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# GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

March 14, 1946

Lt. Col. Carleton W. Washburne  
Headquarters Allied Commission  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394, c/o P.M. New York

Dear Col. Washburne:

Your letter of February 14th has just reached me. I was glad to hear that the famous \$500.00 has finally arrived and hope that by this time the uniform material has reached Rome.

I am hearing frequently from the Italian Guides and I am delighted with their enthusiasm and the effort which they seem to be putting into the movement.

I wonder if President Herman Wells of Indiana University has put in an appearance in Rome. He was sent over as an observer for the Creek ~~collections~~lections. In conversation with my aunt he mentioned having read your article in an educational magazine and seemed much interested in what you had done in Italy. I, too, read the article with a great deal of interest.

It is nice to know that your wife is with you.

I often think of Italy on these warm spring days and remember how beautiful everything looked this time last year.

My very best wishes to you.

Sincerely yours

*Clementine Miller*

Clementine Miller

Adviser

International Division

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## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

February 8, 1946

Lt. Col. Carleton Washburne  
 Headquarters Allied Commission  
 Education Subcommission  
 A.P.O. 394, c/o Postmaster  
 New York, New York

Dear Col. Washburne:

American Relief for Italy has informed us that on January 30th they shipped the uniform material and 160 all wool blankets purchased by our Girl Scout Victory Fund. These are being sent on the S.S. "St. Joan's Victory" to ENDISI for the Federation of Guides and Esploratrici.

I have written to Sra. Graziadei giving her this information but want you also to hear the good news. It has been a real source of embarrassment to me that our assistance to Italy has been so terribly delayed.

I have recently received nice letters from Princess Massimo-Lancellotti and Countess Graziadei as well as one of last year's Florentine leaders who is now in Cesana. Italian Scouting seems to be flourishing.

Lady Baden Powell who arrived here a few weeks ago is now in the Cuban Training Conference and will tour the Caribbean returning in time for our United States Convention at Atlantic City March 19 - 22nd. After that I am to accompany her on a tour of United States cities, a trip that will take us through a good part of the middle west. I have been glad to have the opportunity to know her as you will recall we missed each other by just a few days in Rome last spring.

We are still expecting you to drop in our office one of these days and hope that the time is not far distant. 7301

Sincerely yours

*Clementine Miller*

Clementine Miller

Adviser

International Division

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At last an international troop plan has been worked out. Enclosed you will find the exposition of same. How do you like it?

HEADQUARTERS UNITED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

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14 February, 1946

SUBJECT : Money for Girl Scouts.

TO : Clementine Miller  
Girl Scouts  
National Headquarters,  
155 East 44th Street,  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Clementine:

The famous 500 dollars (minus some bank commission charges) finally reached Rome. On presentation of a budget for its use (all for Girl Scout and Girl Guide publications), the president of the Federation, Mrs. Graziadei, was given a check for the full amount, to be divided between the two associations. Thank you for your trouble and the Girl Scouts for their help.

I'm disappointed that the goods, promised so many months ago, have not yet been sent. Can't they be sent through UNRRA or the American Embassy?

It is highly probable that when the Education Subcommittee closes (in the near future) I shall stay right on as Science and Education Officer at the American Embassy, and continue my present activities. My wife is now with me; so I am glad to stay.

My trip to the United States around Christmas was turned down; but I'll try to make it in the late spring or early summer. In that case I'll hope to see you.

Best wishes and cordial greetings.

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CARLETON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col., U.S.  
Director of Education





## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

January 4, 1946

Lt. Col. Carleton Washburne  
Education Subcommission  
Allied Commission  
A.P.O. 394, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

Dear Lt. Col. Washburne:

Your letter of December 4th was received shortly before I went home for Christmas. I do hope you did not come to New York in my absence.

It was certainly perplexing to hear of the latest fumble by the National City Bank. I immediately wrote a history of the whole transaction and sent it to our Controller asking him to call it to the attention of the bank. Surely by this time the money is in your hands.

