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Date June 21, 1945

APO 413

21 June 1945

TO: Captain David C. Crockett
FROM: Lt. Colonel Robert H. Alcorn

1. This letter is prompted by letter of even date concerning the Jedburgh accounting which you wished to transfer to my office.

2. You will recall that some months ago I protested the fact that you had transferred a staggeringly large advance to our books against Henry Hyde, a great part of which had been outstanding for nearly two years. I was reluctant at that time to accept a transfer for old accountings in sizeable amounts and I still feel that each one of our field offices should be extremely scrupulous in keeping outstanding advances to an absolute minimum and most certainly in limiting the length of time over which they may be carried.

3. During the past two or three months Caserta has transferred several other accounts to my office some of which are long standing on Caserta's books and in every case these transfers have been picked up with reluctance. I should like to point out that my office, with a total personnel of 14 people, is handling the largest theater spread over a terrific area from Norway to the Mediterranean and from the United Kingdom into Germany. We are hard pressed to keep our normal business functioning smoothly, while at the same time we control the problems which confront us with the establishment of new missions, such as those to Denmark, Norway, and the new and large German Mission. Particularly during the past six weeks we have been working under terrific pressure because of the constant shifting of personnel from Paris to London to Washington, Biebrich, and other points. In view of the fact that we have made every effort to close out all outstanding accounts as quickly as possible in order that the reduction of OSS, ETO, may be done efficiently, it strikes us as highly unfair to have the burdens of another theater thrust upon us,

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particularly when that theater is apparently closing out its accounts, in great part, by the simple expedient of transferring them to our books.

4. The situation is not helped in the least when I discover by chance that Colonel Glavin and yourself have been negotiating with Lt. Sichel for a special assignment without my knowledge, as my first information on this matter came in a copy of John Williams' letter of June 12 to you. I consider such negotiations and the manner in which they were carried out unfriendly and unfair. Lt. Sichel is needed for assignment in Germany by this office and has been earmarked for such assignment since February with both his knowledge and the knowledge of Washington. It was not deemed necessary to so inform you as I had naturally assumed that I had the right to assign my personnel as I saw fit without interference from your theater.

5. The Special Funds Office in the ETO, since its establishment in June 1943, through the maintenance of a continuity of energetic personnel has conducted its affairs in such manner that its books can be closed completely within a matter of days. Such would certainly not be the case if it continues to accept transfers from Caserta which would only serve to put added pressure on my office and at the same time shift responsibility from Caserta where it properly belongs.

6. This letter is not to be construed as indicating that we are not willing to handle the usual transfers which may be necessary in the course of normal operations involving the general shifting of personnel. Our protest is only at being saddled at this late date with long standing accounts which were the sole responsibility of your office and I think you should understand most clearly that I have no intention of burdening my own personnel with these accounts in order that your office may close its books.

7. I regret having to write a letter of this kind because in the two years I have functioned in the ETO I have had pleasant relations with you and cooperation. However, I feel that the situation has reached a point demanding absolute frankness and in order that you may not doubt my sincerity you have my assurance that we shall continue to give every cooperation possible within the reasonable terms outlined above.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN

Lt. Colonel, AUS

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CC: Col. Rehm &
Mr. Dimond

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR
 OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
 UNITED STATES ARMY
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1 May 1945

SPECIAL FORS BRANCH

PROGRESS REPORT, 1 April to 30 April, 1945:

1. Status of Account for month of April, as reported to Washington:
 - a) Bal. as of close of business 30 April, 1945 \$ 255,563.71.5
 - b) Receipts for month of April \$ 8,323.2.2
 - c) Disbursements for month of April \$ 21,486.6.9
 - d) Bal. as of close of business 30 April, 1945 \$ 240,500.16.10

2. Civilian Personnel Payroll (less agents) as of 30 April, 1945:

a) <u>U.S. Civilians</u>			
	M	F.	
SI	26	5	
SO	1	0	
X-2	15	1	
LD	23	0	
SI	1	0	
SP	1	0	
Security	2	1	
Comm.	0	7	
CS	0	2	
Reprod.	2	0	
Dir. Office	7	3	
	75	19	97
b) <u>Foreign Civilians</u>			
SI	1	0	
X-2	0	1	
	1	1	2

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3. During the past month Colonel Moore visited all of the OSS field establishments on the continent. The inspection of these establishments was made in two separate trips. The first, in company with Lt. Holliman of the Special Funds Office, Paris, included OSS bases at Toulouse, Perpignan, Marseille, Nice, Annemasse and Dijon. The second inspection trip was done with Lt. Springsteen of the Paris Office and included installations with 12th I.C. and Field Base X at Luxembourg, 7th Army Detachment (OSS-G-2) at Sarstedt, Germany, Field Base C at Maastricht, Holland, Baltic Mission, Hinkeloven, Holland, and the Brussels Mission in Belgium. Letter reports were made on these inspection trips direct to Colonel Reha in Washington.

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PROGRESS REPORT, 1 April to 3 April 1945—SPECIAL FUNDS BRANCH

Also during the past month final plans were formulated for the handling of Special Funds with the German Viscion. Mr. Gardner MacFarson, Special Funds Officer at Lisbon, Portugal, came to London for conferences with Colonel Alcorn, and will go into Germany as Special Funds Officer. Lt. Clinton Webb will be dispatched with the advance party to Berlin and will handle Special Funds problems with that unit until such time as CCS Headquarters are established in Germany. Mr. MacFarson will function at Headquarters assisted by Lt. Sichel and Sgt. Royant, who are currently with the 7th Army.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Lt. Colonel, AUS

HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH ARMY
G-2 STRATEGIC SERVICES SECTION
APO 758 U S ARMY

18 April, 1945

SUBJECT : London - Caserta Transfers, Your letter 22 March.
TO : Lt. (J.G.) R. L. Covington, USNR.

1. In reference above subject London has requested me to clarify items seven and eight.

a. Item seven:

Transfer to Caserta of FF 341,000 on 11/27/44 on operation Hastings. This is an adjustment transfer on an operation charged to Mr. Henry Hyde. The agent came back in August and turned in 341,000 Francs to this office. In September report this amount was taken up as being transferred from Caserta, and Caserta was advised of the transfer. When the total Henry Hyde account was transferred to this office in October, this previous transfer was not deducted from the total. Therefore an adjustment transfer was made.

b. Item eight:

Transfer of 50,000 FF on operation Bossuet as well as 5 Louis d'Or. This originated in a mistake in Lt. Volpe's original accounting. He believed that he had had 400,000 French Francs and 25 Louis d'Or advanced to him in the first case. It developed however that he had only 350,000 FF and 20 Louis d'Or advanced to him. I took up his amounts in the September a/c and notified Caserta. When finally the SPOC a/c were transferred in September, the mistake was found, but not adjusted until November, since I requested Lt. Volpe to go through his notes again and make sure if he received 400,000 French Francs. After the question was clarified, adjustment transfers were made.

2. I hope that these explanations will help you.

Peter H. E. Sigel
PETER H. E. SIGEL
1ST LT AUS
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

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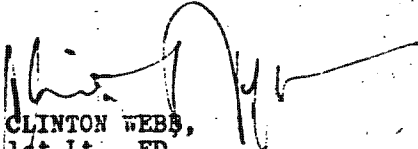
Ho. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS (MAIN), APO 413.
13 April, 1945.

TO: Capt. David C. Crockett

SUBJECT: JAN F. LIBICH.

1. Your letter of 7 April, 1945, has arrived in the absence of Lt. Col. Alcorn on the Continent. We have talked with the Bank's Chief of Foreign Branch and turned over to him the enclosures with a request that he advise us promptly should he require additional papers in order to accede to Mr. Libich's request.

2. With regard to Jedburgh finances, we will undoubtedly be able to be of material assistance to you in this connection. It so happens that 109's presence has disorganized our accounting department temporarily, but we will let you hear from us on this matter within the next week or ten days.


CLINTON WEBB,
1st Lt., FD.

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European Theater of Operations
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APO 413
8 April 1945

SUBJECT: London-Caserta Transfers

TO : Captain F. M. Lucas

1. In answer to your letter WR-L-310 12 March and Capt. Crockett's letter to Colonel Alcorn of 22 March, with copy to Washington, the following comments are made on differences in London-Caserta transfers:

1. This item was adjusted on 7th Army January report by picking up 2,500 French Franc transfer from Caserta. 7th Army maintains no Algerian Franc account and apparently decided not to open one for this isolated transaction. London had no knowledge that the original Cynthia Jacobsen advance was in Algerian Francs.
2. This transfer was recorded on the 13 of December by 7th Army. See London December Report, Dollar Account.
3. This transfer was from Paris, not 7th Army, as Caserta lists. No adjustment necessary. See Crockett letter.
4. The advance to Bayard L. King and transfer of his accounting was picked up from 7th Army November report. Subsequent information shows that King, SI, accounted to 7th Army for 50,000 Francs, which his statement shows that he drew from Romeo Balaguer in Algiers as operational funds to be used in France.
5. Items 5 & 14 cancel.
6. The difference of 50 L'dor is accounted for by transfer of Donald King account on February 7th Army report. See London report for February.
- 7-9 Transferred on our reports as received from 7th Army. Apparently Caserta never received direct notification from 7th of details. The following information has since been received in London on the accountings of Lt. Volpe, SI, (code name "Bassuet"):

"Payment to Gerald Bernier - 5 L d'Or, 50,000 French Francs."

We have asked 7th Army to give Caserta details as to why portion

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of Volpe's accounting for advances to Gerald Bernier should be transferred to Caserta.

8. Transferred as received from 7th Army. London has no information on this account, has written to 7th asking that full details be sent to Caserta.
 9. See 7 above.
 10. Caserta acknowledges this item in February.
 11. See paragraph 11 of letter from Crockett to Alcorn, with copy to Washington, 22 March. No adjustment necessary on London books.
 12. See item #2.
 13. This item picked up on 7th Army January report and included on our January statement.
 14. Items 5 and 14 cancel.
 15. Kalnay never slated for London, according to branch here. Caserta has since rescinded this transfer.
 - 16-17. This item was never a London matter. Gellert proceeded from Stockholm to MEDTC. London advised Caserta of credit established in Stockholm for Gellert. No adjustment on London books.
 18. London not notified that payment had been made. We will pick this item up on our March report.
 19. 7th Army January report lists following receipts from
20. Caserta:
125 Eagles 50 Half Eagles
- This was recorded on London January statement as 150 Eagles. Difference exists in terminology only.
21. See London October report, French Franc Account, Transfer credits, 22 October. We have acknowledged this item.
 22. This item should have been picked up by London. We also carry payments to Dorothy Taylor as expense. We are adjusting this in March report, charging Caserta, crediting our expenses with \$332.76.


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2. We trust that these explanations will bring the London-Caserta accounts into agreement.


CLINTON WEBB
1st. Lt. FD

cc; Captain Crockett, Caserta

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THE DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICE
UNITED KINGDOM PARIS
U. S. ARMY
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1 April, 1945.

SPECIAL FUNDS BRANCH

PERIODIC REPORT, 1 March to 31 March, 1945:

1. Status of Account for month of March, as reported to Washington:
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|---|-----------------|
| a) Bal. as of close of business 28 Feb., 1945 | £ 269,259. 3.10 |
| b) Receipts for month of March | £ 12,273.17. 0 |
| c) Disbursements for month of March | £ 25,769.19. 5 |
| d) Bal. as of close of business 31 Mar., 1945 | £ 255,463. 1. 5 |

2. Civilian Personnel Payroll (less agents) as of 31 March, 1945:

a) U.S. Civilians

	<u>M.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
SI	25	5	
SO	1	0	
K-2	17	2	
NO	31	0	
RIA	1	0	
SF	1	0	
Security	2	1	
COML.	0	0	
CD	0	2	
Reprod.	2	0	
Dir. Office	7	3	
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b) Foreign Civilians

SI	1	0	
K-2	0	1	
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	- 2 - 111--TOTAL.

3. The Chief of Special Funds, Lt. Col. W.H. Moore, returned from Washington where he was called to confer with the Chief, Special Funds OSS and representatives of our branch in other theaters. He has now departed on an inspection trip, which will include all field units, with particular emphasis on the best possible use of Special Funds in Germany, accompanied by Lt. G.J. Robinson of our Paris Office.

CLINTON WARD,
1st Lt., FD.

Attachment (Personnel Forms)

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Date: 25 Mar 1945

HQ AND HQ DETACH.
OSS (MAIN), APO 413.
23 March, 1945.

TO: Capt. David C. Crockett

SUBJECT: Brigadier Henn.
[Signature]

1. Brigadier Henn has presented us with your letter of 4 March, 1945, and we have followed his instructions in paying the gunmaker the sterling equivalent of \$700.53, as a partial payment. It has been agreed that we will advise you of the balance due in order that you may transfer same to this office, which we will in turn pay to the gunmaker.

2. As a matter of interest Brigadier Henn turned out to be the former tutor of Col. Alcorn and they enjoyed a few minutes' reminiscence of happier days.

[Signature]
CLINTON WEBB,
1st Lt., FM.

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Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS (MAIN), APO 413.
13 March, 1945.

TO: Capt. David C. Crockett
SUBJECT: Reichskreditkassen Notes.

1. More than a year ago we secured through Sweden approximately 28,000 Reichskreditkassen notes, which have remained in our vaults unused due to the fact that it was later determined that they were not currently in use in Germany and, hence, unsafe for the purpose for which obtained.

2. I am taking this opportunity of circularizing all those who might possibly find some use for them. Mr. Bigelow, as well as Lt. Sichei, suggested that possibly you might be able to use them in Hungary or Austria. Will you, therefore, keep their possibility in mind.


