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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION AND SHIPPING SUB-COMMISSION JSB/ep

Ref: AC/23/65/Tn5

17 November 1945.

SUBJECT: Personal - Capt. J. S. Billinghamst. 112418

TO : G-1 (British).

1. In accordance with recent AGI the undersigned hereby makes application for his wife and male child, age six (6), to join him in Italy.
2. This officer's age release group was 15 but he has had his application for deferment to general demobilization accepted.


J. S. BILLINGHAMST
Captain, R.A.S.C.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

HEW/ep

SUBJECT: John S. Billingshurst, HQ, Allied Commission, C.M.F.
TO : Personnel Officer - UNRRA.

1. The above noted officer has been employed by the Transportation Sub-Commission, Roads Division for approximately 8 months. During this period he has proved to be adaptable and has always shown willingness to cooperate with his co-workers. Any task which has been put before him has always been accepted with the maximum of effect and the minimum of delay. *His experience in road work with this Sub-Commission should prove to be valuable.*

2. To the best of my knowledge he has never shown to be in possession of any abnormal habits nor has he ever uttered any statement which would tend to show that he has racial prejudices.

3. Due to the fact that Mr. G. Gross, Chief of Roads Division, Transportation Sub-Commission, AG, is at present absent on duty, the undersigned has undertaken to write this letter in his behalf.

GORDON S. FRANKLIN
Acting Chief,
Roads Division

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25 September 1945

Proposed officers to be left in Italian Government Territory.

NAPLES (7 Officers)

Major U.S. Howard (O)
Capt. T.H. Ramsey (A)

BARI (2 Officers)

Mr. B.P. Francis (A)
Lt. R.P. Lewis (B)

ROME (1 Officer)

Capt. S.O. Hall (A)

ANCONA (2 Officers)

Capt. E.P. Vaughan (B)
Lt. George C. Delmerico (A)

FLORENCE (1 Officer)

Warrent Officer W. Hill (A)

LEGHORN (1 Officer)

Lt. Gerd Leuter (A)

BOLIGNA (1 Officer)

Capt. J.G. Bodde (B) (new on list)
Capt. Paul E. Hannon (A)
Lt. J. J. Howell (A)

GENOA (2 Officers)

Capt. Calverese (A)
Capt. Lloyd Davies (B)

SAVOIA (1 Officer)

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Mr. S.F. France
Lt. R.E. Lewis

(A)
(B)

ROLE

(1 Officer)

Capt. S.C. Hall

(A)

ABCOMA

(2 Officers)

Capt. F.F. Vaughan
Lt. George U. Delmerloo

(B)
(A)

VIA MONCE

(1 Officer)

Warrent Officer W. Hill

(A)

EMERSON

(1 Officer)

Lt. Gurd Lester

(A)

BOLOMA

(1 Officer)

Capt. J.O. Dadds
Capt. Paul S. Hannon
Lt. J. Howell

(B) (now on list)
(B)
(A)

CHMOA

(2 Officers)

Capt. Calvance
Capt. Lloyd Davies

(A)
(B)

SAVONA

(1 Officer)

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EMERSON

(1 Officer)

Capt. Santina

(A)

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MILAN (2 Officers)

(Harris) Fitzgerald

Harris
Symone
Woodcock
Nunn

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of Udine

Y MONA (1 Officer)

Maj. Primrose ? or Capt. Coombe ? (1)

Y NICE (2 Officers)

Maj. Corby
Capt. Jones
(C)
(N)

UDINE (1 Officer)

Lt. Henley
(A) (Harris says no)

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

HMD/ep

SUBJECT: John S. Billinghamst, HQ., Allied Commission, C.M.F.

TO : Personnel Officer - UNRRA.

Reference your letter dated 18 September 1945, relative to John S. Billinghamst, HQ., Allied Commission, C.M.F.

1. The undersigned officer has known Captain Billinghamst for a period of approximately six (6) months. During this period he has always demonstrated his ability to cooperate with other people and to successfully accomplish any task put before him.

2. Captain Billinghamst ^{is in charge of} ~~has worked in~~ the Operations Branch, Roads Division, Transportation Sub-Commission, this Headquarters and ^{is} ~~has done~~ an exceptionally fine job.

3. As far as any abnormal habits and racial prejudices are concerned, the undersigned officer has not noted anything along these lines discriminating to Captain Billinghamst.

Harry M. Downer
HARRY M. DOWNER
Major, Infantry

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UNITED NATIONS
RELIEF AND REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION
ITALIAN MISSION

Ref. No.

18th September 1945

TO : MAJOR DOWNER
Allied Commission, Rome

John S. Billinghamst, HQ. Allied Commission, C.M.F.

