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SIGNAL INSTRUCTIONS

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
G-5 Section
APO 512

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G-5: 990.70

January 1947

SUBJECT: Diplomatic Facilities - General.

TO : Chief Commissioner,
Allied Commission,
APO 794.

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Reference your letter T.58.CD dated 16 December.

1. There is no objection to the Brazilian Embassy being allowed the use of existing facilities on the following conditions:

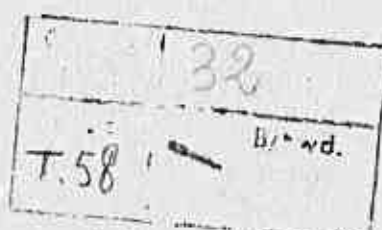
(a) Messages will comply with para 3a of Sec x Item 8 of AFHQ Signal Instruction,

(b) Traffic will be passed in cases of genuine urgency only.

2.. Allied Signal facilities in Italy are constantly being reduced and organizations served must make early and constant plans for adequate service as facilities are further reduced.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MORGAN:

AP
A. L. HAMBLEY
Colonel, G.S. 4453
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5



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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

APO

794

Communications Division

LRH/ee

T.58.0D

16 December '46

SUBJECT: Signal Instructions

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
Att: G-5

1. Paragraph 6 Section X of Allied Force Headquarters Signal Instructions, dated 6 December 1946, reads as follows:

"Allied and Neutral Government Diplomatic and Consular Agencies.

6. Messages originated by these organizations will be handled and charged in the same way as messaged originated by UNITED STATES organisations".

2. Information is requested as to whether that paragraph is sufficient to authorize the Rome Area Signal Officer to accept signals from the Brazilian Embassy for transmittal into Germany.

3. The Brazilian Embassy has made requests on several occasions for improvement of service. It would appear reasonable to permit them to use military circuits for official correspondence.

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L.R. HUMBERT,
Lt. Col. Sig. C.
Director.

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ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS

6 DECEMBER 46.

SIGNAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Attached is Section X, Item 3 of AFH Sig Inst. Subject
'Handling of Civilian and Para-Military Traffic'.

NOTE:

This is a new item: enter it in your index.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MORGAN:

T. S. AIRY,
Major General
Chief of Staff

OFFICIAL:

[Signature]
K. C. COOPER,
Brigadier G.S.
AC of S, G-3.

DISTRIBUTION:

(See Sec 1, Item 3, 3rd Revision,
AFH Signal Instructions dated 16 May 46)
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Liaison AFH ; Mov & Tr : Ord (Br)
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ALLIED FORCE HEAD QUARTERS

SIGNAL INSTRUCTIONS

SECTION X

MISCELLANEOUSORIGINAL
6 DECEMBER 1946Item 3: Handling of Civilian and Para-Military Traffic.OBJECT.

1. This instruction establishes procedure for the preparation of messages originated by UNITED STATES and BRITISH civilian and para-military organisations in ITALY and the procedure for the processing and charging of such messages by Army Signals. It does not apply to organisations listed in 2 (b) and (c) below.

CIVILIAN AND PARA-MILITARY ORGANISATIONS

2. (a) BRITISH civilian and para-military organisation to which this instruction applies are listed at Appendix 'A'. UNITED STATES civilian and para-military organisations will be accorded facilities as given in this instruction, but no charge will be made for the use of these facilities.

(b) The following organisations will not be termed civilian and para-military organisations and will be accorded the same treatment as military signal traffic.

UNITED STATES and BRITISH Political Advisors at AFHQ, Allied Commission and AMG.

Friends Ambulance Unit.

(c) UNRRA will be termed a civilian or para-military organisation and will be accorded treatment as laid down in AFHQ signal instruction Section X Item 6.

PREPARATION OF MESSAGES BY CIVILIAN AND PARA-MILITARY ORGANISATIONS

3. (a) Classified and unclassified messages for military addressees and classified messages for civilian and para-military organisations will be accepted by Army Signals. Unclassified messages for civilian and para-military organisations will not be accepted by Army Signals. The right to query classification is reserved to Signals Officers.

