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0-1322769

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NO. 17903 DATE 1/28/78

FROM: ARCHIVES/RECORDS CENTER

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INFORMATION

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C E R T I F I C A T E

*again*

DATE June 10 19 44

I certify that Conein Lucien E. C-1322769 1st. Lt.  
(last name) (first) (middle initial) (ASN & Rank)

has been subsisted in a Government mess from 12 Feb 44 through 31 May 44  
(date) (date)

and owes the U.S. Government 200 meals  
(number)

@ \$.25 per meal.

*Lucien E. Conein, 1st Lt.*

Contents UNCLASSIFIED  
Date 25 June 1977

SUBJECT TO REIMBURSEMENT BY THE OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL,  
 Standard Form No. 2012b - Revised  
 FORM APPROVED BY  
 COMPTROLLER GENERAL U.S.  
 July 19, 1937 (AMENDED AUG. 27, 1941)  
 General Regulations No. 83

**VOUCHER FOR PER DIEM AND/OR REIMBURSEMENT  
 OF EXPENSES INCIDENT TO OFFICIAL TRAVEL**

D. O. Vou. No. 731  
 Bureau No. \_\_\_\_\_

(Statement of account must be completely filled in by payee prior to signature, and there must not be any erasures or alterations unless initialed or signed by him)

General Accounting Office  
**PREAUDIT**  
 Certified for payment in the  
 sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF  
 THE UNITED STATES  
 By \_\_\_\_\_

U. S. \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Department, bureau, or establishment)  
**THE UNITED STATES, Dr., To** \_\_\_\_\_  
2577th Post Co  
**Condon, 1st Lt., Inf.** 1322768  
**Official Headquarters** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Domicile \_\_\_\_\_ P.O. 512  
 Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
 (For use of Postal Service only)

PAID BY  
 P. A. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Capt. A. D.  
 S 211-072  
 JML  
 (For use of Paying Office)

FOR PER DIEM in lieu of subsistence, mileage for privately owned motor vehicle, and/or REIMBURSEMENT  
 of travel and other expenses paid by me in the discharge of official duty from \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
 to 28 June 1944, as per itemized statement within, under authority No. 27-0-1322768 dated 25 June  
1944, copy of which is attached,\* or has been previously furnished with voucher No. \_\_\_\_\_, paid \_\_\_\_\_  
 19\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of disbursing officer)

AMOUNT	
DOLLARS	CENTS
10	50

heretby certify  
~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

(Payee will NOT use this space)  
 Differences \_\_\_\_\_  
 Account verified correct for \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature or Initials)

LUCIEN E. CONDON  
 1st Lt., Inf.

The certifying on this voucher herein  
 are hereby made a part of this statement

**MEMORANDUM**

ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION (For completion by administrative officer)

APPROPRIATION LEGITIMON OR PROJECT SYMBOL	APPROPRIATION TITLE	LEGITIMATION OR PROJECT		APPROPRIATION	
		AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT	AMOUNT
<u>212/50425</u>	<u>FSA 1942-S</u> <u>61-301 F 432-02</u>	\$	\$	\$	\$ <u>10.50</u>

ALLOTMENT SYMBOL	AMOUNT	ENCUMBRANCE LIQUIDATED	COST ACCOUNT		OBJECT OF EXPENDITURE	
			Symbol	Amount	Symbol	Amount
	\$			\$		\$

Paid by { Check No. \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ } on Treasurer of the United States  
 { Cash, \$10.50, on \_\_\_\_\_ } in favor of payee named above.  
 Contents UNCLASSIFIED SIGN ORIGINAL ONLY  
 (Signature of payee)

\*If there was no prior authority state circumstances and date and routing slip if not practicable.  
 Date 5/35

**ITEMIZED SCHEDULE OF TRAVEL AND OTHER EXPENSES**

1. Date and hour of departure from official headquarters \_\_\_\_\_ (Date) \_\_\_\_\_ (Hour)
2. Give duty status on first day of voucher period:  
 \*Arrived at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_,  
 for temporary duty for approximate period \_\_\_\_\_  
 Approximate date of return to official headquarters 7.00, 19\_\_\_\_
3. †State authorized per diem in lieu of subsistence, \$ \_\_\_\_\_
4. †State authorized allowance for actual subsistence expenses: Not to exceed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per day.
5. Where for traveler's personal convenience or through the taking of leave there is interruption of travel, deviation from the direct route, or where traveler delays at a place other than post of duty, a statement showing the facts should appear on the voucher.

