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10/30/43

ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
SICILY REGION HEADQUARTERSORDER #11

1. Commencing November 14th the curfew hours in every Province in Sicily are modified so as to commence curfew at eleven o'clock in the evening and terminate at five in the morning.

2. Commencing November 14th no special pass from Allied Military Government will be necessary in order to permit any person or vehicle to go from one comune to another in Sicily. Movement of persons and vehicles will be free throughout Sicily. However, movement during the curfew hours from 11 o'clock in the evening to five o'clock in the morning will not be permitted without a special pass obtained from the Carabinieri.

CHARLES POLAKKI
Lt. Colonel
Regional Civil Affairs Officer

3358

EXTRACT: YOUR MEETING OF PROVINCIAL C.A.P.O.'s HELD AT HQ, AMOT, PALERMO AT 1000HRS
6TH OCTOBER 1963

13. Curfew.

The D.C.P.S. said that 15 Army Group had emphasized the importance of the maintenance of the curfew from a security point of view. It had been suggested, and agreed by 15 Army Group, that SCAGs should be authorized to relax curfew restrictions in the interests of the economic life of the island provided that there was prior consultation with the military Commanders affected.

The hours during which curfew should operate were discussed and it was pointed out that the Proclamation laid down the period between Sunset and Sunrise. In Palermo Province this had been altered to 2000 hours to 0600 hours. The point would be covered in a directive to be issued shortly.

Curfew for Civilians.

G.O.C. No. 1 District,
C.M.V.

HEAT/1051/1

10 October, 3.

Attached is draft of an instruction which it is proposed to issue to G.O.C.'s on the subject of the enforcement of curfew restrictions.

The draft has been agreed by Seventh Army and copy of draft order to be issued by the Commanding General is also enclosed.

Both drafts were discussed with your G.O.C. I when he was here and it will be appreciated if you will let me know whether you are in agreement with them, and, if so, whether you wish to circulate copies of the AMCOS instruction within your command. Perhaps you would indicate how many copies would be necessary for this purpose.

CHARLES M. SPOTFORD
Colonel, G.O.C.
Chief Staff Officer
for Chief Civil Affairs Office

Reply at 30

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
A. P. O. 758, U. S. ARMY

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AG 014 B

1EP/Rfb
4 October, 1945.

SUBJECT: Curfew for Civilians.

TO : All Units, Seventh Army. *copy 1/11*

1. With the gradual return of more normal conditions, in which civil administration interests rather than tactical command interests are becoming predominant, modifications of civilian curfew regulations are being issued by ARMY authorities, of which a copy is attached.

2. It will be noted that these modifications decentralize curfew regulations and their enforcement, to senior civil affairs officers of the several provinces, after consultation with the appropriate Military Commanders in the respective areas.

3. Attention is directed to the following:

- a. ARMY curfew regulations only apply to civilians.
- b. Curfew regulations for military personnel of this command as prescribed in Par. 1 of Memorandum No. 7, this Headquarters, 17 August 1943 are not affected by the changes cited above.

By Command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

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DATE

SUBJECT: Curfew

ADJUTANT/AGM/ER

ADJUTANT H.Q. SINGAPORE

TO : ALL S.C.A.O's.

1. The gradual return to more normal conditions in daily makes it increasingly difficult to maintain existing curfew regulations, without inflicting hardship on the people. A case in point is the necessity for farmers to travel by night in order to get their groups to processing centres before they start to ferment.
2. On the other hand, strict enforcement of curfew regulations is considered important to military security, and night traffic on the roads may hamper military movements. When considering any relaxation of the curfew order, S.C.A.O's must give due weight to the objection which may thereby be afforded to evilly disposed persons to indulge in the sabotage of military communications.
3. It has therefore been decided that curfew hours shall be fixed by provinces after consultation with local military formation commanders. The aim should be to reduce the curfew regulations as much as possible bearing in mind the conflicting interests outlined in paras. 1 and 2 above.
4. Whatever curfew regulations are imposed, and these may include the issue of special individual passes for specific work, they must be strictly enforced. It will also be necessary to ensure:
 - (1) that the agreed regulations are made known to units by the formation commanders;
 - (2) that the Civil Police are similarly informed;

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formation commanders;

(2) that the civil police are similarly informed;

(3) that it is quite clear to the people that regulations in one

province do not necessarily apply to another.

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ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT 31

SUBJECT: Curfew.TO: Colonel L. Bolles.