CLINTON WEBB,
1st Lt., FD.

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cc Capt. J. J. Murphy ✓

12 March 1945

VIA ARMY AIR POUCH

WA-A-417

MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel J. Russell Forgan
c/o Commanding General
European Theater #1
APO #413

ATTN: Lt. Col. Robert E. Alcorn
Lt. Clinton Webb

FROM: Captain E. M. Lucas
Special Funds Branch

SUBJECT: London-Caserta Transfers - November and December

(1) After reconciling the reports for London and Caserta November and December - a list of discrepancies and omissions is shown below. We are holding these discrepancies in "Suspense" and will appreciate your straightening them out immediately with Captain Murphy who is receiving a copy of this memorandum. As soon as you can reconcile with him, will you please advise us?

1. 7th Army Balances transferred to London per 31 October Statement- Advances Outstanding - 41,500 Algerian Francs credited to Caserta by London - Caserta charged London 44,000 French Francs.
2. 7th Army Balances transferred to London per 31 October Statement - Cash \$10,925.00; Advances Outstanding \$4,134.00 - Total \$15,059.00 credited to Caserta by London - Caserta charged London \$14,909.00
3. 11/30 - Cash from Caserta to Paris - 40,000 French Francs credited to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
4. 11/30 - Bayard ~~in~~ King A/C-7th Army - 50,000 French Francs credited to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
5. 11/30 - George Eove A/C-7th Army - 12,500 French Francs credited to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
6. 11/1 - Balance taken over per 7th Army Report of 31 October 1944- Cash 1858 L'dor - Advances Outstanding 727 L'dor - Total 2385 L'dor credited to Caserta by London. Caserta charged London 2,335 Mixed Gold Pieces.
7. 11/5 - Adjustment to Lt. Volpe Bassuet A/C 7th Army 50,000 French Francs charged to Caserta by London. Caserta did not acknowledge.

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Col. Alcorn
Lt. Webb

12 March 1945

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*Paris
1/23/45
to London
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Dec 16 to
9/30/45
Dec 11*

*2/36
Dec 30
to Paris*

*Payment to
Taylor by
London
per
letter
11/24/44*

8. 11/27 - Adjustment to French SI Operation "Hastings" 341,000 French Francs charged to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
9. 11/18 - Adjustment Lt. Volpe A/C 5 L'Dor charged to Caserta by London not acknowledged by Caserta.
- ✓ 10. 12/30 - General Schally - deposit in Paris to be paid in Bucharest 20,000 French Francs credited to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
11. 12/13 - L. C. Briggs deposit in Algiers to clear 7th Army 15,000 French Francs charged to Algiers (Caserta) by London. Not acknowledged by Caserta.
- ✓ 12. 12/13 - Transfer of checks from 7th Army - \$150.00 charged to Caserta by London - not acknowledged by Caserta.
- ✓ 13. John Caserta A/C to 7th Army - 100,000 Lira charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
14. George Hall A/C to 7th Army - 12,600 Algerian Francs charged to London by Caserta. Not acknowledged by London. This transaction may tie in with "Item 5" above.
15. Francis Kalnay A/C transferred to London 48,000 Lire charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
16. Gellert A/C transferred to London 40,000 Lire charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
17. Gellert A/C transferred to London - 20,000 Lira charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
- ✓ 18. Sgt. Kaplan per diem paid by Caserta for London - 4800 Lira charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
19. Cash to 7th Army - 50 of One American Eagle Gold Pieces charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London. This item may tie in with "Item 6" above.
20. Cash to 7th Army - 125 Double American Eagle Gold Pieces charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
21. Dorothy Comstock A/C transferred to Paris - 5,000 French Francs charged to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.
22. Payment to Dorothy Taylor by London (\$32.76 credited to London by Caserta - not acknowledged by London.

For the Chief, Special Funds Branch:

E. W. Lucas

Capt. Crockett.
The file, nothing
pertaining to this
transaction - do
you recall any-
thing on it?
J. Nalmstedt

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS (MAIN), APC 413.
8 March, 1945.

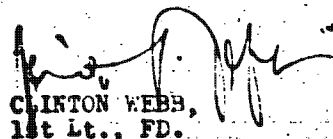
TO: Capt. David C. Crockett

SUBJECT: Reimbursement for loss of personal funds -
1st Lt., Andre E. Pecquet.

1. We have received formal request through this man's branch for reimbursement to the extent of £10.0.0 from Special Funds, covering money which he claims to have "entrusted in good faith to the Algiers Office" before going on a mission on 28 June, 1944. It seems that the sum of 2,000 Algerian francs, together with other personal property and documents, were turned over to a British conducting officer, Capt. R. Douglas, who, in turn, claims to have delivered this bundle to Lt. (now Capt.) Bonnet against receipt. Apparently Bonnet does not recall the transaction, although he states that it is not impossible that Capt. Douglas did leave an envelope with the office which could have been misplaced.

2. We note that by authority of a transfer from Algiers we paid Lt. Pecquet, also known as Paray, on 31 July, 1944, the sterling equivalent of 415 Algerian francs. Could there be any connection with this payment and the 2,000 francs claimed as lost?

3. Would you be kind enough to have someone investigate this and let us have any additional information obtainable. In the meantime, rest assured we do not intend to make any settlement whatsoever with Lt. Pecquet.


CLINTON WEBB,
1st Lt., FD.

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 (Main)

2 February 1945

SPECIAL FUNDS BRANCH
PROGRESS REPORT, 1 January to 31 January 1945

1. Status of Account for month of January, as reported to Wash.:

a) Bal. as of close of business 31 December, 1944	£ 172,061. 5.10
b) Receipts for month of January	136,750.11. 3
c) Disbursements month of January	18,898. 3. 1
d) Bal. as of close of business 31 January, 1945	289,913.14. 0

2. Civilian Personnel Payroll (Base agents) as of 31 Jan., 1945:

a) U.S. Civilians

	M.	F.	
SI	18	5	
SO	5	0	
X-2	14	1	
KO	40	0	
R&A	1	0	
SF	1	0	
SERV.	1	1	
COMM.	0	2	
CD	0	2	
REPROD.	2	0	
S&T	1	0	
DIR. OPS	4	3	
	87	20	107

b) Foreign Civilians

SI	2	0	
X-2	0	2	
	2	2	4 - 111 TOTAL

3. The activities of the Special Funds Branch for January were routine. The Chief of Special Funds Branch, Lt. Colonel Robert Hayden Alcorn, was called to Washington for consultations.

CLINTON WEBB
 1st Lt., F.O.

Attachment (Personnel Form)

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS (MAIN) UK BASE, APO 413.
23 January, 1945.

TO: Capt. J. Murphy
FROM: Lt. Clinton Webb

1. This will acknowledge your letter of 14 January with stated enclosure, which we have transmitted to SOE as you requested.

2. For your information, we have suggested to SOE that they contact you with regard to certain inquiries they have concerning finances of North African Jedburgh Teams and advances to Capt. John Pcp. They have intimated that their man in Lyon has received from Lt. Paul Sheeline 125,000 francs, (Fr.) \$200.00 and 10 Louis d'or, which they plan to turn over to us here in London, in which case we will of course advise you.


CLINTON WEBB,
1st Lt., FD.

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2 January, 1944.

SPECIAL FUNDS BRANCH

REPORT OF ACT, 1 December to 31 December, 1943.

1. Status of Account for month of December, as required to show:

- a) Bal. as of close of business 30 November, 1943.
- b) Receipts for mo. of Dec.
- c) Disbursements mo. of Dec.
- d) Bal. as of close of business 31 December, 1943.

2. Civilian Personnel Payroll (less agents) as of 31 Dec., 1943:

a) U.S. Civilians

	<u>I.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
SI	19	6	
SO	5	0	
X-2	15	1	
NO	43	11	
R&A	1	0	
SF	1	0	
SERV.	2	2	
COM.	0	8	
CD	0	2	
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b) Foreign Civilians

SI	3	0	
X-2	0	2	
NO	1	0	
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3. The activities of the Special Funds Branch for December were routine. There was a minimum of activity with respect to agent operations on the Continent, although one or two additional projects were approved for future operation.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
 ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN,
 Lt. Col., USA.

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STATUS OF PERSONNEL

SPECIAL FORCE, ETO
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1 JANUARY, 1945
(Date)

	ARMY		NAVY		MARINES		CIVILIANS (U.S.)		CIVILIANS (Non-U.S.)		TOTAL
	OFF	EM	OFF	EM	OFF	EM	MALE	FEM.	MALE	FEM.	
Now on duty in Theater	5	3					1	2			11
Now on duty in OSS ETO (Main)-U.K.		1					1	2			6
Transfers Out pending											0
Transfers In pending											0

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cc: Crockett

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HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
UNITED KINGDOM BASE
U. S. ARMY
(Main)

1 December, 1944.

SPECIAL FUNDS BRANCH

PROGRESS REPORT, 1 November to 30 November, 1944.

1. Status of Account for month of November, as reported to Washington:

a) Bal. as of close of business 31 October, 1944	£29,389.17.7
b) Receipts for mo. of Nov.	£131,316.13.0
c) Disbursements mo. of Nov.	£18,011. 6.7
d) Bal. as of close of business 30 November, 1944	£142,695. 4.0

2. As of 30 November, 1944, Special Funds Branch carries a civilian payroll (less agents) as listed below. This is a slight decrease from the number carried in October and it is anticipated that an even greater decrease will be noted in the coming month because of the numerous transfers to Washington for permanent assignment.

a) U.S. Civilians

	<u>J.</u>	<u>F.</u>	
SF	1	0	
SI	22	6	
SO	3	0	
NO	45	2	
X-2	15	2	
R&A	1	0	
Dir. Office	0	1	
Services	2	2	
CD	0	2	
Reprod.	2	0	
	<u>93</u>	<u>15</u>	- 108

b) Foreign Civilians

SI	1	0	
NO	1	0	
X-2	0	2	
	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	- <u>4</u>

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3. Lt. Clinton Webb was dispatched to the Paris Office for ten days of temporary duty, during which time he visited the various field units in France, Belgium and Holland along with Lt. G. J. Hodgkinson. This visit was in the nature of a preliminary indoctrination for Lt. Webb, who will eventually go into the field for the purpose of servicing the various field units.

4. The Sussex chain is in the process of being closed out and it is contemplated that we will have a fully documented financial report with respect to this mission during the coming month.

Also, the SO agents under the Jedburgh Plan have finally been over-run and all unexpended balances have been returned. Their accountings as presented are in the process of being reviewed and it is hoped that we will be in a position next month to render a complete report with respect to the Jedburgh finances.

5. Considerable progress has been made with respect to the War Diary for the Special Funds Branch and it is contemplated that this document will be completed during the month of December.

6. During the month of November Special Funds took steps to reduce its French franc inventory which was considerably higher than necessary, and, after clearing with Washington, established a basic inventory for French francs against future operations.

Special Funds has experienced some difficulty in obtaining Reichsmarks for future operations of the field units, but we are presently carrying an inventory sufficient to care for operations as planned. However, unceasing efforts are being made to obtain Reichsmark notes in sufficient quantities to service large scale operations in Germany.

7. Paris & 7th Army: Lt. R. B. Springsteen (Paris Office) in company with Capt. Crockett from Caserta went down to the 7th Army to complete final arrangements essential to the transfer of the 7th Army personnel to the jurisdiction of London Mission. As of 1 November, 1947, Lt. Peter H.K. Sichel, Special Funds Officer with 7th Army, assisted by Sgt. Armand Poyant, reports directly to the Special Funds Branch, London, and it was essential that Lt. Springsteen work out certain basic operating procedures with Lt. Sichel.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN,
Lt. Colonel, AUS.
Chief, Spec. Funds Br.

Attachment (Personnel Form)

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STATUS OF PERSONNEL

SPECIAL TUNDS BRANCH
UK BASE

1 December, 1944.

	ARMY		NAVY		MARINES		CIVILIANS (U.S.)		CIVILIANS (Non-U.S.)		TOTAL
	OFF	EM	OFF	EM	OFF	EM	MALE	FEM	MALE	FEM	
Now on duty in Theater	5 4	3 2					1	2			11 9
Now on duty in OCS ETC (Main) UK	2	1					1	2			6
Transfers Out pending											0
Transfers in pending											0

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AIR POUCH

London
HQ. AND HQ. DETACHMENT
OES, ETOUSA, MAIN APO 413
3 November 1944

TO: Captain J. Murphy
FROM: Special Funds Office - London
SUBJECT: Account of Dorothy Taylor

1. Upon receipt today of your letter dated 26 September enclosing 1,260 Algerian Francs for payment to Miss Taylor we had already completed settlement in accordance with cabled instructions from Capt. Whitby.

2. We are therefore returning herewith the 1,260 Algerian Francs and ask that you let us have word of their safe return.

3. Capt. Crockett spent the past weekend in London and from him we got our first news that you were with the organization.

Clinton Webb
CLINTON WEBB
2nd Lt., F. D.

CW:adh

taken up.
Dec. 31
A.

~~*Dr. Cash*
Dr. E. J. ...
(I think!)~~

No. 12
WR-A-201
Air Pouch

October 27, 1944.

Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn,
Commanding General,
European Theater No. 1
APO 413

Dear Bob:

1006 advises me, under date of October 14, that he has about 17,000,000 French francs, in currency, almost all of which are of 1,000 franc or smaller denomination, old, used and not in series.

1006 further expresses the opinion that in view of the Belgian Government's recent action in calling in its currency on such short notice he feels that there is some danger that the French authorities may do the same thing. As the francs, of course, are Government funds, he probably would receive preferential treatment. This stock of francs are those which I asked 1006 to buy for Washington account as a reserve in case either you or Crockett might have an emergency demand for them.