The above named person, whose references we are checking in connection with employment with UNRRA, has given your name as a personal reference.

For your information, the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration is an international organization consisting of 44 Allied nations, formed to administer relief and rehabilitation to people in the liberated areas.

The personnel is selected on the basis of individual qualifications and without discrimination on the grounds of sex, race, nationality or creed, and works toward the goal of "helping people to help themselves."

In order to complete our records on this person, either as an applicant or as an employee, it would be appreciated if you would furnish us with a statement relative to the subject's ability and qualifications for employment. We are particularly interested in his willingness to cooperate and get along with people, his business and personal reputation, abnormal habits and racial prejudices or any information concerning his professional competence.

A proper consideration and evaluation of this person will depend upon reliable information made available to this Administration.

Your reply will be kept in strictest confidence.

Very truly yours,

J. S. Billinghamst
Personnel Officer

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
Roads Division

HMD/ep

Ref: AC/23/50/Tn5

13 September 1945.

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Promotion.

TO : Chief Administrative Officer,
Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. It is recommended that 1st Lt. Lionel E. Clark (O-1176577) be promoted to the rank of Captain. Lt. Clark has done an exceptionally fine job as Provincial Transportation Officer in the Abruzzi-Marche Region. He has had under his control 4 truck pools in 4 different locations - at one time being the only Allied Officer in command.

2. Lt. Clark was promoted to the rank of 1st Lt. on 7 December 1944, and has the required time in grade for promotion.

For the Director:

Gordon S. Franklin
GORDON S. FRANKLIN
Assistant Chief
Roads Division

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

INTER OFFICE MEMO

EXT :- 566

REF :- AC/23/39/Tm5

SUBJECT :- L.I.A.P.

TO :- G I. (B)

2 AUGUST 1945

Capt. J.S. BILLINGHURST, R.A.S.C., 112418

1. This officer has volunteered to remain in the Service until general demobilisation and has been accepted. His age/Service Group is 13, which is due for release this month.
2. He embarked for overseas service 26 June 1943. He is married and has two small children.
3. In view of the fact that he would normally be released this month and of G.R.O. 829/45 para 6 "leaves on Compassionate Grounds" it is urged that Captain Billinghamurst be granted L.I.A.P. at an early date.
4. He works with the writer, who is due for release in October, and it is felt it would be an operational advantage for him to return from L.I.A.P. before the writer is released.

For the DIRECTOR


G. FERNYNOUGH
Lt. Col. R.A.

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CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
Transportation Sub-Commission

INTER-OFFICE MEMO

Ref : AG/R/23/11.5

19 January 1945

SUBJECT : Release of Civil Affairs Officers

TO : G-1 (B)

Lt. Col. J. H. BORDASS R.A.S.C.
(107355)

1. Reference your G-1 (B)/AC/A dated 4 Nov. 44.
2. The following particulars are forwarded in respect of the above named, as requested in para 5 of your letter.
 - (a) W/S Major T/Lt. Col. J.H. Bordass R.A.S.C.
Commissioned (AMER) 22 Nov 39.
 - (b) 42 years of age (2 Jul. 03). Enlisted Nov. 1930.
 - (c) Yes.
 - (d) Provided appointment is an equitable one.


J.H. BORDASS
Lt. Col. RASC
Head Movement

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HISTORY SHEET

Surname	PEPPER	Christian Names	CHARLES ALBERT ALEXANDER	Rank	W/S Lieut. T STAFF Capt.	No.	14869
Place & Date of Birth		Medical Category	B PERM				
Nationality or Citizenship	Self BRITISH	Father BRITISH	Mother BRITISH				
Married or Single	SINGLE	If Married, Name of Wife					
Address							
Nationality or Citizenship							
Name M. C. L. PEPPER Relationship							
Address 4 Park Hill Rd., Father							
Croydon, Surrey.							
Highgate School							
and 100 Sandhurst.							
Education: Names of Schools or Colleges, General and professional, with dates of entering or leaving.							
State any distinctions attained.							
Civilian Experience							
State type of trade or profession with details of appointments or types of employment held; e.g. Manager, Director etc.							
Sales and Office Manager Standard Metals Ltd. 1930 - 1938.							
Include dates of beginning and leaving each position. Names of firms or companies need not be given unless they are well known.							
If Colonial Service, state appointment and dates of assumption and relinquishment.							
Books, articles or treaties written (if any).							

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Citizenship
Married or SINGLE
Single
If Married, Name of Wife
Address
Nationality or Citizenship
Name Mr. C. E. FRYER Relationship
Address 4 Park Hill Rd., Father
Croydon, Surrey.
Education: Names of Schools or Colleges, general and professional, with dates of entering or leaving.
State any distinctions attained.

