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29	Cbl AFHQ, MAT-688	16 May 45	CCS	Undeposited cipher facilities for IGW reps abroad now to be allowed.
30	66/2, Prunas	22 May 45	Stone	Undeposited cipher facilities for IGW reps abroad now to be allowed.
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33	6523/63/EC, Arnoldy	12 Jun 45	MFA	It diplomatic pouch fr Switzerland.
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16	Cbl, Stone, S-362	8 Nov 44	AFHQ	Reference S-356. Confidential communication between Ital Govt and its reps in United Nations.
17	Cbl AFHQ T50270	9 Nov 44	AC	Guidance awaited fr CCS re secret communication between Ital Govt and its reps in United Nations.
18	G-1 S-364 Stone	12 Nov 44	AFHQ	Re 17. Please trace CCS as matter urgent.
19	Cbl AFHQ FX 55734	17 Nov 44	AGWAR for CCS	Guidance requested urgently re secret communication Ital Govt with their reps. in United Nations
20	AFHQ AG 380.01/ 007 SIG-0	26 Nov 44	All Concerned	SOP for handling TOPSEC messages
21	Cbl AFHQ FX-20874	4 Feb 45	CCAC, AGWAR, TROOPER AC, BCS	Pending final decision msgs by AC to outside theater will conform to theater policy and be enciphered
21a	8761/65/EC Lush	17 Feb 45	AFHQ	Breach of Cipher Security (Tam 448)
22	SAC(P)(45) 6	17 Feb 45		Cipher & bag facilities to IG.
23	SAC(P)(45) 1st Mtg	20 Feb 45		Cipher & bag facilities to IG.
24	Cbl ACCMN 3426	12 Mar 45	AFHQ G-2	IG non-deposited cipher comm with Sardinia.
25	Ltr Cipher Mission F.R. Cathy	29 Mar 45	CC AC	Encl are copies of all of Mission's cables to date. (Not kept)

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6	AFHQ AG 380.01-3 GBI-0	28 Apr 44	All Concerned	Security of Information (transmitting information or documents to French) civilians
6a	Brig Lush Off Memo	25 Aug 44	See Dist	Handling classified documents
7	Ltr A/CC 311.5 Stone	5 Sep 44	Vasco da Cunha Brazilian Consul	Question of codes & ciphers for comm with ur Govt answered by Pol Sec. APP: Ltr Cunha 1 Sept to A/CC
7a	Memo MacMillan	6 Sep 44		Terms of Reference, Ital Mission
8	Ltr A/CC 311.5 Stone	19 Sep 44	Comm SC 8766	Ital Govt cipher communications. Pls act with Pol Sec., re cipher for Ital comm with missions abroad INCL: 1) Ltr GBI/GEN/10/44 14 Sep Gen Airey AFHQ to Stone 2) Memo 3/150/6 14 Sep 44
9	Ltr fr Stone	21 Sep 44	G-5 AFHQ	It Govt has given us coded msg 1 to go to Moscow. Code not deposited. Must insist all such msgs go thru ACC or violate armistice terms.
10	Ltr Capt Stone A/CC-311.5	23 Sep 44	AFHQ-G-2 8766	Ital Govt comm with mis abroad & comm-between mis
11	Cbl Stone S-347	28 Sep 44	AFHQ	Request info Ital Rep Washington & London have direct confidential communications with It Govt
12	Ltr Spefford G-5: 311.22-10	30 Sep 44	HQ ACC, attn A/CC	Coded messages Ital Govt to Moscow: ACC should accept them only if with clear text and key to code.
13	Memo, Mr Caccia	27 Oct 44	A/CC	Folio 12 submitted and redraft of proposed telegram to AFHQ.
14	Cbl Stone S-356	27 Oct 44	AFHQ	Susloparov supports Ital Govt requests for direct confidential communication with mission in Moscow.
15	Ltr, Security Div SD/500	1 Nov 44		Mlle Chalandon-security screening of.

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1	Capt Stone	19 Mar 44	Main Hq ACC G-1	Ref Ltr fr Col Spicer to Capt Stone of 16 Mar forwarded & no further action taken ENCLOSURE: 1 Incl A - Ref Ltr 16088/G-1 12 Mar this ltr referred to above re violation of censorship regulation giving opinion of officer position 1 Incl B - Ltr Col Purgold to Hq ACC Rear ref ltr above re discipline officers (Col Spicer) 1 Incl B Incl - Ltr Col Barnwell P/282037/1(AG3A) 18 Feb to AFHQ GIB re Col Spicer violation of censorship regulations Persons authorized to handle Top-Secret writing material APPENDIX: 2a - Ltr Derby to Rear Hq ACC re just who should handle Top-Secret documents Classification of Documents set forth by US Army & British Army Hq also by US Navy & Royal Navy Invention by Lt Col Ducros of hand operated cipher machine for field use awaiting model machine for demonstration 21 4 Incl - Cbl Freedom to Fatima Mar 67558 request Cipher Officer examine plans of above machine 21 4 App a - Cbl Fatima Rear to Freedom 2499 19 Mar claim of Ital Off invention of above machine 4 App b - Ltr transformation ciphering machine simple hand operation etc in detail description Security Measures Hotel & Boarding House Registers 5a Incl - Translation fr Min Int 50134/10-A 23 Mar re same subject
2	Capt Slaughter AG 311.5	27 Mar 44	Adj Rear Hq ACC	
3	Hq ACC Est Memo No. 11	28 Mar 44	All Concerned	
4	Col Densmore	28 Mar 44	Re Attached	
5	Ltr Brig Lush 327/6/CA	18 Apr 44	See Dist	

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UNCLASSIFIED.

Understand question of security classification and monthly report has arisen, and you desire to make report available to press. Security classification is matter for your local determination. Suggest that report be issued in 2 parts. Part A to contains classified items. Part B to contain information which may be released to press.

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AG 311.5 M&D-0

10 November 1945

SUBJECT: Downgrading of Classified Documents

TO: All Concerned

1. Under the provisions of paragraph 15, AR 380-5, 15 March 1944, the TOP SECRET documents listed in Inclosure Number 1 are downgraded as indicated therein.

2. Necessary action will be taken by those concerned to regrade any and all listed documents that may be in their custody.

3. The documents listed in the inclosure do not constitute the final list of documents to be downgraded by this headquarters. Other lists will be published at regular intervals. Requests for the downgrading of specific documents of this headquarters should be addressed to this headquarters, attention of Security Control Officer.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

12 NOV 1945

1 Incl
List of Documents

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Date	File	Ref No	Subject	Now Classification
15 Jul	----	--	Security of Vital Areas in North Africa	Restricted
1 Nov 44	HSD/173B	--	Reorganization	SECRET
17 Mar 44	AG 370-6 GCT-O	T-3	Sites for Dalmatian Bridgehead	Restricted
20 Mar 44	G T-74/3	--	Responsibility for Planning Adriatic Operations	Restricted
21 Mar 44	GCT-74/9	--	Adriatic Operations	Restricted
13 Apr 44	AG 370-1 GCT-O	T-289	Defense of VIS	Restricted
21 Apr 44	AG 370-1 GCT-O	B-138	Raiding Operations against the Adriatic Coast	Restricted
28 Apr 44	-----	--	Force 266 Mission	Restricted
17 May 44	AG 370-1 GCT-O	T 582	Report on Visit to VIS	Restricted
11 Sep 44	AG 381/079-O	B-1213	Post Hostilities Planning	SECRET
31 Aug 44	-----	--	Use of Italian Personnel in Coastal Base Section	Confidential
26 Feb 44	AG 370.28-1 GCT-AGM	B-703	Division of Responsibilities for the Implementation of Deception Plans	Restricted
20 May 44	AG 370.28-2 Eng-O	B-2554	Special LCT Display - Bone	Restricted
17 Jul 44	AG 370.28-2 Eng-O	B-678	Special LCT Display - Bone	Restricted
5 Sep 44	AG 370.28/073 GCT-O	B-1136	Policy on German Forces in Liguria	Restricted
10 Apr 45	---	B-562	Minutes of Meeting Held 1009003 April	SECRET
24 Aug 45	AG 311.5/223 GBT-O	B-1055	Classification of Cover and Deception Plans	SECRET
1 Feb 45	AG 686/069 SC3-O	B-136	UK/ACSEA Air Trooping Scheme	SECRET
25 Apr 45	AG 370.26/165 GCT-O	B-678	Report by Allied Naval Commander in Chief Expeditionary Force	SECRET
15 Jan 45	AG 370.28/043 GCT-O	B-54	Cover Plan	SECRET
20 Feb 45	AG 370.61/031 GCT-O	B-247	Sicily Disturbances - Report on Rebellion in Province of Ragusa 5-11 January 1945	SECRET
22 Sep 44	B-389.505/6	--	Operation Freeborn	Restricted
6 Oct 44	B-389.505/6	--	Codewords	Restricted
31 Oct 44	B-389.505/6	--	Operation "Sunstar"	Restricted

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AG 383.01/920 B-0

19 September 1945

SUBJECT: Relaxation of Security of Information.