I have written 1006, suggesting that you discuss with Col. Bruce the advisability of his sending to Paris this stock or holding them. Please advise me what you do. A copy of this is being sent to Crockett.

Sincerely yours,

obj:bs
cc: Capt. Crockett

Emerson Sigelow

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A. & H. DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
APO 887, ETOUSA

19 September 1944

TO: F. C. Whitlow, Captain, F. D.
FROM: Special Funds Office, London Mission
SUBJECT: Miss Dorothy Taylor


1. In Major Alcorn's absence, the undersigned has talked with Miss Taylor in keeping with the suggestion contained in your letter of 8 September. She arrived in England 7 September and we have consequently figured her pay through that date. We understand from her that you have paid the net balance of \$248.45, shown on her transcript, by payment of 12,422 odd Algerian Francs early in July. Deducting 100% of her living and quarters, she should receive \$335.68, or £83.3.10, per month thereafter, against which we have already paid in London £61.19.2, or \$250.00. The month of September is shown on a pro-rata basis. The complete calculation is as follows:

	Base Salary & Overtime Eff. 1 Feb. 1944	Paid in London	Paid in Algiers	Balance Due
July	£ 83.3.10	£ 61.19.2	-	£ 21.4.8
August	83.3.10	61.19.2	-	21.2.8
Sept. 1-7	19.7.10	14.9.2	-	4.18.8
	<u>£185.15.6</u>	<u>£138.7.6</u>	-	<u>£ 47.8.0</u>

2. If this agrees with your accounting, and you will so advise, we will let her have a check for the balance of £47.8.0.

3. Miss Taylor will await action by the Board on the question of an adjustment on her allowances, but in the meantime, asks that Lt. Dickson, Billeting Officer, be advised of the fact that she had not received the 900 Francs reimbursement for quarters for August, to which she was entitled.

FOR THE CHIEF, SPECIAL FUNDS


Clinton Webb
2nd Lt. FD

*See memo
to Webb 26 Sept.*

File London

Hq. and Hq. Det. ch.,
CSC JTCUSA, APO 887.
5 August, 1947.

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Financial Requirements of 76 SCI Unit.

1. Enclosed for your information and guidance is a copy of a memorandum with respect to the financing of SCI Unit 76, which is to operate in Italy.
2. In conversation with Major Holcomb I have been informed that the personnel of this Unit is London personnel and Major Holcomb desires to have the administrative and financial control of the Unit based in London. This is, therefore, your authority to make payments on proper authorization to Captain Roger Geiran up to the sum of \$5,000. You are to have Captain Geiran account to you for all monies disbursed to him and you are to submit the accounting to me. This matter has been discussed with both Colonel Bruce and Colonel Rehm, who approve of the matter as outlined.
3. Colonel Rehm and I expect to get away from here on Monday and we should be meeting you in Algiers within a week or ten days.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN,
Major, AUS.

REA:sk
Attachment.

*see letter to
Alcorn - 16 Aug -*

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27 July 1944.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Major R. H. Alcorn, AFS
FROM: Commanding Officer, SCI Units.
SUBJECT: Financial Requirements of 76 SCI Unit.

1. The 76 SCI Unit has been established at X-2 Headquarters, NATO. Although it is for the moment under the operational authority of AFSA, the Chief of X-2 has decided that, as an SCI Unit, it comes under the authority of X-2 London.

2. With regard to its financial requirements, it is suggested that your office authorize the Finance Officer of the 2677th Regiment to issue to Captain Roger Goiran, Commanding Officer, 76 SCI Unit, the sum of \$5,000 in Banque de France Notes. Also that this Unit be authorized to draw, if necessary, an additional \$5,000 in French currency for its operations until it is completely operationally under the command of SHAEF.

/s/
FRANKLIN P. HOLCOMB
Major, USMC
CO, SCI Units.

/s/ H.W. (Will)

/s/ O.K. DNEB (Bruce)

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Hq. and Hq. Detachment
OSS, EICUSA, APO 937
5 August 1944

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Deposit to the Account of Dorothy Taylor

1. According to the instructions in your letter of 28 June, we have deposited the equivalent of \$250 to the account of Dorothy Taylor in Barclay's Bank, Limited. This represents partial salary payment for the month of July, and we have debited our Transfer Account with this item against your office.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Major, AUS

*see memo to
Alcorn 28 June 44*

5 August 1944

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett - Algiers
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Advance to Lt. Lucien Conein

1. Lt. Lucien Conein received an advance of £ 10.0.0 from our office to cover expenses while in London. He is to account for this advance to you, and we are transferring it to your office.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Major, AUS

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HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
APO 887, ETOUSA

22 July 1944.

TO : Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert Hayden Alcorn

1. According to the instructions contained in your letters of 17 June and 28 June, we have deposited to the account of Dorothy Taylor in Barclays Bank, Ltd., the sum of £336.19.2. This includes a £275.0.0 deposit with your office, and salary payment for the month of June, equivalent to \$250.00. These transfers went through our books in July. We will continue to deposit £61.19.2 to Miss Taylor's account on the last day of each month until further notice.

2. In your letter of 27 May, you notified us of travel advances amounting to £40.0.0 to members of the "Quail" group. Since you specifically listed the items as advances, we have deducted them from salary payments made here. The members of the group insist that these payments were for expenses incurred, and that no repayment was to be made. We are inclosing a copy of a statement by one of the members of the group. Can you straighten this matter out for us? Your memorandum of June 11 gave us the information that one of the members of the group had been short charged in the amount of £1.0.0, but we can do nothing about crediting the account of the proper individual until we know his name. If these items are to be considered as expenses, we see no reason why they should be transferred to us, since we do not have the receipts on any of these items, nor were the expenses incurred in our theater.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Major, AUS

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*reply to
Alcorn 2 Aug 44*

C O P Y

15 July 1944

Statement of Pvt. Otto Schonfeld on receipt and expenditure of £25 in Algiers, per request of your memo of 13 July:

On 24 May 1944 I received 5000 francs (£25) from Lt. Brewster, with instructions to divide this with Max Lippmann. This covered per diem for \$5 (250) for each of us for a period of ten days, which was due us for living expenses in Algiers. No receipt for this was signed, since it was never the practice to sign for such payments from Lt. Brewster.

(Signed)

Otto P. Schonfeld

L. London.

Ho. and Eq. Detach.,
OSS ETOUSA, APO 887.
1 July, 1944. *th*

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Leland Springs.

1. This is in reply to a memorandum from Lt. Col. John Williams dated 14 June with respect to an outstanding balance of 10,000 Algerian francs on your books against Mr. Leland Springs.

2. Colonel Williams has asked me to locate Lt. Col. Arthur Roseborough, who is with the 9th Air Force, in order to get an accounting for Mr. Springs' funds. Colonel Roseborough was here in England up until about four weeks ago, but upon contacting his former office I have been advised that he is on the Continent and is not expected back here.

3. I am sorry that I am unable to do anything further in the matter, but if I should be able to contact Roseborough at any time I will bring the matter before him.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

cc: Williams.

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File London

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS ETCUSA, APO 887.
14 June, 1944.

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Lt. Andre E. Pecquet.

1. As a follow-up to my cable of yesterday this is formal authorization to deliver 100,000 French francs to Lt. Andre E. Pecquet, who will arrive in your theater shortly, for use in SO operations.

2. Enclosed herewith for your information is a copy of Captain Upton's memorandum requesting these funds showing Colonel Bruce's approval.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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Attachment.

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+ 27 June
+ 18 June*

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Western European Section
SO Branch, OSS

9 June 1944

SUBJECT: French Francs Requisition.

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn.

1. Please wire OSS Algiers to deliver to Lt. Andre E. Pecquet, ASN - 02043216, AUS., 100,000 French francs in such denominations as he may request.
2. Lt. Pecquet is going to Algiers in transit for a special mission.

THOMAS G. UPTON
Captain, F.D.

APPROVED:

/s/ Paul van der Stricht
Paul van der Stricht, Major, AUS.

/s/ Joseph F. Haskell
Joseph F. Haskell, Colonel, GSC.

David K. E. Bruce
David K. E. Bruce, Colonel, GSC.

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*File to Dr. Jones
4/17*

London Correspondence

11 June, 1944

General

1. D. C. Robert H. Crockett Alcorn
1st Lt Major

11 June 1. Lt. Brewster, head of the Labor Desk, SI, advises us that he short changed one of the men from the Operation "Quail" when giving them their travel advance. He returned to us one Pound Sterling, representing this for which we are giving you credit on our books, debiting our cash and crediting our transfer account London.

2. We requested you to ship us two million Allied Military French Francs as soon as possible in all denominations. Please give this your earliest attention and give us all the details of the extent of the use of this currency in liberated France and the use of the Banque de France Franc in comparison with the Military authority franc.

3. Would you please tell us if you have a large surplus of French Francs? If you ~~xxx~~ should have we might have some use for it since requirements have been larger in this theater than anticipated. Since it seems advisable to keep as little of a surplus as possible, we would rather make use of yours, than buy additional supplies. We hope to hear on the above subjects at your earliest convenience.

For the Strategic Services Office

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

*see memo
to Alcorn 17 Aug
also receipt 8 June
memo to Alcorn 27 May*

HEADQUARTERS 267TH HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
INFANTRY (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

*File
London.
June 8 (?)*

FILE:

DATE:

SUBJECT:

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No.	From	To	Date	
1	Miss Dorothy Taylor	Finance Officer	June 14.	<p>1. Understand you will arrange to transfer my present funds of francs into my bank in London.</p> <p>2. Funds herewith amount to 55,000 (fifty-five thousand) francs, and I should be grateful if you would transfer equivalent pounds sterling (275) into -</p> <p>Barclays Bank Ltd. Portman Square Branch London, W.1.</p> <p><i>Dorothy Taylor.</i></p>
				<p><i>Taken care of.</i></p>

*see memo to
shown 17 June*

Hq. and H-etch.,
OSS ETOUS, APO 887.
8 June, 1944.

TO: 1st Lt. David C. Crockett,
FROM: Maj. Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Quail Group

File London

1. This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 27 May which accompanied the following items for the Quail Group:

- 1 cigarette case, Gold.
- 1 Watch bracelet, Gold.
- 1 Bracelet, Gold, Engraved Max Lippmann, 16-2-1906.
- 1 Watch Chain, Gold, with Louis D'Or
- 1 Watch Chain, Gold
- 2 Cuff Links, Gold, Monogrammed O.S.
- 5 Rings, Gold, with following Monograms: P.S.;
W.K.; O.S.; W.K.; M.L.;
- 1 Piece Gold, 1/16 x 3/16 x 3/4 inch.

2. We are holding these as a special item in the amount of 99 Louis D'Or and we are not entering it as cash (Washington is being so advised). We will, of course, obtain receipts when the items are turned over to the members of the Quail Group for field use.

3. We will receive proper accounting from the four men concerned as listed under paragraph #3. We note and acknowledge the information regarding salary arrangements as outlined in Paragraph #4.

Robert Hayden Alcorn
Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:sk

*see cable
13770
9 June*

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London

HEADQUARTERS 2677TH HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
DEPENDENT (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

FILE:

DATE: 25 May, 1944

SUBJECT: Transfer to London.

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across the sheet just below initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long notes.

No.	From	To	Date	
1.	Special Funds	C. O. thru Col Gamble & Col Early	25 May	1. Cable #3750 requested the service of Lts LeNen and Michel. In our Cable No. 3289 attached it was stated these men were not available. 2. These two officers are not to be used for the OSS-SC-SOE operations room, so it is recommended that the following cable be sent. (See attached)
				<i>116</i> <i>Subj</i> <i>acc</i> D. C. C.
<i>4</i>	<i>EG</i>	<i>Evrc</i>	<i>25M</i>	<i>OK -</i> <i>EG</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>HC</i>	<i>Corbett</i>	<i>25M</i>	<i>cable sent</i> <i>①</i>
				<i>see cables</i> <i>3259(4) - 3 may</i> <i>+ 3258(1) - 25 may</i>

File London

HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
APO 887, ETCSBA

17 May 1944

SUBJECT: Passport of Captain Ford
TO : Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn

Enclosed is the passport of Captain P. Blount Ford, which you requested us to obtain from Mrs. Ford in your letter of 4 May 1944. We have already acknowledged receipt of the passport in a letter to Mrs. Ford.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Major, AUS

*memo
to S - 4 May
All memo
to C - 24 May*

London

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS ETOUSA, APO 887.
11 April, 1944.

TO: Lt. F. C. Whitlow
FROM: Maj. Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Capt. Robert Lambert.

1. This is in reply to your memorandum of 22 March concerning advances made to Captain Robert Lambert while on temporary assignment in Algiers.

2. Captain Lambert has returned to me 1,200 Algerian francs and has given me an itemized accounting for the remainder. His total accounting shows an expenditure of 30,000 francs but a portion of that was personnel expenditure and will not in any way alter your record. You are, therefore, advised that you may clear your records with respect to Captain Lambert and his account is in order.

Sincerely,

Robert Hayden Alcorn
Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

via London

HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
APO 887, ETCUSA

27 April 1944

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett

SUBJECT: Advance to Captain John K. Miller

Bank
Transfer

1. On April 27, 1944 the London Special Funds Office advanced £50.0.0 to Captain John K. Miller. This advance is to be repaid in Algiers, and we have accordingly charged our Transfer Account with this item against your office.

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Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Major, AUS.

HHA/rr

File London

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS ETOUSA, APO 887.
20 March, 1944.

