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COLONEL R.G. B. SPICER,
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COLONEL R. G. B. SPICER, VISIT TO EAST AFRICA
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HEADQUARTERS
DISPENSED PERSONS AND REPATRIATION SUB-COMMISSION
ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394

DPR/10-6/RW

17 December 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation - East Africans

TO : Colonel R.G.B. SPICER, C.M.G., M.C.
Local Government Sub-Commission
Allied Commission

1. Receipt is acknowledged of letter No. 292/C/37 dated 15 Nov 1944 from the Charge d'Affaires of the Ethiopian Imperial Legation CAIRO.

2. It is gratifying to note that as a result of your visit he has already sent a note to the Private Secretary of H.I.M. and a letter to His Majesty's Government Ministry of Foreign Affairs explaining to them the situation and requesting them to give the matter their immediate attention.

FOR THE DIRECTOR:

C. F. Forthgill
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Lt. Colonel
Deputy Director

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Local Government SC
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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUB COMMISSION

AC/14/3/LG

Tel: 439081 Ext. 620

SUBJECT: Displaced Persons.

14 November 1944

TO : VP Civil Affairs Section.

1. I have the honor to report my return from East Africa and Cairo. I attach herewith a schedule of my journey for your information.

2. In this connection, I would point out that it is essential that an officer should carry with him from this theater a certificate to the effect that he has been inoculated against yellow fever. I had the greatest difficulty in getting an exemption certificate signed and it was certainly only due to the personal kindness of Major General C. A. Dowler, Middle East Command, whom I knew personally that I was able to proceed with my journey. I have informed AFHQ to this effect personally.

3. I made the following contacts during my journey:

Sir Charles Lochart	Secretary to the East African Governors' Conference
Mr. G. M. Rennie	Acting Governor of Kenya
Col. F. R. W. Jameson	Chief Civil Affairs Staff Officer, East African Command
Mr. F. C. Marchant	Kenya Chief Native Affairs Officer
Col. R. Turner, CMC	Displaced Persons Officer, East African Command

4. In the Middle East Command, I made the following contacts:

Col. J. F. P. MacLaren	Civil Affairs Branch, Deputy Chief Officer in the absence of Brigadier MacLaren
Tesfale Teguegn	The Abyssinian Minister
Mr. D. de Bethel	The Officer representing the Palestine Government
Kahlil Chorbashi	Iraqi Officer, Secretary of the Legation in the absence of the Minister

5. I can only state that I trust my visit has had the effect of stirring people up in regard to the desire of the Displaced Persons Sub Commission that some concrete action will be taken to accept their own nationals. 1377

6. All these officers were interested in Movements, but I can only here again state that I made it very plain that Movements was not our affair. Col. Jameson, however, said that he trusted Movements appreciated that there 2618

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was a reserved area consisting of the Ogaden Province of Somalia, the Odo area of upper Juba and the reserved area of Diredawa which were not under the Ethiopian Government.

7. Sir Charles Lockhart stated that insofar as East Africa was concerned that he, in the name of the Governors responsible, was prepared to accept all nationals as soon as they receive their particulars. He stressed the fact that screening and thorough screening was essential and that on arrival in their territories, he would not consent to their release and dispersal therefrom until such time as their own local Security had given them the o.k. (sic). It may be said that all the officers whom I interviewed echoed Sir Charles Lockhart's views.

8. It is extremely difficult to get the Abyssinian Government to move, and I spent a considerable time with the Abyssinian Minister in Cairo, who promised me he would take immediate action and make the matter one of priority. The schedules sent by the Displaced Persons Sub Commission are now in the hands of all concerned and the Middle East is awaiting their acceptance.

9. It is obvious that Eritreans will have to go to Massawa. This matter will, of course, be dealt with by Movements. The local officers presumed that all Somalis would go with the Ethiopians to Djibuti.

10. The only other point that arose is to the effect that the officials of the territories concerned would prefer to have rather more ample details than are at present supplied on the lists prepared by Displaced Persons. For instance, it is not really enough to say that a man is a "Bravaro" or an Italian Somali. If possible, his tribe and sub-tribe should be ascertained and stated. They would also like, if possible, to know the reason of why and how the adult males concerned came to Italy. This, I may say, is possibly the most important point of this report.

11. I regret the brevity of this report, but time did not allow of a fuller treatment of the whole subject, as in order to do so, I should have necessarily had to fly to both Asmara and Addis Ababa, which I did not think was justified under the circumstances.

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R. G. B. SPICER
Colonel
Director
Local Government Sub Commission

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Encl. as in (1) above.

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Thursday	26 Oct.	Left Rome
Thursday	26 Oct.	Arrived Caserta - Night Caserta
Friday	27 Oct.	Arrived Naples - Night Naples
Saturday	28 Oct.	Arrived Cairo
Sunday	29 Oct.	Cairo
Monday	30 Oct.	Cairo
Tuesday	31 Oct.	Left Cairo - arrived Khartoum
Wednesday	1 Nov.	Left Khartoum - arrived Nairobi
Thursday	2 Nov.	
Friday	3 Nov.	
Saturday	4 Nov.	
Sunday	5 Nov.	Nairobi
Monday	6 Nov.	
Tuesday	7 Nov.	
Wednesday	8 Nov.	Left Nairobi
Thursday	9 Nov.	Left Khartoum
Friday	10 Nov.	
Saturday	11 Nov.	Cairo
Sunday	12 Nov.	
Monday	13 Nov.	Left Cairo
Tuesday	14 Nov.	Arrived Naples
Wednesday	15 Nov.	Arrived Rome

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CONFIDENTIAL

MOVEMENT

17 NOV. 1944.

ROYAL AIR FORCE
AIR MOVEMENT ORDER

MOV & TN.,
G.H.Q., M.E.F.

SERIAL

FLIGHT

TO:-

Col Spicer

Rome

1. Accommodation has been reserved from CAIRO to

via

date 13 Nov 44 authority Head

2. YOU MUST BE WEIGHED IN AT THE R.A.F. AIR BOOKING CENTRE RUE
MARLETTE PASHA, OPPOSITE KASR EL NIL BARRACKS, BEFORE 1500 HRS. ON
THE DAY PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

3. TIME OF DEPARTURE OF TRANSPORT TO AIRFIELD TO BE OBTAINED FROM
AIR BOOKING CENTRE PERSONALLY (OR BY PHONE No. 49747) BETWEEN 1900
AND 2000 HRS.

