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Date/Time Recd: JUNE 20/1945

Precedence: ROUTINE

FROM: AMB. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO: AMB. JAPAN

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RECEIVED.

AM JAPAN have stated a requirement of 1000 tons per day of rail
YPR-42
MILITARY-INDUSTRIAL. This appears excessive as understood applies to maintenance
only.

Request for obtain urgently. Details this tonnage and examine it may be
not easily to transport through TIENTSIN.

NOTE

ATTENTION: C/AC (2)

INFO: CHIEF COM-RESEARCH
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FILE (2)
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ACTION

Done for C/AC 2/4
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29 JUN 1945

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
 LPO 394
 Transportation Sub-Commission
 (Movements Division - Rail)

364/3

Tel: 478704

Ref: 334/41/Ta.3.

7th February, 1945.

SUBJECT: Rail Transportation.

TO : E.O. 15th Army Group,
 Civil Affairs Section.

1. Reference your DCIAG/3/1A dated 17th January, 1945, addressed to Economic Section this Headquarters.
2. It is confirmed the intention is that AMG Rear 8th Army rail transportation programme shall be met in full, and there is no objection to Agriculture Sub-Commission forwarding to this Sub-Commission a copy of release orders for controlled stores.
3. The general question of rail transportation for AMG Rear 8th Army was discussed in this Headquarters letter 361/2/Ta.3. dated 5th February, 1945, and it is again requested that should further difficulties be experienced a report be sent to this Headquarters immediately.

For the Chief Commissioner:

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[Signature]
 HERBERT S. TAYLOR,
 Director Transportation
 Sub-Commission.

Copy to:
 Economic Section.
 Agriculture Sub-Commission.
 AMG Rear 8th Army (your CA/211/19 Jan. 45).
 File 361/Ta.3.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 794
Transportation Sub-Commission
(Movements Division - Mail)

Tele : 2/27/45

5 February 1945

344/2/mb.3.

REMARKS : Mail Transportation - AMO 8 Army.

TO : 15 Army Group, CIVIL Affairs.

1. Reference AMO. Near 8 Army letter 02/21/45 dated 15 Jan. '45.
2. The present routine, as set out in para 1 of above quoted letter is clearly understood by all concerned and there is no desire that it should be modified in any way.
3. AMO. supplies, for delivery to forward railheads, have always been embodied in weekly loading programmes issued by this HQ., and this practice will continue.
4. Any extra sustained in AMO. sponsored traffic for forward movement do not affect AMO. supplies, which are included in 8 Army programmes. It is, however, the responsibility of the supplying sub-Commission to notify any inability.
5. Irregular deliveries in the past may have been caused by non-availability of commodity during movement period, traffic delays or shortage of rolling stock. Every effort is being made to speed-up the turnaround of rolling stock and to ensure the provision of empty wagons to cover all programmed loadings.
6. Should the situation not improve in near future, will you please forward a further report, when any particular instances cited will be handled with the sub-Commission concerned.

For the Chief Commissioner.

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[Signature]
Lt Col
WENDETT E. VAYLON
DIRECTOR
Transportation Sub-Commission

Copy to : AMO. Near 8 Army.

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Subject: Ball Transportation

and your eighth army.

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15 Jan 45.

HQ 13 Army of Civil Affairs (2 copies)

1. Attached at Appendix A is a schedule showing tonnage program into Army 13 by this HQ and the supplies actually delivered during the four weeks ended 14 Jan 45.

2. It will be observed that:

(a) Of 1359 tons for which bids were accepted, and confirmed, only 357 tons were received, the shortfall being 1002 tons;

(b) During the period 8-14 Jan 45 1000 tons cement and 34 tons beans were received in excess of the tonnage programmed for these commodities.

3. The facts at 2(b) above should be compared with the statement at para 3 of AC HQ letter 3402/ME of 10 Jan which says "200 tons (of cement) was dispatched between the 2nd & 7th Jan 45". The amount of cement programmed to arrive was

Period 1 - 7 Jan	50 tons
" 8 - 14 Jan	65 tons
TOTAL	115 tons

Thus in one week the Sub-Commission concerned shipped twice as much as they were supposed to deliver in two weeks.

4. It will be appreciated that there is little relation between the arrangements made in the forward areas to receive and clear supplies from Japan and the way in which rear echelons are forwarding them from the base. No request has been received at this HQ to alter the present routine, which has been in force for nearly a year and which is as follows:

(a) This HQ is advised of the supplies which are available or which are to be called forward.

(b) Each Monday a bid is made at the Eighth Army tonnage conference to bring certain quantities of supplies to specified HQs. These bids are for the period commencing two weeks later (i.e. on Jan 1 bids were entered for the period Jan 15-24)

(c) The breakdown of the accepted bid is made by this HQ and all essential details are sent, the same day, to your HQ by signal, copies going to all HQs responsible for forwarding the commodities required.

(d) Within 24 hrs a detailed programme is widely distributed to all interested authorities. This programme is in their hands 8 to 10 days before the beginning of the rail period it deals with.

(e) Emergency bids are occasionally placed and are dealt with in the same manner i.e. they are notified by signal and confirmed in writing. Usually such bids are placed at the request of the Forwarding Sub-Commission.

(f) This HQ receives by signal, and by detailed programme, a confirmation from higher authority that its bids have been incorporated in the HQ A.C. transportation programme, which are submitted to follow the P.O. M. routine.

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(a) of 1959 tons for which bids were accepted, and confirmed, only 357 tons were received, the shortfall being 1002 tons;

(b) during the period 2-14 Jan 62 tons cement and 24 tons lime were received in excess of the tonnage programmed for these commodities.