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn

In accordance with instructions contained in your letter of 6 March, 1944, herewith are the L10.0.0 which were pouched to us to be paid to Colonel Eddy. We attempted to locate Colonel Eddy in this theater but, apparently, he was some place between the two.

With respect to your query concerning 5,000 franc notes, I believe our cable #9204 of 7 March, 1944, answers your question and we have had no further information on this subject since that time.

Sincerely,

Robert Hayden Alcorn

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak
attachment.

London file

Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
JSS ETOUSA, APO 667.
23 February, 1944.

TO: Lt. David C. Crockett
FROM: Maj. Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Lt. Colonel Donald Q. Coster.

1. Lt. Colonel Donald Q. Coster is being dispatched by the London Office to Algiers and possibly Cairo for temporary duty.

2. It is conceivable that Colonel Coster will have need of funds for his mission and this is your authorization to advance him such sums as may be required, which will be accounted for on his return to London. Your office will, of course, advise me as to any advance made with dates, currency and rate of exchange.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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cc: Bland

Major Lloyd

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Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
OSS ETOUSA, APO 667
Feb 15

TO: Maj. John W. Williams
FROM: Maj. Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Advance to Major Stacey B. Lloyd.

1. This is in reply to your memorandum of 13 January relative to the advance of 100,000 lire (\$1,000) made to Major Lloyd on 29 November, 1943.
2. I am informed by Major Lloyd that he gave an accounting for this entire sum to a person whom he recalls as being a Lt. Koller, although he was not absolutely certain of the name. Can you verify whether or not Lt. Hoagland may have had an assistant by this name to whom Major Lloyd could have made an accounting. At any rate he insists that these funds have been accounted for and he should be cleared off your books for the same.

Sincerely,

Robert Hayden Alcorn
Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

see memo to Alcorn 13 Jan.

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London
Hq. and 1. Detach.,
OSS ET005A, SPO 887.

8 February, 1944.

TO: Major John W. Williams
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Lt. Pierre M. Martinot.

1. Further to my cable #7841 dated 7 February, this is to confirm my request that you make available to Lt. Pierre M. Martinot the following:

250,000 French francs in 1000 franc notes
\$150.00 in check, currency or the equivalent
in Algerian francs.

2. The issuance of these funds has been approved by Colonel Bruce on the basis of London operations for SO and you may charge this item against the London Office should you so desire. Will you please advise me when this has been done.

Sincerely,

Robert Hayden Alcorn

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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Hq. and Hq. Detach.,
APO 607, OSS, ETUSA.

20 January, 1944.

TO: Major John W. Williams
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Roger Milnaud.

1. Roger Milnaud states that OSS owes him 4,000 French francs as being his pay for August and September, 1943, while in North Africa.

2. In view of the fact that I have no official record of such an amount being due Mr. Milnaud, would you check your files and advise me. I shall withhold payment until hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

*see memo
to a - 26 Jan.
backclip 25 Jan
to P.*

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
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APO 887,
ETOUSA.
3 January, 1944.

TO: Major John W. Williams.
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn.

1. This is to advise you that Major Stacy Lloyd has given me the following accounting of the advance made to him by your office and has paid me £9.0.0 to cover amount due OSS:

Advance from Algiers Office	-	£40.0.0
Expenses	-	31.0.0
Amount due OSS	-	£ 9.0.0 ✓

Sincerely,



Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

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APO 887,
ETOUSA.
3 January, 1944.

TO: Major John W. Williams
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn.

1. In reply to your memorandum of 20 December (paragraph three), this is to advise that I have received the sum of £24.15.8 - equivalent of \$100.00 - from S/Sgt. Albert E. Jolis. This amount covers full repayment of the \$100.00 advance made to him by Washington.

Sincerely,



Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak
cc: Spec. funds, Wash.

23 December, 1943.

TO: Major John Williams
FROM: Major Robert H. Alcorn

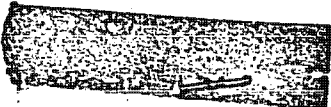
This letter will be presented to you by Capt. Robert Lambert who is representing our London Office. It would be greatly appreciated if you would advance him such funds as may be necessary, for which he will render me an accounting. On Capt. Lambert's departure from that theater, I would appreciate receiving from you a statement of moneys paid out to him and I shall notify you when he has rendered his final accounting to me in London.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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*All memo
to A - 22 Mar 44*



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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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American Embassy,
London.
9 December, 1943.

Major J. W. Williams,
c/o Commanding Officer,
2677th Headquarters Co.,
Experimental (Prov.),
AFN,
Algiers, Algeria.

Dear John:

This is to advise you that I have this day advanced the sum of ten pounds (£10.0.0) to Lt. Col. Pfeleiger, for which he should account to you upon his return to Algiers.

Sincerely,



Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

RHA:ak

CONTENTS OF POUCH - A-73.

9 December, 1943.

- 1 memorandum for Major J. W. Williams from Major R. H. Alcorn.

NAME: CAPT. ALCORN DATE: DEC. 3, 1943

This Will Acknowledge Receipt of

FR. FRANCS

FR FRs.

~~FR FRANCS~~ TWO MILLION AND $\frac{55}{100}$ 2,000,000 ^{FR}

FROM J. W. WILLIAMS FOR TRANSFER
CABLE NO. 143
LONDON

SIGNATURE

Walter Hayden Alcorn

NO. _____

PER _____

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American Embassy,
London.
8 December, 1945.

Major J. W. Williams,
c/o Commanding Officer,
2677th Headquarters Co.,
Experimental (Prov.), Army,
Algiers, Algeria.

Dear John:

Further to my cable of this date, this is to
notify you that I have received the two million (2,000,000)
French francs which you sent to this office. Enclosed is
the formal receipt which accompanied the notes.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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Attachment.

*see memo to a
20 Dec.*

CONTENTS OF POUCH - - A-70.

- 1 envelope for Major J. W. Williams containing two memorandums from Major R. H. Alcorn.

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American Embassy,
London.
4 December, 1943.

Major J. W. Williams,
c/o Commanding Officer,
2677th Headquarters Co.,
Experimental (Prov.), AFHQ,
Algiers, Algeria.

Dear John:

1. This is to acknowledge receipt of the three million (3,000,000) French francs which you sent here by Colonel Pfeiffer. We are looking for the additional two million (2,000,000) in the near future and would prefer receiving it in smaller denominations if possible.

2. On December 2, 1943, we advanced the sum of £10.0.0 to Miss Dorothy Taylor for which she should account to you upon arrival in Algiers. We would appreciate your advising us when this account has been cleared.

Sincerely,

Bob

Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

*see memo
to A - 29 Dec.*

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Attachment - Formal Receipt.

*P.S. your cable 5251 announcing the
dispatch of the additional 2,000,000 has just come
in. I'll cable you as soon as they arrive.*

Bob

NAME: Account for TER DATE: Nov 27, 1943

This We Acknowledge Receipt of

~~Three~~ FRANCES Three Million P 3,000,000.

FROM J. D. Williams FOR Transfer Funds

SIGNATURE Robert Hayden Alcorn

CASH Three Million Frances PER Nov. 30, 1943
Major, GUS

NO. _____ AUTHORITY _____

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NAME: Capt R. Lee - for TET DATE: Nov 27, 1948

through Lt. Col. _____
This Will Acknowledge Receipt of

FRANCIS T. Miller \$3,000.00

FROM J. W. Williams Major FOR Personal Transfer

SIGNATURE _____

CASH _____ PER Edward H. King

NO. _____ AUTHORITY _____
11/27/48

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

London

AMERICAN EMBASSY
LONDON

13 July, 1943.

SUBJECT: Letter to Colonel Bruce dated 24 June, 1943.

TO : Major John W. Williams, AUS.

1. Colonel Bruce has referred to me for reply your letter of 24 June, in which you request information relative to the accounts of John A. Bross and Dale McAdoo.

2. As Colonel Rehm's representative in the London office, all of the Special Funds have been transferred to my account, and along with them any records about standing indebtedness.

3. For your information Major Bross has accounted to me for the funds which were advanced to him in Washington and all of his obligations have been cleared.

4. With respect to Mr. McAdoo and the amount of 13,000 francs advanced by G.P. Van Arkel, there is no record here of these funds. Mr. McAdoo is not known to the London office so far as I can determine, and Mr. Van Arkel is listed as attached to the office in Algiers.

5. I am sorry not to be able to help you further with respect to the latter item, but am, of course, entirely helpless in view of the fact that we have no record at all of the persons involved.

Robert Hayden Alcorn

ROBERT HAYDEN ALCORN
Captain, AUS
Chief Administrative Officer.

7 July 1945

TO : Lt. Col. R. H. Alcorn
Special Funds Officer

FROM : Lt. (j.g.) R. L. Covington

SUBJECT: Your credit dated 14 June 1945
for B 12 (our shipping ticket
#50 dated 7 June 1945).

1. Please note the contents of
the attached copy of letter from Lt.Col.
Walter Ross dated 27 June.

2. It will be appreciated if you
will supply us with the information
requested by Col. Ross.

R. L. Covington, Lt.(j.g.)USNR
Deputy Finance & Fiscal Officer

cc: Walter M. Ross
Lt.Col. AUS
Chief of Unit

see Bucharest covers for copy of letter 27/june/45

HQ & HQ DETACHMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
European Theater of Operations
United States Army
(MAIN)

APD 413
6 July 1945

SUBJECT: Credit Transfers - London to Caserta

TO : Captain David C. Crockett

1. In reply to your letter of 29 June, we have the following information about items 1 and 3:

Bayard L. King - 50,000 French Francs

7th Army picks up this item from Caserta 7 November. Lt. Sichel states that he notified your office that he had assumed this advance, made by your office. Accounted for to 7th Army.

Spanish Desk - 15,000 French Francs

We cannot locate a November or December transfer, but on 23 January Caserta notified Lt. Sichel that payment of this amount had been made in Casablanca, so your office was credited.

2. There is no Algerian Franc Transfer of 15,000 Algerian Francs shown in our November or December reports. Can you give us more information on this item?

Robert Hayden Alcorn
ROBERT HAYDEN ALCCRN
Lt. Colonel, AUS

*Paris notified
17 July-*

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*The 1944
requirements
appear correct
for 1945*

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By Auth: Hq & Hq Det,
O of Strategic Sv,
Initials R.H.C.
Date July 6, 1945

APO 413
6 July 1945

TO: Captain David C. Crockett
FROM: Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn
SUBJECT: Transfer of SO Accounts

1. In reply to your letter of 26 June, we did, as you state, transfer to your office the sum of 1,400,000 French francs on our November 1944 report for the SPOC/US Account. To imply from that, however, that the operation was in any way our responsibility or that we had any knowledge of it is to overlook entirely the circumstances under which the transfer was made.

2. This transfer originated with the 7th Army, which, until that month, had been under your control. All funds advanced through Algiers, and all expenses incurred on it were incurred in territories then under MEDTO control. Your office accepted the transfer of November, and we did not even know the nature of the operation, since the project originated with you, was on 7th Army books when they came under our control, and was returned to you without apparent objection.

3. To have credited us with knowing, when we made the transfer, that "the moment Teams hit the ground they were the responsibility of the ETO for debriefing and handling" is to have granted us extraordinary prescience. A much more practical way of handling the transaction would have been for you to have transferred the advances made in Algiers to us as they were made, if, as you say in Paragraph 6, "these teams went through Algiers only for the convenience of getting them into Southern France," and they "drew funds from me on the basis of approvals in London, and that we lost jurisdiction over them the minute they hit the soil of France." In that way London could have had some knowledge of the responsibilities which you claim are ours.

4. Apparently I must repeat that the Jedburgh financing for your theater was not handled through my office and none of the arrangements effecting such operation were ever discussed with me. Therefore, despite what Colonel Glavin says with

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respect to the responsibility of this theater, the fact still remains that the entire operation financially is and always has been yours. With respect to the close of your paragraph 6 asking that I inform you how I decide to handle this, because you are closing your theater, I can only state that the decision is one which is automatic, and the one originally taken. In effect it is your problem and the final accounting and the closing out of the account is for you to handle. That you will not be able to handle it after July 15, would seem a rather broad statement in view of the fact that I assumed your responsibility as Special Funds Officer for the theater imposes upon you the obligation to close all of your accounts regardless of any deadline which you may wish to impose.

5. With respect to your paragraph 5 in which you state: "As you have let Colonel Baker "slip" through your fingers"--I apparently must repeat what I said in my letter of June 21, paragraph 3--"Colonel Baker stopped in my office about ten days ago on his way to Washington and agreed with me that it would be absolutely impossible for the account to be cleared here, in view of the fact that I had none of the background or records which would be available to your office."

6. I have no intention of treating a matter of this importance on the basis of picayune accusations, such as are contained in your paragraphs 7 and 9, as I wish to stay on the overall subject.

7. As we now understand the transfer of November, it can be broken down into two parts:

1,000,000 French francs advanced to Col. Baker, and
400,000 on SO Operations Barres, Bruyers, Rostand.

In regard to Barres, we credited you on our transfer of 29 January with returns made to this office by Paul C. Sheeline. His account was cleared, with the exception of 15,000 francs he had advanced to a war correspondent, for which he assumes personal responsibility, and a personal advance of 2,500 francs. All that remains is to itemize and enter the expenses listed on the statement we sent your office, and to collect 17,500 francs from Sheeline.

Paris picked up from your transfer of 25 May 622,774 francs on Col. Baker's Avignon account. Presumably you have an accounting for the difference between that figure and the 1,000,000 advanced. Lt. Sichel stated that he believed Col. Baker had made an accounting in Paris. We are requesting confirmation of that, and if so, his account is presumably cleared. If not, it will have to be transferred to Washington.