\*If authority provides for travel to more than one point, time of arrival and departure from each should be stated in the body of the account in chronological order.  
 †If more than one rate of allowance is authorized, full statement of application of each rate must be given in some convenient place on this voucher.

Date	CHARACTER OF EXPENDITURE (To be itemized by the day and fully explained)	SUB- VOU. NO.	AMOUNT		NOTATIONS  (Payee must not use this column)
			Subsistence	Other	
27	Departed Sta 'A' 1030 hrs.				
28	Arrived Sta 'B' 1600 hrs.				
	1 1/2 Days @ \$7.00 per day \$10.50				
<p>I certify that by secret or confidential orders the travel of Lucien E. Conein, 1st Lt., Inf., O-1322768, was ordered in the military service for which travel allowances on this voucher are claimed; that the travel so ordered was performed; and where per diem is involved the date and time of departure and arrival are as stated thereon; that no Government quarters or rations were furnished except as stated above.</p> <p>I have shown or mailed to the paying disbursing or agent officer a copy of the secret or confidential orders which are the basis of this voucher before payment.</p> <p>I certify that the above statement relative to departure and return is just and true in all respects; that steps were necessary for the reasons stated; that no Government quarters or rations were furnished except as stated above; that the time required for the journey was the minimum necessary; and that in all cases flight was resumed as soon as practicable.</p>					
<p>DISBURSED BY _____</p> <p>CHIEF OF BUREAU _____</p> <p>INVESTIGATED BY _____</p> <p>DATE _____</p>					

**RECEIVED**  
10 JUL 1944

201 Conlin, Lt.

OFFICER'S STATEMENT OF SERVICE FOR LONGEVITY PAY

(In accordance with Changes 1, AR 35-1360, Sept. 13, 1943 and/or changes 2, AR 35-3420, Sept. 13, 1943)

Statement of service in connection with increased pay for length of service, upon filing with initial pay and allowance account and any succeeding vouchers claiming additional increased longevity credits a signed certificate as follows:

27 July 1944  
(date)

I, LUCIEN E. CONLIN, 1st Lt., O-1331789, AUS  
(name) (grade) (serial no.) (RA, NG, OCS, AUS)

hereby certify that I have held a commission; appointment as commissioned warrant officer, warrant officer, flight officer, or army field clerk; or have been enlisted as a member of the respective service(s) shown below for the inclusive periods indicated. I further certify that all National Guard service claimed hereon was Federally recognized; that it was not in the Inactive National Guard; that all Officers' Training Camp service was in the capacity of an enlisted man and that all initial appointments are shown from the date of acceptance.

Component or Service		From	To
<u>NG US</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>12 Oct 1938</u>	<u>12 Oct 1938</u>
<u>NG US</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>13 Oct 1938</u>	<u>3 Jan 1940</u>
<u>AUS</u>	<u>Enlisted</u>	<u>23 Sept 1941</u>	<u>25 July 1943</u>
	<u>Warrant Officer</u>		
<u>2nd Lt AUS</u>	<u>Commissioned</u>	<u>26 July 1943</u>	<u>1 Apr 1944</u>
<u>1st Lt AUS</u>	<u>Commissioned</u>	<u>1 Apr 1944</u>	<u>Date</u>
	<u>Commissioned</u>		

Time lost under A.V. 107 None

(signature)  
LUCIEN E. CONLIN, 1st Lt Inf AUS

(grade and organization)

Contents UNCLASSIFIED

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- 1. CONERN LUCIEN E O-1322769 1STLT  
(Last Name First Name Initial) (Grade) (OSG No)
- 2. INF APRIL 1944 USA  
(Br to which originally commissioned) (Date of Report) (Perf. Org)
- 3. Sep- 29 Nov 1919 CATHOLIC  
(Date of entrance on active duty) (Date of Birth) (Religion)
- 4. MRS JEANNE A. MCBEE AUN 7  
(Person to be notified in case of an emergency) (Relationship)
- 5. DALTON MANOR Apt 7C PM BENICA CALIF.  
(Street Address) (City) (State)
- 6. SINGLE  
(Marital Status) (Wife's full name) (No. of children, if any)
- 7. O.S.S.  
(Duties previously performed as a commissioned officer)
- 8. INSTRUMENT Cpl ARTILLERY PRINTER  
(Duties performed as an enlisted man or principal occupation as a civilian)
- 9. Sept 42, ~~1942~~ (PACIFIC) TO JAN 6, 1943) ETO NOV 23 1943  
(Date entered foreign service)

10. Education	Grads	Ex. of Ex.	Ex. of Ex.	Ex. of Ex.
	Yes	No	Yes	No
High School	4		yes	
College				
Further Education				

- 11. ~~OSG~~ OCS. FT BENNING  
(Special Service Situations attended)
- 12. FRENCH FLUENT  
(Additional remarks, awards for valor, etc.)