Civilian Experience
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Books, articles or treatises written (if any).

Sheet 2

Military Service
 Particulars of any service in the ranks
 Date and type of Commission and appointments held.
 Details of foreign.
 In all cases dates should be given.
 e.g. Emergency, T.A. etc.
 Staff of Overseas Service Families' Office, Durban, under 203 Military Liaison Mission 7.3.41. Left South Africa 4.4.44.
 No service in ranks.
 1924/5. Reg. Comm.
 South Staff Reg. 1926. Business
 1930/8. Temp. Reg. Comm. 1930 2/9/39.
 C 1/c Transport Southern Area Sept-
 30. Embarked Foreign Service M.B.
 19/1/40 231 M.T. Coy. 2/2 MAC.
 Injured on duty 13/6/40.
 Invalided South Africa. Appointed
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Particulars of Staff or other appointments to be relinquished

Knowledge of Languages
 French
 Degree of Proficiency in
 Reading Writing Speaking Comprehension

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Date..... Signature.....

Note or remarks

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Particulars of Staff or other
appointments to be relinquished

Knowledge of Languages	Degree of Proficiency in
French	Reading Writing Speaking Comprehension

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Date..... Signature.....

Note or remarks

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R/23 /bm
27 December 1944

From : Hq. AC. Transportation Sub-Comm.
TO : Commanding Officer, 2675th Regt. AC (OVHD).

1. Major George B. SOWERS, SR., O-517393 has been on duty with this Sub-Commission since 21 July, 1944. During this time he has been Regional Transportation Officer, Toscana Region, and has performed his duties in a superior manner.
2. His performance has been marked by a high degree of initiative and zeal and he has handled all assignments in a manner above reproach.
3. Major Sowers has been in his present grade for a period of twenty (20) months and his promotion to the grade of Lt. Colonel is richly deserved.

For the Director :

JAMES J. CARNES,
Colonel, Inf.,
Chief, Roads Division.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEGNA REGION

CONFIDENTIAL

18th December 1944.

REF : JACP/DO/133

FROM : Colonel J.A.C. PENNYCUICK, Regional Commissioner.

Dear Jones,

This is really an S.O.S. My only Transportation Officer, Captain Newby, has developed an illness requiring hospital treatment which cannot, unfortunately, be given in SARDINIA.

This has happened at an unfortunate moment as we are trying to get the transport control known as "ENAO" formed and also have the railways on our hands. Our road transport is giving us a good deal of anxiety and lacks organisation.

To take Capt. NEWBY's place I have had sent to me a young officer named R. CACCIATORE (O-1822669) who is not a Transportation Officer and really knows nothing about transportation or even transport. He has no knowledge of mechanical repairs. He arrived yesterday and is obviously not contented with the job as he immediately asked me for leave to return back to ROME where, it appears, there is an Italian girl to whom he is engaged to be married.

We are an active Region trying to keep our part of Italy quiet and contented but one experienced Transportation Officer is quite essential on this small staff and I do not think it can be an unreasonable requirement. This officer sent over, in fairness to himself, is unlikely to be able to tackle the job and I have put up officially for another officer to be sent in his place. I would ask you to do all you can to send over a suitable officer.

We are prepared to work with a very small staff, particularly if the Regions in Northern Italy go into action, but the very small staff must necessarily be composed of reasonably suitable officers.

Your sincerely

J.A.C. PENNYCUICK

Lieutenant Colonel J.L. JONES
Executive Officer (B)
Headquarters, Allied Commission.

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CONFIDENTIAL

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED COMMISSION
SARDEÑA REGION

18 December 1944

REFERENCES: HQ/1008

SUBJECT: Transportation

TO: Headquarters, Allied Commission.

1. With reference to Special Order No. 316 dated 13 Dec 44, Para. 30, Lieutenant R. CACCIATORE (O-1622669) has now reported for duty. This Officer, however, is not qualified to take over the duties of Regional Transportation Officer. Low being performed by Captain HENRY.
2. Captain HENRY is the only Transportation Officer and carries out the following duties:-

(a) Regional Transportation. He is in charge of all transportation questions on the island and at the present moment the position is difficult and unsatisfactory as the Italian authorities have shown reluctance in forming their transportation control organisation known as EMAC. Captain HENRY has also to take charge of questions dealing with Sardinian railways and he checks demands for oil fuels and supervises such questions as demands for fuel and tyres etc.

(b) As Transport Officer of the Region he organises the Regional Transport and deals with quite complicated questions of transport for numerous visitors and also organises all repairs. There is no R.E.M.E. service in SARDINIA.

