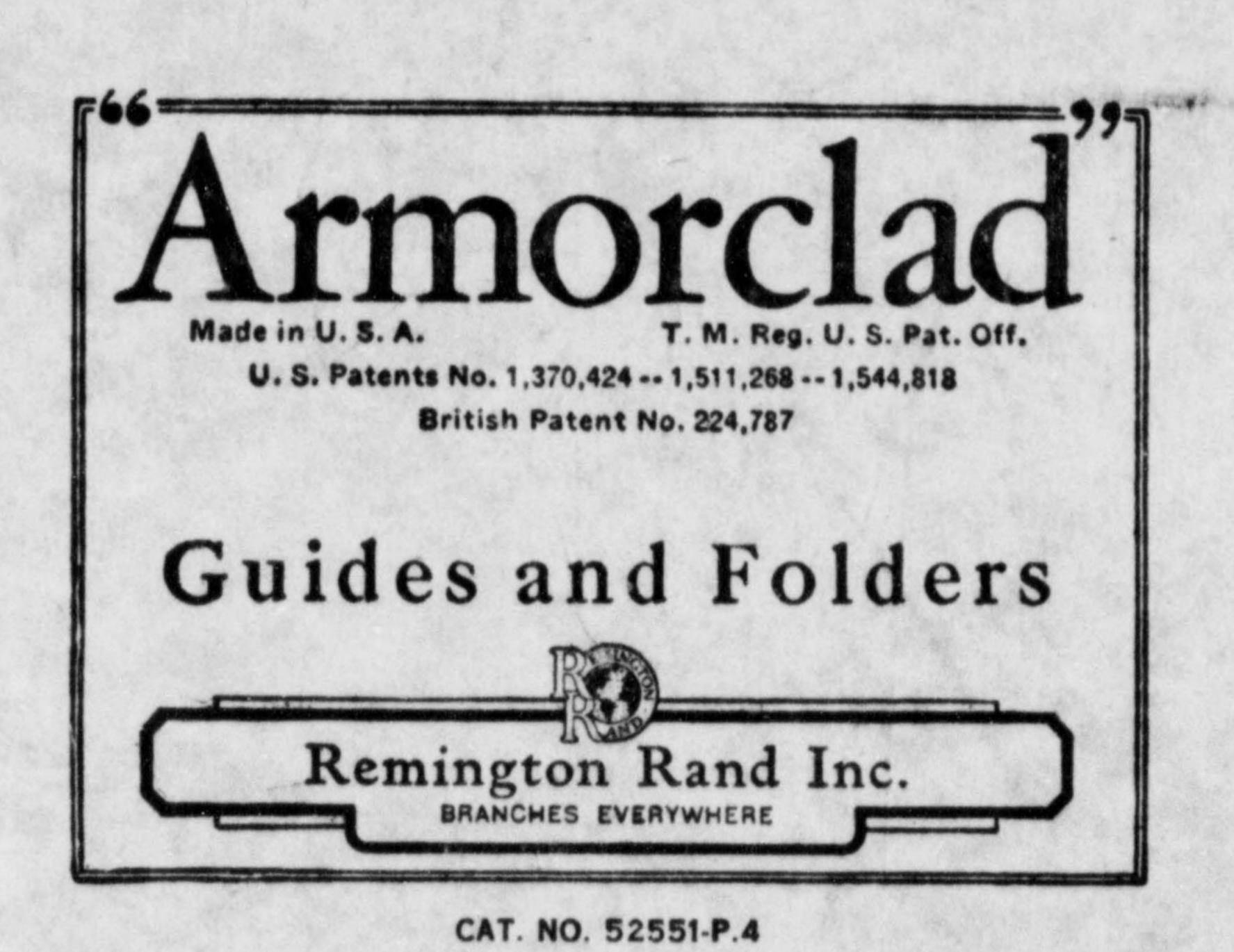
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### CERTIFICATE

In accordance with the provisions of Section 14 (a) of the Act of June 28, 1940 (10 U.S.C. 1262a), I certify that the articles of uniform and equipment listed below are not essential to the defense of the United States:

200 wool blouses

100 pairs wool trousers

300 wool shirts

50 overcoats

50 raincoats

50 field jackets (Waterproof)

400 wool neekties

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100 pairs overalls

100 helmet liners

50 web belts

50 pistol belts (Web)