5. The facts at 2(b) above should be compared with the statement at para 3 of HQ letter 5-03/54 of 10 Jan which says "200 tons (of cement) was despatched between the 2nd & 7th Jan 62". The amount of cement programmed to arrive was

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period 1 - 7 Jan	50 tons
8 - 14 Jan	49 tons
TOTAL	99 tons

thus in one week the sub-commission concerned shipped twice as much as they were supposed to deliver in two weeks.

6. It will be appreciated that there is little relation between the arrangements made in the forward areas to receive and clear supplies from Bho and the way in which rear echelons are forwarding them from the base. No request has been received at this HQ to alter the present routine, which has been in force for nearly a year and which is as follows:

(a) This HQ is advised of the supplies which are available or which **5659** to be called forward.

(b) Each morning a bid is made at the Eighth Army tonnage conference to bring certain quantities of supplies to specified Bho. These bids are for the period commencing two weeks later (i.e. on Jan 1 bids were entered for the period Jan 15-21)

(c) The breakdown of the accepted bid is made by this HQ and all essential details are sent, the same day, to your HQ by signal, copies going to all HQ responsible for forwarding the commodities required.

(d) Within 48 hrs a detailed programme is widely distributed to all interested authorities. This must normally be in their hands 8 to 10 days before the beginning of the rail period it deals with.

(e) Emergency bids are occasionally placed and are dealt with in the same manner i.e. they are notified by signal and confirmed in writing. Usually such bids are placed at the request of the forwarding sub-commission.

(f) This HQ receives by signal, and by detailed programme, a confirmation from higher authority that the bids have been incorporated in the HQ A.C. programme programme, which are understood to follow the P.O.M. meetings.

5. The suggestion in para 5 of HQ A.C. letter 5-03/54 of 10 Jan, that this HQ expects "immediate" action to follow the placing of bids does not accord with the above facts. There is always a lapse of 10 or more days between the time the first signal is despatched and the time when the supplies should arrive.

6. No warning whatever is ever received in advance at this HQ that the rear echelons do not intend, or are unable, to comply with their part of the programme. Consequently value and personnel are frequently kept waiting at Bho at which no supplies arrive for an entire week. This wastage would be avoided if the forwarding HQ would merely send a signal.

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7. Again, get-qualifiers, appear to consider themselves free to ship any quantities of supplies they have available, and grossly in excess of programmed tonnage. Such overloading of gms. if continued, must inevitably cause difficulties between this branch & 'Q' Eighth Army.

8. Your assistance is requested in ensuring better coordination between this Hq and the rear echelon. Specifically the following points require consideration:

(a) If supplies are to be shipped from gms with no regard for this Hq's transportation program, there is no point in bids being entered at the Eighth Army voyage conferences.

(b) If the assistance and cooperation of a Eighth Army is to be ensured, rear echelon must make better efforts to comply with this Hq's transportation program and, when circumstances prevent them from doing so, must signal advice to that effect.

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Robert L. ...
Group Captain,
Officer Commanding,
8th Division.



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Comparison of tonnage programmed & tonnage received
at eighth Army railheads, for 8th Army during
4 weeks ended 11 Jan 45

Dissemination Program			Details				Program
PO	Period	Serial	Commodity	Place of origin	Destination		
36	18-24 Dec	3	Cement	Civitavecchia	Rh Giardin	✓	105
37	25-31 Dec	1	Cement	Civitavecchia	Rh Giardin	✓	105
37	25-31 Dec	3	Seed beans	Red Con AG Naples	Rh Caserta	✓	105
37	25-31 Dec	4	Fertilizer	Red Con AG Ternd	Rh Caserta	✓	315
38	1-7 Jan	4	Cement	Civitavecchia	Rh Giardin	✓	50
38	1-7 Jan	5	Fertilizer	Red Con AG Ternd	Rh Caserta	✓	315
39	8-14 Jan	1	Cement	Civitavecchia	Rh Giardin	✓	49
39	8-14 Jan	2	Fertilizer	Con AG Ternd	Rh Caserta	✓	315
-	1-7 Jan	-	Seed beans	Red Con AG Naples	Rh Caserta		all
-	8-14 Jan	-	Seed beans	" " " "	" " " "		all

TOTALS

CEMENT
Seed beans
Fertilizer

309
105
205

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Comparison of cargo programmed & cargo received
at eighth army railheads, for AME Eighth Army during
4 weeks ended 14 Jan 65

Details			Totals	
Commodity	Place of origin	Destination	Programmed	Received
Cement	Civitavecchia	Sh Rimini ✓	105 ✓	nil
Cement	Civitavecchia	Sh Rimini ✓	105 ✓	nil
Good beans	Red Oak AG Naples	Sh Caserta ✓	105 ✓	nil
Fertilizer	Red Oak AG Terzi	Sh Caserta ✓	315 ✓	nil
Cement	Civitavecchia	Sh Rimini ✓	50 ✓	nil
Fertilizer	Red Oak AG Terzi	Sh Caserta ✓	315 ✓	35.7%
Cement	Civitavecchia	Sh Rimini ✓	49 ✓	111
Fertilizer	Oak AG Terzi	Sh Caserta ✓	315 ✓	116.463
Good beans	Red Oak AG Naples	Sh Caserta	nil	34.128
Good beans	- - - -	- -	nil	69.783

CUMULATIVE
Good beans
Fertilizer

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111
93.911
152.439

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