(c) Captain HENRY is the Camp Commandant in charge of the British personnel and administration and also has to deal with accommodation questions not only concerning Allied Commission but Garrison questions.

3. Lieut. CACCIATORE, who is a young Officer 27 years old, informs me that he has no specialist knowledge of transportation and the organisation of transportation questions. It appears that he has been working with a Truck Company of the 5th Army, hauling civilian supplies. He has no knowledge of mechanical ~~repairs~~ repairs to cars and heavy vehicles.

4. The transportation situation in this active Region is at a difficult stage at the moment and the only transportation Officer in the Region must have experience. It is urgent that Captain HENRY should go to hospital for treatment which cannot be given in SARDINIA and I request the designation of an Officer to take his place who is capable of dealing with the work now in hand.

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J. A. G. PENNYQUICK,
Colonel,
Regional Commissioner.

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Dec. 16, 1944

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, authority for administering oaths in cases of this character, one Capt. C.W.A. Pepper 3.A.S.C. 34869, Headquarters A.C. who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says:

On December 1, 1944 at approximately 1600 hrs., I was driving my civilian requisitioned car, First 1100, Headquarters No. 201, RAC No. 6611 from Florence to Rome on Route 2. In the car with me were Lt. Col. Oleszewski, Commanding Officer of the 1st Truck Bn. and Major Marmon, and in command; we had been in Florence on official duties.

About 15 miles south of Florence we struck a very dangerous piece of road in that it was very muddy, wet and slippery. Visibility, however, was clear. On the left hand side of the road was a stationary civilian vehicle. As I approached the stationary vehicle I observed travelling towards me two weapon-carriers, one behind the other. Despite the fact that my vehicle had right of way, I stopped on the right-hand side of the road, since I realized that any sudden application of the brakes of the on-coming weapons-carrier would inevitably result in a severe skid. The first weapons-carrier pulled out to pass the stationary vehicle, saw my vehicle, pulled in again past the stationary vehicle, and proceeded on its way.

The driver of the second weapons-carrier which, in my opinion, was travelling rather fast, then was safe on such a road, pulled out to pass the stationary vehicle, saw my vehicle, endeavored to pull in again after passing the stationary vehicle, realized he could not make it, applied his brakes, and front-wheel skidded into the left hand side of the front of my vehicle, badly smashing the bumper, the left front fender, and the left headlamp. No damage whatever was done to the weapons-carrier and no one was in any way injured.

I was not under the influence of liquor or drugs and I was not tired. I was fully alert and considered that in no way could I have avoided the accident.

W.A. PEPPER
Capt. 3.A.S.C.

On December 1, 1944 at approximately 1600 hrs., I was driving my civilian requisitioned car, Fiat 1100, Headquarters No. 201, RAAC No. 6641 from Florence to Rome on Route 2. In the car with me were Lt. Col. Oliszewski, Commanding Officer of the 1st Truck Bn. and Major Marmion, and in command; we had been in Florence on official duties.

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C. W. A. FARRER,
Capt. R.A.S.C.
H.Q. A.C.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this _____ day of _____ 44

OLIVER C. JESSUP
Capt. C.M.P.

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HEADQUARTERS
PISTOIA PROVINCE
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT

Ref : PP/102/1
SUBJECT: Advancement British Officer

Date: 14 Dec 1944.

TO : DIRECTOR OF
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
(Thru: HQ ALG 5th ARMY)

1. Having observed the work of the undernoted officer while on duty with my Hdqtrs during the months of November and December - I am of the opinion that he is deserving of promotion in rank. The information is as follows:-

- a. Sub or War Sub Rank - WS/Lt
- b. Temporary Rank - Capt (9 Oct 43)
- c. Full Name - John Fleming Duckworth HALSTEAD
- d. Personal No. - 173626
- e. Age - 39
- f. Present appointment - Organizing Civilian Transport Province of Pistoia
- g. Rank for which recommended - Major

2. He has demonstrated to my satisfaction that he is thoroughly competent in the assignment given him - viz - the organization of the Ufficio Autotrasporti in the Province of Pistoia.
3. He undertook the duty under very difficult circumstances and brought his efforts to a success.

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William E. McBrathley
WILLIAM E. McBRATHLEY, Major
Provincial Commissioner

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William E. McRatney
WILLIAM E. MCRATNEY, Major
Provincial Commissioner
Province of Pistoia

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No action at present.
James G. Lane
Col. Prof.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
A P O 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

27 Nov. 1944

AC/TN/R/23

SUBJECT: Release of Civil Affaires Officers.

TO : G-1 (B).

LIEUT. K.F. VAUGHAN - MANCHESTER REGT. 176375.