FILE No. 1051/PS.

AMGOT HQ. SICILY

October 26, 1943.

Colonel Perry, G-2 Section, 7th Army, telephoned this office at 1300hrs.
Contents as follows:

About the matter of relaxing existing curfew regulations, Colonel COUCH has taken the matter up with the Chief of Staff who desires that curfew hours be maintained from 2000 hrs. to 0600 hrs. for the time being in order to keep a minimum of traffic on the road at this time. If you wish to take this matter up any further I shall be only too glad.

Received 1300/26/10/43., Cpl. Botsford.

RCAPD.
Ref 1.
File Forwarded to you 3383
Rush 26/10

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HQ AMOT (US COM)

BUCK SLIP

23 Oct 43
(date)

S: _____
(date)

FROM	TO
CG	
C of S	
Adjutant	
Capt McDougall	
Capt Kait	
Capt Graham	
Civ Supply Div	
Legal Div	
Enemy Property Div	
✓ Public Safety Div	✓
Finance Div	
Public Health Div	
Civil Affairs Div	
✓ <u>CSC</u>	✓

FOR:

- _____ Information and ^{instructions} guidance
- _____ Approval or disapproval
- _____ Necessary action
- _____ Action taken
- _____ Investigation ³³⁸² port
- _____ To note and return
- _____ File
- _____ Dispatch

REMARKS:

*In view of G. 2's informal
note p. 20, r of 8 CCAO letter
to C.G. from the Army p. 27
do you think we should wait
for an answer to the letter.
If not, draft at p. 23
should go out via RCAO
Region 1.*

*I do not think we should wait and
pending 7 Army has not changed their mind
I suggest this goes through Col. Snell to
R.C.A.O. for issue. JB*

SUBJECT:- Curfew.

1051/PS

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1717/C(1)

AMGOT HQ.

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11 Oct 43.

Ref your AMGOT/1051/PS dated
10 Oct 43.

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A copy of the order to Area Comds
for revision of curfew regulations in
No. 1 District has been forwarded to your
HQ.

It will be observed that this
order is similar to the instructions
suggested by you.

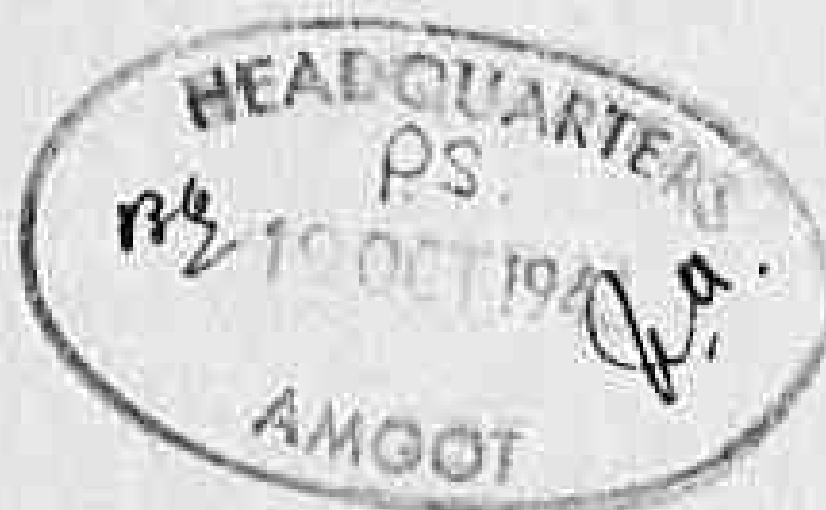
To see:

CPS

DCPS Rm 17

for
Major General,
Commanding,
No. 1 District.

In the Field.



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(29)

C. P. S.

(28)

Your note at foot of 28

I am not sure whether this only refers to troops.

26 left here on the day that 28 was received
and answer to it should solve our doubts.