It also distresses me not to be able to report shipment of the uniform material. We delivered it to the packers in November and on December 4th they delivered to American Relief for Italy but up to the moment A.R.I. has not found shipping space for it. We will be notified as soon as this shipment leaves the country and we shall then let you know by what boat to expect it.

I hope you will turn up at Girl Scout Headquarters one of these days.

Best wishes for the New Year.

Sincerely yours

Clementine Miller  
Adviser  
International Division

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14th May, 1945.

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F.R. Gatty, Esq.,  
Communications Sub-Commission,  
A. S., A.F.O. 394,  
U.S. Army.

Dear Mr. Gatty,

I have to-day had a letter from Mrs. Swift Newton of the Girls Scouts of America to the Chief Guide, asking her to try and meet Miss Clementine Miller whilst in Rome. The only address she has for Miss Miller is:

c/o Miss Barbara Brandon,  
Hospital Supervisor,  
American Red Cross, Area 5,  
APO 512, c/o Postmaster New York.

But Mrs. Newton ~~thinks~~ thinks that Col. Washburne will probably know her whereabouts.

I am writing to you so that you can link up as I hear the Chief's

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visit is to be very short.

Yours sincerely,

*Pendine Wood-Hill*

P. WOOD-HILL

INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY.



HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

ED/GWH/rg

ED/SE/S.36/AC

4. December, 1945

SUBJECT : Money for Girl Scouts.

TO : Clementine Miller  
c/o Mrs E. Swift Newton  
Girl Scouts,  
155 East 44th St.,  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Clementine:

I received your cable and simultaneously a notice from the Bank of Rome saying that the money had been received at their CCMO branch! At least it is in Italy, and we are sending word to Cose to transmit it to Rome. But why does National City Bank fiddle things so? If they'd sent it to the Rome Branch of the Bank of Naples (where I have my account) or to the Bank of Rome, in Rome, it would have been an awful lot simpler at this end!

But any way, thank you a lot for your trouble. When I get the money actually in hand I'll write you again.

It is barely possible that I shall be making a brief trip to the States in a couple of weeks. If so, I'll try to look you up in New York if I can squeeze in the time.

Cordially

CARLETON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col. A.U.S.  
Director of Education.

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NATIONAL CITY BANK CABLING  
 MONEY TODAY TO YOUR ACCOUNT BANK  
 OF NAPLES IN ROME =

CLEMENTINE MILLER +

MARK YOUR REPLY

*"Via Imperial"*

ANY ENQUIRY RESPECTING THIS TELEGRAM MAY BE MADE AT ANY OF THE COMPANY'S OFFICES  
 AND SHOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY THIS FORM.



## GIRL SCOUTS

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NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

October 23, 1945.

Lt. Col. Carleton Washburne  
Allied Commission  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394, c/o P.M.  
New York, N. Y.

Dear Colonel Washburne:

The National City Bank of New York reports that it forwarded a check for \$500, made payable to you to the Bank of Naples (in Naples), under Reference No. D-275711 on April 11, 1945. This money has not been returned to The National City Bank and Mr. McClary insists that the Bank of Naples should be able to give you a report on it.

As I was disappointed in the amount of uniform material being purchased for Girl Guides (you recall that by the change from cotton to wool, we are able to purchase far less), my father is contributing enough to purchase material, buttons, thread and needles to make woolen skirts for 210 additional girls. The material is being assembled and I will let you know the moment it is shipped.

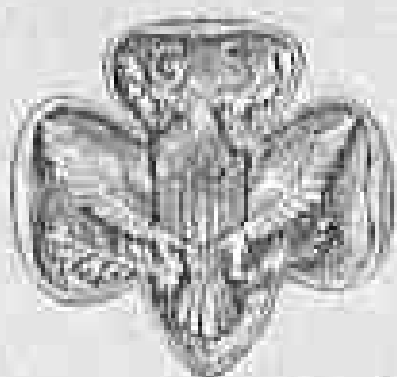
Now that there is danger of your leaving before the first of the year, I feel that we will have to make the shipments through American Relief for Italy. We could not get such a large quantity through to you before you leave as we have been told by the Post Office that we can send only 70 lbs. weekly to the Director of Education or any other similar agency. The Girl Guide Federation should get in touch with ENDSI Officials and make sure that they will receive the goods which we are sending them.

