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public relationsHEADQUARTERS I CORPS
APO 301 (Kyoto, Honshu)

15 JUL 1946

AG 014.13

SUBJECT: Channels of Contact with Japanese Authorities

TO : Commanding General, 25th Infantry Division, APO 25

1. It has come to the attention of this headquarters that the 25th Infantry Division Provost Marshal on or about 6 July 1946 forwarded a letter to the Governor of the Shiga Prefecture directing that a traffic safety week be held within that prefecture. A draft copy of this letter is attached as Inclosure No. 1.

2. Attention is invited that this directive, which in this case emanated from a staff source without command authority, is properly a function of Military Government. Paragraph 3 d (1) (b), Field Order No. 34, this headquarters, 20 March 1946 states as follows:

"94th and 95th Military Government Groups and 36th Military Government Company, operating under direct supervision of this headquarters, will (See Annex 8 to Administrative Order Number 22, this headquarters, dated 19 March 1946):

(1) Be responsible for the following matters pertaining to the civil population:

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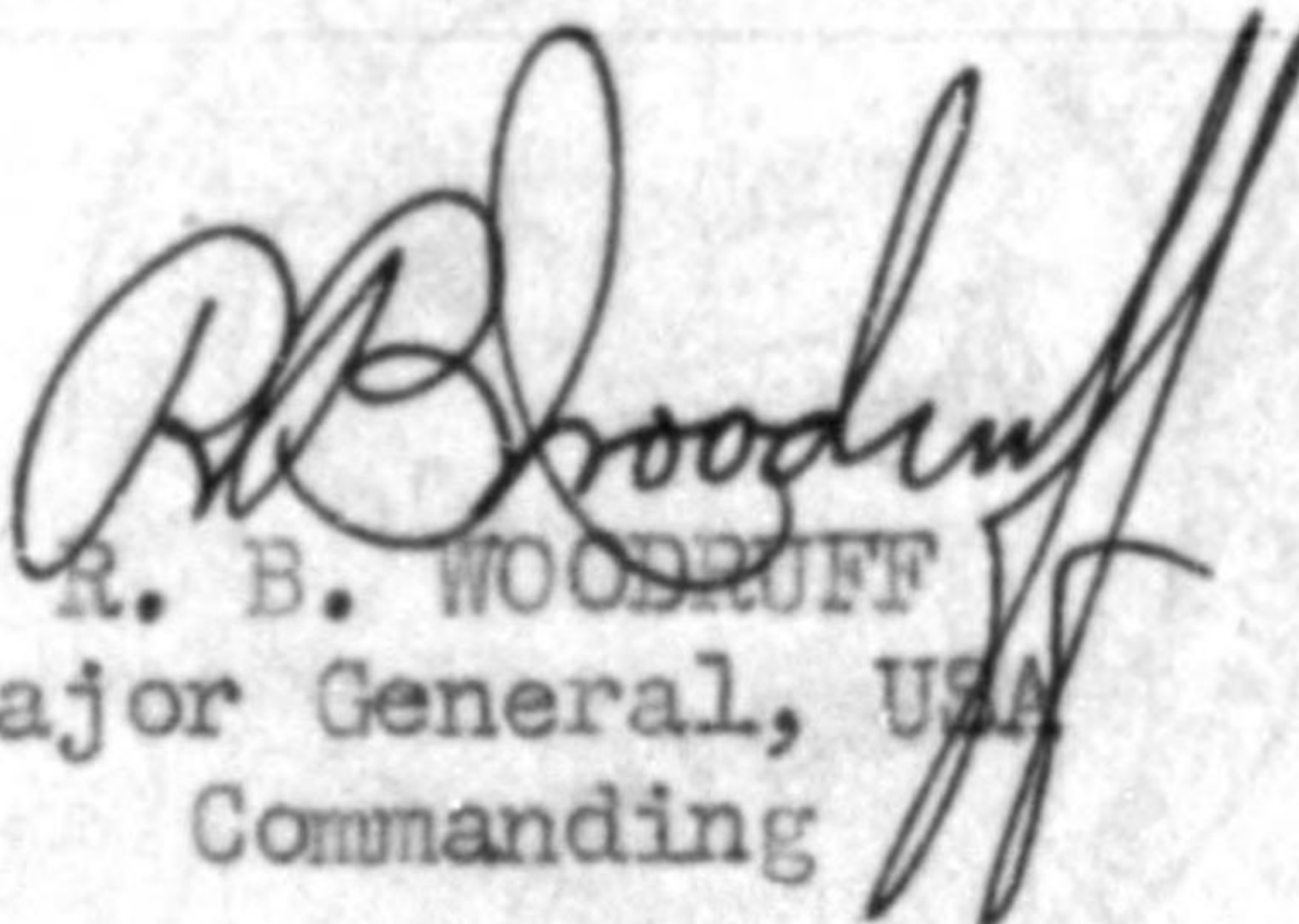
(b) Public information, education, religions, public health, welfare, public safety, and other sociological problems".

