchino, Eliot J. (Off)
(23 Aug '45) 3rd Ind CNP/FRW/fp

HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVERHEAD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. H. PAIKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

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23 August 1945

File: 200.6
x-201-King, Edward C. (O)

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Legion of Merit.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 12, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Edward C. King, Lieutenant Colonel (then Major), 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 27 February 1944 to 31 July 1945.

2. Lieutenant Colonel King has been Chief of the Property Control Division of the Finance Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission. During the period of his assignment, Lieutenant Colonel King has been personally responsible for the conservation and protection of all property of the United Nations and their nationals in Liberated Italy. Lacking any precedent or instructions from higher sources, he has determined all questions of policy, prepared all directives, maintained constant liaison with the interested governments through their respective Consulates and Embassies, conducted all negotiations with the Italian Government and directed the work of his officers in the field, exercising at all times the greatest amount of tact and sound judgment.

3. Properties falling under the jurisdiction of his office numbered more than 25,000 separate items scattered throughout the mainland of Italy, Sicily and Sardinia and valued at hundreds of millions of dollars. Numbered among these properties were more than eight hundred commercial and industrial concerns faced with all the complex problems resulting from the war. After the occupation of Northern Italy, field requirements compelled Lieutenant Colonel King to reduce to two officers, a lieutenant and himself, the headquarters staff which at previous times had numbered as many as eight officers including three lieutenant colonels. Even under such circumstances, he handled these problems with such efficiency and dispatch that no criticism of his work has been heard from any sources. In addition to his normal duties and of direct benefit to the Armed Forces, he has been custodian of all funds derived by the Psychological Warfare Branch from the showing of United States and British motion pictures in Italy. These funds registered in Rome banks in his name amounted, in August 1945, to two hundred twenty five million lire.

4. The work performed by Lieutenant Colonel King in looking after the interests of Allied owned properties cannot be assessed in terms of money value but this has been of a very substantial nature. In carrying out his task of planning and executing field operations, he has expeditiously provided, in the immediate wake of the combat armies, that this important aspect of Allied policy be handled efficiently and above reproach.

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5. His outstanding initiative, high sense of responsibility, untiring effort and attention to duty are in keeping with the highest provisions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization and the Allied Forces.

6. At the time of this officer's assignment to 2675th Regiment, he held the grade of Major. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on 17 January 1945. He is presently and has always been assigned as the Chief of the Property Control Division, Finance Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission.

7. All subsequent services of the officer have been honorable.

8. The officer has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed citation (see Inclosure 1).

R. B. MERRIAM
Specialist Reserve
Colonel
Joint Director
Finance Sub-Commission

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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PROPOSED CITATION

Lieutenant Colonel (then Major) Edward C. King, 0191976, Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 27 February 1944 to 31 July 1945. As Chief of the Property Control Division of the Finance Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, Lieutenant Colonel King has been responsible for the conservation and protection of all property of the United Nations and their nationals in Liberated Italy. In the absence of instructions from higher authority he has determined policies, prepared directives, maintained continuous contact with the interested governments through their respective Consulates and Embassies, and has conducted necessary negotiations with the Italian Government in connection with all matters relating to properties under his jurisdiction in which Allied interests were involved. This property included over twenty five thousand items scattered throughout Sicily, Sardinia and Italy, valued at hundreds of millions of dollars and including over eight hundred commercial and industrial concerns. With exceedingly small organization, Lieutenant Colonel King has accomplished his tasks with efficiency and promptness devoting untiring energy and mature judgment to the numerous complex economic problems which arose. His planning and execution of field work enabled the Allied Military Government in the wake of combat armies to undertake promptly and effectively the work of assuming control of and protecting vast Allied property interests with results highly beneficial to the United Nations Governments and their nationals. His unusual initiative, high sense of responsibility and outstanding attention to duty are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization, and the Allied Forces. Entered the military service from Boulder, Colorado.

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x-201-King, Edward C. (C)
(23 August 45) 1st Ind. NPT/FRW/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. P. THEODORE
1st Lt., A.G.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
n/c

200.6
x-201-King, Edward C. (C)
(23 August 45) 2nd Ind. KWS/FRW/rem
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

/s/ Ellery W. Stone

ELLERY W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-King, Edward C. (C)
(23 August 45) 3rd Ind. CHP/FRW/rem
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512, U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

1 Incl:
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

JMcS/FRS/ram

File: 200.6
x-201-Savage, Paul S. (O)

23 August 1945

SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the Bronze Star Medal.

TO : Commanding General, MTOUSA, APO 512, U. S. Army.

1. Under the provisions of Paragraph 15b, AR 600-45, it is recommended that Paul S. Savage, 0522162, Major (then Captain) Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, be awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 September 1943 to 30 June 1945.