TO: All Concerned.

Pending revisions of War Department Circular Number 236, dated 3 August 1945, Release of Military Information, and Army Regulations 380-5, Safeguarding Military Information; and in accord with the Joint Chiefs of Staff action, relaxations of the security of information on the following are authorized:

a. Information for publication may be released concerning:

- (1) Movements of troops anywhere including the arrivals and departures of named individuals and units, Army aircraft and vessels.
- (2) Location, composition, strength, organization, armament and equipment of units within the theater. Except upon specific approval of the Theater Commander no information will be disclosed concerning classified or highly specialized units of equipment.
- (3) War material production, processes and rates of manufacture, except information relating to classified products, methods and processes.
- (4) Assembly, storage and location of war materials except classified items.
- (5) Facilities for communication and transportation in Theaters and Zones of the Interior.

b. Exceptions to the above are as follows:

- (1) Information pertaining to occupation operations relating to Japan and occupational unit or units taking part in such operations will remain as classified information and will not be released until unit or units are in the territory that they are to occupy, unless an announcement is made earlier by the Supreme Allied Commander for the Allied Powers.

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dated 19 September 1945 (Cont'd)

- (2) Military information regarding past operations, tactics, intelligence, methods and equipment which is classified will remain classified and will not be released until it is declassified by proper authority under Joint Chiefs of Staff Directives and War and Navy Department Regulations.
- (3) Information relating to classified Signal equipment, cryptography or cryptanalysis will not be disclosed.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCNARNEY:

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C. T. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGC
Adjutant General

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington 25, D. C.

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AG 471.6 (2 Sep 45)CE-3-B-M

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3 September 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Information Concerning Atomic Bomb

TO: * * * *
The Commanding Generals
Theaters of Operations
* * * *

1. Reference is made to AGP-M 471.6 (22 Aug 45)CE-3-DCSA, 27 August 1945, subject as above.

2. The following memorandum from the President has been received modifying his memorandum which was quoted in the letter referred to in paragraph 1:

"1. Reference is made to my previous memorandum dated 15 August 1945 concerning security on the atomic bomb project.

"2. This memorandum is modified to permit:

"a. Identification of individuals and organizations now or formerly associated with the project together with disclosure of the general nature of their project activities, subject to rules already laid down by the War Department. These rules prohibit the release of any information of value to any foreign government which that government could not easily obtain without recourse to espionage.

"b. Release by the War Department of information of general interest which in the opinion of the Department will not jeopardize national security."

3. All information concerning the atomic bomb which is proposed to be released for publication will be cleared through the Department Bureau of Public Relations.

4. Compliance by all concerned is directed.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Edward F. Vitsell
/t/ EDWARD F. VITSELL
Major General
Acting The Adjutant
General

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1st Ind to Ltr, WD TAG, AC 4716 (2 Sep 45)OB-S-B-M, dated 3 September 1945, subject: Release of Information Concerning Atomic Bomb.

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HEADQUARTERS INCOUSA, APO 512, 13 September 1945

TO: All Concerned

For compliance.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MCMAHON:

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C. W. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, ACD
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/s/

Chief
Comm.THE DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington 25, D.C.

AG 311.5 (2 Sep 45)OB-3-B-H

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2 September 1945

SUBJECT: Release of Information Concerning Cryptanalytic Activities.

TO:

* * * * *
The Commanding Generals,
Theaters of Operations
* * * * *

1. The following memorandum from the President to the Secretary of War will be brought to the attention of all concerned within your command:

Appropriate Departments of the Government and the Joint Chiefs of Staff are hereby directed to take such steps as are necessary to prevent release to the public, except with the specific approval of the President in each case, of:

Information regarding the past or present status, technique or procedures, degree of success attained, or any specific results of any cryptanalytic unit acting under the authority of the U.S. Government or any Department thereof.

2. Compliance by all concerned is directed.

By order of the Secretary of War:

/s/ Edward F. Mitchell
/t/ EDWARD F. MITCHELL,
Major General,
Acting The Adjutant General

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AG 311.5/229 GFI-O

8 September 1945

SUBJECT: Security After Defeat of Japan.

TO: All Concerned.

1. Attention is called to the fact that, although the war has been won with the final surrender of Japan and therefore security regulations can be generally released, it is imperative that it be kept in mind that there are matters which will still require application of security measures.

2. Such matters are those on which information has not been already relaxed or is not in the future released.

a. Details of special methods of deceiving the enemy and enemy wireless traffic interception.

b. (1) Methods of and organization of intelligence and counter intelligence including sabotage, political warfare, escape organizations and the work of agents with resistance groups and on intelligence duties.

(2) Premises, locations, formations, personnel, training and equipment and communication system used in such activities.

(3) Resulting achievements of such activities.

c. Cipher information (those of foreign governments included).

d. Other than in the normal course of overseas drafts and reliefs, troop movements to airport or seaport of embarkation and thence overseas.

e. Location of vital military material stocks other than those open to public view.

f. Experimental establishments and scientific research and the problems which are being investigated for service use (trials included).

g. New equipment and weapons.

h. Technical details and performance of army aircraft weapons and equipment (operational employment included), manufacturing processes and production methods.

i. Extent of information of ex-enemy equipment, weapons or tactics. (Also any research or development relating thereto.)

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Ltr, AFHQ, AG 311.5/229 GBI-O,
dtd 8 September 1945 (Cont'd)

3. Until declassified by proper authority under Joint Chiefs of Staff directives and War and Navy Department regulations, classified information in regards to past operations, tactics, intelligence, methods and equipment will remain in classified status.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

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LG 311.5/215 SIG-0

24 July 1945

SUBJECT: Indication of Message Security Classification.

TO: All Concerned

1. It is essential to have a uniform method of indicating the security classification of a message at all stages of transmission and on delivery to the addressee. The following procedure will be effective within the Mediterranean Theater:

Originators will include the security classification as the first word of the text in all messages. No message will be treated as unclassified unless the originator has franked the message with the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED". Any message which does not bear its appropriate security classification or the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED" at the beginning of the text will be referred back to the originator by the Signal agency concerned.

NOTE: When the British Army message form APO 2136 is in use, the originator's instructions contained in the two signature spaces are redundant and will not be applicable. However, for uniformity, all messages classified RESTRICTED or above will be signed in the right hand space and all UNCLASSIFIED messages will be signed in the left hand space with the word "except" deleted and the word "including" substituted.

2. As a result of the above procedure, every message will bear a security classification, or the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED", which will constitute the sole deciding factor in the security handling of the message.

3. The responsibility for the correct security classification of a message rests entirely with the originator. It is the responsibility of the Signal agencies concerned to insure that a message is given correct security handling in accordance with the designated classification and the security of the circuits over which the message is to be transmitted.

4. Any message franked with the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED" will be assumed to have been authorized by the originator for transmission in clear by any means of communication including radio and any commercial agencies.