13. Date of last report: UNCLASSIFIED  
 Contents UNCLASSIFIED  
 Date April 1972  
(This form to be completed by each officer)

*Lucien E. Conern*  
 1st Lt

EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

•••••  
• Air: CG, ETOUSA  
• Init: [Signature]  
• Date: 25 June 1944  
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AHCJr/har  
APO 867  
25 June 1944

AG 800.4 (21 Jun 44) 1073P

Subject: Orders

To: Officers and enlisted men concerned

1. The officers and enlisted men named below, OSS, ETOUSA, will proceed by first available air transportation (Class II Priority) from their present station in the United Kingdom to Algiers, North Africa, reporting upon arrival to the Commanding General, MATOUSA, for detached service in connection with OSS activities. Upon completion of this duty they will return by first available transportation to their proper station in the United Kingdom;

CAPT EVERETT T. ALLEN, 0440395, FA  
CAPT NELSON E. GUILLOT, 01167412, FA  
1ST LT LOUISE E. CORMAN, 01322768, Inf  
1ST LT RAY H. FOSTER, 01288037, Inf  
1ST LT WALTER C. ESTNA, 01178174, FA

T Sgt Robert J. Anderson, 17155767      T Sgt Francis M. Poche, 18133196  
T Sgt Arthur Gruon, 12141816      T Sgt John T. Van Hart, 35455498  
Tee S Thomas G. Tracy, 12202816

2. Travel will be performed by military, naval or commercial aircraft, Army or Naval transport, commercial steamship, belligerent vessel or aircraft and rail. A baggage allowance of 65 lbs is authorized while traveling by air.

3. In lieu of subsistence a per diem of seven dollars (\$7.00) is authorized each of the officers named above while enroute to and returning from this detached service, (except while on a Government operated vessel), in accordance with existing law and regulations. At such times as messing facilities are available and Government quarters are furnished, this per diem allowance will be suspended.

4. It being impracticable for the Government to furnish quarters and cooking facilities for rations in kind, the Finance Department will pay each of the enlisted men named above the monetary allowances in lieu thereof as prescribed in par 2a, AR 55-4520, while enroute to and returning from this detached service, (except while on a Government operated vessel), except where Government quarters and/or rations are available. A per diem of seven dollars (\$7.00) is authorized each of the enlisted men named above while traveling by air.

5. ICMT. TDN. 60-136, 300 P 432-02, 03 & 212/40425.

6. Reimbursement for the expense incurred in connection with this travel will be made to the War Department by the Office of Strategic Services. The Finance Officer making payment in connection with the travel performed will submit a copy of the voucher, showing the amount paid, month in which paid, voucher number and citation of this order, by letter to The Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D.C., attention Fiscal Section, stating that one closed copy of the voucher is furnished for the purpose of securing reimbursement from the Office of Strategic Services.

Declassified by 60974  
date 25 June 1977



AG 300.4 (21 Jun 44) 1076P, HQ ZPCUSA, APO 887, 25 June 1944 (Cont):

7. Attention is invited to Section II, WD Circular No. 145, 24 June 1943, regarding the preparation and distribution of extract copies.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

*A. H. Corley, Jr.*  
A. H. CORLEY, Jr.,  
Lt Col, AGD,  
Asst Adjutant General.

DISTRIBUTION:  
TAG.....2  
CG, NATOUSA.....2  
OSS, London.....61  
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  Ea EM.....(6)  
OSS, Washington.....1  
OSS, Algiers.....1  
G-1.....1  
G-2.....1  
Executive AGO.....1  
Priorities & Traffic Office, ATC,  
  Attn: Capt Wiseman.....3  
Officers' Br.....5  
Enlisted Br, APO 871.....6  
Pers Misc Br, AGO.....1



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AG 300.4 (21 Jun 44) 1076F, HQ ETOUSA, APO 887, 26 June 1944 (Cont):

7. Attention is invited to Section II, WD Circular No. 145, 24 June 1943, regarding the preparation and distribution of extract copies.