(b) Messages originated by BRITISH organisations will be prepared and handed in to Army Signals with one copy for each addressee and two copies for Army Signals. Messages prepared by UNITED STATES organisations will be prepared with one copy for each addressee and one copy for Army Signals.

PROCESSING OF MESSAGES BY ARMY SIGNALS

4. (a) On receipt of messages prepared as in para 3 above Army Signals will :

(1) File one copy of the message in a separate file.

(2) At the end of each month total the number of groups passed for each organisation and forward this summary with supporting file copies

through signals channels to Signals Officers or Chief Signals Officers responsible. Signals Officers and Chief Signals Officers will prepare consolidated returns to reach Chief Signals Officer AFHQ by the 10th of each month on the specimen proforma attached at Appendix 'B'.

(b) The CSO AFHQ will raise debit vouchers against the organisation concerned. The cost will be calculated as in para 5 below.

CHARGING OF MESSAGES BY ARMY SIGNALS

5. Messages originated by BRITISH organisations will be charged in accordance with this paragraph. No charges will be raised against UNITED STATES organisations.

(a) Internal to the theatre 1d per word.

(b) External to the theatre 4d per word.

(c) Multi addressed messages will be charged at rate (a) or (b) above as applicable, for each office of delivery. A copying fee of 6d will be made for each addressee after the first served by any one office of delivery.

(d) If, after accepting a message for a military addressee, it becomes necessary for Army Signals to divert to civil channels, such messages will be passed at "Army Charge".

ALLIED AND NEUTRAL GOVERNMENT DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR AGENCIES

6. Messages originated by these organisations will be handled and charged in the same way as messages originated by UNITED STATES organisations.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL MORGAN:

T. S. JIRRY.
Major General,
Chief of Staff.
4449

OFFICIAL:

K.C. COOPER.
Brigadier G.S.
AC of S, G-3.

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SECTION X Item 8
APPENDIX 'A'
ORIGINAL
6 DECEMBER 1946

All British Govt Diplomatic & Consular Agencies

British Council and British School

Ministry of Transport

Imperial War Graves Commission

British Red Cross

CWIP

NLFI/LFI

DISC/TNS.

SS.F.

BBC

ECITO (ORMON)

Army Kinema Corporation

Combined Services Entertainment

Government Freight Agent c/o GHQ CEF

SECTION 7 Item 3
..APPENDIX 'B'
ORIGINAL
6 DECEMBER 1946

Message traffic passed for civilian and para-military orgs, during month
ending.....

Organisation	Groups					TOTAL COST
	Internal to theatre	Cost	External to theatre	Cost	Copy Fee	
						4447

Signed.....

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
Communications Division

LRH/ec

T.58.30.0D

13 November '46

SUBJECT: Certifications of Telephone Facilities

TO : Allied Force Headquarters
Att: Chief Signal Officer.

1. Reference is made to X600/6 dated 5 November 1946. Subject: Certification of Facilities, paragraph 3.
2. Inquiry, by this office has not revealed the authority for the statement contained in the referenced paragraph.
3. It is requested that this office be informed the authority for dating American telecommunication costs from 1 July 1946. If there is no such authority, could the referenced paragraph be deleted?