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Ltr. No. AWHQ, file no 311.5/215 SIG-O, dtd 24 Jul 45 (Cont'd)

5. AWHQ letter, file no 311.5/215 GBI-O, dated 20 July 1945, subject: "Unclassified Messages - Transmission in Clear", lists the subject and conditions under which messages may be treated as unclassified. (34)

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Clear text messages. This in COM 164

in line with lowering of classification upon cessation of European hostilities clear text will henceforth be used in transmitting COM series supply messages only. policy matters will be sent classified as necessary. WAR DEPARTMENT has approved this declassification. Arrangements would be made for similar declassification of MOC series messages sent from your headquarters with the proviso that no reference may be made in clear text messages by date or numbers other than CGAC cable series numbers to messages previously cryptographed

*Commercial Councilor
to Br. Embassy.*

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29 July 1945

Major Stearns:

Reference Admiral Stone's query regarding the distribution of this cable.

The Message Center advises that distribution was made to Commercial Counselor, British Embassy on instructions by Brig. Lush, who did not mention Commercial Attache, U.S. Embassy, and it did not occur to the Message Center distribution clerk that the latter should also be informed.

One of the copies sent to Requisition Division was passed on to Communications Subcommittee. Message Center thought that it was Requisition Division's responsibility to inform Communications Subcommittee.

Copies have been sent to Communications Subcommittee and to Commercial Attache, U.S. Embassy.

L. F. Edmiston
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IN 311.5/215 GBI-O

20 July 1945

SUBJECT: Unclassified Messages - Transmission in Clear.

TO: All Concerned.

1. It has been decided that outside the zone of operations in the Pacific - Far East area, certain subjects may now be treated as unclassified, and messages concerning them may be sent in clear by any means, including radio.

2. The operational zone is defined as the area bounded on the west by Longitude 60°E and on the east by the Pacific coast of the North and South American continent. The zone includes for example India Command, Burma, Australia, SEAC, SWPA and US operational commands in the Pacific.

3. Effective 0001Z hours 20 July 1945, subjects listed in Appendix "A" may be treated as unclassified and messages relating to them may be sent in clear by any means including radio, subject to the provisions of paragraph 7, below.

4. Appendix "A" is issued as a guide to originators and in no way prevents them from giving a message a higher classification if considered desirable. The responsibility for the correct security classification of a message rests entirely with the originator. Where doubt exists, the message should be classified.

5. Originators of messages will continue to be guided by US Army Regulations 380-5 and by War Office pamphlet "Classification and Handling of Protected Documents, 1944" to which Appendix "A" will be considered as a supplement.

6. No relaxation of existing rules is permitted in messages to any part of the operational zone, or the subject matter of which concerns the war against Japan. When one or more of the addressees of a multiple address message is located in the zone of operations the whole message will be governed by the security rules applicable to the operational zone and will accordingly be patched in this manner to all addressees, including those who may be in the non-operational zone.

7. An unclassified message referring to a previous cipher message will quote only the reference number and date (but NOT the time of origin) of the cipher message. The text of such an unclassified message will consist only of one of the following stereotyped phrases:

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Ltr, AFHQ, AG 311.5/215 GB1-9,
dated 20 July 1945 (Cont'd)

- a. Acknowledged
- Agreed
- Approved
- Confirmed
- Noted
- Received
- Taking action
- Under consideration
- Yes or No

- b. A request for a reply to be expedited.

NOTE: When an unclassified message refers to a previous cipher message enciphered in "One Time Pad/System," the restrictions in this paragraph will NOT apply.

8. No restriction is placed on who may originate unclassified messages which are covered by the provisions of this instruction. The provisions of US Army Regulations 380-5, paragraph 51 b (2) and of War Office pamphlet "Classification and Handling of Protected Documents, 1944," paragraph 17 (b) and (c) still apply to messages which would normally be classified but which are of such urgency that the delay caused by ciphering cannot be tolerated.

9. Originators of unclassified messages will include the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED" as the first word of the text. This instruction authorizes transmission in clear by any means including radio and commercial agencies. "Signatures" will not be used in the texts of unclassified messages.

10. Documents as well as messages relating to subjects listed in Appendix "A" may similarly be treated as unclassified. Such documents, however, need not bear the instruction "UNCLASSIFIED".

BY COLLEND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

- 1 Incl
- Appendix "A" - List of Subjects Which May be Unclassified

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APPENDIX "A" to AFHQ ltr
AG 311.5/215 GBI-O, dtd
20 July 1945

LIST OF SUBJECTS WHICH MAY BE UNCLASSIFIED

ABSENTEES

ACCIDENTS

- Traffic; injuries to personnel

ACCOMMODATION

- Requisitioning, billeting, inspection.

ACCOUNTS

- Unit and Regimental.

AIRCRAFT

- Movements of individual aircraft in the non-operational zone (providing secret types are not involved).
Accidents to.

APPOINTMENTS

- Of individuals below the rank of Brigadier/Brigadier General.

BURIALS

- Graves registration.
Arrangements for burials.

CASUALTIES

- Below the rank of Brigadier/Brigadier General.

CIVIL AFFAIRS

- Routine matters connected with civil administration, civil supply and Displaced Persons.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Routine correspondence concerning any items covered by this list.

COURTS OF ENQUIRY

- Convening of and attendance of witnesses (providing no mention is made of the subject matter, unless it falls within the scope of this list).

DISCHARGES

EDUCATION

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- Routine correspondence, supplies for.

ENGAGEMENTS/ENLISTMENTS

- And re-engagements.

ENTERTAINMENT

HEALTH

- Of individuals (providing there is no mention of the nature of the disease).

HOSPITALS

- Routine administration.

INJURIES

- Individuals, inspections, routine accommodation and stores. (See ACCIDENTS).

LABOUR

- Local employment of civilians.

APPENDIX "A" (Cont'd)

- LEAVE - General and individual. (See SHIPPING).
- LOCATIONS - Of any units or formations except those under orders to proceed to the Pacific-Far East area.
- LOSS - Of stores and vehicles, excepted for protected items.
- MAILS - If ships or shipping movements are mentioned, see SHIPPING.
- MAINTENANCE - Except of protected equipment.
- MEDALS - Awards and decorations after promulgation.
- MEDICAL - And DENTAL. Issues of stores and inspections. (See HEALTH).
- MOVEMENTS - Of individuals below the rank of Brigadier/Brigadier General and units except those under orders to proceed to the Pacific-Far East area.
- PAY - Rate of pay, allotments, allowances of individuals below the rank of Brigadier/Brigadier General.
- PERSONNEL
 - OFFICERS - Routine postings, assignments, attachments, promotions and transfers, below the rank of Brigadier/Brigadier General.
 - ORs/EN - Postings, assignments, attachments and transfers. Discipline. Private affairs (except of very personal matters).
- PRESS & RADIO - Subject to censorship.
- PW - Names of Allied PW, administrative arrangements for repatriation. (See MOVEMENTS).
- RECREATION - Facilities and training.
- SHIPPING - For Naval and Shipping purposes the non-operational zone comprises:
 - The North Atlantic, Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, Arctic Ocean, Baltic and North Seas, Mediterranean, Black and Red Seas, South Atlantic Ocean East of 74° West to Longitude of Capetown, and the North and South Pacific Oceans East of 82° West.
 - Movements, positions, arrivals, departures, damage and loss (except due to enemy action) in the non-operational zone of minor warships and merchant ships including troopships carrying less than 550

APPENDIX "A" (Cont'd)

troops.

Note (a) Normal security instructions apply to messages about movements of major warships (to include destroyers), neutral ships suspected of trading with the enemy and troopships carrying more than 550 troops in any zone.

(b) Capotown, Aden and Balboa are included in the operational zone.