3. Assumption of missions which are delegated to other units of this command result in confusion and loss of prestige for the unit to which responsibility is delegated. The proper procedure in a case of this character would be to request the responsible unit to instigate measures to secure the desired result. In event of failure of agreement the matter should be forwarded to this headquarters for decision.

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BASIC: Ltr, Hq I Corps, AG 014.13, subj: Channels of Contact with Japanese Authorities, dtd 15 JUL 1946 cont'd

4. It is desired that appropriate action be taken to insure that all elements of your command are conversant with the prescribed channels in relations with the Japanese authorities.


R. B. WOODRUFF
Major General, USA
Commanding

1 Incl:
Ltr, Hq 25th Inf Div

AG 014.13


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HEADQUARTERS 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION, APO 25, 22 July 1946

TO: Commanding General, Hq I Corps, APO 301

The provisions of paragraph 4, basic communication, have been complied with.

Incl
n/c


C. L. MULLINS, JR.
Major General, USA
Commanding

HEADQUARTERS 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION
OFFICE OF THE AREA PROVOST MARSHAL
APO No.25

6 July 1946

D R A F T

SUBJECT: Traffic Safety Week

TO : Governor of the Shiga Prefecture

You are directed by this headquarters to instruct your prefecture police department to institute a traffic safety week similar to that being held in the Osaka Prefecture. All phases of safe pedestrian habits are being stressed, but particular emphasis is being placed on a drive to stop the dangerous practice of pedestrians' walking with their backs to the oncoming traffic.

This practice causes innumerable accidents that could otherwise be avoided.

Therefore, you are directed to place special emphasis in your safety drive on the fact that pedestrians should walk facing oncoming traffic.

JOHN W. BURNETT
Major, Infantry
Provost Marshal
Hq 25th Inf Div

Incl. No. 10

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HYOGO MILITARY GOVERNMENT TEAM
APO 317 (Kobe, Honshu)

13 July 1946

SUBJECT: Orders issued to Governor of Hyogo Prefecture by
Provost Marshal, 25th Infantry Division.**TO :** Col Frank H. Partridge, Military Government Section,
I Corps, APO 301.

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter received by the Governor of Hyogo Prefecture from the Provost Marshal's office, 25th Infantry Division. This is sent to you as per our telephone conversation 12 July 1946, for information.

/s/ Peter W. Scott
PETER W. SCOTT
Lt. Col., Inf.
Commanding

1 Incl
Copy of ltr, 25th Inf Div
Provost Marshal, subj:
"Traffic Safety Week" dtd
6 July 1946

BASIC: Ltr, Hyogo Mil Govt Team, subj: "Orders issued to Governor of Hyogo Prefecture by Provost Marshal, 25th Infantry Division," dtd 13 July 1946.

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Hq Kinki Mil Govt Region, Hq & Hq Det, APO 301,

TO: CO, Hyogo Mil Govt Team, APO 317.

1. Your attention is directed to letter, Headquarters I Corps, AG 014.13, subject: "Channels of Contact with Japanese Authorities", to CG, 25th Infantry Division, dated 15 July 1946, copy of which is attached as inclosure 2.

2. It is believed this letter will correct the situation.

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Added

2. Ltr, Hq I Corps,
AG 014.13, subj:
"Channels of Contact
with Japanese Autho-
rities," dtd 15 Jul
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FRANK H. PARTRIDGE
Colonel, Infantry
Commanding

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Major, Infantry,
Provost Marshal
Hq 25th Inf Div

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