L. R. HUNBERT,
Lt. Col. Sig. C.
Director.

Subject : Certification of Facilities

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CSO's BRANCH
GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
CENTRAL MEDITERRANEAN FORCES

Tele : PADUA 22287

X 600/6

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OC 13 Corps Sig Regt
OC Sigs 1 Arm'd Div
Sig C 88 (US) Div
OC 8 Air Fmn Sig Regt
OC 1 L of C Sig Regt
OC 11 L of C Sig Regt
OC 'D' Indep 1 of C Sig Sqn
OC 1 AGRA Sig Sqn
OC 2 AA Bde Sig Tp
OC 1 Air SP Sig Tp

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Copy to : HQ AC (Telecoms S-C)
HQ AMG VENEZIA CIULLA (Attn Telecoms Officer)
CSO AFHQ
AFHQ LILLO c/o HQ AC ROME

1. In order to clarify the responsibilities of Signals units with regard to the use of civil telecommunication facilities in ITALY, the relevant sections of AFHQ Signal Instruction, Section IV Item 6, are given below for strict compliance :

" 4 (a) Accounting for wire facilities and services will commence as of the date a province is (or was) turned over to Allied Commission / Allied Military Government Control and Concessionary Companies will submit monthly statements beginning as of that date to the responsible or senior signal officer in the area.

(b) Statements presented Signal Officers by Civil Companies will be accepted and, if correct, the following certificate will be placed on the statement, signed by the responsible Signal Officer, and forwarded to the Ministero della Guerra, Direzione Generale del Genio, Divisione Lavori, ROMA :

" This is to certify that the facilities and/or services listed on this statement have been furnished the Allied Forces and that those listed constitute all the facilities and/or services of the nature specified rendered to the Allied Forces for the period -----.

(c) No accounting will be required for facilities and services furnished by the state owned resources and no signal officer will be required to certify any statement upon which appears service furnished from state-owned sources. Any service which results from the application of Allied Army

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 CC 1 AGRA Sig Sqn
 CC 2 AA Bde Sig Tp
 CC 1 Air Sp Sig Tp

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(d) When the lira account, provided for in Para 3 of Admin Memo 31, has been established and is in operation, instructions will be issued governing the reimbursement of concessionary Italian civil telephone coys from that account under circumstances in which the Italian Govt does not make direct payment.

Until such instructions have been issued in no case will a Signal Officer certify as to any amount charged for facilities or services, and no discussion will be entered into with Civil Coys relative to any proposed rates or charges. "

2. The procedure for certification of statements of facilities provided by the TELVE Concessionary Coy in VENEZIA GIULIA is, so far as Signals units are concerned, the same as in the remainder of ITALY. Certified statements are however not forwarded to the Italian Ministry of War, but are dealt with in accordance with instructions issued by HQ AMG VENEZIA GIULIA.

3. In the event of the Armistice terms being superceded by a Civil Affairs Agreement with ITALY it is expected that telecommunications facilities provided by the Italian State and by the Concessionary Coys will be paid for, by the US with effect from 1 Jul 46, and by the British with effect from the date of signature of the Civil Affairs Agreement.

4. It is therefore necessary to differentiate between services rendered American units and those rendered British units.

5. Action addressees will therefore ensure forthwith

(a) that all military requisitioned circuits and facilities under direct control (including local telephone installations) are declared as either an American or British responsibility. This information must be passed to the civil agencies concerned.

(b) that all booking tickets in respect of all military calls booked with civil switchboards are endorsed as either British or American, depending on the originator.

6. Facilities in para 5 which are used by both Americans and British must be split - eg telephone installations in AMG offices will be considered as 50% British and 50% American, and if there are four circuits used by British and Americans between two switching centres two will be considered as British and two as American: it is emphasised that all facilities requisitioned by the Allied Forces must be classified as either American or British. Facilities allotted by AFHQ LLO R O.M.E or by the Italian UST are being classified as American or British under arrangements made by CSO AFHQ.

7. Officers concerned in the certification of statements will ensure that "disconnect" orders are passed to the civil agencies concerned whenever facilities cease to be required by the Allies.

8. It is not necessary for each statement produced by concessionary companies and agreed by the responsible Signal Officer concerned, to be signed by this Officer: it is sufficient for a covering certificate, listing all these agreed statements, to be signed and forwarded with the statements.

instructions issued by HQ AMG VERBIA GIGER

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[Signature]
Brigadier
Chief Signal Officer

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