4. You must report at CAIRO WEST, JOHN PAVLE, HELIOPOLIS AIRFIELD by

hrs.

bs

Baggage allowance

lbs.

(Baggage exceeding weight authorised will not be carried).

6. In addition to this Movement Order, you will require a Unit Movement
Order, an Identity Card and a Certificate of Vaccination against
Small Pox.

7. CURRENCY AND SECURITY:- See Instruction on reverse.

8. You should take sandwiches.

9. Care should be taken that no Equipment (Respirator, Steel Helmet etc)
is left in the aircraft after the journey.

10. Passengers will NOT use their own transport to travel to the
airfield. All passengers will travel from Air Booking Centre in
RAF Transport.

11. Failure to comply with para 2 and 3 above may result in your place
being re-allotted to the next passenger on the priority waiting list.

SGR/RP.

Detach here.

DeLongueville
Major General,
DQMG (Mov & Tn)

To be completed by the passenger and returned to Mov 8 GHQ MEF 1374

I acknowledge receipt of Mov 8/18809 of 12/11/44 ordering

Mr telephone number in case of alteration in time etc.

1. Accommodation has been reserved from CAIRO to Rome
2. via Maid date 13 Nov 44 authority Maid
3. ~~X~~ TIME OF DEPARTURE OF TRANSPORT TO AIRFIELD TO BE OBTAINED FROM AIR BOOKING CENTRE PERSONALLY (OR BY PHONE NO. 49747) BETWEEN 1900 AND 2000 HRS.
4. You must report at CAIRO WEST, JOHN PAUL, HEBIOPOLIS AIRFIELD by hrs.
5. Baggage allowance 65 lbs.
(Baggage exceeding weight authorised will not be carried).
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SIGNATURE

P.T.O.

7 Piazza Vittorio
allied Booking Office

CURRENCY RESTRICTIONSEGYPT

Persons leaving EGYPT may carry with them not more than LE.20 for each individual or the equivalent of this sum in stocks, Bank Drafts etc., for larger sums an application should be made to the Ministry of Finance for a special permit.

PALESTINE, IRAQ AND PERSIAN GULF.

Importation of Bank of England notes is prohibited. Any such notes imported by disembarking passengers will be confiscated.

ANGLO EGYPTIAN SUDAN.

All passengers entering the SUDAN will be asked to declare the amount and kind of currency securities etc., in their possession. Transit passengers may not without permission take out a greater sum than imported. In addition a resident leaving the country may not export more than LE.20 without permission.

USEFUL NOTES.CANCELLATIONS.

In the event of cancellation, this Movement Order must be returned immediately to Mov 8 (GHQ MEF) or (Duty Officer Mov & In out of office hours) who should be informed by telephone as soon as it is known that there is a likelihood of cancellation.

EXTRACT FROM G.O.1462 - IDENTIFICATION OFFICERS.

In order that Identification Card can be issued to Officers on arrival, Os.C. Collecting Centres will arrange for all officers proceeding to U.K. or other Commands from M.E.F. to have in their possession three passport size photographs in uniform, one of which will be signed by the bearer and certified by the C.O. to be a true likeness.

Officers proceeding individually will make their own arrangements for obtaining the necessary photographs.

The photographs, which should not be less than 2½ in. by 1½ in. should show the head and shoulders of the bearer. Headress, numerals or collar badges will not be worn.

TO OFFICERS PROCEEDING OUT OF M.E. COMMAND.

Baggage allowances differ considerably on various services. You should ensure therefore, that the weight of your baggage does not exceed the minimum allowance which may be allotted at any stage of your journey.

ANTI MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS.
FOR PERSONNEL PROCEEDING TO ITALY.

All air passengers to ITALY will have available on embarkation a mosquito net, personal issue anti mosquito cream, and sufficient supply of MEPA CRINE TABLETS for treatment of two weeks duration.

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FIELD CENSORSHIP - CARRYING OF PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE BY HAND

Extracts from ME CO's 1651 of 1942 and 88 of '43 are reproduced below:-

TO DESTINATION WITHIN THE M.E.F.

- (a) Each parcel or letter must bear a full official address of the sender and the name and full postal address of addressees.
- (b) Each letter or parcel must be submitted to Unit Censorship, and be impressed with the Unit Censor Stamp. Photographs and undeveloped films will not be included in letter or parcels when they are carried by hand.

TO DESTINATION OUTSIDE THE M.E.F.

- (a) Each parcel of letter must bear the name and full postal address of addressee.
- (b) Each letter or parcel must be submitted for BASI Censorship, and be impressed with the Censorship circular release stamp bearing the words "Deputy Field Censor" before departure.
- (c) A permit for the number of items carried must be held. Correspondence to be carried by hand will be sent or taken by hand on the responsibility of the carrier to reach any of the following base censorship offices at least 48 hours before the carriers departure:-

British Field Censorship Unit No.	32	(Omega House, CAIRO)
"	"	"
"	"	Alexandria
"	"	Khartoum
"	"	Asmara
"	"	Jerusalem
"	"	Sarafand
"	"	Haifa
"	"	Beirut
Composite	"	Nicosia

Censorship will impress the correspondence with the release stamp and post it by A.P.S. to the carrier within 24 hours of receipt together with the permit. The permit will show the name of the carrier, his method of travel, his destination, and the number of items approved for transmission.

Correspondence sent for censorship and not collected, or which fails to reach the carrier before his departure and is returned to Censorship will be despatched by long sea route.

M.E. G.O. 755 OF 1943

PROTECTED DOCUMENTS - CARRIAGE BY MILITARY PERSONNEL.

- I- (a) Documents of the category of "CONFIDENTIAL", "SECRET" and above will not be sent "by safe hand of an officer" nor be taken by any military personnel proceeding on duty.

- (i) Overseas by Sea or Air Transit or
- (ii) to, from, through or over territory which is not controlled or occupied by HMG or our allies.