Sincerely yours,

*Clementine Miller*  
Clementine Miller, Adviser  
International and  
Intercultural Division

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## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

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October 19<sup>th</sup>

Dear Col. Warburton:

Today, during my first 48 hours with the N.Y.S. Headquarters, I was given your letter and the information about sending in stuff. The pictures and story are wonderful and I shall try to have them used, although the deadline for the International issue is passed.

My first interest on coming on this job has been to discover what has been done about stuff of course. I was disappointed to learn that the money is still hiding out somewhere. I shall do my best to locate it as soon as possible. About the material; a great deal, there was wasted trying to secure cotton goods which the guides specified. We have given up. It is quite impossible to buy a lot of stuff out of the country. Cotton goods of the yard. We have purchased, however, quite a few yards.



beautiful 100% wool skirt material which should be even more practical for skirts.

Two things are bothering me. It seems that the two movements have described different kinds of uniforms so that, instead of all navy blue, some (for the Exploratici) will have to be brown. I do not know the relative strength of the two movements and so I am guessing at amounts and sending about  $\frac{2}{3}$  for the guides and  $\frac{1}{3}$  of the material for the Exploratici.

I was quite concerned to find that the material has not yet been shipped. It seems that the Scout Office did not think that such a large shipment could be sent to you. I checked yesterday, however, and found that we can send you 70 lbs at a time. The things were arranged to ship through American Relief for Staff which does not guarantee to deliver the material to the guides. We should be able to ship this within a few days and I feel that we should risk it reaching you before you leave. As soon as I get off I will give you the details.





## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

August 9, 1945

Colonel Carleton W. Washburne  
Director of Education  
Headquarters Allied Commission  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394  
c/o Postmaster, New York

Dear Colonel Washburne:

As you may imagine, we were rather amazed to receive a notice from the National City Bank that the Bank of Naples had returned our draft, which had been sent there for the use of the Italian Girl Guides. Your letter of July 31 cleared up the matter for us, however, and we have given instructions to our bank here to return the money to the Bank of Naples immediately. We trust that the money will reach you promptly.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ethel Rusk  
For the  
International Committee

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## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 45TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17 N.Y.

The International Division has been swamped with work this summer. The matter of priorities on materials & shipping arrangements added to the difficulty of obtaining what you want have contributed toward this apparent "bottle-neck".

Lein Busk left Oct. 1 for a World Committee meeting in Geneva and the work of the division is being covered by Gertrude Knies and myself.

I feel so bad about the delay in money and good going to Prof. Dr. McClary. The National City Bank has promised to give me the final details on the check by Monday at the latest. Meanwhile, would you inquire<sup>7293</sup> once more at the Bank of Naples (in Naples) for a \$500. check made out to Mary C. Workman

The National City Bank should have sent I  
back to Naples.

A few weeks ago Mother and I were in  
Chicago. We drove out to Winnetka especially  
to see the Crow Island School about which  
we have heard so much. We found it to be  
as delightful as we had expected and took  
home the Architectural Forum reprints  
a propaganda for our school board. In  
that same connection I talked with Tom.  
Gero Geronzi's sister this morning and  
are having luncheon with her next week.  
We liked the animals so very much at the  
school!

I shall write Mrs. Lancelotti and  
Signa Giacchetti to thank them for their  
accounts of the Italian movements.

You will hear from me again within  
a few days.

Most sincerely,

Christine Miller

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 594

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17 September, 1945

SUBJECT : History of Italian Girl Scouts  
and Guides.