2. As Executive officer of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, Major Savage has built, from a group of military and non-military personnel, each working in a separate sphere, an efficient and harmonious staff. He has developed a system of orderly office procedure which has made possible the maintenance of valuable war and post-war files on hospitals, eleemosynary institutions, malaria control, venereal disease, typhus, and several other highly technical operations of the Public Health Sub-Commission. In addition to his countless duties, Major Savage had to keep informed on many highly technical and scientific medical matters. When the chief of the malaria control group or other specialized officers were in the field, Major Savage need be sufficiently well informed to carry out the work of those officers in their absence. Preparations for this work required much extra time, labor and ability.

3. During the eruption of Vesuvius and when such tragedies occurred as the stalling of a train in the long tunnel at Potenza, where many civilians perished, Major Savage dispatched officers and supervised their operation with a great amount of patience and executive ability. The very nature of the Public Health Sub-Commission's work necessitated Major Savage having under his administrative control officers of much higher rank. Those higher ranking officers were inspired to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Executive Officer, because of their high esteem for his tireless efforts and a respect for the merits of his accomplishment. Giving always of his time and energy, Major Savage not only aided his fellow officers in the accomplishment of their tasks, but he has cooperated patiently with all doctors and other Italian civilians in an effort to make the Public Health Sub-Commission a real agency for the health and welfare of the people of Italy. This outstanding patience and unselfish service has meant everything to the Italian people for whom the work of the Public Health Sub-Commission is designed. It has also immeasurably

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added, to a great extent, to the preservation of prevalent high standards of health among the Allied Armed Forces in that it has contributed materially to the success of military operations of Italy.

4. His untiring and able efforts have added greatly to the achievements of the Allied Commission and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization, and the Allied military government.

5. At the time of the officer's assignment to the 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, he was a Captain. He was promoted to Major on 7 January 1945. He has occupied the position of Executive Officer of the Public Health Sub-Commission throughout the entire period.

6. The commanding officer of this award has personal knowledge of the services rendered by Major Savage.

7. All subsequent services of this officer have been honorable.

8. The officer has received no previous awards.

9. Proposed Citation (See Inclosure 1).

JOHN McSWEENEY
Specialist Reserve
Lt. Colonel
Chief, Welfare Branch

1 Incl:
Proposed Citation

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x-201-Savage, Paul S. (0)
(23 August 45) 1st Ind. MPT/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, DECORATIONS AND AWARDS BOARD, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:

N. F. THEODORE,
1st Lt., A.C.D.
Recorder

1 Incl:
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200.6
x-201-Savage, Paul S. (0)
(23 August 45) 2nd Ind. MES/ram
HEADQUARTERS, ALLIED COMMISSION, OFFICE OF THE CHIEF COMMISSIONER, APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission (Ovhd), APO 394, U. S. Army.

Approved.

EMLEN W. STONE
Rear Admiral, USNR
Chief Commissioner

1 Incl:
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x-201-Savage, Paul S. (0)
(23 August 45) 3rd Ind. CMP/rom
HEADQUARTERS, 2675TH REGIMENT, ALLIED COMMISSION (OVHD), APO 394, U. S. Army, 23 August 1945.

TO: Commanding Officer, Headquarters Command, Allied Force, APO 512. U. S. Army.

Approved.

C. M. PARKIN
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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PROPOSED CITATION

Major (then Captain) Paul S. Savage, 0582168, Specialist Reserve, 2675th Regiment, Allied Commission, for meritorious achievement in connection with military operations in Italy from 15 September 1943 to 30 June 1945. As Executive Officer of the Public Health Sub-Commission, Headquarters Allied Commission, Major Savage has developed a group of military and non-military personnel into an efficient and harmonious staff. He has made possible a program of orderly procedure for the maintenance of valuable war and post-war files on hospitals, eleemosynary institutions, malaria control, venereal disease, typhus, and several other highly technical operations of the Public Health Sub-Commission. He has given unstintingly of his time and effort to carry on the work of highly specialized officers in their absence from Headquarters while conducting inspections in the field. His outstanding patience and executive ability have secured for the Sub-Commission the fullest cooperation of all officers, civilian doctors, and Italian civilians associated with the work of public health and welfare. He has placed the Public Health Sub-Commission in the position of a real agency devoted to the health and welfare of the people of Italy and has materially benefitted, by his actions, the maintenance of health of all Allied troops. His outstanding patience and unselfish service are in keeping with the highest traditions of the United States Army and reflect great credit upon himself, his organization, and Allied Military Government in Italy. Entered the military service from Nashville, Tennessee.

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