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"	"	35 Khartoum
"	"	36 Asmara
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- (b) Such documents will be sent through official channels.
- (c) Exceptions will only be permissible on the written authority of M.I. or GHQ M.E. or GSI(b) of the command concerned, if urgency outweighs risks and provided that:-

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- (i) The documents are bagged and if transmitted through territories mentioned in para.1(a) (ii) above, are sealed by diplomatic or consular authorities.
 - (ii) The bag is weighted and/or precautions are taken to safeguard the documents in an emergency.
 - (iii) If despatched by British Aircraft, the bags are entrusted to the pilot and are entered on the manifest.
 - (iv) If despatched by non-British Aircraft, the bags are kept in the possession of the authorised bearer throughout the journey.
 - (v) The written authority of M.I. II GHQ MEF, or GSI (t) of the command concerned is available for inspection by censorship, customs or other competent authority.
- (a) Personnel travelling with documents of the above categories will (first having obtained the above-mentioned written authority) present the items to E.L.O. for correct treatment, e.g.:-
- (i) If the passenger is travelling by British Aircraft the items will be retained by E.L.O., who after treating them in accordance with sub-para (c) above, will give a guarantee to load them on the same aircraft as the passenger is travelling, E.L.O. will then give a written authority addressed to the Captain of this Aircraft instructing him to hand the bag(s) mentioned thereon to the passenger at destination (See Appendix "A" to the order).
 - (ii) If a passenger is travelling by non-British Aircraft, he will carry out the same procedure as the above, with the exception that on the production of the written authority authorising him to retain the items in his possession E.L.O. having treated the documents in accordance with sub-para (c) (ii) above, will return same to the passenger, the latter will make the necessary arrangements for the items concerned to be included in his personal luggage-weight allowance on the aircraft, and will be responsible for their safe custody while in his charge.
2. SECURITY and N.T.B.P. documents are NOT subject to the restriction in para 1(a) above and may be despatched provided that :-
- (a) The documents are carried in sealed bags or packages.
 - (c) They are accompanied by a letter of authority signed by an officer not below the rank of Lt-Col. The letter will also contain a request for exemption from censorship and customs formalities.
Both the letter and the package will bear the stamp of the issuing authority.
 - (c) The letter will certify that no documents of the category of CONFIDENTIAL, SECRET or above are included.
3. No military personnel will travel on leave with any protected documents to any place outside or within the Middle East Command.
4. Protected documents of higher classification than N.T.B.P. carried by Military personnel on duty within the Middle East Command or to adjacent commands, or for which exemption from customs is required, must fulfill the conditions of para 2(a) and (b) above.

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(Applicable to all Troops M.E.F.)

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AIR PASSAGE MOVEMENT INSTRUCTION B.O.A.C.

TO:-

Colonel Spicer

No. 17326

MOVEMENT CONTROL

30 OCT. 1944

G.H.O. MIDDLE EAST

1. Authority for passage A.H.Q.

2. Accommodation has been reserved from CAIRO to Masrabi

for 30 Oct 44 via 1 Nov 44 arriving on 1 Nov 44

3. You should report with your passport, Identification Card and baggage,

allowance 65 lbs + excess lbs on 10/10 to be weighed in at :-
Opposite Kees El-Sil Barracks.
B.O.A.C. OFFICES SHEPHERDS HOTEL BUILDINGS, BEFORE 1500 hrs.

(Otherwise your place will be re-allotted to the next passenger on the priority waiting list).

4. Bus. will leave at 6/30 hrs LT from SHEPHERDS HOTEL, 130 A.C.

5. Plane will leave at 0830 hrs from (ALMAZA AIRPORT - CAIRO WEST AIRFIELD)
(RED EL FARO NILE BASE).

6. You are required to travel in mufti whilst passing through

7. You will require a civilian passport with endorsement for:

Entry visa for Exit permit from

Transit visa(s) for Exit permit from

8. You will require: A Certificate of Inoculation against Yellow Fever and vaccination against Small Pox.

9. Meals will be provided by B.O.A.C. whilst in flight.

10. SEE CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS ON REVERSE.

11. TIMES OF DEPARTURE MUST BE CHECKED WHEN REPORTING AT BOAC TERMINAL OFFICE.

/RP.

Major General,
DMG (Mov & Tn)
CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN SO THAT NO EQUIPMENT (GAS MASKS, STEEL HELMETS, ETC.) IS LEFT ON THE AIRCRAFT AFTER THE JOURNEY.

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This form to be filled in carefully by the passenger and returned to Mov 3, GHQ MEF.

I certify that the Air Passage Instruction B.O.A.C. 17326

2. Accommodation has been reserved from CAIRO to Sharmak for date 24 Oct 64 via arriving on 1 Nov 64
3. You should report with your passport, Identification Card and baggage, allowance 65 lbs + excess 15 lbs on 11/10 to be weighed in at :-
B.O.A.C. OFFICES Opposite Kaser 80.518 Barracks Opposite SHEPHEARDS HOTEL BUILDINGS, BEFORE 1500 hrs.
(Otherwise your place will be re-allotted to the next passenger on the priority waiting list).
4. Bus. will leave at 0730 hrs LT from SHEPHEARDS HOTEL. BOAC
5. Plane will leave at 0830 hrs from (ALMAZA AIRPORT - CAIRO WEST AIRFIELD) (ROD EL FARAG NINE-BASE).
6. You are required to travel in mufti whilst passing through
7. You will require a civilian passport with endorsement for:
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- Transit visa(s) for
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*Major General,
DQMG (Mov & Tn)*

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This form to be filled in carefully by the passenger and returned to Mov 8, GHQ MEET. 1372-

I certify that the Air Passage No. Mov 8/17526 of 30/10/64 has now been completed as far as the arrangements were entirely satisfactory/were not satisfactory because

SIGNATURE

*Major General,
DQMG (Mov & Tn)*

General

CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS.

EGYPT. Persons leaving EGYPT may carry with them not more than LE.20 for each individual or the equivalent of this sum in stock, Bank Drafts, etc. For larger sums an application should be made to the Egyptian Ministry of Finance for a special permit.