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UNITS, FORMATIONS &
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WELFARE/SPECIAL SERVICE

- Non-protected documents, books, army forms and printed matter.
- Demands for all commodities and non-protected technical stores and spare parts required for maintenance.
- Courses of instruction, allotment of vacancies. (except for courses of a secret nature).
- Non-protected vehicles - damage (other than by enemy action), defects, movements, repairs and replacements.
- Designations, provided that designations of units and their next higher formations or organizations are not linked or grouped together in the texts of messages in such a way as to reveal order of battle or chain of command.

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Ref: 6521/61/EC.

12 June 1945.

SUBJECT: Italian Diplomatic Pouch in Switzerland.

TO : Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italian Government.

1. Reference your memorandum 6/1396/630 of 16 May regarding the above subject.

2. Allied Force Headquarters have written as follows:

"1. It would appear that the British Legation in Rome is not in receipt of instructions to assume responsibility for accepting and forwarding sealed diplomatic bags to Rome. However various Italian pouches are handled by the American Embassy in Rome and it is assumed that a return of similar pouches from Rome is authorized through American channels.

2. Therefore will you please ask the Italian Government whether it be the established practice for the British Legation in Rome to forward these pouches and also to verify through the American Embassy in Rome that authorization exists for transfer through American Diplomatic channels."

3. It would therefore be appreciated if you would answer the questions raised by AFHQ in para 2 quoted above.

A. B. ARNOLDY.

Brigadier,
Executive Commission.

Copy to: Communication s/c.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

AG 311.5/199 SIG-0

11 June 1945

SUBJECT: Proper Use of Classification and Precedence in Signal Messages

TO: All Concerned

1. The volume of messages originated in this theater has decreased slightly since the cessation of hostilities, but difficulties are being experienced in many instances in the expeditious handling of those messages by electrical means. These difficulties may be expected to increase with the early redeployment of many of the Signal troops and cipher personnel. Under current regulations, only messages classified as "CONFIDENTIAL" or lower may be transmitted by certain land lines in the clear; all other classified messages require encipherment. The temporary inadequacy of land lines in forward areas, which has necessitated the use of radio and consequent encipherment of all classified messages, has increased the already heavy load on cipher offices. With the cessation of hostilities the urgency requiring rapid transmission of many of the messages appears to be reduced. This should permit greater use of letters in lieu of messages with increased use of the various messenger services, especially in those areas where a shortage of electrical facilities exists.

2. It is hoped shortly to relax regulations regarding classification of messages, thus permitting the transmission of more signal traffic in the clear. Pending the issuance of such relaxations, all originators are cautioned to avoid overclassification. Overclassification debases the value of the higher security classifications and tends to add to delay owing to the special handling required. At the present time therefore, it is more than ever essential that current rules regarding the classification and precedence of messages be scrupulously observed in the interests of all concerned.

3. Originators are furthermore cautioned against the abuse of precedence. Where the volume of "Priority" and "Operational Priority" traffic becomes disproportionately heavy, these precedences necessarily lose their value. 7716

4. Care must be taken in the drafting of messages to reduce their length by employing concise language without sacrificing clarity.

BY COMMAND OF FIELD MARSHAL ALEXANDER:

C. W. CHRISTENBERRY
Colonel, AGD
Adjutant General

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Ref: 6523/57/EU

28 May 1945

SUBJECT: Italian Diplomatic Pouch from Switzerland

TO : G-5 Section, Allied Force Headquarters

1. Enclosed is a copy of memorandum no. 6/1396/630 of 18 May 45 from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs in which they state they have been informed by the Italian Legation in Bern that the Allied Missions there have not been instructed as yet to accept and forward to Rome the sealed diplomatic pouches containing official correspondence for the Italian Government.

2. In view of the fact that secret bag facilities have been granted in accordance with your telegram no. FX 31764 of 22 February it would be appreciated if the Allied Legations in Switzerland could be informed in accordance with the suggestion contained in the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs memorandum.

3. Please inform this office of your action in this matter in order that the Italian Government may be informed.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner

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6/1396/630

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ALLIED COMMISSION

SUBJECT: ITALIAN DIPLOMATIC POUCH FROM SWITZERLAND

1. This Ministry is informed by the Italian Legation, Bern, that the Allied Missions there have not been instructed as yet to accept and forward to Rome the sealed diplomatic pouches containing official correspondence for the Italian Government.

2. With reference to the letter no. P/725, P/750, addressed by Admiral Stone to H. E. De Gasperi under date 27th February 1945, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs trust that the Allied Commission will kindly inform the Allied Legations in Switzerland of the facilities allowed to the Italian Government for their correspondence with the Italian diplomatic representatives abroad.

Rome, May 18th 1945

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Translation

STATE DEPARTMENT

The Secretary General

n. 66/2

Rome, 22 May 1945

CHIEF COMINT

CC 1139

MAY 25 1945

Dear Admiral,

(see FA 763/8 of 16 May)

In note 17/24.2.15 cc of the 17th, the Allied Commission stated that the control for military security up to now exercised on the ciphers used by the Italian Government with its dependant representations abroad is abolished.

Recognizing this communication, I want to tell you how much I appreciate your kind interest and comprehension in this delicate matter, which has been solved today, and thank you for your support.

Yours very truly,

S. R. Brunas

Admiral Albery W. Stone
Chief Commissioner
Allied Commission
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AFHQ SIGNED ALEXANDER CITE FHGEG
INFO ALCOVE ROME

SECRET. Reference MAT 549. This is MAT 688.

Following cessation of hostilities the previous military objections to allowing the Italian Government to communicate by undeposited cipher with their representatives abroad can now be waived.

The Italian Government are being advised accordingly and it is requested in pursuance of TAM 363 that notification of above relaxation be given by you to all concerned.

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ACTION: Communications S/C
INFO: A/President
Chief Commissioner
Executive Commissioner
Hq Signals Officer
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Ref: 3620/134/80

12 May 1945

SUBJECT: AH 300-5

TO : Establishment Section

1. This IS has recently received through C-5 AME, a complaint that the Civil Affairs Division, Washington, is having difficulty in the reproduction of reports emanating from this IS due to the omission of the authentication when documents are classified.

2. Accordingly, will you kindly transmit to this office an extract of paragraph 23 of AH 300-5 of 15 March 44 in order that proper instructions may be issued?

Major L. W. STEARNS

Chief Staff Officer
To Executive Commissioner

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Ref: WFO/119/70

12 May 1948

SUBJECT: Classification and Authentication of Documents
 TO : C-5, AFM

Reference your letter, File C-5: 300.01, subject as above,
 dated 2 May 48.

1. In accordance with your request, all the regularly issued reports and documents put out by this Headquarters are being reviewed and every effort is being made to reduce classification to the absolute minimum consistent with security.

2. The AG Monthly Report, which is normally issued as "confidential" has been downgraded to "restricted." Minutes of the Executive Commission's Meetings will have to be issued as "secret" for the time being inasmuch as their subject matter covers the entire operations of the Commission and consequently include frequent references to work that is of a secret nature. In any event, when the content of the Minutes does not justify such a classification they will be downgraded. The Allied Financial Agency Report and Statement of Receipts and Disbursements is being reviewed, but until such time as this is completed its classification will remain "secret."

For the Chief Commissioner.

Major L. W. STEARNS

Brigadier
 Executive Commissioner.

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S. 234.36.CS

10 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Correspondence with Military Attaches Abroad

TO: The Ministry of War

Reference your 210-41-15 dated 23rd April, 1945.

There is no objection to the introduction of the proposed ciphers, provided that they are first submitted to the Allied Commission (Cipher Security Mission) for approval of their security, and provided that copies of all material to be used are first deposited with this Commission.

For the Chief Commissioner.