Reference your G-1(B)/40/A dated 4 Nov. 44.

Following particulars are forwarded in respect of the above-named, as requested in para 5 of your letter:-

- A LIEUT. K.F. VAUGHAN, MANCHESTER REGT.
- B 26 YEARS OF AGE
- C YES
- D NIL

K.F. Vaughan
K.F. VAUGHAN
LIEUT.

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
APO 394
TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

27 Nov 1944

AC/TN/R/23

SUBJECT: Release of Civil Affairs Officers.

TO : G-1 (B).

SUB. E.Y. EDWARDS A.T.S. 297938

Reference your G-1 (B)/40/A dated 4 Nov 1944.

Following particulars are forwarded in respect of the above named, as requested in para 5 of your letter:-

- A SUB. E.Y. EDWARDS, A.T.S.
- B 28 YEARS OF AGE - ENLISTED 1939.
- C YES
- D PROVIDED FAMILY CONDITIONS AT HOME ARE THE SAME AS AT PRESENT.

[Signature]
D. S. ADAMS
Colonel, C.E.,
Director, Tptn. S/C.

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M. A.F. B194 D

SPECIAL CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

(For use during the War Period in recommending advancement of Staff Officers, Commanders (Brigadiers) and Regimental Officers (Lieutenant-Colonels and Majors, substantive and temporary).)

Rank SUBALTERN Name E. Y. EDWARDS Unit or Formation A.T.S.
 Age 28 Medical Category AWI

Period covered by this report. From 12th Oct 1944 To 28th Nov 1944

1. How is ~~he~~ ^{she} now employed? Personal assistant to Executive Officer Roads Section.
2. Briefly summarise ~~his~~ ^{her} personality, characteristics, technical and military qualities

During the time Sub. Edwards has been in this Section, she has shown herself to be an excellent worker. She has a keen brain, is not lacking a sense of humour and is thoroughly reliable. A first rate officer.

(A) STAFF OFFICERS.

3. Is ~~he~~ ^{she} recommended for advancement on the Staff? Yes.
4. Is he recommended for employment in command of troops?
 If so, in what capacity? _____

(B) COMMANDERS AND REGIMENTAL OFFICERS.

5. Is he recommended for advancement in command of troops (if not recommended state reason)

6. Is ~~he~~ ^{she} recommended for Staff employment? Yes.
 If so, in what capacity? Any form of Administration.

Signature of Reporting Officer.

Station Transportation Sub. Comm. (Roads Section).
 Date 28.11.44.

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P.T.O.

HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

Shaw unofficially
to
Maj. Barnish
(Mr.)
Re: Please see last report
No action to date
ngd

AC/TN/R/27

Nov. 20, 1944

SUBJECT : 1004 G.T. Coy (Italian).

TO : Col. Adams, Director Transportation Sub-Comm.

1. Major Eardley, who is in charge of the grain movement in Maccratta area, came to see me yesterday and he stated that 1004 G.T. Coy was not working very satisfactorily.

2. He informed me that instructions given to the Commanding Officer of this Coy were never carried out in a prompt and reliable manner.

3. Although this Coy should have 120 load carriers and in fact they have 142 load carriers ~~in~~ this latter number includes their own domestic transport, Major Eardley was informed by the C.O. of the Company that the availability for next week would only be 90 load carriers. It is appreciated that these vehicles are probably Class III and IV, but having regard to the fact that the Company has but recently been allocated to us, the figure 90 would appear to be an abnormally low one. Class I

4. Major Eardley gave me the impression that, although he was somewhat loath to definitely say that the C.O. of the Coy was not capable of handling his unit, that is the case. I can fully understand that to run a unit operated by Italian Military personnel requires an officer of considerable character.

2 Nov
Lt. Col. Hunt (R. Hunt)
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SIT for corrective action

J. H. BORDERS
Lt. Col. R.A.S.C.
Operations.

1004 G.T. Coy

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HEADQUARTERS ALLIED COMMISSION

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APO 394

TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION

9 Nov. 1944.

Tel: 478903

AC/TE/R/23

TO : G-1 (B).

SUBJECT: Revision of A.F's B. 199A.

1. Reference your G-1B/16120/888/O, dated 2 Nov. '44.

2. The following particulars, as requested, are submitted by the undersigned:-

Para: 2.(d)

RASC Training Centre, Ismailia, March/April, 1940. Passed.

Para: 2.(e)

Slight knowledge of French. Have recently spent three years in South Africa and have travelled India and the Far East.

Para: 2.(g)

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This meant considerable organizing ability, as well as tact, sympathy and understanding, but, in light of future employment, I wish the organizing side to take precedence since my present position is one of organization and administration.