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Captain Crockett

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6 July 1945

Paris did not pick up your transfers on Bruyers and Rostand, nor do I see how they can, having no more information than we do on their accounts.

8. I hope this will help to clear up what has become a rather unfortunate muddle. If there is anything further I can do, please let me know.



ROBERT HAYDEN ALCOEN
Lt. Colonel, AUS

cc: Rehm-Wash.
Hodkinson-Paris

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18 April 1945

Lt. Col. Robert Hayden Alcorn
Special Funds Officer
Obs, London

Dear Colonel Alcorn:

1. Please advance on demand to the bearer,
Lt. Colonel E. W. Chapin, on identification of AGO
card, the amounts in any currency that he desires
up to a dollar valuation of \$2,500.00.

2. Please charge Headquarters, 2677th with
the amounts advanced and indicate these amounts on
this letter and we will credit you on notification
from your office for the total amounts drawn.

Very truly yours,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer.

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& destroyed -
JH*

10 April 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : Lt. Clinton Webb
FROM : Captain David C. Crockett
SUBJECT: Reimbursement for loss of personal funds -
1st Lt. Andre E. Pecquet.

1. I am sorry that I have not answered your letter of 8 March sooner. I know nothing of this matter. We have searched through our personal envelopes, which we hold without assuming any responsibility for their safekeeping as a courtesy to officers, enlisted men and agent personnel, and we find none in his name.

2. There does not seem to be any connection between the 415 Algerian francs transferred to you on 31 July 1944, and the 2,000 francs claimed as lost. I am afraid that Lt. Pecquet will have to settle his difficulties with Captain R. Douglas and Captain Bonnet, as we have no further responsibility, nor do you, in this matter.

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer

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10 April 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO : Clinton Webb, 1st Lt., FD
FROM : Captain David C. Crockett
SUBJECT: Reichskreditkassen Notes.

1. I am afraid that your Reichskreditkassen notes are no good to anyone. I don't see how we can use them in Hungary or Austria until we are settled in the Palace hotel in Vienna, and by that time probably these notes will be valueless.

2. My suggestion is that you take a short ride through the Palatinate and scatter them over the countryside as you go, and charge them off to operational expense in connection with the trip.

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer.

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MEMORANDUM

TO : Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn,
FROM : Lt.(j.g.) R. L. Covington
SUBJECT: Advance to Major Granam Erdwurm

1. Major Granam Erdwurm has deposited with us the equivalent of 200 British pounds. Please advance this sum to him, transferring the charge to Caserta.

R. L. Covington
Lt.(j.g.) USAR

8 April 1945

Lt. Colonel Robert H. Alcorn, Jr.,
Special Funds Officer,
mg. & Hq. Det., OSS, U.K. Base
APO 413, U. S. Army

Dear Bob:

Please convert all the lira that the bearer of this note has to local currency and I will gladly accept the lira on transfer to this office. I did not want to give them pounds for fear they would be held up at Bevington Field for trying to smuggle in pounds contrary to the British regulations.

Sincerely yours,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer.

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22 March 1945

TO: Lt. Col. Robert E. Alcorn
Special Funds Officer - London

FROM: Capt. D. C. Crockett
Hq. Co. 2c77th Regt. OSS (Prov)

SUBJECT: London-Caserta Transfers - November and December

(1) We have received a copy of Captain Lucas' letter, 12 March 1945, outlining discrepancies between Caserta and London. Below is listed all of the information available on these items.

1. The difference between 44,000 Algerian Francs and 41,500 Algerian Francs is accounted for per our November Report, Algerian Franc Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #2. "31 October 1944 Balances of G-2, SSS, 7th Army transferred to BTUSA. Our balance is 2,500 Francs greater than the balance shown on G-2, SSS, 7th Army Report. They did not pick up the transfer of the Cynthia H. Jacobsen Account transferred to them 27 October 1944."
2. The difference between \$15,059 and \$14,909 is accounted for per our November Report, Dollar Account, Transfers (debit column) Item #4. "31 October 1944 Balance of G-2, SSS, 7th Army Accounts transferred to BTUSA. Our balance is \$150 less than that shown by G-2, SSS, 7th Army Report. They did not take credit for a transfer of checks totaling this amount shipped to us on 27 October 1944 on Shipping Ticket #1."
3. Caserta acknowledged credit of 40,000 French Francs in our November Report, French Franc Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #2. "Credited to our accounts by G-2, SSS, 7th Army for cash turned in to their office to apply against the Jedburgh Accounts maintained in this office."
4. In regard to Item #4 of Capt. Lucas' letter pertaining to Bayard L. King A/c-7th Army - 50,000 French Francs credited to Caserta by London, please forward more information, as we do not have the account under that name. Could there be a mission or code name connected with this account?

Lt. Col. Robert E. Alcorn

22 March 1945

5. Caserta picked up the George Howe A/c-7th Army - 12,500 French Francs as a charge to G-2, SSS, 7th Army in our November Report, Algerian Franc Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #1. This is the same item referred to by Capt. Lucas in Item #14 under the name of George Hall, A/c -7th Army. It will be necessary for Washington to reconcile currencies.
6. The difference between 2,385 M/G's and 2,335 M/G's is accounted for per our November Report, M/G Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #2. "Transfer of balance of G-2, SSS, 7th Army Accounts to London. Our balance is 50 less than the balance shown on their books because they did not take credit for the transfer of the Donald King Account."
7. 11/6 - Adjustment to Lt. Volpe ~~Bassnet~~ A/c-7th Army, 50,000 French Francs charged to ~~Caserta~~ by London. Caserta has no information on this item. Please advise details.
8. 11/27 - Adjustment to French SI Operation "Hastings" 541,000 French Francs charged to Caserta by London. Caserta has no information on this item. Please advise details. (Name of individual receiving original advance, etc.).
9. 11/16 - Adjustment Lt. Volpe A/c IDor charged to Caserta by London. Caserta has no information on this item. (See Item #7 above).
10. General Schally payment to Mrs. Schally, Bucharest. See Caserta T/A #139 (copy attached), which was reported in our February Report, Dollar Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #13 in the amount of \$400.
11. L. C. Briggs deposit in Algiers to clear 7th Army 15,000 French Francs charged to Algiers (Caserta) by London. This was accounted for as follows: when the SSS, G-2 Accounts were transferred to London the above amount was deducted which resulted in London being charged 15,000 Francs less than the amount shown on the SSS, G-2 Accounts. To reconcile this item Washington should refer to our November Report, French Franc Account, Transfers (debit column), Item #3, para. a.
12. See Item #8 - \$150 charged to Caserta by London was deducted by Caserta when transferring the accountability of SSS, G-2.
13. Advance to John Garrett by Bari, transferred to SSS, G-2 per Bari T/A #23 (copy attached).
14. George Hall A/c to 7th Army - 12,500 Algerian Francs. Same transfer as Item #5 in the name of George Howe. See Item #5 for complete explanation.

Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn

22 March 1945

15. Francis Kalnay A/c transferred to London, 40,000 Lire transferred to London on Bari T/A #16, per MTOUSA November Report. Later it was decided that the collection would be made by Bari. London has been credited by Theater T/A #18 per our March Report. Therefore if London picks up neither the charge nor credit the item should reconcile itself.
16. Gellert A/c transferred to London, 60,000 Lire (40,000 Lire on T/A #27 and 20,000 Lire on T/A #33). Later it was decided that the collection would be made by Bari. London has been credited by T/A #12 per our January Report. Therefore if London picks up neither the charge nor credit the item should reconcile itself.
17. Gellert A/c transferred to London, 60,000 Lire (40,000 Lire on T/A #27 and 20,000 Lire on T/A #33). Later it was decided that the collection would be made by Bari. London has been credited by T/A #12 per our January Report. Therefore if London picks up neither the charge nor credit the item should reconcile itself.
18. Sgt. Kaplan paid Lire 4,000 by MTOUSA per letter from Lt. Webb, dated 6 November 1944. This was charged to London in our December Report.
19. Cash to 7th Army - 50 of One American Eagle Gold Pieces on our S/T #34 (copy attached), which was reported in our December Report. This has no connection with Item #6.
20. Cash to 7th Army - 125 Double American Eagle Gold Pieces on our S/T #34 (copy attached) which was reported in our December Report. (On both Items #19 and #20 we have received acknowledgment from Lt. Peter Sichel).
21. Dorothy Comstock A/c transferred to Paris on our T/A #36 (copy attached).
22. Dorothy Taylor paid by London \$332.76 per letter from Lt. Clinton Webb, dated 8 November 1944. Caserta credited London and charged expense upon the assumption that London would charge Caserta for the payment. See our December Report, Dollar Account, Transfers (credit column), Item #5.

(2) We hope this will facilitate the reconciliation of the Caserta-London Accounts.

David C. Crockett, Capt. AC
Special Funds Officer

cc: Washington
cc: Lt. Peter Sichel.

9 March 1945

Lt. Col. Robert Hayden Alcorn
Special Funds Officer
USS, London

Dear Colonel Alcorn:

1. Please advance on demand to the bearer, Lt. Colonel Richard Weil, O-723414, on identification of AGO card, the amounts in any currency that he desires up to a dollar valuation of \$2,500.00.
2. Please charge Headquarters, 2677th with the amounts advanced and indicate these amounts on this letterhead we will credit you on notification from your office for the total amounts drawn.

Very truly yours,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer

4 March 1945

Lt. Col. Robert Hayden Alcorn, Jr.,
Special Purvis Officer,
Office of Strategic Services,
72 Grosvenor Street,
London W., England.

Attention: Clifton Webb, 1st Lt. FD

Dear Sir:

The bearer of this letter, Brigadier Henn,
has deposited at this office the sum of \$700.53. We
are transferring this account to you with the attached
form and we would appreciate it if you will pay the
bearer the equivalent in pounds at the current rate.

Sincerely yours,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance & Fiscal Officer

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28 February 1945

TO: Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn
FROM: Capt. J. Murphy
SUBJECT: Accounts of Paul G. Sheeline, 1st Lt. Air Corps

1. We are in receipt of a statement from the above named officer indicating that 17,500 French Francs were used by him for personal reasons. 15,000 of the amount were loaned to a U.S. War Correspondent for which Lt. Sheeline indicated that he would be personally responsible. The balance of 2,500 was used by him for personal expenses due to the fact that he was unable to collect any Army pay.

2. In view of the fact that Lt. Sheeline stated that he would make reimbursement for this amount as soon as he obtained settlement of his pay accounts, it is requested that you contact him in this matter. We are not taking any action to liquidate his accounts until reimbursement is secured.

J. Murphy, Capt. FD
Deputy Finance & Fiscal Officer

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21 January 1945

Lt. Col. Robert Hayden Alcorn
Special Funds Officer
OSS, London

Dear Colonel Alcorn:

1. Please advance on demand to the bearer, Lt. Colonel Richard Well, O-923414, on identification of AGO card, the amounts in any currency, that he desires up to a dollar valuation of \$2500.

2. Please charge headquarters, 2c77tn with the amounts advanced and indicate these amounts on this letter and we will credit you on notification from your office for the total amounts drawn.

Yours very truly,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance and Fiscal Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT OSS
APO 512, US ARMY

14 January 1945

SUBJECT: Return of advance
Lt William H Woolverton

TO : Lt Col R H Alcorn

1. The enclosed twenty-five British pounds (£ 25) are sent you through this office by Lt Woolverton in repayment of an advance made him by Capt J Watson of 5,000 French Francs out of S.O.E. funds. Also enclosed is Lt Woolverton's receipt for the advance, apparently made out to Capt Watson, and which is obviously voided with the repayment.
2. This office is simply a delivering agent in this transfer of funds, and no book transaction is involved between it and your office.

J. MURPHY
Capt. F D
Deputy Finance and
Fiscal Officer

Encl: £ 25
receipt (5,000 FF)

HEADQUARTERS
2677TH REGIMENT, OSS (PROV)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

2 January 1945

Lt. Col. Robert H. Alcorn,
Chief, Special Funds Branch,
Hq. & Hq. Det. OSS ETOUSA,
APO 413, U. S. Army

Dear Colonel Alcorn:

1. I have just learned from the special G-2 of this office that Sidney Alexander is now a private in the North Building, in Washington, and, as far as we know, never did come to this Theater. Certainly, he is not here now.

2. Recommend that you transfer this to Washington for their action, only for lack of a better suggestion.

3. I am indeed upset to hear about the V-2s dropping on Selfridge's. Please be particularly careful when walking down the street, and I suggest a course in open field running so that you can dodge any V-2s coming your way.

4. With the usual Season's Greetings (I trust this is not a violation of the pouch) to you and all your Staff, from all the weary boys in the Meato, I am,

Sincerely yours,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Finance & Fiscal Officer

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HEADQUARTERS
2677TH REGIMENT, OSS (PROV)
APO 512, U.S. ARMY

24 November 1944

Major Robert Hayden Alcorn
Special Funds Officer
OSS, London

Dear Major Alcorn:

Please advance on demand to the bearer,
Lt. Colonel Richard Weil, O-723414, on identification
of AGO card, the amounts in any currency that he
desires up to a dollar valuation of \$2500.

Please charge headquarters 2677th with the
amounts advanced and indicate these amounts on this
letter and we will credit you on notification from
your office for the total amounts drawn.

Yours very truly,

David C. Crockett
Captain, AC
Special Funds Officer.

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HEADQUARTERS
2577 AN REBT CBS (PROV)
APO-512 U. S. ARMY

The London
18 November 1944

To : Miss Helen E. Osman
From : Capt. J. J. Murphy
Subject: Life Insurance

1. The attached check is being returned for the reason that all payments to meet the premiums on this life insurance must be deducted from your salary. You are referred to page three, paragraph one of attached memorandum dated 29 June 1944. GSB Form 1193a authorizes Special Funds Branch to deduct the above mentioned payments and \$2.00 initiation fee from the employee's salary. You have signed this form, therefore, a sum of \$29.75 which constitutes three months premium plus the \$2.00 initiation fee will be deducted from your November salary, and one month's premium of \$9.25 each month thereafter.