M. S. LUSH
Brigadier
Executive Commissioner.

Copy to: Land Forces Sub-Commission. (ref: C-91 dtd 27 Apr 45)

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SAC (P) (45) 1st Meeting
20th February, 1945

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

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FOR DETAILS
AND FURTHER REFERENCES:

SEE 201/CC

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

SAC (P) (45) 6

17th February, 1945

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SUPREME ALLIED COMMANDER'S CONFERENCE
(POLITICAL)

CYpher AND BAG FACILITIES FOR THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT

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3. Mr. Macmillan's reply has not yet been received, but as it is known that he was in favour of relaxation of such restrictions as were possible, permission pending his reply has in fact been given for TARCHIANI, the Ambassador designate to the United States, to carry a sealed diplomatic pouch with him when he leaves Italy to take up his post.

4. It is recommended: -

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(Intd) C.M.S

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Office of the Executive Commissioner

Ref: 8761/65/EC.17 February 1945.

SUBJECT: Breach of Cipher Security.

TO : Allied Force Headquarters.
Attn: G-5 Section.

1. I refer to your letter G-5: 390.01 of 11 February 1945. The breach of security referred to therein has been thoroughly investigated and is very much regretted. Without prejudice to the concessions which I hope will be granted to the Commission as indicated in your letter, appropriate corrective action has been taken at this Headquarters to prevent such a recurrence.

2. In the case of TAM 445, the facts are quite simple. The Acting President of the Commission received TAM 445. He directed that the telegram should be studied by the Finance Sub-Commission and should be discussed at a meeting between himself, the Finance member of G-5, the Chief Commissioner and his advisers. The Chief Financial Adviser took the only course and that was to have copies of the telegram made. This he did with my complete concurrence. You will appreciate, I feel certain, that the discussions on a highly technical telegram which covered many points of principle and procedure could not possibly have taken place on the basis of a paraphrase of the telegram. Whatever breach of security may have taken place, it was essential to the discussion ordered by the Acting President and that was fully borne in mind when the copies were made.

3. The difficulty with regard to incoming telegrams remains unsolved and although I regret the breach of security I must ask that measures be taken by which the Acting President and the Chief Commissioner can carry on their business, which is largely based on telegrams received from GUS and AFHQ. The Acting President has powers delegated to him by SACRED and he must, therefore, in my opinion, receive the full text of the telegrams and must be in a position to circulate them to the Chief Commissioner and his chief advisers in exactly the same way as they are circulated to the Staff Sections of AFHQ. Otherwise he cannot carry on business. I feel sure that this will be sympathetically considered and that we shall be able to overcome the difficulties which beset this Commission with respect to telegrams.

For the Chief Commissioner.

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Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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AIRM RYMER ALEXANDER OTTE FIBIS

ATTN: FOR COM AND U S BASE SECTION FOR CURRENT SECRETARIES INFO PROCEEDS, AICOM

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(Ref AICOM 520 of lat)

Proposals made in AOWAR W1 83305 and HOCHEPS 62806 GA 16 regarding transmission of clear text messages from this theater under consideration since theater policy regarding military circuits and general security involved. Detailed ABM statement follows. Pending final decision messages originated by AICOM for transmission outside this theater will conform with theater policy and be enciphered

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Ref: 212/7/003

Tel: 478221

9 December 1944.

SUBJECT: Handling of TOP SECRET Messages.

TO : R.O.'s SICILIA, SARDEGNA, SOUTHERN, LAKES-UMBRIA,
EMILIA-MARCHE, TOSCANA, MARITIMA, LIGURIA,
PIEMONTE, LOMBARDIA, and VENETIA Regions.
R.O.'s AND FIFTH and MONTISI Armies.

Attached copy letter 350.01/007 SIG-0 dated 26 Nov 44 from
AFHQ, subject as above; is sent for appropriate action by your Headquarters.

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Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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Tel: 478201

9 December 1944.

Ref: 212/7/008

SUBJECT: Handling of TOP SECRET Messages.

TO : R.O.'s SICILIA, SARDEGNA, SOUTHERN, LARIO-UMERIA,
ABRUZZI-MARCHE, TOSCANA, EMILIA, LIGURIA,
PIEMONTE, LOMBARDIA, and VENETIA Regions.
SIXTH and FIFTH and EIGHTH Armies.

Attached copy letter 320.01/007 SIC-0 dated 26 Nov 44 from
AFHQ, subject as above, is sent for appropriate action by your Headquarters.

[Signature]
Brigadier,
Chief of Staff.

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RESTRICTEDALLIED FORCES HEADQUARTERS
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AG 390.04/807 SIG-O

25 November 1944

SUBJECT: HANDLING OF TOP SECRET MESSAGES.

TO: ALL Concerned.

1. The following procedure for the handling of TOP SECRET messages will be adopted by all concerned (see distribution) effective 1 December 1944.
2. a. The requisite number of copies (normally one per addressee) of a TOP SECRET message will be inclosed in a sealed envelope marked "TOP SECRET message for dispatch" on both sides of the envelope.
b. One or more (in accordance with the requirements of the Message Center/Signal Office concerned) "skeleton" copies of the message will be prepared and attached externally to the envelope containing the full copies of the message.
3. The sealed envelope, together with skeleton copies attached, will then be passed to the Message Center/Signal Office, provided that they are carried by hand direct from the originator to the Message Center/Signal Office.
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5. The "skeleton" copy will be identical with the full copy of the message, except that the whole of the text proper will be omitted.
6. The Message Center/Signal Office will pass the sealed envelope marked TOP SECRET to the Cipher Office, unopened, for enciphering, but will keep the "skeleton" copy and treat it in all respects as if it was their record copy of the message itself.
7. The handling procedure outlined above will enable the Message Center/Signal Office to register and subsequently check the transmission of TOP SECRET messages which otherwise would be handled in by the originator direct to the Cipher Office for encipherment in order to prevent the contents being seen by Message Center/Signal Office Personnel.
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By command of General WISOM:

C. V. CHRISTENSEN
Colonel, AGF,
Acting Adjutant General

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SECRET SO to Chief Commissioner
 ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
 INCOMING MESSAGE

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TO: AGWAR FOR CCS AND CENTRAL DISTRICT UK BASE SEC (LONDON) FOR BRITISH
 CHIEFS OF STAFF, SHAFF. ALCON FOR SIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: 65/17
 FROM: HQ SIGNED WILSON CLASSIFICATION:
 REFERENCE No: PX 53734 PRECEDENCE: PRIORITY
 DATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: OV 171337A OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE FHCEG

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Paragraph three of KAF 796 requested specific guidance on whether in connection with the naming of direct representatives by ITALY such representatives are to be allowed secret communication with their Govt. Imminence of such representatives taking up their posts makes guidance necessary at once and it is requested that a reply be given on this point alone if not possible yet to reply fully to the whole cable.

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AUTHENTICATED:

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ELBERT W. STONE
Commodore, USNR
Chief Commissioner

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SECRETALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INCOMING MESSAGE*SO to A/CC*

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TO: ALLIED COMMISSIONSIGNAL MESSAGE CENTER No: N73/09FROM: AFHQ SIGNED SACMED

CLASSIFICATION:

REFERENCE No: F50270PRECEDENCE: PRIORITYDATE AND TIME OF ORIGIN: Nov 091433 OFFICE OF ORIGIN: CITE FHGEG

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A/CC 201 of 5 November)

49 *201/CC* Specific guidance still awaited from CCS as to whether Italian
representatives are to be allowed secret communication with their
government. Instructions will be forwarded on receipt of CCS
decision.

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 AND UNITED STATES POLITICAL DIVISION FROM H. ALLIED COMMISSION FROM STONE
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IN VIEW OF THE ARRIVAL IN UNITED STATES OF THE ITALIAN ECONOMIC MISSION
 AND THE LARGE NUMBER OF UNITED NATIONS WHO HAVE REQUESTED DIPLOMATIC
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 DECISION TAKEN REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THE ITALIAN
 GOVERNMENT AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN UNITED NATIONS

See (17) AUTHENTICATED:

cc: Political Section
 Chief of Staff
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ELMER H. STONE
 Commodore, USNR
 Acting Chief Commissioner

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
C.M.F.
PUBLIC SAFETY SUB COMMISSION
SECURITY DIVISION

Ref : SD/500

1 November 1944

Subject : Miss Elaine CHALANDON, French subject

To : Major Quayle, Office of Acting Chief Commissioner

1. The above named was screened in the very early days of the occupation of Rome, and a full report was sent to the Acting Chief Commissioner. Unfortunately we are unable to find a copy in this office, but I believe the original papers went to Colonel Fiske.