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Para: 2(g)

10 January, 1940.

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September, 1939. Temporary Regular.

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C.W.A. . PEPPER,

Capt. W.A.C.

Transportation Sub-Comm.

Section.

by the undersigned:

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE COMPIATION OR REVISION OF A.F.B499A

(to be read in conjunction with pamphlet A.F.B499B/14)

TO ALL OFFICERS

ALL officers, on being commissioned, complete A.F.B499A (Officer's Record of Service) in duplicate. It may not be generally known to what purpose these forms are put once they are completed. The object of these notes is to tell officers what this purpose is, and to assist them in the compilation by indicating, in a general way what information is required.

As to the purpose to which these forms are put. One copy goes direct to the respective personnel branches at the War Office, and from Part 11 Orders issued in this Theatre of War, a complete chronological history of the officer's movements, is compiled.

Army Form B499A was originally intended and designed for the Regular Army and later applied to the Territorial Army in peace time. Consequently it falls short of requirements under present conditions in some aspects, and it is for this reason that officers are being asked to go into additional detail when compiling the Form.

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The following noted are intended as a guide to the officer making out his A.F.B499A for the first time, or revising it at the request of GHQ 2nd Echelon.

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Paras 1, 2 & 3. ALL names and addresses should be written in BLOCK caps. Mistakes in an address due to bad or indifferent handwriting can have the most serious consequences. This may occur, for example, when this HQ has any communication with an officer's Next of Kin.

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Para 6a.....

- Para 6a. Language Qualification - Degree of proficiency in languages, i.e., speaking, reading and writing, and whether of intermediate standard, is of greater importance than the mere fact that an officer claims to speak a language.
- Para 6b. Knowledge of Foreign Countries - It is of primary importance that an officer should record not only the extent to which he has travelled in a foreign country, but also the part of the country and the circumstances of such visit, that is to say, whether it was a business or a holiday visit. If the visit was connected with business, it is of interest to know what his business interests were. That local knowledge was gained of a particular country or countries should be recorded.
- Para 6c. Business Qualifications - For officers to compete justly to themselves in answering this question. Any experience attained by an officer prior to his enlistment should be recorded in detail. For example, it is not sufficient for a professional accountant to state merely "accountant". It is required to know whether "partner", "owner", or "Municipal Accountant" and whether he is employed or whether he is practising on his own account. In the latter, the number of years of such practice must be stated.
- Para 6d. An officer may have changed his employment and yet still retain a business qualification from his former employment. The fact should certainly be recorded, and an indication given as to the interval which has lapsed between the change of employment and date of his joining the Army.
- Para 6e. Special Knowledge or Experience not included in Paras (a) to (c) - This is the one question which few officers answer satisfactorily. It should include any information which is apparently irrelevant at the time, might, under certain circumstances be of value as regards the posting or placing of an officer. No restriction is placed on the facts which may be included under this heading. An officer's interests, hobbies, pastimes, however seemingly unimportant, should be stated. The fact that he has captained his XI or XV at school or university, that he has formed a Dance Band, as a Church Organist, has interested himself in his home town Debating Society, to mention just a few interests, are of the utmost importance, because they help to give a more or less reliable pen picture of an officer.
- Para 6f. Any knowledge of local town, or Rural Governmental information is worth recording, as such experience might prove of use in many employments in the Army.

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

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Tele: 774031

21 October 1944

ACC Tn/451.928

SUBJECT : Memorandum.

TO : Col. J.J. CARNES - Roads Division - Transportation
Sub-Commission - Headquarters Allied Control Commission.

1. You may recall that on 7 October 1944 you paid a visit to the Pirelli Plant at Via Assisi 41.
2. Before announcing your arrival to my office, you made a tour of inspection of the operating plant under REME supervision and warehouse under our control. Your statement to me at that time was approximately as follows "I am not at all satisfied with the way this tire business is being run and I will give you two weeks to clear it up - - everyone's neck is going to be out and before mine is chopped off, yours will be". Without constructive criticism or any statement clarifying the reason for your dissatisfaction you left, declaring that you would continue to support my efforts here.

3. On 13 October 1944 I submitted a request for written directive from you covering activities of this section. To date I have received no reply. On 16 October 1944 I was informed by Capt. Bullock that you had called him into your office and instructed him to "take over" the tire section and authorizing him to so inform me. I am still in doubt as to whether this most unethical method of procedure should be attributed to ignorance or pusillanimity. However no action was taken on this "out of channels" and verbal relay of information.

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5. On 9 October 1944 I sent a memorandum of protest to Mr. A.G. Antolini on my activities here which has been followed up by cable (13 October 1944) to Washington requesting permission for my resignation of present post and transfer to China Mission for Transportation duties.