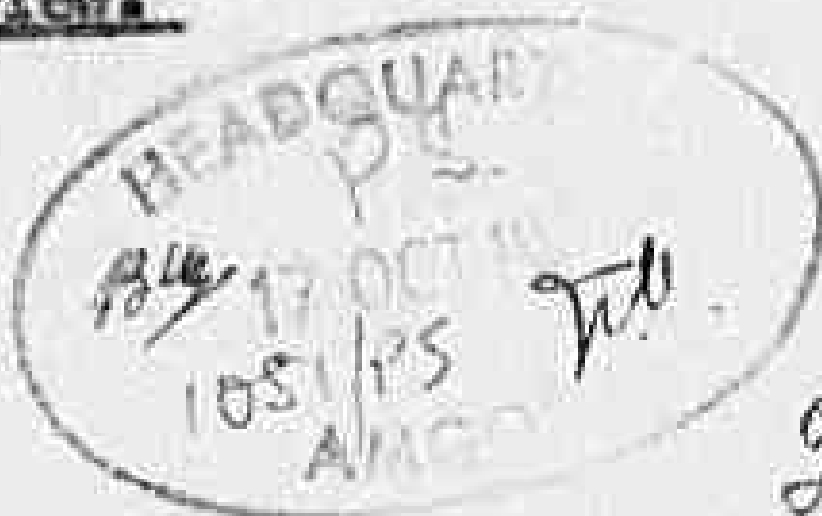
2. I did not have an opportunity to speak about it
to-day.

(P.F.) 20/10.

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SUBJECT: - Curfew.

55 Area.
56 Area.
57 Area.



1703/8(1).

11 Oct 43.

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1. Curfew regulations in No. 1 District will be revised.
2. In large towns where troops are stationed Curfew Regulations will be maintained between 2100 and 0500 hrs.
3. In large towns where troops are not quartered the hours of curfew will be fixed by agreement between the Area Commander and AMCO.
4. In country districts where no troops are stationed it is not considered curfew restrictions are necessary except in special cases at the discretion of Area Commanders in agreement with AMCO.
5. Wherever curfew restrictions are maintained, they will be strictly enforced.

C.P.S.
D.C.P.S.

H. C. Cunnell
Lieut-Col,
G.S.O. 1,
No. 1 District.

In the Field.

Copy to:- AMCO HQ
HQ 30 Corps.

C.O.

*Presumably refers
to curfew for troops only
Duly 7.8/10*

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Relaxation of Curfew restrictions.

AMCOT/1051/RS.

Commanding General, Seventh Army,
APO 758.

17 October 3

1. This headquarters desires to explore the possibilities of relaxing the curfew requirements which have been in force since the occupation of Sicily.

2. The problem is one of balancing the inconvenience to the civil population and the considerable amount of police effort required which might well be employed on more important functions, on one side against the military necessity on the other.

3. Your views on this matter are invited, particularly with regard to the effect on military considerations, if the curfew restrictions were entirely removed.

FRANK J. MOHERRY,
Brigadier General, U. S. A.,
Deputy Chief Civil Affairs Officer.

To see CPS *Ballis*
DCPS *Ballis* 3378
18/10

PA

18/10

1051
STATEMENT MADE BY CIVILIAN SUPPLY TRAPANI

TO: Public Safety Division

Fide "Confid" PS

Headline taken
as letter from industry
to Army considered
sufficiently
C.H.

Although permission has been granted by your division for circulation at night of vehicles of the wine industry, the local troops of the 7th Army have stated that they will not allow it. This night circulation is very essential for this industry and can final ruling be given on the matter.

Capt. G. M. G. M.

2.6/9/43
P.A.D.

To C.S.O.

May liaison officer with 7th Army be instructed to explore this matter with view to modification of their position. Further to depress the economic conditions will serve no useful purpose unless absolutely unavoidable -

Balle 3377
C.P.D.

• Extract from P/S Bulletin No. 7. of 28 Sep 43

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File 1051/18.

11. Curfew. Complaints have been received from military formations of the haphazard enforcement of the curfew order in various parts of the Island. This again will be the subject of a special directive.

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4 Oct. 43

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Col Martin: Rush

1. Reference is made to our telephone conversation.

2. There is no objection to the text of the attached draft.

3. Attached is copy of what we propose to issue with a copy of your order attached.

4. If you will let us have a 3375 copy of your final draft, we shall submit ours to the JCS for final approval

W. H. R. [Signature]
JCS

Draft

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HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
A. P. O. #758, U. S. Army

LER/KIB

4 October 1943

AG CL4-B

SUBJECT: Curfew for Civilians

TO : All Units, Seventh Army.