TO : Miss Clementine Miller,  
c/o Mrs E Swift Newton  
Girl Scouts,  
155 East 44th St.,  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Clementine:

I enclose the historical material on the Girl Scout and Guide  
Movement in Italy from each of the two Associations, as you requested.

Good luck to you!

Hastily,

*W. W. Washburne*  
CARLTON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col., A.U.S.  
Director of Education.

(I'm off for Switzerland and Paris for two weeks and cannot sign this  
personally.)

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Jul 5, 1945

Dear Col. Washburne:-

I arrived in New York on July 27th to find that the National Board of Girl Scouts was having a meeting that day. They were so pleased to be able to have first hand news of Italy and asked me to talk to them. From them I learned that 700 yards of khaki material is being shipped to Italian Guides and I cautioned them to address the shipment to you. They are including thread and are sorry not to be able to send any navy blue material but none is available. The commissioner for Brazil was present at the meeting and told me that Brazil Guides have recently sent a consignment of material to Italian Guides

I told them of your sewing kit idea and of your suggestion that American troops adopt Italian troops. I am expecting some action on both of these ideas, and will inform you when I hear what has been done.

They were so interested to hear of Lady BP. and her visit, as well as of the prospective training course to be offered by Swiss Guides. I was told that Miss Katherine Hammett, one of our Girl Scout camping experts, who has been working in Greece with UNRRA can be available if the Italian Guides would like to have her give them some training. The American Scouts, however, would like to have the Italian Guides ask for her help as they would not want to send her in unless they want to have

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her. I don't know what arrangement can be made but they seem to think that she could be released by UNRRA for that purpose. If you and the Italian Guides like the idea you might suggest that they put in a request through you for her services.

I have ordered another package of material to be sent to you which you may turn over to the Federation for me.

Best wishes -

/s/ Clementine Miller

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

ED/97/3.36/AC

30 July 1945

Clementine Miller,  
Windsorere, Muskoka,  
Ontario, Canada.

Dear Clementine:

I'm much disappointed that you can't come back. But the  
job at Girl Scout Headquarters sounds fine. Hope it materializes.

We'll try to get the songs for Miss Rush.

The Federation of Girl Scouts and Guides is finally an  
accomplished fact -- the constitution was signed by both associations  
in my office Friday.

Best wishes to you,

CARLTON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col., A.U.S.  
Director of Education.

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My home address is -  
525 Lafayette Ave.  
Columbus, Indiana

Aug. 19, 1945

Dear Col. Washburn:-

Much to my disappointment I have just received word from the AKC in Washington telling me that they have stopped sending hospital orders back to Italy. So I haven't returned!! I had expected to see you soon and give you a further report. but that will not be possible. Miss Ethel Turk & her scout will write you soon with regard to the adoption plan & Italian troops by American troops, and about friendship boxes which the U.S. plan to make up for foreign distributions.

make up for foreign distribution.  
I have been asked to come to U.S. Hdq. and  
discuss going on their staff and helping to build  
a stronger international program. I'm sure I  
would enjoy this and hope I go through. I have  
been asked to write an article for The American  
Guide about Italian Guide. Though there will  
be many gaps. I fear. I shall try it. U.S. are also  
very f. more Italian soup. Not necessarily scout  
soup but good hot soup in general use that  
may well be taught to children. Will you ask  
Signora Zappale & Miss Cori to send me some?  
I shall write them too but Italian meat is  
not a long time. I'm in Canada at present on  
vacation & will be here at least another month.

Sincerely yours. Frederick H. Allen

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ARMED FORCES  
AIR LETTER

AIR MAIL

If anything is enclosed in this  
letter it will be sent by ordinary  
mail.