6. In view of above facts, in particular your arbitrary cancellation of two weeks extension, it appears to me unnecessary to submit further reports over my signature to your office.



CHARLIE RYAN
Transportation Sub-Commission
Headquarters
Allied Control Commission

Copies to : Mr. A.G. Antolini
Commodore Stone
Capt. Bullock
File 451.928

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
ATO 394

Tele: 774031

13 October 1944

ACC En/451.925

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TO: Transportation Sub-Commission (Attn. Col. J.J. CARNES).

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- (a) Who determines priority of needs aside from the established No 1 ACC vehicles and No 2 Essential Civilian needs? Does recommendation from any source affect priority?
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- (d) In view of our ineffectual requisitioning on AFHQ, if supplies are available from other sources can we purchase and is there a limitation on source? In line with this can we pay for supplies that are used for immediate ACC repair work (such as carbide used in welding broken moulds) and can we purchase machinery for resale to Pirelli when ACC production ceases and Pirelli again assumes conventional transportation?

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- (e) Can we have a report from C.I.C. or C.I.D. or any other investigation agency of which you approve either certifying or scotching the rumor that there exists in Rome area another tire repair plant capable of meeting ACC requirements or susceptible of operation to ACC benefit.

- (f) May I have confirmation of your statement made several weeks ago that the accountant staff would remain unchanged until such time as I considered the pressing need no longer existed? It might be well to note here that Mr. Maurino is about to resume his former position and will be able to devote only his afternoons to work for ACC. Can his services be solicited on part time basis and what salary adjustment is necessary?
- (g) Records on our acquisition of 1100 x 20 "desert float" type tires are not available. Records of this office go back only to the inventory made up by Super Garage (Capt. Volstead's time) and I am advised by Capt. Wiley (present O in C of Garage) that his files contain no record of receipt. These are useless for civilian transport or any ACC vehicles and are used only on 2 1/2 Ton Amphibian DUKW. How and to whom can we dispose of them?
- (h) We have on hand in our warehouse at Via Asisi a number of civilian tires (carried on our running inventory) that can not be repaired or salvaged. What measures shall we take to condemn and/or scrap these?
- (i) When tires are issued and vehicle serviced has tires that may be retreaded, can we make allowance in sale price? What adjustment should be made when tire is issued against shipping ticket?

2. Any other features of the operation here which you may feel also require clarification we should appreciate your listing with attendant comments, and assure you of our consideration of them. We should appreciate early reply on these questions since at present confusion exists specifically on the changes which you institute have been or are to become effective. This memorandum is written with only one purpose: to clarify the activities of this section. Heretofore we have been advised of changes of policy verbally and it seems that this section is under criticism for the vacillating policy that has resulted. We shall both be in a better position if we have it on a standard operating procedure.

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Sincerely

CHARLIE RYAN
H.Q. ACC. Transportation Sub-Commission

HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission
APO 394

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To : Col. J. J. CARNES
Subj. : 0391185. Capt. THOMAS W. HAWKSWORTH. TD.
Date : September 29th, 1944.

- 1) The above officer was placed on TD at this H.Q. for 45 days and reported here on 1 SEP.44. His tour of duty here is therefore due to finish on 15 OCT.44.
- 2) This officer has done most excellent work here in charge of the workshop and has proved invaluable as an assistant whom I can trust both to carry out instructions and to act on his own initiative. He is easily the best officer I have had since I joined the Transportation Sub-Commission.
- 3) He is working with nothing but Italians under him and he is on the best of terms with the heads of the various sections and through them controls over 90 Italians workmen. It is most important that the workshop officer should be permanent as changes are likely to cause trouble and it is not every officer who can get on with Italian workers.
- 4) I therefore very strongly request that his temporary duty be made permanent and that he be posted to H.Q. 2675 Regt. A.C.C. Meanwhile, pending a decision, may immediate application be made for a second period of TD for 45 days with effect from 15 OCT.44.



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Capt. R.A.

Supply Officer (Roads)

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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
Transportation Sub-Commission

APO 394

Tel. 378

Our reference: ACC.Tn/R/Conf.

Date 19 August 1944

SUBJECT: Letters of Commendation.

TO : Major George B. Sowers.

1. Reference your note enclosing letters of Commendation from Generals Johnson and Hume.
2. I have to inform you that G - 1 (American) has been requested to place these letters in your personal file for record purposes.
3. Your advancement will be considered on the first possible occasion though, in accordance with regulations, no information can be afforded you ~~as~~ on this subject.

JAMES J. CARNES

Colonel Inf.

Tn. Sub-Comm.

Director, ~~and~~ Section.

