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SOUVENIRS FOR WAR MUSEUMS

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EXTRACT

C.A. Sacha.

We spoke (Maj. Drake - Bell) about the Imperial + the other documents
 & their desire for documents.

It seems advisable to draw attention to the possible danger of
 their request & to suggest some check on what documents
 go out. If you agree, the attached is for signature please
 at 3

H.E. Bell Major
 Horwich

MFAA 5/C

11 Feb. 46

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 Letter signed & file returned.

14 Feb. 46

J. R. Allen Maj.
 C.A. Sacha

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

G-5: 619.3

28 February 1946

SUBJECT: Souvenirs for War Museums.

TO : Headquarters, Allied Commission,
APO 394.

Reference ALCOM 20905/C/4/H/LEPA dated 14 February 1946.

Note has been made of the contents of your 20905/C/4/H/
MFAA dated 14 February 1946 and if any exhibits of the nature mentioned
by you are reported, you will be informed.

BY COMMAND OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL MORGAN:

F. G. A. Parsons

F. G. A. PARSONS,
Brigadier,
Acting Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
CIVIL AFFAIRS SECTION

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20905/C/4/H/MFAA

14th Feb 46

SUBJECT: Souvenirs for War Museums.

TO : G 5 A.F.H.Q.

Reference G.H.Q/5044/Q (CEMS) dated 31 January
1946 (copy attached), para 3 (c).

1. There would appear to be some slight danger that the category of souvenirs mentioned in para 3 (c) might include Italian official documents. Policy to date has been to restrict the removal of these from Italy, and such removal has only taken place in case of high intelligence priority. It may therefore be thought advisable to establish a check at GHQ on souvenirs of this category.

2. It is suggested that G 2 may also be interested in this possibility from an intelligence point of view.

M. Carr
M. CARR Brig,
VP CA Section

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*added to
M. G. Bell
M. F. A. A
APPLIED Com*

Subject : Souvenirs for War Museums.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS CME

TEL. NO. FREEDOM 971

GHQ/5044/Q(CEMS)

31 Jan 46

To : All concerned.

Ref GHQ/5067/Q(AE) dated 17 Nov 45.

1. The National and Dominion Museums, and the Royal United Service Institution still have requirements for representative collections of exhibits relating to the war.
2. This Headquarters letter GHQ/5067/Q(AE) dated 17 Nov 45 indicated that the following articles of a souvenir nature were desired.
 - a. Flags with a "story".
 - b. Articles of uniform and personal mementos associated with famous commanders on either side.
 - c. Messages to troops, especially bearing autograph signatures, issued by commanders before notable actions.
 - d. Interesting souvenirs of particular campaigns and those associated with deeds which won the VC.
 - e. Weapons or parts of weapons associated with particularly gallant actions.
 - f. Signboards, etc..
 - g. Any unique or particularly interesting (and preferably small) items of enemy equipment, and documents of a type not sent to the United Kingdom for intelligence, training or research purposes.
 - h. Local magazines or other literature.
3. In amplification of the above, and in view of the fact that formations have reported the non-availability of such exhibits, the following additional information is forwarded for guidance in respect of exhibits required, in particular, by the Imperial War Museum.

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a. Mines and special types of equipment, booby traps etc., not sent to the United Kingdom for intelligence, training or research purposes, but likely to be of special interest to the public.

b. Posters and proclamations issued during the war.

c. Propaganda material, any documents of special interest from an espionage or intelligence point of view.

d. Specially interesting maps, relief maps or topographical models such as were prepared before combined operation landing.

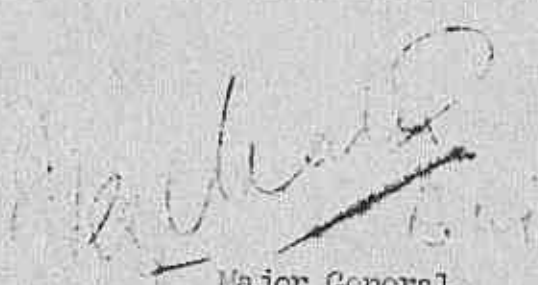
e. Photographs of specific incidents in battle, or of anything else of historical importance.

4. It is requested that every effort be made to locate suitable exhibits in order that the Museums will contain exhibits portraying notable happenings and events, that have occurred in this Theatre.

5. All exhibits and material so collected should be reported to this Headquarters by the major commands, through the normal channels for reporting captured enemy material. On receipt of reports, disposal instructions will then be issued by this Headquarters.

6. Exhibits deemed suitable for the Museums, together with the history attached to them, should be stored and safeguarded, pending their removal to United Kingdom.

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Major General,
Chief of General Staff.

DISTRIBUTION:

20 - HQ British Troops in Austria
20 - HQ XIII Corps
20 - HQ., No 2 District
20 - HQ., No 3 District
10 - HQ., Land Forces Greece
2 - British Troops North Africa
2 - Allied Commission
5 - RAAC

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ROME AREA ALLIED COMMAND
APO No. 794 U.S. Army
Office of G-3 (British)

6/6/53(Br)

Tel: 66043
6 February 1946

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SUBJECT: Souvenirs for War Museums

TO: List 'F' (Br)

Ref GHA/5067/Q(AE) dated 17 Nov 45 forwarded under this Headquarters reference 6/5/53(Br) of 26 Nov 45.

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W.E.M. Anderson
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Capt.,
G-5 (British).

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