TO: Lt Col. Carlisle Washburne  
Hq. Allied Communications  
Submarine Squadron  
A.P.O. 394 Boston  
New York

FROM: Lawrence H. Hogg  
M  
Windsor  
Minnesota  
Canada  
(Sender's full name and address)



HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommission  
AFG 394

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17 September, 1945

SUBJECT: History of Italian Girl Scouts  
and Guides.TO: Miss Clementine Miller,  
c/o Mrs E Swift Newton  
Girl Scouts,  
155 East 44th St.,  
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Clementine:

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Movement in Italy from each of the two Associations, as you requested.

Good luck to you!

Respectfully,

*J. W. Wainwright*  
CARLOS W. WAINWRIGHT  
Lt. Col., A. U. S.  
Director of Education.

(I'm off for Switzerland and Paris for two weeks and cannot sign this  
personally.)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

30 July 1945

ED/ST/3.36/AG

Clementine Miller,  
Windsor, Muskoka,  
Ontario, Canada.

Dear Clementine:

I'm much disappointed that you can't come back. But the  
job at Girl Scout Headquarters sounds fine. Hope it materializes.

We'll try to get the songs for Miss Rush.

The Federation of Girl Scouts and Guides is finally an  
accomplished fact -- the constitution was signed by both associations  
in my office Friday.

Best wishes to you,

CARLETON W. WASHINGTON  
Lt. Col., A. U. S.  
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

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tel. 489081-236

TO : Miss Clementine Miller,  
Windsore, Muskoka,  
Ontario, Canada.

26 July, 1945

Dear Clementine:

Just writing your address blows a cool, pine laden breeze over me - and I need it, we having had three straight weeks of temperatures from 95 to 102 and no relief in sight. Nights, fortunately, the temperature drops about thirty degrees. And next Sunday I am probably going to Switzerland for a week, where I hope to cool off while on official business.

I am delighted to hear that 700 yds. of goods - with thread - are on the way.

The Girls' Associations are having a hard time federating, but I think they'll sign their constitution in my office tomorrow.

I'll take up with the Federation the question of the Girl Scout leaders from UNRRA and get an official invitation. The trip of those from Switzerland has been delayed, and they may not come until October, since if they come now they could only stay three weeks.

Thank you for sending the package of literature. It has not yet come.

Have a good vacation. And come and see me when you get back.

Cordially,

CARLETON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col., A. U. S.  
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

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15 May, 1945

TO : Mrs P. Swift Newton  
Chairman  
International Committee  
Girl Scouts  
155 East 4th Street  
New York 17 N.Y.

Dear Mrs Newton:

I take pleasure in forwarding to you the enclosed communication, with translation, from the National Union of Girl Scouts in Italy.

CARLTON W. WASHBURN  
Lt. Col. A.U.S.  
Director of Education.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394

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19 February 1945

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SUBJECT : Girl Guides.

TO : Mrs. E. Swift Horton, Girl Scouts National Hq.  
155 East 44th Street, New York 17 N.Y.

Dear Mrs. Newton :

Your letter of 21 December was most encouraging. I have been a little slow about acknowledging it because I hoped to have some specific suggestions as to the use of part of your generous appropriation of \$ 1000. This much it has done already : it has given encouragement and impetus to the still embryonic guide movement here.

The enclosed letter from Mr. Catty is self explanatory. As to item g, however, it would be much better either to send second hand uniforms, etc., or goods for making uniforms, than to send money - thread here costs about \$ 2 per spool; wool dress goods, when they can be found, \$ 30 to \$50 per yard ! To make their own uniforms from goods or old clothes, would be a worth while experience for the girls. But if you send such, please include thread and needles and such like accessories.

Judge Marchisio, who ships relief supplies from the United States, has said he would be glad to include any uniforms or goods you want to send. If the volume should be considerable, we may be able to arrange shipment and warehousing with C.R.I. which is cooperating in such matters with the Education Subcommittee.

It would be helpful if such part of the appropriation as you do not use for purchases in the United States could be sent to us in trust to budget out to the Guide work here for publications and some office expenses.

With warm appreciation of your interest and help I am  
sincerely yours

CARLETON W. WASHBURN  
Major, AUS  
Director of Education.