PALESTINE, IRAQ AND PERSIAN GULF. Importation of Bank of England notes is prohibited.

INDIA AND BURMA. Importation of currency notes issued by the Bank of England up to the value of £.10 is allowed provided that this general permission is not applied to passengers arriving in British India from the following countries: - PORTUGUESE TERRITORIES IN INDIA - IRAQ - ARABIA - IRAN - PORTS SITUATED IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

ANGLO EGYPTIAN SUDAN. All passengers entering the SUDAN will be asked to declare the amount and kind of currency in their possession. Transit passengers may not take out without permission a greater sum than imported. In addition, a resident leaving the country may not export more than LE.20 without special permission.

TANGANYIKA, KENYA AND UGANDA. £.10 is the maximum any one person may import into these territories. On entering the territories all persons are searched for Bank of England Notes and if they are found (in excess of ten pounds mentioned above) they are confiscated. The source of origin is then investigated and should this prove satisfactory, the notes are returned to the owner.

USEFUL NOTES.

BAGGAGE. The weight of baggage authorised on this Movement Order must not be exceeded as the Airways Company has been instructed to ensure that any excess must be paid for in cash by the officer at the time of weighing in and no claim for refund will be allowed by the W.D.

CANCELLATION. In the event of cancellation being necessary, this Movement Order and Warrant must be returned immediately to Mov 8 GHQ MEF (Or duty Officer Mov & Tr out of duty hours) who should be informed by telephone as soon as it is known that there is a likelihood of cancellation. Unless sufficient notice is given to the Airways concerned, the W.D. has to bear the cost of the passage in which case a full explanation will be required in writing.

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CANCELLATION. In the event of cancellation being necessary, this Movement Order and Warrant must be returned immediately to Mov 8 GHQ MEF (Or duty Officer Mov & In out of duty hours) who should be informed by telephone as soon as it is known that there is a likelihood of cancellation. Unless sufficient notice is given to the Airways concerned, the W.D. has to bear the cost of the passage in which case a full explanation will be required in writing.

EXTRACT FROM G.O. 1469 - IDENTIFICATION OFFICERS.

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Officers proceeding individually will make their own arrangements for obtaining the necessary photographs.

The photographs, which should not be less than 2½ in. by 1½ in. should show the head and shoulder of the bearer. Headaddress, numerals or collar badges will not be worn.

(Applicable to all Troops MEF)

TO OFFICERS PROCEEDING OUT OF M.E. COMMAND.

Baggage allowances differ considerably on various services, you should ensure therefore, that the weight of your baggage does not exceed the minimum allowance which may be allotted at any stage of your journey.

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ANTI-MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS - PERSONNEL PROCEEDING TO & FROM
MIDDLE EAST VIA WEST OR EAST AFRICA

1. All personnel who arrive in or depart from MIDDLE EAST via any of the Air routes touching the WEST or EAST COAST of AFRICA will continue the suppressive treatment laid down, quinine, mepacrine, as the case may be - until they reach their final destination.
2. All officers will report immediately to their medical officer on arrival at their final destination and inform him that they have been exposed to malarial infection. Officers or N.C.Os in charge of detachments or parties will report to their medical officer giving him a nominal roll of the personnel under their charge.
3. All personnel travelling by any of these routes must report sick at once if they fall ill and they must in no circumstances try to treat themselves. When reporting sick, they will inform the medical officer concerned that they have been exposed to infection.

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LEAFLET ON ANTI-MALARIAL PRECAUTIONS TO BE
TAKEN BY PERSONNEL PROCEEDING BY AIR TO OR THROUGH
MALARIOUS AREAS.

DANGER
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Malaria of a serious and malignant type is very prevalent in most places where you will stop on your journey.

Malaria in the acute stages may cause DEATH. Apart from its possible fatal results, an attack of the disease may cause incapacity for several weeks and thus the sufferer may be unable to undertake efficiently the duties for which his services are urgently required. Attacks of malaria may recur and cause chronic ill-health, whereby the individual becomes inefficient, both mentally and physically, for long periods.

MALARIA CAN BE PREVENTED.

During your journey the risks of contracting this disease are great. Malaria can only be carried by the bites of mosquitoes, so the way to avoid it is to avoid being bitten. The bite of even one infected mosquito may convey the disease, therefore never neglect the precautions mentioned below. Even a few minutes of carelessness may result in infection.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PREVENTION OF MALARIA.

1. Anti-Mosquito Precautions.

Mosquitoes bite mainly in the dark or in dim light. Cinemas should be avoided at all times, and local restaurants, cafes and other places of this nature after dark. From dusk until full daylight in the morning the following instructions should be strictly obeyed. These are precautions not only against malaria, but also against yellow fever and other mosquito-borne diseases.

- (a) Wear slacks, or "long" shorts with flaps turned down, mosquito boots or boots with puttees or gaiters, and shirts, jackets or tunics with long sleeves fastened at the wrist and with collars closed. Expose the body as little as possible during these hours - do not bathe at night or after dark: baths should be taken during the day.
- (b) Anti-mosquito cream must always be carried on the person after dusk and applied every two hours to the hands, face, neck and other exposed parts of the body until you get under the protection of a mosquito net for the night, and again, if up in the early morning before full daylight.
- (c) Always sleep under a mosquito net which must be carried with the baggage required for night use. The net should be hung inside the poles and should be tucked with care continuously under the mattress all around. The net should be let down and adjusted before dusk. When going to bed, ascertain that the net is properly and securely tucked in and that no mosquitoes are inside

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FIELD CENSORSHIP - CARRYING OF PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE BY HAND

Extracts from ME GO's 1651 of 1942 and 88 of '43 are reproduced below:-

TO DESTINATION WITHIN THE M.E.F.

- (a) Each parcel or letter must bear a full official address of the sender and the name and full postal address of addressees.
- (b) Each letter or parcel must be submitted to Unit Censorship, and be impressed with the Unit Censor Stamp. Photographs and undeveloped films will not be included in letter or parcels when they are carried by hand.

TO DESTINATION OUTSIDE THE M.E.F.