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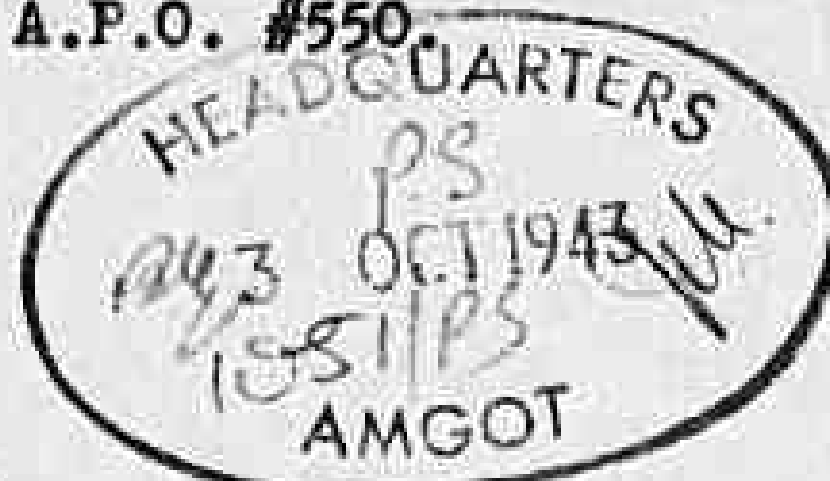
By Command of Lieutenant General PATTON:

*Copy for Major General
[illegible]*

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HEADQUARTERS, ISLAND BASE SECTION,
OFFICE OF THE INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

A.P.O. #550



2 October 1943.

MEMORANDUM:

TO : Col Bolles, CPS,
AMGOT, Public Safety Division, Palermo.

1. In re proposed curfew drive, in my opinion no reference should be given to provinces that would indicate any over all necessity for the relaxing of curfew regulations. In fact, I believe that it should be reiterated that existing curfew regulations be more rigidly enforced.
2. If the necessity arises in the interest of food or other civil necessities, authority be granted the local police to contact the senior commanding officer of Allied troops in the area for specific relaxation of curfew regulations for specific emergencies and at that time passes be granted to those involved in carrying out civilian necessities after curfew hours.
3. I think it would be a mistake to indicate at all that either your headquarters or our headquarters are looking forward to any laxity in regards to regulations now since sabotage is greater now than any time we have come on the island.
4. I would like to see the bulletin on instructions to local police authorities which call for clamping down on curfew regulations as they have not been enforced as they were intended.

G. T. Buell

G. T. BUELL,
Maj., Inf.,
Intelligence Officer.

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see file 8

3 Oct. 43

1. About 10 a.m., this date I walked into the office of the aide to General LeMay, this headquarters, to inquire if and when General LeMay was expected to return to this headquarters. While making this inquiry, the telephone rang. It was a request from General Gaffey, Commanding the 2nd Armored Division, to speak to General LeMay. The aide, therefore, picked the telephone to me in the capacity of Chief of Staff, U. S. Contingent. I accepted the call for this headquarters from General Gaffey, in person, which was in substance as follows:

a. General Gaffey stated that many cars were leaving groups, household goods and other items were out on the roads at night after 7 p.m. That a proclamation issued by this headquarters prevented this procedure. That these cars were somewhat of a nuisance and a danger to themselves and to troops movements within his Divisional area. That he was not interested with the movement of these cars nor did he intend to go to except in cases where they did interfere with movements of his supply trains or the troop movements; and then he would take whatever action was necessary to rest such military contingencies. That, in connection with this activity, he desired to know if proclamation had been changed which will allow the movement of these cars after 7 p.m., or just what the orders were with respect to them.

b. The second question dealt with prostitution. General Gaffey stated prostitution was rampant in the troop bivouac areas, that is, in the woods and clutches adjacent to bivouac areas. That, on several occasions, prostitutes had been arrested by the civilian people--they would be fined and turned loose, and would reappear in the same vicinity, and that he, General Gaffey, desired very much to see if some arrangements would be made to control such matters when and to end this activity.

2. Action taken: I told General Gaffey that we would contact him and give him an answer on these two questions.

3. I went immediately to Lt. Col. Parley-Smith, the Deputy Chief of Staff, of this headquarters, in the absence of the Chief of Staff Gaffey, Col. Gaffey, and also in the absence of the S. O. C. and S. O. C. and reported to him in substance as above and asked him if he, as Deputy Chief of Staff Officer, would take up these matters and see that General Gaffey was informed. Lt. Col. Parley-Smith told me that he would, as a part of his duties as Deputy Chief of Staff Officer.

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Col., inf.