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## GIRL SCOUTS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS 155 EAST 44TH STREET TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York 17-N.Y.

December 21, 1944

Major Carleton F. Washburne  
Headquarters Allied Commission  
Education Subcommittee  
APO #394  
c/o Postmaster New York, N. Y.

My dear Major Washburne:

We were very pleased to receive your letter of December 6 which happily came to us in time for the December meeting of our International Committee. We were much interested in the account of Scouting for both boys and girls in Italy and were glad that there are American personnel there who know something of the movement and can give it proper support.

In discussing the problem of Italy we felt that one of the best contributions that we could make at the present moment, was to furnish money to pay for the translation of needed material into Italian. We are sending you, under separate cover, different programs used by Guides and Scouts in different parts of the world. It may possibly be that from such material choices can be made that can be translated. We are asking the World Bureau's approval of this.

Have you any other suggestions to make as to other ways in which part of the appropriation of \$1,000 we have made to assist the Guide movement in Italy can be spent? Since mail arrives so quickly we do not feel that the questions that have been raised will hamper the workings of the new groups.

Very sincerely,

*Ethel J. Newton*

Mrs. E. Swift Newton  
Chairman  
International Committee

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*Mr. Cally - Please return*

THE WORLD ASSOCIATION OF GIRL GUIDES AND GIRL SCOUTS  
L'ASSOCIATION MONDIALE DES GUIDES ET DES ECLAIREUSES  
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THE WORLD BUREAU,  
9, PALACE STREET, WESTMINSTER,  
LONDON, S.W.1, ENGLAND

2nd January, 1944.

Major Carleton W. Washburne,  
Headquarters Allied Commission,  
Education Sub Commission,  
APO.394.

Dear Major Washburne,

Thank you for your communication of the 5th December with its enclosure. You will appreciate that the letter quoted by Mrs. Swift Newton was one written before we had received any information regarding Guides in Rome other than what we referred to in that letter.

Since that date we have received a mass of information through the Boy Scout International Bureau and your own letter of the 8th November, 1944. This information shows us that the Movement for Girls in Italy has developed further than we were aware of and that it had a responsible Committee at its head.

This led us to make the suggestion which you will find in our letter to you of the 5th December, in which we say we think it will be wiser to encourage local companies in the first instance to become associated with some central group of their own nationality and that whatever material help the Girl Scouts of America

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have to offer should, at this stage, come as from one organisation to the other.

We are still of the opinion that this would be the wiser basis for the sponsoring of the Italian Movement by the American Girl Scouts. We are now writing to Mrs. Swift Newton on these lines.

With every good wish for the New Year,

Yours sincerely,

*Arethusa Leigh-White*  
Arethusa Leigh-White,  
Director, World Bureau.

P.S. With reference to our other suggestion that we should send a responsible person out to Rome to encourage and help the Movement, I regret to say that the person we had in mind is considered too valuable to be released from her work at present. We are, therefore, looking for someone else, suitable and experienced. It would, however, help us very much indeed in dealing with the Authorities this end if we might have a direct invitation or official intimation to the effect that such a person would be welcomed both by you and by the Heads of the Italian Movement itself. In the latter case, if agreed to by you, perhaps the Princess Doria, or the Contessa di Carpegna, would write the letter.

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Allied Commission  
16th February 1945

Dear Major Washburne,

Since you notified me that the Girl Scouts of America had set aside 1,000 dollars to assist the Guide Movement in Italy I have had a visit here from the Signorina Di Carpegna ( their International Commissioner ) and two other members of the Central Committee of the Associazione Guide Italiane.

They said that they would welcome such a gift, which would be of vital assistance in setting them on their feet at this difficult time. Their proposal would be to use it for ....

(a) Printing and publishing. They have ready in manuscript a Manual and a Statuto based on their study of books sent from England and America; They also want to issue a news-sheet to keep their existing 15 Companies in touch.

(b) Office and travelling expenses. Their chief difficulty in spreading their Movement is that of communications.