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LIST OF OFFICERS (ROADS SECTION) TRANSPORTATION SUB-COMMISSION
SHOWING DATE OF LAST PROMOTION

11 August 1944

NAME	A or B	RANK	DATE OF PROMOTION	TIME IN PRESENT RANK
GILES <i>Regiment</i>	B.	MAJ.	August 1940	4 years ✓
HARRIS	A.	"	11. 7. 42	2 1/12 years ✓
SOWERS	A.	"	11. 5. 43	1 3/12 "
DOWNER <i>Regiment</i>	A.	CAPT.	24. 4. 43	1 4/12 "
HAY	B.	"	2. 11. 39	4 9/12 "✓
HALSTEAD	B.	"	9. 10. 43	10/12 "
Mc CARTY	A.	"	20. 10. 42	1 10/12 "✓
MONYPENNY	B.	"	7. 4. 42	2 4/12 "✓
PEPPER	B.	"	25. 7. 41	3 1/12 "✓
RICHARDSON	A.	"	8. 9. 43	11/12 "
ROBERTS	A.	"	10. 6. 42	2 2/12 "
SANTINI	A.	"	23. 3. 44	5/12 "
SAUNDERS	A.	"	21. 8. 41	3 "✓
WALKER <i>Regiment</i>	A.	"	Recent assignment	No records
JESSUP	A.	"	27. 4. 44	4/12 years
ASH	A.	1st LIEUT	7. 6. 44	2/12 "
BISSEY	A.	" "	28. 1. 43	1 7/12 "
CACCETORI	A.	" "	10. 1. 44	7/12 "
+ CALVANESE	A.	" "	3. 7. 43	3 1/2 "✓
HOUSTON	A.	" "	27. 4. 44	4/12 "
MOLFETTO	A.	" "	7. 7. 44	1/12 "
SCOTT	A.	" "	5. 10. 42	1 10/12 "
VERBURG	A.	" "	3. 3. 43	1 5/12 "
FREIDMAN	A.	2nd "	26. 2. 43	1 6/12 "✓
GILLESPIE	A.	" "	30. 11. 42	1 9/12 "✓
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ROME ALLIED AREA COMMAND
A.P.O. 794, U.S. ARMY

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7 August 1944

Subject: Commendation.

Through: The Regional Commissioner, Rome Region, Allied
Military Government, A.P.O. 394, U.S. Army.

TO : Major George B. Sowers, O-517393, Headquarters,
Rome Region, Allied Military Government, A.P.O.
394, U.S. Army.

1. . The excellent manner in which you performed your
duties as Transportation Officer in charge of the two Italian
truck companies has been brought to my attention.

2. Your splendid ability and untiring efforts have
contributed greatly to the successful accomplishment of the
mission assigned the Allied Forces in the City of Rome.

3. I desire to commend you for the devotion to duty
which you have displayed while under my observation.

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/t/ HARRY H. JOHNSON
Major General, U.S. Army,
Commanding.

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25 July 1944

TO: Executive Commissioner R.C. & M.G. Section A.C.C.
APO 394, Attention Director, Transportation Sub-Commission.

1. The recommendation for promotion of this officer was submitted to A.C.C. Hq. on 9 June 1944.
2. This recommendation was made six days after the officer became eligible for promotion, under existing rules and regulations.
3. It is believed that this officer had no just cause for complaint either because of this assignment or because of the time within which his recommendation was submitted.
4. The officer has rendered excellent service in his present capacity.

For the Regional Commissioner



William R. Jordan
WILLIAM R. JORDAN
Colonel C.A.C.
Regional Executive Officer.

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Officer's History Sheet.

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HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FIFTH ARMY
APO 464

15 June 1944.

SUBJECT: Commendation

TO : Major George E. Sowers, Head of Transportation Section,
Allied Military Government, Rome

1. Having ascertained from official records that you possess special qualifications based on training and experience whereby you were capable of aiding in the drawing up of plans for the Government of Rome by the Allies, I requested your services and you were ordered to my staff.

2. The period of planning was a long one and involved advance thought on many phases of a problem at once complex and extensive. You did not fail in any of the duties entrusted to you during the planning period. When finally on June the 5th, 1944, Rome was captured, you at once put these plans into effect with such success that the Army Commander himself expressed pleasure at your work.

3. You are commended for your efficiency of performance and a copy of this commendation is being forwarded for inclusion in your official records in the office of the Adjutant General, War Dept. Washington, D.C. Another copy will be filed with the history of the Fifth Army. A copy of the printed report of the Allied Military Government of Rome under the Fifth Army is forwarded you herewith.

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BRIGADIER GENERAL, GSC
Senior Civil Affairs Officer

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