- (a) Each parcel of letter must bear the name and full postal address of addressee.
- (b) Each letter or parcel must be submitted for BASE Censorship, and be impressed with the Censorship circular release stamp bearing the words "Deputy Field Censor" before departure.
- (c) A permit for the number of items carried must be held. Correspondence to be carried by hand will be sent or taken by hand on the responsibility of the carrier to reach any of the following base censor-ship offices at least 48 hours before the carriers departure:-

British Field Censorship Unit No.	32	(Omega House, CAIRC)
"	"	"
"	"	Alexandria
"	"	Khartoum
"	"	Asmara
"	"	Jerusalem
"	"	Sarafa and
"	"	Haifa
"	"	Beirut
"	"	Nicosia
Composite "	"	"

Censorship will impress the correspondence with the release stamp and post it by A.P.S. to the carrier within 24 hours of receipt together with the permit. The permit will show the name of the carrier, his method of travel, his destination, and the number of items approved for transmission.

Correspondence sent for censorship and not collected, or which fails to reach the carrier before his departure and is returned to Censorship will be despatched by long sea route.

M.E. G.O. 755 OF 1943

PROTECTED DOCUMENTS - CARRIAGE BY MILITARY PERSONNEL.

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- (i) The documents are bagged and if transmitted through territories mentioned in para.1(a) (ii) above, are sealed by diplomatic or consular authorities.
- (ii) The bag is weighted and/or precautions are taken to safeguard the documents in an emergency.
- (iii) If despatched by British Aircraft, the bags are entrusted to the pilot and are entered on the manifest.
- (iv) If despatched by non-British Aircraft, the bags are kept in the possession of the authorised bearer throughout the journey.
- (v) The written authority of M.I. II GHQ MEF, or GSI(b) of the command concerned is available for inspection by censorship, customs or other competent authority.

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- (i) If the passenger is travelling by British Aircraft the items will be retained by E.L.O., who after treating them in accordance with sub-para (c) above, will give a guarantee to load them on the same aircraft as the passenger is travelling, E.L.O. will then give a written authority addressed to the Captain of this Aircraft instructing him to hand the bag(s) mentioned therein to the passenger at destination (See Appendix "A" to the order).
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2. SECURITY and N.T.B.P. documents are NOT subject to the restriction in para 1(a) above and may be despatched provided that :-

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- (b) They are accompanied by a letter of authority signed by an officer not below the rank of Lt-Col. The letter will also contain a request for exemption from censorship and customs formalities.
Both the letter and the package will bear the stamp of the issuing authority.
- (c) The letter will certify that no documents of the category of CONFIDENTIAL, SECRET or above are included.
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MOVEMENTS & TRANSPORT

ROUTE

RAF(T) 11

The details specified below are authorized to proceed from NAIROBI to CAIRO

(Place) 5 Nov. 44.

(Date) FOR COL D.D. MCN/TN

Signature of Responsible Officer CAPT

RANK	NAME	UNIT	REMARKS
COL	SPICER	ALLIED COMMISSION C.M.F.	To proceed by BOAC aircraft from Nairobi to Mideast on 8.Nov.44. BAGGAGE 65 LBS.

Left at hours

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NOTICE TO INTENDING AIR PASSENGERS

Your attention is directed to the following instructions, with which every air passenger is required to comply:—

1. BAGGAGE. — Personal baggage is restricted as follows:—

On B.O.A.C. and R.A.N.A. aircraft	— — — 44 lb.
On Service aircraft	— — — 40 lb.

All packages will be labelled with passenger's name and destination. Passengers are requested to keep kit required for night stops separate and to note that long trousers and long sleeves will be worn after sunset. Failure to comply with this instruction will lead to passengers being refused permission to enter messes, etc.

2. CAMERAS.—Cameras will not be taken outside E.A. Command by military personnel travelling by air without the authority of D.D.M.I., H.Q., E.A. Command. Those desirous of obtaining such authority will make written application direct to Chief Censor, E.A. Command, giving full particulars of the camera, including No., Lens No. and details of any spare lens. The latter may issue the necessary permit. Cameras for which permits have been so obtained will either be carried inside the passenger's baggage or handed over to the Captain of the aircraft, whether civil or military, for safe custody.

In no circumstance will loaded cameras be allowed on board an aircraft.

Military personnel are absolutely forbidden to take photographs from an aircraft.

3. **CURRENCY**.—Not more than £10 (ten pounds) may be taken out of East African territories.

4. **HAND-CARRYING OF CORRESPONDENCE.**

(a) **Private Mail**.—Passengers proceeding outside E.A. Command are prohibited from carrying any private correspondence, i.e., letters, postcards, parcels and photographs, except and unless such matter has been submitted for Base Censorship to Chief Censor, E.A. Command, has been impressed with the Base Censorship stamp, and is accompanied by a permit from the Chief Censor, E.A. Command, for the number of items to be carried.

Passengers moving within E.A. Command may carry such correspondence, etc., provided that it bears a unit censor stamp and is certified for carriage by hand.

(b) **Official Mail**.—The instructions laid down in para. 16 (a) (viii) of the Supplement to G.R.O. 3733 will be strictly adhered to.

5. **IDENTIFICATION**.—All officers will be in possession of valid Identity Cards. Other ranks will carry A.Bs. 64, Part I.

Should an Identity Card be withdrawn from an officer proceeding on transfer to U.K., he will personally be responsible for obtaining a temporary Identity Card from the officer withdrawing the permanent card.

6. MEALS AND ACCOMMODATION.—Food and accommodation are not included in the facilities provided for passengers travelling by Service aircraft, but every facility is accorded by the Service concerned to obtain food and accommodation in messes, etc. Any accommodation, refreshments, etc., provided for passengers travelling in Service aircraft must be paid for by the passenger.

In cases where meals or refreshments are actually required on Service aircraft, passengers will provide such under their own arrangements.

Meals and accommodation are provided when travelling by B.O.A.C. or R.A.N.A.

7. MEDICAL.—All passengers will be in possession of, and produce on demand, valid certificates of vaccination against Smallpox and inoculation against Yellow Fever. Periods of validity are as follows:—

Smallpox Certificate. Not less than 14 days nor more than 2 years old. (In the case of personnel proceeding to Nigeria, certificate will not be more than 1 year old.)