100 woolen skull-caps

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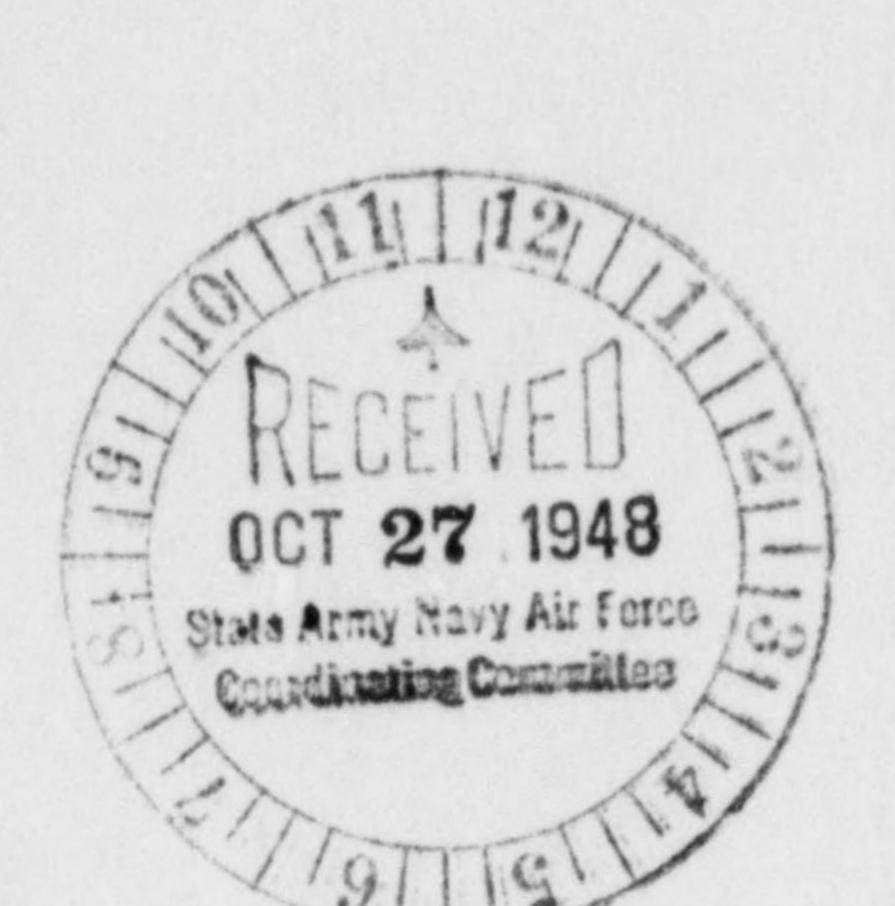
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The Honorable

The Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Secretary:

Reference is made to your letter AF dated October 12, 1948 in which you requested information concerning procurement by the International Administration of Tangier of certain articles of uniforms and equipment for the Tangier police force.

The items of uniform and equipment listed in your letter are surplus to the requirements of the Department of the Army. At the present time surplus quantities of most of these items are being applied against the Incentive Goods Program in occupied areas. Since the quantities involved are small it appears that it would be worthwhile and desirable to use this source of materials in order to fulfill the Tangier requirement.

In answer to your question in the penultimate paragraph of your letter, arrangements can be made for the purchase of uniforms by a foreign government only when they are surplus to the requirements of the National Military Establishment. By virtue of legal limitations and evaporating surpluses the Department of the Army is not in a position to assure continuing support of equipment programs of foreign nations. It should be made clear to the International Administration of Tangier that the fulfillment of any future request for continuing maintenance requirements will be subject to the existence of surpluses of the items requested.

It is suggested that your representative who will act in the behalf of Tangier contact the Foreign Military Aid Branch of the Logistics Division for details of implementation.

SECRETARY OF THE ARMY . Sincerely Anns.

(Signed) KENNETH C. ROYALL

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October 12, 1948

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My Dear Mr. Secretary:

In a letter to the Secretary of Par dated November 30, 1945, the Department of State requested that, in view of the decision of the United States Government to participate in the provisional administration of the International Some of Tangler, certain United States Army uniforms and equipment be declared surplus and offered for sale to the Tangler Lone for the purpose of equipping the international police force in Tangler. Subsequently, the Commanding General, Army Service Forces, was directed to make the desired . equipment available to the Foreign Liquidation Commission from stocks in North Africa. Since that time the international police force in Tangler has been using United States Army surplus equipment, without the insignia, and the arrangement has proved to be entirely satinfactory. The use of American uniforms and equipment has increased the prestige of the United States in Tangler. Also, it has done emay with the controversies which arose in the past between certain foreign nations in the Tengler regime which were constantly endeavoring to obtain predominant positions in the International Zone, and which insisted that the uniforms of the isngior police be similar to those of their own national police forces or armies.

The Tengier Administration is now faced with the problem, however, of obtaining replacements for some of the police forces' uniforms, and has urgent need for the following articles of uniforcef the type used by the United States Army:

200 wool blouses
100 pairs wool trousers
300 wool shirts
50 overcoats
50 reincoats

The Honorable Kenneth G. Royall. Secretary of the Army.