Acting Director, Personnel

and Supply Division

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1. General Gaffey stated that many carts hauling troops, blankets, goods and other items were out on the roads at night after 7 p.m. That a proclamation issued by this headquarters prevented this procedure. That these carts were somewhat of a nuisance and a danger to themselves and to troop movement within his division area. That he had not interfered with the movement of these carts nor did he intend to do so except in cases where they did interfere with movement of his supply trains or the troop movement; and then he would take whatever action was necessary to meet such military contingencies. That, in connection with this activity, he desired to know if proclamation had been changed which will allow the movement of these carts after 7 p.m., or just that the orders were with respect to them.

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3. Action taken: I told General Gaffey that we would contact him and give him an answer on those two questions.

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Col. J. J. Williams

Acting Director, Personnel and Supply Division

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it was, I think, kind of odd, action
re surface. Re protestations I said
that Gaffey in eastern part of A. C. had
had taken the question in hand on
to presentation of formation command
which could be used in many the
question is a conference on 6/10/52
2044/52/52

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SUBJECT :- Modification of Curfew Regulations.

H.Q. 15 Army Group,
C.M.F.

15AG/1460/1/G(Ib).

24 Sep 43.

G-2, Seventh Army.

1. AMGOT is expressing some concern over the present curfew regulations. Now that civilian life in the island is beginning to return to the normal, it appears that the present regulations interfere considerably with economic conditions, particularly agricultural pursuits.

2. Since conditions vary in different localities, AMGOT has proposed that curfew regulations be made the subject of agreement between the local AMGOT representative and the military commander in that locality, on the level of the Senior Civil Affairs Officer of a province and the garrison division or regimental commander.

3. This Headquarters sees no security objections provided AMGOT institutes the necessary movement control, including the issuance of passes and supervision through Carabinieri and cooperation with security personnel, to all of which AMGOT has agreed.

4. It will be appreciated if your office will render AMGOT assistance in this matter, particularly in the Province of Trapani where some confusion appears to exist between the AMGOT representative and the local commander.

Thomas G. Young, Jr.
THOMAS G. YOUNG, JR.,
Lt. Col., G. S. C.

for Major General,
Chief of General Staff,
15 Army Group.

Copy to :- Lt. Col. R.M.J. MARTIN,
D.C.P.S.,
AMGOT H.Q., PALERMO.

[Handwritten signature/initials]

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See note on 8

Personal copy -
Perry - G2 7th A
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26/9/43 B-

HEADQUARTERS
D.C. P.S.
26 SEP 1943
AMGOT

*copy to Lt Col Perry
30/9/43
Palermo*

C.S.O.

8, 9 & 13.

I was afraid that we should not be able to get very much out of 15 AG.

Without any instructions on the subject from 15 AG, which SCAOs can use when negotiating with local Jamaican commanders, I fear that despite 8 seems little more than an expression of proposed policy.

10 & 12 herein are examples proving this.

2. I think we had better use it - it cannot do any harm & might do a little good -

I will answer 12 on the same lines.

T.B. 25/4.

Cleared.

PS

9/1-7.

C.P.S.

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13 & above.

I would like to retype para. 2 of 8 as follows;

" 2. On the other hand tighter regulations are important to military security. Relaxation offers ~~no~~ ^{no} better opportunities for sabotage and might trigger in the future many further military movements."

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T.R. 25/4.

Agreed.

PS

9/7.

C.R.S.

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13 & above.

I would like to retype para. 2 of 8 as follows;
" 2. On the other hand Ceylon regulations are important to military security. Relaxation offers ~~opportunities~~ better opportunities for sabotage and night traffic on the roads may hamper military movements."

Would you agree to above and do you agree to first sentence of para. 4. or should this be amplified?

T.R. 27/4.

SUBJECT: GurfewHeat 13
AMCOT/1051/23AMCOT H.Q., SICILY.23 September 1945.TO : D.C.S.O.

(8) I went to CASABLANCA yesterday, saw Lt. Col. Young. (Lt. Col. Gibson is in hospital). We discussed the draft at 8 and, subject to the addition I have made, it meets I(b) requirements. I do not think we can expect anything for para. 5.

Col. Young agreed that the draft can only refer to SICILY and that as the military situation changes and only garrison troops are stationed on the Island, the question of security of military communications will assume gradually lessening importance.

So far as the mainland is concerned, I told Col. Young that my understanding of the position was that AMCOT Officers are still acting under orders of the Tactical Commanders.

ding.
R.E.S. MARTIN,
Lt. Col.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC
HEALTH.