2. She has never filled in a Scheda Personale form, and, being French, it is doubtful if it would serve a useful purpose. If you feel you cannot trust her implicitly, (and you have had the best opportunity of studying her actions) it would be advisable to obtain a substitute when one equally capable is available.

3. In the absence of evidence of insecurity on her part it is difficult to advise as to her suitability to continue her work, as she can point to five months loyal service, against which we can only put her nationality.

S. J. Harvey
S. J. HARVEY,
Major,
Security Division.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Office of the Acting Chief Commissioner
APO 394

JAQ/afe

26 October 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Security Branch

1. It is believed that Miss Eliane Chalandon, a French subject, was screened by your Branch some time ago in her capacity as receptionist for the Chief Commissioner's Office. As I have found nothing on record in relation to this matter, I now wish to be sure that you are satisfied from the security point of view that she should be used as a translator of Italian documents, which are sometimes of a secret nature, which are sent by the Italian Prime Minister to the Chief Commissioner.

2. This work of translation is one which Miss Chalandon does extremely well, and I have no reason to believe that she is in any way insecure, however her position frequently gives her full knowledge of political events which she could put to considerable use if unscrupulously inclined, and it is for record purposes that I am now making this inquiry.

J. A. QUAYLE
Major, R. A.
Staff Officer to A/CC

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 PERSONAL PAREN GENERAL SUSLOPAROV CALLED TODAY TO SUPPORT REQUEST OF ITALIAN
 GOVERNMENT THAT IT MAY BE PERMITTED TO HAVE CONFIDENTIAL COMMUNICATION WITH ITS
 REPRESENTATIVE IN MOSCOW WITHOUT DEPOSITING CLEAR TEXT AND KEY TO CODE PD PARA
 TWO PD SINCE DECISION CONTAINED IN YOUR MEMORANDUM UNDER REFERENCE YOU WILL HAVE
 RECEIVED ENQUIRY IN MY SUGAR THREE FOUR SEVEN OF TWO EIGHT SEPTEMBER WHETHER
 ITALIAN GOVERNMENT MAY COMMUNICATE WITH THEIR REPRESENTATIVES IN LONDON AND
 WASHINGTON BY MEANS OF CODES AND CIPHERS NOT DEPOSITED WITH ALLIED COMMISSION PD
 I SHALL BE GLAD OF EARLY REPLY AND TO KNOW WHETHER ANY DECISION TAKEN REGARDING
 LONDON AND WASHINGTON WILL AFFECT MOSCOW OR OTHER ITALIAN MISSIONS TO UNITED
 NATIONS WHO HAVE RESUMED DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

DISTRIBUTION:

Sir Noel Charles
 Hon. Alexander Kirk
 Chief of Staff
 Political Section
 'A' Files

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J. A. QUAYLE
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 Staff Officer to A/CC

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27 October 1944

(12) TO: Acting Chief Commissioner

FROM: Political Section

I attach the papers in our file about Italian communications with Moscow. For some reason which does not appear on the paper, A.F.H.Q. memorandum of 30 September in reply to your memorandum of 21 September was referred to us and we acted on it on the 4th October. We repeated that decision to both Prunas and Roberti on the 18th October in reply to their memorandum of the 17th.

In the light of these papers I attach a redraft of your proposed telegram to A.F.H.Q.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

*Political Sect 9108**SLC*

30 September 1944

G-5: 311.22-10

SUBJECT: Italian Coded Telegram presented to ACC for
transmission to Moscow.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Control Commission,
APO 394 (Attn: Acting Chief Commissioner)

1. Under date of 21 September 1944 you addressed
a memorandum to this Headquarters on the above subject.
It appears that you have been requested by the Italian
Ministry of Foreign Affairs to forward a coded message
to the Italian Mission in Moscow.

2. You may accept such messages for transmission
only if accompanied by a clear text and the key to the
code.

Charles M. Spofford
CHARLES M. SPOFFORD
Brigadier General, G.S.C.
Asst. Chief of Staff, G-5

Copy to:- U.S. Political Adviser
British Resident Minister
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*Italian F.O. informed**(Acc. Bolze) today**Communications Subcom**ACC 4/x**See**(13)**(12)*

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FILE UNDER NO. 511.5 - SECURITY
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INDEX SHEET SYNOPSIS

Cbl ACC Stone S-347 of 28 Sep 44 to AFHQ.

Request info whether Anglo-American Declaration re Italy is now considered in force.

Also whether structure & functions Allied Commission continue as under Allied Control Commission.

Also what position have Italian representatives in Washington & London be allowed direct confidential communication with Italian Government means codes & ciphers not deposited with Allied Commission.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 000.1-2 - ITALIAN POLITICS

INSTRUCTIONS - Under «Synopsis» make brief entry showing date of communication and from whom received and synopsis sufficient to identify the papers. When these index sheets become numerous under a subject they will be entered on the consolidated index sheet and then destroyed.

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21 September 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: G-3 Section, Allied Force Headquarters, APO 512

The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs today handed us a coded telegram for the Italian Mission in Moscow with the request that it should be forwarded by Allied means.

The Ministry said that it was in a code which had not been deposited with the Allied authorities and they enquired whether this was an insuperable bar. In reply to our enquiries, they admitted that in the past "a few messages" had been sent through the good offices of the Russian Delegation. In extenuation they mentioned that the Allied authorities had been good enough to facilitate the despatch of staff to their Mission in Moscow and this seemed to indicate at least a tacit acquiescence in the establishment of direct relations between Italy and the U.S.S.R.

If it is desired that we should insist upon the attitude that relations between Italy and foreign Powers must be through the Allied Control Commission, we should demand not only that the messages should be given to us but they should be presented in clear and transmitted by means of an approved code. The Italian Government might find it difficult to refuse this for two reasons. First, on technical grounds they are probably using a code which is compromised. Secondly, if no telegrams are presented to us for forwarding through an approved Allied channel, it will be plain to the Allied Governments that the Italians are refusing to carry out the obligations of the Armistice. In view of the position of the Russian Delegation here with its direct radio circuit to Moscow, it may be impossible to obviate this, but it is by no means certain that the Italian Government would wish to incur the displeasure of the Allied Governments for the sake of not disclosing their correspondence with their representative in Moscow.

See (12)

ELMER W. STONE
Captain, USMC
Acting Chief Commissioner

cc: U.S. Political Advisor
British Resident Minister
Political Section (who drafted ltr)

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Data: 20/5/44

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Diretto a: R. RAPPRESENTANZA ITALIANA - MOSCA

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5 September 1944

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Sir,

Thank you for your letter of 1 September and for the information contained therein.

I understand that your request concerning the use of codes for telegraphic communications with your Government has been answered verbally by the Political Section of this Commission.

Yours very truly,

MILBY W. STONE
Captain, DRMR
Acting Chief Commissioner

His Excellency Vasco da Cunha
Consul General of the United States of Brazil,
Rome

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BRAZILIAN CONSULATE GENERAL

Rome, September 1st., 1944.

