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ESTABLISHMENT OF OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF HARBOR CRAFT

1. In order that maximum utilization can be made of all harbor craft and to coordinate their use, there is established effective 28 February 1944, as a staff section of this headquarters, the Office of Director of Harbor Craft - (DOHC).

2. The office of the Director of Harbor Craft will consist of the Director, the Deputy Director, and such clerical assistants as may be authorized by this headquarters

3. The Director of Harbor Craft will be an officer of the Royal Navy selected by the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, and appointed by this headquarters. The Deputy Director of Harbor Craft will be an officer of the United States Army selected by the Commanding General, NATOUSA, and appointed by this headquarters.

4. The duties of the Director of Harbor Craft are:

a. To study the ports and port operations within this theater in order to determine and keep abreast of the harbor craft requirements of each port.

b. To exercise general supervision over the repairs of damaged, seized, and captured harbor craft.

c. To exercise general supervision over the assembling of knockdown harbor craft.

d. To initiate action through the Commander-in-Chief, Mediterranean, for the development of local facilities for the construction of harbor craft.

e. To assemble and keep up to date pertinent records of all harbor craft within the theater and submit a monthly report to this headquarters on harbor craft which will include statements as to the number of each type of craft, their current location, and state of repair.

5. The Director of Harbor Craft will be responsible for coordinating:

a. All demands for harbor craft on Washington and London for present and future operations.

b. Allocation to areas and ports, and the necessary shipping arrangements.

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c. Operation in ports - pooling of craft and personnel if and when necessary.

d. Maintenance and repairs - particularly of available personnel and facilities.


6. For the purpose of this order, harbor craft shall be construed as consisting of: tugs, marine tractors, powered craft (other than landing craft), powered barges, dumb barges, floating cranes, and such other floating equipment as from time to time may be assigned for use in ports and harbors.

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