By command of General EISENHOWER:

*A. H. Corley Jr.*  
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AHCJr/at  
APO 837  
25 June 1944

AG 300.4 (21 Jun 44) 107CF

Subject: Orders.

To: Officers and Enlisted Men Concerned.

EXTRACT

This is to certify that the officers and enlisted men named below have been ordered to proceed to North Africa and return. The following is an extract of their orders which are dated 25 June 1944.

CAPT EVERETT T. ALLEN, 0440295, PA 1ST LT LUCIEN E. CONEIN, 01322763, Inf  
CAPT NELSON E. GUILLOT, 01167452, PA 1ST LT RAY H. FOSTER, 01286037, Inf  
1ST LT WALTER C. HANNA, 01170174, PA

T Sgt Robert J. Anderson, 17155757 T Sgt Francis E. Poche, 10138195  
T Sgt Arthur Gruon, 12141810 T Sgt John T. Van Hart, 35455498  
Toc 3 Thomas G. Tracy, 12202016

2. Travel will be performed by military, naval or commercial aircraft, Army or Naval transport, commercial steamship, belligerent vessel or aircraft and rail. A baggage allowance of 55 lbs is authorized while traveling by air.
3. In lieu of subsistence a per diem of seven dollars (\$7.00) is authorized each of the officers named above while enroute to and returning from this detached service, (except while on a Government operated vessel), in accordance with existing law and regulations. At such times as messing facilities are available and Government quarters are furnished, this per diem allowance will be suspended.
4. It being impracticable for the Government to furnish quarters and cooking facilities for rations in kind, the Finance Department will pay each of the enlisted men named above the monetary allowances in lieu thereof as proscribed in par 2a, AR 35-4520, while enroute to and returning from this detached service, (except while on a Government operated vessel), except where Government quarters and/or rations are available. A per diem of seven dollars (\$7.00) is authorized each of the enlisted men named above while traveling by air.
5. TCNT. TDN. 60-136, 300 P 432-02, G3 A 212/40425.
6. Reimbursement for the expense incurred in connection with this travel will be made to the War Department by the Office of Strategic Services. The Finance Officer making payment in connection with the travel performed will submit a copy of the voucher, showing the amount paid, month in which paid, voucher number and citation of this order, by letter to The Adjutant General's Office, Washington D. C., attention Fiscal Section, stating that one inclosed copy of the voucher is furnished for the purpose of securing reimbursement from the Office of Strategic Services.

*A. H. Corley, Jr.*  
A. H. CORLEY, Jr.  
Lt Col, AGD,  
Asst Adjutant General.

Declassified by 60976  
date 25 August 1977

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AECJr/at  
APG 837  
25 June 1944

AG 300.4 (21 Jun 44) 1076F

Subject: Orders.

To: Officers and Enlisted Men Concerned.

EXTRACT

This is to certify that the officers and enlisted men named below have been ordered to proceed to North Africa and return. The following is an extract of their orders which are dated 25 June 1944.

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*A. H. Corley, Jr.*  
A. H. CORLEY, Jr.,  
Lt Col, AGS,  
Asst Adjutant General.

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date 20 April 1977

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HEADQUARTERS  
EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS  
UNITED STATES ARMY

RPF/LHC/ebc

AG 311.4 7

16 September 1943

**SUBJECT:** Clearance Through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States of Official Couriers, Military Personnel, and Civilian Personnel Under Jurisdiction of the War Department Who are Carrying Classified Material.

**TO :** Commanding Generals:  
SOS, ETOUSA,  
Eighth Air Force,  
V Corps,  
Iceland Base Command.  
Commanding Officer, European Wing, Air Transport Command.  
Commanding Officer, U. S. Assault Training Center, ETOUSA.  
Commandant, American School Center.

1. Letters, this headquarters, dated 24 February 1943, 18 May 1943 and 9 July 1943, file as above, subject: "Clearance of Army Officer Couriers and Civilian Personnel under Jurisdiction of the War Department through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States" are rescinded.

