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Military Occupation Telephones in Commercial Shipping Offices

CofS

20 MAR 1952

1. Reference attached C/N series (Tab B). C/N's 1, 2 and 3 of this series indicates that telephone service has been provided in the past to commercial shipping and airline companies as an occupation or US military cost based on justifications furnished Sig by Trans O. By C/N h of this series Gh informed Trans that such service should be terminated unless justified as essential to the support of military forces in the FEC. Trans O by C/N 5 recommends that no further telephone service be provided these companies.

2. At the present time the following companies are being provided telephone service:

> American President Lines, Ltd. States Marine Lines Hongkong Eastern Shipping Co., Ltd. C. F. Sharp and Company, Inc. United States Lines Co. Cantas Empire Airways

3. Attached as Tab A is a draft of proposed letter informing the companies indicated in paragraph 2 above that telephone service will be terminated on 31 March 1952, or the effective date of the Peace Treaty, whichever is earlier. Termination of telephone service to these companies involves only a change in billing for the services, from US military to the companies concerned, provided they desire to retain the telephones after 31 March 1952.

4. Recommend approval of proposed letter, Tab A, and return to Gh for finalization.

2 Incls Tabs A & B a/s

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS
SUPREME COMMANDER FOR THE ALLIED POWERS
APO 500

(To be sent to companies indicated in Oh C/N 1, para 2)

Gentlemen:

In view of the alteration in status of the US Military Forces in Japan concomitant with the coming into force of the Peace Treaty, it is necessary that certain services currently provided by the Occupation Forces to non-military agencies be terminated. Inasmuch as your organization is presently being furnished telephone service at the expense of the Occupation Forces, you are hereby notified that such telephone service will be discontinued as of 31 March 1952, or the effective date of the Peace Treaty, whichever is earlier.

To insure continuance of telephone services to your organization after the above date, prompt action should be taken in making application to the Ministry of Telecommunications of Japan stating type of service and date desired.

Sincerely yours,

Lt Col Nelson 26-8545

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Request Sig prepare, for CofS approval, a letter to be dispatched to commercial shipping and airline companies announcing the termination of occupation or military telephone service.

A. C. \_\_\_ 02937

Lt. Campbell, 26-6953

7 From: Signal

To: G-4

Date: 18 MAR 1952

- 1. Attached as Inclosure 1 for Chief of Staff approval is a draft of a letter notifying the following companies of termination of Occupation or military telephone service:
  - a. American President Lines, Ltd.
  - b. States Marine Lines.
  - c. Hongkong Eastern Shipping Co., Ltd.
  - d. C. F. Sharp and Company, Inc.
  - e. United States Lines Co.
  - f. Qantas Empire Airways.
- 2. Service to the above firms is presently being provided at the expense of the Occupation Forces.

1 Incl a/s

. R. F. H.

G4 PLANS AND OPERATIONS DIVISION

GD/D ADS/HBA/ANN/nm

20 March 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

Subject: Military Occupation Telephones in Commercial Shipping Offices.

- 1. For background see G4 JN's 02437 and 24293.
- 2. By C/N 6 (Tab B) G4 requested Sig to prepare, for CofS approval, a letter to commercial shipping companies now being provided telephone service that such service would be terminated.
- 3. By C/N 7 (Tab B) Sig forwards proposed letter; termination of this service does not involve actual replacement of phones but is a paper transfer by the Ministry of Telecommunications to change the billing from Occupation Forces to the companies concerned.
  - 4. As indicated in C/N 5 (Tab B) Trans concurs in this action.
- 5. Recommend approval of C/N 1 which forwards proposed letter to CofS for approval.
  - 6. Within established policy.
  - 7. Command Report: No.
- 8. Initiated action completed. Suspends action on G4 JN 6170 pending receipt of reply from CofS. Suspense Date: 25 March.

.N.N. // 26-8549

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