(c) A certain amount of uniform and equipment could be bought , but at prices prevailing here, this would be more of a "token" issue to act as a model for Companies to work on.

The above Committee represents solely the Catholic Guides, and itself suggested that it would be fairer if something were put aside against the event of a non-denominational Association (as in the case of the Scouts ) also appearing. Not unnaturally they have since asked me whether they can go ahead with plans based on the speedy arrival of some of this fund.

Yours sincerely

( F.R.Catty )

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MAJOR C. J. WASHBURN  
Co. D, 2675th Regiment  
Allied Control Commission Hq.  
APO 334, c/o Postmaster,  
New York, N.Y.

24 July, 1944.

TO : Miss Ethel Hook, Girl Scouts, Inc.,  
155 E. 49th Street,  
New York, N.Y.

SUBJECT : Girl Scouts in Italy.

FILE No.: 14/10/6-1

1. Thank you for your letter of 6 July.
2. Apparently there was some mistake in regard to my letters to you. I wrote to the Boy Scouts for materials on their work and to the Girl Scouts for corresponding material. The fact that the letter to you asked for Boy Scout material indicates some clerical error here. I am glad, however, that you are sending me some literature and that you forwarded my letter to the Boy Scouts. Your literature will be most helpful.
3. At least three months ago a letter went through military channels, signed by the Chief Commissioner of the Allied Control Commission, to Girl Scouts suggesting the possibility Girl Scouts, Inc., fostering a movement to have local troops in the U.S. sponsor local troops in Italy. The Allied Control Commission would send, through you, descriptions of the local Italian troops. You would send, through us, information as to the sponsoring troops and such supplies as the sponsoring troops were able and willing to contribute. Your headquarters would be the coordinating, gathering and shipping center for the U.S.; our headquarters would be the coordinating, receiving and distributing center for Italy.
4. A similar proposal was made for Boy Scouts.

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5. The fact that you make no reference to this plan in your letter and that we have had no reply, makes no wonder whether it ever reached you. Military channels are sometimes labyrinthine. Meanwhile, we should be much interested in the reaction of your executive committee (and that of the Boy Scouts) to the general plan as summarized above.

6. As there may be changeage in my assignment before your reply comes, please address your reply to the Director, Education Subcommittee, Hq., ACC., 2675th Regiment, APC 394, c/o Postmaster, New York, N.Y.

CARLTON W. WASHBURN  
MAJOR, AUS  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR,  
EDUCATION SUBCOMMISSION, ACC.

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## GIRL SCOUTS, INC.

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

155 EAST 44TH STREET  
TELEPHONE MURRAY HILL 2-2505

New York · N.Y. July 6, 1944

Major Carleton Washburne  
Allied Control Commission  
Advance Headquarters  
APO 394

Dear Major Washburn:

Your memorandum directed to the Chief Executive of the Girl Scouts asking for Boy Scout material has been referred to me, and I am forwarding it to the National Boy Scout organization. Since it may just be possible that you will need some Girl Scout material too, I am sending you under separate cover copies of our Girl Scout Handbook and a pamphlet "How to Start a Girl Scout Troop" and "Games for Girl Scouts." We hope you will find them helpful.

Very sincerely yours,

Ethel Rusk  
for the  
International Committee

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Received by Washburne

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EDUCATION SUBCOMMISSION  
ADVANCE HEADQUARTERS  
APO 394

Ref : 3D/6.7 23 June, 1944.  
To : The Chief Scout Executive, Girl Scouts of  
America, Washington, D.C.  
Subject : Manuals of Boy Scouts.

1. We are greatly interested in a Youth Program in Italy modeled on that of the Boy Scouts of America. No materials for organizing such a program are on hand here after 20 years of Fascism.

2. Would you be able to furnish us with two or three copies of the Scout manuals and whatever other material you may have available? By so doing you will greatly help to advance the youth cause in Italy.