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Acting Chief Commissioner

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No answer to this letter,
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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. S.I.C. SECTION
APO 394

25 August 1944

Ref/55/34/CA.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

NUMBER 16

HANDLING OF CLASSIFIED DOCUMENTS
BY CIVILIANS

1. It is undesirable that civilians handle any classified documents.
2. "Civilian" for the purpose of this memorandum is any civilian other than properly authorised Allied personnel.
3. This Commission has found it necessary to employ a number of civilians, of whom a proportion in the course of their duties have occasion to handle classified matter at the discretion of their supervising officers.
4. To eliminate as far as possible this Security risk, the following safeguards will be observed:
 - (a) No civilian will be permitted to handle any "Top Secret" or "Secret" correspondence.
 - (b) When it occurs that "Confidential" and "Restricted" correspondence cannot be handled by military personnel, then only those civilians whose bona fides have been established and who have shown themselves worthy of trust will be entrusted with such matters. Care will be taken to impress on those concerned the necessity for discretion. They will be told that a breach of faith will result in dismissal and subsequent prosecution.
 - (c) Supervising officers will be constantly on the alert to prevent or discover any such breach or indiscretion.
 - (d) Nothing in this Memorandum will be construed as a direction that civilian employees should handle classified documents. Such handling is at the discretion of the supervising officer, who will endeavour to avoid any course whenever possible.

5. For guidance it is pointed out that the French equivalents of English language expressions as applied to Confidential and Secret communications are as follows:

English Terms

Restricted
Confidential
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Top Secret

Corresponding French Term

Confidential
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Top Secret
Ultra Secret

6. For guidance and to avoid over-classification of documents, the following definitions of classified documents are given:

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TOP SECRET: (Signal abbreviation - TOPSEC): Certain secret documents, information and material, the security aspect of which is paramount, and whose unauthorized disclosure would cause exceptionally grave damage to the nation, i.e. PLANS OF FUTURE MAJOR OPERATIONS.

SECRET: Documents, information or material, the unauthorized disclosure of which would endanger the National Security, cause serious injury to the interests or prestige of the nation or any government activity thereof, or would be of great advantage to a foreign nation, i.e. VITAL MILITARY INFORMATION.

CONFIDENTIAL: Documents, information, or material, the unauthorized disclosure of which would not endanger the National Security, would be prejudicial to the interests of the nation, any government activity thereof, or would be of great advantage to a foreign nation, i.e. VITAL MILITARY INFORMATION.

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trative embarrassment or difficulty or be of advantage to a foreign nation, i.e.
ROUTINE INTELLIGENCE AND OPERATIONAL REPORTS.

RESTRICTED : Documents, information or material (other than TOP SECRET, SECRET,
or CONFIDENTIAL) which should NOT be published or communicated to anyone except for
official purposes, i.e. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY.

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M.S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commission.

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28 April 1944

ACC-DIST
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SUBJECT: Security of Information.

TO : All Concerned

1. Information of a secret or confidential nature will only be given to the French if it is necessary for them to have it in order to carry out planning and operations. It is the responsibility of the originating headquarters to determine whether or not information or documents are to be transmitted to the French, considering each case on its own merits. If there is any doubt as to whether the information should be transmitted or not, this headquarters should be consulted.

2. In all cases where documents are given to the French, the originating headquarters transmitting such documents will be responsible for the careful scrutiny of the material contained in them, and for assuring that no more information of a secret or confidential nature than is necessary is transmitted. The greatest possible care will be taken in the case of Top Secret material.

3. No particulars whatsoever, having any bearing on projected operations from the United Kingdom, will be conveyed to the French.

4. All documents given to the French will carry the following warning clearly printed or stamped on them:

"No information contained in this document is to be divulged to any person except in the course of duty. No reproduction, either whole or in part, will be made without permission from the chief of the * _____ Section, ** _____."

5. The foregoing instructions have equal application to information given or transmitted to personnel or headquarters of other nations.

By command of General WILSON:

- * Insert designation of
 originating section.
 ** Designation of headquarters.

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 R. V. ROBERTS
 Colonel, AGD
 Adjutant General

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
R.C. & M.G. Section
APO 394

18 April 1944.

Ref/327/6/Ch.

SUBJECT: Security Measures Hotel and Boarding House Registers.

TO : R.C.'s. Regions I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII.
S.C.A.O.'s 5th and 8th Armies.

1. Concern has been felt at H.Q. A.A.I. regarding the lack of enforcement of the Italian system of registration for persons staying at hotels and boarding houses.
2. The Minister of the Interior has now issued a directive to Profetti on this subject and a translation is attached hereto for your information. Steps will be taken to ensure that the necessary action is taken by the Italian authorities in unoccupied territory, and in AME territory a procedure similar to that outlined in the directive will be adopted.
3. HQ. A.A.I. have issued instructions to ISS/CIC personnel with regard to:
 - (a) Periodical examination of Questori records with a view to noting new arrivals in the area and checking these against suspect on "black" lists.
 - (b) Periodical checks at hotels and boarding houses to ensure that the regulations are being complied with.

M. S. LUSH,
Brigadier,
Executive Commissioner.

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Translation of letter from Minister
of Interior dated 23 Mar 44, reference
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TRANSLATION

MINISTER OF INTERIOR
P.S. DIRECTORY

N.50134/10-i.

Salerno, March 23, 1944.

SUBJECT: Provisions.

TO : All the Prefects of Salerno, Potenza, Matera, Taranto, Lecce, Brindisi, Bari, Cosenza, Catania, Reggio C., Catanzaro, Messina, Siracusa, Ragusa, Enna, Caltanissetta, Trapani, Palermo, Agrigento, Nuoro, Cagliari, Sassari. Allied Control Commission, Public Safety Sub-Com.

1. Owing to shortage of Hotel accommodations many civilians have taken upon themselves to let rooms without required police authorization, consequent to such illegal action the above fail to fulfil the prescribed regulations in connection with such activities, that is registration and notification of the persons lodged.

This failure hampers police activity in keeping track of persons dangerous to society and to public order. It is intention of this Ministry that this state of affairs cease as soon as possible.

Therefore, it is necessary that inquiries should be made in every locality in order to find out all those who give lodgings without permit, and compelled them to comply with the proper regulations, and supply themselves with the prescribed register and to notify in lawful terms the Public Safety Office the arrivals and the departure of the tenants.

In the same time, all the Hotel owners, in-keepers, owners of boarding houses, persons who let private rooms that are properly authorised, must comply strictly with the law and if they fail doing so they will be prosecuted by law, and their license revoked.

The same must be responsible of the notification sheets which must be written clearly and exactly, noting all the particulars from the identification cards of each transient.

All those who have no documents to show, must be brought to the police office or to the HQ of the proper branch of the Army, which will provide for their identification and will regulate themselves accordingly.

In regard to the above, we request you to notify through the Municipio and the CCRR that it is their interest to have their identity papers, in order to avoid consequent friction with the police.

THE MINISTER

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23 Mar

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28 March 44

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MEMORANDUM:

Re attached.

1. Col. Henderson, Director of Telecom & Posts Subcommission, called Capt Downing and made an appointment for him to meet with Lt. Col. Ducros (It) on Monday, March 27, and ask Capt Downing what protection could be given Lt Col Ducros (It) with respect to patent. Downing replied in effect, none, that the rule was that Allied inventors turned over their ideas to the Government and if found useful and used, some thing was given the inventor.
2. The above information was given to Lt Col Ducros (It) thru Lt Apostolo whereupon Lt Col Ducros requested appointment be cancelled, stating that he wanted to try to have a model made up here as he felt it would be more satisfactory to demonstrate by use of a machine.
3. Further action on our part will be prompted by Lt Col Ducros.

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L. D. DENSMORE
Lt Col, S.C.

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Capt Downing
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ALLIED MILITARY MISSION - INCOMING MESSAGE

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FROM: *Freedom*

REC'D: *220701*

TO: *Fatima (CSO)*

DECIPHERED BY: *J. R. Lee*

CHECKED BY: *:*

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 WE HAVE BEEN REQUESTED BY FATIMA REAR TO HAVE QUALIFIED CIPHER OFFICER
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*Capt Downing asked to come to ACC
 before 27 March to see Lt Duross.*

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ITALIAN ARMY OFFICER LMA WHO IS IN CHARGE OF CIPHER SECTION CHA COMMAND SUPPOSED
 CHA CLAIMS TO HAVE INVENTED A SIMPLE HAND OPERATED SECRET LETTER TRANSFORMATION
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 CAN BE GIVEN BE SENT HERE TO INVESTIGATE PD ADVISE

AUTHENTICATED:

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MILVY W. STONE
 Captain, USAR
 Deputy Chief Commissioner

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APP A

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Letter transformation ciphering machine; approx size inches 15 X 6 1/4 x 3 1/5; fit to resist bumps, weather, sand, wear and tear; simple construction and simple hand operation ; no electrical equipment; pieces total about 80, relative number of which is 20, interchangeable and all replaceable with great facility at any moment; direct control (checking) reading of text both in clear and ciphered on machine itself; use of ~~xy~~ 2, 3 or 4 keys gives higher degree of hermeticity (?) expressed by 30/40 figure number.