2. In order to eliminate delay in the clearance through Customs of official couriers, military personnel, civilian employees of the War Department, and civilian employees of contractors for the War Department on leaving and entering the United States, and to provide a method by which matters of official military nature can be licensed and passed by Customs without examination, the following procedure has been established and is now in effect:

2. Official Couriers.

(1) Military personnel acting in the capacity of a special courier will bear a letter signed by or by authority of the Secretary of War, the Under Secretary of War, an Assistant Secretary of War, the Chief of Staff, the Commanding General of the Army Ground Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Service Forces, an Assistant Chief of Staff of the War Department General Staff, the Chiefs of the supply and administrative services, a general officer, the commanding officer of a depot, post, camp, station, or independent command, the commandant of a general or special service school, the chief of a military mission, a military attaché, or a military observer, a Courier Transfer Officer, a Military Intelligence (Certifying) Officer, or their respective executive officers certifying to the official capacity of the courier. This letter will also describe by package or letter numbers the exterior covers of any official documents that are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs. (See paragraph (3) below)

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**C O N F I D E N T I A L**

(AG 311.4 NY, Hq ETOUSA, 16 September 1943, cont'd)

(2) Each package or envelope containing official matter that is to be exempted from examination will bear on its exterior cover the inscription: "Official United States Army Communication Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and official title of the Commanding Officer or his executive officer dispatching the documents by special courier.

(3) In order to establish a uniform procedure to comply with the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the following is submitted as a guide:

War Department  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY GROUND FORCES  
Washington 25, D. C.

August 24, 1943

311.4

Subject: To Identify (Captain John Smith) as an Official Army Courier.

TO: Collector, U. S. Bureau of Customs, (Port of Departure or Entry).

1. The above named person is acting in an official capacity as courier for this headquarters and is carrying two packages and one letter. The packages are addressed as follows: No. 1, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.; No. 2, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C. The letter is addressed to the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C.

2. Each of the above items is further identified by the inscription on the cover "Official United States Communication to be Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and title of the respective commanding officers or executive officers.

For the Commanding General:

JOHN ADAMS,  
Major, Infantry,  
Executive Officer.

(4) All other communications carried by official couriers will be surrendered to the Customs officers at the port of departure or entry into the United States. When any other documents which are official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort, including confidential and secret orders are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification as to their official nature and exemption from censorship examination.

3. Military Personnel.

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(AG 311.4 X, Hq ETOUSA, 16 September 1943, cont'd)

(1) If military personnel arrive at ports of departure or entry without complying with the provisions of sub-paragraph a (1) and (2) above, all personal documents will be surrendered to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed by the traveler to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

c. Civilian Personnel.

(1) Civilian personnel, employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department, will upon arriving at ports of departure or entry, surrender all personal documents to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

3. The attention of all personnel concerned is invited to the following:

a. Customs regulations provide that an exemption from Customs duty for \$100 worth of merchandise is granted returning residents of the United States. Such exemption may, however, be claimed only once in any 90 day period. All items of merchandise acquired abroad must be declared to Customs officers at the Port of entry into the United States.

b. Communications being sent by one individual to another individual, by an office to an individual, or by an individual to an office are not official and must be turned over to Customs officers for examination. No mail of this nature should be in packages of official communications which are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs.

c. The carrying of personal communications for other individuals is specifically prohibited by paragraph 8b, W.D., TC 15, 1943, which is quoted below:

"Private communications originating in, or destined for, a theater of operations will be transmitted only by means of authorized systems of communication, such as the Army Postal Service, approved telephone, telegraph, express, cable, or radio systems. They will not under any circumstances be dispatched from a theater of operations by any means other than those authorized. Persons guilty of using unauthorized means of communications to evade censorship will be disciplined as will those who act as unauthorized messengers conveying such communications to another."

d. All personal documents taken by Customs from military personnel or civilian personnel employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department will be referred by Customs to the nearest District Postal Censorship Station or Traveler Censorship Station for examination and recommendation as to disposition, or will be acted upon by Customs.

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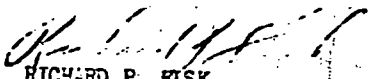


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16 September 1943

**SUBJECT:** Clearance Through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States of Official Couriers, Military Personnel, and Civilian Personnel Under Jurisdiction of the War Department Who are Carrying Classified Material.

**TO :** Commanding Generals:  
SOS, ETOUSA,  
Eighth Air Force,  
V Corps,  
Iceland Base Command.  
Commanding Officer, European Wing, Air Transport Command.  
Commanding Officer, U. S. Assault Training Center, ETOUSA.  
Commandant, American School Center.

1. Letters, this headquarters, dated 24 February 1943, 18 May 1943 and 9 July 1943, file as above, subject: "Clearance of Army Officer Couriers and Civilian Personnel under Jurisdiction of the War Department through Customs on Leaving and Entering the United States" are rescinded.