GARIETON W. WASHBURN  
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## G I R L S C O U T S

National Headquarters 155 East 44th Street

Telephone Murray Hill 2-2505

NEW YORK 17, N.Y.

March 22, 1945

Major Carleton W. WASHBURN  
Director of Education  
Headquarters Allied Commission  
Education Subcommittee  
APO 394  
c/o Postmaster, N.Y.

My dear Major Washburn:

Thank you very much for your letter of February 19th. We are sending you through the National City Bank here in New York \$500 to be held in trust to budget out for the needs of Guide development in Italy as you suggested. We will attempt to spend the rest of the \$1,000 appropriation for uniform material by the yard. Judge Marchisio has offered to help us with the purchase and shipping and we will make sure that needles, thread, buttons and so forth go with the material. Would you let us know as soon as possible what color material the Italian Guides wish to have for their uniforms? Judge Marchisio cabled to Rome asking his agent to find this out for us a couple of weeks ago but we have had no reply.

We are delighted with the way things are moving ahead in Italy and I am sure a great deal of the credit goes to you. We hope that Miss Clementine Miller, a former Girl Scout worker, now serving with the Red Cross, has been able to talk with you and that she will be able to bring us a report from you when she returns to this country in the early summer.

Please give our greetings to the Italian Guides and tell them we wish them much success.

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. E. Swift Newton  
Chairman  
International Committee.

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION  
R.C. And L.S. Section

TO : Girl Scouts of America  
FROM : Education Subcommittee  
SUBJECT : Equipment of groups of Italian children  
REF : ED/3.12  
DATE : February 28, 1944

- 1.- The Education Subcommittee of the Allied Military Government and Allied Control Commission, is concerned with the organization of out-of-school activities of youth in Italy.
- 2.- As you doubtless know, the fascist regime had, under GIL, an extensive, although militaristic and fascist organization of youth. That organization has been dissolved. We wish to help the Italians replace it with voluntary, democratically organized activities which will foster health, wholesome use of leisure, cooperative civic activities and citizenship.
- 3.- As a proving ground we have established in one large city a Youth Commission, divided into five subcommittees for various ages of boys and girls. The sub-committee charged with responsibility for children between eleven and fifteen years of age wishes to establish groups comparable to boy scouts and girl scouts with corresponding activities adapted to Italian needs. According to present intentions, these groups will first be organized relatively independently in different neighborhoods, linked together by the subcommittee, which, in turn, works under our supervision and with such advice and help as we can give. As this pattern works out in practice it will be used as a model for other cities, which will be linked together through a national Youth Commission.
- 4.- One of the first things the Youth Commission here has asked us to do to help them, is to secure uniforms and play materials for the children. The absence of cloth and play materials in Italy makes it impossible to supply them from local sources. The dirt and raggedness of the clothing of many of the city children makes some sort of decent uniform a matter of great importance if the work is to be successful.

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5.- If the Girl Scouts of America would undertake the project of equipping groups of girls in Italy during the war and immediate post-war period they could be rendering a very real service to innocent victims of fascism and war, to the reconstruction to Italy, and to that kind of world cooperation which the Girl Scouts have always desired to foster.

6.- It is suggested that possibly the most effective way of handling the situation would be for various Girl Scout groups in the United States to sponsor groups here, making as direct a contact and appeal as possible. The national Girl Scout organization would: a) stimulate local groups to undertake such sponsorship; b) receive for transmission the clothing and equipment sent; c) arrange shipment. The Education Subcommittee here would: a) notify the Girl Scouts of America as to the organization and composition of each local group in Italy; b) receive shipments; c) transmit them, through the Youth Commission to the local groups.

7.- Ultimately, a federation of the Italian groups might well become an official affiliate of the international Girl Scout organization. For the time being the informal local groups, loosely coordinated, seem to constitute the soundest beginning for a democratic type of organization.

8.- Will you please give us your reaction and counsel in this matter at your earliest convenience.

B. L. LUSH  
Brigadier  
Executive Commissioner

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