For case of acceptance inventor asks:

1. About 50 machines to be reserved for Italian Armed Forces;
2. Same protection granted to Allied Officers inventors during present war;
3. The reward deemed proper by Allied Authorities according use and utility that can be provided ~~employing~~ ^{by} the machine.

He binds himself to prepare proper instruction to operate his machine and (if requested and subject to authorization by Italian Government) to supervise construction abroad. 206.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
APO 394

28 March 1944.

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REGRADING: It is the obligation of all authorities to keep classified matter constantly under review and to downgrade it as soon as conditions permit.

HANDLING (treatment): No person is entitled solely by virtue of his rank or position to knowledge or possession of classified matter. Such matter is entrusted only to those individuals whose official duties require such knowledge or possession.

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SECRET matter will be handled in accordance with the following rules:

1. The highest grade cryptographic systems available will be used for the transmission of SECRET Messages.

2. SECRET documents will be transmitted only by officially designated courier in double sealed envelopes, the inner one being marked SECRET, and will be opened only by the addressee or his authorized representative. Where officially designated courier service is NOT available, SECRET documents may be transmitted by registered mail service or mail service superior to Registered Mail Service, if the service is completely within national control.

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4. SECRET Messages will not be transmitted by electrical means in the clear, except over approved circuits and provided that there is no violation of the rule that messages which have been or are to be transmitted in a high grade cryptographic system of one nation will NOT be relayed by the other nation between point of origin and destination by electrical means in clear language or unapproved "SCRAMBLER" system or low grade cryptographic system.

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(Signature)
JOHN G. ALBRIGHT,
Colonel, Inf.,
Establishment Officer.

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AG-311.5

27 March 1944

SUBJECT: Persons Authorized to Handle Top-Secret Writing Material
TO : Adjutant, Rear Headquarters, ACC.

1. In compliance with your letter AG-311.5 dated 27 March 44, the following persons are designated as those authorized to handle "Top-Secret" material for the Deputy Chief Commissioner's Section:

Captain ELLERY W. STONE,
Lt Col. LEONARD D. DENSMORE
Captain FRANK J. SLAUGHTER

Deputy Chief Commissioner
Executive Officer
Deputy Secretary General

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Captain, AGD,
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27 March 1944

In reply
refer to : AG-311.5

SUBJECT : Persons Authorized to Handle Top-Secret Writing Material
TO : Directors or Independent Sub-Commissions at this Hq
Vice President, Administrative Section,
Deputy Secretary General,
Rear Hq ACC.

1. Headquarters NATOUA Administrative Memorandum No. 3 dated
14 March 1944, Subject "Top-Secret Control Procedure" para 1 b states:

"Chiefs or sections in this headquarters and the commanding
officer of each subordinate command will designate those persons
to handle TOP SECRET documents, information and material who are
likely to deal with matters listed under paragraph 11 of letter of
this Hq, file AG 380.01/435. Subject: "Changes in AR 380-5 Affecting
Security Classifications", dated 2 March 1944."

2. Please send to the Adjutant of this Headquarters your list
of persons designated to handle TOP SECRET documents.

By Order of Captain STONE (USNR):

Roger B. Derby
ROGER B. DERBY
1st Lt A. G. D.
Adjutant

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(2) APP A

Deputy Chief Commissioner

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19 March 4

Main Headquarters ACC, Naples
(Attention: G-1)

1. Forwarded.
2. No further action has been taken.

ELLERY W. STONE
Captain, USNR
Deputy Chief Commissioner

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16th March, 1944.

TO: Captain E. Stone, U.S.N.R.

(1) INCL B

1. Reference to the letter 16088/G-1 of 12 March which you handed me:
2. The letter enclosed is one which I wrote. It bears my signature in the censor stamp since I had been instructed that officers of the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and over censored their own mail. I addressed the letter to Mr. S. R. Saravanamuttu, at the address stated.
3. The above Ceylonese, whom I knew very well when I was in Ceylon, has corresponded regularly with me for 20 years, ever since I left Ceylon, and when I was at Tizi-Ouzou, he wrote me a letter inclosing several clippings from local newspapers and asked me whether I knew Colonel Halland, who is Chief of the local police force (civil) and asked me my opinion of him. I replied as the letter shows.
4. Mr. Saravanamuttu is no longer serving as a police officer, he is a civilian whom I regard as a personal friend of mine. I know nothing whatsoever concerning the distribution of these letters, and I can only state that it would appear to me that this has been done by some evilly disposed or interested person.
5. I suggest that under the circumstances, Mr. Saravanamuttu be called upon if necessary, to make his statement in this regard.
6. The War Office letter does not suggest, and I respectfully think could not suggest, that in writing a private letter expressing my personal opinion on the capacity of Col. Halland to undertake a certain position, I have contravened any censorship or other regulations binding on me as an officer or have done otherwise than exercise my right of free speech as a citizen of the British Empire.
7. I cannot make any further statement than I have, except to say that the "Mr. Doll" referred to in my letter is Mr. T. H. Doll, an old and retired member of my former staff.

/s/ R. G. B. Spicer
/t/ R. G. B. SPICER,
Lt. Colonel,
Director,
Interior Sub-Commission

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12 March 1944

REFERENCE : 16088/G-1

SUBJECT : Discipline - Officers
Lt. Col. R. G. B. Spicer.

TO : HQ Allied Control Commission, Rear

1. The attached copy of a letter received from War Office, and original enclosure referred to, is forwarded for action as detailed therein.
2. Will you please forward Lt. Col. Spicer's comments on this matter, to this HQ as early as possible.
3. The enclosures in question should be returned with your reply.

By Command of Lieut General MASON MACFARLANE:

/s/ F. A. Purgold
/t/ F. A. PURGOLD,
Lt. Colonel, R.A.,
G-1

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THE WAR OFFICE.
LONDON. S.W.1.
18 February 44

Ref:-
P/282037/1(AG3A).

Memorandum for :-

A.F.H.Q. G.I.B.).

The following is an extract from a cable received by the Colonial Office from Ceylon:-

"Spicer, late of the Ceylon, Kenya, Palestine and British Police, now apparently in the Army censorship, by his own signature endorsed on censor Stamp No. 1642, Field Post Office No. 702, authorised despatch of communication to an addressee in Ceylon, dated 27th Sept, postmarked 29th Sept written in his own handwriting an airgraph form which, however, has been rubber stamped "No airgraph service to destination, forwarded by surface route". Photographs of this communication were received by the C-in-C, myself and many others, including the manager of a Colombo cinema through the local post on 26th October, but with the name of the addressee pasted over."

Attached is one of the photographs of the communication referred to above. It is understood that the original letter was addressed to Mr S. R. Saravanamuttu, retired Police Training School lecturer of 29, St. James Lane Mutwal, Colombo and it is thought that the writer of the letter may be Lieutenant-Colonel R. G. B. Spicer, who holds an appointment as S.O.1. (C.A.), A.F.H.Q. The attached photograph is therefore forwarded to you in order that it may be shown to Lt-Col. Spicer and that this officer may be invited to say whether he wrote the letter and to state to whom he wished his opinion of Colonel Halland to be made and to make any other remarks he thinks the occasion calls for.

It is requested that you will then take such further action as you may consider appropriate, reporting the result to this Department.

(sgd) ? Barnwell, Colonel.
For Director of Personal Services.

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