2. Each life insurance application should be accompanied by the following certification "I hereby certify that at the time of signing this application I was not in enemy occupied territory". There is attached herewith a copy of the above mentioned statement which you should sign and return to Mr. Clayton F. Banks, Jr., of Special Funds Branch, Washington, together with copy of insurance application, as soon as they are filled out inasmuch as payments must be made to the Association as soon as possible from the date of the application. Please give Mr. W. G. White, in Washington, copy of your letter of transmittal.

J. J. MURPHY
CAPT. FD
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

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VIA AIR POUCH

HR-9-2-1
MEMORANDUM

9 November 1944

TO: Colonel Edward J. F. Glavin
Commanding Officer
Headquarters Company
2677th Regiment OSS (Prov)
Caserta

Attention: Mrs. Lois E. Frauenheim
c/o Captain David C. Crockett

FROM: R. G. White

SUBJECT: Life Insurance for Miss Helen E. Osman

VIA AIR POUCH
WR-A-241

SECRET

9 November 1944

TO: Mrs. Lois E. Frauenheim
c/o Commanding Officer
Headquarters Company
2677th Regiment OSS (Prov)
Caserta

FROM: R. G. White

SUBJECT: Life Insurance for Miss Helen E. Osman

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 9 October 1944 enclosing life insurance application and OSS Form 1193a both executed by Miss Helen E. Osman also a check in the amount of \$77.00 drawn by Miss Osman to the War Agencies Employees Protective Association.

The above mentioned check is being returned for the reason that all payments to meet the premiums on this life insurance must be deducted from the insured's salary. You are referred to page three, paragraph one of attached memorandum dated 29 June 1944. OSS Form 1193a authorizes Special Funds Branch to deduct the above mentioned payments and \$2.00 initiation fee from the employee's salary. Miss Osman has signed this form, therefore, a sum of \$20.75 which constitutes three months premium plus the \$2.00 initiation fee will be deducted from her November salary, and one months premium or \$6.25 each month thereafter.

Each life insurance application should be accompanied by the following certification "I hereby certify that at the time of signing this application I was not in enemy occupied territory". There is attached herewith a copy of the above mentioned statement which Miss Osman should sign and return to me as soon as possible.

It is requested that in the future all life insurance applications be forwarded to Mr. Clayton F. Banks, Jr., of Special Funds Branch as soon as they are filled out inasmuch as payments must be made to the Association as soon as possible from the date of the application.



Enclosures (3)

SECRET

Date *approx.*
15 Oct. 44

Dear Dave:

London
Now that the 7th Army has more or less come under our jurisdiction I am wondering whether or not you have given any thought to how we may clear outstanding financial matters with regard to personnel of OSS attached to the 7th Army.

Naturally I have no idea from this end as to how your units are set up with respect to funds; that is, how many people there may be in the field with advances outstanding and how many continuing projects or operations duly authorized and budgeted may be at the present time handled by 7th Army groups.

Purely from cable correspondence I gather that your man Sichel is assigned to the 7th Army for the purpose of handling Special Funds matters. However, I am wondering if it would be possible for you to submit to my London Office with a copy to Springsteen, Paris, a listing of all advances outstanding with the 7th Army and any other pertinent data concerning operational projects.

For the time being we can continue to operate as we are now doing by keeping each other constantly advised and working closely together in an effort to keep things on an even keel. However, it might be well to set a deadline, such as 1 November, after which time all personnel assigned by OSS to the 7th Army should be advised that Special Funds matters will come directly under the control of the Paris Office, and, of course, automatically under London. Sichel will of course continue to operate with the 7th Army, but I think as of 1 November he should report to Paris rather than to Caserta and should come more directly under my office.

I am sure you will realize that this is a most difficult letter to write and I do not mean to sound presumptuous or dictatorial; however, in view of the fact that the powers that be have brought the 7th Army under ETO, I think you will understand that it is absolutely essential for us to regularize our own shop in order to conform.

I am hopeful that we may be able to sit down together and work out the details in person and with that thought in mind I am cabling you today to meet me at Paris if possible next week. At any rate I shall be interested in your reactions to the above suggestion.

Sincerely,

Robert Hayden Alcorn
Robert Hayden Alcorn,
Major, AUS.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677TH REGIMENT GSS (PROV)
APO 534 U.S. ARMY

4 October 1944

Major Robert Hayden Alcorn
Special Funds Officer
OSS, London

Dear Major Alcorn:

Please advance on demand to the bearer, Lt. Colonel Richard Weil, O-923414, on identification of AGO card, the amounts in any currency that he desires up to a dollar valuation of \$2500.

Please charge Headquarters 2677th with the amounts advanced and indicate these amounts on this letter and we will credit you on notification from your office for the total amounts drawn.

Yours very truly,

David C. Crockett, Captain, AG
Special Funds Officer.

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COMPANY "A" (K&R ECHELON)
2677TH REGIMENT
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES (PROVISIONAL)
APO 534, U. S. ARMY

*London
Theray
Taylor
JICW*

29 September 1944

Subject: Miss Dorothy Taylor.

To: David C. Crockett, Capt., A. C.

1. Re letter from London which is attached hereto covering salary account of subject as above. Miss Taylor was last paid by this office to include 30 June 1944. (See attached copy of Individual Pay Roll for Personal Services) Therefore, the calculations made by London Office is correct as to dates and amounts providing the conversions are made correctly.

2. I am enclosing one thousand eight hundred sixty (1,860) Algerian Francs to be returned to Miss Taylor for reimbursement. This represents advances Miss Taylor made for her quarters for the period 29 June 1944 to 31 August 1944, inclusive. The billet was requisitioned and later paid for by the Army Finance for that period. Accordingly, the owner returned this amount for delivery to Miss Taylor.

3. In view of the above, Miss Taylor is considered as having been furnished by OSS- quarters and subsistence at Government expense for that period. Deductions should be made accordingly by the Board of Review in making final adjustment of her salary account. Best regards.

F. C. Whitlow
F. C. WHITLOW,
Capt., P. D.,
Special Funds Officer.

- 3 Incls.,
- 1--Copy of Individual P/R Form
- 2--1,860 Al. Frs.
- 3--Ltr fr London Office

*figure refund due on 60% of R+Q with daily
deductions of \$1.62 per period from February 1st to ~~last~~ date
of departure from theater. see*

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*See memo to
Webb 26 Sept.
& from Webb 19 Sept.*

London

HEADQUARTERS
2677th CENTRAL SIGNAL BATTALION
APO 534, US AFB

26 September 1944

SUBJECT: Account of Dorothy Taylor

TO : Lt Clinton Webb

1. Enclosed is Algerian Francs 1,860 for reimbursement to Miss Dorothy Taylor for her payment of quarters for August.

2. Last payment of salary in this theater was made in July for the month of June in the amount of \$243.45, in Algerian Francs, as stated in the statement which Miss Taylor presented your office.

3. Over and above her monthly salary, Miss Taylor is due living and quarters allowance at the rate of \$100.30 monthly, less 40% for quarters furnished, and \$1.62 daily for mess furnished from February 1 to the date of her departure from this theater. Payment of allowances from that date of departure to her arrival in your theater on September 8 and thereafter will depend on what quarters or mess is furnished in that theater.

J. MURPHY
Capt. FD
Assistant Special Funds Officer

Incl. (1,860 Alg Frs)

See memo from
Webb 19 Sept -
also call from
Webb 24 Oct.

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COMPANY "A"
2677th REGIMENT OSS (PROV)
APO 534, U.S. ARMY

PCV/als
8 September 1944

SUBJECT: Miss Dorothy Taylor

TO: Major R.E. Alcorn

1. Subject above is returning to London. Upon arrival there, her services with OSS will be terminated. Transcript of her account is enclosed herewith. You will note she was last paid by this office to include 30 June 1944. Since that time she has not drawn any of her salary.

2. Miss Taylor entered SOE December 1941 at Tangier and officially transferred to OSS 10 January 1943. She has had one month leave with pay taken in August 1943.

3. Miss Taylor's temporary address is: Mrs. Ruth Kidson, 53 Holland Road, London, W-12.

4. Settle Miss Taylor's account to date deducting 100% for her Living and Quarters Allowances while she was subsisted and quartered at OSS expense. Inform her that there is a possibility that an adjustment will be made of her Living and Quarters Allowance by the Board of Review. I will notify you when and what action has been completed by the Board.

5. You naturally will discontinue her payment to the bank effective 31 August 1944.

6. Please inform me of the action taken in this matter and oblige.

F. C. WHITLOW
Captain F.D.
Special Funds Officer
Company A.

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2-Backslip

HEADQUARTERS DETACHMENT
2677th BATT. OSS PROVISOLA
APO-534 U. S. ARMY

London

1 September 1944

To : Major R. H. Alcorn or
(Any Special Funds Officers representing his office.)

From : Col. W. L. Rehm

Subject: Advances to Mr. Morris Berg

1. This is your authority to advance up to the equivalent of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to Mr. Morris Berg who is on a special mission for our organization. This money will be accounted for in Washington.

W. L. R.

W. LAKE REHM
COLONEL

Cpl. Jones

London

18 August 1944

Miss Dorothy Taylor

1st. Lt. 1st. Lt. 18/8/44 1.
D. C. F. C.
Crockett, Whitlow,
A.C. F.D.

1. Would you please notify London direct the salary status of Miss Taylor, ie. how much she draws from you per month. The London office is also depositing \$250.00 per month in the Barclays Bank in London to her account. Tell London that on her arrival there her services with OSS will be terminated and ask them to make final payment to her and close the arrangements with Barclays Bank.

2. Also ask Miss Taylor to give us her permanent London address for the records as she may have additional money coming to her at the time of settlement of the living and quarters allowances.

D. C. Crockett
1st Lt., A.C.
Special Funds Officer

*Letter from
Alcorn 5 Aug 44*

*see
cable file
also*



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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT OSS (PROV)
APO 534 U. S. ARMY

17 August 1944

SUBJECT: Quail Advances

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, OSS-London

1. I have some further information on the QUAIL advances as Captain Brewster has shown up in Algiers. He personally gave the money to the agents and told them that the money was not expendable, and the men clearly understood that they were to account for the advance.

2. He cannot give us any further information as to who was short-changed but suggests that we wait for someone to claim it. If no one claims it you will have to follow my suggestion of an earlier letter on the disposal of this money.

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt., AC
Special Funds Officer

*see booklet
to Alcorn 11 June*

SECRET

London

HEADQUARTERS
2677TH REGIMENT OSS
APO 534 U S ARMY

16 August 1944

SUBJECT: Accounts

TO : Major R H Alcorn

1. Enclosed is check drawn on London bank in amount 259-5-10 to order of W S Vucinich which was cashed here and forwarded to Washington where it was not possible to cash it and ~~it~~ has come back to us for further action. The Naval Hq here cannot cash it and suggests that it be sent back to the London bank. Please accept transfer of the check in the amount stated and do what you can to cash it.

2. Washington found it impossible to cash because of the indorsement "payable to the Treasury of the United States" and the fact that Col Reins is an agent cashier of the Treasury did not help.

3. With respect to financing of 331 Unit 76, we will honor authority to advance 5,000 dollars in French francs to Capt Roger Goiran and will forward copies of any and all accountings from him to Major Holcomb and you.

For the Special Services Officer:

David C. Crockett
1st Lt. AC
Special Funds Officer

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
2677th REGIMENT OSS (FROV)
APO 534 U.S. ARMY

2 August 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, Hq & Hq Detachment,
APO 887, ETOUSA

1. In answer to your letter of 22 July, paragraph 1 has been attended to and we are most appreciative of your assistance.

2. With reference to paragraph 2, the advances made to these men, which amounted to 40 pounds, were in the definite form of travel advances and the men should definitely account to you for this money. It is true that one of the members of the group was short-changed one pound by Lt. Brewster, who handled the cash for them as I did not see the man in our office. As, however, the man never claimed the short-change I can only suggest that you invest it in champagne because I certainly don't know what to do with it myself. As Lt. Brewster has gone back to Washington now there is no way that I know of that we can verify the statement made by Schonfeld as to whether this was the practice or not but the whole matter was definitely reported to us as travel advances for which they would account to you.

3. I am sorry I cannot clarify this more. Looking forward to seeing you in this theater soon. I am sorry there was some delay in your request for TCA but you will be notified by cable as soon as this is available.

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lieutenant, AC
Special Funds Officer

*Algiers
O. P. S.*

London Correspondence.

16 July, 1944

Transfer of Pound Sterling Check.

COPY: To Caserta

1. Special	Major R.H.	16 July	1. Attached please find check in the amount of twenty five Pound Sterling (£25.--) drawn by Philip Blount Ford on the Canadian Bank of Commerce in the amount of in favor of Cash.
Funds	Alcorn		
Algiers	London		

2. We are crediting our Cash Account and are debiting our transfer account London.

For the Strategic Services Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
 1st Lt AC
 SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER



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London Correspondence

2 July, 1944

Return of funds of Lt. Pecquet

1. Special Funds
Algiers

Special Funds
London

2 July 1. Before Lt. A. G. Pecquet finally left this theater he deposited with this office 415 Algerian Francs the equivalent of \$8.30. He requested us to transfer this to you and for you to deposit it to his bank account.