Yellow Fever Certificate. Not less than 15 days nor more than 2 years old.

Certificates in Officers' Service Books and A.Bs. 64 will be accepted, provided such are signed and dated by a Medical Officer.

8. NEUTRAL TERRITORIES.—When travelling on aircraft routes which pass through neutral territories, e.g., Portuguese East Africa, Portugal, etc., passengers are required to wear civilian clothes and carry valid passports visaed by the Consul of the country concerned. No evidence to indicate that passengers are Service personnel will be allowed to be apparent at any time.

9. SICKNESS.—Passengers liable to air-sickness are warned that no receptacles are provided on Service aircraft.

10. SMOKING.—No smoking is permitted by passengers in Service aircraft, nor on the tarmac on airfields.

In civil aircraft smoking is only allowed as authorised in the regulations of the controlling Corporation or Company.

N.B.—All passengers are warned that failure to report to Movement Control at the airfield at the time stated on the Route Form or as ordered by Mov/Tn, Command H.Q., may result in the cancellation of the passage.

F. W. PETTIPHER,
Colonel,
Deputy Director, Movement and Transportation.

NAIROBI,
27 March, 1944.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512

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File: AG 091.713/001/10-24009

24 October 1944.

SUBJECT: Travel Orders

TO: ~~1st~~ Col. Roy G.B. SPICER. 282057. British Army.

1. You will proceed from your present station on the date and to the place(s) indicated below for the purpose of accomplishing an assigned mission, upon completion of which you will return to proper station:

To: - CAIRO, Egypt, and NAIROBI.

on or about 26 October 1944.

2. Travel by (military aircraft)
(rail) is authorized.
(surface)
(government motor transportation)

By command of General WILSON:

DISTRIBUTION:

Individual 3
M & Tn (Air) 1
AGofS G-5 1
G-1 (EC) 1

JAMES C. ADAMS.
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SPECIAL ORDERS)

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NOTES FOR COLONEL SPICER.

1. ETHIOPIANS. (a) - We have already about 100
 (b) - More to come
 (c) - Europeans (mostly Armenians ex-Stateless or French protected persons) naturalised Ethiopian citizens, who have been interned in Italy from 1936 onwards for their pro-Ethiopian sympathies.
Low Down? Route: Via MASSAWA and ASMARA or Via KHARTUM and ASMARA or Via JIBUTI
2. SOMALIS. (a) - British (a minority)
 (b) - French
 (c) - Italian
 (d) - Ethiopian
Route: ADEN would be an ideal place for them to sort themselves out without outside help.
3. ERITREANS. Question of route? Sea to MASSAWA or via KHARTUM?
4. EAST AFRICAN NATIVES.
 (a) - BRITISH
 (b) - From MADAGASCAR
 (c) - Belgian Congo
Route: MOMBASA or DAR ES SALAMU NILE to JUBA
5. YEMENI ARABS. Route: Via M.E. to ADEN
Vetting: SIME - possibility of many undesirables
6. IRAQIS, TRANS-JORDAN, SAUDI ARABIA and similar countries.
Screening? Route: ?
Vetting: SIME - we will most probably pick up many undesirables (Rachid Ali's followers, Mufti's followers).
Policy ?
7. INDIA, CEYLON (a) - British
 (b) - French
 (c) - Portugese

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Many priests who have finished theological studies at VATICAN. Arrangements for their Transit with some R.C. Organisation.

Screening -

Undesirables. ?

8. SYRIA AND LEBANON. Representative in ROME. Many undesirables ?
9. AFGHANISTAN. Many undesirables. SIME
10. IRAN. Representative in ROME. Many undesirables. SIME
11. PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICA and ANGOLA.

Route: LORENZO MARQUESS or DAR ES SALAAM

Vetting: Possibility of undesirables? Secretary Conference of East African Governors.

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WDW/as

26 October 1944

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These are details for settlement within Commands when numbers being sent or likely to be sent are notified.

All will be subject to prior acceptance for onward transmission from the Command concerned. Security screening will be conducted with an eye to areas to be traversed.

4. Abyssinians, Eritreans and Somalis

Particulars of these are already in the hands of authorities concerned and acceptance is awaited. There is nothing more that can be done until these acceptances are received at AFHQ.

W. DRIFFIELD WHITE
Major

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These are details for settlement within Commands when numbers being sent or likely to be sent are notified.

All will be subject to prior acceptance for onward transmission from the Command concerned. Security screening will be conducted with an eye to areas to be traversed.
4. Abyssinians, Eritreans and Somalis

Particulars of these are already in the hands of authorities concerned and acceptance is awaited. There is nothing more that can be done until these acceptances are received at AFHQ.

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**PROBLEMS OF DISPLACED PERSONS, STATELESS
PERSONS AND THEIR REPATRIATION AND TRANS-
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Italians, (largely in Germany, Hungary & Poland (France**	380,000 200,000
*Yugoslavs, largely in Germany, Czechoslovakia and Austria	360,000 180,000
**Greeks, largely in Bulgaria and Germany	<u>1,120,000</u>

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b. Displaced persons who require to be returned from various places within the Mediterranean Theater of Operations to their own countries outside the Mediterranean Theater of Operations:

1. In Austria

Russians	290,000
Poles	200,000
French	225,000
Belgians	25,000
Czechoslovaks	75,000
	<u>815,000</u>

2. In Italy

Germans	25,000
Czechs & Poles	5,000
	<u>30,000</u>

3. In Yugoslavia

Germans	14,000
(There are also Austrians and Germans in annexed Slovenia	50,000
There are Bulgars and Macedonians in South Serbia	80,000
There are resettled Magyars in Bachka	17,000)

4. In Greece

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1. In Greece it is estimated that up to 500,000 Greeks may have been the victims of internal displacement, of whom up to 150,000 may be totally destitute.

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2. In Yugoslavia there has been considerable internal population displacement; Serbia has lost some 70,000 Croats "repatriated" to Croatia, and gained about 350,000 Serbs from other sections of Yugoslavia. Croatia lost about 20,000 Bosnian Germans and 3,000 Magyars and its Serbian minority was decreased by 15-20%. It gained the 70,000 Croats mentioned above, and in addition several thousand Germans "Repatriated" from the South Tyrol, Bukovina and Bessarabia.

d. Stateless Persons. There do not seem at present to be any approximately reliable figures available.