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HEADQUARTERS
P.S. Bu
70 SEP 1943
1051 PS Bu
AMGOT

Rear H.Q.
30 Corps.
18 Sep. 43.
1066/14/A.

Copy to :- AMGOT, Eighth Army.
Rear 50 (N) Div.

The attached copy letter from Rear 50 (N) Div 863/A of 14 Sep.43 is forwarded.

It is apparent from observation in many districts that the curfew is being, to a large extent, ignored by civilians. On the principal roads civilian motor vehicles and horse-drawn vehicles are encountered long after curfew.

It is requested that steps be taken to ensure that the curfew is strictly obeyed by civilians.

S. Powell. Aug 'Q' 3368

for Lieutenant-General.
G.O.C. 30 Corps.

GLH

COPY

SUBJECT :- Curfew - Civilians

Rear HQ 50 Div.
863/A.
14 Sep. 43.

To :- Rear 30 Corps

Of late there has been a growing tendency amongst the civilian population to ignore the curfew and many horse-drawn vehicles are found on the road at night contrary to orders and a danger to other traffic.

Could urgent representations please be made to AMOT for a general tightening up in this direction.

(sgd)

R.H. BATTEN, Lt-Col.
for Major-General.
Commanding 50 Div.

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CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICE

PROVINCE OF TRAPANI

13 Via Regina Margherita

TRAPANI (Sicily)



1000/1051/TP

19 Sept. '43

Subject: Curfew (harvesting of grapes)

To: Chief Staff Officer, Mg. AMGOT, Palermo.

1. Your letter of 16 Sept. authorizes a conference with formation commander, and requests a report.

2. Conference with staff officers for 2nd Armored Div. brought reply that no change would be made in May. gen. Gaffney's order, that when carts were found on the road at night the animal would be unhitched and the cart and contents dumped.

J. E. Thomas,
Lt Col Inf
S.C.A.O. Trapani.

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C.C.A.O.

We are in a bit of a mess over the subjects of cyber and the restriction of circulation of civilians. I am afraid that to get a clear picture will require a good deal of reading as follows:

- (a) Letter 2 circular at front of 1002/PS (attached)
- (b) 22 in same file
- (c) Page flagged A in 266/HA (attached)
- (d) Para. (a) & (b) of page flagged B in 264/HA
- (e) 1-7 in this file

3. What I should like us to be able to write is something on the lines of the rough draft at 8 herein but before we can do so I submit that it will be necessary for someone to contact Col. Gibson, get the whole thing straightened out and endeavor to obtain the instructions referred to in para. 5 at 8 - which at present is only a pious hope.

4. I would suggest that a senior member of the P.S.D. should do this.

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C.B. 19/9.

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Ok. See office memorandum

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DRAFT

SUBJECT : Curfew.

AMCOT/1051/PS

AMCOT H.Q. SICILY

TO : All S.C.A.O's.

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1630 - 24/4/43

Copies of above sent for comment to:

Lt Col Perry 6-2 7th Army and

received 4/10 - Major Buell 5-2 IBs - Signed: Bell

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WR MT1943/25/25.1943/25/25.16 September, 1943.1943/25/25.Subject: Carlin.To : U.S.A. - Tropical.

1. Reference your memorandum of 6 Sep. 43 on the harvesting of grapes.
2. Lifting of the curfew regulations involves, as you say, serious complications from the military point of view. The whole question has been taken up with IS A.G. and instructions will be issued as soon as agreement has been reached.
3. In the meantime, you are authorized to negotiate direct with the formation commanders in your province, for the greatest relaxation of curfew regulations that you can obtain. In order to avoid incidents, it is essential that agreement be reached with them and that they issue the necessary orders to units under their command.
4. Please report the results of your negotiations.
5. It is very much regretted that our memorandum remained unanswered for so long.

JB

CHARLES M. BROWN,
Colonel, A. S. G.,
Chief Staff Officer.

Return file to me

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C.C.A.O.

Please see whole file.

Position is that ISAG rather naturally wishes to keep the cyber regulations issues from the economic point of view it is becoming increasingly difficult for us to maintain them - e.g. 3 and note by Maj. Smith et al.

2. If you agree I will draft a circular on lines of 1 for submission to ISAG for comments
3. Meanwhile I would like to send a reply to 3 which I fear has been horribly delayed.
 May I wait? I say that pending agreement with ISAG on General policy he is empowered to make the best arrangements he can with local O.C. Troops adding that complete understanding is the essence of a directive to units by O.C. Troops is essential in order to avoid incidents?