2. We are therefore Debiting our cash for this amount and are crediting our Transfer column London.

For the Strategic Services Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

*adj 6/30 on 7/5
A 7/6*

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

FOREIGN SERVICE
INDIVIDUAL PAY ROLL FOR PERSONAL SERVICES AND ALLOWANCES

- (1) Name: Miss Dorothy Taylor, Operational Supply.....
(2) Home Address: Rhodalyn, Durbar Avenue, Coventry, England.....

DEPENDENTS:

- (3) Lawful wife: Not applicable.....
(4) Annual base salary: \$3,400.....; Annual Overtime: \$828.32.....
Annual Living & Quarters Alws: \$1,209.60.....; Total Annual Income: \$5,237.92

CREDITS:

- (5) For base salary from 1 February 1944 to 30 June 1944 \$1,416.65
(6) For overtime from 1 February 1944 to 30 June 1944 261.80
(7) For Living & Qrs. Alws. 1 February 1944 to 30 June 1944 504.00
TOTAL CREDITS..... \$2,182.45

DEBITS:

- (8) Withheld Income Tax \$ None
(9) Purchase of War Bonds None
(10) Living & Qrs. Allowance furnished..... 504.00
(11) a. 60% Deduction for Subsistence furnished
b. 40% Deduction for Quarters furnished... 1,180.00
Amount paid on prior vouchers
(11) Amount of salary paid by Washington Office, June 1944 London 250.00
TOTAL DEBITS..... 1,934.00
Net Balance..... 248.45

(12) I certify that the foregoing statement and account are true and correct; and that I hereby acknowledge receipt in CASH this date, the sum as stated in the Net Balance column.

Date: 30 June 1944.....19.. Signature: /s/ DOROTHY TAYLOR.....

\$248.45 equals 12,422.50 Frs. @ 60 frs. to the Dollar.

Note: \$250.00 being credited to OSS, London, and deposited with Barclays Bank, Ltd., Portman Square, London, W.1. account of Dorothy Taylor.

A CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

R. W. Whittier
Capt., E. D.

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HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT OSS (PROV)
APO 512 U S ARMY

file London Correspondence.

28 June, 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS

FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AC

SUBJECT: General.

1. Miss Dorothy Taylor, of Operational Supply here has requested us to make part of her monthly payments in her favor to her bank in London. So will you please pay monthly, commencing for the month of June, the equivalent of \$250.00 to Barclays Bank Ltd, Portman Square, London W.1., to be credited to Dorothy Taylor's account. Please make these payments crediting your cash and debiting your Algiers account.

2. Two French Lieutenants left today for London where they are going to work for S.O. to the best of our knowledge. Lieutenant Georges Noel LeNen and Sous Lieutenant Jacques Michel are both being paid from Unvouchered funds, and have been last paid to include the month of June. We are herewith transferring their pay to your office. Lt LeNen is being paid \$180.00 a month and Lt Michel \$160.00. In case they wish to send some of their pay to Algiers, you can transfer same to us and we can deposit in their banks. We are cognizant of their banks and Bank Account numbers.

3. T/4 Leo Sanders of the Labor Desk S.I. has been transferred to London from this theater. He receives special compensation on top of his army pay at the rate of thirty dollars (\$30.00) a month. This will serve as your authority to make this payment to T/4 Sanders monthly commencing with the month of July, after clearing this with Mr. Rott.

For the Strategic Services Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

BY:
F. C. WHITLOW, 1st Lt PD
ACTING SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

*see memo
from Alcorn
22 July*

File # London Correspondence

June 26, 1944

Donald Leith's pay account

1. Sp. Funds Major Alcorn 6/26/44 1. We have been advised by Washington that you can
Algiers London make deductions up to \$75 a month on Mr. Leith's
pay account and wish to advise you that Mr. Leith
was paid \$75 by our Bari office.
2. We are transferring this payment to the London
office crediting our cash and debiting our London
Transfer column.
3. Will you please advise us when you expect to
ship us the Allied Military France so we may have
them here when the need for same arises.

For the Strategic Services Officer:

DAVID C. GROCIETT
1st Lieut. A.C.
Special Funds Officer

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File → London Correspondence

22 June, 1944

Advances Lt A. C. Pecquet

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|----|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|---|
| 1. | Special Funds
Algiers | Special Funds
London | 22 June | 1. Referring to our letter of 18 June we wish to advise that Lt. Pecquet returned to this office two thousand Algerian Francs before his departure. |
| | | | | 2. Will you therefore retransfer this advance to Algiers and we will debit our cash and credit our transfer account, London. |
| | | | | 3. The only transfer therefore standing and chargeable to Lt. Pecquet is the one for one hundred thousand French Francs. |

For the Strategic Services Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

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London Correspondence

22 June, 1944

Transfer of Check.

1. Special Special
Funds Funds
Algeris London

22 June 1. Attached please find Naval Attache's
Check, drawn on the National City Bank
of New York, bearing number 28718, on acct.
No. 7848 and signed by F. P. Drew, Supply
Corps, USN, in the amount of \$18.00.

2. We are transferring this check as a
cash transfer to you since we are unable to
cash same here, Crediting our cash and de-
biting our Transfer London Account.

For the Strategic Services Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

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London Correspondance

18 June, 1944

Transfer of Advances

1.	Special Funds Algiers	Special Funds London
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18 June 1. In accordance with authority contained in your cable we have advanced Lt. A. C. Peccrust one hundred thousand French Francs and two thousand Algerian Francs.

2. We are herewith transferring these advances to London, Debiting our Transfer column London and crediting our Advances outstanding.

For the Commanding Officer

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

By: F. C. WHITELOW, 1st Lt ED
ACTING SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

*All memo from
clearn 14 June*

LT. PECQUET

File London

To: Special Funds Branch

Receipt No. H46

One hundred thousand French Francs

I hereby acknowledge receipt of _____ Dollars)

^{FF}
(\$100,000) from Lt. J. C. Crockett

These funds are to be used only in connection with official business of a secret or confidential nature for OSS. In accepting these funds, I agree to account properly for their disbursement and return any unexpended balance.

Authority
London Cable

Project No. _____

This the 17 day of 6 1944

Branch Transfer London
(2897)

A. E. Paray Seal

HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT OSS (PROV)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

File London

17 June 1944

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn
FROM : 1st Lt. David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Transfer of Funds

1. Miss Dorothy Taylor has deposited with this office 55,000 Algerian Franc or the equivalent of 275 Pounds Sterling. Request that you deposit this amount to her name with Barclays Bank Limited, Portman Square Branch, London W1.

2. We are crediting our transfer account London for this transfer and debiting our cash. Thanking you in advance for taking care of this matter.

For the Strategic Services Officer:

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lieut. A.C.
Special Funds Officer.

BY _____
F. C. WHITLOW
1st Lieut. FD

*see check slip from
Taylor 8 June*

*see memo re
subj. Taylor - from
Alcorn 5 Aug.
to " 28 June
" " 18 Aug.*

FILE LONDON

To: Special Funds Branch

Receipt No. A33

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Two Thousand ^{francs} Dollars

(\$2000 AF) from Lt. D. C. Corbett

These funds are to be used only in connection with official business of a secret or confidential nature for OSS. In accepting these funds, I agree to account properly for their disbursement and return any unexpended balance.

Trans to

Project No. London

This the 12 day of 6 1944

Branch S.O.

A. E. Nequest Seal

(2807)

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The Honorable General

HEADQUARTERS
2677th REGIMENT, G.S.S. (PROV)
A.P.O. 512, U.S. ARMY

27 May, 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS
FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : QUAIL Group, Labor S.I.

1. The QUAIL Group of the Labor S.I. Desk is being transferred to London from Algiers. This Group had some jewellery made from Louis D'Or, for purposes of escape money, which is being held at present in our office. Since this jewellery is no good to any one else, it being expressly made for this group, and since it is planned to send this group in enemy country and use same at some later date, we are herewith transferring the jewellery to your office. The jewellery represents ninety nine Louis D'Or pieces and we are transferring same to you in this manner. We will debit our London transfer account with 99 Louis D'Or, and Credit our cash account with a like amount.

2. The following is a list of the Jewellery involved:
- 1 cigarette case, Gold.
 - 1 Watch Bracelet, Gold.
 - 1 Bracelet, Gold, Engraved Max Lippmann, 16-2-1906
 - 1 Watch Chain, Gold, with Louis D'Or
 - 1 Watch Chain, Gold
 - 2 Cuff Links, Gold, Monogrammed O.S.
 - 5 Rings, Gold, with following Monograms: P.S.; W.K.; O.S.; W.K.; M.L.;
 - 1 Piece Gold, 1/16 x 3/16 x 3/4 inch.

see receipt from Alcorn & June

3. The following Travel Advances were made to the following members of the QUAIL group, which we are herewith transferring to London:

{	PABLO SALAS	£ 5 .-. .-
	WILLI DRUCKER	£ 5 .-. .-
	Max LIPPMANN	£ 5 .-. .-
	Pvt. OTTO SCHOENFELD	£ 25 .-. .-

We have given instructions to these men to report to your office on arrival and account to you for this advances. Mr. George Pratt can give you the necessary information no doubt on the QUAIL Group.

4. For your information Pablo Salas and Willi Drucker received a monthly salary of 6,000 Frs and Max Lippmann of 5,000 Frs. They were all three paid up to and including the 31st May, 1944. Please ask the Commanding Officer the transfer of above sums.

Sincerely

SECRET

DAVID C. CROCKETT, 1st Lt &
SPECIAL FUJES OFFICER

HEADQUARTERS
2677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
O. S. S. (PROVISIONAL)
A.F.O. 512, U. S. ARMY

24 May 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS
FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : General.

1. We are in receipt of the Passport of Capt. Ford and thank you very much for the quick attention you gave this matter.

2. We have received your letter re Mr. Donald Leith and have written Lt. Woodring, requesting him to forward us Mr. Leith's pay account.

3. Enclosed please find checks in the amount of \$1,177.31 and 96.--. Pound Sterlings, which we are transferring to your office since we are unable to cash same here. We are crediting ourselves with the transfer of above amounts and are debiting the London Transfer Account. Please acknowledge receipt of checks. The checks are as follows:

U. S. Official Cheques, on account #7733, on the Guaranty Trust Company, signed by C. C. Keely, Lt. Col. FD; dated 30 April, 1944.

#194097, in favor of Capt Austin McD Benton, You #52102.....	\$153.50
#194098, in favor of Lt. Aaron Bank, You #52103.....	\$206.63
#194112, in favor of Lt. Charles J. Gennerich, You #52117.....	\$175.72
#194121, in favor of Capt Cyrus E. Manierre, You #52126.....	\$329.48
#194135, in favor of Lt. Lawrence E. Swank, You #52140.....	\$270.98

All the above checks are endorsed by the payee and by E. W. Fuller, Maj, USMGR

The following are the two personal Pound Sterling checks:

Ck #8025193, on account #7546, Bank of Montreal, dated 12 May, 1944, drawn by J. E. Kiddell in favor of E. M. Austin, in the amount of..... £ 2/10/-
endorsed by payee and E. W. Fuller, Maj, USMGR

Ck #94926, on account #73029, Yorkshire Penny Bank Ltd., dated 8 May, 1944, drawn by William Hower in favor of Lt. Col. Rucker, in the amount of..... £ 93/10/-
endorsed by Lt. Col. Rucker.

Sincerely

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
Special Funds Officer

TRUSFD
281/17/2
2/10/-
93/10/-
377/17/2
4/10/-

London

Western European Section
30 Branch, CSS

20 May 1944.

SUBJECT: Financial Arrangements S.O. Staffs.

TO: Major van der Stricht, Major Canfield.

1. Introduction. I summarize below the financial arrangements made by Major Alcorn and the undersigned for the S.O. Staff with Army Headquarters. Copies of memos and correspondence are available in my files.

2. General. Col. Jackson was appointed Field Special Funds Officer, and can designate one officer in each staff to handle funds. A field account book has been supplied each staff, with a description of the type of entries desired and the type of accounting to be made. The system is a simple one. Conversations were held with C.O.'s of all S.O. Staffs concerning accounting for/expending of funds, and in addition the undersigned has discussed expenditures with IB-officers of First and Third Army Staffs.

3. Restrictions in Use of Funds. A memorandum has been issued by Major Alcorn "Special Funds Regulations for the Field" (for all CSS staff groups) which indicates that -

- 1) Payments are to be made for operational purposes only.
- 2) Statements of agents regarding past expenditures or loans will not be paid, but referred to London.
- 3) Advances will not be made against agents salaries payable in London.
- 4) All disbursements must have the prior approval of the Field Special Funds Officer.
- 5) The Field Special Funds Officer may authorize lump sum payments up to \$1,500 or its equivalent in other currencies without prior approval from London.

4. Supply of Funds.

- 1) Each S.O. Staff Group with an Army Headquarters has been (or will be) supplied with 2,000,000 French francs cash, and no other currency (except a petty cash fund in Sterling for the Staff use in England).

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2) Arrangements have been made for the C.O. of each S.O. Staff Group to draw up to \$5,000 a month cash or its equivalent in other currency in case of emergency from the Finance Officer at Army Headquarters, after prior notice to London. Exchanges of currency with the Finance Officer can be made for other currency, denominations, etc.

3) S.O. Staff groups have been informed of other supplies of emergency funds potentially available with other OSS staffs, Civil Affairs (contact has been made with Col. Claiborne, 21 Army Group) and Intelligence Officers.

4) It is anticipated that S.I. men will be going to Army Staff Headquarters at various times after D-day and will be made couriers for additional funds, if necessary, for S.O. Staffs.

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THOMAS O. UPTON

Approved by Major Robert H. Alcorn, Special Funds Officer.

1) Major Robert H. Alcorn, Special Funds Officer.