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a. In general, it will be desirable for the responsibility of Allied Force Headquarters to be similar to the responsibility of SHAEF in the areas respectively under their control.

c. g. The responsibility of SHAEF in the operational zones has been defined as follows: To prevent any hindrance to military operation or military government which might be occasioned by the massing, control, or movement of displaced persons.

To prevent or control outbreaks of disease among displaced persons. To relieve as far as practicable, conditions of want among Allied displaced persons and to relieve, as necessary, destitution among enemy displaced persons.

b. The responsibility of Government in Liberated Areas has been defined by SHAEF as follows:

1. They will normally have full responsibility for displaced persons and refugees and for their own nationals returned to their countries by Allied Military authorities.
2. They should make available specialist personnel to issue repatriation visas and help as necessary in controlling their displaced nationals.
3. They should issue "stand fast" instructions and instruct the frontier guards to direct into Assembly centers or Processing Centers persons attempting self-repatriation. They will as far as possible ensure that a uniform theater policy is carried out for dealing with displaced persons, including registration and reciprocal acceptance of registration and medical clearance records. There should be an agreement to accept and interchange with other national authorities, liaison officers to assist in the supervision and control of displaced persons of their own nationality and who will be empowered to issue repatriation visas. There must be agreement to admit to their territory all their former nationals who may have been displaced by the war into other countries without discrimination on account of race, religion, or political beliefs.

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1. In Allied territories, the responsibility for the care and relief of displaced persons may be delegated to UNRRA at the time and to the extent determined by the Supreme Allied Commander in agreement with the respective governments. The position of UNRRA so far as relief and rehabilitation in Greece, Albania and Yugoslavia is governed by directives issued by JHQ Balkans based on an agreement dated the 3rd of April 1944.

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2. In enemy territory UNRRA will assume responsibility for the care and relief of Allied displaced persons at a time and to the extent to be determined by the Supreme Allied Commander.

d. The responsibility of Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees (I.G.C.R.) has been defined as follows:

The Committee will continue its responsibility for persons who have been obligated to leave their home for reasons of race, religion or political belief and who cannot be or do not desire to be repatriated. It is believed that UNRRA will be prepared to assist for a reasonable period in the care of such persons as cannot be repatriated until the I.G.C.R. is prepared to help remove them to new places of settlement.

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 - e. Be responsible for the production on demand of lists of workers in internment and concentration camps and lists of places of confinement of political prisoners, their location and the character and nature of accommodation.
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V. METHODS OF ACHIEVING OBJECT.

The various plans for the methods to be adopted in the areas inside the Mediterranean Theater of Operations will differ somewhat in each case. Some of the more important points are suggested below.

a. Traffic Control

It may be necessary to require evacuation, in whole or in part, of selected frontier towns for use as Assembly Centers to which displaced persons attempting self-repatriation may be directed.

Military Commanders will presumably determine the routes which may be utilized and establish traffic control machinery to keep the routes required for military traffic clear. Military Commanders will presumably direct and control the movement of displaced persons within formation areas, employing military police and troops until indigenous police can be organized.

It will be necessary to provide suitable signs designating or pointing the way to highway routes, information bureau and assembly centers. Military Commanders should ensure that an Information Bureau should be set up in any area in which there are large numbers of displaced persons and furnish such Information Bureau with all available intelligence.

Displaced persons should be given an opportunity to join the armed forces of their country if represented in the Theater, or to serve in labor battalions organized by the military provided their loyalties to the Allies have been determined and they qualify physically and otherwise.

Nationals of the United and Associated Nations and neutrals confined, interned, or otherwise under restraint by German authorities should be freed from confinement as a military responsibility. Displaced persons will be transferred to Assembly Centers where they will be held as may be appropriate pending other disposition under military control or in restricted residence.

b. Travel Control

Movement will be strictly controlled under direction of Allied military authorities. Frontier guards will be used to reinforce indigenous frontier control personnel at Border Control Stations. Displaced persons who arrive at Border Control Stations without proper documentation will be directed back to the nearest Assembly Center.

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It will clearly not be desirable to accommodate enemy and allied displaced persons in the same Processing Centers and the operation of normal Processing Centers, should be modified as required for enemy nationals, probably on the lines of detention camps.

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2. Assembly Centers.

The function of an Assembly Center will be the temporary care of displaced persons for whom both clothing and medical facilities will have to be provided until they can be given temporary gainful employment or be repatriated. It is here that clothing and shelter will be provided, disease controlled and emergency medical attention given, registration and security examinations performed, Red Cross facilities employed to permit communication with the outside world, grouping arrangements made for accommodation and classification according to nationalities and desired destinations, and compilation of reports on presence and number of nationalities.

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c. Minimum standards of welfare and relief should be uniform in both Theaters and policy as to a definite minimum adopted both by the military and by voluntary organizations.

d. Preparation will have to be made for large scale but unorganized attempts at self-repatriation. The ideal solution would be such rigorous control as to make individual action impossible, but experience has proved that no method of control can achieve that object. It must, therefore, be realized that although as strict control as possible should be imposed, yet arrangements to cater for individual wanderers running into many thousands must be made. The alternative will be vagrancy and banditry on an unprecedented scale, together with very serious medical and sanitary implications. One of the first steps to be taken might well be a coordinated "stand fast" propaganda.