T.B. 18/9.

Declassified by Spoke

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T.B.

C.S.O.

20 L note by Maj. Smith at 24.

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PS.

To see
C. H. Hays

D.C.S.O.

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Night shifts are only
normal in large factories,
also night transport of
grapes.

This year in view of the
scarcity of transport & the
probability of having to use
the closer means i.e. horse
drawn carts, it will be
necessary for some wine
merchants to get the grapes
in by night. In some
cases night shifts will not
be possible this year owing
to lack of electricity, &
this will also mean that
more time will be spent
in the processing as the
machines will not be
working.

Exceedingly good crop,
pro

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It is expected there will be
a rush, as grapes are
left as long as possible,
then picked in a hurry
before the rains come.
Therefore this particular
season will make
might work probable.

CIVIL AFFAIRS OFFICE

PROVINCE OF TRAPANI

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Sdell/CS

6 SEP 1943

Sept. 6, 1943

SUBJECT -Harvesting of grapes/
To - Chief Civil Affairs Officer,
Amgot for Sicily, Palermo.

1. A pressing question arises in connection with the harvesting of grapes. It is a seasonal industry and the year's livelihood of many large and small agriculturists depends upon getting the picked grapes to the towns where processing is done before they start to ferment. I am advised that from Sept. 15 on the farmers will be working day and night hawling their cart loads of grapes to the presses. This would involve violation of curfew regulations and also might create traffic problems for the military. Employees of the grape processing establishments also, I am told, will be on day and night shifts. Capt. Kelaart says that at Alcamo, the center of a vineyard area, practically the whole town has been accustomed to engage in this work to take care of the crop as it is brought in. These questions of curfew and traffic will be pertinent to both the 3rd Inf Div. in this area and to the 2nd Armoured Div. ~~around~~ around Alcamo, and probably will be a question elsewhere in the Island where grapes are grown in abundance.

2; In view of the economic question involved, I would ask for a ruling as to whether curfew regulations might be lifted for night transportation of the crop. Possibly Seventh Army would wish to be advised on the traffic probabilities.

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Floyd E. Thomas,
Lt. Col. Inf.
SCAO - Trapani.

COL SEITZ

PA 10/11/43

No objection from public safety
angle *Sluffy*

Public safety

11/9.

SUBJECT: Directive in reference to Curfew.

AMGOT/1054/PS
AMGOT HQ., SICILY
13 September 1943

TO : C.S.O.

1. This division is in receipt of a message from C-2 - Ib section 15 Army Group, stating that strict enforcement of the provisions of curfew regulations is considered important to Military security. The C.L.O. also advises that large number of persons brought to trial for unintentional violation of curfew indicates need for clarification and uniform policy.

2. Your approval and publication of the following directive in reference to curfew is recommended.

Lemuel Bolles
Lemuel Bolles
Colonel, Inf.
Commissioner of
Public Safety.

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SUBJECT: Proposals for a Directive in Reference to Curfew.

AMCOT/1051/PS

AMCOT H.Q., SICILY.

13 September 1943.

TO : C.S.O.

1. The actual Curfew hours are for local decision and posting- the purpose is to prevent civilians being at large during the hours of darkness, and to reduce opportunities for sabotage and other Criminal Acts.

In fixing Curfew hours it is important to have them conform to hours when actual darkness commences and ends - this will require revision at regular intervals.

When established, the Curfew hours must be made known generally to the civil population.

2. Strict enforcement of all Curfew Regulations is important from the stand point of Military Security.

3. Provincial S.C.A.Os., are responsible for the enforcement of the Curfew within their respective Provinces and will take appropriate steps to enforce strictly the provisions of existing proclamations and local regulations in force.

4. Local Regulations providing for unusual conditions such as bread purchases, water hauling, local or seasonal working conditions, etc., should be provided in such a manner as to further rather than to retard restoration of normal conditions.

5. The movement of Civilians to and from shelters during periods of Air Raids or Warnings is not to be considered a violation of Curfew Regulations.

6. Curfew hours currently in effect in each locality must be made known to C.Os., of all Military Units in the Province and to Civil Police agencies concerned.

7. Proclamation 2, Article **II** Section 24 provides the basis for punishing those who violate Curfew Rules.