2) Advances will not be made without special reference to the field.

3) All disbursements must have the prior approval of the field Special Funds Officer.

4) The field Special Funds Officer will maintain a record of all disbursements in other currencies at those points.

5) This document is to be used as a guide for the field Special Funds Officer.

HEADQUARTERS
2677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
O. S. S. (PROVISIONAL)
A.P.O. 512, U.S. ARMY

file London

15 May, 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS
FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AD
SUBJECT : Transfer of Credit Balance.

1. Lt. Col. Robert P. Pflieger, AUS, deposited with this office twenty thousand (20,000) Algerian Francs or the equivalent of one hundred Pound Sterling. (£ 100.--.) We are debiting our account with this and crediting London for same amount.

2. This will serve as authority for your payment to Lt. Col. Pflieger of one hundred pound sterling. We are giving Col Pflieger a copy of this letter, in case of his arrival in your area before the arrival of this letter.

Sincerely

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
Special Funds Officer

File London

4 May, 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS
FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Letter from Capt. Ford to Mrs. Ford.

1. Enclosed please find a personal letter from Capt. Ford of the British Army to Mrs. V. M. Ford.

2. In this letter Capt. Ford requests his wife to send you his passport so that you can forward it to us here. Please forward the letter to Mrs. Ford in another envelope and give your name and address so she may forward the passport to you. Furthermore upon receipt of pass-port please forward same to this office and acknowledge receipt of same in a letter to Mrs. Ford.

3. Capt. Ford is attached to the chief Finance Officer, NATOUSA, and is planning a trip into neutral country with me next month, so that it is of the utter importance that he receives this passport at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
SPECIAL FUNDS OFFICER

*all memo
from 2-17 May
to 2-24 "*

HEADQUARTERS
677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
O. S. S. (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

file London

29 April 1944

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn
FROM : Lt. David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Mr. Donald Keith

1. We are in receipt of your letter of April 17th re Mr. Donald Keith. Mr. Keith arrived in Algiers and has gone forward to our office in Italy.

2. Due to a theater commanders ruling no personnel in this theater is drawing a per diem but within the next week or so we expect to give the personnel on duty in this theater a ration and quarters allowance from which we will reimburse O.S.S. Would you please clarify the status of Mr. Keith as to his overseas salary or is it all right with you if Mr. Keith draws his requirements and if we transfer these to you either monthly or at the end of his duty in the theater. We understand that there is a possibility of Mr. Keith being permanently transferred to this theater in which case you would transfer his pay account to our office. Please advise.

*NO Pmt
NO alc other*

Sincerely,

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lieut. A. C.
Special Funds Officer

file London

22 April, 1944

TO : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS
FROM : 1st Lt David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Advance Lt. Col. R. P. Pflieger, AUS

1. Lt. Col. R. P. Pflieger accounted to us for thirty (30.--.) Pounds, which were advanced to him by your office.

2. We are transferring this amount to our books from London, and you can credit yourself for this amount as being transferred to Algiers.

Sincerely

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC
Special Funds Officer

U. S. S.
ALLIED ARMIES IN ITALY
APO-777 U. S. ARMY

file London

23 March 1944

To : Major Robert Hayden Alcorn
From : 1st Lt. David C. Crockett, AC

Dear Major Alcorn:

I have a very peculiar request to make of you. Could you arrange to have someone in your office contact my Tailor, J. Hoare and Company, now combined with E. Taetz. They were formerly located at 14 Stratton Street just off Piccadilly by the Ritz but have since moved because of the blitz, to new quarters. I want to order from them a single-breasted suit similar to the one they made for me in 1931 and the price used to be before the war, 13 guineas. They will have my account as I have bought suits from them consistently and my last purchases were made in the Spring of 1940.

I want the suit made exactly according to the measurements of those made with my 1931 order because my last measurements got confused and the suits did not fit as well as the ones I had at that time.

I do not believe there will be any difficulty in coupons or ration points for this purchase if they charge my account in the United States. My address is 298 Marlborough Street, Boston, and I will pay for them there as always. The choice of material I will leave to them, what they have on hand and from what I have ordered from them for the past 15 years. When the suit is completed could you send it by hand to me at Algiers, with the first person coming through.

As you can see I am contemplating a trip to neutral countries and I have nothing but uniforms over here and it is practically impossible to buy anything in Algiers without paying a fortune for it and inferior goods.

I hope this is not too difficult for you to handle and I appreciate very much your helping me. If Hoare will accept payment from you I will re-imburse you from here.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt. AC

File copy
encl. #1081(1)
23 April

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2677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISION)
APO 512, U.S. ARMY

File Capt. Lambert.
22 March 1944

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn
FROM : 1st Lt. F. C. Whitlow, FD
SUBJECT : Captain Robert Lambert

1. Captain Lambert is returning to London in a few days and we are herewith transferring the advances we made to him during his stay here to your office.

2. Captain Lambert was advanced 5,000 francs on December 30, January 3, January 26, February 10, February 22 and March 13, in total 30,000 francs sic \$600. He will account for these advances to you on his return to London.

Sincerely,

F. C. WHITLOW

1st Lt FD

*see memo from
A - 22 Dec. 43*

*see memo from
Alcorn 11 April*

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EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISIONAL)
APO 812, U.S. ARMY

4 March 1944

TO : Colonel William A. Eddy, USMC
FROM : 1st Lt. David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Dollar enclosure

1. Enclosed is the forty dollar bet which Colonel Pflieger paid to this office and which he received from General Holmes. We sent this money on to London to Major Alcorn as we understood you were passing through London on your way here. We will collect now from London for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

DAVID C. CROCKETT
1st Lt AC

FILE LONDON

MAJ. MARTINOT

March 1, 1944

This will acknowledge receipt of
15
French F 15 Louis D'or fifteen
two hundred fifty thousand F 250,000

FROM: David C. Crockett

SIGNATURE: Pierre M. Martinot, Capt. Del.

CASH

PLN

NO.

AUTHORITY

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NAME: MAJ. ALCORN

DATE: 14 FEB. 1944

This will acknowledge receipt of
FRENCH FRANCIS TEN MILLION PF 10,000,000-

FROM: D. C. CROCKETT

FOR: TRANSF.

SIGNATURE: MAJ. ALCORN

CASH

PLN: *Tennis Poney*

NO.

AUTHORITY

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APO 512, U.S. ARMY

26 January 1944

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn
FROM : Lt. David C. Crockett, AC
SUBJECT : Roger Milhaud

1. In reference to your letter of January 20 we consulted Captain De Piolenc on Mr. Milhaud's salary, since Captain de Piolenc was in charge of him when he was in Algiers.

2. Neither Captain de Piolenc nor Lt. Bonnet, his assistant, have any record of any payment for August or September. Since we have no such record either and since Captain de Piolenc thinks that this claim was justified we think it is alright to pay him.

3. We presume that you mean four thousand Algerian Francs and not French Francs.

Sincerely,

DAVID C. CROCKETT

2nd Lt. AC

*see also
encl. to
P. 25 Jan.*

HEADQUARTERS 267TH HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
 EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISIONAL)
 APO 512, U. S. ARMY

FILE:

DATE: 25 January, 1944

SUBJECT: Roger Milhaud

Fill in each column, initial action, and draw a line across the sheet just below initials. Number each memo consecutively in first column. Use entire width of sheet for long memos.

No.	From	To	Date	
1.	D.C. Crockett, Capt. G. 2nd Lt. AC DePolem		1/25/44	<p>1. Attached is letter to this office from our London office, re salary Roger Milhaud.</p> <p>2. We can not find anything pertaining to Mr. Milhaud in our files. The only persons paid by us through you at that time were Beignon and Rouhaud. Does Milhaud perhaps have an alias.</p> <p>3. Please advise us if Milhaud has that money coming to him.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>DC</i></p>
2	<p><i>Ex. Bennett</i> <i>25th Bus</i></p>	<p><i>DC Crockett</i> <i>25th AC</i></p>		<p><i>Milhaud's other name is Martin.</i> <i>His claims seem justified.</i></p>

*See memo
 from a - 20 Jan
 to a - 26 "*

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APO 612, U. S. ARMY

13 January 1944

TO : Major Robert E. Alcorn

FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS

SUBJECT: Advance to Major Stacey B. Lloyd, AUS

1. Lt. Hoagland reports an advance of 100,000 lire (\$1,000) to Major Lloyd on November 9, 1943. Would you please ask Major Lloyd to account for this and notify us when this accounting has been made so that we may close his name off our books.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS

MAJOR AUS

*see memo from
Alcorn - 15 Feb.*

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APO 512, U. S. ARMY

13 January 1944

TO : Major Robert H. Alcorn
FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS
SUBJECT : Ten pounds enclosure

1. Enclosed is a bet paid, I believe, by General Holme through Colonel Pfligger to this office for Colonel Eddy who we understand is now in London. Would you be good enough to forward this money to Colonel Eddy and notify us in your next letter when this payment is made.

Respectfully,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS

MAJOR AUS

ENCLOSURE:
TEN POUNDS

NAME MR. ROBERT BLUM DATE JAN. 4, 1944

LONDON OFFICE This Will Acknowledge Receipt of

FRANCS TWO THOUSAND £ 2,000

FROM J.W. WILLIAMS FOR ADVANCE (LONDON A/c)

SIGNATURE Robert Blum

CASH _____ PER _____

NO. _____ AUTHORITY _____

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2677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U.S. ARMY

29 December 1943

TO : Major E. H. Alcorn
FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS
SUBJECT : Accounting Miss Taylor

1. Miss Taylor arrived here last week and returned
to us the IO & advanced to her by your office

Yours sincerely,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS

MAJOR AUS

*see memo
from a - HCC.*

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EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U.S. ARMY

20 December 1943

TO : Major R. H. Alcorn
FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS
SUBJECT : Accounting

1. We have your letter of December 9 concerning advance made to Lt. Colonel Pflieger and have entered it on our books to be accounted for here.

2. We made an advance of 10,000 Algerian Francs to Mr. James R. Murphy, L-2, before he left Algiers, to be accounted for in London.

3. Going through our books we find that we still have S/Sgt. Albert E. Jolis, Labor Desk, debited with a \$100.- which is the original advance made to him by Washington. Since Sgt. Jolis has moved on to London we trust that he will account for this advance to you.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS

MAJOR AUS

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EXPERIMENTAL (PROVISIONAL)
APC-512 U. S. ARMY

15 December 1943

TO : Major R. E. Alcorn
FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS
SUBJECT : Captain Lena B. Durand, L-2

1. Captain Durand gave us a complete accounting of his debit balance on our books and of 115 pound sterling advanced to him by your office. We are entering this in our books and will close his account.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS
MAJOR AUS

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2677th HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
EXPERIMENTAL, (PROVISIONAL)
APO 612, U. S. ARMY

24 November, 1943.

TO : Capt. ROBERT HAYDEN ALCOCK, AUS
FROM : Major JOHN W. WILLIAMS, AUS
SUBJECT : Pay and Allowances.

1. We are in receipt of your letter of November 9th, concerning Miss Lussier. We have made a note of her advance from your office and that her last salary was through Nov. 6th.

2. P. P. Fano and Hans Jahn, who are now attached to the Labor Desk here, inform us that the International Transport Workers Federation have set up a fund to their credit in a U. S. Bank, from which they are entitled to draw for their salary. Fano claims that he is authorized to draw up to \$500.00 a month and Jahn can draw \$100.00 a month. The total fund is in the vicinity of \$10,000.00.

3. Could you ascertain whether or not arrangements have been made to credit O. S. S. Washington with this amount, and if necessary arrangements have not been made, could you take the necessary steps.

4. The two men arrived here from London last week. Could you consult with George O'Pratt on the above situation and reply by cable to us when their status is clarified.

JOHN W. WILLIAMS
MAJOR AUS

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EXPERIMENTAL, (PROVISIONAL)
APO 512, U. S. ARMY

24 November, 1943

TO : Capt. Robert Hayden Alcorn, AUS.
FROM : Major John W. Williams, AUS
SUBJECT: Accounting.

1. Mr. Robert S. Drake gave us an accounting for an advance made to him by your office. The following is a copy of his travel expenses as covered in his accounting.

Advances.....	\$40.00	
Expenses:-		
Per diem allowance at the rate of \$7.00 per day, as stated in travel orders. Allowance fr Nov 16 to Nov 20 @ \$5.00		\$40.00
	\$40.00	\$40.00

2. We gave Mr. Stacy Lloyd an advance of \$40.--, before he went on to your office, with the understanding that he would account for it with your office. Please notify us when he does, so we can straighten out his account in our books.

JOHN W. WILLIAMS
MAJOR AUS

HEADQUARTERS
EXPERIMENTAL DETACHMENT G-3
(PROVISIONAL)
ALLIED FORCE HEADQUARTERS
APO 512 U. S. ARMY

file London

13 August 1943

To : O.S.S. London - Attention
Finance Officer
From : John W. Williams, Major AUS

Subject: Check on Bank of Montreal

1. Please find enclosed check on Bank of Montreal, London Branch, payable to Col. W. A. Eddy in the amount of 100 pounds, same endorsed by Col. Eddy and likewise, by the writer.

2. Since, in order to have this check honored in North Africa, it is necessary to furnish a duplicate of same, which it is impossible to do at this time, I am sending same on to you requesting that you have Barclays Bank, London, arrange to credit this amount to account of J. W. Williams, Major, Account No. 8708, Barclays Bank (France) Ltd, Algiers, or, if this complicated, cash same and send forward to me equivalent in currency via any member of our personnel proceeding from London to Algiers.

Sincerely,

JOHN W. WILLIAMS

MAJOR AUS

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