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1. GIAMMA.	Elmi.	M	Hargeisha, 1920.	British - Somali. Worked for Italian Colonial Police.
2. ADEN.	Scire.	M	Hafun, 1917.	Qmar Mahmud, Italian Somali.
3. BABA.	Mase.	M	Brava, 1912.	'Bravano' Italian Somali
4. GULED.	Mohamed.	M	Mogadishu, 1909.	Hamarwon, Italian Somali
5. AMINIA.	Musa.	F	-do- 1912.	Wife of No. 4.
6. AMALI.	Assen Aues.	M	Mogadishu. 1914.	Waesle, Italian Somali.
7. ABIBA.	Osman.	F	-do- 1914.	Wife of No. 6.
8. MOHAMED.	Osman.	M	Bulo Burti. 1935.	Nephew of No. 6.
9. EBIA.	Osman.	F	-do- 1937.	Niece of No. 6.
10. ABDUL KADER.	Osman.	M	Naples. 1941.	Nephew of No. 6.
11. ISLAO.	Nuru.	M	Afgoi, 1908.	Ghelidle Italian Somali.
12. KADIGIA.	Osman.	F	Genale, 1917.	Wife of No. 11.
13. FAI.	Islao Osman.	M	Vittorio d'Africa 1936.	Son of No. 11.

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1. GAREZGHIER.	Abte Mariam.	M	Adi-Ugri, 27.9.06.	Interpreter, Italian Gov't. Most probably Ex S.I.M.
2. SELLAS.	Ghebre Mariam.	F	Adua, 20.10.15.	
3. ACLASSIA.	Garezghier.	F	Addis Ababa, 13.11.38.	
4. LUCIA.	Garezghier.	F	Naples, 11.12.41.	
5. MOSE.	Garezghier.	M	Rome, 31.1.43.	
6. MENGHERTU.	Isacco.	M	Asmara, 9.3.11.	Claims to have been interned in Italy '36 - '43.
7. EMANUELE.	Zeric Medhin.	M	Asmara, 28.10.24.	
8. CHEFLE.	Alem.	M	Yauza (Asmara) 22.2.19.	
9. ABRAHA.	Bahta.	M	Mareba, ? ? 1919.	Well Known S.I.M. agent (?).
10. DESGU.	Tesfamariam.	M	Adhadi, 1904.	"Jusbashi" - Colonial Army.
11. MACONNEN.	Chebreselassie.	M	Asmara, 1902.	"Grazmatch".
12. TESFA.	Ghered.	M	Adir - Ba, 1920.	Student.
13. AEDU.	Chier.	M	Adi Bardi, 1906.	Shumbashi in Colonial Police.
14. HESSEIN.	Jusuf.	M	Barasul, 1904.	Colonial Police.
15. TUHUM.	Haji Adam	M	Adi Quale, 1914.	"Jusbashi" Colonial Army.
16. MOHAMED.	Omer.	M	Keren, 1915.	
17. MEHRATUH.	Abraha.	M	Asmara, 1918.	
18. AREAHA.	Mahari.	M	Addo Uhi, 1910.	JUSBASHI Colonial Army.

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AGC/10-6/RW

18 October 1944

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Nationals to EAST AFRICA.

TO : AFHQ G-5 Section.

1. Further to my letter of 4 October 1944, I now understand that travel routes will be arranged by Movements.
2. I consider, however, that the authorities should be closely consulted as follows, in regard to policy and allied incidental matters.

ETHIOPIANS. The Abyssinian Minister at Cairo - The Sudan Agent at Cairo.

SOMALIS. The representatives at Cairo who are responsible for these Nationals.

BRITISHANS. The Resident responsible in Cairo for these Nationals.

EAST AFRICANS. His Excellency, the Governor of Kenya, or at his designation, the Chief Native Affairs Officer.

YEMINI ARABS, etc. The Resident representative at Cairo who is responsible for the Nationals of Palestine territories and those in its vicinity.

PORTUGUESE EAST AFRICANS, etc. The Secretary of the East African Governors Conference.

3. Col. Spicer will bring with him a schedule of the Nationals concerned and of their native locations. He will thereby be able to present a picture of the position as appreciated at this end.

G. R. UPJOHN
Brigadier
Vice President
Civil Affairs Section

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*Note Original + 2 copies signed by P.D.
handed personally to Col. Lewis Harris at AFHQ.
Thurs. 19 Oct.*

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At AFHQ

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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27 SEP 1944

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REFERENCE: 16120/188/0

27th September 1944.

SUBJECT: Repatriation of Abyssinian, Ethiopian and Somali Nationals.

28 SEP. 1944

TO: A.P.H.Q. (G-5 Section).

There are in this country, at present under the care of the Displaced Persons and Repatriation Sub-Commission a considerable number of Abyssinians, Ethiopians and Somalis etc. whom it is desired to evacuate to Africa as soon as possible. They of course wish to return to their own country. Many of them are at present in the same Camps as Europeans as there are no suitable camps available in which they can be accommodated separately.

It is required to make immediate arrangements for the repatriation of these, and to discuss arrangements for the repatriation of other parties later on. In the light of past experience and in view of the somewhat complicated nature of these arrangements and the inevitable delays in ports and cables I strongly recommend that an officer be sent to arrange all details direct with the civil officials in Egypt and Africa (A.P.H.Q. Cable No. PX 86892 dated 23rd August 1944 addressed to Headquarters, Middle East Forces refers).

Colonel R.C.B. SMITH who had had considerable police experience in East Africa and who knows many of the officials there can be made available and I am desirous of sending him.

May authority be given for Colonel SMITH to proceed to CAIRO and to NAIROBI for this purpose and for air travel to be arranged for him. As the matter is of great urgency may a high priority be given for both outward and return journey.

R. H. Faneel Glue

by IRVING E. FISHER.
Colonel. G.V.,
REPRESENTATIVE OFFICER,
for ALLIED CHIEF COMMISSIONER.

RHF/JMG.

Copy to:- Director, Displaced Persons and Repatriation
Sub-Commission.
Vice President, Economic Section. ✓

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AFHQ Signed Wilson

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Propose repatriation for Italy approximately 70 repeat 70 Abyssinians held
by Italy since 1904 and recently uncovered by military operations. Also
9 repeat 9 Somalis from Italian Somaliland 9 repeat 9 Eritreans. Can you
arrange for reception and disposal.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
APO 394.

24 September, 1944.

V.P., Admin Sec.

1. I understand that Col. Findlay, Director, Displaced Persons Sub-Commission wishes to send an officer to Cairo, and possibly to Addis in connection with the return of Abyssinian refugees.
2. If it is possible to nominate me as this officer, I shall be grateful.
3. A letter to authority in Cairo for the purpose of facilitating air-passages would be of great advantage.


COLONEL.

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