2. In order to eliminate delay in the clearance through Customs of official couriers, military personnel, civilian employees of the War Department, and civilian employees of contractors for the War Department on leaving and entering the United States, and to provide a method by which matters of official military nature can be licensed and passed by Customs without examination, the following procedure has been established and is now in effect:

a. Official Couriers.

(1) Military personnel acting in the capacity of a special courier will bear a letter signed by or by authority of the Secretary of War, the Under Secretary of War, an Assistant Secretary of War, the Chief of Staff, the Commanding General of the Army Ground Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Air Forces, the Commanding General of the Army Service Forces, an Assistant Chief of Staff of the War Department General Staff, the Chiefs of the supply and administrative services, a general officer, the commanding officer of a depot, post, camp, station, or independent command, the commandant of a general or special service school, the chief of a military mission, a military attache, or a military observer, a Courier Transfer Officer, a Military Intelligence (Certifying) Officer, or their respective executive officers certifying to the official capacity of the courier. This letter will also describe by package or letter numbers the exterior covers of any official documents that are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs. (See paragraph (3) below)

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(2) Each package or envelope containing official matter that is to be exempted from examination will bear on its exterior cover the inscription: "Official United States Army Communication Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and official title of the Commanding Officer or his executive officer dispatching the documents by special courier.

(3) In order to establish a uniform procedure to comply with the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2) above, the following is submitted as a guide:

War Department  
HEADQUARTERS ARMY GROUND FORCES  
Washington 25, D. C.

311.4

August 24, 1943

Subject: To Identify (Captain John Smith) as an Official Army Courier.

TO: Collector, U. S. Bureau of Customs, (Port of Departure or Entry).

1. The above named person is acting in an official capacity as courier for this headquarters and is carrying two packages and one letter. The packages are addressed as follows: No. 1, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington, D. C.; No. 2, To the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Ground Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C. The letter is addressed to the Commanding General, Alaska Defense Command, from the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, War Department, Washington, D.C.

2. Each of the above items is further identified by the inscription on the cover "Official United States Communication to be Exempted from Censorship", followed by the signature and title of the respective commanding officers or executive officers.

For the Commanding General:

JOHN ADAMS,  
Major, Infantry,  
Executive Officer.

(4) All other communications carried by official couriers will be surrendered to the Customs officers at the port of departure or entry into the United States. When any other documents which are official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort, including confidential and secret orders are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification as to their official nature and exemption from censorship examination.

g. Military Personnel.

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(1) If military personnel arrive at ports of departure or entry without complying with the provisions of sub-paragraph a (1) and (2) above, all personal documents will be surrendered to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed by the traveler to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

c. Civilian Personnel.

(1) Civilian personnel, employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department, will upon arriving at ports of departure or entry, surrender all personal documents to Customs for censorship examination. When classified official documents or documents claimed to be official in character and necessary in the interest of our war effort are found, Customs will immediately request the nearest Military Intelligence Service Branch Office, or District Office, or representative thereof, for certification and exemption from censorship examination.

3. The attention of all personnel concerned is invited to the following:

a. Customs regulations provide that an exemption from Customs duty for \$100 worth of merchandise is granted returning residents of the United States. Such exemption may, however, be claimed only once in any 30 day period. All items of merchandise acquired abroad must be declared to Customs officers at the Port of entry into the United States.

b. Communications being sent by one individual to another individual, by an office to an individual, or by an individual to an office are not official and must be turned over to Customs officers for examination. No mail of this nature should be in packages of official communications which are desired to be exempted from examination by Customs.

c. The carrying of personal communications for other individuals is specifically prohibited by paragraph 8b, W.D., TC 15, 1943, which is quoted below:

"Private communications originating in, or destined for, a theater of operations will be transmitted only by means of authorized systems of communication, such as the Army Postal Service, approved telephone, telegraph, express, cable, or radio systems. They will not under any circumstances be dispatched from a theater of operations by any means other than those authorized. Persons guilty of using unauthorized means of communications to evade censorship will be disciplined as will those who act as unauthorized messengers conveying such communications to another".

d. All personal documents taken by Customs from military personnel or civilian personnel employed by the War Department or by contractors for the War Department will be referred by Customs to the nearest District Postal Censorship Station or Traveler Censorship Station for examination and recommendation as to disposition, or will be acted upon by Customs.

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