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50 field jackets (Waterproof) 400 wool neckties 100 helmit liners, painted white 100 pairs overalls 50 web belts 50 pistol belts (web)

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The Department of State understands that the supply of these items in surplus stocks at Casablance is now exhausted. Also, efforts made by the Tangier Administration to purchase the replacement uniforms through commercial channels in the United States have shown that usable sizes of the articles are not available through normal commercial channels. The International Administration, therefore, will find it necessary to re-equip the Tangier police force, possibly with old Spanish Army uniforms, if a source of supply of the United States Army type uniform commot be found. Such action would involve considerable expense to the International Administration and would result in a loss of American prestigs in the Tangier Lone.

In as much as the United States Government is now taking an active part in the International Administration of Tangler, the Department of State considers that it is in our national interest to see that the administrative services of the Zone continue to function in a satisfactory manner.

of any possible sources of supply of the articles of uniform listed above and whether, in the absence of some other source, arrangements could be made for the purchase of the uniforms by the Tangler Administration direct from the United States Army.

As the Tangier police force will have need for the equipment very soon, when the change is sade to winter uniforms, an early reply will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Lowett Auting Scoretary

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Serial 154213

11 JUL 1945

Sir:

Reference is made to a memorandum of 24 March 1945 from the Chief, Division of Foreign Activity Correlation, addressed to the Director, Central Division, Navy Department, enclosing copies of despatch No. 2626 from the American Charge d'Affaires, Tangier, Morocco, and of a note dated 1 March 1945 from the Acting Spanish Consul General at Tangier regarding a reported violation of Spanish neutrality which is stated to have occurred on 23 February 1945. The memorandum requested the views and comments of the Navy Department regarding the reported incident.

has reported that on 23 February 1945 three destroyers of his command, engaged in anti-submarine patrol, proceeded at \$625 from a position approximately 120 miles west of Cape Trafalgar to a patrol line between Cape Spartel and Cape Trafalgar, arriving on the patrol line at about 1915 on 23 February 1945. These vessels did not enter Tangier and did not drop depth charges on 23 February 1945. No other vessels of this command are reported to have been in the Tangier-Gibraltar area on 23 February.

The Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, has been directed to inform the Navy Department as to whether any of the vessels under his command participated in the alleged incident. Upon completion of investigation by the Commander in Chief, Atlantic Fleet, the Department of State will be further informed.

Respectfully.

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The Honorable. The Secretary of State.

cc: SWNCC Secretariat

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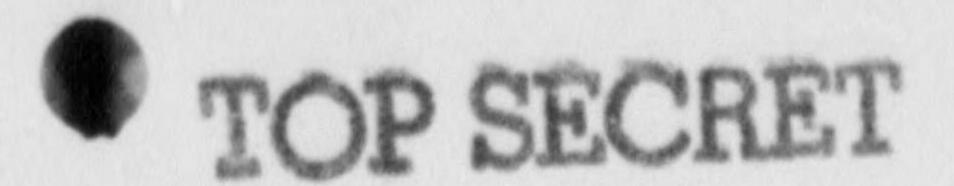
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DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
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June 6, 1945

Memorandum for: THE SECRETARIAT

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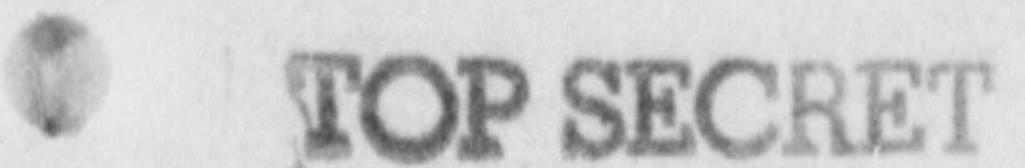
I enclose copies of the dispatch from Mr. Kane of 6 June 1945 concerning Tangiers. The State and War Department members of SWNCC may find it of interest. Will you please forward copies of it to them on behalf of Mr. Gates.

FRANCIS X. DOWNEY

Special Assistant to
The Secretary of the Navy

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TOP SECRET DISPATCH

6 June 1945

(FROM R. KEITH KANE TO FRANCIS X. DOWNEY SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY ROOM 3032 NAVY DEPT. WASH D.C.)

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6 June 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. MATTHEWS MR. MCCLOY

The attached copy of a dispatch from Mr. R. Keith Kane is forwarded at the request of Mr. Gates.

ALVIN F. RICHARDSON Deputy Secretary

Enclosure: Cy Dispatch, 6 Jun 45.

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